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Student market

## Town talks transfer to tax fee

JOHN WATSON  
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

The Town of Strathmore is waiving the transfer to tax fee for the balance of 2022 on past-due utility accounts.

Lisa Gregory with the Town of Strathmore Corporate Services explained that given the current circumstances surrounding COVID-19, it would be unwise to continue with the fee instated.

“What we want to do is waive the transfer to tax fee and not disconnect anybody’s water during the pandemic,” said Gregory.

“For COVID-19 and for health, we really shouldn’t be turning off anybody’s water right now and when we do that, we don’t want it to transfer to taxes and have them incur an additional fee.”

The transfer to tax fee was in the amount of \$54.62, and according to administration, past due utility account transfer charges are a minor source of revenue for the Town.

Waiving the fee will not have a negative financial impact on the Town, as the fee only applies to roughly 20 accounts.

Administration typically does a water disconnect after two months of non-payment on a utility account in non-winter months. Due to ongoing pandemic circumstances with health precautions in place, it was deemed that water shut off for collection purposes was no longer practical.

Ultimately, the waiving of the fee will allow administration to transfer past due utility amounts to a property owner’s tax account and maintain the transfer on a monthly basis so as to maintain up to date past due amounts on a given property.

Town of Strathmore council had previously made a motion regarding the waiving of the transfer to tax fee during the May 19, 2021 council meeting.

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## Outplayed and outshot!

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# RCMP host information meeting in Strathmore discussing potential provincial police service

**JOHN WATSON**  
 Local Journalism initiative Reporter

The RCMP hosted an informational meeting at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #10 on Jan. 21 to speak to local residents about the potential impact of Alberta switching to a provincial police service.

Kevin Halway, regional director of the National Police Federation, said the RCMP is receiving a lot of community engagement at similar meetings as they tour the province and meet with people to talk about the situation.

“A lot of people are left with the same questions – why are we going down this road and where is this money coming from?” said Halway.

“That’s the whole purpose of our engagement sessions, is to provide some information to the people of Alberta who will be left holding the bar tab, so to speak, and will be at risk of losing some of the services they’ve been provided by the RCMP.”

Replacing the RCMP with a provincial police service was a recommendation of the Fair Deal Panel, which toured Alberta in 2019 and 2020, followed by the province engaging with its stakeholders in the fall of 2021.

The province has concluded; following a report from PwC Canada; that their analysis warranted further study of the idea and so public engagement is now being held to gauge interest and support.

Halway said he firmly stands against the idea and wants to show Albertans why starting from scratch with a new service is not the answer, as well as encouraging people to contact their local MLAs.

“We want people to get engaged, reach out to their MLAs, reach out to their local elected officials, make sure those people know how they feel and then take those voices to the minister’s office to tell them they’re not interested in moving to a provincial police force,” said Halway.

“We encourage conversation, absolutely, at all levels of government. And we encourage improvements to be made ... unfortunately, I don’t think that moving away from the RCMP and towards a provincial policing service would be better.”

The feedback from Strathmore residents, he added, was not dissimilar from the feedback he has received elsewhere dur-



The RCMP have been touring across Alberta to talk to residents about the provincial government’s idea to replace the Mounties with a provincial police service, and stopped in Strathmore on Jan. 21.

John Watson Photo

ing the informational sessions. Halway said people are in support of keeping the RCMP and are asking why the provincial government is considering the change.

“The majority of Albertans are not interested in this, (and people) ... are left wanting more answers from the government than the government is providing,” said Halway.

“The people of Alberta who we have talked to on this topic are feeling right now that the government is not listening to them.”

As opposed to simply creating an entire new system; to which he said would cost Albertans upwards of \$185 million more per year to operate, on top of the projected excess of \$166 million in setup costs; solutions to improve current RCMP services would be much more favourable.

“There’s obviously a lot of money at stake that the taxpayers will be left to (pay), but there’s also a lot of risks to the community policing programs that have taken the RCMP years to really hone and develop,” said Halway.

“We will keep this up as long as we need to. We have many more in-person sessions planned for both February and March, as well as some online sessions.”




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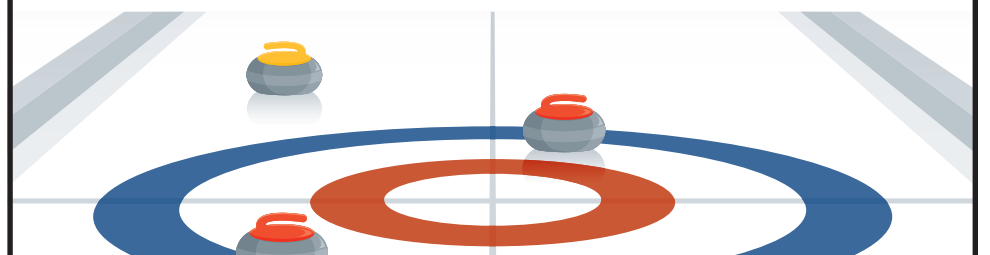
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# The Vault to host art show with local students

**JOHN WATSON**  
Local Journalism initiative Reporter

The Vault Cultural Collective is hosting an art show, beginning at the end of the month to showcase projects created by students at local high schools.

Carolyn Steeves, chair of The Vault, said the upcoming event is the first time the organization has reached out to the schools with such an idea since opening their doors in July 2021.

“COVID-19 and pandemic protocols, we were thinking of things that we could do in the community that would be safe,” said Steeves.

“We’re thinking of pocket concerts and speaker series and that kind of thing, but we thought that a high school art show would be a perfect thing to have in The Vault.”

The idea is for the show to celebrate the young artists at Strathmore High School and Holy Cross Collegiate, in a safe and engaging event.

Steeves said she contacted the two schools in December of 2021 with the idea and has been working to arrange the event ever since.

She estimates between 30 to 40 pieces of art will be on display in The Vault, submitted by roughly 10 students from each school. The display will consist of acrylic paintings, watercolours, pencil drawings, digital art, mixed media, clay and pottery.

“From my understanding and talking to the

teachers ... (these) are projects that they worked on for in class assignments,” added Steeves.

“The students are very excited (about the show) and I know they’re very excited about having a launch event of Saturday, even though it’s private and just with families and teachers.”

Going forward, The Vault intends to have art events of varying sorts, from hosting artists in residence, to artist of the day, to even small concerts at the venue.

Steeves explained the mandate is to be a “one-stop-shop” for local arts and culture to be expressed, admired and appreciated.

Steeves added that for the young artists at the two local high schools, it’s a unique and important experience to have their hard work on display for the community.

“I think for young artists, this is critical because they don’t get art shows. I think sometimes there are artists who have been asked to put some of their art in an ACAD (Alberta College of Art and De-

sign) show in Calgary, (or) in their schools, but to have their art on public display in the community is huge,” said Steeves.

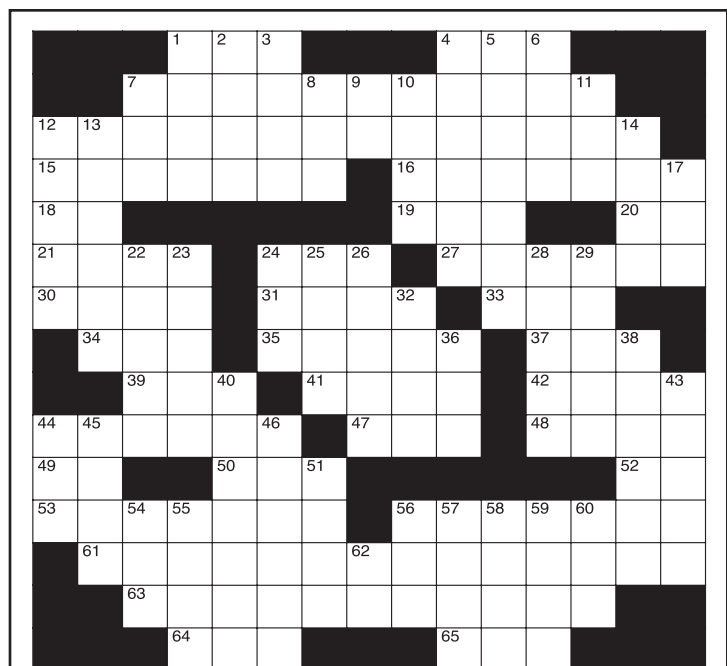
“Even though they might be anxious of people’s reactions, everyone is always nervous about what people are going to think. But this is more of a celebration of what’s happening in our schools and in our community.”

The display will be hosted within The Vault and is free to view between Jan. 31 to Feb. 25.



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**CLUES ACROSS**

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- 4. NY ballplayer
- 7. Rigid external covering in some animals
- 12. Promotional materials
- 15. More high-pitched
- 16. Widely cultivated cereal
- 18. Dormitory employee
- 19. Bad act
- 20. One’s mother
- 21. Scored perfectly
- 24. Space station
- 27. Exchange for money
- 30. Edible seaweed
- 31. Iranian city
- 33. Lakers’ crosstown rivals
- 34. Nothing
- 35. Spiritual leader of a Jewish congregation
- 37. \_\_\_ student, learns healing
- 39. Military official (abbr.)
- 41. Matchstick games
- 42. Gasteyer and De Armas are two
- 44. Distant planet
- 47. A type of residue
- 48. Punk art icon Jimmy De \_\_\_
- 49. Millihenny
- 50. Canadian media firm
- 52. Type of withdrawal
- 53. Spicy
- 56. Dish of minced meat or fish
- 61. Noted previously
- 63. Happily
- 64. “Partridge” actress Susan
- 65. Not present

**CLUES DOWN**

- 1. In a way, brought to an end
- 2. Scandalized actress Loughlin
- 3. This (Spanish)
- 4. Essay
- 5. Continuing indefinitely
- 6. Tool for lifting food
- 7. Partner to Adam
- 8. Dry white wine drink
- 9. Spanish be
- 10. Smaller quantity
- 11. Last or greatest in an indefinitely large series
- 12. (Scottish) island
- 13. Church officer
- 14. Large wrestler
- 17. Polite address for women
- 22. Famed Susan Lucci character “\_\_\_ Kane”
- 23. Mason \_\_\_ Line
- 24. Disfigure
- 25. Asian nation
- 26. Rage (Span.)
- 28. Khoikhoi peoples
- 29. Opera solo
- 32. Database management system
- 36. Similar
- 38. Move up and down playfully
- 40. Alfalfa
- 43. Satisfied
- 44. Baseball official
- 45. Large, flightless bird of S. America
- 46. Money given in support
- 51. Flower cluster
- 54. Beginning military rank
- 55. Russian weight measurement
- 56. Explosive
- 57. An individual unit
- 58. Midskirt
- 59. Weapon featuring balls
- 60. Used of a number or amount not specified
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### BBB Business Tip: Six ways to supercharge sales using email during the post-holiday season



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#### Six ways to supercharge sales using email this post-holiday season

Don't get sucked into the post-holiday sales lull. Instead, here are six ways to supercharge sales using email as you head into the new year:

**1. Winter clearance campaign**

Don't be afraid to push a post-holiday clearance campaign, which can encourage customers to visit your store or website with the promise of steep discounts. Then, they will see all of the products you have to offer, and the clearance event will entice them to make a purchase.

**2. Use data to upsell and cross-sell products**

The data you've collected during the holiday season is an excellent resource to help you create a post-holiday email campaign that drives sales. With this data, you can personalize offers and product recommendations based on your consumers' past purchases.

**3. Create a customer-loyalty program**

If you don't already have an established customer loyalty program, then the holiday season is the perfect time to create one. During the holiday rush, you can encourage customers to sign up for your loyalty program by informing them of special rewards and perks members will receive in the "off-season."

**4. Take advantage of consumers' FOMO**

Fear of missing out, or FOMO, is a marketing term that describes the emotion consumers feel when they are unsure of whether they should act on an offer or not. You can use this powerful emotion to your advantage when designing your email marketing campaigns. Research shows that approximately 60% of consumers make a purchase within 24 hours when they experience FOMO.

**5. Prioritize Personalization**

Use your post-holiday email marketing campaign to highlight some of your best sellers from the past year, in addition to sending personalized product suggestions to each segment of your audience. Studies show that personalized product recommendations really work, yet only 39% of retailers send personalized product recommendations via email.

**6. Re-engage customers**

Another excellent method to supercharge sales during the post-holiday season is launching a re-engagement email campaign. These campaigns are designed to entice your customers to re-engage with your brand in the new year, and they are highly effective and economical.

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# Provincial government invests over \$2.7 million in Chestermere-Strathmore MSI infrastructure

**JOHN WATSON**  
Local Journalism initiative Reporter

Alberta's government is investing over \$2.7 million to support improving municipal infrastructure within the Chestermere-Strathmore constituency.

According to a media release sent out from the legislature on Jan. 19, the money will go towards completing various municipal projects through the municipal sustainability initiative (MSI) to help build and revitalize local infrastructure.

Chestermere-Strathmore MLA Leela Aheer said the MSI funding replaced the previous transportation grants in 2007, to help fund pre-existing infrastructure as well as to renew or rebuild systems.

"The Town of Strathmore, City of Chestermere, Langdon (and) Wheatland County, they're all going to have their priorities, but other things that are like rec facilities, water and wastewater and roads or other infrastructure like bridges are a huge part of the MSI funding," said Aheer.

Aheer explained the MSI funding was only originally intended to only be used for a few years, but that funding has now been extended into 2023-24, after which time it will be replaced by a different framework.

"We've been really lucky in our constituency, we've benefited from about \$2.7 million of improvement money throughout our riding over the last few years"

The release detailed \$2,051,495 will be allocated to the purchasing of public works maintenance equipment, \$381,000 for the construction of a gravel road within Wheatland County and \$300,000 for the upgrading of the public works yard and building in the City of Chestermere.

Although the funds themselves are allocated to municipalities at the provincial level, it is up to the municipal governments to ultimately decide how best to use the MSI funding and to be accountable for its expenditure.

"The entire purpose of that is to see improvements in your districts and to be able to grow capacity ... It's really great because that funding is based on local priorities," said Aheer.

"These are important infrastructure projects that will be very impactful on the day to day lives of my constituents. I am proud of our government for allocating over \$2.7 million of funding to our communities and am looking forward seeing these projects be completed."

More information about local MSI projects is available through the Government of Alberta website.

## Town of Strathmore waives transfer to tax fee on past due utility accounts

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Penalty due dates were waived by the Town in 2020 on a blanket basis for all utility accounts, which caused an increase in the utility accounts receivable and a delay in cash flow. According to administration, this made it difficult to administer applicable charges.

Regarding utility accounts that are two months past due, the collection procedure by the Town is to either transfer the amount owing to the property owner's tax account, or to do a water disconnect, the latter of which is unable to be completed during winter months.

Councilor Brent Wiley motioned to waive the transfer to tax fee following the presentation to council by Gregory. The motion was passed by council without further debate or question.

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# Betty White Challenge fundraiser causes large donation influx for local cat sanctuary

**JOHN WATSON**  
Local Journalism initiative Reporter

A recent social media campaign has resulted in a significant influx of donations and support for Strathmore's Happy Cat Sanctuary.

Following the death of actress Betty White weeks before she was to have her 100th birthday, the internet was saturated with encouragement to support local animal shelters in her name.

Debbie Jensen, who helps to keep the sanctuary operating in Strathmore, said the shelter had received between \$3,000 and \$4,000 in donations – a tally that had yet to be completely counted.

"We started about a week before (Betty White's) birthday, we advertised that we were going to do it, and then about the Friday before her birthday, so, the 15th, we started having people come in and donate in her name," explained Jensen.

"We were quite excited; it was really good. It turned out really well. We haven't quite got all the tally up yet because some of the stuff is on the computer for e-transfers."

Donations of cat food and litter had also been made to the shelter in lieu of monetary donations.

Jensen added many of those who dropped by to donate and show their support were excited to take part and lend a hand.

"Some of the people who came in were super nice – I had these two little guys come in who each handed me \$5 and it was so cute. They might have been four and six, their grandma brought them in and they were all excited about giving money for Betty White," said Jensen.

"It's going to have a good impact because our vet bills have been major for so many cats. We make sure they're all fixed and everything before they go out

and all that adds up."

She estimated the influx of funding and resources will likely last a few weeks, as much of it will be directed to covering vet bills.

Though the numbers of new cats arriving at the shelter have slowed, they have not ceased. Jensen estimates roughly 150 felines are now currently under the care of herself, other volunteers and in foster homes.

"It's slowed down, but I had four kittens come in two days before Christmas. They were left in a box outside the vet clinic and they were only eight weeks old."

The sanctuary is always in need of more volunteers to help operate the facility as well as to foster cats. Those who are curious about doing so may contact Happy Cat Sanctuary for more details.



Strathmore's Happy Cat Sanctuary was excited to see the donations flood in from residents in honour of the late Betty White, who passed away weeks before her 100th birthday.

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# Local family rallies community following vehicle theft

JOHN WATSON  
Local Journalism initiative Reporter

A local family turned a terrifying misfortune into an opportunity to learn and to help the local community.

Jodi Henke and her family closed out 2021 collecting donations primarily of diapers and wipes for the Wheatland County Food Bank, as a way to show her kids there is more good than bad in the community.

“What happened was, my car got stolen out of the driveway one morning as I was getting my kids ready for school and they were right there when it happened. It really quite terrified them,” said Henke. “My son, after I did finally get them to school after everything calmed down, called me that day ... he was worried about me being home by myself.”

Henke added that, being young children, they were afraid to sleep following the theft, fearing their home would be broken into next.

It was following a discussion with her husband, Tyler Henke, that the family decided to try and do some good.

“Tyler reached out to the food bank and found out what they were currently in need of and it was diapers and wipes,” said Henke. “We just threw it out there that we were raising money or physical donations for the food bank, hoping to get a few things to show them ... that there is more good than bad, and it took off like wildfire.”

The family decided to collect donations for roughly a week and a half before they went to the food bank to drop off what they had collected.

According to Henke, they were able to raise about \$1,385 in cash donations, as well as physical donations and online donations from people.

“It’s really cool to see the community come together after such an awful thing happening,” said Henke.

“(The kids) were so happy just being able to do



Following the theft of a vehicle from their family home, the Henke’s decided to rally the community and raise money, diapers and wipes for the Wheatland County Food Bank.

Photo Courtesy of Jodi Henke

something good and the best part of it was it gave them something positive to focus on, as opposed to, the negative or the scariness of what had happened.”

The delivery was made to the facility on Jan. 10, after the kids were released from school for the day. Henke added the physical donations filled the back of their minivan almost to bursting.

The family had estimated they would raise roughly \$500 worth of items for the food bank, never imagining they would generate nearly three times that sum in donations.

“I was just speechless (at) the amount of donations that we received in support from the community, so it’s nice to be able to give that back to where it needs to be,” said Henke. “(The kids) really enjoy doing their part, and this isn’t the first time that they’ve been a part of a fundraiser, but they always are very excited to give 100 per cent when it comes to any kind of fundraising.”

## 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.

- February 1: Council Meeting**
- February 8: Municipal Planning Commission**
- February 15: Council Meeting**

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### WHEATLAND COUNTY INVITES APPLICATIONS FOR 2022 COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT FUNDING

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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/cefb](http://www.wheatlandcounty.ca/cefb)

#### 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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For more information regarding training, please go to: <https://www.alberta.ca/subdivision-and-development-appeal-boards-training.aspx#jumplinks-0>

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# WHEATLAND COUNTY

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Entrepreneurship students from George Freeman School hosted a market showcasing products they had designed throughout their first semester entrepreneurship classes, on Jan 21. One of the goals of the market was to sell their products and raise money for charities of the students' choosing.

John Watson Photos

# George Freeman School hosts student market, raises money for charities

JOHN WATSON  
Local Journalism initiative Reporter

After having not been able to host an event for the students to show off their work along with raising money for the community for two years, the George Freeman School student market has made its return.

On Jan. 21, grade eight and nine students at George Freeman School showcased and sold products they had developed as business ideas during their entrepreneurship classes throughout the first semester of the school year.

Zane Anderson, who teaches the program at the school, said in addition to the excitement, everyone was doing their best to follow COVID-19 safety protocols.

"We're trying our best this year to follow all the COVID-19 safety regulations and protocols because it's been a few years since we have hosted a market," said Anderson.

"All the money goes to local charities that the students have chosen, so after this we are going to do a little bit of analysis and students will donate all the money they have raised."

Despite the lack of ability to host any in-person events over the past few years, the school has maintained its entrepreneurship classes to give students the opportunity to learn something not often taught at schools.

"It really gets the kids excited about entrepreneurship and coming to school. It's just different than the prototypical things that people have done in the past in school," added Anderson.

"They started off with forming a group and then they went through a business concept and with prices, they created a sales pitch and then they actually went out into the community and got sponsorship from local businesses and created their products."

Anderson made a specific point about thanking the local sponsors who supported the students for, essentially giving the students the funds to make the event happen as op-

posed to needing to finance themselves.

Products offered at the student market included food, candy, baked goods and apparel, among other things.

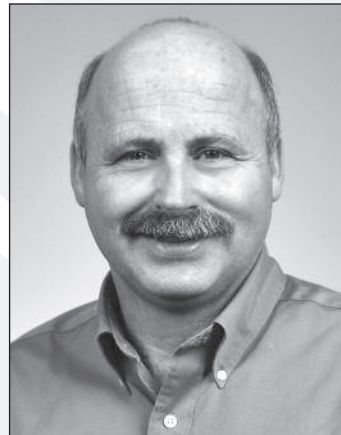
The goal between all the students was to raise between \$2,000 and \$2,500, which would mimic the results of previous years.

"The groups have chosen a charity and at the end, we are going to send thank you letters to our sponsors about the revenue the students have generated, as well as delivering the funds to the local charities."

"The environment is a little bit different this year than in the past, so we're just happy to be here trying to raise any money for our local community."

The entrepreneurship course, according to Anderson, talks about topics such as demographics, financial analysis, profit to profit lost and revenue.

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While the focus of the project is mental health resources, SW Wellness can point you in the right direction no matter what type of support you may need. In the past, a single mom connected with us when she was in a financial crisis. Through collaborative conversation, we were able to connect her with multiple agencies that were able to provide relief for her and her son. She later connected with us again for other areas in her life that she was needing support. Each time she reached out, we were able to set her up with an agency that satisfied her needs. There is so much available for the residents of Strathmore and Wheatland County, sometimes, it's just figuring out what is available that can make the biggest impact.

If you, too, need help finding support and connecting with different agencies in the area, visit our website www.swwellness.ca, or call our non-crisis line at 403-962-0167 to see what we can do for you. You deserve support.

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### Kings home cooking

The Wheatland Kings used home ice to their advantage when they hosted the Kainai Junior Braves on Jan. 22 at the Strathmore Family Centre. The local Junior B team used a three-goal first period outburst en route to a 7-2 win. The Kings, who fell 6-5 to High River the night before, will hit the road for a pair of games – Jan. 28 versus Lomond and Jan. 29 versus Rocky Mountain House.

Joe Lepage Photos



### Offensive machine

The Wheatland Braves offence was on full display when they hosted the Lethbridge Hurricanes White on Jan. 21 at the Strathmore Family Centre. The local U13AA trailed 2-0 before scoring four straight goals en route to a 9-7 win. The Braves didn't have the same success on Jan. 23 when they fell 5-4 to Okotoks Green on home ice. The teams next home game is Feb. 6 (4:15 p.m.) versus the Red Deer Motors.

Joe Lepage Photos

# Wheatland Chiefs victorious at Prairie Classic

JOHN WATSON  
Local Journalism initiative Reporter

The Wheatland Chiefs have emerged victorious from the Prairie Classic in Caronport, which the team's head coach said puts them in a good position as they begin to wrap up their regular season.

Colton Grant explained though it was encouraging to see his boys win, he was more pleased by how they won, and their consistency while on the ice.

"We had a good weekend out there in Caronport, it was a good tournament for us all the way through. We played pretty consistent from start to finish, which as a coaching staff was really good to see," said Grant.

Getting from Wheatland County to Caronport, Sask. the team committed to a six-hour drive one-way to participate.

"We try to get into a couple of tour-

naments, but with the regular season schedule on top of that, it gets pretty tight," said Grant.

The Prairie Classic was the second and final tournament the Chiefs participated in this season. The next time they compete in a similar format will be the U18AA playoffs in March.

"Our playoff format is a tournament, so it's important to get experience in those tournaments and gain what you can. The fact that we won is a bonus for sure," added Grant.

The U18AA bracket has held a tournament format for its playoffs for a few years now, according to Grant, which is still relatively unfamiliar to his team.

"We had a couple pretty good games throughout the whole (Prairie Classic). We started out Thursday (Jan. 13) night, so we were on the bus for six hours getting out there. It's always a tough game to come off, so that was our closest



The Wheatland Chiefs won the 2022 Prairie Classic in Caronport, Sask. from Jan. 13-16.

Photo Courtesy of the Wheatland Chiefs

game," said Grant.

"The next two, we really showed up with our power play, really got going and we played the host team, Prairie Hockey Academy."

Grant commended his goaltenders in particular for acting as solid anchors for the rest of the team over the course of the tournament. The Chiefs went undefeated on the ice overall during the four-day tournament.

Just because of their victories, however, does not mean that Grant has ceased looking for ways that the team can continue to get better.

"I think throughout the tournament, you're always looking for improvement. I think as a coaching staff, and just as

a team, we had a goal to keep our consistency at a high level, meaning that we didn't want to have highs and lows throughout either a shift, throughout a game and certainly throughout the tournament," he said.

"I think, overall, we did a good job of that and there are certainly areas where we can improve as far as (when) we get scored against are we going to sink down and give in to the adversity or are we going to step up and bounce back."

As of Jan 20, the Chiefs had 11 games remaining in their regular season prior to the start of playoffs in March. Based on the same date, the Chiefs had held first place on the U18AA regular season leaderboard.

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# Feedback from Albertans

LEELA SHARON AHEER  
Chestermere-Strathmore MLA

It is always an honour and a privilege to listen to the folks of Chestermere-Strathmore.

We have had many discussions regarding the new draft K-6 curriculum and you have helped us as your representatives respond with feedback from Albertans and education partners. This has seen an adjustment with the implementation timelines for the new curriculum and narrowing our focus to English, language arts and literature, mathematics and physical education and wellness for September 2022. Thank you to everyone who has written to our office and for your advocacy. As a result, we have established the Curriculum Implementation Advisory Group to provide advice and recommendations on the curriculum implementation strategy and timelines to ensure they are manageable for teachers and students. This group will also help determine how to successfully implement a new curriculum for the subjects above. This includes identifying potential support needed to implement the new curriculum in schools and options for providing these supports to school authorities. They will also provide advice and recommendations on how to pilot the remaining K-6 subjects beginning in September 2022 and provide strategies for implementing these subjects beginning in September 2023. Also, a huge thank you to our parents, students and teachers for all their work getting our students back to school. In-person learning for kids is important for their academic success and emotional well-being. It is imperative that we keep our schools open. We are also supplying another 16.4 million medical-grade masks to Alberta school authorities. We'll continue this phased approach and in total, at the end of eight weeks, students and staff will have received about 65.6 million masks.

Booster doses of the COVID-19 vaccine to bolster immunity for those who are immunocompromised will be available. These recommendations come from the National Advisory Committee on Immunization and the Alberta Advisory Committee on Immunization. Individuals aged 18 and older who have specific immunocompromising conditions can receive a booster five months after receiving their third dose. Beginning January 20, eligible individuals can book appointments for fourth doses online with AHS and participating pharmacies by using the Alberta vaccine booking system or calling 811.

I want to update our constituents on some changes for replacement license plates if your plate has been stolen or lost. These situations are very difficult for the owner. If used in criminal activity, there are even larger issues, so effective last week on Jan. 19, Alberta motorists must report lost or stolen license plates to police before requesting a replacement plate from registry agents. It helps with law enforcement and making sure your data is updated as soon as possible.

Congratulations to the Wheatland County Food Bank, which received \$383 thousand in full funding for their CFEP extensive grant application! I look forward to chatting with them about their great work in our community.

As always, we love to hear from you!

(Leela Sharon Aheer is the MLA Elect for Chestermere-Strathmore)

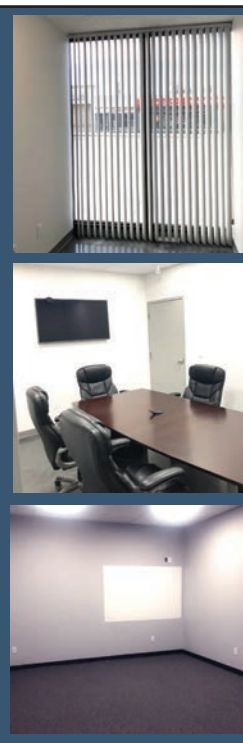
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### Obituary



#### ANDERSON, Gerry

With heavy hearts and profound sadness, we say goodbye to our beloved father, partner, papa, brother, uncle, and friend, Thomas Gerald Anderson (Gerry) who passed away on January 20, 2022, at the age of 68 years.

Gerry was born in Strathmore, Alberta, on October 8, 1953, to Thomas and Frances Anderson. He spent most of his childhood in Strathmore and Calgary. He was a real daredevil and a good jokester as a young boy. His sense of humor started at a young age and carried through to his final moments.

Gerry is survived by his partner Diane Soucy; his children Lise, JR (Shannon), Cindy (Wes), Steven (Caiti), Stacy (Ryan) and Nicole (James); sister Judy; his cherished and so loved grandchildren, Lacey, Dakota, Shyla, Dawson, Reese, Braiden, Jady, Mikayla, Dylin, Carter, Kylie and Arlo; and his great-grandchild Layla; his nephews and numerous friends.

He is predeceased by his mother Frances, father Thomas; his brother in-law Ted; and his beloved dog, Bear.

Gerry was one tough SOB – he was like a cat and had many lives. He overcame many health obstacles and fought so hard for his family. He defied all odds and always made a full recovery.

There was no doubt Gerry enjoyed his life, and his infamous mustache-smile and belly laugh will always be remembered. He made memories with his family and friends doing the things he loved, such as camping, hunting, being with friends, having a few cold ones, and enjoying a smoke. His favourite thing to say was “Let me finish my coffee and smoke and then we will go.”

He was cherished by so many people, and his children adored him immensely. His way of saying he was proud of them was to lovingly refer to them as “dumb ass.”

Gerry built Town and Country Heating, a successful business from ground up, and prided himself on his craftsmanship. He was a man of many talents. He was your guy for plumbing, mechanical, cooking, and heating – just to name a few. If you needed something fixed or had a question about anything, Gerry was your go-to man. If he didn't know, he'd tell you something anyway.

He wore his heart on his sleeve and would do anything for anyone. He has left an impact on everyone he knew, and he will be deeply missed by everyone who knew him.

A Celebration of Life event will be held at a later date. Please watch for details.

To send condolences to the family, please visit Gerry's obituary at [www.wheatland-funeralhome.ca](http://www.wheatland-funeralhome.ca) and follow the links.

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### Obituary



#### GERRITSEN, Maria Henrietta Cecilia

November 23, 1930 – January 23, 2022

It's with our deepest and profound sadness that we announce the very peaceful passing of Maria Henrietta Cecilia Gerritsen (nee van Duren), the wife of the late Peter Gerritsen of Rockyford, Alberta, on January 23, 2022, at the age of 91.

Maria is survived by her children, Mary (Brent) Atcheson, Hans Gerritsen, Marlies (Glenn) Gerritsen, Chris (Kathy) Gerritsen, Val (Dave) Gerritsen, and Vince (Kari Lynn) Gerritsen as well as fourteen grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Maria was born and raised in Bommel, Netherlands and was proud to have worked in the local town office after receiving her education at a boarding school. She grew up in a family who operated commercial greenhouses in which she would tell many stories of how she loved working side by side with her brother, and father who nicknamed her Mieschke. Throughout her life Maria had a respectful and peaceful connection with the earth and nature and loved to work for hours on end in the outdoors beautifying her surroundings.

Maria met Peter, the love of her life, and eventually married on July 7th, 1953 in Bommel. Two weeks later, together they bravely ventured out and immigrated to Canada hearing it was a great country with opportunity and would be a good place to raise their future family. Eventually, they settled in Rockyford, Alberta. While raising their family of six children, they owned and successfully operated Peter Gerritsen Water Well Drilling. Eventually they purchased and moved to the farm in Baintree where they loved the country living and eventually retired from both drilling and farming. Besides the love she always showed to her family any time they would come to visit, she will kindly be remembered for welcoming friends, clients and any friendly face who showed up in Baintree. This visit always included coffee or tea and a table full of fresh baked goods.

Maria spent her most recent years in AgeCare Sagewood in Strathmore where the love and care she received from all who worked there was amazing and incredibly appreciated by her family. In Maria's last hours with her children close by her side whispering their love for her, she raised her hands holding theirs up to her heart, and peacefully breathed her last breath. She will be dearly and forever missed, however, we are very happy she is once again with Peter, the love of her life.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in Maria's memory, to the Alzheimer Society of Canada ([www.alzheimer.ca](http://www.alzheimer.ca))

Due to covid protocols, a private Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Monday, January 31, 2022 at St. Rita's Catholic Church, Rockyford at 11:00 a.m. The service will be live streamed and will be available to watch by visiting Maria's obituary at [www.wheatlandfuneralhome.ca](http://www.wheatlandfuneralhome.ca) and clicking on the link at the bottom of the page. Condolences to the family may also be left on the same website page.

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### Obituary



#### WALSH, Michael

(Mike) Walter

June 20, 1964

– January 10th, 2022

It is with great shock and sadness that the family of Michael (Mike) Walsh announces his sudden passing on January 10th, 2022. Mike was a caring & loving son, a brother, a father, a grandfather and a most of all a great and loyal friend.

Mike was born in Port Credit, Ontario on June 20th 1964. He was the youngest of 4 children born to Joan and Clare Walsh.

Shortly after Mike arrived the family packed up the 4 kids in their 1956 Pontiac complete with belongings secured on top and left the shores of Lake Ontario for the mountains of BC. When Mike was a teenager his family relocated to Calgary when and this is where he met his first love, Lynette Olive.

Mike and Lynette went on to marry and have three children. Jennifer first, then Kristin and finally son, Devon. Mike and Lynette eventually left BC and returned to Alberta. They settled in Strathmore and Strathmore is where Mike was still living at the time of his passing.

Mike was a truck driver through and through. There was no truck, highway or load he wouldn't tackle. He could spread gravel like a pro and people often requested Mike because of this. He loved driving and continued to drive until he started to suffer some health issues. He always took his dog Jules with him when on the road and Jules was the reason Mike got up everyday and vice versa. I think Jules would claw through a brick wall if she thought Mike was on the other side. He worried more about that little dog than he did about himself. A few summers ago he even bought her a lifejacket so she could go kayaking with him but had to make sure she was safe.

Mike had many struggles in his life but no matter what he was facing it never stopped him from being the first person to jump up and offer to help anyone that needed it. He enjoyed people and learning everything he could about people. Anyone that knows Mike knows he loved to talk...but they also know he loved to listen and cared about what you had to say. So many people that loved Mike have reached out to our family to share a funny story or to let us know the kindness they experienced from Mike and for this we are grateful. Mike lived a simple life. He asked for nothing and expected nothing from anyone. He was never envious or jealous of what others had. He was content with he had and would take his last dollar to help you if you needed it.

Mike will be missed by so many and for that he would be so grateful. Friends meant a lot to him. Mike is pre-deceased by his father Clare and survived by his mother Joan, sisters Cindy and Julie and his 3 children, Jennifer, Kristin and Devon and of course his little dog Jules.

We would like to send a special thank-you to the people that have helped us through this terrible time and stepped up to do what they could. A special thank-you to Jason and Amanda Maunsell for all their help and support. Mike loved dogs. If you wish to honor Mike in some way we would ask that you make a small donation to your local SPCA in Mikes name.

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Please submit your cover letter and resume by noon on Thursday, January 27th

Only those applicants short-listed will be contacted. We thank all applicants who have applied for their interest in the Golden Hills School Division.

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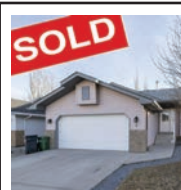
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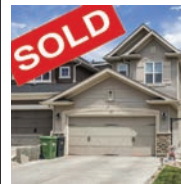
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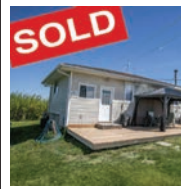
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## Public Hearing Notice February 16, 2022 | 6:00 p.m.



### Bylaw #21-21

Bylaw #21-21 – Legacy Farm Area Structure Plan (ASP) is proposing a new Area Structure Plan that encompasses 118.5 acres of land in the south-east of Strathmore, where the old CPR demonstration farm once was. This ASP is proposing a tourism hub celebrating the agricultural history of Strathmore and surrounding communities and complimentary land uses including an RV Resort, Commercial businesses, institutional developments, green space, and agricultural businesses. The applicants have built a website where the ASP can be reviewed at <http://www.legacyfarm.ca/>.

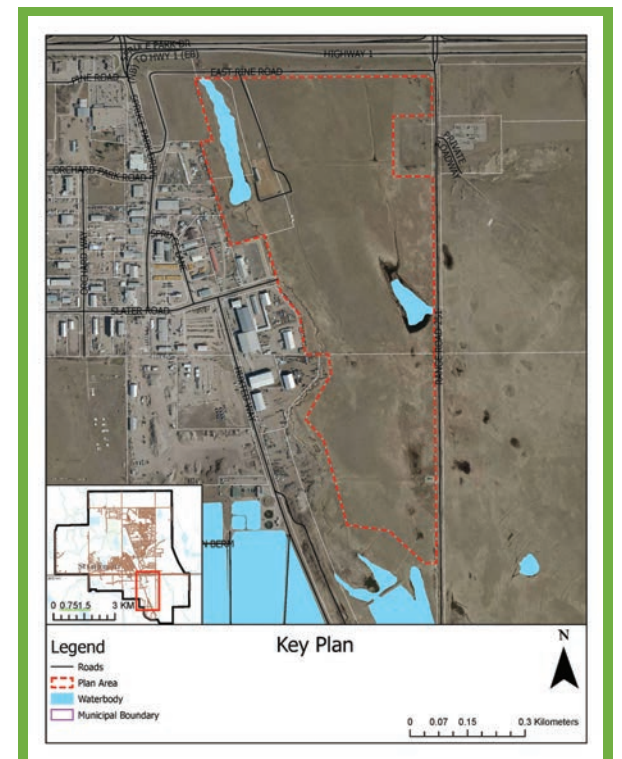
### Public Hearing Process

A copy of the proposed Bylaws may be inspected by the public during regular office hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday at the Town Office (1 Parklane Drive, Strathmore, AB), or can be found on the Town website (<https://strathmore.ca/en/town-hall/public-hearings.aspx>). Please contact the Town Office if you would like an opportunity to review and provide input on the proposed amendments prior to the Public Hearing.

The Public Hearing will be held via ZOOM on **Wednesday, February 16, 2022**, commencing at 6:00 p.m. with procedures in accordance with the Municipal Government Act, Section 199 and the Town of Strathmore Council Procedural Bylaw #16-18 and amendments thereto. Any person or group of persons, or person acting on someone's behalf, who claims to be affected by any or all the proposed bylaws may present suggestions or concerns by making a submission to the public hearing. Please contact Johnathan Strathdee at [johnathan.strathdee@strathmore.ca](mailto:johnathan.strathdee@strathmore.ca) by 12:00 noon on **Wednesday, February 9th, 2022** in order to register to present.

Written submissions to the Public Hearing or the name of any person wishing to make an oral presentation at the Public Hearing must be received by the Planning and Development Department prior to 12:00 noon on **Wednesday, February 9th, 2022** as outlined in Bylaw #16-18 amendments thereto. If your written submission is not received amendments thereto. If your written submission is not received by this time, please provide fifteen (15) copies for distribution at the Public Hearing. Each person wishing to address Council at the Public Hearing shall complete their verbal presentation within three minutes. Please note that written submissions will become public documents once submitted to the Town, unless otherwise requested.

**Please contact Johnathan Strathdee at (403) 934 3133 prior to attending a Public Hearing to determine the order of Bylaw presentations in the Council Agenda to ensure efficient use of your time.**



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