

The FEVER

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Thursday, April 9, 2026



The Easter Bunny and all the attending children had lots of fun at the Calling Lake Easter Hunt for the benefit of the Calling Lake Food Bank, reports organizer Joanne Hicks.



Wednesday morning another political blow to the Conservative Party of Canada occurred when Conservative Member of Parliament Marilyn Gladly of Ontario crossed the House of Commons floor to join Prime Minister Mark Carney and the Liberals.

MP Gladly was the fourth Conservative to leave the leadership of CPC's Pierre Poilievre who also recently saw an NDP MP change parties, too.

The five walk-on additions to his caucus puts Prime Minister Carney only one seat away from getting a majority party. He only won a minority of house seats in the 2025 spring election.

See how nervous Oilers Fans are about the upcoming playoffs - Page



Travis Gullion of the Wabasca Sharks was declared the Most Valuable Player in Wabasca Hockey League during the 2025/26 season.

However, he was not on the team which won the league championship in late March.

The winning team members with their trophy are displayed on Page 7.

Wabasca Eagles Teams shine at Native Provincials



Wabasca teams delivered outstanding performances in Edmonton April 2 to 5 at the Native Hockey Alberta annual championships for various ages in mostly male teams, but a few female entries were involved, too.

Photo is of the Under 15 Wabasca squad which in their final gold medal Bear Division match, lost 3-2 to the like-named Sun-child Eagles.

Two younger Wabasca teams won gold in their competition.

Lots more Photos on five pages inside this issue

BIGSTONE COMMUNITY WELLNESS AND CALLING LAKE PUBLIC LIBRARY PRESENT.

PAINT NIGHT

April 23 2026 Ages 13+
5:00PM-7:00PM

Location: Calling Lake Public Library.

- Come in practice your styles in realism, expressionism, abstract art, surrealism, pop art, genre painting, painterly .
- Using common techniques and mediums such as oil, watercolor, acrylic and alla prima.

Registration required.
Snacks Provided.

To register please call Alex Gold at 780-331-3810.

Bigstone Community Wellness Presents:
in Wabasca

Girls Night

Smoothies and a Flick

****REVISED DATE****

When: May 1st, 2026
Time: 5:00 pm - 7:30 pm
Where: BCW Foyer

Maximum: 20 Youth
Ages: 9 - 17

Popcorn, Smoothies and a Movie (Title to follow)

Call to register: Bernadette Schneider at 780-891-3777 or toll free: 1-877-767-7060

Bigstone Community Wellness Presents:
in Wabasca

Girls Night

Escape Room

Does your team have what it takes to make it out of the escape room?

****Revised Date ****

When: May 2nd, 2026
Time: 5:00 pm - 7:30 pm
Where: BCW Foyer

Maximum: 10 Youth
Ages: 10 - 17

CALL TO REGISTER: BERNADETTE SCHNEIDER AT 780-891-3777 OR TOLL FREE: 1-877-767-7060

A Friend In Deed

Keekenoow Senior Facility Invites You to Make a Difference

Keekenoow Senior Facility is launching a heartfelt community program — **"A Friend In Deed."**

We are calling on caring individuals who would like to volunteer their time to visit and support an Elder.

Your visit can:

- Reduce social isolation
- Support emotional well-being
- Enhance the quality of life for an Elder

Even 30 minutes to an hour a week can make a meaningful impact. Building a friendship with an Elder is deeply rewarding — the connection benefits both you and them in powerful ways.

Get Involved Today!

Contact Clara Moberly
Keekenoow Senior Facility
780-891-2985

Strengthening Community Through Care & Connection

Man arrested in Trout Lake for shooting at residence

No one reported harmed, but Red Earth RCMP rushed to Trout Lake around 7:30 a.m. on March 31, after an anonymous person called about a friend in the community calling him and saying he had locked himself in his house because someone was shooting a rifle at another nearby residence.

When police arrived in Trout Lake about 8:45 a.m. containment was set up and officers attempted to call out the suspect who apparently had gone inside some residence or structure.

The man finally surrender himself to the

RCMP after a two-hour standoff.

Eddie Nanemahoo, age 26 and a resident of Trout Lake was charged with:

- Careless use of a firearm;
- Possession of a weapon for a dangerous purpose;
- Possession of a weapon without a license; and
- Obstruct police.

A justice of peace remanded the accused into custody and he was to appear in Alberta Court of Justice in Grande Prairie on Tuesday, April 7.

Bigstone Community Wellness

Presents:

LUNCH & LEARN

Grief and Loss

Tuesday April 14th, 2026
(Wabasca BCW Foyer)

Thursday April 16th, 2026
(Calling Lake Library)

Time: 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

Lunch will be provided

Door Prizes!!

Remember:

- ♥ Grief Takes Time
- ♥ Your Feelings Are Valid
- ♥ You Are Not Alone





For more information, please contact Mental Wellness Response Team @ 780-891-3777 or Toll Free 1-877-767-7060

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www.bigstonehealth.ca

Board Meeting Highlights

March 28, 2026



Tri-Annual Report #2 for 2025-2026 presented to the Board



Superintendent of Schools and CEO Cal Johnson shared the second Tri-Annual Report for the 2025-2026 school year. The report highlights how Northland is progressing on its priorities and supporting student learning. Inside the report, you will read about:

- Northland sharing its work in truth and reconciliation, place based learning,

dual credit, and collegiate programming at the Alberta Rural Education Symposium

- The Board meeting with the Superintendent's Elder and Knowledge Keeper Advisory Council and hearing guidance on what Northland is doing well and where it can grow
- Students taking part in land-based learning, cultural activities, and learning with Elders and Knowledge Keepers across Northland schools
- Students building skills through hands on learning, including CTS Days, literacy activities, coding, and science experiences
- Staff taking part in New to Northland training focused on community connections, Indigenous perspectives, and learning from the land

You can read the Tri-Annual Report here: <https://www.nsd61.ca/download/553293>.

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MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF OPPORTUNITY

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COOK – PERMANENT FULL TIME

Red Earth Creek

The Municipal District of Opportunity is seeking to fill a full-time Cook position at the MD Daycare in Red Earth Creek, AB. The ideal candidate should be an outgoing and energetic person with demonstrated skills in their area of work, who are self-starters and team oriented. The successful individual will help create and deliver a high-quality childcare service that meets MD policy as well as provincial Childcare Licensing.

Primary responsibilities are:

- ✓ Prepare daily, weekly, monthly menu
- ✓ Prepare and serve a nutritious lunch daily
- ✓ Ensure each child receives proper food portions for lunch
- ✓ Prepare morning and afternoon snacks daily as per Canada Health Food Guide
- ✓ Maintain food inventory and place food orders as scheduled
- ✓ Clear, clean, and sanitize work areas
- ✓ Adhere to provincial health and safety standards for food handling and storage
- ✓ Ensure the Childcare facility complies with Childcare licensing requirements
- ✓ This position requires lifting and other manual tasks

Qualifications required:

- ✓ Food Handling certificate(s)
- ✓ Minimum of one year cooking experience
- ✓ First Aid Certificate (other safety tickets are considered assets)
- ✓ Knowledge in the proper use and maintenance of kitchen equipment

Salary will commensurate with qualifications and experience. Send resume with 3 work related references, current Criminal Record

Check and Child Youth Intervention Check to:

Human Resources Department
Municipal District of Opportunity
Box 60 - Wabasca, AB T0G 2K0
Phone: (780) 891-3778 Fax: (780) 891-4283
Email: hr@mdopportunity.ab.ca

**This advertisement will remain open until
April 22, 2026 at 3:00 pm.**

The personal information submitted pursuant to this advertisement will be utilized for this Employment Opportunity only and is subject to compliance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.



Late Ice Warning

Ice Is No Longer Safe

Warmer spring temperatures weaken lake and river ice.
Avoid walking or driving on ice during thaw periods.

If in doubt, stay off the ice.

Board Meeting Highlights

March 28, 2026



Update shared on Paddle Prairie School replacement



The Board received an update from Board Chair Tanya Fayant regarding the replacement of Paddle Prairie School. The Government of Alberta has approved funding to begin planning for a new school in Paddle Prairie Métis Settlement.

Paddle Prairie School has been identified as a priority for replacement through Northland School Division's capital planning and ongoing advocacy with the province.

"This announcement reflects years of advocacy by the Board of Trustees to bring attention to the need for a new school in Paddle Prairie," said Board Chair Tanya Fayant. "We are grateful to Minister Dan Williams for listening and supporting this request, and we thank the leadership of Paddle Prairie Métis Settlement for standing with us and speaking to the importance of this project for students and families in the settlement."

A new school will provide improved space to support learning, culture and programming for Paddle Prairie students. With planning now approved, the next phase will involve working with the Alberta Government on the early stages of design and development for the new school.

Board nominates J.F. Dion School educator for Edwin Parr Teacher Award



The Board has nominated Meaghean Lehr, a teacher at J.F. Dion School, for the 2026 Edwin Parr Teacher Award. This award recognizes outstanding first-year teachers in Alberta and highlights their impact in the classroom and school community. You can read the full news release here:

<https://www.nsd61.ca/about-us/division-news/post/j-f-dion-school-educator-nominated-for-edwin-parr-teacher-award>.

2027-2030 Capital Plan approved by the Board

The Board approved the 2027-2030 Capital Plan as presented. The plan outlines priority projects across Northland School Division based on factors such as building condition and student enrollment. The following projects have been identified as high priorities for major modernization or replacement:

- Elizabeth School
- Father R. Perin School

The Capital Plan will be posted on the Northland School Division website under Reports: <https://www.nsd61.ca/about-us/reports>.



Child Car Seat Safety

Secure Every Ride

Always buckle children into the correct car seat or booster seat for their age and size.



Proper restraints save lives.

NATIVE HOCKEY ALBERTA 2026 | COMMUNITY TEAMS



◆ CELEBRATING FUTURE CHAMPIONS ACROSS TREATY COMMUNITIES ◆



WABASCA EAGLES U18 PLAYED EXTREMELY WELL!



The Wabasca Eagles U18 team showed incredible skill, determination, and teamwork throughout the tournament. Every game was a display of heart, hustle, and pride in their community. Their commitment to each other and their performance on the ice was truly outstanding.



SLAVE LAKE AWASAK WARRIORS U15 PLAYED EXTREMELY WELL!



The Slave Lake Awesak Warriors brought intensity, discipline, and strong team spirit to every game. Their effort and focus were evident on and off the ice, making their community proud. A fantastic tournament and a great example of Native hockey excellence.



The FEVER

NATIVE HOCKEY ALBERTA CHAMPIONSHIPS 2026

31ST ANNUAL NATIVE HOCKEY ALBERTA PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

CELEBRATING COMMUNITY • CULTURE • COMPETITION

2026



CELEBRATING OUR CHAMPIONS

From the youngest Under-7 players to our proud senior teams, this championship is a powerful showcase of talent, dedication, and community spirit across Alberta.

The Fever proudly congratulates every player who stepped onto the ice — your passion, teamwork, and pride inspire us all.

We also extend our sincere appreciation to the organizers, coaches, volunteers, sponsors, and families whose hard work and commitment made this event possible.

Together, you have created more than a tournament — you have strengthened community, culture, and the love of the game.

Well done to all — you are all
Champions.

WABASCA EAGLES U15 BEAR DIVISION



The Wabasca Eagles U15 team proudly represented their community in the Bear Division at the 2026 Native Hockey Alberta Provincial Championship. With determination, teamwork, and resilience, they competed at a high level against strong opponents, showcasing both skill and sportsmanship throughout the tournament. Their journey reflects the true spirit of Indigenous hockey — unity, pride and passion for the game.

MATCH HIGHLIGHTS

FINAL – U15 BEAR DIVISION

“The U15 Bear Division Final delivered an intense and memorable showdown between the Wabasca Eagles and Sunchild Eagles. In a closely contested battle, Sunchild secured the championship with 3 - 2 victory. Both teams displayed exceptional skill, determination, and team work - a true highlight of the tournament.”



292
TEAMS



4,600
PLAYERS



960
COACHES & STAFF



150
REFEREES



180
VOLUNTEERS



700+
GAMES



21
ICE SURFACES



13
ARENAS



4
DAYS

FUTURE CHAMPIONS

◆ NATIVE HOCKEY ALBERTA 2026 ◆

◆ CELEBRATING THE NEXT GENERATION OF STARS ◆



U7



WABASCA EAGLES U7 – GOLD MEDAL CHAMPIONS

A FANTASTIC DISPLAY OF TEAMWORK, ENERGY, AND FUTURE TALENT!



U9



WABASCA EAGLES U9 – GOLD MEDAL CHAMPIONS

OUTSTANDING EFFORT AND DETERMINATION THROUGHOUT THE TOURNAMENT!



U13



PLAYED WITH HEART AND REPRESENTED THEIR COMMUNITY WITH PRIDE.



DRIVE CAREFULLY

Wildlife may appear on Northern Alberta roads at any moment.





Wabasca Hockey League wrapped up its 2025/26 hockey season with the final game in the championship best of three series on March 25. Lots of smiles above from Wabasca North Stars players after beating Wabasca Sharks.

Bigstone Community Wellness presents:

SAVE THE DATES
Oral Histories

April 20th, 2026
Chipewyan Lake, AB
Community Hall

April 22nd, 2026
Calling Lake, AB
Community Complex

April 23rd, 2026
Wabasca, AB
George D. Auger Memorial Hall

AGENDA TO FOLLOW



For more information please contact:
Todd Gladeau or Bernadette Schneider
at the Bigstone Community Wellness office :
Ph: 780-891-3777 or Toll Free: 1-877-767-7060

Bigstone Community Wellness Presents:

IRS Inquest

Elders Survivor Gathering

Calling Lake Community Complex

Thursday, April 16, 2026

12:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Transportation Available

- IRS Update - Development of Monuments
- Building the story/narrative for Monuments (St. Martin's & St. John's Indian Residential Schools)
- Building connections and sharing through discussion and activities

Supper and beverages provided!

For more information, please contact Treena Gladue at
Phone No. 780-891-3777 Toll Free 1-877-767-7060

E-mail treena.gladue@bigstonehealth.ca

Wabasca, Alberta

September 16 - 22, 2026



We humbly ask Facilitators & Knowledge Keepers to come share your knowledge with us for our community & people.

We are requesting submissions of quotes/proposals from individuals/ families or groups for 2026.

SEND DETAILS: HOW YOU WILL DELIVER, WHAT PARTICIPANTS CAN EXPECT TO LEARN FROM YOUR STATION. INCLUDE YOUR NAME, TEAM NAMES/HELPERS, ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER, WHAT YOU NEED FROM US AS HOSTS FOR EXAMPLE, TABLES, CHAIRS, TENT

PREFERENCE WILL BE GIVEN TO LOCALS FROM THE MD OF OPPORTUNITY REGION FIRST

DEADLINE TO SUBMIT: MAY 15, 2026 @ 4:00 P.M.

For 2026 we will host a Youth Round Dance, Feast & Giveaway September 22nd, 2026



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**CONTACT FCSS JANICE OR JODI
@ 780-891-2659 EXT 403 OR 405
EMAIL: JANICE.AUGER@MDOPPORTUNITY.AB.CA**

Man killed while sitting on Highway 43

Among recent fatalities on Alberta holidays was one involving a pedestrian who chose around 3:15 a.m. Tuesday, April 7, to sit down on Highway 43 just west of Range Road 55 in the Clairmont area.

Motorists alerted Clairmont RCMP of the situation, but by the time officers got to the scene, the man had been struck and killed by a vehicle.

Police believe the vehicle involved was a semi-truck which may have stopped for a short while at the scene but left before police arrived.

Valleyview RCMP got involved and set up a roadblock near Fox Creek, hoping to intercept a possible suspect vehicle which was thought to be a semi hauling a van trailer, travelling east. Clairmont RCMP are looking to speak to the driver of the semi-truck, and are also seeking the public's assistance in relation to this incident.

Anyone who was in the area of Highway 43, near Range Road 55, between 3:00 a.m. and 3:30 a.m., on April 7, and who saw the pedestrian or has dashcam footage of the area is asked to contact the Clairmont RCMP at 780-830-5112.

Elderly man dies in head-on collision

During late afternoon of April 1, RCMP report that near Redwater, there was a head-on crash between a SUV and a commercial truck on Range Road 224, south of Township Road 572.

The 80-year-old driver of the SUV was declared deceased at the scene while the driver of the truck was taken by ground ambulance to an Edmonton hospital for treatment of minor injuries and then released.

Bad weather and road conditions blamed for double fatality crash

Another Redwater collision this past Tuesday, about 5:40 a.m., occurred on Highway 28 west of Redwater. RCMP say two SUV's collided head-on killing sole occupants of the vehicles, one a 59-year female resident of Edmonton and the other a 64-year-old resident of Radway whose gender was not provided by the police

Pollsters gauge a Cross-Canada Outlook

Canada's Non-Profit Foundation Committed to Independent Research, Angus Reid Institute, has analyzed its various polls on Canadian issues and topics during the first quarter of 2026 and prepared what it calls "Cross-Canada Outlook – April 2026."

The Fever will be presenting excerpts on matters involving common issues across the country and then devoting space for the Outlook for Alberta as a province. This is likely to continue into next week's issue and perhaps further.

Obviously as world events are now occurring that are indirectly affecting most of the Canadian population, along with the populations of most countries in the global economy, it is fairly important for most Canadian

adults and older youths to at least be aware of matters that might be as important of how much food is on your table, whether you can afford a home or a vehicle, whether the rights of democracy are being taken away from you, and how negatively your life is going to be affected by national and international politics, climate change, and perhaps a world war.

The dates of surveys being first published are noted so readers know that significant changes in the involved matters of the survey topic have occurred in more recent times.

by Angus Reid Institute

Federal Politics: Liberals lead, but continued cost of living challenges could open door for Conservatives
 Concern over cost of living reaches three-year high in lower-income households amid gas price spike

March 20, 2026 – The war in Iran has wiped out positive momentum on inflation in Canada, driving up the price of gas more than 20 per cent in less than a month. Whether this is a price spike or plateau depends on the resolution of the international conflict that may have domestic ramifications for Canadian politics.

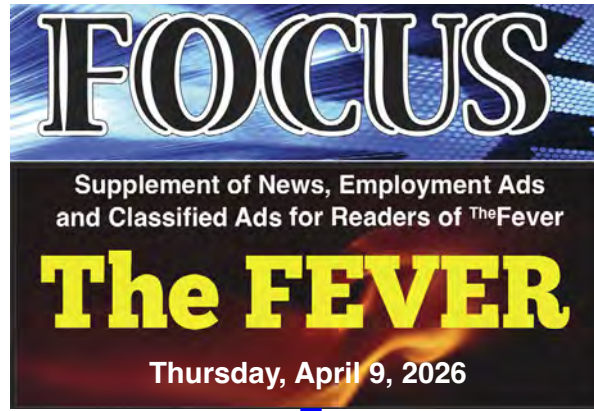
New data from the non-profit Angus Reid Institute finds the Liberals maintain a significant lead over the rival Conservatives in vote intention, 44 per cent to 36 per cent. But, with financial pressure ramping up on Canadians at the pump, those in poor economic circumstances are more likely to consider the Conservatives than the incumbent Liberals.

ARI's Financial Pressure Index measures a variety of factors – grocery prices, levels of debt, financial optimism or pessimism for the coming year, concerns over employment stability – to assess Canadians' economic standing. It finds one-quarter (23%) facing High financial pressure, 18 per cent Medium, 35 per cent Low, and 24 per cent Very Low.

There is a political divide depending on Canadians' financial pressure. Those facing High pressure are twice as likely to say they would vote Conservative (53%) in an election today than Liberal (27%). The inverse is true among those facing Very Low financial pressure (55% Liberal, 27% Conservative).

Meanwhile, concerns over the high cost of living are higher than they have been in recent memory for lower-income Canadians. Dating back to the beginning of the post-pandemic inflation of 2022, Canadians in lower income households have always expressed higher concern than others about the rising cost of living. But they have never selected it at as high a rate as they do currently. Approaching seven-in-10 (68%) in households earning less than \$50,000 annually say it is the top issue facing the country.

Generally at this time the Liberals lead in voting intentions except in prairie provinces. Continued Focus Page 5



Alberta Data – March 22 to March 28, 2026

Seldom in the daily news, but respiratory diseases are still putting over 150 Albertans in hospitals weekly.

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| 456 (17953 this season) Influenza cases | 68 (5793 this season) SARS-CoV-2 cases | 153 (4540 this season) RSV cases |
| 10.9% Influenza positivity | 1.8% SARS-CoV-2 positivity | 4% RSV positivity |
| 61 Influenza in hospital** | 38 SARS-CoV-2 in hospital** | 56 RSV in hospital** |
| 12 Influenza in ICU** | 0 SARS-CoV-2 in ICU** | 5 RSV in ICU** |
| 1 (264 this season) Influenza deaths | 0 (118 this season) SARS-CoV-2 deaths | 1 (48 this season) RSV deaths |

In Alberta, the current 2025/26 season of respiratory illnesses continues to put people into hospitals, intensive care units and coffins, but in numbers much lower than during the peak of the season in colder months. Influenza deaths set a record this season which may grow a bit more before the season officially winds down in late August. The previous record since the province began seriously tracking the disease in the 1990's was 236 in 2024/25 season up from 171 in 2023/24.

What does your school, town or...



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...city do to recycle items? How do you help?

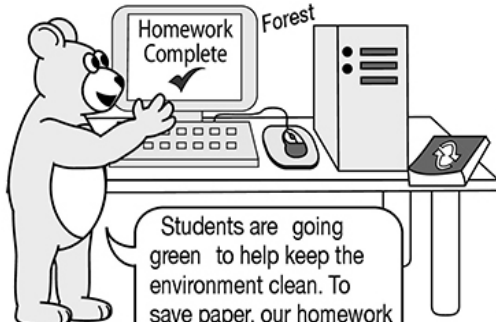


Kids: color stuff in!



Are you and your family trying to help the Earth keep a safe and clean environment so all living things can survive?

Earth Day Keeping it Green!



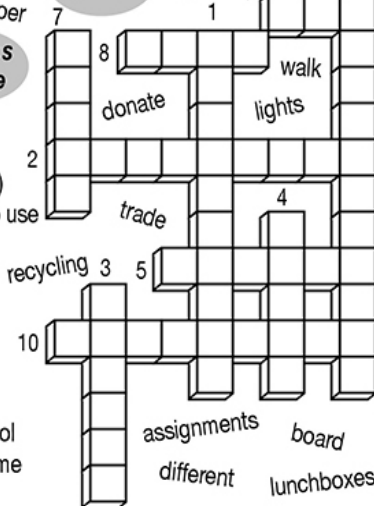
Students are going green to help keep the environment clean. To save paper, our homework assignments now come in daily emails. Everyone has learned what items can be recycled, and they put these into bins. **Read my clues to fill in my puzzle with things kids can do to help:**

- use _____, sandwich boxes, thermoses and reusable water/sports bottles
- sort bottles and cans into bins for _____
- turn off all _____ and electronics when not using
- use both sides of _____ (may make into notepads)
- _____ school uniforms, gym clothes for others to use
- read and do _____ on computers
- create a _____ where students can pin up and share their ideas for recycling
- _____, bike, take a bus or carpool with others
- have a swap at school to _____ things that you are done with for new stuff
- use items for a new or _____ purpose old school clothes cut for art projects, a box made into a game you invent (some call this repurposing)

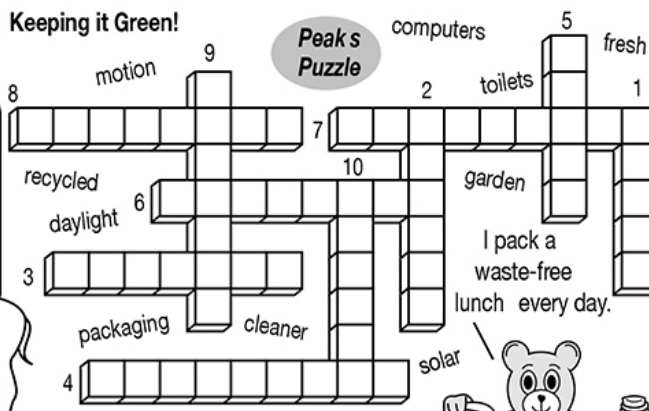
My puzzle is about how schools are helping to conserve. Some are built from recycled materials, and have features to save energy, such as motion-activated lights and faucets. **Fill in my puzzle!**



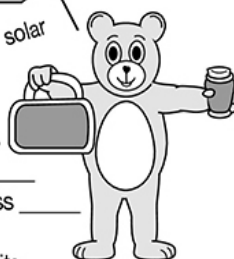
Forest's Puzzle



Peak's Puzzle



- _____ panel rooftops
- _____ -activated faucets
- waterless or low-flow _____
- buy from companies that use less _____
- use food service company that offers _____ vegetables and fruits
- more _____ in classrooms gives an energy boost
- wireless tablet _____ and energy saving monitors
- buying _____ paper
- better airflow and filters to keep air _____
- rooftop _____ to keep heat in (or out), and for people to study life cycle of plants



automatic faucet



Uh-oh...I finished my report on the newest cars and power sources but not the answer key to my fun Pop Quiz! Read my report, then Help me by circling **T** for true and **F** for false.

Cool Hybrid & Electric Cars!

London has started using electric double-decker buses.

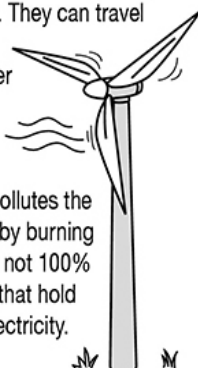


What do you know about hybrid cars? These very cool cars are powered by both gas and electricity. When you are driving one fast on a highway its gasoline engine is working. This makes you move and also charges the car's battery. Then, when you drive around town at lower speeds, the car is able to run on electricity. Hybrid cars do not need to be plugged in. They can travel 50 miles or more per gallon of gas twice what many gas-only cars can.

Car companies are also building vehicles that use electric motors to power everything. They store electricity in batteries, which can then be recharged by the owner plugging the car in at home. There also are many charging stations that allow drivers to recharge their electric cars while traveling.

Electric cars are great because nothing comes out of their tailpipes that pollutes the air! Some people argue that the electricity these cars use may be generated by burning coal or natural gas instead of by water power or wind turbines, making them not 100% environmentally friendly. But, people are working on ways to make batteries that hold more electricity for longer driving and on technology to produce cleaner electricity.

Maybe you will work on some of these designs someday!



Pop Quiz

- Hybrid cars are powered by gasoline and electricity. T F
- The gas engine takes power from the battery. T F
- They get fewer miles per gallon than a gas-only car. T F
- Electric cars use electricity to power everything. T F
- Owners can plug these cars in at home. T F
- Lots of pollution is added to the air from electric cars. T F
- You might see electric car charging stations in the parking lots of apartments, stores and train stations. T F
- Wind-, water- and solar-generated electricity will allow for less pollution in the air. T F



MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF OPPORTUNITY
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
Seasonal Equipment Operators
Calling Lake - Temporary Full Time

The individual chosen for this temporary full-time/seasonal position in the M.D. of Opportunity (ending in October) with our Public Works Department at our Calling Lake location will be responsible for the following duties and any other duties required:

- ♦ Operation of various equipment within the Public Works Department.
- ♦ Responsible for operation & routine maintenance of a variety of light & heavy equipment; mowing equipment and tractors.
- ♦ Some manual labor related to maintenance of the road system, parking lots & other MD operated facilities.
- ♦ Maintenance & installation of road signage as required.
- ♦ Routine maintenance of culverts & control of flooding problems on local roads.
- ♦ Provide written reports on operations as may be required.
- ♦ Under the direction of the Area Lead hand.
- ♦ Hauling gravel

Qualifications:

- **Valid Class 5 Drivers License**
- A minimum of Grade 10 or a minimum of two years' experience may be considered;
- Ability to work independently or as a team player;
- Ability to exercise good judgment on operation of light/heavy equipment as it relates to safety;
- Clean Driver's Abstract.

Interested persons are invited to submit their Resume, current Criminal Record Check and three (3) work related references to:

Human Resource Department
 Municipal District of Opportunity No.17
 Box 60 Wabasca, Alberta T0G 2K0
 Phone: (780) 891-3778 or Fax: (780) 891-4283
 Email hr@mdopportunity.ab.ca

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at the Municipal District
of Opportunity #17



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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
Seasonal Equipment Operators
Wabasca & Red Earth Creek
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- ♦ Provide written reports on operations as may be required.
- ♦ Under the direction of the Area Lead hand.
- ♦ Hauling gravel and driving the MD bus for rentals.

Qualifications:

- **Valid Class 3 Drivers License with Air Brakes (Class 1 preferred).**
- A minimum of Grade 12 or a minimum of two years' experience may be considered;
- Ability to work independently or as a team player;
- Ability to exercise good judgment on operation of light/heavy equipment as it relates to safety;
- Clean Driver's Abstract.

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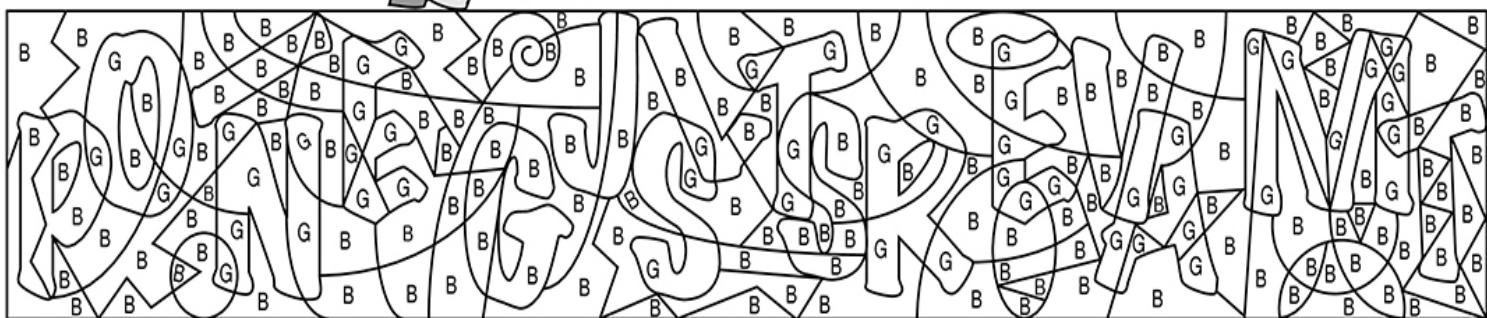
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Date: April 21 & 22, 2026
Time: 1pm - 4pm



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**April 14 - 15th, 2026
5pm to 8pm
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Earth Day Keeping it Green!

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2. The gas engine takes power from the battery. (T) F

3. They get fewer miles per gallon than a gas-only car. (T) F

4. Electric cars use electricity to power everything. (T) F

5. Owners can plug these cars in at home. (T) F

6. Lots of pollution is added to the air from electric cars. (T) F

7. You might see charging stations in the parking lots of apartments, stores and train stations. (T) F

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Wabasca, AB
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**MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF OPPORTUNITY
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
LANDFILL SITE ATTENDANT – Seasonal
Red Earth Creek & Wabasca**

The Municipal District of Opportunity is now accepting applications for a Seasonal Landfill Site Attendant for the hamlets of Red Earth Creek and hamlet of Wabasca. Applicants must possess the following qualifications:

- ◆ Knowledge and experience in the operations of a landfill site is an asset but not a requirement;
- ◆ Care-taking and maintenance of a landfill site;
- ◆ Become familiar with municipal bylaws and provincial regulations with respect to hazardous materials;
- ◆ Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with officials, authorities and the general public;
- ◆ Possess proven communication, public relations and inter-personal skills;
- ◆ A Valid Class 5 Driver's License;
- ◆ Ability to operate equipment (loader, bobcat);
- ◆ Ability to exercise independent judgment and initiative in completing assigned duties;
- ◆ Ability to work as a team player and be willing to take training as may be required:

Duties include:

- ◆ Assisting & directing the public to appropriate garbage disposal areas;
 - ◆ Daily cleaning of the landfill site area and grounds
 - ◆ Keeping proper checklists of areas cleaned; maintain record keeping journals of all incoming garbage volumes using documents provided by the supervisor;
 - ◆ Provide reports to supervisor as may be required;
 - ◆ Maintain in good order the attendance building and washroom facility;
 - ◆ Sort materials/garbage/debris as per municipal bylaws;
 - ◆ Daily cleaning and maintenance of dog kennels;
 - ◆ Any other duties deemed necessary by your supervisor;
 - ◆ Adhere to Alberta Environment Regulations, approvals and code of practice;
 - ◆ Achieve the Alberta Landfill Certification within 18 months;
 - ◆ Satisfactory Criminal Record Check upon hire.
- Interested persons are invited to submit their Resume, along with three (3) work related references to:

**Human Resource Department
Municipal District of Opportunity No.17
Box 60 Wabasca, Alberta T0G 2K0
Phone: (780) 891-3778 or Fax: (780) 891-4283
Email: hr@mdopportunity.ab.ca**

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Cross-Canada Outlook... Continued from Focus Front Page

Some recent Angus Reid polls have shown that Canadians are not happy with the craziness of “Trump World” and certainly how he is bullying other countries, including Canada. On the topic of the U.S. President using the military to cut off all energy shipments into Cuba, quickly killing its much-needed tourist industry and creating a crisis for the country’s entire population, Canadians appear ready to try to help Cubans and condemn Trump.

In a poll published April 3, Canadians were asked their federal political party affiliation and the question: “How should Canada approach humanitarian aid to Cuba, given the position of the United States?” The entire polling group of all four main parties - CPC, Liberal, NDP and BQ (4005 respondents) saw 51% agreeing that Canada should provide humanitarian aid even if it risks tension with the United States while only 31% picked Canada should avoid actions that could strain relations with the United States. The remaining 19% were neutral.

Adjusted on party lines, only 30% of Conservatives supported humanitarian aid to Cuba, while the support among other party voters were NDP - 76%, Liberal - 71%, and BQ - 58%.

According to the Angus Reid analysts: “The focus on the U.S. and Israel war on Iran is evident when comparing the attention paid to the two international news stories by Canadians.

“The Angus Reid Institute engagement index scores attention paid to the U.S. oil blockade of Cuba as a 45, lower than average level of engagement of 50. The war in Iran scores a 62.

“So far, Canada has supplied \$8 million in humanitarian aid, mostly to help fortify Cuba’s food security.

“One-third (34%) say that is enough support from Canada; one-third (32%) want their country to do more to assist.

“There are also one-in-five (19%) who believe Canada should be doing less than that or should not have sent that aid at all.”

**NEXT ISSUE:
FEVER will reveal
what the Angus Reid
Cross Canada Outlook
says about Alberta**



**MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF OPPORTUNITY
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
Permanent Full Time Early Childhood
Educator
Wabasca**

The Municipal District of Opportunity No.17 is seeking to fill a permanent full-time position at the Opportunity Daycare in Wabasca, AB. The ideal candidate should be outgoing and energetic with demonstrated skills in their area of work, who are self-

starters and team oriented. The successful individual will help create and deliver a high-quality early learning childcare service that meets MD policy as well as provincial Childcare Licensing.

Primary responsibilities are to:

- ✓ Provide child care services by actively engaging in the supervision, care and development of children;
- ✓ Provide a safe and nurturing environment;
- ✓ Ensure the well-being of each and every child in the childcare program;
- ✓ Promote early learning programming and age appropriate developmental activities.

Qualifications required:

- ✓ Child Development Certification Level 1, 2 and or 3;
- ✓ Valid Class 5 Drivers License and reliable transportation;
- ✓ Child First Aid and/or Standard First Aid certificate;
- ✓ A current satisfactory Criminal Record Check and Child Youth Intervention Check must be provided upon to hire.

Salary will commensurate with qualifications and experience. Please send resume along with 3 work related references and Child Intervention Check to the attention of:

**Human Resources Department
Municipal District of Opportunity
Box 60 - Wabasca, AB T0G 2K0
Phone: (780) 891-3778 Fax: (780) 891-4283
Email: hr@mdopportunity.ab.ca**

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Employment Opportunities

ARE YOU PASSIONATE ABOUT AGRICULTURE? Do you enjoy working directly with farmers? Egg Farmers of Alberta is seeking a full-time Southern Alberta Field Services Coordinator. For more information and to apply, please visit eggs.ab.ca/about-us/careers/

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MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF OPPORTUNITY

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

General Accounting Coordinator

Temporary Full Time - Wabasca

The MD of Opportunity No. 17 is looking to fill a temporary full-time position in our Finance Department. This position requires a highly organized and self-motivated individual possessing sound financial accounting knowledge. The successful applicant will report directly to a senior or team lead or equivalent in Finance and will be responsible for the following:

Responsibilities:

- ★ Perform pre-payment due diligence review of invoices based on applicable policies and processes;
- ★ Undertake the billing function for specific segment(s), as assigned from time to time;
- ★ Perform daily/monthly analysis and reconciliation of banks;
- ★ Prepare and obtain proper approval of and record journal entries, as required;
- ★ Undertake periodic reconciliations of key general ledger accounts on a timely basis;
- ★ Carry out research and analysis of accounts, as well as record authorized adjustments;
- ★ Provide timely assistance relating to the various review assignments and the annual audit;
- ★ Assist the Finance personnel in the improvements of internal controls in various financial segments;
- ★ Prepare financial reports on a weekly and monthly basis, as required;
- ★ Coordinate and execute the annual budgeting process, including collaboration with other departments;
- ★ Open, close, or suspend general ledger accounts as needed;
- ★ Perform biweekly timekeeping duties; and
- ★ Perform ad hoc duties as assigned.

Qualifications:

Candidates should hold or work towards a recognized financial accounting diploma from an accredited institution like NAIT or Grande Prairie Regional College or similar community college, accompanied with the successful completion of course(s) on Accounting Principles and Practices and a minimum of two years of financial accounting experience in a computerized accounting environment. Equivalencies based on accounting courses at the intermediate level and experience will also be considered. This position requires a team player with excellent interpersonal skills, as well as good writing and communication skills. Experience in the use of Excel, Word and an email program is essential and that of the Great Plains Accounting software would be an asset, although not essential. Successful applicants will also require a satisfactory criminal record check upon hire.

We offer paid sick and personal days, and the starting salary is commensurate with the level of education and experience of the selected candidate(s).

Interested persons are invited to submit their résumé, three work-related references to the attention of:

Human Resources Department

Municipal District of Opportunity No. 17
Box 60 Wabasca, AB T0G 2K0

Phone: (780) 891-3778 Fax: (780) 891-4283

Email: hr@mdopportunity.ab.ca

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from MD of Opportunity and Bigstone Cree Nation!

Other employers are invited to do their hiring through Fever pages
by phoning 780-474-8929 or toll-free 1-877-508-5727 or wabascafever@shaw.ca

If all citizens report suspicious people there might be fewer prolific offenders continuously stealing more property

RCMP Southern Alberta District Crime Reduction Unit shared some good advice to all law-abiding Albertans who want to help the police arrest prolific offenders.

Earlier this week, the RCMP unit related it had arrested a 47-year-old man in a recreational facility in Calgary after investing a rash of thefts at recreational facility in Calgary and other various sized community in the Calgary area. The man has residences in both Calgary and Edmonton already was wanted on five outstanding warrants and when he was arrested this time, he got hit with 13 additional charges.

Some of the arrest warrants dated back to last fall for thefts and misuse of a credit card likely occurring in Cochrane and High River. The same suspect has been identified in security footage of crime scenes in Canmore, Okotoks, Airdre, Tsuut'ina Nation and occurrences in Calgary.

After being caught in the Calgary recreation facility, the RCMP found him in possession of stolen property from 11 different victims from the same recreational centre, along with possessing a tool used to break into lockers.

Obviously, this accused person, identified as Leslie Bill Smolley, is suspected of being a very busy thief. And this suspect is likely only one of perhaps hundreds/thousands of other petty criminals who are very skilled and experienced in property crimes, living throughout the province. Residents of many communities either directly know due to media publicity that a local person has multiple theft convictions or have a reputation among many residents of not being trustworthy and probably guilty of stealing any not nailed down.

But the relating of this story about a southern Alberta thief is to emphasize the following advice from the RCMP of all victims or potential victims can help keep these types of criminals off the street for at least some period of time:

RCMP: If you are a victim of property or identity theft, you are asked to contact your local police to report any crime in your area.

Alberta RCMP follows an intelligence-led policing model. We encourage all Albertans to report any suspicious activity they witness, as this allows for proper statistical reporting and aids in the reduction of property crime. Reports tell us where to look, who to look for, and where to patrol in the future.

If you wish to remain anonymous, you can contact Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS), online at www.P3Tips.com or by using the "P3 Tips" app available through the Apple App or Google Play store. To report crime online, or for access to RCMP news and information, download the Alberta RCMP app through Apple or Google Play. To contact RCMP non-emergency line within any Alberta RCMP jurisdiction call 310-RCMP(7267).

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BIGSTONE HEALTH COMMISSION

Employment Opportunity



RECOVERY CARE PEER SUPPORT WORKER

**One (1) Permanent Part-Time
 Wabasca, Alberta**

Bigstone Health Commission is seeking an experienced, highly motivated, and dependable Recovery Care Day Program Peer Support to join our talented Health Team for the Bigstone communities in which we serve in Wabasca, Calling Lake, and Chipewyan Lake. This is a rewarding opportunity if you have an appreciation for Indigenous Culture, a desire for continuing professional development and enjoy the support and collaboration from our multidisciplinary team and various other professionals and agencies.

At Bigstone Health Commission, you are more than an employee – you are part of a community. Our work is rooted in respect for culture, connection, and service to the members of Bigstone Cree Nation. We offer a supportive and welcoming workplace where your contributions matter, your growth is encouraged, and your work helps strengthen health services for present and future generations. Joining our team means building a meaningful career while giving back to community.

Duties and Responsibilities

- Reporting to the Recovery Care Day Program Coordinator
- As a member of a multi-disciplinary team, the Recovery Care Peer Support provides community-based support services, assists in substance use and/or mental health treatment, provides life skills training, coaching, and advocacy to BCN members who struggle with substance abuse and addiction issues with or without a mental illness
- Other duties as assigned

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities

- Be extremely observant to detail and accuracy
- Must be able to work in a diverse environment
- Must have the ability to communicate effectively, both verbally and in writing
- Must be a team player
- Confidentiality is strictly enforced
- Develop strong relationships and work cooperatively with clients
- Ability to deal with community members who struggle with addictions and mental health issues
- Ability to observe and recognize behavioral and/or health status changes in clients
- Ability to mentor program clients
- Ability to model healthy lifestyle choices
- Ability to set and maintain boundaries
- Ability to prioritize and organize client demands made and care needs
- Ability to demonstrate an appropriate level of initiative and independence
- Ability to work cooperatively as part of a multidisciplinary team
- Ability to promote positive change and independence
- Physical and emotional ability to carry out the duties of the position
- Must be prepared to work irregular hours if needed
- Good communication skills
- Ability to speak Cree is an asset
- Ability to deal with others effectively
- Ability to problem solve

Education and Experience

- Experience in Recovery Care Day Program would be an asset
- Basic knowledge of community resources.
- Must have or obtain within 6 months of hire; First Aid/CPR certification and maintain such
- Must be willing to take further training as required.

Benefits

- ✓ Competitive Salary.
- ✓ Employer Matching Registered Pension Plan
- ✓ Paid Time Off
- ✓ Extended Health, Dental & Vision Plan

Salary is dependent on experience.

Please forward your Cover Letter, Resume (including 3 work related references), & Criminal Record Check, Vulnerable Sector Check and Child & Youth Intervention Check to our:

Human Resources Department
PO Box 1020 Wabasca, Alberta T0G 2K0
Fax: 780-891-2623 | Email: bhcresumes@bigstonehealth.ca

CLOSING DATE: Until a Suitable Candidate is found.

POSTED ON: April 8, 2026

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