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Rides and fun at Rotary Jamboree!

by Shaylyn Thornton

While many would have thought that putting together a full Main Street Jamboree event wouldn't have been

possible in the few short weeks since Alberta reopened, the Rotary Club of Edson, Edson & District Chamber of Commerce, and Edson Downtown Merchants

Association proved that assumption wrong.

The Rotary Jamboree shut down Main Street for the three-day event from July 22-24, offering carnival rides,

games, food trucks, and vendor booths to anyone who wanted to come down for some fun.

Needless to say, a lot of

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The Rotary Club of Edson, Edson & District Chamber of Commerce, and Edson Downtown Merchants Association teamed up to put together the Rotary Jamboree on Main Street in Edson. The three-day event ran from July 22-24, offering carnival rides, games, food trucks, and vendor booths for anyone who wanted to come down for some fun. photo Shaylyn Thornton

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Rides, games, and fun at Rotary Jamboree!

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people showed up. 12 rides, multiple games, and delicious food options like elephant ears, mini donuts, hot dogs, sno-cones, and more had the downtown core filled with happy event-goers. While attending, I heard one young child declare, "This is the best day of my life."

Downtown merchants and vendors offered great sales and even free items to Jamboree guests. Gelmici Jewellers had a wheel that people could spin for a free prize, and the Edson & District

Public Library was giving away free, brand-new books.

Rotarian Shari McDowell, who helped organize the event, said that overall, the feedback has been positive, and that even though there were a few issues, vendors, store owners, and attendees were all "very patient." "We thank them all very much," added Shari.

Putting together an event so quickly certainly had its challenges. "We had a tough time booking food trucks on such short notice, and it was difficult for some vendors to attend as well," said Shari. "However, we had a lot of excellent help and were able to work with a lot of different organizations. The Edson Volunteer Fire Brigade helped with security, the 874 TigerMoth Squadron helped with clean up, GFL donated dumpsters and dumped every Main Street business dumpster at no charge on the Monday, we had tremendous Friends of Rotary volunteers (and Rotarians of course), and as I said, the vendors, the merchants, and the public were very patient with us!"

All in all, "The event was a success," said Shari. "Partnering with the downtown merchants and the Chamber (Kathy was wonderful to work with) really helped things go smoothly. We couldn't have done it without them."

Friends of the Rotary were able to raise some funds for the Rotary with a 50/50, raising about \$2,500 over the three days, with a new winner each day.

The Rotary hopes to bring another event to Edson next year as well and will get the word out on details once plans and dates are set. Unfortunately, the Edson Adventure Race had to be postponed this year, but you can still get out, have fun, and support the Rotary by taking part in

their Annual Mixed 2 Ball Golf Tournament on September 5. Call 780-723-7191 to book a spot.

Of the Rotary Main Street Jamboree, Shari said, "We can't thank everyone enough for the support and patience and are looking forward to hosting an event next year." (see page 7 for more photos)

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Yellowhead County declares State of Agricultural Disaster

by Shaylyn Thornton

At the July 27 County Council meeting, Ag Services Supervisor Jennifer Benson appeared before Council with a prepared declaration of a State of Agricultural Disaster for the 2021 farming season based on extreme heat and lack of moisture.

Benson explained that declarations elevate awareness of a

developing situation and inform residents, industry, and provincial and federal governments. A declaration also enables collaboration with impacted producer groups.

“Municipal declarations may facilitate provincial or federal funding assistance programs to compensate producers,” explained Benson. As for the County, there are no financial impacts to

declaring an Agricultural Disaster. The municipality is not required to take any action carrying financial costs, unlike in a State of Local Emergency or with an incident through Alberta's Disaster Recovery Program.

Yellowhead County has previously had to declare Agricultural Disasters due to either drought or excessive moisture conditions in 2015, 2017, 2019, and 2020. Multiple municipalities across the province, and especially in the northwest region, are currently preparing to declare States of Agricultural Disaster for 2021.

The Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA) has a guide for declaring a Municipal Agricultural Disaster in Alberta. Administration used the guide, crop reporting, discussions with producers, and visual inspections by staff to make the following determinations:

- Cereals are ranked definite disaster thresholds. "Heading" out at short crop height makes harvesting difficult and reducing straw; plants have in many cases perished.
- Peas and canola are ranked definite disaster thresholds. Both crops have stopped actively growing and pods are not filling.

- Hay crops are ranked as a definite disaster. Crop yields have dropped by 1/3.

- Cereals, legumes, and hay crops will recover very little if at all even with adequate moisture.

- Pastures may recover with rain; currently, they are in poor condition.

- Lack of pasture, feed, and straw will force many producers to sell livestock herds.

These conditions are present across the municipality.

Benson mentioned that, although there has been some localized moisture recently, it unfortunately came too late and the damage from the drought and severe heat has already been done.

Councillor Anthony Giezen supported the declaration. “I support this motion 100% and I'd like to thank Administration for the work that they did to get us to this point,” he said. “And you're absolutely right – even though we've seen some moisture over the last little period of time, it's the beginning of the growing season that really got affected.”

Council voted to declare a State of Agricultural Disaster for Yellowhead County for the 2021 farming season.



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Edson RCMP recover three stolen vehicles and lay charges on repeat offenders

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Edson, Alta. – On July 26, 2021, Edson RCMP recovered three stolen vehicles within the Edson RCMP Detachment area within a 4 hour period.

On July 26, 2021, at approximately 7:50 a.m., a vehicle was reported as being involved in a single vehicle collision and abandoned on the highway. Further investigation showed that the vehicle had been stolen out of Hinton, Alta.

On July 26, 2021, at 9:15 a.m., an abandoned vehicle was reported in a rural area northeast of Edson in a wooded area. Further investigation showed the vehicle was a stolen vehicle out of Edson.

Within the above stolen vehicles, RCMP located evidence relating to copper wire theft. Edson RCMP's investigation into these matters continues.

On July 26, 2021, at approximately 12:15 p.m., Edson RCMP received a call that the owner of a vehicle that had been stolen earlier that day had located the stolen vehicle. Edson RCMP attended the location and a vehicle stop was completed. Both occupants of the vehicle were

arrested and are facing charges. Two adults, both from Edson, have each been charged with Possession of Stolen Property over \$5,000 and Breach of an Undertaking. Following judicial hearings, both individuals were released from custody and are scheduled to appear in Edson Provincial Court on Sept. 7, 2021.

Of note, the charges for Breach of an Undertaking are related to both individuals being out on release with conditions in relation to an incident on July 21, 2021, where they were charged for Possession of Stolen Property over \$5,000 (stolen vehicle) and were released on conditions. Those matters are also before the courts.

Edson RCMP encourage the public to report any criminal or suspicious activity. Reports tell us where to look, who to look for, and where to patrol in the future. If you see a crime in progress, dial 911. If you wish to remain anonymous, contact Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS), online at www.P3Tips.com or by using the "P3 Tips" app available through the Apple App or Google Play Store.

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Visit a local farm for Alberta Open Farm Days

A collaborative, province-wide two day event: August 14-15

by Shaylyn Thornton

Coming up August 14-15 is Alberta Open Farm Days, which is a collaborative, province-wide, two-day event that gives Albertans an opportunity to experience the farm and understand where their food comes from. It is a backstage pass to meet the farmer, experience Ag-tourism in Alberta, and taste local foods direct from the producer, according to their website.

Open Farm Days has been in Canada for over 10 years, starting in the Maritimes. Alberta began offering their own Open Farm Days not long after, and 2021 will be the ninth annual event.

Several local farms in Yellowhead County are participating in Alberta Open Farm Days this year. One such producer is Wild Country Gardens, which is owned and operated by Paulette and Rennie Sparks.

Rennie has been on the farm since 1987, with Paulette joining him after they got married. The pair started their fruit farm with over 1,000 assorted fruit trees and bushes 14 years ago. They offer many homemade items for sale including preserves, herbal teas, cosmetics, puschens (slippers), and hemp products.

They also offer Farm Group Tours from May to September, and a tour of their beautiful grounds is one of the aspects of the Alberta Open Farm Days experience that they offer. The tour will include the orchard, tea patches, vegetable gardens, garlic patch, and picnic area.

Wild Country Gardens will also be offering a shopping experience with local vendors in their Farm Market area. Fresh fruits and vegetables, home-baked and handmade goods, and more will be available for sale. Bringing along a cooler is recommended! There will even be an all-ages paint class and face painting available.

People can enjoy a picnic lunch while visiting the grounds, and Bison Burgers with farm fresh salads and refreshments will be sold throughout the day thanks to Wild Country Gardens and Wild Ventures Game Farm.

Paulette spoke highly of the Alberta Open Farm Days experience. "It's a chance to get to see how a product is made from start to finish. We show them the steps," she said. "It's a beautiful and relaxing afternoon."

The Sparks have been doing Alberta Open Farm Days since the beginning and are looking forward to having guests check out their farm again this year. "We love to showcase our farm and share our experience with people," said Paulette. "It allows people to find out about us. We like getting return customers."

Wild Country Gardens will be open from 10am-5pm on August 14 and 15. For more information you can contact Paulette at 780-325-2207 or email pmsparks@xplornet.com. The farm is located at 10118 Township Road 550 in Yellowhead County, near Wildwood.

There are other local farms in the area participating in Alberta Open Farm Days as well, including Cold Creek Farms, Country

Acres, The Leaman Exchange, and Stonepost Farms. For information on dates and times, contact info, and what the farm is offering you can go to albertaopenfarmdays.ca/host-farms and search "Near Edson, AB" for a list.

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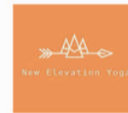
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Council will hold a Zoom Public Hearing to consider a proposed amendment to Land Use Bylaw No. 2070 on **Tuesday August 17, 2021 at 7:00 pm through Zoom Meeting online**. If approved, "Recycling Depot" will be added as a discretionary use to the C-1 Retail Commercial District, C-2 Service Commercial District, the M-1B Light Industrial (Unserviced) District; and as permitted use to the M-1A Light Industrial (Serviced) District, GSI-C Glenwood Service Industrial-Commercial District, and the M-2 Heavy Industrial District to the Land Use Bylaw No. 2070.

To view details of the application, please see: www.edson.ca/bylaws
You may submit written comments by emailing: engineeringandplanning@edson.ca; by mailing: Planning—Town of Edson, PO Box 6300, Edson AB T7E 1T7; or by hand de-livering to the Civic Centre drop off box at the front door entrance. Submissions must be received by the Town prior to the Zoom Public Hearing for Councils consideration. Any person, group, or person acting on behalf of anyone who claims to be affected by the proposed bylaw, may make representation during a Public Hearing through Zoom online. Oral presentations are subject to a five (5) minute time limit and must be sent ONE WEEK PRIOR to the Zoom Public Hearing.

Registration will remain open until the beginning of the Public Hearing on **August 17, 2021 at 7:00 pm**. Register here at https://us02web.zoom.us/join/register/WN_qItIR-05RgqEO6RlyWZ-KQ or contact engineeringandplanning@edson.ca for meeting details. Personal information contained in submissions are collected under the Alberta Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIP Act). This meeting will be recorded and shared.

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 Online	Issued	Zoning
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065-2021	2828 1 Ave/Plan 6692 NY; Lot H	Accessory Building – Storage	Permitted	July 27, 2021		M-1A
066-2021	414 50 Street/Plan 1494 AC; Block 21; Lot 4	Sign, except Billboard – Fascia Sign, Wall Sign	Permitted	July 27, 2021		C-1
Week 2						

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

The Weekly ANCHOR Comment



Guest Editorial/Comment

Albertans' democratic principles are worth protecting

The following Op-ed is written by Barry Morishita, President of the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA)

The municipal elections that will occur later this year present you and your neighbours with a golden opportunity to discuss the future of your municipality amongst yourselves and with your local candidates.

It is an ideal time to determine how municipal decisions and infrastructure:

- Support your family
- Enhance your personal wellbeing
- Support your business
- Improve your community

Unfortunately, there is a risk that important local issues will be overshadowed by provincial referendums and senate elections.

Another risk is that recent changes made by the provincial government to loosen local campaign financing and advertising rules will enable “big money” and partisan groups to have a louder voice than regular Albertans.

These risks are compounded by a third – the risk that Albertans interested in serving their community will not put their name forward as candidates due to the increasingly unpleasant nature of political discourse.

The Alberta Urban Municipality Association (AUMA) introduced the Local Democracy Pledge (aka The Pledge) earlier this year to improve the quality and tone of political discourse in the run-up to Alberta’s municipal elections. It is

a set of four key principles AUMA’s members believe are vital to preserving democracy in municipal elections.

The Pledge is a voluntary commitment a candidate can make to support democratic local elections as they carry out their campaigns to:

- Keep local elections local by focusing their campaigns on issues that municipal elected officials can influence.
- Maintain independence and non-partisanship by rejecting any endorsements which would undermine their accountability to municipal residents or the autonomy of the municipality.
- Demonstrate transparency by sharing their vision for the municipality and providing pre-election disclosure of campaign contributions and spending.
- Engage in respectful behaviour by sharing their perspective, while respecting and seeking to understand differences.

The AUMA’s 263 municipal members believe in these principles, and we know nearly all Albertans value them, too. So, when candidates stop by your home later this year and ask if they can count on your vote, ask them if they have taken The Pledge. If they say they have never heard of it, encourage them to learn more by going to www.auma.ca/pledge

Together, we can help protect Alberta’s long-standing and cherished democratic principles from erosion and damage.



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Edson RCMP Occurrences for the week of July 19 - July 25, 2021

Between July 19 and July 25, 2021, theft complaints topped the list of Edson RCMP investigations at 17. Other investigations included: Alarms/False Alarms 4; Assault 7; Assistance Calls 9; False/ Abandoned 911 call 1; Lost/Found Property 3; Mischief or Damage 10; Suspicious Persons or Vehicles 15; Theft Complaints 17; Traffic Collisions 4; traffic complaints 14; Uttering Threats Against Person 1; and Wellbeing Checks 1.

Support for Farmers Facing Extreme Weather

OTTAWA: Gerald Soroka Member of Parliament for Yellowhead wishes to advise that the Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada has announced support and resources for producers in areas affected by extreme weather. The early designation of the Livestock Tax Deferral provision for prescribed drought regions will allow beef producers who are forced to sell a significant amount of their breeding herd due to



drought conditions to offset the resulting revenues with the costs to replace the herd. Also announced was federal support to all Prairie provinces for immediate bilateral

adjustments to the cost-shared AgriInsurance program to make drought-damaged crops available for feed.

AgriRecovery assessments are underway which could include direct assistance to producers for the added cost of livestock feed, transportation and water infrastructure.

Provinces affected by drought can invoke the late participation provision of AgriStability as well as apply for interim payments.

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Rides and fun at Rotary Jamboree!

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With 12 rides, multiple games, and delicious food options there was a good turnout of people for the Rotary Jamboree.

Rides, multiple games, and delicious food options had the downtown core filled with happy event-goers.



MP Gerald Soroka (center) came out to lend his support to the Rotary Jamboree event held July 22-24 in Edson.



Despite the short timeline putting this year's Jamboree together, the Edson Rotary with the help of the Edson Chamber, Downtown Merchants Association, and volunteer groups put together a remarkable and fun event.

KID'S CORNER



This is 10-year-old Levi Gauchier, who enjoys watching YouTube, playing with his toys, and baseball. When Levi grows up, he hopes to be a Pastry Chef. Levi's favorite summer activity is playing with his dog, and he said if he could be any animal he would be a Husky because that is what his dog Sakira was, and Huskies are his favorite kind of dog. Levi's favorite movie is Transformers and his favorite snack is a Kit Kat. This summer he is looking forward to having fun at his baby brother's birthday party.



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Yellowhead County

Approved Development Permits have been issued authorizing the following:

Permit No.	Location	Proposal	Date
D21-114	NW 2-47-18-W5M Edson Area	Natural Resource Extraction & Processing Operation (Gravel) – Discretionary	Jul 13/21
D21-116	Plan 052-4946, Block 2, Lot 1 Pt NW 24-53-09-W5M Wildwood Area	Agriculture (Intensive) – Greenhouse Addition - Discretionary	Jul 13/21
D21-117	NE 05-54-17-W5 Edson Area	Recreational Cabin with Covered Deck	Jul 20/21
D21-119	Plan 0227698, Blk 1, Lot 1A NE 05-53-19-W5 Millers Lake Area	Accessory Building (Garage)	Jul 21/21
D21-120	Plan 0622250, Blk 2, Lot 1 SE 27-53-09-W5 Wildwood	Accessory Building (Storage Building)	Jul 22/21
D21-122	Plan 1021232, Blk 1, Lot 1 SE 19-53-16-W5 Edson Area	Single Detached Dwelling with Covered Veranda and Attached Garage and Accessory Building (Cold Storage/Barn)	Jul 28/21

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.



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Deadline for applications is August 31, 2021.

Details here: www.yhcounty.ca/grants

Open for Summer!

West Yellowhead MLA Martin Long



The grand reopening of Alberta is underway, and I want to thank you for all you have done to protect yourselves and your neighbors through the COVID-19 pandemic – the greatest challenge our province has faced in modern history.

Session has wrapped up and the MLA's, including myself, are finally able to freely travel our constituencies, having face to face meetings, something we have sorely missed for over 17 months. July has been an exciting month, I have been able to get to Brule, Whitecourt, Cadomin, Edson, Hinton, Jasper, and all points in between! It is so nice to see Albertans enjoying West Yellowhead with their family and friends, festivals are opening up, farmer's markets are popping up around the constituency, we are open for summer!

Expanding broadband internet in rural Alberta

Alberta's United Conservative govern-

ment includes MLAs who represent almost every rural community in our province and have a direct interest in furthering economic opportunities in regions that were neglected by the previous NDP government. This month, Premier Jason Kenney, Service Alberta Minister Nate Glubish, and Associate Minister of Rural Economic Development Nate Horner announced up to \$150 million to improve broadband services across the province and ensure that rural, remote, and Indigenous communities will be part of Alberta's economic recovery.

At least 12 per cent of Alberta's population (approximately 489,000 people living in 201,000 households) do not have access to broadband internet at target speeds of 50/10 Mbps. The majority of these homes are located in rural municipalities, First Nations communities, and Metis Settlements. This has

made it difficult to work from home, study remotely, and attract and retain talent. Despite this ongoing concern, no money was allocated under previous governments to addressing the digital divide.

The \$150 million investment from Alberta's government will be used to begin construction on broadband expansion projects as soon as possible. This investment will create jobs, improve access to health care and education resources, and diversify the economy in rural communities from La Crete to Taber.

Details on how this new funding will roll out will be announced in the weeks to come. This major investment shows our government is committed to ensuring rural Alberta has fast, reliable internet and plays an important part in the economic recovery ahead.

Canada and Alberta reach renewed child care agreement

The Governments of Canada and Alberta have signed an agreement on an extension to the Canada-Alberta Early Learning and Child Care Agreement.

Through the agreement, the Government of Canada is providing over \$290 million in funding over 4 years to Alberta to improve access to high quality, affordable, flexible, and inclusive early learning and child care programs and services. High-quality early learning experiences are essential to the intellectual, emotional, and physical development of our children. Our government will continue to fight for families and children in Alberta, to ensure they have access to affordable, accessible, flexible, and inclusive child care. Because every child deserves the best possible start in life.

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The CIBC in Edson has temporarily closed due to the "Covid situation" as a "precautionary measure". Alberta Health stated, "We do not comment on specific cases. In every case, contact tracers will have followed up and notify anyone at risk of exposure. No outbreak has been declared." Alberta's R-value has risen to 1.48 recently indicating a rapid spread. Dr. Deena Hinshaw stated that since July 1 people who were not fully immunized made up 95% of all Covid cases and 94% of hospitalizations. In the Edson region the percentage of people immunized with at least one dose (all ages) is 51.4%. As a comparison the rest of Alberta is at 64.3%; St. Albert is at 73.2%.

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Accounting Assistant
Competition #S2059

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

A copy of **competition number S2059** outlining the qualifications is available on the GYPSD website <https://www.gypsd.ca/working-at-gypsd> under "Support Staff".

This competition will remain open until August 15 at 12pm.

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

**Maintenance III -
Journeyman Plumber/Gas Fitter,**
Competition #S2058

Applications are invited for the available position of Maintenance III – Journeyman Plumber/Gas Fitter, based out of Edson. Servicing the Edson and Lobstick zones. Grande Yellowhead Public School Division offers competitive benefit and pension packages.
Duties will commence immediately.

A copy of **competition number S2058** outlining the qualifications is available on the GYPSD website <https://www.gypsd.ca/working-at-gypsd> under "Support Staff".

This competition will remain open until August 12 at 12pm.

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

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

**The Edson Food Bank Society
is looking to hire a part-time Coordinator.**

This position has a flexible schedule working up to 25 hours a week some of which can be done from home. Anticipated start date is September 7, 2021

Coordinator will be responsible for:

- Coordinate all Edson Food Bank Society operations efficiently and effectively.
- Interact positively with volunteers, donors, sponsors and partners of Edson Food Bank Society to maximize results.
- Undertake special initiatives as approved by the Edson Food Bank Society Board.
- Submit resume to Edsonfoodbanksociety@gmail.com

Call 780.723.1350 for more information.

CLOSING DATE AUGUST 15, 2021

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:

- Ability to work and interact effectively with a diverse group of people.
- Ability to plan, organize, implement and evaluate a public service organization operated by volunteers.
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills.
- Strong self-time management, ability to work in a self- directed, organized manner.
- Good interpersonal, and volunteer management skills.
- Effective problem solving and negotiating techniques.
- Ability to show flexibility in response to change.
- Good working knowledge of food bank operations.
- Reliable, discreet, and able to maintain confidentiality.

DESIRED EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:

- Previous work experience interacting and serving vulnerable clients is essential.
- Experience in a coordinating, administrative role involving with volunteers, suppliers etc.
- General background and knowledge in budgeting and financial management.
- Excellent computer software skills.
- Current Standard First Aid certificate.
- Able to move food short distances, with weight up to 50 lbs.
- Janitorial skills.
- Driver's license, and supply of a vehicle to do in-town food pick-ups and/or deliveries.
- Food Safe Handling course.
- Criminal Record Check.

**For more information:
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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Payroll/HR and Accounting Technician
LOCATION: EDSON
COMPETITION NO. 21-018

Reporting to the Director of Corporate Services, the Payroll/Human Resources and Accounting Technician is responsible for the maintenance of data related to asset management and is also responsible for all human resources and payroll services related to seasonal and part time employees for Yellowhead County.

The salary range is currently \$64,254 to \$81,350 per year. Yellowhead County offers a competitive benefit plan.

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

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

The competition will remain open until 4:30pm Friday August 6, 2021.

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

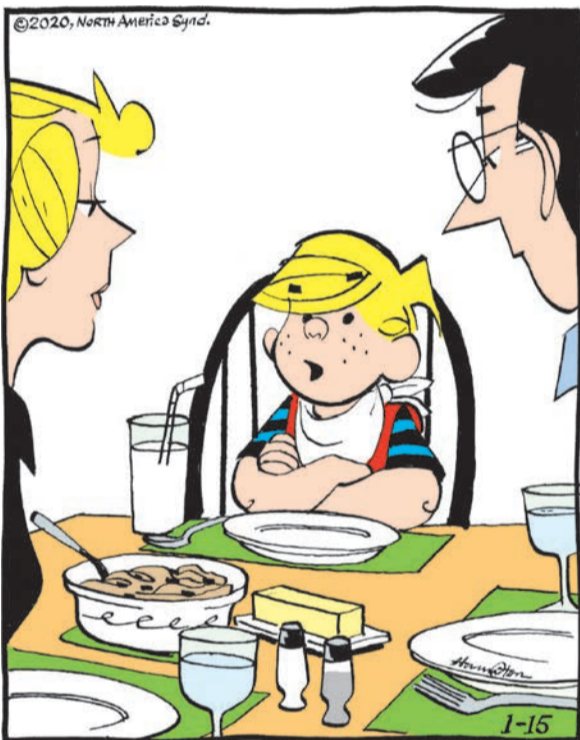
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Province to increase access to affordable child care

Families earning a household income of up to \$90,000 will be eligible to receive child care subsidy

Gov't Release: Alberta continues to support parents by making child care subsidies available to even more families.

Supported by investments from the federal government, Alberta is directing \$45 million to further support families earning up to \$90,000 with their child care costs. This means approximately 12,000 more children will receive support, including children enrolled in preschool programs.

Parent choice is important, and that's why Alberta's government is directing \$4.25 million of this funding to support families with children attending licensed preschools. Eligible families will receive \$125 per month to assist with fees for child care. Previously, subsidy funding was only available for licensed daycare, family day home and out-of-school care programs.

The province is also directing over \$4 million to provide

wage top-ups for early childhood educators in preschool to support the Alberta government's commitment to high-quality child care for all Albertans.

"Our government knows access to safe, high-quality, affordable early learning and child care options will make a difference for working parents and their children, and support Alberta's economic recovery. These investments are targeted, based on what we heard Albertans need, and are the next step in our longer-term strategy to support the choices parents are making." -Rebecca Schulz, Minister of Children's Services

"This is great news for preschools in Alberta. Preschool educators work hard every day to support children and their early childhood education. Including preschool educators in wage top-ups now recognizes that preschool education is a venue for high-quality child care on the same level as daycare and out-of-

school care programs. It will help us to retain and attract qualified staff. Reintroducing preschool subsidy will make it easier for parents to access high-quality educational care for their children." -Jennifer Sissons, owner and director, A Child First Preschool

"As early childhood educators and preschool owners, we've been passionately advocating for these changes to preschool subsidy and wage top-up. This will help us acknowledge and retain our skilled educators. It will also give parents some welcome financial relief. Thanks to the Government of Alberta for addressing these concerns. We're ecstatic about this announcement." -Dina Ottoni-Battistessa and Tristan Katz, Alberta Preschool Advocacy Association

Quick facts
Starting Sept. 1, families earning a household income of up to \$90,000 will be eligible to receive child care subsidy. Prior to

this change, the eligibility threshold was up to \$75,000.

Parents eligible for subsidy under the new changes can check if they're eligible and apply for subsidy online starting Aug. 16.

Families who are seeking subsidy for licensed preschool programs must meet the same child care eligibility criteria as daycare and out-of-school care, and can apply through the current system.

The subsidy will be \$125 per month for all eligible families with children enrolled in a licensed preschool program.

The average preschool fee in Alberta was \$190 per month in March 2020.

Preschool wage top-ups will support up to 1,300 certified early childhood educators working in licensed preschools. More information will be

provided to preschool program operators in the coming days.

This announcement builds on the increased support for parents that use out-of-school care.

Effective July 1, subsidy rates have increased for eligible school-aged children enrolled in out-of-school care programs, for the months of July and August.

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~ Obituary ~

Bruce Kneteman



It is with deep sorrow we announce the peaceful passing of George "Bruce" Kneteman, beloved son, brother, brother-in-law, and nephew. He passed away July 19, 2021, at the age of 68.

Bruce was the eldest son of George and Jacquie Kneteman. Bruce will be dearly missed by his 6 siblings Jeff (Barb), Len (Alyson), Orey (Carol), Bonnie, Gaylayne (Larry) Hawkings and Jayne (Tim) Sanders as well as his 8 nieces and 2 nephews and step grandson Tyrell.

Bruce was predeceased by his father George and his brother-in-law Dwight McLeod.

Bruce spent his entire life in Edson. His career as a dedicated millwright lasted for 37 years before retiring in 2018.

Bruce will be remembered for his keen mechanical skills and his fondness for working on old cars, trucks and even tractors.

We would like to thank Dr. Sood and the wonderful Acute Care and other staff of the Edson Health Care Centre for ensuring Bruce had the best possible care during his time there.

Cremation has taken place and interment and a celebration of life will take place at a future date.

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~ Obituary ~

Brian Leonard

1952 - 2021

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Brian Leonard on July 6, 2021.

Brian will be lovingly remembered by his two sisters, Pat (Terry) Curry and Mickey (John) Utendale, his niece, Sandi, and his nephews, Brent and Robb.

He was preceded in death by his younger brother, Bruce, his older brother, Dennis (Tubby), as well as his Dad (Art) & Mum (Iris).

A celebration of life will take place at the Norwood Legion, 11150 112 Avenue NW, Edmonton AB, on September 25 from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm.

Adapting COVID-19 measures to support Albertans

July 28, 2021: With strong vaccine uptake, Alberta will gradually bring COVID-19 measures in line with other respiratory viruses to ensure health system capacity for the fall.

Nearly 75.6 per cent of eligible Albertans have now received at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine, and 64.3 per cent are fully immunized. Vaccines dramatically reduce the risk of severe outcomes and the risk of infection. While COVID-19 cases may rise in the coming months, a surge of hospitalizations and other severe outcomes is much less likely thanks to vaccines.

In the coming weeks, Alberta's health system will take steps to make sure that it is ready to support all patients, including those with COVID-19 and other respiratory viruses, like influenza, which health officials expect to increase this year.

As a part of this, Alberta will bring COVID-19 quarantine, isolation, and other measures in line with those used for influenza and other viruses.

Testing for severe cases, provincial monitoring, outbreak management in high-risk settings, and other key measures will remain in place. Health officials will be able to adapt as needed if hospitalizations due to COVID-19 spike in the future.

"As the majority of us are vaccinated against COVID-19, we are adapting to make sure that the health system is ready to care for all Albertans, whatever their illness. Please get vaccinated to help protect your health and the health of those around you." -Tyler Shandro, Minister of Health

A two-phase transition will be used to safely monitor the impact of the initial changes, adapt as needed over the next few weeks, and give more time to vaccinate Albertans.

The following changes will be effective July 29:

Quarantine for close contacts will shift from

mandatory to recommended. Isolation for anyone with COVID-19 symptoms and for confirmed positive cases is still required.

Unimmunized individuals who know they have been exposed to COVID-19 should monitor for symptoms and seek testing if they become symptomatic.

- Anyone who is not fully immunized should avoid high-risk locations such as continuing care facilities and crowded indoor spaces if they have been in contact with a case in the past 14 days.

All positive cases will continue to be notified. Contact tracers will no longer notify close contacts of exposure. Individuals are asked to inform their close contacts when informed of their positive result.

Contact tracers will continue to investigate cases that are in high-risk settings such as acute and continuing care facilities.

Outbreak management and identification will focus on high-risk locations, including continuing and acute care facilities and high-risk workplaces. Community outbreaks with a surge in cases leading to severe outcomes will also be addressed as needed.

Asymptomatic testing is no longer recommended. Testing will continue to be available for individuals who are symptomatic.

Mandatory masking remains in acute and continuing care facilities, publicly accessible transit, taxis and ride-share.

The following changes will take effect on Aug. 16:

Provincial mandatory masking orders will be lifted. Some masking in acute care or continuing care facilities may still be required.

Isolation following a positive COVID-19 test result will no longer be required, but strongly recommended.

- Individuals with symptoms of any respiratory infection should still remain at home until symptoms have resolved.

- Staying home when sick remains an important way to care for those around us by not passing on any infection.

Isolation hotels and quarantine support will no longer be available.

Testing will be available for Albertans with symptoms when it is needed to help direct patient care decisions.

- This testing will be available through assessment centres until Aug. 31 and, after that, will be in primary care settings including physicians' offices. For those with severe illness requiring urgent or emergency care, testing will be available in acute care and hospital settings.

- COVID-19 testing will also be offered as needed in high-risk outbreaks such as in continuing care facilities.

Public health will focus on investigating severe cases that require hospitalization and any deaths due to COVID-19.

Outbreak management and preventative measures will continue focusing on outbreaks in high-risk settings, such as continuing and acute care facilities.

- Community outbreaks will continue to be addressed as needed.

- Daycares and schools will be supported with measures that would be effective for any respiratory virus if outbreaks are identified.

Health officials will continue to closely monitor hospitalizations and other severe outcomes due to COVID-19 in the province. Additional measures will be taken, as needed, in specific facilities or areas where an outbreak is occurring leading to severe outcomes.

What's happening, when and where in the community

COMMUNITY EVENTS

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

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July 14-Sept 1: Youth Interagency Wild Wednesday Ages 11-17 For mor info check out Edson.ca/yia

Register online or in person at Repsol Place
July 20, 27 August 3, 10, 17 Life Skills Bootcamp Peers (Multiplex) ages 14-18 to register call 780-325-3782 or email slabrie@yhcounty.ca

July 21, 28 August 4, 11, 18 Life Skills Bootcamp Evansburg Camp (Museum) ages 14-18 to register contact 780-325-3782 or email slabrie@yhcounty.ca

August 4: Surf, Nerf, & Turf Ages 11-17 Free from 12pm-4pm No Registration required.

August 5: Teddy Bear Picnic 1pm-7pm Repsol Place Northern Green Space (1121-49ST)

August 7, 2021: The Amazin' Race Edson – 12 exciting challenges that will take you across town. Participate in mental and physical challenges, test your knowledge of local history, and above all,

HAVE FUN! Prizes will be awarded to the fastest teams and the best dressed team. Participants and their families are welcome to join us at RCMP Centennial Park for a free BBQ following the event. Register at gallowaystationmuseum.com/amazin-race-2021.

August 12: Bear Chase Triathlon. Open to racers age 3-13 Register through the running room or by phone 780-723-4800.

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

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Support for Prairie producers affected by drought

Minister of Agriculture and Forestry Devin Dreesen issued the following update on Alberta's support for farmers and ranchers:

"Alberta's government recognizes the significant impacts that extreme dry weather has on the province's producers. Our government is standing up for Alberta farmers and ranchers to ensure

they are supported through these extreme conditions.

"With a federal election looming, Alberta received verbal commitment from Ottawa that a joint AgriRecovery program will be initiated to support Prairie producers affected by drought conditions prior to an election.

"At the Federal-

Provincial-Territorial Agriculture Ministers' meeting, the Prairie provinces and Ontario raised the extreme dry conditions that are increasing costs and diminishing yields for farmers and ranchers.

"The details of an AgriRecovery program are still being developed with industry and we will work with our provincial and federal counterparts to ensure that Alberta's farmers and ranchers are supported.

"I have advised Alberta crop adjusters to be flexible and complete early assessments with affected crop and hay land – for example offering alternative use of crops to address forecasted feed shortages in our livestock industry.

"Alberta announced a 20 per cent reduction in insurance premiums this year. This allowed almost 400 additional farmers and ranchers to enrol in crop, pasture and forage insurance that protects against weather-related production loss.


"Alberta also has a Water Pumping Program that provides

assistance to producers for the emergency filling of dugouts for livestock. Producers can rent pipe and pumping equipment from the province to fill dugouts or other suitable catch basins from nearby water sources for their animals.

"I want to assure producers across Alberta that we understand the severity of this prolonged period of extreme dry weather and we are doing everything we can to ensure you receive the support you need."

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