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## New reeve chosen

JOHN WATSON  
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Scott Klassen has been elected by his peers among Wheatland County council to serve as reeve for this council term.

Having served for seven years as deputy reeve, as well as reclaiming his seat following the results of the municipal election, he will fill the role previously held by Amber Link prior to her departure from council.

“My colleagues thought that I was a good choice, so I’m very honoured for that, and (I’m) just looking to move forward with the councillors new and old, and there is so much coming to Wheatland County because of location (close) to the big urban center of Calgary,” he said.

He added that as the official spokesperson for the county, as well as for council, he is stepping out of his comfort zone but is looking forward to filling the role.

“It definitely will take a little bit to get used to, but being a deputy for a number of years, I have had to step up in the past for many meetings and I have always tried to be fair and follow process and make sure everybody is heard,” he said. “There are some large developments; we all know about the De Havilland and CGC to name a couple, and there are some more in the pipeline, of course, with land approvals and things like that.”

Similarly, Coun. Shannon Laprise was decided to serve as deputy reeve for this council term.

She was the only member of council to be acclaimed back to her seat during the election and is entering her second term as an elected official.

“I decided back in January that I wanted to serve again just because we have so many things that are, I think, moving us in the right direction and I wanted to be there to see some things come through,” she said. “I’m definitely honoured, that’s for sure, and proud of my previous four years that maybe encouraged people to vote that way.”

Laprise explained she intends to prioritize maintenance and replacement of local infrastructure throughout this new term and see several projects through to completion that were initiated during the previous term.

“For me, it’s really about core infrastructure projects,” she said. “We do have a number of aging infrastructure, including bridge files that were built in the 50’s and 60’s that are really nearing their end of life. I really want to see that stuff on a replacement schedule.”

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## Bringing Halloween cheer

Continuing a wonderful tradition of community spirit, Nichole Lamoureux and a few friends from Authentic Equine saddled up on Oct. 31 to spread Halloween cheer throughout the region. The group started in Langdon, visiting the local preschool and elementary school, before making their way to Strathmore, making special visits to the Sagewood Care Facility and Wheatland Lodge. The riders also made a stop at the Edgefield Tim Hortons drive-thru, before loading the trailer and finishing with rides in Rockyford and Standard.

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# Crime WID partners with Crime Stoppers to combat copper theft

**JOHN WATSON**  
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

The Western Irrigation District (WID) and Calgary Crime Stoppers have partnered in an effort to stop copper wire theft across the WID's irrigation network.

The partnership serves to bring together law enforcement, community resources, and infrastructure stakeholders to tackle this type of crime.

"We felt it was prudent for the Western Irrigation District to play a part in how we could support our irrigators. We have over 600 irrigators in the WID and instead of them trying to deal with it as individuals with the RCMP directly, we felt, how could we be helpful?" said Troy Tangedal, CEO of the Western Irrigation District. "When we have a cable stolen from one of our pivots – and really our biggest concern is the pivots that rotate in the fields ... obviously they are large. To go and replace a pivot cable is going to cost our irrigators in the range of \$8,000 to \$10,000, and not to mention the additional work it takes to go and put it back in place."

Tangedal explained despite the impact to irrigators from replacing the cables, the greater concern stems from needing to ensure access to water at critical times during the growing season.

Some incidents have been reported to have put irrigators at risk of losing approximately \$240,000 in crop production while waiting upwards of six weeks for replacement cables.

"A big concern over the last two seasons, we would notice an increase of it. We've got guys who are getting their cables stolen multiple times in one season which is unheard of prior," he said.

"We just want it to end, and so we are hoping that by partnering with Crime Stoppers, the signage as one is the beginning of a deterrent, and it helps with the tipping. The tips get the RCMP to help maybe catch who is doing this."

Kurt Leiblich, president of Southern Alberta Crime Stoppers, explained the partnership is designed to take a very targeted approach to addressing the copper theft.

"The first order was 50 signs, so that's a collaborative signage around the irrigation district related to the theft prevention campaign that is in place right now," he said.

A portion of the Crime Stoppers website is also being dedicated to the Western Irrigation District partnership and copper theft reduction program.

Tracking measures are being added to the local P3 tip system in order for Crime Stoppers to better quantify tips that are coming in from the region respective to the copper theft reduction campaign.

"Our current engagement with the WID is slated to run for the next 12 months. The first part, we have a structured engagement with them in terms of what that three, six, nine, 12-month picture looks like," said Leiblich. "The website addition will be taking place over the next 30 days or so and the conversations with the RCMP have already been initiated related to the updating of the P3 system to help track tips that come in related to copper theft reduction."

The WID covers approximately 900,000 acres of land, with the first round of signage being installed over the next two months.

Any who are interested in having signs installed in their area and being a part of the program are encouraged to reach out to the WID directly.

# Speaker series highlights vet

**MELISSA PICHE**  
Times Contributor

When Calgary-based historian and storyteller Shelly McElroy first heard the name William McKnight, she knew little more than most Albertans – that he was a Second World War flying ace and that a Calgary boulevard bore his name.

Five years and hundreds of hours of research later, McElroy is ready to share his remarkable story in her presentation, McKnight: Ace, Warrior, Big Brother, which is coming to The Vault in Strathmore on Friday, Nov. 7 at 7 p.m. as part of their ongoing Speaker Series. Registration is free by visiting [thevaultonline.ca/collections/tickets](http://thevaultonline.ca/collections/tickets) to register online or in person at The Vault.

"If you had spoken to me five years ago, I could have told you two things about this guy," McElroy said. "I knew he was a Second World War flying ace and I knew he didn't call himself Willie."

McElroy's project offers an intimate portrait of McKnight, a young Calgary pilot who became one of Canada's most celebrated aces before his death in 1941. What began as a casual curiosity evolved into a deep personal mission after McElroy met McKnight's nephew.

"Because I met him through his family, Bill (McKnight) immediately became a person to me not just a hero or a name in a history book," she said. "They never forgot about him. They always thought about him and missed him."

Through letters, photographs and family archives seldom seen by historians, McElroy uncovered a more human side of McKnight, a reflective

young man whose correspondence reveals both his courage and his doubts.

"He wrote letters to his best friend back home in Calgary that are not typical letters home," McElroy explained. "He was thoughtful and funny, but once the fighting started, a very different kind of person emerged."

McElroy's presentation blends historical detail with emotional depth, reconstructing aerial battles from McKnight's own combat reports and logbooks while exploring his character beyond the cockpit.

"Only one in a hundred fighter pilots ever became an ace," she noted. "Most never fired their guns. Bill was up against elite, battle-tested pilots and yet he stood out. He was, by all accounts, a very elite pilot."

Her research also uncovered local ties that connect McKnight's legacy directly to Strathmore.

"There's actually a fascinating Strathmore connection with the squadron he flew with," she teased. "For history insiders, they might guess it right away but for everyone else, it's a neat surprise."

The project eventually expanded into a forthcoming biography, currently with a publisher in England. Though the path to completion was not easy, McElroy said a life-changing event a few years ago caused her to reevaluate her priorities and strengthened her resolve to finish McKnight's story.

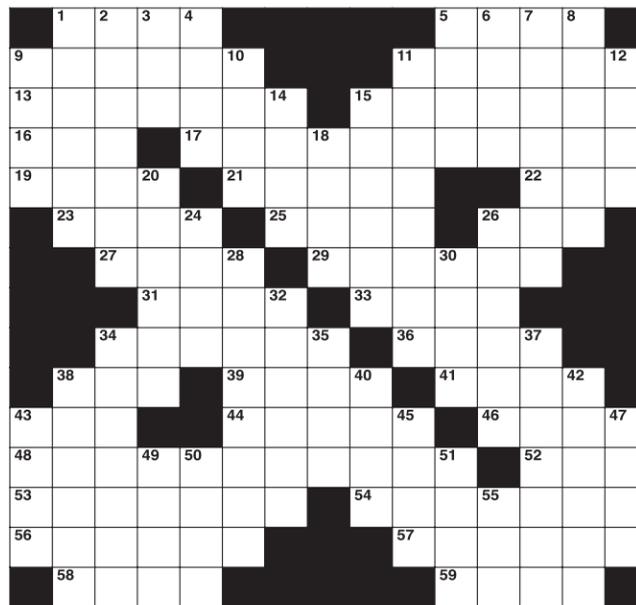
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- 9. There's one for the "world"
- 11. Loved Romeo
- 13. Sticky situation
- 15. Pelvic areas
- 16. An informal debt instrument
- 17. Cannot be repaired surgically
- 19. A device attached to a workbench
- 21. Related on the mother's side
- 22. Sound unit
- 23. \_\_ Sagan, astronomer
- 25. Utah city
- 26. A disappointing effort
- 27. Steal goods during a riot
- 29. Wakes up
- 31. Hair salon service
- 33. Serenaded
- 34. Looked intensely
- 36. U.S. Air Force expert Robert F.
- 38. A type of cast
- 39. One's duty
- 41. Where golfers begin
- 43. Make a mistake
- 44. Semitic sun god
- 46. Ancient Greek City
- 48. Having had the head cut off
- 52. A place to stay
- 53. Unwise
- 54. Most unnatural
- 56. Dennis is a notable one
- 57. Ointments
- 58. Students' exam
- 59. Leaked blood

### CLUES DOWN

- 1. Brave
- 2. Act of awakening
- 3. Jest at
- 4. Sandwich store
- 5. Chapter of the Koran
- 6. Dismounted
- 7. Small vehicle
- 8. Irked
- 9. One who earns by disreputable dealings
- 10. Monetary unit of Samoa
- 11. Long, mournful lamentation
- 12. Weight unit
- 14. Alone, single
- 15. Decreases
- 18. Indicates beside
- 20. Worn by exposure to the weather
- 24. A body of traditions
- 26. College students' ultimate goal
- 28. Amino acid
- 30. Nasal mucus
- 32. US government entity
- 34. Swinish
- 35. Legislative body in Russia
- 37. Grant an exemption to
- 38. Put in advance
- 40. Satisfy
- 42. Felt
- 43. Mild yellow Dutch cheese made in balls
- 45. Witnesses
- 47. Picnic invaders
- 49. Gasteyer and de Armas are two
- 50. Ancient person of Scotland
- 51. Cheerless
- 55. Unwell

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# Council appoints service board and committee members

**JOHN WATSON**  
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Wheatland County council members decided, Oct. 24, during their first organizational meeting which boards and committees they would serve on to begin the new term.

Unless otherwise noted, service on respective boards and committees will be until the 2026 organizational meeting, when positions will next be adjusted.

All members of council are to serve on the Agriculture Service Board, as well as the Municipal Planning Commission and Public Presentation Committee, the latter of which will be chaired by Reeve Scott Klassen.

Generally, for many of the bodies county council members sit on, two elected officials will serve as representatives unless otherwise necessary.

Klassen will also serve as the county's representative on the Regional Emergency Management Committee, and the Drumheller District Solid Waste Management Association.

Deputy Reeve Shannon Laprise will serve as vice chair for the Public Presentation Committee. She has also been decided to represent the county on the Regional Emergency Management Committee, Wheatland Family and Community Support Services, and the Wheatland Regional Corporation.

Donna Biggar will also represent the County with Whe-

Berle Hebbes, also newly elected to council, will be the alternate representative for the Marigold Library System. He will sit on the Addictions Resource Coalition of Strathmore and Wheatland, and the Strathmore and District Ag Society Indoor Writing Arena Advisory Committee.

Glenn Koester, returning to council and restored from his previous sanctions, will once again serve on the Wheatland Housing Management Body, as well as with the Wheatland Regional Corporation, and Wheatland and Adjacent Districts Emergency Medical Services Association.

Rick Laursen will serve as the alternate representative for the Wheatland Family Community Support Services, Wheatland Regional Corporation, and Drumheller District Solid Waste Management Association. Additionally, he will sit on the Wheatland Housing Management Body, Alberta Care, and Wheatland and Adjacent Districts Emergency Medical Services Association.

Specified by division, local councilors will serve as appointed representatives for rural fire associations, and seed cleaning plants, should a facility fall within their divisional boundaries.

## Scott Klassen to serve as new Wheatland County reeve

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Klassen added he is hoping to see a change of dynamic between Strathmore and Wheatland County's councils, instead of continuing the difficulties in communication experienced during the previous term.

He said correspondence with Mayor Pat Fule had already been sent out, and he was looking forward to beginning new discussions regarding the betterment of council relations.

"Urban and rural (councils) look at things differently. That's a balance ... what's important for an urban center and what is important for a rural center, sometimes they are different," he said. "I've expressed that to Mayor Fule before and how to move forward is - we have all been elected for a new four-year term and I know baggage from before can be left behind."

## Vault speaker series

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"I realized I would feel badly if I hadn't done anything with this story," she said. "That moment made me determined to share it."

As Remembrance Day approaches, McElroy hopes her presentation helps audiences reflect on sacrifice, service and the meaning of Canadian identity.

"Every day is Remembrance Day for me now," she said. "I'm not trying to glorify war - I'm trying to tell a very human story about a young man figuring out his life in the middle of global turmoil."

McElroy believes McKnight's story is one many Canadians will relate to, a reminder that history is often personal and that heroism can come from ordinary families.

"A lot of people across the Prairies had an 'Uncle Bill,'" she said. "Maybe by shining a light on this high-profile figure, we can also illuminate the countless lesser-known stories that shaped who we are."

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**Spooky night**

Strathmore's neighbourhoods were buzzing with excitement on Halloween night as kids and families took to the streets in costume, going door to door in search of some delicious treats. Some of the homes were decked out with glowing pumpkins and creative decorations, adding to the festive atmosphere as trick-or-treaters made their rounds on Oct. 31. **Joe Lepage Photos**

**Super series**

Double SS Barrels hosted their first event of the 2025-2026 Winter Series on Nov. 2 at the Siksika Agri-Centre. There will be nine events, with the next one being on Nov. 16, before the 'Finals Sunday' held on March 22. **Joe Lepage Photo**



**Kings retire #4 jersey honouring the late Ryan Grasdahl**

**JOHN WATSON**  
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

The Agra Risk Wheatland Kings have officially retired their number four following the passing of former captain, Ryan Grasdahl.

The jersey was raised to the rafters of the Strathmore Family Centre, Nov. 1, during a ceremony prior to the game against the High River Flyers.

"I think as many of our community know, former captain, former Wheatland King, Ryan Grasdahl suffered a traumatic injury while on vacation in the United States a couple months ago and tragically passed away in a Canadian hospital in Calgary," said Wheatland Kings General Manager, Cody Holdaway. "The organization took it upon ourselves to retire Ryan's number and raise it to the rafters ... once a King, always a King - I think the players still think it is very meaningful to retire his number."

Grasdahl played for the Kings from 2014 to 2018 before he aged out and moved on to other endeavors.

Holdaway added for a junior hockey team, having your number retired is a significant honour which does not often occur.

"In our franchise's 15-year lifespan, only one other number has ever been retired and that's Kristian Ayoungman, (#11) so when we retire a number, it's pretty meaningful," he said. "When we sat down as a board and ownership group after we heard the news, it was something that we kind of instantly knew that Ryan was a guy that fit the description of getting his number retired."

During the ceremony, two former captains of the Kings were welcomed to the ice - Garret Vander Ploeg, and Chris Williams, both of whom played alongside Grasdahl. Williams co-captained the team for the 2016-17 season.

Grasdahl's wife, Hailey was also welcomed to the ice to take part in a ceremonial puck drop before the start to the regularly scheduled league game.

Keaton Kish previously wore the #4 jersey last season. Holdaway explained during the off season, the board and ow-

Ryan Grasdahl's wife Hailey dropped the ceremonial puck, while former teammates Chris Williams and Garret Vander Ploeg spoke of about Ryan.

Photo Courtesy of Carter Lawrence



nership group planned to transition Kish to the #9 jersey in order to proceed with the retirement.

"We raised a banner in front of a sold-out crowd. There wasn't much room left in the arena. We have kind of been advertising this over the past month. There were probably 50 to 60 of Ryan's closest friends and family, his entire baseball team was there, lots of people who were important in Ryan's life were able to attend," said Holdaway. "It meant a lot because Saturday was Game 7 of the World Series (Toronto Blue Jays versus Los Angeles Dodgers), so to see that much support for Ryan really (hits the nail on the head) on why we retired his number."

On the ice, the Agra Risk Wheatland Kings earned a split in their weekend games, beating Coaldale 4-3 on Oct. 31 before losing 6-4 to High River the following day.

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# True North receives \$75,000 from province to extend programming support

JOHN WATSON  
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

The True North Society has received a \$75,000 grant from the Province of Alberta in order to support ending gender-based violence within the community.

The grant is described by the province to be a part of Alberta's 10-year strategy to provide \$1.36 million in funding to community-based organizations through the Community Pathways to Justice Grant program.

"It was a one-time funding that was announced this spring

... we were really lucky that we were able to apply for this funding and then to be successful in our grant application," said Courtney Helfrich, executive director of True North.

Earlier this year, True North was also successful in acquiring a \$3.5 million capital contribution from the province to aid in their construction of a new transitional housing facility.

Helfrich explained this influx of \$75,000 will be utilized in order to support True North's rural outreach team.

"This team works to increase preventative, intervention, and information support and services to rural and remote communities in Strathmore and surrounding areas," she said. "It is going to help us reduce those barriers to high quality, survivor-centered education and intervention programming.

It is going to help with some of those operations – so, transportation costs, satellite office space to really meet people where they are at, safety planning, support, risk assessment, court support, and resource navigation."

True North is among 18 grant recipients across Alberta for the 2025-26 fiscal year. These also include five grant applications in Calgary, six in Edmonton, two in southern Alberta, three in central Alberta, and two in northern Alberta.

A release from the province detailed that successful grants ranged in contribution from \$37,000 to \$145,000 and must be utilized for operational activities.

"Women's shelters play a vital role in helping families escape violence and rebuild their lives. By supporting these services, we're ensuring that women and children across Alberta have access to safety, compassion, and the care they deserve," was attributed to Chestermere-Strathmore MLA, Chantelle de Jonge, via the release.

"This grant ... allows us to be able to support this rural community, and then also support other remote communities that just do not have access to these types of supports in their areas," added Helfrich.

She added the physical emergency shelter currently operating in Strathmore is often filled to capacity and must redirect people asking for help to other, similar facilities, sometimes in very distant communities.

The additional facility aiming to be developed is currently still in its late design stages, with operations also still to be fully fleshed out for when it is completed.



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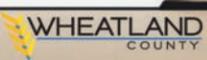
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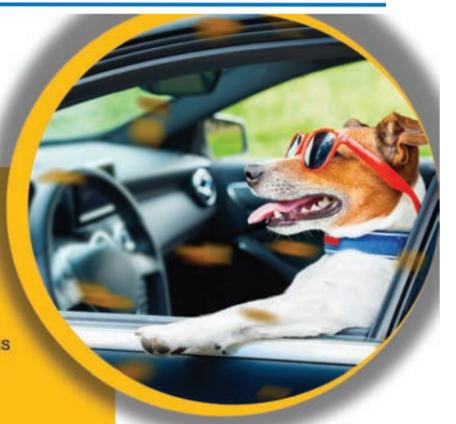


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# County CAO announces resignation

**JOHN WATSON**  
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Wheatland County CAO Brian Henderson has announced his resignation from his position, effective Nov. 23 after nearly 10 years of employment with the county.

A release acknowledging his cessation from the position was distributed Oct. 24. It noted county council's appreciation of his service over the course of his tenure, as well as the process beginning to determine his replacement.

"I was offered a job with Rocky View County as the Chief Operating Officer over there. It's definitely an opportunity I considered heavily, knowing how well things are going at Wheatland County, and it is a super strong council that has been elected for the 2025 to 2029 term," said Henderson. "I've got absolutely no doubt that this council will continue to grow the county responsibly and make good decisions for the residents. As for the admin team, it's a super strong team. There are such great people there as well, so that made the decision extra hard to make."

Henderson explained in his new position, he will be overseeing infrastructure and will have many of Rocky View's general managers reporting to him.

His tenure with Wheatland County began in June 2016 as the general manager of corporate and financial services.

Henderson explained the position had opened up to him after having worked for the Town of Strathmore as the finance manager.

"I took a chance there, went over to the county, and in April of 2019, the CAO position became vacant, and I was appointed by council as the interim CAO at that point. In January 2020, I was appointed as a full time CAO," he said. "After university, I started in accounting, so I had chartered accountant as my legacy designation, so during the training, I actually did auditing of municipalities throughout eastern Ontario and I got a really good glimpse ... doing the audits of some of those municipalities over there."

He added he felt it to be an enjoyable and interesting experience to see the operations of municipalities from the inside and how they can make positive impacts on their respective communities.

After having moved to Calgary, he shortly thereafter started his position at the Town of Strathmore.

"(Council) should pick someone who is a good collaborator and who enjoys being a public servant and helping out the residents and businesses of the county and the region," said Henderson. "It really does come down to the person themselves. They have to have a positive personality, be someone who is willing to be able to tackle some problems and work collectively within the region and have some general municipal background experience."

In the release, the county described that the process of appointing an interim CAO and initiating recruitment for a permanent position aims to ensure a smooth and seamless transition.

# Mobile screening

**JOHN WATSON**  
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

The Screen Test program returned to Langdon, Oct. 30 to Nov. 1 to provide screening mammograms to eligible individuals largely between 45 and 74.

Screenings were offered at no cost to patients, but did ask that they were scheduled ahead of time rather than having folks come for drop ins.

"What we do with our screen test mobile is we provide screening mammography, so we are screening for breast cancer, and with our mobiles, we drive them - we have two and they travel throughout the province, just providing service to people who may not have access to other places or other centres," said Joan Hauber, manager for Screen Test. "Our aim is to make sure that everybody, no matter where they live, has the same access to the same service."

The mobile screen test program began in 1991 and has been travelling throughout Alberta ever since.

A mammogram is an x-ray of the breast and is the best way to find breast cancer early when treatment is more likely to be successful.

The mobile trailers aim to visit each community along their routes at least once annually. Hauber explained for patients within the targeted demographic, it is recommended to be screened once every two years at least.

"We are seeing people coming to the mobile and they do tell us that if we hadn't been out there or if they would have had to have traveled, they would not have had a mammogram done, so I think we are just seeing anecdotally through our clients that we are making an impact on some of the rural and other locations that we go to," said Hauber.

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# Standard Mayor re-elected, debriefs following municipal election

**JOHN WATSON**  
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Martin Gauthier is returning to the helm for the Village of Standard over the next four-year term, having been voted by council to resume his position as mayor.

Council meetings in Standard are now

able to resume with a full council roster following the results of the election. Previously, council was down a member following Adam Sommerfeldt's resignation during the last term of council.

"We talked to municipal affairs, and they okayed us to go with four councillors until the election because to have a by-election, it costs you money, so you

try to keep your costs down," said Gauthier. "We ran with four for a year and a half or however long we were sitting. We will never do that again."

He cited that it simply became too challenging to get anything done as a council once challenging motions began to hit the floor without being able to break ties in voting.

Post election, Gauthier is joined on council by fellow incumbent, Richard Bryan, as well as newcomers Brandon Duffala, Brian Pederson, and Rhett Penny.

"After I left our first organizational meeting, it was probably the first time in at least four years that I've been excited to go forward with this group of guys," said Gauthier.

Similar to operations within Wheatland County, candidates run for seats on council in Standard. Once council is elected, they will choose from amongst themselves who will sit as mayor and deputy mayor.

Gauthier described being entrusted with the mayoral seat once again, as well as having been on council for the last 16 years as a distinct honour.

His motivation to remain on council stems from a desire to maintain momentum and see municipal projects through to completion.

"I've been on the Wheatland Regional Corporation for a number of years now, and I've been on the Wheatland Housing Management Board for a number of years. We have had projects in our own town, it's just, the projects you have going, you try to see them finished and then just keep moving forward and improving things for the village," he said. "We have had a lot of projects over the last few years in Standard with Centennial Park, Memory Lane, and the outdoor arena. Now, the rodeo society is putting on a kids' rodeo, and there is so much more going on."

Gauthier's immediate priorities for the village include improving roads, sewers, and other infrastructure, as well as to secure a number of grants to aid in the financing of such projects.

Additionally, he hopes to see more regional collaboration be created, particularly with the new Wheatland County council.

"I'm hoping in November we can sit down at least and get some sort of a plan in place ... in November, things will kind of get back to normal, but with everybody having to do mandatory training now, there is so much at the beginning (of a new term)."

He added following this term, he is likely to pass on the torch and step back from civil service after 20 years seated at the table.

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## Mobile mammography trailer returns to Langdon

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"When we do find a breast cancer early, there are more options for treatment. Those treatments are often more effective and there is a much better chance of survival. We have seen that over the years that we and others have been doing screening mammograms that we are not necessarily seeing fewer cancers, but we are seeing cancers caught at an earlier stage."

In addition to cisgender women, the mobile screening trailers will also see transgender, gender diverse, and non-binary individuals provided they meet certain criteria.

Those who fall outside of the targeted demographic for self-referral are asked to be referred for screening by their regular or family physician.

"When you find it early, it tends to be smaller, maybe not as invasive as

if it has had a chance to grow. When you find it early, there is a better chance that treatments cure it or prevent it from further spreading," said Hauber.

Depending on the individual, a physician may recommend annual screenings as opposed to once every two years.

The size of a given community will often determine how long a trailer remains parked there for. Dates can range from a few days to around two weeks in a given location.

The trailer was in Strathmore from Oct. 18 to 25, and is due to return on Nov. 10, however as of the publication of this article, bookings have been filled. Those looking to still potentially take the opportunity to get screened are still encouraged to call 1-800-667-0604 to be admitted in the case of a cancellation or to be added to a waiting list.

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# Back to School Act

CHANTELLE DE JONGE  
Chestermere-Strathmore MLA

Every parent knows how much a stable, reliable routine matters for their kids. The teachers' strike brought uncertainty into homes across our province. Parents were juggling schedules, students missed out on valuable learning time, and families were caught in a situation that no one wanted to see drag on.

This disruption had gone on far too long, families needed solutions, and students needed to get back to school. That's why Alberta's government introduced and passed Bill 2, the Back to School Act. This targeted legislation ended the strike, restored stability in the education system, and ensured students returned to the classroom as quickly as possible.

The decision to use the notwithstanding clause wasn't one that we took lightly. But when thousands of students are missing school and parents are facing weeks of uncertainty, we had to act in the public interest.

The Back to School Act puts students first and respects the vital role of teachers. It establishes fair and reasonable terms for a new teacher collective agreement, including a 12 per cent salary increase over four years, additional market adjustments of up to 17 per cent for most teachers, and funding to hire 3,000 new teachers and 1,500 educational assistants. That means smaller class sizes and more help for kids who need it.

We also understand that teachers are facing greater challenges than ever before. Alberta's classrooms are more complex, with many students requiring extra help and more incidents of classroom aggression. That's why we created the Class Size and Complexity Task Force to find real solutions, update special education standards, and collect better classroom data to guide funding decisions.

Our commitment to Alberta families extends beyond just ending the strike. Budget 2025 invests \$8.6 billion to build and modernize 130 schools

across the province, ensuring every child learns in a safe, modern environment close to home. And for families who faced extra costs during the strike, Alberta's government launched the Parent Payment Program, providing \$30 per day per student and \$60 per day for students with disabilities, to help cover childcare and other costs incurred during the strike.

Now that the Back to School Act is law, Alberta's students are back where they belong, in their classrooms, surrounded by friends, learning, and returning to their routines. As we move forward, our government remains focused on strengthening education, supporting teachers, and putting the success of students at the heart of every decision we make.

As we strengthen K-12 education, we're also focused on ensuring that opportunities for lifelong learning and career training keep pace with Alberta's growing economy. Our commitment to students doesn't end at graduation; it extends to helping Albertans of all ages access the education and training they need to build successful futures.

Our government is proposing updates to the rules for private career colleges to better protect students and ensure programs prepare them for the jobs of tomorrow. We are committed to ensuring that students get the quality education they pay for, and the skills Alberta's economy needs. That is why the province is putting forward amendments to modernize the Private Vocational Training Act, which sets out how private career colleges operate in the province.

Private career colleges play an important role in helping Albertans gain practical, career-focused training. The proposed updates will bring the more than 20-year-old legislation up to date and in line with other provinces, improve accountability and strengthen confidence in the sector, and ensure students are protected as they invest in their education.

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

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**BLOXHAM, Audrey**

Audrey Bloxham passed away on Monday, October 27th, 2025 in Calgary, Alberta, at the age of 84.

Audrey was born in the Netherlands, to Arie and Grace de Jong. She was followed by siblings: Chuck, Lillian, Gary, John, Art, Johan, Robert, Janey, and David. The family immigrated to Canada in 1952, settling in Evansburg.

Audrey and Blair met in 1960, and they were married March 31, 1962. Their children followed, with Toni in 1964, David in 1967 and Scott in 1971. The family moved frequently, spending time in Edmonton, Winnipeg, Sherwood Park and Calgary, with Blair and Audrey finally ending up on a small acreage outside Strathmore.

Initially, Audrey stayed home to raise the kids, but the arrival of Scott proved uniquely challenging, eventually driving her from the home and back into the workforce. She worked several years as a secretary at elementary schools in Sherwood Park. Most of her career, however, was spent in transportation, working for Cardinal Coach Lines, and later as the Director of Transportation for the Rocky View School Division, retiring in 2020. One of the highlights of her career was overseeing much of the transportation associated with the 1988 Calgary Winter Olympics.

One of Audrey's interests was working with Story Book Theatre, stage managing many productions. Later, she immersed herself into the world of dog training and agility competitions. It did not go un-noticed by her children that her commitment to the dogs, both financially and in terms of effort, may have outstripped her commitment to them. In her defence, the dogs were better listeners and likely more rewarding. She had many successful competitions with her dogs, especially Sizzle and Impulse. This interest in dog agility led to Audrey and Toni offering dog training and staging agility trials under their business It's A Dog's World.

Audrey will be dearly missed by her children Toni (Colin), David (Cathleen), and Scott (Kelly). Grandchildren Tim (Jessica), Jack (Lyza), Alison (Kinnon), Kambal (Erika), and Jeromi, and her great-grandchildren Emerson and Wesley, as well as countless family and friends. She was pre-deceased by Blair, her husband of 55 years, in 2017, her parents Arie (1986) and Grace (2000), as well as siblings Johan (1950), Gary (1978), Lillian (1985) and Janey (2015).

A memorial service in Audrey's memory will take place on Friday, November 14, 2025, at 2:30 pm at McInnis and Holloway Chapel of the Bells 2720 Centre St N. Calgary. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations in Audrey's memory to the Alzheimer Society of Canada or a charity of your choice.

**Wheatland Funeral Home**  
Strathmore, AB 403-934-4404

*Obituary*



**LASSITER, Ruth**

It is with heavy hearts the family of Ruth Lassiter announce her passing on Sunday, October 26th, 2025, at the Bassano Health Centre. Ruth was born on October 2nd, 1935, in Bassano, Alberta to Albert and Rosina (Schaffer) Meidinger. She recently celebrated her 90th birthday with her large extended family.

Ruth and her five siblings were raised in Bassano, where they attended the local school. She was a proud member of the BHS marching band which travelled all over Alberta. Ruth worked at the family-owned restaurant and after graduation completed a comptometer course. She shared fond memories of her father driving her to the train station for her Monday morning train ride to work at the Royal Bank in Calgary, always in a dress and high heels.

Ruth married Stan Lassiter on February 12th, 1955, in Bassano. They lived on the family farm in Makepeace until 1962, when they moved to town. They raised six children and were together for 67 years.

Ruth was an avid curler and sports fan and always enjoyed a bonspiel; Cluny, Brooks, Hussar, Gem, Patricia-game on. The highlight was meeting her idol, Kevin Martin. She never missed an opportunity to watch her children and grandchildren play baseball, volleyball, basketball, figure skate, or take a ride in the motorhome to a hockey game.

Farm life and raising six children kept her busy. A large family meant lots of family gatherings, meal planning, and cooking. No need for DoorDash. The harvest crew looked forward to opening their lunch boxes thoughtfully prepared by Ruth and welcomed the evening meals she delivered to the field. In later years, she worked at Naturmade Products assembling cake boards. She enjoyed this job as it allowed her to socialize with her many friends. Ruth was a proud Life Member of Royal Purple. She is survived by her six children, Barry (Leslie Hannah), Connie (Greg Long), Robert (Cheryl), Kent (Nancy), Brenda (Randy Johnson), and Darrel (Carrie); eleven grandchildren and fifteen great grandchildren, Simon (Nathalie) Isabella, Everly, Brandon (Ashlie) Henry; David (Robyn) Nolan, Marlee; Chase (Amanda) Arabelle, Haynes, Colton (Ashley), Brittany (Khim), Liam, Ariya, Payden (Christy) Rayne, Loki, Wrennyn, Adam (Shelby) Weston, Clayton (Jennica), Penelope, Clarke, Cody and Taylor (Sheldon). Let's not forget Jackie Brown (Jack) and her devoted niece Shirley Gosling.

Ruth was predeceased by her loving debater and soul-mate Stan, her parents, Albert and Rosie Meidinger, brother Norman Art Meidinger (Elaine); sisters Florence Cowan (Ralph), Lorraine Shaw (Bruce), Verna Cotton (Wes), Doris Evans (Jerry Cote and Floyd); nieces Gloria Shaw, Peggi Cowan and nephews Ralph Cowan Jr. and Leslie Meidinger.

The family would like to thank the staff at the Bassano Volunteer Fire Department, Brooks EMS, Bassano Hospital, Brooks Home Care, and the Playfair Lodge volunteers for the care they provided mom.

Our "Sweet Bassano Baby" will be dearly missed by many. There will be a private family service in honour of mom. This service will be livestreamed on November 22nd, 2025 at 1:00 PM, available at www.sfh.ca In memory of Ruth, if friends desire, memorial tributes may be made directly to Heart and Stroke Foundation, Box 2414, Suite 1200 - 2300 Yonge Street, Toronto, Ontario M4P 1E4.

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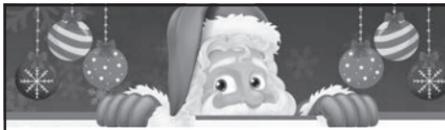
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Visit [Strathmore.ca/adopt-a-hydrant](http://Strathmore.ca/adopt-a-hydrant) to learn more, or be the proud adopter of one of the 370+ hydrants in town.

**In the arms of the (snow) angel.**  
**Be someone's Snow Angel.**

While the winter season makes for a beautiful snowscape, it also comes with its icy challenges. Navigating icy sidewalks can be daunting, especially for those who face mobility limitations or health concerns. Shoveling those same sidewalks is an even more daunting challenge. This is where the Strathmore Snow Angels Program comes in. Here's how it works:

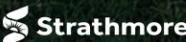
- **Identify those in need.** Residents needing snow removal help are marked with a Snow Angel sign, letting you know they could use a helping hand keeping their walkways clear during winter.
- **Be a Snow Angel.** Spread your snowy wings and help out your neighbour by clearing their sidewalk, driveways, and paths. You don't need to register, just look for a Snow Angel sign and help out.

Need the Snow Angels help? Call FCSS at **403-934-9090** to request a sign or visit the Strathmore Municipal Building. Visit [Strathmore.ca/SnowAngels](http://Strathmore.ca/SnowAngels) for more information.



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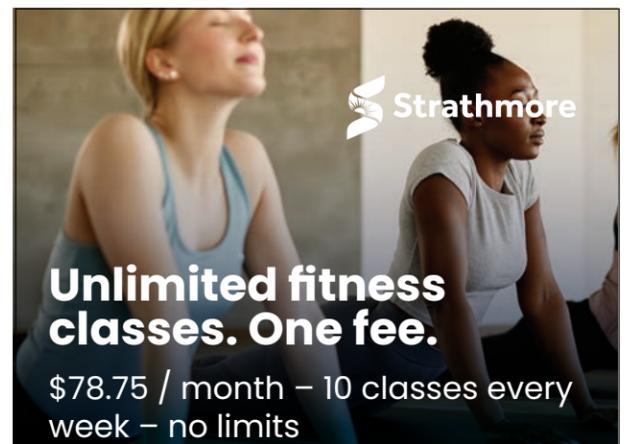
**Results for Mayor:**

- **Pat Fule (1747)**
- Jason Hollingsworth (1716)

**Results for Council:**

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