MUNDARE NEWS

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Our Mission statement: We support the sustainable growth of our diverse community by building solid foundations for success and providing an exceptional quality of life through progressive governance! Our Vision Statement: Town of Mundare is a growing community that we/you are proud to call HOME

As mayor for the Town of Mundare, I was deeply saddened by the lack of communication received from the Lamont County Housing Foundation (LCHF). The Town of Mundare Council, along with the Lamont County Councillors, were not notified by the housing foundation of the intended closure of Fr. Filas Manor in Mundare until after the decision was made. There was also a lack of communication between the Foundation and the 14 residents, their families, the staff, the community and even our MLA.

According to the report "Accommodation Standards – Supportive Living Accommodation", put out by the Alberta Government this April, Standard 33(3) states, "Operators must ensure that there are mechanisms in place to involve residents, residents' representatives and family members in decisions that affect daily life." Since Fr. Filas did not have a Resident Council in place, where matters could be discussed with the Foundation, it is the Foundation's responsibility to act as if a Family Council exists. I feel the lodge at Mundare should have been given the same respect and opportunities that were given to Andrew when their closure was looked into, where discussions took place.

I understand that meetings were held at the Foundation level where members were sworn to secrecy under the Closed Camera Code. Coming out of camera there is information that could have been shared like the financials. If town council and county council, along with members of the community knew what was going to happen, there could have been an opportunity for the board of the housing foundation to discuss options.

No renovations have been done to interior of the building since the units were built in the 70's. Simple upgrades like flooring or adding a shower to some units, could have been done over a period of time to keep the building sustainable with more residents wanting to live there. I would like to know if grants were applied for and what the government response was. Andrew had their lodge upgraded to include self-contained units, but Mundare was not given the same opportunity for this renovation, even though there is a waiting list.

A meeting was scheduled for April 29th by the request of the Vegreville-Fort Saskatchewan Constituency MLA, Jackie Homeniuk, to meet with the LCHF chair, LCHF CAO, two Town of Mundare councillors and the Lamont County councillors who sit on the board. The board DECLINED to attend the meeting.

I would like to call for a public apology to our community for the lack of communication from the LCHF and especially to the residents who have been forced out of their home.

Cheryl Calinoiu

Mayor for the Town of Mundare

Council Updates

If you have a complaint or concern that needs to be addressed by council– please put it in writing and forward to the Town Office. All New correspondence will be tabled at the next council meeting.

Next council meetings are scheduled for May 7 & May 21

Yard Maintenance

Grass clippings /leaves—if you are picking up they need to go in your grey bins (in bags). The town no longer has a recycle for them as it was sorely abused in the past.

Please remember to cut all boulevards and alleyways alongside your property.

Town Clean Up

Dumpsters will be located on the town lot beside the fire hall from Friday, May 3 till Monday May6. We will not be accepting large appliances, shingles, mattresses, tires, leaves or grass.

MUNICIPAL CENSUS

The Town of Mundare will be conducting a census between the dates of May 1, and July 31. We will be collecting ages and the number of people in the household.

WHAT'S GOING ON

Graveyard Service—Our Lady of Perpetual Help Roman Catholic Church in Mundare, Saturday June 22. Mass starts at 10:30 am. Cold plate potluck luncheon to follow at Mundare Seniors Centre.

Nurse Practitioner in Mundare

There is a Nurse Practitioner coming to Mundare on Thursdays. Nurse Practitioners are registered nurses with graduate degrees and advanced knowledge and skills. They are trained to assess, diagnose, treat, order diagnostic tests, prescribe medications, make referrals to specialists and manage overall care. To find out times or book an appointment call (587)760-2406

<u>Communities in Bloom</u> People, Pride & Plants, Growing Together

We are a group of volunteers who demonstrate our civic pride by enhancing the quality of life in our community.

We accomplish these goals by:

-hosting the annual Christmas Extravaganza and market

-Purchased all the planters, hanging & ground ones in the town. And filling with flowers

-Purchased mainstreet banners (flags) portraying our heritage, culture, history, recreation and our pride in landscape

Many more accomplishments to be added in next months newsletter.

Next meeting will be held on Monday, May 6, 2024 at 1:00pm in the town office board room.

Weather permitting, planting will take place the last week in May. Thank you to Stawnichy Meat Processing for their very generous cash donation to Communities in Bloom

<u>Mundare Glow Gardens</u>

(SUBSIDIARY OF DARVONDA NURSERIES)

Is now open for the season!! Hours are Monday-Saturday 9:00am-6:00pm (Closed Sunday) Sorry no phone calls accepted at this time.

<u>2024 Whitetail Crossing Junior Summer</u> <u>camps</u> (ages 6-16 years old)

No previous experience required! Our Junior Summer camps run Monday-Thursday 9am-12 pm. Lessons are 9:00am—12:00 pm everyday, snack break 10:30. On the last day, Thursday, the Juniors go on the golf course with a lunch meal after their round.

Based on a fun team environment, students learn all the basic skills in golf and put them to use in a fun and creative games and competitions. With our camps you will receive: 12 hours of Professional Instruction, Logo'd gifts, Daily Snacks and Refreshments, competition, games and prizes. Spaces are limited in these very popular camps so please register early.

Date of camp is July 22-25 (Monday-Thursday) 9am -12:00pm. Registration fee \$235(plus gst). Please go to countryclubtour.com/golf-academy/junior-camps and select Whitetail Crossing to register.

U-DO-IT CRAFTS

With market season starting I will be closed Fridays. As of April 8, I will be open Monday –Thursday 9:30-4:00pm Closed on holiday Mondays. *please note if a market runs Thursday through Sunday, I will post on my door extra closed days. Thank you for your understanding.

Bowling Alley- Mundare

Mundare Civic Centre (town office building) Has for rent a two lane bowling alley available for rent any time during the week between the hours of 8:30am-4:30pm or by pre-booking evenings or weekends. Bowling cost is \$3 a person per hour or \$15 an hour for 6 or more bowlers. Shoes are available for use.

<u>Backyard Carpentry &</u> <u>Gardening Services</u>

Need your deck, fence, or shed repaired? Need someone to plant flowers? Need your lawn raked/mowed?

WE CAN HELP!

These are just some of the services we provide.

It's free to have us come and check out what you need done. Mundare Only!!



Please call Josiah (780) 208-2854



MUNDARE REGISTRY

KC & CO

Vehicle registration will expire at Midnight on the last day of the month. Registration is **now due** for last names starting with **C & N** and **over due** for last names starting **D and G**

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IN AND AROUND TOWN



Family Activity Night: May 22, 2024 at the Mundare Hub at Victory Park from 5-7pm. For families of children ages 0-18. Registration is not required.

A Kinder Welcome: In conjunction with the Kindergarten Orientation programs. Bruderheim's is taking place May 29th from 6-7:30pm at Bruderheim School. Lamont's is taking place May 30th from 6-7:30pm at Lamont Elementary School. No registration required but students must be registered with EIPS to attend Kindergarten in the fall of 2024. Homeschool families are encouraged to contact us directly.

LIBRARY NEWS

Save the Date: Town of Mundare Library AGM and Regular Meeting

Will be held May 14 at 4:30pm in the Library.

Free Little Fridge is Back!! Stop by and get a free book before the fridge leaves....

For a limited time FREE books are available from the blue fridge in the fover of the Town of Mundare Civic Building.

Please help yourself to a free book or two. These books and dvd's do not need to be returned. Enjoy! Pass on

to another avid reader once you are done if you wish.

Save the Date: Books and Blooms -Saturday, May 4

The Town of Mundare Library will participate in the Mundare Town Wide Garage Sale on Saturday, May 4.



The library will be selling books (\$1.00 for soft cover and \$2.00 for hard cover) and DVD's.

Seedlings will also be available for sale, just in time for spring planting.

Library Programs - Preschool Programs

Monday, May 13 and Monday, May 27 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

The programs begin with story time, followed by a craft and fun activity for all the children. Programs are held inside the library although we may head outdoors for a bit if the weather cooperates.

Preschoolers (accompanied by an adult) are welcome to attend-Please contact the library to enroll your child to ensure there are enough craft supplies.

The friends of the Town of Mundare Library

Raise funds used to support library programs. We always welcome new members!! Donations to the Friends of the Library Society: e-mail: jodieconley77@gmail.com or (780)764-2370

Evelyn Henke, Library Manager, **Mundare Municipal Public Library** ehenke@mundarelibrary.ab.ca (780) 764-3929 and ask for the library

MUNDARE SCHOOL



Up coming events for the Mundare School: May 1- Hat Day/ Early Dismissal

May 3- Professional Learning Day/ no school

May 13- Volunteer Appreciation/Grade 9 PAT English Part Α

May 15- Grade 9 French 9am

May 16-17 School closure

May 20-Victoria Day-Stat Holiday

May 24 – Special Person Lunch

Kindergarten Registration for the 2024-25 school year is now Open. Is your child turning five before December 31? Registration forms

Are found on the Elk Island Public Schools website. If you are unable to access it, please call the school and they will gladly help you out.



Melissa Kerr Mundare School Principal (780) 764-3962 (3901) Elk Island School District



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