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The word of the day is **manqué:** short of or frustrated in the fulfilment of one's aspirations or talents - used postpositively. Example: Natalie is an actress *manqué* who moved to New York 10 years ago and is still looking for her first big break.





ENCANA CORPORATION DONATES \$300,000 TO NORTHERN LIGHTS COLLEGE

Northern Lights College (NLC) is pleased to announce a new \$300,000 donation from Encana Corporation towards a new proposed trades training centre to be located on the Dawson Creek Campus, subject to all appropriate approvals.

At present Trades and Apprenticeships programming on the Dawson Creek Campus is delivered in several smaller buildings that were built circa 1950's. The College is proposing to build a trades



training centre to create a consolidated learning space that will foster collaboration across program areas. The shared teaching-learning environment will improve access for students and allow for the delivery of current teaching methodologies, technologies and the installation of new equipment. Encana Corporation is a longtime supporter of NLC having donated over \$3.9 million to the College.

"This strategic investment reflects the importance of skilled trades for our company and industry," says Jim Roberts, Encana's vice-president for Northern Operations. "The proposed new skilled trades training facility will play a crucial role in building local capacity in northeastern B.C. for these in-demand careers. We would also like to acknowledge our Cutbank Ridge Partner, Mitsubishi, and their commitment towards this sponsorship opportunity."

"This donation illustrates just how committed our valued industry partners like Encana Corporation are to the process of building strong futures in the North," said NLC president and CEO Dr. Bryn Kulmatycki. "It is because of donations like these that our Trades and Apprenticeships programs continue to produce highly trained workers that are among the best Canada has to offer."

"Our students are fortunate to have benefactors such as Encana Corporation," agreed Donna Kane, NLC Foundation executive director. "Achieving a post-secondary credential can be challenging if there are additional financial pressures—the generosity of our donors helps our students ensure their academic journeys progress smoothly."

The NLC Foundation awarded more than \$500,000 to students in the 2014-15 academic year. To learn more about the NLC Foundation and upcoming awards, visit: http://www.nlc.bc.ca/About-

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1990 Ford Lariat, lots of new parts, \$2000. Call Fred at 250-261-3133 or 250-401-1157

Truck canopy that fits Toyota size truck, \$50. Call 250-788-2472

2001 GMC crew cab 4x4, 6.0L auto, 6" procomp lift, loaded, \$4500. Call 250-740-1094

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> 2000 F-350 super duty extended cab 4x4, 7.3L diesel, 6 speed manual trans, \$4500 OBO. Call or text 250-219-9748

> 2001 Dodge Ram Laramie 2500 4x4 quad-cab, tonneau cover, decent tires, extra winter tires & rims, gen II, 5.9 diesel, 300,000 km, \$7800. Call 250-788-2630

> 8' long Ford canopy, black tinted window, good shape, \$150 OBO. Call 250-788-1829

> 2010 Ford F-150 XTR automatic 4x4, crew cab, long box, box liner & cover, sunroof, low kms, lady driven, \$22,500. Call 250-788-2635

> 2007 Ford 350 super duty 4x4 Lariet, long box, headache rack, 225,965 km,

1994 Honda Civic, runs great, 1.6L, 4 cyl, front wd, standard, 5 spd, winter cyl, auto, PS, PB, 2 dr, \$4600. Call tires, new distributor & alternator, 371,000 km, \$1200 OBO. Call 250-788-3900

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> 1989 Ford Lariat in good shape, no rust, positive traction, 189,000 km, \$1800 OBO. Call 250-788-8893

> Chevy Silverado 3500 4x4 crew cab, 300 hp, 6L engine, vortech gas, long box, headache rack, auto, transfer case, newer tires, 226,000 km, \$8800. Call 250-788-1098 or 250-457-1665

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MISCELLANEOUS

chain, 6.5m diameter tape, 2 wire plot cords, \$200 for all; 5 drip torches, \$100; new wifi airport express, 2.4 + 5ghe, \$75. Call 250-788-2482

Used #450 Rigid tri-stand 1/8-5 in excellent cond, \$220. Hardly used Bushnell Spacemaster II spotting scope with tripod, \$150. Call Peter at 250-788-1947

Kenmore stove, \$400. Call 250-788-2724

dry birch camping firewood. Call 250-806-3022

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approx 20' long, \$250; outdoor toilet, 4½'x6' with room for wash stand, made of 1" poplar, lumber all screw nailed, well made & nice looking, \$600. Call 250-401-7311 and leave message.

Gas Boy 300 fuel barrel pump, \$20; Gas Boy hand fuel pump with shut off nozel, \$40; 2 log toggles, \$14 for both; metal frame barrel stand, \$15. Call 250-788-2482

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Left handed compound bow, PSE Nova set at 55lbs, hardly used, \$200 OBO. Call 250-788-2676

Prism cruising vest, Cm5 + 6 18" 24" electric cook stove, \$150; propane gas increment bore, 50m survey chain, 1 string dryer, \$250; new American Standard propane furnace, Freedom 90, \$2500. Call 250-788-3048

> Round bales of hay, bailed green in July. Mix of alfalfa, brome & timothy; large pails of organic honey, \$3.50/lb. Call 250-719-6142

> Fresh crop of new square bales, \$5.00/ea. Great horse feed. Brome, timothy, alfalfa. Call 250-788-9421 or 250-401-3431

Coleman generator, 4000kw, \$250; table 6 planting bags, \$90; 3 Yellow Cross safety vests. Call 250-788-2482

500' Rg6 coax cable, \$0.25/ft; 10' mesh Large pails of organic honey, \$3.50/lb; satellite dish with portable base; 24" Bell satellite dish system, best offer; stainless steel water distiller; table saw with motor; radial arm saw; steel cutting saw; cut off saw; welder unit; 20' portable aluminum leader. Call Henry at 250-788-2606

> 24'x32' aluminum insulated shop, \$10,000; 12'x16' tack shop with peaked roof, has power & insulation, \$5000. Call 250-401-1135

Large metal frame & heavy awning, 13" high Mukluks with silver fox and beadwork, women's size 6. Great Christmas gift. \$300 OBO. Call 250-788-9192

> Meyers 1/2 horse power jet pump, dual voltage, near new asking \$350. Misc PEX fittings, and valves, two full rolls of PEX 1/2 inch tubing, PEX manifolds and misc copper fittings estimated value over \$500 sell for \$400 OBO. Call George at 250-788-9432

> Evenflo baby safety seat, \$80; pink activity gym, \$20; 3 flower girl dresses. Call after 4pm 250-788-3099

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Quiet 16 yr old chestnut quarter horse, \$2000. Call 250-788-5479 or 250-788-2737

3 month old beagle puppies, 2 males &~1female, \$800. Call 250-788-9254

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LOST & FOUND

Lost: Brown tabby cat from Legion Sub Tues Aug 4. Answer to Jinx, has tattoo in ear. Has tendency to jump in vehicles & go through doors, so may be in a shed or outbuilding. Call 250-601-0147

Found: Wallet Aug 7th on the road in the Crown Sub. Call 250-788-9958

Found: Key fob on Aug 14, dropped off at RCMP on the same day.

Lost: Blue iPhone 5C with cracked screen on Sept 5 in Jackfish area. Call Jordan at 250-788-6836

Found: Keys left at CIBC Tuesday Sept 15 in the afternoon. Claim at the Coffee Talk.

Lost close to bus depot: Male cat with white body and grey & blue tips on face & feet, light blue eyes, comes to "Polar." Call 250-788-1285

Found: Umbrella that has couple embracing with green & purple coordinated clothing. Claim at Coffee Talk.

REC VEHICLES

2007 Can Am 650, 186 hours, 1407 km, Wanted: 2 or 3 tomahawks. Prefer snow blade, storage box, trickle charger, Cold Steel or Blackhawk brand. seat is torn, \$6500 firm. Call or text Broken/missing handles okay. Call 250-601-0150

2008 Legends fifth wheel, \$25,000. Call Wanted: Insulated dog house. Call 250-788-5821

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23 ft 1995 Travelaire Rustler holiday trailer, bumper pull, bunk beds, good cond. \$7000 OBO. Call or text 250-601-1587 or 250-556-4077

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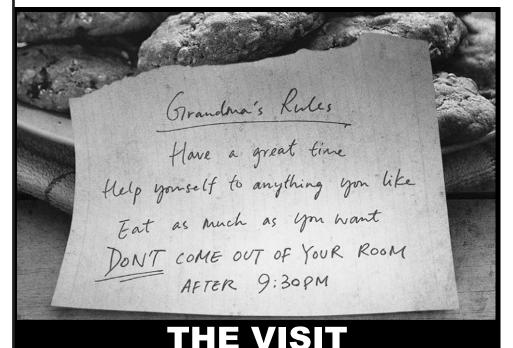
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Please take note that pursuant to Section 224 of the Community Charter, Chapter 26, the District of Chetwynd will be considering Bylaw No. 1029, 2015, for the purpose of granting permissive tax exemption for the year 2016, for the following properties.

Organization	Civic Address	Reason for Exemption	Value of Exemption for 2015
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints	5117 43A St.	Public Worship	\$1,782.62
Church of the Nazarene	4908 47 St	Public Worship	\$1,044.51
Trustees of the Chetwynd Congregation of Jehovah's Witness	4380 Access Rd. N	Public Worship	\$4,515.76
Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada	4212 53 Ave	Public Worship	\$847.38
Chetwynd Shared Ministry Society	5200 Hillside Ave	Public Worship	\$700.42
The Roman Catholic Episcopal	4300 51A Ave	Public Worship	\$4,189.79
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Chetwynd Temple Society	5025-5029 47 Ave	Public Worship	\$635.88
Little Prairie Christian Fellowship	4720 Nicholson Rd	Public Worship	\$2,309.00
Chetwynd Fellowship Baptists Church	4809 – 4825 53 St	Public Worship	\$6,553.83
Tansi Friendship Centre Society	5301 Access Rd S	Charitable or philanthropic purposes	\$1,864.45
Tansi Friendship Centre Society	5101 Access Rd S	Charitable or philanthropic purposes	\$3,381.34
Chetwynd Senior Citizen's Housing Society, Surerus Place	5353 47 Ave	Charitable or philanthropic purposes	\$6,428.81
Royal Canadian Legion Chetwynd Pacific Branch No. 258	4421 Veterans Way	Charitable or philanthropic purposes	\$1,206.86
Chetwynd Communication Society	4612 Access Rd. N	Charitable or philanthropic purposes	\$7,560.16

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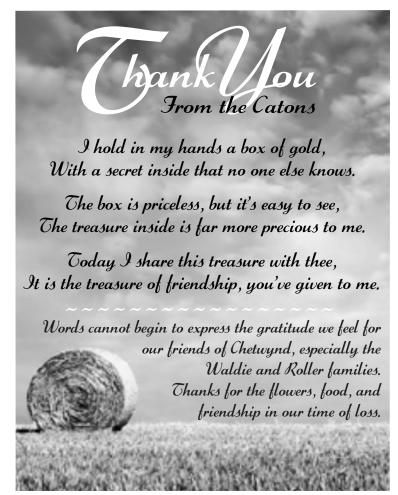


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COMMUNITY DOCTORS APPRECIATION DINNER

A most wonderful evening was held in Chetwynd on Wed. October 7th at the Chetwynd Recreation Centre to honour the local doctors for their dedication to provide health care services during the trying times of the last few years and the major changes that were taking place. A group of ladies met for the first time on September 29th and over the next nine days they planned, promoted and organized a fantastic dinner which included roast beef, turkey, ham, perogees and cabbage rolls to name a few of the menu entrees. The dinner was open to the public and was attended by 89 residents.

The committee captured the spirit of the community's feelings that the doctors were very important to the community and everyone wished to acknowledge and show their appreciation, to recognize all that they do on our behalf. As well, to recognize the struggles that a few doctors faced serving a population of 6,000 residents with limited resources; how they worked through the recent trying times of losing their colleagues to other communities, the closing of the old clinic, the move into the new, and the efforts to recruit more doctors and professionals.

The evening was kicked off with appetizers and background music by Ian Smith. The hall was decorated in a thanksgiving theme by Wendy Fontaine, Gloria Milsap, Donna Ony & Janet Lawson, followed by a dinner. Presentations, stories and accolades were made by community members including: MC for the evening, Betty Deck, reflecting on living in the community for the past 36 years and the changing health care environment. How her family found themselves living in a small, but growing village with an active Council, Chamber of Commerce, Downtown Merchants Association, and very soon



two drugstores. Over time, two doctors became three, sometimes more, and at times less. How, over the years, the community lost a drugstore to retirement, but were always fortunate to maintain one. How this second drugstore was started by Don and Jean Hicks and recently they are again at its helm. She commented how fortunate we are to have one or more long-term doctors who have stuck with the community throughout the tough times. From doctors like: Dr. Ternent and Dr. Barkhuisen in the old days, to more recent times. Dr. Venter has been with us 17 yrs., Dr. Schreve Sr. 14 yrs & Dr. Schreve Jr., Dr. Dejager, and Dr. Vanderheide to name a few others. During the last several years, it has been especially trying times for everyone in and around the health care system. For that reason, people became aware of the pressures placed on our doctors and related colleagues. Many times, this was the topic of conversation around coffee tables and elsewhere.

All the clinic resource staff at the clinic and hospital health care workers received acknowledgements for the roles they play to support the doctor's effort to maintain a healthy functioning community. Penny Morton was also recognized for her contribution to the lab and X-ray department; she is the only remaining original staff member, from the day the hospital opened 43 years ago on October 5th 1972.

Marti Rainey, a long-time RN nurse at the Chetwynd Hospital shared her story of how she came to work in Chetwynd. She came into town and dropped into the Chetwynd Esso Station where the future Member of Parliament, Hon. Frank Oberle, then Mayor of Chetwynd was working on a car in the back of the station. She was told to go on back to talk to him, a no-no even in those days. She asked how she could speak with the new doctor that was coming to town to work in the clinic. She was advised that Dr. Lennox would be coming to town by plane tomorrow and why didn't she just go meet him when they arrived. She opted not to do that, but the next day she went to the clinic at the hotel where everything in the community was based out at that time. She met with Dr. Lennox and Mr. Diamond, Administrator for the new hospital that was currently under construction. Back then the job interview process was a whole lot more lax than it is today. She expressed her pleasure for the opportunity she had to work with so many doctors over the years and thanked the present doctors for all their service to the community.

Mercedes Moffat shared her personal notes of appreciation to Dr. Schreve and Dr. Venter for their professional care during her times of need and acknowledged that Dr. Schreve was still one of those doctors who would do house calls.

Marci Fofonoff commented that, "I think it is no small thing to be a doctor in a small town. The doctors, their partners and families, live constantly under the public eye as they are central to so many lives. I know there are times when things happen beyond our control and efforts, and the doctors I know have always stepped up to the plate to help us mend. I would also like to thank all the other people who play a tremendous role – the nurses, the LPN's and the support staff, and the other medical professionals who give a great deal of themselves in looking after people in times of illness, distress and sorrow, working so hard to contribute to recovery.

Lou Surerus, a long-time resident thanked the doctors for their commitment to serving the community.

He encouraged everyone to consider the burdens placed on the doctors and staff and, that everyone should consider carefully the best utilization of their services.

Dr. Venter thanked the group for the wonderful dinner and the kind gesture from the community. He shared a piece of advice given to him when he first started his career, that he should never stay in a community longer than seven years as he would overstay his welcome. He thanked the community for allowing him to do so and, for their understanding of the difficulties the doctors and all the resource staff face in delivering health care services with limited resources. He commented "that the community has been wonderful to us and have embedded themselves in our hearts."

Dr. Bond commented that the event was outstanding and how surprised he was



when he heard of the plans to host the event and how remarkable it was that a community would go out of their way like this for the doctors. He stated his appreciation of the dinner, the wonderful evening and show of community support. He shared his observation that he had never heard of such an event happening elsewhere and had lived in many communities in his career and that it was unheard of for a community to host such a kind act. He thanked everyone for welcoming him to the community.

Dr. Banas shared his enthusiasm for the evening's events and extended his notes of appreciation as well. He also shared some of his personal desires to see obstetrics returned to the services provided at the hospital and looked forward to working with the community.

Dr. Schreve also commented on the wonderful evening and the opportunity to serve the community. He and Mrs. Schreve are retiring to their home down south; they expressed that they will return again in the future.

Larry Houley closed the evening's presentations with thanks to the Bakers' Dozen for the wonderful dinner. He, with assistance from Gloria Milsap, presented each of the doctors with gift baskets of locally-made products donated by: canning by Maggie Large and Amy Meyer, body scrub – Nicole Hooey, diamond willow toothpick holder – Neal Meyer, honey bee bath body – Julie Harroff and a cookbook – Betty Deck. Roses donated by With Love Designs were given to the ladies of the head table.

After the great stories and presentations concluded, the evening ended with a social gathering giving everyone an opportunity to visit and to offer their personal appreciation to each doctor.

This event has triggered a positive reaction within the community for everyone to work together to help establish a fully functioning health care environment in support of the ongoing efforts of other committees and organizations within the community. So many offers of help were immediately forthcoming with more volunteers joining the committee. Throughout

the discussion and planning the ladies that organized the event identified other groups within the community who also deserve special recognition and have plans to pursue those ideas as well. It was acknowledged that everyone by their presence that night recognized the depth of the doctors' commitment and the ongoing work of all the community groups collectively who strive to provide a higher level of health care for the benefit of us all.

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