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Help for victims Justice Minister Tyler Shandro announced changes to provincial aid for victims of crime. Page 2

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Gospel music Robert Thiessen and Prairie Joe performed at the gospel jamboree. Page 8

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A fish tale 'Tale of a Fish Scale' is a new art exhibit at Fort Macleod Library. Page 16

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Tyson Bier and Alicia Dowie round the corner Friday night in a mini chuckwagon race at Heritage Acres Farm Museum. The

chuckwagon races were part of the entertainment at Heritage Acres' annual show celebrating 'Year of the Horse.' Photos, Page 12.

Blackfoot veteran shares good fortune

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Preston Crow Chief had many people praying for his safe return in 2009 when he deployed to Afghanistan with the Canadian Armed Forces.

Crow Chief on Thursday painted Blackfoot warrior symbols on two horses in Centennial Park to pass on

his good fortune.
"I want all the prayers that were given to me when I was overseas, all the good luck and fortune, I want these two horses and riders to receive the same luck," the 33-yearold Crow Chief said.

Joseph, a Norwegian Fjord horse and Moonshine, a Morgan-Arab cross, are part of the Lethbridge Therapeutic Riding Association.

Joseph and Moonshine as well as other horses travel across southern Alberta to bring comfort and healing

to people. The ceremony in Centennial Park on Thursday morning was co-ordinated by Alberta Health Services and the Lethbridge Therapeutic

Riding Association.
"A lot of it is for healing," explained Vera Crow Shoe of Alberta Health Services. "Horses mean a lot to our First Nations . . . we share the good fortune that we have

with each other."
"A lot of the people who are here today are going through some tragedy. We use this for healing purposes to connect with those horses and their spirits."

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Preston Crow Chief paints Blackfoot warrior symbols on Joseph.





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