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Kevin Weedmark won a contested nomination to represent the Sask Party in Moosomin-Montmartre.

Weedmark wins Sask Party nomination in Moosomin-Montmartre

Kevin Weedmark defeats two other candidates in race for nomination

BY KARA KINNA

Kevin Weedmark has been nominated by the Saskatchewan Party to represent the party in the Moosomin-Montmartre riding.

The nomination meeting was held in Grenfell on Tuesday, September 10.

After Moosomin MLA Steven Bonk announced he is not running again in the upcoming provincial election, as he will run as the federal Conservative candidate in the Souris-Moose Mountain riding, a Saskatchewan Party nomination race was held in the Moosomin-Montmartre riding with three candidates vying for the support of Saskatchewan Party members across the constituency.

Hundreds of people from every corner of the sprawling riding filled the Grenfell community Hall for the nomination Tuesday.

Weedmark will represent the Saskatchewan Party in Moosomin-Montmartre in the upcoming provincial election.

In his acceptance speech, Weedmark said he was thankful for everyone who came out to vote on Tuesday.

"I would like to say thank you very much to the other candidates, who both ran very good campaigns, and thank you to every one of you who came out to support democracy tonight," he said.

"Thank you to those who came from here in Grenfell and all the way from Indian Head, from Vibank, from Rocanville, from Moosomin, from across the riding.

"I talked to some people who were on their way from Francis along Highway 33 at the farthest point southwest of the constituency.

"It's great to see so many people come out and it's great to see so many new memberships across the constituency through this process."

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Above, the Grenfell Community Hall was packed throughout the night Tuesday as hundreds of people cast ballots for the three candidates for the Saskatchewan Party nomination.



Left, current Moosomin MLA Steven Bank congratulates Kevin Weedmark on his nomination.

Weedmark wins Sask Party nomination in Moosomin-Montmartre

Continued from front
 “In the newspaper we often do interviews with folks who have gone through difficult times—who have lost their house in a fire or have a medical need and the community has rallied around them,” Weedmark told the crowd.

“The one thing those folks always say is that through the tragedy they have found out how many friends they have.

“I’m very fortunate that nothing like that has ever happened to me, I’ve never experienced a tragedy like that, but through this nomination process I had so many people come up and offer their support, give me their help and offer to do anything to help, now I know how those folks feel.

“Through this process I am very touched because I never knew how many friends that I have. Thank to you all of you for the support. And I’ve met so many new friends across the constituency.

“Now the work begins of preparing for the next election. The election call is coming in just a few days and I need all of you behind me, we’re going to have to stand together as the Saskatchewan Party. We’re going to have to work together to make

the Moosomin-Montmartre constituency the best that it can be. Thank you folks very, very much.”

Current Moosomin MLA Steven Bank was there to congratulate Weedmark, as were neighboring MLAs Daryl Harrison of the Cannington constituency and Warren Kaeding of Melville-Saltcoats. Kaeding was also guest speaker for the nomination meeting.

Bank, first elected in 2016 and re-elected in 2020, will continue as MLA until the provincial election is called. The provincial election is scheduled for October 28.

Bank announced in July that he will not run again as MLA, and in August he won the race for the Conservative nomination in Souris-Moose Mountain. He will represent the Conservative Party when the federal election is called.

With Weedmark’s nomination, the Saskatchewan Party was the first to nominate a full slate of candidates.

The NDP, which finished second in the Moosomin constituency in the last election, has nominated Chris Ball of Indian Head as their candidate in Moosomin-Montmartre, and the Green Party has nominated Rémi Rheault of Langenburg.

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Saturday, October 19	1 pm - 4 pm	Fabric Sculpting - Erna Honeyman
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Kara Kinna new editor of the World-Spectator

Kara Kinna has been named the editor of the World-Spectator. Kinna graduated from the University of Regina School of Journalism and Communications in 2002 and started work at the World-Spectator in September of that

year. She has been a vital part of the business for the last 22 years, filling multiple roles, and takes on the editor duties from Kevin Weedmark, who is stepping aside as editor as he has been nominated by the Saskatchewan Party to represent the party in Moosomin-Montmartre in the upcoming provincial election.

The World-Spectator is Saskatchewan's oldest weekly newspaper, published each week since September 2, 1884.

Kinna said she relished the opportunity to take the editorial reins of Saskatchewan's most award-winning community newspaper.

"The World-Spectator is unique and I have loved being part of a newspaper that is such a vital part of our communities.

"Taking on the role of editor is a big new step for me and I have big shoes to fill, because Kevin has built this newspaper into something outstanding, but I am ready for it."

Kara took on the role of editor temporarily in the past, when Kevin Weedmark was away in Vietnam and Afghanistan.

Kinna has won multiple awards for her writing at the provincial and national levels.

Her investigative piece for the World-Spectator on Canadian soldiers being experimented on without their consent was reprinted nationally. The story came about when a local veteran told his story to the World-Spectator, and led to an investigation by the Military Ombudsman. In his report recommending the federal government compensate soldiers who had been subject to experiments, he referenced Kinna's article.

Publisher Kevin Weedmark said he is happy to turn over the role of editor to Kinna.

"Kara has been integral to the operation of this business for the last 22 years," he said.

"She has excelled in every role she has taken on with the business, and I have no doubt she will do an amazing job as editor. With the new roles I'm taking on, Kara is taking on responsibility for the editorial side of the business.

"I will miss the role of editor, but I'm looking forward to my new role."



Kara Kinna has been appointed editor of the World-Spectator



Mullett family raises \$41,345 for Moosomin Airport

The Mullett family raised \$41,345 for the Moosomin Airport expansion project with their "Match Your Donation" campaign. The Mulletts announced that from August 19-31 they would collect donations at Mullett's Home Hardware and match those donations up to a total of \$20,000 with the aim of raising \$40,000. From August 19-31, the community donated \$21,345, with the Mulletts' \$20,000 matching donation putting them over their \$40,000 goal. The money will be used for the electrical portion of the airport upgrade, which includes runway lighting and a building to house the electrical in. Currently the new runway is only operational during the day, but can become op-

erational at night once the lights are in. In the photo in back from left are Jeff St. Onge and Dr. Schalk Van Der Merwe with the airport fundraising committee, as well as Robert Mullett. In front are Kendra Lawrence with the RM of Moosomin, and Rose Mullett.

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COUNCILLOR FOR DIVISION 5

will be received by the undersigned on the 9th day of October, 2024 from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM local time at the Municipal Office at 600-4th Avenue Spy Hill, SK and during regular office hours on September 16th to October 9th, 2024 at the municipal office, 600-4th Avenue Spy Hill, SK.

Nomination forms, including public disclosure statements, may be obtained from the municipal office.

The results of a criminal record check and a completed public disclosure statement must also be submitted with the nomination papers.

Dated this 16th day of September, 2024.

Carey Nicholauson
Returning Officer

51:2c

NOTICE OF CALL FOR NOMINATIONS
LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTION

TOWN OF WAWOTA

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that nominations of candidates for the office(s) of:

MAYOR: TOWN OF WAWOTA
NUMBER TO BE ELECTED - 1

COUNCILLORS: TOWN OF WAWOTA
NUMBER TO BE ELECTED - 6

will be received by the undersigned on the **9th day of October, 2024**, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Wawota Municipal Building, 308 Railway Avenue and during regular business hours on September 16th, 2024 to October 8th, 2024, at the Wawota Municipal Building, 308 Railway Avenue.

Nomination forms may be obtained at the following location: Wawota Municipal Building, 308 Railway Avenue, Wawota, Saskatchewan.

Dated this **16TH** day of **September, 2024**.

Sherry Wight
Returning Officer

51:3c

Village of Stockholm
FORM H
[Section 66 of the Act]

Notice of Call for Nominations

Public notice is hereby given that nomination of candidates for the offices of:

Mayor: Village of Stockholm
Councillor: Village of Stockholm (Number to be elected 4)

will be received by the undersigned on the 9th day of October, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. local time at the municipal office, 301 Ohlen Street, Stockholm, Sask. and during regular business hours on September 16th to October 8th, 2024 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the municipal office 301 Ohlen Street, Stockholm, Sask.

Nomination forms and public disclosure forms may be obtained from the Municipal Office.

Dated this 16th day of September, 2024

Lorie Jackson
Returning Officer

51:2c

NOTICE OF CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

TOWN OF ROCANVILLE

Public notice is hereby given that nominations of candidates for the office of:

Mayor:
Town of Rocanville

Councillor:
Town of Rocanville
NUMBER TO BE ELECTED: 6

will be received by the undersigned on the 9th day of October 2024, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Rocanville Town Office and during regular business hours on September 16 to October 9th, 2024 at the Rocanville Town Office

Nomination forms may be obtained at:
Rocanville Town Office

Dated this 16th day of September, 2024.

Tanya Strandlund,
Returning Officer

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Nominations will be received by the undersigned in-person during normal office hours or by ordinary mail or registered mail, or electronic mail to elections@pvssd.ca from September 23, 2024 until 4:00 pm on nomination day, October 9, 2024, at Prairie Valley School Division, 3080 N Albert St, R.M. of Sherwood, SK, S4K 0A8.

Nomination forms and other information may be obtained from the undersigned, from any school in the school division or from www.pvssd.ca. Election day is November 13, 2024

Dated this 16th day of September 2024.


 Tony Baldwin Ginny Buchko Nicola Fellingner
 Returning Officer Nomination Officer Nomination Officer
51:1c

THE TOWN OF WAPELLA NOTICE OF CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

FORM H
[Section 66 of the Act]

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that nominations of candidates for the office(s) of:

MAYOR: TOWN OF WAPELLA NUMBER TO BE ELECTED: 1

COUNCILLOR: TOWN OF WAPELLA NUMBER TO BE ELECTED: 6

will be received by the undersigned on the 9th day of October, 2024 from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM local time at 523 South Railway Street Wapella, SK and September 11th, 2024 to October 8th, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Wapella Town Office located at 523 South Railway Street Wapella, SK.

Nomination forms may be obtained at the Wapella Town Office at 523 South Railway Street.

Dated this 10th day of September, 2024.

Daphne Brady
Returning Officer

51:1c

RM OF ROCANVILLE NO 151

NOTICE OF CALL FOR NOMINATIONS
Regular Election

(Term of office - Four Years)

Public notice is hereby given that nominations of candidates for the offices of:

Reeve: R.M. of Rocanville No 151

Councillor: R.M. of Rocanville No 151 Division No. 1

Councillor: R.M. of Rocanville No 151 Division No. 3

Councillor: R.M. of Rocanville No 151 Division No. 5

Will be received by the undersigned during regular business hours, September 10th to October 8th, and from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on the 9th day of October, 2024, at the R.M. of Rocanville Office

Nomination forms may be obtained at the following location:

R.M. of Rocanville Office

Dated this 9th day of August, 2024.

Andrea Smyth
Returning Officer

51:1c

RM OF WALPOLE NO 92

NOTICE OF CALL FOR NOMINATIONS
REGULAR ELECTION

(Section 66 of the Act FORM H)

Public notice is hereby given that nominations of candidates for the offices of:

Reeve

Councillor for Division No. 1

Councillor for Division No. 3

Councillor for Division No. 5

Will be received by the undersigned on the 9th day of October, 2024 from 8 am to 4 pm, and during regular business hours on September 16 - October 8, 2024 at the Municipal Building 308 Railway Avenue, Wawota SK.

Nomination forms including Public Disclosure Statements may be obtained from the municipal office.

Dated this 16th day of September, 2024.

Cheryl De Roo
Returning Officer

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Moosomin housing incentive set to reach its goal

By RYAN KIEDROWSKI
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

The phone in Casey McCormac's office might need to be replaced soon due to wear and tear. Moosomin's Economic Development Officer has been fielding an onslaught of calls after word of the town's residential housing incentive made national—and even international—headlines.

"For the first week, for sure, the phone was ringing off the hook. I've never answered so many phone calls! A lot of people just call me and ask if it's real," she told those gathered at Tuesday's Chamber of Commerce meeting. "But I have had a lot of genuine interest. I actually had a family out here yesterday, they drove all the way from Calgary because they want to move here; they were looking at empty lots. They talked about how they don't want to raise their kids in Calgary because of the crime rate, and they thought Moosomin was amazing. So they drove out here. I have another guy coming up from Calgary next week, so you can definitely see the interest we've had."

At the centre of the plan is \$30,000 or any new housing unit, with an extra \$8,000 per additional door for multi-unit housing. The incentive came on the heels of a \$992,000 grant from the federal Housing Accelerator Fund with Moosomin being one of only three Saskatchewan centres to gain dollars under the grant, along with the Town of Outlook and City of Humboldt.

"If you go back to several years ago when the Economic Development Board was formed and the three funding partners got together and we started talking about things, we talked about how to grow our community, whether it was adding businesses or adding services—all the things that we thought we envisioned for Moosomin," said Councillor Murray Gray during the Chamber presentation. "We worked on that, and we got some wins, and we've added some businesses, and we had some really good irons in the fire, but all of a sudden, housing started to creep up that list of things that we need because we added so many other things in our community, but we never added any doors."

Any building permit submitted to the Town after Aug. 21, 2023 qualifies to be part of the program, which has an end date of either March 31, 2027, or earlier if the goal of 43 units has been met. So far, around 72 per cent of that target number has been realized with 31 building permits currently submitted. There are 30 empty lots currently available to fill in Moosomin, and the prospect of reaching the project's goal and beyond is nearing reality.

"We're hoping to fill in the town, and at some point in



Murray Gray and Casey McCormac

time when all the lots in town are filled up, we're going to have to expand our borders," Gray said. "One of the things that I've learned in economic development and the time that we spent on it, when you talk to businesses about coming and setting up in your community, they all want to know what your population is, and I think we have a bigger number than the census, and we have a bigger number just because of our 'get 'er done' attitude."

According to the latest census numbers, there are 2,774 people that call Moosomin home with items like the housing incentive poising the town for further growth.

Outgoing Moosomin-Montmartre MLA Steven Bonk was in attendance during last week's Chamber meeting, and congratulated the town on their unique housing strategy.

"As far as I know, no one else is doing this, so my hat's off to you because this is out of the box thinking, and particularly with the CBA—even that's out of the box thinking for Saskatchewan," he said. "So whatever you're do-

ing here in Moosomin, it's working—congratulations!"

Other areas across the province have taken notice of Moosomin's success, asking for guidance on how they can generate the same excited curiosity for their areas.

"I've had calls from four or five municipalities asking questions about this, because they want to replicate it themselves," McCormac said.

Ultimately, the secret ingredient to the success of the local housing accelerator comes down to an area Moosomin has always excelled in—working together.

"The key to a lot of the things that we work on is the collaboration aspect of what we do because we get a lot of people in the room working toward the same common goal with lots of different ideas," Gray said. "That's where this idea came from, and to be honest with you, in the beginning, it was a little bit of a hard sell even to myself because it just seems too easy, but at the end of the day, simple is easier to market and the story caught on across the country because of that."

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In our opinion:

China strikes back at Canadian canola farmers after EV tariffs

Ottawa's push to protect the battery and EV sectors left Western Canadian canola farmers vulnerable to retaliation by China

The response to Canada's decision to impose tariffs on Chinese electric vehicles (EVs) last week was predictable. Ottawa knew that retaliation would follow, and China quickly responded by launching an anti-dumping investigation into Canadian canola exports.

While there is no evidence of actual dumping, the facts are largely irrelevant. China is likely to move forward with sanctions, regardless of the explanations provided by the Canola Council or Canadian diplomats.

As in 2019, when Canada faced a similar impasse, we could again see borders close to Canadian agricultural exports.

In March 2019, after the arrest of Meng Wanzhou in the Huawei incident, China abruptly halted Canadian canola shipments, citing pest contamination as the official reason.

The Canadian canola industry suffered losses estimated between \$1.54 billion and \$2.35 billion in sales, with price declines persisting until August 2020 due to the suspended export licenses. Pork exports were also affected, but canola has always been a primary target for China in these diplomatic standoffs.

Canola holds a special place in Canada's agricultural identity, and targeting it first is a calculated move by China. The crop was developed in Canada, and its very name—derived from "Canada" and "ola" (referring to oil low in acid)—underscores its deep national significance. As the world's largest exporter of canola, Canada plays a pivotal role in both global food markets and biofuel production.

Conversely, China is the largest oilseed importer, with half of Canada's canola exports destined for its market. By hitting canola, China sends a clear message: it can disrupt a critical Canadian sector anytime political tensions escalate.

Farmers in Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Manitoba—where most of Canada's 43,000 canola producers are located—are already feeling the impact. Yesterday, canola prices dropped nearly five percent, and further declines could mirror the prolonged downturn of 2019. The symbolism of canola makes it a prime target.

Whenever Canada moves against China's interests, Canadian agricultural commodities such as canola are the first to be leveraged.

Western Canadian farmers now face significant uncertainty, largely due to Ottawa's aggressive push to bolster the battery and EV sectors.

The federal government has committed nearly \$50 billion toward building battery factories, a bold gamble that led to the tariffs on Chinese EVs.

The official rationale, it seems, is to protect domestic manufacturers from an influx of cheaper green vehicles from China, even if that means limiting affordable options for Canadian consumers and straining relations with China.

This approach prioritizes the development of Canadian-made EVs over the potential benefits of allowing lower-cost imports to help reduce carbon emissions.

This industrial strategy follows a familiar pattern: when a government decides that a product must be produced domestically, at all costs, it often results in less competition, higher prices, and questionable product quality.

The dairy industry offers a prime example. Ottawa has funnelled billions into the sector, supported by highly restrictive trade barriers. While this policy has propped up dairy farmers, it has done so at the expense of other agricultural sectors—wheat, canola, beef, and pork—all of which could arguably benefit from the same level of government support.

In the end, the federal government will likely compensate canola farmers for their losses, as it has done before.

Farmers are resilient, but Canada's diplomatic standing, particularly with China, continues to erode.

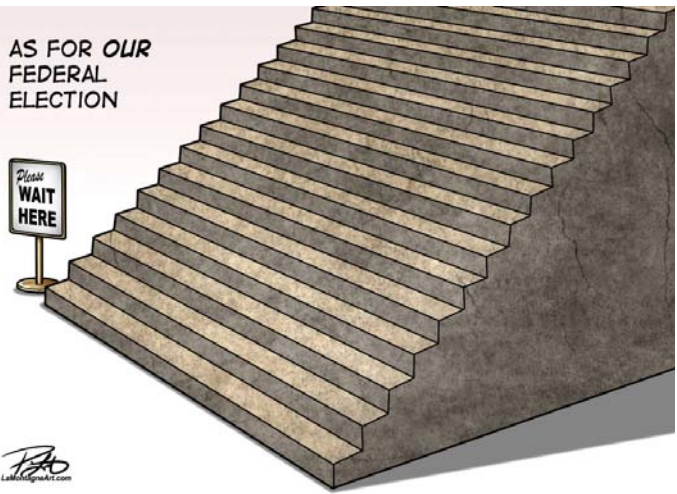
For those old enough to remember, Pierre Trudeau once idealized China, yet today, his son Justin faces a more hostile Beijing. History, it seems, has a twisted sense of irony.

This editorial was written by Dr. Sylvain Charlebois, a Canadian professor and researcher specializing in food distribution and policy. Charlebois is a senior director of the Agri-Food Analytics Lab at Dalhousie University and co-host of The Food Professor Podcast. He is frequently cited in the media for his insights on food prices, agricultural trends, and the global food supply chain.

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Nomination race was an inspiring experience

For over 20 years, I have covered municipal, provincial, and federal elections in the region.

Kevin has interviewed Pierre Poillievre here in the World-Spectator office. He has interviewed Premier Scott Moe and many cabinet ministers here in the World-Spectator office. He has interviewed the leader of the Green Party, who made the World-Spectator office her first stop after being elected party leader.

Like Kevin, I have interviewed premiers, ministers, and many, many politicians over the years about more issues than I could ever recount. It's always fascinating to talk to politicians and watch the political process in action, but last Tuesday was an eye-opener for us as this time one of us was a candidate instead of a journalist.

When Kevin decided to put his name forward to run as a Sask Party candidate for the Moosomin-Montmartre riding after MLA Steven Bonk decided he would not run again in order to become a federal Conservative candidate in the Souris-Moose Mountain Riding, I knew it would be a lot of work, but if anyone could do it, Kevin could. In the summer Kevin is often up at 4 am taking sunrise photos and drone photos, and has his first meeting of the day at 6:30 or 7:30. He's not afraid of hard work.

But watching Kevin run a nomination campaign and then watching as the voting actually happened the night of the election is unlike anything I've ever experienced before. It was an exhausting, wonderful, nerve-racking, exhilarating experience.

I have a new level of respect now for anyone who puts their name forward to run for provincial or federal politics.

For one, the campaign process is work—lots of work. What it truly means is you roll up your sleeves and you ditch a great deal of your personal (and in Kevin's case business) commitments, and you spend days, weekends, and evenings calling people, selling memberships and campaigning.

There is only a limited time to get that done, and so normal life as you know it is tossed entirely out the window. It's suspended, and all energy goes into the campaign.

If you really want to get your message out, you work until you are ready to drop most days, and get at it again the next day.

Once you feel confident that you have done all you can to gain support and get the message out about who you are, part two starts—getting the people who support you out to the polls. You must then talk to all those people that you talked to before and tell them that if they truly want to support you and see you win, then they must come out to vote.

In this case, that meant asking people to literally ditch their combines at the busiest time of year, go to the Grenfell Community Hall, take



Kara Kinna

time to vote, and, if they lived some distance from Grenfell, then spend time driving back. This is a pretty major ask for people at harvest.

I knew Kevin was asking for a lot, and if people made the effort to vote when it meant possibly risking some of their livelihood (there was rain in the forecast for the following day which made it even worse), then he had a lot to be thankful for. At the nomination meeting, running on little food and even less sleep, a sense of calm finally set in with Kevin and his team. I heard many people tell Kevin that they hadn't slept for a couple of nights, they were so anxious about the results.

Finally, it was here. Finally they would find out if their hard work, and all the hard work of all the volunteers who pitched in to help, would pay off. And finally, the campaigning had come to an end. There was nothing left to do but visit with the voters as they came into the hall, and say thank you for coming out to vote.

And that was the most inspiring part of the entire process—watching the people come to vote. It was truly wonderful watching the Grenfell Community Hall fill with people passionate to support their candidate. Regardless of who they were supporting, the democratic process in action is a fantastic thing to behold.

I knew some of the people and what it took for them to be there. The couple with children who found a babysitter so they could both drive an hour from the largest town in the riding to vote. The man who runs one of the largest businesses in the region who just had knee surgery but came out because Kevin needed his support. Some who shut their combines down early that night, making a financial sacrifice, to come and vote. I can't explain the feeling I had every time one I saw one of Kevin's supporters come through the door. Face after friendly face filed in to vote and shook Kevin's hand. It was incredible, and with every one of them I felt like my heart would burst. Seeing people brought together in that way was a high point of the night—knowing that people weren't just saying they supported their candidate, but seeing them actually do it at the busiest time of year. For many young people, permanent residents and new citizens it was their first time voting.

I found the whole experience inspiring, and I don't think I'll ever look at elections, or those brave enough to let their names stand in them, the same way again.



Matthew Pister of Rural Route Package Pickup told Chamber members about an upcoming dog walk fundraiser he's planning in support of PlayFair Daycare.



The Shriners are back with their annual concert in October as Herb Doll explained during last week's Chamber meeting.



Speaking on behalf of PlayFair Daycare, Moosomin Economic Development Officer Casey McCormac explained how businesses can help with the campaign for a second building.

PlayFair Daycare now in fundraising mode for second building

By RYAN KIEDROWSKI

LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

PlayFair Daycare in Moosomin has entered full fundraising mode for its second building. Sponsorship packages are being sent out to local businesses with different tiers to help the daycare reach their ambitious goal.

"Our budget is estimated right now at \$4.4 million and the level of sponsorships are Dream Builder for \$400,000; Bright Futures for \$100,000; Vision Maker for \$25,000; Paving the Way for \$5,000; and Helping Hand for \$1,000," explained Moosomin's Economic Development Officer Casey McCormac, speaking on behalf of the daycare at the Moosomi Chamber of Commerce meeting Tuesday. "Each level will receive some sort of naming rights and recognition, which is depending on what level you pick."

The top three sponsorship levels are exclusive with a limited number of spaces—two for Dream Builder, five for Bright Futures, and 10 for Vision Maker.

Of the total project budget, \$1.5 million will be government funded while another \$1.5 million is self-funded. The remaining \$1.4 million will be sought from the community, hence the need for a large-scale fundraising campaign.

"We truly appreciate all the groups that have come to help us already with fundraising events or ideas," McCormac told those gathered at last week's Chamber of Commerce meeting. "This is going to be a huge project that we need Moosomin and surrounding communities to get behind."

PlayFair Daycare will also be releasing a video campaign on Facebook very soon, and has gone live with their playfairdaycare.com website. An option to donate online is also available through the site.

"Our goal is to start construction in spring of 2025 and we're still hoping for opening by the end of 2026," explained McCormac, who also brought a copy of the daycare's floor plan for Chamber members. "We are nearing the final floor plan. We're ensuring proper space requirements and working with the daycare con-

sultant to review."

Plans for a second daycare building began last fall when the provincial government granted PlayFair Daycare 90 additional spaces to be used in a second location. The announcement was exciting, but the group had no illusions that such an endeavour would be easy—hence the call to the local business community for help.

"Any businesses interested will be able to see the different levels of sponsorship and what they will get in the new building for that sponsorship," McCormac said. "The sponsorship package includes information about why we need the daycare, the impact of daycares, information on the committee, and overview of the project, the funding details, and the sponsorship options and levels."

There's been a fantastic start already to raising money for the new building, the most recent being the Beer Mile fundraiser that brought in an estimated \$3,000 on Sept. 7. Another big donation came from the Moosomin Rodeo Committee, who handed over a cheque worth \$12,500—thanks in large part to Calcutta winners P&H in Moosomin donating back their winnings. And who could forget the wildly successful Smile Cookie fundraiser that saw the Moosomin Tim Horton's raise the highest Smile Cookie sales in Saskatchewan for a staggering third year in a row, gifting \$45,000 of those cookie proceeds to PlayFair Daycare.

There's still a long way to go in fundraising for the 11,600 sq ft building, and the daycare is currently planning a trip of the month lottery as a major fundraiser on the path to reaching their goal.

Pair of upcoming events to benefit daycare

A couple of opportunities for the public to help raise money were also presented during last week's Chamber meeting.

On Sept. 28, Rural Route Package Pickup is hosting a Dog Walk for Daycare, starting at 11 am over at the curling rink parking lot. Matthew Pister told Chamber

members there will be prizes for the best dressed dogs, and all proceeds from the event will be donated to PlayFair Daycare.

To sign up, people can contact Pister at (306) 380-9978 and a monetary donation is required for prize entry. Water and treats will be provided at the mid and end points.

Coming up on October 25 is the annual Moosomin Shrine Club concert with tickets on sale now.

"This year, we're hoping the music will

cater to a younger crowd," Herb Doll explained, noting that party band Rock Candy will be hitting the stage for the 11th annual event.

There will be a supper, entertainment, plus live and silent auctions all for \$60 per person at the Moosomin Conexus Convention Centre.

A portion of the proceeds will go toward the Playfair Daycare, and for more information, you can text or call Margaret at (306) 434-8112.

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From left, Andie Hodgson, Chelsea Doane, Deanna Hebert, and Mari-ah Roy as blind mice, and Knox Hodgson as the butcher.

MOOSOMIN BEER MILE



Shellie and James Silverthorn dressed as Hal and Joanne McLeod from Body Break.



From left, Jade Bennett, Sara Rutledge, Abby Cassell and Megan Davidson with their team at the Beer Mile run.



The runners chugging their first beers before setting off.

The first ever Moosomin Beer Mile run was held on Saturday, September 7. The event was a fundraiser for Playfair Daycare for the construction of an additional facility in Moosomin. Hosted by Playfair Daycare, Iron Prairie Strength Lab, and Skout Brewing, the event required runners to walk or run one mile drinking a beer (or non alcoholic option) every quarter mile. People could register as individuals or in teams of two or four. The event started at Iron Prairie Strength Lab and ended at Skout Brewing.



Skout Brewing draught being poured for the runners.



Anytime Fitness 9/11 Hero Challenge raises money for local fire departments

BY KARA KINNA

On Wednesday, September 11, Anytime Fitness challenged people to climb 110 flights of stairs in 30 minutes to raise money for the Moosomin and Wapella Fire Departments and in honor of the memory of those who lost their lives on 9/11.

Jim McGinty, who works with Hutch Ambulance and serves on the Wapella Fire Department, was one of the people who took that challenge, took that challenge with the extra weight of a firefighters oxygen tank on his back.

"It's a good way to honour the emergency services personnel that died on September 11," he says. "There were 343 New York City Fire Department (FDNY) firefighters that made the ultimate sacrifice that day trying to help their fellow men. So it's just a way to remember those guys as well as everyone who died that day.

"It's also a really good fundraiser for the Wapella and Moosomin Fire Departments. Thanks to Anytime Fitness Moosomin for putting it on. It's for a really good cause because the proceeds go to both departments and they're volunteer departments so we always need to be fundraising because equipment is expensive. You're looking at about \$15,000 per firefighter for all of their gear including boots, pants, jacket, gloves, helmet, SCBA. So it's just a great way to raise funds and raise community awareness of what volunteer fire departments do in the province.

"There are lots of departments like Wapella. Moosomin is a bigger department, but there are lots of smaller departments that struggle for funding and struggle at fundraising, so anything that our communities can do to support us is always greatly appreciated."

McGinty says it's important to keep the memory of the 9/11 firefighters alive, as it was an unprecedented moment in firefighting history.

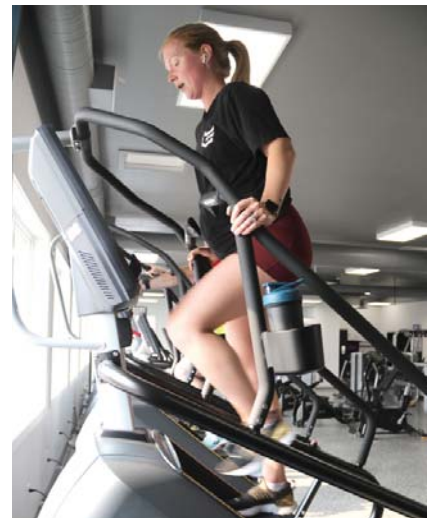
"It's the biggest loss of firefighters in one single emergency that the world has ever seen," he says. "Those guys went into those towers knowing that there was a good chance they were going to lose their lives. The FDNY lost a huge amount of experience, knowledge and members in the space of an hour.

"It's not often that volunteer fire departments here in Saskatchewan have to deal with situations like that but when you get the call and it comes in, there's always that chance that you're not going to come home.

"So it's just kind of like a tribute to them and to stand in solidarity with those guys that made the ultimate sacrifice on that day. They were climbing those floors—climbing towards something—and they had no idea what they were going to encounter and despite the horror that they encountered that morning, they still went in, they still went up the stairs and still tried to do what they could to save as many people as they could.



Wapella firefighter and EMS worker Jim McGinty taking on the 9/11 Hero Challenge at Anytime Fitness in Moosomin on September 11.



Erin Borden taking on the 9/11 Hero Challenge at Anytime Fitness in Moosomin on September 11.

thought since it's our first year opening (in Moosomin) we'd test it out and hopefully do it every year.

"It's just a great way to raise money and support the fire department because they need the money to keep their equipment up-to-date," says Tamela Olafson, the manager of Anytime Fitness in Moosomin. "So why not tie it in with such a big event that happened on that day? Hopefully the community will realize how important it is to support the fire departments—really it ties back to supporting the fire departments that don't often get recognized and also make it a fun event."

Some results of the 9/11 Hero Challenge are as follows:
Nick Annis: 110 flights in 13:30
Erin Borden: 110 flights in 16:11
Nixon Hockley: 110 flights in 13:09
Jim McGinty: 110 flights in 29:49
Tracy Russell: 110 flights in 25:43
Tamela Olafson: 110 flights in 21:23
Russell Schick: 110 flights in 23:55 with tank on
Mia Harris: 110 flights in 21:53



Above: Russell Schick and Mia Harris
Below: Tracy Russell and Tamela Olafson



Right: Sasha and Scott Chychul

Left: Sandy Schorr who is 70 years old and did 110 flights in 26:54



Nick Annis



Nixon Hockley after his second attempt.

Rural Municipality of Fertile Belt No. 183

FORM H
[Section 66 of the Act]

Notice of Call for Nominations

Public notice is hereby given that nomination of candidates for the offices of:

- Reeve
- Councillor: Division No. 1
- Councillor: Division No. 3
- Councillor: Division No. 5

will be received by the undersigned on the 9th day of October, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. local time at the municipal office, 301 Ohlen Street, Stockholm, Sask. and during regular business hours on September 16th to October 8th, 2024 at the municipal office 301 Ohlen Street, Stockholm, Sask.

Nomination forms and public disclosure forms may be obtained from the Municipal Office or downloaded from the website, fertilebelt.ca.

The results of a criminal records check must also be submitted with the nomination papers.

Dated this 16th day of September, 2024.

Lorie Jackson
Returning Officer

51:2c

RM OF WAWKEN NO 93

NOTICE OF CALL FOR NOMINATIONS
MUNICIPAL ELECTION

(Section 66 of the Act FORM H)

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that nominations of candidates for the office(s) of:

- Reeve
- Councillor for Division No. 1
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will be received by the undersigned on October 9, 2024 at the municipal office in Wawota, SK during the office hours Monday – Friday 9:00 am – 12:00 pm & 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm from September 16, 2024 to October 8, 2024 at 4:00 pm local time.

Nomination forms may be obtained from the RM of Wawken municipal office at 308 Railway Ave, Wawota, SK. Nomination forms must be properly executed and accompanied by a Public Disclosure Statement.

Dated this September 16, 2024.

Katelyn Ethier
Returning Officer

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VILLAGE OF DUBUC

FORM H
(Section 66 of the Act)

**Notice of Call for Nominations
(Municipal Elections)**

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that nominations of candidates for the office(s) of:

Mayor: Village of Dubuc
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Nomination forms may be obtained at the Village Office.
Dated this 12th day of September, 2024.

Noelle Ottenbreit
Returning Officer

51:1c

THE VILLAGE OF SPY HILL

NOTICE OF CALL FOR NOMINATIONS
Municipal Elections

FORM H
[Section 45 of the Act]

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that nominations of candidates for the offices of:

- MAYOR: VILLAGE OF SPY HILL NUMBER TO BE ELECTED: 1
- COUNCILLOR: VILLAGE OF SPY HILL NUMBER TO BE ELECTED: 3

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Dated this 5th day of September, 2024.

Susan Gawryluk
Returning Officer

50:2c

Rocanville Rec Report

Andrea Logan, Recreation Director

Rocanville Lucky Lottery

The Rocanville Lucky Lottery committee is entering the final stretch of ticket sales, with the last big push scheduled for September 25, 26, and 27.

The grand prize draws will take place on September 28, so time is running out to get your tickets! To purchase, visit www.rocانvillelotto.ca or call 1-855-762-5686.

The committee is also seeking volunteers to assist with the final blitz. If you're available and willing to help, please reach out to the Rocanville Rec Office at 306-645-2164.

Additionally, food donations for volunteers are greatly appreciated to keep everyone energized throughout the event. Your support, whether through time or donations, will make a big difference!

September Markets on Main

Missed our first market? No worries! There's still plenty of time to enjoy the September Markets on Main which are happening every Thursday throughout the month.

Join us for a fun-filled evening every Thursday, from 3-7 pm, right in the heart of Rocanville.

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Storefront Decoration Contest

Decorate your storefront for fall for a chance to win some Rocanville swag. Store fronts will be judged on September 19 during our fall market on Main Street. Winners will be announced on September 26.

Fall Decorating Contest

Residents of Rocanville, decorate your yard for fall and you could win Rocanville swag. Judging will take place on September 19 and winner will be announced on September 26.

Walking Club

As the weather cools down, the Walking Club is back! Join us for a warm, indoor walk at the Rec Centre, running Monday through Thursday, from 10 am to 12 pm and 1 to 3 pm. It's a great way to stay active and socialize, with no fee to attend. Bring a friend and enjoy some exercise, no matter the weather outside.

Puzzle Swap

Calling all puzzle enthusiasts! The Rec Centre will be open from Monday to Thursday, 8 am - 3 pm, for a Puzzle Swap. Swap an old puzzle for a new one and dive into a fresh challenge. Please ensure all puzzle pieces are included in the sets you bring, and remember to only leave a handful of puzzles at a time to keep our shelves organized.

Kids Club

Need a fun activity for your little ones? The Kids Club is perfect for both kids and parents looking to socialize and play. Join us every Tuesday and Thursday, from 9 to 10 am, at the Rec Centre for access to Plasma cars, foam blocks, bouncy toys, and plenty of space to run around. Best of all—Kids Club is free!

Rocanville Library

Programming Highlights:

Advanced LEGO Kit: Ghostbusters Car for the month of September

Tipi Take 'n' Make: Month of September

Kids Crafternoon: Bring your kids out for an afternoon of crafting at the library on September 11 and 25 from 2 to 4 pm.

Stitch 'N' Chat Night: Come out for an evening of knitting, crocheting, drawing, embroidery, or any other project you would like to bring, on September 12 at 7 pm.

Rocanville Community Thrift Store

The Rocanville Community Thrift Store is run by a group of local volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering your time at the Thrift Store, please, contact Marilyn at 306-645-4553.

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Rocanville Community Centre

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Cards

Join in for card games every Thursday afternoon from 1-3 pm. It's a great way to socialize and enjoy some friendly competition.

Rental Opportunity

The Rocanville Community Centre also offers its space for rentals at affordable rates:

4-hour rental or less \$50, daily rental \$100

For bookings contact:

Mel Strong at 306-645-4412 or text 306-434-5511

Nora Ferguson at 306-645-2617 or text 306-434-7580

Whether you're looking for a morning coffee, an after-

noon of cards, a shared meal, or a venue for your event, the Rocanville Community Centre is a welcoming place for all ages to connect and enjoy.

Potluck Supper - Everyone Welcome

September 30, 2024

Rocanville Community Center from 6 to 7 pm

If unable to attend supper, please join us from 7:15-8:15 pm for music entertainment provided by Lance and Erica Strong. 50/50 tickets will be sold. Watch for upcoming events throughout the years in the Community Calendar and on posters.

Rocanville Community Calendar

Looking to advertise your events, businesses, or church activities in the Rocanville Community Calendar, a monthly publication that keeps residents informed about local happenings. Here are the details for placing ads:

Add sizes and rates:

1/4 page—\$20

1/2 page—\$40

Full Page—\$80

Ad Charges: Businesses and Churches will be charged for ads ran in the Community Calendar. Rec and culture groups will be charged for ads that intend to make money. No charge for thank you ads, sizing will be at the discretion of the Rec Office.

Publication Frequency: A new edition of the Rocanville Community Calendar is printed each month.

How to advertise: To advertise in the Community Calendar, contact the Rec office at 645-2164 or email your ad to rocانville.rec@sasktel.net

Notice of Call for Nominations

GOOD SPIRIT SCHOOL DIVISION ELECTIONS

Public notice is hereby given for nomination of candidates for the offices of:

BOARD MEMBERS



Good Spirit School Division No. 204 of Saskatchewan (One member to be elected to each of the following sub-divisions):

Sub-Division No. 1	Representing the incorporated area of the Villages of Arran, Pelly and Togo, the Towns of Kamsack and Norquay, and associated rural areas
Sub-Division No. 2	Representing the incorporated area of the Villages of Endeavour, Hyas and Stenen, the Towns of Preeceville and Sturgis, and associated rural areas
Sub-Division No. 3	Representing the incorporated area of the Villages of Buchanan, Invermay and Rama, the Town of Canora and associated rural areas
Sub-Division No. 4	Representing the incorporated area of the Villages of Calder, Ebenezer, MacNutt, Rhein and Theodore, the Town of Springside and associated rural areas
Sub-Division No. 5	Representing the incorporated area of the Villages of Atwater, Bangor and Waldron, the Towns of Bredenbury, Churchbridge, Langenburg and Saltcoats and associated rural areas
Sub-Division No. 6	Representing the incorporated area of the Villages of Duff, Goodeve, Grayson and Kiltaly, the City of Melville and associated rural areas
Sub-Division No. 7	Representing the incorporated area of the Villages of Bird's Point, Gerald, Stockholm, Tantallon, Westend and Yarbo, the Town of Esterhazy and associated rural areas
Sub-Division No. 8	Representing Key First Nation Reserve No. 65

Nomination forms will be received by Jennifer Lizuck - Returning Officer, or Keith Gervais - Associate Returning Officer, or other Nomination Officers appointed for the Good Spirit School Division, on Nomination Day the 09th day of October 2024, from 9:00am to 4:00pm at the Good Spirit Education Complex at 5B Schrader Drive, Yorkton, SK. Nomination papers may also be submitted during regular business hours (9:00am to 12:00pm and 1:00pm to 4:00pm Monday through Friday), commencing the 24th day of September 2024 to the 09th day of October 2024.

Forms may be submitted personally by the candidate or by an agent (must provide an 'Appointment of Candidate's Agent' form); by registered or ordinary mail to Box 5060, Yorkton, Sk. S3N 3Z4; by fax at 306-783-0355; or by email to elections@gssd.ca.

Representing the incorporated area of the:

City of Yorkton at Large Three (3) Board Members to be elected

Nomination forms will be received by Jessica Matsalla - Returning Officer, or Amanda Dietz - Associate Returning Officer, or other Nomination Officers appointed for the City of Yorkton, on Nomination Day, the 9th day of October, 2024 from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm and during regular business hours (8:00am to 12:00pm and 1:00pm to 4:00pm, Monday through Friday), commencing on September 24th at 9 am until October 9th, 2024 at 4 pm. Forms may be submitted:

- personally by the candidate or by an agent (must provide an 'Appointment of Candidate's Agent' form), to the Returning Officer's Office, City Hall, 2nd Floor, 37 - Third Avenue North, Yorkton, Saskatchewan;
- by registered or ordinary mail to P.O. Box 400, Yorkton, Saskatchewan, S3N 2W3;
- by fax at (306) 786-6880;
- by e-mail to elections@yorkton.ca.

Nomination forms may be obtained at:

- Good Spirit Education Complex 5B Schrader Drive, Yorkton, SK, S3N 3Z4
- On the Website - www.gssd.ca

Local Government Election Act, L-30.11 Reg 1
Form H Section 66 of the Act
Notice of Call for Nominations

Dated at Yorkton this 30th day of August, 2024
Jennifer Lizuck, Returning Officer

MOOSOMIN, SK BULLS & BRONCS 2024

Thank You



The Moosomin Rodeo Committee would like to thank all of our sponsors who supported this year's Bulls & Broncs event held on July 13th, 2024. Thank you to the many volunteers that make an event like this possible. We appreciate all the rodeo fans that came out to watch the performance. Your support allowed the committee to host another successful event. The Calcutta Fundraiser to raise funds for the second building of the Playfair Day Care was very successful. P&H donated their winnings back to the cause which contributed to a total donation of \$12,500 to the Playfair Day Care.



- ◆ A. Pethick Farm & Custom Ag
- ◆ Acresa
- ◆ Adair Farm and Ranch Supply Ltd.
- ◆ Barnard Bros Custom Corral Cleaning
- ◆ Best Western Plus Moosomin
- ◆ Borderland Co-op
- ◆ Burns Maendel Consulting Engineers Ltd.
- ◆ By-Pro Feeds
- ◆ Cairns & Sons Refrigeration
- ◆ Celebration Ford Sales
- ◆ Conexus Credit Union
- ◆ Cork & Bone Bistro
- ◆ Denray Tire
- ◆ Diamond B Contracting
- ◆ Dobson & Sons Feedlot
- ◆ EECOL Electric
- ◆ Federated Co-op
- ◆ First Resort Mechanical Ltd.
- ◆ Flaman Sales
- ◆ Four Season Sales - Virden
- ◆ General Well Servicing Ltd.
- ◆ Glasser's TV Service
- ◆ Heartland Vac & Sanitary
- ◆ Horizon Meats Inc.
- ◆ Hub Insurance
- ◆ Hutch Ambulance Service
- ◆ Jeannot Electric Ltd.
- ◆ Kentrax Transport Ltd.
- ◆ L.B. Taylor Trucking
- ◆ L.H. Bradley & Sons Ltd.
- ◆ Lepine Roofing
- ◆ Loraas Disposal
- ◆ Margetts Construction
- ◆ Masson & Associates
- ◆ McCarthy Vet Services
- ◆ Moosomin & District Regional Park
- ◆ Moosomin Dairy Queen
- ◆ Moosomin Family Practice
- ◆ Mullett's Home Hardware
- ◆ NSC Minerals
- ◆ OK Tire
- ◆ Osman & Company Law Firm
- ◆ PBI Prestige Builders Inc.
- ◆ Pharmasave Moosomin
- ◆ Prairie Livestock
- ◆ Reaper Rentals
- ◆ RM of Moosomin 121
- ◆ Rotave Sanitation Service
- ◆ RPM Service Ltd
- ◆ SaskPro Industries Ltd.
- ◆ SaskTel
- ◆ Skout Brewing Co
- ◆ Tim Hortons Moosomin
- ◆ TJs Pizza
- ◆ Tom's Electric
- ◆ Town of Moosomin
- ◆ Universe Satellite
- ◆ Valleyflats Veterinary Services
- ◆ Virden Ag and Parts
- ◆ Vittera
- ◆ Wapella Fire Department
- ◆ Wawota Lions Club
- ◆ Westland Insurance
- ◆ Wolverine Supplies



Grade 11 General Proficiency Awards
From left are: Julienne Visperas, Wyatt Coutts, Jari Knuttilla, Tess Bolton and Alyssa Roe.



Grade 10 General Proficiency Awards
From left are: Rudy Martens, Luke Holman and Alysa Geiger.

McNaughton High Grade 10-11 Awards

McNaughton High School in Moosomin held their Grade 10-11 awards on September 6. Following are the award winners:

ELA A10

- 1 – Luke Holman
- 2 – Addya Easton
- 2 – Mya Fidelak
- 3 – Rudy Martens
- 3 – Gracy Russell

ELA B10

- 1 – Alysa Geiger
- 1 – Luke Holman
- 2 – Addya Easton
- 2 – Gracy Russell
- 3 – Emily Kormos
- 3 – Rudy Martens
- 3 – Cydney Nixon

ELA 20

- 1 – Tess Bolton
- 1 – Alyssa Roe
- 1 – Julienne Visperas
- 2 – Zoie Navarro
- 3 – Nicolle Cay
- 3 – Wyatt Coutts
- 3 – Olivia Lawrence
- 3 – Princess Parungao

History 10

- 1 – Luke Holman
- 2 – Addya Easton
- 3 – Alysa Geiger
- 3 – Gracy Russell

History 20

- 1 – Jason Gerard
- 2 – Halaina Johnson
- 3 – Ethan Fath
- 3 – Joey Light

Workplace and Apprenticeship Math 10

- 1 – Damanjot Singh
- 2 – Kyan Braaten
- 2 – Ward Brown
- 2 – Carter Jones
- 2 – Gracy Russell
- 3 – Josh Flaman

Foundations and Pre-Calculus 10

- 1 – Luke Holman
- 2 – Jari Knuttilla
- 2 – Rudy Martens
- 3 – Julia McConnell

Foundations 20

- 1 – Luke Holman
- 2 – Rudy Martens
- 3 – Emily Kormos
- 3 – Cydney Nixon

Foundations 30

- 1 – Gab Mactal
- 2 – Tess Bolton
- 3 – Julienne Visperas

Pre-Calculus 20

- 1 – Jari Knuttilla
- 2 – Julienne Visperas
- 3 – Wyatt Coutts
- 3 – Alyssa Roe

Science 10

- 1 – Luke Holman
- 2 – Rudy Martens
- 3 – Addya Easton

Environmental Science 20

- 1 – Rudy Martens
- 2 – Luke Holman
- 3 – Mya Fidelak

Health Science 20

- 1 – Alyssa Roe
- 2 – Zoie Navarro
- 2 – Julienne Visperas
- 3 – Gab Mactal

Physical Science 20

- 1 – Julienne Visperas
- 2 – Rory Greenbank
- 3 – Jari Knuttilla
- 3 – Gab Mactal

Computer Science 20/30

- 1 – Wyatt Coutts
- 1 – Jari Knuttilla
- 2 – Tye Bruvold
- 3 – Motley Hayhurst-Gessell

Forensic Science 20

- 1 – Julienne Visperas
- 3 – Alyssa Roe

Biology 30

- 1 – Julienne Visperas
- 2 – Wyatt Coutts
- 3 – Rory Greenbank

Wellness 10

- 1 – Luke Holman
- 1 – Gracy Russell
- 2 – Julia McConnell
- 2 – Alysa Geiger
- 3 – Blake Young

Accounting 10

- 1 – Luke Holman
- 2 – Rudy Martens
- 3 – Tyson Hardy

Communications Media 10

- 1 – Julienne Visperas
- 2 – Zoie Navarro
- 3 – Princess Parungao

Communications Media 20/30

- 2 – Tess Bolton

Visual Arts 10

- 2 – Yesha Gay-Ong

- 3 – Damanjot Singh

Photography 10

- 2 – Emily Kormos
- 3 – Ava Thorn Michael

Photography 20/30

- 3 – Princess Parungao

Work and Career Exploration 10

- 3 – Oliva Lawrence

Work and Career Exploration 20/30

- 2 – Burke Lewis
- 3 – Roman Hernandez

Agriculture 30

- 2 – Casey Brady
- 3 – Kaci Jones

Outdoor Education 20

- 1 – Wyatt Coutts
- 2 – Jason Gerard
- 3 – Jari Knuttilla

Psychology 30

- 1 – Zoie Navarro
- 1 – Julienne Visperas
- 2 – Tahlaya Offet

Commercial Cooking 10

- 1 – Isla Diamond
- 1 – Alysa Geiger
- 1 – Emily Kormos
- 1 – Ava Thorn Michael
- 2 – Gracy Russell
- 3 – Yesha Gay-Ong
- 3 – Julia McConnell
- 3 – Maddex Setrum
- 3 – Summer Woods

Commercial Cooking 10

- 1 – Anna Chernykh

- 1 – Sarah Pegoski

Home Economics 10

- 1 – Cydney Nixon
- 2 – Gracy Russell
- 3 – Damanjot Singh

Home Economics 20/30

- 1 – Olivia Lawrence

Industrial Arts 10

- 1 – Julia McConnell
- 2 – Luke Holman
- 2 – Maddex Setrum
- 2 – Blake Young
- 3 – Tyson Hardy

Industrial Arts 20/30

- 1 – Bruin Brace
- 2 – Wyatt Coutts
- 3 – Ryker Penner

Energy and Mining 10

- 1 – Tess Bolton
- 2 – Jari Knuttilla

Robotics 10

- 1 – Rudy Martens
- 2 – Nadelle Murphy

Creative Writing 20

- 1 – Alyssa Roe

Law 30

- 1 – Alyssa Roe
- 2 – Olivia Lawrence
- 3 – Tess Bolton

Physical Education 20

- 1 – Damanjot Singh

Financial Literacy 20

- 1 – Jari Knuttilla
- 2 – Gab Mactal
- 3 – Motley Hayhurst-Gessell

High Achievement Certificates Grade 10 (85+% averages):

- Addya Easton
- Mya Fidelak
- Yesha Gay-Ong
- Alysa Geiger
- Tyson Hardy
- Luke Holman
- Emily Kormos
- Rudy Martens
- Julia McConnell
- Cydney Nixon
- Gracy Russell
- Ava Thorn Michael
- Blake Young

High Achievement Certificates Grade 11 (85+% averages):

- Tess Bolton
- Casey Brady
- Nicolle Cay
- Wyatt Coutts
- Jason Gerard
- Kaci Jones
- Jari Knuttilla
- Olivia Lawrence
- Gab Mactal
- Zoie Navarro
- Damanjot Singh
- Julienne Visperas

Grade 10 General Proficiency Awards:

- Gold: Luke Holman
- Silver: Rudy Martens
- Bronze: Alysa Geiger

Grade 11 General Proficiency Awards:

- Gold: Jari Knuttilla
- Silver: Tess Bolton, Wyatt Coutts and Julienne Visperas
- Bronze: Alysa Roe



High Achievement Certificates Grade 10 (85+% averages):
Back row from left are: Tyson Hardy, Emily Kormos, Rudy Martens, Julia McConnell and Gracy Russell. Middle row: Principal Sherrie Meredith, Mya Fidelak, Yesha Gay-Ong, Alysa Geiger, Luke Holman, Cydney Nixon and Addya Easton. Front row: Blake Young and Ava Thorn Michael.



High Achievement Certificates Grade 11 (85+% averages):
Back row from left are: Tess Bolton, Casey Brady, Wyatt Coutts, Kaci Jones and Jari Knuttilla. Middle row: Principal Sherrie Meredith, Nicolle Cay, Olivia Lawrence, Gab Mactal and Damanjot Singh. Front row: Zoie Navarro, Alyssa Roe and Julienne Visperas.



Moosomin Bulls & Broncs donates \$4,000 to Wapella Fire Department

Moosomin Bulls & Broncs made a \$4,000 donation to the Wapella Fire Department for their help in the beer gardens. Accepting the cheque was Adam Knutson of Wapella Fire Department and presenting the cheque were President Mike Sidoryk and Vice-President Chelan Dequier.

Esterhazy Town Council

Council updated on smart meter progress

BY RYAN KIEDROWSKI
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER
Esterhazy residents have been receiving letters in the mail about the new digital water meters, and Waterworks Consultant Andrew Hickey updated council about the coming change to the Metercorp smart meters.

"One change in particular, they had planned on using the flour mill as a secondary point for the radio receiving station but it cannot be used, as it is a historical site," he said during Esterhazy Town Council's regular meeting on Sept. 11. "What we're going to do instead is, by the end of the month, we're going to have two antenna attached to the top of the water tower here, one for everyday use and then a backup."

There are currently 400 meters at Metercorp's Calgary warehouse, destined for Esterhazy with the rest coming soon.

"When we signed the contract with them, they immediately put a request in for a sufficient amount of meters to cover our needs," explained Mayor Grant Forster. "It's a logistical thing; they don't have space to store 1,200 meters, they can handle 400 so they'll ship those 400 out."

The projected completion date for the water meter changeover is Dec. 20, and Metercorp will be holding a public information meeting soon to answer questions from the public.

"We're going to have them come out and talk about the process of what's required for people to get their meter changed," Forster said. "And stress the fact that this is not optional, this is a requirement."

Returning officers will be paid hourly

A question many municipalities are likely revisiting in the months leading up to the November election is what returning officers ought to receive as monetary compensation for their services.

"The last time that we changed the rates was in 2012, so we needed to update the wages for those positions for the election," Forster explained.

Under the new rates, the Returning Officer will be paid \$30 per hour, Deputy Returning Officer receives \$25 per hour, and the Poll Clerk will earn \$20 per hour.

"If you get somebody that's giving up their day, you want to make sure that it's worth their while," Forster said.

Third reading on Atwater fire bylaw

The Town has been updating their fire agreements for the past few months, and officially gave third reading to Bylaw 787-24, which is the fire protection agreement with the Village of Atwater. Services provided will not change, but an annual flat rate will be applied.

"Because they are such a small community now, we basically went with a flat rate of \$500 and we'll provide them with fire services for the year," Forster said.

The idea to update fire agreements came out of a regional fire board meeting in the spring.

"We've been doing that with the two big RMs and all the communities around," Forster said. "We've been upgrading our bylaws and our agreements, so it's just part of the whole process."

Temporary reps for Langenburg board

For the next couple of months, representation from Esterhazy at the Langenburg and District Activity Centre Board will rotate between council members. The board had requested an official representative be named from council, but that decision will happen after the election.

"Councillor [Earl] Nickell was our board member, and they have in their bylaws that you're only allowed to serve a finite amount of time," Forster explained. "It didn't coincide with the election, so he had to drop off the board. So that was leaving us with a vacancy for the Town of Esterhazy on the board."

Councillor Maggie Rowland will attend the Board's next meeting, and a future councillor will be officially appointed after the November election.

Traffic and speed concern

Residents have been voicing their concern over the amount and speed of traffic at the intersection of James Street and Highway 22, and the issue made it's way onto last week's council agenda.

"It's a busy corner for kids and everything else," Forster agreed. "We have vehicles coming in that honestly don't slow down until they're well into town and we've got young kids trying to cross there to go to school. It's a concern."

For now, Public Works is going to as-

sess the area to find out exactly what sort of mitigation effort ought to be in place.

"We are going to put up a pedestrian corridor there," confirmed Forster. "How we manage to make it happen is for Public

Works to figure out because it is quite a wide street."

The general plan is to establish a signed corridor with lighting to indicate the crosswalk.

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NOTICE OF CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that nominations of candidates for the office(s) of:

MAYOR: TOWN OF ESTERHAZY
NUMBER TO BE ELECTED: ONE (1)

COUNCILLOR: TOWN OF ESTERHAZY
NUMBER TO BE ELECTED: SIX (6)

will be received by the undersigned on the 9th day of October 2024, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Esterhazy Town Office, 600 Sumner Street, Esterhazy, Saskatchewan, and during regular business hours on September 16, 2024, to October 8, 2024, at the Esterhazy Town Office, 600 Sumner Street, Esterhazy, Saskatchewan.

Nomination forms may be obtained at the Esterhazy Town Office, 600 Sumner Street, Esterhazy, Saskatchewan.

Dated this 10th Day of September 2024

TAMMY MACDONALD
Returning Officer



BORDERLAND

SEPTEMBER 17

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