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Canada 150 Art

Emily and Haley Berard show off their tiles prior to placing them in the Canada 150 mural Feb. 7. The community art project took place over two days. See story and photos on Page 14.
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Morinville barber retires after more than 50 years

by **Lucie Roy**
Morinville News Correspondent

After more than 50 years in the business, local barber Paul Henry Casavant is trading in his scissors and clippers for garden shears.

The 76-year-old Morinville man said Jan. 31 was his last shift at Paul's Barber Shop located at 10404-101 Avenue where he has owned and operated his home business since 1996. Casavant reflected that it is strange thinking it will be all over. He will miss everyone. A lot of these guys have grown up and grown old with him.

"He is really going to miss it, winter time especially," his wife Clara said. "Not too much going on outside in the winter time besides shovelling snow. But he will keep busy. He can't sit still. He has to keep moving."

Casavant ran the same shop a couple of streets over – down on Main Street at Paul's Confectionery and Barber Shop from 1966 to 1988. After that, he started a barber shop and beauty salon named Paul's

Barber Shop & Family Hair Care from 1988 until 1996.

Both sitting in the barber shop chairs, Paul and his wife Clara reflected on his five-plus decades in the business, the joy of satisfying the customers and his plans for retirement.

Casavant was issued his Certificate of Proficiency in the barber trade in November of 1965 from the National Barber School in Edmonton, which is closed now. He then started barbering in Edmonton with Dieters Hair Stylist and worked there for four years. It is after that, he and his twin brother purchased the confectionery and barber shop on Main Street in Morinville in 1966.

The building is still standing to this day, (CX Shooters/ Free Press) but no longer has the barber pole outside the by the window of the store.

They were in that building until 1988 with Barber Ernie Comeau helping out for eight years.

They then went across the street and started a second shop. This was a barber shop and beauty salon, and they had suntan beds, esthetician and exercise bed, and four hairdressers. Named Paul's



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Paul Henry and Clara Casavant sit in Paul's Barber Shop Feb. 1. The shop served its last customer Jan. 31.

- Lucie Roy Photos

Barber Shop & Family Hair Care they were there from 1988 to 1996, then decided to close it and create a home-business-type barber shop where they have been to this day.

Casavant reflected on the more than half century of haircuts, customers and memories his business brought him. He has seen lots of different hairstyles and did thousands of cuts in his career.

"Not much has changed in barbering equipment when it comes to clippers and scissors, but styles have changed," Casavant said, recalling when the kids requested the Caesar cut. It was short and had the flip in the front, and then there was the skateboard cut. He didn't really know what it was and he tried and got it. From the style of the 60s to the anything goes hairstyle of today, Casavant saw it all in his 50 plus years. Casavant said it started out with the businessman's haircut of the 50s. "All the haircuts were nice and neat, cut straight in the back over the ears - whatever, and when boys starting growing their hair long that was a big change," he said.

What made it special for Casavant was that he didn't have customers per se - but instead friends, whom he happened to cut hair for.

Casavant said he had a customer who lived in Rocky Mountain House. This guy would get on his plane, fly to Edmonton, and rent a car to get his hair cut, go back to Edmonton and fly back out.

The last three to four years he lost many regulars because of age, seniors who have passed on. Those who moved from Morinville still came back to town to get him to cut their hair.

Casavant said he has many long-time customers. The longest was Keith Reid of Namao who used to run Johnny's Store. Reid was a customer at Dieters where Casavant was cutting hair, then followed him to the Barber Shop in Morinville. "He was my faithful customer from youth to his 70s and was there on his wedding day," Casavant said.

His customers ranged from very young to old, and several generations of local families. Regular customers would be sure to bring their sons in to have a haircut, and down the generations, the tradition would continue.

"Lots of kids all had their first haircuts done at Paul's Confectionery," wife Clara said, going on to say it was all by word of mouth. They did not have to advertise as they couldn't keep up as it was. When they had a new customer, they would ask how they heard about the shop. It was always so and so told them to come there.

Casavant missed it already, no doubt about it, it's hard to let go. But he is very grateful that people put their trust in him and let him serve this long, he appreciates it.

Casavant was born in Quebec in 1940. The family left Quebec when he was two years of age and moved to Leoville, Saskatchewan. After four years, they moved to Jousard, a small town situated in Northern Alberta. His parents Eugene and Irene Casavant had a little log house and store there for 33 to 34 years. Paul said Denise was the oldest and he and his brother all lived in the back of the little store. Paul went to school in McLennan and to the College Notre-Dame of Falher. Eventually, Denise went to the convent Sisters of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgins in Edmonton and would later marry Tom Houle.

Carla was born in Germany and the family came across to Canada about 1942 when she was 13 months old. The family decided there was nothing for them in Germany after the war and came to Canada by train from Halifax across the country to Onoway, where they had relatives that sponsored them. "I guess you came across when you had sponsors," Clara said.

Clara met Paul when one of his best friends, Ernie Proulx, was getting married and they were all at a banquet hall in St Albert. Paul and Clara married in September of 1969 in Morinville, and their children went to school here.

Casavant looks forward to spending more time with his wife, children Celine, Maurice and Joanne and three grandchildren. He is also going to try and get some fishing in as well. Other plans include house renovations to convert the house back to its former self before the barber shop and have the dining room back.

Casavant said there are currently two barber shops in town and a third to open at the hotel and many hairstylists now do both men's and women's hair.

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UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

Freedom to Read Week Feb. 26 - Mar. 4

Celebrate the Freedom to Read free from censorship at the Morinville Community Library. See our story on Page 5 for details on activities planned locally.



Library Corner

Happenings at the Library this week...

Click on **EVENTS** on our website for all the programs at the Library! www.morinvillelibrary.ca

Celebrate the Winter!

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Do you have the sub-zero blues? Need something to do during the cold, snowy months? Join the library's Winter Blues Program.

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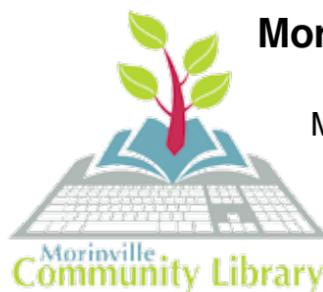
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Editorial: Morinville's decision to delay mural unveiling destroys projects intended purpose

The Canada 150 Mosaic will celebrate Canada's 150th anniversary through art in 2017.

There are 150 communities and over 80,000 partners creating one united mural for one great nation.

Each province and territory will have maybe 15 communities who will be selected to represent the province and the nation. Morinville was one of the lucky Alberta communities to be selected.

Morinville residents got to celebrate Canada's 150th anniversary this month by taking part in the Canada 150 Mosaic project run by St. Albert artist Lewis Lavoie. The Morinville community received a \$10,000 grant from the Canada 150 Fund to create their own mural in conjunction with Lavoie and his team.

Lavoie worked with the Town and the Morinville Historical and Cultural Society to design an approximate 350 tile mural painted by students and residents.

The mural was created in Morinville Feb. 6 and 7 at the Morinville Community Cultural Centre.

Any person can follow the progress of all the Canada 150 Mosaic Murals on the internet — except Morinville has opted out of this global coverage. The completed projects that can be viewed, include Vegreville, Ponoka, Taber, communities in Ontario, and Saskatchewan and so forth — except Morinville.

The mural is a cultural mosaic of Canada — except Morinville does not want their completed picture to be featured on the sites. They want the completed mural project to be unveiled locally at the Morinville Museum.

On Tuesday afternoon, Felicity Bergman, Corporate Communications Coordinator for the office of the CAO for Town of Morinville made a news release to the media on the Canada 150 Mosaic Mural project.

"We are very appreciative of the media's interest and coverage of Morinville's involvement in the Canada 150 Mosaic Mural. We are kindly asking; however, that all media refrain from publishing/disseminating images and photos of the finished mosaic.

Our hope is for a complete unveiling of the mosaic to take place July 1, 2017 as part of the Canada 150th celebrations."

For the hopes of having a few more people partake of the local Morinville Canada Day celebrations, Morinville has now been unable to be viewed globally, nationally or internationally through the Canada 150 Mosaic website. It is also unable to be seen through Facebook pages or other sources and through any social media format coverage of any photos of the completed project at this time.

The Canada Day Celebrations in Morinville are a success. They are great, and we do not need to remove ourselves from global coverage during Canada 150th celebrations to attract more people to the event.

This media ban by the Town appears to provide the perception that the Town is willing to dampen the spirit of the intended National project to draw attraction to a local event that it appears to not be satisfied with in its



attendance.

The project hopes to be in the Guinness Book of Records. This is a huge undertaking. More than 80,000 participants from coast to coast painting and 150 individual murals, which, when united, would create a gigantic mural made up of train cars forming a Giant Art train celebrating Canadian Communities across Canada. The mural, if ever connected would be over 365 meters wide, the size of about four football fields and 8 feet high.

But it looks like Morinvillians and the world will have to wait until Canada Day to see our efforts.

-LR

Publisher's Note: The Canada 150 Mosaic Facebook page published photos of the nearly completed and completed mural last Thursday.

-SD

Notice: Annual General Meeting of the Sturgeon Rural Crime Watch Association

will be held at the Provincial Building Morinville, Alberta

on March 14, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

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Library once again participating in Freedom to Read Week

An interview with Library Supervisor Ashley Cain

Freedom to Read Week (FTRW) is an annual event that encourages Canadians to think about and reaffirm their commitment to intellectual freedom, which is guaranteed them under the Charter of Rights and Freedoms. Freedom to Read Week takes place Feb. 26 – Mar. 4, 2017

MN: Why is Freedom to Read Week an important time for the Morinville Community Library?

AC: Freedom to Read Week is important to us because the event celebrates one of the most significant roles of anyone in library services – the protection of public access to information. Be it through novels, newspapers, picture books, or online, every person has the right to access the materials or information they choose, and we feel that's something worth celebrating.

MN: FTRW is not just about banned books - it's about challenged books and books being challenged on an ongoing basis. Do we see a lot of censorship today?

AC: As champions for this event, we are concerned with a variety of censorship types. Today in Canada, it's extremely difficult to have a book banned at the government level, which is a good thing. What we see more often are attempts at public censorship. In other words, a person who is offended by the religious illustrations in Karen Katz's *My First Ramadan* may request that their local library remove the book from its shelves.

Our library wouldn't remove it, which isn't to say that we dismiss censorship requests easily. Each request is taken to the Library Board who listen to the complainant's case and then make a decision. It might seem like a trivial conversation – who cares whether or not the library removes one children's picture book from their collection? Except it becomes hugely important when you realize that unchecked censorship can quickly become a human rights violation. If we removed one book for what's perceived as offensive religious content, how many would be next? Where would we draw the line? Which religions would be safe and which would we censor?

MN: What are some books that have been challenged in recent years?

AC: People are surprised when I tell them that close to half of all challenged books in Canada are from Easy or Juvenile Collections, which is why we've chosen to focus on challenged children's books for our event. In 2015, there were 26 reported challenges against books across Canada, 11 of which were children's books. Among those titles were *The Graveyard Book*, Vol. 1 and 2 by Neil Gaiman and P. Craig Russell, *If I Ran the Zoo* by Dr. Seuss, and *Chicken Clicking* by Jeanne Willis. All requests to have these books removed were denied by the respondent library.

MN: What is your favourite banned book?

AC: My favourite challenged children's book is *Jeremy Thatcher, Dragon Hatcher* by Bruce Coville, accused of promoting the occult to kids. I first read it in elementary school and it's wholly responsible for my life-long love affair with dragons, something I'm so grateful was never denied to me by censorship.

MN: What would you say to encourage people to come in and check out a banned book?

AC: If anyone in the community is interested in learning more about Freedom to Read Week, censorship, and banned or challenged children's books, I strongly encourage them to come to the library the week of February 26th to March 4th. We are going to have two displays, including a number of children's books that have been challenged. We're also going to present a few challenges of our own, including a crossword puzzle and a cover naming contest. All participants in the contests will get their names put into a draw for two challenged books bundles, one for kids and one for adults.

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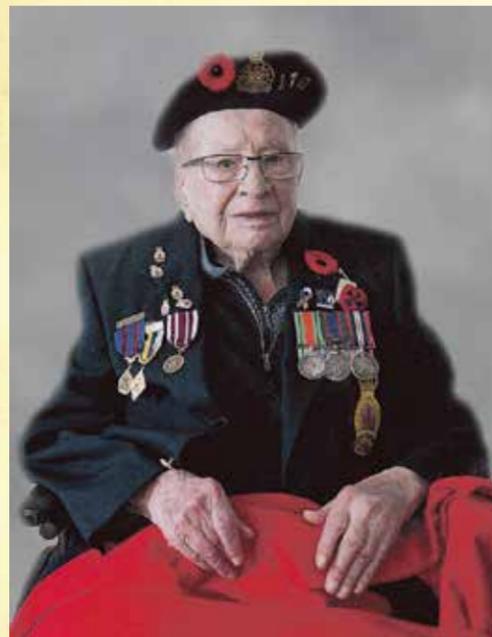
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OBITUARY NOTICE

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The family of Leo Brochu is saddened to announce his passing on February 10, 2017 at the age of 98 years.

Leo will be lovingly remembered by his sisters, Bernadette, Claire, and Gertrude; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, grand-nieces, grand-nephews, and friends.

He was predeceased by his parents, Amedee, and Adeline; and siblings, Paul-Emile, Laurent, Marie-Anne, Jeanne, Lorette, Georgette, and Rachel.

A Funeral Mass will be held at 10:30 a.m., on Thursday, February 16, 2017, at St. Jean Baptiste Parish, 10020-100 Ave, Morinville. A Visitation will be held one hour prior to the Mass, at 9:30 a.m.

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From Council to Clothing: FitzGerald is looking to SEA Change



the Atlantic Ocean in Nova Scotia, has committed to removing three pounds of garbage from the ocean for every product SEA Change Clothing sells.

Think of it as clothing for a cause.

"The sea has always been a part of who I am," said FitzGerald in an interview, "there's salt water in my blood, so this is a very natural fit." The business, which has been in the works for about a year, recently moved into its soft-launch phase with an unveiling of the SEA Change Clothing's website and social media platforms, on-going prototype development of sample products, and building hype by doing what FitzGerald does best, talking to people.

The clothing itself is being manufactured in Vancouver using only ocean-friendly materials, such as organic cotton. FitzGerald said, when it comes to his clothing line, he wants to consider every aspect necessary to ensure SEA Change Clothing is ocean-friendly, right down to product packaging.

Initially, SEA Change Clothing will sell items like t-shirts, baseball-style shirts, and hoodies. As the brand grows, FitzGerald envisions a higher variety of products to become available.

To keep track of how much waste SEA Change Clothing is supposed to remove from the ocean after products start selling, FitzGerald said there will be running tallies on his company's website. That way, customers will see how much garbage SEA Change Clothing still needs to remove from waterways, versus a tally that shows how much they've already removed to date.

"When you clean up any waterway, you're cleaning up oceans. So much of the waste from rivers and lakes ultimately end up [there]," explained FitzGerald, who said clean-up events will likely occur year-round, from coast-to-coast in all different types of waterways. "It will be easy to host a variety of events; I'm from the east coast, so I plan on spending quite a bit of time there, as well as in Vancouver (where the products are being made)." Events will be a roll-up-your-sleeves and get working

Morinville's Deputy Mayor, Brennan FitzGerald, says he will not be running for council in the next municipal election. Instead, you'll likely find him busy working to SEA some big changes in the World's oceans.

- Submitted Photo

by Jennifer Lavallee
Morinville News Correspondent

During the next municipal election, this October, there will be one less familiar name on the ballots in the Town of Morinville: Brennan FitzGerald. The Morinville councillor, and current Deputy Mayor, says he will be trading in politics to focus on a different passion—his new business.

FitzGerald recently launched a start-up called, SEA Change Clothing Co. The venture focuses on retailing high quality, Canadian-made clothing, with a twist. FitzGerald, who grew up on the shores of

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type of deal and will include beach and shoreline clean-ups.

"Clean-up events will be [done by] internal SEA Change people but, also, we will utilize the community that SEA Change builds," remarked FitzGerald, "...it's a way to encourage people to be part of the solution."

As SEA Change Clothing Co. moves closer to its official spring launch, FitzGerald said he will be initiating a Kickstarter campaign this month to help raise funds (about \$10,000), which will mostly go towards manufacturing product. Raising funds this way, he said, will also contribute to building brand awareness. A Kickstarter campaign works like this: someone donates money to a campaign, and in return, they receive some product once that business is on its feet. FitzGerald estimated raising \$10,000 on Kickstarter will give him \$5,000 in hand to stock up on product, which he will sell via the SEA Change Clothing website.

FitzGerald said though he has no immediate plans to open a physical store, he does hope to take advantage of the popular 'pop-up shop' trend (when small markets are temporarily set up at different types of events and locations).

Tapping into the experience he's gained as a politician, FitzGerald asserted his business is going to prioritize using its voice to advocate for ocean health. Something, he said, can occur at all levels of government. "I want to maximize the impact that I can make," he noted. It's an idea that appears to be resonating with people; FitzGerald said he's encouraged by all the positive support he's received since announcing the SEA Change Clothing Co., even from complete strangers as far away as Australia.

"Oceans are such a huge part of who I am," said the 22-year old politician turned businessman. "Every person is intimately connected to the sea; it literally gives us life. I believe [the oceans] should be important to everyone."



At Morinville Town Council

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Morinville News Staff

Morinville Town Council moved their meeting to Monday this week, due to the regular meeting falling on Valentine's Day.

As Council met after our publication went to press over the weekend, please see our online daily news site **MorinvilleNews.com** this week for details of outcomes.

Up for discussion, Monday night was:

Chief in Chambers

Alexander Chief Kurt Burnstick was to make a presentation to Council. Just what that presentation was to be or about was unknown as the Feb. 13 public agenda package contained no details.

Morinville Open Space Standards Bylaw

A new bylaw, the Town says would implement "standard practices, procedures and specifications to help the development industry, residents and other stakeholders understand base level requirements and procedures to follow during development of open spaces," was to be brought to Council for first reading Monday night.

School resource officer

The Feb. 13 Public Agenda package indicated the Town has entered into a three-year agreement with Sturgeon School Division to provide School Resource Officer. An agreement with the Catholic School Division is already in place.

Town and Stats Canada at odds

Stats Canada 2016 Census info is out and has Morinville with a population of 9,848, 25 fewer people than the Town's last municipal census, which had a total of 9,873.

CRB looking for local money

The Feb. 13 Public agenda indicates the Capital Region Board met Feb. 9, during which the CRB's budget was passed. That budget included a \$500,000 requisition of the 13 remaining members of the CRB. Morinville's share of the \$500,000 requisition will be \$18,323,84, according to the CAO report in Monday's agenda.

Tightening Boards & Committees

Council was asked to approve a new policy for the Town's various boards and committees. The new policy addresses Member Eligibility, Member Selection and Appointment, Member Accountability and Conduct Standards, and Cessation of Membership.

RCMP want policing priorities

Council has been asked to provide the Morinville RCMP with the community's policing priorities for 2017 by Feb. 24. In the previous year, Council identified Property Crime, Community Engagement and Increased Public Presence, Family and Domestic Violence, and Traffic Safety as the Town's priorities.

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More portable classrooms needed for Morinville Public School

by Jennifer Lavallee
Morinville News Correspondent

Alberta Education recently agreed more space is needed in Morinville's only public school, Morinville Public (MPS); earlier this month, the government approved three new portable classrooms for MPS which will be installed for the next academic year (2017/2018). More space is needed to deal with the school's surging student population.

Wayne Rufiange, Principal at MPS, explained the school anticipates its student population will rise by another 10 per cent in the 2017/2018 school year (an overall increase of about 80 students). The school, which has experienced dramatic growth in the five years it's been in operation, currently has 785 students (compared to 40 students in 2012).

Rufiange said the projected growth for next year is due in large part to the school's youngest learners; "If you add the [approx. 100 Kindergarten students] starting next year, and subtract the grade nine students leaving for grade 10; our overall enrolment will be up by 80 students."

In terms of planning, the Principal indicated the new portables would be attached to the nine portables that were added to the school last summer (2016), further reducing MPS' field space. However, Rufiange said that likely will not be an issue. "[That] area is not currently being used for recess or outdoor programming," he remarked.

To legally place the portable classrooms on the property, approval is required from the Town of Morinville. In the past, the Town has publically said it will approve required portables at MPS while the new Sturgeon School Division (SSD) school—which, initially, will include grades five through nine—is being planned and constructed.

The Morinville News attempted to confirm if this was still the case with the Town, however, Greg Hofmann, Director of Planning and Development, did not say one way or another. Instead, Hofmann said, "...the Town and

Sturgeon School Division engaged in proactive discussions in anticipation of the need for additional modular placements on the MPS site beyond the 2016-2017 school year. These arrangements will be finalized as part of the formal development permit process for the additional modulars once that commences."

Hofmann explained the types of things the Town will consider when approving placement of the portable classrooms include: building site coverage, setbacks, adequate parking and other adequate pedestrian and vehicular traffic safety measures.

SSD's School Board Trustee for Morinville, Misty Featherley, told the Morinville News the new public school (which has not yet been named) is still in its design phase and is, "moving along as it should."

Dr. Michele Dick, SSD Superintendent, elaborated saying, "...we are expecting to go to tender in early summer. The drawings are being fleshed out and the interior and exterior concepts are really quite amazing. As we have been approved for solar panels, we are now exploring what that will mean for the school and how we will be able to use solar energy as a teaching tool. More to come on this exciting opportunity."

The Town has zoned the land in which the school will sit as 'municipal reserve' land, but land ownership has not yet been transferred to the school division.

Meanwhile, the Province insists Morinville's new public school is identified as a high priority and has been since 2014. Lindsay Harvey, a spokesperson with Alberta Education, told the Morinville News, addressing school needs in communities across Alberta has been on-going.

"Our government is currently taking part in the biggest build of schools in this province's history. We opened more than 50 schools in 2016 and will be opening many more this year. The previous government did not build as many new schools as were needed by the province, so our government is working to fix the problem of aging schools that need to be modernized and building in communities where

schools are desperately needed," she said.

Harvey also noted, "to be clear, the delays to the new Morinville school are because of local site issues, not provincial priorities. As a government, we want to ensure the school planning process moves ahead smoothly, so students can benefit from state-of-the-art schools as quickly as possible."

MPS provides public education to students in grades preschool through grade nine; according to SSD, there are no plans to add any additional grades moving forward.

“To be clear, the delays to the new Morinville school are because of local site issues, not provincial priorities.”

Lindsay Harvey, Alberta Education Spokesperson

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Around Town



On the prowl

Donald Boutillier sent this great shot of a critter on the prowl in the snow.

- Donald Boutillier Photo

On a mission

The Sampson family joining Rotary Interact members on a humanitarian trip to Mexico Feb. 7 and posed for a group selfie. We thank Rotary and the Sampsons for their efforts. Top left of photo is Karma Omar—one of the Rotary Interact members also on the trip.

- Submitted Photo



Six more weeks

The groundhog wasn't the only one looking for his shadow recently. The MacArthur's wooden squirrel was telling us the same thing.

- Peter MacArthur Photo



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Sturgeon County tops 20,000 residents ... Morinville also up

by Morinville News Staff

The population of Sturgeon County is up almost 1,000 residents over the past five years according to the 2016 Federal Census; Statistics Canada has revealed.

According to last year's census, the numbers of which were released last week, Sturgeon's population is 20,495, which shows a growth rate of 4.7 per cent since the 2011 census in 2011.

Sturgeon County says that increase is in line with Alberta's five per cent growth province-wide.

"We're fortunate to live in a rich agricultural area that has also provided us with many opportunities to partner with industry," said Mayor Tom Flynn in a release Friday afternoon. "These numbers show that not only are we succeeding in building economic stability in our region, we're also being noticed as a great place to live and raise a family."

The 2016 census data shows the County has 7,337 private dwellings.

Morinville's numbers were revealed by the Town's CAO in the Feb. 13 public agenda package.

The Town's population is now 9,848, 25 fewer people than the Town's last municipal census, which had a total of 9,873.

That number shows an increase of 1279 residents or an approximately 15 per cent increase from the 8569 residents recorded in the 2011 census.

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Lots to do in Morinville Family Day weekend

by Morinville News Staff

The Town of Morinville, local organizations and businesses are working towards a common goal this weekend — providing two days of activities over the Family Day weekend.

"Attending Morinville's Snowman Festival is a great way to celebrate our Canadian winter," said Kathleen Ducharme, Town of Morinville Culture & Events Programmer. "We hope families will venture outside and enjoy a variety of community activities, take some photos and make special memories."

Sunday is given over to events planned by The Morinville Fish and Game Association, the Morinville Lions Club, and the Morinville News.

Hayrides and more

The Morinville Lions Club are pitching in with local businesses MP Stables, TASER Inc., and Technical Automotives to provide Family Day weekend activities on Feb. 19 in the Morinville Business Park (9802 - 90 Avenue).

The day's free activities will start at 9:30 a.m. with a pancake breakfast running until 11 a.m. The breakfast will be followed by hayrides from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. A hot dog lunch will be served from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Fishing derby and open house

The Morinville Fish and Game Association will host their annual Bob Foster Family Fun Fish Day Fishing Derby & Open House. The free event runs from 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. at the Morinville Fish and Game Association pond on 107 Street.

Moana movie matinee

The Morinville News is hosting the first of three free movie events Feb. 19 at 3 p.m. with Disney's Moana at the Morinville Community Cultural Centre. Admission is free, and a cash concession will be run by the Friends



of the Morinville Public Library. All concession proceeds will aid the local library. Doors open at 2:15 p.m. with the Disney film showing at 3 p.m.

Monday - fun day

Monday events at Heritage Lake include a 3-on-3 pond hockey tournament, snowman games, a visit with Elsa & Anna from Frozen, a family photo selfie station, family skating, fire pits, and food available from King Kong Kafé food truck.

As has been a part of the festival in the past, the Community Snowman Competition takes place once again, this time with a Canada 150 theme.

Although the Town will be posting the submissions on their Facebook page, their FCSS Department is participating in the Disconnect to Connect program which encourages families to disconnect from electronics and connect with their family. Those wishing to log their family's disconnect time can contact Community Services at 780-939-7839 or email mdziwenka@morinville.ca. Those wishing to stay connected and look at Snowman Competition photos can do so at Facebook.com/townofmorinville.

A detailed listing of all Family Day weekend events can be seen at morinvillenews.com/upcoming-events.

Morinville will offer a free Park & Ride services from Skyline Ball Diamonds to Heritage Lake from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. due to limited public parking at the lake.

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God's house is on the move

Father's House gifted a church by Landrex

by Stephen Dafoe
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The sun and the Son rose on local Christians June 17, 2012, as they gathered to celebrate the word of God just like they do each and every week in Morinville. But that particular week's services had an extra level of celebration for members of Morinville Christian Fellowship. Pastor Greg Fraser told his congregation the church would from that point on be called The Father's House.

"For many years our motto has been, 'Welcome home to the Father's house,'" Fraser told Morinville News in 2012.

Appropriately enough, Pastor Fraser chose Father's Day as the perfect day to announce the name change and to gather his congregation onto the then new property, located just west of town next to Heritage Lake.

A few years later, the Church, now with a congregation of more than 300, continued to fundraise and began levelling the land in the hopes they would soon be able to build a church and school. About \$1 million was spent on dirt work alone.

The church had raised enough money to build the foundation, but Pastor Fraser said they decided to wait because they did not know how long it would take them to raise the rest of the money to raise the building.

Donated church building

But then their prayers were answered figuratively and literally. St. Albert real estate developer Landrex Inc. gifted the Father's House with the former King of Kings Lutheran Church building at the north end of St. Albert.

Fraser said beginning last summer, he and his wife Betty began looking at the Lutheran Church.

"I said, 'What do you want to do with it? We can't move it,' Fraser recalls.

But it turned out they could.

The 10,500 square foot building will be cut into four pieces and moved to the Father's House's land in Sturgeon County, west of Morinville, hopefully, this summer.

"We have to deconstruct the building, cut it into four pieces, move it, and put it back together," Fraser explained. "We had to ask ourselves if this was even fiscally wise to do."

Fraser said he and the church have been working with Lorraine Bodnarek from Landrex Inc. on the ambitious project to see the former Lutheran Church building repurposed.

"They [Landrex] really didn't want to see it torn down, which was kind of the next step for them," Fraser said, adding the Lutheran Church had sold the building and land a year before.

Fraser said the church was looking at approximately \$6 million to build their proposed church. Being gifted one by Landrex will allow them to complete the project for about \$2.6 million.



The former King of Kings Lutheran Church, located at the north end of St. Albert, will be the future home of the Father's House after it is cut into four pieces and moved west of Morinville.

- Stephen Dafoe Photo

"Basically, God had a plan — picking up a building and moving it," Fraser said. "It's an unbelievable story. What it will allow us to do is consolidate all of our sites." The church currently meets at the cultural centre on Sundays, has a Christian School at the west end of town, and houses their administrative offices in the hotel across from the post office. "The

ultimate [plan] will be to consolidate those three sites into one."

Fraser said foundation work would happen in early spring, with the moving of the building in July. Although there is much work to do, Fraser is hoping to hold Sunday services by January of 2018.

"Part of it for us is the repurposing. Part of this journey will be meeting with the King of Kings Lutheran Church. It's very difficult for them, we're sure, but we want to celebrate with them," Fraser said. "This is still a church, and they [Lutherans] had a big part in this. The parties that are going to happen are going to be epic."

Fundraising Gala

And an epic party is what the Father's House has lined up for the end of March—a 1920s gangster-themed gala at the Morinville Community Cultural Centre that will serve as part of the ongoing fundraising efforts to complete the church.

The event—called God-Father: A Moving Love Story—takes place Mar. 25 with doors opening at 5 p.m. and dinner, catered by The Green Bean, served at 6 p.m. Tickets for the semi-formal or 1920s clothes are \$50 per person.

The evening is open to the entire community and will feature a live and silent auction.

The church is currently seeking donations for auction items but has one major item up for bid that night - a bright red 1966 Ford Mustang.

For more information on the event, contact the Father's House at 780-939-2992 or visit tfhchurch.ca.

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Painting for the Sesquicentennial

by Stephen Dafoe
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Morinville residents gathered at the Morinville Community Cultural Centre Monday and Tuesday to take part in the Canada 150 Mosaic mural, a national project celebrating Canada's 150th Birthday.

Mural criteria required a landmark Morinville is well-known for, that is historical in nature, and still existing today. Artists for the project include Lead Artist Lewis Lavoie, Paul Lavoie, and, Phil Alain, all based out of St. Albert.

The artists consulted the Morinville Historical & Cultural Society in the design, and Historical Society members were on hand Tuesday afternoon to paint some tiles for the project. Also in attendance were members of the Morinville Lions Club and ACFA.

Artist Phil Alain said he was pleased with Morinville's efforts over the two days. "The community of Morinville has really shown their excitement for



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the project," Alain said. "The community did not disappoint. The energy was fantastic and the enthusiasm was beyond that."

Morinville's mural of St. Jean Baptiste Church on a rail car will form one of 150 murals that will be made up of 80,000 individually painted tiles. If connected, the national mural would be more than 365 meters wide (4 football fields) by 2.5 meters high (8 feet).

About 350 tiles were made available to complete Morinville's portion of the national project. Some of those were painted by professional artists to create the backbone needed to be able to create a finished mosaic with the community-painted tiles.

Morinville Public School, Ecole Notre Dame Elementary School, G.H. Primeau School, and Morinville Community High School participated in the project.

Fifty tiles were set aside for Morinville residents to paint Feb. 6 and Feb. 7 at the Morinville Community Cultural Centre.

Just what the assembled mural looks like was to be kept secret until Canada Day when it will be unveiled during celebrations in St. Jean Baptiste Park. In a press release to local media, reporters were asked to not share or publish photos of the completed piece; however, policing that request fell short with participants – as the completed mural made its way to Facebook Tuesday night.

The Canada 150 Mosaic website will not publish Morinville's contribution until after the public unveiling on Canada Day.

HERE'S THIS WEEK'S RECIPE from Shaun, Susie and their team at Morinville Sobeys



Beet Pesto Pasta

INGREDIENTS

- 3 small beets (about 6 oz)
- 1/4 cup olive oil, divided
- 2/3 cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 1/4 cup chopped toasted walnuts
- 1 tbsp lemon zest
- 3 tbsp lemon juice
- 2 cloves garlic, finely chopped
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1/4 tsp pepper
- 12 oz angel hair pasta
- 2 tbsp finely chopped fresh parsley or chives

beets are cool enough to handle, gently rub skins off using a paper towel. Cut beets into quarters.

2/ In food processor, pulse beets with remaining 3 tbsp (45 mL) oil, half the Parmesan cheese, walnuts, lemon zest, lemon juice, garlic, salt and pepper until finely chopped.

3/ Meanwhile, cook pasta according to package directions; reserving 1/4 cup (60 mL) cooking water. Drain pasta and toss with beet pesto and reserved cooking water. Serve sprinkled with remaining cheese, parsley or chives.

DIRECTIONS

1/ Preheat oven to 400°F (200°C). Toss beets and 1 tbsp (15 mL) oil. Seal in double-layer of foil. Roast 40 to 45 min. until beets are tender. Wearing oven mitts to avoid steam, open packet to cool. When

Tip: Roast a few more beets when you make this recipe. They're handy to have on hand to add to side dishes, salads and sandwiches.

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The Morinville Jets beat the Edmonton Mustangs 9-6 Feb. 7 to end the season with their best record to date. The Jets start playoffs. Feb. 17.

- Stephen Dafoe Photos

Morinville Jets finish record-breaking season first in the West Division

by Stephen Dafoe
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The Morinville Jets beat the visiting Edmonton Mustangs 9-6 Tuesday night to finish the Capital Junior Hockey League regular season in first place in the West Division with 58 points, the highest regular season tally in Jets history.

The Jets finished four points ahead of the North Edmonton Red Wings, who still had a game to play Wednesday night against the Beverly Warriors. Regardless of the outcome of that game, the Red Wings take second in the West and join the Jets in sitting out Round One of Playoffs.

Tuesday night's home game saw the Jets leading 4-1, 6-4 and 9-6. Off that tally, two of the club's goals were earned on the power play, one shorthanded, and the final into an empty Red Wing's net.

Not only have the Jets finished with a record regular season, Morinville Jet Tyler Hagel won the CJHL scoring race with 75 points in 32 games. Hagel's 47 goals best Dalen Paul's Jets' record of 40 earned in 2011-2012 and top Paul's 65-point record also earned in 2011-2012.

Brett Dubuc finished third this season with 68, and Lee Gadoury finished seventh with 60 points.

Jets President Brent Melville told Morinville News the Jets would enter playoffs Friday, Feb. 17 at 8:30 in Morinville. Game three will be played in Morinville Wednesday, Feb. 22 at 8:30 p.m. and game five will take place Sunday, Feb. 26 if needed.



Cindy Brost Photo

Sr. Girls take silver, Jr Girls take bronze

It was a silver finish for the Morinville Community High School Sr. Girls Saturday night. The Girls ended the ME Lazerte tournament with a 56-47 loss to John Maland.

The MCHS Jr. Girls won Bronze Saturday night in their tournament road



Joann Deveau Photo

trip to Red Deer. The girls opened the weekend with a 43-39 win over MCHS Jr. Girls defeated HJ Cody but fell 31-29 to Hunting Hills in a closely-fought game two. The girls took bronze with a 34-26 win over the Crowther Memorial Cougars from Strathmore.

The Jr. Boys also made the trip but finished in fourth place. After opening strong with a 66-37 win over H J Cody, they fell 57-37 to Hunting Hills and 52-38 to the Crowther Memorial Cougars.

Morinville Youth Basketball active with programs

by Stephen Dafoe
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Basketball for all ages is happening in Morinville. The Morinville Youth Basketball Association are currently run programs for ages 6 to 8 on up to an adult drop-in program at MCHS.

Morinville Youth Basketball Association President James Bedford told Morinville News the new Mighty Mites program, which started in mid-January, is a free camp running from now until June.

"The response has been incredible," Bedford said, adding 25 children registered, 19 of whom new to our association. "We hope that the majority of these kids will stick with basketball and that it will pay off in a few years."

Bedford is hoping to strengthen the association by having children learn the game sooner. It's a beneficial ambition as the associations MYBA compete against within the Edmonton Youth Basketball Association have had a Mites program in place for years.

"It really is a sight to see all of these kids in the Notre Dame gym having a great time learning the game," Bedford said.

Sabretooths having rough season

Bedford said this season has been disappointing for most of the Sabretooth teams, at least as far as game results go.

"A few of our teams started out strong, but after the EYBA re-seeded all teams after the first 4-5 games of the season most of our teams struggled since - with a few bright spots here and there," Bedford said. "EYBA playoffs will be starting on February 11th though, and all of our teams will get to play 2-3 games."

Adult drop-in basketball

At the other end of the court spectrum, Bedford has been running a weekly drop-in basketball night for players aged 16 and up.

"We play every Sunday night at MCHS from 7 to 9 p.m., and we typically

have between 8-12 players," Bedford explained. "This was actually the idea of one of our coaches, Jason Misener, who brought it up with me last summer. I brought the idea to [Town of Morinville employee] Tyler Edworthy, and he jumped on board in terms of arranging the gym time for us and helping to advertise the program."

Bedford said they have a few players coming up from Edmonton every week, and a handful of locals as well.

"We welcome players of all skill levels, and we try to split up into evenly balanced teams," Bedford said. "Everyone is there mainly to have fun, exercise, and socialize while being active. It's not overly competitive, at least until we get to the last couple points of the game, then we tend to focus on winning a little bit more."

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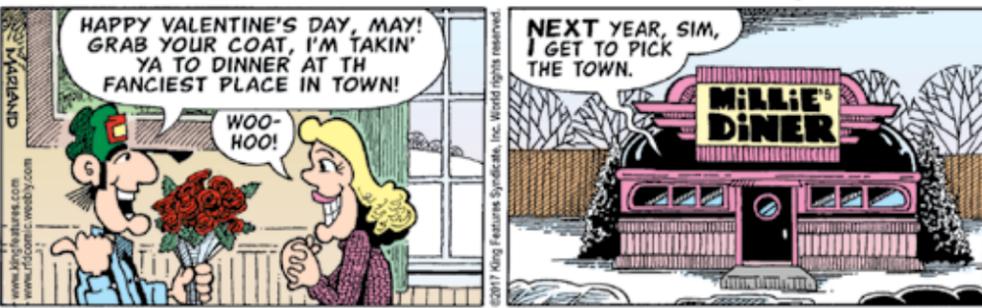
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Amber Waves



R.F.D.



The Spats



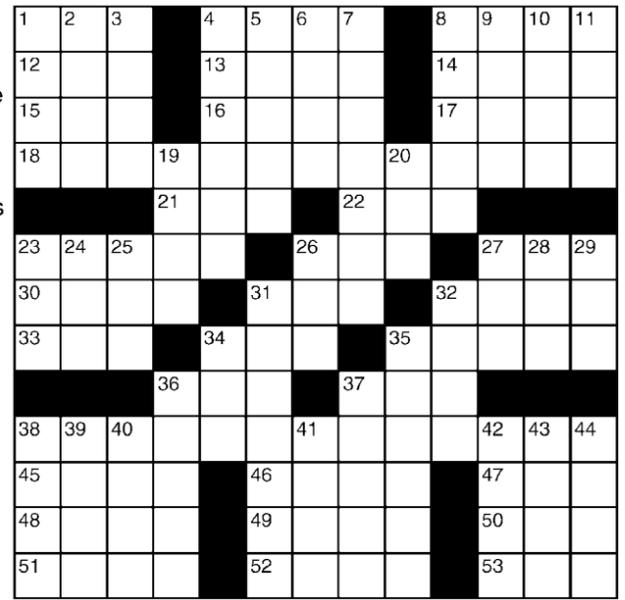
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King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 One of the kin
- 4 Genie's home
- 8 Green or Rogen
- 12 Noshed
- 13 Bloodhound's clue
- 14 Temptation
- 15 Cribbage scorer
- 16 Unescorted
- 17 Belligerent deity
- 18 Insignificant sum
- 21 Still
- 22 Last letter
- 23 Pollster's find
- 26 Moment
- 27 Moo goo gai pan pan



- 30 Deception
- 31 Solidify
- 32 Marathon fraction
- 33 Mel of Cooperstown
- 34 "Family Guy" ainer
- 35 Annie's dog
- 36 Bothenation
- 37 Erstwhile acorn
- 38 Universe explanation
- 45 Vicinity
- 46 Greek vowel
- 47 Court
- 48 Inmates
- 49 Watchful one

- 50 Drag along
- 51 Dandling site
- 52 Whodunit writer
- 53 Vast expanse

DOWN

- 1 Fools
- 2 Thing
- 3 Genesis maker
- 4 Hung lazily
- 5 Take as one's own
- 6 Stereo fore-runner
- 7 Tavern snack
- 8 Chalkboard
- 9 Continental

- 10 Almond or pecan
- 11 Pianist Dame Myra
- 19 Bobcat kin
- 20 Early nuclear org.
- 23 However, in verse
- 24 Deterioration
- 25 Dine on
- 26 Driver's license datum
- 27 Triumph
- 28 Bygone
- 29 Crucial
- 31 Treasure seekers in a 1985 movie
- 32 Create
- 34 Rx watchdog grp.
- 35 About 30 percent of Africa
- 36 Lower in rank
- 37 Playful water critter
- 38 Endorse
- 39 Press
- 40 Heredity unit
- 41 "The Third of May 1808" painter
- 42 They give a hoot
- 43 Libertine
- 44 Relaxing practice

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

	2	8	6					1
		5			8			3
7				9		2		
2			7	1		8		
	1		2					3
		7			6			9
		6			2	4		9
5			9					7
	7			4				1

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦

- ♦ Moderate
- ♦♦ Challenging
- ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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8	1	9	5	4	3	2	7	6
7	2	3	1	9	6	4	8	5
6	5	4	2	7	8	9	3	1
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3	7	5	4	8	2	6	1	9
4	9	8	6	1	9	3	5	2
5	8	2	3	9	4	1	9	7
6	3	7	8	2	8	7	4	6
4	1	9	4	1	9	4	1	9

Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

S	A	R	A	S	A	R	A	S
L	V	E	R	E	S	N	O	C
O	V	O	I	O	T	A	R	E
R	H	T	A	K	O	A	K	O
Y	N	S	X	O	F	O	T	T
E	L	M	G	E	L	X	A	V
K	O	S	E	C	S	E	C	T
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S	A	R	A	S	A	R	A	S
E	L	V	E	R	E	S	N	O
L	V	E	R	E	S	N	O	C
S	A	R	A	S	A	R	A	S
E	L	V	E	R	E	S	N	O
L	V	E	R	E	S	N	O	C
S	A	R	A	S	A	R	A	S
E	L	V	E	R	E	S	N	O
L	V	E	R	E	S	N	O	C



Fantastic 4 Level Split
\$324,900
MLS# E4028875

Fully finished 4 level split situated on a large pie shaped lot, featuring 5 bdrms, 2.5 baths & double attached garage. Main level boasts a huge living room, formal dining room, kitchen w/ beautiful oak cabinets, loads of counter space, ceramic tile flooring & a peak-a-boo window looking down to the lower level. Warm & relaxing walk-out family room on the 3rd level w/patio doors leading to the back deck, developed basement includes a 2nd family room & 2 bdrms. Huge yard!



Over Looks Notre Dame Park
\$209,900
MLS# E4049270

Updated 1211sq.ft, 3 bdrm plus den, 2.5 bath condo featuring updated u-shape kitchen with spacious dining area, large living room, open stair case to upper level, updated main bath, beautifully developed basement with family room, den and 3pc bath/laundry combo. Fully fenced/landscaped yard with a newer ground level deck facing Notre Dame Park. Unit also includes 2 assigned powered parking stalls.



Larger Than It Looks!
\$279,900
MLS# E4048835

Lots of value and plenty of room in this 1172sq.ft. completely renovated 2 bdrm, 1 bath basement-less Bungalow. Recent updates include; updated kitchen & bathroom, laminate flooring, windows, baseboards, interior & exterior doors, paint & lighting fixtures. Nicely landscaped back yard, plus heated & insulated double detached garage; drywalled with built in cabinets and counterspace.



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PUBLIC HEARING ASP and LUB Amendments

(Village Champlain II)

You are invited to attend a Public Hearing for Champagne District Area Structure Plan and Land Use Bylaw Amendments and provide your comments directly to Council. If you prefer to write to Council, send your written comments to the Legislative Officer before 4:30 pm on Monday, February 27, 2017. These comments will be reviewed as part of the hearing process.

What are the Bylaw Amendments about?

The purpose of Bylaw 1/2017 is to amend the Champagne District Area Structure Plan Bylaw 9/2006, and Bylaw 2/2017 is to amend Morinville Land Use Bylaw 3/2012, both to include side-by-side duplex dwellings with rear detached garages, on the proposed lots in Parcel A, Plan 782 2855 (shown below) which are currently designated for medium density residential ground-oriented multiple dwellings (i.e. triplex/fourplex).



How Will This Affect Me?

The proposed amendments will allow for the development of side-by-side duplex dwellings with rear detached garages.

How Do I Get More Information

Copies of the proposed bylaws 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.

Share YOUR Voice We're listening

PUBLIC HEARING Tuesday, February 28, 2017 • 7:30 p.m.
Council Chambers — St. Germain Place
10125 - 100 Ave. Morinville, AB

Phone 780.939.4361
Mail/In Person Legislative Officer, Town of Morinville
10125 - 100 Ave. Morinville, AB T8R 1L6
Internet www.morinville.ca
Email jmaskoske@morinville.ca

Town Reminders

Animal Licence Registration/Renewals

Deadline: February 28, 2017

The new Responsible Pet Ownership Bylaw 5/2016 came into effect January 1, 2017. The new bylaw includes animal registration for both **dogs & cats**. Licencing/registration has become lifetime — with an annual renewal requirement. Pet owners can now pick up their registration tags for dogs and cats at Civic Hall. In addition, a new unique animal pilot program was approved for 2017 to fowl only. More information on the complete bylaw can be found online at www.morinville.ca

Family Day Hours

MORINVILLE RCMP

Morinville RCMP office and administration lines will be closed Family Day, February 20, 2017.

For Emergencies Dial 9-1-1. Complaint Line: 780.939.4520

TOWN OF MORINVILLE

Morinville offices will be closed Family Day, February 20, 2017. All offices will re-open Tuesday, February 21, 2017 at 8 a.m.

Photo Contest

Morinville is in the process of designing the Spring Community Guide and are looking your great spring/summer photographs that showcase Morinville.



Whether it is kids splashing in puddles, a snowman melting, or something else, we would love to have it! Email your best spring/summer pictures to communications@morinville.ca.

Let's showcase what makes this community so great. **Please email your high resolution photos by February 17, 2017.**

Job Openings

The Town of Morinville has openings for the following positions:

- Seasonal Workers — Parks
- Seasonal Workers — Roads
- Seasonal Worker — Utilities
- Seasonal Worker — Shop Support

For further details, please go to Job Openings at www.morinville.ca

Advertising of Planning & Economic Development Notices

Please take notice, Morinville Development Permit Public Notices will no longer be advertised in the local papers. Public Hearing Notices will transition to being advertised in both papers (Morinville News and Free Press) until further notice, in addition to being posted online at www.morinville.ca/planningnews. All current public notices can be viewed online at www.morinville.ca/planningnews.

Upcoming Town Events

Snowman Festival

February 19 & 20, 2017

A wonderful weekend of fun and activities in Morinville. For more information, contact Community Services at 780.939.7839 or visit www.morinville.ca for the schedule of events.

3 on 3 Pond Hockey Tournament

Monday, February 20, 2017

Time: 10 a.m.

Location: Heritage Lake

Tickets: Family team: \$25

Competitive team: \$50

Join the fun with a family team or competitive team. Family team helmets, skates & gloves are required. Competitive team (Ages 7 to 10 & 11 to 15) full equipment required. Minimum 3/Maximum 6 per team. No goalies needed. Prizes to be won. For more information contact Tyler Edworthy at tedworthy@morinville.ca or call 780.939.7834.

Election 2017

Candidate Information Session

Monday, February 27, 2017

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Location: Council Chambers

(2nd Floor, 10125-100 Ave.)

The session will follow the Candidates Handbook which will be made available at the information session or on our website at www.morinville.ca/election the next day. For complete Election 2017 information, go to www.morinville.ca/election.

Celebrating French Heritage/ Célébration de la Francophonie

Thursday, March 2, 2017

Come and celebrate Morinville's rich French Canadian Heritage and the "Rendez Vous de la Francophonie" which is a global celebration of French language and culture!

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.

Committee of the Whole Meeting February 21, 2017 | 6:30 p.m.

Council Chambers
St. Germain Place 10125-100 Ave.

Regular Council Meeting February 28, 2017 | 7:30 p.m.

Council Chambers
St. Germain Place 10125-100 Ave.

Regular Council Meeting March 14, 2017 | 7:30 p.m.

Council Chambers
St. Germain Place 10125-100 Ave.

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