

The Drumheller Mail

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Verdant Valley Fair

Jason Wipf enjoys the festivities at the Verdant Valley Fair last weekend. There were many events for children and parents including a parade, face painting, treasure hunt, UFA History in Motion Trailer, an

animal display, an air bouncer, art, crafts and baking displays, antiques, spinning and knitting by Nadine, music by Del Adie and a beef barbecue to close the event.

mailphoto by Dan Leahul

Council looks at peddler problem

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Centre Street in front of all the businesses," she said. "They bother our customers when they are trying to park their cars and come into our stores to ask us if we would like to buy something and they ask our customers if they would like to buy something from them.

"We pay our business license, we have our stationary location and to have someone on the sidewalk that is sort of a front line in front of our door, that is something that we don't want."

Another problem according to Pliva is that many of these peddlers actually do own a business license and can sell on a sidewalk, which is a public space.

"The fee for a business license is quite high and if they have a business license for a period of time then they must be making money," she said. "That means that people must be buying the products from them and we think, wow, if that person would have come downtown with a little money, it's too bad they didn't shop in

my store."

Ideally, Pliva would like to see the Town of Drumheller completely ban hawkers and peddlers from selling anywhere in the downtown area. Something that the town solicitor, with CAO Ray Romanetz, are looking into to see if it is unconstitutional. Pliva's second option is that she would like the town to take a closer look at the bylaw for clarification to see if anything could be done to protect local merchants from peddlers.

"Ask yourself, do you want to buy that teddy bear or that wall clock, etc. out of a box from a guy on the street or do you want to come into a reputable business that is a long standing town supporter and will be there if you have any concerns or questions about the product you bought," she said.

Presently, the Town of Drumheller is working with the town solicitor to see what can be done about the hawkers and peddlers in the downtown core.

Morgan Jayne

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are completely dedicated to this program for life.

They are working on a shoe-string budget and receive grants for testing kits, some Antiretroviral and transportation to the other island communities. Everyone working for the foundation is a volunteer.

Fred has gotten behind the project and has spoke to his church and community groups and many are supportive of the project. Fred has also offered to do presentations for churches, schools or community groups that are interested in learning more about the project.

The Dawn Land Foundation is a charitable organization and is able to issue tax receipts. One hundred per cent of donations made to the program go towards helping the children in need.

Cash donations can be made to:

The Dawn Land Children's Health Care Foundation
C/O Kate McDonnell
17905 98A Avenue
Edmonton Alberta
T5T 3L3

Those wishing to make donations of items such as formula, vitamins or even baby clothes can ship them to:

Attn. Valerie Nelson
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BJ Services thanks Town



BJ Services officials thanked the Town of Drumheller, Mayor Paul Ainscough and CAO Ray Romanetz at a company open house on June 7th. The multi-faceted oil field service company opened their office in Drumheller recently and is operating at full capacity with 75 personnel. "This is a huge success story for us," said Blair Albers, Director of Operations for the Canadian Region, "and we are very pleased to be here." Mr. Albers added that he was very pleased with the cooperation received from the town's departments saying, "they went out of their way to expedite approvals and permits," for the new facility. (l to r) Blair Albers, region manager, Mayor Paul Ainscough, Town CAO Ray Romanetz and Douglass Hotchkiss, assistant district manager.

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