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THE OFFICIAL MONTHLY NEWSLETTER & COMMUNITY CALENDAR FOR THE TOWN OF STRASBOURG



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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

The Town of Strasbourg has once again had a busy and successful year. There are always numerous activities and events happening in town with great participation from the community.

New businesses have opened or are in the process of opening. The local housing market appears strong. One of the most exciting events this summer was to have the grand opening of our new revitalized Lions Park. It has already been a huge success and a hub for many during the summer.

Looking forward we want to continue to make Strasbourg the place to live and visit. We aim to serve our residents with the best services and quality of life possible. Our long term plans continue to be an upgraded fire hall, revitalization of our sports park and possibly an assisted living facility. Major projects like these take time and tremendous effort and planning but we must continue to be proactive and responsible in our planning to make our town the best it can be.

November was once again time for municipal elections in the province. I want to thank everyone who considered serving the Town in the capacity of Mayor and Council and want to congratulate Vicki Cornwell and Rick Schulz as our new Council members. Also congratulations to our incumbents Peter Barry, Sherry Burgess, Lorne Gottselig, and Rodger Yauck and I look forward to serving together with you for the betterment of our town. I want to also take this opportunity to thank Bo Black and Bernie Josephson for their time spent on Council and for their contributions during their time as councillors.

Christmas is almost upon us as we near the end of another successful year in town. This is a time of year when we are blessed to meet with friends and family to share precious time together and to celebrate the birth of Jesus our Saviour. The scripture records the angels message of this birth as "good news of great joy for all people" because "a Saviour who is Christ the Lord" was born. May this message be an encouragement and give hope and joy to all as we live our lives serving the Saviour and those around us. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all!

Mayor Kelvin Schapansky

Strasbourg Museum Christmas Fundraiser



This Christmas season the Strasbourg and District Museum is trying a new fundraiser. We have signed up with Purdy's Chocolates, a Canadian company that gives us a portion of order profits. The more we sell, the more we make! Please take a few minutes to check over the selection - they even have no sugar and vegan options! If you wish to sign up and order from our campaign, you will need to enter the campaign email to start, which is strasbourgmuseum@sasktel.net. I have ordered these in the past, and they are delicious!

Order deadline is November 30th, so they can be here for Christmas!

*If you try on your phone and have difficulty, some find using your computer is easier, as the website is more visible on your desktop.

https://fundraising.purdys.com/join.aspx/2052582-124256?

Please contact Jessica Dreger if you have any questions! strasbourgmuseum@sasktel.net or (306) 725-7677



December Residential Garbage & Recycling Days

December 4 - Garbage
December 11 - Recycling

December 18 - Garbage

December 28 - Recycling



Garbage & Recycle Cart Reminders: Please have your cart out prior to 7:00 a.m. on pick-up days, and remove your cart from the street within 24 hours of pick-up to not hinder snow removal or street sweeping. If your cart is damaged, please call the Town Office to arrange for a replacement cart through Loraas.







Please note: Due to Christmas Day and New Years Day falling on Wednesday this year, recycling pickup has been <u>rescheduled</u> from December 25 to <u>Saturday</u>, <u>December 28</u> and <u>garbage pickup has been <u>rescheduled</u> from January 1 to <u>Saturday</u>, <u>January 4</u>.</u>



DECEMBER COMMUNITY CALENDAR

NOV 27 - LATE NIGHT SHOPPING AT STRASBOURG HARDWARE & VARIETY until 8:00 p.m. Every Wednesday until December 18.

NOV 27 - FIRE TRAINING & MEETING, 7:00 p.m., Strasbourg Fire Hall.

NOV 28 - PLAY GROUP, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., Strasbourg Alliance Church. Meet other parents over a cup of coffee or tea while the kids play together.

DEC 1 - PRELUDE TO CHRISTMAS, 2:30 p.m., Strasbourg Memorial Hall. Everyone welcome. Silver Collection at the door for the local Christmas Food Hampers. Coffee and fellowship to follow.

DEC 1 - INDOOR PICKLEBALL, Strasbourg School (WDS) Gym, 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Enter through the middle doors. \$50.00 for the season or \$5.00 drop-in. Please bring clean, non-marking shoes. Every Sunday. Everyone 18+ and new players are always welcome. For questions, please call Diane (306) 725-8101. Last day before Christmas is December 22 and will resume on January 5, 2025.

DEC 1 - ADULT CO-ED REC VOLLEYBALL, Strasbourg School (WDS) Gym, 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Enter through the middle doors. \$10.00 for Sept-Dec or \$5.00 drop-in. Please bring clean, non-marking shoes. **Every Sunday**. Everyone 18+ are welcome.

DEC 1-16 - LIGHT UP STRASBOURG! Enter your name and your Christmas-decorated yard in the drop-off box at the Strasbourg Post Office lobby from December 1-16. Draw will be made December 17 after the Sparkle Tour. Three Christmas gifts will be drawn for and given out.

DEC 2 - FOREVER IN MOTION (SENIOR FITNESS 50+), 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., Strasbourg Memorial Lower Hall. Every Monday and Thursday. **If you wish to walk ahead of time, please come at 9:30 a.m.** Please bring clean runners, fitness band, and water bottle. All fitness levels are welcome. Free event but donations welcome. Note: this is a scent free activity. Any questions, please call Diane (306) 725-8101. **Last class before Christmas is December 19 and will resume on January 6, 2025**.

DEC 2 - SENIOR DROP INN MONDAY BRIDGE, 1:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Cards from 1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m., coffee at 2:30 p.m., and cards again from 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Play, learn, teach, laugh, and have fun. Every Monday.

DEC 2 - DUVAL OPTIMIST CLUB BINGO, Duval Hall. Speedos at 7:00 p.m. Regular games half an hour later.

DEC 3 - INDOOR WALKING, 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Strasbourg Memorial Lower Hall. Every Tuesday and Friday. Clean indoor runners required. Everyone welcome. Sponsored by the Strasbourg Rec Board. Call Diane with any questions at (306) 725-8101. Last day before Christmas is December 20 and resume on January 6, 2025.

DEC 3 - AL-ANON, 8:00 p.m., St. John Lutheran Church basement. For family and friends of alcoholics. Everyone is welcome to attend. Every Tuesday.

DEC 3-13 - UGLY CHRISTMAS SWEATER DISPLAY, Strasbourg Library. Bring your sweater and leave for a display. Everyone visiting the Library during that time will be entered to win a Christmas Giveaway Hamper.

DEC 4 - SENIOR DROP INN WEDNESDAY QUIET TIME, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Do a jigsaw puzzle, play chess, or other "quiet" activity. Bring your own chess or checkers games, but there are many jigsaw puzzles at the Drop Inn. Every Wednesday. Meet your friends for a quiet afternoon.

DEC 4 - CHRISTMAS ON MAIN STREET. 5:30 p.m. - Wiener roast and bonfire hosted by the Strasbourg & District Fire & Rescue. 6:00 p.m. - Christmas message from Mayor Schapansky and the lighting of the Christmas Tree. 6:15 p.m. - Christmas Elves handing out gifts to the children on Main Street by Razzle Dazzle Thrift Shop. 6:30 p.m. - Visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus in the park area by Every Little Thing. Late night shopping and instore specials. Hot chocolate and cookies at Long Lake Insurance.

DEC 4 - STRASBOURG EMS PICTURES WITH THE GRINCH, 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Razzle Dazzle Thrift Shop. 4x6 picture - \$20.00. All funds going towards the purchase of a LUCAS Machine.

DECEMBER COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- **DEC 5 EDUCATION NIGHT,** 7:00 p.m., Strasbourg Library. Learn how to make fun Christmas Bows by Phyllis Galandie.
- **DEC 6 SENIOR DROP INN FRIDAY CARDS & GAMES,** 1:30 p.m. 4:00 p.m. Play Rook, 500, Crib, Rummy, Scrabble, Tile Rummy, Dominoes, etc. Followed by coffee and snacks. **Every Friday**. Birthday cake, strawberries, and ice cream served on the last Friday to celebrate monthly birthdays!
- **DEC 6 NO ONE EATS ALONE**, 5:00 p.m., Come to Diger's for supper. Register with Ashley at (639) 914-7088 Enjoy a great meal and good company.
- **DEC 6 DUVAL OPTIMIST CLUB TURKEY BINGO,** 7:00 p.m., Duval Hall. Prizes of chickens, fruit and candy. Proceeds go to community projects and youth programs.
- **DEC 7 BETWEEN FRIENDS QUILT GUILD**, 9:00 a.m. Strasbourg Alliance Church. Regular business meeting 10:30 a.m. Pot luck lunch. Please let Lesley know (306) 725-4925 if you plan to attend or have any questions.
- **DEC 9 WELLNESS CLINIC,** 1:00 p.m., Strasbourg Branch Library. Presentation by Vicki Cornwell who will be sharing *From Darkness Into Light: My Mental Health Journey*. Foot care provided by Peggy Gwillim for \$15.00. To book foot care, call (639) 914-7088. For a free ride, call Sherry at (639) 914-7006.
- **DEC 10 PLAY GROUP,** 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m., Strasbourg Alliance Church. Meet other parents over a cup of coffee or tea while the kids play together.
- **DEC 10 SASKATCHEWAN HEALTH AUTHORITY VOLUNTEER WORKSHOP,** 10:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m., Town Office Rental Space. All paperwork and criminal record checks will be done the same day. Please register by December 6. Call or text (639) 914-7088.
- **DEC 10 STRASBOURG AGE FRIENDLY RECREATION BOARD TOONIE LUNCH,** 11:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m., Menu is Hot Turkey Sandwiches and Christmas Pudding. Call Sherry (639) 914-7006 for a free ride to the event. Everyone 55 and older. \$2.00 or donation.
- DEC 11 TOWN COUNCIL MEETING, 7:00 p.m., Town Council Chambers.
- **DEC 12 STORY TIME**, 10:30 a.m., at the Strasbourg Library. All preschool children welcome.
- **DEC 12 SENIOR DROP INN SPECIAL EVENT**, 1:30 p.m. Our favourite pastime! There will be at least 10 games. Prizes are Christmas baking items donated by some of our wonderful locals. Silver collection at the door. Door prizes. Lots of laughter and fun! Come join us.
- **DEC 12 FIRE TRAINING & MEETING**, 7:00 p.m., Strasbourg Fire Hall.
- **DEC 16 DUVAL OPTIMIST CLUB BINGO**, Duval Hall. Speedos at 7:00 p.m. Regular games half an hour later.
- **DEC 16 SPARKLE TOUR.** Meet at the Last Mountain Pioneer Home at 6:00 p.m. and join the residents at the Home for coffee and cookies following the tour.
- **DEC 18 LOCAL FOOD HAMPERS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED.** Organized by Strasbourg Shared Ministry and Age-Friendly.
- **DEC 18 FIRE TRAINING & MEETING**, 7:00 p.m., Strasbourg Fire Hall.
- DEC 18 BLUE CHRISTMAS, 7:00 p.m., St. John Lutheran Church.
- **DEC 19 PLAY GROUP**, 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m., Strasbourg Alliance Church. Meet other parents over a cup of coffee or tea while the kids play together.
- DEC 26 BOXING DAY CURLING SPIEL, 1:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m., Strasbourg Curling Rink.
- **DEC 31 FREE NEW YEAR'S EVE SKATING,** 7:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m., Strasbourg Rink. Sponsored by Strasbourg Alliance Church.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **JAN 10 SENIOR'S CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**, 2:30 p.m., Senior's Drop Inn. Secretary and President are up for election.
- JAN 17 & 24 SHARED MINISTRY CHRISTIAN UNITY LUNCHES. Watch for further information.



ADVERTISING DONE YOUR WAY

- Custom Signs
- HEAT PRESS
- ATHLETIC WEAR
- DECALS
- EMBROIDERY
- CLOTHING

STRASBOURG, SK 1-306-725-3484 89imprinting.com

eightynineimprinting@sasktel.net

Strasbourg Hardware & Variety

(306) 725-3033

Monday-Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. & 1:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

NEW

Christmas Photo Booth

Come during store hours and take your own pictures using our Christmas-themed background. Bring your smiles and camera!

Late Night Shopping

Every Wednesday to December 18th. Open until 8:00 p.m.

ADVERTISING RATES

We'd love to start advertising your business in the newsletter! Advertising will help with the copy and distribution costs. As the newsletter grows, so will the audience reach.

Contact the Town Office to advertise!



Business Card \$10/month or \$100/year 1/4 page \$15/month or \$150/year 1/2 page \$30/month or \$300/year Full page \$60/month or \$600/year

Age Friendly Strasbourg in partnership with Strasbourg Shared Ministry will be taking names for anyone needing a food hamper. All information will be kept confidential. Financial donations can be left at the Strasbourg Co-op. Please make cheques payable to Strasbourg Shared Ministry. If you or someone is in need of a food hamper, please contact Ashley at (639) 914-7088.

Submit your events and ads on or before the 23rd of each month to strasbourg@sasktel.net.

While we make every effort to ensure accuracy, errors and omissions still may occur and are not intentional.

COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

- All new council members took their oath of office and were sworn in for their four-year Council term. All council members were appointed to internal and external Town committees.
- Annual appointments were made for the Board of Revision, Development Appeals Board, Building Officials, Auditor, and Council submitted their declaration for revenue sharing funds.
- Passed a new Emergency Measures Organization bylaw for the community, outlining the new committee structure and duties for the group.
- Agreed to continue funding an additional open hour for the Strasbourg Library Parkland Branch.
- Donated funds towards the Last Mountain High School Rodeo group, which is looking to install permanent chutes at the Rodeo Grounds.

Just a reminder that the Town Office will be closed from December 25, 2024 to January 1, 2025 inclusive. Taxes are due by December 31, 2024.

If you wish to make a payment during that time, there are several options:

- Leave a post-dated cheque at the Town Office prior to us closing, drop a post-dated cheque in the lockbox outside of the Town Office, or mail a post-dated cheque for us to process when we are back (envelope must be postmarked by December 31).
- Leave us a credit card number and we will process the payment when we are back.
- Pay through online banking with your financial institution or use e-transfer (strasbourg@sasktel.net) by December 31.

SENIOR DROP INN CENTRE

MONDAY BRIDGE - We would love a few more players to come and join us.

WEDNESDAY QUIET TIME - Do a jigsaw puzzle, play chess, or other "quiet" activity.

FRIDAY CARDS & GAMES - Cards, games, coffee and cookies. Ice cream and cake on the last Friday of the month to celebrate the month's birthdays.

DEC 12 - SPECIAL EVENT, 1:30 p.m. 10 games, prizes are Christmas baking items donated by some of our wonderful locals. Silver collection at the door. Door prizes. Lots of laughter and fun!

The Senior Drop Inn Centre is all decked out for the season! It is a perfect place to host your festive meats, or party or get together. Accommodates up to 40 people. \$50/day or \$75/two days. Contact Sherry at (639) 914-7006.



Why not join the Seniors Club? \$25.00 per year. Ages 55 & over. Everyone welcome.

The Seniors Drop Inn Centre is located in the Strasbourg Memorial Hall, which is accessible from the back alley behind Long Lake Insurance and Strasbourg Family Foods.

CHURCH NEWS & EVENTS

Strasbourg Alliance Church

Sunday Worship Services 10:00 a.m.
Youth Group every Friday 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
Check out our website or Facebook for more info.

St. Rita Catholic Parish

Nov 30 - 5:00 p.m. Dec 8 - 9:00 a.m. Dec 14 - 7:00 p.m. Dec 22 - 11:00 a.m.

 $\label{eq:Dec 24 Christmas Eve - 7:00 p.m.} Dec 24 Christmas Eve - 7:00 p.m.$

Dec 28 - 5:00 p.m.



St. John Lutheran Church

Dec 1 - St. John 9:30 a.m. Dec 8 - St. John 9:30 a.m.

Dec 15 - St. John 9:30 a.m.

Dec 22 - Norrona Family Christmas 7:00 p.m.

Dec 24 - St. John 7:00 p.m. Dec 25 - Norrona 10:00 a.m.

Dec 29 - No worship

Also, please visit http://stjohnnorrona.com for our services.

Strasbourg United Church

We continue to have services the first, second, and fourth Sundays of the month at 10:00 a.m. Our new place of worship is the Conley Funeral Chapel at 407 Gastle Street.

Dec 24 - Christmas Eve Service at Conley Funeral Chapel at 7:00 p.m.

Calvary Fellowship Strasbourg

Sunday Worship Services 10:00 a.m. East Shore Wildlife Hall.

www.ccregina.ca/strasbourg

2025 SCOA Global Walk - January 1-April 30, 2025

Strasbourg Age Friendly once again encourages participation in the "virtual" 2025 SCOA Global Walk – Jan 1 – Apr 30, 2025, for adults 55 and over. Participants will record ANY physical activity which can include walking, active housework – vacuuming, washing clothes, etc., Forever in Motion (FIM) classes, curling, pickleball, really any time you are active. Distances and/or times are recorded and submitted monthly to the "Strasbourg Pacemakers" team leaders Vicki (306) 725-7603 or Rita (306) 725-7819. Tally sheets can be picked up and dropped off at the Town Office or FIM classes.





Senior Citizen's Taxi Service DECEMBER DRIVERS

Glen Thompson Donna Kelln Carol Schultz (306) 725-7149 (306) 725-4508

(306) 725-3360

Darryl Kerr (306) 725-7820

Rita Kerr (306) 725-7819 Peter Frostad (306) 552-7944

All Local (Strasbourg) Trips: \$5.00 per trip (Suggested) Trips out of Town: \$0.55 per km

Trips to Regina: \$85.00 per trip (Suggested)

*LO denotes Local Only - These driver's only do in-town trips

Drivers driving the Last Mountain Pioneer Home Bus are not to be paid. This is a volunteer service.

Fees paid for the use of the bus go to the LMPH Foundation Board.

Taxi Service Coordinator Sherry Burgess (639) 914-7006 (will drive whenever needed)

STRASBOURG REC BOARD ONGOING EVENTS

FOREVER IN MOTION (SENIOR FITNESS 50+).

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Strasbourg Memorial Hall Every Monday and Thursday

INDOOR PICKLEBALL

3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Strasbourg School (WDS) Gym Every Sunday

ADULT CO-ED REC VOLLEYBALL

7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Strasbourg School (WDS) Gym Every Sunday

INDOOR WALKING

9:30 a.m. Every Monday & Thursday 9:00 a.m. Every Tuesday & Friday Strasbourg Memorial Hall

LAST MOUNTAIN REGIONAL LANDFILL

Winter Hours of Operation: November 1 – April 30 Wednesday & Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.



Landfill Operator (306) 725-7010 Landfill Administrator (639) 914-7773 Located on Highway 220 one mile west of the Highway 322 & 220 junction

As Strasbourg is not a member of the Last Mountain Regional Landfill Authority, please note there will be a \$20.00 non-member surcharge required in addition to the cost per load to utilize the landfill. They can accept cash or cheque.





Tuesday: 10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. & 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Thursday: 10:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Friday: 10:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.



DEC 3-13 - UGLY CHRISTMAS SWEATER DISPLAY
DEC 12 - STORY TIME, 10:30 a.m.

Any self-publishing local authors in the area? We would love to have your book on the shelves in the Library. Also looking for local authors to come out and read from their books.

Contact Angela to make arrangements.

All new readers welcome! FREE WI-FI available. The Library has DVDs and VHS tapes available to be signed out. Contact Angela at (306) 725-3239 for more details.





BETWEEN FRIENDS QUILT GUILD

BETWEEN FRIENDS QUILT GUILD WAS ORGANIZED IN 2000 WITH MEMBERS FROM NOKOMIS, SEMANS, STRASBOURG AND BULYEA. FOR NEARLY 25 YEARS THE GUILD MEMBERS HAVE BEEN MAKING QUILTS FOR MANY WORTHWHILE CAUSES INCLUDING RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE, HEALING HEARTS, REGINA GENERAL HOSPITAL NICU AND THE KIDS CANCER CENTRE. WE HAVE DELIVERED QUILTS TO LOCAL LONG TERM CARE HOMES AND TO WAR VETERANS. WE ALSO DELIVER MANY COMFORT QUILTS FOR THOSE IN NEED OF A WARMING HUG. WE NOW HAVE MEMBERS FROM SASKATOON, DRAKE, NOKOMIS, SEMANS, DUVAL, STRASBOURG, BULYEA, SILTON AND EVEN A LONG DISTANCE MEMBER FROM STEINBACH, MANITOBA. WE ALTERNATE MEETING AT DRAKE AND STRASBOURG MONTHLY FROM SEPTEMBER TO APRIL. NEW MEMBERS ARE WELCOME.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: LESLEY 306.725.4925 OR PEGGY 306.725.7720.

THIS GROUP RECEIVES FUNDING FROM SK LOTTERIES.

DECEMBER RINK REPORT

COME OUT TO THE RINK AND CHEER ON OUR TEAMS!

DEC. 6TH - UII VS. DRAKE AT 6:00 P.M.

JR. C VS. CARONPORT AT 8:00 P.M.

DEC. 7TH - MINOR HOCKEY DAY STARTS AT 9:00 A.M.
SENIOR MAROONS VS. ITUNA AT 8:00 P.M.

DEC. 13TH - JR. C VS. KELLIHER AT 8:00 P.M.

DEC. 14TH - SENIOR MAROONS VS. ITUNA AT 8:00 P.M.

DEC. 18TH - UIS VS. SOUTHEY AT 7:15 P.M.

DEC. 20TH - JR C VS. EMERALD PARK AT 8:00 P.M.

DEC. 215T - U7 VS. NOKOMIS AT 9:00 A.M.

UIS VS. HUMBOLDT AT 2:15 P.M.

SENIOR MAROONS VS. CUPAR AT 8:00 P.M.

PUBLIC SKATING TIMES

DEC. 87H - 11:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M DEC. 27TH - 1:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.

DEC. 22ND - 2:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.

DEC 28TH - 10:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

PUBLIC SKATING HAS BEEN SPONSORED BY THE STRASBOURG REC BOARD SO THERE IS NO CHARGE. COME OUT TO THE STRASBOURG AND DISTRICT REC CENTRE AND ENJOY SOME SKATING!

