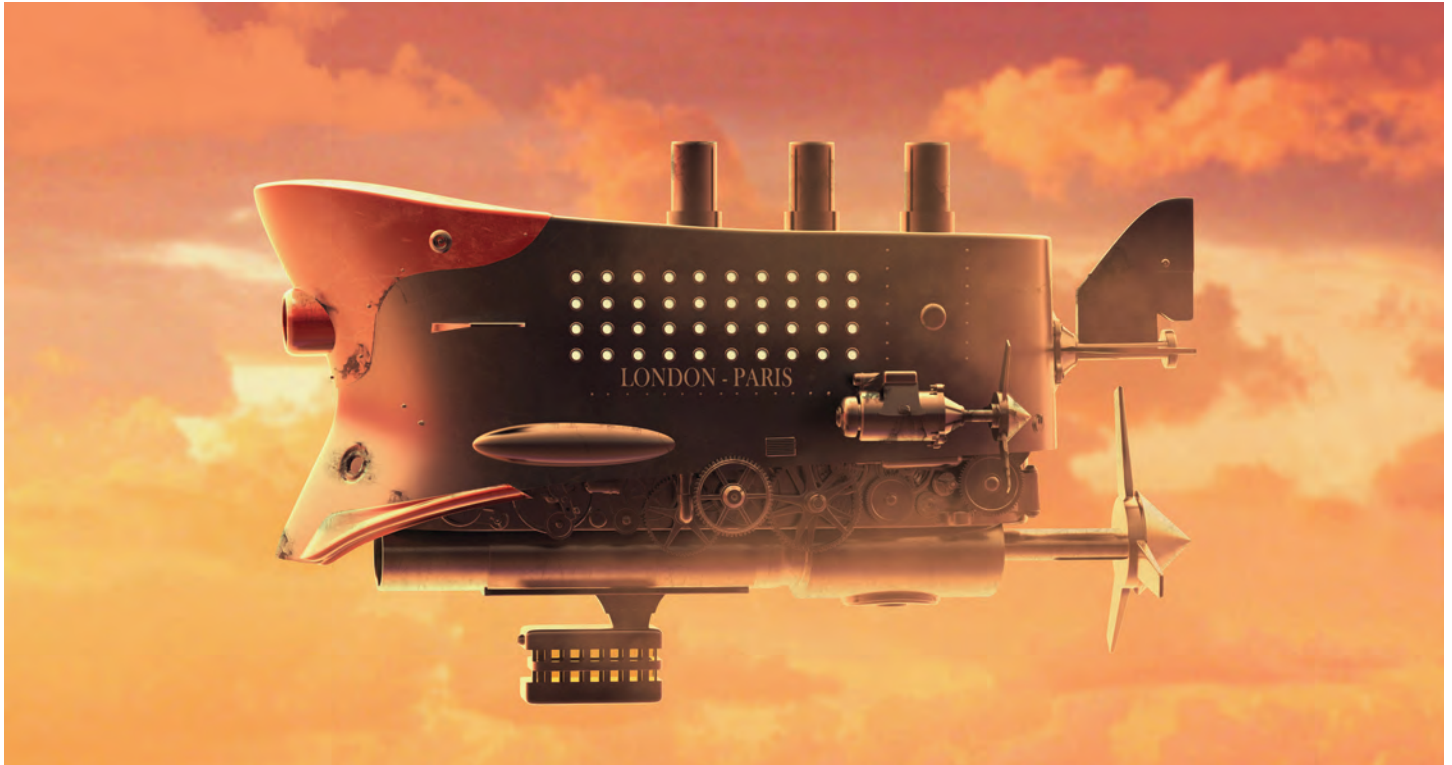


# White City & Emerald Park

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Community Newsletter



## Hydrogen gas-fuelled airships could spur development in remote communities

What do tomatoes, hemp and hydrogen gas have in common? Only one thing: they were all victims of misinformation that banned their use. Harmless products that could have had a positive role in the economy and society were shunned for generations.

It seems incredible today to think that Europeans

believed tomatoes were poisonous for about 200 years. People did get sick, and some died after eating tomatoes. The culprit was pewter dishes favoured by the upper classes. Tomato acid leached out enough lead out to be poisonous.

The advent of porcelain dishware and Italian pizza finally sorted out the real

problem. But once a myth is born, it can be hard for the truth to emerge. Europe lagged a long time behind North America in tomato consumption.

The prohibition of hemp, the fibre of the cannabis plant, has a more nuanced story and competing explanations. Some accounts sound like conspiracy theories.

The alleged conspirators were industrialists in paper, plastics and pharmaceuticals who sought drug regulations to eliminate hemp as their competitor. This is difficult to prove, but economist George Stigler's seminal article in 1971 on the economics of regulation lends support to the theory.

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The best-documented cause of hemp's vilification is racism. Notable racist slurs by U.S. government official Harry Anslinger, who drafted the Marihuana Tax Act of 1937, leave no doubt of his bias. As commissioner of the Federal Bureau of Narcotics, he targeted racialized minorities who used hemp plants.

The fear-mongering has ended in most places and important uses for hemp and cannabis are making a valuable contribution to health care, nutrition and fibre. But the stigma of the false claims continue, as does prohibition in many places.

## Hydrogen ban

Unlike the prohibition on hemp, hydrogen gas bans in the United States and Canada are extremely narrow.

It's legal to use hydrogen for almost every conceivable purpose, except one: as a gas to provide buoyancy for airships, more commonly known as blimps (although there are differences between airships, blimps and dirigibles).

In fact, Canada still has a ban enshrined in its air regulations that states: "Hydrogen is not an acceptable lifting gas for use in airships."

Canada's ban on this use of hydrogen is strange given that Canada has never had an airship industry. The origins of the false information that led to this ban on the use of hydrogen are even more surprising.

Helium was discovered in natural gas in Kansas in 1903, and an experimental refinery was built in Texas

in 1915. At great expense, a few barrage balloons were filled with helium during the First World War.

After the war, the need for helium was unclear. But officials from the U.S. Bureau of Mines wanted to protect their newly established helium refinery. They took advantage of the Roma airship accident in 1922 to sell helium to the military.

The Roma was a hydrogen-filled, Italian-built airship sold to the U.S. army. During trials, its rudder broke and the airship crashed in Norfolk, Va., hitting power lines during its descent. All 34 crew members were lost.

Spreading a falsehood via the media that the crew would have survived had the airship had been filled with helium, the Bureau of

Mines was given an audience in Washington, D.C. Before Congress, they staged a demonstration with two balloons and a burning splint.

The one filled with helium doused the burning splint. The one marked hydrogen would have put the flame out too, if it were more than 75 per cent pure, but contaminated hydrogen gas is explosive. When the burning splint touched the balloon, it went off like a cannon, rattling the windows in Congress.

Based on this poorly designed high school chemistry level experiment, U.S. politicians banned the use of hydrogen in airships.

## Rubber-stamped laws

After the Second World War, when the U.S. became the dominant world air power,



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its regulations were rubber-stamped into the laws of other nations, including Canada. This is how Canada came to have a regulation banning hydrogen in airships that is grounded in neither science nor engineering research. The ban stems from a political decision made in a foreign country 98 years ago based on misinformation.

Hydrogen gas is increasingly heralded as the mobile energy source of the green economy. Hydrogen fuel cells are used for electric cars, buses, boats, forklifts, trains and recently a converted Piper airplane.

It is perfectly legal to carry hydrogen in a high-pressure container to power any vehicle, including an airship, but not if carried in a zero-pressure container (gas cell) to lift the airship.

The prohibition on hydrogen has held back research and created doubts about

the economic viability of airships that must depend on scarce, finite supplies of helium.

Lies and misinformation have consequences. Canada needs a transportation solution to the chronic problems of food insecurity, crowded housing and poverty in remote Indigenous communities.

Hydrogen-filled cargo airships could do for the Northern economy what the railways did for Western Canada 125 years ago. In the 21st century, myths and misrepresentations should not go unchallenged. Regulatory decisions made when we were still hand-cranking cars should either be justified or removed from the books.

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# Warm up this winter with a cozy beverage

*Need something exciting to sip when you come out of the cold? Swap out the hot chocolate for this sweet treat with heat instead.*

*Golden milk is a traditional Indian hot beverage considered by many to have soothing properties. Simple ingredients combined with ultrafiltered Canadian milk makes for a creamy and delicious version of this traditional drink at home.*

*This easy and nutritious version was created by food expert and blogger Vijaya Selvaraju and it's perfect for the colder months. Using Fairlife milk only adds to the nutritional benefits of the other ingredients because it has 50 per cent less sugar and 50 per cent more protein than regular milk and is made from 100 per cent Canadian milk.*

## **Golden Milk**

**Prep time: 5 minutes**

**Serves: 2**

### **Ingredients:**

2 cups Fairlife 2 per cent ultrafiltered milk  
1/2 tsp turmeric  
1/2 tsp ground black pepper  
3 tbsp honey

### **Directions:**

1. In a medium saucepan, add milk and bring to a simmer. Cook for 2 to 3 minutes, stirring often.
2. Remove from heat and stir in turmeric, black pepper and honey. Pour into glasses and enjoy.

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## Winter wellness: Tips for a happy and healthy season

Winter is a tough time of year for many of us. Long, dark nights and cold weather can bring anybody down. And with the ongoing stress of living through a pandemic, this winter is feeling even tougher than usual for many.

Here are a few tips to help keep you healthy and happy this season:

### **Take care of your mental health.**

Maybe it's been on your to-do list for a while, or maybe it's never crossed your mind. But with the year we had, most of us could use some professional support when it comes to our mental health. If you don't want to talk to somebody, find ways to take some time for self-care.

### **Get moving.**

Yes, this one's cliché, but it's well known for a reason and is worth the reminder. Exercise is not just about your body. It's about your mind, too. The endorphins you make from breaking a sweat are powerful mood boosters that will amp up your energy and help you stay positive.

### **Check in on family and friends.**

As we all try to limit interactions with people to reduce

the spread of COVID-19, it's easy to lose touch with others. Plan a regular phone call with a family member or friend, organize a Zoom party with friends or check in on others around you to see how they are doing. Reaching out to help others will make you feel better as well.

If you are struggling and don't know where to turn, you can dial 2-1-1. This national helpline is answered by real people who will talk to you about your situation and provide information on local community or government supports that fit your needs. This includes programs and services related to mental health, financial assistance and utility relief, food and housing programs and much more.

The service is free and confidential. In a survey done by 211 Ontario, 95 per cent of callers say they would call again or recommend the service to a friend or family member. The service is accessible 7 days a week in over 150 languages.

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# Warm up with hearty winter recipes

The colder months are perfect for testing out cozy new recipes in the kitchen made with wholesome, nutritious and hearty ingredients. It's the best time of year to make stews and soups, but if you're running out of ideas, you can always put a new spin on classic favourites.

This soup recipe by Renée Kohlman from the Sweetsugarbean food blog is a fun twist on the traditional mushroom and barley, with quinoa swapped in for the barley and added bacon for a little depth of flavour. Bursting with antioxidants and other important nutrients, not to mention being low in calories, mushrooms are great to use in the winter as they are the only vegetable that contains vitamin D. We've used sliced cremini mushrooms here, but feel free to use whatever mushrooms you like.



A little splash of sherry does wonders in the taste department, while the protein in the quinoa plus the meatiness of the mushrooms make the soup a hearty, satisfying meal perfect for fall and winter weather. If you want to keep the soup vegetarian, it's still great without the bacon.

## Hearty Mushroom and Quinoa Soup with Bacon

**Prep time:** 15 minutes

**Cook time:** 35 minutes

**Serves:** 6

### Ingredients:

- 2 tbsp butter
- 1 large yellow onion, chopped
- 1 large carrot, chopped
- 1 celery stalk, chopped
- 200 g sliced cremini mushrooms
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 1 tsp dried thyme
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1/4 tsp pepper
- 1/4 cup sherry
- 4 cups low-sodium vegetable or chicken broth
- 1 can (19 oz/540 mL) diced tomatoes
- 1/2 cup quinoa, rinsed
- 2 cups chopped kale, tough centre stems removed
- 5 slices cooked bacon, chopped
- 1 tbsp low-sodium soy sauce or tamari

### Directions:

1. Melt butter in a Dutch oven over medium-high heat. Add onion, carrot and celery. Cook for a few minutes then stir in mushrooms. Sauté for 3 minutes, then stir in garlic. Cook for another minute or two, until the vegetables are tender, and mushrooms have released their juices.
2. Stir in sherry and cook until vegetables have absorbed the liquid, about 2 minutes. Stir in broth, diced tomatoes and quinoa. Cover, bring to a boil, then turn the heat down



to low and simmer for 20 to 25 minutes until quinoa is cooked through.

3. Stir in kale, bacon and soy sauce. Simmer until kale is softened, about 5 to 7 minutes. If you find it too thick, thin with a bit more broth or water. Season to taste with more salt and pepper, if desired.

Find more delicious mushroom recipes at [mushrooms.ca](http://mushrooms.ca).

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# 3 tips to stay healthy while staying at home



More and more of us are spending increased time at home to stop the spread of COVID-19. It's the right choice, but it also has its downsides.

That's especially true when it comes to maintaining healthy habits. It can be all

too easy to grab the junk food snacks or sit in one place all day. Here are three simple tips to help you be healthy.

### Stay active - keep moving.

We all know this one, but it's

important. There are countless online workouts and yoga classes to try for free or by subscription, but you can also dance while cooking or doing the dishes, take jumping jack breaks, or go for a walk to mark the end of your workday. Every move counts, and so try to bring the fun into everyday activities.

### Make sure your home is safe - test for radon

Radon is a radioactive gas that's in all our homes. If your home has high levels of radon, all the time you're spending at home these days could be increasing your exposure and your risk of lung cancer. Long-term exposure to elevated levels of radon is the number one cause of lung cancer in non-smokers.

The only way to know the radon levels in your home is to test. You can buy an

inexpensive DIY kit or have a professional come in and do the test for you.

### Get the right set up - ease your pain

Whatever your workspace looks like, making it ergonomic is crucial. It'll save you a lot of neck and back pain or discomfort, eye strain and visits to chiropractors. You can purchase a dedicated standing desk or the latest supportive office chair, but if you want to save some cash or you feel like a project, head to YouTube for some DIY tutorials. If you've been doing online shopping, hang on to some of those boxes and try making a foot stool or computer riser.

Find more information about radon testing at [takeactiononradon.ca](http://takeactiononradon.ca)

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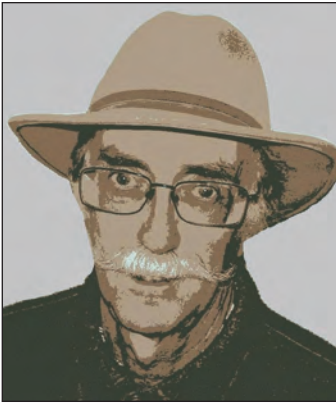
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7	8	9 Virtual LEGO Challenge	10	11	12	13 Virtual Children's Program
14	15 Closed for Family Day	16	17 Virtual Adult/Teen Book club 6:30 pm Please register	18	19	20 Virtual Children's Program
21	22 Virtual Children's Program	23	24	25	26	27 Virtual Children's Program
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# Off the Beaten Track

- By John Panter

Hang onto your wallets (assuming, of course, that there is anything in them worth hanging on to).

your payroll deductions for Canada Pension will be going up this year, just for starters.

And it's not just Chrystia Freeland who's casting covetous eyes on what's left in our bank accounts. On the other side of the Atlantic, Britain's finance minister (although he goes by the classier title Chancellor of the Exchequer), Rishi Sunak, had the same idea this past

economic Forum's Klaus Schwab saw the Pandemic as the opportunity for his Great Reset and governments all over the world are following his lead.

Some 3000 people attended the 2020 World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland. I'm sure it was universally agreed among the attendees that the "best" sort of people were there. This is a very exclusive club, after all, and we're not in it. Even Greta Thunberg, the celebrity eco-scolld kid, was there as a mere class six (of seven) member.

On a positive note, it's hard to imagine that a meeting of 3000 people could accomplish anything. The danger is, however, that bad ideas gain acceptance by repetition if there is no push-back. So here's my push-back: We don't need social engineering scams such as The Great Reset, foisted on us by self-anointed and self-interested elites. What we need is getting back to normal. The old normal, not the "new" normal.

*Call me if you disagree. 569-2345 or emeraldcity158@gmail.com*

**Canadians are perfectly capable of deciding for themselves how, and when, to spend their own money, assuming they still have any, but my guess is that Ms. Freeland has other plans, such as taxing all those alleged "savings".**

The Prime Minister recently announced that Canada was signing on to The Great Reset. It seems that our lives were so lousy before the Chinese Communist Party made them even lousier, that they need to be radically changed.

Finance Minister Chrystia Freeland got the boss's message loud and clear and opined that "some Canadian households do have quite a lot of money that they've saved because there hasn't been much to do in the pandemic and certainly it would be great if that money could go towards driving our recovery."

Canadians are perfectly capable of deciding for themselves how, and when, to spend their own money, assuming they still have any, but my guess is that Ms. Freeland has other plans, such as taxing all those alleged "savings". Wait until you see how

December: "People have been sitting at home, building up some savings hopefully and we would like to go and spend them when we get back." (Back from where, he didn't say, but probably from someplace warmer than London in December.)

Public officials, or at least the ones who didn't go on Caribbean vacations while the rest of us were under house arrest / lock down (or loi martiale for Quebecois), probably managed to "build up some savings" during the never-ending 'flu season. Their paycheques kept rolling in even while their spending opportunities were being curtailed. But a lot of Canadians who aren't politicians have seen savings accounts dwindle or vanish altogether.

On the premise that no government should let a crisis go to waste, the World Eco-



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# 5 simple tax tips for 2021

In a normal year, taxes can be complicated. This year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, filing taxes will be different and potentially more confusing for many of us who experienced a change in income or employment terms, or received government financial support and benefits.

To help you navigate the filing process, here are five essential tax tips for this year.

## 1. Take note of key dates and stay ahead.

It's important to file your

taxes on time to avoid any penalties or interruption of benefits. If you owe, you'll need to be even more vigilant as the CRA can charge you penalties of five per cent on that amount, plus an additional one per cent for each month you fail to file, for a maximum of 12 months.

## 2. Stay organized.

Before you sit down to file or seek help from a tax expert, gather any forms, slips and receipts that may be needed. Keeping your receipts organized and doing so in advance can help make filing your taxes easier. "There's also the option of taking photos of receipts and adding them to an online folder or storing it in your email that you can reference anytime, so you can stay organized

and clutter free," suggests Lisa Gittens, senior tax expert at H&R Block.

## 3. Don't leave money on the table.

Tax credits can be a big help if you're looking to reduce the amount of taxes owed or to maximize your refund. Do your research or seek help from a tax expert so you can claim all the credits that apply to you, including any new ones that were introduced due to the pandemic. For example, if you had to work from home due to COVID-19, you may be able to claim eligible home office expenses – even if you didn't save any receipts.

## 4. Take advantage of free tax calculators.

"Using a calculator can help simplify the tax process and

make it easy to figure out how much tax you may need to pay, or if the CRA owes you," says Gittens. "It also helps you navigate any tax implications from changes in your employment circumstances or from benefits received in relation to the pandemic. And if you end up owing, you can start putting money aside to pay that tax bill when the time comes."

## 5. Ask for help.

If you're concerned about preparing your own return, ask for a hand. A trained tax expert will always point you in the right direction and answer any questions you may have.

Find more information and a free tax calculator at [hrblock.ca](http://hrblock.ca).

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# Differing Opinions

- By Gwen Randall-Young

Have you ever found yourself in a discussion/debate/argument with someone whose ideas were totally opposed to yours? The more they argue their point, the more convinced you are of how wrong they are and how right you are. When this happens, it sometimes seems that there's a wall separating the two of you with no apparent way of getting around it. This can create distance, animosity, and can even fracture relationship.

tive to that larger view, there is no longer a need to hold on so tightly to our point of view because there is now a place for it. To tell a person that they are wrong about something, that how they see it is simply not the way it is, is to deny their perceptions of reality, and to negate that person. The one who does the negating is also assuming the superior position of the authority or expert on now things are. They are trying to fill a job that does not exist. We are not talking here about things that can be objectively checked out, but rather about how people view a situation, or how they feel about something.

No one can tell us that the way we see it or feel about it is wrong. What we can do, is to share our perceptions in a non-judgmental way. In

needs while accepting other's point of view. That does not mean agreeing, only that you accept that this is how they see it, and that you respect their right to think independently.

As a parent you can accept how your child sees things, but still set rules according to your beliefs. In a relationship, you can accept that the two of you see things differently, but still have to work on a solution to the problem. This is much more produc-

tive than arguing over who is right and who is wrong. For even if you win that argument something is still lost in the process.

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**To tell a person that they are wrong about something, that how they see it is simply not the way it is, is to deny their perceptions of reality, and to negate that person.**

The problem in such a situation comes when we identify ourselves with our position. The trouble with this is that we often take the difference of opinion personally. Whenever we experience such polarity, we often think about how rigid and narrow-minded the other person is, without realizing that we are the other part of the polarity. If there is polarity and opposition happening, we are co-creating it. True understanding comes from working at creating a larger view that encompasses both ends of the polarity.

Once we shift the perspec-

doing so we may assist the other to expand their perception, as we expand our own. However, sometimes the most powerful thing that we can do is to validate the other's feelings. If we acknowledge that we can understand how they might feel that way, or that we can see their point of view, they are much more likely to loosen their grip on their position.

Still, the objective should not necessarily be to try to get the other person to change. Rather, the focus should be on finding a way to express one's own perceptions and



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# Universities have thrived despite past disruptions and could grow even stronger after COVID-19



In the past century, universities have risen to occupy a central place in the knowledge economy, from fostering innovation to attracting promising international students and researchers, and being an anchor for regional and national economic development.

Universities are integral to public policy. Never before have institutions of higher education been so influential and powerful in the lives of families, communities and in the state.

At the same time, universities have never faced the intense pressure they do at the moment. The short-term pressure is to successfully pivot, in a matter of mere weeks and months, to delivering education online and continue to conduct research in a primarily virtual manner. Yet that pressure extends considerably beyond the immediate impacts of COVID-19.

They're also facing pressure from students eager for good jobs after graduation, pressure from competitors located online or in other countries and pressure from governments that demand tangible outcomes from public funds.

## **From insulated to post-war boom**

Before the 1940s, universities were small, and admitted only the elite who were educated for a limited number of professions. Courses and programs changed little from year to year. Universities were largely insulated from each other and from activities and events elsewhere.

After the Second World War, the role of the university shifted in two fundamental ways. First, universities were charged with educating the rapidly growing middle class. New institutions, degrees, programs, disciplines and specializations proliferated.

Second, universities were charged by the state with supporting applied research, especially in science, technology, engineering, medicine and business. Universities increasingly sought and obtained funding from government and private sources for research, knowledge transfer, commercialization and related activities.

Corporations were eager for new knowledge that might be commercialized, while governments were keen to ensure that universities made contributions beyond conferring degrees.

In this new environment, students had more choice than ever in regard to institutions, programs and delivery

modes, but a less clear path to the successful career their parents expected.

University administrations reacted by creating elite undergraduate programs such as in business and other professions that charge high tuition (in part because they are largely taught by full-time members of the collegiate) and guarantee entry-level employment.

Beginning in the 1950s, university staff, including professors, unionized and became influential in increasing compensation for full-time workers. Faculty unions pressed for smaller teaching loads (less hours in the classroom) to free up more time for research-related activities.

## **Rise of contract staff, competition**

As professors became more expensive — and university administrators searched for lower-cost options such as contractually limited employees — relatively fewer were hired.

The rise of online degrees provided further opportunities to hire contract employees to teach courses.

Competition between universities increased for limited public and private funds, prestige and access to the best students and research-

ers. As the English language secured its dominance as the lingua franca of science, business and other fields of study, that competition became international. Global ranking schemes emerged comparing the performance of universities, programs and scholars.

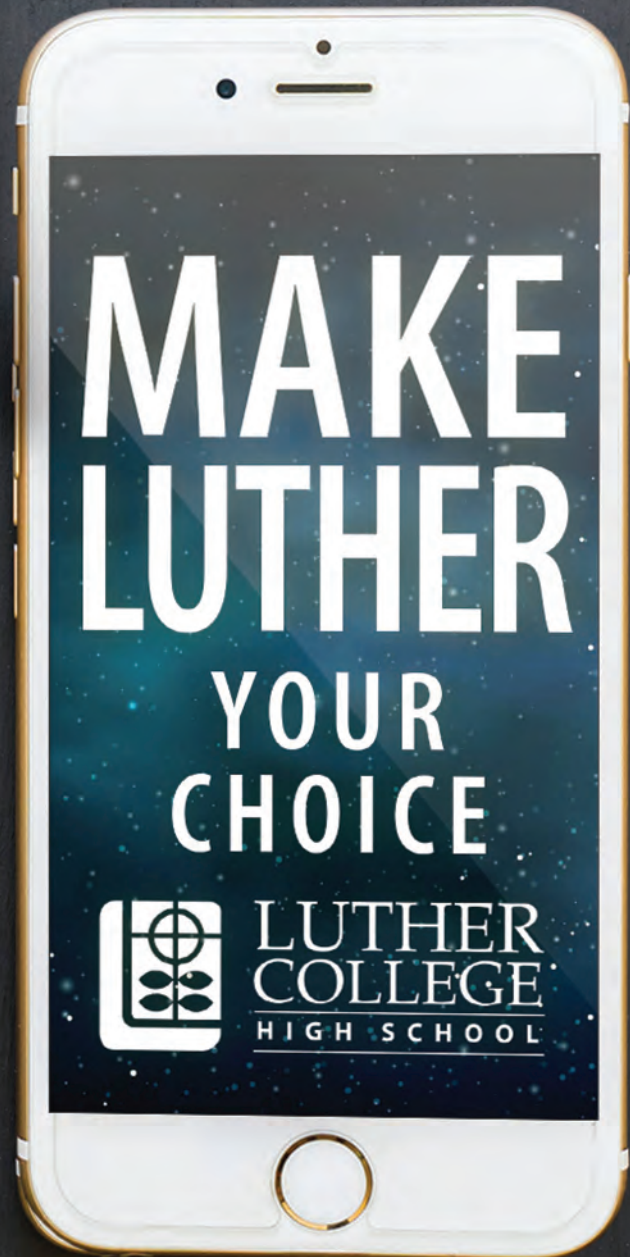
Competitors emerged outside of traditional academia when online delivery of content became low cost with the required technology available to the masses. In the past decade Udacity, Coursera, edX and other e-learning organizations, some for-profit and some not-for-profit, sought to carve niches in the expanding online learning market.

Universities responded to the encroachment by launching their own online degrees and programs that carried far more prestige, came with more marketing power and a larger base of supportive alumni than could be mustered by the new competitors. Universities charge the same tuition fees for on-campus in-classroom degrees and those earned online at the same institution, thus blurring the differences between the two modes of delivery.

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Mike and his wife, Josie, owned and successfully operated a mixed farm that included a section of land for their grain crops and pasture land to support their dairy. Their farm, located 6 ½ miles north of Balgonie, was home for 66 years. Early mornings and hard work were the necessary elements of their daily routine. Mike milked 30 cows and tended to the many other farming duties, while Josie was a very good gardener, and tended to the raising of the children. They raised their family of three on the farm and became involved in the community over many years. Mike and Josie (deceased) are proud of their three children, Marie, Margaret and Ken and their accomplishments. His children are proud of the loving husband and father he is.

Mike moved into William Albert House in February last year. He tells me that he enjoys the comfort of his room and the House 1 common living room, where he particularly enjoys watching TV sitcoms, such as "Three's Company" and "Everybody Loves Raymond". "The food is very good, too," he says, and we have to agree.

As you can imagine, we are all missing the many hours of entertainment that we were accustomed to, before Covid 19. However, many of the regular Recreation activities continue to take place, in lesser numbers and physically distanced. Mike mentioned how fortunate we are to have our own entertainer, Joan Schneider, who works here and provides piano/keyboard music for the residents on a nearly daily basis. One of Mike's favorite songs is "Coat of Many Colors", and he frequently requests it, for Joan to play.

After emigrating from Romania with his parents when he was only 6 months old, Mike "grew up on a farm in rural Saskatchewan, as the oldest of six. He attended a country school and his fondest memories are of skating on the pond during recess," says his daughter, Marie.

"In his retirement, he continued his interest in the farming community and was a very social individual." Mike was a good friend and neighbor. Community involvement and service was a big part of his life. He was an active member of his church and was along-time Knights of Columbus member. He was often found volunteering to tend the bar during special events at the church. In addition, he was a school board trustee and a member of the Saskatchewan Wheat Board.

Mike's interests included broomball, curling and hockey. Like so many residents of this great province of Saskatchewan, his favorite activities took place during the winter season, when there was a bit more time away from some of the farm duties. Of course, the life of a dairy farmer didn't allow for very much free time.

Mike was an innovative welder and fabricator of whatever was needed on the farm - for his neighbors as well." He told me that at one time he had built a new trailer to pull behind his quad or truck. One of his neighbors requested a replica and Mike happily delivered. He says that he believes in people helping each other out whenever possible.

I love the following story that Margaret shared with me, which shows Mike's funny and humorous side. "His brother, John Schreiner (WAH resident,



too) had a team of horses and would offer sleigh rides. One winter, not that many years ago, they were out pulling Mike's grandkids on toboggans behind the wagon. Johnny told Mike to hold on as he started up the horses, but Mike thought he was OK. He stumbled backwards right off the wagon into the snow, only to be ridden over by one of the toboggans bringing up the rear! Mike ended up being rolled and landed

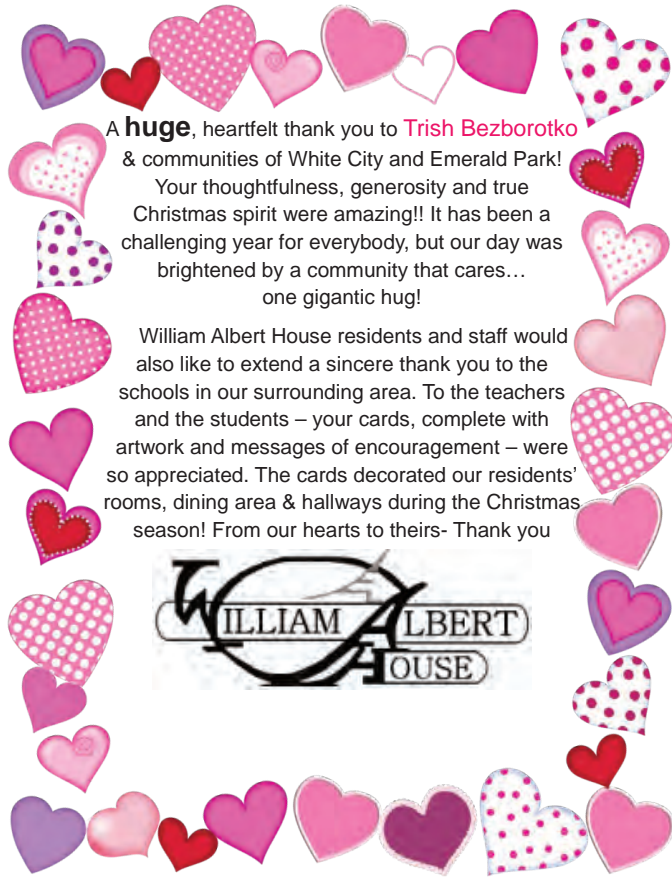
sitting upright in the snow with all of the grandkids falling off their toboggans with laughter!!!" What a lot of fun that would have been!

Mike, we are so pleased that you have chosen William Albert House as your new home. And we know that it is very special that Johnny is here, too.

**Thank you for all you do to make this a great place to be. We love you, Mike!**

*If you have any comments you'd like to pass along to this month's featured resident, you may forward them to: [lowchar@sasktel.net](mailto:lowchar@sasktel.net)*





A **huge**, heartfelt thank you to **Trish Bezborotko** & communities of White City and Emerald Park! Your thoughtfulness, generosity and true Christmas spirit were amazing!! It has been a challenging year for everybody, but our day was brightened by a community that cares... one gigantic hug!

William Albert House residents and staff would also like to extend a sincere thank you to the schools in our surrounding area. To the teachers and the students – your cards, complete with artwork and messages of encouragement – were so appreciated. The cards decorated our residents' rooms, dining area & hallways during the Christmas season! From our hearts to theirs- Thank you



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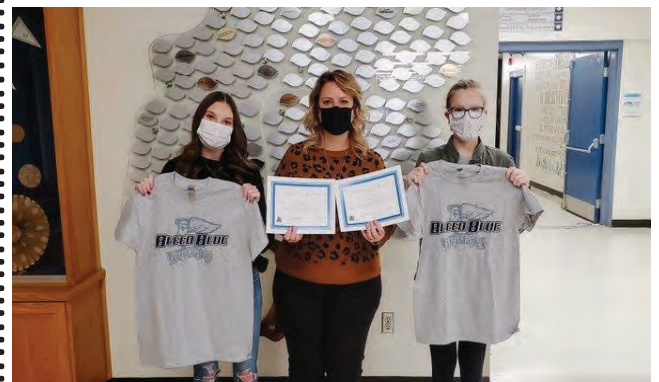


Greenall Social Media pages have recently started a special alumni feature called, "Where are they Wednesday". The first alumni featured were Ms. Kistner and Ms. Leib who are both proud to be both former students and now teachers at Greenall! We also have teachers Mrs. Folk, Mr. Petford, Mr. Lechner and Mr. Vollman, Education Assistants Ms. Lechner, Ms. Stelter and Mrs. Vollman, our Speech Language Pathologist Mrs. Petford, and Griffins Nest Canteen ladies Mrs. Kowalyk and Mrs. Selzer, who are all former students as well! Greenall is an awesome place and people like to stick around! We always say, "Once a Griffin, always a Griffin".

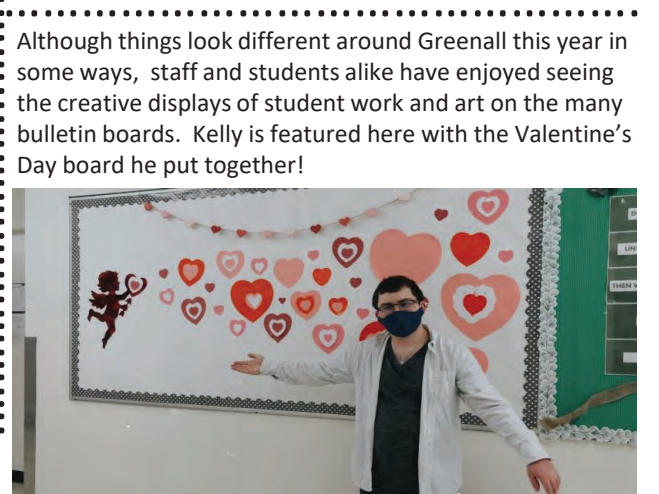
The second alumni feature on our social media pages was former Greenall student Dillan! Check out our social media pages to find out which Greenall alumni will be featured next!



Recently celebrated Griffins of the Week include Cole and Mya of Grade 12 and Taylyr and Carly of Grade 9!



Greenall has been working closely with the Mental Health Capacity Building team to organize a number of different fitness challenges to get students and staff active and outside! Students and staff are tracking their steps, workouts and outside time. Each week, draws are held and everyone is eligible for great prizes. A Google Classroom has been established and the code is available from MHCB.

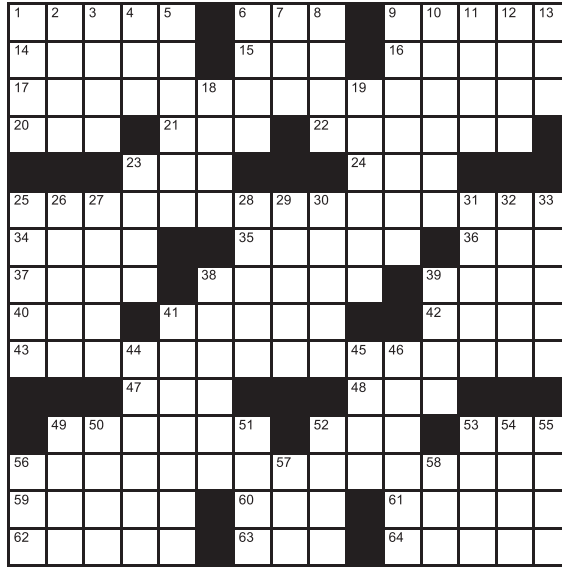


Although things look different around Greenall this year in some ways, staff and students alike have enjoyed seeing the creative displays of student work and art on the many bulletin boards. Kelly is featured here with the Valentine's Day board he put together!

# Diversions

Across

- 1. Less dangerous
- 6. Australian runner
- 9. Our "mother"
- 14. Jungle climber
- 15. Carbonium, e.g.
- 16. Gawk
- 17. In the works
- 20. Morgue, for one
- 21. "... \_\_\_ he drove out of sight!"
- 22. Present
- 23. Canada's neighbor
- 24. Floral necklace
- 25. Carouse
- 34. "\_\_\_ it the truth!"
- 35. Assumed name
- 36. "I" problem
- 37. Somewhat, to Salieri



- 38. Pasture
- 39. Gossip
- 40. \_\_\_ grecque (cooked in olive oil, lemon juice, wine, and herbs, and served cold)
- 41. \_\_\_ de leche
- 42. Arch type
- 43. Trumpet, trombone, flute, e.g.
- 47. Anomalous
- 48. Crag
- 49. Substantial size
- 52. Blue
- 53. Buddy
- 56. Not extreme
- 59. Catlike
- 60. Romanian coin
- 61. Military cap

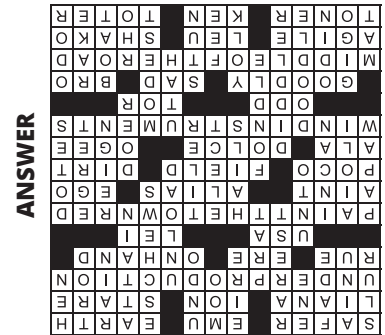
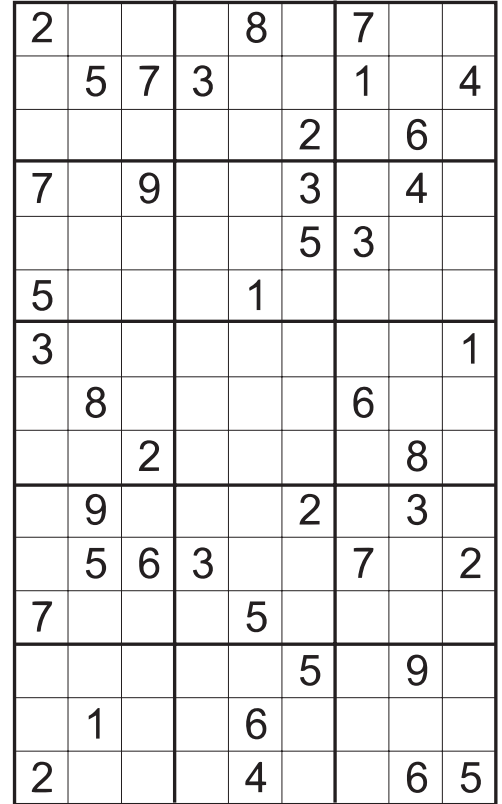
- 62. Contents of some cartridges
- 63. Boy toy?
- 64. Schlepper

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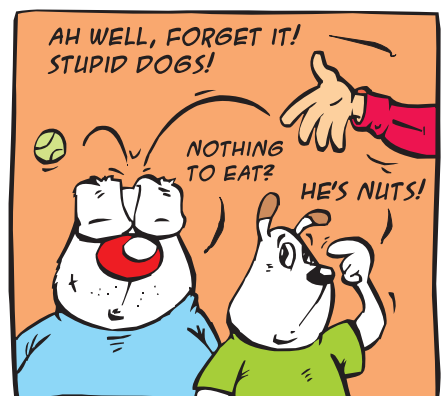
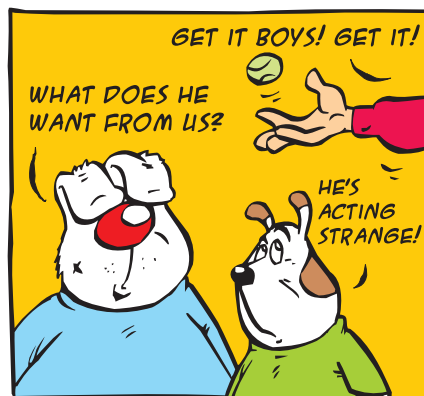
- 1. Aspersion
- 2. Hokkaido native
- 3. Grow dim
- 4. Charlotte-to-Raleigh dir.
- 5. Least cooked
- 6. Cork's place
- 7. Guernsey utterance
- 8. Annul
- 9. Abstains
- 10. Come by
- 11. Drops from the sky

- 12. Put one's foot down?
- 13. Chick's mom
- 18. Kind of fall
- 19. Dump
- 23. "Do \_\_\_ others as..."
- 25. Grandpa, to some
- 26. Garlicky mayonnaise
- 27. Former empire
- 28. Calls a cab
- 29. Vote into office
- 30. Mason, at times
- 31. Despot's duration
- 32. "Snowy" bird
- 33. Shows excessive fondness
- 38. Touch tenderly

- 39. Person of action
- 41. Swindler (informal)
- 44. Daydream drawing
- 45. One of the Four Corners states
- 46. Fair to middling
- 49. Garbage in, garbage out, for short
- 50. Father of Balder
- 51. Central part
- 52. Bowl over
- 53. Dinghy or dory
- 54. Autumn tool
- 55. Aroma
- 56. "Welcome" site
- 57. Charge
- 58. Density symbol



## coffee dogs



# Kids Corner

**Word Search Clues:**

- 1. Blue
- 2. Yellow
- 3. Orange
- 4. Purple
- 5. Pink
- 6. Green
- 7. Red

**Word Search Grid:**

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**FIND 6 DIFFERENCES**

**ANSWER:**



# Universities have thrived despite past disruptions and could grow even stronger after COVID-19

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## International branch campuses

Universities have also learned the value of international branch campuses as a means to market and protect their brands. American and British institutions have taken the lead in creating off-shore campuses, especially in the emerging economies of Asia.

Several Canadian universities have branch campuses in Asia and the Middle East.

Furthermore, all universities now have a variety of joint/dual programs or at least a variety of partnership/exchange agreements that allow them to project their influence around the world.

The financial stakes implied in these disrupted global

educational markets have not escaped the purview of banks. A report by RBC, *The Future of Post-Secondary Education: On Campus, Online and On Demand*, notes: "New forms of engagement with international students ... may include more in-country presence of Canadian institutions."

## Entrepreneurial & guardians of tradition?

The institutions have demonstrated to governments that post-secondary education and research support public policy, especially in a global economy. Universities have also successfully facilitated social mobility, a concern that resonates particularly with middle-class voters.

Universities in the United States have been the most

successful in adapting to, and prospering in, the new competitive conditions. In part they have done so by creating vast financial resources to support their operations and protect themselves from opponents. For example, Harvard University's \$40-billion endowment fund allows it to recruit the best students and staff, build state-of-the-art facilities, quickly react to new research priorities and otherwise out-muscle competitors.

It is telling that Xi Mingzhe, the daughter of Chinese leader Xi Jinping, completed her undergraduate studies at Harvard. Despite China's growing global economic superpower role and the political instability in the United States, for the foreseeable future it's inconceivable


that the children or grandchildren of American leaders will complete post-secondary studies in China.

With a history stretching back a millennium, universities have proven to be nimble and entrepreneurial even while adroitly portraying themselves as guardians of tradition. Having successfully protected their franchise during nearly a century of disruption, there is little worry that they will perish in the foreseeable future. Indeed, their influence may well expand.


**Thomas Klassen**

*Professor, School of Public Policy and Administration, York University, Canada*


**THE CONVERSATION**




Dr. Deryl Dangstorp



Dr. Kelsey Ross



Dr. Kyla Tzupa



Dr. Brian Baker

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## *Just a reminder!*

Do not park vehicles and trailers on Town property, green spaces, or ditch areas. Driveway markers need to be made of flexible and movable material.

Rebar, 2x4s and cement blocks are prohibited and will be removed by the town to ensure street safety.

## *SaskPower Vegetation Management Program*

SaskPower has developed a provincial Vegetation Management program around powerlines over the next 5-9 years. This program is designed to improve safety and reduce the occurrence of power outages caused by trees. Visit [whitecity.ca](http://whitecity.ca) for more information.

### REMEMBER:

NEVER trim branches or trees near a power line - SaskPower provides this service across the province thanks to their highly trained employees.

## *Sign-Up Today!*



## *Council Meetings*

**February 8th, 2021**

Community Services Committee - 3:30 pm

Regular Council Meeting - 7:00 pm

**February 17th, 2021**

Protective Services Committee - 3:45 pm

**February 22nd, 2021**

Regular Council Meeting - 7:00 pm

# RM of Edenwold No. 158

February 2021



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## Snowmobile Safety Protects Everyone

We've received several reports of unsafe and illegal snowmobiling activity in the RM. These incidents create serious dangers to people and property – not just snowmobile drivers. When operating a snowmobile, it's your responsibility to



know and follow all provincial and municipal laws at all times, and ensure you do not trespass on private property. Visit our website for more information on how to enjoy snowmobiling safely this winter. To report unsafe and illegal snowmobiling activity to our Community Safety Officers, call 306-771-1501.

## New Maps Are In!

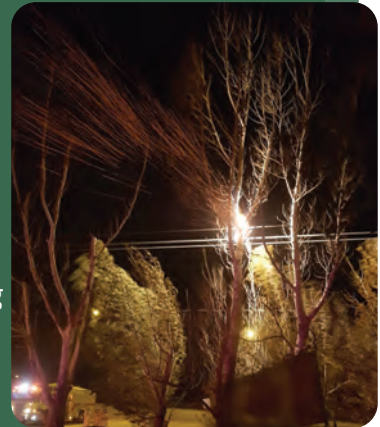
New maps of the RM are now available. Landowners in the RM can purchase one for \$10, and everyone else can purchase one for \$15. They are available for pickup at the municipal office or by mail-in cheque (\$2 extra for postage). Call our front office at 306-771-2522 for assistance.

## Follow Us @RMofEdenwold

Stay current with the most up-to-date information by following us on facebook, instagram, and twitter. Share your favorite photos from around the RM with: #CommunityProud

## Powering Our Community

Trees are an important part of the scenic landscape in our communities. But trees and electricity don't mix. Trees that have gotten too close to power lines are in danger of causing long power outages, fires/property damage and injury. SaskPower will be removing over 500 trees along SaskPower's right-of-way in our area. Removing trees and other vegetation isn't always ideal. But it needs to be done in order to keep everyone safe while preventing power outages for our communities. Tree removal will start late January and should be finished by the end of March. Please visit SaskPower.com or our website for more information.



The next issue of the  
Community Newsletter  
will be distributed the  
first week of December.

# February 2021

All copy **MUST** be submitted  
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We do offer a classified section  
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	EMERALD PARK Garbage WHITE CITY Recycling	EMERALD PARK Recycling	5	6
7	Corporate Services Meeting 3:30 pm Regular Council Meeting 7:00 pm 8	9	EMERALD PARK & WHITE CITY Garbage	11	12	13
14	<b>FAMILY DAY</b>	FEBRUARY 17 → Protective Services Meeting 3:45 pm	EMERALD PARK Garbage WHITE CITY Recycling	EMERALD PARK Recycling	19	20
21	Regular Council Meeting 7:00 pm	22	23	EMERALD PARK & WHITE CITY Garbage	25	26
28						CASA ROSA/JAMESON ESTATES Garbage pick up every Tuesday

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