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MCHS to host an inspiring Leadership Conference for regional student leaders



Morinville Community High School Teacher Tara Ricioppo and MCHS Student Council member Rowan Weinmeier hold a poster for the upcoming Horizons Leadership Conference. - Stephen Dafoe Photo

By Stephen Dafoe

Morinville Community High School (MCHS) will gather with students throughout the region for a leadership conference on February 23. The one-day Horizon Leadership Conference runs from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Morinville Community Cultural Centre and the school.

The event promises

a full-day journey for student leaders and teacher advisors, providing participants with motivation, inspiration, and information to make their schools better places for learning and student life.

MCHS Teacher Tara Ricioppo, one of the event's organizers, said the Canadian Student Leadership Association (CSLA), which MCHS is a member

of, puts on the Horizons Leadership Conference.

"We've worked with them before. We had a provincial leadership conference back in 2008. It was a three-day conference," Ricioppo said. "It was super exciting and super fun."

However, pulling students out of school for a couple of days

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Morinville Jets Jacob Klassen (88) and Jase McRae (17) battle for the puck with Stony Plain Flyers Colby Perneel (22) and Shane Setter (71) during the Sunday, February 4 home game in Morinville. - Stephen Dafoe Photo



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Morinville Fire Department members were out on the ice at the Morinville Fish and Game Association Pond on Saturday, February 3, for morning and afternoon ice rescue training. Firefighters put on Mustang Suits, a waterproof ice rescue suit. The day's training taught crews how to get into the suits as well as different types of ice rescue techniques based on the victim's capabilities of extricating themselves out of the water. The annual training opportunity was two months earlier than last year due to instructor schedules rather than warmer weather. - Stephen Dafoe Photo

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Jets ground Flyers in back-to-back wins

By Stephen Dafoe

The Morinville Jr. B Jets took their seventh and eighth consecutive wins over the weekend, defeating the Stony Plain Flyers in back-to-back games. The Jets defeated the Flyers 4-1 on the road on February 2 and again at home on February 4 in a 4-0 shutout win.

The Friday night road game saw the Jets out-chance Stony Plain 19-10 in the opening frame, but only Jacob Klassen could capitalize for the Jets early in the period to give the club a 1-0 lead heading into the second period.

Despite outshooting the Flyers 15-11 in the second, the Flyers kept

the Jets off the board while Flyers' Captain Ryen Olson netted one to tie the game.

But the Jets dominated the final frame, with Ethan Dechamplain and Josh Konanz advancing the game to 3-1 in the Jets' favour. Dechamplain grabbed another goal into an empty Flyers net to take the game 4-1.

Sunday would see the Jets deny the Flyers even a single goal. The Jets started their Sunday, February 4 game outshooting the Flyers 9-4, capitalizing twice on those chances to lead 2-0 heading into the middle frame.

Adam Mueller opened scoring for the Jets at 13:25, and Ethan Dechamplain gave the Jets their second goal

with 1:30 left in the period.

The Jets added a goal midway through the second, this one from Graeme Hampton, to pull ahead 3-0.

But a seven-minute powerplay opportunity late in the period bore no additional fruit for the Jets as the Flyers penalty kill denied the Jets a goal.

By the end of the period, the board showed the Jets leading the Flyers 3-0 in goals and 31-11 in shots.

Carrying two penalties into the final period, Cody Laliberte pocketed a short-handed goal at 18:19 with 20 seconds left in the last of the two penalties for the Jets.

The board would freeze at 4-0, with

neither side able to ripple the mesh.

The back-to-back wins gave the Jets a 29-6-1 record heading into their final week of the regular season.

After Sunday's game, Jets' President Brent Melville said the 59 points and 29

wins the club had accumulated up to that point this season were the most points and wins the Jets have had in their more than three-decade history.

The Jets went on to defeat the Leduc Co-Op Riggers 12-1 on Wednesday, February

7. The Jets final regular season game was on Sunday, February 11.

Results were not available by press deadline; however, the Jets ended their regular season in second place and get a bye in the first round of CJHL playoffs.



PUBLIC HEARING – Bylaw 1646/23 Road Closure Bylaw

Sturgeon County Council requests public input on proposed Bylaw 1646/23.

The property owner would like to bring the existing outdoor recreational uses on the lands into compliance and develop a recreational plan for their land as a whole at 302 57000 Highway 44.

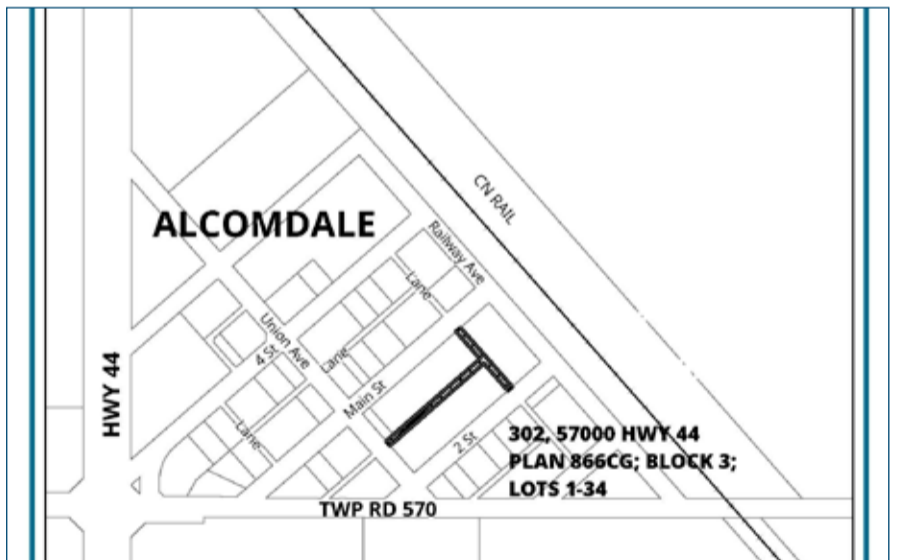
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Tuesday, February 27, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. (or as soon as practical thereafter)
Sturgeon County Council Chambers (9613 100 St. in Morinville)
sturgeoncounty.ca/CouncilMeetings

The land was recently rezoned to REC – Recreational District and the intent is to consolidate all the land into one lot which requires the formal closure of the existing road right-of-way.

A bylaw is needed to formally close the existing road right-of-way.

View the proposed bylaw at sturgeoncounty.ca/public-hearing-bylaw-1646-23-road-closure-bylaw



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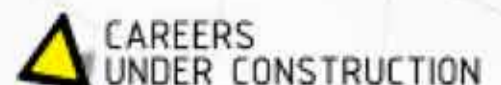
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and adding a weekend to that can be challenging, which led CSLA to do more mini conferences like the one in Morinville on February 23.

Although hosted by MCHS, the event targets students from grades 7 to 10 from any school. Students in grades 11 and 12 are also welcome to benefit from the event. The only caveat is that each school must have a teacher advisor attending to participate.

"It gives our students an opportunity to lead students – student leaders leading students," Ricioppo explained of the motivation behind hosting this year.

"We've taken students to Horizons before, and those are good opportunities. To be a host school, our kids get the opportunity to be front and center. A couple of our kids are going to be emcees and meet and greet with the keynotes."

The conference will

have two keynote speakers: Levi Stanford and Jeff Gerber.

Stanford tragically lost his left hand in an accident five days after his marriage and uses that experience to convey life lessons and teach skills and techniques to help participants face trials and adversity with a positive attitude.

Jeff Gerber led what organizers say was a significant and impactful high school leadership program in Ontario. He will demonstrate his natural way of connecting with people and moving them to action.

In addition to the two keynote speakers, Ricioppo said students will participate in several interactive activities and a break-out session.

"It gives our students an opportunity to be real leaders," Ricioppo said of the upcoming conference. "They're being asked to be leaders in their school and among their peers all

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the time, but this is giving them an opportunity with other student leaders."

Grade 10 student and MCHS Student Council member Rowan Weinmeier also believes the one-day conference is a considerable benefit.

"I'm very excited," Weinmeier said. "I don't think we've ever done it here. It [the conference] shows that we take this

stuff seriously and really care about becoming something in the community."

Registration for the Horizons Leadership Conference is \$30 per student, including lunch. Registration is available online at <http://tinyurl.com/33sz8cy8>. Registrants also can apply for a \$500 grant for their school.



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ARIES Mar 21/Apr 20

Creativity may prove elusive this week, Aries. You want to get into a crafty project but you simply can't find traction just yet. Don't give up too soon.

TAURUS Apr 21/May 21

Taurus, a distracted friend or loved one may not be good company over the next few days. Reach out and offer to be a sounding board to help this person re-center their focus.

GEMINI May 22/June 21

Are you feeling preoccupied, Gemini? You can't seem to focus on one thing or another and friends will start to notice when you are in their company.

CANCER June 22/July 22

Romantic matters are going very well right now, Cancer, even if you may not feel entirely confident. The person who cares for you will not notice your insecurities.

LEO July 23/Aug 23

The more challenging path may prove the best one to take as your work on a certain task, Leo. Dig in and start figuring a way out to the other side.

VIRGO Aug 24/Sept 22

Virgo, there is so much to do around the house that you may not know where to start. Spring cleaning comes a month or two early. Ask for help if you're feeling frazzled.

LIBRA Sept 23/Oct 23

You may be in the mood to expand your knowledge on one or more subjects, Libra. Visit the library or a bookstore and pick up something that piques your interest.

SCORPIO Oct 24/Nov 22

Scorpio, you may pick up on some vibes when hanging out with others that just don't fit in with your line of thinking. Give it some time before you cut any ties. You may be misinterpreting.

SAGITTARIUS Nov 23/Dec 21

There has been a lot going on in your life, Sagittarius. You may be experiencing some apprehension about the future. Take every concern individually and give it thought.

CAPRICORN Dec 22/Jan 20

Information coming to you could have you feeling nervous about your financial security, Capricorn. If this is outside your area of expertise, you may want to sit down with a planner.

AQUARIUS Jan 21/Feb 18

Confusing messages from work may find you reconsidering plans that you already put into motion, Aquarius. Get more information before modifying your plans.

PISCES Feb 19/Mar 20

Pisces, your mind is all over the place right now, so it could be difficult to focus on mundane things like chores or other activities right now. However, don't push them off.

PUBLIC HEARING – Bylaw 1647/24

Amendment to Land Use Bylaw 1385/17

Sturgeon County Council requests public input on proposed Bylaw 1647/24.

Sturgeon County is proposing amendments to the Land Use Bylaw (Bylaw 1385/17) Public Open Space District (POS) and Environmental Preservation (EP) Districts:

- To remove reference to the terms 'public' in order to focus on land use and not ownership.
- To amend the list of permitted and discretionary uses within both districts.

A bylaw is needed to amend existing bylaws, and a public hearing must be held.

View the proposed bylaw at sturgeoncounty.ca/hearing-1647

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Tuesday, February 27, 2024, at 1:30 p.m. (or as soon as practical thereafter)

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Proposed Land Use Bylaw Amendment - Bylaw No. 6/2024

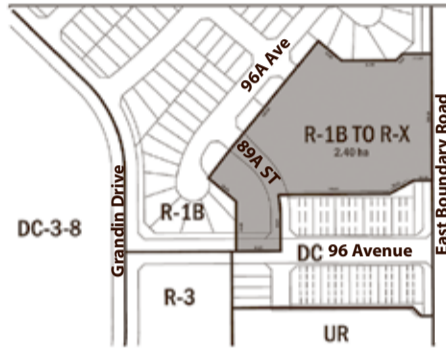
You are invited to participate in a Public Hearing for the proposed Land Use Bylaw Amendment (LUB), Bylaw 6/2024. Anyone intending to speak in-person at the public hearing is encouraged to register in advance, but not required to do so. Written comments are required to be submitted by **4 p.m. on February 26, 2024**, to be reviewed as part of the public hearing process.

To register to speak in-person or submit written comments, please email legislativeofficer@morinville.ca.

A copy of the report relating to the Bylaw can be found by visiting www.morinville.ca/councilcalendar and selecting the link to the February 13, 2024, Regular Meeting of Council.

What is the Land Use Bylaw Amendment about?

The purpose of the proposed Bylaw 6/2024 is to amend Land Use Bylaw 2/2024 by redistricting 2.40 Hectares of a portion of land (see grey area in map below) legally described as NE 34-55-25-W4 and located within the Juniper Heights neighborhood from the Single Detached Compact Residential (R-1B) District to the Residential Mixed Form (R-X) District. Administration supports this proposal as it aligns with higher-level plans.



Public Hearing for
Land Use Bylaw Amendment
Bylaw 6/2024:

**Tuesday, February 27,
2024, at 4 p.m.**
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Morinville Civic Hall:
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Sturgeon COUNTY

Agriculture Master Plan WORKSHOP

REGISTER ONLINE

Register for one of the two in-person workshops:

February 27: Calahoo from 6 - 8 p.m.

February 28: Gibbons from 2 - 4 p.m.

SturgeonCounty.ca/AgPlan2024

Sturgeon County is creating an Agriculture Master Plan (AMP), which is a strategic roadmap to guide agriculture-related initiatives for the next 10 years.

Sturgeon County is asking for your input to help shape this plan to ensure it meets the needs of agricultural producers, residents, landowners, and community partners now and in the future.



QUESTIONS?

Agriculture Services
780-939-8349
agservices@sturgeoncounty.ca

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND CLAIMANTS

Estate of **MARGARET MINA-ANN CORCORAN** also known as **MINA CORCORAN** who died on **January 3, 2024**.

If you have a claim against this estate, you must file your claim by March 16, 2024 with Sean M. Warshawski at Ritzen Warshawski LLP, 400, 1 Tache Street, St. Albert, Alberta, T8N 1B4, and provide details of your claim.

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SCHOOL NEWS

Lilian Schick School



Lilian School recently partnered with Fearless in the Forest for an inspiring two-day "Indigenous Ingenuity" event. Students engaged in hands-on activities such as: crafting Inuit snow goggles, making toothbrushes from dogwood sticks,

testing wooden toboggans, and creating Turtle Island out of snow.

The event celebrated Indigenous knowledge and fostered teamwork and creativity among students while exploring STEM concepts in outdoor settings.

Legal Public School



It has been a very exciting month at Legal Public School!

Students at LPS have been enjoying the warmer temperatures by taking their learning outside!

They have been building snow volcanos, creating instruments from things

Bon Accord Community School

With the start of a new year comes the return to our school family and learning. BACS has been busy engaging our students physically, mentally, and emotionally.

We have been learning about gravitational waves using Jell-O, testing materials to see if they sink or float and held another literacy day where families got to come in and read with their kids.

We celebrated a week of kindness by having students write affirmations to give to others, we had daily announcements to remind students that they are "repeat after me: I am smart, I am strong, I

am loved, I am kind, I can do hard things, I am a good kid, I can do

anything I put my mind too" and Ms. Brenneis and Mr. Chabot even created a song to pump up our students that was played daily. Another highlight at BACS is how much our students and staff enjoy connecting with nature through sledding, snowshoeing, building snow structures and Recreational Academy also had a fun day snow tubing.



Bon Accord
Community School



found in nature and conducting scientific investigations in the forest and field!

We are really excited about the learning that is taking shape in our school community, as students are provided meaningful and engaging opportunities that meet them where they are at in their learning journey!



MOVE IN READY IN WESTLOCK

This cute, well kept 3 bedroom bungalow in Westlock is move in ready. Renovations over the years include newer flooring and paint, new windows, furnace and h/w tank in 2016, bathroom renos in 2017, shingles in 2017, front and back decks, backflow valve installed in both washer drain and floor drain, and new front door and patio doors. Wall has been opened up between kitchen and living room to allow for a more open concept. Features include a built in vacuum system, pantry, solar light tube in kitchen, patio doors in back bedroom allow access to back deck and fenced yard with storage shed. Basement is partially finished with a family room space, laundry area and den which could easily be a 4th bedroom if window was made a bit larger. There is roughed in plumbing for a bathroom in the basement. Just needs flooring and ceiling installed to finish the basement. This is a great starter home or small family home. Would also be great for an investor as all the work has already been done. **\$219,000. Call Heather to view.**



ONLY \$164,900 FOR 2 BEDROOM BUNGALOW IN LEGAL

Looking for affordable living that's move in ready? This 2 bedroom bungalow in Legal is perfect for first time buyers, investors or seniors who aren't quite ready to give up their pets and move into a lodge. Many upgrades over the years including furnace, vinyl siding and windows. Renos in the past year include all new bathroom with stacked washer and dryer and on demand hot water heater, new counter tops and backsplash in kitchen, eavestroughs, sump pit and pump. Fresh paint throughout. Brand new carpet in bedrooms and lino in bathroom and back entrance and the living room/kitchen flooring is only a few years old. Large 75'x66' fenced lot with fire pit, flower beds, deck and plenty of parking space for a couple of cars and holiday trailer. Or build a garage if you like. Ramp is also in place for easy access with wheelchairs or walkers. Legal is a great small town that's only a few minutes north of Legal. Move in ready! **\$164,900. Call Heather to view.**



77.16 ACRES NEAR EGREMONT

Fenced pasture land located just two miles west of Egremont (a few minutes north of Redwater). Lots of great building sites with power lines running on both the range road and township road bordering this property. A nice mixture of open land and large mature spruce, pine and poplar. Approximately 40 min to Edmonton. Nice spot to start your own small hobby farm, weekend retreat or rent the land out in the summer and use it for hunting in fall. **\$250,000 plus gst. Call Heather for more info.**



NEW LISTING

5.32 ACRES READY TO BUILD ON

Gorgeous building spot or weekend getaway within a half hour of north Edmonton, right across the road from Half Moon Lake (north of Bon Accord). This 5.32 acres is one of the largest lots in this subdivision of Pinebrook Estates. Beautifully treed for privacy with mature spruce, poplar, birch and more. There is a nice cleared area with a firepit or a spot to build on. Lots of hiking or cross country ski trails throughout the property. Lots of recreational opportunities at Half Moon Lake like boating, swimming and fishing. Only about a mile of gravel to the nearest paved road. Utilities nearby. **\$99,900. Call Heather to view.**



4.99 ACRES BY BUSBY

Room for everything on this 4.99 acres with a 2400 sq ft 1 1/2 storey home that has 5 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms and a full unfinished basement that is framed in for an additional 2 bedrooms. House was originally built in 2009 on a crawlspace but was lifted and had a full basement installed in 2013. Bsmt has roughed in plumbing for another bathroom and a wet bar. This home was built for energy efficiency with walls built from structural insulated panels (30-50% more efficient). If has in floor hot water heating system powered by 2 electric boilers that were installed in 2013. Features 2 sided wood burning fireplace, large kitchen/dining room, moveable island, double oven, gleaming wood ceilings, main floor laundry, chair lift to 2nd floor and more. Master suite has 2 w/i closets, gorgeous ensuite, and private loft area with door to future balcony. Double det'd garage with loft space above. Lots of fruit trees, firepit, trails throughout the trees. A few minutes SW of Busby, just over a half hour to Edmonton. **\$469,900. Call Heather to view.**



BUILDING SITE BY NEWBROOK

24.8 acres bordering the Hamlet of Newbrook, about 1/2 hour NE of Redwater on Hwy 63. This is the remainder of the quarter that much of the hamlet of Newbrook is built on. Currently being used as pasture land with lots of open land and a few treed areas. Nice building sites. Zoning on this land allows for many possibilities for use. Build your dream home on a nice sized acreage, subdivide some lots to expand the Hamlet, maybe start a business ventures. Good possibility to get County approval for any of these uses. May be possible to tie into residential utilities. **\$180,000. Call Heather for directions.**



FULL QUARTER OF LAND IN THORHILD COUNTY

Full quarter of open pasture and bush land approximately 1 hour north of Edmonton in Thorhild County. About 100 acres has been brushed in the past few years and just needs clean up of the brush piles to make open land. This portion had been used as hay land many years ago so could potentially be hay or grain land again. The remained 59 acres is large, mature bush land. The land is fenced and there are two good dugouts so it's all ready for your animals. Also a few nice building spots on this property and power runs along both the range road and township road. Great spot for hunting, quadding, snowmobiling. County bylaws allow for subdivision of this land. **\$279,900 plus gst. Call Heather for more info.**



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