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YCFD Hosts Fire Prevention Week Open House

(YC) On Saturday, October 15th, the Yellowhead County Fire Department (YCFD) held an open house at the County's Station 12 in Edson as part of Fire Prevention Week.

Approximately 85 people attended, with both children and adults enjoying the event. There were several activities to take part in, including shooting a fire hose and

dragging Rescue Ruth, the training mannequin, to safety. Attendees also had the opportunity to use a hammer to knock down a piece of wood and simulating when firefighters

break down doors or walls to get inside a burning building. The kids could also try on a youth-sized firefighting outfit and check out the inside of the

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Charlie and Chelsea Baudin enjoyed painting the mini pumpkins at the Intergenerational Halloween Party October 24. The event ran from 1:30 to 3:30pm at the Peers Multiplex (see page 3). photo Niki Luymes

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YCFD Hosts Fire Prevention Week Open House

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fire trucks on site, which was a big hit. YCFD also gave out firefighting-related goodies and prizes for participating in the different activities.

Other fun activities included a tug-of-war against the firefighters and a gear demonstration by Deputy Fire Chief Cory Chegwyn and Firefighters Jennifer Petkau and Joshua Sweet. Some of the firefighters even showed off their skills and bravery by climbing the 65-foot aerial ladder on

top of a fire truck.

The open house was clearly enjoyed by those who attended, with one eight-year-old participant saying, "I think this is one of the best things we've ever gone to."

Deputy Fire Chief Chegwyn confirmed that it was a great time. "The event was well received with many attendees staying over an hour visiting with friends while the kids enjoyed the activities,"

he said. "This is a hallmark of a successful community event! YCFD crews always enjoy this kind of public interaction."

A big shout-out goes to the YCFD members who participated in the open house: Deputy Fire Chief Chegwyn, Lieutenant Megan Scaife, and Firefighters Ricson Basa, Warren Dauble, Abby Proskow, Andrea Donkin, Joselyn Munkler, Jennifer Petkau, and Joshua Sweet. Great job!



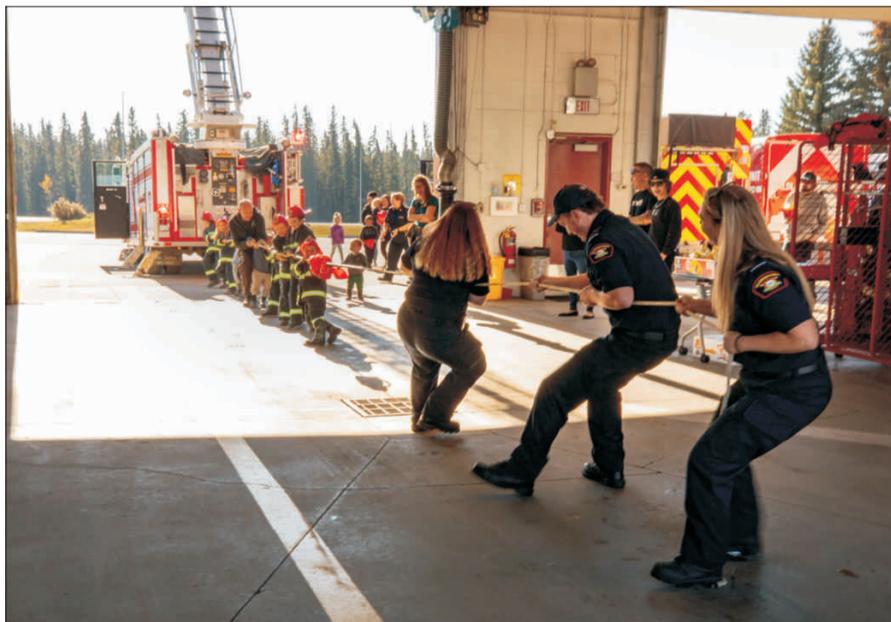
Kids enjoyed dressing up like firefighters during the Yellowhead County Fire Department's open house held on October 15 at the County's Fire Station 12 in Edson.



At Yellowhead County's Fire Station 12 kids gather around to listen during the open house held on October 15 for Fire Prevention Week.



This little firefighter in training was learning about assisting someone in need during the Yellowhead County Fire Department's open house held on October 15.



With a little help, kids were holding the line during a tug of war against some of the firefighters during the Yellowhead County Fire Department's open house held on October 15.

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County hosts Intergenerational Halloween Party

by Niki Luymes

People of all ages gathered on October 24 to have some fun at the Intergenerational Halloween Party in Peers.

From 1:30 to 3:30pm people could drop in at the Peers Multiplex to enjoy free crafts, food, and community. The event was run by Yellowhead Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) in partnership with Yellowhead County Parks and Recreation and the Peers Silver Threads Seniors Group.

There were lots of activities for families to enjoy. Cookie decorating, pumpkin painting, and colouring pages were set up for everyone to enjoy. For the more wiggly small ones there was an obstacle course, a sensory bin/play table, as well as many other Halloween themed games spread around.

The event was well attended with approximately 25 kids preregistered for the event, not including parents and grandparents. Although families could register for the event, drop-ins were more than welcome. Many took advantage of the chance to dress up and have some fun.

The event was created with the goal of bringing together old and young members of the community. "Just connecting generations; the program is an intergenerational program," said Jenna Truemner with Yellowhead FCSS. It was all about "connecting everyone, getting everyone out, and having everyone come together," said Truemner.



The obstacle course was just one of the activities available at the Intergenerational Halloween Party held in the Peers Multiplex October 24. The event was for people of all ages. photo Niki Luymes

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Contact Person: _____

Phone Number & Email: _____

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FRANCHISE FEE INCREASE NOTICE

Please be advised that the Town of Edson is proposing to increase the local access fee, which is charged to FortisAlberta Inc. (FortisAlberta) for use of municipal lands for its power lines effective January 1, 2023.

The fee is recovered by FortisAlberta from its customers as the local municipal access fee on electric billings of all customers that receive electric service in Town. This local access fee will be increased from \$3.38 (4.75%) to \$3.59 (4.91%) of the delivery charge of FortisAlberta, excluding energy related riders. This calculation is based on 640 kWh consumption in 30 days.

Questions or concerns should be directed to Sarah Bittner, General Manager of Corporate Services at (780) 723-4401.

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Notice of Increase to the Franchise Fee on Natural Gas Billings

The Town of Edson is proposing to increase the natural gas distribution franchise fee which it charges ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. for the exclusive right to deliver natural gas to the residents of Edson and for use of municipal lands for its natural gas lines, effective January 1st, 2023. The franchise fee applies to all customers that receive gas services in Edson and is required to be billed as a separate charge on gas billings.

The current franchise fee is set at 20.00% of ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. delivery revenues and will increase to 22.54% effective January 1, 2023. For an average residential customer using 115 GJs per year, this will result in an annual increase of approximately \$16.78 from the average that would otherwise be paid in 2023. The franchise fee is anticipated to account for approximately \$148.91 of the average annual residential bill in 2023.

For questions or concerns please contact:

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General Manager, Corporate Services
P O Box 6300, Edson, AB, T7E 1T7
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Fx. 780-723-8617
sarahb@edson.ca



REQUEST FOR QUOTE

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Interested parties should view the bid documents at
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Closing Date/Time – Friday November 25, 2022, at 2:00 pm (Alberta Time)

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**Submissions attention to: Ryan O'Sullivan
– Transportation Services Manager**

Email: ryano@edson.ca

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION TOWN OF EDSON

Notice is hereby given that under the provisions of the Municipal Government Act, the Town of Edson will offer for sale, by public auction, in the Council Chambers located in the Edson Civic Centre, 605 – 50 Street, Edson, Alberta on Wednesday, November 16, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. the following properties:

Plan	Block	Lot	Civic Address
1494AC	7	9-10, PT 11	22050 Street
CEDARS MHP 22			#22, 422 55 Street

Each designated manufactured home and parcel of land will be offered for sale subject to a reserve bid and to the reservations and conditions contained in the existing registration documentation, and any other conditions the Town deems necessary.

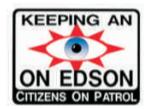
The Town of Edson may, after the public auction, become the owner of any designated manufactured home and parcel of land not sold at the public auction.

The terms of sale are payment in full by cash or certified cheque by 4:00 p.m. on the date of the public auction.

Redemption may be affected by payment of all arrears of taxes and costs at any time prior to the sale.

Dated at Edson, Alberta, October 21, 2021

Sarah Bittner, General Manager of Corporate Services



RCMP TOWN HALL MEETING

The Town of Edson and the Local RCMP Detachment are inviting you to a Town Hall Meeting on November 16th starting at 7PM at the Edson Friendship Centre. (5023 3rd avenue)

Detachment Commander, S/Sgt Christian Delisle, will be presenting crime statistics for the Town of Edson and discussing policing strategies with the community. Jennifer Kee from Alberta RCMP Crime Prevention and Reduction Unit will also be on site to give a presentation on Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design.

This meeting is open to all residents to ask questions and provide important feedback. It will also be live streamed on the Town of Edson Facebook Page.

The event is being sponsored by the Town of Edson, Edson RCMP, Edson Friendship Centre, and Citizens on Patrol.

We are looking forward to hearing from you!



The Edson Sani Dump will be closing Sunday October 30th for the season due to the overnight freezing temperatures.

Crews are also planning to start working on problem sewers this week. A reminder, as the temperatures start to drop, please check your heat tape and insulation around your water lines.

NOTICE OF DEVELOPMENT

Recent Development Permits approved by the Development Authority, under the Town of Edson Land Use Bylaw 2070 as amended, can be found at www.edson.ca/departments/planning/development-permit-applications. Additional information can be requested from the Planning Department at 780-723-4402 or engineeringandplanning@edson.ca.

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

Comment

ADVERTISE LOCAL

New Alberta Extended Producer Responsibility Regulations will Harm Local News

Recently, the Government of Alberta unveiled its new Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) Regulation. The regulations apply to packaging as well as to products such as newspapers. Literary books and textbooks are exempted from the regulation.

“We are strongly supportive of the Alberta government’s objectives of reducing unnecessary packaging and waste,” said Dennis Merrell, executive director of the Alberta Weekly Newspapers Association. “Unfortunately, the capture of newspaper in the regulation fails to recognize that newspaper is the product, not the packaging, and effectively subsidizes actual waste producers at the expense of local news.”

“Given that newspaper is the product and not the packaging, like books, we believe newspapers should be granted an exemption,” added Mr. Merrell. “An exemption would protect the journalism that so many Albertans continue to rely on to stay connected to their communities, our province, and the world.”

Until recently in Ontario, EPR programs in most provinces of Canada treated newspapers the same as waste packaging. Unlike product packaging, the newspaper is the product. Publishers have moved to thinner paper to lower our footprint. Driving up the cost of newspaper production with EPR fees drives down the content as newspapers are forced to cut pages and, therefore, value to readers. The knock-on effects are a loss of jobs in a sector that is already facing many external challenges, and a less informed citizenry.

“Newspapers have always been a public good; the dissemination of news to the public is a necessary

element of a vibrant and healthy democracy and a well-functioning society,” said Paul Deegan, president and chief executive officer of News Media Canada. “EPR levies on newspapers are bad public policy, and we urge Alberta to follow Ontario’s lead and exempt newspapers.”

“Alberta’s regulation is misguided and based on a flawed premise that newspapers are waste packaging, and it puts newspapers at risk at a time when the public needs trusted sources of information more than ever before,” added Mr. Deegan.

Editor’s Note: Isn’t it odd that the UCP government, who touts themselves as pro-business and pro-free speech, is heaping added costs onto newspapers, while exempting literary books and textbooks. This is particularly disturbing for newspapers like the Weekly Anchor which are printed on post-sawmill waste newsprint using vegetable based inks. No trees are ever cut for the production of our newsprint.

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*About the Alberta Weekly Newspapers Association:
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Edson RCMP Occurrences
For the week of Oct 17 to Oct 23, 2022

Theft complaints were at the top of the list of Edson RCMP investigations at 18. Other investigations included: False Alarms 1; Animal Calls 1; Assault 3; Fail to comply with conditions 3; False/Abandoned 911 Calls 1; Family Relations 1; Fire Prevention Act 2; Fraud 1; Harassment 2; Information File 1; Lost/Found Property 4; Mental Health Act 3; Mischief 5; Suspicious Person 9; Traffic Complaints 3; Traffic Collisions 7; Traffic Violations 9; Trespassing 1; and Wellbeing Checks 2.

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Wild boars detected in Yellowhead County

by Dana McArthur

During the Yellowhead County Council meeting on Oct. 25, Administration provided an update on wild boar in the county.

Wild Boars (*Sus scrofa*) are considered a pest when at large in Alberta. Raising wild boars or starting a wild boar farm in Yellowhead County is not allowed, as wild boars are prohibited animals under Yellowhead County's Animal Control Bylaw and Prohibited Animals Bylaw.

Wild boars can weigh over 150 kilograms (330 lbs) and stand about 1 meter (3.28 feet) at the shoulders. They are protected from cold weather by a thick woolly undercoat. These highly adaptive animals can travel more than 40 kilometres in a day. Their ability to survive in almost any climate makes them among the most prolific and invasive species in North America.

Wild boars usually live in the forest and emerge to devour crops, contaminate water sources, and harass livestock. They also carry diseases that can be transmitted to domestic pigs. "In May 2022, Yellowhead County Council received an update on the Wild Boar Bounty program, and as per the recommendation by Administration, Council declined to continue participating in the program," stated Jennifer Benson, County's Agricultural Services Supervisor.

Since that time, Administration twice received reports of sightings of wild boar within the County from Agriculture Forestry Rural and Economic Development (AFRED).

"Information was not provided regarding whether these sightings have resulted in damage to property and/or livestock, the report was mainly to notify staff that wild boar are present," said Benson. "Additionally, we have not heard from landowners regarding wild boar impacting

their property."

Staff will continue to remain in contact with provincial representatives to stay informed on the status of the wild boar population as well as any new initiatives or strategies that can be implemented to address the concern.

"We are not getting a lot of sightings and because we don't have a bounty program, we are not getting [boar] ears sent in. But it is of the opinion of Administration that a problem does exist," said Benson. "The two neighbouring municipalities to the north have a significant problem. It's just a matter of time before those boar encroach our borders."

Councillor Brigitte Lemieux said, "I read an article on eDNA testing to monitor wild boar populations. Could you expand on that?"

Benson responded, "eDNA stands for Environmental DNA. What they do is test water bodies in the area for wild boar DNA. What it allows us to do, is know if its a single boar or a sounder [herd of wild boar] in the area." Benson explained they do not have plans currently to bring the technology to the county, but Administration is talking with neighbouring municipalities regarding the costs and benefits to residents.

Councillor David Russell said, "Wild boar are a problem and they grow exponentially. Currently we are dealing with the viewpoint that they are a recreational opportunity for hunting. This is an erroneous viewpoint, because once the population grows to a certain point, there is no stopping it. They will grow completely out of control. The State of Texas estimates the impact on their agricultural industry at \$1.4 billion per year. We have an opportunity to stop this 'infection' now and we need to continue working on it."



An example of the size and appearance of a wild boar. file photo

Councillor Shawn Berry was not in favour of eDNA testing at this time, "There are trappers out there who want to trap them for the ears, and people who want to use them recreationally for hunting. So it's a divisive topic at this time, and I am hoping for more clarity on what we want to do in the future. It's hard making a decision because we are not seeing them, we are not testing for them, and people are arguing on the side of keeping them wild—and others want to be farmers. It's still way too controversial at this time."

Councillor Russell pointed out that these are not "pink little piggies" running around, "These are large nasty creatures. The first human fatality has been recorded in the United States. These animals will attack human beings without hesitation. The time to deal with this is now."

Council for Yellowhead County voted to accept the wild boar update as information.

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Approved Development Permits have been issued authorizing the following:

Permit No.	Location	Proposal	Date
D22-147	Plan 1821493 Blk 1, Lot 6 SW-19-53-07-W5 Evansburg Area	Addition to Existing Retail Establishment Building Discretionary Use	Oct 11/22
D22-175	Plan 7921360 Blk 2, Lot 13 SW-29-53-15-W5 Pinedale Estates	Addition to Single Detached Dwelling	Oct 18/22

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.



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Youth Services Coordinator (Term Position - up to 18 months)

LOCATION: Wildwood, AB
COMPETITION NO. 22-038

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The salary range is currently \$66,182 - to \$83,790 per year.

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To apply please submit resumes online at www.yhcounty.ca/jobs

A detailed position description can be found in the job posting online. The competition will remain open until Friday, November 4, 2022.

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

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Tax Recovery Auction Notice YELLOWHEAD COUNTY

2716 - 1st Avenue
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Notice is hereby given that under the provisions of the Municipal Government Act, Yellowhead County will offer for sale, by public auction, in the Yellowhead County office in Edson at 2716 - 1st Avenue, Edson, Alberta, on Thursday, November 3, 2022 at 10:00 a.m., the following lands:

ROLL	Pt. of Sec.	Sec.	Twp.	Rge.	M.	Acres	C. of T.
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Each parcel will be offered for sale, subject to a reserve bid and to the reservations and conditions contained in the existing certificate of title.

The land is being offered for sale on an "as is, where is" basis, and Yellowhead County makes no representation and gives no warranty whatsoever as to the adequacy of services, soil conditions, land use districting, building and development conditions, absence or presence of environmental contamination, vacant possession, or the developability of the subject land for any intended use by the Purchaser.

No bid will be accepted, where the bidder attempts to attach conditions precedent to the sale of any parcel. No terms and conditions will be considered, other than those specified by Yellowhead County.

Yellowhead County may, after the public auction, become the owner of any parcel of land that is not sold at the public auction.

Terms and conditions of the sale will be announced at the sale or may be obtained from Yellowhead County.

Redemption may be affected by payment of all arrears of taxes and costs at any time prior to the sale.

Jeffrey Morrison
General Manager Corporate Services



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Community Futures announces new programs



Community Futures West Yellowhead held an Open House at the Edson Chamber office recently and announced some new programs to help business get back on their feet post pandemic. Left to right: Heather Cokes, Damon Irwin, Benita Smit, and Nancy Robbins. photo Niki Luymes

Community Futures West Yellowhead held an Open House at the Edson Chamber office recently. As a part of Small Business Week, West Yellowhead Community Futures launched some new programs to help business get back on their feet post pandemic.

Community Futures is a federally funded program that supports businesses in Edson, Jasper, Hinton, Grande Cache, and throughout Yellowhead County. For now, their focus is on pandemic recovery and preparing for an uncertain future. “We’re just working a lot on helping people navigate the next year,” said Nancy Robbins General Manager for West

Yellowhead Community Futures.

For up and coming businesses, Community Futures is running the Smart Start program. The program starts in January and will run until June. It will provide networking and guidance to help entrepreneurs find their footing and offer young businesses a helping hand. The program also connects startups with a mentor who’s been where they are and can help them navigate into the future.

Smart Start is a hybrid of online and in-person meetings and is offered in Hinton and in Edson. “It’s training as well as a support to get your business up and running,” said Robbins.

For existing business Community Futures is excited to present the Digital Services Squad and the Digital Economy Program. The program is run in partnership with Digital Link and Digital Main St.

For no cost, the program gives businesses, old and new, guidance in transitioning to or creating an online presence.

Through one-on-one advisory and online courses through Digital Main St., the Digital Services Squad will help set you get started. “It’s basically information and guidance on how you would set up online for your business. Your e-commerce, website, social media—you name it. And of course at no cost to the business,” said Damon Irwin with the Digital Service Squad.

Interested businesses should also note that the federal government is offering a grant worth \$2,400 to go towards your digital transformation. Connect to Community Futures or look online for the Canada Digital Adoption Program to see if you qualify.

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The U9 Edson Jensen's Sabres team had a great practice on Friday, October 21. All of the Edson Minor Hockey teams are getting into the swing of things this 2022/23 hockey season. photo Shaylyn Thornton



The Edson Figure Skating Club has been hosting their CanSkate sessions on Monday afternoons. Pictured is the EFSC CanSkate 1-2 class learning how to skate. The participants in this class are beginners and/or brand new to skating. According to Skate Canada, "CanSkate is the learn to skate program which all others are measured against." photo Shaylyn Thornton

Scholarship Opportunity Open for Occupational Health and Safety Students

Gerald Soroka
MP Yellowhead



OTTAWA: Gerald Soroka, Member of Parliament for Yellowhead, wishes to advise that the 2023 Dick Martin Scholarship award, hosted by the Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety (CCOHS), is now open for post-secondary occupational health and safety students.

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Dadurday Pumpkin Carving and Family Party

by Niki Luymes

Halloween season in Edson kicked off with the Dadurday Pumpkin Carving and Family Party on October 22. Both events were staged in Kinsmen Park at the Kinsmen Shack.

The Dadurday Pumpkin Carving ran from 10 to 12 pm with the Family Halloween Party picking up right where it ended going from 12 to 2 pm. Both events were run by Edson Family & Community Support Services, (FCSS) with sponsorship from Weyerhaeuser. The Family Party was also run in partnership with the Edson Public Library. "It's been a while since we've had an in-person Halloween party," said Emma Fairbank, Community Event Coordinator with the Town of Edson. "The goal is just to get everyone together to enjoy the festivities."

The Dadurday event was focused on creating quality time for kids and father figures to have some fun together. Pre-registration was required for this event so FCSS could provide the proper amount of supplies. Working together, participants each got to carve their own one of a kind jack-o'-lantern. After the carving was done the kids could also create a 'mummy' out of dough rolls and hotdogs to be cooked and enjoyed.

The Family Party featured games, snacks, and crafts spread out between the Kinsmen Shack and the Edson Library. Within the library participants could find crafts, a free showing of 'The Nightmare Before Christmas', and Melissa the Balloon Lady. In the shack there were snacks, candy, and lots of games and activities. Pin the nose on the pumpkin, eyeball toss, and a skeleton puzzle were just a few of the games available.

During both events Weyerhaeuser had a tent set up providing free hotdogs that could be cooked over the fire. Attendees of both functions could enter various draws and the costume contest. Despite falling on the

same day as the first snow of winter both events had great attendance. Families and kids of all ages braved the cold in order to come out and have some fun.



Lots of Father figures and their kids enjoyed the free Dadurday pumpkin carving event at Kinsmen Park October 22. photo Niki Luymes



Edson Public Library provided free crafts and a free movie during the October 22 Family Halloween Party. photo Niki Luymes



Families enjoyed free hotdogs and other treats at the Family Halloween Party October 22. photo Niki Luymes



The Weyerhaeuser tent offered free hotdogs and swag to the attendees of the Dadurday; and the free Family Halloween Party October 22. Both events took place at Kinsmen Park. photo Niki Luymes

HRH Selling Tickets to their Main Stage Play

(HRH) It has been three long years since the Holy Redeemer Drama Department performed a main stage play at the Red Brick Arts Centre. And now the wait is over as tickets will be on sale on November 2nd for this year's play!

The play, which is *Through the Looking Glass and What Alice Found There*, will feature over 45 grade 7 to 12 students showcasing their theatrical talents for the Edson community.

"It has been a long time since we performed at the Red Brick," says Drama Teacher Peter Taylor. "Many of the cast and crew have never experienced a play there, which is a place that has become a second home for our Drama Family. Needless to say, we are excited about our return."

The play will perform five public performances from November 30th to December 3rd. The showtimes will be 7 pm nightly, along with a special 2 pm matinee on the 3rd. Tickets for the play are \$10 each and are available by contacting the school office at 780-723-7437.

Alice Through the Looking Glass is a sequel to *Alice in Wonderland*, a play that HRH performed in 2004. "We've never done a sequel before," says Taylor. "That said, the cast and crew wasn't even born when we performed the original show, so audiences don't have to worry about the fact they never saw the original play. Trust me when I say this sequel stands on its own."

Taylor added that the production is perhaps the strangest, craziest play they have ever done. "There are so many strange elements to this piece including some of the wildest characters you'll ever meet," he says. "That said, we are going to great lengths to make sure the audience has a lot of fun watching our actors perform these pretty crazy characters."

The cast and crew has been working on this production since early September preparing for show week. With rehearsals heating up, some of the cast are getting pretty accustomed to spending their after

school hours in the Drama Room. One such actor is grade 12 student Cassie Pilon who plays Alice. "I've been in drama for six years and this is my first lead role in my final main stage play," she says. "This role has brought me a lot of challenges and I hope the audience will enjoy what we have created."

The play has already garnered a lot of community support from local businesses through sponsorship donations. The major sponsors of the play are Bannister GM, Boston Pizza, Buster's Pizza & Donair,

Jensen's Lifestyle Clothing, and Shoppers Drug Mart.

With that, tickets are now available to the public and the HRH Drama Department is hoping the Edson community will come out to support these young thespians with their return to the Red Brick.

If you would like more information on this article please feel free to contact the school at 780-723-7437 or holyredeemerhigh.ca. Feel free to visit our social media pages.



Tickets for Holy Redeemer's main stage production of *Through the Looking Glass* will be on sale on November 2nd. Over 45 grade 7 to 12 students will take part in the play that will be performed from November 30th to December 3rd. Tickets are available by calling the school office at 780-723-7437. Here, members of the cast take a break from rehearsing to take a photo: (left to right) Hayden Greiner, Zac Greiner, Evan Connolly, Cody Van Beek, Cassie Pilon, Shaelynn Dozorec, Aisha Bartolay, and Delaney Kuilboer.

October 24, 2022



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The Inclusive Learning Team - led by Director Erin Murphy and includes school-based educators and exceptional needs' specialists, Speech-Language Pathologists, Family School Liaison Counselors (FSLC), BEST Program Manager and Coaches, Therapy Aides, and the Division Psychologist - spent the day identifying how the Division's network of supports overlaps and interconnects to ensure the health and wellness needs of students are met.

Director Murphy praised the group for their range of "super powers" and provided a space where the different strengths and skills of the sub-teams were explored across different contexts.

In reflecting on the day, Director Murphy shared, "the pandemic was hard on some of our families and revealed cracks in the systems. Our team is committed to addressing student and family needs through school-wide and targeted interventions while also building capacity and positive mental health for students and staff across the Division."

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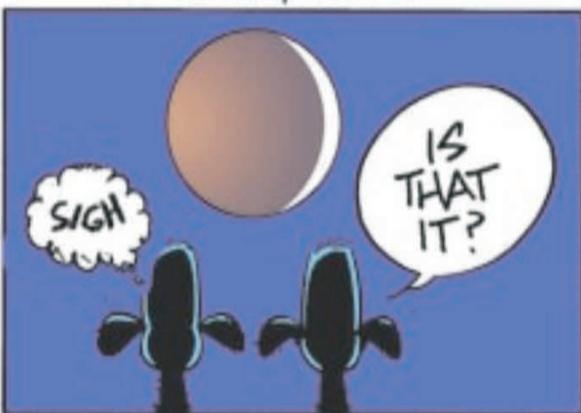
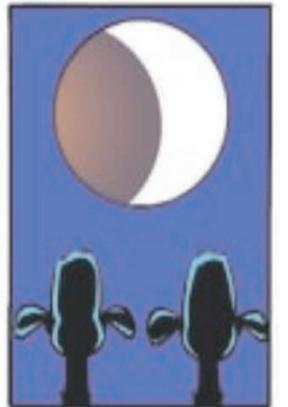
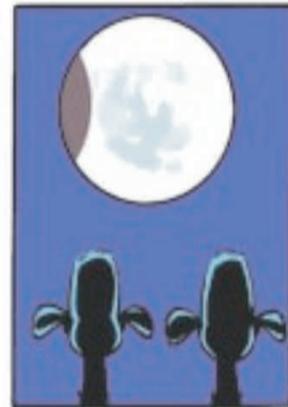
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Provinces oppose federal use of police resources

Provinces joined together at the 2022 Meeting of Federal, Provincial and Territorial Ministers Responsible for Justice and Public Safety to discuss the federal government's plan to use police resources to confiscate legally acquired firearms.

Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba and New Brunswick called on the federal government to halt plans to use scarce RCMP and municipal police resources to confiscate more than 100,000 legally acquired firearms from Canadians. The Prairie provinces had already written to their RCMP divisions indicating that provincial funding should not be used for this purpose.

The four provinces also called on the federal government to ensure that no funding for the Guns and Gang Violence Action Fund or other public safety initiatives be diverted to the federal firearms confiscation program. Instead, funding should be used to fight the criminal misuse of firearms by tackling border integrity, smuggling and trafficking.

The four provinces also called on the federal government to direct all communications related to the federal firearms confiscation program through appropriate channels – provincial and territorial ministers responsible for Justice and Public Safety.

“Two years ago, the federal government said that using police resources would be 'expensive and inefficient.' Now the federal government has resorted to using police resources to seize firearms from Canadians. Make no mistake, the federal firearms confiscation program will cost

us billions and will not improve public safety. Alberta's government is not legally obligated to provide resources and will not do so.” -*Tyler Shandro, Minister of Justice and Solicitor General for Alberta*

“While we fully support crime initiatives that focus on the issues related to the criminal use of illegal firearms, preventing and combating gang violence and addressing the issue of illegal or smuggled guns in our province, we don't support those that impact law-abiding hunters, sport shooters, ranchers, farmers and Indigenous people who use firearms for lawful and good reasons.” -*Christine Tell, Minister of Corrections, Policing and Public Safety for Saskatchewan, and Bronwyn Eyre, Minister of Justice and Attorney General for Saskatchewan*

“Manitoba has consistently stated that many aspects of the federal approach to gun crimes unnecessarily target lawful gun owners while having little impact on criminals, who are unlikely to follow gun regulations in any event. In Manitoba's view, any buy-back program cannot further erode our scarce provincial police resources already suffering from large vacancy rates, and away from focusing on investigation of violent crimes.” -*Kelvin Goertzen, Minister of Justice and Attorney General for Manitoba*

“New Brunswick's bottom line is this: RCMP resources are spread thin as it is. We have made it clear to the Government of Canada that we cannot condone any use of those limited resources, at all, in their planned buyback program.” -*Kris Austin, Minister of Public Safety for New Brunswick*

AB Minister of Justice statement on the federal handgun freeze

Minister of Justice and Solicitor General Tyler Shandro issued the following statement on the federal handgun freeze:

“The federal government's national handgun freeze is now in effect. The ban means that Canadians interested in becoming new handgun owners are unable to do so. Sadly, with no new purchases being made, ranges, sport shooting clubs and firearms-related businesses will slowly be forced to shut down, compromising livelihoods and recreational opportunities for tens of thousands of Canadians.

“This freeze led to a massive surge in handgun purchases from law-abiding firearms owners as they sought to make legal purchases for the last time. Ironically, there are now more legally owned handguns than ever before in Canadian history.

“The federal government will pretend that this is about public safety, deliberately conflating legal handgun ownership with the violence that we see in many urban centres across Canada. In reality, the handguns used to perpetrate criminal acts in our urban centres are typically illegally obtained and are smuggled across the U.S. border by weapons traffickers.

“The federal government's real goal is to scapegoat handgun owners and use wedge politics to appeal to a narrow base of voters who wish to see legal firearm ownership in this country eliminated entirely.

“Alberta's government will always stand with law-abiding firearms owners as we strive to keep our communities safe, put criminals behind bars and protect Albertans' property rights.”

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