



Voices of the Village

JANUARY 2021 NEWSLETTER

2020—A year of change, growth and unexpected challenges

Although 2020 was not the year anyone could have predicted, it has most certainly forced us to change our way of thinking as well as pushed us to be more adaptable and flexible in our day to day lives. As we reflect on this past years' challenges, we at the Village of Marwayne remain optimistic that brighter days lie ahead. As Council begins to set their priorities for the upcoming fiscal year, Village residents can look forward to a variety of new infrastructure improvements and projects throughout the community.

Over the next several months, as we all navigate this “new normal”, we ask that our residents please continue to adhere to all posted rules and regulations from business owners as it relates to their enforcement of Alberta Health Services (AHS) guidelines. Most notably, all patrons entering any indoor facility must be wearing a face mask or covering. Despite varying perspectives, we must consciously work together in the coming months as a means of safeguarding our family, friends, colleagues, and public health care system.

Please be advised that due to the mandatory provincewide restrictions, the Village of Marwayne administration office remains open by appointment only until January 12th, 2021— at the earliest. Should provincial mandates be extended beyond that date, the Village administration staff will circulate public notifications accordingly. Please ensure to keep an eye on our website www.marwayne.ca as well as our Facebook page for the most up to date information. Alternatively, you may also reach us by phone at 780-847-3962.

On behalf of all of us at the Village of Marwayne, we sincerely hope that you and your family had a safe, happy and healthy holiday season.

Upcoming Meetings & Events

Council Meetings January 11 & 25
At the Horton Agencies Boardroom & via Zoom Video Conferencing

Blue Bag Recycling January 14 & 28

Business License Renewal Due Date February 28

Pet License Renewal Date February 28

Office Hours:

Monday through Friday
 8:00am—12:00pm
 1:00pm– 4:30pm
 closed for lunch between 12:00pm—1:00pm

Operating
 Hours &
 Contacts

After Hours Water/Sewer Emergencies:

Wilson Curtis	780-205-2993
Carry Grant	780-214-7933

Health and Safety Emergencies:

Kitscoty RCMP	780-846-2870
RCMP, EMS, FIRE	911

For all non-emergency inquiries, or to file a complaint, please contact the Kitscoty RCMP at 780-846-2897

Transfer Station Hours:

Wednesday	2:00pm—5:00pm
Saturday	10:00am—2:00pm

Residential garbage pickup:

Thursdays	7:00am
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During inclement weather, please call the Vermilion River Regional Waste Management Services Commission at 780-853-5561 to get updates as to whether or not transfer stations are open.

DID YOU KNOW...

1. The County of Vermilion River pays hourly wages to all county trained firefighters for their time spent fighting fires and responding to local emergencies.
2. Every year our Marwayne members donate their wages back to the fire hall as have many other departments in the county.
3. For well over a decade now this generosity has resulted in an accumulation of more than \$100,000.
4. In the past, these savings have been used to support other local facilities, upgrades to their own building and equipment, as well as the purchase of Fire hall coats and hoodies for the crew.

Marwayne Ag Society

Thank you to our community and member groups for all of your support and hardwork in what has been a challenging year! Everytime you buy a raffle ticket, attend an event or enter our buildings you are helping our ag society succeed!

We would like to wish everyone in the community a Happy New Year and look forward to seeing you in 2021!

“What the new year brings to you will depend a great deal on what you bring to the new year”

*Happy New Year
2021*

BUSINESS LICENSES

Business Licenses will be up for renewal in the New Year and due February 28, 2021

As per Business License Bylaw 567-18 , every business operating within the Village shall as a prior condition of its operation, obtain a business license issued by the CAO or designate.

Forms were mailed out that will need to be filled out and returned with payment or can be found online under Home → Village → Local Government → Bylaws for any new businesses to Marwayne.

Due to current COVID-19 restrictions, payment can be made at the drop box at the Village Office, via a scheduled appointment, or online.

Please call the office for any questions or concerns.

THANK YOU

to the

COUNTY OF VERMILION

RIVER

For their continuous financial support to

the

TULLIBY LAKE COMMUNIPLEX

HAPPY NEW YEAR

The Tulliby Lake Ag. Society

Marwayne Library



Pursuant to new Covid Restrictions put in place by the Alberta Government, Marwayne Public Library is currently closed to in person visits. However, we are offering curbside services. You may still use Tracpac at www.tracpac.ab.ca to borrow books, dvds, and audio. When the book arrives, we will call you and meet you at the door. E-Materials are still available at your convenience. Contact Carmen or Kirsten at 780-847-3930 for assistance.

THE WINTER READING CONTEST IS BACK:

The Winter Reading Program is an annual program that brings children, teens, and adults into local libraries for reading and activities. The program runs during January and February, and participants have an opportunity to win one of the 4 Grand Prizes of a \$100 gift card from Chapters with a matching prize for the participant's home library branch. Reading logs are at the library. If wish to participate, please contact us at 780-847-3930 and we will meet you at the front door with the log.



If you have not done so, please head to our website at <https://www.marwaynelibrary.ab.ca/> and fill out our survey. This survey is to help us provide better service to the community. Thank you.



BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH of LEA PARK

We are presently continuing to do virtual services. Numbers until December 31 are **1-587-328-1099. ID 204-240-241. Passcode 595020.**
The services will also be put on **Bethel Lutheran Church of Lea Park You Tube** for you to view at your convenience.

MANY BLESSINGS FOR A HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

New virtual numbers beginning January 3, 2021 at 10:15am for Sunday Services
1-587-328-1099. ID 881-8712-9332. Passcode 195630.
Services begin at 10:30am

Pastor Kevin (780-872-0070) and Pastor Ed (780-808-5026) are always available if anyone needs to contact them.

May God continue to bless us all and keep us healthy and safe into the New Year!

A Pastor's Gleanings

2020 is gone and here we are starting 2021, many are still *locked down*. I surely do not envy the job of trying to balance public safety with the social, emotional and economic costs of a strict shutdown.

There is no agreement what the right balance is among scientists, doctors, political leaders or the public. We are very much divided.

The Bible urges us "that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quite life." (1Tim.2:1)

So be encouraged to pray for all, and for those with whom we disagree on whether to mask or not to mask, remember what T. McGraw sings, "always be humble and kind."

Bethel Lutheran Church Lea Park, face Book You Tube, or Zoom, call Pastor Kevin 780 872 0070 or Pastor Ed 780 808 5026

RESILIENT - ARE YOU?

Submitted by Walking Through Grief Society – Shirley L Scott

Supported by: FCSS City of Lloydminster, Towns of Vermilion and Wainwright, Villages of Kitscoty and Marwayne, County of Vermilion River and donations

Do you find that Resiliency has become a buzz word , especially during the covid 19 .

Do you feel resilient? What really is Resiliency?

The dictionary quotes: springing back, returning to original form or position after being bent , compressed or stretched. Being cheerful ,adj. a resilient nature that throws off trouble.

According to that description do you fit, are you resilient ,or do you wish you were.?

Have you come through the year of the greatest loss one can endure , the death of someone loved or been impacted by a “ life loss ie. job loss, health issues, relationship broken, dreams for the future dashed or lost ”normal” in our society. Do you feel stretched, compressed, bent and broken?

Where does resilience come from? Does it start with the ability to get out of bed when you don't think you can , to look at the day 15 minutes at a time, to take on a daily task and complete it , to look a far off and see hope glimmering out there in the darkness. Do you work hard to find a Gratitude and then to increase a Gratitude every day. Could that be the birth of resilience? Will you ever get to the adjective of cheerful or being able to throw off trouble? I believe you can.

Life is a beautiful gift and is meant to be lived. How you live that life is how you honour your loved one who died ,or for those who have had a “life loss” you are challenged to dig deep and find something worth investing in again and dreaming for. I believe we all have a seed of resilience born in us and sometime life beats it down. We are born with a sense of self worth , hope , determination, positivity. Like any seed resilience does not grow to maturity over night. Like the mighty Oak tree that starts from a small acorn. It is an on-going process to become like a tall tree, strong and able to withstand adversity.

To fill your Resilience Tool – Box there are some things you can do:

- Seek resources, learn all you can and become more empowered in this new and changing world.
- Find social Connection , even if it is via electronics. Social isolation and loneliness can be mentally and physically debilitating. Also value the touch connection and something shared, memories.
- Utilize whatever electronics you are comfortable with. Even learn a new skill. Use Zoom, Google Chat , Skype, etc. ,
- Make those phone calls and strive to make them often, even when you feel down.
- Walk in nature whenever you can. Look around at what is positive in the world around you.
- Listen to up lifting music
- Surround yourself with positive people and positive conversation. That may be a challenge). Distance yourself from negative people and conversations.
- Start a Gratitude list and add one more each day. Check with your friend's and family's list and compare . If they don't have one encourage them to begin.
- Seek friends , family , Pastor, counsellor or support person or support group to communicate with and share your feelings and struggles.
- Value yourself and be gentle with self.
- Check the web site for Alberta Health Promotion and Illness Prevention (social isolation and loneliness) for the tool kit.

Remember the Children. Help build resiliency in them on their journey . Walking Through Grief Society is offering grief support for children – Hope After Loss – Audra's Legacy , a 10 week program starting January 26th . Needing more information or to register by January 15th please contact Shirley at 780-846-2576 or email wtgriefsupp@xplornet.ca

May 2021 allow you to develop that resilience that is found in the dictionary. Being able to stretch and return to original form and be able to be cheerful and throw off trouble more easily . Attempt to move forward with hope and welcome support along the way.



Find Local
Every Business - Every Town - All of Alberta

We have exciting news!

Alberta Online is partnering with Alberta towns and cities to ensure that **ALL** of their local & area businesses have an additional resource for promoting their business to local consumers.

Alberta Online is a province-wide super directory that is consolidating directories for every town and city into one accurate source for finding Alberta businesses, products and services.

We are **donating** this service to the businesses of each municipality to help make your community stronger and more resilient during these challenging economic times.

There are no hidden costs, fees or future obligation to the businesses (or the municipality) taking advantage of it.

The Alberta Online resource includes:

-3 year Directory listing

-A full web page linked to the listing

-Unlimited classified ads linked to the web page

-Deal Checker linked to the web page

-Unlimited links to phone, email, website, social media

-A "Currently Open!" option

-E-commerce option

-An Alberta Online shout out on social media for your business

For the businesses that are ready to get listed, please follow these 4 easy steps!

1. Fill out the intake form at <https://form.jotform.com/abonline.ca/directory-listing-intake>. (this will include your business & contact info for your customers to find you)

2. Attach your logo

3. Attach any photos and/or graphics you'd like to display on your Alberta Online webpage, as well as a description that best suits your business!

4. Sit back and let us do all the work to create the listing!

Once we have completed your initial set up you will receive an email with your login information as well as a temporary password which you can change at anytime.

If you're still not sure what to put on your listing, please contact us and we would be happy to assist you in making your listing the best it can be!

Don't hesitate to contact us with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Ian Brown

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THANK YOU!!

We would like to say THANK YOU from the bottom of our little hearts to all the busniesses that helped make our Raffle a success this year!!! We couldn't have done it without your love and support!!

Love from: Lincoln Wood, Hank Lonsdale, Carson Brochu, Zane Doods, Knox Rainey, Lola Noble, Maci Noble, Hadley Lennon, Elodie Thompson, Bria Franklin, Mrs. Walker and the Lil Critters Playschool Board!



Lola Knox Elodie
Carson Zane Hank
Lincoln Maci Bria
Hadley

Marwayne Lil' Critters Playschool

Marwayne Lil' Critters Raffle Winners:



- 1st Prize—Ann Adams
2nd Prize—Faye Dejarlais
3rd Prize—Clint Dodds
4th Prize—Penney Ford



Message from the Marwayne Ag Society

A friendly reminder that the dumpster and cardboard recycling bins that are located between the hall and the arena are for **AG SOCIETY USE ONLY**. These bins are paid for by our non-profit organization and are therefore not for general community use.

Thank you!

The Village of Marwayne would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Stay safe and don't drink and drive.

2021
Happy New Year