

Mundare News



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Council Meetings: Mar. 3 & 17

March 2015

Town Stuff

New Utility Rates effective March 1:

- Water rates have increased by $.10/m^3$ to $\$1.95/m^3$
- Snaking of sewer service line:
 - during regular work hours: $\$100/2\text{hours}/2$ people (over 2 hours: $\$40/\text{person}/\text{hour}$)
 - After hours: $\$200/2$ hours/2 people (over 2 hours: $\$50/\text{person}/\text{hour}$)

You can find the new Utility Bylaw along with new rates and penalties at www.mundare.ca.

The Town would like to welcome our new Public Works employee, **Bob Lamb**.

Congratulations

To Sgt. Jeremie Landry, Detachment Commander, K Division, - Vegreville, who will be leaving us to take up duties as Staff Sergeant in charge of the Cold Lake detachment. Thank you, Jeremie, for your support and service in Mundare: we will miss you!

In major snowfalls, please move parked vehicles off the streets: if the grader has to plow around your vehicle and leave snow on the street, spring drainage will be much worse.

Remember to check the [web site](#) for upcoming events and Mundare news: let us know if you want something posted on it!

Mayor's Corner

Charlie Gargus

The past month (February) included Family Day celebrations, and I want to thank Jaimie, Trish, Cheryl and Danika for all the work they did to provide the chili for the after noon family skate. As part of the Playground and Parks committee, they continue to host events and fundraisers along with the other group members. Their personal investment of time (and money for chili) is certainly appreciated by the few that know about this, so I do encourage everyone to thank all the committee members the next time you see them.

Congrat's as well to everyone who played in/volunteered Feb. 6-16 at the World's Longest Hockey Game (which set another record): Cindy and Peter Polischuk, Cliff Moroziuk, Landon Koles, Lois Zyla, Marrien Chudyk, Rhonda Patrie, Ryan Warawa, Matt Siminiuk, Garrett Wiebe, and Dale McCarty. (And did you know—the Town loaned bleachers for the event?)

Also, this is when we will begin preparations for the many summer events that we can participate in. Know that volunteers are always welcome for the "Farmer's Day" and "Ride for Dad" events June 12 and 13, the "Canada Day" celebrations on July first, and the summer wind-up extravaganza (AgriDaze) organized by the members of the Agricultural Society in August. If you are new to the town, just drop by the Town Office and find out how you can take part in building a healthy community by participating in one of these events or by joining a community group.

FCSS Lamont County Region is once again hosting an Annual Volunteer Appreciation Event in Mundare—mark **Wednesday, April 15** on your calendar. The event will be held at the MRC and starts at 6 p.m. Call the Town Office to reserve your free tickets - pick up a form to nominate someone for 'volunteer of

the year' or as a youth citizen of the year. Let's recognize the important contribution folks make to our Town.

On another note, the current fiscal woes that impact the Provincial government will be sure to have an impact on the ability to maintain our level of service at the municipal level. With today's many OHS requirements and labor code regulations, we are indeed fortunate to have an excellent staff, to get the necessary work done. We are not rushing to complete our budget deliberations until we have a solid fiscal indication from the province.

As for the "snow woes" that have befallen us, thank you to the many of you that appreciate the work done by the Public Works staff. Every news cast we watch shows us that we are not alone in dealing with "extreme" weather and that the rain and ice makes it difficult to get around. Be sure to go "slow" and give yourself extra time to get places – driving or walking.

Charlie

WHAT'S ON IN TOWN ...

Wednesday, March 4 - UCWL Pyrogie Supper Fundraiser National Hall, 5:00-6:30pm Adults \$10, ages 6-12 \$5

Saturday, March 7 - Ukrainian Music Concert @ 7 p.m. - Mundare Rec Centre

Saturday, April 21 - Mundare School Bottle Drive - a fundraiser for Grade 7/8 Outdoor Education trip end of June: start saving up those bottles!

What's Happening in Town ...

Communities in Bloom's plans are underway for the spring and summer plantings, phone calls and orders are being made. We will again be getting our plant material from Darvonda Nurseries. The hanging pots will be planted up in mid-April and cared for in the greenhouse until it is time to put them out on Main Street.

If you are interested in helping with planting or preparing pots, call Debby (780-764-3929) or the Town Office and leave your name and number so we can let you know when the 'work bees' are happening. The March meeting will be on the 30th - 1 p.m. - at Father Filas Manor. We will be celebrating birthdays with residents and then having our meeting.

Mundare School News: Hard to believe that it's already March and Spring Break is on the horizon!

February was busy: Jump Rope for Heart; wearing pink on Feb. 25 to support acceptance and anti-bullying; we combined the Jr. High and Elementary ski trips, which was a lot of fun for both groups—and thanks to all the parents who came out and skied or helped out in the chalet with all the gear!

We're scheduled to move into the new school over spring break. We hope to use April 7 as a day for staff to get the school ready, so only staff in the building that day ... students' first day back from spring break and in the new school will be April 8.

Report cards will be out on Friday, March 20, with Parent/Student/Teacher conferences on March 24 and 25—we hope to see everyone there! Parent/Teacher conferences are important avenues of

communication between home and school and have been shown to have a direct positive impact on student success.

Community Association for Lasting Success has a new 6-week program from March 6-April 17: 1 2 3 Cook With Me for children 0-6, Fridays from 10am -noon at the Seniors Drop In Centre. Contact Marnie at 780-632-3225 for more information,

Community Adult Learning Council would like to know if there is interest in Standard First Aid course and if so whether week-ends or week days are your preference. E-mail adultlearning@lamontcounty.ca if you are interested in taking this 2-day course.

Business Buzz:

Mundare Bakery News—hot cross buns, paska and babka will be available starting March 5. Need a cake for a special occasion? Just give the bakery a call at 780-764-3988. We are pleased to offer a wide selection of gluten-free items. For St. Patrick's Day on March 17, come and enjoy a bowl of Irish Stew. As always—we in-house roast our beef/ham/chicken for our sandwiches. Our soup is made from scratch. We use no preservatives, additives or dough conditioners in our bread and baked goods: Mundare Bakery—your Home Style Bakery!

Mundare Registry: Due to the winter weather, Road Tests have been postponed until April. If you are interested in booking in April, please give us a call to add you to our list. Fish and Wildlife fishing and Hunting Licenses and Tags are available. Also, did you know that we sell Raffle licenses? We would like to welcome Kim Taylor to our team: Kim will be doing insurance as well as training for Registries. Feel free to stop in for an insurance quote, as we also offer a full range of insurance services. We're open Monday-Friday, 9am to 4pm.

Gentle Hatha Yoga Classes with Anita—8 classes Tuesday 6:45-8:15 p.m. from March 3 to April 21. \$96/session: call 780-632-4746 to register.

Thank you to everyone who attended our **Servus Credit Union** 10 year anniversary! Thank you to **Stawnichy's Meat Processing** for donating the hot dogs for our celebration. We had a great farewell to our dear **Irene Talaga** in February and thank everyone who attended her last day.

It's smart to think outside the banks. Have you calculated the profit share you received over the last 10 years? Do you know how much extra money you could have in the next 10 years? If you ask Elaine, Melissa, Chris or Shelly in the Mundare branch about your portion of the profits, we will have a small prize for you! Stop by the branch any time Tuesday - Saturday or call us at 780-764-8801.

Reminder

S.T.A.R.S. tickets are now on sale at the Town Office and the ATB financial branch—April 18
Mundare Rec Centre
Advance tickets only
\$50 per person



Bowling League, Anyone?

If you'd like to be part of a bowling league in Mundare, there's still time to sign up!

Call the Town Office and let us know what night suits you:

Tuesday or Thursday?

Fire Department Tips

It is on all of our minds: is winter over? Doubtful, since we are only in March but we can hope for a continued mild winter. But Mother Nature has a twisted sense of humour...

Downed power lines, power company blackouts, heavy snowfalls or even "summer storms" can all lead to power outages. Many of us turn to portable generators for a temporary solution without considering some of the risks.

- Generators should be used in well-ventilated locations outside away from all doors, windows and vent openings.
- Never use a generator in an attached garage, even with the door open.
- Place generators so that exhaust fumes can't enter the home through windows, doors or other openings in the building. Make sure to install carbon monoxide alarms in your home. Follow manufacturer's instructions for correct placement and mounting heights.
- Turn off generator and let it cool down before refueling. Never refuel a generator while it is hot.
- Store fuel for the generator in a container that is intended for the purpose and is correctly labeled as such. Store the container outside of living areas.
- Remember ... when plugging in appliances, make sure they are plugged directly into the generator or a heavy duty outdoor rated extension cord. Check the cords for cuts, tears and that the plug has all three prongs, especially the grounding pin..
- If you must connect the generator to the house wiring to power appliances, have a qualified electrician install a properly rated transfer switch that meets all required codes.
- FACT Carbon monoxide deaths associated with generators have spiked in recent years as generator sales have risen.

Community Feature: Volunteers Make the World Go Round

Did you know: Every year, volunteers donate about 2 billion hours of time in Canada - that's the equivalent of about 1 million fulltime jobs!

In Mundare, volunteers make a major contribution to our quality of life:

- they 'beautify' the Town in summer with plants and a community garden;
- they make sports - hockey, ice and floor curling, baseball - happen;
- they prepare and serve perogy suppers;
- they keep our wonderful Mundare library running;
- they help organize - and clean up after - hockey games and tournaments, curling games and bonspiels, Farmers Day, July 1, Agri-Daze, an evening with S.T.A.R.S, the Monster Mash, our Christmas Extravaganza ...;
- they get called out day and night to fight our fires and respond to emergencies.



These folks give of their time and talent - and raise money for their organizations and others. Would you like

to recognize one of them for his or her special efforts? Then take a few moments and nominate that person for a volunteer appreciation award.

You can pick up a 2015 **Volunteer Appreciation Awards Nomination Form** at the Town Office.

Completed forms can be dropped off at the Office, and we'll make sure they get to FCSS before the deadline of **April 1, 4 p.m.**

And if you would like to offer your time and talent to one of our volunteer organizations, consider any of the following:

- Communities in Bloom
- Mary Immaculate Hospital Auxiliary
- Mundare Air Cadets
- Mundare Agricultural Society

- Mundare Curling Club
- Mundare Fire Department
- Mundare Minor Hockey
- Mundare Municipal Public Library
- Mundare Parks Society
- Mundare Recreation Centre
- Mundare Senior Citizens Club

There's something for any and all interests - you choose which one and how you'd like to be involved. Susan at the Town Office will be happy to help you connect with the volunteer opportunity that suits you best.

Saturday, March 7, 2015

10th Annual Ukrainian Music Workshop Concert

7:00 p.m. - Mundare Recreation Centre

\$5 per person - everyone welcome



What's New in the Library



FREE TUTORING

FOR READING AND SPELLING
GRADES 1-4

MONDAYS FROM 4-5:30
IN THE LIBRARY

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME AND CRAFT

THURSDAY March 26th

@ 10:15AM FREE OF
CHARGE

MUST PREREGISTER BY
THE MONDAY PRIOR

IF I DO NOT HAVE

ANYONE REGISTERED
THE PROGRAM WILL BE

CANCELED

Book Club

Great chance to meet
new people in the
community.

Please email or call to
Get upcoming books and
dates

Refreshments served
librarian@mundarelibrary.ab.ca
780-764-3929

NEW BOOKS THIS MONTH

NYPD RED 3 James Patterson

SOMEONE IS WATCHING: a novel Joy Fielding

MOODY BITCHES: the truth about the drugs you are
taking, the sleep you're missing, the sex you're not
having and what's really making you crazy

Julie Holland

WICKED CHARMS: a Lizzy and Diesel novel

Janet Evanovich

THE ASSASIN: an Isaac Bell adventure

Clive Cussler

THE CAVENDON WOMEN

Barbara Taylor Bradford

THE DAUGHTER: a novel Jane Shemilt

THE STANGER: a novel Harlan Coben

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

Mark Hyman

THE POCKET WIFE Susan Crawford

LAST ONE HOME: a novel Debbie Macomber

DVD RELEASES

Mockingjay Part 1 March 6

Annie March 17

The Penguins of Madagascar

March 17

Interstellar March 31