



Cutting edge talent

Morinville Community High School student and talented juggler Jordan Imgrund-Harvey, seen here performing at the Morinville & District Chamber of Commerce's Trade Show, is off to Edmonton this weekend to entertain crowds at a Free Comic Book Day event at Happy Harbor Comics.

- Stephen Dafoe Photo

Vote to reimburse councillor childcare expenses fails

by **Tristan Turner**
Morinville News Correspondent

Council voted 2-4 against future councillors having childcare costs reimbursed up to \$4000 per year at their Apr. 25 meeting. Councillors FitzGerald and Putnam supported the motion. Mayor Lisa Holmes was not in attendance at Tuesday's meeting.

The Apr. 25 vote followed a Notice of Motion by Councillor Brennan FitzGerald a few weeks ago, a topic that was moved to the Apr. 18 Committee of the Whole meeting to gather further information and clarity.

After that discussion, a motion to return it to a regular Council for a proper vote and closure narrowly passed 4-3.

The new legislation would have allowed any councillor to claim childcare expenses while conducting official

town business (primarily council meetings), up to an annual limit of \$4,000. Other communities in Alberta and elsewhere in Canada have similar programs in place, including Canmore, Banff, and Okotoks.

The topic when initially presented lead to many responses from the public to councillors individually, on social media, and in the comment section of the original story on MorinvilleNews.com.

During the Apr. 18 Committee of the Whole discussion, councillors seemed agreed that, while there were some positive responses to the initiative, overwhelmingly the public disapproved of the reimbursements.

FitzGerald had moved the original motion to discuss the initiative, saying then that it was intended to remove barriers for people considering a run for Council, particularly single mothers.

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Groups assemble to recognize local volunteers

by **Lucie Roy**
Morinville News Correspondent

More than 80 Morinville and Sturgeon County residents attended the Volunteer Appreciation and Awards Night at the Rendez-Vous Centre Friday night. The event was hosted by the Morinville Lions Club and Rendez-Vous Centre. The theme for the evening was Canada 150.

The evening included a brief presentation by Barrhead-Morinville-Westlock MLA Glenn van Dijken, Sturgeon County Mayor Tom Flynn, and Morinville Councillor Barry Turner, who was also the emcee for the event.

The Rendez-Vous' Heritage Award was presented to Madeline Van Brabant by Rendez-Vous President Gary Pool. Van Brabant is the club's floor curling event coordinator at the Centre and also organizes regional tournaments.

Judith Clarke, Celina Kieser, Lawrence and Donna Giffin and Carol Kaup were nominated for the Morinville Lions Club Citizen of the Year Award and presented with a certificate from MLA Glenn van Dijken.

This year's recipient of the award was Carol Kaup, a long-time volunteer in the community with groups including the Rendez-Vous, St. Jean Baptiste Church, Rotary Mentorship Program, Morinville Festival Society and more.

The Morinville News once again was the proud sponsor of the Paul Krauskopf Community Spirit Award which recognizes an individual or group who unites the community through their participation, involvement, and promotion of the community.

The award was presented to the Hands Across The Sea (HATS) Grandmothers to Grandmothers group.

For the past few years, the group has been raising funds for the Grandmothers to Grandmothers campaign of the Stephen Lewis Foundation, an organization that provides assistance to the plight of African grandmothers.



From top: Paul Krauskopf Community Spirit Award Winner HATS (Hands Across the Sea, Lions Citizen of the Year Carol Kaup, and Heritage Award winner Madeline Van Brabant.

Sturgeon County holds Sturgeon Proud Awards night

by **Lucie Roy**
Morinville News Correspondent

The Sturgeon Proud Awards Night Celebrating Volunteers and Pioneers was held Wednesday night at the Morinville Community Cultural Centre.

Morinville resident Eva Scrimshaw was nominated by Sturgeon County Youth Council member Brody O'Donnell for the Building Blocks of the Community Award for serving the youth within the community.

Carol Kaup was one of 29 nominees for the 2016-17 Outstanding Volunteer of the Year Award. Kaup was nominated by the Morinville/Sturgeon Rotary Club.

Kaup has volunteered and held numerous positions at the Rendez-Vous Center, the Curling Club and performed on many occasions with the Morinville Minstrels. Kaup has helped to set up and has acted as a Volunteer Coordinator for the Morinville/Sturgeon Mentorship Program.

Therese Gervais was nominated by Sturgeon Rural Crime Watch for the Lifetime Achievement Award for more than 15 years of loyal and dedicated volunteer service.

Gervais has been a very active member of the SRCW Leadership Team for seven years.

She has also volunteered for the Rendez-Vous Centre and is still currently active in her role as Secretary.

"Not all of her accomplishments can be highlighted as they are too numerous," said Emcee Janet Vranas.

The 100-Year Farm Family Award that recognizes farm families for homesteading in Sturgeon County for 100 years or more was presented to the Mills.

Excellence in Agriculture Award had three nominees and the recipient was Kalco Farms.



Carol Kaup and Mayor Tom Flynn.



Therese Gervais and Mayor Tom Flynn.



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Liette Beaulieu, Heritage Lodge's new program coordinator, holds the Lodge's hectic April schedule. Beaulieu is looking to have more interaction between the seniors at the lodge and the broader community.

- Stephen Dafoe Photo

Heritage Lodge looking to have more community interaction with seniors

by Stephen Dafoe
stephen@morinvillenews.com

Heritage Lodge's new Program Coordinator Liette Beaulieu has had an opportunity to get her feet wet on the job since joining the facility at the end of March. With a full month of activities under her belt, she is now looking to increase the programming and the interconnection with the broader community.

"I would love to plug in the community a bit more and have the residents go out as well with more outings," she said. "Those are my goals. Also, when we do have fundraisers at the Lodge, that the community is aware of it."

Beaulieu said she believes the residents will enjoy a greater interaction in the community and with the community.

The program coordinator has worked at three Lodges within Homeland Housing (Formerly Sturgeon Foundation. This posting is her second position as a program coordinator. She knows the pub nights she has done elsewhere in the past were hits with the seniors as well as the broader towns she worked in. Beaulieu is looking to recreate the formula in Morinville.

"When we had pub nights, and we had the community, it was always the same people. So it becomes about building relationships. It might get them have more [Morinville] residents come out and enjoy us."

Beaulieu said she would be finding out further what the residents like and don't like to better serve them.

So far the Lodge has plans for Pub Nights, birthday parties, a visit from the Morinville Minstrels on May 9, the Sturgeon Unity Singers on May 23, and a presentation from Beltone Hearing Centres on May 24, and a sing along with Val and Ted on May 25, all of which are open to the community to attend. Additionally, Beaulieu is having a Mother's Day event for residents and families.

She is hoping members of the public will come to the public events. "It was so nice to see," Beaulieu said of how things were at her previous post. "It kind of became a big family. It was always the same people. They'd come to chat. Sometimes they just came to see the people."

Beaulieu said she would like to see more volunteers 18 and older to assist her with seniors programming at the lodge.

"We do need a criminal record check, and there are some forms that we do need," Beaulieu said, noting three or four would be ideal. "There's not a limit."

Those interested in volunteering or for times and details on entertainment for lodge residents and community can contact Beaulieu at Heritage Lodge at 780-939-3212.

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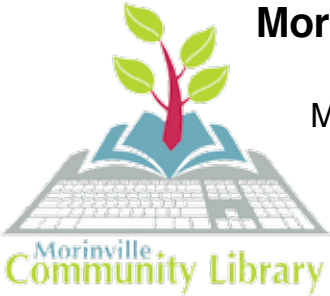
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Comment: Remembering Paul

There were two recipients of the Paul Krauskopf Community Spirit Award this year, sponsored by The Morinville News. The first, HATS — Hands Across the Sea can be seen on Page 2 of this edition. The second was our own Lucie Roy. Our thanks to Tina Gougeon for the above photo.

Lucie Roy was recognized for her work as a Rotary volunteer, Lions volunteer, festival volunteer, ACFA volunteer, and offering her wealth of knowledge on Morinville's history to a variety of groups and organizations.

The award seeks to recognize the member of the community who may otherwise escape the recognition they deserve.

Where Paul Krauskopf rightfully earned the name Mr. Morinville, Lucie Roy is deserving of the name Mrs. Morinville in that so much of the time she gives to volunteerism is purely in the interests of building community and preserving community, not only its past by keeping Morinville's rich heritage alive, but by working hard behind the scenes to keep its present of a quality that people can look back on with pride.

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Sturgeon County taxes drop by 1.22 per cent

by Morinville News Staff

Sturgeon County Council has approved a 1.22 per cent property tax decrease with the passing of Bylaw 1388/17, which establishes this year's tax rates.

"Thanks to our actual assessment being greater than our estimated assessment, we were able to replenish the Council Contingency Reserve, which relieves pressure on the 2018 budget while reducing 2017 taxes for Sturgeon County residents," said Ed Kaemingh, Manager, Financial Services in a news release Thursday.

The County's increased assessment generates net tax revenue in the amount of \$218,000 from linear, non-linear and residential assessment growth.

Sturgeon's linear assessment for 2017 is \$88 million than estimated. The completion of Atco Electric's Heathfield Substation is, the County says, is a "significant contributor."

Additionally, non-residential assessment growth is about \$44 million higher than estimated, and residential assessment was \$5 million higher.

County property tax bills are made up of three elements: municipal levy, education levy collected for the province, and the senior's levy.

For every residential property tax dollar, 59 per cent pays for municipal services, 40 per cent is collected on behalf of Alberta Education, and 1 per cent supports the seniors housing as operated by the Sturgeon Foundation in the towns within Sturgeon County and the City of St. Albert.

County tax notices will be mailed out May 26 and are due June 30.



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OBITUARY NOTICE

Vinje, Karen Louise Roberta



Karen Louise Roberta Vinje, aged 73, passed away peacefully surrounded by her loving children and family, on Sunday April 23, 2017, in St Albert, Alberta.

Karen was born in Calgary July 23, 1943, to parents Grace and Robert Snyder spending most of her life in Calgary, Cochrane and Morinville, Alberta. She loved helping and taking care of people and she extremely enjoyed her work in social services for the

Alberta Government for over 20 years.

Karen is survived by her four Children, Rhonda (Brian), Raquel (Dave), Ralayne (Glen) and Robbie (Tonya) and her many grandchildren and great grandchildren.

She was very proud of her family legacy and their successes. Spending time with her family as well as her large extended family of cousins, nieces and nephews was an important part of her life.

She thoroughly enjoyed painting and doing arts and crafts, sharing her art with her family and loved ones. She also had a passion for all things "Elvis", taking the trip of the her lifetime to Graceland.

Karen was extremely strong. "The key to strengthening spiritual muscles and enduring hardship is finding strength in the word of God". Her love of her church was consistent through out all of her life, wherever she lived and with whom ever she encountered.

A Celebration of Karen's life was held at Morinville Baptist Church on Saturday, April 29.

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Childcare motion fails

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During the Committee of the Whole discussions, Mayor Lisa Holmes commented saying, "I am concerned that there are barriers in our community for parents of children younger than eight years old." However, Holmes thought that the primary barriers were not child care costs, but childcare access, clearer scheduling to fit with a parent's schedule, and the behaviour of councils to women or aggressive comments that can be left by some members of the public to intimidate potential female candidates.

Holmes estimated her own childcare cost while serving as mayor were approximately \$3,500 per year, and provided her calculations to Administration ahead of this discussion.

At the Apr. 25 discussion, Councillor FitzGerald argued for the initiative again saying that it was "just intended to eliminate barriers to increasing diversity on Council," and noted that it would be inexpensive, only costing up to a maximum of \$4,000 for councillors who do have young children and decide to use it.

Councillor Turner said, "residents are not in favour of councillors getting benefits that they themselves do not receive," adding that he felt the larger barrier for parents is that there is currently no parental leave, something being looked at under the provincial review of the Municipal Government Act.

FitzGerald added that, for some women he talked to, this was a substantial barrier to them running for council, he hopped by passing the initiative it would "lead to more diversity on Council and therefore lead to better decision making."

The motion failed with Councillor FitzGerald and Putnam supporting it.

Tax penalty reduction Bylaw cuts tardy tax penalties in half

by **Tristan Turner**
Morinville News Correspondent

A bylaw unanimously passed by Councillor Stephen Dafoe cut penalties for late property tax payers in half at Council's Apr. 25 meeting. The Bylaw passed Second and Third Reading that night, following the passing of First Reading on Apr. 11.

The Town's 22-year-old Unpaid Property Tax Penalty Bylaw levied a 15 per cent penalty on taxes not paid by June 30 and an 18 per cent penalty on property tax balances not paid by Dec. 31.

The changes under the new law chop the fees for late payers in half, down to 7.5 percent for taxes not paid by June 30 and 9 per cent on those not paid by Dec. 31.

Dafoe made the original motion at Council's Apr. 11 meeting, saying then that is was made: " in light of our difficult economic times." He went on to argue that many people are still recovering from the financial downturn and could use some relief from the Town.

Under the Alberta Municipal Governance Act, only Council can reduce or wave tax penalties.

Chief Financial Office Shawna Jason reported to Council that while the reduction in penalty percentages would reduce revenues by approximately \$75,000, the changes would bring the Town's rates in line with nearby communities, which are typically between 3 per cent and 12 percent.

Councillor Brennan FitzGerald commented the former penalties were "a big surprise to me when I saw how much higher [our penalties are] than the rest of the region." FitzGerald added that he was happy to support the legislation.

Councillors Boutestein and Turner offered brief comments of support.

Second and Third Reading passed unanimously with nearly no debate.

Council to host next COW meeting at Heritage lodge

Council will be holding its next meeting at the Heritage Place Lodge at 101 Avenue and 100 Street on May 16, following a unanimous vote from Council. This vote came after a motion from Councillor Stephen Dafoe, with almost no debate from Council.

Dafoe added that it was his intent that Council could provide an update to residents at the centre on seniors' issues the town is working on.

Dafoe says he got the idea after talking with the Lodge's new program coordinator, who thought it would be a good idea. Council universally offered messages of support.

The meeting will be held at 6:30 and is open to all members of the public.

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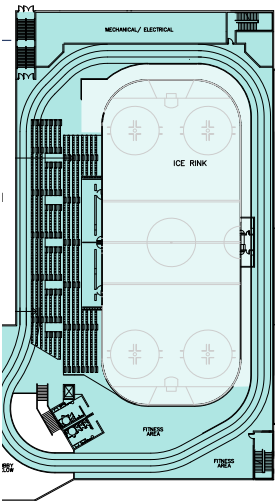
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Design for new arena's exterior. Inset: Concept drawing of first phase arena, running track and fitness areas.
- Images courtesy Town of Morinville

Council approves construction manager for new arena

by Tristan Turner
Morinville News Correspondent



Council has named Clark Builders as the Construction Manager for Phase One of their new Arena project. The project, which has been detailed at past council meetings, is already beginning the first stages of construction.

Councillor Putnam and Boutestein both sit on the committee responsible for planning the facility, and noted to Council that they received six presentations from various candidates for the project, and Clark Builders came out on top because of their "commitment to working with us as a small town", in addition to meeting all of the Town's criteria for their process, cost-control, and fees, according to Councillor Putnam.

Councillor Boutestein added that Clark impressed the committee by its commitment to communicating openly with members of the community in addition to Council throughout the process.

The motion to accept Clark as the Construction Manager passed unanimously with no debate.

Feds investing in new projects to improve Canadian vaccination rates

by Morinville News Staff

Midway through National Immunization Awareness Week, the Honourable Jane Philpott, Minister of Health, announced nearly \$1.7 million in Immunization Partnership Fund funding for three new projects. The initiative seeks to increase Canadian vaccination coverage in Canada. The Prince Edward Island Department of Health and Wellness, Manitoba Health, Seniors and Active Living, and the Society of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of Canada lead the projects.

Minister Philpott also announced \$1.2 million in funding for six research projects aimed to improve Canada's ability to identify under- and un-immunized populations in Canada.

Citing a recent government survey, statistics



show 95 per cent of Canadian parents agreed that vaccines are safe, and 97% agreed that vaccines are important for children's health. However, the same survey noted that 70 per cent of parents were concerned about potential side effects.

"Vaccinations save lives. Thanks to vaccines, serious and often devastating vaccine-preventable diseases are no longer the norm in Canada," Minister of Health Philpott said in a Health Canada release Wednesday. "Still, not enough Canadians are being vaccinated and the reasons why are complex. These projects will help us understand why people are not getting their vaccines and will create the tools to help increase coverage rates."

The government says the objective of the investments announced Wednesday is to identify barriers to vaccination access and uptake, with particular emphasis on the vaccination coverage of women of reproductive age, First Nations, Inuit, and M  tis, as well as newcomers to Canada.

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SRCWA president looking forward to the road ahead

by Stephen Dafoe
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Sitting on a folding chair behind the Sturgeon Rural Crime Watch Association (SRCWA) booth at the recent trade show, the watchdog organization's new president Bonny Swart-Attwood is an approachable and witty head to the organization dedicated to being extra eyes and ears for the Morinville RCMP Detachment.

Quick with a smile, a laugh, and a good amount of knowledge in community policing, Swart-Attwood officially took over her duties Mar. 14. She has been busy spreading the word and the mission of SRCWA since.

"It's good. It's exciting. I'm a visual type of person, and I like to introduce myself old school the way we were brought up. You introduce yourself, so they [people] have a face to a name," Swart-Attwood said. "At first it [the presidency] was overwhelming because I felt like I was just getting off the red carpet and everybody swarmed me with 'this is what we've got to do.'"

And what Swart-Attwood has been doing is getting out there and promoting Sturgeon Rural Crime Watch Association, using some of the knowledge she acquired working for the

Ontario Provincial Police in Belleville, Ontario. Swart-Attwood sees a lot of potential for SRCWA, which now sits with more than 800 members. "I want more because of the crime and the way it is out there now," she explained. "You've got cyber crime. You've got your scams, and your door-to-door and so on. [We want] to educate a lot of people that don't understand computer systems or don't understand the scams. I've been scammed, too, but if you see the signs and can watch for it before it happens. Always ask for credentials if they are at your door."

Swart-Attwood realizes people work hard for what they have and that it is heartbreaking when criminals take that away.

She is hoping SRCWA can get involved with fellow watchdog organization Citizens on Patrol [COP], potentially working with them.

"Some of the rural areas that have it [COP] are dormant," Swart-Attwood said. "If we can get them up and say, 'Hey! We can be the extra eyes for the RCMP and the Peace Officers out there, we think it would be greatly appreciated.'"

In addition to looking at groups locally and across the country for ideas to improve the work SRCWA does, the organization is hoping to increase the membership well beyond the current 800-plus.

Although SRCWA meets monthly at the Provincial Building, attendance at meetings is not mandatory for general members. Lifetime memberships are \$25, which gets the member access to the organization's fanout notices, chronicling recent crimes in the area, including break and enters, vehicle thefts, and other suspicious activity.

For more information on Sturgeon Rural Crime Watch Association, visit www.sturgeonruralcrimewatch.org.



Above: SRCWA President Bonny Swart-Attwood. - Stephen Dafoe Photo





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Christmas in June Toy Run will roll again for the Midstream Support Society

by Stephen Dafoe
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As many as 75 to 100 motorcycle riders are expected to start and stop in Morinville June 3 for the third edition of an annual event that will support the Midstream Support Society.

Lions Club members and motorcycle enthusiasts Marty and Deb Robillard came up with the idea to hold the event three years ago and are still involved with the event.

Sponsors for this year's event include Technical Automotives, TASER Inc., Hunters Print & Copy, Roadrunners Towing, and the Morinville Lions Club.

"It is going to be pretty much a lot of the same format as last year because everyone enjoyed the ride that we do," said co-organizer and Lions Club President Deborah Robillard, noting the first year saw 60 bikes while last year was down to about 33. "We are going to ensure that we have a couple more poker run stops. It's just a matter of getting volunteers to sit at those stops."

This year's run, like the previous two events, is a rain or shine affair. The route departs from Technical Automotives in the industrial park and will wind its way through Onaway, Alberta Beach, Barrhead, Westlock, before returning to Morinville.

Organizers are hoping 100-plus generous motorcyclists will help make a significant donation to the Midstream Support Society's Santa Store.

"We feel it is important because children are a huge part of our lives," Deb Robillard said. "To be able to give them something at Christmas to know that there are going to be smiles on



their faces because they know they are not going to be left out is a huge factor. We feel it is important to give the proceeds to the Midstream Support Centre because of what they do for our community. They do so much to help families that are lacking in different things. This is one way the Lions Club can give back — by giving support to the Midstream.

Registration for the event is \$30 per rider and \$15 for the passenger. Riders and passengers are encouraged to bring a new and unwrapped toy. Registration forms are available at Technical

Automotives or TASER Inc. in the industrial park.

Registration will also take place Friday, June 2 from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Technical Automotives and Saturday morning from 8 a.m. to 9:45 a.m.

Organizers say the event will include a 50/50 draw and poker run with this year's event as well as a barbecue wrap up back at Technical Automotives.

Those interested in pre-registering, sponsoring or volunteering can call Deb Robillard at 780-939-3976 or Marty Robillard at 780-907-8139. Riders are encouraged to register in advance.

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Arts and culture alive at Higher Grounds

by Stephen Dafoe
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While there have been many changes to Higher Grounds and more coming, including new decor, being opened Mondays, and serving breakfast and regular coffee, the local coffee shop has not changed its dedication to promoting the arts. In fact, that passion for showcasing the community's many diverse talents is on the rise.

Higher Grounds kicked off their new round of events Saturday with a book signing with author Kim Mills. The Morinville resident recently published *All the Way Home*, the first in a military romance series.

Higher Grounds Manager Betty Fraser said the book signing was the start of weekend events.

"We're going to start doing some events on Saturday," Fraser said, noting the next Saturday offering is a Mother's Day [Pancake] Breakfast from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. May 13 that is free for mothers. "Eventually, we want to start opening Saturday morning's as well. But we will do some special events on Saturdays, perhaps a Canada Day event."

Talent shows to continue

Fraser said May 13 is also the date of the next Hot Dogma Talent Night. A long-time Higher Grounds staple, the shows will now move from Friday evening to Saturday night to make them more accessible to commuters.

Not only is the day changing — the name is as well.

"We're changing the name, too," Fraser said. "For this one, we're going to still call it Hot Dogma because that is what it has been called. But we're going to throw it out to the people that sign up. We're going to make a little contest of it to come up with the best name, and then we'll vote on it and give them a prize. We are finding some people don't know what Hot Dogma means. If we have talent or entertainment in the name, people will instantly know."

The next show takes place May 13 at 6:30 p.m. and is open to the public. Singers, musicians, dancers, jugglers and anyone with a talent interested in performing can sign up at the coffee shop or call 780-266-JAVA (5282).



Visual arts play a role

Performing and literary arts are not the only focus for Higher Grounds. The shop recently partnered with the Morinville Art Club to have works by local artists on display on the walls of the cafe — both for viewing and for purchasing. The move has helped the art club spread their work around the community. The club recently set up rotating displays at the Morinville Museum.

But Higher Grounds is also offering everyone an opportunity to get their paint on by hosting regular Paint Nights.

The next Paint Night is May 3 and has a Mother's Day Mom-and-Me

theme. Cost for the event is \$30 per person and includes all supplies. Those interested in attending can sign up on the shop's Facebook page, in person at the business or by phone to reserve a spot.

Arts important

As was the case with the management team that started Higher Grounds years ago, the arts remain important to the new group and their volunteers.

"To me, and I'm sure to the ladies prior to, the community was obviously a huge part of this [business]. Promoting the community was important and still is. We love Morinville, so we want to promote Morinville. There is a lot of talent in Morinville,

especially our youth, and we want to give them a place to show it. Also, if there are people that do pottery or knitting — we'd like to start displaying it."

Monday openings coming soon

One of the shop's shortfalls, at least for fans of their signature coffees, is being open four days a week — Tuesday through Friday. Fraser said that would all change June 1 when Higher Grounds will be open Monday through Friday.

But to be open extra hours, the non-profit coffee house needs additional volunteers.

"We can only open more hours depending on our volunteers. So the more volunteers we get — that will help do Mondays and Saturday mornings, and evenings," Fraser said, adding volunteers work four-hour shifts. "We'd like to start opening evenings. We have our patio tables. It would be nice to come and have an evening drink — an Italian soda or a latte."

Those interested in volunteering can visit Fraser at the shop.

Above: Betty Fraser, Carla Lamontag, and Rachel Fraser stand at the counter ready to serve customers.

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School division appoints new junior high Principal

by Jennifer Lavallee
Morinville News Correspondent

Sturgeon School Division (SSD) has an extensive list of things to complete before it can welcome students into Morinville’s newest junior high school. Recently, the Division checked off an important item on their lengthy to-do list: hire a principal.

SSD announced, on April 18, the appointment of Jonathan Konrad as Principal of the (currently unnamed) school. Konrad has been an educator for over two decades. Currently, he is the Principal of Sturgeon Heights School in neighbouring St. Albert.

“I’m very excited to be coming to Morinville,” said Konrad in an interview. “I’m looking forward to connecting with the community and with the people there.”

The opportunity to be part of a school from the ground up is not one that presents itself every day, noted the Principal. It was a major factor in his interest in the position; “I had to go for it,” he remarked.

Before Konrad was the Principal at Sturgeon Heights (a K-9 School), he was a high school biology and general science teacher for ten years in the Grand Prairie area. Later he moved into a coaching role, advising fellow teachers and school division staff how to best implement new technologies in the classroom.

From there, Konrad relocated to St. Paul, Alberta and began his first experience as a school Principal. “It was a privilege to work there,” he reminisced. “It was such a vibrant school in a smaller community.”



The Principal said he anticipates similarities between his experience in St. Paul and what he envisions in Morinville.

This time around, however, he will get the chance to influence the design of the school he will be leading. Konrad wants modern-day teaching considerations to be incorporated into the building, which he said will benefit the students and the whole community.

“Older schools were built as institutions,” he explained, “...and sometimes those building designs (which can be segmented or in grid-like layouts) don’t make sense with how we want to approach education today.”

Konrad spoke about modern-day concepts for learning environments and mentioned the importance of natural light and open spaces, students being able to connect with each other and with the environment.

Konrad said he will be staying on as Principal at Sturgeon Heights until the new school in Morinville is ready to open. SSD, he said, will be providing additional support at Sturgeon Heights so he can manage his responsibilities related to the new school in Morinville at the same time.

A visit to the school council at Morinville Public School is one of Konrad’s next tasks at hand. He said he intends to keep in close contact with the community throughout the design and construction phase of the new school.

SSD indicated to the Morinville News that the school project is expected to go to tender this August. The building is presently in a design phase.

“We are very pleased to have Mr. Jonathan Konrad on board as the Principal of the new school...His ongoing input and assistance with critical educational decisions will help us to ensure the new school is perfectly positioned to meet the needs of the students it will serve,” said Dr. Michele Dick, SSD Superintendent on April 28.



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Phinney heading to retirement by the ocean

by **Lucie Roy**
Morinville News Correspondent

After serving two terms as town councillor covering six years from 2004 to 2010 and serving ten years as the Facility Manager Supportive Living Alberta Health Services (AHS) at Aspen House, Donna Phinney is ready for an early retirement.

"I will miss them. I will miss my employees, my residents, they have enriched my life," Phinney said.

Seniors Care

Donna Phinney wanted to ensure that Morinville's seniors were taken care of, that was her passion.

She was working for Shepherd's Care in Edmonton as Operations Assistant, took over as General Manager of Ashbourne run by Shepherd's Care then came to work in Morinville when she was asked to take over Aspen House by Mueller, the Director of Supportive Living for AHS.

What enticed her and was the best experience at Aspen House was living and working in the community, and being a part of it.

"We turned this building around. It was not the nicest looking on the inside. We've done a lot of work but not solely on me. I had a lot of help. I mean if Kendra [Curry] weren't here, I would not have been able to get half this stuff done. Kendra Curry worked with me almost ten years and has literally been my right hand. It is not all me it is a team effort."

Phinney said in the first six months she took over the building, she and Curry were there 12 to 14 hours a day.

"We fondly look back on our time here," Phinney said. "It is going to be hard to leave. Absolutely. But it is time. I will regret leaving, but I am leaving it in good hands."

Phinney's duties, which include overseeing 72 residents and 138 staff will be shared by Christy Dudzic, who is currently the Clinical Services Manager (CSM) and RN by trade will remain as CSM and will take on some of Phinney's duties with Kendra Curry taking the rest.

"There were lots of changes in ten years," Phinney recalled. "The biggest change was bringing on the secure unit (Aspen Villa). That brought along a lot of challenges and the partnership between AHS and the owner Rosedale. That brings its own unique issues. You have to work in between the two of them. You work as AHS employee, but you also have to operate the building for the owner, so there are some challenging factors."

Military Life

Phinney is familiar with military life. It was mostly her mother Marianne who raised Donna and her three sisters Carole, Wendy, and Dede. She was brought up in a military family, so she said she knew what she was getting into when she married Keven.

Her father, Arthur Green, served with Lord Strathcona's Horse (Royal Canadians) - Ldsh (RC). Her father served more than 30 years, was a WWII and Korean War veteran who was the second most highly decorated soldier of Strathcona's.

Keven served for 32 plus years in the Canadian Armed Forces as a Supply Technician and retired in 2007 as a Master Warrant Officer (MWO) Regimental Quartermaster Sergeant (RQMS). Keven did seven tours and was gone 106 months out of country in his career. Tours included Egypt, Sierra, South West Africa, three tours in Bosnia and stationed in Germany twice. Keven also has many medals, but the main ones he said are his Order of Military Merit presented by Governor General in 2002 and his tour medals.

Family Life

After 20 years in Morinville, Donna and Keven Phinney are looking at potentially moving to Nova Scotia this summer which is where Keven calls home and has roots there.

"It is all about the house selling," Keven said, adding their three children, Tyler from Morinville, Madison and Kolby and three grandchildren would remain in Western Canada.

"I have three wonderful children grown up to be contributing members to their community," Donna said.

Phinney Strong Golf Tournament

Keven said the golf tournament will continue and is booked for Aug. 26 at the Edmonton Garrison Memorial Golf Course. Both he and Donna will be here for the event which is in its third year. In the last two years, they have raised more than \$5000 of which some monies were used to supply a wheelchair to another in need.

Reflections

Donna said they want to travel, go back to Europe and with both of them now retired they can do that. They can just hop on a plane and go.

"I would not change anything in my life," she said. "I have been fortunate to be posted from coast to coast, to Europe. We are coming up to our 40th wedding anniversary. I have known my husband for 42 years. You can't say that about too many military couples. We have two friends of all those we've known that are still together. The military sucks everything out of you. It is a hard life. No doubt about it. I wouldn't change a thing."

They were married in Calgary the same day - Apr. 1 - the same day and the same church as her parents had.

Council

Donna enjoyed being on Council and said there is no doubt she would do it all over again. But working full time and doing Council was difficult.

"You are on call 365 days of the year," she said. "I take my cell phone with me on holidays. That is just what is expected. You are on call 24 hours a day. It got too much. There are sacrifices, but there are sacrifices everywhere."

At Aspen, Phinney was also on call 365 days a year, 24/7.

"That is just expectations, and you either do it, or you don't."

A Farewell to Donna Social was held Apr. 29 at Aspen House.

by Jennifer Lavallee
Morinville News Correspondent

Governments use home improvement rebates as an incentive for people to upgrade their old appliances or home equipment for new and more energy-efficient products. The Alberta government, for example, introduced a program recently that offers up to \$3,500 back to those who replace their attic insulation, windows, or who invest in tankless water heaters.

On a smaller scale than that of the Province's, the Town of Morinville also has a similar initiative called, the toilet rebate program. Claude Valcourt, Morinville's Director of Public Works, said the Town's program is beneficial in terms of return on investment.

"Residents will notice savings in their water use," he said, as he notes, "some drawbacks that municipalities have noticed are issues with plugged sanitary lines due to less flow, [but] in Morinville, we have an annual sewer flushing program that alleviates that concern."

Valcourt also explained, the less water a household uses, the smaller the charge for sewer on the next utility bill as well, since the two services are linked.

Programs like this have minimal long-term effects on the Town's infrastructure, however, according to the Public Works Director, the primary goal is water conservation. The low-flush program helps to accomplish that and therefore is beneficial to the region (a full flush toilet can use up to five or six gallons of water per flush, while a low-flow toilet uses around 1.6 gallons of water).

Each year, for the past three years, Morinville has earmarked \$7,500 for this program, which roughly equates to 100 rebates (though, they've never used that full amount). Currently, the Town says there are about 80 rebates (or \$6,000) left for 2017.

The program applies only to the replacement of older, full-flush, toilets, and not to any new home construction. In order to get the rebate of \$75, a resident must fill out a form, provide proof of purchase, including required information on the low-flow toilet, and arrange for a visual inspection by the Town.

Tim Quinn, journeyman plumber and owner of Quinn's Plumbing in Morinville, said replacing an old toilet to one that is low-flow will indeed help out in reducing costs; however, he cautions, do your research and look for what will fit your household needs.

"Different manufacturers make different quality toilets...it's important to remember: it's not just about low-flow, it's about good low-flow," he said. A lower quality toilet could, for example, plug more easily.

Quinn's Plumbing is currently undergoing the process for getting added to the approved list of Alberta Contractors for the new Alberta Home Improvement Program. Though, Quinn is not convinced this particular rebate program will flush out a lot of new business for him (versus a program that existed a few years ago, which encompassed more energy efficiency products and included a mandatory, comprehensive, energy audit).

"Tankless, or on-demand, hot water heaters are quite an investment," he explains, "and they don't do particularly well with our hard water." This means the cost of the water heater and annual maintenance should be considered when working out the cost of going tankless.

Quinn likens tankless hot water heaters to a kettle. The units, which cost anywhere from \$3,000 to \$5,000, heats water very quickly. Without regular maintenance, he said, scaling occurs inside the unit, just like in does in your kettle. "To counter this, you can install a water softener," he suggests, "but again, a lot of it comes down to quality of the product. You get what you pay for."

A traditional hot water tank uses about 50,000BTUs to heat water and turns on to reheat stored water about five or six times a day. A tankless water heater uses 200,000BTUs and only turns on when it has to. Quinn said there is also a third option which is the traditional hot water tank, with a high-efficiency burner (these are not included in the Albert Home Improvement Program, however, Quinn suggests they can achieve similar efficiencies as a tankless unit and cost slightly less).

"It comes down to doing your homework. On the surface, upgrading looks great but always remember to consider the real costs so you can make an informed decision."

The Alberta Home Improvement Program offers up to \$1,000 in rebates for a tankless water heater; they recommend consumers get three quotes from registered contractors for more information and estimates on rebates.

Instant rebates for energy-efficient products

Instant rebates are on offer at home improvement stores throughout the province from Apr. 28 to June 11. A second six-week retail campaign will be offered in the fall.

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Morinville Orijen Sabretooths enter round two undefeated

by Morinville News Staff

It was another big win for the Morinville Orijen Sabretooths Midget Girls Apr. 25, bringing them to an undefeated 5-0 record in Round One of Spring League.

The girls played Beaumont and won handily 43-29, building on consistent leads of 5-2, 14-11, and 24-15 before narrowly outpacing Beaumont 19-18 in the final quarter to close 43-29.

In the first four wins this spring, the Sabretooths won by margins ranging from seven points to 38 points.

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2017 Resident Survey FINAL WEEK

Morinville is currently undertaking a 2017 Resident Survey to determine satisfaction with such things as civic services, financial planning & communication. This survey is available from March 27 to May 5 online or via hard copy available at the Town Office, Community Cultural Centre or Public Library. The survey can be completed online at: <https://questionnaire.simplesurvey.com/s/2017-resident-survey> and should take approximately 15 to 20 minutes. #HaveYourSay!

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MORINVILLE RCMP

May 22 Morinville RCMP front counter and administration lines will be closed to observe Victoria Day.

Upcoming Town Events

Candidate Information Session

Wednesday, May 10, 2017 | 6:30 p.m.

Location: Council Chambers (2nd Floor, 10125-100 Ave)

Information will be provided on Council's Roles and Responsibilities, Time Commitment, Council Remuneration and Election Process (nomination requirements, election legislation, and campaign requirements). The 2017 Candidate Handbook is now available for anyone considering running for Municipal Council at www.morinville.ca/election.

Bike Rodeo (Ages 6-12)

Thursday, May 11, 2017 | 6 - 7:30 p.m.

Location: Ray McDonald Sports Center Parking Lot (9908-104 St.)

Admission: FREE

Morinville Enforcement Services, and Alberta Health Services are pleased to bring you this 2017 Bike Safety and Awareness Event. Pre-register online at www.morinville.ca or call Community Services at 780.939.7839.

Town-Wide Garage Sale

Saturday, May 13, 2017 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Location: Various Morinville locations

The annual event is back! Rent a table (\$20/table) at the Ray McDonald Sports Center, or register your address to be on the Town map before May 10, 2017. To register a table, or your home address, or for more information, please call 780.939.7839.

Reuse It or "Loose It"

Saturday, May 27, 2017 | 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

(Item drop off ends at 2:30 p.m.)

Location: Skyline Ball Diamonds (10510-107 St.)

You are invited to set "loose" items no longer wanted or needed (but still use-able) by bringing them to a central location for others to browse through and take home. This event is one-day only! For more information, please contact Public Works at 780.939.2590.

FOR A FULL LISTING OF COMMUNITY EVENTS GO TO WWW.MORINVILLE.CA

Town Council

Agenda packages for Regular Council & Committee of the Whole Meetings are posted on the Town website at www.morinville.ca by 4:30 p.m. the Friday prior to the meeting date.

Regular Council Meeting
May 9, 2017 | 7:30 p.m.

Council Chambers
St. Germain Place 10125-100 Ave.

Will be
live-streamed
on
Facebook

Committee of the Whole Meeting
May 16, 2017 | 6:30 p.m.

Heritage Lodge
10015-101 Ave.

Regular Council Meeting
May 23, 2017 | 7:30 p.m.

Council Chambers
St. Germain Place 10125-100 Ave.

Will be
live-streamed
on
Facebook

Council Highlights — available online

Council highlights provide a short, informal update on what occurred at the Council Meetings. To access the highlights, visit www.morinville.ca

Perogies and Kubasa

May 18, 2017
6 - 9 p.m.

Morinville Community Cultural Centre
9502 - 100 Ave.

Supper: 6 - 7 p.m.
Show: 7 - 8:30 p.m.

\$30/adult
\$25/senior (55+)
Includes supper & show
Tickets available for purchase
January 2017.
Only 250 tickets available!

Nestor Pistor

Nestor Pistor Loves to Perform!
From the farmyard to the boardroom, his hilarious jokes and stories are a unique tribute to the lighter side of the Ukrainian Canadian experience. Catering by Kelley's Deli & Bakery with homemade perogies...sure to be a winning combination for an evening out.

More Tickets Available

Tickets available at the
Community Services office at 9502 - 100 Ave.
780.939.7839
www.morinville.ca

