

# THE BUZZ

ADVANCING FUTURES BURSARY PROGRAM NOVEMBER 2011



## IMPORTANT REMINDER FOR ALL STUDENTS!!!!



The deadline for all winter term award extensions is:

**NOVEMBER 15, 2011**

If you are currently in a program and are continuing into January, please call your coordinator to ensure that you have funding in place! Even if you have already applied for the entire year, we still need proof of enrollment. We may also require additional documentation like book lists or supply costs, so call to make sure you're covered!!

## ASK AFB

### Where's my Cheque?

Every month, we get call after call asking this very question...and the answer never changes...

THE 2nd LAST BUSINESS DAY OF THE MONTH IS WHEN YOUR LIVING ALLOWANCE WILL BE RELEASED.

If your cheque is not released to you, it may be due to a computer boo-boo or poor attendance, etc..

Also keep in mind that it takes up to 4 weeks to process a payment for things like receipts, damage deposit, or eyeglasses, so **PLAN AHEAD!**

When in doubt, give us a shout!  
You may also refer back to the online orientation.

## Out with the old...in with the new!

Fall is a time for change they say, and lots is changing at AFB! As with most change, there's the good news and the bad news, so here goes:

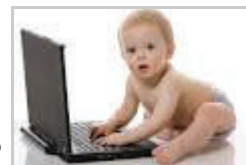
### The Bad News:

After three years with *Advancing Futures*, Academic Upgrading Program Coordinator, Jena Bober, has moved on to a new opportunity with the City of Edmonton and the Edmonton Police Service. She wanted us to tell her students how proud she is and how much she will miss all of you.



### The Good News:

We have a new Coordinator in Calgary! Please welcome Kari Castle to the team! She comes to us with a TON of experience, a sense of humour and this weird thing she can do with her ears. Lindsay is so happy to have a friend down in Calgary that she will probably make Kari do most of her work for a while, so be nice, be patient and be good so that poor Kari doesn't get overwhelmed!



While we search for another "Jena" (totally impossible, but we'll try), Academic Upgrading students Camrose South can contact Kari at [kari.castle@gov.ab.ca](mailto:kari.castle@gov.ab.ca) or 403-297-6003. Students Camrose North can contact Jackie Astle at [jackie.astle@gov.ab.ca](mailto:jackie.astle@gov.ab.ca) or by calling 780-415-0085.

Please be patient with us while we adjust to the lack of Jena's awesomeness and search for fresh talent!

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**\$\$\$ for your Hard Work!**

*The Duke and Duchess of Cambridge  
Scholarship*

How Much? \$2000 per student

Who? 25 AFB Students with the **highest GPA** while studying for a degree, certificate or diploma *\*Upgrading and specialized high schools count!!\**

Why? For being an AFB student!!!



Thanks

Will and  
Kate!!!!!!!!!!!!

**November 11th is  
Remembrance Day**

**Lest We Forget.....**



**ATB Financial YES Program**

How Much? \$17,500 per student

Who? 6 students taking a 4-year degree or 2-year diploma in Finance, Communications, Marketing, Human Resources, Sales, Business or Information Technology.

The Details: You **MUST** meet AFB criteria and score 90% or more on your Road Trip

**STAY TUNED....**For more information on these FINE \$\$\$ opportunities!!

**Direct Deposit Form Reminder!**

If you haven't already done so, make sure you send in your completed form ASAP! We are hoping to have the Direct Deposit up and running early in the new year!

Please continue to pick up your cheques at your usual location until you hear from us.

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**Decorating on a Budget**

A great looking home doesn't have to cost a lot. Here are some quick tips that can get you that cozy, designer look without breaking your budget.

- Shop at second-hand stores and consider refurbishing furniture that may need a little TLC (tender loving care). If you don't mind a retro or antique touch to your furniture then the second-hand stores will be where you will find bargains and your true authentic treasures.
- Fresh paint can instantly transform a room or an area of your home. Try something bold. After all, the worst thing that can happen is that you'll need to paint over it. You can try painting an entire room or just an accent wall.
- Rather than getting a brand new couch, chairs or ottomans, why not just buy a new slip cover for the furniture you already own? These will be much more economical plus you'll be able to switch the slipcovers with the seasons or to change up the look of the room.
- Online Classifieds (like Kijiji) can also score you some great deals!

Happy Decorating!