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# YCFD Regional Crew Tackles Complex Rescue

(YC) Yellowhead County Fire Department (YCFD) members train tirelessly to be prepared for any emergency in the county. When protecting over 22,000 square kilometres of varied and distant terrain, you never know what to expect—but you best be

prepared for anything when you get the call.

On March 27, 10 YCFD fire fighters put their training to the test when they were called in to respond to two people who had fallen down Pembina River's bank. Initial crews arrived within minutes, and support

crews from throughout the county were immediately en route.

The crews found themselves setting up at midnight in cold, dark, and slippery conditions. Before them was a 30 foot cliff that would have to be carefully navigated. At the bottom of the

cliff were the two people who had been stranded for over 24 hours.

Responding to structure fires is just one facet of YCFD's work. Rope rescue is a very real part of the job and a necessary skill to practice for our fire

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10 YCFD fire fighters put their training to the test recently when they were called in response to two people that had fallen down Pembina River's bank and were stranded for over 24 hours. The rescue involved a 30 foot cliff and required the use of a technical rope team. submitted

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# YCFD Regional Crew Tackles Complex Rescue

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fighters. Luckily, our members throughout the region are thoroughly trained—they quickly assessed the situation and began a setup for a technical rope team rescue.

With the support of their crew, two rescuers rappelled down the sheer cliff and reached the stranded individuals. After a thorough assessment of their condition, rescuers then transferred them to a Stokes Basket—a type of splint stretcher meant to minimize trauma to injured persons.

The team at the top of the cliff began to haul the rescuers with the basketed individuals in tow. Thanks to the

diligence and training of our members, the operation went smoothly, and the two people were soon turned over to EMS.

“Our members dedicate themselves to a profession that requires countless hours of training so that they can be the answer for an occasion such as this,” commented YCFD Fire Chief Albert Bahri. “This is a perfect example of how our fire fighters will respond to any situation when the public calls on them.”

Find out how you can train with the county's finest and serve your community proudly by visiting [www.yhcfirefighters.com](http://www.yhcfirefighters.com).



*Some of the YCFD technical rope team that assisted in the rescue of two people who had fallen down the Pembina River embankment.*

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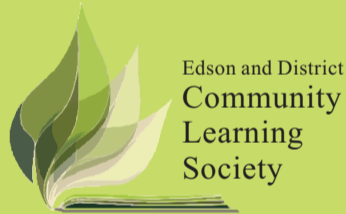
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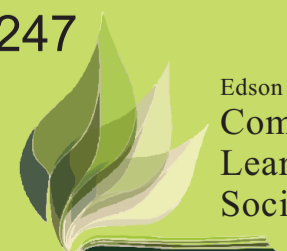
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# Edson welcomes new Town CAO

Town of Edson

Edson Town Council is excited to announce the hiring of a new Chief Administrative Officer for the community. After an extensive search and hiring process, Christine Beveridge has accepted the role, commencing on June 1st, 2021. She takes over from interim CAO Sarah Bittner, who will return to her role as General Manager of Corporate Services.

Edson Mayor Kevin Zahara says Town Council is excited to have the new CAO join the organization and our community. "Christine has extensive experience in municipal government, including roles in Westlock, Parkland County, and Fort Saskatchewan. She is also a part of the AUMA Municipal Governance Committee. Council would also like to thank interim CAO Sarah Bittner for stepping into the role as the hiring process was underway".

With over 20 years of municipal experience, Beveridge brings a wealth of knowledge to the role. Most recently, she served as Chief Administrative Officer for the Town of Lamont.

Beveridge says she is excited to join the Edson team. "Edson has set itself apart as forward-thinking organization that prides itself on a culture of trust. I believe in building a strong collaborative relationship with council, staff, and the community and can't wait to get started."

She adds that she plans to continue to foster an environment that is built on trust, transparency, innovation, and creativity.



Edson Town Council is excited to announce the hiring of Christine Beveridge as the new Chief Administrative Officer for the community. submitted

## New legislation to make it easier for non-profits to support their communities

(AB Gov't release) Bill 58, the Freedom to Care Act, would make it easier for non-profits to access exemptions, allow Alberta's government to grant new one-time regulatory exemptions and provide individual volunteers with liability protections. Non-profits and charitable organizations are governed by regulations, just like businesses. However, regulations for commercial purposes can prevent non-profit organizations from addressing immediate needs in their communities. "Non-profits have helped Albertans make it through some of our province's worst challenges, including the COVID-19 pandemic. This legislation would ensure they can deliver the services Albertans need in a timely manner while encouraging more volunteers to step forward and serve their community," stated Leela Sharon Aheer, Minister of Culture, Multiculturalism and Status of Women.

Non-profits provide crucial supports to Albertans, and will be key to Alberta's recovery and reinvigorating our communities. To help non-profits to perform social

good, several exemptions to regulations currently exist. For example, there are exemptions to limit liability for civil society organizations that accept donated food. These organizations need to focus on helping people instead of navigating complicated regulations. If passed, a central website will be developed to help non-profits identify and access these exemptions for their organizations.

To ensure successful implementation, the minister of Culture, Multiculturalism and Status of Women will also report annually to cabinet on the outcome of exemption requests and when new exemptions may be needed. This will ensure the provisions of the act are producing the expected results, meeting the needs of communities and not putting Albertans at risk.

- Allow cabinet (through order in council) to grant one-time, short-term exemptions for non-profits from government regulations intended for business.

- Require the minister of Culture, Multiculturalism and Status of Women to report annually to cabinet on exemption requests that cannot

be addressed through existing processes or legislation.

- Provide individual volunteers with liability protections.

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# Edson's SmartCovers proving a success

The Town of Edson is finding success with the use of new sensors on specific manhole covers throughout the community.

SmartCover sensors are placed strategically around town to monitor sewer flows and take a proactive approach in mitigating backups.

This strategy has already proved successful as it prevented at least

one possible backup, which was cleared before anyone was affected. Crews are also able to capture rainfall data in inches-per-hour and compare that to the sewer flow. This has been helpful in adjusting the sewer cleaning locations and schedule.

In another case, crews discovered a broken broom handle during a camera inspection as the

SmartCover detected some abnormal rise and fall behaviour. This could have caused some major drainage issues down the road.

Reducing backups has been a

priority and the Town of Edson is excited with the early benefits of this program. Currently there are 5 smart covers in use throughout the community.

## ATA Responds to Draft Curriculum Plans to undertake Independent Review

(ATA) The March 29th release of the long-awaited K-12 draft curriculum kicks off an extensive and in-depth evaluation by the true curriculum experts —teachers. The Alberta Teachers' Association is launching a comprehensive engagement project with active teachers to gather feedback on the proposed curriculum.

"Teachers understand the readiness of young students for different pieces of content and how to bring curriculum to life in the classroom. Our Association and its members are best positioned to provide advice on the successful implementation of new curriculum. To develop a curriculum without incorporating a grassroots, classroom-based understanding of how students learn could set our students up for failure," —Jason Schilling, ATA president.

The project will feature an online questionnaire open to all teachers and principals in Alberta's public education system, including hundreds of elementary subject and grade-level specialists. A number of round-table discussions with subject-matter and curriculum development experts will follow in late spring. The ATA will provide updates and a final report to the government and the public throughout the process.

Schilling also has serious concerns about the minister's expectations for piloting curriculum in the 2021/22 school year.

"We still have a lot of pandemic ahead of us, and our current research shows that 9 out of 10 Alberta teachers are expressing concern about piloting a new curriculum during these uncertain times. What was released today is barely a plan, and certainly not a plan for success," —Jason Schilling, ATA president.

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## TEAM UP. GET MOVING. GET WINNING

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## NOTICE OF DEVELOPMENT

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

| Permit #      | Address/Legal                                | Development Type  | Use           | Date Issued    | Zoning |
|---------------|--|---|---------------|----------------|--------|
| <b>Week 1</b> |  |   |               |                |        |
| 032-2021      | 414 50 Street/Plan 1494 AC; Block 21; Lot 4  | Sign, Except Billboard – Fascia Sign                    | Permitted     | March 30, 2021 | C-1    |
| 031-2021      | 6916 4 Ave/Plan 780 HW; Block 3; Lot 2       | Sign, Except Billboard – Free Standing Sign             | Permitted     | March 31, 2021 | GSI-C  |
| 033-2021      | 5202 2 Ave/Plan 042 4578; Block 1; Lot 5     | Change of Use, Signs (fascia x4, Free Standing Sign x2) | Discretionary | March 31, 2021 | C-1    |
| <b>Week 2</b> |  |   |               |                |        |
| 029-2021      | 5514 17 Ave/Plan 972 2264; Block 19; Lot 56A | Accessory Building - Greenhouse                         | Permitted     | March 23, 2021 | R-1B   |
| 030-2021      | 53113 RR 180/SW-7-53-17-W5                   | Accessory Building – Kennel + surveillance suite        | Discretionary | March 25, 2021 | UR     |

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



## The Weekly ANCHOR

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## Volunteer Appreciation Week

Volunteer Appreciation Week is coming April 18-24, 2021.

Views & News  
by Deanna Mitchener

There are many things happening in Edson to celebrate all of the dedicated and hard working individuals that make our community what it is. Just like April showers bring May flowers, volunteers help to make Edson bloom.

It is important to recognize volunteers, groups, and agencies who work hard and contribute to the vibrant community of Edson. To help show our appreciation community members can nominate a volunteer or volunteer group for a Volunteer Award. It is free to and takes only a few minutes!

Volunteers will be recognized at the Virtual Awards Ceremony on April 22nd at 7p.m. with Keynote speaker Phil Callaway, an award winning author. Nomination information can be found at [edson.ca/volunteer](http://edson.ca/volunteer).

The categories are Business Leader, Biggest Heart, Social Innovator, Emerging Leader (designed for youth), Community Leader and Long-Term Service. Award winners will be recognized at the award

ceremony and will receive a glass award, new this year. "We hope to continue

the Volunteer Awards from this point forward, as an important way to recognize the backbone of our community, volunteers," says Ali Broda, Community Development Coordinator.

Volunteer agencies and organizations are encouraged to get in touch to request gift packages for their volunteers. "Edson FCSS is giving away limited amounts of seed packets and umbrellas, embracing the theme for this year. We have also partnered up with Yellowhead Florists to offer 50% off a small potted plant for volunteers April 19-24," says Broda. Coupons can be accessed by emailing [alicjab@edson.ca](mailto:alicjab@edson.ca).

Join in to help Celebrate Volunteer Week and let's recognize those who spend their time making our community great! For more information about Volunteer Week head to [www.edson.ca/volunteer](http://www.edson.ca/volunteer)

Volunteers make such a huge difference to others and our community. Here is a chance to help them feel special!

Edson RCMP Occurrences  
for the week of  
March 22-29, 2021

Between March 22-29, 2021, nine traffic complaints topped the list of Edson RCMP investigations. Other investigations included: 2 Alarms/False Alarm; 5 Assault; 8 Assistance Calls; 1 Fraud; 2 Lost/Found Property; 5 Mischief or Damage; 6 Mental health; 9 Suspicious Persons or Vehicles; 6 Theft Complaints; 3 Traffic Collisions; 1 Trespassing; 1 Uttering Threats Against Person; and 7 Wellbeing Checks.

## Letter to the Editor:

## Aeros owner welcomes fact-based discussion regarding former coach

Over the last year there has been talk in our community about the professional behavior of The Aero's former coach, Bernie Lynch. Complaints were made about Mr. Lynch's sometimes hard-edged approach on the ice and his tendency to be verbally direct. Mr. Lynch was with the Aeros for two years and when his contract expired in 2020, and given the uncertainty of things with COVID, we opted not to extend his term. Our decision was not based on accusations. As president of our proud team I always have – and always will – take any and all input very seriously.

In an email I sent to our billeted parents last week I noted how very important it is that our team leaders, and valued community partners, act with integrity and professionalism. Our players need to feel safe and respected. To that end, as soon as complaints were received steps were taken to address the issues immediately and directly, including involvement by WSHL Commissioner, Ron White. It is also important to realize that Mr. Lynch quickly acknowledged his role, verbally and in writing, and made a commitment to adapt his approach. I can also

confirm publicly that improvement in Mr. Lynch's conduct was noted by numerous people, including by game officials.

Let me be very clear; inappropriate behavior – of any type and at any time – is never acceptable. But, it is also important to recognize that I and others could only take action on what we knew to be true. To that end we spoke with many people involved and immediately committed to provide full cooperation and assistance with further investigation of the concerns by the league, Safe Sport and the AAU/UHU. There was as much transparency, timeliness and integrity as we could bring to the situation. I can honestly say that the club collectively, and me personally, did what we thought was both responsible and accountable.

Some of you may have heard that after leaving

us Mr. Lynch was hired by the Fort Frances Lakers. I can only assume that club undertook the same level of diligence in hiring him that we had originally done, and I obviously cannot comment on any decisions made since then by the Lakers. For the sake of the club and for everyone involved I welcome any constructive, balanced and fact-based conversation about the past, and more importantly, our continued success for the future. We have a great team representing a great community. I am honoured to sponsor this source of pride for Edson and our broader community.

Axel Axmann, MSc.FSM, CPPA  
President/General Manager  
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# GYPSED: 2020/2021 Transportation User Fees waived

(GYPSED) The Board of Trustees approved the waiver of all transportation fees for the 2020/2021 school year at the Public Board Meeting on March 24, 2021.

The Board recognized the financial hardship that many families experienced over the last twelve months. Transportation user fees are in place to offer services to our families, and we are happy to provide

them as long as there is no impact to the funding that the Division receives for learning from Alberta Education, noted Brenda Rosadiuk, Board Chair and Trustee for the communities of Niton Junction, Wildwood, and Evansview.

Because of the ongoing pandemic, the cost of running transportation this year was significantly lower than previous years and lower than last

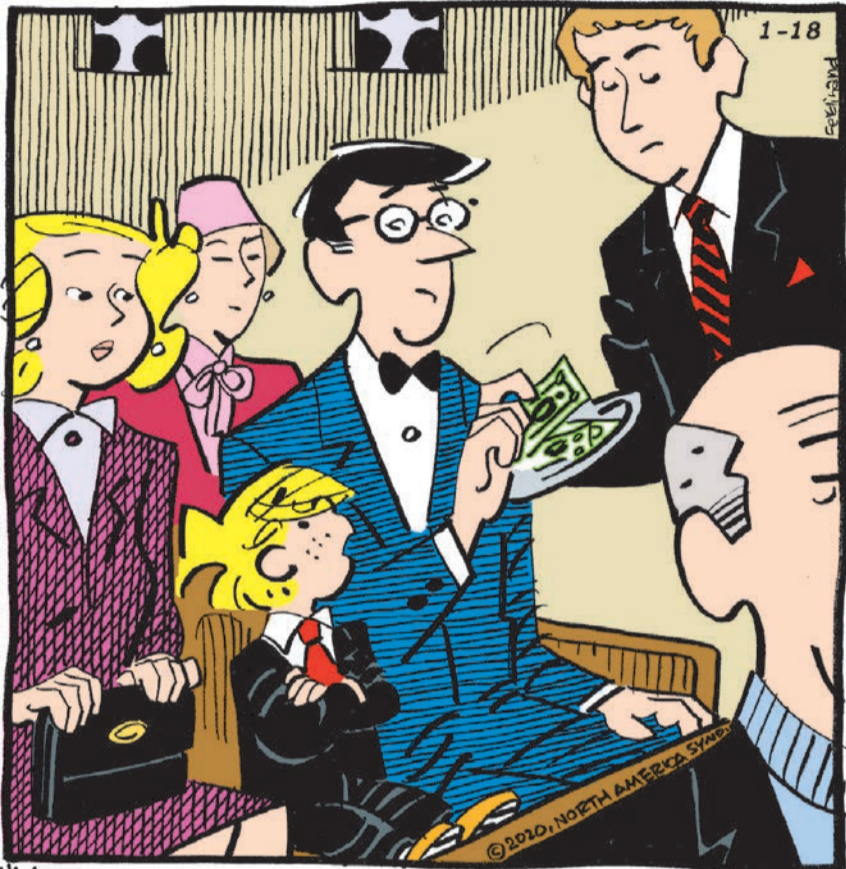
spring's projections, so we can afford to waive the fees for this current school year.

As per Board Policy 17, the Board annually approves transportation user fees to offer a range of unfunded services. Alberta Education provides transportation funding only to school jurisdictions for eligible riders to their designated school.

User fees are needed to cover transportation services that are not funded by the province including School of Choice for families who choose to attend a different school from their designated school; Alternate Second Seat for families

who request a second seat be held reserved on a different bus; Ineligible for families who live less than 2.4 kms from their designated school; and Transportation out of Division for families who reside within the GYPSED boundary but request transportation to attend school in another school division. In addition to the waiver of user fees for the 2020/2021 school year, the Board also approved a motion to not raise fees for the 2021/2022 school year.

Families who have paid their transportation fees for this school year can expect a refund by the end of April.



### Pet of the Week

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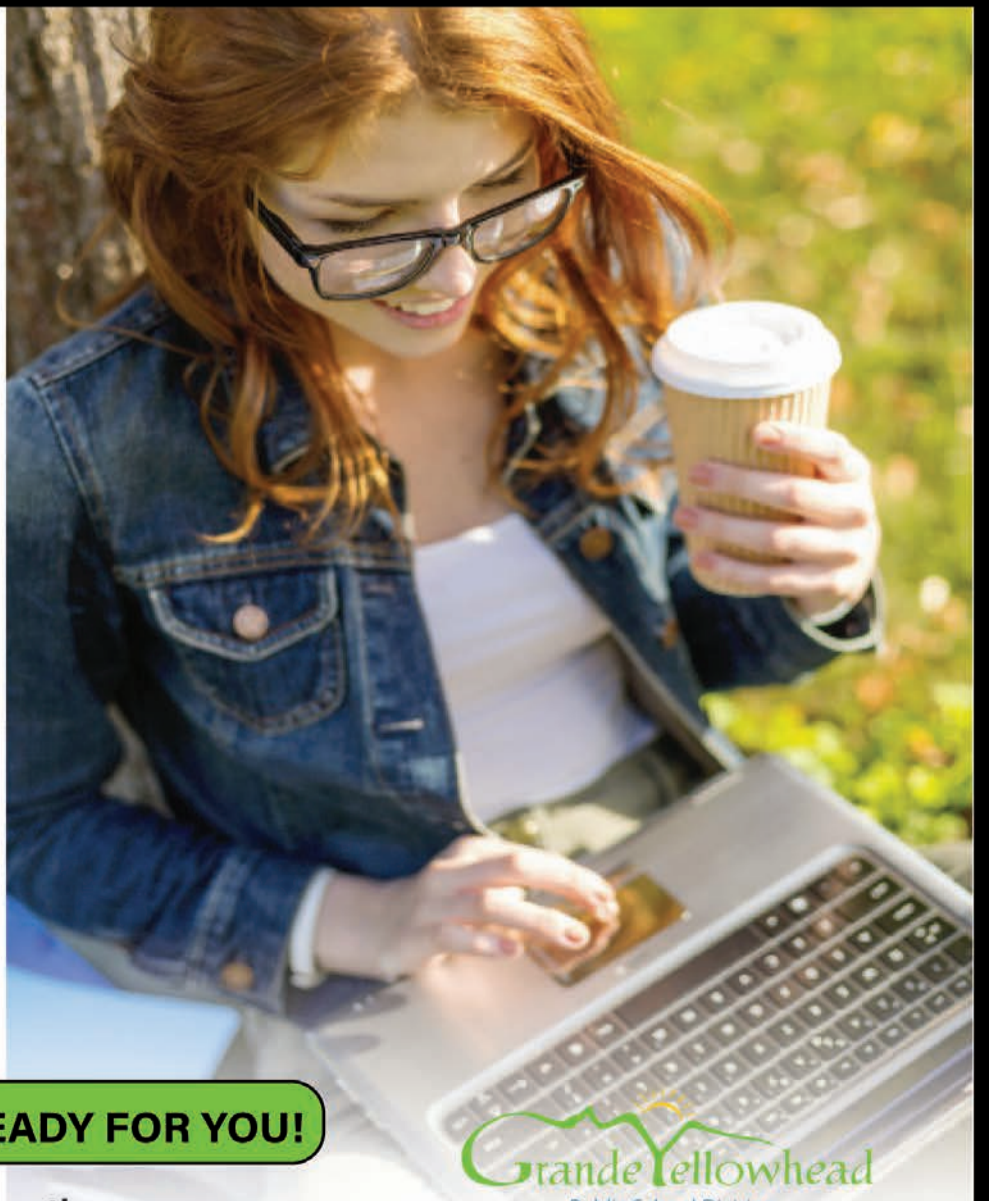
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# County Council to consider new Tax Agreement Policy

by Shaylyn Thornton

At the March 23 Yellowhead County Council Meeting, Director of Corporate & Planning Services Barb Lyons approached Council for the consideration of a new Non-Residential Property Tax Agreement Policy.

With Council's approval, Administration would prepare a policy to set terms applicable to any non-residential property tax payment agreements that Council would then be able to vote to implement at a further meeting. Council was presented with background information during their 2021 Final Budget discussion of March 18.

The new policy would only affect non-residential property tax agreements. Approximately 5% of the municipal tax levy comes from residential property tax, whereas the other 95% comes from non-residential property tax. Tax payments are due in June each year.

Despite being aware of tax deadlines, several companies have come to the County each year after the deadlines asking for penalty-free deferred tax agreements. Some have requested penalty-free agreements for up to a 12-month period after the due date.

County Administration expects that this will occur again in 2021, and therefore have suggested a policy be put in place to be able to firmly deal with such requests. A second tax penalty rate bylaw would also need to be implemented.

The current tax penalty bylaw (Bylaw 07.19) provides for a penalty of 6% to be applied to the unpaid tax in any current given year if the taxes remain unpaid on the due date. "This bylaw will remain in place and is applicable to any ratepayer with an unpaid tax levy on the due date if they have not entered into a formal tax payment agreement with Council," said Lyons.

It is now being proposed that if a ratepayer approaches Council proactively, in advance of the tax deadline, they could enter into an agreement with a lesser rate of penalty on any unpaid taxes after the due

date. It is also proposed that any tax agreement would follow the same term as the tax year, and all taxes would be required to be paid in full by December 31 of the year of the agreement. Any potential agreements would still have to be presented to and voted on by Council.

This policy would mean that ratepayers coming with their hands out after the fact would, by policy, be subject to the 6% penalty on any unpaid tax agreements, and only those acting proactively would be subject to a lesser rate. It is proposed that no penalty-free plans on tax agreements after the deadline would be made "in order to offset any financial impact to the County".

Councillor Anthony Giezen said it was an "absolute" that any agreement would have to be paid before the end of the tax year. He also wanted to ensure that the County would not be in a negative position if the policy were created. "I don't want to see somebody taking advantage of the rest of the taxpayers with this policy," he said.

Lyons made it clear that creating a policy and a second tax penalty bylaw is only to "set parameters." "It in no way, shape, or form guarantees an agreement," she said, as companies making the request would still have to come before Council and present their case for a lesser-penalty tax agreement.

"Thank you for offering to set parameters that we can use as guidelines as we go forward," said Councillor Penny Lowe, acknowledging that she appreciated the clarity that Council would be able to say no to proposed agreements.

"I support this completely," said Councillor Sandra Cherniawsky. "I think this is a very good thing for Council to have and I think it really gives us a firm footing when it comes to these companies."

Council voted to allow Lyons and Administration to prepare a potential policy and second tax penalty bylaw. They will be presented at a future meeting.

# Sasquatch Program encourages recreationists to #LeaveItPristine

by Shaylyn Thornton

Camping season is almost upon us and Yellowhead County is continuing to find ways to educate and engage both residents and visitors to the area with their Sasquatch Program.

Yellowhead County has partnered with Clearwater County for the Sasquatch Program since June of 2015, and their Welcome to Our Backyard Campaign has helped bring awareness and education for the protection and improvement of the environment relating to recreation in Yellowhead County.

The campaign also promotes local recreation and tourism. Other municipal partners such as Brazeau County, Mountain View County, and MD of Greenview have also helped further the reach of the campaign.

Over the past six years, Yellowhead County has seen an influx of visitors – a number that saw an even larger jump this past summer due to the increased number of "stay-cations" caused by the Covid-19 pandemic.

Yellowhead County is expecting a large number of visitors this camping season as well, making the importance of the campaign even greater, as increased camping and other outdoor recreational usages can lead to more garbage, degradation of the natural environment, and risk of wildfires.

The campaign targets people in a number of ways, utilizing print advertisements, billboards, social media, visitor information centres, and more. These advertisements are done not only on a local level, but provincially and cross-border as well.

One such billboard that may have been spotted featured program mascot 'Sasquatch' saying, "Be Like Me, Don't Leave A Trace!"

On social media, a Welcome To Our Backyard page found at @SaskyDaSasquatch offers fun and engaging content for participants such as photo contests or a "Spot the Sasquatch" activity.

Visitors and residents have also been able to participate on social media by taking pictures of themselves in the area and tagging it with "Find It Clean #LeaveItPristine", a slogan that has been gaining in popularity.

The Sasquatch Program also takes the opportunity to promote public safety, with signage in different areas of the County encouraging preparedness. One such group of signs targets "River Explorers" and gives important tips and rules for using the river safely, as well as suggested items that someone should have with them before getting on the river.

The signs have also been tagged with numbers marking different locations, so that users can better be aware of where they have entered or exited the river in the event of an emergency.

Yellowhead County Communications Coordinator Stefan Felsing presented the current state of the program and campaign to County Council on March 18 at their Governance & Priorities Committee meeting and encouraged a discussion on the future priorities of the program.

"This is a really good program and I really like it," said Councillor Lavone Olson, asking if Council members could make suggestions for "problem spots" in the County that could use signage.



"That would be great to get that input," said Felsing. Other Councillors echoed how valuable the program is, with Councillor Dawn Mitchell saying, "I love the program. It just makes me smile."

Councillor David Russell complimented Felsing on the program's messaging so far and encouraged continuing to grow and expand on the work they've done so far.

"Education is key. We need to hammer the message home, we really need to up our game a bit," said Russell. "The numbers going in on the river is a fantastic concept. I think some of our busier areas away from rivers, where we have lots of people going in, we could do pin drops and do a numbered sign there and say, 'Write down this number because if you get lost in the bush, when you call emergency services, quote this number.'"

"These kinds of concepts are invaluable. We need to drive home the message that we all need to start taking care of our wildlands together or we risk losing them and losing the use of it," Russell said. He also suggested putting up example pictures of Dos and Don'ts regarding recreating in the County.

Following the meeting, Felsing spoke positively about Council's input on the program. "It was great to hear that Council is still very supportive of this project and sees the benefits of this type of education campaign. I think the recommendation of increased signage in high-traffic and well-utilized recreation and problem areas was a good direction from Council," he said. "The suggestion of the use of photos of illegal usage as part of this educational campaign can be implemented in a very practical way. It will help people quickly see what is not considered appropriate or legal use of recreational land."

Felsing also said that a 'Visit Us Again Sign' will likely be implanted this year or next, that will "thank visitors for doing their part to help keep our backyard beautiful and pristine."



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## EARTH DAY 5K: Virtual Edition

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These virtual (Zoom) sessions will be led by certified sleep consultant Nicole Priddle with Wee Sleep Solutions and will cover a variety of topics specific to the child's age and developmental stage.

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| <b>Newborn Series (expectant parents - 3 months):</b><br>Registration Deadline: April 13 | Monday, April 19<br>8:00 - 9:00 PM    |
| <b>Infant/Toddler Series (3 months - 2.5 years):</b><br>Registration Deadline: April 15  | Wednesday, April 21<br>8:00 - 9:00 PM |
| <b>Preschool Series (3 - 5 years):</b><br>Registration Deadline: April 20                | Monday, April 26<br>8:00 - 9:00 PM    |

Registration required (space is limited): Call 780-325-3782/1-800-814-3935 or email [jtruemner@yellowheadcounty.ab.ca](mailto:jtruemner@yellowheadcounty.ab.ca). Zoom link to be emailed after registration.



## Spring Wreath Making



Includes supplies and instructions to make your own spring floral wreath. Hurry, limited quantities available!

Cost: \$25 (to be paid during registration). Call 780.723.4800 to register before April 9.

## Do you have family, friends, or loved ones in the Evansburg Cemetery?

New Bylaw No. 14.20 clarifies Yellowhead County's ability to manage and control the cause of maintenance problems and looks to reduce specific issues through the use of clear guidelines.

Changes in the new Bylaw to allow for easier maintenance include:

- Stoppage of breakable decorations in the cemetery (glass, china, earthen materials).
- Removal of tributes and designs placed on the ground after a five-day funeral period.
- Requirement for decorations to be attached to monument/headstone and off grass.
- Removal of items in the cemetery in disrepair.

We ask that family, friends, and caretakers make arrangements to move or remove any tributes or decorations so that they conform to the new bylaw by **Monday May 3, 2021**.



## Approved Development Permits have been issued authorizing the following:

| Permit No. | Location  | Proposal   | Date      |
|------------|---|--|-----------|
| D21-029    | Plan 9321785, Blk 1, Lot 35A NE 05-47-23-W5 Cadomin               | Accessory Building (Garage) – Variance for Height and Front Yard Setback with Secondary Suite External – Discretionary | Mar 18/21 |
| D21-028    | Plan 0324530, Blk 1, Lot 1 SW 32-51-24-W5 East River Road         | Discretionary Use – Home Occupation (Major) - Yoga Studio (Variance for 3rd Accessory Building)                        | Mar 18/21 |
| D21-034    | Plan 482CH, Lot C SE 30-53-07-W5 Evansburg                        | Accessory Building   | Mar 18/21 |
| D21-030    | Plan 1123207, Blk 1, Lot 3 NW 16-50-26-W5 Jasper – Hinton Airport | Recreation (Intensive) – Airplane Hanger   | Mar 23/21 |
| D21-031    | NW 17-55-07-W5 Evansburg Area                                     | Manufactured Home  | Mar 23/21 |
| D31-032    | SW 27-53-10-W5 Chip Lake Area                                     | Existing Manufactured Home – Additional (Discretionary) with Addition (Covered Deck)                                   | Mar 23/21 |
| D21-036    | Plan 7921188, Lot 27 SW 14-49-21-W4 Robb                          | Accessory Building (Garage)  | Mar 23/21 |
| D21-033    | SE 28-54-08-W5 Hwy 22 Area  | Accessory Building (Garage)  | Mar 24/21 |
| D21-035    | NE 16-54-15-W5 Rosevear Area                                      | Home Occupation (Major) – Farm Stand Sales   | Mar 24/21 |
| D21-014    | Plan 9620365, Lot 1 SW 14-53-16-W5 East of Edson                  | Two Recreational Cabins  | Mar 25/21 |
| D21-037    | SE 26-54-16-W6 Dreston Area                                       | Manufactured Home  | Mar 25/21 |
| D21-038    | Plan 2022012, Blk 2, Lot 13 NE 15-49-21-W5 Robb                   | Accessory Building (Shed)  | Mar 26/21 |
| D21-039    | Plan 7822944, Blk 2, Lot 10 NE 27-53-09-W5 Wildwood               | Accessory Building (Garage)  | Mar 30/21 |
| D21-040    | NW 12-53-08-W5 Evansburg Area                                     | Single Detached Dwelling & Storage Container - Discretionary   | Mar 30/21 |
| D21-041    | Plan 482CH, Blk 4, Lot 9 SE 30-53-07-W5 Evansburg                 | Addition to Retail Establishment   | Mar 30/21 |
| D21-042    | Plan 1120072, Blk 1, Lot 4A NE 30-51-24-W5 East River Road        | Single Detached Dwelling with Covered Porch and Covered Patio and Attached Garage                                      | Mar 30/21 |

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

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



# Holy Redeemer School Awards

(HRH) Holy Redeemer loves showcasing the amazing achievements of their students. One such way is when they hand special awards for the outstanding work their students do in athletics, fine arts, citizenship and academics.

Each and every year, Holy Redeemer hosts a special Awards Ceremony. Due to the COVID-19 restrictions, HRH was unable to hold an actual Awards Ceremony, so they got creative and announced the recipients during the morning announcements.

“We knew we wanted to recognize the work of our students,” says Principal Betty Churchill. “All of them worked so hard that they need to be acknowledged. Our students have seen so many activities restricted or cancelled, and we didn't want them to lose out on this too.”

Over the last few weeks, the HRH Administration took the time to announce different recipients on the PA for their work during the 2019-2020 school year.

“We made sure that all of the students that are currently attending HRH this year were recognized,” says Awards Organizer Andrea Hallett who added that recipients would receive either a physical award or a cheque. “Of course, all of the awards would not be possible without the generous contributions of our business community who sponsored each and every award.”

Within the category of Athletics, the different coaches of the teams selected their Most Valuable Players. Then students were selected for Male and Female Athlete of the Year. The two recipients of this prestigious award in junior high were Pacen Bowman and Madison Materi.

The next category announced was Fine Arts. Here, four students were selected as Outstanding Drama Students: Danielle Bittner, Jesse Cesario, Cassie Pilon, and Cody Van Beek. The Visual Arts award was awarded to Laura Van Dyk.

A new award, and one that is very special to the HRH Family is the O'DaviDesign Art Scholarship. This scholarship, worth \$1000, is named after HRH Graduate Jairus Davi-Digui, who was a very loved and respected student, and a devoted artist who worked hard at his craft. After high school, Jairus continued to post-secondary to pursue a career in video game development. Sadly, he passed away in 2019 after a long and brave battle with severe depression and persistent suicidal ideation. This award lives on his name as HRH remembers who Jairus was and the positive impact he had on our school community, and it is given to a student who is enriched by the arts and shares this love of art with others. This year, the award recipient was Josh Laurin. Art Teacher Sandy Fedorak commented, “The Art Department is very proud of Josh and the work that he does in our program. We are also grateful to the Davi-Digui family who funds this award. Jairus is so fondly remembered and cherished by everyone at HRH.”

Citizenship is something that HRH emphasizes as



This year, Holy Redeemer had to get creative to hand out their annual awards to students for their work during the 2019-2020 school year. Over the past few weeks the School Administration announced the award recipients during the morning announcements. Here, the recipients of the Outstanding Drama Student Awards stop for a photo with their new hardware that they will proudly showcase on their fireplace mantles: Danielle Bittner, Cassie Pilon, Cody Van Beek, and Jesse Cesario.

that is a key part of fostering a student's growth in a faith-filled atmosphere. The two recipients of the Faculty Award, given to the students who consistently achieve near the top of their class and display a positive attitude in keeping with the school philosophy, were Josina Kennedy and Cassie Pilon.

In the academics category, the school recognized all junior high students who maintained an overall average of 85% or higher in their four core subjects. In addition, the top two highest academic students in all grades are awarded money for their hard work: (grade 7) Anne Bernadette Napoles and Aerice Jagorin, (grade 8) James Calder and Allison Giroux, (grade 9) April Aclan and Shawn Williams, (grade 10) Diana Pedrajas and Alyssa Vankosky, and (grade 11) Mekha George and Jaci Knight.

Usually the Awards Ceremony also includes awarding scholarships and awards to graduated

students as they pursue their post-secondary careers. “We still ensured that all of our grads received their rightful awards and scholarships to assist them in their future endeavours,” says Hallett.

And now the awards have been handed out, the Awards Committee looks to next year in the hopes that our school community can gather together once again to celebrate the amazing students at HRH. If you know of any business that may be interested in sponsoring an award and/or scholarship, please contact the school office.

For a complete list of award recipients and sponsors, go to [holyredeemerhigh.ca](http://holyredeemerhigh.ca).

If you would like more information on this article please feel free to contact the school at 780-723-7437 or [holyredeemerhigh.ca](http://holyredeemerhigh.ca). Feel free to visit our Facebook page, “Holy Redeemer High School” or our Twitter account: [@holyredeemerhigh](https://twitter.com/holyredeemerhigh).

## Easter Blessings



May this blessed time of year bring peace and joy to you and your family!

“Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live.” John 11:25



## KID'S CORNER



This is 11 year old K.J Brown. K.J is a Grade 5 student at Vanier school. His favorite activities are hunting with his dad, camping, and sleepovers at his Nana's - who is thankfully a part of their cohort group! K.J's favorite books are the Diary of a Wimpy Kid collection, and his favorite thing to eat is popcorn in the movie theater. His favorite memory in the last year was getting to kayak at Kelly's Bathtub by Hinton. K.J also loves his two chihuahuas, Oreo and Ginger.



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# Vision Park Well and Washroom Building

**Edson, Alberta, March 31** – A new Well and Washroom Facility is coming to Vision Park.

The Town of Edson has received approval from the Government of Alberta to use \$1.1 Million in Federal Gas Tax Funds for the Project.

Federal Gas Tax funds are distributed to provincial governments which allocate the funds to all municipalities. This funding, along with the \$300,000 contribution from The Trans Mountain Expansion Project, will ensure the project moves ahead this year. The treatment facility will allow the town to tie-in a high producing water well on the east end of Edson, improving water security for east-end residents and major consumers including the local mill and hospital. It will also provide washrooms and a tournament central building for Adult Slo-pitch, Minor Ball and other users at Vision Park.

Edson Mayor Kevin Zahara says this project fulfills some important strategic priorities for Town Council. “Those priorities include ensuring a vibrant and healthy community and addressing our water needs in a financial and environmentally sustainable way. Vision Park is an important asset in our community, and this is an important piece of a larger plan to revitalize the ball facility.”

MLA Martin Long is also excited for the project to move forward. “Edson has taken a creative and innovative approach by combining two facilities into one, enhancing what the community can provide to its residents. This project will create much needed construction jobs and provide opportunities for the community to once again host major ball tournaments which will bring economic spin-offs to the community.”



Edson Mayor Kevin Zahara (right) and MLA Martin Long at Vision Park where a new well and washroom building will soon be built with a donation from Trans Mountain and funds from the Federal Gas Tax Fund.

## ~ Obituary ~

### Elizabeth (Beth) Ruth Rimell



Beth passed away peacefully at the age of Age 90 in Edson, Alberta on March 22, 2021 at 11am in the Edson Hospital (Continuing Care Unit), with her daughter and grand daughter by her side.

Beth was born January 4th, 1931 in Calgary Alberta to parents Arthur and Lucy Noble. Beth was the second child born with an older brother Jim and two younger sisters Peggy and Jean Ann. Beth Married Glenn Welsh in Calgary Alberta August 9th, 1952 and had three daughters Patty, Nancy and Judy. Beth was mainly a home maker but had many jobs later in life including a bus driver and a nanny. Beth lived in Calgary until 1987 and then headed west to Chase BC where she lived at her beloved Cabin at Adams Lake. Beth met her second husband Richard Rimell and they lived in Enderby BC until Beth was diagnosed with cancer and moved to Edson Alberta to be closer to family in 2000. Beth was known for her love of singing, growing up her father would often play the piano and the family would sing together. She passed on this love to her children and grandchildren, on family trips they would sing the whole way not turning on the radio once the whole trip. Beth was very proud of her Scottish heritage and taught the family songs and sayings she learned from her father.

Most of all Beth was an amazing survivor and fought and won against three different cancers, one resulted in brain surgery, one was a breast removal and finally oral cancer. She had multiple hip replacement surgeries and later in life mini strokes that left her blind in one eye and deaf in one ear, but nothing could take away her spirit, graciousness, kindness and love of life and her family, even through dementia toward the end of her life. Beth was the mother, Grandmother, great grandmother, friend, family member we all aspire to be and we will feel the loss of her loving and kind presence always. Beth gave us a legacy of family, love, singing and dancing which we will continue on all that she taught and gave us.

Beth is survived by her three daughters: Patty Michael (Laird) of Riverhurst, Saskatchewan Nancy Welsh of Campbell River British Columbia and Judy Klyne of Edson, Alberta.

6 grandchildren: Maureen Scovile (Curtis), Black Creek BC, Michelle Klyne, Calgary AB, Jennifer Delorme (Kevin), Edson AB, Ken Michael (Leslie), Edmonton, AB, Lindsey Klyne, Drayton Valley, AB and Shawn Michael, Edmonton AB.

12 great grandchildren: Kianna, Kayley, Leah, Sarah, Kaden, Liam, Nona, Tristen, Zoey, Domino, Ethan and Zackery.

Siblings: Peggy Holmes, Edmonton, AB and Jean Ann Mahan (Jack), Vancouver BC,

As well as many nieces and nephews, great nieces and great nephews, sister in law Shirley Noble, brother in law Jack Mahan and many friends.

Predeceased by: Glenn Welsh, Richard Rimell, Jim Noble, Arthur Noble and Lucy Noble.

There will be no service, as Beth asked for a celebration of life at a later date. Foothills memorial Chapel is in charge of arrangements. You can call Judy at 780-712-3843 for more information. Donations can be made in leu for flowers to Canadian Cancer Society in Beth's name.

The family would like to thank the nurses, home care, Administration, and Staff at the Edson Hospital Continuing Care Unit, and Dr Zdrill for your wonderful care of Beth.

Until We Meet Again  
We will think of you always,  
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## OBITUARIES

### ~ Obituary ~

#### Dan (Robert Daniel) Jenkins



Dan (Robert Daniel) Jenkins passed away on March 26 at Kelowna General Hospital, 22 days after suffering a major stroke. At 88 years of age, he lived a long, fulfilled life.

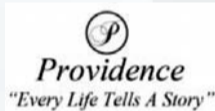
Dan grew up in Grassland, Alberta, one of 10 children in a large farming family. He hunted, fished and trapped from a young age, and always loved the outdoors. He worked for many years for Alberta Forestry Service, and was very proud of the work he accomplished. He was very proud of the work he did. In 1988 he took early retirement, and he and Martha moved to Peachland. They continued to make major hunting trips up north, as well as fishing and camping trips, which they had done for many years.

His witty sense of humour, and endless 'life' stories were enjoyed by many.

He is survived by his wife, Martha; their children, Chris (Lyle), Craig (Bonnie), Suzanne (Alrik), Kathy (Doug), Lori (Mark) and Corinne; 10 grandchildren; 12+ great grandchildren; his sister, Jewel and brother, Fred. Also, Margaret, Andy and family, and many great friends. COVID has made it impossible to gather. A Memorial Mass was held on Monday, April 5 at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church in West Kelowna. The recording of the service is available to be watched at [www.ololwestkelowna.com](http://www.ololwestkelowna.com). Donations can be made to Our Lady of Lourdes Church, West Kelowna or to the Peachland Sportsmen's Association.

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## Budget 2021

West Yellowhead MLA  
Martin Long



Our government recently introduced Budget 2021. This Budget is one that strives to protect both the Lives and Livelihoods of Albertans. This Budget is ambitious as it includes historic spending on health and economic recovery files.

Budget 2021 invests a historic amount into Alberta's health care system, with an increase of more than 4% from last year's budget. A major part of the increase has to do with increased spending for COVID-19 response efforts as we continue to ensure our health system functions properly. This includes securing vaccine supply, the appropriate facilities to inoculate, as well as PPE to keep our frontline health care workers safe. While we are relying on the Federal government for supply, we will continue to identify Alberta made solutions for procuring and possibly developing vaccines in the province. It is important to note that this investment represents the most ever spent on health care by any government in Alberta's history.

While healthcare is an important part of Budget 2021, creating jobs, preparing for an economic recovery, and maintaining responsible spending are equally important in our Budget.

Budget 2021's Capital Plan invests \$20.7 billion over three years. Through targeted investments, this plan will support more than 50,000 direct and 40,000 in-direct jobs that Albertans can rely

on to support themselves and their families. By targeting projects and developments that are shovel-ready, our government is providing opportunities for Albertans to get back to work.

The Capital Plan includes funding for 41 projects that will directly improve the infrastructure, education system, provincial parks, justice institutions, and other important elements of Alberta's society that we all rely on.

Finally, this affirms our commitment to align spending with that of other comparable provinces. Going forward, our spending will be anchored to sound fiscal principles that will put us back on a path to a balanced budget. We will keep our debt-to-GDP ratio below 30% which will allow us to gradually bring our spending in-line with other provinces like BC, Saskatchewan, and Ontario. While we have had to delay our timeline to eliminate the deficit due to the pandemic response, coupled with a global recession that has hurt many industries—we are confident these responsible fiscal principles will get us back on track.

This Budget is a representation of our government's commitment to the people of Alberta. A commitment to dealing with the now, while preparing our path for the future.

I look forward to the coming weeks and months when I will have more details on specific budget implications for West Yellowhead.

### ~ Obituary ~

#### Eleanor May Miller (Goodwin)

May 5, 1930 – March 26, 2021

Eleanor peacefully passed away in Mayerthorpe, AB on March 26th, 2021 at the age of 90yrs. She was born on May 5th, 1930 in Clandeboye, Man. She was predeceased by her mother Primrose in 1971 and her father George in 1975, as well as her big brother Tom in February 2006.



Eleanor is survived by her best friend and loving husband of 67 years, Garry, from Edson, AB, her son Bob from Edson, AB, son Glen (Rose) from Dollard, Sask., son Greg (Tammy) from Edson, AB and Christine (Rocky, Ryder + Rosie), from Edson, AB.

She is also survived by her 2 big sisters, Alice Grandquillot from Sask., and Hazel Percy from BC., as well as grandchildren, greatgrandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Many stories and memories were shared with us from her sisters Alice and Hazel.

Eleanor was recognized for her many contributions to the community, the local Thrift Shop and Edson Farmer's Market, where she definitely showed her baking talent.

She was also a very gifted quilter and made many quilts for charities, auctions and the Ronald McDonald House in Edmonton. She was a very strong supporter of the community, participating in local activities. We will deeply miss Mom's "Apple Salad" at our family gatherings.... That was the best and she was very proud of that recipe.

*Rest in Peace, Mom, you can now do some quilting with your Mom! We love you!*

If friends desire, memorial donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Society (Alberta and Northwest Territories), 10531 Kingsway Ave, Edmonton, AB T5H 4K1

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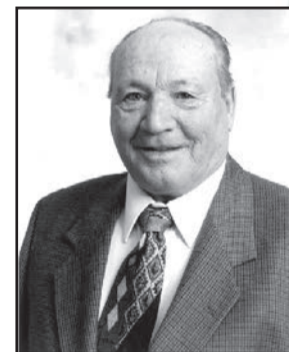
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### ~ Obituary ~

#### Marc Baudin

September 25, 1929 - March 23, 2021

#### FOREVER IN OUR HEARTS



It is with great sadness that the family of Marc Baudin announce his passing on Tuesday March 23, 2021 at the age of 91 years.

"Beloved Husband, Father, Grandfather, Uncle and Friend"

Marc is survived by his loving wife Gloria Baudin son Larry (Marina) Baudin, daughter Trudy Baudin (Dave), Son Kenny (Heather) Baudin Grandchildren; Ryan Baudin, Shaylene (Chris) Rudy, Katrina Baudin, Paul (Jill) Bay, Brittany (Nick) Orfino, Michael Baudin, Briana (Cody) Kendall along with 8 great grandchildren.

Marc was born on September 25, 1929 on a homestead in North Rosever near Edson, AB to Leo & Cora Baudin, being 1 of 11 children. Marc spent his childhood on the homestead, to later Meet Gloria Tunke, the two were married on August 22, 1953.

Marc and Gloria settled on a farm in North Rosever, to where they raised their three children.

Marc and Gloria retired from the farm in September 1993, moving to Edson, Ab to begin the next chapter of their lives.

July of 2014, they moved to Spruce Grove, Ab to a senior complex to where they continued living out their retirement years.

Marc will be deeply missed, he touched so many lives with his generosity, wisdom, and laughter. We will always remember that special smile, that caring heart, that warm embrace, you always gave us.

In lieu of flowers, the family has asked for donation to be made in Marc's Memory to the Canadian Cancer Society.



## More than a Season of Hope



Pastor  
Bryan Walter

As I think about Easter, I'm reminded of that old familiar maxim that states, "Give a man a fish and he eats for a day... teach a man a fish and he eats for a lifetime."

What does it have to do with Easter?

Well, many people observe this holiday as a celebration of the new Spring and the coming

Summer with the hope that this brings. But seasons are in constant flux, and before we know it, the days will be growing shorter again, and Winter will return. The warm weather and season of growth is wonderful, but around here, it never lasts.

Easter represents so much more -it isn't a celebration of a new mere season of hope, but a celebration of the irrefutable conquering of death. This is how it relates to the wisdom about fishing; give a man a fish and you change his present circumstance, but teach a man to fish and you change his whole life from that moment forward.

I know that can be hard to comprehend, because we still see death around us everyday, but we need to think about Easter like a novel written by a great author; in the Bible, at the moment of his death, the final words of Jesus were "It is finished" - and what he was referring to was the great story of his mission to redeem humanity

from death, by dying in our place, and give us an invitation to be reconciled to him.

We're still in the middle of the novel, like characters in the story, but the ending has already been written.

So, although I don't believe our own choices are set, just as the man must choose to use his new ability to fish if he wants to keep eating, everything we need for eternal life has already been provided to us in the story of Easter.

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# Farm & Field

## News and Views



**PATTERSON'S PART SUPPLY**  
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# Canada's Prairie provinces are pursuing equitable, timely and predictable business risk management programs for producers

(Alberta Agriculture and Forestry) The March 25 federal, provincial and territorial agriculture ministers' meeting resulted in a deal for farmers and ranchers. All three Prairie provinces voted in favour of removing the reference margin limit (RML), which will provide support to producers across the country experiencing declines in farm income.

The Prairie provinces also proposed that the

federal government provide their 60 per cent share of the cost to increase the compensation rate while allowing the provinces flexibility in the level of funding that they can provide. A number of provinces supported this motion, representing the vast majority of Canada's agricultural production. The Prairie provinces will continue to encourage the federal government to commit their 60 per cent share of the proposed compensation rate change.

"A majority of provinces participating in the FPT meeting voted in favour of the federal government's \$170-million change to AgriStability. This constituted the majority of agricultural production across the country. However, the federal government chose to withhold \$75 million in compensation funding for farmers, costing Alberta \$12 million per year in federal transfers. We are disappointed that the federal government chose to withhold these publicly communicated funds, especially when you consider that Alberta net transfers more than \$20 billion to Ottawa annually."

—Devin Dreesen, Minister of Alberta Agriculture and Forestry

"Reliable business risk management programming is essential for the continued growth of the agriculture sector. Producers have made it clear that removing the reference margin limit will help the AgriStability program function as intended and make the program more effective and equitable. Removal of the RML will improve AgriStability so that producers can continue supplying the world with safe, high-quality food."

—David Marit, Minister of Saskatchewan Agriculture

"We have listened to producers express

concerns that AgriStability is complicated and unpredictable. The reference margin limit creates additional uncertainty in the AgriStability program, especially for certain sectors of ag production, so Manitoba has agreed to remove it. We will continue to ensure our farmers and agri-food stakeholders are supported and remain a strong, sustainable sector." —Blaine Pedersen, Minister of Manitoba Agriculture and Resource Development

The Prairie provinces are working closely to advance policy reforms as part of the next agricultural funding framework in 2023 to improve AgriStability for all agriculture producers. The provinces are looking for solutions to make the next suite of programs simpler and more timely across all sectors.



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