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St. Joseph's Collegiate teacher Greg Sorenson dressed as a Knight Friday afternoon to cheer on the home team during South Central boys 2A zone basketball play against Notre Dame. | BRUCE PARKER PHOTO

## Phragmites- infected rail ties moved out of city

**SANDRA M STANWAY  
BROOKS BULLETIN**

CP Rail ties that were piled among invasive phragmites east of Brooks were recently transported out of the city without warning.

Todd Green, the county's agricultural fieldman, told council on Thursday he saw the truck filled with ties leaving the region. He learned they were heading to the United States for incineration.

At first he was unsure if the ties were from one of a phragmites location that had been treated last year so he checked.

His concern is the plant is an invasive species that is moving across the country.

"They go through Portal, SK," he said.

Green contacted Cypress County and the province to let them know about the transport so their agricultural fieldman can be

on the lookout for the plant in the future.

"At least we can be a little bit more mindful if something fell off," he said.

The county was the first municipality in the province to find phragmites, an invasive weed that can grow up to 20 feet high.

Shoots grow out from it in all directions and each shoot can contain 2,000 seeds which help spread the plant.

Phragmites grows near wetlands impeding growth of competing plants, water and sun.

It was first found in the county in March 2016 when a resident noticed the 22 foot tall plant.

It has since been found in two other locations and one in Medicine Hat. All of the locations were all part of emergency clean-up programs.

The authors in a 2012 scientific article in *Canadian Field-Naturalist* stated within a decade or two at the rate of speed, which was increasing, phragmites, "Is expected to become abundant in the prairie provinces and across most of southern Canada."



A phragmites plant head with seeds. Each head holds about 2,000. Research has found one way phragmites spreads is through seed dispersal.

| COUNTY OF NEWELL PHOTO

## No smoking near arenas

**SANDRA M STANWAY  
THE REGIONAL**

City council gave three readings to the no smoking bylaw after accepting the recommendations from council committee.

There are no changes to the permitted smoking locations at the Centennial Regional Arena. There are no permitted smoking areas at the JBS Canada Centre.

Anyone who is smoking in a prohibited area will be fined \$250 for the first offence and \$500 for each subsequent offence.

Smoking includes cigarettes, cigars, tobacco of any kind, e-cigarettes or any other lighted material.

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**Kristeen Laidlaw, manager of Walmart in Brooks, presents Brooks and District Health Foundation trustee Rolf Bander with \$1,000 towards a six-bed dialysis unit at the Brooks Health Centre. The fundraising efforts have reached just over \$811,452 of its \$1.5 million goal. Wanda Hack is smiling in the background. | SUBMITTED PHOTO**

## Chamber ends My Community Cash program

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BROOKS BULLETIN**

The Brooks and District Chamber of Commerce stopped issuing My Community Cash on March 7 to turn their focus to re-launching its Member to Member discount program.

When My Community Cash debuted residents could purchase vouchers for 10 per cent off the face value and redeem it at local merchants for its full value.

The program was made possible by a financial partnership with other organizations.

When the funding ended the chamber continued to operate the program at five per cent off savings but

residents were no longer purchasing the cash in sufficient quantities for the program to be effective.

Therefore, in order to continue to encourage folks to shop local, the chamber is focused on growing its Member to Member discount program.

The premise of the program is simple: The chamber has hundreds of members with thousands of employees.

By providing them with local deals and incentives, money will continue to be reinvested in local communities.

The chamber is in the process of developing a phone app to support the program.

"We expect to be in a position to do a soft launch in the early summer with a formal launch occurring during Business Week in October," said Kyle Franz, the chamber's director of member relations.

In order to help wind-up My Community Cash, the chamber is asking anyone with vouchers to spend them at their earliest convenience.

In accordance with the provisions of the Consumer Protection Act, vouchers will not expire and will continue to be honoured.

A list of businesses that accept My Community Cash can be found at [brookschamber.ab.ca](http://brookschamber.ab.ca).

## SJC Crusaders give all in zone basketball play

**SUBMITTED**

The St. Joseph's Collegiate Crusaders senior boys basketball team hosted zones to finish their season this past weekend.

The boys came out firing in the first game and nearly upset the #1 ranked Notre Dame Wolves team from High River.

The boys shot very well, combining for 14 three pointers but were narrowly edged 98-91.

Leading scorers for the Crusaders were JP Comesario with 24 points, Ryan Dyck with 20 and Loic Sonna with 18 points.

"This was one of the boys best games the year. The lead changed hands several times throughout the game," said assistant coach Thomas Dyck.

The Crusaders were

within four points in the final minute but in the end, size was a factor in the narrow loss, he said.

Avery Jackson and Machar Kok were both a force on the boards throughout the game against the much bigger opponents. Ian Altwasser returned after two months off due to an injury and provided a real spark for the team throughout this battle.

The loss put the boys up against Drumheller on the consolation side. Drumheller was a very physical team that SJC was not able to outwork on this day. As a result the boys lost 90-76.

Leading scorers in this game were Ryan Dyck with 21 points, JP Comesario with 13, Shawn Tuzara with 12, Loic Sonna with 11 and Modesto Domingo with 10.

The final contest had the Crusaders up against Oilfields. The Crusaders dominated this contest from the start. The tone was set by the graduating players who all started and had a great final game.

Bruce Canonigo (6 points), Modesto Domingo (24 points), JP Comesario (23 points) and Peter Dayag (9 points) all worked, rebounded and hustled incredibly hard during the last game of their high school careers.

This led the Crusaders to a 107-73 win. Avery Jackson (5 points), Loic Sonna (4 points) and Machar Kok (4 points) again dominated on the boards. Ryan Dyck (20 points) and Shawn Tuzara (14 points) both ran the floor very well in the lopsided win.



**Bandits forward Will Garin tests Canmore Eagles goaltender Thomas Davis with a quality shot early in the first period of Thursday evening's AJHL quarter-final opening playoff game. Davis made 44 saves but his team dropped a 6-1 decision. | BRUCE PARKER PHOTO**

## Gopher control to begin

**SANDRA M STANWAY  
BROOKS BULLETIN**

The county will receive 50 cases of strychnine to help fight the increasing large number of Richardson's ground squirrels (gophers) throughout the region.

"We are sending out notices to Lake Newell Resort and Rolling Hills letting them know as soon as the snow has melted they are going to see Rozol bait stations to control Richardson's ground squirrels," said Todd Green, the county's agricultural fieldman.



**Brooks Composite High grade 11 student Traiya Caverly works a camera Thursday evening during game one of the Brooks Bandits quarter-final AJHL playoff series against the Canmore Eagles at the Centennial Regional Arena. | BRUCE PARKER PHOTO**

## Bylaw changes OK'd

**SANDRA M STANWAY  
BROOKS BULLETIN**

County council approved text amendments to the Land Use Bylaw which was updated to align with the Municipal Government Act.

Among the changes are increasing the time to appeal a decision from 14 to 21 days and a determination of completeness of subdivision and permit applications.

## County proclaims National Volunteer Week

**SANDRA M STANWAY  
BROOKS BULLETIN**

County council has declared April 15 to 21 as National Volunteer Week and is encouraging residents to nominate a volunteer.

On April 13 Grasslands FCSS will present the Citizen and Junior Citizen of the Year Awards.

Division 1 councillor and FCSS chairman Clarence Amulung urged people to nominate those who make a difference in their community.

"There are people all over our communities that do a tremendous amount of

work," he said

"If you have somebody and you really appreciate the work they do for your area, get a couple of people together and get somebody nominated."

He said people often don't take the time to recognize each other.

Reeve Molly Douglass said the nomination packages should include a number of letters of support.

"When it's someone from outside of the city, I just think it's really nice. We've got lots and lots of volunteers," she said.

## City proclamations

**SANDRA M STANWAY  
THE REGIONAL**

held.

Earth Hour is a worldwide program where everyone is urged to turn off power for one hour to show support for action on climate change.

EcoBrooks will be part of the Fortis Alberta challenge to reduce energy consumption. The top three communities with the highest energy savings per capita during the hour will receive grants of \$1,500, \$2,500 or \$5,000 for energy efficient uses.

EcoBrooks is also hosting a no charge family friendly dim swim from 8 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on March 24 at the EID Aquatic Centre in the JBS Centre.

Four proclamations helped fill last Monday's City of Brooks council agenda.

March 21 was proclaimed as the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, April 8 to 14 as National Public Safety Telecommunications Week, March 24 between 8:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. as Earth Hour and May 24 as Municipal Involvement Day.

In recognition of the Elimination of Racial Discrimination a walk has been planned for March 21 at 4 p.m. from city hall.

The Walk Against Racism will end at the JBS Centre where a celebration will be

## Library board

**SANDRA M STANWAY  
THE REGIONAL**

Marilyn Bryden and Jessi Kirchner have been reappointed to their second three-year term as members of the Brooks Library board.

The terms will end on March 2, 2021.

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# Broncos and Rockets qualify for provincials

**BRUCE PARKER**  
**BROOKS BULLETIN**

Bassano Broncos senior girls and Rosemary Rockets senior boys basketball teams have qualified to compete in provincials this weekend in Lacombe.

Both teams will be attending the provincial tournament in the wildcard spots.

Bassano hosted the senior girls zone four-team tournament and opened with a 66-45 win over the Rosemary Rockets.

Harlee McMaster led the way for the Broncos with a 32 point performance.

Coach Nathan Hodgson said Morgan Hale had a solid game protecting the hoop against Maddy Douglas of the Rockets. She still ended up scoring 26 points.

Rosemary led by one point at the half but the Broncos pulled away in the third quarter and built a 22 point lead.

The win set the stage for the championship final between the Broncos and Olds. This game went down to the wire with Olds winning 69-66.

Hodgson said the Broncos had a chance to tie the game with a last second three point shot attempt but the ball just missed going in.

Olds built a 28 point lead in the contest only to have the Broncos battle back and pull to within one point.

Sarah Singular led the way for the Broncos with 25 points while Maddi McMaster added 18 points.

Hodgson said the girls have had a good season playing against a lot of 3A teams. Their record going into provincials is 23-6.

The provincial

tournament will feature 12 teams with guaranteed three games. The Broncos are expected to be ranked ninth.

This year's edition of the Broncos consists of Morgan Hale, Maryelle Clarke,

Saydee Duck Chief, Zia Grant, Hailie Saddleback, Maddi McMaster, Erin Sonnie, Harlee McMaster, Britney Ayoungman, Holly Schaffer, Karly Black Kettle, Sarah Singular and Talijeh Many Bears.

## Music Festival finales Tuesday, Wednesday

**SANDRA M STANWAY**  
**BROOKS BULLETIN**

The final two performances for the annual Brooks Music Festival are on March 20 and March 21 at the Griffin Park Auditorium.

Between March 13 to March 16 adjudicators have been listening to and watching a variety of talents

including musicians and musical theatre performers.

The final adjudication day is March 16 at the Christian Reformed and Trinity Lutheran churches.

The final concerts will include those who have been selected to advance to provincials and performers who have stood out.

Concerts begin at 7 p.m.



**A young performer at the 2017 Brooks Music Festival.**  
| FILE PHOTO

# Home Plans

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**BASEMENT FLOOR PLAN**

**MAIN FLOOR PLAN**  
1470 SQ. FT (136.6 M<sup>2</sup>)  
9'-0" CEILING HEIGHT

WIDTH - 47'-0" (14.3M)  
DEPTH - 46'-8" (14.2M)

**PLAN NO. 2-3-761**  
TOTAL 1470 SQ.FT. (136.6 M<sup>2</sup>)

**JENISH HOUSE DESIGN LIMITED** **BASEMENT ENTRY**

### PLAN NUMBER 5-3-690 THREE-BEDROOM CHARMER

A steeply pitched, gabled roof lends this three-bedroom charmer an appealing traditional character.

Inside, however, everything is up-to-the-minute and modern. An unfinished bonus room, included in the plans, offer extra space that could be used as studio space or an extra bedroom.

A covered walkway leads to a veranda and porch into a foyer with a coat closet on the right. Past a display case on the left is the great room. This open-plan area features a doorway to a partly covered patio that overlooks the back garden. In a corner near the floor-to-ceiling window is a gas fireplace.

The dining area flows into the great room and includes an optional built-out buffet, always welcome for extra storage and serving space.

The kitchen is separated from the dining area and great room by a work island with a four-seat eating bar. A handy pantry is located at one end of the U-shaped counter configuration, and anyone tasked with washing dishes will welcome the window over the double sink.

The master suite, located at the back of the home for privacy, includes a window with an extra-deep sill. The

en-suite boasts a tub as well as a separate shower stall. Double basins will ease the morning rush hour. The walk-in closet is roomy enough for a couple's clothes and accessories.

The two secondary bedrooms share a three-piece bathroom. Bedroom no. 3 can double as a den or guest room.

The laundry room features a shelf for sorting and folding, and access to the double garage means it can also serve as a mudroom.

The stairway to the unfinished bonus room over the garage is located between the second bedroom and the laundry room. The plans also offer the option of putting the stairway between the great room and the three-piece bathroom.

On the exterior, wood siding predominates, with board-and-batten and wood shingles in the gable ends. Pilasters feature brick bases, and a decorative garage door adds character.

This home measures 39 feet wide and 66 feet deep, for a total of 1,517 square feet. The unfinished bonus room measures 398 square feet.

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## ATCO BLUE FLAME KITCHEN

### BEETS

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Everything's better with bacon, including our rich and smoky Golden Beet Soup. A simple Maple Cream brings out the natural sweetness of the beets and onions.

### GOLDEN BEET SOUP

4 unpeeled medium golden yellow beets, trimmed (about 3 lb)  
1 tbsp canola oil  
6 slices thick bacon, chopped (about 1 cup)  
1 1/2 cups chopped onions  
2 1/2 cups chopped peeled potatoes  
8 cups no-salt-added chicken broth  
1 cup whipping cream  
Salt and freshly ground pepper  
Maple Cream (recipe below)

1. Preheat oven to 400°F.
2. Combine beets and oil in a bowl; toss to coat. Wrap beets tightly in foil and place in a baking dish.
3. Bake until tender when pierced with a fork, about 45 - 50 minutes.
4. Unwrap beets. When cool enough to handle, peel and chop beets; set aside.
5. Add bacon to a Dutch oven over medium heat; cook, uncovered, stirring occasionally, until browned and crisp. Remove from heat.

6. Remove half of bacon with a slotted spoon and drain bacon on paper towels; set aside.
7. Add onions to remaining bacon in Dutch oven and sauté over medium heat until softened, about 10 minutes.
8. Add beets, potatoes and broth; stir to combine. Bring to a boil.
9. Reduce heat and simmer, uncovered, stirring occasionally, until potatoes are tender, about 15 - 20 minutes. Remove from heat.
10. Purée mixture in batches in a blender, filling blender no more than half full for each batch.
11. Stir in cream. Season to taste with salt and pepper.
12. Serve topped with Maple Cream and reserved bacon. Serves 10 as a starter.

**Maple Cream**  
1/2 cup sour cream  
2 tbsp whipping cream  
1 tbsp maple syrup  
1 tsp fresh lemon juice

Combine all ingredients until blended. Refrigerate until serving. Makes 3/4 cup.

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# EDITORIAL

*Happiness often sneaks in through a door you didn't know you left open.*

- John Barrymore

# poet's CORNER

## For A Six-Year-Old

Frances Rodman

How shall I tell you what the years have taught –  
That courage does not always march to airs  
Blown by a bugle: is not always wrought  
Out of the fabric ostentation wears.

Courage is sometimes frail as hope is frail:  
A fragile shoot between two stones, that grows  
Brave toward the sun though warmth and  
brightness fail,  
Striving and faith the only strength it knows.

How shall I tell you of the world you face  
Strident with sound of weapons and of hate,  
Make you aware now of the narrowing space  
Between the hope of mortal and his fate?  
How shall I tell you this, whose only words  
Were learned in love: how give you eyes to see  
And ears to hear, who follow the flight of birds  
Across a sky where clouds drift slow and free?

How teach you courage who have known no fear,  
How fashion armor for one so small, so dear?



# TIME CAPSULE



1982 - old Brooks Hospital.

## What's Up Doc?



**Dr. Noorali  
BHARWANI**

### Five things to know about Take- Home Naloxone

"Nothing is impossible; the word itself says, 'I'm possible!'" -Audrey Hepburn

Naloxone is a life saving medication when used after opioid overdose. In March 2016, the Canadian government made the antidote available without prescription.

There are three kinds of opioid drugs. These are synthetic opioids (example fentanyl), semi-synthetic opioids (oxycodone, heroin), and natural opioids (opium, morphine, codeine). Natural opioids are from a natural source – opium poppy.

Fentanyl is a fully synthetic opioid, originally developed as a powerful anaesthetic for surgery. It is also administered to alleviate severe pain associated with terminal illness like cancer.

Fentanyl is a powerful drug. It is up to 100

times more powerful than morphine. Just a small dose can be deadly. Illicitly produced fentanyl has been responsible in the number of overdose deaths in recent years. It plays a role in the deaths of more than four people on average every day in B.C. and Alberta alone.

Fentanyl poisoning results in respiratory depression, miosis (excessive constriction of the pupils) and altered level of consciousness. These three features should alert physicians to the possibility of fentanyl poisoning.

An article in the Canadian Medical Association Journal (CMAJ) September 18, 2017) titled "Five things you should know about take-home naloxone" emphasis the following points:

1. Naloxone is available without prescription in Canada

In 2016, naloxone was removed from the federal Prescription Drug List. Now pharmacists can dispense it without prescription. It is available in commercial formulations, including intranasal preparations, as well as in locally prepared take-home naloxone kits, available from some pharmacies, clinics, emergency departments and community health centres.

2. Most take-home naloxone kits contain similar equipment

Most take-home naloxone kits will contain two ampules of naloxone

(0.4 mg per vial), two safety-engineered syringes, two ampule-opening devices, alcohol swabs, nonlatex gloves and a rescue-breathing barrier. The average cost for a take-home naloxone kit is \$35. However, many sites offer them free of charge.

3. Multiple doses of naloxone may be required for overdoses related to high-potency opioids

In overdoses related to fentanyl and other synthetic opioids, multiple doses may be required to restore breathing. Most take-home naloxone kits include two doses, and additional doses can safely be administered every two to five minutes if there is no response. Naloxone should be used in conjunction with basic life support principles, such as rescue breathing, cardiopulmonary resuscitation and calling

911.

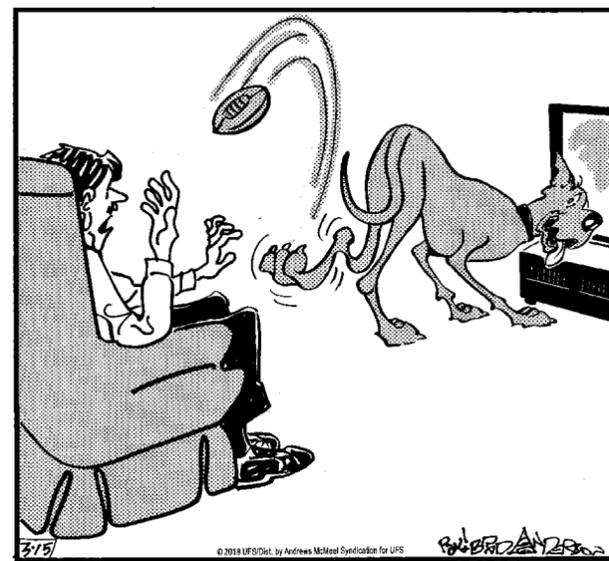
4. Take-home naloxone kits may reduce overdose-related mortality

Observational studies in North America, Europe and Australia, has found that take-home naloxone programs led to improved survival rates among program participants.

5. Take-home naloxone kits are not only for patients with current opioid abuse

The kit can be used for other at-risk populations include individuals who are on methadone or on high doses of prescription opioids, or who frequently use recreational drugs.

Naloxone can be delivered to the patients in different forms: intravenously, intramuscularly, subcutaneously, through the trachea and nose. The drug is effective in one to eight minutes after administration.



"Hold it! Football season is over!"

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## GWYNNE DYER

As a passer-by in the upscale Johannesburg suburb of Saxonwold observed, the South African Police would never have raided the enormous, high-walled compound of the Gupta family if President Jacob Zuma were not on the brink of being removed. But early Wednesday morning, the police did exactly that.

The Guptas, three Indian immigrant brothers who became extremely rich due to their close partnership with Zuma, used to be untouchable because of Zuma's patronage, and

he didn't do badly out of the deal either. They were accused of 'state capture' in the media, but they were safe because of their alliance with Zuma.

He can't protect them now: one of the Gupta brothers was arrested in the raid, and the other two cannot be far behind. In fact, Zuma can't even protect himself any more, although he has clung desperately to the presidency since the African National Congress (ANC) voted him out as its leader in December. The office of state president gave him a certain degree of legal invulnerability, but the long-delayed reckoning for his corruption is at hand.

Jacob Zuma joined the ANC, the country's main liberation movement, in 1959, and had an illustrious career. He served ten years' imprisonment on Robben Island with Nelson Mandela, fled abroad in 1975, and became chief of the ANC's Intelligence Department during the 1980s.

A man who served as his chief of staff in those years, a white South African now living abroad who has no reason to seek Zuma's approval, told me recently that he was a brilliant strategist. He had admired Zuma greatly, he said, and like many others he was as much puzzled as dismayed by what Zuma became during his later years. After the decades of sacrifice and dedication, it has been a tragic fall from grace.

Technically, Zuma still has a year left in his second term as president, but the ANC wants him out now because he is blighting the party's chances of winning next year's election. In December they voted him out as president of the party, and on Tuesday the ANC's newly elected National Executive Committee ordered him to resign from the state presidency. So far he has refused.

By the time you read this he may have submitted, because there is no way

he can win this struggle. The state president is elected by parliament, not by a popular vote, and parliament can also remove him by a non-confidence vote. The ANC has a majority in parliament, and such a vote is already scheduled for the 22nd.

Why is he fighting so desperately if he is bound to lose in the end? Because until recently he thought he could win. His ex-wife, Nkosazana Dlamini-Zuma, would be chosen to succeed him as ANC president, and she would protect him from the many corruption charges that awaited him after he left the state presidency. But the ANC elected Cyril Ramaphosa as its president instead.

Zuma is digging in his heels now not for just another two weeks as president, but in the hope that he can negotiate some sort of amnesty deal in return for going quietly. But if the ANC wants to rebuild its credibility with the voters there must be no amnesty, and Ramaphosa

has said publicly that it is not on the cards.

Maybe Zuma has one last card, which is to mobilise his supporters in his own Zulu tribe, the largest ethnic group in the country, to make non-violent (or maybe violent) protests on his behalf. Or at least to threaten privately to do that in order to extort an amnesty from his opponents, for actually doing it would be the ultimate betrayal of all that he stood for in his earlier career.

In any case, it will be over soon, and Ramaphosa, a former trade union leader who became a very rich businessman, will be the state president. Zuma may stay to face the music - or, more likely, he will move abroad and live in the \$25 million palace that the Guptas reportedly bought for him in Dubai. (He has categorically denied owning any property abroad himself, but the denial was carefully phrased.)

There are obviously

similarities between this affair and the recent removal of long-ruling president Robert Mugabe in neighbouring Zimbabwe by his own ZANU-PF party, but the differences are more important. The biggest is that ZANU-PF is a violent and ultra-corrupt gang of thieves whose new leader and Zimbabwe's new president, Emmerson Mnangagwa, was personally implicated in genocidal violence against the minority Ndebele tribe.

The ANC has fallen a long way from its glory days, but it is a legitimate and democratic political party that still commands the loyalty of many, if not most South Africans. If Zuma goes quickly and quietly, Ramaphosa, a competent and by all accounts an honest man, could get started right away on rebuilding the party's reputation, in which case it could still win next year's election and another five years in power.

# Balancing Alberta's budget by 2023-24 isn't good enough

## Albertans have more debt, continued reliance on volatile natural resource revenue and higher taxes to look forward to

By Steve Lafleur  
and Ben Eisen  
The Fraser Institute

The Alberta government's large and persistent budget deficits remain one of the most important policy problems facing the province. This year, the province expects another deficit of more than \$10 billion and forecasts call for a nearly identical deficit next year.

The government of Premier Rachel Notley is in no hurry to balance the budget. In fact, it has repeatedly said it won't until 2023-24, nearly a decade after the oil price decline that prompted the recent recession. And even this remains an abstract promise, since the government has yet to provide a concrete plan to return to balance.

The government's proposed long deficit reduction timeline will mean significant debt accumulation, continued reliance on volatile natural resource revenue and elevated levels of taxation.

A recent Fraser Institute study crunched the numbers to determine what level of spending discipline is required to balance the budget under Notley's timeline.

According to the study, the government could balance the budget by 2023-24 without nominal spending reductions. (In fact, there would be room for 0.8 per cent annual program spending increases until 2023-24.)

If the government wanted to balance the budget two years earlier, it would only have to reduce annual program spending by 0.55 per cent each year until the budget is balanced.

And if it reduced annual program spending by 1.85 per cent until 2020-21, it could balance the budget three years earlier than planned.

Finally, the government could balance the budget in 2019-20 by reducing program spending by 4.7 per cent in each of the next two fiscal years.

So which timeline should the government choose?

There are several advantages to balancing the budget sooner rather than later.

First, a slow approach to deficit reduction will mean substantial debt accumulation. If the government balances the budget by 2023-24, it will accumulate a projected \$62 billion in net debt by the time the budget is balanced. Balancing the budget two years earlier would reduce that total by more than \$10 billion.

Of course, the more debt the government racks up now, the higher the debt interest payments (paid for by taxpayers), which means fewer dollars for public programs or tax relief.

Second, a slow crawl to balance will mean another long ride on the resource roller-coaster. Running deficits means no room for

contributions to Alberta's Heritage Savings Trust Fund. As a result, the government will continue using resource revenue for current spending rather than saving a portion for future generations, as the fund was intended to do.

And remember, there's no guarantee that current revenue projections will hold - especially if we experience another economic shock over the next few years.

Third, it will be difficult to restore Alberta's erstwhile tax advantage until at least 2023-

24, unless the government considers deficit-financed tax reductions that would push the balanced budget date further into the future.

Given that the current government increased the top personal income tax rate by 50 per cent and the corporate income tax by 20 per cent, that's problematic - especially in light of aggressive tax cuts in the United States, which have helped erode Alberta's tax competitiveness relative to energy-producing states

such as Texas and North Dakota.

Hopefully given the relatively mild spending restraint required to balance the budget on an expedited timeline, and the obvious consequences of waiting, the government will take the steps necessary to make it happen.

With budget season quickly approaching, we will soon find out.

Steve Lafleur and Ben Eisen are analysts at the Fraser Institute.



"Oh dear! Look where I left poor old dad's guitar."



Last Wednesday Duchess School hosted a Coffee House with a number of entertainers including students Dylan Nakamura, Dani Payne, Cole Petkau and Brent LeBoutillier on drums.

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**Deadline for THE REGIONAL CLASSIFIEDS IS Tuesday at 9:00 am**

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Please send your resume by noon on March 16th, 2018 to:

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Operations Manager  
Newell Regional Services Corporation  
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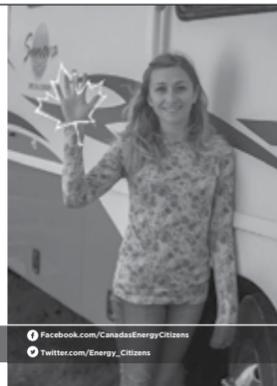
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## SCANDIA SKETCH

KARLYN TAKEDA



SCANDIA - The Scandia Hall AGM will be held March 26th at 7pm. Come and hear the happenings for 20'18. Everybody is welcome. The Hall Board is looking for a treasurer. If you're interested in getting involved in the community by joining the board and taking on this position, please call Debbie at 403-362-7064.

Hippity Hop! Hippity Hop! The Easter Bunny will be hopping through Scandia soon. Scandia's Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held March 31st, @10:30 at the EID Historical Park. Cost is \$4/child. Please call Lisa to Register by March 28th at 403-501-9736. Everyone is Welcome!

The Rolling Hills Ag Society's 34th Oyster Fry will be held Saturday, March 24th. This year's theme is "Upon the Deep Blue Sea" with the Oyster/Roast Beef

Supper is from 5-8pm, and a dance to follow with Rockin U Productions from 9pm-1am. There will be a 50/50 and door prizes to be won. Tickets can be purchased on Saturday, March 3rd at the Rolling Hills Arena from 10am-12pm, for \$30/each ages 4 and up (cash or chq only). Contact 633-4175 or find the Rolling Hills Ag Society on Facebook for inquiries.

Drop-ins are welcome! Yoga in Rainier will started on Thursday, January 11 and will run until April 5. Times of the session are 5.15pm to 6.30pm. Register with Merrilee Falkenberg at blossomyogainstruction.com. For further information contact Merrilee at 403-501-9162 or merrileedfalkenberg@gmail.com.

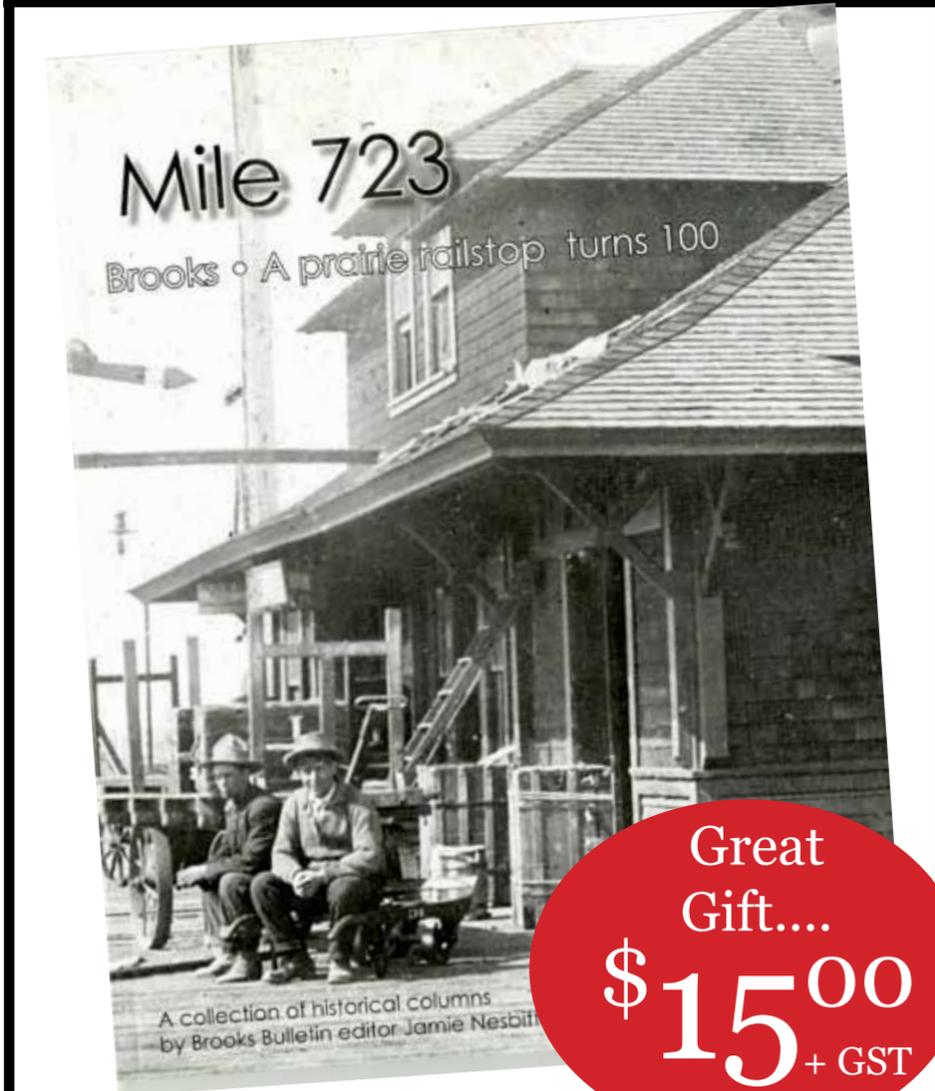
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The sideline's café at the Rolling Hills Arena is open for business from 8 am - 2 pm. To book ice, please call Michele at 403-964-2350

Looking for News - It's always great to hear about our neighbours and the exciting things happening in the community. If you have any news or interesting Scandia trivia you'd like submitted in the Sketch, please contact me at karlyn.takeda@hotmail.com or 403-362-5488.

FROM SIDING TO CENTENNIAL CITY, from the Duke of Sutherland to Red Adair, Mile 723 chronicles Brooks' first century. This collection of historical columns by *Bulletin* editor Jamie Nesbitt also features rare photographs of Brooks and area from the archives of the *Brooks Bulletin*.



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A wall of fog is visible at the east end of the city on Sunday morning. Many people believe that 90 days after fog there will be rain. If that is the case, it will be a wet spring based on the amount of fog the region has received over the past couple of weeks. | SANDRA M STANWAY PHOTO

## Ratepayers seek more bylaw information on social media

SANDRA M STANWAY  
BROOKS BULLETIN

Over 87 per cent of county ratepayers want to see social media information on bylaws according to a new survey released to county council last week.

Katherine Hofmann, administrative assistant in the IT department, told council on Thursday she was surprised by the response.

Fun facts, Throwback Thursdays, funny pics and events received a 75 per cent survey response.

"They also want to hear things on the lighter side such as funny photos and jokes," Hofmann said.

County job postings, road closures and conditions, staff pics and their job

descriptions received 62.5 per cent.

Weekly polls earned 50 per cent, information from the province that affects residents, the outcome of council meetings, project information, grants, funding and scholarships offered by government and federal government information all received 37.5 per cent.

Council meeting dates received 12.5 per cent of the responses.

Hofmann said of the posts they have done, provincial information on employment standards reached 1,309 people and a post for Divisions 5 and 10 funding application reached 384 people.

"We're happy with the

number of people that we're currently reaching," she said.

The county has 855 followers on Facebook and 1,011 on Twitter.

"This means there are 855 people who want to hear what you have to say. These are not people just skimming through a magazine.

"These are taxpayers that have signed up to see daily, what is important to the county and what information you feel as an elected official, is important to families in your division."



Tureya Abubaker, Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters (HIPPY) home visitor, cuts a cake in recognition of the conclusion of the 2018 Adopt A Reader campaign. The HIPPY program at the SPEC Association had 114 families and 142 children in the community participate in the campaign. | BRUCE PARKER PHOTO

## Four bush buggies ordered by county

SANDRA M STANWAY  
BROOKS BULLETIN

County councillors approved a request to purchase four bush buggies for county fire departments.

Keith Martin, the manager of fire and emergency services, made the request for funding

The new vehicles are expected to go to the hamlets of Gem, Tilley and Patricia and the Village of Rosemary.

Martin said Rosemary council recently signed the fire agreement with the county.

"That's a positive step

forward for Division 7," he said.

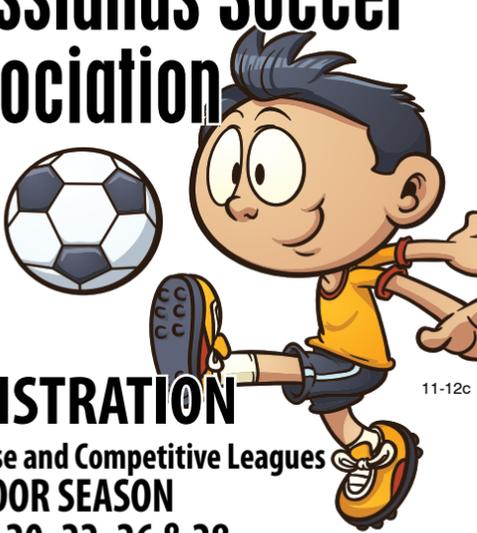
"This is going to add to the response time to get grass fires out. It's very reassuring," said Gem Fire Chief Dwayne Klassen.

Each unit is expected to cost \$130,000.

The funds will be taken from the restricted surplus account.

The total amount approved is \$520,000 for the buggies plus \$27,000 to be transferred into the fire apparatus savings account from general surplus as the minimum amount required for 20-year replacement plan for fire apparatus.

# Grasslands Soccer Association



## REGISTRATION

for House and Competitive Leagues  
**OUTDOOR SEASON**  
**March 20, 22, 26 & 28**

6:00 pm to 8:00 pm JBS Canada Centre Lobby  
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### 2018 'CITIZEN OF THE YEAR' 'JUNIOR CITIZEN OF THE YEAR' NOMINATION FORM

Grasslands Regional FCSS recognizes excellence in our community. In partnership with our sponsors, we are proud to announce the annual *Citizen and Junior Citizen of the Year Gala* to be held April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

#### Selection Criteria

To be considered for the 2018 Citizen or Junior Citizen of the Year Award:

- The work or services performed by the nominee **must not** concern work performed in public office.
- The nominee **must not** have received compensation for the services performed.
- Immediate Executive and the Board of Directors of Grasslands Regional FCSS are not eligible for nomination.
- The achievement of the nominee should be something that has demonstrated contributions to the betterment of the community. (e.g. volunteering/nonprofit organizations/community groups)
- Junior Citizen of the Year Nominees must be in **Grade 10-12**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (name of person nominating) wish to nominate

\_\_\_\_\_ (Name of candidate) for the Citizen or Junior Citizen of the Year Award.

Name of Nominee \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Nominee \_\_\_\_\_

If Junior Citizen of the Year, AGE and Grade of Nominee (**MUST BE IN HIGH SCHOOL GR 10-12**) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number of Nominee \_\_\_\_\_ Nominee e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number of person nominating \_\_\_\_\_ Nominator e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Nominator: \_\_\_\_\_

**Why are you nominating this person? Attach a Detailed Summary including the following:**

- 1) Any information about the candidate such as: Community or Humanitarian Services performed. Where the services were performed, how long the services were performed and the impact on the community
- 2) Nominee's personal characteristics
- 3) Letter of Support for Nominee (MINIMUM of 5)
- 4) Any other information you wish to include about the person you are nominating.

Nominations from previous years can be resubmitted if the nominee has not received the award.  
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Mail: Box 1994, Brooks AB T1R 1C7 OR

Email: fcss.off@telus.net

**DEADLINE: Thursday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018**