

Mundare News



Town Stuff

Public Works staff is in the process of replacing some water meters and may be visiting you to do the work. If you're not home, they will leave a note: your cooperation is appreciated in helping them get this work done.

Don't forget those pet licenses, folks - required for cats (\$5) and dogs (\$10)

Family Day - Monday, February 16

- Town Office will be closed
- Free Family Skate at the Arena from noon-2pm



S.T.A.R.S. EVENING IS BACK - APRIL 18 - SEE P. 3 FOR DETAILS
Get your tickets early!

If you don't have a **phone book** yet, please come by the Town Office and pick one up.

So Canada's groundhogs are split: one says early spring, the other not. Since the weather will be what it will be, you might just want to get ahead of the spring cleaning game: start sorting your stuff out in advance of the **Town Garage Sale - Saturday, May 2.**



**Council Meetings:
February 3 & 17**

Volume 2 Issue 2 February 2015

Mayor's Corner **Charlie Gargus**



Fundraisers are a part of every organization's activities. They not only help raise the funds needed to pay the bills and keep the lights glowing, but unite the membership of the organization in a "team effort".

Kudos to the excellent effort undertaken by Mundare's Minor Hockey Association, the Mundare Agricultural Society and the "Old Dawgs" hockey team. They have worked hard to gather the funds needed to renovate the change rooms in the arena and the improvements are outstanding!

I was able to tour the area during the Friday night hockey game between the "old Dawgs" and the team that is in training for "The Longest Hockey Game" organized by Brent Saik. "It takes an incredible team of people for anyone to succeed" ... and this is certainly another good

example of this wise quote.

The next evening, I saw another example of fund-raising at its best - the Mundare Curling Club's Improv Dinner Theatre brought something new and different to our town. Not only was the event well planned but had excellent public support with all tickets sold out ahead of time.

Halloween dances, perogy suppers, Valentines and New Year's Dances, are all part of a similar effort to fund-raise needed dollars for things like playgrounds and skate parks.

With the upcoming February Family Day Events, the Ukrainian Music Workshop and concert in March, the public skating at the arena, the bowling alleys at the Civic Complex,

Yoga classes and bingo at the Mundare Senior's Centre, plus the full line up of summer events, there is certainly no shortage of ways to get out and be actively involved in Mundare.

Do attend functions in support of the organizations that work hard to make our town a better place to live. Join a group that you think interests you and discover who your neighbours are! Whichever you choose to do, active participation builds a strong and healthy community.

I invite you to just ask at the Town Office if you are not already involved, and staff will be happy to provide guidance regarding the organizations that you can join. Also, the Town of Mundare website www.mundare.ca does contain a wealth of this information. Charlie

Town Web Site

To businesses, community organizations and anyone who goes looking for information on our web site - www.mundare.ca:

It's time to update the information we have on the website, to make sure it's correct (contact numbers and people, etc.) - and that whatever you'd like to highlight about your business or organization is there.

We are working with

Townlife, our Web site host, on various things but with some emphasis on the **Attractions section** - to make sure we have it 'just so' when the tourists start looking around for places to go and things to see!

Please have a look around and give us feedback. All comments are welcome: call Susan at the Town Office 780-764-3929 or e-mail scampbell@mundare.ca.

And expect more cyberspace news from us in the near future, as the Town

prepares to enter the world of Social Media ... one step at a time, but also in preparation for summer events. Facebook and Twitter, here we come ...



Canada Flag Day - February 15 - marks our flag's 50th birthday.

What's Happening in Town ...

Communities in Bloom Update: Plans for the upcoming growing season are well underway. We have a number of "clean-up" areas to finish from last year, as well as organizing the floral display. Four new planters will be purchased with funds from the Christmas event proceeds. Also, as it is the 50th anniversary of the Canadian flag, we are planning 'red & white' as the feature colours on Main Street. The next meeting will be a week later than usual (the 16th is Family Day): **Monday February 23 at 1:30 p.m. in Council Chambers** - hope to see you there!!!

KidSport believes that all kids should be given the opportunity to experience the positive benefits of organized sports and provides grants to children facing barriers to participating. Applications now available at the Town Office: for more information call KidSport Vegreville at 780-603-3442.

Mundare 341 Air Cadets meet every Wednesday - 6:15 p.m. at the National Hall. New members always welcome.

Bowling Registration: If you'd like to join a bowling league in Mundare, there's still time to register at the Town Office.

Mary Immaculate Hospital Auxiliary reminds you: they meet the first Monday of every month at 1pm at the MIH care centre. New members are always welcome to join us!

Mundare Minor Hockey Association:

Check out the Mundare Viper's 2015 Hockey Tournament - February 5-8.

Mundare Curling Club Still time to register for the **Ladies' (Feb. 27-28, Mar.1)** and **Men's (Mar. 13-15) Bonspiels**. The Curling Club is also looking for home-based businesses that would like to sell their wares at a Mini-Market - February 28 from 10 am - 4 pm at the MRC - during the Ladies Bonspiel. If interested, contact Cheryl Zacharkiw at 780-764-3965.

Mundare School News: Where has the first half of the school year gone? The Jr. High has switched over to their Semester Two options and we have started working on our Jump Rope for Heart activities for February. January was a very busy month with the boys and girls basketball teams starting up, and the grade four's and six's working on their swimming lessons. Our students continue to impress me with their strong work ethic and positive attitudes. We are so proud of their accomplishments and encourage them to put forth their very best all the time.

We are scheduled to move into the new school building over spring break. Tracey says that every day he walks through the construction site, sees more items being finished up - and the

building looks beautiful! He can't wait to show it off to all of you!

February is a short but action-packed month at the school: Teachers' Convention, Family Day, Jump Rope for Heart and the School ski trips, as well as all of the curriculum and learning that also has to happen. February tends to fly by and soon we'll be in March, with spring just around the corner. Have a great February - and stay warm!

Mundare Seniors are busy as ever: **Bingo** every Tuesday (doors open at 6pm, Bingo starts at 7) and **Floor Curling** Monday and Wednesday from 1-3pm.

Interested in taking a tour of Edmonton's world famous Waste Management Centre? With its unique collection of advanced recycling and composting facilities, the Centre has been called "the ultimate waste theme park". Find out how recyclables get sorted, how old computers get recycled and how garbage gets turned into compost or methanol. Facility tours are every Friday - maximum 15 people per tour: if enough people are interested, we can probably arrange a field trip! Call Susan at the Town Office 780-764-3929 if you'd like to join the Garbage Tour!

Business Buzz:

Mundare Bakery - As the days get longer - so do our hours: we are now open at 10 a.m. Valentine's Day is Saturday, February 14 - be sure to let your Valentine know how sweet they are with a great from the bakery. And don't forget our gluten-free selections.

As always, our sandwiches are made with in house roasted meat, and our soups made from scratch. Need something special? Call Marissa at 780-760-3988: Mundare Bakery - Your Home Style Bakery

Master Electrician in Town - can sign permits - call Mike Ikert at 780-603-1199.

Servus Credit Union: Servus Credit Union was proud to partner with the Mundare Curling Club with a donation of \$1,000 for their supper and Dinner Theatre. Once

again, we are committed to making a difference in the communities where we live and work.

You are invited to our **10 year Anniversary** in the Mundare community on **Thursday, February 12 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.** Stop by the branch as we look forward to celebrating with you, your friends, and a referral for your neighbour.

We see growth potential in all our members. No matter where you are in your retirement timeline, we offer expert advice that's best for you. Let's talk about your investment options before the March 2 deadline.

The Mundare branch staff will be sad to see Irene Talaga retire with over 6 years of experience. Irene was dedicated in her community involvement as well as providing an exceptional member experience. We are hosting a special retirement party on February 13 - please stop by the branch to wish her all the best in her retirement. We will also have goodies and refreshments for everyone.

Mental Illness: Help End the Stigma

Join **Bell Let's Talk** at letstalk.bell.ca and learn more about the 5 ways to help: [Language Helps/Educate Yourself/Be Kind/Listen and Ask/Talk About It](#).

Fire Department Tips

February 1-7: BURN AWARENESS WEEK in Alberta

Check Fire Commissioner's web site for home safety tips

Solid Fuel Burning Appliances

Before purchasing or installing a solid fuel burning appliance, there are a number of things to consider.

A building permit is required before installing or modifying any solid fuel burning appliance - check with the Town Office for more information.

Ensure the appliance, accessories, components and equipment satisfy the standards of CAN/CAS, CAN/ULC, ULC and the requirements of the authority having jurisdiction.

Check the manufacturer's installation instructions as part of the certification process to ensure safe operation of your solid fuel burning appliance.

Labels on the appliance are your assurance the product has been tested

and conforms to the established safety standards.

Seek out professional installers that are 'WETT' (Wood Energy Technical Transfer) certified. Professional installation will gain the maximum performance from your appliance.

When solid fuel burning appliances are installed in a mobile home, the appliance must be tested and labeled "for use in mobile homes".

Protection must be provided to a combustible floor the appliance is placed on. The appliance and its components require proper clearance from wall(s) and ceiling. The proper chimney and installation of the chimney must conform to the standard for factory built chimneys. Masonry and concrete chimneys must conform to the Alberta Building Code and be constructed by a qualified tradesperson. Proper maintenance of the chimney is required for the life of the appliance.

Ensure the smoke alarms in your residence are functioning as designed. The Alberta Building Code requires carbon monoxide alarms (CO alarms) be installed in each room containing a solid fuel appliance. Have a fire extinguisher located near the area of the appliance.

Mark your calendars!!!!
S.T.A.R.S. Evening is returning
April 18, 2015
Mundare Rec Centre
Cocktails 5:30 Dinner 6:30 p.m.
Dance to follow with D.J.
\$50 per person
An evening of fine dining, great entertainment, raffles and live auction in support of
Shock Trauma Air Rescue Society & Mundare Fire & Rescue
Advance tickets only available at Town Office and ATB Financial For information call Glenda at 780-363-3884

Community Feature: Annual Ukrainian Music Workshop



The 10th Annual Workshop for Ukrainian Music

will be on **March 7, 2015**. This will be a one-day workshop, followed by an evening concert (7:00 p.m.) and a Group Jam.

Classes for fiddle, dulcimer, accordion and keyboards will be available, with the primary focus on fiddle music.

Registered students will learn tunes that are distinctly Ukrainian and will be able to perform these tunes with their group and instructor during the evening concert with doors open to the public at 6:45 p.m.

This concert will follow a hearty supper for workshop registrants and their families, provided by the ladies at the Mundare Recreation Centre.

The remainder of the evening will be a Group Jam format for anyone wishing to perform, and any style involving fiddles will be welcomed. In the past, even banjo players joined in the fun!



The format of this workshop is similar to the one that was developed by The Alberta Society of Fiddlers these past 19 years. Organizers began ASF to promote fiddle music among young people so that this wonderful style of music is not lost as master fiddlers retire their fiddles.



The result is an amazing group of young fiddlers that now roams the province, going to fiddle camps and fiddle competitions.

After 9 years of Ukrainian Music workshops in Mundare, it is good to hear students sharing their repertoire at ASF Camps. Along with the many great Scottish, Irish, French and Celtic fiddle tunes that are played, we now can hear a "jammer" share one of their favourite Ukrainian "snappers"!

The goodwill and camaraderie that develops at the ASF fiddle camps has certainly been evident during the previous Mundare workshops.

All are welcome to register as students or to take in the fantastic concert! Entry to the concert is \$5. For registration information, please check Facebook (at Mundare Ukrainian Music Workshop) or contact us at 780-764-3062 or at cdgargus@rvjnet.ca.





What's New in the Library

DVD RELEASES

The Best of Me Feb 3

John Wick Feb 3

Big Hero 6 Feb 24

Horrible Bosses Feb 24

FOOD FOR FINES IS BACK!

PAY YOUR OVERDUE FEE WITH A DONATION TO THE FOOD BANK

COME CELEBRATE WINTER READING PROGRAM

READ 7 HOURS IN THE MONTHS JAN/FEB THAT'S LESS THAN 15 MINUTES A DAY AND YOU COULD WIN ONE OF SIX IPAD MINIS AND MANY OTHER PRIZES.

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME AND CRAFT THURSDAY FEBRUARY 12

**@ 10:15AM FREE OF CHARGE
MUST PREREGISTER BY FEB 9TH
IF I DO NOT HAVE ANYONE REGISTERED THE PROGRAM WILL BE CANCELED**

NEW BOOKS THIS MONTH

THE SECRETS OF MIDWIVES Sally Hepworth

THE NIGHTINGALE Kristin Hannah

THE GREAT WESTERN CANADA BUCKET LIST:

one-of-a-kind travel experiences

Robin Esrock

THE FIRST WIFE Erica Spindler

THE BLOOD SUGAR SOLUTION 10 DAY DETOX DIET COOKBOOK: more than 175 recipes to help you lose weight and stay healthy

WHEN THE DOVE DISAPEARED Sofi Oksanen

EFFORTLESS HEALING: 9 simple ways to side-step illness, shed excess weight, and help your body fix itself Joseph Mercola

LOST AND FOUND : a novel Brooke Davis

MOTIVE: an Alex Delaware novel

Jonathan Kellerman

PRODIGAL SON: a novel Danielle Steel

OBSESSION IN DEATH: a novel James Patterson

Book Club

Wednesday March 4th

@ 6:30 pm

Great chance to meet new people in the community.

This month's book is

"Gap Creek" by

Robert Morgan

Please email or call to confirm attendance.

If there is no one confirmed we will cancel this event.

Refreshments served

librarian@mundarelibrary.ab.ca

780-764-3929