

# Mundare News



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Council Meetings: July 6, 21



July 2015

## Town Stuff

Town Recycle Yard will be open Saturday, July 11 from 8 a.m.-noon.

**Reminder: Deadline to pay Taxes** without penalty is July 31 - 10% penalty on August 1 on outstanding amount.

Note to smokers: please don't butt out your butts in the flower beds or mulch around the trees - that stuff smolders and catches on fire! Please use any of the ashtrays placed along the street - thanks!

**Congrat's** are in order to Fire Chief Glenda Dales and Deputy Fire Chief (and Mayor) Charlie Gargus, on receiving their Exemplary Service Awards (30 years) on May 24 from the Office of the Fire Commissioner.

**Congrat's** also to Lois Zyla - nominated for a 2015 Minister's Seniors Service Award.

The Town extends our good wishes to Tracy Arbuthnott, our School Principal for the last several years. We wish him well at his new school in Sherwood Park - and we extend a warm welcome to **Leann Schultz**, our new Principal, who joins us from Ardrossan.

The Town bids a sad farewell to **Sergeant Jeremie Landry**: thank you from Mundare and all the best in Cold Lake!



## CANADA DAY THANK YOU'S

### FROM MAYOR, COUNCIL & STAFF

We all want to extend HUGE thank you's

- To our local business sponsors (Please make sure you thank these folks when you are in their places of business or even when you see them socially)

- Platinum - **Andrukow Group Solutions Inc.**
- Gold - **Stawnichy's Meat Processing**
- Silver - **Mundare Esso**
- Bronze: **Beaver Creek Co-op, Imagine Travel, Jim's Services Ltd., Kowal Realty, Mundare Bakery, Mundare Family Foods, Mundare Liquor Store, Servus Credit Union, W-K Trucking Service and The Corner Pub**

To Gold sponsor, the **Government of Canada** (Heritage) for supporting us through the Celebrate Canada Program

To Silver sponsor, **ATCO**, for providing the totally fun photo booth

- To our wonderful volunteers - **Michele, Bob, Deb, Ruth, Tammy, Rosie, Debby, Charlene, Samantha and Abrey** - who did sometimes double and triple duty to staff the information table, cruise the crowd, hand out flags, keep the performers watered and fed, move barricades and just generally be the smiling, positive happy folks wearing red cowboy Canada Day hats.

- To **Sergeant Jeremie Landry, Fire Chief Glenda Dales and Captain Shamus Brison** of Mundare Fire & Rescue for representing our men and women in service at the Opening Ceremony. We are grateful to you always for what you do for us.

- To our **MP Leon Benoit** - as he prepares to retire - and our **MLA Jessica Littlewood** - as she enters her first term - both of whom agreed to fit us into their busy Canada Day schedules

- To the **Mundare Agricultural Society** for offering the Mundare Arena as an alternate, bad weather site (which, thankfully, we didn't have to use!)

- To food vendors and crafters who offered sustenance and variety

And of course, thanks to everyone who came out to enjoy the evening!

We couldn't have done it without all of this support. We have received very positive feedback on our first Street Festival - and we invite anyone with comments or suggestions to let us know. We want our summer events to be the best they can be in Mundare - and you can help us do that.

## Mayor's Corner

Charlie Gargus

Life in rural Alberta certainly has its pluses. We don't have the traffic congestion, noise of the big city, or other things that add stresses to daily living. In addition, we get to participate in a large variety of summer events - Father's Day Show 'n Shine, Tractor Pulls, Car Crafter displays, Rodeos and an assortment of Country Fairs, all within a short drive as we visit neighboring communities. As a result, we get visitors to our events and lots of positive feedback for the work we do here in Mundare. The pictures, comments on Facebook and Twitter, and the many thank you notes from the "Ride for Dad" organizers were wonderful. So was the response for the Farmer's Day

Appreciation Street fest, even though it was threatening to rain. The July First Canada Day Street Festival certainly added to the variety of activities that are open to us in this part of Alberta. If you were able to take part in the fun on July 1, you were part of something very special - our celebration of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Canadian Flag, recognized worldwide as a symbol of a nation filled with amazing people.

For your information on the business side of Town Operations, note that our costs for dropping off garbage at the County Landfill are based on the "tonnage" that comes from us. We saw a significant rise in costs as soon as the grass cutting season started. It certainly helps if

we can "mulch" rather than "bag" our grass clippings. I know that there are times that bagging makes sense so occasionally we all resort to this method of disposal, but if the grass clippings are mulched and branches and organics taken to the Town compound on the second Saturday of the month, we reduce our total tonnage at the landfill, the costs - and your taxes - are both impacted favorably. Thank you for doing your part in helping to reduce these costs.

Charlie



## What's Happening in Town ...

**Communities in Bloom** - Firstly, a huge thank you to all the volunteers who so freely gave of their time to help with the flower planting and weeding - Marietta, Charlene, Maxine, Adele, Rosie, Jamie and Ed; and of course the CiB members - Diane, Marion, Nadia, Margaret, Irene, Jodie, Cathy, Bob, Debbie, Marg, Charlotte and Michelle.

The town looks great! Thank you to Frank for building the maple leaves for the entrances, Bob for making the stakes, Cathy for painting, and Charlie for mounting them. Thank you is also extended to Ron, Robert, Jamie and Charlie for digging the holes and planting the shrubs in the circles at Whitetail. It is truly amazing what can be accomplished when we all work together. There will be some more work bees in the summer, and we can always use extra help.

A huge thank you to Eva Heller for painting the wonderful flower banners in the foyer of the Town Office!

The next CiB meeting is on July 20th, at 1:30 pm, in the Town Office. New members are always welcome.

**Seniors Drop-in Center:** Our face-lift is complete! We now have a wheelchair accessible door for those who need that convenience. There is just the final

redecorating to be done.

Bingo continues on Tuesday evenings with doors open at 6 p.m. and the games starting at 7 p.m. Floor curling continues every Monday and Wednesday at 1 p.m. New members are always welcome.

The garden area is looking good thanks to the Life Opportunities Group who look after the grass and plant pots. We are glad that others like what they see, but if you would like a transplant of some of our flowers, would you please ask and not just take from the middle of the plants leaving a hole!

Once again, we have a team of floor curlers representing Alberta in the national competitions (Sept. 8-9 in Vegreville): Marsha Woloschuk, Gloria Balla, Joe Shuler and Lois Zyla- congratulations and best of luck.

**Next Perogy supper - July 17.** Perogy suppers have been well attended: we appreciate your support.

"Remembering 100 Years" Our Lady of Perpetual Help Roman Catholic Church, Mundare, AB - Sunday August 30, 2015 - Mass 3:00 p.m.; Graveyard service 4:00 p.m.; Banquet 5:30 pm at Mundare Recreation Centre; Program 6:30 p.m. Advance tickets only for Banquet \$25 per person Sold at Town of Mundare Office

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and Stawnichy's Meat Processing.

**Mary Immaculate Hospital Auxiliary** -We meet the first Monday of each month (except July & August) at 1 p.m. in the activity room at the Hospital. Contact Wanda at 780-764-2691 for information.

County students registering for first year post-secondary study can apply for the **Lamont County Centennial Scholarship** - deadline is August 31: call 780-895-2233 for information.

**Our Parks Society** is thrilled to announce that the Skateboard Park is on its way and will be assembled - we hope! - in good time for the skateboarders to enjoy it for most of the summer.

**Mundare Fish & Game** will be launching a new Junior Archery and shooting program (ages 8-18) this fall: call Jim at 780-764-2138 or Marty 780-975-2293 or e-mail [mundarefishgame@yahoo.ca](mailto:mundarefishgame@yahoo.ca).

Our **Community Garden** is looking great! Feel free to weed and watch it grow - and please wait to share the harvest with other growers!

**Summer heat a bit much for you?**

**Mundare Curling Club** invites new members to one of the top sports played in Canada. (Famous people who curl: George Clooney) Call Trevor at 780-764-3965 to join.

## Business Buzz:

**Mundare Bakery News** - Thank you to all who donated at the bakery for the Ride for Dad: we raised \$150.00!

During the summer, we are pleased to offer crisp, cool salads. As always, our soups are made from scratch. And our sandwiches from in-house roasted meats.

Special orders welcome: call Marissa at 780-764-3988.

We will be closed Monday and Tuesday, August 3 & 4.

**U-Do-It Crafts has been closed** since June 2nd and will re-open on Tuesday, July 21. For that period, Tupperware Books/flyers will be available at Town Office; for orders, contact Louise @ 780-764-2040. Thanks, Louise

**M & M's Kozy Kitchen** will be closing for a short holiday. We will close July 24 and re-open again August 11. Thank you for your cooperation and have a great Summer. Sorry for the inconvenience.

Golfers: don't forget **Whitetail Crossing Golf Course** tournaments:

- July 14: McLennan Ross Junior Golf Tournament
- August 25: Lamont Reeves Annual fundraiser

The Practice Facility at Whitetail Crossing boasts a large grass teeing area that plays to several target greens. This full-length facility is sheltered from the west winds by a natural ridge of existing trees.

To complement the practice facility, you will find a large putting green across from the clubhouse. Bring your friends along - and enjoy some fine golfing.

**Servus Credit Union** - We would like to thank everyone for coming out to celebrate Farmer's Day with us, Stawnichy's for the generous donation of sausages, Colin Zyla and the town staff, and the Fire Department for the use of their equipment.

There's more to managing your money than balancing your chequing account. Servus is here through all the stages of your life. Whether your needs are simple or complex, our team offers a complete line of financial services along with personalized solutions and tailored expert advice. Please call today - 780-764-8801.

Sample comment from July 1 Street Festival: "Congratulations Town of Mundare! The first Street Festival was a roaring success - the weather cooperated - throngs of children, great street performers! Thoroughly enjoyed!"

### Zustreech Ukrainian Society

Fundraiser Zabava for the Ukraine Army  
- **Saturday, July 18** at the MRC -

Pig Roast and Traditional Ukrainian Supper; Concert and Dance -\$35

Advance Tickets Only.

Call 780-764-2450 in Mundare - check Town [web site](#), look for posters with details

## Fire Department Tips

This month we will focus on several topics, the first being Pet Safety. We love our Pets and consider them part of our family. Did you know that vehicles can trap heat and act like an oven? On a warm day, even parked in the shade with a window rolled down, a vehicle can heat up to 49 degrees in minutes!

It only takes a few minutes for your pet's body temperature to increase, cause heat stroke and lead to organ damage. Your pets don't sweat like you do. They pant and use their lungs to stay cool. With nothing but overheated air to breath in a parked car, **your pet's life could be at risk.** If your pet is overcome by heat exhaustion, their life is in danger, take them to the nearest vet immediately. **Love your Pet – Leave them at home !!**

In case of fire, remember to get out and stay out – never go back inside for people, pets, or things. If pets are unaccounted for or trapped inside, tell firefighters immediately. Keep pets away from burning candles, cooking areas, BBQs and nearby surfaces to prevent them from knocking things onto the burners – keep a 3 foot free zone around stove or grill.

Make sure patio torches are secure and not in path of people or pets. Remember carbon monoxide gas can kill people and Pets: never run a vehicle in a garage even if the doors are open.

Back yard fire pits are enjoyable, relaxing and warming. Keep in mind to keep your fire safe and in approved fire pits. Keep the fire down. With the temperatures as they are, everything is tinder dry. A flying ember can potentially cause a fire.

Fireworks – Hopefully you all had a chance to see the fantastic display of fireworks on Canada Day. If considering fireworks at your property or lake lot, take into consideration a number of safety tips:

- Buy from a reputable fireworks company.
- Do not light damaged fireworks.
- Do not try to modify fireworks.
- Do not tape a dozen fireworks together and light them all at once.
- Stay away from buildings, trees, etc.
- Do not light fireworks if they are illegal in your area.
- Have a fire extinguisher and water handy.
- Keep your audience back about 30 ft. Follow instructions to light the fireworks provided by the



manufacturer.

- If you light a firework and nothing happens, leave it alone for a few minutes then throw it in a bucket of water then throw it away.

With the heat, we have extreme weather conditions, pay attention to weather warnings and heed their advice. Keep in mind the following bits of facts and myths:

- Rubber sole shoes will not protect you from lightning
- It is safe to help someone who has been struck by lightning
- During a lightning storm stay off your land line. Lightning ground strikes can injure someone indoors
- Avoid tall objects - lightning will usually strike tall objects \
- Stay clear of metal, chain link fences – they don't attract lightning but make great conductors
- Rubber car tire will not protect you from lightning. The vehicle steel frame and roof might.

Consider signing up for the Lamont County Emergency Alert System – 780-895-2233 or online at <http://www.lamontcounty.ca/departments/emergency-services/emergency-alert>

After our long winter, we deserve this lovely warm weather – respect it – stay cool and stay safe!!!

## Mundare School News

Mundare School would like to thank all who supported our school by purchasing raffle tickets! The winners are:

- 1st Prize - Denise Dorland
- 2nd Prize - Chromebook Computer - Elaine Svitich
- 3rd Prize - Patio Planter/Gift card Basket - Dean Bosvik

Mundare School and MCSA would like to thank the following for sponsoring prizes for the raffle held this spring: Andrukow Group Solutions Inc., Kowal Realty, A+ Cellular, Stawnichy's Meat Processing, ATB Financial, Servus Credit Union, Yoo and Yoo Enterprises (Esso Station), Guardian Pharmacy, Town of Mundare, Darvonda Nurseries, Corner Pub, U-Do-It Crafts, and Real Home Furnishings.

Your generosity and support for our school and students means a lot!

Need some ideas for what the children can do this summer? Check out Lamont County FCSS 780-895-7751 and Vegreville & Area Parent Link Centre 780-632-2912 programming available throughout July and August. Information available online or at Town Office.

### Coming Soon ...

#### Mundare Agri-Daze



#### Friday, August 14: The Corner Pub Beach Party

from 8pm to 2 am - live music, games, band & DJ Come one, come all for a great evening of sand and fun!

#### Saturday, August 15

- Parade (lunch at MRC for parade participants)
- Exhibits at MRC
- Ball Tournament (contact Terry Dulaba 780-937-6683 for info or to register),
- 20th Annual Chicken Coop Quilt show (at Seniors Centre)

#### Sunday, August 16 Car Show

# WHAT'S NEW @ THE LIBRARY THIS SUMMER

## Minecraft Month

Come in any Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 1-3pm August 5th-August 24th and take advantage of our minecraft computer lab. Whether you are new and wanting to learn or are an avid crafter it should be a great time.

We have Public computers and Wifi at the library. This is a free service available to the public during library hours

## Fun for Kids

All school age kids can come for a fun activity/craft and snack Wednesday July 15th & August 20th @ 3pm **MUST PREREGISTER** by calling, Facebook or email there is a \$5 charge

## DVD RELEASES

The Longest Ride  
Ex Machia  
July 14  
Home  
July 28

## Book Club

Great chance to meet new people in the community. Next book is Gargoyle By Andrew Davidson Copies are available at the Library

## Junkology with

### Dr. Recycle

Monday July 27th @ 2pm  
This will be a great time and is for all ages of kids

## Preschool Story and Craft time

Wednesday July 8th ,July 22nd, August 12th & August 26th  
@ 2:45pm

Join us for stories, a craft and a snack  
Program is free & but **MUST PREREGISTER** & children should be accompanied by a guardian

Please "LIKE" us on FACEBOOK it's a great way to stay informed