Voices of the Village DECEMBER 2022 NEWSLETTER



WINTER SNOW REMOVAL WITHIN THE COMMUNITY

With the winter months upon us, the Village is gearing up for a busy season of snow removal. If the first storm was any indication of what is to come, we are guaranteed to be working around the clock to ensure snow removal and sanding is conducted in a timely manner on Village streets, parking lots and back alleys.

As per Policy PW01, snow removal is only conducted when a minimum of three (3) inches of snow cover has accumulated on our main streets and six (6) inches of snow cover has accumulated on our residential streets. When these levels of snow accumulation have been reached, only then does the Village begin to conduct snow removal on a priority basis.

APPROVED PRIORITY SNOW REMOVAL AREAS

- (1) Railway Avenue, Centre Street, 1st Street S to the back alley near the fire hall and 2nd Street S from Highway 897 to 2nd Avenue S
- (2) 2nd Street S from the school to the manors, 3rd Street N, 2nd Avenue S, 1st Street N, 1st Avenue N&S and 2nd Avenue N from the water treatment plant to Railway Avenue
- (3) 2nd, 3rd, & 5th Avenue N, 1st Avenue S and 3rd Street S
- (4) Back alleys, driveways, and the multiplex parking lot/sidewalks

Further to the above, sanding occurs only on an as needed basis at those intersections approved by Council. All snow removal/sanding on Highway 897 is the responsibility of Alberta Transportation, all snow removal/sanding on 5th Street South/Township Road 524 is conducted by the County of Vermilion River and all snow removal/sanding in the school bus lanes and sidewalks is the responsibility of the Marwayne Jubilee School. Should you have any concerns with the snow removal in these areas, please contact the appropriate party.

APPROVED SANDING AREAS—the school zone, Centre Street, back alley abutments, the curve on Railway Avenue N and the inclines on 3rd Avenue N and 2nd Avenue S.

As has always been the case, snow removal on the sidewalks adjacent to personal residences and/or businesses remains the responsibility of the owner and must be cleared within twenty four (24) hours of a major snowfall. We kindly remind you to please drive according to the road conditions, in addition to obeying all traffic laws and signage. We thank you for your patience and understanding as we do our best to clear snow and sand intersections as quickly, efficiently, and safely as possible in the days following a major snow fall.

Important Dates

MEETINGS & DEADLINES SERVICES

Council Dec 19 Blue Bag Recycling Dec 1, 15, 29

Village Office Closed Dec 16 & 26—Jan 2

2022 Taxes Penalty (6%) Jan 1

EVENTS

Community Gym Night Dec 6 & 13 **Christmas Story at Library** Dec 14 Marwayne Arena 50/50 Draw Cash Bingo at Legion Dec 07 Dec 17 Dec 21 Mom & Tots at Library Dec 09 **Book Club Crib Tournament** Dec 10 Streamstown Christmas Party Dec 22 Dec 11 Dec 23 Lite Up Marwayne Reindeer Hot Choc. at Library Turkey Bingo at Legion Dec 14 New Years Bash Community Hall Dec 31

Operating Hours & Contacts

Office Hours: Monday through Friday

8:00am—12:00pm & 1:00pm—4:30pm *closed for lunch between 12:00pm—1:00pm*

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

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.

Council Contacts: Chris Neureuter ctneureuter@gmail.com

Ashley Rainey 780-214-1410 a_irvine@hotmail.com

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHT

- Council directed administration to conduct a survey to see whether or not residents were in
 favor to reduce the speed limit from 50km/hr to 30 km/hr on residential roads. After receiving
 over 70 responses, the majority of participants voted to keep the speed limits at 50km/hr.
 Council appreciates and values your feedback—so the speed limit will remain as is. Thank you
 to all who participated!
- Council approved a \$500.00 contribution towards the Marwayne Agricultural Society's event on February 25th, 2023 featuring Dr. Jody Carrington.
- GigAir by MCSNet is now available in Marwayne. Details on the higher speed internet service can be found on the Village's website under "Living Here".
- Council passed Bylaw No. 592-22, being a bylaw to amend the Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 544

 15, for the purposes of driveway snow removal. For the 2022-2023 season and beyond, snow removal will be provided for a yearly fee as opposed to per occurrence. Details on these changes can be found on the next 2 pages of this newsletter.
- The Village's partnership with Service Line Warranties of Canada is scheduled to begin in February of 2023. Between now and then, residents can expect correspondence in their mailbox detailing the offerings of the insurance coverage which is 100% optional. The partnership is designed to assist homeowners with unexpected water and sewer line repairs for a low monthly fee.
- Council passed the interim 2023 Operational and Capital budgets with a projected 3% increase.
- The December Council meeting has been changed from December 12th to December 19th.

Important Reminder

As per the 2022 Property Tax Bylaw No. 588-22, all property taxes payable to the Village of Marwayne were due on or before June 30th, 2022. Late payments were subject to a 12% penalty applied on the 1st day of July 2022.

On the 1st day of January 2023, an additional penalty of 6% will be applied and added to any arrears taxes not paid on or before December 31st, 2022. If you are in tax arrears and have not settled your balance by December 31st, 2022, your property will be subject to the tax recovery process in 2023.

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Volunteers Needed for Marwayne's 100th Birthday Celebration!

The Village of Marwayne will be turning 100 in the year 2026!

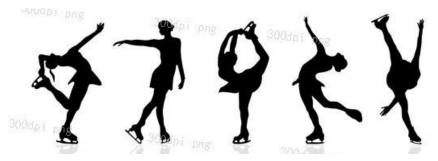
We are looking for ideas, volunteers, vendors, etc. to partner with us to make the 100th birthday celebration a big success!

We encourage anyone interested in joining the planning committee to contact the Village office today at 780-847-3962.



DID YOU KNOW...

... The Marwayne Figure Skating Club was formed Dec 11, 1965 and in '66, members took part in both days of the Lloydminster Carnival.







Snow Removal on Private Property

Changes to driveway snow removal are now in effect following Council's adoption of Bylaw No. 592-22. Unlike past years, snow removal on private property will now be offered on a seasonal basis. Should you wish for our public works department to clear your driveway this winter with the use of our bobcat, the fee is \$200.00 per residence or \$100.00 for seniors—plus GST. The Village will no longer provided snow removal on a one off basis.

Those who have already paid for driveway snow removal will have their fee pro-rated should they wish to continue to have the service conducted this season. As always, snow removal is conducted on a priority basis, with driveways being last. Public Works will clear all roadways and residential streets after a major snowfall prior to conducting driveway snow removal for residents. We thank you for your understanding of this change in level of service which is intended to make our operations more effective and efficient.

Snow Removal and Sanding Policy

As is the case every year, the Village allows the snow on the streets to pack down before conducting any snow removal in accordance with our Snow Removal and Sanding Policy PW01. When snow removal is conducted, it is done on a priority basis. We thank you for your understanding. A copy of the policy and the priority list is available by visiting our website at www.marwayne.ca and an overview is on the front page of this newsletter!



TRANSFER SITE 2022 HOLIDAY HOURS

The Vermilion transfer site will close at 2:00 PM on both Saturday, December 24, 2022, and Saturday December 31, 2022. The Vermilion transfer site will be closed on Boxing Day— Monday, December 26, 2022. All other transfer sites in the region will close at 2:00 PM on Saturday, December 24, and Saturday, December 31, 2022. Normal operating hours for all transfer sites will resume beginning Monday, January 2, 2023. The Waste Commission would like to wish all its patrons a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Shirley





MARWAYNE ARENA BOARD PROGRESSIVE 50/50 FUNDRAISER

PROCEEDS TOWARDS NEW BOARDS & PLEXI GLASS

DRAW TO BE MADE DECEMBER 17, 2022

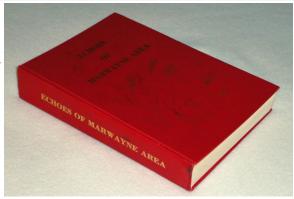
JUST SCAN THE ABOVE QR CODE OR GO TO

HTTPS://WWW.RAFFLEBOX.CA/RAFFLE/MARWAYNEARENA



Marwayne History Books

The newest edition of the Marwayne History Book is now available. The cost is only \$50.00.Please contact Sharon Kneen by phone at 780-872-0011 for more information. Take advantage of this great opportunity to receive a piece of Marwayne's history today!



Unsure of what to get a family member for Christmas? Marwayne History books make great gifts for Christmas!



MJS Snapshot

Our SRC is doing a great job of getting the student body engaged in school wide events from Formal Day and Wear Your Stripes, to a well organized Halloween Parade for all to enjoy. We thank the Legion members who helped make our Remembrance Day ceremony special as we observed the occasion early, on Nov. 4. Our MJS Jr/Sr Awards Celebration will be held on Dec.1 at 2:00 and is open to the community. November sees volleyball teams wrapping up their seasons and the start of basketball season. School curling is underway and we are so thankful to the curling club in Marwayne for coming to the school to provide the elementary students an opportunity to learn the game with their floor curling kit. We will be utilizing the arena in December for skating in PE. Our community gym nights for the rest of 2022 are Nov 29, Dec 6 and Dec. 13. It is a great way to get active away from the cold this winter.



Shine Christian Academy & The Streamstown Ladies Club

present

An Old Fashion Christmas at Streamstown Hall

You are cordially invited to our Christmas Party on December 22, 2022

Festivities will commence at 6:00pm with a special number from the students of SCA Followed by:

Sleigh Rides

Hot cocoa & cookies

A bon fire with a hot dog roast

Santa will be there handing out treats

Skating



Door Prizes
Silver collection at the door
Baking for sale
Dress warm

For more information please contact Deanna Franklin 306-821-2222 or Chelsa Noble 306-839-7948

CRIB TOURNAMENT



December 10, 2022 @ 10 am Streamstown Hall \$30/person includes a hot lunch

(maximum 60 people)

Prize Money for 1st, 2nd, 3rd Places

There will be a variety of baking for sale as well

This is a cash only event
Please register before December 8
by calling

Deanna Franklin @ 306-821-2222

Or

Chelsa Noble @ 306-839-7948 Hosted By:





FEBRUARY 11TH, 2023 MARWAYNE, AB

\$25 ENTRY FEE INCLUDES HALFWAY POINT LUNCH



Christmas Hampers

The last few years we have supported others in our community by providing Christmas hampers. If this is something you would like to support here is a list of potential food items that we will be collecting starting December 1st. All donations stay in our community. Thank you in advance for any donations.

Items can be dropped off at the post office or the Village office. If you have any questions or wish to donate a turkey, please contact Ashley Rainey at 780-214-1410.

box of cereal peanut butter stuffing mix juice (tetra pkg) canned fruit mac and cheese canned beans apple sauce gravy mix cranberry sauce box of crackers rice oatmeal pasta spaghetti sauce chicken noodle soup tomato soup can mixed veggies can corn chocolates cake mix can green beans icing mix pickles canned pasta chips cookies canned tomatoes canned tuna hot chocolate cookies

Monetary donations and gift cards are also accepted. Thank you!



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EXPERIENCING "DREADS" OF THE SEASON – WILL WE SURVIVE?

"Helping Yourself Heal During The Holiday Season"

Exerts lovingly lifted from Dr. Alan Wolfelt Ph.D.(Center for Loss and Life Transitions)

LOVE DOES NOT END WITH DEATH – Since love does not end with death, holidays may result in a renewed sense of personal grief-a feeling of loss unlike that experienced in the routine of daily living. There is no simple guidelines but we hope the following suggestions will help you better cope with your grief during this painful time of year.

TALK ABOUT YOUR GRIEF- Express your feelings of grief. Ignoring the feelings won't make the pain go away. Find caring friends and relatives who will listen —without judgement, helping you feel better.

BE TOLERANT OF YOUR PHYSICAL AD PSYCHOLOGICAL LIMITS- Grief loss may leave you feeling fatigued and the low energy level slows you down. Respect what your body and mind are telling you. Lower your expectations about being at your peak during the holiday season.

ELIMINATE UNNCESSARY STRESS-Avoid isolating but make sure you have some time for yourself. Keeping busy won't distract you from your grief, but may increase your stress.

BE WITH SUPPORTIVE COMFORTING PEOPLE- Find supportive people who encourage you to be yourself and accept your feelings ,both happy and sad.

TALK ABOUT THE PERSON WHO HAS DIED-Include the person's name in holiday conversation. remember that special person who was an important part of your life. Others will likely be more open to acknowledging the loved one's name if you do.

DO WHAT IS RIGHT FOR YOU DURING THE HOLIDAYS-Instead of going along with other's plans, focus on what you want too. Discuss your wishes with caring trusted family or friends. Clarify what you want and need during the holiday.

PLAN AHEAD FOR FAMILY GATHERINGS-Decide what family traditions you want to continue and what you would like to begin new. Structure holiday time-have a plan, don't exhaust yourself mentally or physically. Getting caught off guard can create feelings of panic, fear and anxiety when your feelings of grief are already heightened. Be sure in your structure you leave room for change if needed.

EMBRACE YOUR TREASURE OF MEMORIES-Memories are the best legacies that exist after the death of someone loved. Holidays make you think of the past. Don't ignore the memories but share them with family and friends. Remember memories will be tinged with happy and sad

RENEW YOUR RESOURCES FOR LIVING-Pause to think of the meaning and purpose of your life. The loss creates opportunities to take inventory of life –past, present and future. Take time to use this time to define the positive things in your life that surround you.

EXPRESS YOUR FAITH-During the holidays you may find a renewed sense of faith or discover a new set of beliefs. Associate and talk with people who respect your need to talk about those beliefs. If faith is important you may want to attend a holiday service. As you approach the holiday remember grief is both a necessity and a privilege. It comes as a result of giving and receiving love. Don't let anyone take your grief away. Love yourself. Be patient with yourself. Allow yourself to be surrounded by loving, caring people.

Our hope at Walking Through Grief Society is that these thoughts will take away the dreads and that you may honour your loved one in the holiday season with thoughts, feelings and actions.

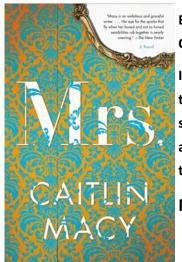
Submitted by: Shirley L Scott, Walking Through Grief Society 780-846-2576

Funded by: FCSS, in your area and personal donations.

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DECEMBER EVENTS IN THE LIBRARY:



BOOK CLUB every 3rd Wednesday from 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm. Our next book is Mrs. by Caitlin Macy.

In the well-heeled milieu of New York's Upper East Side, coolly elegant Philippa Lye is the woman no one can stop talking about. Despite a shadowy past, Philippa has somehow married the scion of the last family-held investment bank in the city. And although her wealth and connections put her in the center of this world, she refuses to conform to its gossip-fueled culture.

Next Meeting: December 21st Come to the library and pick-up your copy.



DECEMBER 14th from 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm the library will be hosting a Christmas story and craft making day for all children. Bring a blanket and teddy bear to cuddle up with. Must be accompanied by an adult.

TIS' THE SEASON TO SPARKLE!

MOMS & TOTS Ages 0-5: DECEMBER 9th from 9:30 am to 10:30 am we will be making Christmas crafts and reading Christmas stories.

DECEMBER 23rd from 9:30 am to 10:30 am we will have fun making Reindeer Hot Chocolate Cones.

THE LIBRARY WISHES ALL A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS!!!!

The library will be closed for Christmas Cheer from Dec. 24 - Jan. 8th.

Wishing you a Blessed
Christmas as
you celebrate with friends
and family.

Thank you for supporting
Hendricks Microtech,
Alberta Registries and the
Post Office in Marwayne this
year.

All the best to you and yours in 2023.



From:

Myrna, Keri, Alyssa and Charlene









26 Centre Street Marwayne, Alberta (780) 847-3101



weekdays: open 6 AM - 8 PM weekends: open 9 AM - 8 PM

CLOSED CHRISTMAS AND BOXING DAY THIS YEAR OPEN NEW YEARS DAY - REGULAR HOURS

Proudly Providing:

RIVER VALLEY MEATS - Old Hutterite Quality!

Whole Roaster Chickens while supplies last Burger patties, Smokies, Jerky, Chops, Ribs and Steak!

Sit-down and Take-out Coffee

WINTER GLOVES AND TOQUES

3 FOR \$10.00

MIX AND MATCH

HOT HOODies

DELI, CULLIGAN WATER BAIT, COLLECTIBLES, GIFTS GREETING CARDS



BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH LEA PARK Invites you to join us

We wish you a blessed Christmas time as we celebrate The birth of our dear Savior and wish you many blessings for the New Year!!

2022 CHRISTMAS SEASON SERVICES

Regular services are at 10:30am every Sunday.

December 11 will be our <u>Youth Tree Decorating Service</u> at 10:30am

There will be a potluck lunch following the service.

December 24 is the Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 7pm

December 25 -Christmas Day there will be no service.

January 1, 2023 - New Year's Day Communion Service at 10:30am

YOU TUBE - Bethel Lutheran Church of Lea Park You Tube Once the services are uploaded, they can be viewed anytime

Pastor Kevin 780-872-0070 Pastor Ed 780-808-5026 Pat 780-214-1014

A Pastor's Gleanings

The amount of time it took to earn enough money to buy a pound of sugar in 1850 would in 2022 earn enough to buy 227 pounds of sugar! That is because the great increased volume of sugar produced has cheapened its value relative to labor. The increase of our material wealth has been astounding.

Too much sugar isn't always good for us. Can we have too much wealth? Are we happier than in 1850? If divorce, suicide or addictions are indicators we aren't. I like our wealth and I like sugar, but how much good?

The Psalmist asked and answered. "There are many who say 'Who will show us some good? Lift up the light of your face upon us, O Lord!' You have put more joy in my heart than they have when their grain and wine abound." The Word of God came to us in a babe in a manger on that first Christmas. His light brings greater joy than abundant cheap sugar and material wealth. "Joy to the world the Lord is come!" Merry Christmas, join us Christmas Eve to sing those wonderful joyful carols.

Bethel Lutheran Church Lea Park, services Sundays at 10:30, Christmas Eve at 7:00 PM. Pastors Kevin 780 872 0070 or Ed 780 808 5026.

Marwayne Ag Society—December Update

All kinds of fun and events are coming up with the Marwayne Ag Society!

<u>December 1</u> – Tickets go on sale at 8AM MST for our 1st Annual Ladies Night Out with DR JODY CARRINGTON! The event will be held on February 25, 2023. Be sure to get your ticket as soon as they go on sale. Funds raised are going towards ice upgrades at the arena and curling rink.

<u>December 11</u> – Lite Up Marwayne! Both indoor and outdoor activities at the Community Hall. Cookie decorating, toy bingo, outdoor fire pits, weiner roast and Santa will be in attendance! Treat bags and Santa pictures!

<u>December 17</u> – draw date for arena 50/50! Buy your tickets at https://www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/marwaynearena

<u>December 31</u> – New Year's Eve Bash! It's a guaranteed fun night out. Great music from DJ Daddy, a hot dog bar, balloon drop and more! Marwayne Community Hall is where you want to be to ring in 2023!

Thank you to our community for all your support in 2022, we look forward to continuing to provide activities, opportunities, and events for everyone as we head into the New Year.

From the Marwayne Ag Society we wish you all a very Merry Christmas and all the best in the New Year!







Vermilion Jr B Tigers VS St Paul Canadiens

@ the Marwayne Arena Friday January 13, 2022

@ 8:00 pm

Come Cheer on our Home town Boys



LITE UP MARWAYNE

| DECEMBER 11, 2022 |

4PM-7PM

COMMUNITY HALL

Outdoor firepits
Weiner roast
Street hockey









Cookie decorating
Toy bingo

Santa will be on site as well! Come get a treat bag and picture!



~ Hosted by the Marwayne Ag Society ~

Marwayne Legion

Cash Bingo

Wednesday December 7th

Marwayne Legion Hall

Doors Open at 7:30 pm First Game at 8:00 pm

Ten Games – Payout - 60% of Gate Receipts 50-50 Draw at Bingo – Tickets from any Legion Member if you cannot make the Bingo

Everyone Welcome

Proceeds to Marwayne Minor Sports



Marwayne Legion

Turkey Bingo

Wednesday December 14th

Marwayne Legion Hall

Doors Open at 7:30 pm First Game at 8:00 pm

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