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Standard celebrates

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Fishing derby

Water break expenditures

JOHN WATSON
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Town of Strathmore council has approved the transfer of \$200,000 from the financial stabilization reserve to fund operating costs incurred related to the June 2024 Calgary water main break.

The approved transfer is on the understanding that town administration will be exploring the possibility of cost recovery of eligible expenses through the Province of Alberta's disaster recovery program, or other forms of claim reimbursement.

Town council discussed the matter during the June 19 regular meeting in council chambers, with the motion to approve made by Coun. Brent Wiley being unanimously approved.

It was explained to council the money, upon approval of the transfer, is not immediately utilized, but is approved to be available if, or when, it may be required to respond to a given need in relation to the water main break.

The approval of the budget transfer was explained to council during the meeting that clear direction is ensured from council to administration on the permissiveness of the expenditures and their funding source.

Prior to the reserve transfer approval, the town maintained a balance of \$1.84 million available, as of June 18. Should the \$200,000 be spent, the residual reserve balance will be \$984,000. Any funds recovered following the expense, or not spent at all will fall back into the reserve by a future council motion.

The town has also planned for the unlikely contingency of requiring water to be trucked in from outside the local region. This plan would consist of 30 triaxle trucks doing four water dumps per day in order to satisfy the water needs of Strathmore's population. Cost estimates of this contingency suggest potential expenditures of \$120,000 per day.

This estimate also covers overtime costs for staff who would be involved in this type of emergency response, although exact numbers of such an expense, should it be required are unknown.

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Excellent Aggie Days!

Numerous people, and this beautiful exotic bird, attended the annual Carseland Aggie Days June 22-23. There was plenty of things to see and do for the entire family. See Page 5 for more coverage.

John Watson Photo

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Town passes update to regional emergency management bylaw

JOHN WATSON
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

The Town of Strathmore passed the Regional Emergency Management Bylaw, No. 24-09, during the June 19 regular meeting.

It was recommended to council by administration that all three readings of the bylaw be held during the meeting.

“During the last committee of the whole meeting, Apr. 10, council reviewed the bylaw and suggested changes. At that time, there were no significant changes,” said Dave Sturgeon, Strathmore fire chief. “During our annual review of the bylaw, an emergency plans staff from the Alberta Emergency Management Agency (AEMA) suggested changes to the regional emergency management bylaw 22-05. The proposed changes outline the regional partnership procedures, the agency, the committee and the roles and responsibilities tied to each, ensuring greater clarity for all partners.”

Some of the proposed changes in the bylaw presented to council included the removal of the planning coordination group, the addition of the City of Chestermere, authority and responsibility of both the emergency management committee, and of the regional emergency management agency.

Sturgeon added the proposed changes to the bylaw align with the local authority emergency management regulations, and the provincial emergency management act.

Proposed changes to the Regional Emergency Management Bylaw were first brought before town council during the April 10 committee of the whole meeting, which were then passed to administration to finalize the proposed

bylaw prior to returning to council.

The Regional Advisory Committee met on April 25 to review proposed changes to the bylaw. At the time, the committee did not provide feedback with concerns and were in support of the bylaw returning before Strathmore town council for approval.

A Regional Emergency Management Program was established in 2019 for Wheatland County, the Villages of Husar, Rockyford and Standard, and the Town of Strathmore, funded by the Province of Alberta.

In 2022, the Town of Strathmore approved the Regional Emergency Management Agreement. Come 2023, this agreement was updated to include the City of Chestermere, which improved

the capacity of the agreement to respond to large-scale emergencies and disasters.

In order for the bylaw to have been able to receive all three readings during one council meeting, it was required that permission be unanimously given by council to hold third and final reading, following the first two.

Coun. Denise Peterson motioned to

give first reading, followed by Coun. Melissa Langmaid to hold the second, Richard Wegener to give unanimous consent to third, then back to Langmaid who motioned for third and final reading.

More information about the Regional Emergency Management bylaw is available via the Town meeting agenda and published minutes.



It is important to protect your eyes from sunlight during these long days of summer. Sunlight is a major cause of cataracts, an eye condition in which the lens of the eye clouds over causing hazy vision, focusing difficulties and rapid eye fatigue. Protect your eyes with good sunglasses with UV protection. Even having this protection in your regular glasses will also help.

Our bodies are cooled by the evaporation of perspiration from our skin. When temperatures and humidity are high, skin moisture can't evaporate as readily. This could lead to heat exhaustion with symptoms of nausea, light-headedness and fatigue. If this happens, lie down in a cool place and sip slightly salted water (half teaspoonful per litre of water). If you aren't better in an hour, seek medical help.

If you have regular bowel movements, cherish this gift. Talk to anyone who suffers from constipation and you'll know how fortunate you are. To maintain regularity, eat high fibre fruits like prunes, kiwifruit, apples and pears. Choose whole wheat products and add beans and lentils to your diet. And if your doctor wants you to take an iron supplement, step up your intake of fibre foods. Iron can be very constipating.

Water in the ear after swimming after is another summer problem. To solve, you can tap your head to one side to help the water drain gently while pulling on the earlobe. Try using a blow dryer on its lowest setting and blowing toward the ear. You can also try a mixture of 1:1 white vinegar and rubbing alcohol. Instill a few of these “drying drops”, tilt the head and let them drain out.

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June 19, 2024 | 6 p.m.

July 3, 2024 | 6 p.m.

July 10, 2024 | 6 p.m.

Regular Meeting of Council
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Committee of the Whole

Come Say Hi

Hearing from the community is really important to us, so you're welcome at any Council or Committee of the Whole meeting. You do not need to call ahead or register to observe Strathmore Council in action. There is ample public seating and additional standing room if needed. You can also watch livestreamed meetings online as they happen, or catch up later on YouTube.

Outdoor Water Restrictions | FAQ

On the evening of Wednesday, June 5, 2024, an extensive water main break occurred in the community of Bowness in Calgary. This was a significant break on a critical water main that moves water across the city. On the morning of June 15, 2024, Calgary declared a state of local emergency (SOLE).

What is a SOLE?

Section 21(1) of the *Provincial Emergency Management Act* empowers municipalities to declare a state of local emergency. Declaring a SOLE provides municipalities with additional tools within their municipal boundaries that are normally unavailable or limited under the *Municipal Government Act* (MGA) and enables more coordination of action.

Calgary has declared a State of Local Emergency (SOLE) due to the repair timeline being extended by three to five weeks after finding an additional five areas in need of repair, further constraining water supply. The SOLE will give the City of Calgary additional powers, such as the ability to enter private property, remove trees, and activate emergency plans and programs.

Please note, Strathmore is NOT in a SOLE at this time.

Why are there water restrictions in Strathmore?

Calgary has notified their neighbouring communities, including Strathmore, of a water main break affecting water supply. They've implemented Stage 4 outdoor water restrictions and since Strathmore's water supply comes from Calgary, the Town is doing the same.

Why don't we have our own water treatment plant in Strathmore?

Municipal wastewater and stormwater management is regulated by the Province, which takes a comprehensive approach to municipal wastewater management. There are many benefits to the Town receiving water from Calgary through the East Calgary Regional Waterline (ECRWL). These benefits include: security of supply for potable water, consistency of quality, reduced capital and operating cost for the water supply treatment, and the alignment with water conservation programs and targets.

What does Stage 4 outdoor water restrictions mean?

Residents are asked to immediately stop outdoor water usage. All outdoor water use is temporarily banned, and indoor water conservation is strongly encouraged.

How long will the restrictions be in place?

The duration of these restrictions is not yet known. More information will be provided as soon as we receive it.

Is indoor water use restricted?

To help do our part, we encourage all residents to voluntarily decrease indoor water usage.

Why must I continue to pay a water distribution fee if water access is limited?

While water access may be limited at this time, it's important to note that residents and businesses continue to have access to water. We encourage indoor conservation efforts, but they are voluntary at this stage. Distribution fees are necessary for pipeline maintenance, an activity currently underway in Calgary.

Is there a boiling water advisory?

There are no boil water advisories in effect within the Town of Strathmore and water remains safe to drink.

How can I help?

Here are some examples of ways you can pitch-in through indoor water conservation:

- Use dishwasher(s) and washing machine(s) only when required and with full loads.
- Turn off the tap when brushing teeth or shaving.
- Limit showers to five minutes or less and keeping baths shallow.
- Scrape plates clean rather than rinsing food off.
- Turn off humidifiers and ice machines.
- Businesses using large volumes of non-essential water, such as laundromats and car washes, are being asked to reduce water use.
- Businesses using water to deliver a product or service that is life sustaining for people and animals are exempt. Other exemptions include any businesses that must use water to

meet health code standards, such as health centres and restaurants.

Why can the Town continue watering plants and flowers when I can't?

The Town uses rain and/or non-potable water for watering the public's plants and flowers. These water sources do not draw from the potable water we access from Calgary.

Why can't I have stormwater to use?

There are numerous reasons why the Town can't offer stormwater to residents. The water in our storm ponds is contaminated by runoff from the Town's roads, paths, etc. For this reason, liability and safety concerns must be addressed before the Town can consider offering water from the Town's storm ponds to residents.

Why can't I access water from the canals?

Water in canals is owned and distributed by the Western Irrigation District (WID) through water licensing agreements. With the potential drought and existing water license agreements, 90% of water owned by WID is allocated to irrigation usage.

What's the difference between potable and non-potable water?

- Potable Water refers to water that is safe for human consumption (drinking, bathing, etc.).
- Non-potable Water refers to water that is not safe for human consumption but may be used for irrigation and other non-drinking purposes. This water is NOT safe for human consumption because of bacteria, viruses, and other contaminants that could adversely affect your health.

Other terms that you may hear during the next few weeks include:

- Clean Water refers to treated and purified water suitable for human consumption.
- Grey Water refers to water already used domestically, commercially, and industrially (that is not contaminated with toxic chemicals). Examples include leftover, untreated water from washing machines, bathtubs, and sinks. This water may provide important nutrients for your plants.
- Black Water refers to contaminated with toxic chemicals that should not be consumed or reused.

Is there a fire ban?

There is currently no fire ban. Strathmore's fire suppression capabilities remain unaffected. However, the Town Fire Department has provisions in place for the use of non-potable water, in the event that the fire hydrants become unusable.

Are any Town facilities affected?

To support outdoor water restrictions and voluntary indoor water restrictions, the Strathmore Aquatic Centre is closed until further notice. The Strathmore Motor Products Sports Centre and the Strathmore Family Centre Arena will maintain regular operating hours, but showers are closed.

Why are some of the high-water usage businesses still open (e.g., the garden centre and car washes)?

Stage four water restrictions apply to outdoor watering only; there are no commercial restrictions. However, all residents and businesses have been asked to reduce water use where possible. We are proud to share that many of our local businesses have voluntarily made decisions that have dramatically reduced the amount of water being utilized. Additionally, in the case of car washes, these operations primarily use recycled (non-potable) water.

I see people watering, what do I do?

Some people might be using non-potable water from a rain barrel or holding tank. Others might have WID water rights or a well. Talk to them, they may not be aware of the restrictions. If you have questions about this or wish to express a concern, contact Municipal Enforcement who always strive to take an education-first approach.

How do I stay up to date on the situation?

- Visit [Strathmore.ca/Water](https://strathmore.ca/Water) for up-to-date information
- Check our [Facebook](#) page for updates
- Sign up for [Strathmore Emergency Alerts](#) (powered by Voyent Alert!)
- Visit the Alberta Government's Emergency Alert [website](#).

Land Use Amendment

Upcoming Public Hearing

Purpose: to permit Garden and Garage Suites as a discretionary use.

Bylaw #24-14

Staff have created a comprehensive Land Use Bylaw amendment addressing Garden and Garage Suites. These regulations propose adding Garden and Garage Suites as a Discretionary Use to several of our lower density residential land use districts, making it possible for some residents to apply for a Development Permit for a Garden or Garage Suite on their property. There are a number of regulations proposed, including minimum lot area, minimum site width, maximum height, parking regulations, servicing of the proposed suite, and more. The regulations are based on an analysis of citizens' needs and inquiries, as well as a comparison of existing regulations across Alberta and Canada.

Public Hearing Process:

A copy of the proposed Bylaws may be inspected by the public during regular office hours, 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, 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 **AND** in Council Chambers, Strathmore Municipal Building, 1 Parklane Drive, Strathmore Alberta on **Wednesday, July 3rd, 2024**, commencing at 6:00pm with procedures in accordance with the *Municipal Government Act*, Section 199 and the Town of Strathmore Council Procedural Bylaw #23-17 and amendments thereto. Any person or group of persons, or person acting on someone's behalf, who claims to be affected by any of the proposed bylaw may present suggestions or concerns by making a submission to the public hearing. Please contact Legislative Services at lsadmin@strathmore.ca by 12:00 noon on **Wednesday, June 26th, 2024**, 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, **June 26th, 2024** as outlined in Bylaw #23-17 and 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 Legislative Services 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.





Awesome Aggie Days

The annual Carseland Aggie Days took place June 22-23 with a show and shine, market, kids corner, equestrian demonstrations, bull riding, and more. The event drew people to attend and participate from across the local region.

John Watson & Joe Lepage Photos

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Super weekend in Standard

The Village of Standard hosted its annual Standard Fun Day June 21-22. Flocks of people came out to enjoy the parade on a beautiful Saturday morning where candy was flying as the floats traveled down the streets of town.

Melissa Piche Photos

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Cowboy concert

The Strathmore and District Agricultural Society hosted their annual Cowboy Town Concert on June 22 at the ag grounds. Legendary musician Clint Black was the main attraction and Mother Nature held up her end of the bargain to make for a great night.

Joe Lepage Photos



Limiting distractions in schools

CHANTELLE DE JONGE
Chestermere-Strathmore MLA

Alberta's government is committed to ensuring that our province remains the best place to live, work, raise a family, and start a business. That is why, we are investing in the next generation through a new limiting distractions policy to help Albertan students succeed as they pursue their education.

After receiving feedback from more than 68,000 parents, teachers, education partners, and students, an overwhelming consensus showcased how personal mobile devices and social media can negatively impact students' learning, achievement, and performance.

In addition, countless studies have also showcased that social media can fuel mental health issues, such as anxiety and depression, which are growing in prevalence among youth. While the cause of this comes from a variety of sources, our government has decided to take a stand to safeguard the mental health of Alberta students, ensuring that they can receive quality education without the hindrance of social media and personal devices.

Starting Sept. 1, Alberta's government is introducing new standards regarding personal mobile devices that will establish restrictions, enforcement procedures, and exceptions for Alberta's K-12 public, separate, francophone, public charter, independent school authorities, and service operators. These new standards will establish a framework where personal mobile devices will no longer be permitted during class time and access to social media will be restricted.

This policy will also aim to address the unique needs of individual Alberta students. Exceptions will be available province-wide for students using mobile devices for health and medical needs, to support specialized learning needs, and for educational purposes.

By eliminating distractions in schools, we are creating

classroom environments that are conducive to learning. This unified approach will have an overarching benefit to students throughout our province, ensuring consistency and clarity for students, parents, and educational staff.

Ensuring that our young Albertans have access to quality education resources is crucial and will ensure that each and every student has the opportunity to learn in a healthy environment that is conducive to their specific needs. We look forward to seeing the positive impact these policies will have on increasing student learning and protecting their mental health.

On that note, as the school year is coming to an end, I want to give a shout out to the teachers, principals, teaching assistants, school trustees, and administrative staff for all that they do. I have visited many schools this year and recently attended graduation ceremonies across our constituency. I wish all our Class of 2024 graduates the very best in their future endeavors and wish a happy summer to the students and their families.

(Chantelle de Jonge is the MLA for Chestermere-Strathmore and the Parliamentary Secretary for Affordability and Utilities)

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Town prepares for water main break expense

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Deploying town staff such as lifeguards who are affected by the water closure to complete tasks such as painting and weeding is estimated to cost the town approximately \$9,600 per week.

"I am very comfortable with this; I think it does give us a backup plan in case we do need water trucks; it sets that in stage so that things can be done in a timely manner so that people can be reassured that we are looking after them," said Mayor Pat Fule. "I also really like the idea of our lifeguards who are currently out of work because of the pool closure, that they can take care of the projects that are supposed to be done, or were scheduled to be done in September, so there will be no further loss of time."

Times RETRACTION

The *Strathmore Times* would like to retract the headline used in the June 19 issue on Page 7.

The quotation marks in the headline were not properly attributed to a person and may have been offensive to some readers. It was part of a quote and not intended to be offensive.

The proper headline should have read **New Sacred Heart Church officially opens.**

We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.



Red sunset

It was a rare but beautiful sunset on the evening of June 17 near Strathmore Lakes. The red glow was very apparent on the spruce trees and only lasted a couple of minutes.

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- July 3: Agricultural Service Board**
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Public Hearings

Wheatland County Council Chambers July 2nd, 2024 at 9 a.m.

Wheatland County will consider the following application for Public Hearing at the Regular Council meeting on Tuesday, July 2, 2024. The following public hearing begins at 9 a.m. and proceed until all applications have been heard:

Bylaw #: 2024-10

Legal Description: SW-33-24-24-W4M

Proposal: To redesignate a ± 4.84 hectare (± 12.00 acre) portion of SW-33-24-24-W4M from AG District to CR District, in order to create four ± 1.21 hectare (± 3.00 acre) parcels and a ± 59.58 hectare (± 147.07 acre) remainder.



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.

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WEDNESDAY
July 3, 2024

START AT
7:00 PM

LOCATION
Wheatland County Administration Building
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The Open House Meeting serves as a platform for individuals to engage in informal interactions with Council members, facilitating discussions, and gaining insights into various County initiatives.

PROPERTY TAXES DUE JUNE 30, 2024

Notices were sent April 23, 2024

Important Dates:

- June 30, 2024 - Tax Payment Due
- July 1, 2024 - 5% penalty for unpaid balances
- December 1, 2024 - additional 5% penalty for unpaid balances

TIPP (Tax Installment Payment Plan) members with up-to-date accounts are not affected by penalties.

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Town approves CIP funding

JOHN WATSON
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

The Town of Strathmore approved Community Improvement Program (CIP) funding for four different organizations throughout the local community during the June 19 regular meeting.

Through this, Project HOPE was approved for \$3,000, the Strathmore Musical Arts Society for \$5,000, the Vault Cultural Collective Society for \$1,500, and \$1,950 for the Wheatland Whirlers.

The CIP provides grant funding to Strathmore and area-based not-for-profit community organizations in an effort to support the myriad of recreation, culture, and social-based programs and activities which can be found around the town and local region.

The idea is that these programs and activities help to enhance Strathmore's overall identity, sense of place and quality of life for its residents.

Following council's approval of the funds, there remains approximately \$8,550 in the CIP fund, with two remaining intake periods for applications which may result in funding being allocated from the 2024 budget.

Had council not approved the funding allocations, the applications would have been returned to the CIP evaluation committee for further review.

The CIP Evaluation Committee met May 8, to review the four applications, scoring each of them and determined whether to bring the applications before council based on the scores each application received.

Project HOPE presented an application for \$6,062.45 for funding associated

with the rental costs necessary to host the 2024 celebration gala at the Strathmore Civic Centre. The application requested funds to cover the rental fees at the facility.

The committee recommended the application for approval by the Town of Strathmore, but in the amount of \$3,000 to partially cover the costs associated with the facility rental.

Strathmore's Musical Arts Society made a request for funding associated with the shortfall incurred by hosting musical arts events. The request presented was for \$5,000 to cover the budget shortfall for an event.

It was recommended by the committee that the application be approved, though a letter also be sent to the organization regarding funding, as per local bylaws.

The Vault Cultural Collective Society submitted their application for funding regarding the "Exploring the Artist in You" pilot program, being a fine arts camp for students. The application was for \$2,000 to cover expenses.

Approval was recommended by the committee for \$1,500 to partially cover the expenses outlined in The Vault's application.

Funding requested by the Wheatland Whirlers was to help cover expenses associated with hosting Square Dancing in the Park. The \$1,950 outlined in their application was for the cost of the caller and queuer.

The committee recommended that council approve the application in full, though to also send a letter to the Wheatland Whirlers about the funding, as per local bylaws.



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Bark in the Park returns for sixth year

JOHN WATSON
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Strathmore's annual Bark in the Park returned for its sixth annual iteration, continuing its trend of growth, seeing more people and their dogs coming out to participate.

The event, as it has been previously, was hosted by Debbie Mitzner, who was as excited as ever to bring Bark in the Park back for another year.

"This is year six, it gets bigger and better every year; we had lots of vendors, it was a free event, lots of different dogs this year – we had a food truck, we had a play area for dogs to have a run in, (and) people got some free giveaways," she said. "We felt really good about the turnout – there was no wind, no rain, it was a really good day for people to be out here with their families and dogs."

Mitzner explained the event started out much smaller than what it is today. As some people in the community are dog owners and do not have children, this is their family event of the year

As Bark in the Park has grown, the event has expanded to include a market consisting of local vendors; rescue dogs are present and up for adoption, and food trucks have begun to stop by.

Mitzner estimated the event is approximately four times larger now than when it debuted six years ago.

"There are no fees or tickets at all, we just want to give back to the community ... we had a lady come by to clip nails, we usually have one of the vet clinics here for advice, but they were unable to attend (the event)," she said. "We re-book the people this year for the next date next year, and anyone is welcome to hook onto our event and start enjoying this."

The inspiration for Bark in the Park originally stemmed from a similar event which took place in Calgary that had inspired Mitzner.

As per in previous years, Bark in the Park took place simultaneously with other events occurring around the perimeter of Kinsmen Lake, further encouraging more and more families to come out and participate.

"I love to see members of the public coming out for a free event because people are struggling, costs are getting high for everything, and so it works out well, people of all ages come out here," said Mitzner.

Bark in the Park ran from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m., and included a "cutest dog contest" for those who wished to register their furry friends to try and bring home some prizes.

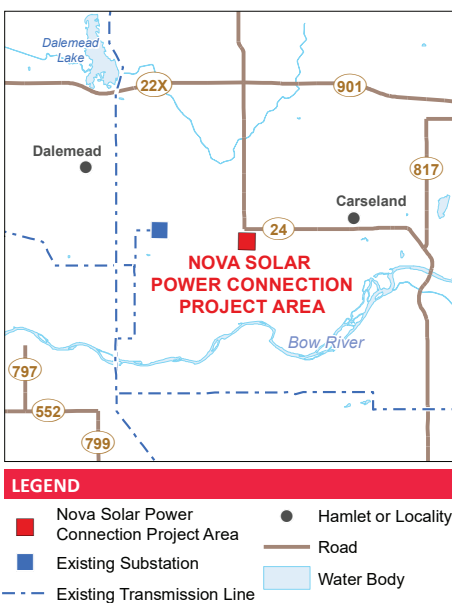


The sixth annual Bark in the Park was hosted June 22 by Debbie Mitzner in Kinsmen Park. The community was invited to the free event with their dogs to enjoy the weather, socialize, and potentially win a few prizes.

John Watson Photos

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TELECOMMUNICATIONS TOWER CONSTRUCTION (CONSTRUCTION DE PYLÔNES DE TÉLÉCOMMUNICATIONS) RES Nova Solar Power Connection (Raccordement au Réseau Solaire RES Nova)



As part of AltaLink's proposed project to connect Renewable Energy System Canada's (RES) Nova Solar Power Project to the grid, AltaLink is proposing to build a new telecommunications tower inside their proposed substation, which will be located at NW-3-22-26 W4M.

Telecommunications towers support the equipment that transmits data to our system control centre. This allows us to monitor the operation of the electric system and ensure the safety and reliability of the system for our customers.

The proposed new telecommunications tower will:

- be a self-supporting steel structure
- be approximately 29 metres tall (including the antenna and lightning rod) and have a triangular base
- comply with Transport Canada's requirements regarding painting and lighting
- not be accessible to the public, as the structure will be inside the fenced area of an operating substation and only support AltaLink equipment at this time

Please visit www.altalink.ca/projects for more information about AltaLink's proposed project.

For general information relation to telecommunications systems, please visit the Innovation, Science, and Economic Development Canada website at www.ic.gc.ca/towers.

Dans le cadre du projet proposé par AltaLink pour raccorder le projet d'énergie solaire Nova de Renewable Energy System Canada (RES) au réseau, AltaLink propose de construire une nouvelle tour de télécommunications à l'intérieur de leur sous-station proposée, qui sera située au NW-3-22-26 W4M.

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- d'environ 29 mètres de hauteur (y compris l'antenne et le paratonnerre) et aura une base triangulaire
- conforme aux exigences de Transports Canada en matière de peinture et d'éclairage
- non accessible au public, car la structure sera à l'intérieur de la zone clôturée d'une sous-station en fonctionnement et ne soutiendra que l'équipement d'AltaLink pour le moment

Veillez visiter www.altalink.ca/projects pour plus d'informations sur le projet proposé par AltaLink.

Pour des informations générales concernant les systèmes de télécommunications, veuillez visiter le site web d'Innovation, Sciences et Développement économique Canada à www.ic.gc.ca/towers.



If you have any questions or concerns about the tower, contact AltaLink within 30 days of this notice. (Si vous avez des questions ou des inquiétudes concernant le pylône, contactez AltaLink dans un délai de 30 jours à compter de la date de la présente notification.)



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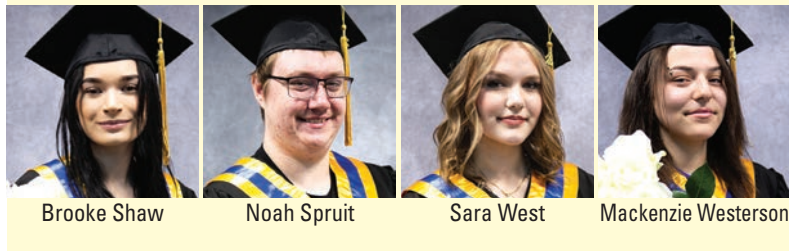
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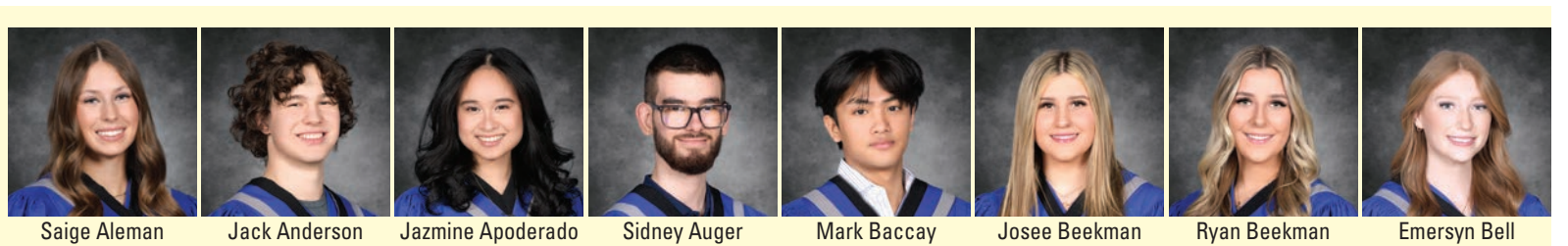


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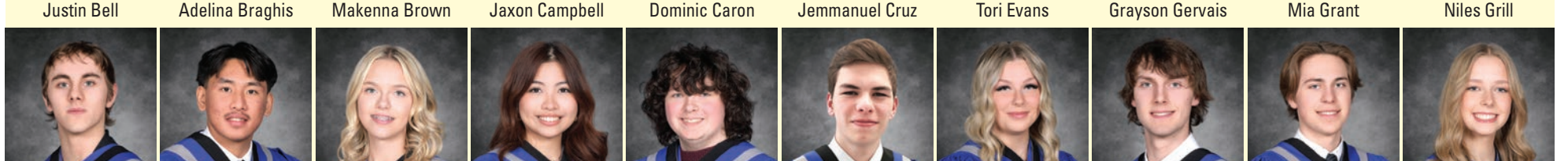
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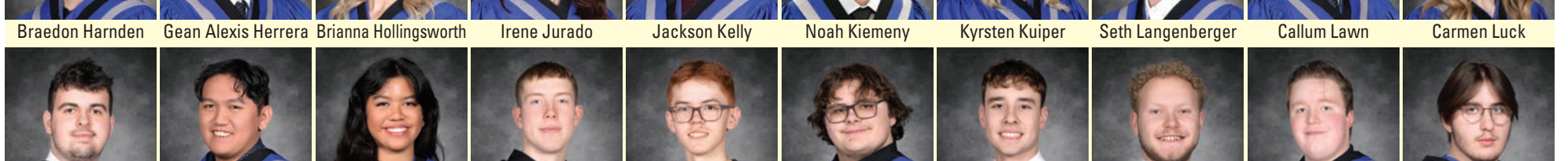
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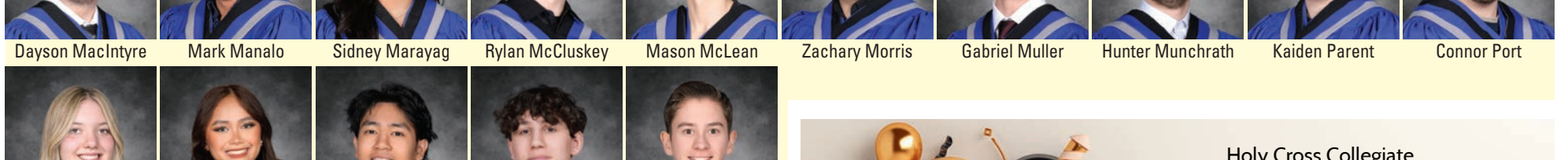
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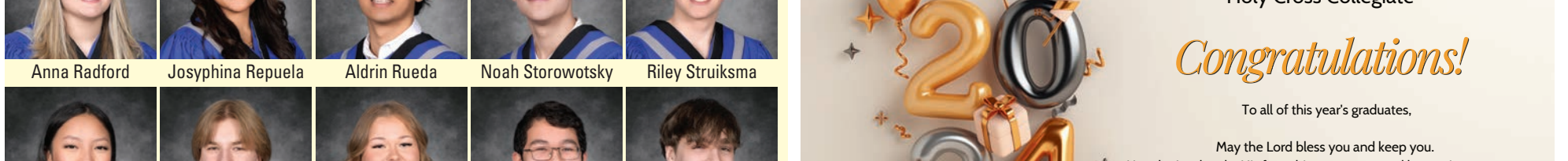
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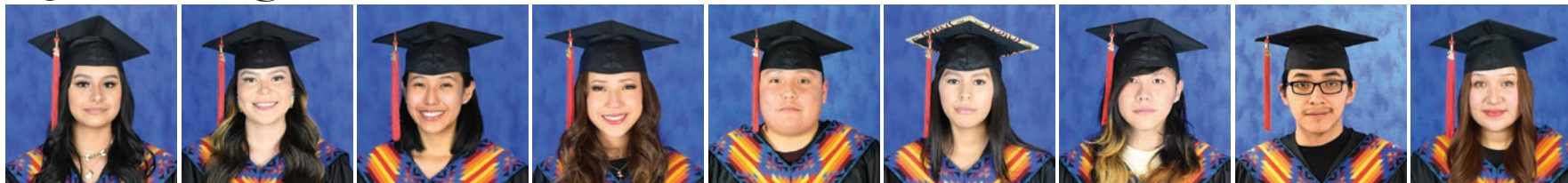
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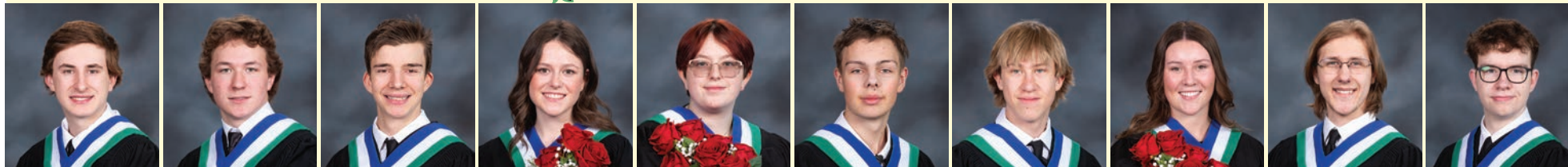
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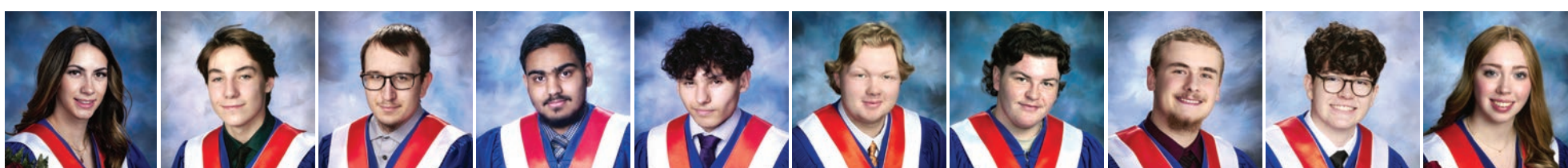
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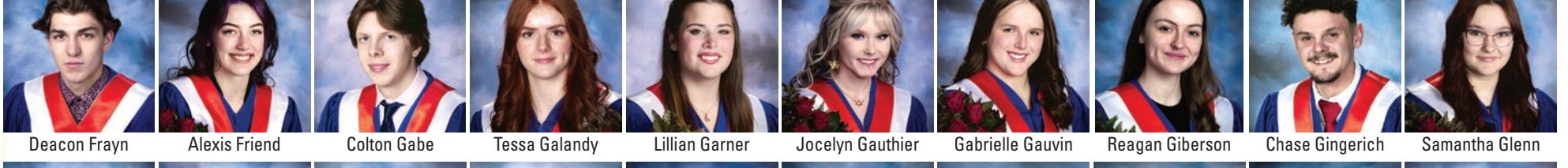
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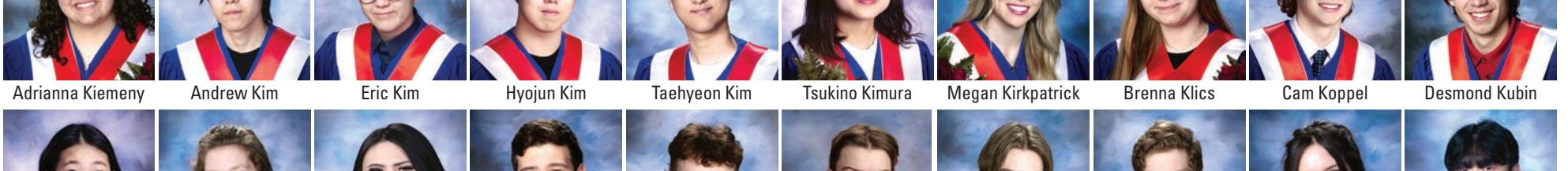
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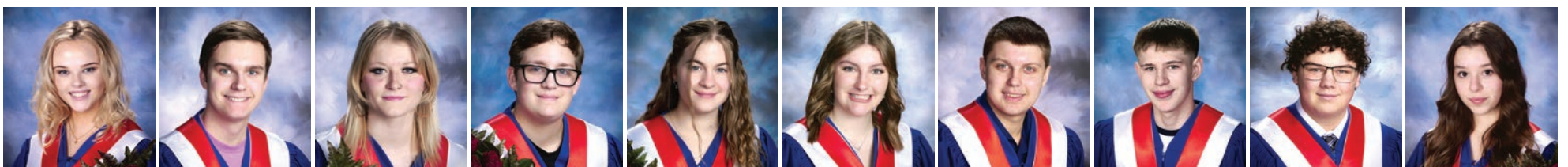
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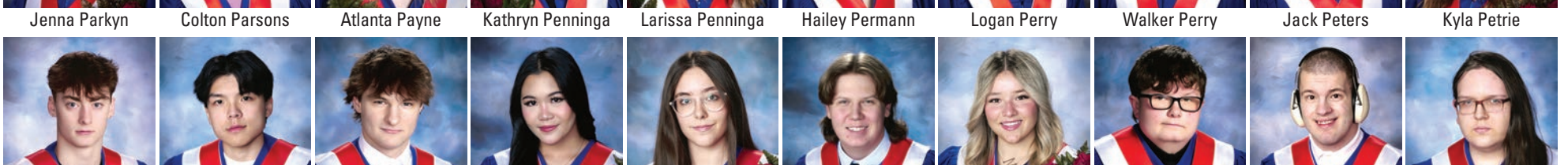
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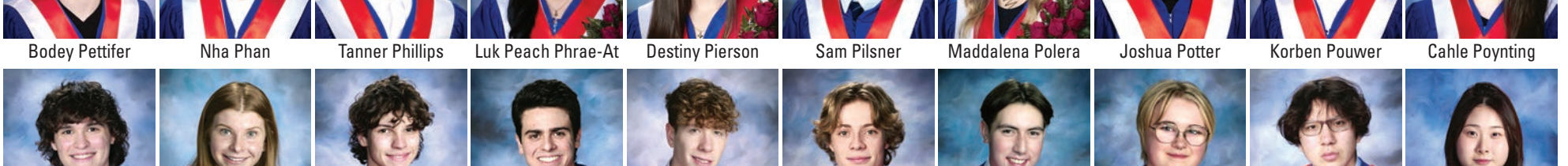
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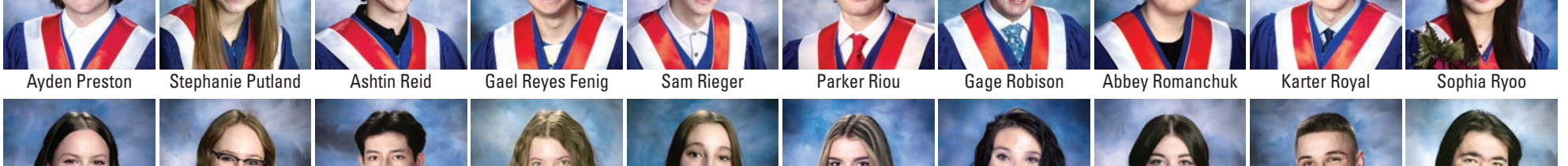
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Lakewood of Strathmore donates \$46,000 to #NotInMyCity

JOHN WATSON
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Lakewood of Strathmore celebrated the conclusion of their campaign alongside #NotInMyCity, which began last year, with an event taking place, June 22 in Brave Park.

The campaign saw the commitment of \$1,000 donated from every property in Phase 2 of the Lakewood development sold the charity.

#NotInMyCity is an organization dedicated to raising awareness and taking actions to prevent and end human trafficking and sexual exploitation.

This project concluded with the donation of \$46,000, which represented every single lot which had been outstanding to sell at the start of the initiative.

"I think one thing that is always overlooked is that community builds community, and if money, resources and energy were not put back into social programs and different groups such as #NotInMyCity, organizations like True North here in town, our community would not be what it is and it would not be what we hope it to be in the future," said Scott Silva, director of sales and marketing for Lakewood of Strathmore. "This was really just part of reinvesting back into the community and those organizations that helped make us who we are today."

Silva added Lakewood of Strathmore maintains a close relationship with Paul Brandt, who spearheads #NotInMyCity, due to having worked with them for the past approximately 18 months.

A goal of Lakewood of Strathmore's was to operate a campaign with #NotInMyCity, serving to gather a lot of attention to the community, such that

similar campaigns could be launched with other community organizations in the future.

"With every phase, we want to commit that phase to another donation. This phase was for #NotInMyCity. The next phase, which will be bringing on lots in about 90 days, we are going to announce who we will be committing that phase to as well," said Silva. "We have got about 450 homes left until we are done, because the entire community will be about 550 homes, so every phase we are going to be dedicating funds back to a local organization or a regional organization that has an impact in making differences in lives every day."

Silva also ascribed the sale of all of Phase 2 lots to the hard work and dedication of the development team at Lakewood of Strathmore.

#NotInMyCity and Lakewood of Strathmore will be continuing to collaborate through events and projects throughout the year, which have yet to be announced.

More information about #NotInMyCity is available online through their website and social media platforms.



Lakewood of Strathmore presented #NotInMyCity with a cheque in the amount of \$46,000 on June 22 during their Boots, Burgers, and Brandt event. The money was raised through the sale of Phase 2 properties in Lakewood, from which, \$1,000 per property sold was allocated to #NotInMyCity. The celebratory event also featured the Strathmore Fun Runners, and outdoor games for attendees.

John Watson Photos



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The Wheatland Conservation & Wildlife Association hosted their annual fishing derby for kids 15 and under and seniors 65 and over on June 22 at Kinsmen Lake. The goal was to encourage kids to come out and experience fishing, especially if it would be their first time. Prizes were awarded for the largest fish caught over the course of the derby.

John Watson Photos

Wheatland Conservation & Wildlife Association hosts annual fishing derby

JOHN WATSON
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

The Wheatland Conservation & Wildlife Association hosted their annual fishing derby, June 22, encouraging local kids to come out and learn to fish.

Mike Adamschek, fishing chairman of the The Wheatland Conservation & Wildlife Association, explained the event is aimed at kids 15 and under, as well as for seniors 65 and older, who do not require fishing licenses to participate.

“What we do here is an annual fishing derby, which we encourage to get the kids out and participate and get into fishing,” said Adamschek. “We are a nonprofit but we help out – we give them fishing rods, we collect prizes from around town, there are some local sponsors who help us out generously ... overall we just want to encourage people to get out in the outdoors and into the fishing game.”

Though an exact number of years was unknown, Adamschek said the association has been running annual fishing derbies for at least 20 years, with the organization having formed in 1996.

Response from the public, he added, tends to be extremely positive on an annual basis, with dozens of families coming out to participate.

“We have a lot of returnees here who said they were in this derby about three years ago, and they are coming out now every year. They love it, it gets families out ... there are a lot of people out here and it is a fun time for the family,” said Adamschek. “The kids are loving it, it gets the families out. If you look around, they are all having fun and not sitting at home on the couch and playing video games. That is what we encourage, to get everybody out.”

Adamschek explained for many of the kids who are participating, it is their first time getting to experience fishing, many of whom express interest in continuing the hobby following the derby.

The Town of Strathmore stocks Kinsmen Lake with brown and rainbow trout annually, which participants learn to try and catch. The exercise is catch and release, which aims to teach kids that fishing is not all about killing fish, and there is joy in putting the catch back for somebody else.

Bruce Martland, first vice president of the The Wheatland Conservation & Wildlife Association, said the organization also hosts a shooting club for kids to teach them gun safety, among other outdoor activities, all available to participate in for free.

“It is to get them out and get the disbelief away from that all hunters are bad people. We are not. We do more conservation to help, (including) releasing pheasants to help their populations,” he said. “This is just a small part of it to get the kids out and to experience something different for them.”

More information about the Wheatland Conservation & Wildlife Association is available through their website and social media platforms.

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STRATHMORE **TIMES**



Since Wheatland & Area Hospice Society (WAHS) started in 2015, we have dedicated our efforts to exploring different options for where and how to build and operate our hospice.

Recently, discussions about the Wheatland Lodge project have sparked heated debates in our community, leading to a great deal of misinformation being circulated about the hospice project and vision. We're committed to bridging gaps by providing clear and accurate information so our community can understand the benefits and challenges of our plan.



Is the Wheatland & Area Hospice Society (WAHS) the same as the Wheatland Housing Management Board (WHMB)?

NO, these are entirely separate entities. While the hospice will share some costs and be located within the same building as the new lodge, it will operate independently with its own board and funding.

Why not build a stand-alone hospice?

Constructing a stand-alone hospice would significantly increase costs and resource usage. Partnering with WHMB allows us to share expenses, lessening the financial burden on our community and ensuring sustainable operations.

Funding the day-to-day operation of the hospice is very expensive. Reduction of unnecessary extra costs without impacting the quality of care is our primary focus.

What's the holdup?

Because the hospice will be part of the detailed planning of the lodge building, we are currently awaiting four milestones for this project:

1. The Grant: AHPP (Alberta Housing Partnership Program) Government grants are necessary to help make a good business case for low-income seniors housing.

Since their initial submission in October 2023, the WHMB has endeavored to enhance their application. A Class B budget was completed and submitted in May 2024, and meetings with ministers and ministry officials have helped move things along.

2. The Mortgage: CHMC (Canada Housing and Mortgage Corporation) CMHC advisors are satisfied with WHMB's draft (the pro forma) and are waiting on their provincial counterpart's AHPP grant notification.

Repayment of the mortgage will be paid down by both residents of the new lodge (through their rent) and by us as taxpayers over the next 35 years or so. Increased provincial LAPP grants help contribute paying down this mortgage payments. Most importantly for us as taxpayers, WHMB has committed to total yearly municipal contribution to not exceed \$700k for the entire Town of Strathmore, Rockyford, Standard, Hussar, and the County annually.

3. Class A Budget:

A completed Class A budget with construction drawings gives the application for AHPP provincial participation a higher priority and is used by CMHC to start their mortgage approval process.

4. Letters of Support from local councils:

Previous letters had conditions attached to them. As suggested by Ministry of Seniors, Community, and Social Services, letters of support should have no conditions.

Timing is crucial (grant announcements are on an unknown provincial schedule). Every delay that occurs results in disruption of project management and increasing inflationary costs.

Why can't this project wait?

The current status of our hospice and lodge project demands urgent attention. Significant resources and effort have been invested to bring it as close as possible to breaking ground.

Further delays may incur massive additional costs that could jeopardize the feasibility of the entire project. Future repair costs of the existing lodge and increasing demographic demand for seniors housing urgently requires consideration for WHMB.

For WAHS, a delayed hospice project is a profound loss for our community, as quality residential care, day services, volunteer outreach programs, and grief services are urgently needed.

What about other players in the game?

Even as for-profit companies endeavor to secure their own projects in our community, there is a fundamental difference in the proposed level of care and affordable services available (lodge vs long term care).

Our community has a growing aging population and these community members need affordable housing. We are confident the Wheatland Housing Management Body's proposal for a new lodge will be successful and hope to continue sharing similar values and vision with them and our community.

Progress was made this spring with AB Health regarding hospice operational funding.

Who is paying for the hospice build?

The Hospice Society continues fundraising efforts to cover its share of the building costs - estimated at 10% of the total. To date the Hospice Society has raised over \$4.2M to ensure the reality of our vision.

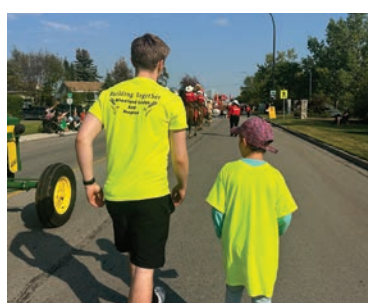
How can you support?

You can support our hospice project by becoming fully fluent on the choices available and actively vocal about your endorsement of our vision. Reach out to your local councillors to express your support for advancing the collaborative WHMB and WAHS project.

Stay informed and engaged by following our monthly Strathmore Times updates on project developments and upcoming fundraising activities. Like and follow our Facebook page for the timeliest news and check our website every so often for more long-term updates and reports.

There is extensive details about our hospice on our website www.wheatlandhospice.ca called The Need The Build The Cost. There is more indepth reports in Who We Are/Internal and External Reports.

Your advocacy and involvement play a vital role in ensuring our community receives the compassionate care it deserves during times of need. Together, we can make a meaningful difference in the lives of many.



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New crowning

Ellen Van Noordenburg passes on the torch of Miss Strathmore Stampede title to Tenley Warburton on June 21 at the Strathmore Ag Grounds. Despite there only being one contestant, Warburton went through the full series of evaluation components, horsemanship, personal interviews, a speech and a Q and A. Noordenburg's tenure ending and Warburton's crowning will officially take place on Aug. 3 during the Strathmore Stampede.

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Obituary



KORNFELD, Clifford Lorne
March 1, 1942 – June 20, 2024

It is with broken hearts that we announce the passing of our dear husband, dad, grandpa, great-grandpa, brother, brother-in-law, uncle, and friend, Mr. Clifford Kornfeld passed away peacefully at his home on Thursday, June 20, 2024, at the age of 82. Clifford, the youngest son of Martha and Werner Kornfeld, was born on March 1, 1942, in Viceroy, Saskatchewan. He grew up on their small farm near Verwood before they moved to Pense, Saskatchewan where Clifford attended school and developed his love for cattle and farming. He moved to Calgary at the age of 16 to find adventures of the big city lights and attend the Calgary Stampede. It was in 1961 that Clifford met the love of his life, Joyce Welsh. They were married on October 5, 1962. This union of love was blessed with 3 children, growing their beautiful family to 5. Clifford worked very hard to provide for his family as a stable hand working with horses, at the bowling alley, and the city of Calgary where he worked for over 32 years, sometimes working two of these jobs at once. The love for farming was still in his blood, so he purchased some land in 1972 near Strathmore. He farmed the land, along with raising cattle while continuing to work full-time in Calgary. In our eyes, and Dad's, he had a strong will and determination to accomplish anything once he had time to think and process what needed to be done with a smoke in his hand. There was nothing he couldn't fix, whether it be farming or haying equipment, vehicles, rebuilding tractor motors, building a new house from scratch, or working with his cattle. Irrigating the hay land was known to Dad as "Irritation". But what made Clifford very proud was his family, their accomplishments in life, and what the grandchildren have accomplished. Clifford always said what he thought, take it or leave it, whether you liked it or not, his opinion was always very strong. Clifford is survived by his loving wife, Joyce of 62 years; children, Steve (Lisa), Cherry (Peter), and Carol (Kevin); grandchildren, Riley (Dielle), Chandni (Ben) Courtney (Thomas), Destiny, Chanel, and Ty; great-grandchildren, Drew, Lola, Merrit, Emery, and Tommy; brother, Mel (Margaret); sister-in-law, Doris; along with numerous nieces, nephews, and friends. Clifford is predeceased by his parents, Martha and Werner Kornfeld; brothers, Len (Betty) and Norman as well as his grandson, Brayden. Memorial donations in Clifford's name are gratefully accepted by the Lord of All Lutheran Church (112 Lakeside Blvd, Strathmore, AB T1P 1A1). A private family gathering will be held at a later date. To view and share photos, condolences and stories of Clifford please visit www.choicememorial.com.

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Obituary



MCLEAN, Jack

Jack McLean of Strathmore, formerly of Toronto, passed away peacefully at the Strathmore Hospital on June 12, 2024. Jack will be missed by his brother, Scott Coonfer (Norma); his sister, Sandy Cartwright (Dylan); his cousins, Arlie Anderson (who he always called his twin sister) and Jamie Erichsen; and his nieces and nephews, Shelby and Matt Coonfer, Ty and Shay Cartwright; as well as his many friends at "the Wheatie", and his dog, Hudson. Jack was predeceased by his Mom, Doris Coonfer, in 2022, his step-dad, Dale, in 2001; and his faithful companion and long distance hauling co-pilot, Pepper. Jack was born on December 26, 1947 in Orangeville, Ontario and lived in Toronto until 1982, when he moved west to Alberta, to be with the rest of his family. Jack loved his vacations in Puerto Vallarta; he was an excellent long distance truck driver hauling across Canada and the US (he was always on time!); and he enjoyed many good times riding his Harley. Jack lived his life by the words of his favourite quote: "Life should not be a journey to the grave with the intention of arriving safely in a pretty well preserved body, but rather to skid broadside in a cloud of smoke, thoroughly used up, totally worn out, and loudly proclaiming "Wow! What a ride!". It was his wish that there be no service held, but we will buy a last round on Jack at the Wheatie, in a private celebration at a later date. If friends so desire, a memorial tribute may be made to Calgary Humane Society, or an animal rescue organization of your choice.

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Notice of Preparation of 2023 Assessment Roll used for 2024 Property Taxation Year for Village of Standard, Province of Alberta

Notice is hereby given that the 2023 Assessment Roll for Village of Standard used for the 2024 Property Taxation, completed under provisions of the Municipal Government Act, has been prepared and is open for inspection Monday to Friday (excluding statutory holidays) during the business hours of 9:00 am to noon and 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm MST at the Village of Standard Office located at 120 Elsinore Avenue in Standard Alberta, and at www.villageofstandard.ca. **If you have any questions or concerns about your assessment please contact service provider, Wheatland County Assessment Department at 403-934-3321.** Any person who desires to object to the entry of their name or that of any other person upon the said roll or to the assessed value placed upon any property must, on or before 4:00pm of August 13, 2024, lodge (file) their complaint(s) in writing to the Clerk of the Assessment Review Board, for the Village of Standard. **Please contact Village of Standard at 403-644-3968 to obtain more information on the Assessment Complaint process prior to considering filing a complaint.**

Notice of Mailing 2024 Property Tax & Assessment Notice from Village of Standard. The 2024 Assessment and Tax notices have been mailed on June 6, 2024. If you have not received your notice in the mail, please contact Yvette April, CAO at the Village of Standard office. 403-644-3968.

Notice Date: June 19, 2024
Notice Date: June 26, 2024

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Proposed Bylaw 2024-02 Village of Standard

Pursuant to the *Municipal Government Act*, being Chapter M-26 of the Statutes of Alberta, notice is hereby given that the Council of the Village of Standard will hold a public hearing prior to the second reading of Land Use Bylaw 2024-02. Bylaw 2024-02 proposes to replace the current Land Use Bylaw 2012-02 with an updated Land Use Bylaw.

The Land Use Bylaw (LUB) serves as the "rule book" for the development within the Village of Standard. The LUB regulates the development of land and buildings on a site-specific basis, based on the policy directions set by the Municipal Development Plan. The LUB regulates how land can be used, including what uses are appropriate and where they can be located. The LUB aims to balance landowner's rights with the interests of the community.

Some of the key changes in proposed Bylaw 2024-02 include:

- reformatting and re-organization of the LUB to make it more user friendly;
- ensuring every term and use has a definition;
- refining the names of the uses to be more clear, concise and using more current planning vocabulary;
- meeting the new requirements of the *Municipal Government Act* related to development permit processing;
- removing the requirement for obtaining a development permit for development such as signs, minor home occupations, patios and solar panels;
- granting the Development Officer a 10% variance power;
- adding regulations for Accessory Dwelling Units (e.g. secondary and garden suites);
- adding Duplexes as a discretionary use to the R-1 District;
- increasing the number of uses listed as permitted uses in the commercial and industrial districts;
- including an Undermining Area Hazard Overlay to address undermined areas in the Village;
- removing the regulations for cell towers from the Land Use Bylaw, and placing them in a new proposed 'Telecommunications Structure Policy' to be adopted by Council concurrent with the new Land Use Bylaw; and
- rezoning a few Village-owned parcels to P-1 - Public Service District.

Should you wish to address council in person, a **public hearing for Bylaw 2024-02** will be held at the Standard Senior Centre at 814 The Broadway, Standard Alberta, **on Wednesday July 10th, 2024 commencing at 8 p.m.** Council will hear from any person claiming to be affected by the proposed bylaw.

Additionally, written comments may be delivered to PO Box 249 Standard, Alberta, T0J 3G0 or emailed to cao@villageofstandard.ca; submissions will be received up to Tuesday, July 9th, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

The proposed Bylaw 2024-02 can be reviewed online at villageofstandard.ca, or copies may be picked up Monday through Friday at 120 Elsinore Avenue, Standard Alberta from 9:00 a.m. – noon, and 1:00 pm - 4:00 p.m.

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