

LEGAL-LERIE

JANUARY 2001

THE ORGANIZATIONS WHO MAKE LEGAL-LERIE POSSIBLE

- L'Association Canadienne Française de l' Alberta - Centralta
- Legal Catholic Women's League
- Legal Club 60 Roses
- Capital City Savings Legal Community Council
- Legal Knights of Columbus
- Legal Lions Club
- Le Mouvement des Femmes Chretiennes
- Tawatinaw Community Futures Development Corporation

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE UPDATE

Welcome to the New Year, the start of the new century. 2001 is the year dedicated to the volunteers who work endlessly without pay to make our world a better place to live. The volunteers are the heart of the community. We salute them and say "Thank You"!

The Legal & District Chamber of Commerce *Annual General Meeting* will be held on **Friday, February 9, 2001** at the Legal Community Hall. Tickets will be available for \$12.00 per person starting January 15 at Legal Motors. This meeting will include supper and a guest speaker followed by the general meeting. Everyone is welcome!

A BUSINESS PROFILE ON SYZGY RESEARCH & TECHNOLOGY

Dan Charrois, a native of Legal, incorporated and operated Syzygy Research & Technology (www.syz.com) from the basement of his parents' house in 1995 to develop commercial computer software applications after graduating from the University of Alberta in Electrical Engineering. He married Jeannie and moved to Calgary for a few years, and then the two of them came back to town and continue to run and expand the business here (now from their own basement office).

They always have several projects underway. Jeannie, who also works as an online course developer and teacher for the Alberta Distance Learning Centre, initiated an Internet based study tool for Alberta students called Exam Bank (www.exambank.com). This service allows grades 3, 6, 9, and 12 students in our province to practice for their government tests by interactively answering questions from previous exams, challenging themselves and competing against other students. The site has been immensely popular, with more than a million practice exams having been written in the last year and a half.

Dan, also being an avid astronomer (he has previously worked for the Dominion Radio Astrophysical Observatory in Penticton, as well as the Canadian Space Agency in Ottawa), has developed and



just recently released a commercial software program for the Macintosh entitled "The Digital Universe" (www.astronomy.ca), which is capable of simulating the sky and retrieving information on approximately 20 million objects, for any location on or off the Earth, from 100,000 BC to 100,000 AD. He also wrote and compiled a multimedia encyclopedia of astronomy several thousand pages long which is integrated directly into the software.

Due to the current lack of high speed Internet access in Legal, Dan and Jeannie also maintain a dedicated web server in the CFRN building in Edmonton for their business. They are able to provide e-commerce, web hosting, development, and maintenance services, as well as general computer consulting and custom database services, to businesses of all sizes. They have also been heavily involved in GPS technology, from scientific studies on the attainable accuracies, to being the western Canadian distributor for Garmin connectors.

For more information, you can contact Dan or Jeannie at 961-2213, or email them at support@syz.com. Incidentally, "Syzygy" is a real word, pronounced SIZZ-uh-gee, and is an astronomical term referring to the alignment of planets and the Sun.

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VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATIONS

LEGAL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The next meeting of the Legal Knights of Columbus club is on Thursday, January 18 at 7:30 pm.

Students please take note, The Knights of Columbus basketball competitions are coming to your school. Participate in the fun.

The K. of C. family curling will be held on Sunday, February 18 at the Legal curling rink. Mark your calendar, as it will be fun for the whole family with lunch and treats.

LEGAL LIONS CLUB

Your community service club needs you! Why not join the Lions and get involved? Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 17, 2001 at 7:30pm.

The Legal Lions club and the Vimy Lions Club have joined forces to sponsor a giant Casino at St. Albert on March 10 and 11, 2001. Proceeds will go to worthy community projects. Your support will be greatly appreciated.

CLUB 60 ROSES

Card night is held every Tuesday at 7:30 at the Club 60 Roses for a charge of \$1.00 which includes coffee and a light snack. Everyone is welcome.

Tickets are for sale to attend the Lawrence Welk concert at the Winspear Center on February 21, 2001 at \$35.00, plus \$9.00 transportation, each. Contact Lucille Dube at 961-3694 before January 10, 2001 if you wish to attend.

The Club 60 would like to thank all the volunteers who graciously gave their time and hard work at our breakfasts, pot luck suppers, bake sales, etc., to make our club a success in the past year.

CHATEAU STURGEON

If you are interested in purchasing a used photocopier, the Chateau Sturgeon has one for sale. Contact Roseanne at 961-3972.

MOUVEMENT DES FEMMES CHRÉTIENNES

Découvrons notre mission!

- Le dimanche 21 janvier 2001

- 10h30 à 15h30 au Club 60 Roses de Legal

Sr. Marie-Jeannie Thériault de Montréal, formatrice en Relation Interpersonnelle, animera une journée sur le thème "Découvrir sa mission". Prière de nous faire parvenir votre intention d'y participer à Denise Cyr au 961-2386.

Prochaine réunion mensuel sera le mardi 9 janvier, 2001.

CAPITAL CITY SAVINGS LEGAL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Legal Community Council will be held on Thursday, January 18, 2001 at 12:00 noon.

It was more than "Business as usual" as Legal Capital City Savings sang Christmas Carols for the customers, passed treats to the young and the young-at-heart and guess what?... Mrs. Santa Claus dropped in for a visit! Warm Christmas greetings were extended to all.

ACFA

L'A.C.F.A. Centralta recherche toujours des gens compétents pour siéger sur notre exécutif. Si vous êtes fiers de votre héritage et votre communauté, considérez vous joindre à nous. L'assemblée annuelle est le 3 mars, à la salle communautaire de Legal.

The A.C.F.A. Centralta invites all people from the community to make a tax deductible donation to the Community Cultural Centre. Your support will help upgrade the quality of the acoustic and provide the finish to the building. Success in this initiative is not limited to French-speaking Canadians, as all the community will benefit from the centre. We hope that our anglophone neighbors and friends will give financial support to make our centre one we will all be proud of. The new Community Cultural Centre is progressing and we expect to move into the building by

April 30, 2001. To allow for delays, we will start booking for rentals for June 1, 2001.

Nous venons de compléter la peinture murale des Oblats et du mouvement de la Caisse Populaire. Nous avons confirmé deux autres peintures murales ce mois dernier, soit celui de la famille Léon Préfontaine et une autre commanditée par la famille Germain Auger.

CONVERSATIONAL FRENCH COURSE

This course is designed for people who wish to improve and maintain their competency in speaking and expressing themselves in French. A conversational approach using actual theme settings developing practical basic vocabulary and simple phrases is used. It is also designed for parents who need to help their children with homework.

Date: Jan. 17 - Feb 21, 2001 (6 weeks)

Time: 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Location: A.C.F.A. (office)

Cost: \$50.00

Instructor: Marcel Doucet

Minimum: 6 people

Registration: Lorraine at 961-3665

Deadline for registration: Fri Jan 12, 2001

LE DESSIN (DÉBUTANT)

Date: February 7 - March 21 (8 semaines)

Heure: 19h30 - 21h00

Lieu: à déterminer

Coût: \$50.00

Instructeur: Micheline Lebel

Pour s'inscrire appelez au 961-3665 (Lorraine)

COURS DE FORMATION DE GARDES ENFANTS

Nous avons reçu la nouvelle programmation pour le cours de formation de gardes enfants et nous aimerions offrir ce cours aux jeunes qui ont 12 ans ou plus.

Si vous êtes intéressé enseigner ce cours pour les jeunes S. V. P. appelez au bureau de L'A.C.F.A. 961-3665 Lorraine

NEWS & COMMUNITY EVENTS

BEST DECORATED HOUSE

1st prize - Hector & Ila Gauthier,

2nd prize - Pat & Jackie Hills.

Honorable mentions:

Robert Proulx, Terry Winsor, Greg Black, Albert St. Jean, Lucy Thiel & Pauline Fortier.

TAX INSTALLMENT PLAN

Applications are available in the town office providing the opportunity to pay your property tax on an installment plan. Payment is arranged through equal payments (post-dates cheques) beginning in January. Under the installment plan there are no penalties applied on current taxes unless a payment is not honored.

For further information or to register for the plan, visit the town office.

DOG LICENSES

2001 Dog Licenses are due in January and may be picked up at the town office.

BUSINESS LICENSES

2001 Business Licenses are now due. If picked up at the town office before February 15, 2001 a 10% discount will be applied.

MOVIE NIGHT

A movie night will be held on Friday January 26th at the Legal School from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. Please register by January 24th at the town office.

PHOTOGRAPHY BASICS

Bring any 35mm camera and learn how to operate it to take the best photos possible. Learn about film type, shutter speed, light, flash use, composition and more.

Bring camera and manuals to first class. Saturdays, January 27th and February 3rd. Fee \$48.00.

FAMILY LITERACY ACTION CALENDARS

The Aspen Regional Health Authority #11 and the Lakeland Regional Health Authority #12 have provided the funding to enable this valuable resource to be provided FREE to parents of children between the ages of 0-3 years. Pick your calendar up at the Aspen Health Unit (Morinville Office) or the Lakeland Health Unit (Redwater Office) or call Sturgeon Literacy at 923-3800 (if long distance, then first dial 413-9153, wait for instructions, then dial 923-3800.

FACILITATORS REQUIRED

The Sturgeon Adult Learning Council is currently seeking facilitators for Rhythm and Rhyme Family Time, an oral program for parents with their 0-3 year old children. Facilitators must be available to attend training sessions in February 2001, and will be required to operate weekly 1 1/2 hour sessions for 10 weeks beginning in March and ending in May 2001.

For more information, contact Sturgeon Literacy at 923-3800 (if long distance, then first dial 413-9153, wait for instructions, then dial 923-3800.

RHYTHM AND RHYME FAMILY TIME

The Sturgeon Adult Learning Council has provided the funding to ensure this 10 week interactive, oral program is FREE for parents of children between the ages of 0-3 years. Parents with their children experience delightful rhymes, songs and stories during 1 1/2 hour sessions with a trained facilitator. Snacks and socializing will conclude each session. Sessions will operate in Redwater, Gibbons, Morinville, Legal and Calahoo. Registration begins February 1, 2001. For more information, contact Sturgeon Literacy at 923-3800 (if long distance, then first dial 413-9153, wait for instructions, then dial 923-3800.

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One call to us can connect you to the people, services, clubs, and organizations you may need. Below is a list of possible questions we can help you with:



“Where can I find a recreation program for a handicapped child?”

“Where can I get information on a small business loan?”

“What recreation programs are available for our family?”

“Which government department do I call for information on pensions?”

“My friend and her family are in need of food, Where should she call?”

“Are there any literacy programs in Sturgeon County?”

“Who do I call about my neighbour’s barking dog?”

“What home care services are available for my aging parents?”

“Who should I call to find a support group for my recently divorced son?”

Call us at 921-2122. Fax us at 921-2142 (Access toll free by first dialing 413-9153.)
Email: infoline@sturgeon.ab.ca Website at: www.sturgeon.ab.ca/sunflower/index.htm

ATHLETIC WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES

From August 3 to 12, 2000, Edmonton will be hosting the Athletic World games. Approximately 3000 athletes from 200 different countries will be participating. Bilingual volunteers young and old are needed to help out.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please call L.A.C.F.A. in Edmonton at 469-4401.

CHRISTMAS HAMPER PROJECT

Christmas is a time of good will and helping the needy. The Legal Community came through again this year, with the Christmas Hamper Project being a great success. Many Legalians donated food, turkeys, and/or money.

Legal school collected items and prepared the hampers. The Legal Knights of Columbus delivered them to 17 families throughout the community. Thank you to everyone who participated.

LIFE TEEN KICKS OFF IN LEGAL

Life Teen, a program that is bringing Christ to teens around the world is coming to St. Emile Roman Catholic Church in Legal.

Life teen starts with the Eucharist every second and fourth Sunday, beginning January 14 at 6:00pm. The Life Teen Mass will be planned especially for teens and their families. Life Vision of Radway will provide the music that will praise the Lord and appeal to the Teens. It will be followed by a Life Night program at the community hall for Teens 14+. Life Teen makes it cool to learn about and love Jesus.

For more information contact Pat Letourneau at 961-4012.

Advertise Here!

If you would like to advertise your business in the Legal-erie, please contact **Dee Dee Trithart at 961-2588**

The cost is \$20.00 per month, or \$50.00 for 3 months.

If your company is looking for additional employees, you can post your Employment Opportunities here for free!

Deadline for submissions to the monthly newsletter is the 25th of each month.

Comments and suggestions about the Legal-erie can be made to Jeannie at 961-2213.

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