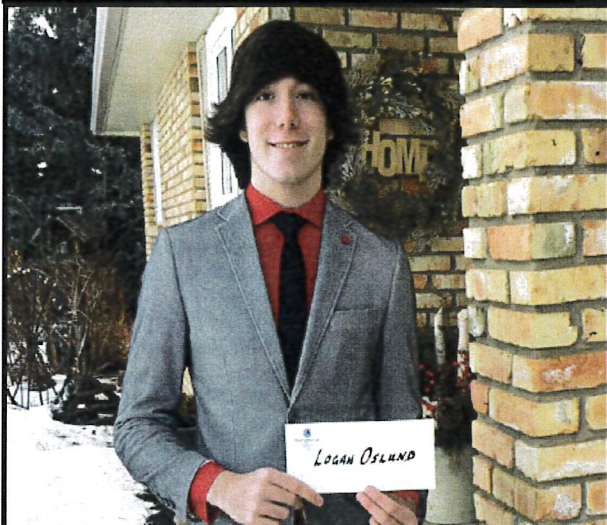


The Village VOICE

February 2021

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High School student Logan Oslund received the Ryley Lions Club scholarship and an additional scholarship from the Lions of Alberta Foundation Legacy Scholarship program totalling \$1000 to assist him with his studies at the University of Alberta Augustana Campus.

Holden Remote Clinic

Located at the Holden Lodge 4820-52 Avenue

Dr. Niemand

February 16 & March 16 from 1-4 p.m.

Please call 1-780-336-4780

Miriam Neufeld, NP

March 1 from 1-4 p.m.

Please call 587-760-2406

Phone to book your appointment today!



***CHCRC is accepting grant
application from local and area
non-profit organizations***

Deadline is March 1, 2021

The Community Enhancement Grant (CEG) is an annual gift from Clean Harbors to the Ryley Community that is directed by the Ryley Clean Harbors Community Relations Liaison Committee (CHCRC). Local and Area non-profit organizations can apply and the deadline is March 1, 2021. Applications are available on the Ryley website or you can contact the Ryley Municipal Office. You can also request an email copy by emailing angel@ryley.ca According to the Terms of Reference, the CHCRC members make decisions based on whether the group or activity is a "recreational, leisure, community resource or program" and how much it "enhances the overall general well-being of residents". Committee members are: Stan Yuha, Lyndie Nickel, Lori-Jo Pope, Cyndy Heslin, Mathew Kowalski, and Annette Short.

2020 Hosting Fees from Clean Harbors:

1st Quarter: \$62,494.71
2nd Quarter \$92,970.59
3rd Quarter: \$82,818.32
4th Quarter: \$77,761.10

Want the Village Voice sent right to your email?

Email angel@ryley.ca and we will send you a copy every month!

Holden Rural Academy

Plans are in progress to apply for a charter school Holden Rural Academy a grade 7 - 12 school for students in the Holden and Ryley area to open in the Fall of 2022. Students can develop vocational skills, while completing their academic studies. Partnership with virtual schools will allow students to take a wide variety of courses, with in school support. We are working with local businesses and community organizations to build a school that embraces our rural culture, providing opportunities for students to develop good citizenship and leadership skills. Sports and other extra curricular activities too!

Email us at HoldenRuralAcademy@gmail.com to be added to the email update list. Questions welcome! We will be holding public meetings online in February.

Looking Back!

Ryley Times News Paper - February 29, 1912!

SATURDAY SPECIALS

GROCERY DEPT.

Fresh B.C. Caledonia Salmon, per can	- 15c
Lombard Plums, per can	- 10c
Tomato catsup, in can, 2 for	- 25c
Choice Brazil coffee, 2 lbs. for	- 55c

Many Bargains to be found in our dry-goods and clothing departments. Winter wear being cleared out at a great reduction.

The Postoffice Store

S. Butler, Prop. Ryley, Alberta

Ryley Swimming Pool

Ryley pool will be closed until further notice.
Thanks to all for your continuing support.

50/50 Raffle fundraiser!

Friends of Ryley School has it's second playground fundraiser on the go! Tickets are on sale until **February 8th** and are almost sold out! Draw will be on February 15th and the winner will be announced via Facebook. Winner will be notified via phone and email. To purchase tickets please go to www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/ryleyschoolsociety. Any questions please contact Cassandra at 587-988-6231. Thanks for your continued support!



Claystone

Waste Ltd

Claystone Waste Named Alberta
Top 70 Employer for 2021!

Claystone Waste Ltd. is pleased to announce we are one of Alberta's Top 70 Employers for 2021. This is the fourth year we have received this honor, the first three years under the Beaver Municipal Solutions umbrella and now as Claystone Waste Ltd.

The top employers were chosen based on several criteria. COVID-19 was a big part of 2020, and was one of the criteria for selection this year. Employers were assessed on how they ensured staff were safe, engaged and feeling well during this pandemic. To earn a spot in the Top Employers, Claystone Waste Ltd. scored highly in the following eight categories:

- Physical workplace
- Work atmosphere and social health
- Health, financial and family benefits
- Vacation and time off
- Employee communications
- Performance management
- Training and skills development
- Community involvement

"Our staff have demonstrated their ability to adapt to the changes required to navigate this pandemic," says Pierre Breau, CEO, "so we are very proud to be able to provide a bonus and wellness program to every employee." Starting out the year as a waste commission, Beaver Municipal Solutions, the organization made the transition to a municipally controlled corporation, Claystone Waste Ltd.

"We are excited about our future and the direction our organization is headed, and we couldn't do it without our amazing team." says Breau.



Apart but not Alone

The "new normal" of COVID-19 has presented us all with the challenge of being together while we are apart, resulting in many struggling with feelings of loneliness. Alberta Health Services and the Greater Edmonton Health Advisory Council would like to invite you to join us online as we discuss some strategies and tips on how to manage isolation and stress during this challenging season.

This virtual 1.5-hour conversation will take place on Zoom. A link to join the meeting will be included in a confirmation email sent to all confirmed attendees prior to the event.

Date: Wednesday, February 10, 2021

Time: 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

To register, please visit: <https://zoom.us/join/registration/tJApc-2trj8jGNf9AyQIHtJG3HUeIKYjJIP>



Join the
conversation

visit Together  Health.ahs.ca



Got Old Batteries?

Well Santa has come, and undoubtedly you will be going through more batteries. Finding yourself with a growing collection of dead batteries?? Busy B South will gladly take them off your hands and recycle them.

Got Stamps?

Busy B collects and accepts stamps for the LEPROSY MISSION??

WE WELCOME ANY and ALL DONATIONS, BOTH BIG AND SMALL.

The link below will provide further information.

<https://www.unitedchurchesofangley.ca/news/stamps-for-the-leprosy-mission>

Got Canadian Tire Money?

Taking up space in your wallet?? Cluttering up the junk drawer??

Why not donate it to CAMP WHITNEY via Busy B BARGAINS. WHAT IS Camp Whitney you ask??

Check out this link <https://whitneylakecamp.ca/>

BUSY B BARGAINS SOUTH

4903 52 ave., Tofield 780-662-4325

Ryley Council Meeting Dates

via video conference.

Tue. February 2 and 16 - Regular Council - 6:45 p.m.

Regular Council Meetings are held the first and third Tuesday of the month. Meetings start at 6:45 p.m. and are being conducted via video conference.

Telephone (778) 907-2071

Meeting ID - 974 6141 9019; Passcode - 874235

Connection information will be posted on the village website and is live streamed on the Facebook group "Village of Ryley". For additional meeting information please call the Ryley Municipal office during office hours.

www.ryley.ca

Meals on Wheels

Did you know that Tofield/Beaver West FCSS partners with the Tofield Lodge and the River Rock Cafe to run a Meals on Wheels program?

Meals are prepared at the Tofield Lodge or at the River Rock Cafe at a cost of \$7.00 each and billed monthly to the client through Tofield/Beaver County West FCSS (TBW FCSS).

TBW FCSS will arrange a volunteer to pick up and deliver your meal within the Town of Tofield and the Village of Ryley (Mon-Fri). Arrangements can be made for Beaver County West clients to pick up.

If you or someone you know would benefit from this program, please call the Tofield/Beaver West FCSS at 780-662-7067 to complete an application.

Our Nature to Nurture:

A Rural Woman's Conference

February 12, 2021 from 7-9 p.m.

Online Zoom Conference Tickets \$10

Register by February 5 to receive free Activity and Self-Care Kits. Up to 85 kits online or via VegMin.

Featuring Keynote Speaker: Lesley Kelly from High Heels & Canola Fields, What the Farm podcast and Do More Agriculture Foundation with special guest Stephanie MacComish or Our Crowded Nest Designs.

Tickets and information available at:

www.ournaturetonurture.ca or at

VegMin Learning 4923-50 St. Vegreville.

info@ournaturetonurture.ca 780-632-7920

511 Alberta Road Information

Up-to-date road information. Call 5-1-1 toll-free, 511.alberta.ca or follow us on Twitter @511Alberta

Public Sale of Land (Municipal Government Act) Village of Ryley

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

If you are interested in participating in the auction please contact us as this auction may be moved to online due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Angel: 780-663-3653 or angel@ryley.ca

Notice is hereby given that, under the provisions of the Municipal Government Act, Village of Ryley will offer for sale, by public auction, in the Village Office, 5005 - 50 Street, Ryley, Alberta on Wednesday, February 10, 2021, at 10:00 a.m., the following parcels:

Land Parcels

Roll No	Lot	Block	Plan	C of T	Reserve Bids
58900	OT	7	6530V	122 223 277	\$800.00
63900	OT	7	6530V	102 255 341 +1	\$2,400.00

1. A parcel of land offered for sale may be redeemed by payment of all arrears, penalties and costs by guaranteed funds at any time until the property is declared sold.
2. Each parcel of land offered for sale will be subject to a reserve bid and to the reservations and conditions contained in the existing certificate of title.
3. The lands are being offered for sale on an "as is, where is" basis, and the municipality makes no representation and gives no warranty whatsoever as to the state of the parcel nor its suitability for any intended use by the successful bidder.
4. The auctioneer, councillors, the chief administrative officer and the designated officers and employees of the municipality must not bid or buy any parcel of land offered for sale, unless directed by the municipality to do so on behalf of the municipality.
5. The purchaser of the property will be responsible for property taxes for the current year.
6. The purchaser will be required to execute a sale agreement in form and substance provided by the municipality.
7. The successful purchaser must, at the time of sale, make payment in cash, certified cheque or bank draft payable to the municipality as follows:
 - a. The full purchase price if it is \$10,000 or less; OR
 - b. If the purchase price is greater than \$10,000, the purchaser must provide a non-refundable deposit in the amount of \$10,000 and the balance of the purchase price must be paid within 20 days of the sale.
8. GST will be collected on all properties subject to GST.

9. The risk of the property lies with the purchaser immediately following the auction.

10. The purchaser is responsible for obtaining vacant possession.

11. The purchaser will be responsible for registration of the transfer including registration fees.

12. If no offer is received on a property or if the reserve bid is not met, the property cannot be sold at the public auction.

13. The municipality may, after the public auction, become the owner of any parcel of land that is not sold at the public auction.

14. Once the property is declared sold at public auction, the previous owner has no further right to pay the tax arrears.

Dated at Ryley, Alberta, November 4, 2020.

Glen Hamilton-Brown, Chief Administrative Officer

Managed by: TAXervice

Still Looking for Volunteer Coordinator

Tofield and Area Health Services Foundation is currently looking to fill one (1) Volunteer Coordinator position.

Interested parties can contact Brenda with a letter of intent by email.

E-Mail: tofieldhealthfoundation@gmail.com

Animal License

It's now that time of year when you should be renewing or getting your animal license.

Dogs: \$10/Fixed, \$25/Not Fixed

Cats: Free/Fixed, \$15/Not Fixed

We ask that if you have a picture of your pet, bring it in for us to photocopy. This helps us find the owner, if a pet's tag has been lost or removed. Please note that if you have your pet registered in a different town or city, you are still required to get a Ryley Animal License. Please remember that dogs and cats are to be kept contained within the owners property, or possession, at all times. If you have any questions or concerns please contact the Ryley Village Office at 780-663-3653.

Blue Fairy Arts

I paint murals, and by request. I sell my own paintings and drawings. You can contact me at Savanah.klassen@gmail.com.

We Are Hiring!

Be part of a great undertaking and join our #2021 Census team. We are looking to hire about 10 employees in Ryley for various census jobs.

- Pay rates vary by position from \$17.83 to \$21.77 per hour, plus authorized expenses.
- Start and end dates vary by position and location, between March and July 2021.
- You must be available to work flexible hours, mainly during evenings and weekends.
- In the current context of COVID-19, we are committed to ensuring the safety of our employees at all times.

Help your community to plan for the future—apply now! Apply today by going to:

<http://ow.ly/JNTt50D1BT7>

Statistics Canada Facebook page.

www.census.gc.ca/jobs

TTY (a telecommunications device for deaf persons):

1-833-830-3109

HAITI REBUILDING FUNDRAISER

Out with the old and in with the new!

Margaret Jones is starting to collect used items for her Spring Haiti ARISE fundraiser. If January's public health restrictions have kept you isolated and you used that time to get rid of unwanted clutter, please consider donating them to her cause. You can drop them off at 4844 – 54 Avenue (collection bin beside the driveway). Other pick-up or drop-off arrangements can be made by calling Margaret at 780-663-3890.

ELIGIBLE USED ITEMS

(Please bag items for each category separately)

1. Clothing in good repair, shoes, hats, mitts, scarves, socks, purses, backpacks, shoes, etc.
2. Housewares and toys
3. Books

INELIGIBLE ITEMS

NO mattresses, baby gear, appliances, furniture, auto parts, building materials, tires, or flammables

Thank you!

Good News Community Church Sunday Service

Sunday School: Sundays 9:30 a.m. All school ages. Please note AWANA and Youth Groups will not be running in December. Please watch for update in the March Village Voice or check out our website.

For more information contact Pastor Mark at 780 663-3664. See website for additional information and updates.

Email: pastor@ryleygncc.ca website: ryleygncc.ca

CAO's Corner

Hello Ryley!

What is with that water bill! This feels like highway robbery... Highway 14 Robbery!

I jest! I know it hurts, but this raise in "urban monthly fixed charge" from \$28.50 to \$40.80 is a necessary evil. I personally know that Highway 14 Regional Water Services Commission did not take lightly, the decision to raise your rates.

Ryley's water "distribution" system is the underground pipes that convey drinking water to your home from the "transmission" line that runs down Highway 14 from Edmonton, through Strathcona County. In 1992, almost 30 years ago, the newly formed Highway 14 Regional Water Services Commission (Hwy 14) bought the Ryley water distribution system.

The Hwy 14 water distribution system in Ryley is made of asbestos-cement pipes (AC), which was also called "transite". Transite was an immensely popular product in the fifties and sixties when our system was installed, and AC pipe life-expectancy was around fifty to seventy years. As these ones were installed in the fifties, this means that they should have been fully replaced by today... if a strict maintenance plan had been followed.

The recommended way to manage costs for civic infrastructure is through "amortization": the cost of the system divided by life-expectancy should be set aside each year and that money is called the "accumulated amortization". That is a piggy bank to pay for replacements, which should be scheduled in such a way to keep pace with the accumulated amortization and be completed over several years so that money is not wasted on excessive emergency repairs on a system that got too old.

Unfortunately, the Hwy 14 water distribution system in Ryley is mainly untouched, is now well past its life-expectancy and is costing too much for maintenance. Hwy 14 took advantage of our 54 Avenue rebuild in 2020 to conduct the first watermain replacement to this old system. Those three blocks of watermain and residential service replacements cost around \$400K. At that rate, given approximately thirty blocks of watermain, it is going to cost approximately \$4M to replacement the Ryley water distribution system. These are VERY rough numbers. Actual estimates and design plans should come out to less. However, it is also going to cost Hwy 14 significant money for maintenance breaks and repairs until replacement is complete. So, the question is: where will Hwy 14 get the money to rebuild the Ryley water distribution system?

The water comes from Edmonton. Hwy 14 buys it from EPCOR and sells it to you. This is the commodity rate that you pay. Given that there are many different types of customers on the system, Hwy 14 cannot simply raise the commodity rate to collect more money from everyone else to pay for the Ryley system.

Therefore, like all utility companies, Hwy 14 differentiates commodity from the delivery system and has developed numerous, tailored accumulated amortization accounts for the numerous different distribution systems. Hwy 14 collects "fixed fees" in relation to each specific distribution account. In fact, your fixed fee is a sum of two fees – one fee for the Ryley water distribution system and one fee for the transmission system.

Council for the Village of Ryley is very much aware and is very much concerned about this raise in fixed fees. Although it is a necessary evil, I am investigating whether there are some ways we can ease this financial pressure. We are working very closely with Hwy 14 to ensure all repairs and maintenance can occur as cost efficiently as possible. Last summer's project on 54 Avenue is one example when we had the ground open for sewer upgrades: by coordinating with Hwy 14, we were able to get them into our open trenches at the same time to rebuild the water mains and to take advantage of our contractor's bulk pricing for supplies. Additionally, the Village of Ryley paid for one-third of the water-main upgrades from our capital budget. These two things brought significant savings for Hwy 14. Looking into the future, I am wondering if we might be able to work with Hwy 14 to assemble a comprehensive replacement plan so we can get a better cost estimate and then perhaps Ryley could commit a budget to a portion of that plan. This would lower the cost to Hwy 14 so they could lower their annual amortization and thus lower your fixed rate. This is just an idea and we are looking at others – one way or another, there is a cost and money must come from somewhere.

Even if the Village of Ryley pays Hwy 14 for some costs of the rebuild of the Ryley distribution system, the money will come from a budget that is generally based on taxes or fees on the backs of residents. On the other hand, it is possible that the Village might be able to access some infrastructure grant money that Highway 14 Regional Water Services Commissions cannot.

I know this fee hike is painful. Council has taken notice. We will work together and strive to "Live the Life of Ryley"

Family and Community Support Services Ryley (Ryley FCSS)

Ryley has embarked on the journey to develop its own FCSS program. A program designed especially for our unique community. So, what exactly is FCSS and what does that mean for us?

Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) is a unique 80/20 funding partnership between the Government of Alberta and participating municipalities or Métis Settlements. Provincially, the FCSS Program receives its mandate from the Family and Community Support Services Act and Regulation. The FCSS phi-

losophy is based on a belief that when individuals, families and communities help themselves, it contributes to a sense of integrity, self-worth, and independence. Local municipalities design, deliver and provide referral to social programs that are preventive in nature to promote and enhance well-being among the residents in their community.

Programs developed are intended to help improve the quality of life and build strength and capacity to prevent and/or deal with difficult situations should they arise. One of the key principles of the FCSS Program is local responsibility for priority setting and resource allocation with a focus on preventative services.

The municipality of Ryley is developing a local FCSS program to address the unique needs of its residents and those in the surrounding area. The program will support the well-being and resiliency of the community providing information, education and programs that provide preventative services. By coordinating, networking, and partnering with local service agencies, businesses, community members, together with regional FCSS organizations and partners, Ryley FCSS will endeavour to help strengthen our community while providing tools and resources to address social needs.

Looking ahead, some of the areas of focus will be:

1. Preventative social programs, where people gain new skills and knowledge that will create a community that is resilient to crisis.
2. Resilient communities work together to prevent social problems and provide opportunities for children, youth, families, adults and seniors to fully participate in the community.
3. Strong partnerships that will bring people and agencies together, working in collaboration, to meet the needs of our communities.
4. Volunteers make social programs and resilient communities possible by giving their time and expertise to others while developing strong relationships and learning new skills.

Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) provides programming that is mandated to deliver social programs that "...are preventive in nature and are provided at the earliest opportunity in order to promote and enhance well-being among individuals, families, and communities." These programs depend on community resources and often involve volunteers working closely with staff members to support the delivery of programs. They work in partnership with other service providers in the local community and the surrounding region to try to prevent the need for intervention and rehabilitation services, by offering social supports that help to strengthen Albertans in their everyday lives. FCSS also provides links to other organizations that might provide further prevention-based opportunities to the public.

Ryley FCSS is in the organizational and building phase but we are available for questions, information and referrals. If you have basic tax filing or book-keeping experience, please contact us. Contact us at (1.780.663.3653 or email FCSS@Ryley.ca) You can also find, like and follow our Facebook Page: Ryley FCSS.

Community Together Update

We have been blessed so far this winter with mild temperatures which has made it very appealing to spend as much time outside as we can. As we know, old man winter always comes around and we want to be prepared with some indoor activities as we continue our adventure through both winter and COVID.

VALENTINES FAMILY FUN

- Bake something red or pink

- Crafts: Visit this webpage:

<https://helpwevegokids.com/national/article/holidays/7-kid-friendly-crafts-for-valentines-day/>

- Make a Valentines Day photo booth

• Brighten someone else's day! You can perform an act of kindness as a family, such as shoveling the driveway of an elderly neighbour, or making valentines for the often-overlooked staff members at school

(the custodian, secretary, etc.). Not only will it put a smile on someone's face, but it also helps to teach little ones the importance of being kind to others.

FAMILY DAY ACTIVITIES

• Go on a date together as a whole family – Is there a family event or place that your kids enjoy where you can be together? We love going to play centers and the park if the weather is nice.

• Share a meal – Have a picnic as a family. On cold days it can be really fun to spread a sheet out on the living room floor. The change of scenery makes the meal more exciting for the kids, and the paper plates make clean-up fun for the parents!

• Create a surprise – Encourage your kids do help you with a surprise for your spouse or another family member. You can decorate a welcome home banner, decorate pictures, bring him something at work, be creative. Think about doing a family secret pal activity.

• Be close – Cuddle together as a family. If your kids are young, have a tickle-fest! My preschoolers love being with their mommy & daddy.

• Be thankful – Look for three things to thank each of your family members for throughout the day.

• Be thoughtful – Make an extra effort to actively listen to your children and your spouse. Ask them leading questions to encourage them to talk to you.

Community Together is happy to be presenting our first Virtual Class, put on for you by a lovely community member & volunteer! In this virtual class, you will learn how to preserve potatoes and beets! Imagine

being able to grab a pre-diced jar of potatoes from the cupboard for a soup, stew or quick hash-browns! Or a jar of sliced beets for borscht or a side dish! Due to COVID regulations, we recorded the class so you can learn from the comfort of your own home and at your own pace.

Visit www.Ryley.ca/community-together and look for the link to our Programs and Projects!

If you or someone you know is in need of assistance due to Covid, Needs groceries or prescriptions picked up, mental health check in calls, financial assistance and/or meal delivery options, please contact Community Together for information or assistance options.

Would you like to host a lesson?

Do you have questions or feedback?

Email commtog@ryley.ca or call the Community Together

Programmer at (780)663-3653



Want to run for Council?

2021 Municipal Election

Would you like to be more hands on in making important decisions and creating a pathway into the future for you community? The next municipal general election will be held on October 18, 2021 and your voice is important!

Nominations for the general election will be open between January 1, 2021 and September 20, 2021. Nomination packages are available at the Ryley Municipal Office and on our website at www.ryley.ca. In this package you will find what it means to be a municipal councillor.

For more information and inquiries please contact the CAO, Glen Hamilton-Brown at 780-663-3653 or cao@ryley.ca. Your community needs you!

Show your Support!

February 24, 2021

Join us in wearing or displaying pink on February 24, 2021 to show you're taking a stand, or making an effort to practice kindness and acceptance in our community. Bullying is a major problem in our schools, workplaces, homes, and online. Over the month of February, and throughout the year, Pink Shirt Day aims to raise awareness of these issues, as well as raise funds to support programs that foster children's healthy self-esteem. We encourage you to decorate or wear pink to show your support. For more information or to donate visit www.pinkshirtday.ca

UPCOMING events



Tuesday, February 2, 2021

- Regular Council Meeting, 6:45 p.m. via video conference. See riley.ca for meeting video link or call 780-663-3653.

Friday, February 5, 2021

- WE CAN Fees Due by 3:00 p.m. See ad for details.

Wednesday, February 10, 2021

- Tax Recovery Land Auction, 10 a.m. at the Riley Municipal Office. See ad for full details.
- Apart but not Alone, 7 to 8:30 p.m. See ad for registration details.

Friday, February 12, 2021

- Our Nature to Nurture: A Rural Woman's Conference, 7 to 9 p.m. Online Zoom Conference. See ad for details.

Tuesday, February 16, 2021

- Holden Remote Clinic with Dr Niemand, 1 to 4 p.m. See ad for appointment details.
- Regular Council Meeting, 6:45 p.m. via video conference. See riley.ca for meeting video link or call 780-663-3653.

Thursday, February 18, 2021

- WE CAN Pick up at 3:30 p.m.. See ad for full details.

Wednesday, February 24, 2021

- Pink Shirt Day. Show your support by wear or decorating in pink See ad for details.

Monday, March 1, 2021

- Clean Harbors Community Relations Committee Grant Deadline. See front page for details.
- Holden Remote Clinic with Miriam Neufeld, NP, 1 to 4 p.m. See ad for appointment details.

Ryley Skating Rink

Rink is open for use with some restrictions in place due to COVID-19 regulations. Although the rink is open during the day the ice maintenance works around the following schedule:

4 to 9 p.m. Everyday
1 to 4 p.m. Saturday & Sunday

Following the COVID-19 regulations the Skate Shack

and washrooms are closed. There is a maximum 10 people on the ice at one time while keeping the 6 feet social distance. Masks are not required but strongly recommended. Games and practices are prohibited. All regulations will be in effect until further notice and will be adjusted with any new COVID-19 regulations and restrictions.

Have fun, be safe and don't forget your helmet!

Are you reopening? Have you booked a new date for your event?
We want to help you get this information out to the public. Contact Angel to have your business or event information in the next issue of the Village Voice at no cost.
Angel 780-663-3653 or email angel@riley.ca

Beaver County Community Adult Learning Program

Beaver County CALP is here to help!

Phone: 780 663 3730

Email: calp@beaver.ab.ca

Join our Team

Do you have 2-4 hours a week? Are you interested in supporting adult learners in your community?

We are looking for tutors in the following areas:

- Literacy
- Basic Math
- English Language (ESL)

\$20/hour (contact time + lesson prep time)

Please give us a call if you would like more information.

One on One Tutoring

We offer one on one support in basic reading, writing, math, digital skills and English language learning. We are currently using video chats and phone calls to support learners, but we hope to offer in-person tutoring as soon as health restrictions are relaxed.

Foundations for Learning (Norquest College)

Foundations for Learning are anytime Online Courses offered through Norquest College that include 30 Hours of FREE one on one tutoring by Beaver County CALP. Tuition: \$279 per course.

Tuition and Fees are payable to Norquest College.

Available Courses:

- GED Preparation Foundations – Prepare for writing the GED Exam. GED Test Fee: \$200
- Pre-Trades Math and Science Preparation Foundations – Develop math and science skills needed to pass the apprenticeship exam.
- Prep for Practical Nurse Foundations – Completes the math pre-requisite for entry into the Practical Nurse program at NorQuest.
- High School Prep Math Foundations – Basic algebra skills required for High School math courses. Successful learners progress to Math 10C.

Career Transitions

Throughout the year, we offer Academic Express's New Futures Career Transitions training. This training can give learners tips and strategies for job searches, resume and cover letters, job interviews and much more. Contact us for the next session date.

Career Exploration Workshop

Participants will complete a Career Exploration Inventory (CEI) that will help them identify their interests in

work, leisure activities and learning opportunities. Part II of this workshop will include exploring the Alberta Learning and Information Services web-site (ALIS) and creating an Action Plan for short, medium and long-range goals. Cost: \$10

Please contact us to schedule a workshop.

More CALP Programs: Please check our website (www.beavercountycalp.ca) for more programs.

McPherson Municipal Library

Interlibrary loans are available now. Our board meeting are held the second Monday of the month. Please call for times and location. We have great need for board members at this time so anyone interested can contact either the library at 780-663-3999, email librarian@mcphersonlibrary.ab.ca or the Ryley Municipal Office at 780-663-3653 as to how to join.

www.mcphersonlibrary.ab.ca

Looking for members! Join your local Library Board today!

For more information please contact either the library at 780-663-3999, Email librarian@mcphersonlibrary.ab.ca or the Ryley Municipal Office at 780-663-3653 as to how to join.

CHANGE Program

Is your lifestyle putting you at a higher risk for cancer? Do you have one or more chronic health problems?



Join the CHANGE Program today!

1. The CHANGE program provides you with an expert team of Dietitians and Exercise Specialists who work with your Family Doctor.
2. The CHANGE team will work with you to build a personalized nutrition and exercise program just for you!
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The Program in Tofield-Ryley

Members prepay for their food baskets by the first Friday of each month. Then, orders can be picked up on the third or fourth Thursday of the month at the Ryley Municipal Office.

A WECAN Food Basket consists of...

Fresh food is the staple of any healthy diet. Our food offering is:

Meat Order (\$15): 2-3 cuts of frozen meat,
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2 produce + 1 meat = \$35 or 2 meat + 1 produce = \$40
Membership is \$5 per year: Apr 1 to Mar 31.

If you want to order you have several options:

- a. E-transfer to tofieldwecan@gmail.com
- b. Drop through the mail slot at the Ryley Village office front door.
- c. Go to WecanFood.com and place your order online.

PLEASE NOTE:

FOOD ORDERS THAT ARE NOT PICKED UP WILL NOT BE REFUNDED. WECAN reserves the right to sell unclaimed baskets or distribute them to families in need.

For more information: WECAN Food Basket Society of Alberta 780-413-4525 Website: www.wecanfood.com
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