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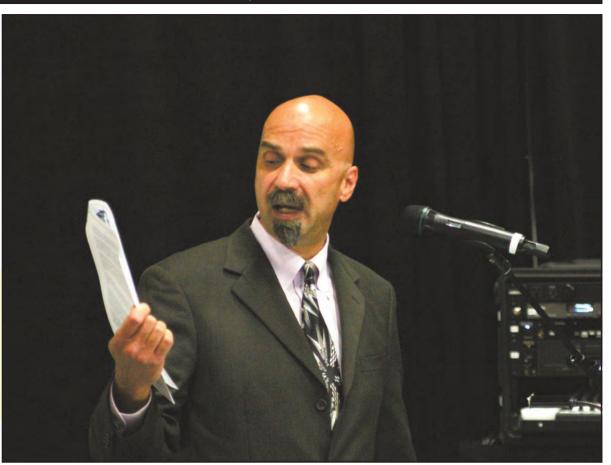


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Morinville Community High School Principal Todd Eistetter talks to Morinville and District Chamber of Commerce members about the various initiatives taking place at the school that will help prepare students for post-secondary education and the lives ahead of them.

- Stephen Dafoe photo



# MCHS working hard to prepare its students for post-secondary and life

by Stephen Dafoe

Morinville - Chamber of Commerce members had the opportunity to hear current and future plans for Morinville Community High School direct from its top administrator. MCHS Principal Todd Eistetter was the speaker at the Morinville and District Chamber of Commerce's monthly luncheon May 7. Eistetter brought the news that his school was an exceptional school, a descriptor he said was backed by Alberta Education information, data that shows the school is currently experiencing results that are the highest they have been in eight years.

But Eistetter's visit, in addition to laying out the strong foundation on which the school is rising, was also to outline activities he and school staff believe will position students on the road to post-secondary education and adult life. The school began offering

university courses this year in a dual credit program with Grant MacEwan University as part of the GSACRD International School of Business. Under the program, Grade 12 students can take Introduction to Canadian Business with a university professor, earning high school credits at the same time. Eistetter and the school are looking to expand the program for the 2014 - 2015 year in a new dual credit program called the MCHS University Preparation Program. The expanded program will partner with a different postsecondary partner to offer English 1011 and Psychology 1040. It is hoped to add Sociology 1000 and Political Science 1000 in the following school year.

The MCHS principal said statistics show the highest number of post-secondary students drop out in the first year of school. The addition of dual credit and expanded dual credit is seen as a way to help MCHS

students in their current education as well as in their future endeavours. "If we can give our students a good experience, the opportunities for them to continue to complete their studies, hopefully [success] will be far greater," Eistetter said, adding that completion of secondary and post-secondary education is increasingly important in the province's job market. "With the job market the way it has been for the last 20 or 30 years, people could get into various industries without any post-secondary [education]. That's starting to change. There are very few companies in Fort McMurray that will accept anyone with less than a Grade 12 education, and that is increasing. Fort McMurray was one of the big draws for our young people. They were dropping out of school at 16 or 17 to go there and become involved in it. They were making a very large wage, but over a period of time it wasn't serving them

because they didn't have the education to go on in the various trades. Suncor was one of the first producers there to recognize that and they change it. Their subcontractors followed it."

Eistetter is hoping the expanded program will have the opportunity of better preparing students for post-secondary while giving them a step up in life.

#### Other expand offerings

The principal is equally proud of other initiatives at the school that he believes are assisting students. One of those programs is the school's Urban Agriculture class, a program started this school year that is currently the only program of its kind in the province. "Urban Agriculture is basically a ground to table program where students learn where food comes from, how it's produced - everything in relation to it. "They have gone out to farms. They've worked with feedlots. They've worked at green houses. They have their own pigs and each semester they slaughter three pigs, butcher them and sell the meat to put back into the program." Eistetter said students are also working with Sobevs to grow and sell herbs.

Another program the school is involved in with Community Futures Tawatinaw Region is a new offering called Biz Kids. Eistetter said a representative from Community Futures comes to MCHS one day a week to work with a number of students on entrepreneurship. "They learn the basics of business - setting up a business, bookkeeping and marketing, and using credit to overcome challenges," the principal said, adding students will make a presentation at the end of the eight-week program to compete for \$300 interest-free loans to start their student business. "It's

a great opportunity to do something a little different."

Beyond setting up potential student entrepreneurs with summer businesses, the school's Work Experience Coordinator continues to find placements for high school students in local businesses. Additionally, Eistetter said the school will soon have a job board where local businesses looking for employees can fill out an online form and have their opening posted for students to view at the school.

Eistetter sees the various initiatives and partnerships in the community as important parts to educating and preparing his students. "We need the connections in the community - through Work Experience, RAP (Registered Apprentice Program), through the sponsorship with Urban Agriculture," Eistetter said. "It's a win-win benefit because the students that come out of school are stronger. They have more skills. They have more interest because of the opportunities that were provided in the community."



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# **Letters and Columns**

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#### **But We Have More Questions and Need More Time**

I just want to say thank you to our Town Administration and Councillors for their continued effort on April 28 in getting information out to the public in regards to a Regional Recreation Facility. I know that the citizens of Morinville are interested in this topic, and are getting even more interested, as I am involved in, or hear discussions regularly around town as well as read the comments on different social media sites.

I must admit I was disappointed about two things at the April 28th Open House. The first being that more people didn't come out to hear what Council had to say, Council needs to see us, not just hear us to understand that we really do care about this decision. I know very well how busy we all are and sometimes it just won't fit into the calendar and for this very reason alone there needs to be more public meetings. Secondly, this wasn't an open forum in which to ask questions publicly.

My greatest concern about this whole process is the misinformation that is still floating around, causing individuals to get worked up or bent out of shape about something that isn't even true.

There are concerned members of our community speaking one-on-one with our Councillors and Mayor about a Regional Recreation Facility, which is great. But this just adds to the rumour mill because one person has information and others don't. It seems in politics, there is a level of mistrust and perceived deception which unfortunately means that politicians are guilty until proven innocent. The best way to prove innocence is by open, honest communication. By laying all the information out for everyone to see, showing there is nothing to hide. An open forum with the opportunity to ask guestions publicly, a public question and answer section as a regular part of Council meetings, and letters in the paper all provide a public platform for everyone to get answers to guestions; not just those who have a private audience with the Mayor or Council members.

This is truly one of the biggest decisions affecting forward growth and development that Morinville has ever had. A facility located in the right area would allow for hotels, businesses, schools, and residential expansion. I've seen time lapse pictures of the Tri-Leisure Center in Spruce Grove showing the development around that facility over just a short period of time. It seems to me that is something to strive for around our community.

As I stated, the last public meeting was good to have but I still walked away with some questions, as I am sure others did. Is it possible that Morinville could build a new arena within town limits and then also be part of a Regional Recreation Facility somewhere in Sturgeon County? Is there a consideration for buying a large piece of land to allow for growth while also incorporating the two school districts that are looking at building new schools? Imagine the active learning opportunities for all the children in our town and region if their schools were attached to a Regional Recreation Facility. My teacher senses go berserk just thinking about that!! Is it possible to Band-Aid the arena and curling rink for another couple of years while a regional facility is being developed?

If the immediate need for a new arena is driving this train forward then I would really like to see the numbers and paper work to back up the need for such a quick decision.

I am all about hockey, my whole family is involved right here in Morinville, but a rush to have a new arena at the sake of a Multi-Use Regional Recreation Facility just does not make sense to me. Yes, Council has to set a date for a new arena but better to step away from a date than a whole new building that will only service the needs of 6 per cent of our population!

It can't be a project that has a new building added every five years; it needs to be something that goes in all at once with many partners involved. There are successful models out there in the world. We need to find them and follow their lead.

I believe in our Mayor, Council and Administration and maybe I'm naive in doing so. But I just cannot imagine that they would make a decision that could have such a profound effect on our town, county and region without fully considering absolutely every possibility to make a Multi-Use Regional Recreation Facility happen.

So let's work together and make this a reality, we are limited only by our imaginations. Let's be creative and think outside the box.

Thank you, Jackie Luker, **Morinville Resident** 



include a phone number so we can contact you for verification

# **Columns and Letters**

**Publisher's Note:** Monique Webb's Grade 1 students at Morinville Public Elementary School recently were asked to write letters of appreciation for the things they were thankful for in their community. The following are the unedited opinions and views of some of the youngest members of our community.

#### **Rotary Park and Splash Park**

The Rotary Splash Park and Rotary Park ranked high on the list of many MPES Grade 1 students. What follows are their thoughts on the facility:

**Cy writes:** Dear Rotary club. I really like Rotary Park. Thank. you. for the park. Thank you from Cy.

**Taylor writes:** Dear Rotary Park. I love Rotary Park. Because it is awesome. It is cool. It is really fun. Thank you for bilting Rotary Park.

**Isabella writes:** Dear Rotary Park Builders, I appreciate your work and job. It is fun to play. My family loves playing there. Thank you for making the park. Love - Isabella.

**Samantha writes:** Dear Splash Park. I Love The splash Park. It makes our town great. My mother appeciate the splash Park wen it is hot cause it is cool.

**Desirae writes:** Dear Splash Park Builders. I love your splash park. It makes our town great. And I love the cool water on hot days. Thank-you for the great landmark.

**Mckayla writes:** I love the Splash Park. It is fun in the summer because it is awesome. Makes our town great. Thank you.

**Leah K writes:** Rotary Park. you make our town great. I appreciate it. It is a very fun park. It is good landmark. Thank-you. Leahk.

**Ryland writes:** I like Rotary Park because it is fun. It is a good landmark. Thank you for making great Rotary Park.

#### **Ice Cream Shop**

**Raye-Lynn writes:** I think your ice cream is awesome. You make our town better because when it's hot you make it cool. I appreciate the ice cream. Love Raye-Lynn

**Zoe writes:** Dear Ice Cream Shop. Your ice cream is good. It is a good landmark and is is a place my family goes some times. It makes our town great. Hey. I hope you have a great day. Love, Zoe.

#### Sal's Pizza

**Koaltyn writes:** I love your store. You make my world so great. Your pizza is great. Your pizza is great. My favourite is your pizza. Thank you.

**Linden writes:** I love your pizza. Your shop is a good landmark. It makes our town great.

**Rowan writes:** Deat Sal's. I love your pissa. You have been making a good busi-

ness. I hope you are having fun. You make our town great. Love, Rowan.

#### **Town of Morinville**

**Laura writes:** Dear Town of Morinville. I appreciate the graveyard. It is a good place for dead people. It helps us learn about the past. Thank-you. Laura.

#### The Legion

**Alanna writes:** Dear Legion. You make our town great. I love your building. It is great. I love the breakfast. Thank-you. Alanna.

#### The Church

**Sidney writes:** Dear Church. Thank you for starting the church. It makes our town great. We love your church. Your church makes Morinville a better place. And I learned history from you. Love - Sidney.

**Leah T writes:** Dear Vhurch. Thank-You for making all of the buildings. They help us leanr about the past. It is a good place to walk. Thank you. Leah T.





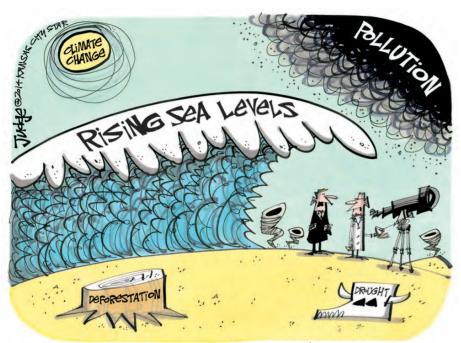
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# **Chamber looks into industrial concerns for Cardiff lights**

by Morinville News Staff

Morinville and District Chamber of Commerce President Simon Boersma said he has taken the concerns of some of the community's industrial park businesses directly to engineers working on the traffic lights set to be installed at Highway 2 and Cardiff Road this summer.

"We had some concerns with movement of vessels coming out of the business park," Boersma said during the May 7 Chamber luncheon, adding he received a letter from the engineers that confirmed they had reviewed the turning movements of oversized and super loads and found there was sufficient space for industry vehicles to make the turn from Cardiff Road. Boersma went on to say it may require the trucks to use the entire road surface, something that is deemed acceptable as the oversived loads would have pilot vehicles accompanying them.

The engineers also indicated in their letter to the Chamber that the new signalized intersections will not have the existing median and associated signs that currently restrict turning movements for westbound and northbound trucks.

Boersma said the Chamber also spoke to Alberta Transportation about using the secondary road that was built when the original interchange was proposed. "Alberta Transportation is receptive to using the detour north of the intrsection as an alternate bypass," he said, adding it had yet to be confirmed.

# Police say no need to fear using trails, despite assault

by Morinville News Staff

**Morinville** – Police are looking for three suspects in an attack that took place in Morinville in the early morning hours of May 4 and involved a young runner being assaulted by three males on 107 Street near the Skyline Baseball Diamonds.

Police say a youth was running alone and was surrounded by the three males. The suspects are alleged to have pushed and punched the victim. The suspects then fled the scene, running north along the bike path on 107 Street – north of the Bob Foster Skate Park.

The three suspects, who were unknown to the victim, are described as male, aboriginal youths. One was reported as wearing a red sweater, the other two are said to be wearing t-shirts at the time.

Although the suspects have yet to be apprehended, Corporal Martin Gerard of the Morinville RCMP Detachment said there is no need for the public to fear using Morinville's trail system. "There are no other related incidents at all," Gerard said, adding he believed the Sunday morning assault was a one-off situation. "We're still looking for those individuals as we speak, and any information would be greatly appreciated.

Anyone with information is asked to call the Morinville RCMP at 780-939-4520 or by Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477.



# Morinville joins the Concerto Network

Barrhead-Morinville-Westlock MLA Maureen Kubinec, Mayor Lisa Holmes and the Honourable Heather Klimchuk Minister of Culture and Community Spirit pose at the MCCC Friday night for the Concerto Network Membership Event. The plaque was presented to Mayor Holmes

by Minister Klimchuk.

Klimchuk said it was great to be back in Morinville, particularly to recognize the important contributions the Francophone community has made to the region and province. "From its earliest days when Jean-Baptiste Morin arrived in this area drawing French-Canadian settlers from Quebec to the West, French culture has been at the forefront of the development of Morinville," Klimchuk said in French. "It has been at the forefront of the development of our province. French was the first European language spoken in Alberta and Francophones have always been a part of the province's linguistic and cultural make-up."

Klimchuk presented a plaque on behalf of the Government of Alberta, signed by Premier Dave Hancock which read, "The Government of Alberta proudly commemorates Morinville's membership of the Concerto Network and its efforts to recognize its rich Francophone heritage to promote greater economic development."

- Lucie Roy photo







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Morinville's housing market is, as I have mentioned before, showing the same trends that the whole of the Greater Edmonton Area showed a few months ago. Average prices are up year over year, days on the market are decreasing, and we are showing the record listed to sold ratios.

Last month, Morinville saw 26 single-family homes and six condominiums sell at average prices of \$358,657 and \$218,583, respectively. This is a 4.5% increase over March's average price of \$343,375, and over Febru-

ary's. For the past two consecutive years, the average price for the month of April was 4.5% lower. Morinville's average home is now priced at 16.1% less than Edmonton and 23.7% less than St. Albert's. If you read my article on a regular basis, you'd know that the gap between Morinville prices and those in the two larger communities is tightening, as we normally see a spread of approximately 19 and 25%.

The average price in the whole of the Greater Edmonton Area in April was only 16.1% higher than Morinville's. The GEA's average price last month was only \$22 from Edmonton proper's price.

Morinville homes took 58 days to sell, which is a decrease of eight days from March, 17 days shorter than in February, and they took 11 less to sell than in 2013. It took a Morinville home 23 to 28 days longer to sell than average

> Edmonton and St. Albert homes.

In April, the MLS System reported 1,818 new listings and 1,147 units sold giving us a 63% ratio in the Greater Edmonton Area. Conversely, in Morinville, our salesto-listing ratio was

much higher at 97% with 31 units listed and 32 sold within the month. This was the exact record breaking ratio Edmonton experienced this past December.

Morinville prices are increasing at a steady pace, and inventory and dayson-the-market are decreasing. The monetary savings or the "more for your money" house compared to St. Albert or Edmonton, should attract buyers to Town. Will these economic factors cause Morinville to grow at a pace faster than normal? Can our infrastructure keep up?





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# Clean Sweep pitches in to beautify Morinville



#### **Photos by Lucie Roy**

Morinville – Town staff, business owners, students, and residents gathered together for one common cause Wednesday – cleaning up Morinville. Operation Clean Sweep, Morinville's contribution to Pitch-In Canada Week, is a one-day initiative to rid the community of litter that accumulated over the winter.

This year marked the 49th Annual PITCH-IN Canada Week and once again this year residents grabbed gloves and bags to pick up litter around town.



Clockwise from top left: MCHS teachers Aaron Fidler and Kent Lessard joined in with the students on Operation Clean Sweep May 7. Primeau teachers and students dispersed in different directions, picking up litter on school property, sidewalks surrounding the school, part of a walking trail and a wooded area near the school. Notre Dame students Daniella McKinnon and Mason Gratton taking part in Operation Clean Sweep at the school. Morinville Public Elementary School students Alaura Johnson and Maddox McKay pause for a photo during their efforts.

















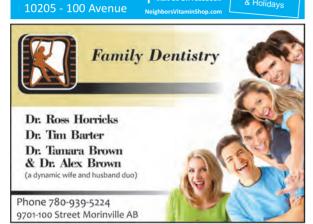
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# Organizers hoping people will get on the bus for Monsanto March

by Stephen Dafoe

**Edmonton** - A free bus has been arranged to take Morinville and area residents to the 3rd Worldwide March Against Monsanto, taking place at End of Steel Park May 24th at noon.

"This is a grassroots protest to protect our food, soil, air, water, and bees from the biochemical company Monsanto," said local organizer Kimberly Porlier, adding the event is a peaceful demonstration designed to bring awareness. "The genetic modification of our food is an imprecise science that poses many health risks. They have been marketed as a way to feed the world when in fact its yields have proven no increase over time and these crops rely heavily on chemicals." Porlier believes GMO farming is unsustainable and has forced many farmers into only being able to plant GMO seeds as soil health becomes depleted due to pesticide use.

It is a movement Porlier says is growing and not going away any time soon. "This is the 3rd Worldwide March against Monsanto where millions of people are standing together peacefully from all walks of life to take back our commons," she said. "Once you know what is going on, it cannot be ignored."

Porlier organized and ran a Monsanto March in Morinville last October during World Food Day, one that drew a considerable crowd to march from St. Jean Baptiste Park, where speakers presented information on GMOs, to the cultural centre, where participants watched a documentary on the

subject. The organizer was unable to duplicate that effort this spring. "I was very excited to see so many people come out to the last march in October," she said. "The support shown was more than I anticipated. While I believe it is important to keep this issue visible until it is resolved, I was unable to organize a separate march for Morinville this spring. It takes a lot of time, dedication, coordination and money to pull it off successfully and as a working mom with two small children and an injured knee I didn't feel that I would be able to do it all."

Although there will be no local version of the protest, Porlier believes the bus is an excellent opportunity to bring like-minded individuals together that might not do so on their own.

Information booths will set up by many different local organizations at the event. Speakers begin at noon and the march will take place at 12:30. Porlier said the bus can hold 50-75 people and will depart from the Skyline Ball Diamonds (10510 107 St.) at 10:30 a.m. May 24 and reload in Edmonton at 2 p.m. for the return trip to MorinvIle.

She is hoping residents interested in learning about GMOs and the percieved dangers they pose will hop on the bus and take part in the event. "This [affects] every single person on the planet," she said. "It is a global fight for humanity's basic right to clean air, food, and water. We owe it to ourselves and our children to get informed about what is being done to the food we are putting on our table. This may be the biggest fight of our lifetime."

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pinch sea salt and freshly ground black pepper

3 tbsp (45 mL) extra virgin olive oil

1 tbsp (15 mL)herb vinegar

1 good-quality red or green apple

2 tbsp (30 mL) poppy seeds

#### Add All Ingredients

- 1 Roughly slice the onion and carrots. On the same board, slice the radishes and cucumber and thickly slice the tomatoes. With a large knife, continue chopping and mixing the vegetables together on the board until roughly chopped to the same size. Click off the lettuce leaves and chop into the vegetables. Scoop into a bowl and toss well.
- 2- Place a frying pan over a high heat. Add the sunflower or pumpkin seeds and toast for a couple of minutes, or until golden. Meanwhile, season the salad with salt, pepper, olive oil and vinegar. Grate the apple, then add to the salad with the seeds. Toss well, then serve.

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#### What is the Land Use Bylaw Amendment about?

The purpose of Bylaw 12/2014 is to redistrict Part of Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 032 4958 from Urban Reserve (UR) District to Corridor Commercial (C-3) District, as shown on the maps below.



Planning & Development supports this proposed bylaw.

#### **How Will This Affect Me?**

The proposed amendment will allow for the development of corridor commercial parcels in the Labbé District.

#### **How Do I Get More Information?**

A copy of the proposed bylaw and background information may be examined between the hours of 8:30 am and 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday, at the Office of the Legislative Officer at St. Germain Place, or online at www.morinville.ca/planningnews.

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DP064/2014 - Self-Service Storage Facility - Change in Intensity of Use (Additional Storage Units) & Accessory Office Building - As-Built, 9700-90 Avenue (Lot 3, Block 5, Plan 782 1779) – Minimum Required Front Yard - Variance (BMP District).

For further information or to arrange for an appointment to view the above development permit(s) or plans, please contact the Planning & Development Department at 780-939-4361 or visit www.morinville.ca/ planningnews.

Persons wishing to appeal the above noted decision(s) of Morinville's Development Authority must do so by filing a "NOTICE OF APPEAL", along with payment of a \$200 non-refundable fee to the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board, NO LATER THAN MAY 28, 2014. Appeals can be filed with the Secretary of the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board by calling 780-939-4361.







Sports Field Hotline: Call 780-939-6635 for Soccer, Slowpitch and Minor baseball field updates (updated daily at 4:00 pm).

## **Census:**



The on-line portion of our Census is now available and PIN numbers have been distributed to all residents in Morinville. You can access the on-line Census through our Town website at www.morinville.ca. Those residents who require a computer, may access the on-line portion through community computers available in Civic Hall and the Morinville Public Library. If you misplace your PIN number, contact Jennifer Maskoske at 780-939-7852 to request a new one, or you may wait for a door-to-door enumerator to visit your home.

Your cooperation in completing the census will ensure Morinville receives its fair share of per capita federal and provincial grants and will contribute to future community economic development planning.



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### **Holiday Trailers**

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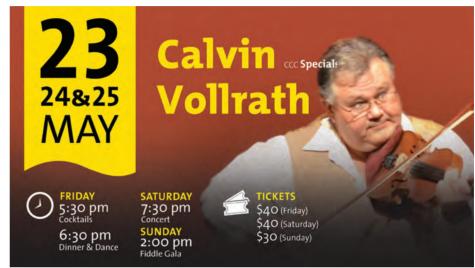
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No portion of a trailer may overhang or encroach onto an adjacent roadway.

### **DATE CHANGE:**

The next Teen Chef Competition is being held on Friday, May 16 from 3:45 - 5 pm at the Morinville Community Cultural Centre Kitchen Instructors: Brian & Katie Fee: \$10/person







Splash Park will be open before the long weekend (weather dependent). Access to the splash park will be through the arena parking lot only. Work will be done to the waterline later in May — thank you for your patience as we experience an interruption to service.

# Fiddling veteran returns



#### by Ashley Janes

Locally raised fiddling champion Calvin Vollrath will return to the Morinville Community Culture Centre for a weekend of performances starting Friday, May 23. Vollrath, who played here last spring, will be celebrating the release of two new CDs.

Recognized for his performing, teaching and composing abilities, Vollrath has twice been crowned the Grand North American Old Tyme Fiddle Champion. He has composed more than 475 songs, a number of original music books, and an instructional DVD.

The following is an interview with Vollrath regarding his upcoming performance:

### Q: What can listeners expect from your most recent albums?

**A:** This year I'm releasing two CDs. Vintage Vollrath is filled with old songs that I grew up with and that were made popular by singers, not fiddlers. *Yesterday* by the Beatles, *Delilah* by Tom Jones, *You Don't Know Me* by greats includ-

ing Ray Charles, and many more. It's a mix of vintage classics that I love to play. This is my 59<sup>th</sup> recording.

The Journey is my 60<sup>th</sup>. It represents my journey as a fiddler from the age of eight on. It's filled with original tunes composed in the last year. I've also composed a medley of tunes for the album called The Journey. It starts with a jig called *A Bundle of Joy* and goes through polkas, reels, waltzes, and swing, ending with a reel called *The Golden Years*.

#### Q: What inspires you to create music?

**A:** I get inspired by darn near anything. Music is rolling around my head all the time. Hearing other styles of music inspires me to write in that style. When I get asked to compose a tune for a special occasion or person, I try to capture their feelings. I believe it's a gift I have.

#### Q: Who are your biggest musical influences?

**A:** My dad, Art `Lefty' Vollrath, was a fiddler and my first hero. After him, I've gathered many heroes. They include Graham Townsend, Andy DeJarlis, Frankie Rodgers, Alfie Myhre, Johnny Gimble, and Vassar Clements.

#### Q: How have you made your career so productive?

**A:** After my fourth recording, I decided to start my own studio. I've learned lots from trial and error. I don't travel much anymore in winter months, instead staying home to record.

#### Q: Will you continue to write original music?

**A:** I sure hope so. With digital downloads becoming a huge part of the music world, I'm not sure how many more CDs I will release, but I'll follow the world in whatever medium comes next. All my albums can be downloaded off my website, www.calvinvollrath.com, by clicking the Vollmart tab.

For more information or to purchase tickets to see Calvin Vollrath, call the MCCC at 780-939-7888.





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#### Let's Play Ball

Play Ball with choreographer McKenzie Piper was one of the more than 30 performances that took place during Dance Connection's Year End Showcase held at the cultural centre Saturday. Seventeen Dance Connection dancers will be travelling to Disneyland July 7-13 to take part in the Summer Dance Classic where they will take part in two parade performances.

- Lucie Roy photo





### All that jazz

Blues Berries members Jennifer Hodge, Arnt Arntzen, Tim Sar and Andrew Millar on drums held two performances at Notre Dame School Thursday. The performances were titled *Jazz, Jive and Wail* and featured a variety of musical styles, including soul, old time gospel, lively rhythm and blues, jazz, and rock-inspired blues. The students had many opportunities to sing along, clap their hands, and try dance moves, including the Twist, Monkey, Shake and Rock the World. The performance was specifically created for younger students to introduce them to upbeat tempo, danceable blues and jazz styles.

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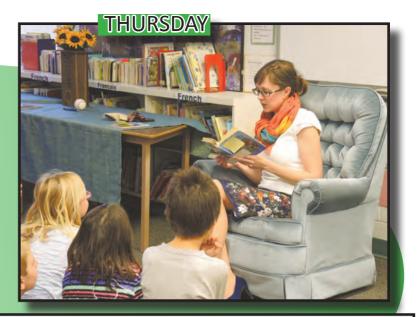
A pictorial look at the happenings in and around Morinville for the week of May 5

to May 11.

Photos by Lucie Roy







Notre Dame School was filled with activities for Education (May 5-9). **Left:** MCHS student Leith Hutton volunteered May 5 to read two chapters from the book *The Three and Many Wishes of Jason Reid* by Hazel Hutchins. For the first chapter he was dressed as Quicksilver and for the second chapter as the boy named Jason, both characters from the book. **Middle:** Students and teachers read along quietly with Hutton. Principal Marlene Pelletier said the book is about wishes and the classrooms will each have jars for those who wish to donate money to the Make A Wish Foundation. Right: Mayor Lisa Holmes came to the school on Thursday to read to students, one of many people to read during the week.

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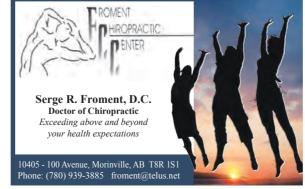


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#### TUESDAY



From left: Seniors Community Information Session Committee members Loralee Elliott (Day Program Alberta Health Services), April Heppleston (Seniors Outreach Worker Rendez Vous Centre), Karin Debenham (Town Community Development Coordinator, FCSS and Community Services), Rita Hebert (Volunteer Assistant Rendez-Vous Centre), Stacey Danake, (Sturgeon Foundation Housing Administrator) and Gary Pool (Volunteer Assistant Rendez-Vous Centre) with Kaitlyn Ross, Program Coordinator Alzheimer Society of Alberta and NWT. More than 60 people attended the Session on Alzheimer's Support held at the cultural centre May 7. Ross discussed the differences between Alzheimer Disease and dementia, provided some statistics and outlined how dementia affects the brain.



FRIDAY

Stacey Buga and son Mason were at the Morinville Public Elementary School PEPS Mother's Day Tea held Friday morning in the school library. Other classes held tea parties in the afternoon.

A Mother's Day Tea Party with entertainment by Topaz members Margaret Lumley and Karen Kerr was held at Heritage Place Lodge May 7. All dining room tables were booked with family members getting together for the occasion. Two Lodge residents, sisters Margaret Rousseau and Florence Vranas gathered with Margaret's daughters Paulette Rousseau, Charlene Hooper and Joanne Meunier and daughter in law Vivian Rousseau.





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Donna Garrett, Musée Morinville Museum Operations Attendant conducted a tour for Notre Dame Grade 1 students on Thursday afternoon.

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Clockwise from top left: Reiner Teiwes sent in this shot of a pair of loons out for a swim. He also sent a shot of a bluejay on the lawn. Reiner's third submission is titled the way is The goal...!! Udo Schoeppe sent in a pair of photos of a pair of hawks, images he captured just after dawn one morning.

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### **Battle Macchiato Triva Event**

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# **Brent Melville's Remax** SPORTS REP





# to medals

Rooke School of Karate students recently competed in the Spirit of the North

Tournament in St. Albert. The Morinville karate school sent 35 competitors and brought home 34 medals from the event. Bottom - Sensai Steve Rooke demonstrates how to break a baseball bat.

- Kim Rooke photos



# **Canadian Forces Day** to include fun run

by Morinville News Staff

**CFB Edmonton** - The base will play host to Loops for the Troops once again this year, a fun run/walk sheduled to take place on Canadian Forces Day (June 1). The event includes a fun run/walk as well as a military mile, 10-kilometre road race and a half marathon.

Loops for the Troops was developed through a partnership between the family of Cpl Bryce Keller M.M.V., a local fallen soldier, CFB Edmonton and the Military Family Resource Centre (MFRC). The run/walk is dedicated to all Canadian Soldiers, their families, and to those Soldiers who have paid the ultimate sacrifice in service to the country at home and abroad.

The event will take place at 8 a.m. June 1 at the Edmonton Garrison Lecture Training Facility Building 185 at CFB Edmonton.

Those interested in registering for the event can do so by visiting www.runningroom.com or by contacting the MFRC at 780-973-4011 (ext.6300). All proceeds from the event are donated to the Edmonton Garrison MFRC to support local programs and services.



### Yoga for one

Morinville Youth Worker Brian Croft demonstrates a yoga move last week during a Youth Fitness Yoga Class organized by Croft and yoga instructor Lorrie Churchill. Despite making the program available for local youth, none attended the free event, held at the Morinville Community Cultural Centre May 5.

Lucie Roy photo



- 1. In 2013, Detroit's Max Scherzer became the fifth major-league pitcher to win 18 of his first 19 decisions in a season. Who else did it?
- 2. Six players have hit at least 200 home runs for the Dodgers. Name four of them.
- 3. Which quarterback has started the most NFL playoff games?
- 4. Who holds the NCAA Division I career record for free-throw percentage?
- 5. What is the record for most goals scored by one team in an NHL outdoor game?
- 6. Name the only drivers to win the Indy 500 more than three times.
- 7. Entering 2014, what was the only Grand Slam event in which tennis stars Rafael Nadal and Roger Federer have not faced one another?

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6. A.J. Foyt, Al Unser Sr. and Rick Mears each won four times. 7. The The New York Rangers scored seven goals against New Jersey in 2014. Missouri State's Blake Ahearn, with a 94.6 free-throw percentage. 5. Garvey (211). 3. New England's Tom Brady, with 26 playoff games. 4. (361), Eric Karros (270), Roy Campanella (242), Ron Cey (228) and Steve Roger Clemens (2001). 2. Duke Snider (389 home runs), Gil Hodges 1. Rube Marquard (1912), Don Newcombe (1955), Roy Face (1959) and Quiz Answers:

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#### TRIVIA TEST by Fifi Rodriguez

- 1. **GEOGRAPHY:** Where is the Kenai Peninsula?
- **2. MEDICINE:** Bright's disease affects what human organ?
- **3. FAMOUS QUOTATIONS:** What famous Russian novelist once said, "Everyone thinks of changing the world, but no one thinks of changing himself"?
- **4. MOVIES:** What famous 1960s movie featured the character Benjamin Braddock?
- **5. HISTORY:** Which nation established the first permanent European settlement in North America?
- **6. TELEVISION:** What is the name of Sheldon Cooper's girlfriend on "The Big Bang Theory"?
- 7. FOOD & DRINK: What is sorrel?
- **8. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** Who was the founder of the Salvation Army?
- **9. AD SLOGANS:** What brand of detergent advertised its effectiveness against "ring around the collar"?

The Spats



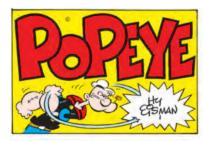




### **Amber Waves**

by Dave T. Phipps



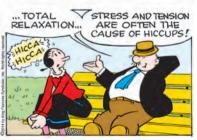


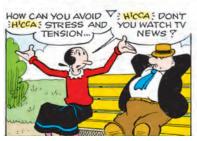
















6. Amy 7. An herb 8. William Booth 9. Wisk. Mext Library Battle Macchiato Trivia Night is May 23 at 7 p.m. Register at library.

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Trivia Answers: 1. Southern Alaska Z. Kidneys 3. Leo Tolstoy 4. "The Graduate" 5. Spain

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"Show and Shine is going to be bigger and better this year," said Festival Chair Paul Smith. "We're adding live music to the Show and Shine, and a beer garden. We're expecting to hit record numbers of great cars again."

Smith said the Show and Shine has been so successful in past years that it could be a stand-alone event in the community. He is grateful of Bumper-to-Bumper's long-standing partnership with festival to bring the Show and Shine into the festival umbrella. "This Show and Shine rivals any in the area, and it brings people from all over the province," Smith said, adding the addition of a beer garden and live music is anticipated to make the event even better.

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