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(Y.E.S.) November is Family Violence Prevention Month, and the Yellowhead Emergency Shelter for Women is bringing awareness to the issue of family violence. This

week the focus is on children. Many children exposed to family violence are also victims of similar violence themselves. There are long-term physical and mental health risks for the children

who witness family violence. Children in homes where one parent is abused often feel fearful and anxious. They tend to be always on guard and wondering when the next

violent outburst may be. Children in preschool often regress to behaviors they have outgrown, such as bed wetting and thumb sucking. Along with this often comes

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Chantelle Brooks, Kayla Molnar (middle) and Tania Sweet at the Halloween exhibits during the haunted house held at Integra Tire. "A special thanks goes out from our group to Integra Tire for hosting such a fun experience for the whole community. Thanks for taking the time to help Kayla be a part of her community, it means so much to be involved and invited. She had a Spooktacular time!" photo Deanna Mitchener

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Family Violence and the Effects on Children

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separation anxiety and poor sleep. School aged children tend to feel guilt about the abuse and blame themselves for it. Their success in school and other activities they are involved in generally suffers. It is common for school aged children to have a lot of stomach aches and/or headaches. Teens who witness abuse in their homes may act out in negative ways, such as fighting, skipping school, and engaging in risky behavior. Older kids who grow up with violence in their home are more likely to be bullies themselves and have poor self-esteem and suffer from depression.

Children do best in a safe, stable, loving environment. Thinking one's children will not be negatively affected by family violence is just not true. Even if the children do not witness the acts

themselves, they will sense the underlying fear and tension. The parents own mental health can also dramatically affect the children's development and mental well-being.

When you decide to leave an abusive relationship, you may be helping your children feel safer, be healthier mentally and physically, develop better and will be making them less likely to tolerate abuse as they get older themselves. Children who grow up in abusive homes are much more likely to grow up to be abusers themselves, perpetuating the generational behaviours that are so incredibly damaging to society. This pattern of behaviours does not have to be passed onto the next generation, it is up to you to break the cycle.

The Yellowhead Emergency Shelter is here to

help victims of family violence. We can be reached either by phone 1-800-661-0937, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.



The Edson Parkland Lodge Auxiliary did their annual costume judging of the seniors in the lodge. While only a handful were dressed in costumes the hall was pretty full, there was live music, dancing, and lots of treats. The three winners of \$25 gift cards are Elma V, Cecil M and Ramona K. Auxiliary members Ivan Strang & Carol McClintock Shown at either end of the winners. submitted

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Town Council discusses proposed land use amendment

by Adrienne Tait

Town Council discussed a proposed land use amendment to properties zoned M-1A which would add outside storage of industrial materials, heavy equipment and a truck depot to the zoning. The application had been received to support a proposed development in the East Industrial area of town. Administration voiced support as the uses are already permitted for other districts in town. Senior Planning manager Kari Florizone told council that the uses being proposed align with adjacent parcels.

Mayor Zahara said, "It is surprising to me that a truck depot was not included in this area before."

The landowner further requested, in a separate application, that "staff accommodations" also be allowed for temporary accommodation on site for parcels zoned M-1A.

While the Town Planning department was in support of the initial proposed amendment, they did have some concerns with regards to the staff accommodations. The current zoning does allow for surveillance suites, however, by definition those suites require the person staying be employed as security personnel.

The inability to find places to rent with no vacancy and packed hotels has been driving the need to find alternate arrangements.

It was moved that Council bring forward a site-specific Direct Control plan for the parcel.

Vision Park capital reserve and project - Council approved an amendment to the 2021 Capital Budget which would allocate \$100,000 from the Vision Park Phase One Capital Reserve to the Capital project thereby allowing Town Administration to move forward with the project design and site preparation.

Phase One is funded by Trans Mountain through the Town's agreement with them to repair the site after the pipeline moved through the park.

Councillor Chouinard inquired as to whether or not the Town would be specifically notifying local business owners.

A tender package will be provided and posted on the province wide Alberta purchasing website. Guy Latour, Manager of Parks and Facility Maintenance, said, "We have strict rules that we have to follow for the tendering process." The Town will also post information on their website and advertise in print in order to ensure local companies are aware of the project.

Administration said that there is risk in trying to notify individual business as if one is missed it can cause a problem.

"This significantly enhances what was there before," said Latour.

Reserve bid for property tax auction - General Manager of Corporate services Sarah Bittner reviewed with Council the tax recovery process. Every March 31 municipalities MUST (according to the MGA) prepare a listing of homes two years in arrears and mobiles one year in arrears. A lien is then put on title. On August 1 notices are sent to the property owners. The owners then have until March 31 of the following year to pay the arrears. "That means we are dealing with arrears for parcels of land from 2018," explained Bittner. After the March 31 deadline has passed the Town can list them for property tax auction sale at fair market value. Owners have right up until the auction date to get caught up to pay at which time the auction would be cancelled. Bittner advised Council

that the Town has tax payment plan options available and is willing to work with homeowners.

This year there is one property is outstanding. Fair market value has been identified as \$150,000 and the date for the sale set for November 16.

Newspaper readership is truly multi-platform

The 2019 report found that 83% of newspaper readers are accessing at least some of their newspaper content online. Interestingly, however, the majority of these readers are using that digital content to supplement—not replace—readership of a print edition of the newspaper.

In total, more than half (52%) of newspaper readers access newspaper content from both print and online sources.

All platforms (print, desktop/laptop computer, phone and tablet) continue to be used across demographics to access newspaper content. Most print reading happens early in the day, while digital reading is more consistent from morning to night.

The research specifically looked at the newspaper reading habits of younger Canadians. 88% of Millennials read newspapers weekly, accessing newspaper content primarily through their mobile phones.

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Edson Eagles have busy Halloween weekend

by Shaylyn Thornton

The Edson Eagles had a busy Halloween weekend, with back-to-back games in different towns.

On October 30, the Junior A team played here at home at Repsol Place, taking on the High Prairie Red Wings. The Red Wings are the only team in the GMHL West to be undefeated so far this season.

The Eagles worked hard throughout the game and although they lost with a final score of 7-3, they outshot their opponents 33-28, and gave the undefeated team one of their toughest matchups of the season so far. The Eagles will get their next chance at redemption against the High Prairie team on November 12 at 8:15pm at Repsol Place.

On October 31, the Eagles traveled to Slave Lake to take on the Ice Dogs. Despite being on a back-to-back with travel in-between, the Eagles took command of the game and brought home a 13-0 win over their opponents.

The group has also been busy in the community, attending local Edson Sabres games to show their support, as well as participating in a Contour Construction sponsored team building activity.

The Eagles' next home game is November 5 in Edson against Fox Creek at 8:15pm at Repsol Place. Game tickets can be purchased at the door on the night of the game.

For a full schedule, visit GMHL.net and select the Edson Eagles from the West division.



The Edson Eagles and the Gibbons Pioneers played against each other at Repsol Place on October 22. photo Shaylyn Thornton



On Friday, October 29th, the staff and students at Holy Redeemer dressed up to celebrate Halloween. The costumes were creative, scary, funny, and topical. The Students' Union was then tasked with deciding the costumes that exceeded some of the categories they created. For the category of Funniest went to Delaney Kuilboer and Allison Giroux for their exact replica of the characters from Step Brothers, and for Best Group went to the Home Hardware Boys of Aidan Was, Pacen Bowman, Ethan Breault, Ryder Pellerin, Renard Passion, Reid Kuilboer, Max Steffler and Shawn Williams. Needless to say, the students and staff at HRH had a blast!

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Print-out or screenshot of vaccine record with QR code



Paper record from Alberta Health Services or pharmacy
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Forgot your proof?

Scan this code to download your Alberta vaccine record.



An out of the province vaccine record, a negative test result or a medical exemption letter is also accepted.

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A reminder that REP is in effect at Repsol Place.

As of November 15, 2021, a vaccine record WITH a QR code will be required as your proof of vaccination for those that require it.

As well, you must now be fully vaccinated as part of the program. (2nd dose + 2 weeks). Recent negative test or a valid medical exemption will also be accepted.

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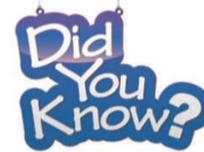


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While the Council Chambers remains closed to the public at this time, public and media are able to register for virtual attendance. Registration links and agenda details are available Monday mornings on the Town of Edson website or Facebook Page.



NOTICE OF DEVELOPMENT

Notice is hereby given that the Development Authority has authorized the issuance of the following Development Permits in accordance with the Town of Edson Land Use Bylaw #2070 as amended:

Permit #	Address/Legal	Development Type	Use	Date Issued Online	Zoning
Week 1					
075-2021	7323 1A Avenue/NW 8-53-17-W5M	Temporary Use	Discretionary	November 1, 2021	UR
084-2021	7323 1A Avenue/NW 8-53-17-W5M	Temporary Use	Discretionary	November 1, 2021	UR
Week 2					
086-2021	5123 7 Avenue/ Plan 1494 AC, Block 32, Lot 15	Covered Deck	Discretionary	October 22, 2021	R-1B
083-2021	1905 25 Street/ NW-24-53-17-W5M	Storage of natural resources, x2 Accessory Building	Permitted	October 26, 2021	M-2

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

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Take time to remember...

Once again this Remembrance Day will be unlike those of the past.



From the Publisher's Desk

Dana McArthur
Member Canadian Association of Journalists

who fought in the First World War did not return. And those who did return carried

Covid-19 has put a halt on all but the most elemental services of remembrance from taking place.

Our local Legions were hit hard by shutdowns and restrictions, with several on the economic brink.

For those who are unfamiliar, the Royal Canadian Legion's mission is to serve Veterans, including active military and RCMP members and their families, to promote Remembrance, and to serve its communities and the country.

This is why our last year's Remembrance Day issue focussed on the Edson Legion and this year we are focussing on the Wildwood Legion. Our goal is to profile all of the local Legions and the important work they do.

Part of Remembrance is the understanding that our freedom was bought at a very dear price.

It was Canada's military sons and daughters, our fathers and mothers, who paid the price for our freedom.

Nearly one in ten Canadians

with them the physical and emotional scars of many terrible battles.

61,000 Canadians were killed during that war, and another 172,000 were wounded.

As we watch this year's Remembrance Day services, either online or by respecting physical distancing rules in place to protect our senior vets - keep in mind that this a small price to pay to remember those who so dearly bought our freedom.

If you are unable to view a service, then on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of this month, plan to pause for the Two Minutes of Silence. This is the most sacrosanct and central element in Remembrance. It is a time to reflect, to honour, thank, and remember our Fallen — along with all those who served and continue to serve, our nation.

"The living owe it to those who no longer can speak to tell their story for them." Czeslaw Milosz



Edson RCMP Occurrences

For the week of Oct 24 - Oct 31, 2021

For the week of Oct 24 to Oct 31, theft complaints topped the list of Edson RCMP investigations at 19. Other investigations included: Abandoned Vehicle 1; Assault 4; Assistance Calls 6; Causing a Disturbance 1; Drugs 1; Fail to Comply with Conditions 1; False/Abandoned 911 call 2; Firearms Act 1; Fraud 1; Harassment 1; Health Act 1; Impaired Operation of Motor Vehicle 1; Indecent Acts 1; Information File 2; Liquor Act 1; Lost/Found Property 9; Mischief 5; Obstruct/Resist Peace Officer 1; Possess Stolen Property 1; Possess Weapon 1; Sudden Death 1; Suspicious Person or Vehicle 13; Traffic Collision 11; Traffic Complaints 10; Unlawfully in Dwelling 6; Wellbeing Check 3; and Traffic Violations 33.

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OP/ED

Opinion: Albertans deserve a social safety net that fosters individual resilience

- EDRS Ann Auriat speaks out about success story -

by Hon. Jason Luan
Minister of Community and Social Services
for the Government of Alberta

As the new Minister of Community and Social Services (CSS), it has been an amazing learning experience to travel the province and meet hundreds of Albertans over the summer.

My passion for helping those in need goes back decades. I have dedicated my career to promoting healthy families and strong communities. In fact, when I came to Alberta I earned a Masters of Social Work, then began serving in a variety of roles in the sector including managing funding for non-profit social service agencies.

I look forward to continuing this goal of helping vulnerable Albertans because I believe the work this ministry and its community partners do to protect and support the most vulnerable among us is critical to creating a strong and inclusive province.

That's why we need an Alberta way to provide a social safety net.

Such a system which is deeply rooted in our values of self-reliance, self-sufficiency, entrepreneurship, sense of family and community, and a can-do attitude.

Our social services system provides a social safety net for Albertans, to support them when they are vulnerable and give them the extra hands to lift them up and empower them to get back on track to their life journey for success in their own ways.

It is why I want to make transformational change for people with a disability getting into jobs that are matched with their full potential. They treat their jobs as a new life, feel a sense of contribution to society and a sense of increased self worth and pride.

During my summer tour, I've met with numerous employers to discuss this strategy and look forward to further engagement with stakeholders across the province.

One of the success stories I was able to hear was from Ann Auriat, who manages the Edson & District

Recycling Depot in Edson, Alberta.

The Edson & District Recycling Depot is a multi-material recycling centre that strives to ensure their workforce represents persons from all walks of life and differing abilities.

EDRS believes the impact of hiring persons with differing abilities is immeasurable. When a workplace is a kind place, where respecting differences and positive communication is key, people blossom. They become their best selves. There is loyalty to the employer. The most unlikely friendships are formed. Ann explained that "Our autistic person takes pride in remembering each employee and volunteer's birthday, holidays and everyone's work schedules. Our physically challenged employee takes pride in keeping 'his' parking lot clean.

Another insists that she be the one to take everyone's temperature in the morning to make sure "everyone is safe from Covid". Everyone is encouraged to find a task they enjoy and take ownership of it. It empowers them, shows them that they are needed, wanted and an integral part of the day-to-day operations.

This is why Alberta's government is investing in Albertans to get them back to work.

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The Alberta Jobs Now program reduces the costs of hiring and training unemployed Albertans for positions, encouraging employers to create jobs for Albertans as the economy recovers. This program also provides grants 1.5 times higher to employers who hire persons with disabilities.

Together, we can work toward building a future where all Albertans, regardless of the barriers they face, are given a fair chance to participate in their communities.

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Alberta's Green Certificate Program Connects Students with Community Partners to Inspire Career Pathways



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GNS: Good News Story

GYPSPD is appreciative of the many community partners who support high school students in Career Pathway programming. Grade 12 student Trinity Shpakowsky (standing left) benefits from the expertise of Megan Greenwood (standing right), Equine Technician Green Certificate Program partner and owner/trainer at The Riverwood Ranch.

Grand Trunk Principal Heidi Zadderey shared that "Trinity is a truly dedicated, hard-working student who strives for excellence and is passionate about learning." Each Green Certificate Program provides students with 16 credits in their specialized area of learning. When Trinity has completed the program, she will have invested, at minimum, 200 hours of on-site learning and be awarded the *Green Certificate Technician* credential.

The Green Certificate Program was developed by Alberta Agriculture and Forestry (AAF) to develop human resources for Alberta's agriculture sector. An industry-driven training program, the "apprenticeship-style" approach provides students with opportunities to enter a variety of agriculture-related credential courses leading to a career in agribusiness. Students learn on the job, under the direction of experienced farm personnel and under the supervision and administration of Alberta Agriculture and Forestry (AFF) and Alberta Education.

Grand Trunk currently has 12 students who are working through different stages of their Green Certificates in multiple specializations: Sheep, Cow, Poultry, Equine and Field Crop. More students are interested in getting started next semester. This program is growing quickly in thanks to the very supportive agricultural community that supports students in their learning!

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RCMP educate motorists on child seat safety

The Alberta RCMP wants to ensure you and your little ones are properly buckled up this November. Parents and caretakers are responsible for ensuring young passengers' commutes are as safe as can be, that is why it is crucial motorists understand the importance of child safety seats. When used correctly, these restraint systems can save lives and reduce injury.

Below is child safety seat information you should know:

- Children under six years of age, weighing 18 kg (40 lb) or less, must be properly restrained in a car seat (Government of Alberta, 2021).

- It is highly recommended that children over the age of six use a booster seat until they reach the maximum height and weight (as stated by the manufac-

turer) and a seat belt fits properly (Government of Alberta, 2021).

- A child safety seat must have a Canada Motor Vehicle Safety Standards sticker on it to prove it meets national safety standards (Government of Alberta, 2021).

- It is not recommended that you purchase a pre-owned car seat as they may be damaged, recalled, or expired, and may not meet current safety standards (Alberta Health Services, 2019).

- When used properly, child safety seats can reduce the risk of serious injury or fatality by approximately 60-70% (Government of Alberta, 2021).

“Children are some of our most vulnerable road users and they depend on parents and caregivers to keep them safe as vehicle passengers. Last year, Alberta RCMP issued 232 tickets to motorists for failing to properly restrain young passengers,” says Supt. Gary Graham, Alberta RCMP Traffic Services. “Our children rely on us. Take the time to learn how to secure them properly and keep them safe.”



Some of the wonderful staff from Scope on Oct. 29. They were hosting a Halloween party for their individuals and it was a Spooktacular success. photo Deanna Mitchener

KID'S CORNER



Meet Stevie Ogden who is 6 years old and a Taekwondo and Grade 1 student in Vanier.

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Event Reminder

Remembrance Day

November 11, 2021

see pages 18 to 21 for details



November 3rd was the Edson and District Recycling Society's first day of dining in again for Seniors Day. They have been hosting take out meals for seniors throughout the pandemic, but starting on November 3 seniors could dine in with proof of having their second vaccine. Today's lunch was homemade chicken noodle or split pea soup with either a egg salad or salmon salad bun. Dessert and a hot or cold beverage were included. On November 13, the Take It or Leave It will be holding a Christmas Sale from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. so you can have plenty of time to get your decorating done before the holidays. Pictured is Morgan Konchakawski with the Edson and District Recycling Society. photo Deanna Mitchener

Yes, that is a real boy! This remarkable photo was sent to The Weekly Anchor of a very convincing Halloween costume of the classic "Green Soldier" kid's toys. Well done young man, you even have the correct pose!

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

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LOCATION: EDSON, AB
COMPETITION NO. 21-027

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

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

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REQUEST FOR TENDER

WOLF LAKE ROAD GRADER BEAT

Yellowhead County is accepting tenders from interested contractors for the supply and operation of a motor grader for the Wolf Lake Road Grader Beat. Potential contractors can obtain a detailed information package commencing November 1, 2021 from the office of Yellowhead County, 2716 – 1st Avenue, Edson, Alberta. Tender submissions must be received no later than 2:00 p.m., Thursday, November 25, 2021. The tenders must be in a sealed envelope and clearly marked and addressed as follows:

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WOLF LAKE ROAD GRADER BEAT

This is a "Request for Tender." Potential contractors are therefore advised that Yellowhead County reserves the right to:

1. Accept a tender without negotiation.
2. Reject a tender without negotiation.
3. Reject a tender from a bidder that has had a previous contract terminated by the County.
4. Negotiate changes in the financial or operational content of the successful tender.

A pre-tender submission meeting will be held in the Edson Office of Yellowhead County on Wednesday, November 10, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. Potential contractors are strongly advised to attend.

Contractors are also advised that the average of their hourly rates, company name, and final rating will be made public when being presented to Council.

For further information regarding this request, please contact Matt MacDonald, Manager of Transportation at (780) 723-4800.





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Safety Tips for a Healthy, Active & Safe Life:

- Fight fraud and protect your finances. Guard against identity theft.
- Beware of scams over the phone, internet and social media.
- Be cautious on smartphones and social networks.
- Physical activity is the key to healthy living.
- Be prudent with medications.
- Avoid tripping hazards – the leading cause of injury among seniors.



Finding Balance is hosting webinars in November to help keep older adults and seniors safe in their homes.
Go to www.findingbalancealberta.ca/2021-webinars



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Mental Health Session for Ag Producers

November 29 | 6-10 PM
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Approved Development Permits have been issued authorizing the following:

Permit No.	Location	Proposal	Date
D21-086	Plan 0622637, Blk 2, Lot 3 NE 30-51-24-W5 East River Road	Addition to Single Detached Dwelling with Covered Porch and Covered Deck (Pergola)	Oct 20/21
D21-161	SE 01-54-11-W5 Chip Lake Area	Additional Ten Non-Serviced Campground Sites - Discretionary	Oct 21/21
D21-163	Plan 8122322, Blk 3, Lot 19 SE 08-53-19-W5 Millers Lake	Fence – Variance for Height	Oct 21/21
D21-165	NE 36-54-16-W5 Drostan Area	Manufactured Home	Oct 22/21
D21-164	NW 19-53-12-W5 Niton Junction Area	Manufactured Home with Two Additions (Porch & Laundry) & Two Covered Decks – Variance for Age of Manufactured Home	Oct 25/21
D21-162	Plan 1023019, Blk 2, Lot 4 NE 13-53-15-W5 Wolf Creek Area	Discretionary use – Work Camp	Oct 28/21
D21-167	SW 29-56-23-W5 Wild Hay Area	Work Camp – Discretionary Use	Oct 28/21
D21-155	Plan 7921271, Blk 7, Lot 18 NE 25-53-09-W5 Lobstick Resort	Single Detached Dwelling with Covered Veranda	Nov 1/ 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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Grain Growers of Canada welcome new Ag Misister

(GGC) On behalf of the Grain Growers of Canada, we would like to congratulate Prime Minister Justin Trudeau on the appointment of the new Cabinet announced this morning. We are pleased to see that the Minister with whom we have worked most closely in the past several years – Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada Marie-Claude Bibeau – will continue to serve the sector.

"It's good news for our industry that several of the key ministers we have been working with will remain in place for this parliamentary session," says GGC Board Chair Andre Harpe. "We will leverage our existing relationships with these strong leaders and federal allies to continue the

important work we have been doing on behalf of our members."

"This is a critical time for our industry, as we address ongoing issues that affect Canadian grain farmers as well as new issues stemming from the impact of this year's drought," says GGC Board 1st Vice Chair William Van Tassel. "We look forward to our ongoing engagement with Minister Bibeau and other key Ministers, like the Honourable Mary Ng, Minister of International Trade, Export Promotion, Small Business and Economic Development, to best position our industry to capitalize on its growth potential, and help drive Canada's post-pandemic recovery."

GGC is also looking forward to establishing relationships with new Ministers in key portfolios. "One of the major priorities for our federal government in the next session of parliament will be establishing aggressive plans to meet Canada's climate goals," says GGC Board 2nd Vice Chair Brendan Phillips. "We look forward to working with Minister Guilbeault on engaging farmers as allies in related initiatives."

We represent one of Canada's most important industries," says GGC Executive Director Erin Gowriluk. "Having a strong partnership with the federal government is the only way our industry can reach its potential and continue to strengthen and enhance the lives of all Canadians."

"Grain Growers of Canada provides a strong national voice for over 65,000 active and successful grain, oilseed and pulse producers through its 14 provincial, regional and national grower groups. Their mission and mandate are to pursue a policy environment that maximizes global competitiveness and to influence federal policy on behalf of independent Canadian grain farmers and their associations."

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Event Reminders

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November 4, December 9: Mental Health Discussion Group. Online Virtual Sessions call Yellowhead County at 780-325-3782 or 1-800-814-3935

November 4, December 9: Farmers Mental Health Support Group. Online Virtual Session. Call 780-325-3782 or 1-800-814-3935 for details.

From the Government's Election Platform:

Canada Is Set to Become a Global Leader in Levelling the Playing Field for Local News

Levelling the Playing Field with Digital Giants

In 2021, most Canadians get their news from digital platforms which drives key advertising revenues away from Canadian news organizations and towards platforms owned by social media companies and digital giants.

A re-elected Liberal Government will:

- Introduce legislation, within 100 days, that would require digital platforms that generate revenues from the publication of news content to share a portion of their revenues with Canadian news outlets. This legislation would be based on the Australian model and level the playing field between global platforms and Canadian news outlets. The bill will also allow news publishers to work together to prepare for collective negotiation.

In a democracy, nothing is more vital than a healthy, vibrant local news media. But the threats from Big Tech are increasing every day.

The government's 100-day plan will place Canada in the front ranks of global leadership standing up for local news. The commitment is clear. All parties in Parliament support decisive action. Now is the time to act and pass legislation by early 2022.

News Media Canada, representing hundreds of trusted titles in our print and digital media industry, and our news publishing partners across Canada and around the world, call on Canadian parliamentarians to work together to level the digital playing field between local news and Big Tech.



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“Why I Love Edson” Writing Contest

The FCSS “Why I Love Edson” Writing Contest has come to a close and the entries did not disappoint! The contest was open to students from kindergarten to grade 12 that live in Edson or the surrounding Yellowhead County area. Congratulations to Ruth Biehler and John Lara whose stories were so good that we decided we should share them both with our community. More of our favorite stories will be on display at the Downtown Light-Up Event on Main Street on November 18th from 5-8 PM. Thank you to everyone who entered and shared what they love about Edson.



WHY I LOVE EDSON By Ruth Biehler

No place is perfect, no place will make you happy. Of all the wonderful places in the world, it certainly isn't Edson that's most likely to. But I love it here, more than any other place I've ever visited. There's no obvious reason- sanity prevents me from appreciating the weather, and while it is a nice town, it doesn't exactly stand out. I'm not making a case for Edson being the 'best'. That would be nearly impossible. Loving it, though, and reasoning why, is easy. I said earlier that no place can foster happiness, but Edson is the perfect incubator for mine. Someone driving through this town wouldn't think twice passing the Tim Hortons, but wasn't it there that I watched my best friend eat a dozen donuts in half an hour? Wasn't it on the side street beside it that I was pulled over, the second time I ever drove, because I was swerving so much that someone reported me, thinking I was drunk? Isn't every place saturated with good memories? I've walked down every sidewalk so many times that I can't separate one memory from the next, whether it was here or there that I first listened to my favorite song. When I was younger the town seemed so big, so impossible to navigate. As I grow up, the lens of familiarity through which I see it shrinks it. Every road, every store interconnected by clusters of memories. I don't love Edson because of the town itself. I love it because every good thing I know is here. I love it because all of the love that I've ever felt is immortalized here, suspended so that wherever I visit, I feel it again.

WHY I LOVE EDSON By John Lara

Dear Mom,

How are you? I miss you so much and have missed you since the day that I left the Philippines. I can't believe it's been one year in Edson. I thought it was scary to go on a plane, but it was not. My first day in Edson, Alberta was hot... but the Philippines is hotter!

I'm very happy that I made more friends in Edson and they are kind and funny and I am very lucky that my cousin taught me how to speak English and helped me to talk to my teachers. I'm lucky that they showed me all around Edson. It is a small town but there are a lot of people and they are kind and they are very tall! Edson also has a lot of events like basketball tournaments and activities at the Boys and Girls club.

There are also a lot of cars and trucks in Edson! Not like in the Philippines where there are a lot of motorcycles and jeeps. Also in Edson there are many trees all around! When you go to the forest for a walk many times you will see wild animals like deer, moose, marmot, bald eagle, snowshoe hare, goose, squirrel, and many types of birds. These are wild animals so you don't approach them or feed them, it's not a zoo! I have been taught how to be safe especially if you see a dangerous animal like a bear.

Don't move or run, don't approach them, wait for them to leave. There are many lakes in Edson as well. Not like in the Philippines where there is the Sea!

One of my favorite things is there is Halloween every October 31st. You walk around the community and knock on the doors of homes and they give you candy! It can be very cold and it might start to snow sometimes.

I hope I will bring you here to Edson so I can show you that Edson is a very beautiful place to live. I hope I will see you soon. I miss you so much.

Love John

A Monthly update on the Oil & Gas and Energy Industry

ENERGY EDUCATION IN ACTION

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Foreign funding hurt Alberta's energy development

The public inquiry into anti-Alberta energy campaigns confirms that hundreds of millions of foreign dollars were used to block our province's oil and gas development, affecting the lives and livelihoods of Albertans.

As the owners of the province's natural resources, Albertans deserve to know the source of the funding being used by the environmental groups and how it was mobilized to harm the oil and gas sector. The inquiry and its final report shines a light on the sophisticated, coordinated and well-financed campaigns – such as the “Tar Sands Campaign.” It also details how these campaigns operate like a business to attract foreign funding in pursuit of their agendas. The goal of these groups was to landlock Alberta's oil and gas sector, with a specific focus on stopping all oil sands development.

“I thank commissioner Steve Allan for the due diligence and excellent work that went into his comprehensive report. Albertans should be outraged at the foreign-funded campaigns that targeted our oil and gas sector in an attempt to block development. Alberta's natural resources belong to Albertans, and decisions about their development should be made by Albertans.” —Sonya Savage, Minister of Energy

Between 2003 and 2019, total foreign funding of Canadian-based environmental initiatives was \$1.28 billion, a figure the commissioner estimates is likely significantly understated. He also found that proponents for these campaigns celebrated cancelled and vetoed projects and have taken credit for more than 1,000 divestments made by finance and insurance companies representing \$8 trillion of investments. This includes seven campaigns specifically targeting divestment in the oil sands, including the SumOfUs campaign that targeted the Trans Mountain Pipeline, Keystone XL and the Teck Frontier Mine.

Another main finding was that these environmental groups operate with limited transparency and accountability compared with regulated public companies. While industry is highly regulated, closely monitored and must be open and transparent with respect to their financial reporting requirements, many of the same

requirements do not exist for not-for-profits or charities.

“We need to take the report's findings, learn from the tactics employed and ensure that foreign funding does not target the development of the emerging energy resources, including hydrogen, carbon capture, utilization and storage, critical and rare earth minerals, small modular reactors and LNG, which are needed to reduce emissions and diversify Alberta's economy. They need to be able to grow and compete in a world that is moving towards lowering carbon emissions. These campaigns will likely set their sights on these emerging areas in the energy sector. It is money looking for a cause. This government will not allow this critical sector of our economy and jobs to be influenced by foreign-funded campaigns.” —Sonya Savage, Minister of Energy

“The public inquiry into anti-Alberta energy campaigns brings to light the highly coordinated, well-funded and international nature of these campaigns which have played a part in cancelling billions of dollars in resource projects and thousands of jobs for Albertans. For years, the energy conversation has been driven by activist organizations who have influenced energy policies that are today contributing to rising energy costs for Canadians, as well as energy shortages for our trading partners around the world. The Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers hopes the findings of the report will help bring greater transparency and a more positive approach to the Canadian conversation about our oil and natural gas industry and the role it can play to help meet growing global demand.” —Tim McMillan, president and CEO, Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers (CAPP)

“Acting on the recommendations outlined by the public inquiry regarding investment in technology, consultation with Indigenous communities, and emissions reductions to address climate

change is critical to ensuring a competitive future for the energy sector. With energy as a central part of our economy today and in the years to come, Alberta must demonstrate its leadership as an innovative and responsible producer of the natural resources in collaboration with all orders of government, private sector and academic institutions.”—Deborah Yedlin, president and CEO, Calgary Chamber of Commerce

The government accepts the commissioner's recommendations and continues to work on a number of wide-ranging initiatives that align with the commissioner's recommendations. The government has established an Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) Secretariat to

help the province align with environmental concerns from financial markets. In addition to the commissioner's recommendations, the introduction of a bill during the fall legislative session by the Minister of Justice and Solicitor General would ban foreign money by allowing only Albertans to make contributions to election advertising (advertising during an election period) and only Canadians to contribute to political advertising (advertising at all other times).

The government will continue to seek other opportunities to further its commitment to protecting the best interests of Albertans and support the province's energy sector.

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A Monthly update on the Oil & Gas and Energy Industry

ENERGY EDUCATION IN ACTION

Canada's oil and natural gas industry plays key role in Indigenous prosperity

The Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers (CAPP) has released a new report, Indigenous Engagement and ESG, its second in a series outlining environment, social and governance (ESG) performance in Canada's upstream natural gas and oil industry.

The report highlights many examples of how Indigenous peoples and the upstream oil and natural gas sector are finding new ways to work together, growing resource development in a sustainable and mutually beneficial manner.

This is the most comprehensive review ever completed documenting the extent of engagement between Canada's oil and natural gas producers and Indigenous communities including consultation, workforce, community programs and investment, and Indigenous investment and participation in resource projects.

Like Canadians in general, Indigenous peoples hold a range of different perspectives on resource development and many are seeking to build sustainable and prosperous community futures by participating in the opportunities that development creates.

The Indigenous Engagement and ESG Report documents how the upstream oil and gas industry sees an important future for itself, its Indigenous workers and business partners as they work together continue to innovate in the pursuit of responsible natural gas and oil development.

Highlights from the report:

- Indigenous people make up 6.3 per cent of the upstream industry's workforce. For comparison, Indigenous peoples make up about 3.3 per cent of Canada's total workforce.

- According to a Macdonald-Laurier Institute report, the oil and gas and mining sectors represent eight of the top 10 highest-paying occupations for Indigenous peoples for Canada.

- Between 2009 and 2019, Indigenous share of industry jobs and share of senior management roles increased, while the wage gap decreased.

- In 2019, the natural gas and oil industry procured more than \$2.6 billion of goods and services from 275 Indigenous suppliers, contractors and other businesses across Canada.

- From 2017 to 2019, the oil sands industry's Indigenous community investment spending rose from \$21 million to \$32 million. Funding helped support such initiatives as community activities, in-kind investments and contributions to community infrastructure.

- For industry, it makes good business sense to work with neighbours, including local Indigenous employees and contractors with connections to the area. This is also integral to resource development contributing to local prosperity, supporting self-determination and long-term mutual benefit.

“In a world with a growing need for responsibly developed oil and natural gas,

the deep relationships and partnerships with Indigenous-owned business and communities across Canada play an integral role in the success of our industry. In return, a strong natural gas and oil industry offers significant opportunities for employment and business development to Indigenous communities, providing pathways to greater prosperity while supporting Canada's goals for reconciliation.” — Tim McMillan – CAPP President & CEO



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A Monthly Update on the Coal Industry

ENERGY EDUCATION IN ACTION

Modest Clean Coal Investment will Cut ASEAN Emissions: New Report

A new report by the ASEAN Centre for Energy (ACE), and the World Coal Association (WCA), has found that ASEAN countries will require approximately 234 GW of new coal capacity by 2040 to meet growing energy demand, but with modest investment in clean coal technologies there is capacity to significantly cut emissions.

Analysis compiled in the just-released report, Clean Coal Technology in ASEAN, indicates that investment of USD\$8.7 billion would incentivise the coal industry to deploy ultra-supercritical technologies such as High Efficiency Low Emissions (HELE), Carbon Capture Utilisation and Storage (CCUS) and Pollution Control Technology.

This investment would reduce CO2 emissions by 500 million tonnes cumulatively by 2040, equivalent to approximately 25 million tonnes of CO2 per year.

ACE CEO, Dr Nuki Agya Utama, says

since coal will continue to play a crucial role in providing reliable and affordable energy in the ASEAN region well into the future, this report offers comprehensive qualitative and quantitative support for the accelerated development of clean coal technologies. (CCT) in the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) region.

“The report provides a comprehensive analysis of the energy security and sustainable development opportunities which clean coal technologies can facilitate in the transition towards sustainable and lower emission development.”

WCA CEO, Michelle Manook, says the Report validates the need for industry, governments, and the international finance and investment communities to coalesce around the creation of dedicated and diverse financial support for clean coal projects.

“Given ASEAN's continued reliance on coal, and the wealth of independent climate science which confirms its ongoing role, the time has come to lay the groundwork for a clean coal future. Clean coal technology is proven, available and essential to delivering Paris climate change targets.”

The Report identifies nascent clean coal development in the region which suggests that CCUS will become an integral part of decarbonisation. This includes:

· Singapore's plan to draw on increased international collaboration to develop CCUS (outlined in its recently published Long-Term Low-Emissions Development Strategy).

· Japan's proposed Asia CCUS Network which will provide opportunities for knowledge exchange, experience sharing, and capacity building.

· Indonesia's development of the Gundih CCS pilot project, and a new proposal for CO2-enhanced oil and gas recovery.

· Malaysia's high-level participation in capacity development, storage assessments and legal and regulatory workshops. -WCA



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R EMEMBRANCE DAY

SERVICE: Thurs, November 11, 2021 at 10:50 AM

This year our Remembrance Day Service in Edson will be outside at the Cenotaph. There will be no parade and all wreaths will be pre-laid Thursday morning at 10 am.

Please dress according to the weather.

An area will be cordoned off for Veterans and their families, the Legion Colour party and those directly involved in the service. We ask members of the public to remain outside this area until after the ceremony has concluded and all Veterans and Legion party have departed.

For those who decide to honour our veterans from home, the service will be live streamed to our facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/EdsonRoyalCanadianLegion.51>

We request anyone attending the service to wear a mask and maintain social distancing.

Anyone wishing to join us in the lounge after the service must show proof of two COVID -19 vaccines or a negative rapid test administered in the last 72 hours as per AHS REP program.

We have all had to make many adjustments throughout this year due to Covid-19 and we thank you for your understanding during this event.

On behalf of Joe Wynne Branch No. 51, I would like to extend a huge "Thank You" to all the businesses and community members that supported the 2021 Poppy Fund Campaign.

Many people ask about the Poppy Campaign and how the money raised is used. The primary use of the Poppy Fund is to support those veterans, serving members of the military and RCMP and their families that need extra help. Things such as loss of work, an illness or an injury, loss of employment or a change in the family dynamics can leave them with unexpected expenses. We have helped veterans on a limited income with medical expenses for prescriptions not covered by medical insurance, completed improvements to their homes to help with mobility, transportation to medical appointments and medical equipment that improves their way of life.

We also provide bursaries for secondary education to children, grandchildren and great grandchildren of Veterans and we proudly sponsor the 874 Edson Tiger Moth Air Cadet Squadron's training.

... AND SO MUCH MORE!

The Joe Wynne Branch No. 51 will continue to support our veterans and surrounding community with your help.

Yours in Service,
Wendy Williams
President

Joe Wynne Branch No. 51, Edson Royal Canadian Legion

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Lest we Forget

A History of the Wildwood Legion

by Shaylyn Thornton, with files
Charlotte Winters

The Royal Canadian Legion Wildwood Branch 149 has been around for over 77 years, having been granted their Charter by the British Empire Service League in April of 1944.

At the time, there were 10 charter members of Branch 149. Six months later the Ladies Auxiliary, who also had 10 members, received their charter as well. Over the years, Branch 149 has seen as many as 180 members at one time, and as low as 85.

The Wildwood Branch has seen their fair share of moves over the years, with their first Legion meetings being held in a small building located where the present Rosewood Lodge sits now.

Current Branch 149 President Charlotte Winters spoke about their next move. "We bought our first building in 1963, called 'The Hut,'" she explained. "This was originally a Masonic Hall built in 1926, and used as a school for three years as well. It was located on 'Frog Alley,' east of Wildwood Chapel."

Following the sale of The Hut in 1981, meetings were held in the Wildwood Hall until the Branch began negotiations in 1983 to purchase the old theatre building on Main Street. "We received the title on January 14, 1985 and held our first meeting there two days later," said Winters.

Their new-to-them building was in need of some renovations, so a bottle

depot was started in the rear of the building with Legion members working as volunteers. "The bottle depot is still operating, now with paid staff," said Winters.

In the early 1970s, the Legion built a Cenotaph, "with the first perpetual light to be had in a Village," Winters noted. A stonework Cenotaph was dedicated September 13, 1975, and the light was reinstalled.

In 1992, when the new community hall was built, that Cenotaph was sadly demolished. "The Legion and community did not have a Cenotaph for 24 years," Winters said.

Branch 149's President noticed that a "weedy, unkept, vacant lot across from the Legion" would "make a perfect spot for a Cenotaph and Veteran Community Park," said Winters. With the lot being owned by Yellowhead County, the Legion went to work negotiating, and signed a 99-year lease for the property.

The Legion applied for the Federal War Memorial grant available at the time to assist with the Cenotaph.

Grand opening ceremonies were held May 6, 2016 and were attended by the Lieutenant Governor of Alberta. The Park also features a 1949 ambulance and a M113 ½ CRV Lynx.

"Many volunteer hours went into this project," said Winters. "It took a Legion to build a park but it took a community to build a Legion!"

Over the years, the Legion Wildwood Branch 149 has continued to make an impact on their community. They've provided hundreds of bursaries to students, organizations, and charities, and they



The Royal Canadian Legion Wildwood Branch 149 moved a few times over the years, but have been settled here since January 1985. photo submitted

support annual students' awards ceremonies in schools in Wildwood, Niton, and Fulham.

The Legion has also provided a transportation service to seniors and community members, assisting many people with maintaining their independence over the years. This service is operated mainly by volunteers.

Branch 149's Clubhouse is currently closed, but when they are able to open again their typical hours are lunch on Thursday, open Friday, and they offer a meat draw on Saturdays. They also look forward to once again being able to host their monthly supper the second Friday of every month.

In normal years, the Branch's Remembrance Day ceremonies are

typically held in the Wildwood Hall, "most times with a full house attendance," Winters added. Wreaths are laid at the Cenotaph, before marching to the hall where the indoor ceremony is held. The Army Cadets assist with laying wreaths on Veterans' graves, and children are invited to pin poppies on a white cross.

"We have, with regret, cancelled our Remembrance Day Ceremony this year due to the pandemic," said Winters. If you would like to know how you can still honour a local veteran, contact President Charlotte Winters at 780-325-3787.

And at the eleventh hour on November 11th, please take two minutes to remember our Veterans and the sacrifices they have made for our country. Lest We Forget.

War Amputee Veterans Started 100-Year Legacy

Of the thousands of Canadian soldiers who were wounded while serving in the First and Second World Wars, many returned home missing limbs. United by a common bond of amputation, these veterans not only served their country during wartime, but they made a difference in the lives of generations of amputees that continues today.

In 1916, on the battlefields at Ypres in Northern Belgium, Sidney Lambert (1887 – 1971), a Lieutenant Colonel and Army Padre, lost his left leg above the knee.

While recovering at a hospital in Toronto, Lambert conceived of the idea of a national association to bring together, support and fight the battles for amputee veterans, today known as The War Amps. In 1920, he became the first Dominion President of the Association and worked tirelessly to bring veterans issues before the government.

It was these First World War amputee veterans, like Lambert, who welcomed the new contingent of amputee veterans following the Second World War, helping them adapt to their new reality and sharing all that they had learned.

One of these was Neil Conner (1918 – 2012) who served as a navigator with the Royal Canadian Air Force. He was injured when his plane was shot down near Bremen, Germany, resulting in the loss of his right leg below the knee.

Another was Bert Coulson (1921 – 1979) who served with the Canadian Army and lost both of his legs below the knee due to injuries sustained



Lieutenant Colonel Sidney Lambert, RAF Navigator Neil Conner, and Bert Coulson Canadian Army.

while serving in Emmerich, Germany.

Along with their fellow War Amps members, these veterans went on to provide support to civilian amputees. Coulson said the best way to help was to "roll up my pant leg and show them we can dance, bowl, hold down a normal job. It's what you have left that counts."

The War Amps veteran members established the Key Tag Service, which is still going strong today, to fund the Association's many vital programs for amputees across Canada.

Rob Larman, a Director at The War Amps and a leg amputee himself, said Mr. Lambert, Conner and Coulson proved that they would not let their amputation hold them back in all aspects of life.

"Though they considered themselves to be 'ordinary guys,' our founding veteran members have left a legacy for generations of amputees that has gone on for 100 years and counting," said Larman. "On Remembrance Day especially, but also throughout the year, we pay tribute to their sacrifice and service."

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Evansburg Royal Canadian Legion Branch 196

Marchers will leave the Legion at 10:45 A.M. from the Legion and march to the Cenotaph where there will be a short service. All wreaths will be pre-laid. They will then return to the Victory Lounge. There will be entertainment by Flat Broke from 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. A supper of lasagna, Caesar salad and garlic toast will then be available for \$10.00, on a first come first serve basis, while quantities last.

Only those double vaccinated are permitted inside. Masks must be worn when not seated. All AHS regulations will be followed.

There will be no activity in the hall upstairs.



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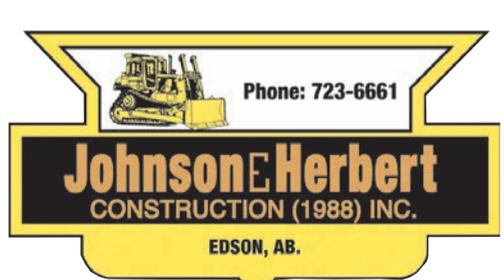



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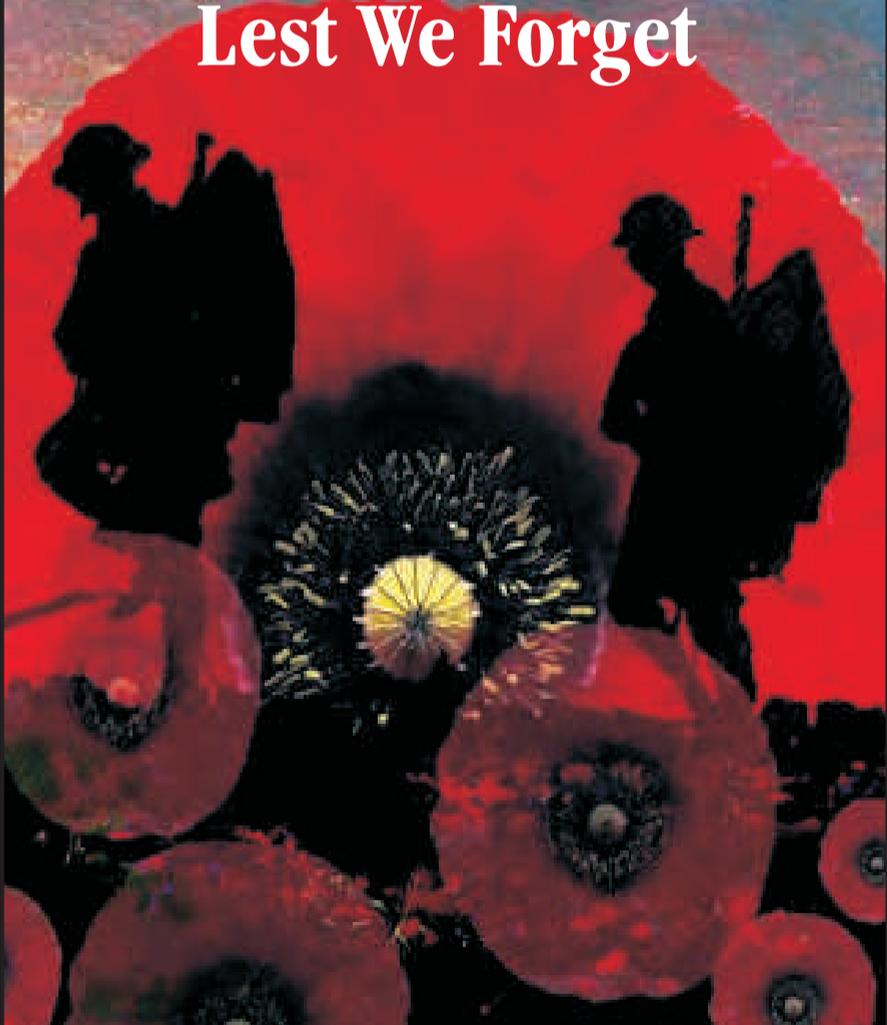


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Royal Canadian Legion Wildwood Branch 149

Royal Canadian Legion Wildwood has regretfully made the decision to not hold a Remembrance Day Ceremony this year due to Covid-19 concerns.

Wreaths will be placed at the Cenotaph in Remembrance of Veterans past and present.

On November 11 at the eleventh hour please take two minutes to remember our Veterans.

If anyone wishes to purchase a wreath they will post the Roll of Honour on the door of the legion to acknowledge your

contribution. For those who wish to pick up a wreath to place on a Veteran's grave, please call President Charlotte Winters at 780-325-3787 to make arrangements.



Honour Roll of the Dead



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2021 marks the 100th anniversary of the Remembrance Poppy in Canada

Madame Anna Guérin, later christened "The Poppy Lady from France", inspired by John McCrae's "In Flanders Fields", had an idea: to adopt the distribution of the Poppy on Armistice Day as a way to raise money for Veterans' needs and to remember those who had given their lives during the First World War. In July of 1921 the Great War Veterans Association (which in 1925 would unify with other Veteran groups to form the Canadian Legion) adopted the Poppy as the flower of Remembrance.

Since then, the Legion and its members have upheld this tradition of Remembrance.

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The Holy Redeemer Senior Girls Volleyball is winning over everyone's hearts this season with their work on the court and their team comradery off the court. The Girls recently played extremely well at the Hinton Hallow's Eve Classic where they narrowly lost the semi-final by two points. That said, they stole the show with their hippy costumes they wore to the tournament. "This team is so much fun," says Athletics Director Julie Rothwell. "They have such great chemistry it is hard not to cheer for them!"

The Holy Redeemer Senior Boys Volleyball are having a tremendous season so far. On October 30th, they brought home the gold medal after a two-set win in the final at Hinton Hallow's Eve Classic. "We are really looking forward to the final weeks of the season," says Athletics Director Julie Rothwell. "This team has a lot of good things going for it and we are hoping for good things as we approach the Zone Championship."

What's happening, when and where in the community

Community Events

Make your own Christmas Advent Calendar: To order your kit phone 780-723-4800 or email jmateri@yellowheadcounty.ca
Good Neighbor: Snow Shoveling Program. Nominate a Volunteer forms available at Yellowhead County office in Wildwood or Edson office or call 780-325-3782 or Email Karen at kschatz@yhcounty.ca
November 4, December 9: Mental Health Discussion Group. Online Virtual Sessions call Yellowhead County at 780-325-3782 or 1-800-814-3935
November 4, December 9: Farmers Mental Health Support Group. Online Virtual Session. Call 780-325-3782 or 1-800-814-3935 for details.
November 15: Airplay Park in Hinton. Ages 11-17 12-4pm register online at Edson.ca or in person at Repsol Place
November 17: Internet Safety online event

for parents and caregivers 7-9pm. Families need to register prior to the event. Call 780-325-3782 or 1-800-814-3935. Or email showe@yhcounty.ca
November 18: Calling for Carolers Light up Festival 6-8pm to sign up email dianai@edson.ca or call or text 780-723-8107
November 23: Work Well online workshop 6:30-9:30pm online Join us on zoom register at www.bit.ly/2YyviG8
November 23 - June 28: Bereavement Support Group. Online Virtual Sessions. Call Yellowhead County office for exact dates each month. 780-325-3782 or 1-800-814-3935 or email Karen at kschatz@yhcounty.ca
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November 26: The Evansburg Legion will be hosting a Craft Fair on Friday, November 26, 2021, which is Moonlight Madness in Evansburg. To book a table call Wanda at the Legion at 780-727-3879 after 3 P.M.. Tables are \$10.00. Masks and social distancing are required.
November 29: Talk.Ask.Listen Mental Health session for Ag producers 6-10pm. Register with Yellowhead County FCSS at 780-325-3782 or 1-800-814-3935
First Wednesday of Every Month: Senior's Recycling Day. Between 10 am and 2 pm, senior citizens are welcome to visit the depot for snacks and refreshments while their staff unloads your sorted recyclables free of charge. See the Senior's Day Facebook Event for more details.

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Entwistle Hall Rentals contact Cheryl at 780-515-1755 or Tracey at 780-898-2317.

Edson Legion Hall seats 350 for dinner and dance, and 400 for convention style seating for birthdays, funerals, meetings and special events. Wheelchair accessible, catering available and ample parking. The Edson Legion is a non-profit organization. Call the office at 780-723-3455 to book events.

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War Amps supports call for prosthetic funding reform in Alberta

(War Amps) November 2, 2021 – The War Amps is supporting a call by Alberta amputees and advocates to reform prosthetic funding in the province.

The situation was recently highlighted by CBC Edmonton, which reported on Angela Oakley's struggle to receive funding from the Alberta Aids to Daily Living (AADL) program for the artificial limb prescribed by her medical professionals after losing her leg to a bone infection.

"Unfortunately, we've seen countless similar cases," said Alexis McConachie, who directs The War Amps Advocacy Program. "We're certain that the average Albertan would be shocked to know that if they or a family member lose a limb, they could be faced with a personal balance of thousands of dollars for even the most basic artificial limb that will restore only a semblance of their previous function."

Alberta Health spokesperson Carolyn Gregson responded in an interview last month that, the "Alberta Aids to Daily Living program is intended to meet basic needs to help Albertans remain independent."

McConachie points out that this statement does not reflect the reality of the impact of Alberta's policy towards amputees. "In our many years of experience, we would stress that, in Alberta and indeed across the country, both public and private funding agencies create and adhere to policies that do not reflect a realistic assessment of living with amputation, and that these inadequate policies prevent amputees from being able to access prosthetic care that is medically prescribed and essential to their everyday functionality."

For those who cannot afford to pay thousands out of pocket, few alternatives exist. For many, crowdfunding has proven necessary, a veritable canary in the coal mine pointing to a distressing state of affairs for Canada's healthcare system. It is also only a stop-gap solution, given that amputees will understandably be reluctant or simply unable to repeatedly appeal to friends and family for the subsequent replacement limbs they will need during their lifetime.

"It is unimaginable in the 21st century that seriously disabled amputees would have to rely on their families and communities in this way to cope with the basic financial requirements," said McConachie.

"Hence, as part of The War Amps Crusade for Reform for prosthetic funding, we endeavour to hold all funding agencies, including Alberta's, to a full accounting on material issues and, case by case, challenge inadequate funding where required," McConachie said.

BACKGROUND:

Access to Funding: A Systemic Problem Across Canada

Due to Canada's constitutional framework, healthcare is a provincial responsibility. The Canada Health Act mandates that all provinces must cover the cost of "essential healthcare services," defined as those administered by doctors in hospitals. Anything outside of essential services are deemed to be provided "at the discretion of the province."

As a result, provinces and territories in Canada have used their

discretionary authority to create no less than 13 different public regimes for covering the cost of prosthetic care. Some provinces offer no funding at all, unless the amputee is on social assistance. For those that do provide funding, each one of these systems fails in a unique (and creative) manner to adequately respond to the reality of living with amputation and relying on prosthetic care. As a result, the lack of access to quality mobility aids, devices and assistive technology at an affordable cost remains a barrier to accessibility for Canadian amputees.

While the up-front cost of an appropriate, medically necessary prosthesis appears expensive, in the long term it will save costs. Prostheses have been demonstrated to increase safety and security, and to reduce the incidence of additional conditions associated with amputation. Subsequently, a decrease in concurrent conditions translates to a decrease in the costs associated with them.

Unfortunately, public and private funding agencies do not realize this economic consequence when they create limiting prosthetic policies or issue coverage denials. Indeed, the choice is to pay now for the prosthesis, or pay later for the additional health issues.

A UN Violation

It is The War Amps position that Canada is in violation of its international obligations under the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. Brian Forbes, Chair of the Executive Committee of The War Amps, points out that "Article 20 of this convention clearly provides that state parties must take steps to facilitate access to quality mobility aids, devices and assistive technologies, including making them available at affordable costs, to ensure personal mobility with the greatest possible independence for persons with disabilities."

Canada ratified this Convention in 2010, while seeming to completely overlook this international legal obligation. Amputees, and others who rely on assistive technology for their mobility, do not have access to the mobility aids they need at an affordable price.

"Canada's failure to appropriately fund artificial limbs for amputees is even more shameful when

we consider that the World Health Organization (WHO) has identified artificial limbs as a "Priority Assistive Product" through the GATE Initiative (Global Co-operation on Assistive Technology)," said Forbes.

"If Canada were to truly follow through on their commitment as a signatory to this convention, it is our position that they would be obligated to make sweeping changes to funding for artificial limbs across the country," he said. "As it stands, there is little doubt that this Convention remains an important and underutilized tool to improve funding for artificial limbs in Canada."

The War Amps has a longstanding status of a non-governmental organization in the United Nations Human Rights system and has brought a number of claims to United Nations committees to gain proper recognition of significant human rights violations affecting Canada's Thalidomide survivors, Hong Kong veterans, and Indigenous veterans.

Forbes concluded: "Should Canada and the individual provinces fail to comply with the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities by providing adequate and equitable funding to assist Canadian amputees, we will not hesitate to initiate appropriate action in accordance with the human rights protocols available under this UN convention so as to compel Canada to live up to its international legal obligations."

Thank You

The family of Audrey Smith would like to say a special thank you to Dr. Smith as well as the nursing staff at Edson Continuing Care Center for the kind and helpful care of Audrey over the last several years.

Thanks so much...

~ Obituary ~

Irma Becker

May 21, 1931 – October 25, 2021

On October 25, 2021 Mrs. Irmgard "Irma" Johanna Becker of Lacombe passed away at the age of 90 years.

She will be lovingly remembered by her children Christian (Shirley), Dietmar (April), Bernd (Tami), Andreas (Sally), and Elke (Gord); 14 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; her sister Christiane (Franz) Strassl of Duesseldorf, Germany; as well as many other relatives and friends. Irma was predeceased by her husband Friedrich Becker and her brother Ebehart Trebuth.

Due to the current restrictions, a private Funeral Service is being held on Friday, November 5, 2021 in Edson, Alberta where Irma will be laid to rest beside her husband Friedrich.

To express condolences to Irma's family, please visit womboldfuneralhomes.com.

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Audrey Smith

November 27, 1936 – October 26, 2021

Audrey Smith of Edson passed away on October 26, 2021, at 84 years of age.

Audrey was born to Isabelle and Frank Smith on November 27, 1936, in Edson, Alberta. She was raised on the family farm in Carrot Creek with her 3 brothers.

After she finished her schooling, she went on to work in Vancouver, Edmonton, and Toronto. She enjoyed travelling when she was young and always had a love of nature, especially bird watching and learning about the stars.

Audrey will be lovingly remembered by her 3 brothers, Don (Jean), Allan (Mona) and Brian (Barb) as well as many nieces and nephews.

We look forward to seeing her again in the resurrection when she is young and healthy on a Paradise earth.

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