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Healthcare roadshow opens doors for students

Benny Lee discussed medicine with North Peace Secondary School students using an anatomical model on Tuesday.

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William Stodalka
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High school students got a taste of what a career in medicine could look like at the Healthcare Travelling Roadshow on Tuesday.

Students from North Peace Secondary School were given demonstrations of various fields of medicine, from physiotherapy to midwifery, from students who are in medical studies themselves.

Dr. Sean Maurice, who helped start the event five years ago, said that the roadshow has visited various northern communities, but 2015 marks the first year it was done in Fort St. John.

The program's goal is to inspire kids to consider studying healthcare.

"They can look at X-rays, they can look at birthing models, and listen with a stethoscope and hear somebody's blood pressure," he said.

The program has already inspired at least

one person to study medicine.

Tori Giesbrecht grew up in Fort Nelson, and said she was inspired to become a lab technician after the roadshow came to her town five years ago.

"I was really open to ideas [about my career] at the time, looking for guidance," she said. "I'm more shy though, so I didn't want to be nurse or doctor because they're in the forefront ... you're still helping people [as a lab tech] which I really like."

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Humour helps at senior's conference



South Peace Seniors Access Services Society held its fifth annual conference. A3

Making way for a Supercentre



The Dawson Creek Walmart is being converted into a Supercentre as early as later this year. A7

Trying out wheelchair basketball



Residents got to try out some different activities as part of National Health & Fitness Day. B1



Crews drive pylons for a new footbridge on the north bank of Dawson Creek.

JONNY WAKEFIELD PHOTO

Dawson Creek walking trails to be connected

Jonny Wakefield
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Larry Moody and a group of men in construction gear stood on the north side of Dawson Creek Tuesday and watched a backhoe pound piles into the bank.

Soon, the piles will support a bridge that will complete the town's creekside walking trail. For Moody, it was a welcome sight.

"It's about time," said Moody. "We can finally see a light at the end of the tunnel."

After years of delays, a 108-foot bridge will extend the 4.7 kilometres of creekside walking trails that run from 19th Street in the west to Brookside Cemetery in the east, putting the trail back on the creek's south bank.

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