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Logan Piper and Shaina Risdale spent part of the afternoon Saturday fishing on Lake Stafford. The couple quickly caught and released a 35 inch pike. | SANDRA M STANWAY PHOTO

Brooks Food Bank usage has increased 140 per cent this year

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Donations to the Brooks Food Bank have not increased as much as client numbers but help is on the way.

Last week a two year \$20 million program to food banks and civil society organizations was announced by the province to help people manage during the inflated grocery prices.

The distribution will start with \$5 million by Christmas to the 110 member food banks.

"Nobody should have to worry about going hungry in a community that's as prosperous as Alberta," Jeremy Nixon, minister of seniors, community and social services, said last week.

During a news conference he said the government will provide \$10 million over two years to food banks and \$10 million over two years in matching funds for food banks, charities and civil society organizations.

The funds are to help deal with the affordability crisis that is causing higher demand for food banks while helping them reach more people.

"Food Bank usage has more than doubled since prior to the pandemic," said Matt Jones, minister of

affordability and utilities.

He said people are having difficulty volunteering or donating to food banks because they're having difficulties making ends meet.

Aurora Champlone, manager of the Brooks Food Bank said that is what is happening locally.

"Our donations haven't risen to match the recent increases in client numbers.

"At this time we are really in the need of extra support. The Alberta government's timing is very helpful," she said.

Champlone said over the past year corporate donations have remained largely the same but other contributions are down.

"Many of our regular contributors from the community are finding themselves in a tighter squeeze due to rising prices and are less able to contribute to a charity like ours."

She noted that between Jan. 1 to Oct. 31 the food bank handed out 689 hampers, a 140 per cent more hampers increase over 2021.

In 2021, 525 hampers were handed out and in 2020 there were 656 hampers handed out.

Last month there were 65 new clients who were accepted by the local food bank who make up 25

households.

To date this month, 23 new households or 46 individual clients have been accepted.

As a result of the affordability crisis, it is expected that both Scotiabank's Smiles for Christmas and the food bank's hamper program will be higher this year than last year.

In 2021, Christmas hampers helped 369 people. Of those 216 were children and nearly 60 per cent of them were under the age of 18.

Information on registration for the hamper program can be found by contacting the Brooks Food Bank at 403-793-2535.

On Dec. 7 the CP Holiday Train will stop in Tilley and Brooks as it makes its way across Canada after a two-year hiatus during COVID.

The train is a way for CP to collect and donate to food banks. It has raised \$21 million and collected five million pounds of food during its 23 years.

The CP concert will include musical guests Tenille Townes and Aysanabee and although it is free, attendees are urged to bring a donation for the Brooks Food Bank.

The train will stop in Tilley at 5:15 p.m. and in Brooks at 6:35 p.m.

Tilley teen awarded BRC Bull of the Year buckle

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Lightning McQueen, a nine-year-old bull owned by Dillon Tateson, 19, of Tilley, earned the 2022 title of Bull of the Year by Bull Riding Canada.

"I guess they were liking my bulls alright," said Tateson.

Tateson and his bull Lightning and other bulls in his herd, were involved in non-sanctioned events in 2021.

"This is my first year with the association so it's pretty cool to come in and be lucky enough to win the award," he said from the Bull Riders Canada finals in Sylvan Lake.

At the Nov. 18-19 finals, Lightning and rider William Barrows grabbed first place with a score of 85 and \$1,000 in the Grudge Match portion of the rodeo.



Lightning McQueen, named BRC Bull of the Year, is ridden by Riley Sibbet during an event in Oyen. | CROWBAIT PHOTO

Lightning bucked in the local riding rings at the Bull Bash, Bullapalooza and the Patricia Rodeo.

"There's something special about having a rodeo in your local town. There's just something cool about looking out and seeing all your friends. That's definitely a goal again. That's pretty special," he said.

His interest in bull ownership and as a stock contractor was piqued while he hung out at the practice pens in Brooks.

"I would just go and watch. I thought it was the coolest thing ever and I wanted some of my own so I started building a bull herd."

He owned bulls when he was 15 but it wasn't until January 2020, at just 17 years of age, that he got his first "real" bucking bull.

He's been building the

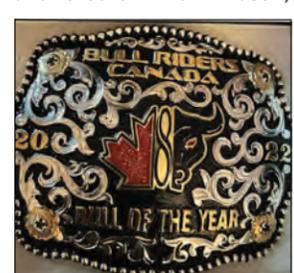
herd ever since.

He currently has about 20 bulls and travels to events with up to 15 of them with help from his friend CJ Scheuerman.

Tateson, who is in his final year of animal science at Lethbridge College, depends on his family to help.

"They're everything," he said.

His parents, Max and Corrine, his sister Delaney and brother-in-law Mason,



Dillon Tateson was presented a buckle for Bull of the Year. | SUBMITTED PHOTO

care for the animals while he's away.

"I ask a lot of them so I'm definitely not alone in this process."

When Tateson finishes school he hopes it will allow him to "keep rodeoing" and ranching.

He wants to continue to build the herd and eventually enter them into pro rodeo events which, he said, are almost as important for stock contractors as they are for rodeo cowboys.

"We're going the same miles, just as many rodeos - if not more, the same events and we put in the same gas money.

"It's definitely a bucket list thing to make it to the CFR (Canadian Finals Rodeo): those big stage rodeos where you can say you're the best in Canada."

Linear masterplan awarded

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The city awarded RF Binnie and Associates the tender for the linear trail and beautification master plan.

The company had the second lowest bid but the submission was ranked the highest.

Alicia Bartlette, the city's

manager of planning and engineering, told council the program will focus on beautification of public areas surrounding the trails and beautifying the downtown and the highway corridors.

Once completed, the city will have a plan to expand and connect the existing trails.

Submitted bids were

submitted by Beairsto and Associates Engineering and Survey for \$45,150, R.F. Binnie for \$50,500, EDS Group for \$54,660, Eight One Eight Studio for \$53,173.80 and Ground3 for \$84,410.

The funds were part of the 2022 budget. The plan is to be completed by the end of March.

Crime increase noted in city

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Some of the city's crime statistics are showing an overall increase of 14 per cent year to date in 2022 as compared to 2021.

Last year there were 312 person crimes which include criminal harassment and there have been 331 this year, there were 540 property crimes in 2021 and 705 this year but there have been 22 fewer Criminal Code offences this year.

In October there were six motor vehicle thefts, three break and enters, three roadside suspensions and 27 spousal abuse files.

The total number of abuse files is 249 which is a decrease from the 288 last year.

Brooks RCMP Cpl. Joe Schmidt said the majority

of vehicles that have been stolen are those without anti-theft devices and those have been crimes of opportunity.

"I saw three cars, I think, on the way in with the keys in the ignition, windows down and warming up," he told city council on Monday.

He said there's a transient (criminal) group that has been targeting smaller local communities.

"They're known to do this. We've been getting results and working with those detachments as well to try and come to a conclusion of this," he said.



WARDLOW - I would personally like to thank all vendors and all customers, and of course all the WI ladies that attended and shopped at our annual Christmas Craft Fair. It was successful and if you missed it there we're some amazing new vendors with some new items to try out. The school kids who came out and showed and sold, their unique home made products. (John bought some of your homemade jerky and pronounced it delicious) . Plus your professional demeanor was so good. Plus we had a lady who is a fine weaver, she was from Hanna. She told me she really enjoyed her day with us and she had a good day. Even the weather cooperated. We all really appreciate that you shopped local.

I was able to get to the Duchess craft sale on Saturday morning too, I like to see the new and different products of the artists. Plus you can try out old favourites and new creations in the baking department. Remember to shop locally and support our creators. Watch this paper for lots more sales coming up.

We had a really busy week, a wedding in Valley View and reception in High Level then home to work for John on Tuesday, a great concert on Thursday, and the craft sale Friday. We also managed to get some Christmas lights up. Sounds like the forecast is for cold and snow so we're lucky to take advantage of the milder weather. I am hoping to get to hear the choir that is touring some local churches in the area.

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County expands designated officer bylaw

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The county has amended the designated officers bylaw to help reduce the amount of work under the

CAO. Layne Johnson, the county's director of corporate services, said the intent of the bylaw is to relieve CAO Matt Fenske of some responsibilities that can be dealt with by others.

Expanding the bylaw to appoint the agricultural fieldman would relieve Fenske from having to be

involved either directly or indirectly in duties that are statutory to the fieldman's position while the senior peace officer would be responsible for specific matters under the Municipal Government Act.

The CAO and the assessor remain as designated officers.

"The one thing is things

can move faster. People don't have to wait for Matt to sign an order that requires a designated officer to sign. It should improve efficiencies and reduce frustration for staff," said Johnson.

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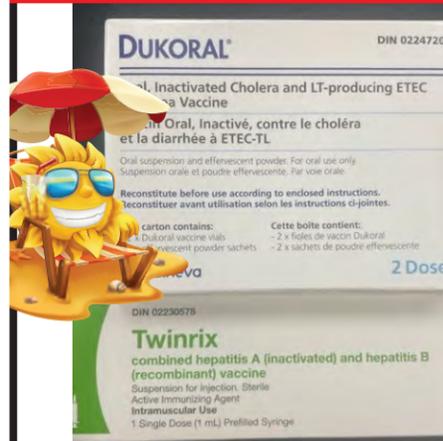


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COMMENT

Being unvaccinated is a freedom, not a right

by Patricia Paradis

Premier Danielle Smith plans to add protection for those choosing not to be vaccinated against Covid-19 to the Alberta Human Rights Act. Before moving forward, she should consider the history and purpose of that act.

Alberta's original human rights legislation, the Individual's Rights Protection Act, was the second act passed by former premier Peter Lougheed when he was elected Progressive Conservative premier in 1971, the first being the Alberta Bill of Rights. Alberta joined provinces passing human rights acts across the country following the atrocities committed against Jewish people before and during the Second World War--the first being Saskatchewan in 1947. The Canadian Human Rights Act was passed in 1977. All provinces and territories now have human rights acts.

Human rights legislation exists to prevent discrimination and to promote a society in which everyone is equal in dignity, rights and responsibilities without regard to grounds such as race, religious beliefs, colour, gender, gender identity, physical disability, mental disability, age, ancestry and sexual orientation, to name a few. Those grounds are meant to capture people and groups of people who have been historically disadvantaged and who are vulnerable and subject to differences in treatment because of personal characteristics.

Protected grounds can evolve over time. Several provinces have added gender identity, gender expression and family status grounds to their human rights acts, as understanding the harms suffered by people based on those grounds became apparent. The Supreme Court of Canada can also "add" a ground to a human rights act when omitting the ground is found to be discriminatory.

This is what the court did in the Vriend case, when it ruled in 1998 that the Alberta government had to add sexual orientation as a ground to its human rights act. Not including it meant that a gay person could be fired from a job because of their sexual orientation and have no recourse to human rights legislation for redress.

Human rights acts are concerned with the equality or access to places, activities and opportunities. All of them prohibit discrimination in employment, in the rental of accommodation, in services and facilities that are customarily available to the public and in the publication and display of discriminatory notices and other representations. They differ from the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms because the charter protects only against discrimination by the government: legislation, actions by the government and by government actors such as the police. The charter is also part of our Constitution which means it cannot easily be changed.

Human rights acts, on the other hand, can be changed by provincial and territorial legislatures, Parliament and by the courts. Yet it is critical that governments understand the purpose of these acts when doing so.

It is difficult, if not impossible, to understand "those who choose not to be vaccinated against Covid-19" as a group that needs protection under the Alberta Human Rights Act.

Unlike those whose vaccine status may be driven by a disability or religion, they have made a personal choice. And while freedom to choose is important in a democratic society, it is not absolute. It is a fundamental premise of society that governments make rules to restrict freedoms when that is necessary to protect others. Choosing to drive down the wrong side of the road to get somewhere quickly is illegal because it will likely endanger others.

Human rights legislation is meant to protect rights, not freedoms.

The freedom of those who choose not to be vaccinated will always need to be weighed against the rights of those who are vulnerable, disadvantaged and therefore protected in our human rights act.

Patricia Paradis is a former executive director of the Centre for Constitutional Studies at the University of Alberta and taught human rights law in the faculty of law there for 23 years.

TIME CAPSULE



1969--Brooks Composite High School Trents volleyball team. Standing, Polly Ohama, Cherry Spence, Willy Van Otterloo, Betty Baxter, Esther Wilcox, Charlotte Keller and Kathy Lomas. Kneeling, Heather Wells, coach A. J. Lawrance and Merle Koch. The team has garnered national attention especially after their latest win of the University of Alberta's invitational tournament. The team and coach have their sights on a national championship.

Vinland: A Question of Timing

COLUMNIST

GWYNNE DYER



"If the 20th century AD were dated at the same resolution as the 20th century BC, the two World Wars would be indistinguishable in time; and the Montgomery Bus Strike might post-date the release of Mandela." So wrote the ECHOES team of palaeohistorians at Groningen University in the northern Netherlands - and then they fixed the problem.

Their new method for dating events in the distant past immediately got my attention, because the first problem they solved was the exact date of the first European settlement in the New World. It was the Viking settlement at L'Anse aux Meadows at the very northernmost tip of Newfoundland, and the year was 1021 AD.

I was always interested in the Norse, because I grew up in Newfoundland and that was already seen as the likeliest location of the region they called 'Vinland'. I read the sagas ('Erik the Red' and 'The Greenlanders'), which were rip-roaring tales of triumph and treachery but distinctly short on geographical and chronological detail.

Then in the 1960s Norwegian archaeologists discovered the remains of eight Norse longhouses on the L'Anse aux Meadows site. So the location was known, but still not the date. The explorers came from the new Norse settlements in Greenland, which had been founded in 985 AD, but nobody knew how much later they arrived in Newfoundland.

So what the hell! Let's

say it was the year 1000 AD. The Newfoundland Museum declared that the year 2000 was the millennium of the Viking settlement, the local tourist authorities went into high gear - and somebody at the Museum contacted me to write the script for the exhibition, because... well, because I was a journalist and a Newfoundlander.

I swallowed my doubts, named my price, and did the job. Not a bad job, actually, because I could play with the fact that the Norse in Newfoundland had both peaceful and violent contacts with the local indigenous people.

Those people, probably related to the extinct Beothuk of Newfoundland or the modern Innu of Labrador, were very distant descendants of the modern human beings who left Africa around 100,000 years ago, turned right, crossed all of Asia, and finally arrived in North America when the glaciers receded about 14,000 years ago.

The Norse, on the other hand, were the distant descendants of those who turned left when they left Africa, settled Europe - and eventually island-hopped across the Atlantic. After all those millennia the two streams of migration finally met up again in Newfoundland. So I called the exhibition 'Full Circle', and slid past the question of exactly when it happened.

But now we know. The ECHOES team (it stands for 'Exact Chronology of Early Societies') figured it out by examining bits of wood found on the L'Anse aux Meadows site that had clearly been cut with iron (European) axes. A huge solar flare in 993 AD left a spike in that year's tree rings, so just count rings out from there to the bark. The trees died in 1021.

The specific date of L'Anse aux Meadows doesn't really matter, of course, but the technique does. Cosmic-ray-

induced surges in atmospheric radiocarbon concentrations are another new tool for figuring out the past, and that is now important work.

Two centuries ago our knowledge of the past barely reached back past classical Greece and Rome: say, 3,000 years. Now scientists are working hard to puzzle out past climate states ranging from hundreds to billions of years ago, because understanding the patterns of the past may help us through whatever happens next. Every scrap of information may be valuable.

All very well, but why didn't the Norse settlement last?

They abandoned their exploration of north-eastern North America because the 'cash crop' they were looking for in Vinland turned out to be much closer to home: ivory from the abundant walrus population that they could hunt in Disko Bay, only a thousand kilometres up Greenland's west coast.

They could feed themselves by farming and fishing, but it was the ivory that paid for all the things they needed to import from Europe (timber, iron and bronze, stained glass, etc.). Up to 5,000 people lived in the Greenland settlements for more than four centuries, apparently quite happy to ignore 'Vinland' - and then they disappeared.

Where they went or how they died has been promoted as a great mystery, but the real reason is probably that the bottom dropped out of the European market for ivory in the early 15th century as abundant new supplies became available from Africa and Russia's new Arctic settlements.

The climate had also turned against the Greenland Norse (the 'Little Ice Age'), so they most likely just upped stakes and moved back to Iceland, or even to Norway. No massacre, no famine, just a change in the trade routes. It's not always dramatic.



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Evergreen Activities Centre

PRAIRIE PIONEERS 50+ CLUB

PRAIRIE PIONEERS - Our potluck this past Friday was very well attended. Everything was delicious. A big thank you to Verna and Cindy for organizing the dinner. Well done ladies.

Our centre looks very festive. Thanks to all who helped decorate both inside and outside.

Our pie days will continue Thursdays 1:30 to 3:00. Come and enjoy delicious home made pie, coffee or tea just for \$4.00.

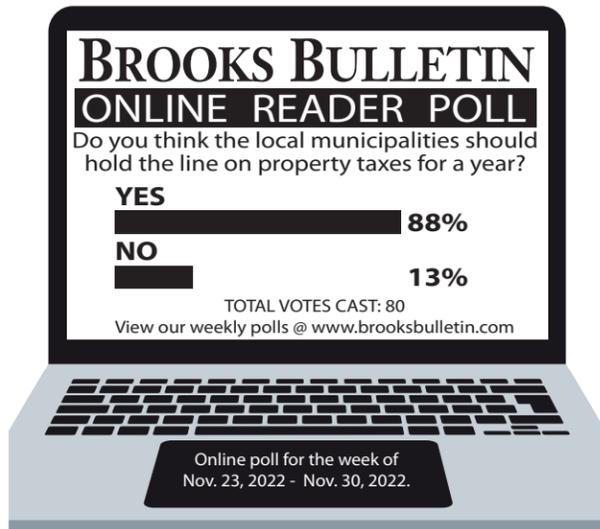
December birthday greetings go out to the following members.

Helga Ledene December 2, Gail Anderson December 3, Jo Simpson, Margaret LeCaine, Cindy Desjardins and Kathy Rodwell all on December 6, Carol Johnson and George Luchies December 8,

Marie Chorney December 12, Marilyn Fehr, Dennis Gangl, and Bob Thomson December 14, Dennis Houston December 20, Trudy Zimmer December

25, Cliff Sewell December 27, Carter Curran and Nola Okel December 31.

Happy birthday everyone. Have a good week.



Indispensable Christmas Prep

DEVOTIONAL THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

EID MINISTERIAL ASSOC.

**Pastor Terry Jackson
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When is the appropriate time for Christmas decorations to consume your house? For some the answer is all year, for most it falls between Nov 1-Dec 24. I prefer a weekend close or at the start of December; anything else seems too late or way too early. It really is a matter of perspective.

The advent season in preparation for Christmas day spans four Sundays, with a theme for each service: hope, peace, joy,

and love. One purpose for celebrating in this way is to focus on the differences Jesus' arrival has made to the world and to our own lives. Christmas is a wonderful time of year, yet as you already know it can be a chaotic occasion. Our desires for a perfect Christmas can lead to much internal and external heartache. What is helpful in mitigating this is to put time aside to stop and reflect upon these themes.

I invite you to stop your activity and reflect on the question assigned.

First Nov 27, how has hope in Jesus made a difference for me this year?

Second Dec 4, how has Jesus brought peace to me in 2022?

Third Dec 11, where has the joy of the Lord shown up for me this year?

Fourth Dec 18, where is the evidence of Jesus' perfect love reflected in me and around me?

I encourage you to reflect on these questions and to ask the Holy Spirit to speak to you through this exercise. Often our answers are not what we wish they would be, God already knows you perfectly. Allow for the true God to minister to your heart by showing you what He has done already and what He longs for you to experience.

Don't let this Christmas season pass by without encountering the incarnate Jesus of Nazareth, our Lord and Saviour.

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More local residents receive Queen's Platinum medals

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Long time Brooks resident Jackie Murray was one of 20 recipients of the Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee medals presented over the weekend by Alberta premier and Brooks-Medicine Hat MLA Danielle Smith.

Smith handed out medals to residents from Brooks, Medicine Hat and Redcliff on Friday during a ceremony at the Heritage Inn.

On Saturday during an intimate ceremony with friends and family, she presented a Queen's medal to Murray, 95, who was decorated with other medals she previously received, including the Alberta Centennial Medal that was presented in 2006.

Looking at Murray's lapel, Smith laughed, "I don't know where I'm going to put it."

Murray started Brooks Communities in Bloom program in 2001.

"She's brought all kinds of beautiful things to Brooks, as a result and she's an honorary Rotarian," Inge Ellefson, Murray's friend told Smith.

Ellefson said that Murray has been a big contributor to the Rotary program including her work on the club's 40th anniversary event.

"She's always got a wise crack and an organizer. We've worked together on any number of things," she said.

Murray said she started helping when her daughter was in Girl Guides and her



Premier and Brooks-Medicine Hat MLA Danielle Smith with Queen's Platinum Jubilee recipient Jackie Murray.

| SANDRA M STANWAY PHOTO

son was in Boy Scouts.

"I was the second member of the (Brooks and District) museum. I stayed with that for 12 years."

With many years of volunteering she was told by her doctor to slow down.

She also worked outside the home for many years during the time her late husband Jim, a commercial pilot, worked.

"He was a most handsome man," she said.

After purchasing a farm in about 1953, the Murray's moved to the County of Newell.

The couple moved into the city in about 2011.

On Friday medals were presented to recipients or their family member from the Brooks area: Daphne Anstey-Martin, Jordan Brown, Del Christen, Molly Douglass, Norm Gerestein, Amanda Goodnough, Joel Goodnough, Arthur

Wade Hoffman, Yonathan Negussie, Lynn Pye-Matheson, Kelly Rasmussen and Dr. Erich van der Linde.

The Medicine Hat area recipients are Rick Armstrong, Lt. Col. Stephen Burke, Natasha Carvalho, Marg Derbyshire, Gladys Garyk, Chris Hellman and Kole Van Maarion.

During a ceremony earlier in the month at the CPR Engineer's House city council and manager of Brooks County Immigration Services Mohammed Idriss, presented medals to Brian Dunlop, Carol Gil, Clara Iwaasa, Joseph Octavious and posthumously to Richard Gette who died earlier this year.

Over the next few weeks there will be additional medals will be presented to local residents. The program will conclude in February after 7,000 medals are presented across Alberta.



Left, Brian Dunlop, Carol Gil, Joseph Octavious, Clara Iwaasa and Joelle Powell, who accepted the posthumous award for her father Richard Gette, were presented a Queen's medal during a ceremony at the Engineer's House on Nov. 19. | SANDRA M STANWAY PHOTO



Premier Danielle Smith, front centre, with recipients of the Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Medal from Brooks, Medicine Hat and Redcliff. Smith presented the medals during a ceremony at the Heritage Inn on Friday. | SANDRA M STANWAY PHOTO



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Presentation to city prior to Dec. 3 declaration



Clinton Mulongo, centre, with his mom, Pauline Barasa and brother Lucas Aseka. | SANDRA M STANWAY

SANDRA M STANWAY
BROOKS BULLETIN

For the first time in recent memory city council gave a presenter a standing ovation.

Last Monday Clinton Mulongo briefly recounted his journey from the time he received a brain injury as a 10-year-old in Kenya to his receiving help after his arrival in Canada.

The presentation was made prior to council declaring Dec. 3 as International Day of Persons

with Different Abilities.

Mulongo said the injury led to developmental problems that affected his cognitive and mental wellbeing.

His memory and concentration were affected and assumptions were made by others that a person with a disability could not do some things.

"I felt alone and rejected," he said.

After arriving in Canada, he got the medical attention he badly needed and now he feels much better.

"I joined REDI Enterprise Society in the year 2020 and I have gotten great support in many different areas," he said.

Mulongo said he's learned a number of things through REDI such as self-advocacy and his rights and responsibilities.

He is empowered, has gained self-esteem and is a responsible individual living as a person with disability.

His hope is a future where a person with disabilities can easily find a job without being judged, underpaid or marginalized.

"I want a future where a person with disabilities can have equal opportunities in the community. Also a future with adequate education, healthcare and compassion for personal disabilities."

He thanked his family in Canada and Kenya, staff in healthcare and at REDI for believing in him and

knowing they are proud of him.

"I have gained courage, self-confidence, trust and I learned to be strong and not let other people drag me down," he said.

"As you acknowledge this day, let us remember that disability is not inability and not all disabilities can be seen by the naked eye," Mulongo said.

The International Day of Persons with Different Abilities, formerly, the International Day of Disabled Persons, was declared by the United Nations in 1992.

Today, over one billion people live with some form of different ability and face barriers to participation in all aspects of society.

In honour of the day, the city will provide a free trip on the Handibus for registered riders.

Duchess Dispatch
LINDA MOREY

DUCHESS - Congratulations to the organizers of the Duchess Christmas craft sale. Mother Nature helped with a beautiful sunny day and that in turn showed in full parking lots and, I can only assume, a lot of traffic moving through the market!

Our condolences to the family of Harley Endersby who passed away November 23rd. He grew up in the Duchess area and is survived by his kids and grandkids and wife, his brothers and their families, Dan, Dennis, Rick and Todd. May you lean on your memories for strength during this difficult time.

The Duchess & District Public Library has Lego out for anyone to come and build.

4:15 PM. The age group for the after school activities will be for ages 7 to 16 and includes kids in school and homeschoolers. We will have sign up sheets in the library in December 2022.. Watch for other programs happening starting in January 2023. A reminder: Library cards are FREE for people and kids in Duchess, Division 3 and Division 8.

I was mistaken about our Duchess volleyball girls being able to play in Provincials. As they are a JV team, they could only go as high as Zones. However, next year, with hopes of the same team staying together, they will have a senior team and able to go to further! A great young team!

Rolling Hills is hosting a craft/bake sale on December 3rd from 10:00-3:00 in the Hall. Santa is stopping by at 1:00pm. Please call Katharina at 403 376 4035 to book a table.

Please call me at 403-793-1630 with any news you may have.

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Brooks CFSEA awards \$16,570 during fall presentations

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BROOKS BULLETIN

Habitat for Humanity and the SPEC Association received grant funding last week during the presentation of the Brooks chapter of the Community Foundation of Southeastern Alberta (CFSEA).

Habitat was presented \$10,000 and SPEC received \$6,750.

It is expected that the organization will distribute additional dollars prior to their spring event.

On Thursday, the CFSEA under the Community Foundations of Canada, United Way Centraide Canada and the Canadian



Members of the CFSEA, left, Leona Ferguson, Inge Ellefson and Dave Andrews, far right, present \$6,750 to Amanda Goodnough of SPEC. | SUBMITTED PHOTO

Red Cross were selected by the federal government to help distribute \$400 million under the Community Services Recovery Fund.

A news release states

that the funds are to go to a diverse range of charities, non-profits and indigenous governing bodies to help them adapt and modernize so they can support recovery pandemic.

"Since the early phases of the pandemic, charities, non-profits and indigenous governing bodies have struggled with increased demand for their services, reduced revenues, declines in charitable giving due to the rising cost of living and a greater need to make use of digital tools as part of adapting and modernizing their operations," states the federal news release.

The application process will launch in January.

It is not known yet how much money will be made available to the southern foundation or when the funds will be distributed.



CFSEA members Leona Ferguson, Inge Ellefson and Dave Andrews, present \$10,000 to Carol Gil of Habitat for Humanity and the two families who will be moving into a new Habitat home. | SUBMITTED PHOTO



The Brooks Kinsmen set up their annual Christmas Tree sale on the weekend in the Safeway parking lot. Shown are Kinsmen Rod Eckes, left, and Justin Hok with future Kinsmen member Mason Ketchmark, 7. | SANDRA M STANWAY PHOTO

Phase 2 water project update

SANDRA M STANWAY
BROOKS BULLETIN

There are just a couple of easement signings to be completed before the county begins phase two of the rural water project.

Construction is expected to begin before Christmas.

"The majority of that work will obviously be taking place in 2023," Mark Harbicht, the county's director of municipal services told council last Thursday.

He said work is also underway on the second contract of the project.

CHRISTMAS Craft Shows

List your community craft show here for the low cost of \$15/week or 4 weeks for \$45.

CHRISTMAS IN THE BADLANDS

Friday, Dec. 9, 5 pm to 9 pm
Sat., Dec. 10, 10 am to 4 pm

PATRICIA HALL

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Cassils Clarion & Antelope Creek

JODI NIZNIK



CASSILS/ANTELOPE CREEK - There will be a baby shower meet and welcome for Haley (Harbinson) and Jaida Armstrong on December 21st @ 7pm at Cassils Hall. Everyone welcome. For more information please call Abby at 403-793-1423.

Ladies club 12 Days

of Christmas Raffle tickets are out there and on sale. Get yours soon, they do go fast. Draws start on the 12th. Ladies club members remember to have your draw items and baking ready. For more details contact Crystal at 403-793-0195.

The Annual Community

Christmas supper is finally back and taking place Sunday December 4th. Doors open at 5pm, supper at 5:30. Surname A-M dessert and N-Z salad, the rest of the meal is supplied by the Cassilope Ladies Club. This is traditionally a dinner for current and past families of Cassils and Antelope Creek to kick off the holiday season. Santa is rumoured to be making a stop so parents please put a wrapped gift under the tree with your child's name on it! We hope to see you all there. Ladies club members please come help with preparation and set up at 10am that morning. If you need more information please contact crystal at 403-793-0195.

Scandia Sketch

KARLYN TAKEDA



SCANDIA - The Scandia Lutheran Church is looking to put on a Christmas concert, Carol Singing, and potluck, on Dec.18th @ 4:30. We are looking for kids to be involved, if you have kids that would be interested please contact Kryston Tateson at 403-363-0879.

Calling all kids!-Alcoma Community Kids Club, first Friday of the month, starting December 2nd, 3.15pm to 4.30pm. All kids and all ages are welcome to join the fun activities, and snacks will be provided. The Library will be OPEN at this time.

Alcoma Community Library presents Thistle & Sage Christmas Centrepiece Workshop on Tuesday, December 6 in the Alcoma School. 15 spots available. Sign up sheet is at the Alcoma Community Library. This workshop is partially sponsored by Alcoma Community Library.

Alcoma Community Library will be open to the public during school open hours and on Thursday evenings from 6.30 to 8.00pm throughout the school year. Alcoma School News

Reminder to please send all report cards back signed. There will be Mini volleyball practices at lunches, with Mini volleyball games taking place at Alcoma this Thursday. There will also be HOT BREAKFAST for all

students on Thursday. The SPEC led playgroup will take place again this Friday, from 9:30-11 at the school. Bring your little on for some fun! Don't forget to keep up to date on our special birthday celebrations on class dojo!

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Lettuce shortage - get used to it! ... but it's good for more Alberta production



I expect most readers have noticed the iceberg and romaine head-type lettuce shortage in grocery stores, although leaf-type lettuces are still available. Head lettuce is still somewhat available but at over \$5 a head. However, retailers don't like to stock perceived over-priced produce as they don't want to be stuck with expensive unsellable leftover stock. Some folks might notice that several big fast-food chains still have lettuce for their menu items - more on that later. Growers, mostly in southern California, have stated that the shortage is due to crop failures as a result of lettuce diseases, weather conditions, drought, and water restrictions. The shortage is also

due to the concentration of lettuce growing to specific areas, how much is grown there and the time of the year (e.g. Arizona-grown lettuce will soon relieve the shortage). Few consumers are aware of how fine-tuned the growing and marketing of fresh produce has become in North America. Its become that way so that every player along the supply chain, from grower, to packer, to distributor, to retailer, can make some money with not a lot of product left over. Because of that fine-tuning, the naïve spoiled consumer can buy the freshest, safest, and least expensive lettuce in the world year-round. It's the free market operating at its finest. The downside is the concentration of massive commercial lettuce production to specific areas, climate zones, and water accessibility. If something goes wrong, the consequences affect the entire continent, particularly

in winter. Growing lettuce in greenhouses somewhat mitigates that concentration, which has benefited Alberta. However, the market reality is that the two most desired lettuce varieties, iceberg and romaine, are agronomically and financially more suitable to outdoor cultivation. As yet, growing those two varieties has not yet been successful under greenhouse conditions - that doesn't mean efforts aren't being made. Another reality is that head lettuce production involves millions of tons and thousands of acres - putting even a portion of that into greenhouses would cost billions in infrastructure and significantly drive up the cost of head lettuce. At present, greenhouse lettuce is generally of the leaf variety due to more favourable agronomics and financial returns. Be that as it may, Alberta is in an ideal situation to expand its lettuce greenhouse production and, with

technological advances, could probably grow head lettuce varieties in greenhouses on a commercially viable basis in the future. Another looming growing crisis in the southwest USA will also expedite greenhouse production in this province. Some reports on the lettuce shortage mentioned that water shortages in some areas restricted the amount of land sowed to lettuce. In past columns, I wrote about the impending water shortage crisis with the implication that produce growing in California and Arizona would be severely impacted. Unfortunately, it seems that reality has arrived sooner than I expected, aided by other plant growth calamities. I predicted that if such water shortages become worse and the norm, the USA will probably look at restricting produce shipments to Canada - using the "Americans First" notion. No surprise there; I expect we would do the

same. I suggested that Canada could supply California with water (it's entirely feasible) to alleviate their long-term drought in exchange for a guaranteed share of their produce production. Supplying water to California is the only leverage we would have to access any restricted vegetable/fruit production from the USA. But green left fearmongering, and government and academic ideological paralysis will stone wall all consideration of that reality until starvation breaks out in Canada in winter. That's why the greenhouse alternative will be pursued even though it will be more costly for consumers. Avoiding the lettuce shortage by utilizing greenhouse production is already happening. An insightful fast food operator Wendy's, has done just that and contracted a Taber-area greenhouse to provide all their lettuce needs for their Canadian outlets year-round. That

greenhouse lettuce is a unique leaf variety that has the crunch factor that Wendy's wants for its burgers. As you might expect, Wendy's is unaffected by the current continental lettuce shortage. I expect other fast-food operators that rely on steady and large quantities of lettuce may well be using greenhouse lettuce, or will surely be considering it after the latest shortage catastrophe. That bodes well for expanding Alberta's greenhouses lettuce production as Alberta has the high-tech expertise, the entrepreneurs, the water, the sunshine, the land base, low-cost energy and government incentives to rapidly develop greenhouse infrastructure.

Will Verboven is an ag opinion writer and former resident of Warden, Quebec



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Rainier Record

JANE BELLWARD



RAINIER - Happy Birthday greetings this coming week go to Melissa Nielsen on December 5; Noralyn Johnson on December 11.

Thank you to everyone who attended the Rainier Revival last Saturday evening. What a wonderful evening socializing and listening to the live music provided by Rainier's "Wild Turkey", and the Vauxhall Band "Sestra".

Alcoma Community Kids Club, first Friday of the month, starting December 2nd, 3.15pm to 4.30pm. Fun activities and snacks provided. The Library will be open at this time. The program aims to strengthen children's relationships and to further the child's development in physical, mental, and social areas. Sponsored by Alcoma Community Library and Alcoma School.

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Check out the FaceBook page for Alcoma School 100 Year Celebration, and see all the photographs of past staff and students. So very interesting. Alcoma School is planning a celebration of the school's 100th birthday, this upcoming year, June 23-25, 2023. Calling all Alcoma Alumni, Rainier, Scandia and Bow City Community members, staff and students past and present, parents and family members, and anyone who would like to join in helping us plan and

organize this event, is invited to email Mrs Skriver to join a planning committee. Leona. Skriver@grasslands.ab.ca or call 403-362-3641, or Michele Slenders at michele.slenders@eidnet.org All are welcome to attend. The next meeting is on Wednesday, January 18th, 2023, at 4.00pm.

South Slope 4-H Beef Club will meet at the Rainier Hall the third Wednesday of each month, at 7.00pm. Please call Shannon Andrews at 403-793-0297 if you require further information.

The Rainier Hall Community Club meets the third Tuesday of each month, at the hall, at 7.30pm. The next meeting will be Tuesday, January 17th, 2023. Please feel free to attend, and help plan upcoming community events.

Please remember to look out for our little folk and keep your speed down while driving by the hall, community mail boxes, playground and school.

The Alcoma School and SPEC will be hosting a playschool opportunity every other Friday from 9.30am to 11.00am at the school. All parents are

welcome to come and bring their little ones for some fun and fellowship. There will be activities and a small snack provided. Please contact the school at 403-362-3741 if you are interested in attending. The first one was on Friday, September 23.

Alcoma Community Library will be open to the public during school open hours and on Thursday evenings from 6.30 to 8.00pm throughout the school year. Come on in and see what is offered for books, games, puzzles, movies.....check it out! There is a JBS Centre family swim pass available, for two adults and two children. Check it out like a book.

Christmas Daze, Amazing Crafts & Baked Goods. Saturday, December 3, from 10.00am to 3.00pm, at the Rolling Hills Hall. Concession available all day. Santa visits at 1.00pm. For more information or to book your table, call or email Katharina Banman 403-376-4035, or kath.banman18@icloud.com.

Please contact me by Sunday if you have any news you would like included in this column. janebellward20@gmail.com or 403-793-0692.

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The annual lighting of the Trees of Hope in front of the Brooks Health Centre took place earlier in the month by representatives of the Prairie Rose Hospice Palliative Care Society. Shown are Rosemarie Anderson, Audrey Hausher, Colleen Davidson, Linda Currie and Marg Laux. Forms for the Trees of Hope program, which runs until Dec. 9, are available at the Brooks Bulletin as well as online at PRHPCS@gmail.com. Funds raised go towards hospital beds for in-home use, palliative care education and providing comfort totes for patients. | SANDRA M STANWAY PHOTO

Eastern Irrigation District Notice of Election

LOCAL JURISDICTION: Local Authorities Election Act,
s. 12, 35, 46, 53
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obituaries



SENECAL - Mr. George Senecal of Calgary, beloved husband of Lila (Houseman) Senecal, passed away peacefully in Calgary, November 19, 2022, at the age of 86 years. Born in Cereal, Alberta on August 25, 1936. At the age of six, moved with his parents Lionel and Gwen Senecal and Grandfather George Senecal to the One Tree Area near Brooks, in 1942. He often spoke proudly of how he met Lila at One Tree School, at the age of eight. Lila was five. He fell in love at first sight and had declared at that time that he would marry her one day. They did get married, September 5, 1959. George was an entrepreneur from a very early age. While on the farm in One Tree, he began trapping weasels and muskrats to sell the pelts for bounties and profit. He collected wild pheasant eggs from nests he searched out and brought them to the Brooks Pheasant Hatchery and earned enough money to purchase his first bicycle. This was the foundation of his business life, which he always tried to grow and improve. Later when he moved to Calgary, after graduating from high school, he worked for a number of companies, before he and friend, Bill Meyer, a co-worker at Hector Steel Co, purchased Modern Tool Ltd., in 1964. His partners left for other ventures or retired, but Modern Tool was George's pride and joy for the rest of his life, second only to his family. George was predeceased by his parents Lionel and Gwendolyn (Bunney) Senecal, and his younger brother Ron. He leaves behind his wife of 63 years Lila; three sons, Mark, Noel (Debbie) and Curtis; six grandchildren, Derrick (Bobbie), Ryan (Miranda), Sydni, McKenna (Chase), Tanner and Kori; nine great grandchildren, Marius, Lucian, Phoenix, Aries, Kristina, Connor, Tiberius, Elijah and Emmitt; brother Aza; sister-in-law Linda Senecal and their children, Shonna, Jason, Sandy, Shane and Joshua; many great nieces and nephews; brother-in-law David Houseman; sister-in-law Dory (Houseman) Evans and many cousins of the Senecal, Bunney, Houseman, Bender and extended families. Funeral services were held on Friday, November 25 at 2:00 PM from the Heritage Inn and Convention Centre. Pastor Garth Everett officiating. Interment followed at Brooks Cemetery.

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BROST - Edward Caleb Cody Brost

January 31st, 1990 – November 18th, 2022

Ed Brost leaves to mourn his passing his father, David Brost (stepmother, Jacquie Pill); three sisters, Tamara Brost of Vancouver, WA, Tristan Brost (Devon Potter) of Carseland, AB and Sydney Brost of Colorado Springs, CO; grandparents, Jim Brost & Joyce Aman of Medicine Hat, AB; special friend, Tammy Klassen of Longview, AB; numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. He was predeceased by his mother, Debra Brost; grandparents, Charles & Helma Bow; daughter, Ryder Sky Brost.

Ed was born in Lethbridge, AB on January 31st, 1990. He lived with his family in Medicine Hat, AB until 1992 when they moved to Irvine, AB. For the next 2 years, Ed travelled around the U.S. and Canada with his father doing long haul trucking. Ed then attended school at Irvine School. He loved playing hockey & baseball and just playing with his friends. In 2003, the family moved to a small farm in the Wisdom, AB area & Ed helped out a lot with the farm chores, going to school and playing hockey in Redcliff, AB where he made many special friends. In 2006, Ed and his father moved to Bow Island, AB where they resided together until 2011 when Ed moved to Brooks, AB and began a career in the oilpatch working for different companies over the years.

Ed was a very loving and caring person with a quick smile and an infectious sense of humour. He will be sadly missed by all who knew him.

For those wishing to pay their respects, a public visitation will be held on Monday, November 28th, 2022, from 12:00pm – 4:00pm at Grace Memorial. Condolences may be made at www.gracememorial.com. Arrangements are made by GRACE MEMORIAL AFFORDABLE BURIAL & CREMATION 1924 10th Ave NW, Medicine Hat, Alberta T1C 1T5 403-905-0440 info@gracememorial.com.

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Brooks Legion Hall
Sat., Dec. 3
 7:30 to 10:30pm
 Everyone Welcome!
 Dance to the music of "LARRY & SON-IN-LAWS"
 FREE COFFEE & TEA
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obituaries



LUDWIG - Amanda Lisa Ludwig of Brooks, Alberta passed away November 16, 2022 in Calgary, Alberta at the age of 42 years.

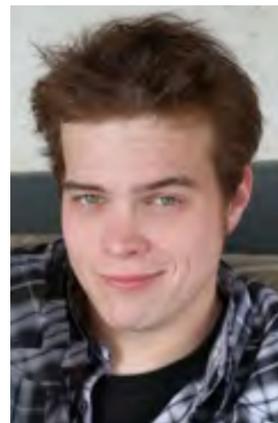
Amanda was born September 17, 1980 in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan to Marvin Yungwirth & Evelyn Shutter.

She grew up in Cold Lake, Alberta and Winnipeg, Manitoba.

She met her husband Joseph Daniel Ludwig and they were married September 15, 2007 in Dauphin, Manitoba. In 2000 they moved to Brooks, Alberta

Amanda is survived by her husband Joseph Ludwig, father Marvin Yungwirth, brother Kevin Yungwirth, nephew Dillion Campbell.

Service was held Saturday, November 26, 2022, 3:00 pm at Thom's Funeral Home, Duchess, Alberta.



HIEBERT - It is with immeasurable sadness that we announce the passing of our son, our brother, our uncle and our friend Bradley Hiebert on November 23, 2022 at the young age of 36. Bradley was born in Medicine Hat on May 23, 1986 to proud parents Brad and Valerie and became the adored baby brother to Jacqueline and Karri, completing their family. Bradley grew up and attended school in Brooks. After finishing high school he went on to work in the family business of Brooks Taxi alongside his dad Brad, his mom Valerie and Grandpa George. He later set out in a different direction with Brad's Courier and then with Precision Laboratory Services. His real passion in life was cars and

trucks. He loved to work on his own vehicles in his spare time. He was a self-taught mechanic that enjoyed taking his vehicles apart, and occasionally he would even put them back together. Bradley loved all animals. From his cat Cookie when he was younger, to his favorite canine companion Ozzy, and most recently his dog Bron. He loved animals and cats and dogs were all drawn to his big heart. Bradley had a unique, dry sense of humor and was fiercely loyal to his friends and family. He was devoted to his Mom, especially the last few years as his Dad's illness grew worse. He leaves a gaping hole in our family unit and his presence will be forever missed in our lives. Bradley is survived and missed beyond measure by his mother and father Brad and Valerie, his sisters Karri Daoust (Matt) and Jacqueline Gartshore (Mark), his nieces and nephews Justin Daoust, Noah Gartshore, Elliot Gartshore, Abby Daoust, and Zach Daoust. He is also survived by numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. A Private Family Service will be held. In memory of Bradley, if friends desire, the family would respectfully request donations be made directly to B.A.P.S., Box 86, Brooks, Alberta T1R 1B2 in Bradley's name.

Cremation is entrusted to and conducted at Smith Funeral Home Ltd. and Crematorium, Brooks

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PARKYN - Doris Carol Parkyn of Bassano, Alberta, passed away peacefully in Brooks on November 21, 2022 at the age of 74 years. Funeral Services will be held on Friday, December 2, 2022 at Knox Presbyterian Church, Bassano, Alberta at 11:00 am. A full obituary will be made available once finalized. For further information, to light a memorial candle or to leave a message of sympathy, please visit www.thomfuneralhome.com or call (403) 501-1010.

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obituaries



ENDERSBY - Wayne "Harley" Endersby

February 18, 1948-
November 23, 2022

Wayne "Harley" Endersby of Medicine Hat, Alberta passed away at home surrounded by people that loved him on November 23, 2022, at the age of 74.

Harley will be forever loved, remembered, and missed by his partner, Brenda Dube; his daughter, Cheryl Endersby-Connolly (Robert); daughter, Kim Turton (Mike); son,

Lincoln Endersby; step-daughter, Rachael Wilson (Carrie); his grandchildren, Trelle (Andrew), Olivia, Tiffany (Jordan), Cole and great granddaughter, Sara; his brothers, Dan (Dianna), Dennis (Ella), Rick (Cherry), Todd; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Dan and June Endersby.

A Celebration of Life will be held in the Spring 2023. Condolences may be made at www.gracememorial.com. Arrangements are made by GRACE MEMORIAL AFFORDABLE BURIAL & CREMATION 1924 10th Ave NW, Medicine Hat, Alberta T1C 1T5 403-905-0440 info@gracememorial.com.



BRYDEN - November 19, 2022 marks the passing of Marilyn Bryden.

To accurately convey the life of Marilyn Bryden; a gallery, not a paragraph or two is needed. There would be books, beautifully bound and filled with spectacular stories, such as the ones she read to her children and grandchildren which has passed on her love of reading, to the grand odysseys she found herself captivated with. Splendid quilts, ones that could only manifest from her imagination, color sense and maverick approach. These quilts an extension of her essence, warmth and love, now part of her legacy.

The light from the gallery window would fall upon vases of tiger lillies, gerber daisies and intricate bunny figurines. Hanging on the wall opposite would be some of the colorful and carefully put together outfits she was known for.

Then there's the photographs; capturing her smile, posture and unique gestures. Photos of her childhood, adventures with her husband and of Marilyn embracing her children and grandchildren.

None of them are equal to being one of those fortunate enough to join her in the kitchen, enjoying a bowl of warm soup or some baking while listening to one of her stories or jokes. Her creativity was not limited to her varied inventive endeavors; it continued with culinary experiments and baking that often received a five-star review from anyone lucky enough to enjoy it. She leaves behind a rich legacy through her family and those who shared in her life. Marilyn will truly be missed.

Thom's FUNERAL HOME AND RECEPTION CENTRE

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ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETINGS

Mon & Sat
8:00 pm Brooks United Church, 507 - 3rd Ave. W., Brooks
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Cantara House sees increase in clients in last eight months

**SUBMITTED
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As some of you may know, November is Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

Cantara House is the local domestic violence shelter that offers support, advocacy, information, emergency accommodation, (based on needs, staff, and space) and a 24-hour crisis line.

The facility also has a thrift store that offers clothing and small household items to men, women and children fleeing domestic violence.

Cantara provides services to about 1,000 individuals per year of which between 65 and 70 are local.

Since the end of COVID restrictions and people

moving about more freely, Cantara numbers have been on the rise.

Over the last eight months Cantara has provided services to 267 women, 32 men and 110 children. The numbers do not include the people Cantara reaches through public education who are our friends, families and neighbours who are experiencing incredibly painful familial circumstances.

Recently Cantara House was the recipient of \$22,000 from the Festival of Trees proceeds.

Ironically, such a beautiful event, with the thought of Christmas and happy family times, is directly contradictory for several families and children.

Often, family holidays are a breaking point for some who have been experiencing things such as stress, financial difficulties and family conflicts.

This may lead to several different family violence scenarios including verbal, physical, emotional, spiritual, financial, and sexual abuse.

If you, or anyone you know, are experiencing these kinds of difficulties, please do not hesitate to contact Cantara for information and/or support at 403-793-2232.

Cantara does accept used cell phones, gift cards for fuel and groceries and air mattresses as well as numerous other items. Contact the shelter for more information.

Millicent Mirror

MILLICENT LADIES THURSDAY CLUB

MILLICENT - For all your news worthy submissions please call Brenda 403) 378-4010. I will be submitting the news for the next few months and I'd love to talk to you.

The Newell Christian School Fundraiser Auction was a great success and would like to thank all their volunteers, businesses, and supporters; as well as Gateway Auction Services for all their support and hard work. Thanks everyone.

Millicent ladies will be having their Christmas meeting on Dec 1, 2022,

at the home of Wynona Hansen, at 6:00PM. Please remember gift exchange and bring a snack. Hope to see you all there, and please RSVP, ASAP.

The November 12th weekend all my Cindy Desjardins children; Courtney (Chris), Sheldon, Brendon (Stacy), and five of my grandchildren, came down to Brooks for grandpa John Desjardins celebration of life. It was a wonderful tribute to a man that has shared his gifts, time, and talents though his entire life. This past weekend

Cindy's sister Nancy and herself took a combined six grandchildren ages two through seven on the "Settler Polar Express (train ride)". Off to the North Pole to see Santa and his elf's.

Cindy's son and his wife also joined in. An awesome experience for all. Topped off with an overnight hotel stay and swimming. Who could ask for more? They could, everyone was healthy. What a blessing.

December is approaching fast, bundle up and stay warm till next time.

Tilley Telegram

ANITA CHAPPELL



TILLEY - Celebrate this Christmas season by making it a "Christmas to Remember" for a senior in your community. Brought to you by AgeCare Orchard Manor and Shopper's Drug Mart as part of the Stocking Stuffers for Seniors Program.

To become a Secret Santa for a senior in our community, pick up a tag at Shopper's Drug Mart or Orchard Manor; then, simply bring a gift with the tag attached to Orchard Manor or drop it off in the Christmas Box at Shopper's Drug Mart by December 15. Staff and volunteers will wrap and deliver all gifts to the seniors before Christmas Day. To nominate a senior please call 403-362-6188, email Stacey at sranch@agecare.ca or register online at www.carethischristmas.ca Thank you for your support of this program!

Bethany Lutheran Church offers worship services at

11:00 am every Sunday. The coffee is always on and all are welcome to attend. Coming up: December 4, Communion Service with Spirit of Grace, Christmas Dinner to follow; December 11, YouTube Service; December 18, Informal Service (note change); December 24 at 4:00 pm, Christmas Eve Candlelight Service with Reverend George Edmonds; December 25, no service.

Bethany Lutheran Church will be collecting monetary donations for the Adopt-A-Family Project, organized by the Grasslands Innovations School Wellness Team. Donations will be accepted until December 4.

The Tilley and District Public Library will be closed from December 22 through January 3, 2023.

The Brooks and District Social Club is offering an Open Dance at the Legion on Saturday, December 3 from

7:30 to 10:30 pm featuring "Larry and the Son-In-Laws" as the band of the evening. Everyone is welcome.

There will be no Seniors Society Potluck Luncheon in December.

Spend the day in Rolling Hills at Christmas Daze on Saturday, December 3, from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Rolling Hills Community Hall.

The CPR Christmas Train and Community Light-Up Contest is on December 7. The train will arrive at 5:15 pm and the show will begin at 5:30 pm. There will be fireworks as the train departs. Also included in the events of the evening are hot dogs and hot chocolate at the Tilley Fire Hall. George Onda will be providing wagon rides over the course of the evening. The community will be collecting donations for the local Food Bank.

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Duties and Responsibilities:

- Answers phones and provides assistance to customers at the front counter.
- Prepares and distributes agenda packages for the Municipal Planning Commission meetings and IMDP meetings, including all organizing. Acts as Recording Secretary for MPC, IMDP and other meetings as required.
- Maintains department's general document files including hard-copy and electronic filing systems.
- Assists other administrative staff during vacation periods, leaves of absence, and peak work periods.
- Prepares and distributes routine correspondence resulting from minutes of meetings of general County business activities
- Provides assistance to the public in completing applications
- Documents technical processes and standardized operating procedures
- Performs other related duties as assigned.

Preferred qualifications include:

- High School Diploma or equivalent; supplemented with post-secondary education in an Office Administration Assistant program or related field is preferred
- Must be a team player with excellent oral, written and interpersonal communication skills.
- Must be committed to continuous improvement and excellent customer service
- Experience with Microsoft Office 365 (Outlook, Excel, PowerPoint, and Word).
- Experience in Laserfiche, Visio and GIS would be considered an asset
- Integrity and strong attention to detail are crucial for this role.
- Must be bondable.

The County of Newell offers a competitive salary and benefits package. If interested, please submit your resume in confidence, including salary expectations and three (3) references. This position will remain open until a suitable candidate is found.

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

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- Operation of the fleet and heavy trucks, including, but not limited to, tracked excavators, graders, gravel trucks and dozers
- Heavy lifting required.

Preference will be given to applicants possessing a high school diploma supplemented by the following:

- Minimum valid Class 5 Drivers License - Class 3 or Class 1 preferred.
- Must possess the ability to accurately document and log work assigned in accordance with County procedures.
- Professional Training on the use of equipment is preferred.
- First Aid and CPR training is preferred.
- All applicants are required to provide a current Drivers Abstract.

The County offers a highly competitive salary and benefits package. This is a unionized position, and the wage is pursuant to the CUPE Local 1032 contract. A Pre-employment and Occupational Health Assessment screening for new and returning employees is required as per policy. The successful candidate is required to provide a clear Criminal Records Check prior to employment.

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In accordance with the Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act, JBS Food Canada ULC has applied to Alberta Environment and Protected Areas for an amendment to Approval 287-03-00. The application is to amend limits in the approval related to wastewater irrigation. The plant is located on the south half of Section 19, Township 019, Range 14, West of the 4th meridian, northwest of the city of Brooks.

A directly affected person may provide input into certain regulatory decisions, as allowed by the Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act (section 73). Specifically, any person who is directly affected by this application may submit a written statement of concern within 30 days of the date of this notice to:

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Approvals Unit
5th Floor, South Petroleum Plaza
9915 - 108 ST
EDMONTON, AB T5K 2G8
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The written statement of concern should include the following:

- the application number 032-287
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- explain how the filer of the concern will be directly affected by the activities proposed in the application
- provide the legal land location of the land owned or used by the filer where the concerns described are believed to be applicable
- state the distance between the land owned or used by the filer and the site in the application
- contact information including the full name and mailing address of the filer.
Please provide a telephone number and/or email address for ease of contact.

Environment and Protected Areas will review each written statement of concern, seek more information if needed, and notify each filer by letter of the decision to accept or reject their written submission as a valid statement of concern. The Public Notice of this application will also be posted on the Department's website at <https://avw.alberta.ca/PublicNoticesViewer.aspx>.

Statements of concern submitted regarding this application are public records which are accessible by the public and the applicant. Failure to file a statement of concern may affect the right to file a Notice of Appeal with the Environmental Appeals Board.

Copies of the application and additional information can be obtained from:

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County MPC OK's one structure, denies second on same site

SANDRA M STANWAY
BROOKS BULLETIN

An application for a shipping container on a residential property in the Deer Run area east of Brooks was approved but an animal shelter which is an industrial trailer on the same property was declined by the county's Municipal Planning Commission.

On Thursday MPC approved the shipping container because it complies with the Municipal Development Plan.

However, they denied the animal shelter container noting that it interferes

with the amenities of the neighbourhood.

"Where we're struggling is it's a very industrial looking property in a residential section," said MPC chair and councillor Kelly Christman.

Biefe Wilonja, the property owner, told MPC if he buys another property all of the items will be removed from the current location except the shipping containers.

Shanna Lee Simpson, the county's development officer, said that a one year permit was approved for the home.

"Either in one year the

dwelling needs to be removed or when the moved-in home comes onto the parcel, the temporary dwelling needs to be removed," she said.

In a letter to the county the owner of adjacent Sage Brush Estates stated that the lot is unsightly and it appears as if there are several development bylaws that are not being followed including too many goats and chickens on the property.

The county's bylaw allows for a maximum of 10 goats and 25 chickens.

The letter noted that the

unserviced buildings do not meet the setbacks and the condition of the property includes poorly maintained buildings and debris in the yard and there has been a foul smell emanating from the site which is unpleasant for tenants.

The Estates owner stated that there have been numerous complaints from Sage Brush tenants.

A letter from 16 tenants urged the county to give immediate attention to the unsanitary and unsightly conditions of the property at 22 Deer Run.

"The whole property is an eyesore. The yard is unkept with weeds, garbage and debris. An old rundown rig trailer is used for a chicken coop."

They stated that the buildings are dilapidated, rusty fencing material was used and random auto parts are on the site.

They also said that there may be children living on the site, however, Wilonja said no one is living there.

Up to 40 goats have been seen on the residential property which not only exceeds the

allowable number and they are loaded into the trailer in the every evening until the next day, the letter states.

"Most of us take pride and care of our homes/properties and driving by an eyesore everyday is not acceptable."

With the denial, the landowner must move the animal shelter by Dec. 23, 2022.

Both of the applications, the approval of one shipping container and the denial of the second container can be appealed to the Land and Property Rights Tribunal by Dec. 14, 2022.

One Tree World

IRMA MERKL



ONE TREE - Well, as I'm doing my news Sunday afternoon and evening, we're having snow showers and the temperature is dropping, so I think that our nice weather that we had last week is coming to an end. I'd like to see it stay around minus 10- 15C, then it wouldn't get all sloppy and it wouldn't be icy all over. I just hope it doesn't snow too much for a while yet.

Here we are already coming into the month of December, so there's only 25 days left before Christmas. Oh where, oh where did all those days go so fast? WOW!

Our deepest sympathies go to Lila (Houseman) Senecal on the passing of her dear husband, life-long friend, George Senecal of Calgary, who passed away peacefully on November 19, 2022 in Calgary at the age of 86 years. Sympathies go out to his sons; Mark, Noel and Curtis on the loss of their father, to his grandchildren, great-grandchildren on the loss of their grandpa, great-grandpa, to his brother Aza Senecal and to the all the extended families. Our thoughts and prayers are with each and every one of you at this sad time. George grew

up in the One Tree area and attended school in One Tree School, then later to Brooks. I am sorry to have missed his funeral service as George was in my Graduation Class of 1954 in Brooks. I didn't hear about his funeral till that evening. I would have loved to have come and to see everyone. I'll be thinking of you, Lila, in the days ahead. Keep the good memories in your heart.

My daughter Kelly and her husband Ron Coughlin of Sherwood Park arrived at supertime on Thursday and had supper and then, we all went to Bassano for the Concert featuring Lisa Brokop from Nashville featuring a "Classic Country Christmas" show. It was a sell-out and a very good concert. I'm sure everyone enjoyed it. Kelly and Ron stayed overnight and then left Friday morning heading down to their La Quinta, California home. It was nice to see them again for a change, even if it was for such a short visit.

On Friday Linda Slomp went to Lethbridge to spend time with her daughter Sandra and Matt Smith and her grandkids and she also had a chance to have a visit with Sandra Day while there. She

returned home on Sunday.

On Saturday visiting at the home of Ozzie and Elizabeth Schalm was their daughter Michelle, Jeff Richardson and their girls of Black Diamond came for an overnight stay. They returned home on Sunday afternoon.

Our MP Martin Shields asked Inge Ellefson to do a write up on Jackie Murray, as Jackie was chosen to receive the Queen's Jubilee Platinum Medal for her Community service. She was to receive it on Friday evening at the Heritage with the presentation to be done by our Premier Danielle Smith, but she was unable to attend. So her daughter Jane asked if it would be possible to have the Premier come to her home, and Inge helped to arrange to have her come, and our Premier had agreed to do the Honours on Saturday. There for the Presentation of the Medal were Jackie's family; daughter Jane and sons, Neil and Ross Murray and several other family members and (Inge Ellefson and Sandra Stanway both of One Tree.) I'm sure this was a very special highlight in Jackie's life. Congratulations to you, Jackie. You deserve it!

Meanwhile, while our

Premier was in town, Inge told her that it was also Rotary Day and would she consider donating a dinner for the auction, as along the way a former Mayor had done that. She agreed to do so and it was a dinner for four to be auctioned off. The dinner sold for \$1200, so thanks to our Premier the Rotary club is \$1200 richer.

Birthday greeting this coming week go out to Everett Buhler on Dec. 1st; to Tom Collins and to Noel Nichols, both on Dec. 2nd; to Shandy Swenson o Dec. 3rd; to Joel Slomp of Abbotsford, BC and to little Everett Ayala of Drumheller, who is one-year old, both on Dec. 6th and to Gloria Schuett on Dec.

7th. Happy birthday wishes, also to my sister-in-law Jean Zvolensky of Medicine Hat on Dec. 7th. We wish each of you a great day and a "Very Happy Birthday" to each of you and to everyone else that is celebrating a birthday this week. We wish you all the best for the years ahead.

Bow City Signal

WANDA SMITH

BOW CITY - Barb spent some time in Calgary with family and brought Barbara D home with her for a few days then Brian took her home Great visit was had.

Brad and his son Alex went hunting out by Willow Springs Ranch for Elk. Alex got his first elk and was very excited. Great for you Alex. Now we can enjoy some meat. Brad was his big help along with all that helped with the after process.

Mom and dad (Joyce and Jerry) enjoyed a quick trip to Havre for a few days. Did some shopping and got what mama was wanting jeans as she can't buy them here. Glad

travel was good for them.

Tom and Anne came for a visit on Sunday. Of course they had to play uno spin and not sure who the winners were.

Rick, Robin, Dan and I took in the Rainier Revival on Saturday, along with Ray and Brenda, great visiting was had. Nice to see so many of the younger generation out on the dance floor having a great time. Brings back a lot of memories from that hall.

Carrie and I did a Medicine Hat run on Thursday to do some shopping. Alcoma community kids club 1st Friday of the month starting December 2 at 3:15 to 4:30. Fun activities and snacks provided. Alcoma Community

Library presents Thistles & Sage Christmas Centerpiece Workshop on Tuesday, December 6 in the Alcoma school. 15 spots available. Sign-up sheet is at the Alcoma Library.

If anyone is interested they are having the Christmas Daze amazing crafts and baked goods at the Rolling Hills hall on December 3 from 10 AM to 3 PM. Concession will be available and Santa visits at 1 o'clock. For more information or to book a table call or email Katharina Bandman at 403-376-4035 or cath.banman18@iCloud.com.

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