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**Six wildfires remain listed as active in Edson Forest Area**

by Niki Luymes

Alberta Wildfire and the Edson Fire Department continue to raise wildfire

awareness before Spring with a FireSmart Open House event hosted at the Galloway Museum. This event specifically

reached out to the community of Edson. From 2pm to 7pm, on February 28 and March 4, members of both departments were on hand to answer

questions people had about the wildfire season.

This meeting was just part of the many FireSmart events that

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Edson Fire Chief Brad Milton, Alberta Wildfire Information Officer Caroline Charbonneau, Logistics Officer Bernice Hamilton, and local firefighters Markus Husch and Steve Bethge, were at the Galloway Museum Feb 28, answering questions and helping residents prepare for the wildfire season. photo Niki Luymes

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# Six wildfires remain listed as active in Edson Forest Area

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haven taken place recently in cooperation with the Town of Edson and Yellowhead County. Alberta Wildfire is making it a priority to reach out to as many local hamlets and towns as possible.

Locations that have already had a FireSmart event include Peers, Niton, Marlboro, Robb, Fulham, Evansburg, Wildwood, and Burle. The goal of these events is to have as many conversations about wildfire preparation as possible. This helps arm local residents with knowledge and tools to better protect their homes.

The basic FireSmart tips remain the same for rural and urban residents. "It's for towns, it's for residential properties, even out in the county, and it can also be applied for

commercial properties as well," said Edson Fire Chief Brad Milton. One of the most important tips to remember is to create a buffer zone between your dwelling and flammable materials such as brush and dry wood.

Within a town this may mean coordinating with your neighbours to keep the whole neighbourhood safe. Alberta Wildfire offers programs such as the Neighbourhood Recognition Program to help communities make themselves FireSmart. Though this program neighbourhoods can get funding to prepare their residents and also be recognized as a FireSmart community.

Currently there are six active wildfires in the Edson Forest Area.

All of these fires are carryover fires from last year. "With those carryover fires, it doesn't mean that they are still burning or smouldering," said Caroline Charbonneau, Wildfire Information Officer with Alberta Wildfire. "It's just that there's hundreds of kilometres of perimeter that was burnt last year and until we know 100% that those wildfires are out, we're going to leave them on the app."

Even with the recent snow, the risk of these fires returning remains a possibility. The snow can cause these fire areas to smoulder underground, explained Charbonneau.

The equipment that Alberta Wildfire uses to do high level scans for active hot spots cannot be used until the snow melts. "We need to wait until the conditions are right and then we will do those high-level scans. But in the meantime we are monitoring. So firefighters are out there monitor some of the perimeter. We also rely on the public to call 310-FIRE if they see smoke or flame," added Charbonneau.

The next scheduled FireSmart event is planned for May 18 in Cadomin from 4pm to 7pm.

For more FireSmart information visit [alberta.ca/firesmart](http://alberta.ca/firesmart)

## Learn about recruitment, retention of health professionals

EDSON — Local and area residents interested in learning about recruitment and retention of health professionals are invited to an upcoming event with the Tamarack Health Advisory Council (HAC).

The online event will be held March 13, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Participants will hear from local Alberta Health Services (AHS) Talent Acquisition and Medical Affairs teams, and representatives from the Rural Health Professions Action Plan, as they discuss recruitment and retention of health professionals, including:

- AHS's process of attracting health professionals to rural areas.
- Physician recruitment tactics.
- Local attraction and retention committee efforts.

This is a Zoom meeting. Please e-mail [tamarack@ahs.ca](mailto:tamarack@ahs.ca) with the subject line "Community Event" and you will be sent the Zoom link.

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HACs play an important role in supporting the strategic direction of AHS by engaging members of their communities throughout Alberta in a respectful, transparent and accountable manner. Public participation is essential to improving the quality and accountability of health services. Working in partnership with AHS is an important way to ensure services are more responsive to the needs of those who use them.

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Talk to your healthcare provider about your breast density score and your personal risk of breast cancer. Learn more about breast density on [screeningforlife.ca](http://screeningforlife.ca)

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# Edson Sno-Seekers host banquet and X-Game pro demonstrations

by Niki Luymes

Edson Sno-Seekers Snowmobiling Club hosted not one, but two, big events on March 2, as part of the annual Alberta Snowmobiling Association's (ASA) Jamboree.

Starting at 4:30pm was the fundraiser banquet at the Edson Legion. Then at 7pm the fun moved over to Main Street where 2 X-Game pros put on a snowmobile stunt show for all to enjoy.

Every year the ASA, picks one snowmobiling club within the province to host their annual jamboree. This year Edson was selected.

They decided to do the event on the same weekend at their own annual Poker Rally. However, due to a lack of snow, the trail-based riding events had to be cancelled. Even with the sudden snow dump, some activities didn't come together. "We still got the trails ready if people wanted to go for a ride. We just didn't do our standard Poker Rally," said Sno-Seeker President, Darin Nelson. Even so, the group still put together the banquet and the stunt show to celebrate the event.

The Banquet served as both a great get-together and a fundraiser for the Club. Each ticket for the supper cost \$45 for an adult and \$25 for 12 and under. The cost of the ticket included food, a raffle, and entertainment. Alongside these events was an auction, kids bucket draws, and modified poker hand to replace the rally. All the money raised goes directly back into maintaining local snowmobiling trails. "We had roughly 195 guests for the fundraising dinner," said Nelson.

After the supper the fun shifted to Main Street for the Freestyle Snowmobile Stunt Show. Volunteers from the Sno-Seekers closed off part of 50th Ave and set up a massive jump and landing ramps. Canadian stunt riders Brett Turcotte and Brandon Cormier performed for a crowd of greatly enthused fans.

This event was entirely free for all to enjoy. Despite colder, snowy weather around 100 people came out to watch. "It went fabulous," added Nelson. "Obviously it was cold, but the ASA was handing out free hot chocolates to anyone needing a bit of a warm up. The show lasted about an hour on Main Street."

The annual poker rally is the Edson Sno-Seekers largest fundraiser for the year. They usually have around 360 riders hitting the trails as part of the event. Because of the less than ideal snow this year, the trails have not been very good.

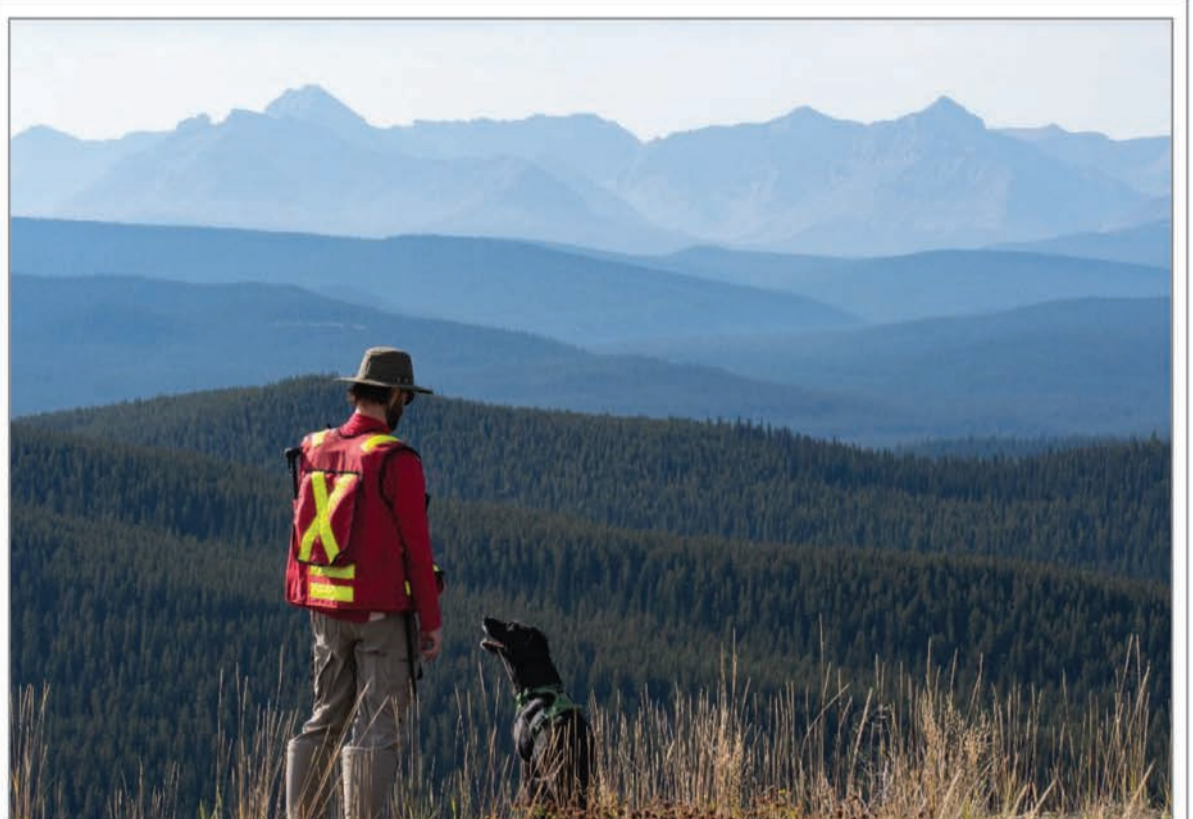
In addition to that, the group had to invest a lot of time any money repairing the trails after the 2023 fires and flooding. "All the fundraising goes back 100% to keeping the trails in great shape ,and doing all the work that we do to the trails," said Nelson. With this most recent snow fall the group is excited to get out and enjoy their hard work and invites the community to do so as well.



The Edson Sno-Seekers were proud to present this year's raffle sled to Darcy Landry of Duffield. The raffle was part of the annual Alberta Snowmobiling Association fundraising supper on March 2. photos submitted.



Eddie the Squirrel photo-bombing the Edson Sno-Seekers X-Game pro demonstrations on Edson's Main Street on March 2.



Thrilling jumps were part of the course at the Edson Sno-Seekers X-Game pro demonstrations on Edson's Main Street on March 2.

Join us for our Annual Open House



**Tuesday, March 26**  
3:00 pm to 8:00 pm  
Galloway Museum (Edson)

**Thursday, March 28**  
2:00 pm to 8:00 pm  
Parks West Mall (Hinton)

- 🌲 Review our 2024/25 General Development Plan for the Edson Forest Products and Hinton Wood Products Forest Management Areas – these plans outline long-term roads, camps, decking sites, gravel pits, and harvesting over the next five years.
- 🌲 Review our 2024/25 Vegetation Management Plan, including the 2024 plan for herbicide applications.
- 🌲 Learn about our Sustainable Forestry Practices and Certification.
- 🌲 Provide our staff with feedback, concerns, or questions.

For further information or to review/discuss the General Development Plan or Vegetation Management Plan, please get in touch with Yolandi Steenkamp at (780) 865-8978 or email at [yolandi.steenkamp@westfraser.com](mailto:yolandi.steenkamp@westfraser.com).



# Edson Youth InterAgency hosts trip to Marmot Basin

by Niki Luymes

The Edson Youth InterAgency (YIA) group made the most of the March 1st PD day by hosting a youth trip to Marmot Basin. For a fee, youths ages 12 to 17 could catch a ride to the hill to enjoy a day of skiing and snowboarding. The transport left at 7am and returned around 6:30pm, giving participants about seven hours of hill-time.

22 youth went on the trip. The group contains a variety of skill levels. Some kids skied, while others snowboarded, but all had a good time. The Basin was quite busy this time of year, but all the youth managed to get some runs in. "It was a little bit chaotic, but they got it sorted out and then everyone had fun throughout the day," said Lexi Abbot, Community Development Coordinator with the Town of Edson.

Each youth was required to bring their own money for lunches. Novice participants were required to take a

lesson before hitting the slopes, but this was included in the cost of registration. YIA is a coalition style program with multiple, businesses and not-for-profits coming together to create the once a month events. This trip had volunteers from different agencies who traveled with the group to supervise. Tourmaline Oil Corp also helped out by sponsoring the bus for the round trip.

YIA focuses on getting kids out to connect with others and experience new things. "We like to do things on weekends and non-school Fridays so that kids have something to do that's productive, fun, learn a new skill, or get interested in a new hobby," said Abbot. To this end they have put together multiple events like this over the years. A similar event is planned for March 27, this time it will be a day trip to the World Water Park in West Edmonton Mall. For more information visit them at [www.edson.ca](http://www.edson.ca)



The Edson Youth InterAgency group spent the March 1st PD day hitting the slopes at Marmot Basin. The trip was a big hit with all participants enjoying the experience. photo submitted.

## Town of Edson Council Meeting Notes

**(March 5) Utility Bill Forgiveness:** A resident has made a request to Council for some forgiveness on their utility bill after a leak caused a substantial increase in water use. While no decision was made at this meeting, Council has heard the information and will take it into consideration for a future decision.

**Communications Audit Report:** Council has accepted the results of the 2023 Communications Audit Report as information. A number of recommendations came out of the report, including the development of a more formalized plan, increased public engagement, and better internal communications. This audit will be used as the basis for the new Corporate and Crisis

Communications Plan, now in development. The full report can be viewed at [www.edson.ca/engage](http://www.edson.ca/engage).

**Director of Emergency Management:** The General Manager of Infrastructure and Operations has been appointed by Council as the new Director of Emergency Management (DEM) for the Town of Edson. The DEM is responsible to prepare and coordinate emergency plans and programs, act as the Director of Operations on behalf of the Emergency Management Agency, coordinate all emergency services and other resources used in an emergency, among other duties. The DEM also coordinates annual exercises and ensures municipal training requirements are met.



Frank Jakubow, with some help, has built some snow sculptures in the backyard of Parkland Lodge. Residents have enjoyed watching him over the weeks and it is often a conversation brought up at coffee time as to how much they enjoy them. photo submitted by Deanna Mitchener



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### Important Public Notice

Open Houses on March 26 in Edson and March 28 in Hinton

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This application is part of an Integrated Vegetation Management (IVM) approach to the use of herbicides (in this case, as a conifer release tool) on the Edson FMA.

Township	Range	Meridian
45	14, 16 & 17	W5
46	15 & 16	W5
47	15	W5
52	18	W5

For more information, please contact an Edson Forest Products representative at 1-800-293-6955 or visit our open house on March 26 in Edson at the Galloway Museum or on March 28 in Hinton at the Parks West Mall.



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Township	Range	Meridian
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47	18, 19, 20 & 22	W5
48	18, 19, 20, 21 & 22	W5
49	18, 19, 20, 21 & 22	W5
50	19, 22 & 25	W5
51	22, 23, 24, 26, & 27	W5
52	21, 22 & 27	W5
54	19, 20, 22 & 23	W5
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58	23	W5

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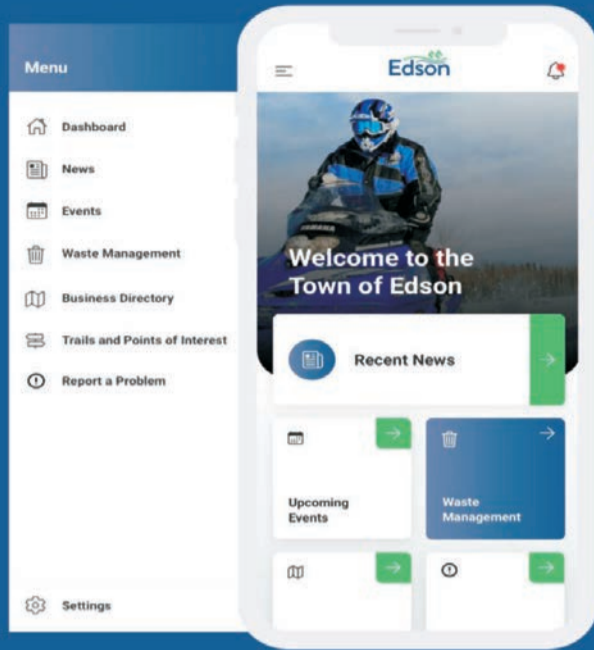




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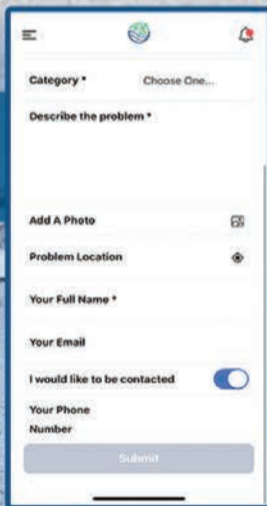
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Any person who is deemed to be affected by the issuance of any one of these permits may appeal to the Subdivision and Development Authority by 4:00 p.m., on the 21<sup>st</sup> day after the date of issue as published on the **Town's website**. On Permitted Uses, grounds for appeal must relate only to interpretation, variance, or relaxation of Land Use Bylaw 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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## LEAP Centre hosting Respite Meet and Greet

by Deanna Mitchener

The LEAP Centre began operations in September of 2020 and fills a gap in the community by offering services for families raising children and youth with diverse needs.

Anna Vander Haeghe BScOT, Pediatric Occupational Therapist and Director Edson LEAP, said, "At LEAP we believe that all children, regardless of ability, should have equal opportunity for learning, enriched environments, and access to their community and programs."

"LEAP has partnered with many organizations in Edson over the past three years to offer free programs. A growing program at our site involves group respite," said Vander Haeghe.

"Respite provides caregivers and parents of children with diverse needs an opportunity to have a break while their child is able to engage in activities under the guidance and supervision of the LEAP staff," said Vander Haeghe.

"Over the past summer we had more than 300 visits by children to our respite group camps. Respite groups are staffed by LEAP's skilled workers that have experience with children and youth with diverse needs and are able to provide a safe and enjoyable experience to all participants," said Vander Haeghe.

"Respite groups are also offered during non-school days and after school. It is extremely stressful for families raising children with special needs. The toll on the family unit, relationships, and mental health of the caregivers is frequently documented in research studies," Vander Haeghe explained.

"It is critical to support families so that they can be the best parents for their children. For families who are raising a child with a disability, finding someone that can look after their child is often very difficult. Parents then find it challenging to take time to support their own mental and physical well-being," said Vander Haeghe.

The LEAP Centre will be hosting a Respite Meet and Greet on Wednesday March 13, so mark your calendar. It starts at 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. for workers only. Then from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. will be for families and workers together. The LEAP Centre is located in the lower floor of the Red Brick.

Respite workers will be provided with information on supporting families and then families will be able to meet the respite workers in order to find a worker that fits best with their child and family.

If you are someone who is interested in working with children with disabilities or would like to learn more, please reach out to [edsonleaprespite@gmail.com](mailto:edsonleaprespite@gmail.com) or visit [www.edsonleapcentre.com](http://www.edsonleapcentre.com)

## United Trinity Kitchen needs help with deliveries to those in need

by Deanna Mitchener

The United Trinity Kitchen is looking for volunteer drivers for food delivery to seniors and other persons in need. The two churches have combined their efforts to make this service possible.

Ed Moore, the driver-coordinator for the United Trinity Kitchen program, said, "I am experiencing a shortage of drivers, so I am asking for more volunteer drivers."

The first delivery was on Thursday, March 7. The second delivery would be on March 21. "We meet at 3:00 p.m. or shortly thereafter at the United Church. Deliveries will typically be the first and third Thursday of each month. Typically, we go from March through to November, twice a month. If you're interested please give me a call at 780-728-5667," said Moore.

Volunteers are always needed in the communities, so please find it in your heart to help if you have the opportunity.

## Good News Story:

## Westhaven students learn about Indigenous foundational values and beliefs

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Westhaven students are introduced to a new teaching every month at our Monday Pack Leader Assembly. Students and staff then focus on a specific teaching throughout the upcoming month.

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TREE & PLANT DISEASE ID

Disease or pest identification and recommendations or referrals

Contact Yellowhead County Agricultural Services Department at 1-800-814-3935 or 780-325-3782 for inquiries or to set up an appointment with our Horticultural Technician.

### EVANSBURG'S THRIVE COMMUNITY GARDEN



Now accepting garden box bookings!

Boxes cost \$20 each.

One box per family for 2024 season.

Limited boxes available.

For more information, contact 780-325-3782 or email [showe@yhcounty.ca](mailto:showe@yhcounty.ca)



### TREE PLANTING & CARE WORKSHOP

with ISA Certified Arborist, Toso Bozic

Tuesday, April 9, 2024  
6:00pm - 9:00pm  
Peers Multiplex  
\$10

Tree expert and ISA Certified Arborist, Toso Bozic, will be giving a hands-on lesson on how to properly plant your trees and best management practices.

Topics include planting, site selection and preparation, pruning, and much more!

Dress for the weather!  
Workshop is outdoors.  
Snacks and refreshments provided.

Registration is limited and required to attend. Register at [www.yhcounty.ca](http://www.yhcounty.ca)  
Registration closes April 5!

For more information, call Yellowhead County's Agricultural Services Department at 780-325-3782.

### YELLOWHEAD COUNTY Parks & Recreation Grants (ANNUAL & QUARTERLY GRANTS)

**Community Hall Operational Grant (ANNUAL GRANT)**  
Registered non-profit groups will be eligible for operational assistance if they are operating a community hall. Grant Deadline: March 31

**Outdoor Amenity Operational Grant (ANNUAL GRANT)**  
Registered non-profit groups will be eligible for operational assistance if they are operating an outdoor amenity. Amenities include: playgrounds, ski trails, outdoor skating rinks, ball diamonds, soccer pitch, riding arena, hiking trails. Grant Deadline: March 31

**Community Hall/Outdoor Amenity Capital Assistance Grant**

Registered non-profit groups will be eligible to apply for funding assistance with capital projects which could include renovations, repairs, furniture & equipment purchases, new facility, new outdoor amenity, etc.

Grant Deadlines: March 31, June 15, September 30, December 31

**Recreation Program & Event Grant**

Registered non-profit groups will be eligible to apply for funding up to \$2000 for programs and events that provide cultural, fitness, sport and/or other recreational opportunities to the community.

Grant Deadlines: March 31, June 15, September 30, December 31

**Recreation & Culture Initiative Fund**

Registered non-profit groups will be eligible to apply for funding for new initiatives in recreation and culture facilities, programs and services that will have ongoing benefits to the community.

Grant Deadlines: March 31, June 15, September 30, December 31

Yellowhead County Recreation Board Grant Deadline March 31, 2024. Please call yellowhead County Parks and Recreation Supervisor for more information.

### Septic Sense: Solutions for Rural Living

Online Workshop • March 14, 2024 • 6:30-8:30 PM • \$10/person  
Learn to manage and maintain your septic system!



FREE Homeowner Package with registration Valued at \$7.50

If you have a septic system on your rural property, you will benefit from attending this workshop!

Visit [www.yhcounty.ca](http://www.yhcounty.ca) for more information!

To register, call Yellowhead County at 1-800-814-3935 or online at [www.yhcounty.ca/registration](http://www.yhcounty.ca/registration)



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

### Social Services Resource Fair

March 14, 2024  
Wildwood Community Hall  
3:00 - 5:00 pm

Open to everyone! No cost! Drop in anytime.

- Displays include:
- Yellowhead County FCSS
  - Lobstick Literacy and Learning Society
  - Lobstick Successful Kids and Families
  - Community Futures West Yellowhead
  - Yellowhead Libraries
  - Yellowhead Emergency Shelter
  - AHS Public Health
  - Plus Many More

Come out to learn about different social resources available to you.

Free to attend! Prizes! Snacks available!



### Mom's Conference

March 14, 2024  
9:00 am to 3:00 pm  
Wildwood Community Hall

# Renew & Rejuvenate

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

Registration due by March 14  
Register at [www.yhcounty.ca/registration](http://www.yhcounty.ca/registration) or 1-800-814-3935

\$10



Keynote Speaker:  
**Nita Knapp**  
Mental Health While Raising a Family



### Farming Forward EFP WORKSHOPS

APRIL 3RD, 2024 - 10AM-3PM  
EDSON LEISURE CENTER  
1021 59 ST, EDSON, AB  
Please pre-register here:  
[https://EFP\\_YHC.eventbrite.ca](https://EFP_YHC.eventbrite.ca)

APRIL 4TH, 2024 - 9:30AM-3PM  
WHITECOURT INTERPRETIVE CENTER  
3002 33 ST, WHITECOURT, AB  
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[https://EFP\\_Woodlands.eventbrite.ca](https://EFP_Woodlands.eventbrite.ca)

Join us for an in-person Environmental Farm Plan workshop.  
Please bring a laptop or tablet so you can work on your EFP workbook.  
For more information please call: 780-621-8670.

1 CREATE ACCOUNT

Please create an EFP account at [albertaeefp.com](http://albertaeefp.com) prior to attending the workshop

2 REGISTER

- April 3rd, Edson Leisure Center: [https://EFP\\_YHC.eventbrite.ca](https://EFP_YHC.eventbrite.ca)
- April 4th, Whitecourt Interpretive Center: [https://EFP\\_Woodlands.eventbrite.ca](https://EFP_Woodlands.eventbrite.ca)

3 DIRECT SUPPORT

Work through workbook chapters with support of an EFP technician



### Community WildFire Equipment Info Session Open Houses

Peers Multiplex  
March 15 4:00-7:00 PM

Wildwood Hall  
March 22 4:00-7:00 PM

Yellowhead County is looking for residents who have equipment and are interested in working with Yellowhead County to assist in wildland firefighting efforts.

Stop in to find how you can work with Yellowhead County Fire Department to assist with wildfire fighting efforts.

Get more information and details at [www.yhcounty.ca](http://www.yhcounty.ca)



### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

**Records Management Coordinator**  
LOCATION: EDSON OFFICE  
COMPETITION NO. 24-019

Reporting to the Legislative Services Supervisor, the Records Management Coordinator is responsible for the overall coordination and management of the Records Management System and program for Yellowhead County, providing additional clerical support to the Legislative Services team on an ongoing basis.

The salary range is currently \$61,656 to \$76,454 per year. Yellowhead County offers a competitive benefit plan.

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

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

The competition will remain open until Friday March 15, 2024.

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

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

The personal information obtained as a result of this advertisement will be utilized for these employment opportunities only, and is subject to compliance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.







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

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**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

**Home Support Worker - Casual**  
**LOCATION: Wildwood, AB**  
**COMPETITION NO. 24-020**

Reporting to the FCSS Outreach Coordinator, the Home Support Worker is a casual position responsible for providing a range of homemaking tasks and practical services that support clients to live in their own home with as much independence as possible.

The hourly rate for this position is \$19.65-\$21.40. The hours of work are casual and will vary.

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

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

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

Competition will remain open until the position is filled.

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Approved Development Permits have been issued authorizing the following:

Permit No.	Location	Proposal	Date	Appeal Deadline
D24-013	NE-25-53-12-W5 Nojack Area	Accessory Building (Weather Shelter) Variance for Height	Feb 20/24	Permitted Use
D24-015	Plan 1323215 Blk 2, Lot 2 SE-12-54-13-W5 North of Niton Junction	Short Term Accommodations	Feb 20/24	Permitted Use
D24-016	Plan 102204 Blk 6, Lot 12 SW-15-50-27-W5 Brule	Accessory Building (Shop)	Feb 20/24	Permitted Use
D24-017	SW-29-56-14-W5 Shinning Bank Lake Area	Addition to Single Detached Dwelling	Feb 20/24	Permitted Use
D24-012	Plan 1124830 Blk 1, Lot 1 NE-32-51-24-W5 East River Road	Vehicle Repair & Sales	Feb 20/24	Permitted Use
D24-001	Plan 9020485 Blk 3, Lot 12 SE-25-50-26-W5 Seabolt Ridge Area	Recreation Resort-Discretionary	Feb 22/24	Mar 14/24
D24-014	Plan 2321611 Blk 2, Lot 1 SW-8-53-22-W Obed Area	Existing Accessory Buildings - Variance for Side Yard Setback	Feb 23/24	Mar 15/24
D24-018	Plan 882184 Lot 6 NW-20-49-26-W5 Folding Mountain	Short Term Accommodation	Feb 23/24	Permitted Use
D24-019	Plan 072291 Blk 1, Lot 4 NW-20-53-15-W5 Pinedale Area	Single Detached Dwelling with Existing Accessory Building (Shop)	Feb 23/24	Permitted Use
D24-021	SW-29-56-13-W5 Shiningbank Lake Area	Single Detached Dwelling	Feb 23/24	Permitted Use
D24-023	SW-2-54-8-W5 North of Evansburg	Single Detached Dwelling	Feb 26/24	Permitted Use
D24-022	NW-21-52-23-W5 Carldale Area	Work Camp - Discretionary	Feb 29/24	Mar 21/24

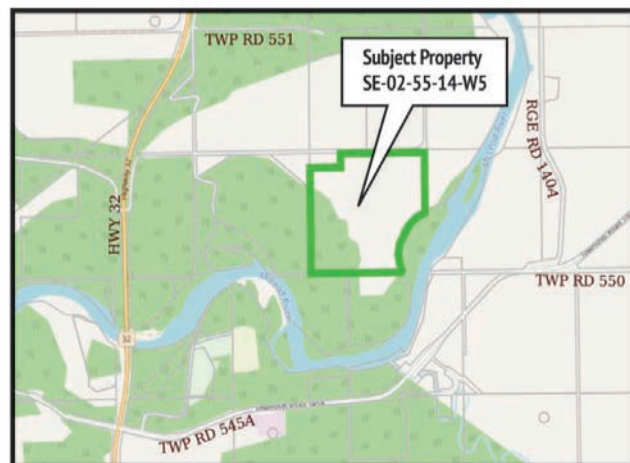
Yellowhead County Development Permits are also posted online at [www.yhcounty.ca](http://www.yhcounty.ca). The public is considered officially notified of approved development permits once posted online, in accordance with the Public Notification Bylaw. The Yellowhead County Land Use Bylaw NO 09.21 provides that any person claiming to be affected by a decision of the Development Authority may appeal to the **Subdivision and Development Appeal Board** or **Alberta's Land and Property Rights Tribunal** dependent on jurisdiction of the appeal authority. Appeals under the jurisdiction of Yellowhead County's Subdivision and Development Appeal Board require a written notice of appeal and a payment of \$300.00 payable to Yellowhead County within 21 day of the publishing of the Notice of Decision. Requirements for appealing the development to the Alberta's Land and Property Rights Tribunal can be found here: <https://www.alberta.ca/subdivision-appeals.aspx> or by calling 780-427-2444.

**SUBDIVISION AND DEVELOPMENT  
 APPEAL BOARD HEARING  
 Yellowhead County**



A Subdivision and Development Appeal Board hearing has been scheduled for **March 14, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. in the Council Chambers, Yellowhead County Administration Building, 2716 - First Avenue, Edson, Alberta, T7E 1N9.**

The purpose of the hearing is to review an appeal received against the approval of **Development Permit D23-118 located at part of the SE-02-55-14-W5**. Any person who claims to be affected by the decision or permit may be present at the hearing.



Written submissions will be received by the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board Clerk, at Yellowhead County, 2716 - First Avenue, Edson, Alberta, T7E 1N9, prior to commencement of the hearing.

Submissions will become public information upon receipt by the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board Clerk.



# Ribbon Skirt Teaching at Marlboro Hall



There was a large turnout for the Ribbon Skirt teachings at Marlboro Hall held recently.

submitted

What an amazing turnout for the second Ribbon Skirt Teaching at Marlboro Hall.

Reverend Kimberly Roy's maternal family has lived in Yellowhead County, Marlboro area, for five generations. Her grandfather, William Franklin (Métis), was born in Marlboro on the property beside the old smoke stack where her mom and her siblings grew up before moving across the highway in the early 60's. Her paternal family has also been here for five generations while mostly living down the Grand Prairie Trail, Kay Rosen (nee Mills), and in the town of Edson. This area has been important to her family since the early 1900's.

Since Rev. Roy's resigned from Edson United Church, after 10 years of caring and steadfast service, February 2023, she has supported the National United Church of

Canada through their Indigenous Ministries programming in the areas of reconciliation, building healthy relationships and teaching culture through sewing, beading, teachings and preaching on and off reserve.

The Mountianview Recreation Society, at Marlboro, was the recipient of two large grants from The National United Church of Canada's Truth and Reconciliation Fund and the Dorothy Jenkins's Fund to purchase sewing machines and to support teachings around ribbon skirts and beading.

Over the next 18 months, both the Mountianview Recreation Society and the Hinton Friendship Centre will share in this wonderful endeavor to support reconciliation, community building and culture supported by the National United Church of Canada.

If you are interested in attending a free Ribbon Skirt or Beading for beginner teachings, at

Marlboro Hall, please email:

kimberlyroy@hotmail.com with your name, phone number, address and if you have already attended a teaching in Marlboro.

Because space is limited and interest far

# KID'S CORNER



Meet 6 year old student Brynlee who attends Vanier Community Catholic School. Name : Brynlee

If you had a million dollars what would you buy?

I would buy 100 Oilers jerseys because they are my favorite team!



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exceeds the spots available, all names will be drawn at random and people will be contacted about six weeks before the teaching to confirm their spot.

Unsuccessful participant's names will remain in the draw for the next

teaching. Our next teaching is May 18th 2024, beginners beading.

If you or your business would like to support future community building project by providing sewing or beading supplies or

monetarily, please email kimberlyroy@hotmail.com

Both the Mountianview Recreation Society and the Hinton Friendship Centre are non-profits that can provide charitable receipts.



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- Troubleshoot equipment problems and perform minor repairs and servicing
- Identify and implement opportunities to increase production through optimization of gas wells, gathering systems and facilities
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- Comply with environmental and safety regulatory requirements and take corrective action as required
- Communicate with operations, maintenance, construction, engineering and management staff
- Daily production accounting
- Ongoing performance improvement including job progression and training
- Remain on-call to provide after-hours coverage for facilities or wells, as needed

#### QUALIFICATIONS:

- Typically 3+ years of experience in Operations or Maintenance;
- Minimum Grade 12 education complimented by GPO A-D or PFO A-D certification, or a Journeyperson Certification or a Diploma of Technology;
- Valid Class 5 driver's license;
- Developed Computer skills; and
- Strong communication, organizational and team skills, complimented with a strong work ethic.

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At Canadian Natural, we strive to live through our mission statement: "To develop people to work together to create value for the Company's shareholders by doing it right with fun and integrity." As a leading oil and gas producer, our diverse combination of assets include light oil, heavy oil, in situ oil sands production, oil sands mining and upgrading facilities, and natural gas. At Canadian Natural, safety is a core value. We conduct all of our operations in a way that identifies, minimizes and mitigates harm to the health and safety of employees, contractors, the public and the environment.

This Operating position is a safety sensitive position and is subject to the relevant requirements of the CNRL Alcohol and Drug policy which includes pre-assignment testing;

All interested applicants, please email or deliver your resume in Microsoft Word format on or before March 15 2024

Email: [EdsonAdmin@cnrl.com](mailto:EdsonAdmin@cnrl.com)

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# Edson & District Public Library Receives another Generous Donation

submitted by Sheila Buckle

The Edson & District Public Library is excited to announce that it has received a \$10,000 grant from Tourmaline in support of their Furniture Fundraising Drive.

“Tourmaline is proud to call communities like Edson home” said Jeff Lawson, Foreman with Tourmaline when he presented the donation to the library on March 4, 2024.

“Thank you, Tourmaline! With this generous donation, we will be able to purchase some of the lower bookshelves needed for our new spaces” said Robin Corser, Library Board Chair. “We are very grateful for the support that we have received from our community towards our efforts to increase accessibility and revitalize our library”.

The library is currently fundraising to furnish the new spaces in the renovated and expanded building that will include a larger children's area, dedicated teen zone and quiet room. “We expect to reopen in our former location at 4726 8th Avenue in June and this \$10,000 donation is a large and much appreciated step towards our goal of raising \$250,000. We are very grateful for the generosity of Tourmaline and their support of our library,” said Robin.

If anyone wants more information or would like to join Tourmaline on our Wall of Recognition, please contact Connie Hargreaves, Library Director at (780) 723-6691, [chargreaves@edsonlibrary.ca](mailto:chargreaves@edsonlibrary.ca).



Tourmaline generously donated \$10,000 towards the Edson & District Public Library's furniture fundraising campaign on March 4, 2024. Pictured from left to right front row: Sheila Buckle (Library Board), Tourmaline Foreman Jeff Lawson, Chad MacDonald-Winsor (Library Board) and Tourmaline Office Administrator Michelle Depee. Top row left to right: Library Board representatives Denise Martin, Ed Ogloza, Robin Corser, and Town Councillor Peter Taylor.

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND CLAIMANTS

Estate of  
**JAMES PETER HENGEN**  
who died on January 16, 2024.

If you have a claim against this estate, you must file your claim by April 19, 2024 with  
**Suzanne E. Manning at Ritzen Warshawski LLP,**  
400, 1 Tache Street, St. Albert, Alberta, T8N 1B4,  
and provide details of your claim.

If you do not file by the date shown above, the estate property can lawfully be distributed without regard to any claim you may have.

## REQUEST FOR TENDERS

**CROWN LAND TENDERS FOR FARM DEVELOPMENT  
LEASES AND GRAZING LICENCES**

ALBERTA FORESTRY AND PARKS

Forestry & Parks is offering two farm development leases and fourteen grazing licences for tender in various locations throughout the province.

For more information and to get copies of each bid package visit [https://www.alberta.ca/Agriculture tender notices](https://www.alberta.ca/Agriculture_tender_notices) | Alberta.ca

Sealed tenders must be received at Public Lands Disposition Management, 5th Floor, 9915-108 Street NW, Edmonton, Alberta T5K 2G8, by 2:00 pm MDT, Thursday April 4, 2024.

Public tender opening will take place immediately following tender closing in Boardroom 5A, 5th Floor, 9915-108 Street, NW Edmonton, Alberta T5K 2G8.

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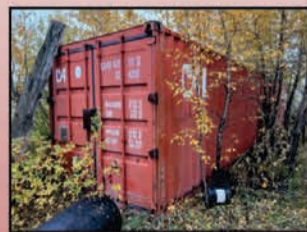
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- March 8, April 12:** Join Trail Hall for potluck suppers for more information call 780-728-5641.
- March 10-31:** Yoga in Peers, Sundays 6pm-7pm Peers Multiplex ages 12+ register at yhcounty.ca/registration
- March 11:** Preventing Scams Community Presentations. Evansburg Heritage House-1:30pm Register by calling the Yellowhead County Wildwood office at 780-325-3782 or email kschatz@yhcounty.ca Or at www.yhcounty.ca/registration
- March 12:** Preventing Scams Community Presentations. Peers Multiplex 10:30am Register by calling the Yellowhead County Wildwood office at 780-325-3782 or email kschatz@yhcounty.ca Or at www.yhcounty.ca/registration
- March 14:** Social Services Resource Fair. Open to everyone. Drop in any time from 3:00pm -5:00pm at Wildwood Community Hall
- March 14:** Moms Conference 9:00am-3:00PM Renew and Rejuvenate. Register at . At the Wildwood Community Hall

- March 15:** Adult card night at Niton Community Hall 7:00pm
- March 23:** Niton Jam at Niton Community Hall 1:00pm everyone welcome
- March 26:** Family Wellness Day. 11:00am-1:30pm at Marlboro Community Hall. Register at yhcounty.ca/registration
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# Fraud Prevention Month: The Evolving Risks of Fraud

March is Fraud Prevention Month and it offers an opportunity to highlight some newly evolving risks of fraud and some common warning signs.

One of the newest fraud threats is the rise of Artificial intelligence (AI). AI can be an exciting tool and it has revolutionized many aspects of our lives. But it has also given fraudsters opportunities to make their frauds even more convincing.

According to Statistics Canada, fraud cases in this country have almost doubled over the past ten years, surging from 79,000 in 2012 to 150,000 in 2022. In Alberta there were over 7,400 reported cases of Fraud related to money, property or security in 2022.

In 2023 alone, Canadians lost a staggering \$567 million – an increase of \$37 million from 2022. According to the RCMP, only 5 to 10 per cent of fraud cases are reported in Canada.

This increase shows that fraudsters are becoming more skilled, and technology like AI is helping them improve their old tricks.

Fraudsters can use AI to impersonate a well-known company or individual to promote fake products or services; generate a convincing fake investment opportunity; make chat bots spread

fake reviews that sound and look like real people wrote them; use voice cloning for deceptive telemarketing.

'Emergency Scams' are also on the rise. These scams are also referred to as Grandparent or Grandchild scams. The scam often involve a phone call being placed to the victim claiming a loved one is in trouble with the courts or law enforcement and a payment is needed to help them. The suspects will often pretend to be a police officer, judge, or family member. Suspects will usually ask for cash, however more recently they have been asking for payment by Bitcoin.

Fake listings on search engines are nothing new, but many are now redirecting people to fraudulent, but very convincing, versions of familiar companies and brands. These fake sites, posing as existing businesses, provide phone numbers and online shopping carts created to steal credit information along with your money. Travel websites are a major target for these fraudsters.

Another concern is the growing risk of immigration-related fraud. To help navigate Canada's immigration system, newcomers have chosen to use



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a representative to act on their behalf. Unfortunately, some of these people are eager to exploit students' inexperience and anxiety for their own gain.

"Those who represent immigrants or give advice must be authorized to do so. This means they must be a member in good standing of the College of Immigration and Citizenship Consultants, a lawyer or other member in good standing of a law society of a province or territory," states Canada's Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship, Marc Miller.

Yellowhead County is hosting a community presentation called

"Preventing Scams" on March 11 at the Evansburg Heritage House at 1:30pm; and again on March 12 at the Peers Multiplex at 10:30am.

For more information on fraud prevention visit Fraud Prevention Month 2024 (canada.ca) or albertacrimeprevention.com. For more information on immigration fraud visit Canada.ca/immigration-fraud.

If you believe you may be a victim of fraud, or are currently being targeted by fraud, please report it to your local law enforcement and the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre (CAFC) at 1-888-495-8501. Instances of compromised personal and/or financial information should be reported to your bank and credit card company.

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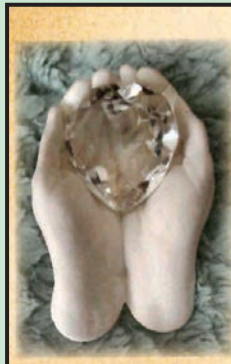


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