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Edson Friendship Centre celebrates National Indigenous Peoples Day

by Deanna Mitchener

June 21 was National Indigenous Peoples Day, which "is a day to recognize and celebrate the First Nations, Inuit, and Metis people of what

is now known as Canada," according to Indigenous Tourism Alberta (ITA).

ITA also states that, "Now, more than ever, as we look to re-educate ourselves on the true history of Canada, we

have an incredible opportunity to authentically connect with Indigenous cultures and stories that have been here since time immemorial."

The Edson Friendship Centre chose to commemorate

National Indigenous Peoples Day with an Indigenous Celebration at Willmore Park. They invited people to take part in "a wonderful afternoon of celebration" that ran from

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Sadie Longmore (Youth Program), Organizer Renay Woelfing, Elder Dorothy Courtereille and Elayne Longmore celebrated National Indigenous Peoples Day at the Edson Friendship Centre's celebration at Willmore Park on June 21. photo Deanna Mitchener

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Wildfire near Wildwood forces evacuation of 50 area residents

On June 22 at 5:51 pm an emergency alert went out of a wildfire in Yellowhead County along Highway 16 between Evansburg and Wildwood. Residents along Highway 16, west of Highway 22, up to Highway 16A in the affected areas were being evacuated by Yellowhead County personnel, including residents in the Lobstick Resort Area. All residents in this zone had to evacuate immediately. An Evacuation Centre was set up at the Evansburg Arena, in Evansburg.

Wildfire EWF075 was deemed out of control and at 9:46 pm a notice was issued that Highway 16 was closed in both directions from Highway 22 to Wildwood, due to reduced visibility in the area due to smoke. It was reassessed at 10:30pm and was estimated to be 143 hectares in size. The wildfire had crossed the Lobstick River but not highway 16. The wildfire was reassessed on June 23 at 11am and was estimated to be 180 hectares in size.

There was no significant overnight spread and very little fire activity and smoke was observed on the fire early that morning.

That day, six airtankers and four helicopters assisted with containing the wildfire. 11 pieces of heavy equipment continued to work through the night building containment lines surrounding the wildfire. Firefighters worked late into the evening and continued to do structure protection overnight. Crews returned early in the morning.

Approximately 33 Yellowhead County Fire Department (YCFD) firefighters and five Yellowhead County Peace Officers were on scene from fire stations across the county working at the incident and evacuating



Yellowhead County Fire Department firefighters set up structure protection sprinklers.

residents.

On June 23 Highway 16 was reopened in both directions although visibility was reduced in the area due to smoke.

There were six airtankers and four helicopters assisting with extinguishing the wildfire by Thursday, and six pieces of heavy equipment were on stand by if needed.

32 firefighters searched and extinguish hotspots on the wildfire with more crew members arriving later that day.

There were 50 residents in the area that were evacuated by Yellowhead County. At 7pm on June 23, residents in the evacuated area were able to return home. There were traffic control points being enforced. Highway 16A remained closed to everyone except evacuated residents.

There was no spread June 23, and little fire activity was observed. There were some flames visible but the fire was mostly smoldering on the ground and did not appear to be growing in size.

Alberta Wildfire has not determined a cause. Alberta Wildfire spokeswoman Josee St-Onge said that the fire was holding steady thanks to gentle winds from the northwest.

Residents were put on evacuation alert and asked to be prepared to leave at a moment's notice if conditions changed.

For more information, please visit Alberta Emergency Alert <https://emergencyalert.alberta.ca/>. (story last updated June 23, 9pm)

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Town Council considers changes to COVID loan program

by Adrienne Tait

At the Town of Edson's regular Committee of the Whole meeting on June 22, Town administration brought forth a suggestion to consider reallocating a portion of the Community Futures West Yellowhead COVID relief loan program to a grant program.

While all of Council agreed a \$750 grant would not do much to help businesses who have taken a financial hit during COVID; the discussion around the table was varied and split between the value of grants versus interest free loans, the value required, what businesses would want, responsible use of tax payer funds, and eligibility requirement suggestions.

To date there has only been one loan

application applied for and approved since the Town set aside \$300,000 to support the COVID relief loan program.

Councillor Sorensen said he did not think a small grant would be sufficient to help businesses who may be up to \$50,000 in arrears and spoke in favour of economic development and recovery loans. Mayor Zahara did not believe businesses want to take on more debt even in the form of loans.

Mayor Zahara suggested reaching out to businesses to hear directly from those most affected but CFWY's Nancy Robbins cautioned that may be a challenge in the summer months while Councillor Baier said she believed the Council has already heard from businesses.

The matter will return to Council at a later date.

County authorizes use of special ballots in 2021 Election

by Shaylyn Thornton

With the 2021 Municipal Elections coming up on October 18, Yellowhead County is ensuring that all eligible voters will be able to vote on or before Election Day.

At the June 15 GPC meeting, Council heard from Administration regarding challenges with the use of special ballots. The Local Authorities Election Act (LAEA) was amended since the 2017 election, and changed the time between the close of nomination day to election day from six weeks to four weeks.

This shortened window would already be a significant obstacle, however it is worsened by the fact that Yellowhead County is also facilitating the senate vote and the provincial referendum. With ballots being shipped by September 27, 2021, the time frame for sending and receiving special ballots will be reduced to three weeks.

Administration also cited the complexity of the Elector Register as a barrier. Residents would need to correctly fill out Form 23RSE, attach appropriate identification, and fill out each of four ballots based on the ballot's specific instructions.

Despite these challenges, County Council felt that giving their residents the option to vote via special ballot was important for the upcoming election.

Councillors Lavone Olson and Shawn Berry spoke about residents with physical challenges that rely on special ballots to vote. "I think it's really important to get everybody to the polls that we possibly can, in any manner that we possibly can," said Berry.

"I think it's important that we have special ballots," said Councillor Dawn Mitchell. "I know we have the tight timeline and it's a little bit confusing but we have to give our residents and ratepayers every opportunity to be able to vote."

Mitchell also spoke about the world today, with many "inclusive" ways of doing things such as offering meetings

via Zoom instead of just in person. "I think it's important that we don't exclude or have excluding methods to vote," she said.

Councillor David Russell added that, with potential COVID concerns, the County may see more special ballot users than previous years. He also suggested adding a note in the special ballot packages emphasizing that time is of the essence when it comes to residents sending their ballots back in.

Council was given the opportunity to vote on the matter at their June 22 Council Meeting, and voted in favor of using Special Ballots in the 2021 Municipal Election.

Someone wanting to apply to vote by special ballot may do so in writing, by telephone, by fax, in person, or via email between September 21, 2021 and October 18, 2021. All special ballot packages must be received by the Returning Officer at the Yellowhead County Administration Building at 2716 1st Avenue,

Edson, Alberta by 8:00 PM on Election Day October 18, 2021.

The County has also increased their advance voting dates from three to four. In an additional effort to bring the polls to more people, Council also voted to designate the Good Samaritan Pembina Village as an institutional voting station.

Council also approved a policy regarding the disclosure of candidate information. Policy No 1100.20 will give candidates in the election the option of signing a consent form allowing for the release of their contact information should a member of the public or the media want to contact them.

Currently, getting this contact information required people to examine the candidate's filed nomination papers during regular business hours in the presence of the returning officer, deputy, or secretary. The new policy provides clarity and ease when it comes to sharing candidate contact information, should the candidate provide consent.



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photo Shaylyn Thornton

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Permit #	Address/Legal	Development Type	Use	Date Issued	Zoning
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055-2021	1511 41 Street/Plan 062 2166; Block 2; Lot 11	Driveway Widening & Concrete Pad	Permitted	June 17, 2021	R-1B
056-2021	330 45 Street/Plan 032 1928; Block X; Lot 3	Sign, except Billboard - Wall Sign(x2)	Permitted	June 17, 2021	C-3
057-2021	5124 8 Ave/Plan 5174 RS; Block 8; Lot 32	Accessory Building – Deck	Permitted	June 23, 2021	R-MHS
058-2021	5010 3 Ave/Plan 952 2184; Block 15; Lot 1A	Change of Use to Personal Services Establishment – Tattoo Shop	Permitted	June 23, 2021	C-2
059-2021	4345 15 Ave/Plan 122 4721; Block 15; Lot 16	Variances Front & Side Setbacks	Discretionary	June 17, 2021	R-1B
Week 2					

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

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2021 Grads: Take pride in face of adversity...

The COVID-19 pandemic has closed classrooms and put a damper on graduation ceremonies across the region — again this year.

While the pandemic may have put an end to this year's traditional graduation ceremonies, it hasn't stopped high schools in Edson and area from recognizing the extraordinary achievements of these graduating students of 2021.

A typical graduation day brings with it a roller coaster of emotions, and even more so this year, considering the realities these students have faced. As graduates, family, and friends celebrate this achievement, they can take heart that their perseverance through difficult times has paid off. It's now a time to reflect on these remarkable successes, as well as focus on hopes for the future.

As graduates, you are undoubtedly excited and nervous as you look forward to the beginning of a new chapter in your lives. With certainty, there are far greater experiences ahead in life than anything you are leaving behind. And take heart that brighter days are soon ahead! When this pandemic is

just a memory, take time to travel, seek your fortune, fall in love, make mistakes — and always continue to learn.

Just remember that your successes are measured by your perseverance, and kindness to others along the way. As Helen Keller implored, "The highest result of education is tolerance."

Parents have done their best to shape your minds and fill your hearts. With pride they have followed your progress as you advanced from one grade to the next — each achievement, each milestone representing a step further in your journey to adulthood.

For parents, it's now time to take a step back and watch you shine. This is a time where the spotlight is definitely on you the graduates, as well it should be, you have accomplished much — during a great deal of adversity!

As you don suit and gown, this may not be the graduation you envisioned, but it is still tangible proof of a job well done. It is also proof of a job well done by your parents, teachers, and role models that have helped along the way.

When This Is All Behind Us

Recently I received a note from a fellow Yellowhead constituent.

This note reflects the struggles we have all been facing during this COVID time. I have received many letters, emails and phone calls from concerned citizens that express the myriad range of opinions and frustrations we are dealing with.

I want to share Rob Duiker's message. Have a read and let's hope for better times ahead.

"Disagreement is not bad. There is a lot of disagreement these days regarding such things as masking, distancing, public health restrictions, and vaccines. A lot of friendships have been strained by our sometimes-heated conversations around these topics. I hope our friendships are stronger than our opinions. I hope our fellowship

Gerald Soroka
MP Yellowhead



is strong enough to cause us to remain respectful

and loving with those with whom we disagree.

I worry that the most profound consequence of this pandemic will be relationships that never recover. Will we find enough grace to overcome the name-calling and impassioned ranting from and toward people on all sides of these issues.

When, hopefully someday soon, restrictions are removed and legal barriers to fellowship have been set aside, will the sting of our discourse endure? Will our churches, workplaces, and homes continue to be marred by division rooted in Covid-19 matters? That is entirely up to us. Plan now to show grace to everyone. Plan now to put this behind us."



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Edson Friendship Centre update on Daycare Society of Edson building

submitted Edson Friendship Centre

The Edson Friendship Centre and the Daycare Society of Edson joined together in early 2006 with the joint vision of expanding programs and services to the families with young children residing in the Edson region.

In 2008 both organizations celebrated the opening of the Edson Early Learning and Child Care Centre location. The opening of the Centre was made possible due to the overwhelming support of the Edson region community and the Alberta Government. Close to \$600,000 was raised in support of the renovation of the building in which the Centre was located. For many years both organizations have been able to flourish because of the support of the community members of the Edson region.

In the spring of 2020, the Daycare Society of Edson informed the Edson Friendship Centre that it discovered certain code or maintenance concerns within the building that would need to be addressed. In September of 2020 the Edson Friendship Centre agreed to vacate the building in order for the Daycare Society to continue to operate within the building and to attend to the necessary repairs.

Unable to continue to provide its services from the building and after negotiations with the Daycare Society, the Edson Friendship Centre had no other choice but to activate the 'first right of refusal' clause of the co-ownership agreement between the parties and has agreed to sell its 50% ownership in the building for substantially less than market value to the Daycare Society. The amount that the Edson friendship Centre agreed to accept for its 50% shares only covers the moving and renovation costs of relocating Edson Friendship Centre programs.

The Board of the Edson Friendship Centre believes that it is in the best interest of the Edson

region community that the purpose of the building remain true to the original intent and that it continues to honour the Edson community contributors by remaining a building that is reserved for the community use only.

The Edson Friendship Centre would like to thank the Daycare Society for their ongoing friendship.

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Edson Friendship Centre celebrates National Indigenous Peoples Day

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1:00-7:30pm.

As Organizer Renay Woelfing explained, the day began with a prayer and smudging led by Elder Dorothy Courterille and Georgina Gauchier. "They did both a traditional and Catholic prayer," said Woelfing.

The day also featured a dried meat demonstration that involved setting up a dry meat rack. The activity showed youth how to assemble and dry bison meat. Meat drying was followed by a fish scaling activity for a fish fry, as well as a Bannock Bake-Off with a few of the Elders.

Throughout the day, all kinds of Indigenous games from all different nations were set up to play, and the event also featured fish scale art and medicine bags.

One of the games, Bilboquet, is a target game that involves a small-pointed bone, string, and a larger antler with a hole. The aim is to swing the larger antler and land it on the bone. Beginners use one antler while a four-holed antler is for advanced players. This game helps build hand and eye coordination.

Another of the games was called the Traditional Indigenous Seal Pull. The game is played with partners, who sit on the ground with their feet

facing and touching each other, with their knees bent and their backs straight, placing the stick evenly between the two players.

One player will grasp the stick with their hands close together (overhand) and player two will grasp the stick on the outside of player one's hands. On the count of three, each player will attempt to pull the other player over or make them let go of the stick. Backs must remain straight at all times. Best two out of three wins, then switch partners. This game helps build strength.

While the day was certainly filled with fun and celebration of Indigenous culture, the Edson Friendship Centre also wanted to recognize the many lives tragically and needlessly lost at Indian Residential Schools. The group organized a March for those who attended the event to take part in. "We are doing a March for our lost children," said Woelfing.

The Edson Friendship Centre is planning a larger recognition at the end of September for National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. "We are waiting until more are found in Alberta," explained Woelfing. "Hopefully most or all are found by then."



Ben Woelfing was seen in Willmore Park trying a Mud Hen Egg during the Indigenous Celebration event held on June 21 to celebrate National Indigenous Peoples Day. photo Deanna Mitchener



NOTICE TO MEMBERS

Notice of Meeting

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August 21st & 22nd, 2021
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Carol Ridsdale

Carol Ridsdale, Secretary, Métis Nation of Alberta



NOTICE TO MEMBERS

Deadline for Resolutions

Métis Nation of Alberta Annual Assembly
August 21st & 22nd, 2021
Métis Crossing, Alberta

Special or Extraordinary Resolutions for the 93rd Annual Assembly of the Métis Nation of Alberta, to be held at Métis Crossing, Alberta, August 21st & 22nd, 2021 must be received at the Métis Nation of Alberta Head Office no later than Friday, July 12, 2021 before 4:30 p.m.

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Carol Ridsdale

Carol Ridsdale, Secretary, Métis Nation of Alberta

Edson Friendship Centre celebrates National Indigenous Peoples Day



Bilboquet is one of the many Indigenous games that were being played to celebrate National Indigenous Peoples Day on June 21. Pictured is Calan Mackay (11) with his brother Sonny Mackay (8) working on their Bilboquet skills. photo Deanna Mitchener



Julian Preston (5), Piper Preston (3), Emma Hayes (9) and Keaton Pike (4) are seen here playing the Traditional Indigenous Seal Pull game during the Edson Friendship Centre's Indigenous Celebration that was held out at Willmore Park on June 21. photo Deanna Mitchener

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A full job description can be obtained on our website: www.evergreensfoundation.com in the Careers/Volunteers section.

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The wheel chair accessible raised garden beds under construction for Continuing Care Centre in Edson. submitted



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Town of Edson to host Summer Arts Series

by Shaylyn Thornton

With the world opening back up, it's nice to hear that our downtown core will be able to offer some fun and exciting events this summer!

The Town of Edson alongside the Edson and District Chamber of Commerce will be hosting an "Art on Main" series of events for three Thursdays this summer. The events will be on July 22, August 19, and September 16 and will run from 4-9pm.

"We will have live acoustic music, art demonstrations, other entertainment, food trucks, and whatever the downtown businesses like to do to contribute," said Community Development Coordinator Diana Inscho.

Main Street from 2nd to 4th Avenues will be barricaded for these late-night shopping and arts events. Inscho is looking for artists

who would like to demonstrate their talents, as well as acoustic musicians and "buskers" who want to be a part of the festivities.

The September 16 event will be an Art & Music Walk as a part of Alberta Culture Days. "We will be pairing artists with window space downtown for the month of September," explained Inscho.

Any artists or businesses curious or interested in taking part in any of these great summer arts and shopping events can contact Diana at dianai@edson.ca.

Other things to look forward to this summer include an Art in the Park event on Saturday, July 25 and Wop May Day on Saturday, August 28. Both events will take place at Centennial Park – stay tuned for more info!

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Contest Submission Rules:

1. Submissions: June 25th - July 9th .
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PLEASE NOTE: When taking photos, choose an overview of your entire yard, along with the things which you like best (flower beds, water features, vegetable gardens, etc.). Do not feature any photos that identify your valuables or any individuals.

The contest will be hosted on our county Facebook page, go to our page to see full details



Approved Development Permits have been issued authorizing the following:

Permit No.	Location	Proposal	Date
D21-103	Plan 2022565, Blk 1, Lot 2 SW 34-53-15-W5 Pinedale Area	Accessory Building (Shop) & Two Existing Storage Containers – Discretionary	Jun 8/21
D21-077	Plan 9420471, Lot 1 SW 26-53-09-W5 Wildwood	Bulk Fuel Storage & Distribution – Discretionary Use	Jun 9./21
D21-098	Plan 7921035, Blk 2, Lot 3 SE 08-47-23-W5 Cadomin	Accessory Building (Shed) with Covered Veranda	Jun 14/21
D21-104	Plan 0820468, Blk 3, Lot 2 SW 32-51-24-W5 East River Road	Accessory Building – Deck – Variance for Environmental Reserve Easement Setback	Jun 14/21
D21-105	Plan 1321255, Blk 1, Lot 4 NE 22-53-09-W5 Wildwood Area	Single Detached Dwelling (Additional) – Discretionary	Jun 14/21
D21-106	Plan 1121058, Blk 1, Lot 2 SE 33-53-17-W5 Edson Area	Single Detached Dwelling with Covered Veranda and Attached Garage	Jun 16/21
D21-108	NE 10-54-16-W5 Wolf Creek Area	Addition to Manufactured Home	Jun 16/21
D21-107	SW 30-53-16-W5 East Crossing Rd	Work Camp (Discretionary Use – One Year Temporary Permit)	Jun 18/21
D21-109	Plan 2120055, Blk 1, Lot 4 SW 24-53-11-W5 Nojack Area	Recreational Cabin	Jun 22/21

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

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

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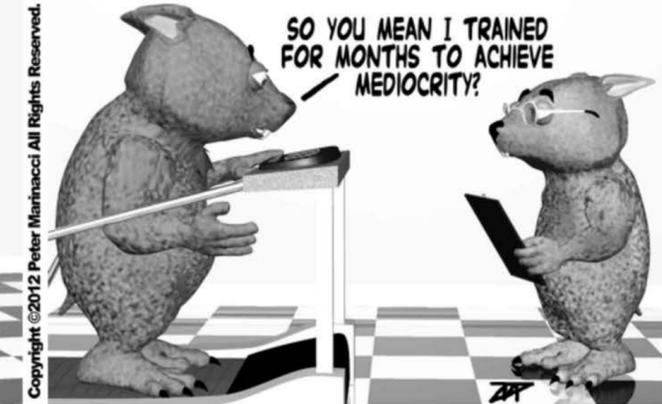
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Canola seasonal price patterns a factor when developing a marketing plan

'Many factors influence commodity prices,' says Neil Blue, provincial crops market analyst with Alberta Agriculture and Forestry. 'The main price determining factors for most commodities are supply and demand, and that is true for canola prices.'

'Therefore, from the supply side, prices tend to follow the production cycle of a crop. To help with their pricing decisions, crop marketers should be aware of seasonal price patterns of crops that they produce.'

'Canola prices tend to make a low during the September/October period when there is abundant supply,' explains Blue. 'Harvest progress, yield reports and buyer demand all affect timing of harvest price lows. After a harvest low, prices usually rebound as harvest selling pressure subsides and as demand again becomes evident.'

Canola prices tend to level off into year-end, often improve during the December holiday period, trade sideways to lower into mid-February and then improve into spring. Prices tend to peak sometime in May-June and, unless production problems continue to support prices, usually erode from mid-July into a harvest low. Often that price decline into harvest is interrupted by a frost concern in August or early September.

'Seasonal price patterns are one factor to consider when developing a marketing plan and analyzing a market. Fall delivered prices tend to be the highest at the beginning of the growing season when production uncertainty is the greatest. That is often the best time to forward price some expected production, considering cash flow needs and available storage for the expected

new crop.'

However, Blue points out that in a year of reduced crop production in a major Northern hemisphere area, prices can rise during the growing season right into harvest. 'Because of this possibility and that of an unexpected production shortfall on your farm, it is recommended to only forward contract with buyers up to about 50% of expected production. To price a higher percentage of canola prior to harvest, it is prudent to use the futures or options market to avoid additional physical delivery commitment.'

Seasonal prices should be considered as more of a tendency than a certainty. 'However, of the many factors that can affect crop prices, the seasonal price pattern is deserving of a crop marketer's respect,' says Blue.

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Lemonade Day 2021 a sweet success for young entrepreneurs

by Shaylyn Thornton

There isn't much better than a nice cold glass of lemonade on a hot summer day, and that's exactly what several young Edson area entrepreneurs offered the community on Saturday, June 19 as a part of Lemonade Day 2021.

Lemonade Day is a free, fun, and international program that aims to teach kids from Kindergarten to Grade 12 about business ownership and management. The program has them start, own, and operate their own business for one day – in the form of a lemonade stand!

The mission of Lemonade Day is simple: To help today's youth become the business leaders, social advocates, community volunteers, and forward-thinking citizens of tomorrow... one lemonade stand at a time.

Lemonade Day began in Houston, Texas in 2007, and grew from 2700 kids in one city to now involving over one million kids all over North America. Community Futures West Yellowhead (CFWY) decided to bring the project to our area, inviting young aspiring business owners in Edson, Hinton, Jasper, Grande Cache, and Yellowhead County to participate.

Each child that registered received a backpack with an Entrepreneur Workbook that taught them the lessons of Lemonade Day like creating budgets, setting profit-making goals, serving customers, repaying investors, and giving back to the community.

Along the way, they were given the opportunity to acquire skills in goal-setting, problem solving, and gained self-esteem critical for future success.

Each stand was able to make all of their own business decisions including the name of their stand, the flavors of lemonade they would sell, how much to charge, type/size of cups, where to sell, etc. The entrepreneurs also decide on their own what to do with their profits – although the project encourages the youth to “spend some, save some, and share some.”

CFWY Youth Coordinator Deanne Fabrick explained that the program “is set to run just as if you were setting up a new business – right up to the license!” The youth purchase Lemonade Day business licenses right from the Town or Municipality and have to set up a lease agreement with the store or location they are operating their stand at.

“This is the start of building relationships with our counsel and future entrepreneurs,” said Fabrick. “The program really focuses on showing kids that a successful business supports and needs support from its community.”

This year, CFWY had five stands in Edson, three in Yellowhead County, four in Grande Cache, four in Jasper, and three in Hinton. Each area would also give out three awards: Best Tasting, Best Stand, and Best Entrepreneur.

All eight of the Edson/Yellowhead County stands set up shop at locations or businesses in Edson. The variety and ingenuity seen in the design of the stands, flavors of the lemonade, and general business set up was impressive, to say the least.

A&M Lemonade was located at the Galloway Station Museum and was ran by Morgan Strong (12) and Amira Abu-Al-Soud (10). Their grape lemonade was a tasty treat on the hot day, and the girls said they would be donating part of their profits to the Food Bank, and then split the rest.

C.C. Lemonade set up shop in front of the Edson Legion, and was ran by Chase and Clara Cole, who are nine and six years old. The brother and sister pair said they thought it would be fun to run their own lemonade stand. Chase and Clara planned to donate some of their proceeds to the Kinettes, spend some on toys, and save some for a summer trip to Calgary.

Core Fresh Lemonade was located in front of Core Daycare, and the funds raised would go directly back to the daycare to help them continue to offer great programming to the community. Throughout the day different kids were able to help run the stand, including Sophia Folkes (6), Lucas Folkes (9), and James Churchill (7).



Kaleb Johnston set up his Kaleb's Cosmic Lemonade Stand outside Independent Grocers. Kaleb was awarded Best Tasting, Best Stand, and Best Entrepreneur for Yellowhead County. photo Shaylyn Thornton

The kids said they wanted to take part to help raise money for the Daycare, and one remarked that taste testing was their favorite part of the event. Core's stand won “Best Tasting Lemonade” for Edson. My young sons aged 5 and 6 can attest to the fact that their raspberry lemonade was absolutely delicious.

Easy Peasy Lemonade featured some of the day's youngest entrepreneurs, as Devinder Singh (4) and his brother Yuvraj (6) served freshly squeezed strawberry lemonade in front of City Furniture. The boys said they were saving up money for remote control transformers and a dirtbike.

Kaleb's Cosmic Lemonade was set up in front of Independent Grocers and was one of the big winners of the day. Kaleb Johnston (10) was awarded Best Tasting, Best Stand, and Best Entrepreneur for Yellowhead County.

Kaleb said he wanted to take part in Lemonade Day to learn how to earn money. He planned to donate some of his funds to the Edson Animal Rescue Society and use some to add a pool heater to his above ground pool so that his family can enjoy it this summer.

Kaylee's Little Lemon Makes was ran by Kaylee Leis (11) and was located in front of Sobey's. Kaylee offered three flavors of lemonade: Classic, Pineapple Raspberry, and Peach Pineapple. She also took the opportunity to sell other items like cups, water bottles, and mugs.

Kaylee planned to donate some of her funds to the Edson Food Bank, and she was awarded Best Entrepreneur for Edson.

Tropical Pyneapple Lemonade was located in front of Canadian Tire and was ran by Aaralynn Pyne (10). Aaralynn's delicious lemonade was inspired by a recipe on Pinterest.

Aaralynn also took the opportunity to sell

original oil pastel art at her stand. She planned to donate 10% of her profits to EARS and to save up the rest to buy a cell phone. Aaralynn won Best Stand for Edson.

Two Little Squirts Lemonade set up their shop in front of Bald Eagle Plumbing. The stand was ran by Gabriella Basaraba (6) and Maya DeVille (6). These young ladies made a delicious mint lemonade.

When asked why they wanted to take part in Lemonade Day, Gabriella said, “We love lemonade and we wanted to raise money for the Stollery.” And raise money they did – the girls started the day with a goal of raising \$500, and instead wound up raising a whopping \$1625, with every penny going to the Stollery Children's Hospital.

While attending these impressive stands throughout Edson, you were likely to run into local politicians and dignitaries out showing their support to the youth. MLA Martin Long spent the day as a guest judge, and other judges included mayors, councillors, and business owners.

Edson Mayor Kevin Zahara, Yellowhead County Mayor Jim Eglinski, Yellowhead MP Gerald Soroka, and others from both Edson and Yellowhead County attended Lemonade Day and met the young entrepreneurs in our area.

“It was inspiring to see how many branched out and offer value added products such as mugs, artwork and other merchandise to purchase,” said Mayor Zahara. “They also showed good corporate citizenship by raising funds for organizations like Edson Animal Rescue Society, Food Bank and the Stollery. Thank you to West Yellowhead Community Futures for organizing the event and all the sponsors and businesses that offered their locations to these young entrepreneurs. It was a great event.”



Kaylee Leis ran her Lemonade Day stand in front of Sobey's in Edson. She offered three great flavors of juice and the opportunity to buy other wares. Kaylee was awarded Best Entrepreneur for Edson. photo Shaylyn Thornton



Aaralynn Pyne of Tropical Pyneapple Lemonade set up her stand in front of Canadian Tire. Here, she is receiving the award for Best Stand for Edson from local dignitaries. photo Shaylyn Thornton



Gabriella Basaraba (left) and Maya DeVille ran their Two Little Squirrels Lemonade Stand to benefit the Stollery Children's Hospital on Lemonade Day. The girls raised \$1625 for the hospital. photo Shaylyn Thornton



Devinder Singh (left) and his brother Yuvraj were visited by Yellowhead County Mayor Jim Eglinski at their Easy Peasy Lemonade Stand on Lemonade Day. photo Shaylyn Thornton



Clara (left) and Chase Cole of C.C. Lemonade were excited to be selling lemonade together for Lemonade Day. Their stand, located outside of the Legion, would help benefit the Edson Kinettes. photo Shaylyn Thornton



James Churchill (left) had the opportunity to treat MP Gerald Soroka to a glass of delicious lemonade at his Core Fresh Lemonade Stand on Lemonade Day. Core's lemonade won Best Tasting for Edson. photo Shaylyn Thornton



Amira Abu-Al-Soud (left) and Morgan Strong of A&M Lemonade offered both regular and grape lemonade options to their customers on Lemonade Day. The girls also offered a raffle for Carlos the duck, pictured here. photo Shaylyn Thornton



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New Principal at Niton Central School



Ms. Jan Wiens has accepted the principalship at Niton Central School.

(GYPSD) Immediate Release: May 21, 2021 - Grande Yellowhead Public School Division (GYPSD) is pleased to announce that Ms. Jan Wiens has accepted the principalship at Niton Central School in Niton Junction beginning the 2021/2022 school year.

Ms. Wiens has been with GYPSD

for 30 years, serving as a classroom teacher, Alberta Initiative for School Improvement lead teacher, Assistant Principal, and most recently, as the Department Head of Parkland Composite High School's Pacer Success Centre. She started her career at Grande Cache Community High School where she taught mostly Grade 9 Math, and varying grades of Social Studies. From there, she became the Assistant Principal of Summitview Middle School and taught Grade 8 Math and Social Studies. After nineteen years in Grande Cache, she moved with her family to Edson in 2010. For the past eleven years, Ms. Wiens has taught Math 9, Social Studies, and Summer School at Parkland Composite High School, as well as serving in various teacher-leadership positions.

In 2018, Ms. Wiens became the Department Head of the Pacer Success Centre where she works with her team, students, and their families to provide well-advised, personalized education plans, including online opportunities for students which, in turn, ensures that every student is an individual and is continuously working towards "their future, their plan."

Ms. Wiens earned a Bachelor of Education from the University of Saskatchewan, a Master's of Arts in Leadership and Training from Royal Roads University, and a Certificate in Career Development and Academic Advising from the University of Calgary.

Proud to be a student-focused and career-long educator within GYPSD's world class education system, Ms. Wiens has a passion for rural education, their schools and their communities, and looks forward to this new opportunity in Niton Junction.

Niton Central School is located in Niton Junction and has an enrolment of 120 students. The school provides a diverse range of programs for students from Junior Kindergarten to Grade 9.

June 21, 2021



Grande Cache Community High School Student Wins Honouring Spirit: Indigenous Student Award



GNS: Good News Story

Please join Grande Yellowhead Public School Division and the communities of Grande Cache, Victor Lake, and Sturgeon Lake Cree Nation in recognizing Grade 10 student **Brianna Chowace** for receiving one of the twelve provincial *Honouring Spirit: Indigenous Student Awards*. The *Honouring Spirit: Indigenous Student Awards* recognize First Nations, Métis and Inuit students who model strength and commitment in the pursuit of their personal education path and embrace their own gifts, strengths and potential while celebrating the ways of their people.

Brianna is a diligent student who is determined to do well and graduate, and displays all the attributes of the *Indigenous Student Award* on a regular basis. She makes friends easily and people gravitate towards her exuberant personality. She is kind and respected by her peers. She is always there for a friend in need and is a role model for her peers who are going through difficult times.

Brianna leads a traditional way of life hunting, trapping and fishing. She accompanies her dad Shannon, her uncles Bruce, Blaine, Josh and her great uncle Curtis on these trips and mentors under them. This summer she started learning to help with the horses. Uncle Curtis and his wife Melanie have explained the teachings on respecting training and maintaining a healthy herd of horses.

Brianna started making and tanning hides at the age of five with her great grandmother, Helen Hallock. She continued learning from her grandmother Kim Hallock and her mom Kristal Chowace. She is working hard at mastering tanning hides. Her grandma and her mom also taught Brianna to debone and skin the animal. She has helped prepare over 20 animals that fed people from both sides of her family and her community. She is learning the seven sacred teachings and to identify and name plants from her grandmother Kim. Brianna participates in harvesting every year and is a big help when teaching younger ones.

Brianna attends cultural events with her family on a regular basis. When Brianna was little, she became a big sister to a little girl with many health challenges. She asked her mother "What do our people do to help people heal?" Her mom told her about the different forms of prayer, one of them being the jingle dance which is a healing dance; Brianna started dancing to pray for her sister to heal. Her sister, who was never supposed to walk, danced alongside Brianna at their very first powwow in Sturgeon Lake, Alberta. Brianna has danced ever since and has been dancing for nine years as a jingle dancer. She particularly enjoys dancing in Sturgeon Lake at their annual traditional powwow. She also performs and celebrates her culture along with the other Grande Cache youth for many town events including Indigenous Peoples Day.

Brianna has been beading for two years and has learned from her talented mom who was taught by her grandmother. Brianna's mom volunteered her time to teach students how to bead during flex time at the high school. Brianna just finished helping her mom complete her new beaded set for her jingle dress regalia

Brianna is an extremely caring young lady. It is a custom to look after the Elders, and Brianna has practised these skills from a young age. She has helped take care of her paternal great-grandma and grampa, great aunts and uncles and her grandparents. She has helped cook for wakes, funerals, feasts and lodges. For the Elders in her life, she has completed the following tasks; chopped wood, yard work, snow removal, meal preparation, unloading feed, shopping, organizing tack, caring for the horses, chasing the horses, and deep cleaning their homes. Brianna is excellent support for her sister who has disabilities. She takes time out of each day to help Tayla reach her goals in reading, spelling, talking and crafts. She has been Tayla's closest friend since she was born. Brianna enjoys being out on the land as much as possible. As you can see, Brianna is learning from Elders, knowledge keepers and family members in her community. She is committed to passing on her teaching to the youth of her community and her own family and children in the future.

The award is sponsored by the Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) and is co-hosted by the Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Alberta Education, in collaboration with the College of Alberta School Superintendents (CASS), Alberta School Councils' Association (ASCA), Alberta Teachers' Association (ATA). 204 nominations were received.

Congratulations Brianna!

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Board Priority 3: Community Engagement

Board Priority 1: Student Learning



Sheriffs shut down Edson drug house

RELEASE: SCAN unit, June 21, 2021: The Alberta Sheriffs have shut down a flop house in Edson where drug activity was a source of trouble for the surrounding neighbourhood.

Investigators from the Safer Communities and Neighbourhoods (SCAN) unit obtained a court order against the owner of 7123 Glenwood Drive in Edson, barring anyone from the property for 90 days.

The community safety order, which took effect June 21, gives sheriffs the authority to board up the house and fence off the property to prevent anyone from entering during the closure period, which ends Sept. 17.

"We believe in giving law enforcement investigators the tools they need to protect Albertans and keep them safe, no matter where they live. SCAN

investigations are an effective way of helping people take back their communities and stop criminal activity by holding owners accountable for what happens on their property." - Kaycee Madu, Minister of Justice and Solicitor General

The SCAN unit was able to substantiate complaints about drug activity and successfully obtained a community safety order in Court of Queen's Bench on June 8. Investigators observed drug use and drug transactions on the property, along with a large number of people coming and going from the premises.

The SCAN investigation also received information and support from the local RCMP detachment, which has responded to many calls for service at the property in recent years.

Under terms of the order, no visitors are allowed on the property for two years. After the 90-day closure ends, the owner is the only person authorized to live there until the court order expires on June 8, 2023.

The SCAN unit works with other law enforcement agencies to shut down properties being used for illegal activities. The Safer Communities and Neighbourhoods Act gives sheriffs the authority to target problem properties through civil enforcement.

Since its inception in 2008, Alberta's SCAN unit has investigated more than 5,800 problem properties and issued nearly 100 community safety orders. The majority of complaints are resolved by working with property owners to keep criminal activity out of the community.



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Faith



Pastor Bryan Walter

As I write this, it's the last week of school. My kids are finishing grade 7 and grade 9, so each day as they complete exams they're handing in text books and bidding fair-well to core subjects for the Summer.

I can remember that feeling, the warm Summer days and the anticipation of coming freedom. I suppose this year, we're all sort of in the same boat, because we're all waiting in similar anticipation for the coming removal of Covid restrictions.

There's a similar hopefulness and excitement in the air as I speak to people. For 15 months we've been talking about "a light at the end of the tunnel," and now, at last, that light is just beginning to warm our faces.

This feeling makes me think about heaven. It's like a glimpse or foretaste of what we're told waits for those who desire it.

Jesus says to us in Matthew 11:28-29, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls."

It's not that we should see no purpose in life, and desire to simply be done with it, obviously we have things that we're called to experience and accomplish, much as the school year has

Looking Forward to Rest

its place in our growth as human beings. It's not that we have no hope of joy in this life either, just like this last year, despite its frustrations and disappointments, has still had

moments of joy and occasions to celebrate. All I'm saying is that the Bible speaks of a rest to look forward to for those who would seek it, a weight to be lifted, a light at the end of the tunnel.

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

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 1: Canada Day Pancake Breakfast at the Legion 9AM -12PM Then join at RCMP Park from 11am-7pm

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 16: Party in the park 2-4pm In Cadomin Family fun day. Bouncy houses, BBQ, outdoor games. Please call Jina for more info at 780-723-

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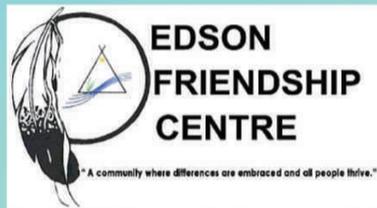
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*Love and missed by his four adult children,
 their spouses and partners,
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 Family in Italy, Canada and England, and many friends*

~ Obituary ~
Lois May Blundell
 April 21, 1929 - March 28, 2021

Lois was born to Clarence and Marjorie Moen in Millet, Alberta. One of seven children. She loved curling, golf, fishing, and camping with her family. She was predeceased by her husband Duncan in 2001 and son Kim in 2011, Sisters Diane, Sandy, and Joyce. She is survived by sister Carol and brothers Jack and Lawrence; Daughter Kathy (Jim) Son Mac (Paula); 2 Grandchildren Darren and Shane and 2 Great Grandchildren Brooklyn and Meladia. As per her wishes no funeral will be held. Donations can be made to Alberta Alzheimers Society.



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