Minister of Education Adriana LaGrange toured H.A. Kostash (HAK) School in Smoky Lake Sept. 27. Aspen View Public Schools (AVPS) officials and students explained why a new school is required and showed her the condition of the current school building.

“It’s definitely a well loved school, but it is a tired school,” LaGrange said after her brief tour. “It’s good to see first hand some of the issues.”

LaGrange held a closed session meeting with the AVPS board of trustees during which grade seven students Cameron Melnyk and Talecia Shupenia made a presentation about their school. Both are the fourth generation of their families to go to school in that building.

“We talked about how we wanted to get a new school and why,” said Shupenia. She listed items such as the roof leaks, chimneys fall off and some outside bricks are coming out. As well, the students told LaGrange about the letter-writing campaign for a new school held last fall and the students’ visit to the legislature.

“I hope they received it well,” said Melnyk. “It looked like they did.”

LaGrange, who received the education portfolio this year after the defeat of the previous New Democrat government said she appreciates the opportunity to get to know board members and learn their challenges and successes. She said they discussed education, curriculum and rural challenges, particularly transportation.

“It was very much a relationship building opportunity,” she added. She complimented Melnyk and Shupenia on their presentation and said there is a long, proud history at the school.

Asked about getting funding for a new school building, LaGrange said it is the number one priority for AVPS and will be looked at along with the priorities from all the other school divisions. An Education Department project list will be announced shortly after the Oct. 24 provincial budget.

“This one (school) has some structural challenges,” said LaGrange. “The school division has done an admirable job of using its maintenance money to ensure children are safe.” She noted that when the cost of repairs outpaces the cost of replacement, a new building is looked for.

Regarding the other issues AVPS trustees and LaGrange discussed, LaGrange said, “I’m impressed with the Aspen View board, how dedicated they are and their passion. They’re a good group.”

Board chair Candy Nikipelo said LaGrange encouraged her board members to put down their ideas about funding and send them to her.

“We do realize one size funding does not work for either rural Alberta or urban Alberta,” said Nikipelo. “We need solutions for both.”

While both urban and rural school divisions have some older buildings, urban areas tend to suffer from over-crowding while rural areas deal with declining populations and expensive transportation.

“We’ll work on suggesting a model,” Nikipelo said. “It was a great meeting.”

In January 2017, the replacement of HAK was put on the Alberta government’s Sunshine List, meaning it was selected as a provincial project but had no funding allocated to it. Since then school stakeholders have continued to advocate for a new building, including a letter writing campaign held last fall.

The list of infrastructure issues at the school include the leaking roof, aging boilers, lack of a sprinkler system, new plumbing needed to meet minimum water efficiency standards and storm water flooding in the courtyard.

Some date back to 1948. During the past decade within Aspen View the province funded renovations at both Thorhild Central and Vilna schools and a new high school built in Athabasca.

Minister of Education Adriana LaGrange (Right) speaks with Aspen View Public Schools maintenance worker Dennis Muzyka (L-R), Smoky Lake-area trustee Tom Mykytiuk and secretary-treasurer Amber Oko as they tour H.A. Kostash School in Smoky Lake Sept. 27. —Photo courtesy Aspen View Public Schools
Minister of Education Adriana LaGrange met with Aspen View Public Schools trustees, staff and students at H.A. Kostash School in Smoky Lake Sept. 27. In the photo is LaGrange seated between students Talecia Shupenia and Cameron Melnyk. Standing around them are board chair Candy Nikipelo (L-R), trustees April Bauer and Tom Mykytyuk, superintendent Neil O’Shea, and trustees Dennis MacNeil, Donna Cherniwchan, Anne Karczmarczyk and Nancy Sand. Story on front page.

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The Board of Trustees of Aspen View School Division is pleased to recognize the following H.A. Kostash School students:

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“It was quite a hoot to see all our residents letting loose and cheering for the Eskimos,” Valin said. “Definitely an outing we will never forget!”

After 50 years of collecting dust, paperwork will finally be completed to close road, consolidate title

Fifty years after a road closure bylaw by former Sturgeon No. 90 that consolidated the road lands into lands owned by Sturgeon School Division No. 24 (Camilla School site) it came back before Sturgeon County Council to dot the ‘i’ and cross the ‘t’s. The 1969 bylaw was approved by the Ministry of Highways, however the closure and consolidation “was never submitted to Alberta Land Titles and therefore never closed,” Senior Planning and Development Officer Aaron Hair advised Council at the Sept. 24 regular council meeting.

April 2018 Council approved temporarily closing the section of road to allow the Camilla School replacement project to proceed. As part of the project the School Board was required to consolidate the lots into a single parcel.

“Administration discussed the 1969 road closure bylaw with Alberta Transportation and it was determined that a new road closure was necessary,” the report to Council stated. “The process will follow Alberta Transportation procedures for road closures.”

Council also approved the transfer of the portion of road indicated in the new bylaw to Sturgeon School Division No. 24 for one dollar.

Council concluded “there was an error in ‘69 that we are just correcting today.”

Residents from Diamond Spring Lodge in Redwater, Chateau Sturgeon Lodge in Legal and Spruce View Manor in Gibbons went to the Edmonton Eskimos versus Hamilton Tiger-Cats Canadian Football League game in Edmonton Sept. 20. Diamond Spring Activities co-ordinator Marie Valin said it was "Definitely an outing we will never forget!"
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Appeal of a $1,650 invoice charged by Thorhild County for Emergency Services’ response to a 911 call to rescue a horse that fell through the ice on a dugout raised questions about responders’ ability to locate addresses and about how the department responds to and bills for responses.

“How does four people pulling on a rope for five minutes justify a $1,650 bill?” Michelle Mitchell asked Thorhild County council Sept. 24. She was invoiced $1,650 for livestock rescue after two geriatric horses, which were new to her farm and did not know they were crossing a dugout, fell through the ice on March 30.

Mitchell pointed out that the person taking care of her livestock while she was away had help and one of the two horses was rescued before Emergency Services arrived. She did not know who called 911.

Mitchell also pointed out previous county councils waived hundreds of thousands of dollars in firefighting bills for what she described as intentionally set, non-permitted fires. She stated it was therefore not right to bill her such a large amount for an incident when neither she nor the person caring for her livestock had called Emergency Services.

Coun. Richard Filipchuk said responding firefighters can be stood down before they arrive at the scene.

Emergency and Enforcement Services manager Chyenne Sturrock said all of the county’s first responders received training in reading and locating hamlet and rural addresses.

Travel Group fundraiser a success
Thorhild Central School Athens 2020 Travellers Danielle Ewasiw, Tianna Alexander, Emma Glover & Aiyden Pasay proudly hold a huge cheque the group received from holding a clothing drive over the last 3 weeks. With tremendous support from the Thorhild Central School community and the community of Thorhild the group collected 6,407 lbs of clothing & 1,032 lbs of houseware & books. They raised $1,340.68 for their trip to Athens & the Greek Island. The Value Village in north Edmonton was excited to see the amount of items that was collected in a short period of time.

Animal rescue call generates a lot of questions at council
**THORHLID COUNTY SENIORS EXCURSIONS**

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*Dates are subject to change*

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- **Time:** 12pm-2pm

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- Traffic control (installation, dismantling & removal) as required;
- Safety & security protocols to protect work areas, project personnel and other on-site activities; County employees, subcontractors;
- Dismantling and removal of system once lagoon release is complete.

**SUBDIVISION AND DEVELOPMENT APPEAL BOARD MEMBERS**

Thorhild County is inviting interested County residents to apply for the following:
- Public Members to participate on the County’s Subdivision and Development Appeal Board Training is provided and mandatory.

Further information: www.thorhildcounty.com

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Further information contact:
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Phone: 780-398-2808
Email: carol.revega@thorhildcounty.com

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Deadline for applications: Friday October 11, 2019 at 12 noon.

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Smoky Lake archers are international silver medalists

The Smoky Lake archery team won silver at the National Archery in Schools Program (NASP) All Star Tournament in Nashville, Tennessee, this summer. Smoky Lake County council presented the girls with a certificate of congratulations Sept. 26.

High school students Kierstin Dubitz, Jaylene Kinsey, Elisabeth Mahon, Shiloh Semeniuk and Emily Mahon won silver in the international tournament. These five girls, along with Dawson Barr from Thorhild Central School, were among the 16 Canadians competing in the All Star Tournament.

“Thank you for your participation and congratulations on bringing back medals,” said Reeve Craig Lukinuk. “We wish you the best of luck in the future.”

“I had an amazing time,” said Jaylene. “I learned a lot; I made new friends.” She now remains in contact with friends across the United States.

“It was an honor to compete in this event while representing Canada and my hometown of Smoky Lake,” said Shiloh. “This was an awesome experience, and I am grateful I was able to go. I have learned many new things and look forward to the archery year coming up.” She thanked council for providing some of the funds for their trip to Nashville.

H.A. Kostash (HAK) School archery head coach Hal Ziprick said the school was one of the first in Alberta to join NASP and has participated for 10 years. There are now almost 400 Alberta schools in NASP with 32,000 student archers.

HAK has hosted international archery tournaments with 400 shooters at the school and others participating via Skype from Africa and the United States.

High School girls archers from H.A. Kostash School in Smoky Lake won silver at the National Archery in Schools Program (NASP) All Star Tournament in Nashville, Tennessee, this summer. Councillor Johnny Cherniwchan (L-R), reeve Craig Lukinuk, coun. Randy Orichowski, archery team members Kierstin Dubitz, Jaylene Kinsey, Elisabeth Mahon and Shiloh Semeniuk, head coach Hal Ziprick, and councillors Lorne Halisky and Dan Gawalko pose for a photo with the certificate of congratulations presented by Smoky Lake County council to the archers. Missing from photo: archery team member Emily Mahon. –photo by Evonne Zukiwski

High cost turns lights out on night skiing at Long Lake

There will be no night skiing at the Long Lake Ski area this winter. The cost estimate to install lights on the hill, around the chalet and in the parking lot was nearly $200,000.

In a split vote Sept. 24, Thorhild County council accepted administration’s report on lighting costs for night skiing and directed staff to take no further action. That resolution ended about 11 months of investigation into the possibility of holding night skiing events at the Long Lake ski hill.

Reeve Kevin Grumetza was the only one to vote against that motion. He later explained he would have preferred to continue exploring alternatives.

“I still think the possibility is there,” he said.

“Maybe from a different approach we can at least try it. There’s ski hills all around that run night skiing. If they can do it, why can’t we? I didn’t want to fold up the tent and close the book on this.”

Grumetza said he doesn’t know if the ski hill would make any money on night skiing, but he added that these days recreation facilities do not make profits. It’s an attraction in the country, and if someone has an idea to try, council will look at it.

“I was absolutely floored when I saw the prices come in,” said Grumetza. “To me it seems awfully, awfully high, but the numbers are what they are.”

Community Services manager Carolyn Sedlowsky reported permanent lights at the ski hill would need to be along the sides of the hill (not down the center) and around facility structures (T-bar, tow rope). Insurance requires the chalet and parking lots be lit. About 65 LED lights and 54 poles would be needed.

Last fall during the 2019 budget deliberations council requested administration explore the possibility of having night skiing at Long Lake. Two main issues were identified: lighting and staffing. Council considered holding a trial using portable light stands to illuminate the ski hill. Upon learning that would cost $17,000 council voted in January 2019 not to hold the trial and directed administration to research other options.

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October Meetings
1 Municipal Planning Commission 9 a.m.
2 Subdivision and Development Appeal Board 2 p.m.
3 Regular Council Committee of the Whole 9 a.m.
15 Municipal Planning Commission 9 a.m.
16 Subdivision and Development Appeal Board 2 p.m.
22 Regular Council Committee of the Whole 9 a.m.

Sturgeon County offices will be closed on Monday, October 14, for Thanksgiving.
Air quality, infrastructure are top issues for Heartland residents

Air quality and infrastructure are the most important issues facing Alberta’s Industrial Heartland, according to a recent public perception survey of local residents. Jobs and employment was an area of interest that continued to trend upward when compared to previous surveys, while interest in water quality trended downward in comparison. Commissioned by the partners in Life in the Heartland, the telephone survey conducted in July of this year, canvassed 400 randomly selected adult residents living within Alberta’s Industrial Heartland. The same survey was done in 2015 and 2017, enabling trend comparisons to be made.

The 2019 survey also showed that residents considered safety/emergency response as the best managed issue in the region, followed by water quality/quantity, industrial noise, industrial light and air quality. Approximately, one-third of respondents cited transportation as poorly managed, although the number of people who felt transportation was being managed well trended upwards compared to previous years.

Safety/emergency response, transportation and industrial development continued to trend downwards as areas of interest when compared to the first baseline survey in 2015. The level of interest among residents regarding air quality, employment opportunities and water quality and quantity trended upwards, while the level of interest in land use planning and community investment has remained relatively the same. More than 90% of respondents rated air quality as average or better in 2019, a positive trend compared to previous years.

Significantly more residents (44%) are aware of a safety precaution called Shelter in Place in 2019 compared to previous years. A vast majority (86%) of residents said they are very or somewhat prepared to look after their household’s immediate needs for 72 hours in the event of an emergency but only 56% said they were prepared to evacuate with an emergency kit of essentials on hand.

“These and other survey results will be used to help guide our public information and awareness efforts,” said Tracey Hill, Chair of Life in the Heartland.

Life in the Heartland is a collaborative initiative offering residents easy access to information about sustainable industrial operations and development in the Industrial Heartland region. The initiative was formed in 2009 by four area partner organizations; Alberta’s Industrial Heartland Association, Fort Air Partnership, Northeast Capital Industrial Association and Northeast Region Community Awareness Emergency Response.

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Smoky Lake County’s much anticipated Environmental Reserve (ER) Bylaw received first reading Sept. 26. It addressed some concerns raised by Garner Lake residents last month, allowing storage of docks on ER land and using off highway vehicles to cross ER land.

“It’s just for crossing, not to ride up and down,” stated reeve Craig Lukinuk.

Environmental Reserve (ER) lands will be left in their natural states. However, the county may provide designated public access to a water body over ER lands if such access does not result in deterioration of the ER. All ER lands shall be available for public enjoyment, and no person shall restrict public access to ER land or in any way disrupt the natural growth of trees and plants within it. The county may authorize trails from private property across ER land.

The county will allow (written consent) seasonal storage on ER land of one temporary pier, dock or boat lift per titled parcel of land.

CAO Cory Ollikka noted the timing of this new bylaw gives the county the opportunity to advise lake lot owners regarding new provincial regulations about docks. Existing piers now require provincial and municipal approval and new piers require provincial approval.

“Although they are separate things, they’re related,” Ollikka said. “We have a unique opportunity to make sure nothing in this bylaw makes it more difficult for people.” He said the county is waiting for provincial regulations to be confirmed before addressing the question of whether to allow vehicles to cross the ER to install docks. Once docks are on the water, they are considered available for public use.

“Our bylaw has nothing to do with provincial dock regulations,” noted coun. Randy Orichowski. Penalties for infractions of the bylaw range from $200 to $500. Members of the public may comment on the bylaw during an upcoming open house and public hearing. Council will consider second and third readings of the bylaw after the public engagement sessions.

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Ewasiw family hosts recently-found British cousin

The Ewasiw family in Thorhild County hosted Olga Smith, a cousin from Great Britain, at a family celebration Sept. 7. Relatives from Thorhild and across the province got together to meet Smith and reconnect with each other. It was a celebration three years in the making, because it was three years ago that Smith found her Canadian family.

Marsha Ewasiw and David Dudka wrote the following:

Imagine looking for family you thought you had but weren’t sure of. Now imagine coming to Canada and meeting those relatives. That is what Olga Smith did Sept. 7, 2019. She travelled from Great Britain to Thorhild and met not only three of her dad’s first cousins, but also 18 of her second cousins and their spouses.

David Dudka, one of her second cousins, made sure she took back a lot of pictures with those cousins and of the day. We all had a wonderful lunch that was provided by those who attended, so it was a little bit of everything. I’m sure she was overwhelmed by the attendance, as were we. We had relatives from Thorhild, Edmonton, St. Albert and Wainwright. It was also a chance for everyone to reconnect with everyone.

To recoup, Olga was looking for her dad’s uncles who immigrated to Thorhild in the early 1900s. She saw a winning photo on the county website that was taken by Devin Ewasiw, and the name caught her attention as her baby’s maiden name was Ewasiw in Ukraine. She contacted the county and Arlene Shwets forwarded the email to Devin’s mom, who forwarded it to Marsha Ewasiw, who emailed Olga and started a quest to find some information for her. Marsha got some pictures from Kay Rusinko (her aunt) and emailed them to Olga. Kay then enlisted the help of David as he had previously travelled to Ukraine to find relatives. The rest, as they say, is history.

After our wonderful afternoon, David and his wife, Marge, took Olga on a trip to Drumheller, Banff and Jasper before seeing her daughter from Vernon, in case she was overwhelmed by the day. We all had a wonderful day and we all had lots of relatives to email and keep in touch with.

Extended family members Devin Ewasiw (L-R), Marsha Ewasiw, Olga Smith, Kay Rusinko and David Dudka stand together at a family celebration in Thorhild Sept. 7. Smith, who is from Great Britain, visited Alberta last month to meet relatives she hadn’t seen three years ago when Devin had a picture win a Thorhild County photo contest.
Christopher Richardson tops his pizza with pepperoni slices during Redwater’s Master Chefs summer program July 16.
Local harvest has global benefit

by Amy Hibbard-Hiscock

The 17th annual Share the Harvest event was held at the junction of Highways 643 and 825 near Gibbons in September. “Share the Harvest” was formed in 2003 by a group of Fort Saskatchewan area farmers who believed they were blessed to live in Canada—a land of abundance. They felt compelled to aid people around the world who struggle to have enough food for themselves and their families. “There’s many ways to help others and this is just one that our farmers are involved in,” says Shaan Galloway, spokesperson/member of Share the Harvest.

They host an annual harvest where local farmers will attend with an average of a dozen combines and trucks and grain carts where the crop is sold and all proceeds are donated to the Canadian Foodgrains Bank (CFGB) to work towards their vision of a world without hunger. The CFGB is a partnership of 15 Canadian churches who work together in an effort to combat world hunger.

This year, there were 11 combines that worked together to harvest 295 acres of barley. The land and crop inputs such as seeds and fertilizer are donated by businesses and individuals. The field was two different projects—the Grow Project of 145 acres (donated to the cause by Suncor Ltd.) and Grow Hope project of 150 acres is an initiative to increase donations by requesting public sponsorship of $300/acre. Currently there are 375 acres available for the project and 252 are sponsored. Proceeds from the two projects are further supported by 3:1 to 4:1 Government of Canada grants to support the Canadian Foodgrains Bank.

The Grow Project is one of over 200 projects across Canada that raise funds for the CFGB. Share the Harvest has raised over $1.25 Million to help the poor around the world. The CFGB works with partners around the world to provide emergency food in times of crisis, and offer programs to help the poor provide for themselves through farmer training, help with irrigation projects, micro finance projects, etc. The CFGB provided assistance to 800,000 people in 36 countries in 2018-2019.

At mid-day, Sept. 14, following about 3 hours of combining, Galloway projected a yield that would be pretty close to 100 bushels per acre. That would make the harvested crop worth around $140,000, to be matched with a projected 3:1 or 4:1 Government of Canada grant to make the 2019 project worth a total of roughly half a million dollars. The Grow Hope project is still looking for sponsorship of their acres which can be done through Share the Harvest.

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County wants red tape cut on provincial highway accesses, setbacks

Sturgeon County Council endorsed a proposed Rural Municipality of Alberta resolution for consideration at the Oct. 7 Pembina River Zone meeting that calls for Alberta Transportation (AT) to reduce red tape that limits rural development or economic potential, suggesting authority be delegated to municipalities to regulate provincial highway access and setback requirements.

Council unanimously supported the resolution at their regular Council meeting Sept. 24. Coun. Wayne Bokenfohr was appointed as the Resolution Champion. He said he looked forward to presenting the resolution as it is “time to bring this back to the Province’s attention”.

The background on the resolution notes AT policy requires a permit for any road-side development within a “development control zone” which is 300m from a provincial right-of-way or 800m of the center line of a highway and public road intersection. Each permit is considered on a case by case basis.

The resolution contends the setbacks can limit development of rural communities “particularly when approved setbacks are restrictive or when roadway improvement costs are applied only to a few adjacent landowners.”

Sturgeon adds ice rescue to its emergency services list

With the fall weather hinting of the snow and ice to follow, Sturgeon County Council amended their Fire Services Bylaw at the regular Council meeting Sept. 24 to include ice rescue to the services provided.

Manager of Protective Services /Fire Chief Pat Mahoney said the department “has obtained equipment and carried out formalized training in order to provide the additional services to County residents, visitors and emergency partners. Earlier this year 24 members including full time and paid on-call firefighters were qualified in ice rescue.”

Coun. Noel Coauvez questioned if more of the various fire departments volunteers planned to be trained in ice rescue in the future. Mahoney replied there would be ongoing training with those trained this year only the initial class. He estimated there are 100 volunteers and nine full time staff currently serving the County through the various local fire departments and County Protective Services.

Coun. Dan Derouin asked if there was “cross over for water rescue”. Mahoney said the ice rescue equipment /suits can be used in different applications but water rescue is another training “We would certainly do our best to assist if called on,” he concluded.

‘Take It or Leave It’ at Roseridge

by Grant Cree

Residents are invited to pick up new treasures or dispose of them at the local Roseridge Waste Management facility, located two km east of Morinville. There’s no fee involved for dropping off or picking up items at the facility, explained Susan Berry, the Roseridge Manager.

“Most people come to the landfill with a mixed load,” said Berry. “They’ll have some garbage and maybe a ‘take it or leave it’ item. When they come across the scale, we weigh in all vehicles and we weigh them on the way out. In some instances however, there might be a fee because people will have to be charged disposal fees for the waste that they brought there.”

“So that’s the confusing part,” admitted Berry. “On the other hand, if people arrive with items for the Take it or Leave it, there’s no charge for that.”

Berry noted the facility has managed the Take It or Leave It program since 2017 as a routine part of their daily operations. “When the town of Morinville was doing those big events, that was different because it was done in partnership with the town,” said Berry. She was referring to the annual ‘Reuse it or Loosen it’ recycling initiative spearheaded by local resident Cynthia Wandler.

“This is our little contribution to try and get people to think about reusing before they dispose of stuff,” said Berry. She pointed to a building known as the Paint Shed that houses the Take It or Leave It program. “Now that we’ve taken it over with all of these recycle products, it includes paint recycling which is a very busy program.”

Inside the Take It or Leave It building on Sept. 19 was an assortment of unwanted furniture and other items waiting for a new home. “We recycle paints in this building as well,” noted Berry. “Our space on this site is really limited, this facility was designed in the early 1980s.”

According to Roseridge, the Take It or Leave It program offers a chance for unwanted items to be reused by others. Residents can drop off or pick up items anytime during normal operating hours. People who don’t bring garbage but want to browse through the Take It or Leave It shed are asked to bring their permit so they can check out potential new treasures.
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Karl Lewisch said it was a good way for family farmers to hear the thoughts and concerns of other farmers.

In December 2015, the “Enhanced Protection of Farm and Ranch Workers Act” was introduced and heard.

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The consultation process continues with the next stop in Calgary scheduled for Sept. 27.

It’s great to see so many people out here and hearing about their experiences,” said Dreeshen.

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