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## Colourful contest

Veronica Palmer focuses on her colouring at the Morinville Farmers' Market on Friday. The market's colouring contest will take place Nov. 21 and the winner will receive money to spend at any Morinville indoor market vendor or at the special Christmas Farmers Market set to take place Nov. 29 at MCHS.

- Lucie Roy Photo

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**Right:** Santa Claus thanks a Morinville Public School student for her donation to the Morinville Food Bank. **Below:** Morinville Community High School students take their donations to the Town Bus in these Morinville News file photos. The annual Fill-a-Bus initiative will take place Thursday and Friday, Nov. 27 and 28.



## Fill-A-Bus time is here

by Colin Smith

The annual Fill-A-Bus campaign in support of the Morinville Food Bank will once be taking place during Christmas festival week, on Thursday and Friday, Nov. 27 and 28.

A partnership between Morinville Community Services and the Morinville Food Bank Society, what was originally a one-day event has been put on for more than five years.

The goal is to fill the Town of Morinville's community bus with as many items for the food bank as possible, said organizer Melodie Steele, facility-booking coordinator for the Morinville Community Cultural Centre.

"On Thursday the bus goes from school to school and from business to business collecting non-perishable food items and personal care items," she said.

Once filled, the bus is weighed, the items are unloaded at the Morinville Food Bank and then it goes out again.

The next day, the bus will stop at two Morinville grocery stores. It will be on location from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at No Frills and then from 1:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. at Sobeys. Santa Claus will also be in attendance.

"Residents who are going to the grocery store anyway will have the opportunity to help fill the shelves of the Morinville Food Bank," said Steele.

Last year's Fill-A-Bus event took in 7,255 pounds of food items, along



with cash donations of \$3,231 for the food bank from businesses and residents.

In addition, Champion PetFoods donated a whole pallet-load of bags of pet food weighing in at 2,930 pounds.

"It's nice for the food bank to be able to provide food for pets. They are obviously the first to go without if families are having trouble making ends meet," said Steele.

The record for the event was set in 2011, when 7,469 pounds of food were collected.

Steele would like to see that record surpassed with this year's Fill-A-Bus to ensure enough food is donated to meet the food bank's requirements through the Christmas season and well into the new year.

"Families in need happen all year long," Steele pointed out. "There are always people who find they may need a little extra."

The goal is to put as much as possible on the food bank's shelves to meet those needs.

A portion of the donated food is shared with the Knights of Columbus to help them make up their Christmas hampers. Members of the organization help out by volunteering with a Fill-A-Bus.

That's something other members of the community can do as well.

"If anyone's interested we're always looking for cheerful, helpful volunteers," said Steele.

For further information call 780-939-7840.

# Cardiff man looking to continue role with Lions International



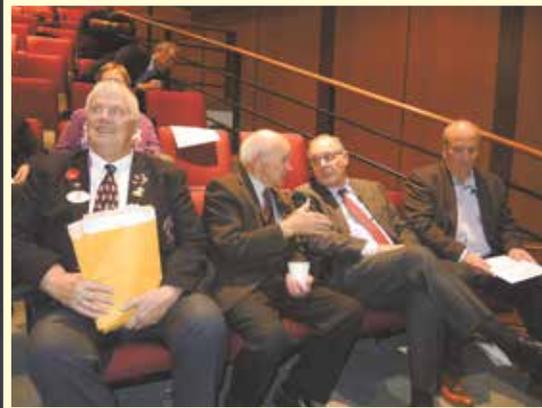
Lions International Multiple District 37L District Governor Bob Hunter speaks at the last District 37 L convention held Nov. 1 in Edmonton.

- Lucie Roy Photo

## by Lucie Roy

The historic final Multiple District 37L meeting was held in Edmonton Nov. 1 with several Morinville Lions Club members in attendance. Multiple District (MD) 37L District Governor Bob Hunter of Cardiff also spoke at the event.

In addition to preparing for the Lions International 100-year anniversary in 2017, the Lions are in the midst of a historical re-districting affecting Montana, Alberta, parts of British Columbia, and the Northwest Territories. This past October, the Lions Club International Board of Directors voted unanimously to approve the plan put forward by MD 37 to re-district. The former MD 37 was formed in 1917 and Alberta was added to Montana in 1931. In 2004 the MD 37 redistricted to five districts to form 37L, I, O, N and S.



As of July 1, 2015 Montana will become a stand-alone Single District 37 and will no longer be part of the Multiple District. The other four districts in MD 37 will be divided into two new Canadian Multiple "C" Districts. With the changes in boundaries, new constitutions, by-laws and policies, uniforms, dues structure, etc. will be created. Additionally, several transitional matters would also be addressed, including financial reporting, property inventory, and current asset distribution.

Morinville Lions Club will be part of the new MD C-1 and members will attend three special conventions to elect the executive positions of District Governor (DG), and 1st and 2nd Vice District Governors. These conventions are scheduled for Jan. 10, 2015 in Fort Saskatchewan and Cardiff's Bob Hunter is running for one of the executive positions. Hunter has attended many District and MD Conventions and is a member of the MD37 Finance Committee and was a moderator at the USA/Canada Forum in Overland Park, Kansas. He has served three terms as Zone 3 Chair and was awarded Lion of the Year, is a Melvin Jones Fellow, and has received a Club Excellence Award. In the 2011-2012 Lions year he received the Zone Chair membership Growth Award for all of MD 37. He successfully completed the Senior Lions Leadership Training in Chicago in 2013 and two DGE training schools.

The Lions Celebrating a Century of Service begins July 2016 in Japan and includes activities that centre on the number 100, including a Centennial Service Challenge goal of serving 100 million people by December 2017.

**Above right:** Lion International Multiple District 37L District Governor Bob Hunter with fellow Multiple District 37L meeting guest speakers Toatmaster Peter Kossowan, Second Cup founder, author and motivational speaker Frank O'Dea and NAIT President Dr. Glenn Feltham.

- Lucie Roy Photo

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## Morinville News Editorial Pages

# LETTER

## Debt is not the answer

When we discuss our province's finances in the Alberta legislature, the PC government likes to blur the distinction between 'capital debt' and 'mortgage debt'.

In order to convince the public that taking out tens of billions of dollars in debt for infrastructure is the right course for Alberta, Premier Jim Prentice and his Cabinet liken the decision to purchasing a house.

But whereas the purchase of a house replaces the payment of rent with the opportunity of personal investment in an asset that appreciates and can easily be sold, getting into the trap of debt-financing infrastructure generates a collective mortgage that has no foreseeable end nor payoff.

The PC government has put Alberta on a dangerous course, similar to Ontario.

For many Albertans, this doesn't add up. We're living in one of the richest jurisdictions in the world but our government is relying on debt to pay for basic infrastructure like roads and schools.

What's worse is the principle debt and massive interest and maintenance payments will be passed on to future generations. The people cutting the ribbons and having their pictures taken today will pay hardly anything for these projects, in the end.

There is a better way to build the infrastructure we need – a way that doesn't saddle our children and our children's children with the burden of debt.

Wildrose has a long-term, multifaceted framework that will put in place measures to address heavily inflated debt-dominated methods and prioritize infrastructure spending.

Efficiency and innovative ideas will form the backbone of our approach, which will target the debt problem at its core.

This will take a change in culture inside the public service, where year after year public servants indicate in the Corporate Employee Survey that their ideas for innovation are not valued.

Our plan will target the archaic and unethical contracting processes, the hyper-politicization inside infrastructure decision-making and the egregious levels of waste and excess that have ballooned under the PC government.

This will amount to billions in savings for taxpayers every year, which can be used to build for the future.

On Nov. 12 – in the capacity of Wildrose Infrastructure Critic – I released a new report called On Time and On Budget: Addressing Alberta's Infrastructure Needs, detailing these ideas in full and showing exactly how Alberta can get the infrastructure it needs without going deep into debt like Ontario.

I urge you to go to our website – www.wildrose.ca – read this report and see what you think.

Like you, I'm lucky to call Alberta my home. I was raised to believe it's of the utmost importance we leave our children with a better chance to succeed than we had, the same way our parents did for us, and their parents before them.

As it stands, Alberta will be paying more than \$1 billion per year by 2016 just in interest payments on the debt we'll owe, and we may still be no closer to getting the projects we need and were promised by the current government.

This is not what I envision for Alberta's future. Debt is not the answer.

**Drew Barnes**  
MLA, Cypress – Medicine Hat



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Instead of talking about my opinion on things, I'm going to talk about people's opinion on things going on in the news and then give you my opinion on those things. So here goes.



**1** So the guy what landed a space ship on a comet got hung out to dry by people on the Internet - just like I did a couple weeks ago. Folks was upset because he wore a bowling shirt that had "scantly clad women" printed on it. I think if you are so smart that you can build a space ship what can land on a comet travelling a million miles an hour, a few scantily clad women should want to wear you instead of you having to wear a shirt with pictures of half dressed women.

**2** Speaking of people wearing inappropriate stuff, how about this fella what put on a military uniform and pretended to be a veteran during a Remembrance Day ceremony. Now that's something we can all get offended about.

He sure got in a lot of hot water and not just from people upset about it on the Internet. He had the news people chasing him around trying to find out why he'd pretend to be a Canadian soldier, got the boot with pay from his work. And now I see the cops give him a bunch of charges.

I don't know what his reasons could of been. Guess we'll find out when he goes to court. If you look at all the grown up people running around dressed like people from The Star Wars or like Superman and Spider-Man, you can tell people want to dress like their heroes, even if they aren't real superheroes like our military. But them people dress like that to show respect to the role models they admire.

Now maybe he was dressing like a soldier to show his respect for our military. Or maybe the sky will turn to the colour of whipped butter. What he did was plain wrong. There is a way we can all dress up and show our respect to our military - it's called wearing red on Fridays and lots of us do it.

If he wants to dress up like someone from the military, let him go dress up like one of those storming troopers from The Star Wars. That way he won't offend anyone but a couple of them Jedi guys in the robes. and speaking of robes, maybe the guy in a robe with a gavel will give this fellow a new uniform to wear for a few years in the slammer.

**3** I keep hearing from people that we've got too many pizza places, coffee shops and liquor stores in Morinville. I agree. I'm tired of having to make three stops to get a coffee, a pizza and a case of beer. So I'm looking for investors to help me open one place what sells coffee, pizza and beer. It'll make a million.

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Morinville Community Library Assistant Manager Cheryl Pasechnik poses with a few of the items up for bid in the library's upcoming silent auction. The bi-annual fundraiser will offer some great Christmas shopping opportunities while raising funds for library programs in 2015.

## Library Silent Auction is less than a week away

by Stephen Dafoe

The Morinville Community Library is getting ready for another of their popular silent auctions, a week-long event that offers patrons and visitors an opportunity to acquire some great items for their Christmas shopping lists while raising funds for library programming.

The event runs from 4 p.m. Nov. 24 until 2 p.m. Nov. 30 and organizers are hoping the event will be the largest yet. The library's last two auctions have raised a combined \$5,600 for the library, and auction organizers are hoping to hit a minimum \$2,500 from this year's edition.

"It's a fun thing to come and support your local library," said Morinville Community Library Assistant Manager Cheryl Pasechnik. "We run it for a whole week ... and it's throughout the whole library. There are going to be toys, [Disney] collectibles, quilt sets, clothing, [and] special items from businesses in the community."

Pasechnik said it is not uncommon to see people coming in every day to monitor their bids to see if they have been outbid. All of the items and bidding sheets are set up throughout the library and bidding runs during every hour the library is open.

"We even have a bunch of people come at the end of the auction to see if their bids have won. It's kind of fun," she said of the excitement that surrounds the event.

While watching the bidding go on and up is exciting for library staff who organize and run the fundraiser, so too is the prospect of maintaining and expanding library programs.

"All the proceeds go to the programs and services of the library that otherwise wouldn't get funded," Pasechnik said. "Through it, we are able to do a lot of extra programs like the Lego Club and stuff in the library for families."

### Expanded program offerings

Since reopening their doors after renovations in 2012, the Morinville Community Library has become increasingly busy as the number of programs has been increased. In 2014 the popular Library Lego Club went from a once-a-month event to twice a month. Their children's movie events now take place twice on professional development days to accommodate all the children who attend. Additionally, the library's writer's group has expanded from a bi-weekly to a weekly event.

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- 4:00 pm - Deadline for Best Lights Competition  
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- 6:00pm - A Taste of Morinville (Featuring Local Restaurants)  
Morinville Community Cultural Centre (9502 - 100 Ave.)
- 7:00pm - Hoja Vocal Ensemble - Family Fun!  
Morinville Community Cultural Centre (9502 - 100 Ave.)
- 8:30 pm Morinville Jets Alumni Hockey Game & Silent Auction+  
Ray McDonald Sports Center (9908 - 104 Street) (free admission with food bank donation)

<b>Fill-A-Bus</b> In support of the Morinville Food Bank	9:30 am - 1:00 pm 1:30 - 5:30 pm	No Frills (8901 - 100 Street) Sobey's (10003 - 100 Street)
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#### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 29th

- 8:30 am - 11:00 am Lions Pancake Breakfast with Santa  
Rendez-Vous Centre (9913 - 104 Street)
- CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL - FREE ACTIVITIES**  
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- 10:00 am - 2:30 pm Crafts, Games & Bouncy Castle
- 10:30 am & 2:00 pm Major Conrad Flapps - Servus Credit Union
- 12:00 - 1:00 pm Hot Dog Lunch - Re/Max Real Estate
- 11:00 am - 12:30 pm, 1:00 pm - 2:30pm - Photos with Santa
- 10:30 am - 2:30 pm Face Painting
- 10:00 am - 4:00 pm ANNUAL CHRISTMAS FARMER'S MARKET  
Morinville Community High School (9506 - 100 Ave.)
- 5:30 - 6:30 pm CHRISTMAS PARADE Starting point - MCCC (9502 - 100 Ave.)  
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  - Fireworks at the open field next to Morinville Public School
- 5:30 pm - Morinville Jets Hockey Game  
Ray McDonald Sports Center (9908-104 Street)
- 8:30 pm - Morinville Kings Sr. "AA" Hockey Game  
Ray McDonald Sports Center (9908-104 Street) (Free admission with food bank donation)

#### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30th

- 12:45pm - 2:15pm Free Family Skate with Santa  
Ray McDonald Sports Center (9908 - 104 Street)
- Family Movie - FREE POPCORN AND POP!!**  
Movie: How the Grinch Stole Christmas (with Jim Carrey)  
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- 5:45 pm Doors open for movie
- 6:00 pm Movie begins
- 6:00 pm Best Lights Competition judging begins



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TASTE Tickets on sale November 24 - 28  
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**November 20**  
A&W 7 - 8 p.m.

## It's Your Opportunity to have Your Say!

Council is hosting a  
**2015 Budget  
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**December 2, 2014**  
6 – 8 p.m.

2nd floor of Civic Hall  
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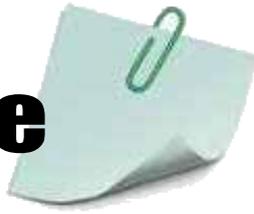
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## Culture and Tourism Minister Kubinec hands out \$76,000

by Lucie Roy

Alberta's Minister of Culture and Tourism, the Honourable Maureen Kubinec, handed out \$76,000 to two Morinville organizations Wednesday morning.

The minister attended the weekly Rotary Club of Morinville breakfast where she presented the club with a cheque for \$25,000, followed by a \$51,000 presentation to the Morinville Fish and Game Association.

The \$25,000 Rotary cheque was granted under the Community Initiatives Program (CIP). The funds will be used for enhancements to the Rotary Park, located east of 100 Street on 99 Avenue.

The \$51,000 cheque was granted to the Morinville Fish and Game Association under the Community Facility Enhancement Program (CFEP), a

program administered by Alberta Culture for project-based initiatives. The money will go towards the construction of a new building on the south side of the Morinville Fish and Game Association Pond, located at 107 Street.

Rotary members Monty Johnson, Joel Chevalier and Syl Haisan were all smiles when Minister of Culture and Tourism, the Honourable Maureen Kubinec presented them a cheque for \$25,000 Nov. 12.

In attendance for the presentation were above from left: Joe Dwyer, Jack Reader, Linda Haigh, Lauri McLaughlin, Selena Turner, Minister Kubinec, MFGA President Joe Sinclair, Wayne Bhnisch, Maureen Sinclair, Sturgeon County Councillors Patrick Tighe and Susan Evans, Morinville Mayor Lisa Holmes, Morinville Councillor Gord Putnam and Sturgeon County Councillor Wayne Bokenfohr.



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**Above:** Rotary members Monty Johnson, Joel Chevalier and Syl Haisan were all smiles when Minister of Culture and Tourism, the Honourable Maureen Kubinec presented them a cheque for \$25,000 Nov. 12.

- Lucie Roy Photos



## Letter to Santa

Gregory Palmer puts his list in at the Santa mail box Friday night. The Morinville Farmers' Market provides an opportunity for children to drop off their letters to Santa. Canada Post employees will collect them before the Lite up the Nite parade on the 29 November and deliver them to Santa Claus.

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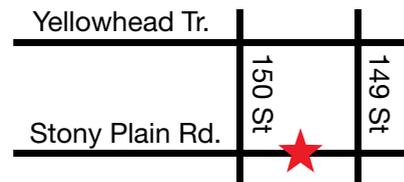
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# Display to show area farms as they looked in years gone by

by Colin Smith

The farmsteads that dotted the countryside in the 1950s are mostly long gone, sacrificed to agricultural progress. However the bygone era will be summoned again in photographs to be displayed in Morinville this week as part of a travelling photo exhibit which will visit a few northern Alberta communities in November. Kim Bessette of Homestead Aerial Photo will be at the Rendez-Vous Centre on November 21 with a collection of historic images of area farms that were taken from the air.

The photographs come from the Homestead library, which holds images from the early 1950s to 2001 and cover the entire province of Alberta, most of British Columbia, Manitoba, Prince Edward Island, and parts of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Ontario.

Edmonton-based Continental Air Services began taking aerial photos in 1953. Their library was later acquired by Superior Aerial Photo of Kelowna and had been in storage when Bessette brought it to Alberta in 1993.

Bessette points out that many people don't realize that much of the country has been covered by aerial photography. During the 1950s, thousands of photos were taken on spec, with the hope that the owners would buy images of their farms.

"Because back then many people didn't have much money, so a lot of



the pictures were never purchased," he said. "We still have those negatives."

Because the photos were taken from low altitudes they are full of detail. "You see the shadow of the plane's wing on the barn," said Bessette. "So there is a lot of detail. You see people standing in the yard." The photos provide a record of farms that were bought out and buildings that disappeared with the development of large-scale agriculture, he noted.

Bessette finds that the farm photos are of interest to people other than those who owned them or grew up on them. "Maybe their grandparents lived on the farm," he said. "I'm getting a lot of younger people, some 14 or 15."

The display at the Rendez-Vous Centre will include a selection of images taken within a 40- or 50-mile radius of Morinville, from the 1950s to the 1980s.

People who are interested in getting photos of a particular farm will be able to order them at the display session. A legal description of the property is helpful, but people who don't have one can describe driving directions and the closest small town and the company will locate it through that. Homestead also specializes in aerial photography using a remote-control helium blimp. Bessette will also take bookings for custom shoots of farmyards next summer.

The farmstead photos will be on display at the Rendez-Vous Centre from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on November 21.

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## Farmers' market gets cooking

by Lucie Roy

*From the Farm* is the title of the Alberta Farmers' Market Association (AFMA) cookbook, a new publication that coincides with the AFMA's 20th anniversary. Morinville Farmers Market Manager Korien Sampson said the book was off the press two weeks ago, but that she received the book in time for last Friday's market. "The recipes are with items that can be found at farmers markets," Sampson said. The recipes are easy to follow and can be made at home by first time cooks with little to no experience, and onwards. The book contains recipes submitted from cooks and chefs from around the province.

Content of the cookbook include breakfast, starters, vegetables, main dishes, desserts and pantry, and a vegetable freezing guide.

Under the Starters is a submission from the Ukrainian Cultural Heritage Village of Tofield, a recipe for borsch, and a mushroom barley salad from a culinary instructor from Lac La Biche.

The books will be sold throughout the province at local farmers' markets at a cost of \$22.



**Above:** Ollie Green with walnut rolls ready for tasting and a poppy seed roll for sale at the Farmer's Market on Friday night.

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Morinville resident Lucien Beaupre talks to Mayor Lisa Holmes and Deputy Mayor Stephen Dafoe at the Budget Coffee Chat held at Friends and Neighbours Monday morning, the first of several planned for this week. - Lucie Roy Photo

## Budgeting for coffee

by Lucie Roy with files from Tristan Turner

Council began hitting the local coffee shops Monday morning, part of their plan to talk to residents about the 2015 budget where residents gather. Council started with a 7 a.m. to 8 a.m. session at Friends and Neighbors Monday morning and a 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. session at the Green Bean Coffee

House and Bistro Monday night. As Council had an all-day budget workshop on Tuesday, the coffee rounds resume on Wednesday with a 7 a.m. to 8 a.m. session at Tim Hortons and a 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. session at Higher Grounds Espresso Bar on 100 Avenue. Council will end the coffee chats Friday morning at A&W on 100 Avenue from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Council accepted the 2015 Operational Budget and Capital Plan Draft Report for information during the Oct. 28 Council meeting, a departure from the way Council has approached the budget in the past. Typically, Council would approve the first reading prior to taking the budget to the public for input ahead of second and third readings.

With Administration's draft budget received as information, Council has spent the past couple weeks identifying priorities and service levels based on public input.

Information gathered during those meetings, as well as information received online and in person, will form the basis of the budget that Council will give a first reading to on Nov. 25. Council then has the option of passing a second reading that same night or passing a number of amendments prior to second reading.

The Draft Budget received as information projects that Town Revenues for 2015 will be \$12,447,194, a 5.9 percent revenue increase from the \$11,777,327 budgeted in 2014.

On the expenditures side, the Draft Budget presents \$12,589,241 as the costs to run the Town in 2015, an increase of \$430,856 (3.5 per cent) over the 12,158,385 budgeted for in 2104.

Council and Administration will spend the week of Dec. 2 to 9 hosting additional public input sessions prior to the third reading of the budget, which could then take place Dec. 9.

A Budget Open House is scheduled for Dec. 2 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on the 2nd floor of Civic Hall 10125 - 100 Avenue. Residents looking for more information can call 780-939-4361 or visit the Town of Morinville website at Morinville.ca.

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## Grease is the word

by Stephen Dafoe

Morinville Community High School actors have been putting in plenty of hours rehearsing the school's annual Christmas season play, a necessary investment given the school has taken on one of its most ambitious productions to date. *Grease: the Musical* will take place Dec. 3-5 at the Morinville Community Cultural Centre.

Though the audience may be more familiar with the 1978 John Travolta and Olivia Newton John movie of the same name, the play predates the film by seven years and its subject matter by two decades. Set in 1959, the musical follows the lives of 10 working-class teenagers.

Director Vanessa King said the musical assembles a cast of 33 and another 10 students forming the technical crew. "It's a big show. Bigger than I anticipated," King said

during a recent rehearsal. "There's a tonne of musical numbers that take a long time to organize, but the kids are super committed and having a lot of fun with it. It's been a good experience so far."

King said the cast had a solid surprise this year with the addition of a new actor Albert Nault, who will take on the lead role of Danny Zuko. "He had never tried out before, but he earned it," King said of awarding him the part. "Totally new to the whole experience." Also new this year is the addition of four Grade 9 students to the cast. Last year's production had no junior grade thespians in the production. "We're seeing a lot of different people step up to be leaders among the cast that have always been sort of in the shadow of everyone else."

King is joined in directing the play by Keegan Mabbitt, an MCHS alumnus who has worked with King on seven

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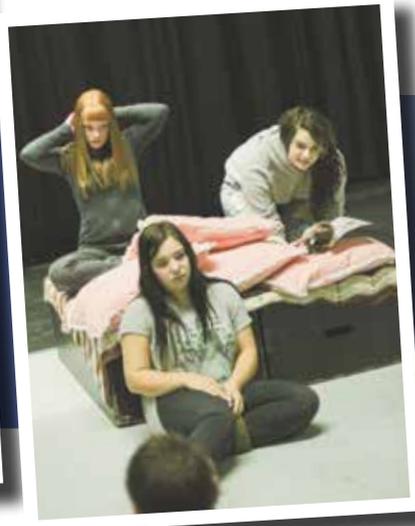
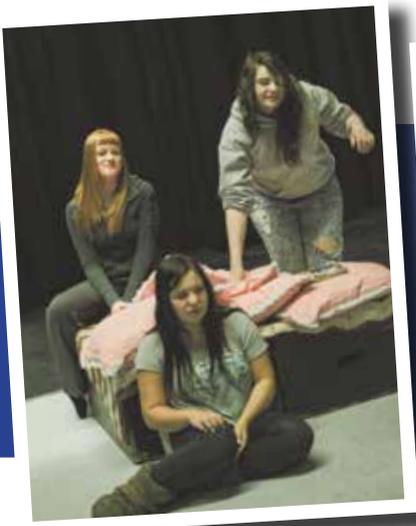
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- Stephen Dafoe Photos

MCHS theatrical productions - three as an actor, four as a fellow director. The directors are joined by Angeline Charrois and Riley Quinn as vocal coaches.

### Long process from script to stage

Many hours have been put into the lines, songs and moves that have made *Grease* a theatrical staple for the past 43 years.

King said auditions began the second week of September and the cast was selected a week later. It has been daily rehearsals until 5 p.m. after school as well as weekend rehearsals that run for six or eight hours each. It is an investment of time that King says is warranted and necessary. "It takes that much time. They say for every minute that you are on stage; you should rehearse for an hour. If a song is three minutes long, you should rehearse it for three hours. That's if you are lucky."

### Bigger stage, bigger show this year

For the first time since it opened in 2011, the school will move their major production to the Morinville Community Cultural Centre stage. "We have all of their fantastic technical equipment," King said of the opportunity, adding it will still be an MCHS show. "We'll still have our amazing sets. We'll build it here, take it apart, and rebuild it over there."

Beyond the sets and lights, King said the audience could expect some musical surprises. "Because this is *Grease: the Musical* for the stage, there's a whole bunch of songs people aren't familiar with. So there is some freshness to it but the familiarity as well.

The director advises theatre goers to get their tickets fast as the production will take place on three nights this year, rather than the longer run of past years. Tickets for the show are \$8 per seat and are available at the Morinville Community High School office, Sobeys Morinville and at the door. Doors open each night at 6:45 p.m. with the show starting at 7 p.m.

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## Food & Health Pages



## Morinville grocery store to change hands this month

by Stephen Dafoe

There were a couple new faces at the Morinville Sobey's last week. Shaun and Susie Thompson arrived Thursday to begin working alongside Stu Trenchard before taking over the store as new franchise owners Nov. 30.

The Thompson's currently live in Leduc but are planning to move to Morinville in the New Year, either after Christmas or when school is done for their three children next summer.

Shaun Thompson has been with the Leduc Sobey's for the past 11 years, starting as a

produce clerk before moving on to grocery and finally Fresh Department manager. Thompson's experience moved him further into Assistant Manager and ultimately Store Manager. Over the past year Thompson has been working at a corporate store to brush up on the corporate side of things before taking on a franchise of his own.

"I'm very excited to be here," Thompson said. It is a sentiment echoed by wife and business partner Susie. "We want our business to be successful and are very excited to get involved and meet the community of Morinville."

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1/ Preheat oven to 325°F (160°C). In a large shallow roasting pan, toss together cereal, pretzels, crackers and peanuts.

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Left: Suzie and Shaun Thompson  
Right: The Thompsons  
with their three children



brings a wealth of retail experience with her to Morinville. In retail for the past 17 years, she started in the business as a courtesy clerk before moving to cashier and on to customer service supervisor. She also has frontline experience in the deli and bakery departments, and management experience in file maintenance and administration.

"We've been brought up that if you support the community, the community will support you," Shaun Thompson said. It is a philosophy that is shared by wife and partner Suzie. "It takes a community to raise a child. It is a motto that we have used over the years in our family business and we would like to carry it over here."

Current franchise owner Stu Trenchard, who took over the store in the spring of 2011, has also operated under that philosophy. "I think everyone knows from our actions over the last three-and-a-half years that we support the community as best as we can every day," Trenchard said. "Every food event that there was in town, we wanted to be a part of it. That was our philosophy our whole way through it."

### Current owner moving to another store

A long-time resident of Morinville, Trenchard worked his way up through the grocery business starting as a stock boy in the then local IGA at the age of 14. Over the next six-and-a-half years, as he worked his way through school, Trenchard also worked his way through various positions in the store. After graduating from NAIT with a major in marketing, he was hired on by the company that would eventually become Sobeys. He was manager of the Morinville store before moving on to head office where he was director of retail projects, overseeing the opening and renovation of stores across

Western Canada. But as much as he enjoyed his new corporate position, he just couldn't pass on the opportunity to come back to familiar territory.

Three years later, he was presented with another opportunity, becoming the franchise owner of the St. Albert Sobeys. Trenchard said he was offered an opportunity to take on a larger store, a situation that allowed the Thompson's to take on a franchise of their own in a community similar to Leduc. The opportunity will see the Trenchard's moving to St. Albert.

"My wife [Nadine] and I have loved this community and been a part of it a lot of years," he said, adding they are grateful for the support the community has shown them in their business and their personal lives. "The hardest part of the decision is to leave the people. The people of Morinville are tremendous and they support local business. In turn, we've supported them as best we can. We will miss the dedicated team at the Morinville store.

The Thompson's are looking forward to carrying on the Sobeys tradition as well as the legacy Trenchard leaves behind in the community. "We have some big shoes to fill," Shaun Thompson said. "We plan on filling them. I think if we can get out there and meet the people to show the community what we stand for and who we are, it will be great." Thompson said Stu has run a great operation and that he and his wife have no plans to turn the store upside down. "We're going to do everything that they are doing now," he said. "We might just put some small tweaks of our own little personality, but we are definitely not going to flip things upside down."

One of the traditions the Thompson's will continue is getting the customer what they want. Simply put - if they do not have it on their shelves, they will try to get it or something like it. "It's all about what the customers want," Shaun Thompson said. "We'll try to accommodate them so they can do their whole shop here."

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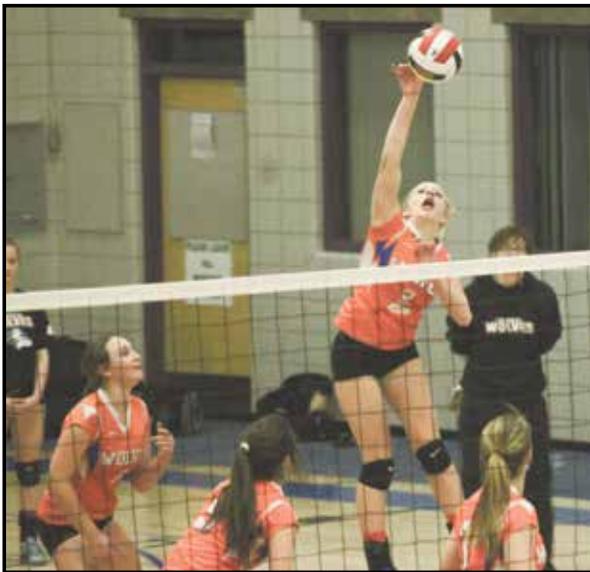
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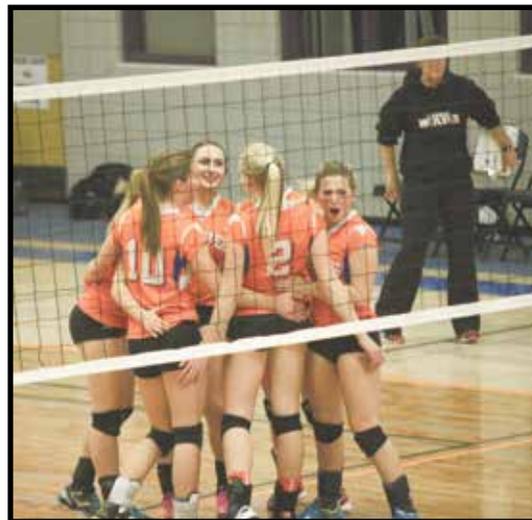
by Stephen Dafoe

A victory over the Westlock RF Staples Thunderbirds Saturday afternoon propelled the MCHS Wolves Senior Girls Volleyball team on the road to provincials. The girls took th Thunderbirds down in the gold-medal game with 25-17 and 25-16 sets.

The girls made it to the final by taking out Oneway earlier in the day in the semi-final contest. It was a continuation of a path the girls followed throughout the weekend, entering the Zones series ranked number one and ending the same way.

The Wolves swept through six sets in pools play on Friday, defeating Barrhead Composite High School 25-13 / 25-17, moving on to defeat Parkland Composite 25-11 and 25-16, and capping it with a 25-8 / 25-10 win over Edwin Parr in their final game of the day.

The Morinville Wolves Senior Boys also took to zones over the weekend, earning a silver and a provincials spot.



# Sports Shorts



## A win-win situation

**Above:** Norm Meunier provides directions for his fellow team mate while Guy Meunier looks on. The two skips are brothers and were playing against each other at the Morinville Seniors Curling League Nov. 13. Before the start of the game the outcome was certain, a Meunier would win. **Below:** With a Kaup on each team - Carol on one, Jerry on the other - it was certain a Kaup would also win. - Lucie Roy Photos

## Junior / Senior hockey results

### Morinville Kings

The Kings took to the road Saturday night to face the Edson Ice, returning with their fifth consecutive win.

After leading the Ice 3-1 at the end of the first period, the Kings found themselves tied 5-5 at the end of the middle frame. The Kings put two biscuits in the basket early in the final period to bring the game 7-5 in their favour, and widened the gap to 8-6 by the end of the game.

The Kings play Edson at home Nov. 22 at 8:30 p.m.

### Morinville Jets

The Morinville Jets earned four points in two outings last week with a 5-2 win over the Beverly Warriors on the road Wednesday night and a 9-0 crushing of the visiting Spruce Grove Regals Sunday night.

The Jets have two games this week: A road game to face the St. Albert Merchants Nov. 21 at 8 p.m. and a Nov. 23 road game to face the Edmonton Mustangs. Game time for the Mustangs showdown is also 8 p.m.



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### TRIVIA TEST by Fifi Rodriguez

- MEASUREMENTS:** What does a quadricentennial represent?
- MEDICINE:** Which vitamin is essential in blood clotting?
- U.S. STATES:** Which U.S. state has a license plate that proclaims, "Land of Lincoln"?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** Which one of the seven dwarfs in the 1937 film "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" did not have a beard?
- HISTORY:** What were known as "liberty steaks" during World War II in America?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM:** How many limbs does a squid have?
- LITERATURE:** What is the name of the boy raised by wolves in Rudyard Kipling's "The Jungle Book"?
- GAMES:** What is known as skeet?
- MOVIES:** How many roles did Peter Sellers play in the movie "Dr. Strangelove"?

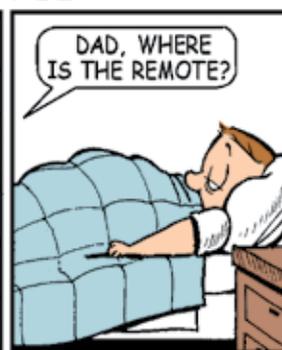
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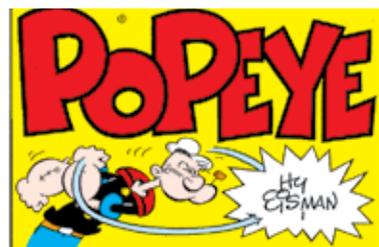


by Jeff Pickering

### Amber Waves



by Dave T. Phipps



Trivia Answers: 1. A celebration marking 400 years 2. Vitamin K 3. Illinois 4. Dope 5. Hamburgers 6. 10 7. Mowgli 8. Traps shooting 9. Three





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