

# VILLAGE MATTERS

**Municipal Inquiry:**

Under section 572 (1) (a) a sufficient petition requesting the inquiry into the affairs of the Village of Warner was received by the minister of Municipal Affairs, the petition needed 78 signatures to be validated and this petition received 89 signatures. The review will collect background information about the concerns and issues that led to the request and will include interviews with councillors, administrative staff and the petition representatives. The preliminary review is intended to provide context for the minister's decision in responding to the petition request for a full inspection. The Village has a copy of the petition as it is a public document not protected under FOIP legislation meaning anyone can request a copy for themselves. Council and staff welcome the inquiry and will cooperate fully with them as we believe we have conducted ourselves in an open way and have nothing to hide from our citizens.

**Dogs:**

Council has been receiving many complaints with regards to dogs running at large, dogs barking and dogs biting and being aggressive towards residents while out and about. All dogs require a license from the Village of Warner and any dog deemed to be a Vicious Dog is required to get a special license and must follow specific rules as outlined in our Animal Control Bylaw 562-14. No more warnings will be issued, the Bylaw Officer has been instructed to issue fines for all infractions of this bylaw.

**Paper Shredding:**

The Village of Warner has a contract with Lethbridge Mobile Shredding to shred all those documents that all of us have and no longer need. This service is open the all Village residents that want to use it. There are two locked holders located in the Village office or just drop by on the next scheduled shredding day which is January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

The Village office will be closed from Monday December 26<sup>th</sup> – January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017 to accommodate the holidays, the office will reopen on January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017. The transfer site will only be opened from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm on Saturday December 24<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup>. On behalf of Village council and all staff have a Merry Christmas and do take time out to enjoy the holiday season.

## Christmas Day Dinner Potluck

Dec. 25th, 2016 @ 3pm  
Senior Centre

The Seniors Centre has purchased the turkey so just bring your best potluck and BYOB

For Info call Barbara Clemence 403-813-1868 or  
Verne Strain 403-642-2122

You have the option if you are housebound to call the above numbers to make delivery arrangements.

Deadline 18th, 2016 to RSVP

## Community Christmas Hampers

Drop off locations for non perishable food items will be: The church, the school, the Village office and the food store by Dec. 20th! Cash donations will be received at the church, the food store and the Village Office by Dec. 20th! There will be a Christmas Tree at the Village Office if anyone would like to take the information on a child to buy a gift for. Names can be submitted to either the church @ 403-642-2352 or Kim @ 403-642-3877 or warneremcc@gmail.com

If you are in need, or know of someone who is, please call. A reminder and further information will follow in the December newsletter.

## Write a Letter to Santa

Santa loves getting letters from children all over the world

John Doe  
123 ANY STREET  
MONEY PROVINCE A1A 1A0  
CANADA



Santa Claus  
North Pole HOH OHO  
CANADA

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### Special points of interest

**TO BOOK ICE FOR GAMES OR FAMILY PARTIES PLEASE CALL THE VILLAGE OFFICE @ 403-642-3877**

**TO BOOK THE BOWLING ALLEY PLEASE CALL LYNNE @ 403-421-0341**

# LIBRARY NEWS

The Library will be open regular hours December 20, 21, 22, 27, 28 & 29

Regular Hours are: Tuesday 11:00am to 6:00pm, Wednesday 2:00pm to 8:00pm and Thursday 11:00am to 6:00pm

## NEW ITEMS

### BOOKS

The Wrong Side of Goodbye by Michael Connelly  
The Award by Danielle Steele  
The Bone Collection by Kathy Reichs  
Sex, Lies & Serious Money by Stuart Woods  
"Bookshots", Hunted by James Patterson  
The Blasphemer by Nigel Farndale  
1434 by Gavin Menzies  
Cowboy and Wills by Monica Holloway  
A Legend of the Nahinni by

Bryan J. Smith  
The Rescue of Belle and Sundance by Brigit Stutz  
CHILDREN'S BOOKS  
Bad Kitty Does Not Like Dogs by Nick Bruel  
Thelma the Unicorn by Aaron Bladney  
Can You See What I see? On a Scary, Scary Night by Walter Wick  
Scribble by Ruth Ohi  
So Few of Me by Peter H. Reynolds

### DVDs

Grimm Season 5  
Amerigedon  
CSI the 10<sup>th</sup> Season  
Donations of good used DVDs, CDs and books are very much appreciated. They increase our inventory and circulation. Throughout the year we have received donations to add to our collection here

in Warner. If we have the item donated we share with other libraries in the system. Your donations never go to waste. Thank you very much!  
Memberships are for 1 year, Adults 18+ \$6.00, Youth 12-18 \$4.00 and children 0 to 12 \$2.00  
Family Memberships are available at \$15.00 \*\*Rates may increase in 2017 \*\*\*  
Merry Christmas, from the Village of Warner Library Board and staff at the Library.



All the best in 2017, Happy New Year

## THANK YOU

To neighbours, Warner Seniors, for your help and concern during Larry's lengthy hospital stay.

A special thank you to Tyson for his assistance with the winter tires.

Also, to Warner, Milk River and Coaldale EMS personnel, we are fortunate to have you in our community.

Sincerely, Larry and Wendy Barnett

## CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

PRESENTED TO YOU BY  
STIRLING MENNONITE CHURCH CHOIR  
WARNER ELKS HALL @ 4:00PM  
SUNDAY DECEMBER 11TH, 2016

EVERYONE WELCOME \* FREE ADMISSION



## **Barons-Eureka-Warner Family and Community Support Services**

is pleased to introduce Matt Fredin as the new Family Counsellor for the County of Warner. If you are seeking help with personal matters that deal with marriage, family, or individual problems, please contact him at 403-752-5430 or matt.fredin12@gmail.com



## **WARNER WINTER FUN**

Warner Winter Fun is now accepting registration for our January session. The start date will be January 17th and we will run until the 28th of March (with no class on February 21st due to school holiday). The fee is \$200 for the 10 week session. Please contact Penny, Tracy or Denise.  
dpittman@shockware.com  
tracyjones74@hotmail.com  
denisejboisvert@gmail.com

Warner Winter Fun sends out a big THANK YOU to the Warner Historical Society and the Milk River Kinettes for their kind and generous donations to our program.

### **FREE TRAVEL – YES, FREE!**

**The Milk River Community Business Association, in cooperation with the Heritage Handi-Bus Association, are once again offering free rides around Milk River on Tuesdays. Anyone who wishes to can use this service for shopping, lunch, Doctor, Dentist – pretty much anything you want to do in Milk River! Just call the Milk River Town Office at 403-647-3773, to arrange your pick up.**

**And, yes, they'll bring you home again.**

### **THE HERITAGE HANDI-BUS ASSOCIATION**

**The Association Board would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the Villages of Warner and Coutts, the Town of Milk River and the County of Warner for their ongoing financial support. A special thanks, considering you already have a full time job, to Lori Rolfe for picking up the treasurers' duties and Esther Elman for taking on the challenges of bookings. We also thank the Milk River Business Association for their support of the free Tuesday shopping trips. The 'bus' service would cease without this ongoing help.**

**TO ALL, OUR SINCERE APPRECIATION, A MERRY CHRISTMAS  
AND ALL THE BEST WISHES FOR THE NEW YEAR.**



## COUNCILLORS CORNER

December brings a busy month full of family, friends and several community events to attend. Skate with Santa and the Trade fair will be at the Civic center on Dec 10, with the Trade fair running 11-7 and Skate with Santa from 12-4pm. Creepy Christmas at the Hollow is also on that day from 12-8pm. Sunday December 11 at 4pm the Stirling Mennonite Church will be putting on a pageant at the Elks hall with free admission. December 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 will be the Warner School Christmas concert at the Evangelical Church.

As always on the third Wednesday of the month, December 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:30 is our regular council meeting, public is always welcome.

Wishing everyone a Safe and Happy Holiday Season

Tyler Lindsay



### PRAIRIE ROSE LODGE BITS & PIECES- "DEC. 16 & JAN. 17"

Well folks, if you are a Calgary football fan, you had a very stressful weekend, as did I, and I don't even like football. I really think it is that old east/west competitive issue.

Thank you to all the people who supported our Fall Dessert Tea. The visiting is so enjoyed by all in attendance. Also, many thanks to the Couatts 4 -H Horse Club - they are hosting the residents' bingo in Nov. and Dec. By the time this newsletter is public, the Residents' Xmas Family Party will have been enjoyed by family members and staff of the lodge. Our own Gordon Kopp will be leading us in the many Christmas carols so enjoyed by everyone.

Just a memory brush up - Personal Touch Fashions will be at the lodge

from 10 AM-2 PM on Dec. 7th. This is an opportune time to finish off that shopping and support the gals who bring shopping to our residents.

At this time, we have no birthdays in December or January however that could change, as new residents continue to move into the lodge. The Ladies Auxiliary has entertainment scheduled for Tuesday, December 13th at 7 PM with the Hales of Warner to spread the Christmas cheer. Once again, I invite the public to come and enjoy an evening of treats and visiting. Turn those TVs off and let's get back to the country style of celebrating. It is the season of joyous, caring gatherings while we share our many blessings. Another date to mark on your calendar is 7 PM on Dec. 29th. The Lodge

residents are celebrating the New Year. News flash I had is that it can get a little rowdy so Terra is counting on outside help to keep things under control. We will be having treats & drinks that evening so come out and make it a memorable evening for all.

At this time, as I complete the final newsletter of 2016, I am thankful for the many blessing at our lodge - a new facility, caring staff, supportive communities and a committed manager who always puts the residents' welfare first. I am blessed with loving family and friends making life precious and meaningful. During this holy season, may we all enjoy the love and security of our Savior's blessings.

Have a wonderful, safe holiday season. God Bless All - Emma Hult

**The AGM for the Warner School Council Society will be held on January 23rd, 2017 5pm @ Warner School.**

**We will be seeking nominations and will elect for executive positions of President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary. The terms will begin in January of 2017.**

# GOLF & BOWLING INFORMATION:

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:

Riverside Community Golf Society will be holding its AGM on Thursday, December 15th, 2016 at 7:00PM in Council Chambers at the Town Office in Milk River. All individuals from Coutts, Warner, County of Warner and Milk River, that are interested in golf, please attend this meeting. Look forward to seeing many faces at the AGM.

**GOLF FEES:** There will be no increase to the 2017 Golf Membership Fees and Punch Cards. All Membership Fees must be paid in full by May 31st of each year, this will be enforced for the 2017 Golf Season.

Reminding golfers in July & August that their golf fees are outstanding will no longer be acceptable.

If you wish to set up a payment plan, that could start in January 2017, to pay for your Golf Membership please call Shirley Hawco 403-647-2686. Golf Memberships and Punch Cards make for great Christmas gifts. Stop in at the Pro Shop and speak to Russell or Agnes Dobrocane during Bowling League nights (Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday).

## BOWLING INFORMATION:

If you wish to go bowling in Milk River or have a bowling get together with friends, please contact Richard Wright 403-647-3639 or 403-647-4127 or email:

rich2bern@aol.com to book bowling functions/parties.

## GROUNDS KEEPER-MAINTENANCE PERSON 2017 GOLF SEASON RIVERSIDE GOLF CLUB – MILK RIVER, AB.

The Board of Riverside Community Golf Society is actively seeking an individual for the 2017 Golf Season to do maintenance and take care of the grounds at the golf course. Applicant must be able to perform routine maintenance on golf course equipment and irrigation system.

Start Date: April 1, 2017 – dependant on weather.

End Date: September 30, 2017

Job opportunity will close when a suitable candidate is found.

Contact Russell Dobrocane: 403-647-3964 (home) 403-492-7787 (cell)

## Milk River & District Seniors Society

Milk River & District Seniors Society Christmas Dinner is Thursday, December 8th at the Civic Centre in Milk River. If you would like to purchase tickets - \$15.00 per person, please contact Don McCoy 403-647-3843 (home) or stop in at the Heritage Hall any weekday morning between 9-11AM for coffee and speak to Don. Also, the 2017 Senior Society Membership cards are available and can be purchased for \$5.00.

The Seniors Group meets the 2nd Thursday of each month for their monthly meetings.

We would love to have new comers join us. No meeting in December.

The next Monthly Pot Luck Meeting is Thursday, January 12th - 12:00 PM, at the Heritage Hall in Milk River.

The Resident and Family Council at the Milk River Health Centre is holding its annual SILENT AUCTION from Thursday, December 1, 2016 to Wednesday, December 14th, 2016. The goal of this event is to raise funds for the Resident and Family Council. Items will be displayed for approximately two weeks, along with a bid sheet and the donor's name at the Alberta Treasury Branch in Milk River and then ending auction at the Milk River Health Centre. The highest bidder will receive a phone call by Friday, December 16, 2016. Happy Bidding!!

The purpose of the Resident and Family Council is to provide residents, families and volunteers the opportunity to identify challenges and make recommendations for positive change in the Long Term facility. The council also hosts fundraising events that financially support various programs and activities, which enhance the quality of life for all residents.

## FUNDRAISER

### PANCAKE SUPPER

THURSDAY – JANUARY 19TH, 2017

5:00-7:00PM - HERITAGE HALL

ADULTS \$8.00 - KIDS \$5.00 – 5 Yrs. & UNDER FREE

MILK RIVER & DISTRICT SENIORS SOCIETY is hosting this event to help raise funds to purchase a new JAWS OF LIFE! PLEASE COME OUT, ENJOY THE SAUSAGES, EGGS & PANCAKES, AND SUPPORT A GREAT CAUSE.

PANCAKE SUPPER – ADULTS - \$8.00 KIDS - \$5.00 5 YRS. & UNDER - FREE



**MILK RIVER FIRE DEPARTMENT NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT!**



## HERITAGE HANDIBUS ASSOCIATION NEEDS YOU!!

This COMMUNITY service is in jeopardy!!  
DO you feel the Handibus is a valuable service?  
DO you feel we need to keep this service for our area?  
PLEASE step up and help!!

This Service is available to anyone who needs a ride!!  
Bus available by appointment only!  
Call the Milk River Town Office at 403-647-3773  
Regular trips to Lethbridge are on Wednesdays \$25.00/person, must have Minimum of 2 riders or trip maybe cancelled.

Meetings are the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of every Month @ 7 pm in the Milk River town hall board room January-November. If you feel this is a valuable service, please come and see if you can help us keep it going.

Handibus needs You!!  
We need more People for:  
-Board of Directors  
-Bus Drivers

### RATES:

**WITHIN TOWN OF MILK RIVER LIMITS:** \$15.00/hr with a min. of 1hr charge  
**GROUP TRIPS:** \$.85 kms + \$15.00 /hr for driver (sm. Bus 3 riders, lg. bus 15 riders)  
**TRIPS FROM COUTTS to Milk River:** \$49.00/hr additional hours \$15.00 each.  
**TRIPS FROM WARNER to Milk River:** \$49.00/hr additional hours \$15.00 each.  
( eg: \$.85kms x 20kms + \$15.00 for 1hr)  
**Sharing the ride, reduces your personal cost!!**  
( \$49.00/5 people = \$9.80 Each, with \$3.00 each for each additional hour)



# Thanks

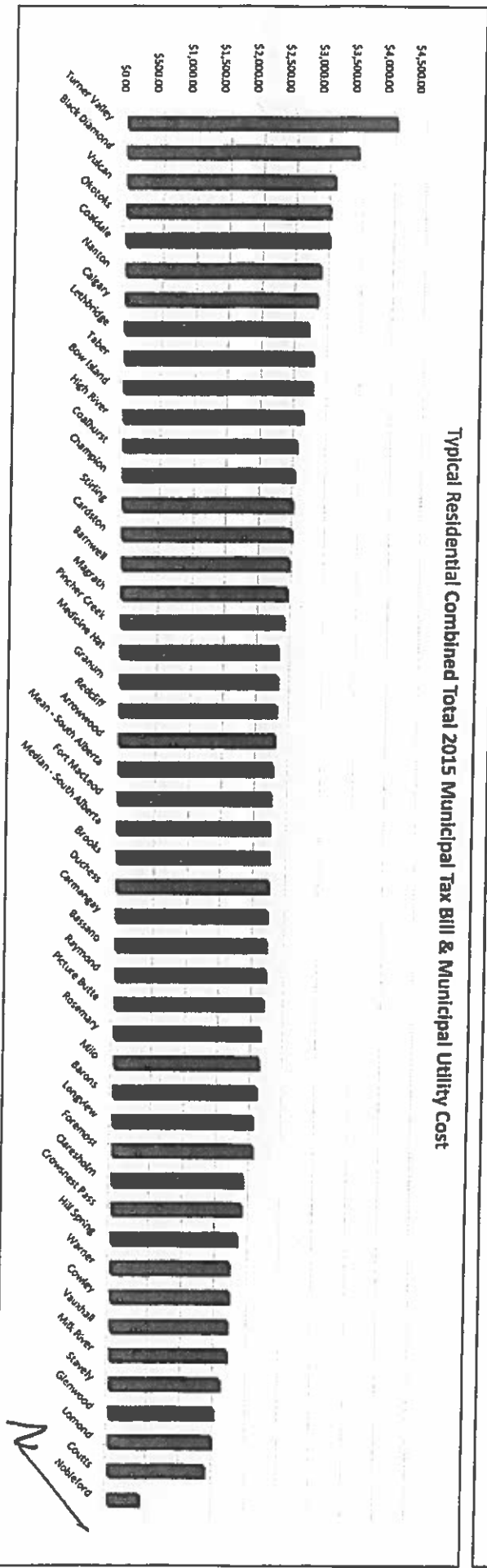
## To the Milk River Community Business Association

Thank you to the Milk River Community Business Association on behalf of the residents and staff of the Milk River Long Term Care, the Hospital Auxiliary and the communities of Coutts, Warner and Milk River for paying the costs of Bus Service on Tuesdays! Your contributions to our communities are appreciated!

Typical Residential 2015 Municipal Tax Bill





Typical Residential Combined Total 2015 Municipal Tax Bill & Municipal Utility Cost





December 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>4 FREE PUBLIC SKATING 2:30PM - 3:30PM FREE STICK &amp; SHOOT 3:30PM-4:30PM EVERY SUNDAY UNLESS NOTED</p>	<p>5 BELLES EXERCISERS EVERY MON 10AM 4-4 7PM SENIORS CTR CARDS EVERY MON 7-10PM ROYAL PURPLE 7PM</p>	<p>6 WARNER FIRE DEPT PRACTISE EVERY TUES 7:30PM TOPS EVERY TUES 5:15PM</p>	<p>7 BELLES EXERCISERS EVERY WED 10AM LIONS CLUB OF WARNER 7PM WARNER LIONS 7PM</p>	<p>1 GARBAGE PICK UP EVERY THUR. TRANSFER STATION OPEN EVERY THURS 10AM-3PM</p>	<p>2 BELLES EXERCISERS EVERY FRI 10AM BURNING IN BURNING BARREL EVERY FRIDAY UNLESS THE WIND IS BLOWING OVER 30KM A HOUR</p>	<p>3 TRANSFER STATION OPEN EVERY SAT 10 - 3PM BURNING IN BURNING BARREL EVERY SATURDAY UNLESS THE WIND IS BLOWING OVER 30KM A HOUR</p>
<p>11 WARNER MEMORIAL CHURCH SERV 11AM CHRISTMAS PROGRAM STIRLING MENNONITE CHURCH CHOIR ELKS HALL @ 4:00PM EVERYONE WELCOME * FREE ADMISSION</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p>
<p>18 DEADLINE TO RSVP FOR CHRISTMAS DAY POTLUCK</p>	<p>19 PLEASE HAVE ALL NON PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS DELIVERED TO THE SCHOOL, STORE OR VILLAGE OFFICE BY 5PM! THANK YOU!</p>	<p>20 SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CONCERT EVANGELICAL CHURCH 6:30PM</p>	<p>21 VILLAGE OF WARNER COUNCIL MEETING 5:30PM</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23 VILLAGE OFFICE CLOSED FROM DECEMBER 23<sup>RD</sup> @ NOON UNTIL JANUARY 3<sup>RD</sup>, 2017 @ 9AM</p>	<p>24 WARNER EVANGELICAL CHURCH 6PM TRANSFER STATION OPEN 10AM-1PM</p>
<p>25 CHRISTMAS DAY DINNER POTLUCK 3PM SENIOR CENTRE</p>	<p>26 HAPPY BOXING DAY! </p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29 SENIORS CTR POT LUCK 6PM</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31  TRANSFER STATION OPEN 10AM-1PM</p>