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January 14, 2026

ALBERTA COMMUNITY RESPONSE TEAM MAKE MAJOR ARREST IN STOLEN PROPERTY INVESTIGATION

Submitted by Alberta Community Response Team

On Jan. 7, 2026, the Alberta RCMP Community Response

Team with the assistance of RCMP Air Services, Parkland RCMP and Parkland RCMP Crime Reduction Unit; a stolen property investigation was

concluded.

The Alberta Community Response Team executed a search warrant at a

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ALBERTA RCMP COMMUNITY RESPONSE TEAM ARREST SUSPECT IN STOLEN TRUCK

Submitted by Alberta RCMP Community Response Team

The Alberta RCMP's Community Response Team with the assistance of the Real Time Operations Centre, Parkland RCMP and Parkland RCMP Crime Reduction Unit, conclude a stolen

property investigation.

On Jan. 8, 2026, the Alberta Community Response Team became aware of a stolen Chevrolet truck being followed by a civilian in the area of Parkland County. Police located the stolen Chevrolet truck and successfully deployed a Tire Deflation De-

vice. The Chevrolet truck came to a stop on a rural property in the area of Alberta Beach. The accused was quickly taken into custody before further offences could be committed on the civilian property. Police arrested Jasen Pappin,

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MAYERTHORPE COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Submitted by Mayerthorpe Community

Something exciting is cooking in Mayerthorpe!

Mayerthorpe FCSS is thrilled to introduce Kindred Kitchen, a new com-

munity initiative developed in partnership with the Social Impact Lab. After months in the making, this program is bringing people together through food with hands-on cooking classes for all skill levels.

Visit the website to learn more and discover the upcoming classes coming to our community. We can't wait to cook, learn, and gather together!

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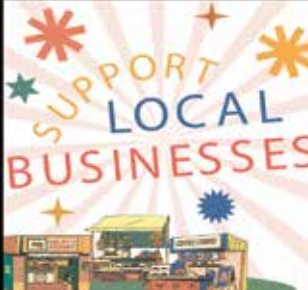
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residence near Range Road 30 in Parkland County. Police arrested a male on multiple charges, and a female on separate outstanding warrants.

As a result of the warrant, police located and seized stolen items, drugs and weapons including:

- 9 non-restricted firearms,
- 1 loaded non-restricted firearm,

- 2 travel trailers,
- 3 flat-deck trailers,
- 1 Nissan Maxima,
- 1 Yamaha motorbike,
- And 10 grams of methamphetamine.

Justin Anger, (44), a resident of Parkland County, has been charged with the following offences:

- Unauthorized Possession of a firearm x 10,
- Possession of a loaded firearm,

- Careless storage of a firearm,
- Possession of property obtained by crime over \$5,000 x 5,
- Possession of property obtained by crime under \$5,000 x 2,
- Tampering with a Vehicle Identification number x 2.

Justin Anger was remanded with his next court appearance on Jan. 14, 2026 at the Alberta Court of Justice in St. Albert.

Alberta RCMP Community Response Team Arrest Suspect In Stolen Truck

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a 47-year-old male resident of Parkland County.

Jasen Pappin is charged with:

- Possession of Property Obtained by Crime over \$5000;

- Operate a Motor Vehicle while Unauthorized;

- Failure to comply with a Release Order (x4);

- Resist Arrest.

Jasen Pappin was held for a

bail hearing and was remanded into custody. He is to appear in the Alberta Court of Justice in St. Albert on Jan. 28, 2026 at 9:30 AM.

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JOKE of the week

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women who understand this chapter of life – and are ready to bloom together.

Link to Register:
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TOWN OF STONY PLAIN MOURNS THE PASSING OF HOCKEY LEGEND GLENN HALL

Submitted by Town of Stony Plain

The Town of Stony Plain is mourning the passing of Glenn Henry Hall, a legendary National Hockey League goaltender and longtime Stony Plain resident, who passed away on January 7, 2026, at the age of 94.

Born on October 3, 1931, in Humboldt, Saskatchewan, Hall became one of the most

accomplished and respected goaltenders in professional hockey history. Known throughout the sport as Mr. Goalie, he played 18 seasons in the NHL with the Detroit Red Wings, Chicago Black Hawks, and St. Louis Blues. Hall was a pioneer of the butterfly style of goaltending and set an enduring NHL record by starting 502 consecutive games, making him one of the most notable NHL play-

ers in history.

His career achievements include winning the Stanley Cup, earning the Calder Memorial Trophy, three Vezina Trophies, and the Conn Smythe Trophy, and being inducted into the Hockey Hall of Fame in 1975.

After retiring from professional hockey, Hall made Stony Plain his home and became a valued and respected member of the communi-

ty, known for his generosity and mentorship. His legacy is permanently reflected in the town through the Glenn Hall Centennial Arena, a key community recreation facility located at 5300-52 Street, which proudly bears his name.

Mayor William Choy shares his condolences on behalf of Council, "Glenn Hall was more than a hockey icon; he was a proud member of our community. Having our arena named in his honour and a mural telling his story reflects the deep respect Stony Plain holds for him. His legacy will continue to inspire athletes and residents for generations."

Town Manager Tom Goulden says, "Glenn Hall's achievements on the ice were extraordinary, but in Stony Plain he was valued most for the way he lived his life off the ice. He was a long-time resident who cared deeply about this community, supported local hockey, and took the time to connect with people in a genuine and meaningful way."

Outside the arena, a 30-foot mural celebrates Hall's remarkable career and his connection to Stony Plain, serving as a lasting visual tribute to his impact on both the sport of hockey and the local community.

"Mr. Goalie by artist Tag Kim captures Glenn Hall's remarkable career while also recognizing the deep connection he and his family had to Stony Plain," says Culture and Tourism Officer Chantelle Laberge. "The mural reflects not only his accomplishments in professional hockey, but also the enduring impact he had on this community and the contributions he made beyond the rink."

The Town of Stony Plain extends its sincere condolences to Glenn Hall's family, friends, and the many people whose lives he touched.



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PARKLAND RCMP ASSIST SENIOR AFTER HEAVY SNOWFALL

Submitted by Parkland RCMP

On Dec. 31, 2025 Parkland RCMP received a report of a 96-year-old male who was snowed in at his residence. Heavy snowfall had

blocked the man's driveway, leaving him unable to leave his home to attend important appointments. Due to the calls for service being lower at the time, a police officer was able to attend the residence and clear the

snow, ensuring the gentleman could safely leave the residence.

The resident expressed his gratitude for the assistance. The Parkland RCMP is proud to support their community members be-

yond traditional policing duties, especially during challenging winter conditions.

PARKLAND RCMP REQUEST PUBLIC ASSISTANCE TO IDENTIFY MALE FROM ASSAULT/ROBBERY



Submitted by Parkland RCMP

On Dec. 30, 2025, Parkland RCMP received a report that at a gas bar in Spruce Grove, an employee was bear maced while a robbery ensued, and that the suspect

fled on foot. Police attended and the victim stated the male suspect demanded money, and the victim complied but that he continued to mace her anyway.

The male suspect is described as:

- 5 feet 6 inches to 5

feet 7 inches tall;

- Stocky build;
- Wearing glasses;
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Police are looking for public assistance to identify this individual.

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County News Highlights

MEETINGS & HEARINGS

[LSAC.ca/meetings](https://www.lsac.ca/meetings)

Meetings and public hearings are held at the County Administration Office near Sangudo, they are open to the public and available remotely. Explore the County's online calendar for agendas, minutes, and meeting details.

ASB Meeting

Tuesday, January 13, 2026 at 9:30 am

Council Meeting

Friday, January 23, 2026 at 9:30 am

MPC Meeting

Wednesday, February 4, 2026 at 9:30 am

Governance & Priorities Meeting

Thursday, February 5, 2026 at 9:30 am

ALBERTA UPDATES WILD BOAR MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

[LSAC.ca/news](https://www.lsac.ca/news)

The Government of Alberta has updated its Wild Boar Control Program, introducing regulatory changes that affect wild boar ownership, containment standards, and overall management. These updates are particularly relevant for County landowners and agricultural producers, and have already generated early questions and informal feedback within the community.

Key points residents should know:

- Wild boar are classified as an agricultural pest in Alberta and pose significant risks to agriculture, livestock, and natural areas.
- The Province has strengthened its approach to controlling and eliminating wild boar, including changes that impact existing operations.
- New requirements have been introduced regarding reporting, containment, and regulatory compliance.
- The overall goal is to prevent the spread of wild boar and reduce long-term impacts on farmland and environment.

Wild boar are already prohibited under the County's Prohibited Animals Bylaw #10-2019, and the Province's updated program aligns with the County's long-standing approach to preventing the keeping or introduction of prohibited species in the community.

The role of Agriculture Services is to help make residents aware of these provincial changes and direct them to the Province's official information, rather than interpret or enforce the regulations locally. Residents are encouraged to learn more by visiting the Government of Alberta's Wild Boar Control Program webpage: alberta.ca/wild-boar-control-program

ALBERTA ENVIRONMENTAL FARM PLAN WORKSHOP COMING SOON GET IT STARTED. GET IT DONE!

[FarmingForward.ca](https://www.farmingforward.ca)

Getting started is often the hardest part – this workshop makes it easy. Get your Environmental Farm Plan (EFP) ready for upcoming funding programs like AgriInvest, RALP, and other new 2026 opportunities.

The EFP program is designed for educational purposes, helping you identify and assess environmental risks on your farm and find practical ways to improve sustainability. Your information stays completely confidential between you and your technician.

Thursday, January 29, 1:00 pm, County Administration Office, Sangudo

Bring Your laptop! This is a free, hands-on workshop where an EFP technician will guide you step-by-step through creating or updating your plan.

It's free to attend—but registration is required—just visit [FarmingForward.ca](https://www.farmingforward.ca) to register!

THE COUNTY'S WINTER ROAD MAINTENANCE PROGRAM – IN A NUTSHELL

The County maintains range roads, township roads and subdivision roads. After a snowfall event, our Public Works crews begin to clear these corridors quickly, safely, and in accordance with standard County procedures.

With the goal to clear the County's road network as efficiently as possible after a snowfall event ends — our snow-clearing priorities are as follows:

- Priority 1:** Fire stations and main roadways – these routes carry the highest traffic volume, including collector roads
- Priority 2:** Local roadways – the feeder roads with lower traffic volumes
- Priority 3:** Subdivisions and hamlets
- Priority 4:** Snowplow flags, parking lots, and back alleys

Please keep in mind that the **Province of Alberta** is responsible for all maintenance including snow clearing on highways throughout the County. This includes highways 18, 22, 33, 37, 43, 633, 642, 647, 654, 757, 764, 765 & 777. The County has no jurisdiction over these highways.

Please visit [LSAC.ca/roads](https://www.lsac.ca/roads) for all the details!



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DISCRETIONARY DEVELOPMENT PERMITS

LSAC.ca/permits

The development permits below have been conditionally approved under the provisions of the Land Use Bylaw (LUB). This list does not include permitted uses. Please contact County Planning & Development to request additional information on permits listed.

Anyone who claims to be affected and who wishes to lodge an appeal against any of these developments must do so in writing, using the applicable form on or before 4:30 pm on the noted date(s) to the appropriate appeal body:

Subdivision & Development Appeal Board (SDAB)

Secretary of the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board
Box 219, Sangudo, AB T0E 2A0 Email: appeals@LSAC.ca

25-D0197

Lot 3, Block 2, Plan 8220404; Greentree Estates
SW 32-53-03 W5M; 3, 53513 Rge Rd 35
Garden Suite; 36.0' x 14.0' (504.0 sq. ft.) walls 92.0" with side yard variance request regulation: 6.0 m requested: 5.56 m variance: 0.44 m

Appeal to SDAB by Feb 2, 2026

25-D0207

Lot 33, Block 2, Plan 7821410; Lakewood Estates
SE 32-53-02 W5M; 181, 53510 HWY 43
Garage detached 42.0' x 60.0' (2520.0 sq. ft.) 16.0' Walls with garage size variance request to section 10.1.29 of LUB regulation: Required 1200 sq.ft. Request 2520 sq.ft. Variance of 1320 sq.ft.

Appeal to SDAB by Feb 2, 2026

25-D0210

Lot 14, Block 11, Plan 8220730; Sunnyside Estates
NE 10-54-05 W5M; 27, 54126 RGE RD 52
Shipping Container, Main 8.0' x 40.0' (320.0 sq. ft.)

Appeal to SDAB by Feb 2, 2026

25-D0227

NW 28-54-02 W5M; 2327 Twp Rd 545
Detached Garage, Main 12.0' x 24.0' (288.0 sq. ft.) 8.0' walls

Appeal to SDAB by Feb 2, 2026

25-D0228

NW 28-54-02 W5M; 2327 TWP RD 545
Moved in home with deck, Main 25.0' x 30.0' (660.0 sq. ft.) 11.0' walls, Deck (200.0 sq. ft.)

Appeal to SDAB by Feb 2, 2026

25-D0220

Lot 17, Block 1, Plan 0623018; Belle Vista Estates
SE 09-56-01 W5M; 17, 56110 RGE RD 13
2026 Manufactured Home on wood blocks and gravel pad 20.0' x 64.0' (1280.0 sq. ft.)

Appeal to SDAB by Feb 2, 2026

25-D0232

SE 19-54-05 W5M
2 Shipping containers to be used for storage, Main 8.0' x 40.0' (320.0 sq. ft.) 9'6" walls

Appeal to SDAB by Feb 2, 2026

25-D0235

Lot 2, Block 1, Plan 2021831
NE 17-55-03 W5M; 3405 TWP RD 553
Micro Home with loft on metal skids, Main 14.0' x 32.0' (448.0 sq. ft.) 7.0' walls, Loft 12.0' x 14.0' (168.0 sq. ft.)

Appeal to SDAB by Feb 2, 2026

25-D0240

Lot 14, Plan 6989AP; Lac Ste Anne Settlement
NE 19-54-03 W5M; 128, 3510 Ste Anne Trail
Detached Garage, Main 30.0' x 54.0' (1620.0 sq. ft.) 12.0' Walls

Appeal to SDAB by Feb 2, 2026

2026 BUSINESS LICENCE RENEWAL AND INVOICING:

Submit the required form and payment by February 28 to take advantage of a reduced Property Tax Rate related to your business

Visit LSAC.ca/business-licences for more information and submit your renewal forms and payment to the Planning & Development department today.

SEASONAL COYOTE PREDATION MANAGEMENT is

Available for Livestock Producers

The County's Problem Wildlife Officer is focussed on coyote management for the fall and winter season. Increased coyote activity is common this time of year as food sources change and young animals disperse to establish new territories.

Producing livestock has many challenges — and coyote predation is one of them. Although they are important to the ecosystem, coyotes can cause problems when they damage or kill domestic livestock or domestic pets like dogs.

If you're dealing with problematic coyotes, there are ways the County can help prevent this from happening. Contact the Agricultural Services team to get started.

For more information visit LSAC.ca/agriculture



ALBERTA COMMUNITY RESPONSE TEAM RECOVER STOLEN VEHICLE

Submitted by Alberta Community Response Team

The Alberta RCMP's Community Response Team with the assistance of the Real Time Operations Centre, Parkland RCMP, Parkland RCMP Drug Unit, Parkland

RCMP Crime Reduction Unit and the Police Dog Services, conclude a stolen property investigation.

On Jan. 9, 2026, the Alberta Community Response Team located a stolen GMC Sierra on a rural property in Parkland County. The GMC Sierra stopped at a gas sta-

tion where the lone male driver was arrested. Police arrested David Brown, a 41-year-old male resident of Parkland County.

David Brown is charged with:

- Possession of Property Obtained by Crime over \$5000;

- Operate a Motor Vehicle while Unauthorized.

David Brown was held for a bail hearing and was remanded into custody. He is to appear in the Alberta Court of Justice in St Albert on Jan. 28, 2026 at 9:30 AM.

ALBERTA RCMP WARN OF SPIKE IN FATAL COLLISIONS AMID WINTER CONDITIONS

Submitted by Alberta RCMP

Parkland RCMP are urging drivers to use extra caution on Alberta roads after a sharp increase in fatal collisions during December and early January. Preliminary

data shows 20 fatal collisions occurred across K Division in December; above the 10-year average of 16.7.

Winter weather and the recent snowfalls may have contributed to a significant portion of these crashes. Injury collisions also ap-

pear to be up. This trend has continued into the new year. Four fatal collisions in Alberta, resulting in four deaths, were reported in the first four days of January. Weather is believed to be a factor in three of those incidents, though investiga-

tions remain ongoing.

Police are reminding motorists to slow down, allow extra time for travel, and adjust driving habits to winter conditions. Waiting for better road conditions is always an option as well.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

LAC STE. ANNE COUNTY WELCOMES NEW CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Lac Ste. Anne County, AB — Tuesday, December 30, 2025

Lac Ste. Anne County Council is pleased to announce the appointment of Ann Mitchell as its new Chief Administrative Officer (CAO), effective Monday, January 12, 2026. Ms. Mitchell has been appointed under a five-year term, supporting long-term administrative stability as Council advances their strategic vision.

With extensive experience in senior municipal leadership, Mitchell offers a proven record in effective municipal management, with expertise in strategic and business planning, policy development, marketing and communications, resource allocation, human resource management, and working collaboratively with community stakeholders.

Mitchell's credentials include a B.A. from Lakehead University and a Master certificate in Municipal Management from the Schulich School of Business at York University, as well as a Masters in Leadership from Royal Roads University, which focussed on local government in Canada.

Reeve Jurgen Preugschas welcomed the appointment, noting the importance of effective leadership and good governance.

"Council is very pleased to welcome Ann Mitchell to Lac Ste. Anne County," said Reeve Preugschas. "Following a comprehensive recruitment process, Council is confident that Ann will bring the experience, professionalism, and collaborative leadership needed to guide our administration and support Council in delivering effective services to our residents."

Mitchell, grateful for the opportunity, stated, "I am extremely pleased to be joining Lac Ste. Anne County. This is a community with strong values and great potential, and I look forward to leading the organization as we implement Council's vision and priorities for the community."

Council and administration extend their appreciation to Interim CAO Trista Court for her leadership during the transition period and thank residents for their continued engagement as the County moves into this new chapter of leadership.

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ROCK SOLID REFORMS FOR SAND AND GRAVEL

Submitted by Government of Alberta

Alberta's government is acting fast on 15 recommendations delivered by the Sand and Gravel Task Force report to modernize private land sand and gravel pit regulation.

Sand and gravel operations supply the materials that build Alberta's homes, roads and infrastructure. Modernizing Alberta's approach will help create jobs, protect the environment and support a fast-growing economy.

"Sand and gravel help build the roads we drive on, the homes we live in and the infrastructure that supports our province. It also helps create jobs and grow our economy. These recommendations will help get rid of unnecessary government bureaucracy, create more opportunities in the sand and gravel sector and protect our strong environmental safeguards."

Rebecca Schulz, Minister of Environment and Protected Areas

Currently, there are more than 1,000 active sand and gravel pit registrations on private land across the province. For years, landowners and companies have complained about slow regulatory processes, confusing approval

conditions and inconsistent timelines.

Launched in May 2025, the Sand and Gravel Task Force reviewed Alberta's current policies and processes to find ways to shorten application timelines and reduce regulatory barriers, while maintaining environmental standards. The final report identifies 15 recommendations to reduce delays, better support landowners and strengthen Alberta's aggregate supply chain. These include improving policies, streamlining processes, helping industry navigate regulatory processes and balancing economic development and environmental assurance.

"The sand and gravel sector creates important jobs and revenue for many rural communities and landowners. I'm proud of the collaborative work that went into this report and look forward to seeing these recommendations put into action."

Glenn van Dijken, task force co-chair and MLA for Athabasca-Barrhead-Westlock

"These recommendations will lead to faster project approvals and a stronger sand and gravel sector while maintaining our province's high environmental standards."

Brandon Lundy, task force co-chair and MLA for

Leduc-Beaumont

Three recommendations have already been implemented. Alberta has set formal service standards for application review timelines under both the Water Act and Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act. Applications are now processed concurrently across regulators. Alberta Environment and Protected Areas staff are working closely with operators and industry to share information on best practices and requirements.

Seven recommendations will be completed within the next six months. The recommendations include clarifying the roles and responsibilities of regulatory partners, improving communication with operators and introducing designated liaisons to support applicants throughout the process.

The remaining five recommendations will be completed within the next year. Alberta will expand automation and digitizing of the application process, allowing real-time application tracking, creating a one-stop shop for resources and tools to help industry, and developing templates that provide examples of high-quality applications to save operators time and further reduce re-

view timelines.

"The efforts and recommendations put forward by the task force and corresponding implementation by the Alberta government will provide the support and certainty the industry needs to continue to invest, create jobs and ensure an adequate supply of sand and gravel for our province. Our organization has already experienced some of these efficiencies, which has allowed us to expand our operations and hire more people in the communities in which we operate."

Keith Arsenault, chief executive officer, Peaskie Minerals Inc.

"We commend Alberta for addressing regulatory challenges and engaging with industry through the task force. These changes will help deliver essential building materials more efficiently, boost investment confidence and enable timely infrastructure development and housing projects while maintaining Alberta's strong environmental standards. We look forward to continued collaboration as these recommendations move toward implementation."

Christene Feist, area general manager – aggregates, Edmonton & Parsons Creek, Heidelberg Materials

NOMINATIONS OPEN FOR ALBERTA'S HIGHEST HONOUR

Submitted by Government of Alberta

Albertans are encouraged to nominate remarkable community members, leaders and innovators for membership in the Alberta Order of Excellence.

The Order is the province's highest honour, recognizing individuals who have made

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Since its establishment in 1979, 229 Albertans have been invested into the Al-

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Nominations are accepted year-round, but must be received by Feb. 15 to be considered for investiture this year.

Nominees must be Canadians citizens currently residing in Alberta and, if selected, must be able to attend the investiture ceremony. Individuals may not

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St. John's Lutheran Church Alberta Beach Sunday Service 11:00 a.m. Sunday School	Zion United Church Sunday Service 10:00 a.m. Sunday School Serving Alberta Beach, Wabamun, Darwell & Lake Isle, Onoway & Area (780) 924-3351			Cherhill Community Church Sunday School 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Worship Service Sunday 11:00 a.m.	St. Michael Lutheran Church Sunday Services 1 st & 3 rd Sunday at 2:00 p.m. Pastor Rick Chappell (780) 282-0183 Mystery Lake
Trinity Lutheran Church (LC-C) <i>"The Church of the Lutheran Hour" - Rochford Bridge</i> Pastor Dan Hansard Church (780) 778-2055 Sunday Worship 9:00 a.m. Senior's Service & Cottage Bible Study - Please for locations	Crossroads Community Church P.A.O.C. Rev. Arnold Lothoiz Sunday Service 10:30 a.m. (780) 786-2424	Mount Carmel Spirituality Centre Catholic Chapel Sunday Masses 10 a.m. & 2pm Weekdays 9am Saturday 10am 2225 19th St. S. (780) 962-1111	Onoway Baptist Church Sunday Service 10:30 a.m. (780) 967-2266	Roman Catholic Church St. Agnes' Parish, Mayerthorpe Sunday 9:00 a.m. St. Elizabeth Parish, Eynsburg Saturday 7:00 p.m. (780) 786-2032	Calahoo Alliance Church Family Worship Service Sunday 10:00 a.m. For Info Call John (780) 907-8904

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 words or less (including spaces). DEADLINE: 12 noon Friday prior to publication (Thursdays on long weekends).

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FARMERS MARKETS

ALBERTA BEACH: Sundays, 11:30 - 3pm. Contact Colleen 587-534-2236 *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 Tipple 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. 587-982-8303. *April - Dec.

WHITECOURT: Tuesdays 11AM-4PM, Whitecourt Curling Rink, 779-3062. *May - Sept.

BINGO

RICH VALLEY COMMUNITY HALL BINGO: on Jan 14 & 28 at 7:30PM

STONY PLAIN SENIOR'S 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, Nevadas, 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

JUNGLES BAR AND GRILL Saturday's 3-6pm Alberta Beach 3rd Sunday a month at Wally's Bar and Grill, Onoway

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 bhbourke@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

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

DUFFIELD: Oct 26 \$20, Entertainers \$10. Doors open @ 4pm Dinner @ 5pm, late lunch and 50/50.

*Sept - May. except dec.
Edmonton Northwest Senior's Center: 12963 - 120st 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.
SUMMERDALE 2nd Sunday of month. Bring a snack. Watch FBS Summerdale jamboree for updates. 780-674-0263.

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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 Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church, 303 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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UNITED CHURCH THRIFT SHOP: North end Curling Rink, Onoway. Open Fri & Sat, 10AM-2PM.

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. SCRAPBOOKING Wed 4-6PM. Pre-register by Tues evg. Mayerthorpe Public Library/www.mayerthorpepubliclibrary.ab.ca (780)786-2404.

ONOWAY & DISTRICT QUILTING GUILD: Every Wed 9-4pm at Onoway Golden Club 5023 49ave. 967-4485

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

ONOWAY HAVE FUN & GET FIT! Exercise Class with Video LA Blast. 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 Lorainne 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.

SANGUDO LIBRARY Board Games 7 to 9:30 PM, on first Tuesday every month, October 2024 through March 2025. All ages welcome! More details at sangudolibrary.ca

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 Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps- Wednesday 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

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 3rd Wed, 6:30PM at Admin Bldg 780-346-8030.

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 LEGION BR 184: is now operating under Cherrill Community Hall Meeting 1st Thursday of the month except July & August. Pancake Breakfast 9am-noon on 3rd Saturday of month for Jan, Apr, July & Oct. Contact 780-305-6399 Jim

CHERRILL SILVER & GOLD SENIORS CLUB Regular Meetings 1st Tuesday of month, Cherrill Seniors Hall. Call Rosamy 780-785-2625

CHERISHED MEMORIES, PARENTS & TOTS Wed & Fri, 10-12pm, Alberta Beach

Agplex. Info call 780-902-4879 or 780-999-7622. *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: Weekly grief support group on Tuesdays 6:30 - 8:30 pm, starting Sept. 17 at Crossroads Community Church, 4419 44 Ave, Mayerthorpe. \$35 for 12 sessions. Pre-registration required by calling Fran at 780-786-2533.

Girl Guides Embers, Guides and Pathfinderers Saturdays 2-4pm Onoway Heritage Centre 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 Quilting: every Mon 9-3pm. Drop in fee \$10. More info call or text 780-819-7907

LAKE ISLE HALL COMMUNITY HALL BOARD MEETINGS: 4th Wednesday of the month. 7:00 PM. Lake Isle Community Hall, Hwy 633 Range Rd 55. email: lakeislefarmersassociation@gmail.com. Find us on Facebook@Lake Isle Community Hall

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: 3rd Thurs of each month, 7:00PM, room 3 of the Heritage Centre

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 Tarcen, (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

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