# **Voices of the Village** February 2024 NEWSLETTER



# 2024 Utility Rate Increase

The Alberta Central East (ACE) Water Corporation has increased it's cost to purchase water by \$0.30 effective January 1st, 2024. This increase by ACE is the result of rising costs of purchasing water, chemicals, repairs, maintenance, operational contracts, first calls, board fees and utilities. ACE is working to approve a 3-year fixed cost of water, but until then, the Village of Marwayne must pass on the water rate increases to residents to recoup the additional costs. Further to this, the Vermilion River Regional Waste Management Services Commission also increased the yearly requisition for the Village of Marwayne for 2024 by \$11,499. As such, the cost per resident for garbage collection has increased by \$3.20 from \$26.50 to \$29.70.

The Village of Marwayne passed Bylaw No. 599-24 on January 15th, 2024 to incorporate the above noted price increases into our monthly utility rates. The new 2024 rates are as follows:

CLASSIFICATION	WATER (MONTHLY)	SEWER (MONTHLY)	GARBAGE (MONTHLY
Residential	\$40.00 flat fee	\$20.00	\$29.70
	<b>\$4.65</b> per m3		
Commercial	\$45.00 flat fee	\$20.00	
	<b>\$4.65</b> per m3		
Public Buildings	\$40.00 flat fee	\$20.00	
	<b>\$4.65</b> per m3		
Industrial	\$65.00 flat fee		
	<b>\$4.65</b> per m3		
Institutional	\$65.00 flat fee	\$75.00	Manor: \$14/apartment
	<b>\$4.65</b> per m3		
Bulk Water	\$40.00 flat fee		
	<b>\$6.90</b> per m3		

### **Important Dates**

MEETINGS & DEADLINES		SERVICES	
Council	Feb 12	Blue Bag Recycling	Feb 8 & 22
Office Closed	Feb 19		
Pet License Renewal	Feb 28		
Business License Renewal	Feb 28		
EVENTS			
Comedy Night w/ Kelly Taylor Ladies Night w/ Jess Tetu	Feb 10 Feb 24	Arena Pancake Supper ASP Open House	Feb 8 Feb 12

# **Operating Hours & Contacts**

In Person Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 8:00am—4:30pm

\*\*Office open Mondays and Fridays 8:00am—12:00pm & 1:00pm—4:30pm but staff will be working remotely. Drop box available 24/7\*\*

After Hours Water/Sewer Emergencies:	Wilson Curtis Carry Grant	780-205-2993 780-214-7933
Health and Safety Emergencies:	Kitscoty RCMP RCMP, EMS, FIRE	

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

Winter Transfer Station Hours	Wednesday	2:00pm—5:00pm
(Nov—Apr)	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 Ashley Rainey Roger Parkyn

780-214-1410 780-872-8390 ctneureuter@gmail.com a\_irvine@hotmail.com

# 2024 Business Licenses

#### Business Licenses are up for renewal and due no later than February 28, 2024.

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 and invoices will mailed out to the businesses on our current license list. If you need an additional copy or if you are a new business, forms can be found on our website Marwayne.ca under

Living Here —> Bylaws —> Administration —> Business Licenses

Forms may also be picked up at the Village office.

# **Council Meeting Highlights**

- The Vermilion River Regional Waste Management Services Commission 2024 requisition was received as information. The overall increase for 2024 is \$11,499.
- The Alberta Central East Water Corporation met on December 21, 2023 and finalized their 2024 budget. As the cost of business has increased substantially, the ACE board voted to increase the cost for municipalities to purchase water by \$0.30.
- Council passed Bylaw No. 599-24 to amend the Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 544-15 for the 2024 utility rates.
- Council received correspondence from the Minister of Municipal Affairs regarding capital and operational funding under the Local Government Fiscal Framework which has replaced the Municipal Sustainability Initiative funding program. In 2024, the Village is expected to receive \$152,330 in operational funding and \$296,086 in capital funding.
- The Village is still looking for interested persons who wish to join the board of directors for the operation of the seniors center. Interested parties are encouraged to contact the Village administration office for more information.

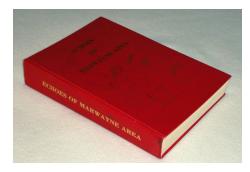
# **Draft Area Structure Plan**

The Village of Marwayne is pleased to provide our residents with the draft Area Structure Plan (ASP) for the 17 acre parcel adjacent to Highway 897. An Area Structure Plan is a statutory document that aligns with the Village of Marwayne's Municipal Development Plan. In accordance with the Municipal Government

Act, an ASP outlines the future development of an area with regard to land use, transportation, natural environment, proposed population density and utility service requirements. The ASP is approved by Council and adopted by bylaw. Having an ASP reduces land use conflicts and ad hoc development that can have an impact on the natural environment, council's fiscal budget, existing roads, water and wastewater systems, and surrounding land owners. This land is located along Hwy 897 and feeds into Hwy 45. Please join us for our open house on **February 12th, 2024 from 4pm – 6pm** for more information on the ASP before its adopted by Council or visit our website.



## 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!

# Marwayne Community Hall







A Unique Setting for Your Special Occasion

## Consider the beautiful, quiet location of the Marwayne Community Hall

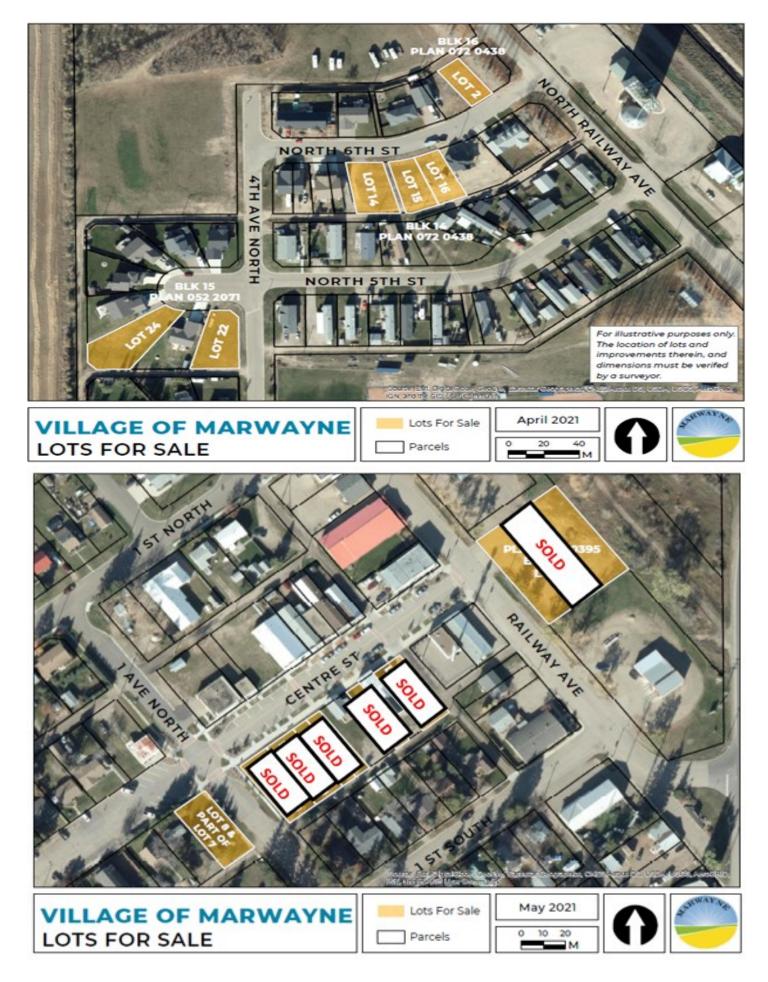
- Banquet seating for 375 in main hall
- Large meeting room with table-seating for 80, or use it to serve buffet-style banquet
- Large covered patio backs onto nature, accessible from main hall
- Modern, beautiful bathrooms
- Stange with dressing rooms & washrooms
- Excellent sound room with A/V equipment
- Camping on site or just 10 minutes north at Lea Park
- Just a 30 minute drive from Lloydminster

# Contact 780-847-3962

For more information visit marwayne.ca







### Marwayne Community Church St. Andrews Church NEW WORSHIP TIME 10am



We are blessed by local pastors preaching every Sunday. Join us for praise & worship and exploration of the Word of God.

Sunday School every Sunday Refreshments & fellowship after service

> Men's Coffee 10am On the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month

Watch for upcoming Bible Study announcement

## A Pastor's Gleanings

Do you ever wonder why every year about this time we start telling each other "The days are getting longer."? Is it to reassure each other that spring is coming? Just making small talk? We all know for sure that spring is on its way, right? More light and less darkness is welcome after the dark cold days of January. We like to hear it.

You might say "I don't need to hear that. I can see it daily, and look at the calendar. How can you be sure if the universe is just matter and energy? Our orbit is not a certainty. Something could randomly reverse it next month and January returns. What are the odds of that happening? About the same as our orbit perfectly beginning and continuing as it is.

Or you believe God's covenant with Noah, "As long as the earth remains, seed time and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night will not cease." (Genesis 9) I, for one, believe God.

It is good to hear God's Word. "The entrance of thy words gives light." (Psalm 119:30) And understanding and faith, "faith comes from hearing and hearing by the words of Christ." (Romans 10:17)

We are blessed by hearing the preaching of the glorious Gospel of grace and singing His praises in the assembly. (Psalm 149:1) Blessings of love joy and peace "You have turned for me my mourning into dancing; you have loosed my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness. (Psalm 30:11) Eugene Peterson paraphrase that "You did it: you changed wild lament into whirling dance; you ripped off my black mourning band and decked me with wildflowers. I'm about to burst into song."

Praise God! Spring equinox comes next month. Guaranteed!

Bethel Lutheran Church Lea Park. Services Sundays at 10:30, contact Pastor's Kevin Nelson 780 808 0070 or Ed Parke 780 808 5026

#### **OFFERING ELDERLY SUPPORT CARE**

My name is Ellie James and I recently became a resident of Marwayne. I am seeking to provide support services to seniors who need assistance in their homes, whether it be short term or on a regular basis due to recovering from an illness/surgery, dealing with health issues or even loneliness.

I have several years of experience working in long-term care as a Personal Care Aide. My passion and strength lie in my love for the seniors and bringing sunshine and joy to their lives. I am looking forward to supporting and caring for the seniors in our community.

I can assist with a range of tasks including but not limited to;

- Help with daily personal care, dressing, grooming and bathing
- Companionship
- Keep track of medications
- Meal preparation
- Light cleaning
- Shopping
- Transportation for long distance and local appointments, etc.



#### Contact me

604-309-4116 or email elliejames1970@gmail.com

CARING FOR THE ELDERLY IS NOT JUST A DUTY; IT'S A PROFOUND ACT OF LOVE THAT BRIGHTENS THEIR WORLD AND YOURS ALIKE

# ELECTRICITY METER UPGRADES

ATCO will soon be in your neighborhood to upgrade your electricity meter. The new meters will allow us to continue to provide safe and reliable electricity and expand on the services we can provide to you.

Questions? Visit Electric.ATCO.com/AMI or call 1-800-668-2248









# **Registered Massage Therapist**



# Becky Sherwood, CMMOTA, RMT.

Offering a wide variety of modalities with over 20 years of experience for all your body working needs. Located 5 min outside of Marwayne

#### **Available Modalities:**

- ★ Massage Therapy
- ★ Deep tissue massage
  - $\star$  Touch for health
    - ★ Reflexology
    - ★ Acupressure
- ★ Lymphatic drainage
  - ★ Bowen
- ★ Minkler Energy Balancing
- ★ Bemer (Electromagnetic Therapy)
- As well as body balancing for Equine, Pets, and Livestock.

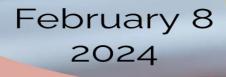
To Book an Appointment Please call or text:

#### 780-205-4717



Address: Box 113, 210 2nd Ave S, Marwayne AB, T0B 2X0 Phone: 780-847-3962 Email: admin@marwayne.ca Website: www.marwayne.ca

Pancakes Sausages Scrambled Eg



# Join us for Pancake Supper!

Cash and debit available 5:30-7 @ Marwayne Arena

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Watch facebook monthly for our next supper date.





#### JOIN US

### **Operations Intern – Parrish & Heimbecker**

#### This is a summer intern position in Marwayne from May 2024 - August 2024.

#### Your Role

As an Operations Intern you will gain valuable industry experience along with personal and professional skills to begin building your career.

#### Day to Day

- Handling and delivering crop input products.
- Field crop scouting duties as required.
- Regular facility maintenance & housekeeping.
- Commitment to maintaining a safe & compliant working environment.
- Performing exceptional customer service duties.

#### **Required Qualifications**

- Enrolled in a degree or diploma program, in an Agriculture related field.
- Experience or background in the agriculture industry would be an asset.
- Ability to work independently, as well as contribute to a team.
- Strong analytical, organizational, and time-management skills.
- Strong communication skills.
- Strong knowledge of Microsoft Office.
- Willingness to learn and develop new skills.

To apply and learn more please contact Joe Petersen (780) 806-0587 (Crop Inputs Manager)

We thank all applicants, but only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

ook club will be meeting on Wednesday, February 21st to discuss our new book, The Chicken Sisters by KJ Dell 'Antonia.



Come and get your copy!

In tiny Merinac, Kansas, Chicken Mimi's and Chicken Frannie's have spent a century vying to serve up the best fried chicken in the state--and the legendary feud between their respective owners, the Moores and the Pogociellos, has lasted just as long. No one feels the impact more than thirty-five-year-old widow Amanda Moore, who grew up working for her mom at Mimi's before scandalously marrying Frank Pogociello and changing sides to work at Frannie's. Tired of being caught in the middle, Amanda sends an SOS to Food Wars, the reality TV restaurant competition that promises \$100,000 to the winner. But in doing so, she launches both families out of the frying pan and directly into the fire...

**oms & Tots** is a wonderful way to meet new friends for children as well as adults. We will be having a Valentine's Day Scavenger Hunt on Friday, February  $9^{th}$  at 9:30 am – 10:30 am. We will also be having a Snowflake Day on Friday, February  $23^{rd}$ , same time.





Minecraft is postponed to March.



### Marwayne Public Library

#### **LIBRARY HOURS:**

Mondays	9:00 am – 3:30 pm
Tuesdays	9:00 am – 3:30 pm
Wednesdays	9:00 am – 7:00 pm (ring bell after school hours)
Thursdays	9:00 am – 3:30 pm
Fridays	9:00 am – 5:00 pm

\*The library is closed when the school is closed. We will be closed February 1-2, 15-19.

**WINTER READING PROGRAM** is back! The more you read, the more your name gets entered to win one of our prizes and one of NLLS' prizes. More information is on the attached posters.

You may enter your minutes online at our website or on the QR code or you may come to the library and pick up a paper reading log entry form which has the QR code on it.

#### Good luck and happy reading!





#### AM I GRIEVING "THE RIGHT" WAY?

Have you ever heard someone ask this question or have you asked it of yourself? When someone is grieving there is a sense of feeling out of the normal. Afterall, you are on a new journey, and you may long to have some control and normalcy back in your life. It would be easier if there was only one way to grieve but remember we are all unique with unique journey through grief. We have unique personalities, circumstances around our loss, stressors, cultural influences, and varied supportive relationships.

One descriptive that most people relate to during their grief journey is that it feels like it hurts. Grief involves the total person with changed perspectives, world view, attitudes and often role changes. This can lead to emotional pain and wondering if this is the "right way" to grieve.

What is the purpose of going through the emotional pain? Dr. Alan Wolfelt, an expert on grief and loss, states "you have to feel the pain in order to heal the pain." Another expert, Dr. Nancy Reeves, offers the perspective that "we grieve for the implication and meaning of the loss and the intrapersonal (how it effects self esteem and self image) and interpersonal (how it effects relationships, roles and status)."

The grief process is somewhat like a spider web. Strands are connected yet we can't tell beforehand which strand we will need to travel on. So, when you find yourself questioning whether your grief is "normal," remember to be gentle with yourself while knowing your journey is the right way for you to move forward through grief.

The following mantras may be helpful for your journey:

*I will* be patient with myself and understand that grief often involves moving two steps forward and one back.

I will reach out to others for help when I need support.

I will avoid abusing substances as a way to temporarily minimize my pain.

I will care for myself physically.

I will not isolate myself from friends, hobbies, and activities.

I will avoid making major life decisions until I have worked the grief steps.

I will grieve in my own time and not by how others think I should grieve.

I will create a time and space to honor my emotions.

*I will* understand that grief reconciliation takes time, and I will commit to the journey even if relief comes slower than I would like.

I will remember that moving through grief often involves feeling painful and intense emotions.

I will remember that when I complete my grief work successfully, I can have a rich, although different life.

Submitted by : Walking Through Grief Society

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



# LEA PARK GOLF CLUB



The 2023 season was another great one for the Lea Park Golf Club! Every year we strive to make improvements so your experience with us can be that much better. Here is a list of what we accomplished thanks to help from our board and local community members:

**2023 RECAP** 

- Created a Punch Card Program for our frequent golfers to use to get a discount on green fee's.
- Broke ground on a new water system for watering the golf course.
- Made a signage board for companies to advertise their businesses at Hole #1.
- \$500 donation was given to the Marwayne foodbank on behalf of the Lea Park Golf Club.
- Launched new packages such as: corporate sponsors / memberships, hole, and score card sponsors.
- Hosted another successful night golf
  event this year using LED golf balls!
- Added another new member to our Board of Directors

# 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.





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**aJFYSPA** 

2nd Annual Ladies Night Out hosted by The Marwayne Agricultural Society & BEAUTY FROM BEES featuring

# JESS TETU

Jess began her adult life on her own at the age of 15 years old and through dedication, determination and hard work has become a national award winning philanthropist and entrepreneur. She has won national awards, including Canada's Top 40 Under 40 and Canada's Most Powerful Women, Jess is the owner of five Just For You Day Spas, the founder and CEO of Lia Reese Canada, Iconic Betty Jewelry, and Jess Tetu Consulting. She also founded 4seventyone Recovery Resources, a not-for-profit charity. Jess has been recognized with several awards, including the SK Entrepreneur of the Year Award and the YWCA Women of Distinction Award.

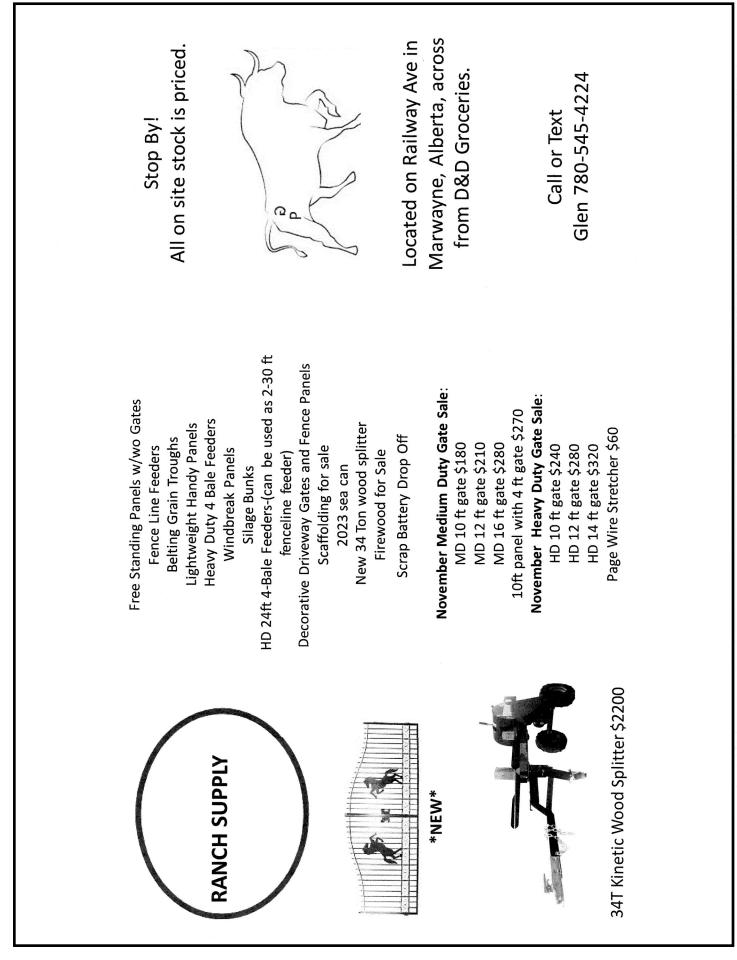
February 24, 2024 Marwayne Hall 7:00 p.m. doors open at 6:30 Tickets \$100 <sup>(Tickets avaiabe on Event Brite)</sup> Includes complimentary drink and charcuterie to follow

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