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Explicit mail changes

JOHN WATSON

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

The Town of Strathmore will soon be discussing a potential bylaw which would require explicit mail and pamphlets to be delivered in opaque, warning-marked envelopes.

A delegation appeared before town council during the July 19 regular meeting, and was presented by Alison Mabbott, a long-time resident of Strathmore.

Her delegation request to council was submitted in response to a reported increase in the distribution of pro-life and anti-abortion materials to households in Strathmore.

"I strongly believe everyone has the right to have their opinions and beliefs heard, but I do believe these materials need to be distributed in a more sensitive fashion," she said.

Mabbott, who has previously experienced a miscarriage during pregnancy, expressed her desire for her children to not be exposed to graphic materials such as those often presented in anti-abortion messaging until they are older.

"Our home is our safe place ... as a mother who has carried and lost a child, I do not need to relive my trauma through the fear and anxiety of my children or myself coming home to graphic, anti-abortion materials," she added. "These organizations can put these materials in envelopes, they can be labeled, and the decision to open this material can be of the individual (receiving it)."

Mabbott's request of council was to consider a bylaw similar to that which was passed by the City of Calgary in April 2023 in support of the Calgary Pregnancy and Infant Loss Support Centre.

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Riding in Langdon!

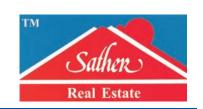
A wonderful horse ride was one of the many things to see and do during the annual Langdon Days on July 21-23. According to event organizers, this was one of the best events they hosted and they announced that next year's Langdon Days has been confirmed for July 19-21, 2024. See more coverage on Page 7.

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Hob's Hobbies hosts playtest for role playing card game

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Hob's Hobbies was host to a playtesting session for Deck of Many Dungeons on July 22 as a way to gauge the game's readiness to be submitted to potential publishers.

Game designer Laura Smart said Deck of Many Dungeons has been a passion project of hers for nearly a decade, and she is excited to see it so close to completion.

"Deck of Many Dungeons is a fantasy role playing game similar to Dungeons and Dragons and Pathfinder ... but it is entirely on cards, so it is a lot faster to create characters because you do not need to write everything down," she said. "I have gone through a lot of different versions of it. I was playing with my friends and then I would go home and I would have to spend months making changes to it because there was so much that needed to happen."

geons is designed to fill a void in the fantasy role playing game (RPG) genre for which she feels there is no game that simplifies many of the core concepts and mechanics common among similar games.

Creating the game and refining how it works, she added, has ultimately been an intensive labour of love, as it has yet to be reviewed for publication.

"I've been making games since I was young, but I've never really published anything. I make video games, I make card games, everything. This is, this is the one that's gone the furthest for sure. This is the closest to publishing I've ever been, and I'm planning on pushing through until it happens," she said. "I have not talked to publishers yet. That is the reason we are doing this here today, is because I have gotten the game to a point where I do not expect to make any changes to the actual game or the way it runs."

Smart said a critical step to creating a game is for a person who has never heard of it before to be able to pick up the box, read the rules, and understand them well enough to play.

Ultimately, if a potential publisher is unable to understand the game, they will not want to publish it under their



Laura Smart brought the latest iteration of her game. Deck of Many Dungeons, to Strathmore to host a playtest event at Hob's Hobbies, July 22.

John Watson Photo

Smart also intends to speak with comic creators in her hometown of Regina regarding further playtesting events prior to the official release of the game.

"I don't want this effort to go to waste. I want to see other people get to play this thing that I've created. I want to see other people have fun with it," she said. "I feel like a game like this does not exist yet in this format ... I have played so many different kinds and I love so many from the rules-heavy to the narrative-heavy, but I have never seen another quite like this with everything being based on cards."

More information regarding Deck of Many Dungeons can be found online (www.deckofmanydungeons.com).

Pride crosswalk approved

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Strathmore Town Council has voted to install a rainbow crosswalk on the corner of 2nd Ave and 2nd Street in Strathmore to celebrate the local LGBTQ2S+ community.

Representatives from Skatemore Girls, the Wheatland Youth Network and Skills for Success presented a delegation to council during the July 19 regular meeting to discuss the request.

Noted in the delegation request, the participating organizations noted there would be collaboration between the three of them, as well as an open invitation to members of the community to help with the crosswalk painting, should the request be approved.

"On June 17, 2023, the Skatemore Girls hosted Strathmore's first LGBTQ2S+ Pride Parade, that ran along the pathway beside Thomas Drive. The event was attended by 23 participants and was well received by the community, inspiring a feeling of solidarity and support," said Becca McDonald, founder of Skatemore Girls. "The success of this event and the energy of the participants inspired conversation about creating a permanent symbol of solidarity in the community."

McDonald added the presence of pride crosswalks represent a visible statement of support and acceptance, letting is proposed to take place on Sept. 22 community know they are seen, heard, lowing local GSA Clubs to participate.

Similar pride crosswalks can be found in municipalities across Alberta, such as Calgary, Grande Prairie, Red Deer, Lethbridge, and Airdrie.

Coun. Melissa Langmaid motioned to approve the installation of the pride crosswalk along Thomas Drive to commemorate the community's first pride

"LGBTQIA2S+ youth have really just terribly high rates of depression and bullying and suicide. A project such as this promotes support and acceptance and that has a great deal of worth," said Langmaid. "It is really important that every member and resident of Strathmore has an opportunity to see themselves reflected in our community and this is an opportunity to do that."

Councillors Brent Wiley and Jason Montgomery were in opposition to the motion to approve the crosswalk, being of the opinion that as a municipal government, taxpayer money would be used to modify public property to take a side on a controversial issue.

Wiley compared the idea of being asked to create a pride crosswalk to potentially being asked by pro-life supporters to do something for them to be similarly represented in public.

Going to a vote, the motion was passed 4-2 in favour of the development.

The project of painting the crosswalk those who are within the LGBTQ2S+ following the reopening of schools, al-





Town to adopt new financial reserve policy

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

The Town of Strathmore has moved to adopt what is being called the Financial Reserve Policy as part of the 2024 budget process.

The policy was presented before council during the July 19 regular meeting by Tom Maier, manager of financial planning, budgeting and analysis.

Maier explained the goal of the policy is to ensure the town maintains adequate long range financial planning and asset management, as well as maintenance of effective reserves to meet future local infrastructure needs.

"This reserve policy is basically a brand-new pulse - we did have one before from a few years ago, it did not have a lot of solid or firm commitments in it on funding levels (or) sources of funding, so we wanted to really tighten it up," he said. "Some of the key concepts from the policy are ensuring that the reserves promote and help stabilize the property taxes, ensuring that we have good reserves, good funding in place so that way, we are able to meet any demands and challenges that the community might be facing."

The intent of the policy is not to reduce the town's reliance on grants and other auxiliary funding sources, but rather, to make sure the town is putting dollars away for much needed infrastructure replacement.

Mayor Pat Fule said it is a duty of council to not only consider the town's immediate needs, but those which will arise in the future, potentially

to be addressed by future councils.

"We can't just think about right now. As leaders, we have a duty to consider healthy choices for the future - long past our terms on this council," he said. "This is more than a rainy-day fund, it is a carefully researched, meaningful asset management and financial plan that will strengthen the town's financial outlook in the future."

The policy maintains a focus on the rationale and purpose of the reserves so there is a clear direction for council, administration and the community what the money was set aside for when the capital and operating budgets are presented

Proposed 2023 reserves in total, divided between operational, capital, program-specific, and dedicated financial reserves equate to just under \$11.5 million.

"The policies also, particularly the capital ones, really focus on repair, maintenance and replacement, making sure that the infrastructure that we have in place currently is maintained in the future," said Maier. "Our water, sewer lines, roads. recreation, whatever it might be, that we are able to do proper asset management and have the dollars in place to meet those demands currently and in the future."

According to the town, the next steps following the implementation of the policy will be to construct a 10-year forecast for each financial reserve as part of the 2024 budget process.

Once the policy is signed and in place, it will be made available for public reading through the Town of Strathmore website.

Town to host grant-funded culture days event

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

The Town of Strathmore, alongside Family and Community Support Services (FCSS), as well as its other partners are gearing up to host their largest Alberta Culture Days event to date.

According to the town, free to attend events will be taking place at Kinsmen Park, the Vault Cultural Collective, the Wheatland Arts Society, and the Strathmore Municipal Library.

The events are part of a two-year grant successfully obtained by the town for welcoming inclusive and integrated newcomers and immigrants.

"This year, we really wanted to have quite a large event for everybody. We are really looking to celebrate the different cultures of Strathmore and the different cultures of Canada," said Emily Pye, special projects coordinator with FCSS. "We really wanted to have events, vendors, entertainers, and facilitators from all different cultural backgrounds so that we could accurately represent our population in Strathmore, but also provide educational opportunities for folks who would like to come out, experience new cultures, new foods, new dancing and new crafts."

The town described Kinsmen Park will be host to a multi-cultural celebration with an Indigenous showcase, live entertainment, a cultural market, global food, and interactive demonstrations.

The idea behind the Alberta Culture Days event in town is to celebrate people already living in Canada who are coming to Strathmore, as well as the newcomers immigrating into the country.

'We are really looking to create a diverse and inclusionary space for folks coming in, and having an open discourse, being able to talk about different cultures and educate folks," said Pye. "Whether that's folks that are Indigenous, folks that are Filipino, folks that are from Africa, we have folks from all around the world living in Strathmore, and it's really important to celebrate them, while also celebrating our heritage in the community."

The Town of Strathmore is currently accepting vendor applications for the Alberta Culture Days Market, which invites makers, creators, and culinary artisans to apply.

Alberta Culture Days will be celebrated in Strathmore on Sept. 16, with the town's event being held from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m.

"Intentional community development has been noted as one of our strategic priorities for council this term from their strategic plan, so when we bring all the different diverse cultures and backgrounds of staff more together, then we get that connectedness in our community," added Danielle Jensen, marketing and communications analyst for the Town of Strathmore.

More information regarding the event has been made publicly available through the Town of Strathmore website.

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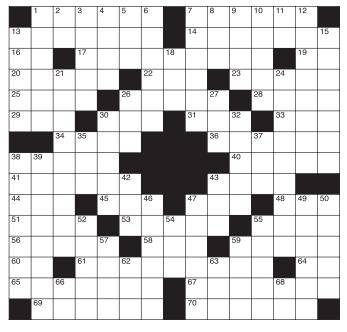
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- 1. Bonus materials
- 7. Formal names
- 13. Free from restraints
- 14. One who scrapes away 16. Type of device
- 17. Skin cancers
- 19. The Show Me State
- 20. Plate glasses
- 22. Red-brown sea bream
- 23. Small (Fr.)
- 25. Flightless Australian birds 26. High IQ group 28. Stiff structures
- 29. Revolutions per minute
- 30. Where a bachelor lives
- 31. Licensed for Wall Street 33. A place to park
- 34. Energy, style and enthusiasm
- 36. An important creed in Catholic Church

- 38. 18-year astronomical period
- 40. Furies

44. Feline

- 41. Removes from the record 43. Noted child psychiatrist
- 45. High schoolers' test
- 47. Not happy
- 48. They
- 51. On top
- 53. Precious stones unit of weight
- 55. Moved quickly
- 56. Seagulls
- 58. A seed with hooks or teeth 59. Partner to "oohed"
- 60. Exclamation of surprise
- 61. Most unpleasant
- 64. Organization help service members 65. Type of cockatoo
- 67. Humorous criticisms
- 69. Went through and organized 70. Wakes up

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Settle in tents
- 2. Big
- 3. Books
- 4. Masses of eggs in fish 5. Language
- 6. Not standing
- 7. Chinese philosophy
- 8. Computer giant
- 9. A device to catch
- 10. Emits coherent radiation
- 11. Actor O'Neill
- 12. Smallest interval in western
- 13. Not lower
- 15. Revolves
- 18. Leavened bread
- 21. Number above the line in a fraction
- 24. Cable
- 26. Adult male
- 27. Airborne (abbr.)

- 30. Bullfighting maneuvers
- 32. Broadcast 35. Angeles
- 37. Vehicle
- 38. Not religious
- 39. North American peoples 42. A baglike structure
- 43. Body art (slang)
- 46. Picked for a role
- 47. Actress Tomei 49. Former hoopster "Big Country"
- 50. Icelandic poems
- 54. It can add flavor to meat
- 55. Self-immolation by fire rituals 57. Expression of annoyance
- 59. __ Spumante (Italian wine)
- 62. Consumed
- 63. Body part
- 66 Thus
- 68. In reply (abbr.)





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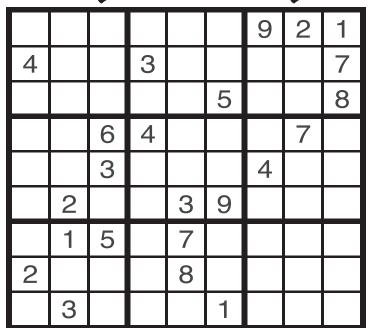
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Trellis receives \$25,600 from CGC

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

The Trellis Society's Strathmore branch recently received a donation of \$25,600 from the Canadian Gypsum Corporation (CGC), following a charity fundraiser hosted in Calgary.

"It is very exciting, very unexpected. This does not usually happen to us, so we are all very excited about it," said Amelia Blondin, program manager for the Strathmore Chestermere Family Resource Network. "We will be able to use some of that money to do some more programming in communities, we will be able to do some larger community events like barbeques, blanket exercises, and more Indigenous program-

Blondin explained there was some notice that the donation would be made, though it was largely made out of the blue.

Estimating how far the donation may go towards aiding the community, Blondin said a Kairos Blanket Exercise may cost around \$1,000 to host, simply as an example case.

Steve Youngblut, general manager of CGC, added that The Trellis Society was a natural fit to be the recipient of this donation, because of the alignment in their vision and values.

'We couldn't be more thrilled to establish a presence in Wheatland County. This community has embraced us - that's why our top priority is to be a positive influence in Alberta not only economically, but socially as well."

The Trellis Society offers parent and caregiver support and early childhood, youth and family programs in Wheatland County and across Alberta.

"The Strathmore Trellis serves people (aged) 0-18 and their families. (We) serve everybody - we have preschools, we have housing programs, we have after school clubs ... there are a lot of programs that serve people in all walks of life," said Blondin.

"This gift allows Trellis to reach more people and offer more opportunities to grow and create community connections. It is rare that this size of a donation comes to us from corporate donors," said Michele Chiasson-Suart, Senior Development Officer at Trellis. "We are grateful for CGC's support in working towards our vision of a community where every-

As a family resource network, Blondin added Trellis is going into their fourth year within the community. Previously, the organization served as a parent link centre.

More information regarding the Trellis Society and their operations can be found online via their website and social media pages.

Council votes to draft bylaw regarding explicit mail in **Strathmore**

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Calgary's bylaw now requires flyers presenting graphic images to now be delivered in opaque envelopes, accompanied by content warnings, as well as the name and address of the sender. If those requirements are violated, each can be met with a \$1,000 fine against the sender.

Coun. Denise Peterson motioned that council direct administration to bring forth a bylaw guided by the City of Calgary's bylaw to address graphic image material being delivered to people's homes in the community of Strathmore.

Mayor Pat Fule inquired to administration following Mabbott's presentation as to how long a drafted bylaw may take to return to council, given the town's current activities.

Chief Administrative Officer Kevin Scoble clarified it may take until October before the matter returns to council, though that was only a rough estima-

Council was emotional in thanking Mabbott for coming forward and sharing her story prior to voting unanimously to pass Peterson's motion and have a bylaw drafted and returned to council.



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Tour of hope

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Trial of Chestermere official begins in Strathmore

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

The criminal trial for Kim Wallace, director of corporate services with the City of Chestermere began at the Strathmore Provincial Courthouse, July 17.

Wallace is charged with assaulting a fellow staff member and has pleaded not guilty, testifying in her own defense.

She has also previously pleaded not guilty to the charges in April, when she was scheduled to appear before the court and information regarding the accusation was released.

The court heard the testimony of the alleged victim, Sarah Willgress, who said she was berated by Wallace that morning in regards to the city's communication strategy needing to be presented to council.

This followed, according to Wallace, a "perception of council" that the city's communications team was poorly conveying the city as intended, particularly amidst investigations at the time regarding council and the city's conduct and governance, as well as irregular financial figures from 2022.

The altercation in question was allegedly between Wallace, Willgress, and three other members of Chestermere's communications team at City Hall.

Willgress testified before the court she was frightened by Wallace's conduct, by way of "screaming" at Willgress, and forcefully poking her with two fingers in her right shoulder before retreating into her office.

The witness continued to describe roughly 10 minutes later, Wallace would return to strike her across the shoulder sion, and Crowshoe will set a date for her decision to be and instructing Willgress follow her into her office.

Two members of Willgress' team, Graydon Pease and Lauren Merrified, also testified Wallace poked the complainant at least two times in their presence. Both subsequently rejected suggestions by Wallace's defense, Alain Hepner, the pokes never occurred.

Willgress described her position with the city as her "dream job" but did not consent to any physical contact. She resigned from her position with the City of Chestermere on

Wallace denied the poking incident in the communications office ever occurred, adding she was too far away from Willgress at the time to touch her.

Chestermere Mayor Jeff Colvin testified as a character witness in defense of Wallace, as well as two sitting city councillors, advocating for her character.

Hepner has previously submitted a plea of not guilty on Wallace's behalf at Strathmore Provincial Court, March 21.

Wallace was scheduled to appear before the court April 4, to which she did not attend in person, instead submitting a plea via video link.

Wallace also denies berating the communications team for poorly representing the city, instead advocating there was a perception within council and the public of their supposed underperformance.

The Crown requested an adjournment from Justice Karen Crowshoe until Aug. 4 to examine rebuttal evidence that calls Wallace's character into question.

Closing arguments will be made during the next court sespresented.

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Capsule Comments

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Public Hearings

Wheatland County Council Chambers August 15, 2023 at 9 a.m.

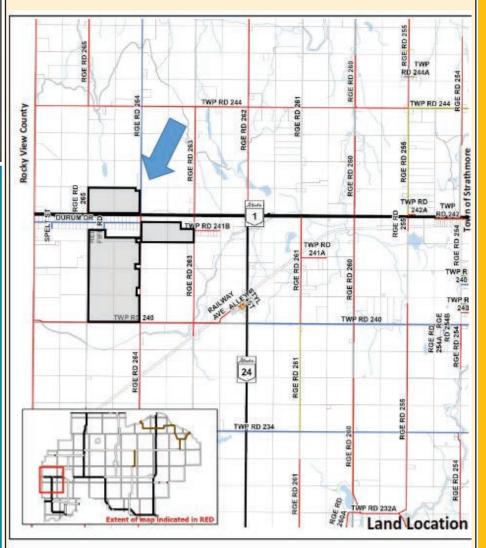
Wheatland County will consider the following applications for Public Hearing at the regular Council meeting on Tuesday, August 15th, 2023.

The following public hearings begin at 9 a.m. and proceed until all applications have been heard:

Bylaw #: 2022-28 & 2022-29

Legal Description: Portions of Sections 5, 8, 9, & 17-24-26-W4M **Proposal:** To amend the West Highway 1 Area Structure Plan adopt a new Area Concept Plan (Bylaw 2022-28), and redesignate the subject lands from Agricultural General District to Direct Control District (Bylaw 2022-29), in order to facilitate the future development of an aerodrome, aircraft manufacturing facility, and an associated industrial and commercial business park.

Comments may be forwarded in writing to Wheatland County or in person at the above meeting. The application files may be reviewed in the County Office during regular office hours – Monday to Friday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Any comments provided will become part of the public record in accordance with Section 40 (1) of the Alberta Freedom of Information and Protection Privacy Act. Any personal information on submissions made regarding applications is collected under the authority of the FOIP Act Section 33 (c) and subsequent versions of the Act.



Portions of Section 5-24-26-W4M; Section 8-24-26-W4M; N ½-9-24-26-W4M; & S ½-17-24-26-W4M

Proposal: To amend the West Highway 1 Area Structure Plan, adopt a new Area Concept Plan, and redesignate the subject lands from Agricultural General District to Direct Control District in order to facilitate the future development an aircraft manufacturing facility and an associated industrial and commercial business park.





File: PL2022-002 June 13, 2023











Langdon Days!

The Hamlet of Langdon hosted their annual Langdon Days from July 21-23. There were plenty of thing to see and do, including a softball tournament, children's festival, shopping, a show and shine, a parade and food trucks.

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Strathmore athlete to lead Calgary Junior Roughnecks

JOHN WATSON

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Strathmore's Ryder Endall has been selected once again to play for the Jr. Roughnecks program to compete at the Jr. National Lacrosse League Championship.

The tournament will take place in Toronto, at which, teams from across Canada and the United States will compete for the Jr. national title.

To qualify for the team, Endall was required to participate in a tryout which took place at the end of May and in early June.

"You need to try out for the Calgary Junior Roughnecks, so all the teams from across Alberta come together and if you want to play you can guys who make the team and 10 callups, and then we practice all summer and go to Toronto at the end of August."

Endall said there were some nerves going into the tryouts at the beginning, but as the camp went on, he began to feel more comfortable with the fellow athletes he was competing with.

This year will mark Endall's second year having qualified for the Calgary Junior Roughnecks. He is the sole returning player to the team from last year, and has been named captain for the summer.

"It should be a little bit better for my competition and my development. We came third (in Toronto) last year ... it was a pretty good tournament for us and the team definitely improved as

come try out," said the 16-year-old. "There are 20 we played more games," he said. "I think this year is definitely going to be a challenge for us, but I think as long as we stay motivated and keep our minds proper, we should be able to go for gold."

Endall has previously played a defensive role for the Calgary Junior Roughnecks, though has not been told yet of his position this time around.

The Junior Roughnecks practice together three nights a week now that the team has been selected in preparation for the tournament.

"The first couple practices, we did struggle a little bit because it was new guys - a new team. I haven't really played with these guys before, but as practices went on, we have been getting better and better," said Endall. "I am really confident with our team now. We have bonded quite well even though we have been pretty much rivals for the last 10 years ... I am pretty sure I played against every single one of the guys who (are) on my team now for definitely a couple of years now."

Endall and the Calgary Junior Roughnecks will be competing at the tournament Aug. 18 to 20 for the Jr. National Lacrosse League Championship title.



Strathmore's Ryder Endall has been selected to play for the Calgary Jr Roughnecks at the national level for a second summer. Endall is the sole returning player from last year and has been named team Captain. The Jr Roughnecks will compete in Toronto, Aug. 18-20.

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Local company signs MOU with Siksika Nation

MELISSA PICHE
Times Contributor

Magnum Services will be hosting a pancake breakfast on Aug. 3 to celebrate their 15th year in business and to celebrate their MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) signing with the Siksika Nation.

"One of our goals is to provide employment and training, so that Siksika Nation members will be able to provide the skills and labour to do projects with Magnum on the reserve," said Jen Mertz, Human Resources Generalist with Magnum.

According to Mertz, Magnum has been working on building this MOU for over two years to bring the company and Siksika Nation closer.

The MOU was signed between Magnum and Siksika Family Services Corporation, represented by Siksika Employment and Training Services (SETS).

Magnum was founded in 2008 and currently has over 480 employees all over North America with the head office in Strathmore.

"In recent years, (we have) doubled our equipment capacity and footprint by expanding services in five additional Canadian locations, as well as expanding into the United States. Our teams are ready to service the needs of our customers anytime and anywhere across North America," said Mertz. "Magnum is committed to sponsoring programs and training activities with Siksika Employment and Training Services that will lead to employment and career opportunities. Magnum is also committed to providing future training to Nation members that will lead to long-term transferable skills."

She also added that Magnum has a commitment to a positive working relationship with the Nation, as well as promoting cross-cultural education and training employment.

"In addition, any self-identifying Indigenous employee who comes on board at Magnum will be partnered with a current Indigenous mentor within the company to ensure we are setting up for long-term success," said Mertz.

Mertz, along with another Magnum employee, Jeremy Thompson, were honoured with an Indigenous naming ceremony. It was a very unique opportunity that engaged the visitors in witnessing rituals and helped "deepen (their) understanding of the vibrant Blackfoot culture."

The breakfast is free and will run from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. on Aug. 3. Following the breakfast (10 to 11 a.m.) will be the Siksika Celebration and Ceremony with elder representation from Siksika Nation.



Thunder struck

The Strathmore Thunder U15 claimed the Calgary Minor Softball Association Div. 1 championship with a 12-5 win over West Hills on July 19. The Thunder, who finished the regular season with a 16-1-0 record, earned a 11-1 win in the semi-final over Airdrie on July 18 at 6 p.m. and immediately faced West Hills in the final at 8 p.m., winning 11-1 to force the double knockout championship game the following day.

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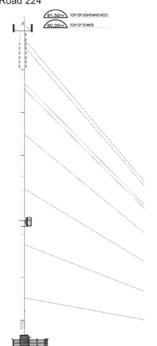
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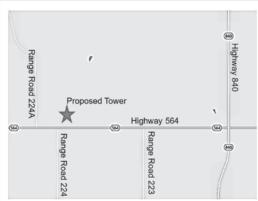


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RCMP caution farmers of grant fraud

ALBERTA RCMP

RCMP are investigating a complaint of a farm grant fraud. The investigation has revealed that the victim signed up for a farm grant on a website that came up during a Google search.

The website asked for a fee to be submitted with the business plan. When no assistance or funds came, the victim asked for a refund, which also never came. Finally, they contacted 310-FARM who advised him that it was a fraud and that loan programs never ask for any fees or referrals up front.

Alberta RCMP want to remind citizens of the following: farm grant

programs such as 310-FARM provide free assistance/referrals; the 310-Farm (previously known as Ag-Info Centre) should only be accessed through www. alberta.ca/310-farm.aspx; and it is illegal for any grant or loan program to ask for an upfront fee.

Call the Alberta Farmers' Advocate Office (403-742-7901) or toll free 310-FARM if you are unsure about a grant

If you have been a victim of fraud or would like more information on all the different fraudulent scams in Canada, visit the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre (www.antifraudcentre-centreantifraude.ca).





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Simple tips to enjoy recreational water activities safely

ALBERTA HEALTH SERVICES

With the warmer weather, Alberta Health Services is reminding Albertans to follow recreational water advice to enjoy the outdoors safely.

Prior to leaving home, check the air quality, humidity and for any forecasted heat warnings.

There is always a risk of injury when swimming, especially in unmonitored bodies of water. Here are a few ways you can prevent water-related injuries and illness:

- Wear a Canadian-approved life-jacket or personal flotation device in a boat and make sure it fits.
- · Young children should wear life-jackets when they are in, on or around the water. Stay right beside your child and be aware of fast-moving water.
- Swim with others when there is no lifeguard present and be cautious in open water.
- · Avoid alcohol, cannabis and any other substance that may affect your judgment before and during water activities.
- For more information about water safety and preventing injuries, visit Learning About Water Safety (alberta.ca) or Healthy Parents Healthy Children.

Lakes, rivers and streams may also contain disease-causing microorganisms or parasites that can cause allergic reactions (swimmers' itch). Not all beaches are monitored for biological, chemical, and physical hazards. Check cyanobacteria (blue-green algae) advisories by visiting Active Health Advisories | Alberta Health Services or look for posted advisory signs at public beaches. Reduce your chance of getting swimmers' itch by:

- Drying yourself with a towel as soon as you leave the water.
- · Avoiding beaches where swimmers' itch is a problem.
- · Washing your hands and rinsing your body off after swimming or wading in lakes, streams or rivers.
- Not wading or swimming in areas with weeds.

Know your options so you can get the right care when you need it. Health Link at 811 provides 24/7 health advice and information. There are other options such as your family doctor, ambulatory care and family care clinics, walk-in clinics and your local pharmacy. Visit ahs.ca/options for more info. For emergencies, visit your nearest local emergency department or call 911.

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<u>Obituary</u>

MALONE, Richard John

Richard John Malone passed away peacefully on July 17, 2023 at the Strathmore District Hospital in Strathmore, Alberta. Although he was named Richard at birth, everyone called him Dick and knew him to be a hard working oil man who loved telling jokes and sharing stories with his family and friends. Dick began his life on a farm in Saskatchewan, and as a very young man started working in the oilfields in Saskatchewan and Alberta. Even though he was a prairie boy at heart, in his early 30's and in order to make a better life for his family, he left Canada and moved to South America where he spent nine years drilling oil in Colombia, Ecuador, and Venezuela. When he returned to Canada with his family, he founded his own oil company called Superior Oil Well Cement where he worked until he retired. Throughout his life, Dick took great pride In his family and enjoyed telling and hearing stories of their pursuits.

Dick is predeceased by his parents, Alex and Jenny Malone; his siblings Hugh, Mary and Larry, and two of his children Marilyn and Mark.

He is remembered with love by his wife Pam; his son Bob, (Cara), his daughter Shelley, (Harold) and his grandchildren Jennalynd (Darryl), Emmalee (Chris), Rhys and Liv; his four great grandchildren Tennyson, Aiyla, Leo and Poppy; his surviving sisters Agnes and Hannah; and his many nieces and nephews. We know Dick is smiling in heaven watching over us with a twinkle in his eye and a glass of white wine in his hand. We hope he is also watching his favourite legends in hockey, golf and curling play on.

The family would like to thank the kind, compassionate nurses and doctors who cared for Dick in the final week of his life.

As per his wishes, Dick will be cremated with a private family service to be held at a later date.

To send condolences, please visit Dick's obituary at www.wheatlandfuneralhome.ca.

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Obituary



UHLER, David John

David passed away on December 28, 2022. Husband of the late Shirley Ann, he was the loving father of Ron Uhler and Debbie Williams. He is also

survived by his grandson Austin Weems; sister Susie (Rod) Eybel; sister-in-law Lorraine Uhler; brother-inlaw Larry Nichol; Barb (Blair) Theriault; and nieces and nephews Chris, Mike, Diane, Ken, Jolene, Jason, Lisa, and Ronnie. David was predeceased by his wife, Shirley; son-in-law Mike Williams; brother Bill Uhler; and Doreen and Ron Williamson.

In lieu of flowers, donations in David's memory may be made directly to the charity of your choice.

A Celebration of Life will be held at the Strathmore Royal Canadian Legion Hall #10 on Saturday July 29, 2023 at 1:00 p.m.

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<u>Obituary</u>

ROLLISON, Marilyn

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Born in 1944 in St John New Brunswick, she left at a young age and graced many along way through out her life. She settled in lower mainland British Columbia for a time and eventually finally in the Calgary and Strathmore area. Here is where she met the love of her life Don Rollison and continued to support her family and friends. Her husband Don passed away in 2012 and it was a hard loss for her and the family to take. Those closest to her would take solace in knowing that she is no longer in pain and is reunited with Don and other family who passed away. Marilyn had the most kind, generous and giving spirit. She had a soft spot for true stories and always had an open home for those who needed it most. Her generosity and kindness have been felt by many and adopted by more.

Marilyn is survived by her brother Norm, daughter Rhonda and sons Doug and Peter. She also leaves behind numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren and will be missed dearly by all.

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September 6, 2023 | 6pm Regular Council Meeting September 13, 2023 | 6pm Committee of the Whole Regular Council Meeting September 20, 2023 | 6pm

Want to speak at a Council Meeting?

Members of the public are welcome to speak at Council or Committee of the Whole Meetings during the Public Comments or Public Hearing portion of the meeting. Learn how at Strathmore.ca/CouncilMeetings

Excerpt from the 2022 Annual Report

2022 FAST FACTS

Delivering public programs and services, as well as maintaining public facilities, roads, and parks is what we do best. In 2022, your Town accomplished a lot. Here are some highlights:

as part of curbside heavy item garbage collection



70+ trees planted



209 real property reports received



metric tonnes of garbage collected



252 mattresses collected



internal safety inspections completed



2,280

metric tonnes of solid waste collected and disposed of in the landfill



41

GIS web apps created



15,987

linear meters of sewer lines cleaned



316

citizen communication forms responded to



413,385

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we look after:



160.24

kilometers



public **playgrounds**



kilometers



276.2

acres of parks



landuse bylaw ammendments approved



annuals **planted**



metric tonnes of ashphalt used to fill potholes



There is a lot going on in any given year in Strathmore. We just published our 2022 Annual Report where you can learn more about how your Town operates and some of the things we accomplished last year.

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