

Mundare News



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Council Meetings: August 4, 18

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Town Stuff

Town Recycle Yard is open from 8 a.m.-noon. the second Saturday of each month—next one: September 12.

The Town extends a warm welcome to **Leann Schultz and Jon Alstad**, our new School Principal and Vice Principal: we look forward to working with you in the brand spankin' new School!

The Town congratulates Cpl Leigh Drinkwater on his appointment as Acting Officer in charge of the Vegreville RCMP Detachment pending the arrival of the new Sergeant to replace Sgt. Jeremie Landry, who has been promoted to Staff Sergeant in Cold Lake.

Please note that Lamont County is moving to online applications for fire permits: for more information, go to www.lcemergencyservices.com/fire-permits.

A gentle reminder that the **Canadian Diabetes Association Clothesline (red) bin** on Main Street is for gently used clothing ONLY. And please place items INSIDE the bin.

Also please be mindful of what you flush into our sewer system: even some products (like 'wet wipes') marked flushable can clog things up.

Mark your calendars now for the K-97 Ride for Music Therapy on September 12. They'll be in Mundare for lunch: come down and say 'hi'!

Mayor's Corner

What a busy summer! We had visits from both our MP and our MLA on July 1st. MP Leon Benoit has often taken the time to participate in Mundare events in the past: I extend my personal best wishes on his retirement and thank him for his many years of service in federal politics.

Jessica Littlewood is working hard to learn about this area by participating in Mundare events. The July 1st festival and then the wonderful Zabava organized by Boghdan Pivovarchuk and his family and friends in the Zustreech organization are two examples of her time investments.

I was also pleased to welcome Sofiya Fedyna to Mundare on July 1st, as she toured Alberta in her fundraising drive to help with the Peace efforts in the Ukraine. (I totally understand why she is rated as the top volunteer in the Ukraine!) Thank you to all that helped in this effort through your financial donations, clothing donations and many hours spent in supporting the Zustreech group with Zabava.

Our very successful July 1st festival continues to bring us very favorable feedback, so thank you once again to all members of Council, staff and volunteers that stepped forward to put on the red hats and do the work that needed to

be done.

Special thanks to the ladies and gentleman that make up the Communities in Bloom group for the beautiful red and white theme on Main Street – certainly in keeping with the celebration of the history of the Canadian flag.

Our librarian, Miranda Peyton, continues to make the Mundare Library a fun place for everyone to visit. (Just check out the pictures of the Funshine children posted on the Town's Facebook page.)

Sgt. Jeremie Landry leaves us (and the Veg. detachment) to become Staff Sergeant in Cold Lake: although we will miss his excellent Community Policing skills, we wish him good luck in the transition into the new job.

At the school, we will be welcoming Liane Schultz and Jon Alstad as the new principal and assistant principal, while saying good-bye to Tracy Arbutnott and Matt Matheson.

We will complete the summer with our "Agridaze" events organized by the Agricultural Society Volunteers, as well as the 100-year celebrations at **Our Lady of Perpetual Help** Roman Catholic Church. Be sure to attend either event and offer to help wherever you can – it is always appreciated!

As we all know, many rural towns are losing their

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populations to larger urban centers. To quote from a recent Maclean's Magazine article, "... for the most part, small-town Canada is dying. Eighty-one per cent of Canadians live in urban areas, and that number is increasing by 1.22 per cent annually, one of the highest rates in the developed world.

This highlights the challenges of keeping small towns vibrant and viable places to live. As a Council, we work hard to do just that and have tasked Susan with the job of promoting Mundare in every way possible. As a result we now have a considerable presence on social media – the modern way of promoting the idea that this is a good place to live. The Town has embraced technology/social media, with growing numbers following us on Twitter and Facebook: the more people that participate, the more we can showcase our Town! (Interestingly, we had people who attended July 1 because they saw it on FB/Twitter!)

In addition, Maclean's mentioned Mundare for our very creative \$1.00 / lot program; and someone in England read the Macleans' article online and also contacted the Town - so we are attracting attention far and wide.

All of these efforts and the work done by past councils, continue to help Mundare grow in population these past 35 years.

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AGRI-DAZE around the corner ...

Friday, August 14: Bench Exhibits and Judging noon-4pm

music, games, band & DJ. Come one, come all for a great evening of sand and fun!

The Corner Pub Beach Party (8pm to 2am—live

Saturday, August 15: Breakfast at the Fire Hall 7:30-9:30am; **Parade** on Main Street 10:30; **19th Annual Quilt Show** (Seniors Centre 11am-5pm); **Ball Tournament** (starting at 8am); **Community market/silent auction (MRC); Steak BBQ supper and Dance** 5pm (Ukraina Park)

Sunday, August 16: Ball Tournament and concessions (Ukraina Park)



What's Happening in Town ...

Communities in Bloom - Thank you to the CIB members that were out weeding, on main street and Quentin Warawa Park, the past few weeks, getting the town ready for the fair. We will be working on fair entries and the float on August 12th. If you are interested in helping out, contact Debby at 764-3062. The next meeting will be on August 24th at 1:30 pm in the Town Office. New members are always welcome.

Seniors Drop-in Center: Perogy suppers have been well attended: we appreciate your support and hope to see you at our next supper on August 21. Come play Bingo Tuesday's at 7pm (doors open at 6). You can also book the Centre for events through Vikki Marko at 764-2525.

Mary Immaculate Hospital Auxiliary extends a HUGE thank you to everyone who helped make our annual Strawberry Tea a great big success: business and community members who advertised, donated, arranged for employees to attend, bought raffle items - and came out to eat! Funds raised at these events help purchase items like the sleeper chair - that has brought much relief to family members staying overnight at MIH - and the raised planter that is in its first year of use and providing much pleasure to residents as they plant, water and now harvest the fruits of their labour (the tiny tomatoes and

young peas are especially delicious!). For more information about the Auxiliary, contact Margaret at 780-764-2552. Monthly meetings resume on Monday, August 31 at 1 pm in the MIH Activity Room.

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.

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.

New to the community? Think about curling this winter! **Mundare Curling Club** invites everyone from first time curlers who want to try the sport to experienced veterans to join one of the most affordable (next to bowling) and popular (1.2 million registered curlers) winter sports in Canada. For information call/text Trevor at (780) 603-1144.

Mundare Minor Hockey Association (MMHA) will be holding their registration night **August 18, 2015, at 7:30 p.m. at the Mundare Hockey Arena**. Registration details are as follows:

- Preregistered MMHA players need to pay balance of their 2015/2016 season fees. Preregistered rates are as follows:

- \$300 for Initiation

- \$350 for Novice

- \$400 for Atom

- 2015/2016 MMHA registration rates:

- \$300 for Initiation

- \$375 for Novice

- \$450 for Atom

- Grey cup tickets is one of MMHA's main fundraisers that helps the MMHA achieve low registration fees and pay for tournaments. This year at registration each family will be required to pick up a grey cup package at a cost of \$150.00 with a separate cheque.

MMHA offers payment plans if required and funds are available through *Every Kid Every Community* grant for financial burdened families – for more information please contact Darcy Boyko - 780-991-2924.

If you - or anyone you know in the Mundare area - are interested in registering before August 18 or have questions about MMHA, please contact Joanne McNiven 780-764-2145 or Darcy Boyko.

Business Buzz:

Mundare Bakery News - Looking for a place to cool off? Come and beat the heat in air conditioning. Have a coffee or our made from scratch soup and in house roasted meat sub sandwiches. Need a special order? Call Marissa at 780-764-3988.

M & M's Kozy Kitchen will open again August 11.

Golfers: don't forget **Whitetail Crossing Golf Course** upcoming events:

- August 17-20 (9am-noon) - Golf Camp for boys and girls ages 7-16: come get instruction by one of the top teaching professionals in Alberta, Dave "Hollywood" Lengyel. Call 780-764-3999 to sign up or for more info.
- August 25: Lamont Reeves Annual Golf Tournament/fundraiser for Lamont County Housing Foundation

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 - Join Servus Credit Union at the Mundare Agri Days on August 15th - we'd love to see you! We know that your lives are always changing. And as your lives change and evolve, you move from one stage to another. That's why we created the Life Stage Mortgage. It was designed to appeal to whatever life stage you may be in and allows us to have conversations with you about the advice, services and products that can help you the most in this stage of life. In addition to the excellent service we can provide, the mortgage has some great features including a cash rebate and is eligible for annual profit sharing. Please call 780-764-8801 to discuss your mortgage options today

Mundare Registry—located at 5008 50 St. (Kowal Building) on the south side. Our hours of operation are Monday-Friday 9am-4pm. : Our next date for Class 5 Road Tests is Monday, August 10. Our next date for Classes, 4, 5 or 6 is Wednesday, August 26th. Please come in or call us to book a spot.

Did you know that we can process

Corporate Annual Returns for your business? Both Lisa and Karen are qualified to do this, so come in and see us. Feel free to stop in for an insurance quote, as we also offer a full range of insurance services. Lisa, Karen and Robin

Make sure to check out the **Chicken Coop's 19th Annual Quilt Show** on August 15 from 11am-5pm at the Seniors Centre - featured artists: Kelly Bourne (Quilter) and Janis Parrott (Painter)

And: the **Corner Pub's Beach Party** is on again: Friday August 14 from 8pm-2am.

Royal Care Compounding Pharmacy is hiring: FT/PT person with varying duties. Inquire at the Pharmacy if you are interested. The Pharmacy offers free flu, immunization or B12 injections; free medication review; and free smoking cessation help. Come on in—and we'll explain how compounding could help you. Full details on Pharmacy news are on the Town [website](#)—Documents/Business.

Fire Department Tips

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!!!

This month we are going to chat about Fire Extinguishers. They are in most homes, garages, and vehicles. But the big question is - Do you know if you have the proper extinguisher for what you need it for? And do you know how to use it?

A fire extinguisher can be used to put out a small fire in its early stages.

The type of portable extinguisher must match the type of fire you are fighting

Class A: fights ordinary combustibles like wood, cloth and paper

Class B: fights fires fueled by flammable liquids like gasoline, oil and paints

Class C: fights electrical fires sparked by wiring and appliances

Class D: fights fires involving combustible metals such as magnesium

Class K: fights commercial cooking oil fires.

Consider purchasing an approved ULC extinguisher that has an ABC rating. These can be used on most types of domestic fires.

Secure extinguishers to a wall in a location away from hazards for easy access in case of an emergency.

Check your extinguisher gauge monthly for proper pressure and get it serviced or replaced after each use.

To use the fire extinguisher remember the acronym **PASS**

P Pull the pin

A Aim the nozzle at the base of the fire

S Squeeze the trigger

S Sweep the extinguisher from side to side until it is empty.

Read the instructions before use. If you test it, it will need to be recharged.

Keep one in the kitchen, basement, and the garage out of the reach of children and away from stoves and heating appliances.

When using an extinguisher, never let the fire get between you and the exit.

Most fire extinguishers empty in less than 15 seconds. If the fire is not out by then, leave the premises immediately and call 911.

97TH ANNUAL SKARO PILGRIMAGE

Friday August 14: Reconciliation at 6:30pm; Rosary at 7pm; Vespers at 7:30pm; Mass at the Grotto at 8pm.

Saturday August 15: 10am Mass at the Grotto with the Sacrament of the Sick.

For more information, check the posters on your parish bulletin board.

“Remembering 100 Years”

Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Roman Catholic Church
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 and Stawnichy's Meat Processing.

Congratulations

to our very own Mayor Charlie Gargus, the Ukrainian Musicians Association presented him with a Lifetime Achievement Award at Canada's National Ukrainian Festival, held in Dauphin, MB from July 31-August 3. We guess all those years of practicing and playing and teaching finally paid off!!!



Mundare School News

Liane Schultz, the new principal, along with the new Assistant Principal **Jon Alstad** are excited to be contributing members of your vibrant community. We look forward to working with you during the 2015/16 school year.

Liane has met with communications staff from Elk Island Public Schools about planning an official grand opening for the school. The event likely will take place in October. Although planning is just in the initial stages, we are likely going to host an official school opening in the afternoon, while students are in attendance at school,

followed by a community event in the later afternoon or early evening.

Demolition of the old school is well in progress with the rubble being removed on a daily basis. We are hoping the landscaping will be complete by the time school commences on August 31st.



The office will be open on Monday, August 24th for new registrations. Teachers and

educational assistants begin on Thursday, August 27th for Professional Learning Days. The first instructional day is Monday, August 31st. Just a reminder, that staff meeting day is Wednesday, September 2nd and the students have early dismissal.

Please consult www.mundareschool.ca for the most up to date information.

Have a great rest-of-summer and we look forward to welcoming students and families in the fall.

WHAT'S NEW @ THE LIBRARY

August Is 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.

Book Club
Great chance to meet new people in the community.
Next book is **Gargoyle** By Andrew Davidson

Fun for Kids

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

Preschool Story and

Craft time

Wednesday August 12th & August 26th @ 2:45pm

Join us for stories, a Craft and a snack **Must Preregister**

NEW BOOKS

BROWN- EYED GIRL Lisa Kleypass

THE MURDER HOUSE James Patterson & David Ellis

UNIQUELY HUMAN: A Different Way of Seeing Autism Barry M Prizant

DECEPTIONS: THE CAINSVILLE SERIES Kelley Armstrong

SILVER LININGS: A Rose Harbor novel Debbie Macomber

THE LAST TIME I SAW HER Karen Robards

THE MURDERER'S DAUGHTER Jonathan Kellerman

THE DUST THAT FALLS FROM DREAMS Louis de Bernieres

CAPTIVE: A Novel Claudine Dumont Sue Grafton

THE NATURE OF THE BEAST: A CHIEF INSPECTOR GAMACHE Novel Louise Penny

STARLIGHT ON WILLOW LAKE Susan Wiggs

THE CANCER SURVIVORS' CLUB: A COLLECTION OF INSPIRATIONAL AND UPLIFTING STORIES Chris Geiger, ed.

THAT LONELY SECTION OF HELL: THE BOTCHED INVESTIGATION OF A SERIAL KILLER WHO ALMOST GOT AWAY Lori Shenher