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Enchanted evening for Father Daughter Gala

by Niki Luymes

The Father Daughter Gala returned to Edson on February 16. For \$25 a ticket, fathers and their daughters could come out

and enjoy food, dancing, a photo booth, and mocktails.

The event started at 5pm and was open for kids ages 6 and up. Edson Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) put

on the event, which was staged in the Galloway Museum's all purpose room.

This year's Gala was quite the event, curated specifically to be a special night out for fathers

and father figures and daughters to enjoy together. The theme of was 'Enchanted Forest' and all decorations and treats were created to fit the theme. Along with the supper, provided by the

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Many tables were filled with smiling faces during this year's Father Daughter Gala hosted by FCSS on February 16, at the Galloway Museum and Travel Centre. photo submitted

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New to the Gala was the MOJO photo booth. Everyone had unlimited access to the booth and each child was given one free picture frame to use with their favorite photo. The kids also got to take home a personalized plant, a Tim Hortons gift card, and a fairy garden scratch art placemat used during dinner. At the end of the night Edson Dance Academy led the room in some fun family dances.

While it hasn't been going for very long, the Father Daughter Gala is a favorite annual event for Edson and area residents. The first one was in 2018, and with a short pause during COVID lockdowns, it has continued ever since. People were excited for the Gala's return, as tickets sold out shortly after the event was announced. "It was anticipated and well received by the entire community and organizations," said Emma Fairbank, Community Development Coordinator for FCSS.

For those who may have felt left out of the Father Daughter Gala, the Mother & Son Soiree has just been moved to May 4 from 5pm to 8pm. This upcoming event will also be planned and run by Edson FCSS.

Edson FCSS plans many different family-focus events during the year. They also plan and run the monthly Dadurday events and are one of the forces behind the Edson Youth Interagency group.



There was plenty of fun, food, and dancing at this year's Father Daughter Gala hosted by FCSS on February 16, at the Galloway Museum and Travel Centre. photo submitted

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Artists and Allies Potluck connects local artists

by Niki Luymes

Local artists and their friends came out for a time of connection and interaction at the Artists and Allies Potluck on February 24.

The event was hosted by Edson Public Library in the community use room and was planned by the Town of Edson and the Culture and Arts Network of Edson (CANOE). The doors opened at 6:30pm with the event ending just before the library's closing of 8pm.

The Artists and Allies Potluck was created to connect local artists with like-minded individuals and encourage collaboration and creativity. "We had about a dozen people show up of all different backgrounds and ages, which was great. A lot of people didn't know each other, so they got to know each other that night, which was important," said Diana Inscho, the Arts

and Culture Community Development Coordinator with the Town of Edson. "Definitely making those connections was the most important thing."

While enjoying the variety of food brought for the potluck, attendees also got information about CANOE, the Town's upcoming events, and the many ways they could get involved. CANOE is a collaborative group of individuals, not for profits, and businesses that strive to encourage the arts in Edson. They do this through events, government grants, and creating a network for others to rely upon.

This month's potluck is hopefully the first of many similar events. "It's just to help support our artists in town and address some of the challenges they might be having in trying to get their craft out there, and to start collaborating and inspiring each other,"



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said Inscho. CANOE is always looking for new members and it is free to join. For more information on their upcoming events go to edson.ca/residents/community-development/canoe.

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RCMP crime stats presentation at County Council

by Dana McArthur

During the February 28 Yellowhead County Council meeting, Staff Sergeant Christian Delisle, Detachment Commander for the Edson and area Municipal RCMP, presented a review of the detachment's 2022 operations and sought feedback on its priorities for 2023. He was accompanied by Hinton's S/Sgt Shiloh Fragomeni.

"We are coming to you today to have a discussion on policing priorities for the upcoming financial year," said S/Sgt Delisle. "If we look at last year when I was here, the priorities were overall crime reduction, community presence, visibility, youth, and squatter [concerns]."

S/Sgt Delisle stated that they exceeded their goal of 30 community presence/contacts with 51 different meetings and activities throughout the communities.

For general crime reduction, this year they mostly focused on thefts. Specifically, the goal was a 10% decrease in thefts over \$5,000 and vehicular theft. So far, they have achieved a 9.5% reduction in this area.

The detachment also had the goal for their General Investigations Section (GIS) unit to do

six proactive drug investigations. So far they have only done one, however, there are other things in development, said Delisle. "We are also going to pretty much every school, even if it's just to say hi, and ask if they have any questions." To address squatter concerns, he stated officers have been out in the field talking to people and making sure they are complying with regulations.

Delisle also presented a rundown of the basic statistics for the Edson and area Municipal Detachment. This included the number of crimes committed, crimes filed, the workload associated with the different crime types, and the response times.

Total personal crimes were up 14%. "The big driver of this was criminal harassment," he said. This broad category even includes social media websites where people say things to each other they should probably not be saying, Delisle explained. Property crimes were also up by 12%. "Basically, our big challenge with property crimes in Yellowhead County is oil and gas sites; they are being targeted pretty hard," he said.

Overall, there is a 5% increase in crime over last year in Edson and area. Delisle also pointed out, "People seem more willing to call us so we can gather stats and do our jobs," which he said was a good thing.

Councillor Dawn Mitchell said, "I think some of these numbers are up because calls are up. I know in my area people are feeling they can call." S/Sgt Delisle responded, "That's 100 percent right. The number of calls in

the county are actually up by 4%."

Councillor Shawn Berry said, "The calls I am getting are not about violent crimes, it's trespassing, particularly ATVs along the pipeline corridor."

Councillor David Russell said that he'd like to see more focus on knowledge and education of the RCMP and the court's roles, continued police presence on casual patrol, and more community meetings.

S/Sgt Delisle said he is holding another Town Hall meeting on March 15 at 7pm in the Hospitality Room of the Edson and District Leisure Centre. He invited council to suggest locations for other meetings as well.

Mayor Wade Williams thanked the two RCMP members for their presentations.

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If approved, the amendment will change the districting of SW-15-53-17-W5M from Urban Reserve (UR) to Heavy Industrial (M-2).

To view details of the application, please see: www.edson.ca/bylaws

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From the Publisher's Desk
Dana McArthur
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Support Services (FCSS) for the return of the Father Daughter Gala.

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Individual attention and uniquely shared moments like this are among the most precious and nurturing things we can offer as parents when it comes to our children's emotional growth

This gala will undoubtedly leave a lasting memory on those children who were made to feel so special. Well done!

FCSS will also be hosting the 'Mother & Son Soiree' which will take place on May 4 from 5pm to 8pm.

Letter to the Editor

Alberta Fish and Wildlife being "fragmented" says writer

We've come a long way from Peter Laugheed's conservative party when the management of Alberta's natural resources, including fish and wildlife, were recognised as an important and necessary government function.

Since the provinces were given the rights to their natural resources in 1930, Alberta has had a fish and wildlife agency that managed the harvest of fish and wildlife, worked to ensure fish and wildlife populations remained healthy, and enforced the fish and wildlife laws.

As a result, almost all of the fish and wildlife species that have been here since well before European colonization are still here. Some populations are not as healthy as they should be but they are still here now. This speaks to the value of an integrated management agency focused on conservation, habitat, sustainable harvest and enforcement.

That agency, known to many as Alberta Fish and Wildlife, has been undergoing a deliberate fragmentation with the purpose of

destroying its effectiveness and getting it out of the way of resource development. The habitat branch was eliminated years ago followed by moving the enforcement branch to the Justice Department.

Now, the new government of Danielle Smith has begun finalizing the fragmentation by splitting up the conservation and harvest management into three different departments.

The conservation role is remaining in Environment, the harvest management role is going to Forestry and the fish hatchery is going to Agriculture.

To top it off, the harvest management role will be under the purview of a forestry minister who earns income from a commercial hunting company. Now if that isn't a conflict of interest and an invitation to corruption, I don't know what is.

Yes, we've come a long way from Loughheed's government and responsible resource management.

Dave Hobson
Retired Wildlife Biologist



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Elevation Studio brings fitness to new heights

by Shaylyn Thornton

Every person has their own wellness journey – their own likes, dislikes, abilities, and goals. There is no one-size-fits-all when it comes to fitness.

This is why Regan Pape, local entrepreneur and owner of Elevation Studio, makes sure to offer “a group fitness class for everyone!”

“Whether you want to challenge yourself in the air with our Aerial options such as Yoga, Trapeze, Hoop, Silks or Bungee, or you want to stay on the ground with Yoga on the mat, Zumba, or Tai Chi, we have classes for all ages and body types,” said Regan.

In addition, Elevation Studio offers private classes, as well as classes “where you don’t need to challenge yourself,” said Regan. “These are our more restorative classes that are a wonderful addition to anyone’s health and wellness routine.”

Regan started offering Aerial Yoga out of the Edson Dance Academy studio in 2019, and she opened her own studio in February 2020. Soon after came the pandemic and, with it, many new and unexpected challenges.

“I started as a strictly aerial yoga studio, but through the challenges of Covid I had to adapt and change to meet changing needs,” Regan explained. “[In 2022] I expanded to other aerial arts such as bungee fitness, trapeze, hoops and silks. I also offer birthday parties, markets for local vendors and other types of group fitness such as Zumba, Tai Chi, and more!”

Elevation Studio’s Aerial fitness offerings definitely set them apart from the local industry, “but on top of that we aim to provide a psychologically safe space, where you can feel comfortable being you with where you are at,” said Regan. “We accept everyone regardless of any barriers and want everyone who comes to our space to feel loved and important.”

When asked what clients rave about when it comes to Elevation Studio, she said, “When clients first walk into the space, the first comment is usually about how good it smells. We have locally made candles by the front door, and they are to die for and definitely create a pleasant ambiance for the space.”

“The next most common comment I get is how easy the class was,” Regan said. “There is usually a preconceived notion that these Aerial classes are difficult, but most people are surprised at what they are capable of!”

As a local female entrepreneur, Regan described her business journey so far. “I started this business as a hobby, and my intention was to just teach a bit every week, be able to teach my own kids some classes, and to create a bit of a disposable income for myself,” she said. “This business quickly took on a life of its own with how it grew. It has become such a light in my life.”

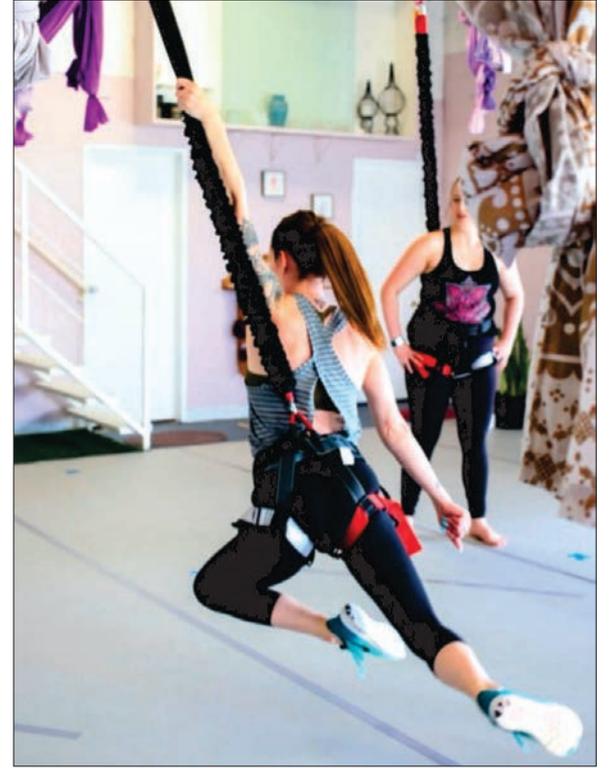
“The people who have helped and supported me on this journey are also a huge reason for me continuing on, as I feel we have such a supportive community that surrounds our studio and these are people I can fully rely on,” Regan added. “This business has been such a creative outlet for me and a place I am truly proud of. That’s not to say it isn’t equally as much hard work.”

“I have connected with quite a few local female entrepreneurs and I can see we all have the same passionate spark for what we do and that is truly what drives us,” said Regan. Collaborating with other local businesses and entrepreneurs “to promote our community and all the wonderful things Edson has to offer” is also something Elevation Studio strives for.

Regan works with 10 local instructors to be able to offer regular weekly scheduling that includes Aerial Arts classes for kids and adults, Zumba, Bungee Fitness, Tai Chi, and Yoga, as well as monthly classes like Adult Restorative Aerial Yoga, Full Moon yoga on the mat and group emotion code, Kids Glow Aerial Yoga, and Mini-Aerial Yoga (ages 3 to 5).

On top of all of this, Regan works full time from home, although she tries to get outside any chance she can get.

As for what’s next for the Studio, “I feel I always have something in the works,” says Regan. “In this next year, I’d like to see our Aerial Arts programs continue to grow with students, instructors, and student instructors. I’m also always scheming



Aerial arts offerings are definitely something that sets Elevation Studio apart, but owner and local entrepreneur Regan Pape strives to offer “a group fitness class for everyone!” photo submitted

remodeling ideas, so I have a few renovation ideas in the works to open up the space a bit more as well. But my overall goal is to continue to be a stable asset to the community and remain open to any future changes that come my way!”

Specifically, Elevation Studio has a big spring break event planned for the end of March, so make sure to watch out for some fun classes. “It’s a great way to try something new to see if you like it!” said Regan. “There are also some fun prizes to win!”

As for Regan herself, she’ll keep pushing forward and learning as she goes. “The biggest thing I have learned is that owning your own business is a rollercoaster,” she said. “[You can’t] take the highs and lows too seriously.”

Elevation Studio is located at 4903 2nd Ave in Edson. To find the class schedule for Elevation Studio and sign up for classes, visit elevationstudio.punchpass.com/classes, or call 587-873-1804 for more information.



West Fraser is a leading diversified forest products company, named for the tenth time as a winner of Canada’s Top Employers for Young People for 2023. Are you interested in working for a company that offers both a challenging work environment and a rewarding career path? Edson Forest Products is currently accepting applications for:

Summer Student Employment

- Must be currently enrolled in a two (2) or more year program at a recognized post-secondary institution, leading to a degree or diploma
- Must plan to enroll in the 2023 Fall semester
- Must have strong interpersonal and communication skills
- Must possess our West Fraser values (including integrity, humility, teamwork, frugality, innovation, competitiveness, and respect)
- Must possess the desire to learn, grow and succeed

We believe in providing opportunities for growth and advancement and are looking for people who want to build their career in our company. We provide a very competitive pay rate in a safe learning environment.

A Pre-employment Medical and Drug Screening is required.

Apply online at: <http://www.westfraser.com/jobs>



Come join us for weekly scheduled classes!

Aerial Arts classes for kids and adults, Zumba, Bungee Fitness, Tai Chi, and Yoga, as well as monthly classes

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There's a group fitness class for everyone!

ELEVATION studio
4903 2nd Ave
elevationstudio.punchpass.com
587-873-1804

Visit our class schedules and sign-up at:

elevationstudio.punchpass.com/classes

4903 2nd, Edson, AB Ph: (587) 873-1804 Email: regan_tattersall@live.ca



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

Yellowhead County
2023 SEASONAL EMPLOYMENT

Dates of Employment:
Approximately May 1st, 2023 to August 31st, 2023

Pool Manager - Competition No. 23-002 - Will be responsible for maintaining and operating the Green Grove Pool and supervising seasonal staff, as well as providing instruction, lifeguarding, maintenance, and other administrative duties.

Pool Coordinator - Competition No. 23-003 - Will be responsible for scheduling special events and programs, act as the supervisor on duty, provide swimming instruction, lifeguard, complete pool maintenance and other administrative duties.

Senior Lifeguard - Competition No. 23-004 - Will act as the supervisor on duty when scheduled with a Junior Guard, provide swimming instruction, lifeguard, complete pool maintenance and perform other administrative duties.

Junior Lifeguard - Competition No. 23-005 - Will provide swimming instruction, lifeguard, pool maintenance and administrative duties.

To apply and find detailed job descriptions for these positions, please visit our website: www.yhcounty.ca/jobs

These competitions will remain open until 4:30 PM on Friday, March 17, 2023. 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

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.

YELLOWHEAD COUNTY
WE NEED TO HEAR FROM YOU

The 2023 Housing and Service Needs Estimation Survey is **now open from March 1, 2023 to March 31, 2023!**

Complete survey in person at:
Yellowhead County East Services Office (Wildwood)
W.E.E. Food Bank in Entwistle

Or complete the survey online:
 **SCAN ME**

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MWQCCNF>

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Growing Edible Mushrooms in Your Backyard

\$30 Registration Fee includes:

- Introductory Video on Mushrooms Life and Cultivation Cycle
- 2-hour Live Workshop via Zoom
- 1 Bag of Wine Cap Mushroom Spawn (for pickup in May)
- Access to Zoom recording for 3 months

Join Yellowhead County's Agricultural Services and the budding mycologists at Fungi Akuago for this great online workshop!

March 22 7 PM - 9 PM
Register by March 15

Learn more at www.yhcounty.ca!

Yellowhead County
TAX PAYMENT NOTICE
IMPORTANT INFORMATION
FOR LANDOWNERS

New Title Holders:

If you have recently purchased property in Yellowhead County, Land Titles is four to five months behind in processing. Combined Assessment and Tax notices will be mailed in May so if you haven't received a tax notice by June 1, 2023, please contact the Yellowhead County Edson office. July 1st, 2023 penalty date still applies on any outstanding balances.

Municipal Address Changes:

Do you live in Niton Junction and have a **TOE 150** postal code? Your address is **no longer valid** due to recent Canada Post changes. Call Yellowhead County at **1-800-665-6030** to update your mailing address.

School Support Notice:

Alberta Education has expanded the Living Waters Catholic Separate School Division boundary under Ministerial Order 015/2021. If you are the owner of a property within the new boundaries and would like to direct your taxes to the separate school division, please contact the Yellowhead County Tax department at **780-723-4800**. You can find the Ministerial Order through the following link: https://kings-printer.alberta.ca/Documents/MinOrders/2021/Education/2021_015_Education.pdf

For more information, please call **1-800-665-6030** or **780-723-4800** or email info@yhcounty.ca



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8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Canadian Firearms Safety Course
(non-restricted)

AGES 12+
TIME: 9 AM - 6 PM

March 25: WILDWOOD COMMUNITY HALL
March 26: PEERS MULTIPLEX

INSTRUCTOR: Dan Johnston

COST: \$140.00 per class

Register by **March 17. Call 780.723.4800**

Please Bring:
- Two Pieces of ID
- Address Verification
- Lunch / Snacks

Yellowhead County
REQUEST FOR QUOTE
2023 HERBICIDE SUPPLY
For Yellowhead County

Full details can be found at: www.yhcounty.ca or www.purchasingconnection.ca

Will be received until: **April 10, 2023, 4:00 p.m. MST**

General Description:
Yellowhead County invites suppliers of herbicide products to provide a quote for products listed on the below "Quote Sheet". The list of specific herbicide products and the approximate volumes that Yellowhead County will purchase in 2023 is a guideline only and no guarantee of purchase is implied by this invitation or by acceptance of any supplier's quote. Herbicide products are interchangeable and the price quote submitted by the preferred supplier will be used by Yellowhead County to analyse cost-benefits of purchasing specific herbicides to address needs as they emerge.

Completed Quote Sheets may be submitted via email to:
Jennifer Benson, Agricultural Services Supervisor
Yellowhead County
2716 1st Avenue
Edson, Alberta T7E 1N9
Phone: 780-325-3782
Fax: 780-325-3783
jbenson@yhcounty.ca

If you have any questions regarding this Request for Quotes, please contact the above Yellowhead County representative.

Yellowhead County
INVITATION TO TENDER
2023 East Winter Roadside Brushing for Yellowhead County

Yellowhead County requests a tender submission from parties interested in performing the work identified below:

Sealed tender marked: **TENDER NO. 2023-807**
Project: 2023 East Winter Roadside Brushing

Will be received until: **1:30 P.M., March 9, 2023**

At the office of: **Yellowhead County**
2716 - 1st Avenue
Edson, Alberta
T7E 1N9

For the following work: **Approximately 10 hectares of Roadside Brushing at 4 sites within Yellowhead County**

Work shall be completed in accordance with the schedule contained within the Scope of Work and the Special Provisions.

Electronic (PDF) copies of the tender documents are available for free download from the Alberta Purchasing Connection website on or after **12:00 P.M., February 23, 2023**, at the following link: www.purchasingconnection.ca.

The Tender must be accompanied by a **ten percent (10%) Bid Security** as stated in the "Instruction to Bidders". Yellowhead County reserves the right to reject any or all tenders. The lowest or any other tender will not necessarily be accepted.

For further information, please contact **Rex Wallace, Assistant Manager, Infrastructure Services** for Yellowhead County at (780) 723-4800.

Yellowhead County
INVITATION TO TENDER
2023 West Winter Roadside Brushing for Yellowhead County

Yellowhead County requests a tender submission from parties interested in performing the work identified below:

Sealed tender marked: **TENDER NO. 2023-806**
Project: 2023 West Winter Roadside Brushing

Will be received until: **1:30 P.M., March 9, 2023**

At the office of: **Yellowhead County**
2716 - 1st Avenue
Edson, Alberta
T7E 1N9

For the following work: **Approximately 12 hectares of Roadside Brushing at 4 sites within Yellowhead County**
Approximately 2.5 hectares of Clearing & Brushing at the Robb Sewage Lagoon site

Work shall be completed in accordance with the schedule contained within the Scope of Work and the Special Provisions.

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Yellowhead County
Approved Development Permits have been issued authorizing the following:

Permit No.	Location	Proposal	Date
D23-013	Plan 0941619 Blk 2, Lot 3 NE-32-52-17-W5 Edson Area	2022 Manufactured Home	Feb 17/23
D23-016	Plan 9826339 Blk 1, Lot 1 SW-34-53-18-W5 Edson Area	Single Detached Dwelling with Covered Veranda on Two Sides & Secondary Internal Suite (Basement)	Feb 23/23
D23-017	SE-30-56-13-W5 Shining Bank Area	Accessory Building (Pole Shop)	Feb 24/23
D23-020	NE-10-53-18-W5 Edson West Area	Existing Accessory Buildings (Quonset, Steel Storage Shelter Area, Shed, Storage Containers, and Shelter with roof and Storage Trailer)	Feb 27/23
D23-019	NE-13-53-18-W5 Edson Area	Existing Accessory Building (Shop including loft and covered front porch)	Feb 28/23

Yellowhead County Development Permits are also posted online at 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 days 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.

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The easiest ways to avoid a scam?
Secrecy is your weapon!

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- Be suspicious if someone asks you for personal information.
- Don't share your security codes, user IDs, passwords, or social insurance number.
- Be cautious before you click on a link.

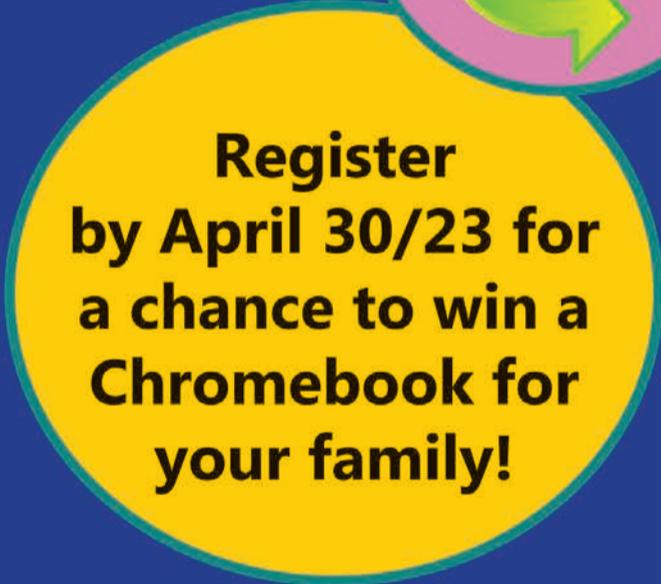
These tips are from Canada.ca/be-scam-smart
Visit to learn more.

Yellowhead County



Let's Get Ready to Learn!

It's Time to Register for Junior Kindergarten and Kindergarten



- Certificated teacher specialized in reading and numeracy instruction
- Play-based, innovative learning
- Early literacy
- Creative and cultural expression
- Early intervention supports and resources

Online Registration opens February 13 - spaces for JK and Kinder programs for September 2023 are limited so don't wait!

Niton Central School
English Programs
Junior Kindergarten to Grade 9
nitoncentralschool.gypsd.ca
780-795-3782

Wildwood School
English Programs
Junior Kindergarten to Grade 6
wildwoodschool.gypsd.ca
780-325-3858

Evansview Elementary
English Programs
Junior Kindergarten to Grade 6
evansviewschool.gypsd.ca
780-727-3623

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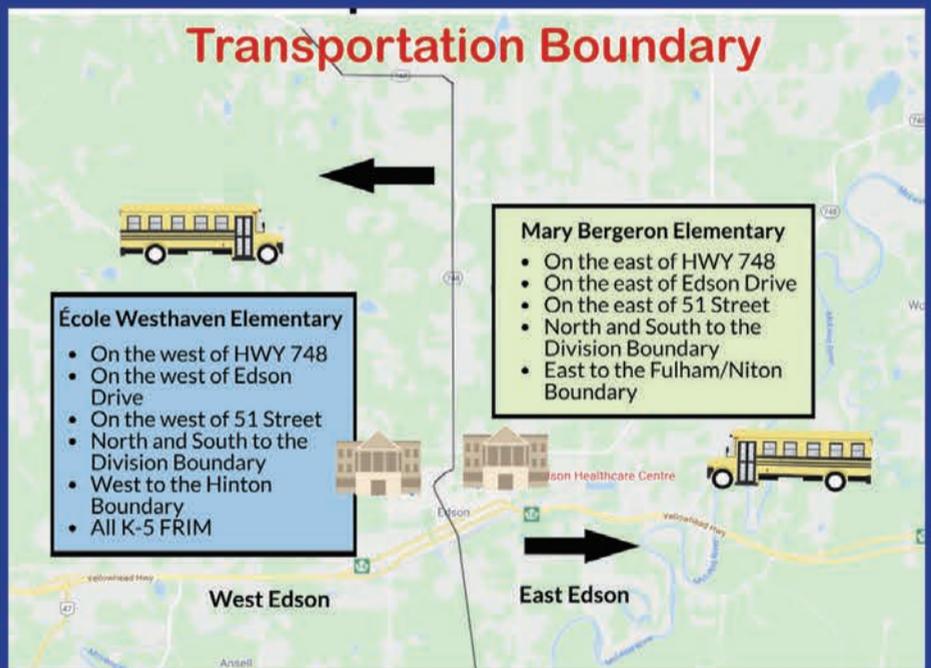
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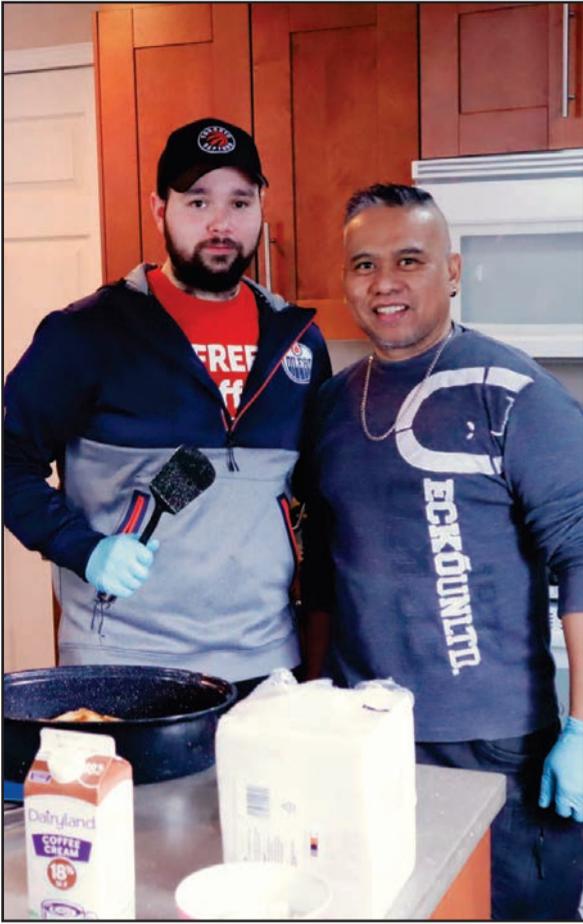


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Fulham School
English Programs
Junior Kindergarten to Grade 6
fulhamschool.gypsd.ca
780-693-2186

École Westhaven School
English Junior Kindergarten Program
English, French Immersion, and Montessori Programs
Kindergarten to Grade 5
westhavenschool.gypsd.ca
780-723-3397

Mary Bergeron Elementary
English Programs
Kindergarten to Grade 5
mbelementary.gypsd.ca
780-723-5300



Jonah Kuzmic and Wendell Ballard from the Edson Recycling Society were making and serving the hot grilled cheese and soup lunches at the March 1 Seniors Day from 10am to 1pm. photo Niki Luymes



Lynn Wilson and Sandra Grant were just a few of the many people who came out to enjoy free soup and sandwiches at the Edson Recycle Societies' Seniors Day from 10am to 1pm on Wednesday March 1st. photo Niki Luymes

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper features Mardi Gras celebration

by Niki Luymes

Mardi Gras celebration made a welcome appearance at the free Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper February 21 hosted by the Edson Christian Ops Centre. From 5pm to 7pm people could come out the hall side of the Edson Legion to enjoy community and delicious food.

Edson Christian Ops Centre is a local missionary organization that focuses on community outreach through help and support. The organization was founded by Gail McComb and her husband Colin McComb.

Shrove Tuesday is the day before the beginning of the Christian season of Lent. Lent is a 40 day period in which followers will pray and fast, or avoid, certain foods or behaviours. Mardi Gras celebrations, which culminate on Shrove Tuesday, are a final indulgence before Lent begin on Ash Wednesday. Mardi Gras Celebrations happen across the world, differing in detail throughout.

In Edson however, the Shrove Tuesday Supper was simply a time of community and connection. "We wanted to invite the community in to just learn a little bit more about that celebration and more about God and why we would even do that," said Gail McComb, event organizer and SIM Missionary with Edson Christian Ops. All who attended the event could enjoy free pancakes with a variety of toppings. Although the crowd was on the smaller side, the event was still successful. "We wished there would have been more, but there was enough that it was worth it," said McComb. The estimated total was 65 people including volunteers and kids.

"We participate in three core activities in Edson," said McComb. "The main one is evangelism through good works, so that's the helping part. We then continue on with relationships in the community and just show them that we care and that God is invested in them and he wants them to be part of the body. And then that goes into the third part which is just inviting people into the church community and saying, 'Hey there's a place for you here!'"

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Electrical Maintenance Lead



Reports to: Electrical Supervisor

Position Overview

Repsol Oil & Gas Canada Inc. has an exciting opportunity for an Electrical lead to be part of the Maintenance team in our Edson Asset. Reporting to the Electrical Supervisor, this position is primarily responsible for coordinating, monitoring, implementing and controlling and assisting with maintenance activities for the Edson Asset. Of utmost importance is meeting the safety, reliability and availability objectives for production equipment, from the well head to the point of custody transfer while promoting a culture of Safety and Environment that ensures the integrity of people and installations, without impacting the environment, and in accordance with company policies and standards. This is a permanent, full-time position located in Repsol's Edson, Alberta office.

Responsibilities

- Implement the defined maintenance program for production, with the aim of guaranteeing safety, reliability and availability of production equipment and installations.
- Lead, monitor and control risk identification and management activities (Hazid/Hazop) with the aim of ensuring production process safety and minimizing exposure of people, installations and the environment, before, during and after the conclusion of operations.
- Make S&E preventive observations, informing the reporting line of incidents/accidents and collaborate in investigating and documenting all aspects related to the incident/accident.
- Coordinate activities with other operational groups to prepare for maintenance activities and/or implementing the emergency response plan.
- Authorize (critical) work permits, verifying conditions on site, identifying new risks and re-evaluating them, and making decisions that guarantee the safety of people and the environment, even when this has an impact on production.
- Perform Electrical work electrical preventative and corrective maintenance as per schedule.
- Supervise when required for company or contracted personnel ensuring the use of safety equipment, and identify improvements to the operational activity that ensure compliance with safety and environment standards.
- Within their area, actively participate in the development of Operational Procedures and all necessary updates of the existing ones, with the aim of reflecting lessons learned and maintaining good operational practices.
- Prepare Technical Specifications to support the process of purchasing materials and services required for maintenance activities.
- Manage the maintenance budget with the aim of optimizing costs, without negatively affecting safety and the environment.
- Responsible for the development and motivation of the people under his or her charge, ensuring their technical training and promoting a climate of collaboration and teamwork that ensures the achievement of the operational objectives in a safe, efficient, and reliable way.

Qualifications and Key Skills

- Alberta Electrician Journeyman; Interprovincial Red/Blue Seal preferred
- Minimum 5 years as a Journeyman with O&G Experience
- 480V-25kV Distribution systems & Gen-set system maintenance experience
- Multilin Protective relays, Industrial plant and field facility maintenance experience
- Supervision Experience
- SAP PM CMMS, MS Software suite

Candidate Profile

- Safety-first focused, always striving for operational excellence
- Analytical mindset with a focus on troubleshooting, creative problem-solving and continuous improvement
- Keen attention to detail with a passion for data integrity and high standard of excellence
- Confident and effective communicator, capable of giving effective instruction and guidance

Additional Information

- To apply, visit the Repsol Career webpage at <https://www.repsol.com/en/careers/index.cshtml> and click **See job opportunities** to find this position
- Only applicants who are legally entitled to work in Canada will be considered
- This position is a permanent, full-time position based in Edson, Alberta, Canada
- Relocation may be provided to the selected candidate

By applying for this position, you consent to the collection, use and necessary disclosure of the personal information provided during the application and selection process.



Pictured are Pine Grove students Zander Ness, Oliver Apoll, Jesse Bergquist and Liam Holden. photos submitted

Pine Grove and Westhaven students promote kindness for Pink Week

by Deanna Mitchener

During the week of February 20 to 24, École Pine Grove Middle School celebrated Pink Week. The theme for this year was #BeKindAB - Celebrate Pink Shirt Day!

Assistant Principal Bailey Benson said, “We spent the week promoting kindness around our school. Staff put together various activities each day for students to participate in like the Story of the Pink Shirt video, Wear Pink Wednesday, Safe and Caring Schools Student Survey, Standing up to Bullying Discussions, and Pink Pancakes. We were proud to see all the kindness around our school.”

Students at École Westhaven Elementary School were challenged by BEST to spread kindness in various ways. The Wolf Pack started their week off by making kindness posters to decorate the school, shared positive messages with each other, listened to stories about kindness and courage, and shared some extra appreciation with the important people in their lives.

However RAK happened, GYPSD staff and students definitely felt the extra love going around!

Bullying Awareness Week aims to create empathy and end bullying and harassment. Bullying can take on many forms, ranging from name calling, belittling someone, physical intimidation, and it can happen between kids of any age. It can even take place online in the form of cyber-bullying. These actions can have a lasting effect on the one being bullied.

Parents are not always able to protect their children from these negative experiences. They can however, help children learn coping skills that teach them positive ways of handling bullying behaviours.

Be open and honest about what bullying means and the different forms in which it can appear, whether it be physical or emotional. Help your children understand that name calling, spreading rumours, put-downs, violence, and other forms of unwanted aggressive behaviours are not socially acceptable.

Equally important is insuring children know to talk to a trusted adult when they see it happening to others or to let someone know if it's happening to them.

Modelling kindness and empathy will also go a long way in preventing bullying behaviours.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Instrumentation & Control Lead



Reports to: Automation & Instrumentation Senior Supervisor

REPSOL

Position Overview

The Instrumentation & Control (I&C) Lead is responsible for the safe execution of corrective and preventive maintenance tasks associated with instrumentation and control systems within the Edson Asset. In this role, you will work closely with internal and external stakeholders including but not limited to Production Operations, Maintenance Engineering in the Excellence Center, Maintenance Supervisors, measurement, and automation service companies to ensure instrumentation corrective and preventative work is completed. You will also be responsible to ensure that EPAP Directive 17 regulatory commitments are completed. You will report to the Senior Supervisor, Maintenance Automation / Instrumentation.

Responsibilities

Key responsibilities include but are not limited to the following:

- Maintain/repair SCADA communication systems
- Troubleshoot ROC and Bristol RTU's
- Troubleshooting of Instrumentation and controls for Inlet separators, Gas Compressors, Dehydrators, Generators, Pipelines, Gas Turbines, etc.
- Collaborate w/IOC for priority corrective maintenance repairs
- Assist other supervisors/automation leaders with software/hardware repairs
- Assist technicians with complex problem troubleshooting in the field and gas plants
- Assist with repair and troubleshooting of Gas Chromatograph's and Environmental analyzers
- Provide on-site support for turnarounds and shutdowns
- Assist with RTU software upgrades
- ATMOS Pipeline leak detection systems_maintenance and testing
- SIL rated system PM compliance
- Developing and reviewing Instrumentation maintenance procedures
- Provide leadership and contribute to all HSE efforts in day-to-day activities
- Provide input to Planners and schedulers for maintenance plans and work orders

Additional expectations include:

- Promote, champion, and execute Instrumentation & Control Preventative & Corrective maintenance activities within the field and plant facilities to ensure compliance to local regulations, Repsol Norms, Policies, and Procedures, and industry best practices
- Lead, monitor and control risk identification and management activities (Hazid/Hazop) with the aim of ensuring production process safety and minimizing exposure of people, installations, and the environment, before, during and after the conclusion of operations
- Ensure preventative PM's meet or exceed regulatory requirements of the EPAP program and Directive 17.
 - Facilitate collection of data submissions to meet compliance objectives
 - Manage verification/calibration contractors and ensure correct documentation to support Directive 17 requirements
 - EPAP records are kept up to date and accessible
- Assist with coordination and supervision for the activities of the Instrumentation & Control contract companies
- Assist with the development of the Instrumentation & Control budget, forecasting, optimizing monthly spend and cost management
- Work in collaboration with Supply Chain and Maintenance Engineering to assist in the development of maintenance contracts for materials and services.

Qualifications and Key Skills

- Alberta Journeyman Instrumentation & Controls Technician or Certified I&C Technologist
- Interprovincial Red/Blue Seal preferred
- Minimum 5 years as a Journeyman with oil & gas experience
- SCADA/Cygnit, RemVue, Honeywell, A&B PLC, Fisher RTU, DeltaV, Maintenance of control system experience, ATMOS Leak Detection.
- Field communications & OT networks
- Supervisory experience
- SAP PM CMMS, MS Software Suite , Synergi
- EPAP, Directive 17 compliance requirements
- Valid Class 5 driver's license with good driving record

Candidate Profile

- Safety-first focused, always striving for operational excellence
- Analytical mindset with a focus on troubleshooting, creative problem-solving and continuous improvement
- Keen attention to detail with a passion for data integrity and high standard of excellence
- Confident and effective communicator, capable of giving effective instruction and guidance
- Organized, innovative, detail-oriented and disciplined individual that works well with a variety of people and groups
- Ability to prioritize tasks and adapt to changes in a high pressure, fast paced environment

Additional Information

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Event Reminder

March 10: Family Movie Night. Dennis the Menace at the Peer's Multiplex 6pm. Registration is required. To register call 780-325-3782 or email jtruemner@yhcounty.ca



Edson Forest Products
A division of West Fraser Mills Ltd.

Important Public Notice

Open Houses on March 28 in Edson and March 30 in Hinton

Edson Forest Products, a division of West Fraser Mills Ltd. is proposing to apply Vision Max® (glyphosate) herbicide by ground and by helicopter sometime between August 1, 2023 and September 15, 2023 on approximately 455 hectares of regenerated stands.

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
44	18	W5
45	15-17	W5
46	13	W5

For more information, please contact a Edson Forest Products representative at 1-800-293-6955 or visit our open house on March 28 in Edson at the Galloway Museum or on March 30 in Hinton at the Parks West Mall.



Hinton Wood Products
A division of West Fraser Mills Ltd.

Important Public Notice

Open Houses on March 28 in Edson and March 30 in Hinton

Hinton Wood Products, a division of West Fraser Mills Ltd. is proposing to apply Vision Max® (glyphosate) herbicide by ground and by helicopter sometime between August 1, 2023 and September 15, 2023 on approximately 4,515 hectares of regenerated stands.

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 Hinton FMA.

Township	Range	Meridian
47	18,19, 21 & 23	W5
48	18-21 & 23	W5
49	19, 21 & 22	W5
50	19, 20, 22, 25	W5
51	20-24	W5
52	22, 24 & 26	W5
53	23 & 24	W5
54	19	W5
55	18 & 24	W5
56	17-19, & 23	W5
57	17-19	W5
58	23	W5

For more information, please contact a Hinton Wood Products representative at 1-800-293-6955 or visit our open house on March 28 in Edson at the Galloway Museum or on March 30 in Hinton at the Parks West Mall.



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March 10: Family Movie Night. Dennis the Menace at the Peer's Multiplex 6pm. Registration is required. To register call 780-325-3782 or email jtruemner@yhcounty.ca

March 22: Growing Edible Mushrooms in your backyard. 7pm-9pm 2hr live workshop via zoom register by March 15 can learn more at www.yhcounty.ca

March 25: Niton Jam. 1:00pm at the Niton Community Hall. Join us for music and dancing. Everyone is welcome! For more information contact Trudy at 780-723-0557 or Lorna at 780-397-3967

June 17: Eddie's Big Run, Kids Fun Run, 3km, 3km, & 10km runs. Save the date.

June 23: Mayor's Annual Golf Tournament. Register now.

Every Tuesday: Winter Walking Group @ 5:15 pm. 60

min guided walk through the Town of Edson exploring the beautiful trails. Drop In no registration. Dogs & kids welcome. See facebook @edsoncomserv for updates and muster locations.

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Farm & Field

News and Views

Cattle by the numbers Alberta prepares for 2023 wildfire season

2022 saw a decrease in heifer retention, auction volume and imports compared to 2021, but an increase in beef output.

“Alberta beef producers retained fewer breeding heifers for replacement in 2022, suggesting expansion is not in the immediate future,” says Ann Boyda, livestock economist with the Alberta government. “The Canfax Cattle on Feed reports show a 9.4% increase in heifer placement in feedlots in 2022 compared to 2021. Heifer placements were higher in the first half of 2022 and declined by 3% in the second half. The rate of heifer to steer placement increased to 37.5% in 2022 as compared to 33.1% in 2021. Steer placement declined by 10.2% in 2022 as compared to 2021.”

Alberta auction feeder steer and heifer volume for 2022 was 638,769 head, down 9% from 2021 and down 26.1% from the 5-year average. The first 3 weeks of 2023 report volumes down 13.4% over the same period last year.

According to the Canadian Beef Grading Agency, slaughter volume for 2022 in federally regulated plants was 2,641,249 head in Western Canada, comparable to 2021 levels (down 0.04%). The 2022 slaughter level is 8.5% higher than the 5-year average (2017 to 2021).

Heifer slaughter volume in 2022

rose by 6.9% over 2021 and nearly 15% over the 5-year average, whereas steer slaughter volume dropped by 5.8% when compared to 2021. Cow slaughter also increased in 2022 by 4.8% over 2021, however this level was comparable to the 5-year average (up 0.9%).

Agriculture Canada estimates beef output in Western Canada for 2022 at 1,028,580 tonnes, up 2% from 2021. The strong performance stems from good packer margins and strong beef demand.

Livestock Identification Services reports 485,544 cattle leaving Alberta in 2022. The majority, 328,911 were destined to the U.S., 294,078 head of which went direct to slaughter. Slaughter cattle sales to the U.S. were up by 21.2% over 2021 levels.

Boyda. “Agri-Food Trade On-Line database indicates that live cattle imports were highest in 2021 at over 234,919 head (excluding purebred cattle), 61.7% greater than the 5-year average of 145,294 head.”

Total cattle imports to Alberta from the U.S., British Columbia and Saskatchewan reached 1,240,768 head in 2021. Preliminary estimates for 2022 suggest that total cattle imports will be down from 2021 by as much as 8%. Alberta’s feedlot capacity draws feeder steers and heifers from Saskatchewan.

“2022 year started with a backlog on cattle stemming from the heights of COVID. The industry is still feeling its repercussions. January and February are typically seasonally lower demand for beef and most signs point to a smaller calf crop in 2023,” says Boyda.

-AgriNews

Wildland firefighters, supported airtankers and other specialized equipment are ready for the wildfire season ahead.

As spring nears, Albertans are reminded that wildfire season is beginning. The wildfire season runs from March 1 to Oct. 31 in Alberta.

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