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March 27, 2024

THE RECOVERY COMMUNITY IN GUNN, ALBERTA

Submitted by MLA Shane Getson

MLA Getson, thank you for your email regarding an update of the recovery community in Gunn, Alberta, and upcoming employment opportunities at the facility.

Alberta's government is transforming the McCullough Centre in Gunn, about 80 kilometres north-

west of Edmonton, into a recovery community. The McCullough Centre was historically a housing facility that offered mental health and addiction services for men living with homelessness and was supported by funding from the previous Ministry of Community and Social Services. Since February 2021, this facility has been vacant. Alberta's government is repurposing

the facility to support long-term intensive addiction treatment as part of its urgent response to the deadly disease of addiction.

Once completed, the 100-bed recovery community in Gunn will employ approximately 100 therapeutic and support staff and will have the capacity to support up to 400 Albertans per year.

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HAZARDOUS MATERIALS ONOWAY INDUSTRIAL PARK

Submitted by Fire Rescue International

At 1927 Friday March 15th Fire Rescue International (FRI) was paged to what was originally coded as a low priority outside side fire. Within one-minute several units were on route. Roughly one-minute later FRI's first command unit on scene. This unit reported black smoke inside a haz-

ardous materials worksite area and that fire was threatening a large flammable liquids tank farm. By 1933 the first pumper was on scene, securing a water source and moving into position. Within ten-minutes of arrival, the tank farm containing volatile fluids had been cooled and protected. Fire crews then turned their attention on the large roll-off bin that

was still burning.

After considerable efforts, the fire was contained. However, a significant amount of potentially toxic smoke had been released into the area. In an abundance of caution, at 2029 an air-quality advisory was requested for the Town of Onoway by FRI crews. FRI then worked to further overhaul the burning material

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The Recovery Community In Gunn, Alberta

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Participants can stay up to one year at no cost and take part in programming that helps them improve their health, relationships and skills to support their recovery and thrive in all areas of their lives.

Construction at the recovery community is substantially complete; the project is in the final stages and is expected to open in summer 2024.

For employment opportunities, interested applicants can contact Sarah Clunes, who is leading the

facility's human resources effort. Sarah can be reached by email at sarah.clunes@roscsolutionsgroup.ca or by telephone at 780-863-4482.

Please contact my office, or me, if you have any questions.

Evan Romanow

Hazardous Materials Onoway Industrial Park

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while Alberta Environment was alerted of the incident. After overhaul the hazmat material was covered in sand then the site was turned over to the property owner.

Ten firefighters and 4 fire units were engaged in the

firefight. No injuries were reported on the site or incurred by the firefighters during the operation. Fire Rescue International would like to thank our firefighting team for their fast-actions and professional actions while mitigating risks within a site that could have

turned catastrophic. FRI would also like to thank Lac Ste. Anne County Patrol for their assistance on scene.

For more information about this incident or to learn more about your fire department, please contact Fire Chief David Ives at 780-777-4688



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JOKE of the week

A dentist a nurse and a army general are flying. The dentist decides to drop a tooth brush out of the plane. The nurse drops down a medical kit and the army general drops a bomb. They land the airplane and see what happened...

First they found a guy looking for his false teeth.
Next they found a guy bandaging his wounds.
Lastly they found a young boy laughing his head off.
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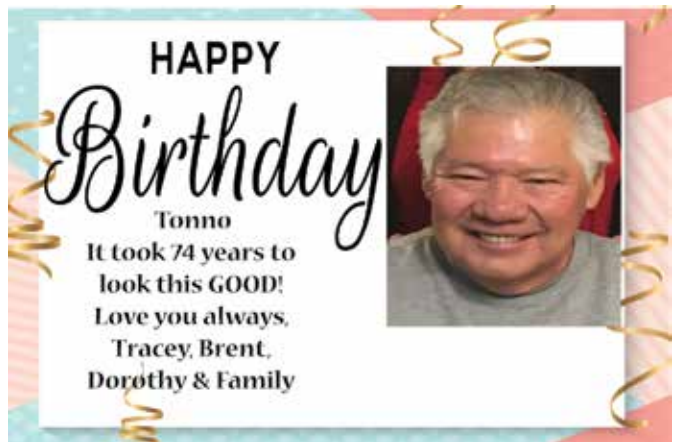
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HAPPENINGS AT THE RICH VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY FOR APRIL

Submitted by Rich Valley Public Library

April is busy at the library we are getting ready for spring like everyone else. We are hosting a Tea Leaf/Tarot reading class on Sunday April 7, starting at 11 am. Bring your own lunch, tea and dessert will be provided. It a great way to have a lot of laughs and learn new skills as well as interact with neighbors and friends. Cost is \$70 per person. We are still organising a Seniors information class that is to be held sometime in May here at the library, just waiting for the county to firm up dates. We are also looking for volunteers to help us host a casino in August. The dates are Tuesday the 6th and Wednesday

the 7th, drop in to sign up and feel free to call to ask any questions that you may have. Drop into Parents and Tots starting at 9:30 on Wednesdays followed by Story time from 11:00 am until 12:00PM. We offer something for all ages. For all of our other classes you can register by phone 780-967-3525 or email rv-publib@yrl.ab.ca for any of our classes. Stop in and see what we have to offer and get to know the girls at the desk.



An advertisement for Easter. It features a large, stylized "HAPPY Easter" text in white and yellow. In the background, there are colorful Easter eggs and a basket. In the foreground, there is a portrait of Gerald Soroka MP, a man with glasses wearing a suit and tie. Below the portrait, the text reads: "GERALD SOROKA MP", "YELLOWHEAD", "GERALD.SOROKA@PARL.GC.CA", and "GERALDSOROKAMP.CA • 780-723-6068".

An advertisement for an oil filter sale. It features the CO-OP Neerlandia Service Centre logo. The text says "OIL FILTERS SALE" in large, bold letters. Below that, it says "ON NOW UNTIL MARCH 31". There is a photo of various oil filters. A large "10%" discount is highlighted in red. Below that, it says "Discount!". At the bottom, it says "No Minimum To Buy & Save" and "3224 Township Road 615A, County of Barrhead (780) 674-4419". A small note says "* Excludes OEM filters".

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FUEL TAX RELIEF: MINISTER HORNER

Submitted by Government of Alberta

President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance Nate Horner issued the following statement on Alberta's fuel tax relief program:

"Two years ago, the Government of Alberta introduced the fuel tax relief program to help Albertans facing high prices at fuel pumps. Since then, the program has saved drivers more than \$2 billion and helped slow the rise of inflation in our province.

"The fuel tax relief program is designed to save Albertans money when oil prices are high and bring in needed government revenue when oil prices drop. Since oil prices averaged below \$80 per barrel during the most recent quarterly review period, the provincial fuel tax for gas and diesel will be 13 cents per litre starting April 1.

"Revenue from the provincial fuel tax helps fund the programs, services and infrastructure Albertans rely on every day. In 2024-25, fuel tax revenue is forecast at \$1.4

billion, which will help fund everything from better roads to improved health care and more supports in the classroom to continue to meet the needs of our growing population.

"Albertans will continue to pay some of the lowest fuel prices in the country even after the fuel tax rate takes effect. As of mid-March, gas prices in Alberta remained 11 cents below the national average and were a full 22 cents lower than when we first announced the fuel tax relief program in March 2022.

"Alberta's government is committed to following through with the rate schedule we laid out for the fuel tax relief program last year. When oil prices go back up, the fuel tax rate will come back down. If oil prices rise above \$79.99 per barrel, the program will kick back in and the fuel tax rate will drop.

"We will continue to review the fuel tax on a quarterly basis and provide another update before the end of June."

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County News Highlights

Mar 28 Council Meeting

April 3 Municipal Planning Commission Meeting

Council meetings are held the second and fourth Thursday of each month, however, this schedule is subject to change. County Council meetings begin at 9:30 am.

Visit [LSAC.ca/agenda](https://lsac.ca/agenda) for meeting agendas. Please note: to address Council, appointments must be booked at least 8 working days prior.

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- **RICH VALLEY** | Wednesday, March 27 | 7pm | Rich Valley Ag Society | 56213 Hwy 33, Rich Valley
- **DARWELL** | Thursday, April 11 | 7pm | Darwell Centennial Hall | 54225A Hwy 765, Darwell
- **ALBERTA BEACH** | Thursday, April 18 | 7pm | Alberta Beach & District Ag Society | 4811-46A Ave, Alberta Beach
- **ONOWAY** | Monday, April 22 | 7pm | Royal Canadian Legion | 4808 - 50 St, Onoway

Please visit [LSAC.ca](https://lsac.ca) or FireSmartAlberta.ca for more information.

HOLIDAY OFFICE CLOSURE

Good Friday and Easter Monday

Please note the Administration Office will be closed on Friday, March 29 and Monday, April 1. We wish you a lovely Easter Weekend.

Essential County services are maintained during office closures. Please call the after-hours line at 780.785.3411 | toll-free 1.866.880.5722 for matters requiring attention. You can also visit [LSAC.ca/report](https://lsac.ca/report) to notify the County of a concern. If your matter is urgent, please dial 9-1-1.

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PERMIT #	LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION	DESCRIPTION	APPEAL BODY	APPEAL DEADLINE
24-D0012	Lot 12, Block 1, Plan 0726923 Lessard Landing within NE 34-55-5 W5M 12, 55530 RGE RD 52	Shipping container 8.0' x 20.0' (160.0 sq. ft.) 9.0' walls	Lac Ste. Anne County - Subdivision & Development Appeal Board	April 15, 2024
23-D0286	Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 1123516 within NE 26-54-2 W5M 2111 TWP RD 545	Greenhouse, Main 16.0' x 20.0' (320.0 sq. ft.)	Lac Ste. Anne County - Subdivision & Development Appeal Board	April 15, 2024

EVER WONDERED ABOUT GOOD FRIDAY AND EASTER?

Submitted by The Onoway and Region Ministerial

On Friday March 29th at 10am in Onoway Community Hall you can experience a wonderful time of reflection, song and prayer and maybe find out the answer to the question.

The Onoway and region Ministerial are having a service called Tenebrae meaning Darkness. It is a

religious service of Western Christianity characterized by the gradual extinguishing of candles, and by a sound at the end of the service as all the candles are now all out.

A Service of Tenebrae, or "Shadows" is based on a twelfth-century late night/early morning service and is an extended meditation on the passion of Christ. Fourteen candles are lit and one extinguished after each reading and

prayer.

There are 5 of the local churches taking part and we would love to see you there. Easter can be a complication time with the overpowering commercialism of the Easter bunny, eggs chocolates etc. and many do not realise the wonderful significance of Jesus, a man and the son of God, giving Himself up for all our wrongdoings. He gave himself up to death being nailed to

a cross and left in the hot sun. By His sacrifice of Love, always about LOVE, we are saved, and it is never too late as we are loved in good times and bad, maybe especially in bad times.

There will be a free will offering at the door to cover costs.

It is a truly beautiful experience so come and join us.

PARKLAND RCMP INVESTIGATE A SERIOUS MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISION

Submitted by Parkland RCMP

On March 23, 2024, at approximately 2:46 p.m., Parkland RCMP received a report of a major collision on Highway 16a, at the intersection of Nelson Drive, in Spruce Grove. Though circumstances surrounding the collision are still under investigation, preliminary findings suggest that a Stony Plain Community Peace Officer attempted a traffic stop with a red sedan who was driving at a high rate of speed. The vehicle, that was near a red light on Calahoo Road, turned onto Highway 16a westbound while failing to stop at the red light and accelerated to a high rate of speed. The vehicle approached a red light at Nelson Drive, failed to stop and collided with a minivan.

As a result of the collision, the male driver and female passenger of the minivan, both residents of Spruce Grove, were brought to the hospital with serious, life-threatening injuries. The driver and passenger of the sedan were brought to the hospital with serious but non-life-threatening injuries.

Parkland RCMP would like to inform the public that they will be investigating every element surrounding the collision and, should it be warranted, will lay the appropriate charges.

Alberta RCMP's thoughts are with the friends and loved ones of those fighting for their lives.



STUDENT BURSARY 2024

ONOWAY COUNCIL IS PROUD TO ADMINISTER BURSARY OPPORTUNITIES TO ONOWAY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS. THEN BURSARY AMOUNTS IS \$500.00 AND WILL BE AWARDED TO UP TO THREE STUDENTS ANNUALLY. TOWN COUNCIL WILL APPROVE THE SELECTION OF RECIPIENTS.



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Timing

- Application deadline is June 1@ 11:59 PM of the current year without exception.
- Awards will be dispersed by August 31 annually.



How is the Bursary awarded?

The Bursaries will be awarded by Council resolution. The Identity of the applicants will be concealed to support a fair and accountable process.



How do I apply?

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ONOWAY LEGION NEWS

Submitted by Onoway Legion

Maple-glazed Ham Dinner
On Friday, April 5 cooks Anneliese & crew are serving a delicious meal of maple-glazed ham, scalloped potatoes, mixed veggies, garden salad, and home-made buns with carrot cake for dessert. The Veterans' table is sponsored by Brent & Randi Sanderson of RAK Investigations Inc.

Please text or call 780-967-5361 by Wednesday, April 3 to reserve room at the table. Take-out orders are always available if pre-ordered.

Creamy Tuscan Chicken
The next dinner is Friday, April 19. Sponsored by SANG. Donna & crew are preparing creamy Tuscan chicken (cream sauce with tomatoes, parmesan cheese & spices), with mashed potatoes, green beans, garden

salad, and home-style buns. It's pineapple slab cake for dessert. The Veterans' Table is sponsored by Peggy Bakken.

If you want to book ahead, reservations will be taken by text or phone at 780-967-5361. The deadline for ordering is Wednesday, April 17. Take-out orders are always available if pre-ordered.

Message from the President

This past week has brought a lot of turmoil to the Onoway Legion. Our first step was to work tirelessly toward a special general meeting to elect an executive board that would guide us to the end of the year. However, four days before that election was to be held, I received a letter from Rosalind LaRose, President of the Alberta-NWT Command, stating that, although the entire executive board voted to hold a full election, we "do not have the authority to remove the current executive from their positions. If anyone from the current executive wishes to resign, they must do so in writing to you. To fill those vacant positions another date will be set for an election.

The letter concluded with a definite threat: "Failure to comply will result in actions being taken against you." As a result, the executive committee held an emergency meeting and voted to submit to that threat and continue with the present board until the end of the year. We will have a full election as usual at our Annual General Meeting.

What does that mean to our community and the veterans we support? It means that we will continue to hold regular suppers and other events as planned. The majority of our volunteers fully support our mission – to serve veterans, including serving military and RCMP members and their families, to promote Remembrance and to serve and support our community and our country.

We regret that our internal problems have bled out into the community, creating a question mark about whether or not some

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

of Bylaw 22-2017-01-2024

LOCATION OF HEARING

Lac Ste. Anne County Office
56521 Range Road 65

DATE OF HEARING

April 11, 2024

TIME

10:00 am

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 692 of the *Municipal Government Act*, the Council of Lac Ste. Anne County is considering an application for amendment to Land Use Bylaw 22-2017, by amending NW 36-56-07 W5M and SW 01-57-07 W5M through proposed Bylaw 22-2017-01-2024.

- Redistricting a portion of the lands within the lot legally described as Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 1023203, within NW 36-56-07 W5M and the Original Government Road Allowance within SW 01-57-07 W5M from County Land (CL) District to Commercial Recreation (CREC) District under Bylaw 22-2017;
- Amending Map 3 Region C to reflect the redistricting of the lands legally described in Schedule "A" to Commercial Recreation (CREC) under Bylaw 22-2017;

Written comments on the above proposed Bylaw may be provided prior to 4:30 pm, on April 04, 2024 to:
Lac Ste. Anne County, 56521 RGE RD 65, Box 219, Sangudo, AB, T0E 2A0
Attn: Amy Roberts, Development Officer, Or email at devassistant@LSAC.ca

Interested individuals may attend the public hearing to voice their comments. To schedule an appointment please contact Development Officer, Amy Roberts at 780.785.3411. Appointment times shall be in accordance with the Procedures (and Committee) Bylaw #04-2020. To attend the meeting via zoom please use the link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84111986569>

The proposed amendment and/or application may be reviewed during regular business hours at the County Administration Office located at 56521 Range Road 65 or on the County website at LSAC.ca/Hearings.

OK, so what all this fancy language means is that County owned lands have been identified for redistricting to commercial recreation in preparation for expanding the Sangudo Riverside Campground.

In order to amend the Land Use Bylaw for redistricting, a bylaw must be drafted and a public hearing held first under the provisions of Part 17 of the *Municipal Government Act* (Sections 216.4, 606, 632, 640 and 692).

The above is to let folks know about when and where the Public Hearing will take place.

Onoway Legion News

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events will continue. As president, I sincerely apologize for the uncertainty of the past couple of months, and hope we will continue to have your full support for Onoway Branch #132 as we move forward.

Pub Night Every Second Friday

There is no meal at the legion on Friday, April 12 but everyone is welcome to enjoy a friendly evening of cards, darts or pool with friends at our Pub Night. You don't need to be a legion member. A full bar service, along with snacks and freshly-cooked hot dogs will be available to enjoy with your cold beer. We even offer specialty cocktails, apple cider, chai latte, and specialty herbal teas!

Provincial Pool Tournament

Our legion hosted the Provincial 8-ball Singles Pool Tournament on Saturday, March 23. Local winners from other legions all over the province came to compete for fun and glory. A delicious banquet prepared by our volunteers topped the day.

Wednesday Pub Night and Musical Jam

Enjoy a night of music every Wednesday at the legion. Doors open at 6:30 pm each Wednesday, with our house band starting at 7 pm. with a jam that everyone is invited to join.

Everyone, member or not, everyone is invited. Bring an instrument to play, or sing along with the band or as a soloist. If you'd rather, just tap your feet, sit, and listen, or dance. Not musical? You can play darts, pool, or cards while you enjoy the music. The bar is open with hotdogs and bar snacks.

Pool and Darts Clubs

Each Tuesday, the thud of thrown darts fills the hall. Registration is at 7 pm so everyone can be assigned to a team for play to begin at 7:30 pm. Cost for darts is \$3 each week.

On Thursday, the pool club racks up the balls. Play begins at 7 pm, so please arrive in time to be included in the evening schedule. Cost is \$5 each week.

You don't need to be a Le-

gion member to take part in either of these regular clubs each week.

Did You Know ...

We have a Veterans' Table at every Friday night supper, where Veterans and/or First Responders, each with a guest, are provided with a free dinner. This is possible because of generous business and individual sponsors who pay for six meals.

If you or your business would like to sponsor the table, call or text us at 780-967-5361.



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of Bylaw 23-2014-01-2024

LOCATION OF HEARING
Lac Ste. Anne County Office
56521 Range Road 65

DATE OF HEARING
April 11, 2024

TIME
11:00 am

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 692 of the *Municipal Government Act*, the Council of Lac Ste. Anne County is considering an amendment to Municipal Development Plan 23-2014, by amending the Municipal Development Plan through proposed Bylaw 23-2014-01-2024.

Proposed Amendments include:

- The allowance of subdivision that would create of 1 or 2 new parcel(s) within the Hamlet Policy Area, which shall not require an Area Structure Plan or Outline Plan.
- This allowance would be applicable to residential and commercial land uses.
- The subdivision authority would have the discretion to not require an Area Structure Plan.

Lac Ste. Anne is home to eight hamlets: Greencourt, Rochfort Bridge, Sangudo, Cherhill, Darwell, Glenevis, Gunn, and Rich Valley.

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OK, so what all this fancy language means is that administration has determined that by amending the existing Municipal Development Plan to allow 1 or 2 parcel(s) to be created through subdivision within our County's Hamlets, and not require an Area Structure Plan could help further grow and revitalize County Hamlets.

The above is to let folks know about when and where the Public Hearing will take place.

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HOW TO HANDLE CAR TROUBLE WHILE DRIVING

Sudden car trouble is something no driver wants to experience, but many a driver has been driving down the highway only to feel his or her vehicle start to sputter. Such sputtering might indicate a car is running low on fuel, or it could be a sign of something more serious that requires motorists to think as quickly and safely as possible.

When car trouble strikes while a vehicle is on the road, the first thing many drivers do is check their fuel gauges. A car that runs out of gas is certain-

ly inconvenient, but if you can pull over to the shoulder or make it to the nearest filling station, then this unfortunate situation can be remedied rather easily. But when a car's tank is full and it is still showing signs of trouble, drivers must take steps to protect themselves, their passengers and their vehicles. The following are a few simple tips motorists should keep in mind so they can safely handle any car trouble that may arise while they are out on the road.

• Keep a first-aid

kit, spare tire and tire jack in the car at all times. Flat tires are no fun, but they are even more of a nuisance when drivers are not prepared to address them. Always keep a jack and spare tire in your car, even if the spare is a donut you can temporarily use to replace a flat tire until you make it to a filling station or automotive supply store. As an added safety measure, keep a fully stocked first aid kit in your vehicle in case you cut yourself while changing the tire or need to address another med-

ical situation. Visit www.redcross.org for a list of items to include in your automotive emergency kit. Keep a blanket in the trunk as well so your passengers can stay warm should you experience car trouble on a cold day or night.

• Make note of your surroundings. Some car troubles can only be fixed by the professionals, so pay careful attention to your surroundings in case an issue arises and forces you to pull over and call for help.

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How To Handle Car Trouble While Driving

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Always pay attention to mile markers and any landmarks that might help you describe where you are. Car troubles can strike at any time and anywhere, so be sure to pay special attention to your surroundings when driving in unfamiliar areas.

- Pull over. Don't panic if an issue arises suddenly. Remain calm and pull over onto the shoulder. The right shoulder is the area for pulling over on most roads, but you may also use the left

shoulder on multilane highways with medians. Try to get as far away from traffic as possible without driving off of level ground, and always use your signals when pulling onto the shoulder. If the vehicle can't make it to the median, put your emergency flashers on and get out of the car, moving away from both the vehicle and traffic. Immediately call for emergency roadside assistance, alerting the authorities if need be.

- Use flares or triangles to alert other drivers. So long as you are not

risking your well-being, you can place flares and/or warning triangles behind your vehicle so oncoming traffic knows to drive around it. The popular not-for-profit motor club AAA recommends placing the first flare or triangle 10 feet directly behind the side of the vehicle that is closest to the road. The second should be placed between 30 and 60 feet (increase the distances as the posted speed limit increases) behind the middle of the bumper, while the third flare or triangle should be

placed between 120 and 360 feet behind the vehicle's right side.

- Stay with the vehicle. Once you have called for help and set up flares or triangles, stay with the vehicle, though do so at a safe enough distance so you are not in harm's way.

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SPRUCE GROVE GOLDEN AGE CLUB 2024 POOL TOURNAMENT

Submitted by Spruce Grove Golden Age Club

Spruce Grove Golden Age Club held its 3rd Annual 8-Ball Pool Tournament on March 14th. Players came from around Spruce Grove with the farthest participants from Sexsmith. All players played 2 games and a enjoyed a great lunch prepared by our Chef Denis. Draws for prizes were

contributed by businesses from Spruce Grove for all 16 players. Congratulations to the tournament Winning Players: 1st Paul Caines, 2nd Randy Ulmer, 3rd Ian Befus, and 4th Scott Rogers

These contributing businesses allowed us to hold this tournament every year. They contribute to our community and hopefully all Grovers and visitors will visit and support these

businesses. In alphabetical order they are: Academy Mechanical Services Ltd, Bings-Spruce Grove, Boston Pizza, Canadian Brew House, City of Spruce Grove, Econo Lube, Elk Point Drilling, George Pon, Harvey's, Home Depot, Kal Tire, Liquor on McLeod, McDonalds Spruce Grove, Mr. Lube, NWT Safety & Promotions, Predator Cues & Billiards, Raven Wolf

Brewing Co. Ltd, Sandyview Farms, Safeway, Sharks Club, Spruce Grove Golden Age Club and Zender Ford.

Many thanks to our helpers who made this tournament a success: Pool Club members, Brenda Doroshuk, and club President Anne Narayan, our sponsors and the pool participants.



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Onoway Heritage Center - Gym/Classrooms, 967-1015

Onoway Legion, 587-785-3080

Park Court Community Hall, 727-4476

Parkland Village Community Centre, 780-298-9155 @ PVCCentre

Pioneer Centre, Spruce Grove 780-962-5020 or email.

Ravine Community Hall, Dawna @ 325-2460

Rich Valley Community Hall, 967-5710 or 967-3696

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ANSWER:

4	2	8	3	9	7	5	1	6
9	6	1	8	5	4	3	2	7
3	5	7	2	6	1	9	4	8
8	3	6	7	1	9	4	5	2
5	7	9	6	4	2	1	8	3
2	1	4	5	3	8	7	6	9
6	9	5	1	2	3	8	7	4
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COMMUNITY EVENTS

If you are a LICENSED, NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION, you are welcome to submit your announcement FREE of charge, space permitting. You are required to submit your non-profit number. Call (780) 962-9228. Please note that all submitted event listings must be limited to 25 characters or less (including spaces). DEADLINE: 12 noon Friday prior to publication (Thursdays on long weekends).

FARMERS MARKETS

ALBERTA BEACH: Sundays, 11:30 - 3pm. Contact Hall 780-666-1604 *May - September

BARRHEAD: Saturdays, 10AM-1PM at Barrhead Agrena. Sherry 780-674-6802 *May - Dec.

EVANSBURG FARMERS MARKET: Every Saturday 10am - 2pm located right beside Evansburg Tipples Museum 780-505-0905

May-Sept
ONOWAY: Thursdays, 5-8PM at Onoway Community Hall. 780-667-6327 or onowayfarmersmarket@gmail.com. *Starts May 1st.

SPRUCE GROVE: at the Elevator, Sat 10:00-1:00PM, Info (780)288-6174 *April - Dec.

STONY PLAIN: Saturdays, 9AM-1PM, Community Centre Downtown, Stony Plain. Nancy 780-962-3993. *April - Dec.
WHITECOURT: Tuesdays 11AM-2PM, Whitecourt Legion Hall, 779-7002. *May - Oct.

BINGO

RICH VALLEY COMMUNITY HALL BINGO: on April 10 & 24 at 7:30PM
STONY PLAIN SENIORS DROP-IN CENTRE, public bingo every Tues, 7PM. All ages welcome. Phone (780) 963-6685

WHITECOURT SENIORS CIRCLE, Every Tuesday. Open @ 5PM, 1st call @ 6:45PM, Nevada's, Concession. 780-778-4950 *Sept - June

MEAT DRAWS

ALBERTA BEACH: Lac Ste Anne Community Choir & Museum Meat Draw/Prizes - Every Sundays, 3:00PM at Jungle's Bar & Grill.

BARRHEAD ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION: Fridays 6:00PM. Queen Of Hearts draw & 50/50.

C.A.N. COMMUNITIES OF ALBERTA NETWORKING FOR SENIORS, Spruce Grove At Pioneer Center. first market March 25 1 - 5:30pm

DARWELL MARKET & MEAT DRAW
4th Sat of the month. till 4:30 (year round) All is welcome Lisa @ 780-233-0700

ONOWAY ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION: Fridays, Ph. 780-967-5361

STONY PLAIN ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BR# 256: Saturdays @ 3:00PM.- 5:00 pm Meat Draw & 50/50.

MAYERTHORPE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION: June - Fridays from 4 - 8 pm Pub Night//Meat Draw & 50/50

WHITECOURT LEGION: Saturdays 3:00PM. Located downtown behind the CIBC.

MEALS ON WHEELS

ONOWAY: LSAC Div 1 & 2, East of Hwy 43. Hazel Bourke: 780.967.2338 or bbourke@icloud.com

WEST END: Sangudo, Mayerthorpe & west end of LSAC. Jill: 780.785.2924 or Donna: 780.785.3118 or email: westendmow@outlook.com

JAMBOREES

SUMMERDALE HALL COUNTRY JAMBOREE every second weekend of the month. 10.00 fee. Meals for purchase. Sep to May. 3 day jamboree June 6-7-8-9.

CARVEL: 2nd Sunday of month. \$6 lunch served. Info 780-991-3001

SANGUDO: Sangudo Community Hall Jamborees are on hold until further notice 780-785-4105.

SPRUCE GROVE: at Sandhills Community Hall, 3rd Sunday, 1-5PM, Info Florence 780-962-3104 Margaret 780-962-3051 *September - June.

Edmonton Northwest Senior's Center: 12963 - 120th NW, Every Wed From 1-3:30pm Aug & Sept. Admin: \$5 non members \$2 members Yearly membership \$30

STONY PLAIN: Stony Plain Seniors Drop

In Center, 5018 - 51 Ave. Every 1st & 3rd Thurs of month, 6:30PM, \$2.

WHITECOURT SENIORS CIRCLE: 2nd Sunday of the month 1-5PM, \$5/Adm Door prizes & 50/50 draw. 780-778-4950 *Nov - June

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SANGUDO: Tues 5pm at Golden Club. Toni (780)786-4612

STONY PLAIN: Thurs evening at 5:30PM, Stony Plain Library. Susan (780) 968-0869

SPRUCE GROVE: Mon at 4:30pm at Anglican Church, 131 Church Road. Betty (780)962-3857

SPRUCE GROVE: Tues at 6:15pm at Anglican Church, 131 Church Road. Sharron (780)962-2722

SPRUCE GROVE: Wed at 8:45am at Anglican Church, 131 Church Road. Christiane (780)960-1109

WILDWOOD: Thurs at 10am at Wildwood Hall, Bea (780)727-2129

YOUR COMMUNITY

MAYERTHORPE LEGION BR. #126: Seniors' Floor Curling - Thurs @ 1pm. Fun Darts - Thurs @ 7pm. Wings Night - Every Wed 5-8pm. Steak & Fish Night - 1st Friday of month 5-8pm. Everyone welcome. For more info please call 780-786-2470.

ONOWAY ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION: Open Tuesdays 7PM to 10PM for "Games" (pool, shuffleboard, darts, cards, etc.) Fridays 3PM-10PM. Friday's Family Friendly Dinner, 5:30PM (open to the public).

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SPRUCE GROVE ELEVATOR TOURS, Tues-Sat, 9:00-3:00PM. Info 960-4600.

UNITED CHURCH THRIFT SHOP: North end Curling Rink, Onoway. Open Fri & Sat, 10AM-2PM.

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WATER SAMPLE DROP OFF: Tues Onoway Aspen Health Services. Drop off 1:00-2:30PM.

SOCIAL EVENTS

ALBERTA BEACH & DISTRICT ACTIVE 50+ CLUB ACTIVITIES: Mon 7PM Darts; Tues 7:30PM Crib; Wed 1PM Bridge. Thurs 7:30PM Euchre; Mon, Wed, Fri 8:30AM Aerobics/Fitness. Everyone Welcome.

BADMINTON: Wed, 7-10PM, Barrhead High School Gym. Jamie (780)674-8974 or (780)674-6974.

COME PLAY CRIB: Fridays, 7:00PM at Darwell Seniors Hall; lite lunch is served. All ages!

COUNTRY QUILTERS in Stony Plain house a "Sew in Tuesday", 2nd Tuesday of every month, from 10-3PM. Drop in \$5/member, \$6/non-members. Contact Cindy 780-963-7170.

Darwell Public Skating 7-days wheel 8am - 8pm. more details on Darwellag. com or Facebook

JR. SCRABBOOKING Wed 4-6PM. Pre-register by Tues evng. Mayerthorpe Public Library www.mayerthorpepubliclibrary.ab.ca (780)786-2404

"ME, YOU, & EVERYBODY" Fun new local program for people of all ages with disabilities. Thursdays @ Alberta Beach Agplex from 10:00-11:00AM starting May. Funded Lac Ste Anne FCSS.

ONOWAY & DISTRICT HISTORICAL GUILD: Every Wed, 9-4pm at Onoway Golden Club Onoway Museum. 967-4485

ONOWAY GOLDEN CLUB: Cards Tuesdays, 1PM. 5023 49 Ave. 780-967-3436.

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Fridays 10:30AM at the Drop in Centre, 5023-49 Ave. PH: 780-967-2056.

PANCAKE/BREAKFAST SOCIAL: 3rd Sunday 9:00-11:30AM, Parkland Village Community Centre. *except June, July, August

RIVER TALKERS TOAST MASTERS CLUB, Thursdays, 7-9PM. 32 Whitecourt Ave. Hilltop Community Church. Info Lorraine 286-5040.

SANGUDO ART CLUB meets every Thursday morning at 9AM at the Sangudo Community School. New members welcome. For further information call Brenda at 780-785-2402.

SPIRITUAL LIVING STONY PLAIN INSPIRATIONAL CINEMA & DISCUSSIONS at PERC Building (5415-51 St.). 2nd Friday of month at 7PM. Popcorn provided, donations appreciated. Contact 780-940-3032

THE ALBERTA WILDLIFE WHITECOURT SENIORS CIRCLE DROP IN CRIB 1st & 3rd Sundays 1:00PM. 780-778-4950

WRITERS PROGRAM: Mayerthorpe Library, 1st & 3rd Wednesday at 1PM.

MEETINGS

1ST ONOWAY SCOUTS: Registration, Mondays 6:30-8PM. Beavers 5-7; Cubs 8-11; Scouts 12-14. Kim 967-4339.

2716 ROYAL CANADIAN ARMY CADETS, Wednesdays 6:30-9:00PM at Mayerthorpe Legion. Youths 12-18yrs, Call 780-515-1842

299 ROYAL CANADIAN SEA CADETS CORPS MACKENZIE: Stony Plain Comm Center, Wed 6:30PM. Youths 12-18, 963-0843

3053 (LAC STE ANNE) ROYAL CANADIAN ARMY CADET CORPS, Onoway Historical Centre, Wed. 6:45PM. Onoway Heritage Centre contact 3053army@cadets.gc.ca

526 BARRHEAD AIR CADETS, Wed 6:30-9:30PM, High School. Ages 12-18. 780-305-7233

755 PARKLAND AIR CADETS Thurs, 6:30-9:30PM Muir Lake School, ages 12-18. Info call 405-6585 or www.755aircadets.com.

AA - MAYERTHORPE, Community Service Bldg 4909-49Ave, Thurs 8PM. (780) 648-3903 or (780) 779-0155

AA - SANGUDO GOLDEN CLUB, Tues 8PM call 786-4402/785-9214/785-3599

AA - WHITECOURT, united church side door, Mon, Wed, Fri 8pm call 780-424-5900

AA - WOMEN'S GROUP (NEW), Whitecourt United Church - use side door at 5201-50St. Saturday 11:00 Call (780)424-5900

AL-ANON Wednesdays, 8PM. Spruce Grove United Church, 1A Fieldstone Dr. 780-962-5205

Hope and Help for Family and Friends, New Al-Anon meeting in Spruce Grove Wed @ 11am. 1A Fieldstone Dr Church Library

ALBERTA 55 PLUS: Villeneuve Hall at 10AM. Meetings on 2nd Tues of month. Info: Donna 780-962-5933

ALBERTA BEACH & DIST LIONS CLUB meets every 4th Tues 7:00PM, Alberta Beach Agplex.

ALBERTA BEACH AG SOCIETY meets on the 4th Thurs of month, 7:00PM, Alberta Beach Agplex.

ALBERTA BEACH MUSEUM meets on the 2nd Wed, 7:00PM at Heritage House 924-3167.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS: The Journey of Hope Group, Mondays 8PM, Golden Club 5023-49Ave

BARRHEAD & AREA CANCER SUPPORT GROUP: 4th Thurs. 6:30-8:00PM at Barrhead United Church.

BARRHEAD ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION, meeting every 2nd Thurs, 7PM at the Legion Hall.

CHERRILL COMMUNITY ASSOC. Monthly Meeting 1st Wednesday, 8PM at the Hall. 785-2825 *Except Jan, July, Aug, Sept.

CHERRILL SILVER & GOLD SENIORS CLUB Regular Meetings 1st Tuesday

of month, Cherhill Seniors Hall. Call Rosamund 780-785-2625

CHERISHED MEMORIES, PARENTS & TOTS Wed & Fri, 10-12PM, Alberta Beach Agplex. Info call 780-902-4879 or 780-993-7622. *Sept-June.

DARWELL & DISTRICT AG SOCIETY MEETINGS: 7:00PM, 1st Monday, Darwell
DDRA MEETING: 7:00PM, 2nd Mon, Darwell Centennial Hall 780-892-3099. *except Jul/Aug/Dec

GriefShare: Experience the many benefits of a grief support group. GriefShare is held Tuesdays 6:30pm - 8:30 pm, starting February 20, 2024 at Crossroads Community Church, 44 Ave, Mayerthorpe. \$35 includes 12 weekly sessions and your personal journal workbook. Pre-register by calling 780-786-2533. **Girl Guides Embers,** Guides and Pathfinders Saturdays 2-4pm Onoway Heritage Center On-line Registration www.girlguides.ca

GREENCOURT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION meet 2nd Tuesday, monthly at 7:30PM at the hall. Info W. Jager (780) 786-4648

KINETTE CLUB OF MAYERTHORPE, 7:30PM at Kinsmen Hall, 1st Tues of month. Contact: mayerthorpekinettes@gmail.com, Tracy: 780-786-0161.

LAC STE ANNE ARMY CADETS, Thurs, 6:30-9:30PM at Onoway Museum (780) 967-0443

LAC STE ANNE COMMUNITY CHOIR, Wednesdays 7PM at the Heritage Centre in Alberta Beach (50+ Club behind the hotel). Further info, call Sandra @ 780-966-5678

LAC STE ANNE & LAKE ISLE WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT SOCIETY: 3rd Fri, 7PM, Alberta Beach Council Chambers.

LAKE ISLE HALL COMMUNITY HALL BOARD MEETINGS: 3rd Wed of each month @ 7:30PM at the Lake Isle Hall (Hwy 633 and RR55) Ph # 780-892-3121

MAYERTHORPE HOSPITAL AUXILIARY ASSOC, every 4th Mon, 5PM in Hospital Basement Education Room.

MAYERTHORPE LEGION BR. #126: Meetings 2nd Mon of month at 7:30PM. For more info please call 780-786-2470.

MEN FOR SOBRIETY: Wednesdays at 7:30PM, FCSS Building (#105, 505 Queen Street, Spruce Grove). Mike (780) 965-9991.

MS SOCIETY PARKLAND COMMUNITY SUPPORT GROUP Are you diagnosed with MS and have questions? Last Tues of month, 7-9PM, Westview Health Centre. Cassy 780-471-3034 *Sept-June

NA MEETING, Tuesdays 7:00PM Poplar Valley Church (780)514-6011

ONOWAY & DIST HERITAGE SOCIETY: 2nd Wed of each month, 7:00PM, Onoway Legion

ONOWAY & DISTRICT QUILT GUILD: Every 2nd Thurs, 10AM-4PM, @ the Lac Ste. Anne Chateau Activity Room. Info, Ph Lyia @ 780-967-2629.

ONOWAY ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION General Meetings, 1st Mon, 7PM. *Sept-June

RICH VALLEY AG SOCIETY BOARD MEETINGS: at the Agplex on the 2nd Wed of the month. 7:00PM.

RIVER TALKERS TOASTMASTERS CLUB Build confidence, speaking, leadership & listening skills. Thursdays 7-9PM at Eagle River Casino. Call Melinda Tarcan, (780)778-1180.

SANGUDO PAINTING GROUP: Every Thurs, 9AM-12PM at Sangudo Community School. Info, call 780-785-2112.

SUNDOWNERS TOASTMASTER CLUB: Mon (excl. Holidays) 7:30-9:30PM. St. Matthew's Church, Spruce Grove. Judy 960-5258

WESTLOCK & AREA CANCER SUPPORT GROUP: 3rd Wed. 6:30-8:00PM at Westlock Library.

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