

Mundare News



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Council Meetings: Nov. 3 & 10

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Are you having any problems with our new Garbage Collection system? Let us know, so we can work on solutions!

Town Stuff

From Public Works:

Town Recycle Yard: west of Town - RR 170 South of Twp Rd 534 (Hospital Road)

- accepts your **unbagged** garden debris and tree trimmings - and is open 8 a.m.-noon **November 14**
- Does **NOT** accept furniture, appliances, etc.: take it to the landfill, please!
- **New weekday KEY system:** sign the key out (9am-3:30pm), take your garden debris, etc. to the recycle yard, lock up and return the key (by 4pm latest).

Garbage Tip: If you poke a hole in your bag, the air escapes and you can get more in your bin!

E-waste drop-off Nov. 2-15 at the School for any electronic item smaller than a microwave (see School message p. 3)

November Events

- **Fire & Rescue Ladies Luau, Sat. November 7 - MRC**
- **0-6 Play Day Tues. November 10 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Town Building**
- **MIH Bake Sale and Lunch - Fri. Nov. 20 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. - Basilian Fathers Museum**
- **Perogy Supper - Fri. Nov.20 5-6:30 p.m. - Seniors Centre**
- **Communities in Bloom Parade & Christmas Extravaganza Sat. Dec. 5 (see details, p. 2)**

Interested in getting fibre optic internet? AXIA will come to Mundare if enough people show an interest: check it out - register your interest at <https://www.axia.com/coverage>

Mayor's Corner

Charlie Gargus

"National Volunteer Week" happens in April - but I figure any time is a good time to recognize volunteerism in the community! We certainly have many examples of this already, but a new one appeared Oct 23, 24, 25 with the Halloween Maze. A huge thank you to Bob Gratton for the 90+ hours he spent in designing, painting, building, assembling and supervising the event. Debbie and Ruth also spent many hours helping Bob introduce a new way to have fun in Mundare!

This fund-raiser by the Library Board was well attended by the public, and board members worked shifts throughout the week-end to host the event. The Recreation Centre served double duty on the Friday night, with the Maze happening downstairs and volunteer Curling Club members hosting their 2015-16 registration event upstairs.

Mundare's Parks Society volunteers once again put their hearts and souls into the Monster Mash on Oct. 30, as will our volunteer Fire & Rescue team with their popular Ladies' (Luau) night on November 7. And of course the MIH Auxiliary and Communities in Bloom volunteers are all busy getting ready for their late-Nov./early Dec. events. Thank you all for the important efforts you put in to make our Town a better place!

On a less positive note ...

some Mundare residents have been guilty of illegal dumping in the ditches of Lamont County and the driveways of neighbouring farmers' fields. The fine for each offence is \$500.00. If you have a pile of cut branches out front on Friday and they are gone on Monday, and they appear to have been dumped illegally, be prepared to have a Peace Officer ask to have you provide evidence as to which landfill site you visited. Just so you know: records are kept at each site.

For new residents, the landfill at Vegreville charges a fee for refuse, but the St. Michael Landfill does not, as this cost is covered by our Town of Mundare landfill requisition charges. Also, our Town waste yard site is available for yard waste throughout the week and on the second Saturday of each month: simply sign out the key at the town office during business hours Monday to Friday.

Please use the appropriate disposal sites. Being caught on camera for illegal dumping outside our Town waste yard gate or in a ditch is sufficient proof for prosecution. And our county residents are our neighbours, so please respect their right to use their land without having to deal with someone else's garbage!

The Public Works crew capitalized on the good weather in October to clean out culverts and ditches to ensure that the snow-melt in

Spring is able to drain away quickly. It seems that much of the problem with plugged culverts stems from people putting grass clippings in the drainage ditches. This may not affect your yard but will cause someone else to be flooded. Needless to say, this practice of off-property dumping is unhelpful to say the least!

On a related note, remember to be a good neighbour and watch for suspicious activities around Town. This helps prevent random acts of mischief, petty theft and other crimes. As a community, we are lucky to have good RCMP protection but need to lock doors, vehicles, etc. so as to not make it easy for "Villains"!

Our goal is to maintain a "crime-free" community even if this is idealistic. To do this we are working closely the RCMP and The **Safer Communities And Neighbourhoods** (SCAN) program. Be sure to pick up a **SCAN brochure** at the Town Office to find out how to be able to do your part in building a safer community. This program allows you to anonymously phone in suspicious activities in your neighbourhood. We all need to work together to stop unacceptable activities.

We received positive feedback about hosting the November 11th Remembrance Day Ceremonies at the Mundare Senior's Centre last year. Once again if the weather is bitterly cold or stormy, we will honour those that served, with a ceremony held indoors.

Charlie

Celebrations, Congratulations ...

Kudo's to the **St. Michael Landfill Site, St. Michael Regional Solid Waste Commission**, on its recent award for best in class, medium-sized landfills, in the Province.



What's Happening in Town ...

Communities in Bloom - As we approach the busiest time of the year, the CiB Committee is gearing up for the **Christmas Extravaganza on Dec. 5th**. The Craft Market tables are all spoken for, with a waiting list; Bake Sale and Float Decorating plans are in the works. We hope that everyone will contribute baking for the bake sale (members will be phoning in a few weeks).

A gentle reminder: this is our primary fund raiser each year, and we put the money earned back into the community in the form of self-watering planters and benches.

Also, don't forget that everyone is welcome to decorate a float for the parade and to come out and help with decorating: at the MRC (November 25th 7 pm), the Public Works building for the float (Dec. 3rd 7 pm) and again the MRC preparing the delightful sweets trays for the bake sale (Dec. 4th 6 pm). We hope to see everyone out on Dec. 5th, shopping and enjoying the events of the day!

The **Mundare Library Board** extends a "humongous" thank you to Debbie and Bob Gratton, Ruth, Charlie Gargus and Susan

Campbell for initiating our very successful premiere Hallowe'en Haunted House maze. It was a screaming good time for all those who came to support the Library. They came from far (Ontario, Australia!) and wide.

Thank you to all the volunteers who came out to help our project. Thank you also to the clean-up crew who came out Monday morning. Everything is greatly appreciated. The donations to the Lamont County Food Bank (almost 200 lb!) filled a 1/2 ton truck for sure. Thank you to all the visitors for their monetary donations to the Library and Food Bank. That is why we love our Town!

Seniors Drop-in Center: Next perogy supper **November 20** 5-6:30pm. We have a shuffleboard that you can book: if you are interested in regular dates to play or a tournament, please call Vikki at 764-2525.

The **Mundare Hospital Auxiliary Bake Sale** will be held at the Basilian Fathers Museum **Friday, Nov. 20** from 11a.m. to 2p.m. Buy your Christmas baking - stay for lunch at the Museum. For more

information, please contact the Museum at 780-764-3887.

Introducing the new **Mundare Craft Club:** will meet monthly on a Wednesday - 6-9pm: connect and have a casual evening out - get involved and meet your neighbours! Bring the craft you are working on, or start something new. Get in touch with Jen (call/text 587-984-0963) to register: limited number of spots available!

Alberta Heartland **Primary Care Network** invites you to their 3rd Annual **Diabetes Day Health Fair - Friday, November 13** from 3-6pm - Lions Mane Room, Dow Centennial Centre, Fort Saskatchewan

Vegreville CALS presents **Books for Babies - Lamont Public Library** starting **Nov. 19** from 10-11 am. Contact 780-632-

New Law Office in Town

Curtis Long and Sangin Safi ("Sam") have established MCL (Major Case Law) in the Kowal Building Real Estate Office. They will be here every Tuesday, offering a full range of legal services. Call 780-485-3098 for an appointment.

Business Buzz:

Corner Pub announces **Thursday Wing Days** starting November 12 from 5-8pm. .59 each with a minimum order of 10. Come on down and feast on wings!

Exciting news from **Darvonda Nurseries**, which is expanding its nursery operation in Mundare to increase production of beautiful flowers - annuals, hanging baskets - for the 2016 season. We can look forward to lots more wonderful colours and florals in our Main Street hanging planters and all around Town!

Elite Edge Figure Skating offers lessons, personalized to each skater, all ages and levels. Contact Tracy Doctor 780-490-9461 or platinumelitesk8@gmail.com for details.

Hair by Cher - Affordable prices, day, evening and some mobile services available. Open Tues. and Sat. 10-2; Wed.-Thurs. 10-5; Fri. 10-8. Call Cheryl at 780-603-3771 for an appointment.

Hatha Yoga with Anita - 5 weekly classes Tuesdays Nov. 10-Dec. 15 from 6:45pm to 8:15pm at Town Building. No class Dec. 8. \$60/session. Call 780-632-4746 to register.

Mundare Bakery News - The bakery will be closed Monday November 9- Saturday, November 14 and open again on Monday, November 16. November features: Garlic focaccia bread, Sausage Cheese & Herb bread, Cranberry loaf, Bee sting cakes, Pecan pie cheesecakes. Need something special? Got a bread order? Please call 780-764-3988.

As always, our soups are made from scratch and we roast our meat in house for our sandwiches.

Coming soon: details of **Mundare Curling Club** Dinner Theatre in December newsletter...

Mundare Registry— Our next date for Class 5 Road tests is Friday, Nov. 20. Please come in or call us to book a spot. Hours of operation: Monday-Friday 9am - 4pm. We are located at 5008 50 St. (Kowal Building - south side). Feel free to stop in for an insurance quote, as we also offer a full range of insurance services as well.

Flu season has started, and your **Royal Care Compounding Pharmacy** offers free flu shots and pharmacy staff can explain all about the flu. RCC also offers free medication review; specialty compounding of your medications and help with quitting smoking. Call 764-3036 or drop in for more information.

Servus Credit Union thanks everyone who came out to support our annual International Credit Union Day with the theme of People Helping People. It was great to visit with all the children from the school. Servus in Mundare is committed to supporting the community that supports us! Thank you to all of

our members. Thank you to Stawnichy's Meat Processing who donated the hot dogs and to Colin at the Town for the help with the hot dog machine.

Would you like a winter vacation? Double Up – See double if you are approved for a new Choice Rewards MasterCard until November 30th and get to your destination faster with rewards! Call (780-764-8801) or come in to see us for more information.

Servus offers expert advice tailored for our members. There's more to managing your money than balancing your chequing account. Our Mundare branch has a full team of advisors who can talk to you about daily banking, borrowing, buying a home, investing, buying insurance, estate planning. Call today to book an appointment with Melissa or Shelly.

U-Do-It Crafts & Alterations: For anyone who hasn't been in, here is a list of items you will find inside: Avon, Gold Canyon Candles, Linda's Linens, Nutman Candy, Party Lite Candles & Holders, Tupperware and some handcrafted items. Oh, yes - let's not forget Kim does alterations! Pop in, have a look, you'll be surprised at the selection!

Whitetail Crossing Golf is now closed for the season: thanks to everyone who supported us this year, and see you in the spring!



Fire Department Tips

Flipping a light switch, plugging in a coffeemaker, charging a laptop computer. These are all second nature for most of us. Electricity makes our lives so much easier. However we need to be cautious and keep safety in mind.

- Have all electrical work done by a qualified electrician
- When you are buying or remodeling a home, have it inspected by a qualified electrician
- Only plug one heat producing appliance into a receptacle at a time (coffee maker, toaster, etc)
- Major appliances should be plugged directly into a wall receptacle outlet. Extension cord and plug strips should not be used
- Use ground fault circuit interrupters to reduce the risk of shock – they will shut off an electrical circuit when it becomes

a shock hazard

- Check electrical cords to make sure they are not running across doorways or under carpets
- Use light bulbs that match the recommended wattage on the lamp or fixture. There should be a sticker that indicates the maximum wattage light bulb to use.
- Call a qualified electrician if you have: frequent problems blowing fuses or tripping circuit breakers; tingling feeling when you touch an electrical appliance; Discolored or warm wall outlet; a burning or rubbery smell coming from an appliance; flickering or dimming of lights; sparks coming from an outlet
- Be careful not to place heavy things on top of a cord as it can

wear out the cord and cause a fire

- Do not place cords under carpets where people walk on them as they can wear out and cause a fire.

Be safe, always check your smoke detector monthly, remember to have an escape route and remember to PRACTICE your plan. Include all family members

Final reminder: support Mundare Fire Department's **Ladies Luau Night Out** November 7th. Get your tickets



at the Town Office or the ATB. Enjoy a fun filled evening, eat, drink, meet some new folks - and enjoy the show!

Mundare School News



The Grand Opening of Mundare School was a huge success. Many thanks to the students and staff of Mundare School who enthusiastically participated in the planning and execution of the event. We appreciated the support from the community and the many dignitaries that took part in the event. Also, a big thank you to Colin Zyla who organized some Town of Mundare Fire Fighters to help with parking. There is a link on our website to the EIPS news release and a video of the Grand Opening at www.mundareschool.ca.

The School's Education Plan was presented to School Council on Monday, October 19th. Anybody interested in viewing our SEP can access the document on www.mundareschool.ca under the documents tab.

Parent/Teacher/Student conferences will be held Tuesday, November 3rd and Wednesday, November 4th from 5:00-8:00 pm. Please be careful driving in and out of the parking lot after dark as currently there are no outside lights. The Harvest Lunch will be held Tuesday, November 3rd at lunch in the school gym. Each grade has been asked to provide specific side dishes and the school is purchasing the turkeys and hams. It is a celebratory event where the students and staff of Mundare School give thanks for

all of our blessings. The Remembrance Day Service is Friday, November 6th at 10:30. Community members are welcome to attend the service in the school gym.

We are having a bin dropped off at our school from November 2 – November 15th for E-waste recycling. The E waste bins can be used by anyone in our area and it is encouraged by the district to fill our bin. In fact there is \$13, 000 in prize money donated to schools who collect the most E-waste. The bin will be outside of the school and people will be able to drop off any electronic item smaller than a microwave.

We are very pleased to announce our new School Resource Officer Jaison Gagnon. He will be stationed out of Vegreville and will service our school and the Vegreville Schools. You may have seen Jaison around the school before as he is also the DARE Teacher. Welcome Jaison to Mundare School.

The parking lot continues to be a construction zone. The signage went up today for visitor and staff parking and the student drop off zone is functioning. Please continue to monitor the situation when you drive into the north parking lot.

We would like to caution all motorists that backing up in a school parking lot is especially dangerous as young students can be darting from cars to school and many students are not visible as they are too small. Thank you very much for your help with this matter.

And a thanks as well to the Town of Mundare and Servus Credit Union for their donations to our breakfast program. These contributions will help alleviate hunger with our students and allow them to focus on their learning.

Just a reminder that fall break is November 9th through November 15th. The school will be closed during this week.

Liane Schultz, Principal

Lamont County Food Bank Christmas Season Dates

Nov. 17- Dec. 9: applications accepted for Christmas Hampers

Nov. 28: Stuff-a-Bus Lamont Food Parking Lot 12:30-4:30

Dec. 20: Hamper Day Lamont Recreation Centre 1 p.m. - Volunteers welcome to help assemble and deliver!



WHAT'S NEW @ THE LIBRARY

Thank you to all the very hard working volunteers & everyone that came out to support the library and enjoy our haunted Maze

Book Club Is a Great chance to meet new people in the community. Copies of the book are available at the Library Meeting November 25th @ 6pm @ the library

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

The library will be closed Wednesday November 11th for Remembrance Day

**PRESCHOOL
STORY & CRAFT TIME**
Thursday November 12th
Wednesday November 26th @ 2:30 pm
MUST PREREGISTER

DVD RELEASES
Inside Out Nov 3
Mr. Holmes Nov 10
The Man from U.N.C.L.E
The Stanford Prison Experiment Nov 17
Shaun the Sheep Movie
No Escape Nov 24

BOOKS RELEASED THIS MONTH

THE GUILTY David Baldacci

ALL DRESSED IN WHITE: AN UNDER SUSPICION Novel

Mary Higgins Clark & Alafair Burke

THE CROSSING Michael Connelly

DEPRAVED HEART Patricia Cornwell

THE PHARAOH'S SECRET: A Novel FROM THE NUMA FILES

Clive Cussler & Graham Brown

THE GOLEM OF PARIS Jonathan Kellerman & Jesse Kellerman

CROSS JUSTICE James Patterson

CRIMSON SHORE Douglas Preston & Lincoln Child

**STARS OF FORTUNE: BOOK ONE OF THE GUARDIANS TRILOGY
Nora Roberts**