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The Alberta Ballet's *Dangerous Liaisons*, set during the reign of King Louis XVI, runs tonight until Saturday at the Jubilee Auditorium. Tickets for the events are available at Ticketmaster. The show starts at 8 p.m.

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# Kids do the diabetes dance

Performers bring show on disease to contest winners

By KRISTA SYLVESTER  
Metro Calgary

Two local elementary schools were jumping in celebration yesterday after winning a contest to bring a nationwide touring concert to their schools.

The schools submitted student-created posters on diabetes in a national competition held this school year.

Everyone Jump — Kids Changing Diabetes is a fun and educational way to teach children about Type 2 diabetes, a Pineridge Community School teacher told Metro.

"The kids were definitely excited to win and it's a great opportunity. I think this is a better way for them to learn

and it will stick with them a lot longer than what I teach them," Grade 5 teacher Paul Reed said.

Dance and song performers Cara Stephenson and Andrew Chandler entertained the kids for more than an hour with songs about diabetes, eating healthy and exercising.

Emma Laird, stage manager of the show, said the Ontario-sponsored group is touring 37 schools across the country and reaching more than 10,000 students.

"It's going very well and the students love it. Every school we've been to the kids are up and participat-

ing and waving their hands in the air. It's great," Laird said.

"We want the kids to know it's never too early to learn to be healthy by eating right and exercising because Type 2 diabetes is a proven preventable disease."

Some tips given to the kids were to eat healthier alternatives such as carrots, celery and broccoli instead of chips and chocolate. The other message was for the kids to get up and be active by dancing, playing sports or running.

Monsignor Neville Anderson School was the other Calgary winner.

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Emma Laird, stage manager for the dance show



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Kids at the Pineridge Community School won a concert from Cara Stephenson and Andrew Chandler in a poster contest about preventing Type 2 diabetes.

## Love denies backing Grit incumbent

By STEVE LILLEBUEN  
Metro Edmonton

Ralph Klein's former right-hand-man is denying reports that he's endorsing a Liberal candidate in the upcoming provincial election.

Political insider and Tory stalwart Rod Love says he never backed Dave Taylor, who is running as the Liberal incumbent in the Calgary-Currie riding, during a recent radio interview.

"I never endorsed him," he told Metro yesterday. "I said, 'I live in the community and from what I see he's out and about all the time, so, in that respect, he's a good MLA and that's it.'"

The Calgary Sun had picked up on the interview and spun the story into an all-out endorsement, Love says, causing him to demand a full retraction, which has been issued today.

The Tories are running high-profile candidate Arthur Kent against the Liberals in the riding for the Mar. 3 vote.



Love

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## crash deaths Accused driver awaits bail hearing

**LEGAL** A man charged with five counts of manslaughter in a horrific crash that killed five people, including three young kids, will have to wait until later this month to see if he will get bail.

While 50-year-old Daniel Tschetter has already been denied bail twice, his lawyer made another application after charges were upgraded.

The judge will decide on bail on Feb. 22. METRO CALGARY

# Cops to review inquiry recommendations

Report released on death of man shot by city police

By KRISTA SYLVESTER  
Metro Calgary

City cops responded yesterday to an inquiry report into the death of a man shot and killed by Calgary police three years ago.

One of the recommendations from the report stated the Calgary Police Service start carrying "bean bag-type," non-lethal weapons.

Insp. Barry Clark of the support section told reporters while the Calgary police will have a committee look at the recommendations, he said the service uses Tasers now as a non-lethal weapon, not bean bag rounds.

"It (Taser) certainly provides us a different option and an option we're currently deploying. I don't foresee us ever going back to bean bag rounds," Clark said. "We don't use bean bag rounds anymore for a number of reasons."

### incident

» Cheema was shot by city police after stabbing his wife and mother-in-law repeatedly, before advancing on police officers with a knife.

According to Clark, bean bag rounds, which are round and plastic, weren't very accurate and were previously phased out.

The inquiry report into the death of Harjinder Singh Cheema, who was killed by city police in 2005, was re-

leased yesterday by a city judge who recommended Calgary Police Service take a look at how they use tactical-team officers and have access to other non-lethal weapons.

"It's easy for everyone to look at this two years later and point out mistakes. Did we make mistakes? Perhaps. Could there have been a different outcome? Perhaps. But a lot has happened since 2005 with training and technology," Clark said.

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## »news In Brief

» **AIRPORT** A new passenger record has been set at the Calgary International Airport. According to the airport authority, more than 12 million travellers took to the skies via the city airfield — more than one million more than last year.

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