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UCP leadership candidate Brian Jean made a stop in Fort Macleod on Saturday. Page 2

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Valorie Allen published her new book '8 Billion Reasons'. Page 4

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Elisabeth Pfeffel of Fort Macleod marked her 100th birthday. Page 16

MOOSE ON PARADE



Photo by Emily McTighe

A moose and her calf who call Fort Macleod's scenic River Valley Wilderness Park home were out for a walk on a recent August evening. River Valley Wilderness park is home to a diverse wildlife population.

Taste of Fort Macleod returns from 2-year pandemic absence

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A popular showcase of food and drink returns next month to Fort Macleod's historic Main Street. Taste of Fort Macleod will run from 5-9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 1, providing guests with the chance to sample products sold by area businesses and producers. "After a two-year pandemic

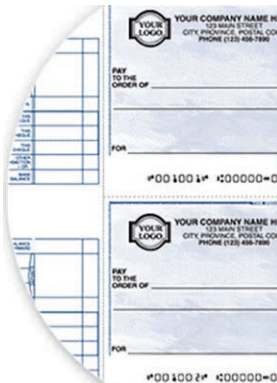
hiatus, the Taste of Fort Macleod returns stronger, accessible, and more vibrant than before," said Josh Beusekom of event host Fort Macleod Chamber of Commerce. Taste of Fort Macleod, which in the past has been held at venues such as Urban Core, the Fort Museum and the arena, was cancelled the past two years due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

"Our hope is that we bring the community back after two years of being unable to come together because of COVID," Chamber president John Gulliker said. "Taste will also show people what local businesses they can support. Having it downtown really brings in the community feeling and historical ambience." Continued on Page 2

RCMP charge two following traffic stop

Fort Macleod RCMP charged two men with weapons and drug offences following a July 26 traffic stop. Police seized methamphetamine, fentanyl, marijuana and two prohibited weapons. "Illicit drug use damages the community as a whole," RCMP Cpl. Paul Bedard said in a news release. "Fort Macleod RCMP are committed to investigating and prosecuting drug traffickers to improve public safety." "If anyone has information on illegal activity, they are encouraged to reach out to Fort Macleod RCMP to help work toward a safer community." RCMP were conducting traffic enforcement in Fort Macleod when they encountered a male driver who had warrants issued by Calgary Police Service. During their investigation, RCMP located 18 grams of methamphetamine, two grams of fentanyl and 254 grams of marijuana. Police also seized three prohibited weapons.

Clayton Roger Doyle, 30, of Claresholm, is charged with two counts of drug possession and one count of possession of cannabis for the purpose of selling. Doyle is also charged with three counts each of unauthorized possession of a prohibited weapon and possession of a weapon contrary to a court order, and one count of resisting or obstructing a peace officer. Cameron Leo Rasmussen, 26, of Fort Macleod, is charged with two counts of possession of drugs and one count of possession of cannabis for the purpose of selling. Rasmussen is also charged with three counts of unauthorized possession of a prohibited weapon and one count of resisting or obstructing a peace officer. Both men were released from custody on bail with conditions and are to appear in Fort Macleod provincial court Wednesday, Aug. 24.



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