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ACES plans Kids in Art bursary

by Adrienne Tait

The Arts Centre for Edson Society (ACES) presented their Kids in Art bursary initiative to Town Council at the Committee of the Whole meeting on March 23.

ACES mandate is to develop a

new performing arts facility in the Town of Edson and to advocate for the arts and culture community in the Edson and surrounding area. While their goal of seeing a cultural centre being built within the community remains, over the past few months they have been

working on a plan to encourage involvement for children and youth in arts and culture programming.

“ACES Kids in the Arts Program's purpose is to foster an early involvement and continuation in the arts by providing bursaries to children

from families facing financial barriers. By doing so, children can participate in registered arts and culture activities in the Edson area so that they can experience the lifelong benefits of being exposed to the arts,” said ACES president Peter

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Peers Preschool Society volunteer Adele Hamilton is featured in this edition of Yellowhead County's Volunteer Spotlight Feature. Adele is an active volunteer who has been the preschool's president for the past two years. The photo above is just a few of the kids enrolled at the Peers Preschool. See page 4 for the full story. submitted

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ACES plans Kids in Art bursary program

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Taylor. "This past year has been particularly difficult for extra-curricular programs. Many programs have seen reductions in class sizes and enrollment due to the COVID-19 pandemic. With this, these organizations have seen less funding to sustain their programs; not to mention that many families have lost jobs and income making it harder for them to afford extra-curricular programs for their children," said Taylor.

The program would provide bursaries to children and youth 18 years or younger who live in Edson or surrounding area

(within schooling distance) and have reduced financial means. The bursary would cover up to 50% of the cost of registering in an arts and culture program, class, or event including registration fees, costumes, competition fees etcetera.

In order to establish financial need ACES is asking for a letter from a sponsor vouching for the need to accompany the application. The program would also allow third parties to nominate a child for assistance.

"The cancellation of programs and activities for youth over the last

year has taken a tremendous toll on the mental health of our youth. ACES hopes that by providing this bursary more children will be able to afford to take part in arts and culture programs, while at the same time increase the mental health of our youth, and that our local organizations see a higher and more engaged enrollment," Taylor said during his presentation.

ACES is seeking Council's support for the concept and requesting seed funding of \$5,000 to get started. ACES plans to fundraise and seek donations to reach their \$10,000 goal and have the program established in time for fall registrations.

Councillor Baier questioned Taylor on the confidentiality of the application process and said that getting people to apply in a small town can be

challenging. Taylor said all applications submitted will be kept confidential.

Councillor Baier said that mental health struggles among the youth in the area has been identified as a concern with the Youth Council.

Mayor Zahara asked, "We've seen, with COVID, less opportunities for kids and adults alike and certainly seen some hardship. What happens to the funds that are not used?" He also asked how the group will report back to Council so they know how the funds

were used.

Taylor replied that ACES would be happy to report annually or biannually to Council and work with administration on any reporting requirements. As the request is for seed money, rather than an annual contribution, ACES would like to carry any remaining funds over from one year to the next. Should, after some time, the program not be utilized any remaining funds would be returned to the Town.

Councillor Bevan said, "I like what you've brought. Kids do need

a choice and not every kid is into sports. Maybe in the future this helps them get into a different role or career. I am always in support of the kids. It is important that we get reports back."

Councillor Wilkinson asked if the Town had provided funds to Kids in Sports as the purpose of the programs are similar.

Councillor Currie said, "I think this is a great idea.... Kids in Sports is at a national level and this is local and I appreciate that."

The request will return to Council at a later date.

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Story Correction:

"Edson Mayor speaks out about proposed Provincial Police Force" March 22, 2021 edition.

- In December 2019, the Alberta government announced that municipalities with a population of less than 5000 and/or counties and municipal districts, which currently receive funding under the Alberta police services agreement, would be required to contribute 10% of the provinces cost to support additional RCMP members and administration staff.

To clarify:

- Communities such as Edson would continue to pay 70% (the remaining 30% from federal funding) of the cost while municipalities with a population of 10,000 or more would continue to pay 90% of the policing cost.

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County Council says goodbye to CAO Jack Ramme

"Thank you... It's been a great ride": CAO Ramme

by Shaylyn Thornton

At the end of the March 23 Yellowhead County Council Meeting, Mayor Jim Eglinski paused before adjourning, and said he needed to share a few words.

"Jack," Eglinski said, addressing CAO Jack Ramme's retirement. "This is your last Council meeting."

Eglinski went on to detail some of Ramme's career, saying that he started his municipal career in May 1987 as an intern in the town of Westlock before coming to Yellowhead County on November 3, 2003. "During his time here, Jack has seen and overseen countless projects of all sizes," said Eglinski, listing the current YC building in Edson, the Wildwood building, the Wildwood Library, the new Tipple Park Museum, Brule's Community Hall, joint projects in Entwistle, "as well as miles and miles of road projects, bridges, and road connectivity networks."

"He has also been at the helm as we responded to major disasters in both Yellowhead County, as well as other municipalities we have worked with and helped," said Eglinski. "Fires, floods, bus crashes, planes landing on highways, and more."

Eglinski noted that Ramme also helped in a more personal way, volunteering with the Yellowhead County Fire Department.

"On behalf of Council and staff we have to thank you for your time at the County, and for all your knowledge, hard work, and dedication," Eglinski said.

The Mayor added that,

while he hasn't been on Yellowhead County Council for as long as many others on Council, he has dealt with many CAOs in different municipalities "from small towns to large counties" in his previous role as an MP.

"We have been very fortunate to have one of the best, and I really mean that from my heart, Jack," said Eglinski. "I've worked with many people and you have been very, very beneficial."

Eglinski thanked Ramme for being firm, flexible, open-minded, and for always having Council's back. "We wish you many happy journeys and whatever new experiences you're going to have," the Mayor said, joking that Ramme's wife will likely have a "honey do-list" for him to complete now that he's retired.

Other members of the Council wanted to say their goodbyes and share their gratitude as well.

"Thank you. You have kept me out of a lot of trouble, and probably got me into a little bit," laughed Councillor Dawn Mitchell. "I have always appreciated your honesty and the way you have steered our ship. We're going to miss you around here terribly."

Councillor Shawn Berry shared an emotional goodbye. "I just want to thank you for all the years you've put in here. For all the things you saved me from getting into trouble about," he said. "I've learned a lot from you, and I mean a lot. Thank you. Thank you."

Councillor Sandra Cherniawsky joked that Ramme hadn't kept her out of trouble. "We'll talk

later," she laughed, before thanking him. "Your shoes are going to be hard to fill. Good luck in the future."

Councillor Lavone Olson talked about Ramme's experience and knowledge and said, "Thank you so much, Jack, for everything. You've always been there. We're going to really miss that."

"It's been a privilege to work with one of the best CAO's in all of Alberta," said Councillor David Russell. "It's been a real honor and a pleasure working with you."

Councillor Anthony Giezen talked about the debates he and Ramme have had over the years, noting that "they were always respectful." "I think you're an excellent CAO, and very knowledgeable, and I wish you all the best in your future endeavours," Giezen said.

Councillor Penny Lowe thanked Ramme for his guidance and for his help "steering out of sometimes awkward situations" on behalf of herself and Councillor Wade Williams, who was not present at the meeting.

Ramme thanked everyone. "It's amazing how quickly this time has gone by. It seems like just yesterday my wife was convincing me to come here," he said. "But thanks to the good team we have in this room and the people in this organization, it has been a lot of fun, and

we've accomplished a lot of stuff."

"We've had some good Councils over the years that have supported Administration, and that's key. We were a team, we weren't in opposition of each other," Ramme continued. "So I want to thank you for that. I want to thank my staff. It's been a great ride."



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Why We Volunteer Spotlight: Adele Hamilton

(YC) In the following months, Yellowhead County FCSS will be sharing some local stories and topics for thought on volunteerism. We invite you to offer your feedback and thoughts as we share these stories on our Facebook page, @YellowheadCounty and @YellowheadCountyFCSS. We want to know: Why do you volunteer?



Volunteer Adele Hamilton

We all know people who volunteer. Some do it for the love of the cause, some do it out of obligation to their community, some people volunteer because it's

what they saw their parents doing, and it's now part of their own tradition. Whatever the reason, we see value in the many different ways in which we volunteer.

Yellowhead County knows that the various volunteer groups are a significant reason why our communities are great places to live. Over the next year, we'll be profiling some local non-profit groups and highlighting the volunteers that make them so special.

People volunteer for a variety of reasons—but one of the main reasons is that there is a personal tie to the cause. There are many people that are involved with groups that their own families were involved with when they were children. The preschool in Peers is a perfect example of that.

The Peers preschool has been in operation since 1983, established by a

group of parents that wanted to provide their younger children with social and developmental opportunities prior to entering kindergarten. Since that time, the Peers Preschool Society has changed board members and clients many times. Currently, the preschool has its highest level of enrollment in years; with 22 children in attendance.

The board has five executives and five directors. The current president of the non-profit society is Adele Hamilton, a parent who has now had two children attend the preschool. She served as vice-president in her first year with the society, and now as president for the past two years.

Adele notes that the challenge with preschools is that parents are often only engaged as volunteers for a couple years, as their kids age out of preschool and move on to school and extracurricular activities. Indeed, turnover is a natural part of the volunteering process and brings new ideas to the table. But new volunteers shouldn't be expected to reinvent the wheel. That's why Adele has taken it upon herself to provide volunteers and board members with easily accessible information and processes that make it simpler for the next group of parents to be involved with the preschool.

What duties could one expect in such a volunteer position? Adele and the board are responsible for all aspects of running the preschool, including licensing, financial and human resource management, fundraising, special activities and, for the past year, ensuring that the preschool is following all COVID-19 related public health orders. The Preschool has always reached out to the community, and as such, has consistently received donations and

support. This has been integral to the longevity and success of the program, and, despite the challenges of the past year, remains a priority for the society.

Adele herself first began volunteering as a teenager, coaching Rhythmic Gymnastics for the Special Olympics. Having that personal connection made the commitment enjoyable. Adele stresses that, despite the work related to the preschool, it truly is a labour of love, and one where it "feels like a family." This fits in with Adele's advice to people

interested in getting involved and volunteering, which is, "Find a spot where you want to give to your community!"

If you are interested in learning about or connecting with volunteer opportunities in the community, please contact Yellowhead County's Wildwood office and we will be happy to work with you. If you are a group seeking volunteers and are looking for ways to enhance volunteering with your organization we encourage you to call us at 1-800-814-3935.

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Permit #	Address/Legal	Development Type	Use	Date Issued	Zoning
Week 1					
029-2021	5514 17 Ave/Plan 972 2264; Block 19; Lot 56A	Accessory Building - Greenhouse	Permitted	March 23, 2021	R-1B
030-2021	53113 RR 180/SW-7-53-17-W5	Accessory Building – Kennel + surveillance suite	Discretionary	March 25, 2021	UR
Week 2					
021-2021	5022 9 Ave/Plan 3364AC, Block 46, Lot 18	Owner-Occupied Two-Family Dwelling	Discretionary	March 16, 2021	R-1B
023-2021	4902 5 Ave/Plan 1494 AC; Block 28; Lot 14PT & 15	Accessory Building serviced and reposition existing Shed	Discretionary	March 17, 2021	DC
024-2021	7086 1A Ave/NW-8-53-17-W5	Billboard Renewal	Discretionary	March 18, 2021	UR
025-2021	7086 1A Ave/NW-8-53-17-W5	Billboard Renewal	Discretionary	March 18, 2021	UR
026-2021	7086 1A Ave/NW-8-53-17-W5	Billboard Renewal	Discretionary	March 18, 2021	UR
027-2021	227 4 Ave/ Plan 802 1334; Block 175A; Lot 1A	Fascia Signs (x2)	Permitted	March 19, 2021	C-2
028-2021	5625 4 Ave/Plan 461 AJ; Block 175; Lot 11-20	Free Standing Sign	Permitted	March 19, 2021	C-3

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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Comment

No easing of restrictions...

On March 22 the provincial government announced that there would be no easing of the Covid restrictions in place, despite their stated threshold to move into Step 3 when hospitalization numbers remained below 300.



From the Publisher's Desk
Dana McArthur
Member Canadian Association of Journalists

There were 276 people in hospital due to Covid-19 on March 19, an increase of 16 from the previous day. On March 21 that number increased again to 282.

Step 3 would have included the opening of entertainment venues such as movie theatres and casinos, and would also allow adults to play team sports.

The number of new Covid-19 cases per day in Alberta was also climbing to more than 500 each day, with the number of active cases sharply rising to 5,971 on March 21.

A primary concern has continues to be the growth of more transmittable variants in Alberta, accounting for 16% of active cases. Apparently, the government finally took heed of

the warnings from many of Alberta's doctors and scientists, that the province would be in for trouble if Step 3 re-opening plans moved ahead.

While the decision to maintain the status quo was disappointing for many, bear in mind that the province has been handed the very unenviable task of responding, in some type of responsible way, to this unprecedented pandemic.

Protecting lives and livelihoods while attempting to bend the curve, sustain small businesses, and protect the health-care system —is a seemingly impossible balancing act fraught with a myriad of changing variables. Sadly, disappointments are an unavoidable reality.

However, the end of this is finally in sight with the province stating that every adult who wants one, will have at least their first vaccination by the end of June.

—Stay safe.

Thank You Community Volunteers

OTTAWA: Gerald Soroka, Member of Parliament for Yellowhead, was pleased to recognize community volunteers in the House of Commons during Members' Statements.



new shelter pods for the town's homeless population. Once completed, this

He said: "Madam Speaker, today I am proud to recognize the great work of volunteers in my riding of Yellowhead. I want to give special recognition to the brand-new food pantry at the Edson United Church who have already been supplying free

nutritious hot meals to the community. I recently had the opportunity to visit the church and it was fantastic to see the shelves stocked and volunteers in action. It is working in co-operation with the Edson Food Bank, so they are not duplicating services and the community gets the best of both organizations.

Another fantastic initiative I would like to recognize is Edson's

project will help some of Edson's homeless find a safe and warm place to stay. These Shelterpods are a commendable initiative that should be considered in all corners of the country.

I am proud to represent a riding with such great organizations that have a strong sense of community and support people who are in need. Keep up the great work."

Edson RCMP Occurrences for the week of March 15-21, 2021

Between March 15-21, 2021 there were 28 traffic complaints, topping the list of Edson RCMP investigations.

Other investigations included: 1 Alarms/False Alarm; 6 Assault; 10 Assistance Calls; 2 False/Abandoned 911 calls; 1 Fraud; 4 Lost/Found Property; 5 Mischief or Damage; 5 Suspicious Persons or Vehicles; 9 Theft Complaints; 5 Traffic Collisions; 2 Trespassing; 2 Uttering Threats Against Person; and 12 Wellbeing Check.

Edson Risk Level Change – Medium Risk

Town of Edson, March 24, 2021: With the recent rise in local COVID-19 cases in the Edson zone, the Town of Edson's Emergency Coordination Centre (ECC) has moved the community back into the 'Medium Risk' category within the ECC's Strategic Operational Plan. As of March 23rd, there are 10 active cases in our zone. For more information on the ECC and the Strategic Operational Plan, please visit www.edson.ca/ecc.

The ECC will continue to meet weekly at this time to evaluate the Provincial orders and how they impact Town of Edson operations, as well as to continue to develop and implement relaunch and recovery initiatives.

Masking - Masks are still required in all indoor public places and workspaces. The Town of Edson's Mandatory Facial Covering Bylaw is set to expire on March 31st; however, the Provincial Order remains in effect. Information on masking, as well as downloadable posters for businesses can be found at <https://www.alberta.ca/masks.aspx>.

Health Measures - At this time, everyone is reminded to continue to follow the Provincial orders in place regarding masking, gathering limits, and business restrictions. For the full list, please visit <https://www.alberta.ca/enhanced-public-health-measures.aspx>. Step 3 was recently delayed by the Province due to rising cases, variant cases, and hospitalizations.

Along with the Provincial orders, the ECC would like to reinforce the importance of other public health measures to continue to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in our community.

- Stay 2 metres apart from others,
- Wear a mask in public spaces, indoor workplaces and places of worship,
- Practice good hygiene: wash your hands often and cover coughs and sneezes,
- Monitor your symptoms every day,
- If sick, stay home, get tested, and follow mandatory isolation requirements while waiting for results:

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More information on Edson's COVID-19 response can be found at www.edson.ca/covid.

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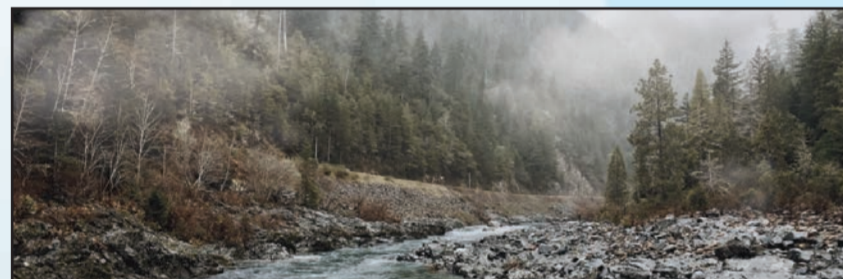
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If you have any questions, please contact our office at (780) 723-4800 or 1-800-665-6030.

1. **Drop off your application and payment at the County office in Edson or Wildwood.** Or use our Edson office drop box, or by mail or fax. Or email your application to whebert@yellowheadcounty.ab.ca

2. Each ratepayer is entitled to an application of Calcium Chloride, 200 metres in length, for a **fee of \$199.00***. This fee represents approximately 33% of the total cost for the dust control application. Full application costs will apply for any requests over 200 metres.*

3. **Spring applications and your full payment must be received by May 15.**

*Dust Control Policy #3200.02



Approved Development Permits have been issued authorizing the following:

Permit No.	Location	Proposal	Date
D21-013	SW 36-53-12-W5 Niton Junction Area	Existing Single Detached Dwelling, Existing - Additional Single Detached Dwelling - Discretionary, Existing Accessory Building (Garage/Workshop/Barn) & Existing Accessory Building (Barn/Storage) with Covered Veranda	Mar 9/21
D21-022	Plan 1320729, Blk 1, Lot 2 SW 25-52-08-W5 Evansburg Area	Single Detached Dwelling with Covered Veranda, Attached Garage and Screen Room & Accessory Building (Shed)	Mar 9/21
D21-024	NE 17-56-14-W5 Shining Bank Lake Area	Single Detached Dwelling with Covered Deck & Attached Garage	Mar 9/21
D21-025	NE 34-53-18-W5 Edson Area	Manufactured Home with Addition (Porch)	Mar 9/21
D21-026	Plan 0424208, Blk 2, Lot 1 E 31-54-16-W5 Edson Area	Accessory Building (Shop) with Lean To	Mar 9/21
D21-027	Plan 0627780, Blk 1, Lot 1 SE 30-53-07-W5 Evansburg	Single Detached Dwelling with Attached Garage & Accessory Building (Detached Garage)	Mar 10/21
D21-029	Plan 9321785, Blk 1, Lot 35A NE 05-47-23-W5 Cadomin	Accessory Building (Garage) - Variance for Height and Front Yard Setback with Secondary Suite External - Discretionary	Mar 16/21
D21-028	Plan 0324530, Blk 1, Lot 1 SW 32-51-24-W5 East River Road	Discretionary Use - Home Occupation (Major) - Yoga Studio (Variance for 3rd Accessory Building)	Mar 18/21
D21-034	Plan 482CH, Lot C SE 30-53-07-W5 Evansburg	Accessory Building	Mar 18/21
D21-030	Plan 1123207, Blk 1, Lot 3 NW 16-50-26-W5 Jasper - Hinton Airport	Recreation (Intensive) - Airplane Hanger	Mar 23/21
D21-031	NW 17-55-07-W5 Evansburg Area	Manufactured Home	Mar 23/21
D31-032	SW 27-53-10-W5 Chip Lake Area	Existing Manufactured Home - Additional (Discretionary) with Addition (Covered Deck)	Mar 23/21
D21-036	Plan 7921188, Lot 27 SW 14-49-21-W4 Robb	Accessory Building (Garage)	Mar 23/21
D21-033	SE 28-54-08-W5 Hwy 22 Area	Accessory Building (Garage)	Mar 24/21
D21-035	NE 16-54-15-W5 Rosevear Area	Home Occupation (Major) - Farm Stand Sales	Mar 24/21

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

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

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



Evansburg's Thrive Community Garden is now accepting garden box bookings!

Boxes cost \$20 to book. Limited boxes available. One box limit per family (2021 season). Bookings will be open until April 2, 2021.

For more information, please contact 780-325-3782 or email: slabrie@yellowheadcounty.ab.ca.

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

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

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

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

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



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Parkland Class of 2021 Fundraisers

submitted by Erica Servold

Although graduation ceremonies around the world look a little different than we are used to, Parkland Composite High School, along with the 2021 Grad Parent Celebration Committee, is determined to give its graduates the best celebration of their achievement possible. The school is planning to run a graduation ceremony as closely as possible to their traditional ceremony, while still following provincial and Alberta Health Services regulations. More details will be released closer to the date.

The Grad Parent Celebration Committee has also been working hard to plan alternative ways to celebrate graduation this year in a way that follows all guidelines. Currently, the Grad Parent Celebration Committee is planning to fundraise to buy gifts for each graduate to commemorate their graduation; however, as most traditional fundraisers do not follow COVID-19 protocols, the committee has had to get creative in terms of how to fundraise! They have two fundraising opportunities happening now and in the near future, with other creative ideas for the future as well.

The first fundraising event is an ongoing Contactless Bottle Drive. Both the Edson and Niton Bottle Depots have graciously agreed to accept bottle donations to contribute to the PCHS Class of 2021. If you would like to donate, please bring your bottles to either location and just let the staff know that you would like to donate your refund to the PCHS Grad Celebration Fund. As well, please text or email a picture of your receipt to Jennifer Kendall at 780-725-3994 or jennifer_kendall@hotmail.com

The second fundraising opportunity that the Grad Parent Celebration Committee has planned is an online auction. This auction will take place from April 8-11, closing at 7:59:59 p.m. on April 11. There is an event page on Facebook, titled "PCHS Online Auction". Links to this event can be found on the Parkland Composite Grad and Parkland Composite High School official Facebook pages. All members of the community are welcome and encouraged to participate! Anyone interested in donating an auction item should contact Sheena Kennedy or Stacy Van Beek to make arrangements. Contact information is located on the event Facebook page.



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Parkland's Senior Artists Showcase Amazing Talent



This artwork was created by Parkland student Kasey Murphy.

submitted by Trish Day PCHS

Mr. Dye's Senior Art 20/30 students tackled the six principles of design in Parkland's art lab. Students had to demonstrate their understanding of: 1-point of interest; 2 - balance; 3 -unity; 4 -contrast; 5 -directional movement; and 6 -rhythm. The projects were completed with colored pencil on 16" by 20" Mayfair paper and the subject matter was left to the student's discretion, as long as it was school appropriate. We are looking forward to what they and their classmates will create next!

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Srvent releases new single "Loser" Video drops March 30

by Shaylyn Thornton

Local artist Spencer Richard, more commonly known as Srvent, recently released his new single Loser. The song also inspired an intense music video which features members of our community and was shot in a variety of locations in the Edson area.

The video will be of special interest to fans of the action movie John Wick, which provided a lot of inspiration. The video replicates moments from the film, and the message behind it is something many can identify with.

The song came out of Spencer's desire to "confront persistent negative thoughts" – specifically one where he tells himself, "I'm a loser."

The song itself is completely written, produced, engineered, and

performed by Srvent, however the video takes the opportunity to involve others in the community. Filming at six different locations over a total of 10 sessions, including Kal-Tire and the Starlite Pub, the video also guest stars some local talent.

Leigh Zarski, who works at the Starlite, played a role to help out. Malcolm Forbes, a mechanic at Kal-Tire, helped choreograph a fight scene as Spencer's sparring partner and acted in the music video. "I was really impressed with the level of dedication he brought to it," said Spencer.

Malcolm got the role in the video when Spencer reached out to Kal-Tire to inquire about potentially using the space for a shoot. Spencer mentioned looking for a "tough guy" to play a part in the video, and Malcolm's boss suggested

he would be a good fit. Malcolm decided to go for it. "It's been on my bucket list to be an extra in a movie or a music video," he said.

On the back end, Spencer worked with a weapons consultant from Hinton, had help with equipment from the Edson Tumblers Gymnastics Club, and was assisted by Becky Richard, who is Spencer's wife and "star camera person".

"My role is to provide support, ideas, and advice on Srvent's creative endeavours," said Becky. "I do a large portion of the videography at times and behind the scenes work when I'm not."

"Spencer has grown to rely on my ability to be detailed/big picture orientated, organized, and honest. I'm probably both his biggest supporter and critic," laughed Becky. "Some couples go hiking or

watch Netflix. We plan out music videos, play with green screens, and make fake blood."

Spencer also tries to involve other artists in the community when he can, such as local photographer Bradley Wari of Three Tree Photography, who stopped by to take photos of the filming of the video's most intense scene.

For Bradley, who has been in Edson since 2014, working with other artists is a great aspect of living in a community like ours. "I joined the Edson Photography club a few years ago so I could work with other photographers," she said. "I love seeing how

even if we all go to the same location everyone sees something different."

Of photographing a music video shoot, Bradley said, "It was really cool! I was not sure what to expect but it was fun, there was plenty of intensity on this shoot but also lots of laughs."

Overall, Spencer said the filming of the video "went really well" and that it was "challenging, fun, and thrilling."


"It feels like I challenged myself in every way possible, and everyone involved did terrific," Spencer said. In addition to extra work like building a set in his studio garage,

performing stunts, and perfecting choreography, Spencer said, "I pushed myself further as an actor emotionally than I ever have for a music video."

In addition to local support, Spencer has recently had his music shared by some very influential people, including Dr. Jordan B. Peterson and his daughter Mikhaila. The two have over 2 million followers between them. "People sent me love from all over the world," said Spencer. "It was incredible."

The video for Loser drops on March 30 on social media and streaming platforms.

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It's been 2 years, old cowboy,
 Since you crossed that great divide
 To be with friends we knew so well,
 While you were by my side
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Say hello to 4 year old Ellowyn Kootenay! Ellowyn enjoys doing crafts, having a movie theater, and playing with her friends. Ellowyn says her favorite toy is her doll kitchen, and her favorite colors are "pinky purple and rainbow." Ellowyn said that when she grows up, "I want to be a mermaid so I can swim and talk under the water." Her favorite song is Wannabe by the Spice Girls. As for what Ellowyn is looking most forward to right now, she said she is "excited for the Easter Bunny to come!"

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~ Obituary ~

Marcel Pierre Roy

December 21, 1930 – March 16, 2021

It is with sadness the family of Marcel Pierre Roy announces his passing on March 16, 2021 in Edson, Alberta. Marcel passed peacefully at the age of 90. He was born in St. Boniface, Manitoba on December 21, 1930 to Joseph Noel Alcide Roy and Louise Anna Roy. Marcel moved to Alberta as a young man and began work as a lumberman. Shortly after moving to the Edson area he met Evelyn Sanders. They married and built a farm where they raised their family.

Marcel was a religious man, attending mass weekly at the Sacred Heart Church in Edson. It would take a sick child or cows calving to keep him at home. He was a lifelong member of the Pinegrove Community Hall and a great 4H parent and volunteer.

He will be missed dearly by his children Allan Roy (Wendy), Barb Ludwig (Jacques), Barry Roy (Sonia), Darlene Becker (Andrew) and Henry Roy (Michelle). His grandchildren Alèna, Melanie, Yvette, Devon, Kate, Danica, Ryan, Kyle, Krystal, Murray, Andrea, Jane & Garret. His 15 great grandchildren and numerous other family and friends.

Marcel was predeceased by his wife of forty-six years, Evelyn on December 3rd, 1999 and his best dog companion, "Tug" on October 5, 2020.

The family would like to extend a thank you to Dr. Saincher for the support and care over the years, especially in his last few weeks.

In lieu of flowers, a donation can be made to a charity of choice.

A small family only service was held at The Sacred Heart Church on Wednesday, March 24, 2021, interment followed at the Glenwood Cemetery.

Due to COVID-family hopes to hold a celebration of Life later when restrictions lift.

"He will be missed dearly, he was a very great man, uncomplicated, humble and kind"

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The Weekly **ANCHOR**

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Happy Easter



Pastor Mesh Hit
Edson Baptist Church

This is an especially important week for the Christians. It started with Palm Sunday and will include Good Friday and ends with Easter Sunday. Jesus came to Earth as a sacrifice for all humanity by dying on the cross on Good Friday. Then He resurrected and defeated death on Easter Sunday. He opened the gates of heaven and made a way for our

sins to be forgiven.

This is something I believe and have shared with many people over the course of my lifetime. I know for many people understanding or believing that Jesus is real and what he did for us is hard to get our hearts and heads around.

As you hear about Easter this year, and perhaps in years past, it's something that comes up on the calendar and you go about your life like it's business as usual. If you are not a Christian, I can fully appreciate and understand this position. Maybe you did attend church services in the past, and the times you went where related to Christmas and Easter.

If that's the case, you are more than welcome to attend a Christ centered and Biblically based church in the area. I know there are good churches that will be celebrating Easter Sunday both in person and online.

With all that has happened over the course of the last year and parts of this year, could it be a time in your life where you give church and the message of hope that comes in Jesus, an extended look? Could it be an opportunity to explore Jesus on a more consistent basis than you ever have? Could this Easter be the beginning of a new journey of understanding and learning about the sacrifice and love that Jesus has for you? You are welcome to come; your past attendance record does not matter.

As you reflect on these words from the Bible, I hope you have a clearer understanding of the power and meaning of Easter, and that you are open to taking a step towards the life and hope in Jesus.

1 Peter 1:3

3 Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus

Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

John 14:6: "Jesus answered, 'I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.'"

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Prairie farmers encouraged to take cover crop survey

by Shaylyn Thornton

A PhD student at the University of Manitoba is researching cover cropping in the Canadian prairies. As part of his research, Callum Morrison is running the first ever cover crop survey to take place across Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Manitoba. He is also running a similar project in Ontario.

Morrison, originally from Scotland, began taking his BSc in Agricultural Science in Ayr before participating in an exchange with the University of Arkansas. While there, he would take trips to other areas and found himself in Manitoba, where he became interested in the Prairie landscape and way of life.

After returning home following his exchange program, he completed further research and studied



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towards his MSc in Sustainable Plant Health at the University of Edinburgh. He returned to Manitoba in 2019 to begin his PhD in Agriculture after connecting with Dr. Yvonne Lawley, who was investigating cover cropping.

The project felt like a natural fit for Morrison. "It was on the Prairies, it would have a lasting impact on the future of Canadian agriculture, benefitting not only farmers but the environment as well, and it was research that was really needed to fill in gaps in knowledge," he explained.

A cover crop is grown at times when a cash crop is not grown such as in the fall or, in some cases, over an entire growing season. "The aim is to provide benefits to the soil, the environment, or improve the subsequent crop," said Morrison. "An example would be following a cereal crop with fall rye in late August /September to protect the soil in the fall, build soil health, scavenge excess nitrogen, and add organic carbon to the soil etc."

The Prairie Cover Crop Survey looks to find out how many farmers are using cover crops, the distribution of cover crop farmers, the areas grown, the most popular cover crop species, and cover crop agronomy in the Prairies. Prior to this survey, little information was available for Prairie farmers who had interest in growing cover crops, so they had to look to the USA for answers.

The first year of the survey ran in 2019 and saw 211 responses from the three Prairie Provinces, receiving responses from as far north as the Peace River Valley in Alberta all the way down to the US border. With the 2020 survey well underway and wrapping up soon, Morrison has heard from almost 400 farms in the Prairies, and over 650 in Ontario.

Through the survey, Morrison hopes to identify

what benefits and problems farmers have experienced and highlight new areas for research, with the aim of supporting farmers in their decision making regarding growing cover crops.

So far, Morrison has found that the most common benefits seen by farmers growing cover crops include improved soil health, increased soil organic matter, and increased biodiversity. Farmers have also observed reduced soil erosion, required less nitrogen fertilizers, and increased water infiltration.

Morrison also noted that, as with any crop, "There are many challenges that farmers may face." In Alberta, "The shortness of the growing season and the lack of moisture we often see in the fall can make the planting and establishment of cover crops difficult," he said.

The data gathered will be used to assist farmers interested in cover cropping, as the results will show what methods farmers across the Prairies are finding successful. A report on cover cropping in the Prairies will be created, which farmers will be able to use as a resource.

And while cover cropping involves growing a crop that will be terminated and not sold, "The vast majority of farmers say that cover crops had a positive effect, or no effect, on their farm net income," said Morrison. "We asked farmers if the old system worked better and not one said the old system was better!"

"Cover crops can be terminated in several ways," explained Morrison. "Some species simply die in the winter, some like red clover or fall rye may survive the winter and need to be terminated by tillage or herbicide. Also, hungry sheep or cattle can graze them."

Morrison noted that full season cover crops are popular with cattle farmers as the crops can be grazed at the end of the season, adding manure to the soil and providing extra income.

Morrison is looking to survey any farmer, whether you have grown cover crops before or not. "It is important to be able to identify why farmers aren't growing cover crops. This will help to identify what could be done to assist farmers adopting cover crops, but also identify what is possible with cover crop adoption," explained Morrison.

If you're involved in agriculture or interested in building a more sustainable food system, you are encouraged to take this survey. It can be taken at surveymonkey.com/r/prairiecovercrops2020.

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