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Ayoungman memorial unveiled

JOHN WATSON
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

On the third anniversary of Kristian Ayoungman's death, on March 17 during his memorial, the Town of Strathmore and Siksika Nation unveiled the monument which now stands to remember him.

"Today we are honouring Kristian's life and showing how our two communities are moving forward in a good way," said Astokomii Smith, indigenous liaison for the Town of Strathmore. "We are also premiering the Ayoungman documentary, which tells the story of what happened on March 17, 2019 and how we as a community are moving forward."

Smith added the unveiling of the memorial was a long time coming, with delays experienced due to COVID-19, as well as patiently waiting for the completion of the Ayoungman documentary, which also premiered during the memorial.

Town of Strathmore operations manager Donna McCallum said although March 17 honoured Kristian's memory, the Town's efforts are part of a larger program against racism.

Last year, a healing garden containing traditional herbs and medicines was planted and blessed, adjacent to the Strathmore Municipal Building.

"It's been at least a year in the making now. Basically, I started working with Astokomii, we had a similar idea about the Healing Garden," she said. "As part of the anti-racism campaign, we had talked about doing a memorial for Kristian Ayoungman. She introduced me to Melody (Ayoungman) and then Melody and I started talking from there about what she wanted to see in the memorial."

Melody Ayoungman, Kristian's mother, said she felt overwhelmed by the amount of support which has come forward from the Town of Strathmore and from Siksika Nation.

Speaking about her late son, Ayoungman described him as being true, genuine and having grown into a fine gentleman.

"My boy was very well known all throughout North America. As a young kid, he was a champion traditional dancer. Everyone knew him all over in Canada and the United States all the way to Arizona," said Ayoungman. "His friends knew him for his rapping, Strathmore knew him for his hockey, he went to high school here, he played for the Okotoks Bisons and he got his certification as a heavy equipment operator."

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A fitting tribute

Town of Strathmore Mayor Pat Fule helps unveil a memorial for Kristian Ayoungman on March 17 in Kinsmen Park. The Town of Strathmore and Siksika Nation worked hand in hand to unveil the monument. See Page 5 for more coverage.

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Slammin good time

CanAm wrestling and the Alberta Wrestling Academy put on a show at the Strathmore Civic Centre on March 18 to help raise money and supplies for a family whose home had recently caught on fire in Strathmore. Through a 50/50 raffle and donating both halves of the funds to the family, the CanAm team raised \$880 for the family. A table full of food supplies was also given to them to help them rebuild.

John Watson Photos



Strathmore Day was hosted in person at Kinsmen Park on March 20 to celebrate 114 years of the Town's incorporation. During the event, several booths and vendors were set up, a dog show was hosted and a pen for interacting with baby goats was set up.

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Town celebrates 114 years with first in-person Strathmore Day event

JOHN WATSON
Local Journalism initiative Reporter

The Town of Strathmore celebrated 114 years since its incorporation as a village on March 20, hosting an outdoor event to mark the occasion.

Dubbed, Strathmore Day, the occasion was proclaimed in 2021 by Strathmore town council. Due to COVID-19 restrictions at the time, last year's event was hosted largely online.

According to marketing and communications analyst, Danielle Jensen, the hope for this year, as well as years to come, is to grow Strathmore Day as a community event for people to come together and celebrate their town.

"Celebrating the anniversary of Strathmore's incorporation honours

past generations who have built our community," said Jensen. "It's also a great way for us to celebrate what Strathmore is today and the things that make our town so great."

The Town partnered with several community organizations to hold special events throughout the day, including the Strathmore Lions Club who hosted a pancake breakfast in the morning.

Other activities included a cornhole tournament, dog show, square and line dancing, a seed exchange and two petting farms.

"We picture this event growing each year as more community groups come forward to participate," added Jensen. "Celebrating Strathmore has brought excitement to the community and

we've already seen several organizations come forward to get involved this year."

She added there were little to no challenges in getting the event set up this year, as there was a great deal of support from the community.

Taking place in Kinsmen Park, the Strathmore Day festivities occurred simultaneously with a fundraiser for the Strathmore Overnight Shelter.

The hope going forward is for Strathmore Day to continue to grow and attract more residents to participate every year.

While the pancake breakfast took place at 9 a.m. in the Strathmore Centre Parking Lot, the rest of the festivities did not kick off until 1 p.m. and ran until 4 p.m.



Upcoming Meetings

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

April 5: Council Meeting

April 6: Agricultural Service Board

April 12: Municipal Planning Commission

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

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The 2022 Shelterbelt and Ecobuffer Seedling Program is open and accepting applications.

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An application form and information about available funding opportunities located as follows:
<https://wheatlandcounty.ca/fundingopportunities/>

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- **Call** the County Office 403-361-2029.
- **Visit** the County Office at 242006 Range Road 243.

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We usually only accept address changes from the Land Titles Office, but due to the changes made by Canada Post and delays at the Land Titles Office, we will accept changes directly from property owners until July 2022.

If you have not received your tax notice by mid-May, please contact the Wheatland County Office. Taxes are due June 30 and late penalties will be applied on July 1.

Note: Under the Municipal Government Act, Section 337, a tax notice is deemed to have been received seven days after it is sent. Non-receipt of your property tax bill does not exempt you from late payment penalties.



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Town talks MoU with Happy Cat

JOHN WATSON
Local Journalism initiative Reporter

Happy Cat Sanctuary is discussing terms with the Town of Strathmore regarding a potential Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for \$50,000 towards operational expenses.

A delegation from the non-profit came before Strathmore Town Council during the Mar. 16 regular council meeting to discuss their budget and how the funding would be utilized.

“It is vital for Happy Cat Sanctuary that we continue to receive funding from the Town of Strathmore for us to continue operating and continue doing the great job that we are doing,” said Barb Stefanich, cofounder of Happy Cat Sanctuary. “It would be devastating for us, all of our volunteers, the residents of Strathmore and of course, the Town of Strathmore if we had to close.”

In 2021, the sanctuary rescued 236 cats, with 117 of them coming into the sanctuary directly from within Strathmore. The remainder were rescued from around Wheatland County and the Calgary area.

Through the Trap, Neuter, Spay and Release (TNR) program, 39 cats were captured through the TNR program and the society reported having adopted out 116 cats over the course of the year.

Should Happy Cat Sanctuary be approved for the \$50,000 in funding from the Town, their operating budget for 2022 would be \$126,000.

As a reference, the sanctuary reported approximately \$70,000 a year in veterinary expenses and roughly \$17,500 annually to maintain their storefront location.

Other expenses included \$26,000 in administration expenses and \$15,000 in other assorted operational costs.

Inversely, the sanctuary averages around \$40,000 a year in received donations and \$16,000 annually in adoption fees.

Stefanich said the majority of the food and litter used by the sanctuary is donated and deals have been established with local vets to reduce expenses, which greatly impacts operational costs.

“When we first started Happy Cat Sanctuary in 2003, there were cats and kittens roaming the streets in large numbers. The work that we have done in the last 17 years has made the town almost free of feral and stray cats,” said Stefanich. “When we got the original funding from the town at \$33,000 a year, we were ecstatic. Strathmore is one of the few towns that has actually taken the initiative to help a cat rescue take care of a cat problem within their town.”

Since their inception, over 2,000 cats and kittens have been rescued by the sanctuary. In 2018 and 2019, 100 cats were taken in from the town and found them new homes. In 2021, 236 cats in total were rescued, with 50 per cent coming directly from the town.

The fear is that if the sanctuary was no longer able to sustainably operate, local vet clinics and bylaw services would be overrun and bogged down with calls about stray cats.

Councilor Brent Wiley said although he went into the meeting skeptical of the sanctuary’s request, his mind was swayed towards supporting the idea.

“I went into this wanting to be a grumpy old man, wanting to cut money, and your data has completely shown me – I don’t think there is possibly a cheaper alternative to this,” said Wiley. “There are probably people in the community who think, why don’t we euthanize them all – that’s not cheaper. It actually would not be cheaper, even if you were heartless and said to just kill them all.”

Administration will provide a report for council on April 6 for further discussion and will work with Happy Cat Sanctuary as to whether or not the requested MoU would be a multi-year agreement.

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Bevan Daverne recognized provincially

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Golden Hills School Division (GHSD) Superintendent Bevan Daverne is being recognized with the provincial EXL Award for excellence in school system leadership.

The award was presented to him at the annual general meeting of the College of Alberta School Superintendents (CASS), held March 17.

According to a release, the award is granted to someone displays outstanding school system leadership and has enhanced school system administration over the course of their career.

“One of the things that Bevan has done within our school system, he has a very clear vision of student achievement (and) excellence and has over the last, at least 10 years, has developed a research-based approach to learning,” said GHSD chair, Laurie Huntley. “We’ve seen this approach increase our student achievement and through all of that he has led the way, providing broad professional development to our school administrators, through things like our leadership and learning workshops.”

Huntley added that the description of the award given to the school division describes a nominee as being expected to have brought honour to themselves, their colleagues and their profession, given exemplary service to their provincial or na-

tional professional association, made significant contributions to the field of education through their service writings, or other activities and who therefore serves as a role model, a teacher to others.

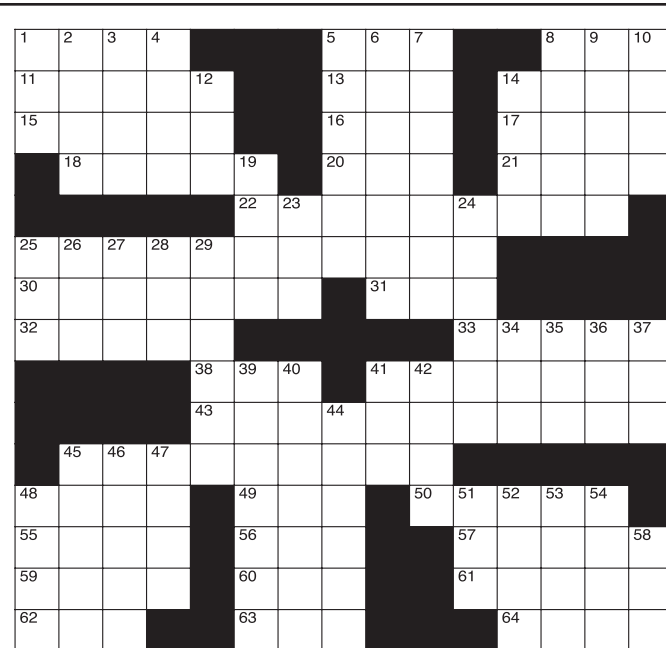
Based on the release, Daverne is described as displaying a moral imperative for demonstrating success for all students, and GHSD’s implementation of its “powerful learning” instructional leadership approach reflects this quality.

“Bevan, he is a very calm individual, he is very politically astute, he’s very innovative, but I think most importantly Bevan has established a culture of trust in our school division and that extends to every employee, every student and parent,” said Huntley. “He has both the art and the science of leadership, and I would say his people skills are, by far, his greatest asset.”

Daverne also served as CASS president from 2019 to 2021 and liaised with the Ministry of Education to support CASS’s recent attainment of self-regulatory professional status.

He was described by Huntley as exceeding all the qualification standards for a superintendent and that the division is lucky to have a person of his abilities.

Daverne himself was in Edmonton when the school division was contacted and was unavailable to comment personally regarding his award.



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. One who regrets
- 5. Time zone
- 8. Subway dweller
- 11. Bend in a river
- 13. Alias
- 14. Isodor __, American Nobel physicist
- 15. Very (music)
- 16. Zero
- 17. Phil __, former CIA
- 18. Competitions
- 20. Unwell
- 21. Puts in place
- 22. Gets rid of
- 25. Allows light to pass through
- 30. Climbed quickly
- 31. We all have it
- 32. There’s a North & South
- 33. Emaciation
- 38. Supervises flying
- 41. Very dark colors
- 43. Unwanted
- 45. Grants
- 48. Three visited Jesus
- 49. Wife of Amun
- 50. Broadway actress Daisy
- 55. A Spanish river
- 56. I (German)
- 57. French opera composer
- 59. Six (Spanish)
- 60. Last letter
- 61. Spiritual leader of a Jewish congregation
- 62. A curved shape
- 63. Make a mistake
- 64. Tall plant

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Computer memory
- 2. “Et __”: “And wife” (Latin)
- 3. Ancient Syrian city
- 4. College army
- 5. Cassava
- 6. Talented
- 7. Capital of Estonia
- 8. Finger millet
- 9. In a way, assists
- 10. Men’s fashion accessories
- 12. Misery
- 14. Skin disorder
- 19. Selling at specially reduced prices
- 23. Good friend
- 24. Stationary portion of a generator
- 25. Expression of disappointment
- 26. The 17th letter of the Greek alphabet
- 27. Where birds fly
- 28. Midway between north and northeast
- 29. Chaotic states
- 34. Comedic actress Gasteyer
- 35. Kids’ dining accessory
- 36. Snakelike fish
- 37. Midway between south and southeast
- 39. Assign lifelike qualities to
- 40. One who cites
- 41. Midway between east and southeast
- 42. North wind
- 44. One or the other
- 45. Cavalry sword
- 46. Of the Hungarian language
- 47. Life stories
- 48. Flat tableland with steep edges
- 51. Swiss river
- 52. Plant that makes gum
- 53. French cleric
- 54. One point east of northeast
- 58. Free from

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Strathmore Performing Arts Festival returns in person

JOHN WATSON
Local Journalism initiative Reporter

The Strathmore Performing Arts Festival (SPAF) is returning to in-person performances beginning this weekend and running into the beginning of April, after a turbulent first few years of operation.

Carolyn Steeves, president of SPAF, said students, instructors and board members alike are excited to be returning to in-person performances after having to cancel one festival and host last year's festival online.

"SPAF is a festival for children who play piano, voice, string instruments, woodwind instruments, bands, choirs and where they enter classes and are given a chance to perform," said Steeves.

Launched in 2019, the festival offers local music students in a variety of genres and mediums an opportunity to perform in front of their community and be evaluated by a professional adjudicator.

Students may be awarded based on their performances, with a surplus of scholarship opportunities available.

"We're very excited, this year we have 276 entries from students ages five to 18 and we're going to be awarding approximately 73 scholarships valued at almost \$6,000. We're very excited to support all the young musicians of Strathmore and area," explained Steeves. "It's a very big festival, we have an amazing artistic community in Strathmore. These children have been waiting since 2019 for a live festival so they're very excited."

The idea is for this year's festival to go off very similarly to the pilot festival held in 2019. According to Steeves, a similar number of students and age groups are performing.

Due to the timing of the pilot and last year's festival being online, for many students it will be their first time performing in front of live audiences.

Steeves added it will be a boon for the festival that local COVID-19 restrictions have, for the most part lifted, as it eliminates many of the potential challenges associated with setting up events.

"We were planning for two scenarios – a live festival if everything worked out well, which it has now, or possibly another virtual festival like we ran last year," said Steeves. "Either way, we were going to do the festival again, it was just which way it happened. We're very thrilled the pandemic has eased off and we're able to offer the children a live festival experience again this year."

Steeves added that for music students, a festival like this is a sort of equivalent to a hockey or ringette tournament for athletes, in the sense that it exposes young musicians to their peers, builds community and gives them an opportunity to

perform. "Playing an instrument is, unless you're in a band situation or a choir situation, it's a very solitary type of thing. To see all the people who do what they do, it's very powerful to have that live experience."

The festival is running from March 26 - April 2 and will be open to the public, with a small fee of \$2 to watch a performance session or \$5 for an unlimited access festival pass.

A performance schedule is available online (www.strathmorepaf.com).

RCMP investigate series of fraud

STRATHMORE RCMP

Strathmore RCMP has received calls for service on March 15, in which an unknown person posing as an RCMP officer calls elderly people stating they need bail money to release a grandchild from RCMP custody, requesting \$10,000 in cash.

The suspect uses the name of the grandchild who they are telling the victim is in custody and is being held on charges. The suspect then instructs the unsuspecting victim to go to a bank and withdraw the large sum of money from their bank and not to let the bank teller know the reason that the money is being withdrawn.

The suspect then makes arrangements to pick up the money in person near the victim's residence. The suspect is described as being approximately 6 feet tall with a stocky build and dressed mostly in black.

Strathmore RCMP would like to remind the public that the RCMP will not attend any residence to collect bail money. Bail money can only be paid at a courthouse or at your local police station. If a member of the public is not sure whether someone is a member of the RCMP, they can contact their local detachment to ensure the legitimacy of an RCMP member's identity.

Strathmore RCMP continue to investigate these occurrences.

Here are a few safety tips to assist:

- If you receive a call from someone claiming they are with the RCMP, get as much information from them as possible and tell them you will call them back. Find the government agencies' phone number through a trusted source (phone book, or official website) and call the department back. Don't trust the phone number or email from the caller until you have verified that they are who they say they are.

- Do not share any personal information with the caller, such as confirming name, social insurance number, address, etc.

- The best protection from scammers is to learn how to resist being pushed into a decision regardless of how persuasive or aggressive the scammer may be. Arm yourself and the vulnerable people in your life by learning how to recognize and protect yourself from fraud at Canada's Anti-Fraud Centre. www.antifraudcentre.ca and <http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/scrty/frdprvntn/menu-eng.html>.

Please report any attempts of this kind to the Anti-Fraud Centre at 1-888-495-8501.

Strathmore RCMP are asking the public's assistance for any information in relation to this incident (or identifying those responsible). Please contact Strathmore RCMP at 403-934-3968 or your local police. If you wish to remain anonymous, you can contact Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS), online at www.P3Tips.com or by using the "P3 Tips" app available through the Apple App or Google Play Store.

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For those living in Russia who dare to protest and speak out, risking detention, may they have strength and encouragement. For those living in Poland and other parts of Europe receiving refugees, may they have open hearts. For world leaders, may they be equipped with

wisdom and compassion that they find a way to make a just peace in Ukraine.

For those suffering in other conflicts and humanitarian crises around the world, including in Myanmar, Yemen, Syria, South Sudan, and Ethiopia, may hearts be moved to assist them as well, that they may not be forgotten. Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

"They shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more."
Micah 4:3-4

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Youth event

The Wheatland Youth Network is putting on regular events for local youth to come out and engage with their community. The program officially launched on March 4 and will continue throughout the year. March 18 was their Flashback Friday event, hosted at the Strathmore Motor Products Sports Centre.

John Watson Photo

March for Shelter hosted in Kinsmen Park

JOHN WATSON
Local Journalism initiative Reporter

The Strathmore Overnight Shelter (SOS) ran one of its largest fundraisers of the year in tandem with the Town of Strathmore's Strathmore Day.

The March for Shelter has been hosted for four years now and the SOS Executive Director Elizabeth Karp said she was hoping the event would be bigger than ever.

"We walk two-to-five kilometers and people sponsor us to walk and all the money goes towards our bills at the shelter," said Karp. "It's a great fundraiser and its great community support usually, and we can't do it without community. We'd like to hit \$10,000 at some point."

Karp added the fundraiser typically brings in between \$5,000 and \$7,000 for the SOS, which helps to pay for expenses such as food, utilities, wages and even some of the costs associated with getting clients settled into homes.

The hope, Karp said, was that in partnering with the Town of Strathmore, it would encourage more people to come out and participate.

"We're just coming off of the restrictions with COVID-19, so we were hoping that would be (cause for) a greater turnout for us this year. With the weather not being great, we'll see what happens," said Karp.

The ask was that participants complete two laps around Kinsmen Lake as part of the walk. Additionally, the

SOS was selling goods made by some of their clients at a table in Kinsmen Park. All proceeds would go directly to the shelter.

Karp explained the inspiration for the March for Shelter was actually inspired by a similar event which occurs on a much larger scale.

"There is a national one – the Cold Walk, that is done Nationally, but they take a percentage and we're not big enough to take part in that," said Karp. "This way, everything goes directly to the (SOS and) we don't have to worry about administration costs or anything like that, so that's what gave us the idea."

Though the SOS does always accept and is grateful for any donations sent their way, Karp added at the moment, monetary donations are the most helpful.

Now that COVID-19 restrictions are largely lifted, the shelter is looking at more ways to host fundraisers and continue to help its clients.

"We are looking at several different events to see how we can raise some more funds and keep the shelter going. We have some government grants that are available for us that we have but it isn't enough in the long run," said Karp. "The clients at the shelter, the amount of people has increased. We're feeding 16-plus people every night and that takes a fair bit of coin."

Anyone interested in donating can do so through the shelter's website (www.strathmoreovernightshelter.ca).



The memorial for Kristian Ayoungman was unveiled in Kinsmen Park on March 17, on the third anniversary of his passing. Dozens of community members came out to support the family of Melody Ayoungman, Kristian's mother, and show their support against racism in Strathmore.

John Watson Photo

Kristian Ayoungman memorial unveiled on anniversary of shooting

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According to McCallum, the original plan with Ayoungman was to have a singular large stone for Kristian's memorial.

Barring that and after much deliberation, it was decided to have three stones settled upright behind the memorial to represent pillars of change in the community.

McCallum added the hope is that the

monument will spread the message that Strathmore cares and racism will not be tolerated within the community.

"My message from this is to the world to learn about each other and for people to learn about First Nations so that this doesn't ever happen again," said Ayoungman. "My biggest thing is for everyone to learn from Kristian Ayoungman, my baby boy. To lead by example. To change the world."



Arts on 817

The Slocan Ramblers, as part of their ongoing tour, stopped on March 18 to perform in Strathmore. The bluegrass band played songs from their new album after resuming their tour, post COVID-19 disruptions.

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Zone champs!

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Rockyford Lions Celebrate 75th anniversary three years later than planned

JOHN WATSON
Local Journalism initiative Reporter

The Rockyford Lions Club was finally able to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the club, hosting an event to mark the occasion on March 19.

“It’s a big deal, it’s good that we’re able to put on the event finally for it and recognize all the past Lions members,” said club president, Devon Kathol.

He added that just over 200 people had registered for a plate at the event, which had finally been allowed to run several years after the genuine anniversary.

“This is the third time we’ve tried (to hold) it. Our club is actually 78 years old now. We tried to do it right at the beginning of COVID-19 when it hit and we had to postpone,” explained Kathol. “We tried to organize it last year as well and when the government put lockdowns on again, we had to postpone it again ... we’ve had a lot of time to plan it.”

The Rockyford Lions Club, similar to its counterparts in other municipalities,

regularly works to raise money for its community and give back wherever they can.

Kathol added the Rockyford team puts in a great deal of work every year into maintaining the local community hall, ag society, rodeo grounds, campground and arena.

“It’s a big deal, it’s good that we’re able to put on the event finally for it and recognize all the past Lions members,” said Kathol. “It (was) nice for everybody to get out again and visit and reflect on the past and the community.”

As for projects that will be taking place going forward, Kathol has some big plans for the community, particularly during the rodeo season.

“This year for our rodeo, we’re going to do a pro rodeo, which is our first ever time doing a pro rodeo,” he said. “That’s exciting, so we’ll see how that goes. Hopefully we get a good turnout for that.”

The Rockyford Rodeo, hosted by the Rockyford Lions Club, will return with pro rodeo action on July 22-24. A Bullarama will also return on June 30.



Connect First Credit Union donated \$20,000 to the Canadian Red Cross to aid in relief efforts for Ukraine. In Strathmore, branch manager Shawndra Bodkin is herself of Ukrainian descent and has decorated the local branch to show their solidarity.

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Connect First donates \$20,000 to Ukraine relief efforts

JOHN WATSON
Local Journalism initiative Reporter

Connect First Credit Union is proud to have announced a \$20,000 donation to the Canadian Red Cross in support of relief efforts for Ukraine.

According to Connect First CEO, Wellington Holbrook, it was a step the organization was more than happy to take and wishes to encourage others to also help out where they are able.

“We have certainly tried to do our part, we’ve contributed \$20,000 to the Ukrainian relief efforts and certainly, we’re doing more to encourage people, our members, to step up wherever they can to support Ukraine,” said Holbrook. “We don’t have a formal donation campaign other than our support of the Red Cross and we’re encouraging our members to donate to them as well.”

In Strathmore, the local branch is managed by Shawndra Bodkin, who is of Ukrainian descent herself.

Though she said she has no immediate family in Ukraine, the horrors of war hit close to home for her.

“Being Ukrainian myself and having it in my blood, it’s just very emotional. I don’t have any immediate family over there right now, but just the thought of having to go to a bomb shelter and not knowing, just walking down the street if this is going to be your last day on earth, I can’t imagine that kind of a feeling,” said Bodkin. “It makes me reflect and appreciate what we have here in Canada and how lucky we are to have what we have. It’s not perfect, but it

does hit close to home and I just wish we could wave a magic wand and have everything be okay.”

Displaying solidarity and celebrating Ukraine, Bodkin decided to organize a lunch for Strathmore’s branch and introduce her coworkers to Ukrainian food.

Sunflowers have also been hung around the branch and are likely to remain over the course of the year.

“I haven’t talked to (Bodkin) as of late, but I’ve heard the stories about how passionate she is about the cause. My wife is also of Ukrainian descent and it seems to be the supper hour conversation in our house every day,” added Holbrook. “The (second) largest (population of) Ukrainians in the world outside of Ukraine is right here in Canada and it’s incredible to see hundreds of thousands of people with Ukrainian descent here in Alberta who either can relate to it through their family members or who have family living there.”

Though Connect First Credit Union is not actively running any programs or specific fundraisers beyond their donation, they encourage their clients and partners to think about donating to the Red Cross in support of relief efforts for Ukraine.

“Our donation has been made (and) we know that (the Red Cross) is still actively fundraising. As you can see on TV every night, it’s a pretty terrible scenario that the Ukrainian people are dealing with,” said Holbrook. “The Red Cross is really playing a big role and trying to provide some relief wherever they can.”

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Chiefs win league championship

MARIO PRUSINA
Times Editor

With their back against the wall and on the brink of elimination, the Wheatland Chiefs dug deep and prevailed as league champs.

After claiming the South Central Alberta Hockey League (SCAHL) south championship the weekend before, the local U18AA team battled the West Central Tigers for the league championship and a berth in the upcoming provincials.

Things didn't go according to plan in Game 1 during the best-of-three championship series, as the host Chiefs uncharacteristically gave up three first period goals and trailed 5-0 late in the second period, en route to a 5-2 loss.

With their season on the line, Adam Hakim and Brandon McGillivray provided the necessary offence to propel the Chiefs to a 2-1 road win on March 19, evening the series 1-1.

With the league championship and a provincial berth on the line, the Chiefs gutted out a 3-1 home win on March 20 in Game 3. Cole Dermott scored twice and Carter Gosling scored the opening



The Wheatland Chiefs captured the SCAHL Championship with a 3-1 victory in Game 3 over the West Central Tigers on March 20 at the Strathmore Family Centre. The local U18AA team will now compete in the provincial championship March 31 to April 3.

Joe Lepage Photo

goal as the Chiefs completed the series comeback.

The SCAHL champs will now prepare for the upcoming U18 AA Alberta Provincial Championships on March 31 to April 3 at the Stu Peppard Arena in Calgary.

The Chiefs open the provincial tournament on March 31 (12 p.m.) when they take on the NWCAA U18AA Stamps.

It is no April Fools joke the following day however, as the Chiefs play a pair of games beginning with a 9:30 a.m. con-

test versus U18AA CAC Butchers and Packers. The team will have to quickly regroup as they take on the CRAA U18AA Blue at 6:15 p.m.

The Chiefs close out the round robin portion of the schedule when they face the U18AA Wainwright Polar Kings on April 2 at 5:30 p.m.

The Top 2 teams in the round robin will meet for the provincial championship on April 3 (3:30 p.m.), while the third and fourth place teams battle for bronze at 12:30 p.m.

Strathmore Soccer Association partners with Cavalry FC for upcoming season

JOHN WATSON
Local Journalism initiative Reporter

The Strathmore Soccer Association (SSA) has announced its official participation in the 2022 Cavalry FC Club Program.

According to the release announcing the partnership, the SSA is proud to be the first organization to have joined the program and is excited to be working with the Calgary Region's professional soccer team.

"Strathmore Soccer has decided to make the investment to participate in the Cavalry FC Club program, which is a community outreach program where we're able to then align better with their club and receive some benefits such as access to coaching programming ... as well as player benefits," said Ryan Parkins, technical director of the SSA. "Over the last few years, we've made a lot of advancements as an organization: from restructuring our society, to our registered society name so that we encompass all age groups within the community."

Sporting a new logo, brand and strategy, Parkins added the SSA is now among the first clubs in Alberta to align with the Standards for Quality Soccer (SQS).

He said when the program was announced by Cavalry FC, the SSA was quick to jump on board as it was felt by the team that participating aligned with the goals and values they wished to achieve.

"The big thing is that there will be a lot of interactive opportunities for members of our association. For young players, some of them will have the chance to play at a professional game at the halftime show," explained Parkins. "We also got the opportunity for two different visits from professional players and potentially coaches of the Cavalry FC where they'll come out to Strathmore, and we'll be delivering programming with them."

The only challenge in joining the program, Parkins explained, was the initial financial investment to secure the SSA's position in the partnership.

It was determined, however, that the potential benefit to joining the program far outweighed the lump costs.

"It's a perfect opportunity for us to help promote the local game and develop those players who will be playing on those national teams in the future," said Parkins.

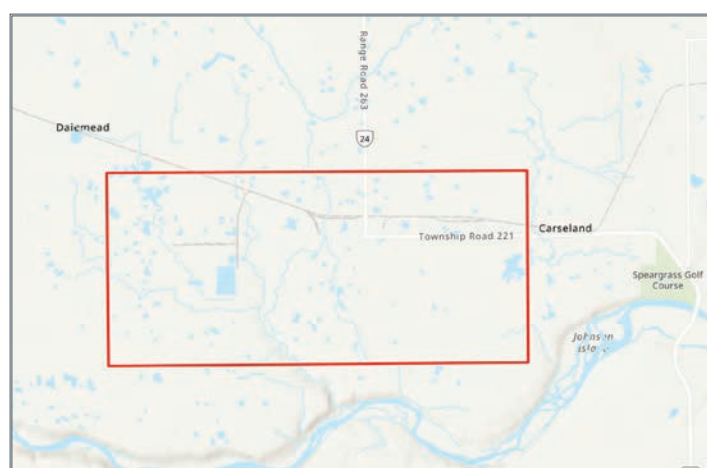
The Cavalry FC programming will coincide with the team's regular season and opportunities in Strathmore could begin as early as April.

Additionally, the SSA will be raffling off tickets to nearly every Cavalry FC home game this season, as well as for swag and memorabilia.

Parkins also hopes that the SSA's involvement with Cavalry FC will help to promote the game locally and encourage more local youth to come out and try out soccer.

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Regarding vitamin D, The Canadian Cancer Society recommends that adults living in Canada should consider taking 1000 IU of vitamin D supplement per day, especially during the winter months. Although the vitamin does not seem to reduce heart attack risk, there is some positive evidence of its usefulness in cancer.

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SHS basketball finishes fourth in provincial tournament

JOHN WATSON
Local Journalism initiative Reporter

Strathmore High School's basketball team has finished fourth in the province at the conclusion of the provincial tournament hosted in Strathmore last weekend.

Coach Matt Laslo said the season overall went well for his team, coming into the tournament as the fifth place seed and finishing their final game in a tight bid for the podium.

"It was really successful, there was lots of positive feedback from coaches. It's nice to always have teams coming from all over the province to battle it out for the provincial championship," said Laslo. "We lost in our third place game in double overtime by three points. (The boys) were pretty good about it – you end up in those games where it's double overtime, everybody's legs are pretty gone by that point and you're just trying to stay in it."

Laslo said his team did exceptionally well, especially being, on average, notably younger than

many other rosters competing.

He added that overall, there are roughly 67 3A teams in the province that competed. With that being said, there is always room for improvement and further development for the team.

"I think for us, it's just even a little bit of maturity. We were (by far) the youngest team in the tournament, we have three Grade 10's who play pretty regular minutes for us," said Laslo. "A person can never tell the future but as long as we keep working as hard as we have all year and the boys keep putting in that kind of time and effort into their game over the summer, I'm not worried."

Throughout the season, the team maintained an impressive record of three first place finishes in tournaments, two second place finishes and placing third in the South Central Zone tournament.

"I think that we've probably had one of the more successful high school seasons that we've ever had here at Strathmore High School," explained Laslo, adding that the South Central zone boasts many of the regularly strongest teams in Alberta, at the high school level.



The Strathmore Spartans senior high school boys basketball team hosted the ASAA 3A Boys Basketball Provincial Championship March 17-19 at SHS. The Spartans went neck and neck with the eventual champs from Cochrane and lost in double overtime in the third place showdown with Camrose to cap off a fantastic weekend of action.

Joe Lepage Photos

Strathmore Volleyball Club U14 Boys take third at recent tournament

JOHN WATSON
Local Journalism initiative Reporter

Strathmore Volleyball Club's U14 boys finished third at their most recent Alberta Premier Tournament, placing them as the third ranked team in Alberta for their division.

The team's coach, Matt Byma, said it's an all-time high for the team, which has steadily been increasing its rank over the course of their season.

"It was really exciting, we played really well and for a smaller club like Strathmore ... to finish third in the province at one of these is a pretty big deal," said Byma. "The Alberta Premier Tournaments ... there's three major tournaments and then provincials. They're these giant tournaments that have between 24 and 32 teams (playing) in them spanning from all across Alberta."

According to Byma, typically the top-placing teams are major club teams out of Edmonton, Calgary, Red Deer, or Lethbridge.

During the first Alberta Premier Tournament, the boys placed first, despite the absence of some of their teammates. Their placement allowed them to advance up a division, which, by itself was a record performance.

At their second Alberta Premier Tournament, Strathmore lost after a very close game in the semi-finals to the Northern Alberta Volleyball Club, knocking them down to the lower bracket for that tournament to compete for third place.

Byma said his team "absolutely destroyed" the Sherwood Park team in straight sets to take third place.

"This happens to be a really athletic, really talented group of kids ... they're a really smart team. We're not the crazy tallest, biggest team but we have a very well-rounded, smart group of kids," said Byma. "They're just starting to come into their own and they are starting to realize how good they are and that they could be a scary opponent for those bigger clubs."

The third and final Alberta Premier Tournament will take place on April 2-3, prior to the Provincial Tournament on




Despite competing against larger teams from Calgary and Edmonton, the Strathmore Volleyball Club U14 team competed very well this season, including finishing first in Division 2 of their first Premier tournament. Photo Courtesy of Cole Hintz

April 23-24.

Byma added that despite his team being less refined than some others, they are well balanced and have proven that they are able to keep up and compete with larger teams.

"I think our potential and our plateau is higher than a lot of teams for this season, if they put in the work and the effort," said Byma. "I don't think it happens that often with smaller clubs to be able to compete at the same level as a lot of these bigger clubs, just with the pool that they can draw from."

One of the team's strengths, Byma explained, comes in their serve and their ability to score on the service before the ball is allowed to be kept in play.



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MP Martin Shields and Parliamentarians stand with Ukraine

Parliamentarians and staff members from all political parties gathered on Parliament Hill to form a human 'tryzub,' the Ukrainian Coat of Arms, in solidarity with the people of Ukraine on Feb. 28, including MP Martin Shields. He, along with his Conservative colleagues, are calling on the government to support Ukraine and its people with concrete actions.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Where is the new lodge?

To the Editor

I have a question for the Mayor of Strathmore, Town Councillors of Strathmore and County of Wheatland Councillors.

Why is the new lodge for Strathmore not being built?

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Investing in schools

LEELA SHARON AHEER
Chestermere-Strathmore MLA

Congratulations to my friend Brian Jean on his win for the bi-election in his riding of Fort McMurray-Lac La Biche.

Congratulations to the many organizations in our riding that have received grants and have worked so hard to leverage your hard-earned taxpayer dollars to help build capacity in our communities. I want to highlight Synergy and their recommended application in the area of restorative justice.

I am happy to report that there will be new funding coming for charter schools and support for collegiate programs. Alberta has a great history of school choice and has been the driver of excellent education from public to private. Two billion dollars are being invested over the next three years to support new school projects, including the new school in Langdon. A big thank you thank to Al Schule from Rocky View County, our trustee Shelley Kinley and Chrissy Craig for their incredible work and advocacy for this new and needed school.

I hope that Rocky View will be able to resolve the service hook-up issues as

soon as possible so we can get to work on this project. We have been working on this school as a community, riding and division for many years, and I fully expect a resolution to the issues. \$29 million of your hard-earned taxpayer dollars have been allocated to this important project. Just for clarity - school capital projects do not include funds to pay for uniquely high fees imposed by municipalities. I look forward to seeing this through.

On April 1, we will be implementing some help to ease the pain at the pump. We will be scrapping the collection of the provincial fuel tax.

Finally, it has been a privilege for me to serve you. I have been all over our riding for events, to mourn together, celebrate together, town halls, concerts, visiting local businesses, farms and organizations that do so much to build our communities. It is time to build and it is time to heal. Let's take care of each other and move forward with what we have learned. Thank you to all of you who contribute. You are the reason I get up every day.

As always, we love to hear from you.
(Leela Sharon Aheer is the MLA Elect for Chestermere-Strathmore)



Moving forward with the Times

When you open your *Strathmore Times* in April, you will notice something different. That's because after our April 1 issue, there will be another issue a few days later as the *Times* switches from a Friday publication to a Wednesday publication.

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Jennifer Geiger born April 23, 1975 passed away at 2:35 March 21 2022. She was a very loved daughter, sister, cousin and friend.

She loved her jobs in rehabilitation and particularly nursing. Jennifer loved people and lived to help them. She followed in the footsteps of her mother and like her big sister Donna, worked hard at her career helping and protecting children and adults, as a group home counsellor and licensed practical nurse. She had been fighting too many medical problems to list, for so long and so hard it just wore her out. Now she is free from pain and we feel very strongly she is with her mother.

We have been blessed that we had her as long as we did and that in her short life she was able enjoy every minute of it. Please send a good thought to her wherever she is, as she is smiling down looking after us all. We will miss her.

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NOTICES

The Strathmore Regional Victim Services Society will be holding its' 2022 Annual General Meeting

Monday, April 11th, 2022
6:30 PM
Basement / 500 Westlake Road
Strathmore Alberta
(RCMP Station – use southeast side door)
Inquiries: 403 934 6552.

NOTICE OF ELECTION BY ACCLAMATION
Irrigation Districts Act
(Section 61(3), (5))

TAKE NOTE that only one nomination was received for the election of a member to the Board of Directors of the Western Irrigation District in Division 4. When only one nomination is received for an electoral division, the nominee is elected by acclamation and balloting is not required. Therefore, I declare **Dan Shute** to be elected as Director for Electoral Division 4 of the Western Irrigation District.

DATED at the Town of Strathmore in the Province of Alberta, this 17th day of March, 2022.

Donna Mitchel, Acting General Manager
Returning Officer

FORM 1
Irrigation Districts Act
(Section 45(2) (b))

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

TAKE NOTE that the annual meeting of the irrigators of the Western Irrigation District will be held at the WID/MLS Community Room, 1000 Pine Street, Strathmore, Alberta on the 6th day of April, 2022 beginning at 1:30 pm to:

(a) present annual reports of:
(i) the chair on behalf of the Board,
(ii) the manager,
(iii) the auditor of the district, and
(iv) the maintenance of irrigation works of the district, and
(b) conduct any other business.

DATED at the Town of Strathmore, this 15th day of February, 2022.

Donna Mitchel
Acting General Manager
Western Irrigation District

PLEASE BRING YOUR ANNUAL REPORT WITH YOU TO THE MEETING.

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NOTICE OF ELECTION

Irrigation Districts Act (Section 53)
Local Authorities Election Act (Sections 35, 46)

Western Irrigation District in the Province of Alberta

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held for the filling of the following office(s):

Office(s)	Number of Vacancies	Division Number
Director	1	1

Only those irrigators of the District can vote whose majority of irrigation acres fall within Electoral Division 1 which comprises Townships 21, 22, 23 and 24 in Ranges 20, 21 and 22.

Voting will take place on the 6th day of April 2022 between the hours of 10:00 am and 8:00 pm. The voting station will be located at the Western Irrigation District office at A 1000 Pine Street, Strathmore, Alberta.

DATED at the Town of Strathmore in the Province of Alberta, this 17th day of March, 2022.

Donna Mitchel, Acting General Manager
Returning Officer

Village of Standard DEVELOPMENT PERMIT GRANTED

Development Permit 2022-180007 Lot 7 Block 3 Plan No. 7510877 R1 Residential District: Approved for an Accessory Building (Garage) with the following conditions that the garage will be a total of 18ft measured from the midpoint of the cement floor on the west side to the highest point on the structure, including the roof and that the trusses will be north-south, and that the exterior of the garage will be a similar color to the exterior of the single residential dwelling on the lands.

Any person claiming to be affected by this decision may appeal to the Palliser Intermunicipal Subdivision and Development Appeal Board by serving written notice to the CAO of the Village of Standard within twenty-one (21) days after the notice of decision. The CAO can be reached at 403-644-3968, PO Box 249, 120 Elsinore Avenue, Standard, AB T0J 3G0. cao@villageofstandard.ca Additional information is available at the Standard Village Office 120 Elsinore Avenue, Monday to Friday, 9 am to 4 pm.

Publication Date March 25th and April 1st.

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Job Opportunity: PROGRAM DIRECTOR

Strathmore Regional Victim Services is seeking a full time Program Director to join our team. The Program Director is responsible for overseeing the coordination and administration of all aspects of the program including planning, organizing, staffing, and supervising the day-to-day operation of all services provided to victims of crime and tragedy, as well as, volunteer advocate coordination; including recruitment, screening, selection, training, supervision and evaluation.

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER Village of Rockyford

Reporting to the Mayor and Council, the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) is responsible for the overall administration of municipal operations and day-to-day tasks of the Village of Rockyford, as directed by Mayor and Council. Rockyford is located in central Alberta between Drumheller and Strathmore with a population of 320 people and is a community full of history, pride, and great community spirit.

The ideal candidate must be a team player, working with the Mayor and Council to provide leadership, and possess exceptional communication abilities. Candidates with experience and education in budgeting, finance and management with a sound understanding of municipal administration and governance will be given preference. As a small village, the CAO will be expected to be an integral member of the community. This position is 5 days per week (35 hrs.) with some evening meetings required.

Qualifications:

- Extensive knowledge of accounting and payroll policies and procedures
- Strong computer, communication, and organizational skills
- Knowledge of and work experience with Microsoft Office (Word and Excel)
- Ability to organize and prioritize work, and meet strict deadlines while maintaining a high degree of accuracy
- Prior municipal knowledge and experience considered an asset
- Willingness to enroll and receive Local Authority Administration program
- Demonstrates oral and excellent written communication skills
- Also demonstrates tact and discretion in preparing, disclosing, and handling information of a confidential and sensitive nature
- Excellent customer service skills, negotiation, analytical and problem-solving skills
- Minimum of five (5) years administrative experience preferred
- Post-secondary degree or diploma in a relevant field of study or work experience

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Village of Rockyford
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- Plan developmentally age appropriate activities for pre-school aged children
- Excellent organizational, problem solving, and multi-tasking skills
- Previous experience would be an asset.

* Position to start in September 2022*

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2022 Schedule	April	18-22
	September	19-23

Strathmore

Upcoming Council Meetings

April 06, 2022 6 p.m.	Regular Council Meeting
April 13, 2022 6 p.m.	Committee of the Whole
April 20, 2022 6 p.m.	Regular Council Meeting

All meetings are streamed live at [Strathmore.ca/YouTube](https://www.strathmore.ca/YouTube)

Want to speak at a Council Meeting?

Public are welcome to speak at Council or Committee of the Whole Meetings during the Public Comments or Public Hearing portion of the meeting.

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2. Bring your tag to the Strathmore Recycling Facility and give it to the attendant (Tu-Fri, 9am-6pm and Sa, 9am-5pm)
3. Self-load roughly 10 gallons of compost for your own personal use

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Garbage cart ID numbers

Did you know that on the side of each garbage cart is a unique identification number that the Town uses to track and identify where a cart belongs?

That's where you come in! We're looking for your help in updating our data to ensure the accuracy of these ID numbers. Keeping an accurate log of garbage carts will also help everyone locate carts when they are lost or stolen, or blown away by the wind.

Please submit your address and cart ID number through one of the following options;

1. Filling out the form at [Strathmore.ca/WasteID](https://www.strathmore.ca/WasteID)
2. Calling 403-361-2108
3. Welcome desk at the Strathmore Municipal Building
4. Email the below to infrastructure@strathmore.ca

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