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Dog travels

## Strathmore Emergency Alerts gets a facelift

JOHN WATSON  
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

The local emergency alert system has undergone an overhaul and now has a new face, as well as a new name.

Strathmore Emergency Alerts is now powered by a provider called Voyent Alert! which, according to Strathmore Fire Department Chief David Sturgeon, is a noticeable upgrade for the town.

"I don't have the whole history on how the Strathmore Emergency Alerts were sent out in the past, but basically they were using a company and we've just changed the provider to what is now Voyent Alert, from the old alerting system," said Sturgeon.

"Basically, the reason for it was that the old company was a US based company and their ease of use and level of service wasn't quite what we were after."

Part of the goal of changing the service was to not only make it easier to use, but also to provide more peace of mind to those who use it.

This, on top of now being powered by a Canadian provider, over the previous American provider using a Canadian server.

"The layout should be a lot nicer; it should be easier to read, especially if they opt in to use the app ... It's just a user-friendly service that is way easier to understand and get the message out," said Sturgeon.

Folks who opt into the service can have alerts provided either via email, text or through the app.

Another bonus of the new service, Sturgeon added, is that contrary to the former, it does not ask clients for personal information outside of what is absolutely necessary to provide the service.

"If you want to receive a text, you have to give your phone number, if you want to receive an email you have to give your email, but outside of that, you don't have to give your name, your address, you don't have to give your birthday."

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Welcomed wellness bags

### COVID-19 Update in Strathmore & Wheatland County (as of January 11, 2022)

2000 Cases since COVID started  
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## Storm score!

Zane Greenslade of the Strathmore Storm U11C team celebrates during the Strathmore Minor Hockey Association U11 tournament on Jan. 7-9 at the Family Centre. The annual event featured four local teams hosting numerous squads with games being played in Strathmore, Gleichen and Standard. See Page 8 for more coverage.

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# Rosebud has many reasons to celebrate

LAUREEN F. GUENTHER  
Times Contributor

Even in the pandemic year of 2021, Rosebud School of the Arts and Rosebud Theatre had many reasons to celebrate.

“First and foremost,” said Paul Muir, Rosebud’s Executive Director, in an email, “Rosebud Theatre & School of the Arts is still here! And a huge part of that is due to the generosity of our donors who have stepped up in incredible ways to ensure Rosebud Lives ... between that and some support from both federal and provincial levels of government, Rosebud Theatre and Rosebud School of the Arts (RSA) are stepping into 2022 on solid ground.”

Rosebud Theatre was quiet in the spring season of 2021, instead hosting weekly summer outdoor concerts before presenting two shows for the fall and Christmas season. RSA also produced a Christmas show.

Guests, staff and performers followed AHS guidelines and as far as Muir is aware, no COVID spread was created by theatre events.

“In addition to that, RSA students had two wonderful and fruitful terms, full of learning and growth,” said Muir. “In many ways, the year seemed like a blessing in the midst of tremendous hardship and challenges.”

The greatest challenge was operating the organization without the usual revenue from theatre tickets. Some staff were laid off and others took on extra duties, leaving it up to the team to work together to overcome difficulties.

“We’ve now learned that we make plans knowing that it’s very likely we are going to have to pivot those plans to something else,” said Muir. “That pertains to the myriad of schedules that take place in Rosebud: to budgeting, to human resources and everything else in between.”

Pandemic challenges also offered an unexpected gift, an opportunity to refocus on their core mission. For Rosebud, Muir said, “We know that training the hearts and minds of young storytellers is central to who we are, as is sharing stories with the wider community.”

The gifts and challenges for Muir himself were perhaps even greater, as he served his first year as Executive Director while continuing his long-time role of Education Director. He’s also excited about what’s ahead in 2022.

Rosebud Theatre has lined up a full season of shows, starting with Grace and Glorie, opening April 1.

March 18-20 will feature performances of New Blood, as a partnership of RSA students and Siksika Nation performers use dance, music and poetry to tell a “residential school story that leads to freedom.”

This spring, there’ll also be a return performance of the award-winning Tomatoes Tried to Kill Me, but Banjos Saved My Life, created and performed by Keith Alessi.

Rosebud Theatre also plans to expand its summer offerings, including more concerts.

2022 seasons tickets are available, in packages of two to five shows, with the option of combining Opera House (mainstage) shows and student shows. See [rosebudtheatre.com](http://rosebudtheatre.com) or call 1-800-267-7553 for information and tickets.

“I would like to extend a huge message of gratitude to all who donate or otherwise support Rosebud Theatre & School of the Arts,” said Muir expressing his gratitude to everyone who has supported Rosebud. “By making a donation, buying a ticket, sponsoring a student, starting a scholarship, or volunteering, you are not only supporting the arts and great storytelling, but you are also helping to cultivate the future of storytelling in Alberta and beyond.”

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## Upcoming Meetings

Council and committee meetings will now be open to the public and via teleconference. For public hearings it is strongly encouraged that you attend in person.

**January 18: Municipal Planning Commission**

**February 1: Council Meeting**

**February 8: Municipal Planning Commission**

To join the call, dial 403-917-1764 and enter the PIN 47001 when prompted. Agenda packages can be found on our website.

## WHEATLAND COUNTY INVITES APPLICATIONS FOR 2022 COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT FUNDING

Wheatland County recognizes that its residents utilize various recreational, cultural and other community enhancement facilities and resources and has established the Community Enhancement Fund to provide financial support for such venues and activities.

The Community Enhancement Fund provides grant funding from Wheatland County to enhance, promote, and support groups and organizations that bring a broad range of enjoyment, benefit, beautification, recreation, entertainment, participation, and enhancement projects to Wheatland County. The program is intended to invest taxpayer dollars annually to support recreational, cultural and other community activities, facilities, and resources that are utilized by Wheatland County residents.

### How to Apply:

Applications and Guidelines for the Community Enhancement Fund are available at the Wheatland County Office and on the County website: [www.wheatlandcounty.ca/cerb](http://www.wheatlandcounty.ca/cerb)

### Deadline:

Applications must be post marked on or before January 31, 2022.

Please note that eligibility for 2022 funding is dependent on filing all previous funding reports with Wheatland County by January 31, 2022.

For more information please contact Jessica Salmon at 403-361-2021 or [jessica.salmon@wheatlandcounty.ca](mailto:jessica.salmon@wheatlandcounty.ca)

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COVID-19

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Latest updates at [alberta.ca/COVID19](http://alberta.ca/COVID19)

# Time to deal with black knot

**JOHN WATSON**  
Local Journalism initiative Reporter

The Town of Strathmore is looking to raise awareness about black knot and how to deal with it during the hibernatory season.

Geoff Person, manager of communications with the Town of Strathmore, said despite the winter season, it's a perfect opportunity to make a positive impact for the local flora.

"One of the things that we really want people to understand is that even though it's winter, there's still stuff that you can do in your garden," said Person. "Black knot is a perfect example of something that you can take care of and is best to take care of it in the winter. It's something that oftentimes can hide during the summer."

Person, though not the local expert, suggested now is a perfect opportunity to look for and deal with black knot, as is easier to find due to a lack of foliage on trees and is less harmful to remove from a hibernating tree.

According to a summary available from the Government of Alberta, black knot is caused by the fungus *apiosporina morbosus* and is a common disease of plants.

As infections spread rapidly, black knot can ultimately result in the death of an affected plant.

"The Town has a lot of great expertise in its staff and one of the things that we would like to do more is feature some of that expertise and share with

the community," said Person. "The other side was a very practical one. It feels like everybody's been cooped up a lot over the past month just because of the real deep freeze that we went through."

As the outside temperature had been forecasted to warm, Person said the Town wanted to create an opportunity that may spur residents to get outside and enjoy the weather, hence the planning of a winter walk.

A set meeting location for a winter walk has not yet been set, as the parks team is scouting for a site where black knot is present.

"Ideally, what we want is to find some black knot so that we can show people exactly what it looks like, how to prune it and where to prune it," said Person.

Once a location is planned, the idea is to host a one-hour walk, talking about the fungus as well as other types of tree care and gardening that can be done through the winter.

The walk will be led by Donna McCallum, the Town's resident horticulture expert.

For those who are interested, however unable to make it out to the walk, the information will be recorded and posted following the event so that it is available for everyone.

Person added this is the first such walk scheduled by the Town and based on its success, more similar events may be organized.

The walk, though originally scheduled for Jan. 12, was moved to Jan. 17 at 1 p.m.

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# Siksika offers IT training

**JOHN WATSON**  
Local Journalism initiative Reporter

Siksika Nation is working to start the year off on a productive note following a training course with CompTIA to introduce some of the community to the information technology industry.

A total of 25 Siksika community members participated in the training course, delivered by CompTIA – a non-profit association for the IT industry along with the Blackfoot Tech Council.

CompTIA Senior Director of Corporate Communications, Steven Ostrowski, said part of the motivation for hosting the course was to get more people trained in the industry and begin to diversify the workforce.

"There is a big gap in terms of jobs that are out there versus the people who are available to fill them, so we've had a very strong commitment for a number of years to get people educated, trained and certified in technology skills so they can fill that gap," said Ostrowski who added that there are very few indigenous individuals who work in the information technology industry.

"We made a concerted effort to work with our members, with the industry, with employers, with individuals to try and change that dynamic and that's what brought us to working with the Siksika Nation," he said.

The training course was operated between October and December 2021. Fifteen individuals completed a virtual course that was centered around fundamentals and pre-career certification that would help to get their feet in the door.

The second course was completed by 10 local IT and communications specialists and was geared towards building on more advanced skills and bringing people up to the current industry standard.

"Now, many of those folks are in paid apprenticeships to get their feet on the ground and start doing the real work of an IT support person, a

help desk support person, or technical support person for different organizations," explained Ostrowski.

The program marks the first time CompTIA has worked with an Indigenous group and Ostrowski added that the team is optimistic about creating more opportunities for Indigenous communities to get involved.

Siksika Nation Chief Ouray Crowfoot said he was optimistic about the impact the program will have for the local community.

"This training program, developed and implemented in collaboration with CompTIA, will build the capacity of our nation to be leaders in present-day information technology and communication, with the aim of creating of a healthy digital ecosystem for Siksika Nation and beyond," said Crowfoot.

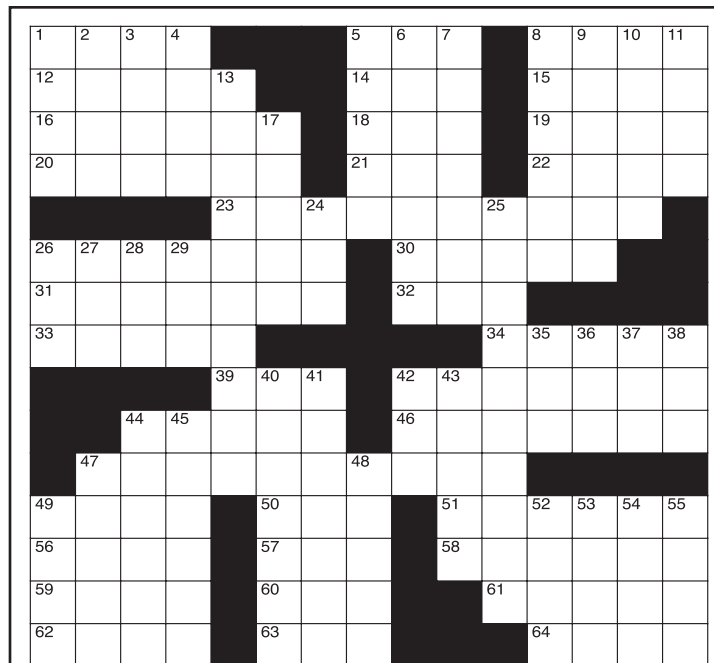
David Panther Bone, who participated in the program and is one of the founding members of the Blackfoot Tech Council, said the nation has had connectivity problems since the start of the pandemic.

The program, he explained, has helped the team begin to address those problems, as well as other IT related grievances.

"One of our first projects was working on an internet connectivity project to meet a lot of the connectivity issues from moving online with our local schools as well as helping support businesses," said Panther Bone. "The second order of business with our project was to try and build capacity in our IT and communications fields here."

Those who participated in the program were able to partner with IT and communication specialists shortly after the program concluded to put their new skills into practice.

Discussions are currently on the go to potentially see another training program launch in the spring.



### CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Requests
- 5. Calendar month
- 8. Invests in little enterprises
- 12. Bird sound
- 14. S. American plant cultivated for tubers
- 15. Car
- 16. Bullfighter
- 18. Hill (Celtic)
- 19. Strong criticism
- 20. Detector
- 21. When you hope to get there
- 22. Having the skill to do something
- 23. Legendary MLB broadcaster
- 26. Vulcanite
- 30. C. Asian mountain range
- 31. In a way, healed
- 32. Midway between east and southeast
- 33. Small appendages of insects
- 34. \_\_\_ Greene, "Bonanza" actor
- 39. A place to bathe
- 42. Postal worker accessory
- 44. Classical music
- 46. A way of wrecking
- 47. Terminator
- 49. You eat three a day
- 50. Pointed end of a pen
- 51. NATO official (abbr.)
- 56. Genus of clams
- 57. Boxing's "G.O.A.T."
- 58. A colorless, odorless gas used as fuel
- 59. Covered thinly with gold paint
- 60. Bachelor of Laws
- 61. Red fluorescent dye
- 62. Engineering group
- 63. Female sibling
- 64. Adjacent

### CLUES DOWN

- 1. What a thespian does
- 2. Footwear
- 3. Adjust spacing between
- 4. Witnesses
- 5. Who shows excessive fondness
- 6. Distinct form of a plant
- 7. National capital
- 8. Hunting expedition
- 9. Related to medulla oblongata
- 10. European country
- 11. Cola
- 13. Excluded from use or mention
- 17. Speak
- 24. Bloodshot
- 25. Make better
- 26. Keyboard key
- 27. Type of degree
- 28. Paddle
- 29. Peacock network
- 35. Not young
- 36. Baseball stat
- 37. One's grandmother
- 38. Breakfast food
- 40. Bathroom features
- 41. Disease-causing bacterium
- 42. NY ballplayer
- 43. Got up
- 44. Prophet
- 45. Part of the mouth
- 47. Unnatural
- 48. Acronym for brain science study
- 49. Three are famous
- 52. Languages spoken in Patagonia
- 53. Freedom from difficulty
- 54. Widely used OS
- 55. Many people pay it

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**How to avoid streaming service scams:**

- Always double check that you are visiting an official website. Scammers can make fake websites look legitimate in search engine's results, but they can't copy a website's official URL. Before you click on a website, take a close look at the URL. Check to that it is spelled correctly. Scammers hope you'll overlook this and click without a second thought.
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Thought for the Week  
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*Could it be true that success is a journey and not a destination?*

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**LOST OR FOUND**  
What if this is a time in which to be found, not to be lost: These uncertain days, a gift to search out hope, to find how not to despair? Faced with instability, we are reminded of our vulnerability, which renders us free to recognize our dependence. 'Be still and know that I am God...' -Psalm 46:10, is an invitation to enter rest and not to fret. Almighty God has a vested interest in you and me. He cares that we should see the light and come to it. He made the way. We find God when we believe He is for us,

not against us. When we dare to believe He'd care, we enter the conversation. We ask for help and get it. We ask for guidance and find the path lit a step at a time. We come requiring mercy and find that grace abounds. The world may be at stake, but the great quest is to find what gives meaning to it all. These few years we are allotted on the earth are but a drop in the bucket. There is much beyond what our senses can sense. But then, we sense it, too.  
*Elaine Wheeler  
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**New alert app**

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"You don't have to give any of that (personal information) and it was specifically made easy so that people can feel comfortable signing up for the service and that we are not collecting a bunch of personal information."

A feature of the newly improved service will allow emergency messages to be sent out much faster and will be able to be sent from field locations as opposed to solely from the station.

Strathmore Emergency Alerts will also not distribute the same emergency messages as are released by Environment Canada so as to eliminate redundancy.

"We're not going to try and recreate other messages ... the time that we're going to get involved is if it's actually something that is immediately going to threaten the community," said Sturgeon.

Though the service is not often used, Sturgeon said there are scenarios where it is needed, and it is better to have the service available rather than not.

"For the cost of the service and the ability to get out messages quickly ... this could be the difference between people getting the information they need and having to go through a third party."

Instructions and further details about the service and app can be found on the Town website.

**Rockyford 4-H Club news**

**CALLUM LAWN**  
Rockyford 4-H Beef Club Reporter

My name is Callum Lawn and this will be my eighth year in 4-H. Seven of those years have been with the Rockyford 4-H Beef Club. This is my first year as club reporter.

This year we have 21 members in our club, which include many return members and a few new members too. We started our year with a re-organizational meeting in October where we elected our new club executives. In November we met for our second meeting and club weigh-in of 21 steer projects and 1 heifer project, of which I am showing both a steer and heifer.

In December we met for our third meeting and our club Christmas party. We curled, played bingo and won prizes. Our club also participated in 'Stuff a Stocking for a Senior' again. Each family stuffed two or more stockings and our club delivered them to the Strathmore Lodge on Dec. 18.

We hope everyone had a great Christmas and wish everyone a prosperous year in 2022!

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### Strathmore U16A ringette win silver

The Strathmore U16A ringette team won silver at the Friends on Ice tournament in Red Deer on Jan. 7-9. The team started the tournament with one goalie and nine skaters before one player incurred an injury leaving only eight skaters to finish the weekend tournament. After defeating the Airdrie Sting on Saturday night, the team unfortunately succumbed to a 3-2 loss against Airdrie in the final. The weekend was a triumph for the team, regardless of the silver medal standing.

Photo Courtesy of Ed Yu



# County approves interim budgets for upcoming year

JOHN WATSON  
Local Journalism initiative Reporter

Prior to the Wheatland County Council breaking for the Christmas holiday, the interim operating and capital budgets for 2022 had been approved during the Dec. 21 regular meeting.

County administration had recommended to council that the budgets be approved as presented, following adjustments made after the Nov. 9 and Dec. 8 presentations to the Committee of the Whole and County Council, respectively.

Though the capital budget was initially presented to Council on Dec. 8, only half of the budget was reviewed at the time. The other half was presented during a subsequent Committee of the Whole meeting on Dec. 14, before appearing back before council for final approval.

Each capital project had been reviewed and several had been removed or differed from the budget approval, including the Eagle Lake land improvements, installation of physical fibre optic cables for the Broadband Initiative, landscaping for the administrative building and the engineering and paving of TWP 244 on the western border of the Town of Strathmore.

Administration also received direction from council to increase the operating budget for provincial requisitions by approximately \$450,000 during the Dec. 8 council meeting.

Regarding the operating budget,

administration noted that during the presentation to the Committee of the Whole on Nov 9, realistically, the administrative budget doesn't change much year over year.

In 2021, the total on large expenditures accounted for 85.39 per cent of the budget. For 2022, the expenditures are anticipated to be 84.98 per cent of operating budget.

Overall, the County's 2022 capital budget would total \$18.6 million. Some of the budget includes finances that were carried forward from unspent funds in 2021.

Any projects that are not currently in the budget, was noted by administration that they could be added back at a later time, pending council approval.

During the Dec. 21 regular council meeting, Councilor Glenn Koester suggested running a traffic count on TWP 244 over a span of two weeks to get a better idea of traffic flow prior to speaking with the Town of Strathmore about cost sharing for the project.

Reeve Amber Link said for her, addressing TWP 244 was less about commuter numbers and more about maintaining the road itself along with the potential effects on other nearby developments.

"For me, this was less about traffic counts at this time and more about just wear and tear on the road and as well as about impeding the actual construction with our paving because that could really hinder the developers because there is such significant construction

happening on that side in that residential development right now," said Link.

"Those were some of my considerations in supporting the removal of that at this time, not to say that I wouldn't contemplate it in the future and I think that, that information would be key at that time ... I wonder if it would be more relevant when the development is complete."

No final decisions regarding how to necessarily address the road were made during the meeting.

The interim 2022-24 operating, and 2022-26 capital budgets were ultimately approved without further revision.

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Some skin cosmetic preparations come with the claim "dermatologist-tested". But this claim may mean the product was reviewed by a board-certified dermatologist but it doesn't mean it was liked or effective. It doesn't mention that the testing was an in-home trial or a scientifically rigorous clinical trial. It is a good idea to check with your own dermatologist or even your pharmacist for good advice.

If you are getting an immunization shot, there is some evidence that taking one vitamin E 400 units plus getting a good night's sleep before the shot will help give you better effects from the vaccine.

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# Local Dog trainer prepares to compete on world stage

JOHN WATSON  
 Local Journalism initiative Reporter

Recently returned from performing in Montreal, a local dog trainer prepares to head overseas to compete in the world's largest dog show.

Jennifer Fraser is set to compete at Crufts, an international dog show hosted annually in the United Kingdom.

"I'm actually the first North American to be invited to perform in freestyle, so that's what I have been filling my days with because I only have two months to prepare," explained Fraser. "I've actually never performed in freestyle before. Basically, that's dog dancing – I've done lots of segments and putting together dog dances for the musical and for Superdogs and I've been doing that for a couple of years now, but freestyle is a four-minute full routine under very strict judging rules."

To qualify for an invitation, Fraser was required to submit an application – something she does every year, before waiting to hear whether her application had been accepted and if she would be allowed to compete.

She said the news came in while she was in Montreal working on the Superdog Musical.

"I had no time to do anything to prepare ... (after Christmas), I spent 20 hours alone just working on the song (and the choreography) and now I have about eight weeks to train myself and

my dog to do that whole routine to perfection," said Fraser. "I'm (in) way over my head, but I'm going to have as much fun with it as I can. I'm going to soak in all the experience, I'm going to learn from it, for sure."

Fraser will be competing against 11 other countries and will be taking one of her six dogs with her to perform.

She added for her, it's not the judges she worries about, but rather completing the performance to a standard that she's happy with.

"Even though I'm competing with 11 other countries, I'm really just making sure that I can do the whole routine with my dog, have it nice and smooth and have it work for us," she said. "That's my main goal and if the judges like it, then that's just icing on the cake."

The hope is that the attention garnered from participating at Crufts will catapult Fraser into other projects closer to home.

"I am hoping that Crufts will be the first step to me going down to the States and doing dog dancing competitions on TV ... putting together my own show for dog dancing, so it's blossoming into more opportunities for me to have fun with my dogs."

This whole experience follows right on the tail of the Superdogs musical, another first for Fraser, which she performed at the Segal Centre. During that show, over 20 dogs were among the on-stage cast.



Jennifer Fraser, freshly back from performing in Montreal, prepares to take her dog Daiquiri overseas to compete in Crufts – one of the most prestigious dog shows in the world. The competition is scheduled for March, hosted in the United Kingdom.

John Watson Photo

# Local piano teacher wins international music cover contest, catches eye of rock icon

JOHN WATSON  
 Local Journalism initiative Reporter

A Langdon piano teacher has recently caught the eyes of music icons Alice Cooper and the Baha Men, after winning an Alice Cooper cover contest.

In the fall of 2021, David DeWolfe entered into the online contest hosted by Ultimate Guitar, normally an online resource for musicians maintained by its user community.

"Their catalogue has got to be millions of songs. Type in the name of any song and it comes up with the words and then the chords above it for how to play," said DeWolfe.

Though the service is mostly used by guitar players, any

instrumentalist can use it so long as they know how to play chords on their instrument.

The cover contest launched in October with four different categories, including electric guitar, acoustic guitar, vocal cover and miscellaneous. DeWolfe said he was confident going into the miscellaneous category with his piano cover.

"As soon as I saw the best miscellaneous cover, I knew nobody was going to beat me," said DeWolfe.

He performed covers of Feed My Frankenstein, Hey Stupid, Poison and Welcome to my Nightmare, among some other covers and uploaded the videos to the contest.

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Within what appears to be a simple and classical construct — two fiddles, a viola, and a cello — The Fretless has created a sound that is distinctly rich, multi-layered, and uniquely percussive. This tonal quality is pushing traditional music to new heights, producing a completely fresh approach to Folk music.



Wellness bags are once again being distributed by the Wheatland Family and Community Support Services to help get local clients and seniors through the winter months and alleviate some of the feelings of isolation.

Photo Courtesy of Wheatland FCSS

# Wellness bag success

**JOHN WATSON**  
Local Journalism initiative Reporter

The Wheatland Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) is bringing back wellness bags for seniors, a program that was launched last year.

The program is designed to help seniors manage and get through the winter, as well as any potential feelings of isolation during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

Wheatland FCSS CAO Lynn Walker said based on last year's response to the bags, they made a noticeable impact for the clients who received them through the winter.

"So, we thought we had to try something that would help them along that will give them something to do that will keep their mind active, that will keep their mind off the whole COVID-19 situation," said Walker. "We came up with these wellness bags. We went around and found as many different things that they could do that would distract them from the day-to-day and just give them things that would inspire them and move them along."

Wheatland FCSS put together 100 of the wellness bags last year, as that was what was required for the resident clients in the rural community. Walker added that as word spread, the team was notified that Strathmore residents were also interested in the program.

This year, the Wheatland FCSS team

put together 300 wellness bags for local seniors to help them through the winter.

"The bags are for different activities and whatnot that the seniors can do just to perk them up and to brighten their days as they move through this very depressing season of the year," said Walker. "It has morphed and it has proven its effectiveness and I think our seniors, after this year, will be to the point that they are going to be looking forward to getting these bags to help them through the winter."

The bags are packed full of recipes, a plant pot, paints, crayons, playing cards, word searches and a library card, among a pile of other things for the seniors to do and enjoy.

Wheatland FCSS, according to Walker, has been working on getting donations and purchasing materials for the bags since Thanksgiving and is ready to get them out to clients.

"It shows that it doesn't take much from our part to make a difference in their lives. It just takes that little bit of thought from all those different participants and something they can contribute that would spark interest in a senior," said Walker. "If we can see the impact that it makes and it's a positive one, we certainly will look to do this again moving forward."

The plan is to continue creating the wellness bags on an annual basis. The aim is to have all the bags delivered to clients by the end of January.

# Music contest a success

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"Late October, I was hanging out at a buddy's ranch and all of a sudden my phone started buzzing at me. I looked and it was Instagram. I don't use Instagram very often ... I thought 'that's weird' so I looked and it said, 'Alice Cooper has mentioned you in a post,'" said DeWolfe.

"Sure enough, Alice Cooper had shared my video and this was before the contest was over."

The winners of the contest were announced at the end of November. DeWolfe said the response on social media was similar to that which Cooper generated.

"I was lying in bed one day and all of a sudden my social media started exploding and sure enough, they had announced that I won the miscellaneous category."

"So that's pretty cool, and Alice Cooper, he messaged me back and forth a couple times, he liked a couple of my

other videos as well ... that's pretty exciting."

More recently, DeWolfe added, while he was performing on Instagram, he received a notification that the Baha Men had shared his cover of their 2000 hit, Who Let the Dogs Out.

The increase in exposure has been nothing short of a boon for the piano teacher, who at the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, took a huge hit to his business.

"I've had over 100 requests for piano lessons in the last two weeks. Basically, since Christmas, my inbox keeps filling up," said DeWolfe.

At the start of the pandemic, DeWolfe went from having 57 active piano students down to 12 within a short time frame. Now, with the influx of requests for instruction, he is excited about the opportunity for his business.

Though he would be excited to get an opening gig on a tour, he does not expect live music opportunities to occur within the near future.



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First off, I have no centre island and that makes me batty. I wish I had a place where my kids (and grandkids) could sit while I was preparing a meal, but instead they have to sit in the other room and visit while I'm alone in the kitchen for the entire afternoon.

Second, I desperately need some nicer cabinets. My drawers are dented, and the trim (or whatever you call it) is falling off the cabinet doors, and the wood is cracking. A few screws have also gone missing from the drawer fronts over the years - so they're now loose and wobbly.

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## Super tourney

The annual Strathmore Minor Hockey Association U11 tournament took place Jan. 7-9 at the Strathmore Family Centre, Gleichen Arena and Standard Arena. The four U11 Strathmore teams hosted squads from all over Alberta and even as far as B.C.

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Developing the app allows the Alberta RCMP to provide the public with online access to news, crime reporting, detachment locations, crime mapping and statistics as well as a map for initiatives like Project Lock Up. The app also provides access to partner law enforcement services, mental health supports, Crime Stoppers and links to Alberta RCMP social media accounts.

"An app is an easy way for the public to stay connected and report crime to the police along with gaining quick and easy access to Alberta RCMP news and information," said Supt. Peter Tewfik, Officer in charge of the Alberta RCMP's Community Safety and Wellbeing Branch.

"Having an app will provide the public with an option for digital accessibility that is convenient and centralized."

Even though the app provides convenient links to Alberta RCMP social media account, this app will not replace existing web-

sites, social media feeds, or other sources for information. The tool also will not replace other methods of crime reporting, engagement, or emergency assistance. Citizens should remember that social media posts or use of other third-party crime apps are not appropriate ways to report a crime.

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## TIMES CLASSIFIEDS

### Obituary



**COONFER, Doris**  
June 26, 1926- January 5, 2022

Doris Coonfer (nee: McLean) of Okotoks, formerly of Strathmore and Nightingale, passed away peacefully at the High River Hospital on January 5, 2022 with her family at her side. Doris will be dearly missed by her children: Jack McLean, Scott Coonfer, Sandy (Dylan) Cartwright; her four grandchildren, Shelby, Matt, Ty, and Shay; and many family and friends. Doris was predeceased by her beloved husband, Dale, in 2001; her parents, Jack and Mary Ann McLean; her sister, Evelyn Erichsen; her daughter-in-law, Kathy, and grandson, Steven. Doris was born on June 26, 1926 in Elora, Ontario and remained in Ontario until 1981 when she and Dale moved their family west to Alberta. Doris cherished her time spent with family, and always had a cozy home full of pets, delicious meals, and baking. She loved her dogs and cats, and kept the wild birds outside fed every day no matter how cold the weather. She loved flowers and gardening; clocks and trains; and enjoyed many wonderful trips with family. Doris lived the room with her infectious laugh. She treasured all the memories of her well-lived life. She will be greatly missed by everyone who loved her, but will live on forever in our hearts. It was her wish that there be no service held. If friends so desire, a memorial tribute may be made to Heaven Can Wait Animal Rescue or any animal rescue organization of their choice. To email condolences, please visit [www.snodgrassfuneralhomes.com](http://www.snodgrassfuneralhomes.com) Arrangements in care of Snodgrass Funeral Home, High River. Ph. 403-652-2222.

### Obituary



**HARASYM, Jerry William**

With profoundly heavy hearts we announce the passing of our beloved husband, father, brother, Papa, Gido, uncle, and trusted friend to many. Jerry "Willie" passed away peacefully in his sleep on January 5, 2022 at 66 years old. Jerry was born in St. Paul, Alberta on August 14, 1955 to Mary and Alex Harasym. As a teenager, he moved with his family to Fort McMurray and began a long, dedicated, career with the Great Canadian Oil Sands (Suncor). In 1975, he married his soulmate of 47 years, Monique, and had two children. If you asked one hundred people who Jerry was, they would all give you a different answer. Some knew him as a carpenter, drywaller, plumber, and jack-of-all trades who never shied away from a challenge. Some knew him as a millwright, or specialist of rotating equipment, or vibration analyst who could sense the sneeze of a snake. Some of you regarded him as a leader, mentor, or father figure. He always strove to dispense sage counsel and wise advice. He would listen with active interest, was a great conversationalist, and would leave you breathless with laughter. Certainly he did not disappoint when it came to wholeheartedly loving his family. To say he will be sorely missed is a vast understatement. Jerry is survived by his loving wife, Monique; his devoted daughter Melissa; sisters Noreen (Len), Fern (Dennis), and Gloria (Dan); his sister-in-law Marve (Denis); brother-in-law Lionel; granddaughters Sydney, Mackenzie, and Cora Jay; and numerous nieces, nephew, great-nieces, and grand-nephews. He is predeceased by his mother, Mary; father Alex; step-father Bill; brothers John and Norm (Lil); sister Olga (Henry); and nieces Barb, Faye, and Laurie. A private viewing will be held on Sunday, January 9, 2022. Donations in Jerry's memory can be made directly to the Yamnuska Wolfdog Sanctuary (online at [www.yamnuskawolfdogsanctuary.com](http://www.yamnuskawolfdogsanctuary.com)). To send condolences, please visit Jerry's obituary at [www.wheatlandfuneralhome.ca](http://www.wheatlandfuneralhome.ca).

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### Obituary



**SNYDMILLER, Allen Clarke**  
November 27, 1940 - January 1, 2022

It is with great sadness that we suddenly had to say goodbye to our dearly loved father, grandfather, brother, uncle, friend and partner. But even though he left us suddenly we know that he had a full and exciting life. His love of adventure, cattle, farming, travel, looking for the best deal, auctions, hunting, fishing, cooking and canning (mostly other peoples!), time spent with friends and many passions provided him with all he needed for his biggest talent and passion of all and that was telling a good story! There truly was not a dull moment when he was around. Allen was one of three children raised on a farm in Keoma, Alberta. He married Anne Wilson on April 16, 1960, whom he had met when he was 14 and together raised their 3 children on their family farm. They then sold the family farm but he continued farming 4 miles south. Allen is survived by his loving partner of 18 years Joan Mckinnon, his daughter Brenda Snymiller (Carlee, Lonnie and Janelle), his daughter Wendy and Lloyd Visser (Lucas and Tamara, Juliana and Hugh, Joel and Zoe), his son Danny and Sherri Snymiller (Cole and Bronte, Lauren and Cody), his brother Steve Snymiller, his stepdaughters Kim and Pat Proust (Elizabeth, Jackson) and Laura and Bill Elliot (Quinn, Zander, Nevaeh), along with many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his mom Hannah, his father John, Anne the mother of his children, his nephew Orville Sailor, his sister Joan Sailor, brother in law Lawrence Sailor and great nephew Jordan Neave. Allen will be cremated and his family will be planning a Celebration of Life in the future, once Covid restrictions and cold weather subside. To leave a memory or condolence for the family, please click on the "Upload Your Memory" box at the bottom of Allen's online obituary located at [www.wheatlandfuneralhome.ca](http://www.wheatlandfuneralhome.ca).

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**Saturday, January 15**  
• 8 pm vs Coaldale

**Sunday, January 16**  
• 4:15 pm vs Medicine Hat

**Saturday, January 22**  
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**Saturday, February 5**  
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Jan 7  
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Jan 8  
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**WHEATLAND & ADJACENT DISTRICTS EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES ASSOCIATION**

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**Monday, January 17, 2022**  
**7pm**  
**Wheatland County Administration Building**

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