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NEWS HEADLINES

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Sask. police warning public about new speeding ticket scam

The Saskatoon Police Service (SPS) and Regina Police Service (RPS) are warning the public about a new text scam based around fake speeding tickets. The scammers send a text message claiming to be from the "Saskatchewan Traffic Bureau" and saying the target's vehicle has been captured speeding in a designated school zone, police say. The message asks the target to click a link to avoid going to court. "Do not click the link or make any payments to this website," SPS said in a news release. Saskatoon police said they will never send a text message asking for payments of any kind. SPS advised residents to block the number and ignore the text. Regina police said there are automated speed enforcement cameras in Regina and other areas of Saskatchewan, but that violators are notified by letter, not text message. Victims of the scam are being asked to report it to police or the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre. The scam has not yet been reported in other parts of the province.

Homeless people stay sicker for longer and cost the health system more money, data shows

Homeless people spend twice as long in hospital and cost the system more than double than people who have a place to live, a new analysis of data shows. Last year across Canada, nearly 30,000 people who were homeless were hospitalized and spent an average of 15 days in the hospital, compared to an eight-day average stay for people who are not homeless. "Housing has to be considered a health issue. Homelessness is a health problem," said study co-author Cheryl Forchuk, the assistant scientific director at the Lawson Health Research Institute. "We need to see housing as a health intervention, and an integral part of a health strategy." The average cost per stay for someone without a home was \$16,800, compared with a national average of \$7,800, researchers say. The top three most common reasons for hospital stays were substance use, schizophrenic disorders, and cellulitis, a bacterial infection, the data shows. A quarter of hospitalizations are for issues related to substance use. Since 2018, Canadian hospitals have had to document whether a patient is experiencing homelessness. The number of homeless people who went to hospital is likely higher than the 30,000 documented, because some didn't identify themselves as such, researchers said. Almost all of the homeless patients admitted to hospital came through the emergency room, confirming what experts have long pointed out: that there is a lack of adequate access to primary care to address people's health needs before they become severe, the data shows.

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A come and go tea: Thursday, May 16 at 7:00 PM

McCaw Funeral Chapel, Lloydminster, AB

Graveside Service: Friday, May 17 at 2:00 PM

Lloydminster City Cemetery, Lloydminster, SK

Donations: Charity of Choice

Elsie Veltikold passed away in January at the age of 96.

Graveside Service: Friday, May 17 at 11:00 AM

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Evelyn Lemko passed away at the age of 79 years.

Prayer Vigil: Friday, May 17 at 7:00 PM

Decent of the Holy Spirit Parish, Lloydminster, AB

Mass of Christian Burial: Saturday, May 18 at 11:00 AM

Decent of the Holy Spirit Parish, Lloydminster, AB

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Frederick Berg passed away at the age of 82 years.

Funeral Service: Wednesday, May 22 at 10:00 AM

First Lutheran Church, Lloydminster, AB

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Gordon Ball passed away at the age of 78 years.

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State of emergency declared in France's New Caledonia as riots rage

France has imposed a state of emergency in New Caledonia as the South Pacific overseas territory is rocked by violent unrest, the office of President Emmanuel Macron announced in Paris following a crisis meeting on Wednesday. Declaring a state of emergency makes it easier for the authorities to impose curfews and ban demonstrations, among other actions. At least three people have died in the riots that raged after France's National Assembly approved contentious voting reforms to the territory that angered independence supporters. Several hundred people have been injured. The riots began on Monday as France debated a bill which would give thousands of French citizens in the archipelago in the South Pacific the right to vote in provincial polls. New Caledonia's pro-independence movement fears that the change will result in a weakening of political influence among the Indigenous Kanak people. The National Assembly in Paris adopted the reform overnight, by 351 votes to 153. About 60 police officers had been injured in the riots, the High Commission said on Wednesday. Numerous buildings had been set alight, including schools. A planned escape at the prison in the capital Nouméa had been thwarted, it added. An overnight curfew is in place and people are asked to limit their movements during the day, the commission said. There is also a ban on gatherings, selling alcohol and carrying weapons. The airport has been closed.

Swiss court sentences former Gambian interior minister to 20 years for crimes against humanity

Switzerland's top criminal court on Wednesday convicted a former interior minister of Gambia for crimes against humanity and sentenced him to 20 years over his role in murder, torture and other repression committed by the West African country's security forces under its longtime dictator. Prosecutors had sought a life sentence for Ousman Sonko, Gambia's interior minister from 2006 to 2016 under then-President Yahya Jammeh. But legal rights groups, led by TRIAL International that led the case, still hailed a landmark decision involving a former government official for crimes against humanity, saying it could set a precedent for international justice. The Swiss Attorney General's office said it was "satisfied" with the ruling, touting a "milestone in international criminal law" and an important decision for victims in Gambia. Sonko - who left Gambia shortly before Jammeh lost power in 2016 - applied for asylum in Switzerland in November that year and was arrested two months later. The indictment filed by the Swiss attorney general's office in April last year covered alleged crimes over the previous 16 years. Among other things, the court found Sonko guilty of the murder of an alleged political opponent in 2000; torture and arbitrary detention in connection with an attempted coup d'état in 2006; the murder of a politician in 2011; illegal detention and torture - including one murder - against peaceful protesters in 2016, according to TRIAL International.

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Lloydminster Public Library's **DAILY TRIVIA** (Answer in the next issue)

What was the name of the great Turkish Empire in the middle ages, established in the 13th century?

- a. Ottoman b. British c. Austro-Hungarian d. Mongol

Answer to last issue's Trivia Question:

What was done in ancient Rome, in an 'apodyterium'?

- a. Bees were kept b. Stars were viewed c. Speeches were made
d. Clothes changed before bathing

D. In ancient Rome, the apodyterium was the primary entry in the public baths, composed of a large changing room with cubicles or shelves where citizens could store clothing and other belongings while bathing. Privately owned slaves, or one hired at the baths (called a capsarius), would look after belongings while citizens enjoyed the pleasures of the baths.

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May 16 - CANCELLED: Bake Sale at Points West Living.

May 16 - CANCELLED: Pioneer Lodge Annual Spring Tea Bake Sale.

May 23 - Grace United Church Spring Salad Smorg at 4708 - 50 Avenue, Lloyd, AB at 11:00 am - 1:00 pm. \$20 / ticket. Advance tickets only. Tickets can be purchase before and after Sunday Service or at the Grace United Church office (Mon-Fri 9am-12 Noon).

May 23 - Cribbage Doubles Tournament at the Legacy Centre. Bring your partner for a day of friendly competition. Play begins at 10am. Cost is \$10 to play & \$12 / person for lunch. Everyone welcome! Call Legacy office for more info at 780.875.4584.

May 26 - Lloyd Lions with Pet Valu: Walk For Dogguides. Help us raise 1.6 million for our Super Heroes at Bud Miller Park. Registration 9:30 am. Walk 10:00 - 12:00. Hot Dogs & Beverages served at the completion courtesy of Sobey's. Pledge forms available online.

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