The Village

VOICE

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Hours of Operation: Tuesday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Closed from 12-12:30 p.m.

Congratulations to the graduates of 2021 and a hat's off to the youth of Ryley!

Is this yours?





This helmet was found at the entrance of the Ryley Sports Grounds. If this is your helmet please call 780-663-3653 to arrange for pick up. Thank you.

2021 Sports Day

Due to COVID-19 and restrictions we are moving Sports Day, for this year only! As this year is going to be different staff, museum members and volunteers are working on a three day event in September. In hopes that restrictions will be relaxed we are planning a this event filled with live music, entertainment, sports games, and family activities along with our Sports Day events. We will keep you updated!

Now we can't break tradition so Village staff and volunteers are working on social distancing activities for our June 18, 19 weekend. Please watch for mail out coming soon with family activities and on-line fun.

Please contact Angel if you are interested in joining the September event planning team at angel@ryley.ca.

Way to go Beaver County!
The Ryley Preschool would like to give a

June **202**1

BIG THANK YOU

to everyone that supported the Bottle Drive. This was our best response ever and we received support from all over Beaver County! We brought in \$1500! Thank you for supporting the Ryley Preschool!!!

Holden Remote Clinic

Located at the Holden Lodge 4820-52 Avenue

Dr. Niemand

June 15 from 1:15 - 3:45 p.m.

Dates and times are subject to change.

Please call 1-780-336-4780

Phone to book your appointment today!

Go East Roadtrip Adventure Game - Start in Ryley!

Ryley Foods is ready for you! Start collecting your stickers today and make Ryley Foods your first stop. The Go East Travel Guide is available at Ryley Foods and the Ryley Municipal Office as well as retail stores all over East of Edmonton. For weekends when the store is closed you will be able to get your Ryley sticker at the sticker box located between the Ryley Municipal Office and Ryley Foods. Game ends August 31, 2021.

Good Luck & Safe Travels!



Alberta One Call provides a FREE communication service, between the digging community and the owners of buried facilities, to arrange for the marking of the location of buried facilities before a ground disturbance takes place.

CALL BEFORE YOU DIG! ONE CALL CAN SAVE LIVES!



HAITI REBUILDING FUNDRAISER

Thank you, Ryley, for your support of my Haiti house-building fundraiser. Over the last few months, the collection of used items diverted 22,496 lbs of waste from the landfill.

In return, I raised \$2400 for my Haiti ARISE fundraiser. This amount is enough for two-thirds of a hurricane shelter home. Thank you so much!

Margaret Jones



The Charter School application has been submitted!

Holden Rural Academy

a grade 7 - 12 school for students in the Ryley and Holden area to open in the Fall of 2022

The Education Minister now has 60 days to make a decision. Thank you to the County of Beaver, the Village Of Holden, the Village of Ryley and the Holden Library for their letters of support.

Place-Based Education encourages active, engaged and community- minded education. Students learn how to apply ideas that are being taught, to their lives as well as people and places surrounding them. This is a step out of the four walls of the classroom and involves learning through and with local community spaces. The HRA creates an opportunity for students in our area to graduate together.

Visit our website to find out more about this amazing, community- based initiative.

HoldenRuralAcademy.ca

Phone: **780-688-3354**

Email: HoldenRuralAcademy@gmail.com

Museum Old Things Sale! Saturday, June 12, 2021

Outside at front of Museum & COVID Complaint
Open from 10 am to 4 pm
Museum located at

4928-50 Ave. Holden, AB

Part of Holden Community wide Garage Sale Day For info on this event, contact: Dave at 780-720-5839 or email: holdenmuseum@gmail.com Get your sale locations map here

Happy Adventures Ahead!

Current Fire Ban Status Fire Advisory

Due to the recent weather conditions Beaver Emergency Services Commission has downgraded the FIRE RESTRICTION effective May 20, 2021. A FIRE ADVISORY remains in effect.

Open fires are allowed with permits but residents are reminded to be extra vigilant. Fires must be continuously supervised and you must have an adequate water supply available.

Fire permits may be restricted.

Be aware weather conditions will determine whether a fire restriction will be reissued.

For up to date information on fire bans or restrictions please visit www.albertafirebans.ca

Alberta Fire Ban Mobile Application ALBERTA FIRE BANS MOBILE APPLICATION!

Available for iOS and Android, the Alberta Fire Bans application is intended to provide the public with quick access for fire bans in the province. Keeping people informed of fire bans across the province will help people plan their summer activities safely, whether in their backyards or in Alberta's parks and natural areas, while reducing the risk of wildfire. I encourage you all to download the app and make yourself aware of its features and benefits as we begin to roll it out for this current wildfire season. Please note: as a part of the government's open data portal, there is currently another Alberta fire bans application available to download. We cannot ensure the data within that third party application is completely accurate, so please begin using the application owned by the Government of Alberta.

Ryley Council Meeting Dates via video conference.

Tue. June 1 & 15 - 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

TENDER NOTICE

Clean Harbors Canada invites interested person/ parties to submit a bid for the provision of janitorial services for our Ryley location.

Qualifications:

- Must be able to maintain professional ethics
- Agree to sign a non-disclosure agreement
- Dependable, consistent, responsible and attention to detail
- Must be able to work after office hours

Bids can be submitted by the following:

In person by appointment:

780-663-3828 50114 RR173

Mail: Clean Harbors Canada

PO Box 390, Ryley AB TOB 4A0

E-mail: yuha.stan@cleanharbors.com

Deadline for submission: 4:00PM Friday June 11, 2021

Clean Harbors Canada does not bind itself to accepting the lowest bid and reserves the right to accept, reject or cancel, in a whole or in part, any and all tenders.

Ryley Museum SocietyWe have recently lost 4 faithful members and are now looking for some new ones. If you have an interest in helping to preserve Ryley and area history we can use your help. Contact Willis for more or updated information (780 886-8144).

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.

If you have questions and/or concerns, please feel free to reach out to the Ryley Municipal Office because we are here to help you! We can guide you through the whole process so do not be afraid! Your village needs you!

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



"Model" Tofield, Ryley, Beaver County Committee named 2021 RhPAP Rhapsody Community Award recipient

The Community Attraction & Retention Committee for Tofield, Ryley & Beaver County West recognized for its focus on community partnerships and collaboration. Following a review of the outstanding candidates nominated this year, the RhPAP Board of Directors has endorsed the Community Attraction & Retention Committee for Tofield, Ryley & Beaver County West as the 2021 recipient of the Rhapsody Community Award. The Rhapsody Community Award recognizes a rural Alberta community that has developed innovative and collaborative approaches to successfully attract and retain health-care providers in its area.

The Tofield Committee was selected as the 2021 Community Award recipient based on the variety of initiatives in which the committee is involved, their focus on community partnerships and collaboration, and their commitment to finding new and better ways to support local health professionals and promote local health.

The committee has been involved in several initiatives to attract health professionals to the community, including a 2019 health skills education event in which post-graduate health-care students came to Tofield to experience living and working in the community. They constantly find opportunities to appreciate local health professionals, distributing cards and gifts on work anniversaries, during International Nurses Week and the holidays, and organizing an appreciation parade during COVID-19. They also remind the broader community of the essential role that healthcare providers play in the community through their booth at a local community market.

"The members of the selection committee all felt that your committee could serve as a model for others, and the letters of support that accompanied your nomination suggest that your community is as impressed as we are," says Bernard C. Anderson, RhPAP Executive Director. "More than that, your efforts have contributed to the successful recruitment of several different health professionals to the area, and the retention of many more. That success, especially for a young committee,

is a testament to the passion and commitment that you bring to your work."

Congratulations to the Community Attraction & Retention Committee for Tofield, Ryley & Beaver County West: 2021 recipient of the Rhapsody Community Award!

About the Rhapsody Awards:

The RhPAP Rhapsody Awards continue a long tradition of celebrating rural Alberta's health-care heroes and rural communities. Founded in 2002, the Rhapsody Awards are intended to recognize the individuals, teams, and communities that make significant civic and health-care contributions within rural Alberta. Nominations are evaluated by an Awards Selection Committee composed of a practicing or recently retired rural Alberta-based physician, a member of an active rural community health professional attraction and retention committee, and one rural Alberta health professional, all from different zones. The selection committee provides recommendations to the RhPAP Board of Directors, who are responsible for endorsing the final recipients.

What's next?

RhPAP celebrates Rhapsody Award recipients with a recognition event in their home community. Celebrations include the Rhapsody Award presentation, a donation by RhPAP to a local non-profit organization on behalf of the recipient, and the airing of a video profiling the recipient, or recipients, and their contributions to the health and well-being of their community. Details on the recognition event will be released as they become available.

Women's Wellness Clinic

Thursday, June 10, 2021 10:00 a.m. – 4:45 p.m. with Dr. Sabha Female physician offering woman wellness appointments.

All females welcome!
To book an appointment call: 780-662-2080.
Tofield Medical Clinic



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

CAO's Corner

Hello Ryley,

As I sit here poised over my keyboard, wondering what to write, I realize that my 2nd year anniversary approaches on the 11th of June. Two years as your CAO officially makes me one of your longest sitting CAOs during the last decade and perhaps even two decades. For Council to operate effectively and efficiently, they need a stable Administration and Ryley has been unlucky in this respect. The staff has done a wonderful job in keeping this ship afloat - Ms. Angel Matyachuk has been here for fifteen (15) years and now as the Office Manager, she has been an extremely vital part of Ryley's success. Indeed, all the Village Staff have been a strong and cohesive unit, accustomed to revolving CAOs and picking up pieces for the next one to come along and wreak havoc. I have rocked that boat a little by sticking around!

I often get asked by citizens if I will stay here longer. I know Council and Staff wonder because they have seen so many other CAOs come and go. Well, one reason for a CAO to move along is that a new Council gets elected and has a desire for change. As this is an election year, that is a possibility that I have no control over. In fact, Mr. Brian Strilchuk and RPAC expect to make a sweeping election win this fall and have stated that I would be the first to go as part of fixing things around here. That is fair; Council and Administration must have a strong relationship and if I do not fit with the next elected Council, then that would be the right thing for them to do. As I said, I have no control over this possibility, so I leave this possibility with the future council.

The other reason for a CAO to move along is that a better job offer comes along. This is generally based on a greater concept of career advancement: wanting to "grow up and become a bigger CAO for a bigger municipality" somewhere else. Well, I do get regular offers to go elsewhere, and I know I could find another similar type of position somewhere else. However, I do not have any CAO career goals. I am happy in my part two of life right now. You may know that I was a soldier for more than thirty (30) years. I receive a comfortable army pension from my lifelong career that I retired from. Therefore, money is not a strong motivator for me, and I am not looking to climb another career ladder.

When I heard about this job, I carefully considered everything before I applied. I researched and I learned all about Clean Harbors, Beaver Municipal Solutions, Beaver Emergency Services Commission (BESC), Hwy 14 Water Commission, and many more things. I came

out to Ryley and drove around and walked around. I read that Ryley had seen many CAOs. I decided that one thing was more important that anything for Ryley: you needed someone to stick around for awhile! I felt I could make such a commitment. Therefore, I see this job as a long-term venture and my soldier mentality does not understand the concept of quitting.

I like doing this job and I like being a part of Ryley's growth. I like Ryley citizens and I love the community spirit that I have felt and experienced. I have difficult days from time to time. Without this spice, life would be boring. So Ryley, other than factors outside of my control, I want to assure you that I have no intention of going anywhere. You are stuck with me for the next little while. I want to continue being a part of Living the Life of Ryley.

CAO Glen "Hambro" Hamilton-Brown

With Sad Hearts....

Seasons come and go. Epoch periods pass. Even COVID will be a memory one day – hopefully sooner than later.

Well, we are at the dusk of an age with the Village Staff as well: it is the end of the "Shawn Forre Era"! After 21 years of faithful and outstanding service to the Village, Shawn has decided to retire from the hectic life of responding at ridiculous hours to clear snow or fix the sewage pumps, and from those crazy experiences that come with being a public servant.

We will miss Shawn so much from the Village Staff. He has been baking us a cake when it is our birthday, he has been adding humour and character to our days to make them more exciting, and he has always been such a clever problem solver. The Village is losing a great resource in Shawn, but we are excited for him as he closes one chapter of his life and opens another. Above all, we want to thank Shawn for all he has done for the citizens of Ryley over two decades and we want to wish him the absolute best as he goes forth and seeks out new experience.

Shawn, the citizens, the staff, and the present and past councils are all indebted to you for your wonderful service and binding comradeship. Thank you and Good Luck – There is always an open door here for you! The Village Staff

Family and Community Support Services Ryley (Ryley FCSS)

Spring is in the air and I think everyone is hoping that we will soon be able to share our warm summer days with friends and neighbours in backyard bbqs and restaurant patios. I know we all want to partici-

pate in the many community activities that the warm weather brings like gardening, evening walking groups, sports and other gatherings.

Speaking of activities, FCSS has had an active month in May. As I get settled into position of Director, I have had many meetings as I embark on developing relationships with our regional partners. I also look forward to warmer months and opportunities to meet residents, groups and businesses in Ryley. One of the exciting things this spring will bring is the first ever social needs assessment in Ryley. Although there have been surveys in the past, the results have always been an amalgamation of multiple communities and none were specifically seeking focused information about Ryley and the needs our residents identify. Over the long weekend you should have received a postcard with an access code (or an enveloped hard copy of the survey if requested.) The survey had a unique code on it to prevent reproduction: one home equals one questionnaire. We want to assure you that we are not able to track which code came from which home, so the survey is completely anonymous, and everyone's personal information is safe. We are looking forward to discovering what needs and service gaps our community identifies to help create programs that will help us to help each other. The deadline for survey completion is June 7th.



We are also looking forward to partnering with the Library on the Summer Reading Program. There are some fun and exciting plans, and we look forward to sharing the announcements alongside the Library when the time comes.

The Beaver County LGBTQ Adult Social Support Group has been well received and will continue to meet at the Ryley Community Hall on the 3rd Thursday of every month at 7pm. The next meeting is June 17th.

I would also invite you to stay connected to our Face-book (@RyleyFCSS) page if you are on local social media. Each week an abundance of resources are shared including health information, workshops and learning events along with a variety of support services. Please call me if you have any questions about your FCSS program!

Mickey Wilson, Director

FCSS - DID YOU KNOW?

• FCSS programs support the delivery of comprehensive community-based preventive social programs. Almost all 4.33 million Albertans can access an FCSS program; less than one percent of the population lives in communities without an FCSS program.

 Research has shown that for every \$1 invested in preventive services, \$7 - \$12 dollars in future spending is saved. Long-term spending is reduced for justice,

health care, and addiction treatment.

• The direct budgeted cost of the Ryley FCSS program and the provincially granted funds remain the same as in previous years but 100% of that money is now invested directly into our own community.

Community Together Update

Community Together would like to officially congratulate and welcome Mickey Wilson as the Ryley FCSS Director of Programs! This is an exciting time and the Ryley Community Together Program looks forward to working alongside Ryley FCSS in the community. We know this will open up many opportunities for local supports and services for our residents. Community Together is designed specifically around COVID-19 relief and support. If you or someone you know are feeling the financial or social impacts of COVID-19 and are not sure where to look for support, please contact us or refer our way. Your privacy, health and safety are our biggest priorities.

Did you know: Community Together has a lot to

offer!

- Well-being check-ins, social connection

- Needs assistance due to COVID-19

- Delivery of groceries, prescriptions, household goods

- Provide information or referrals to a variety of social services

- Updates on Provincial and Local health and safety regulations and recommendations

- Volunteer opportunities to help keep minds and bodies active

Sign up for a FREE MEMBERSHIP for access to assistance or to share your ideas on the future of Ryley Community together Programming!

For more information on available assistance or to become a member, visit Ryley.ca/community-together, contact the Community Together Programmer at (780)663-3653 or email commtog@ryley.ca

Village of Ryley Public Works Assistant Foreman Position Full-Time Temporary

(with potential to convert to Permanent)

The Village of Ryley is looking for an energetic individual who is interested in working in our thriving community. We are looking for a self-motivated, team player to join our team. We offer a supportive work-

place setting that promotes transparency, innovation, and community building.

DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES

- · Operation of various equipment and vehicles
- Maintain roads and lane ways
- Perform a variety of safe and efficient manual labour related duties
- Maintenance and distribution of sewage systems as required
- Ability to work in all types of weather
- Responsible for, and/or oversight of, maintenance and repair of village equipment, machinery and buildings
- Must participate in basic safety training as required
- Demonstrate good customer service skills
- Provide friendly and efficient customer service to residents regarding all aspects of public works
- Assumes the foreman responsibilities in the foreman's absence.
- Responsible to assist the foreman with the following major functions: Road Maintenance, Sewer Line Maintenance, Sewer Lift Station, Grass Cutting, Cemetery Maintenance, Sidewalk and Building Maintenance, Sports Grounds, Campground Maintenance, Supervision of employees under his/her oversight and any special projects a assigned

COMPETENCIES

- Friendly personality; commitment to providing customer service; effective interpersonal skills when dealing with customers, residents and other staff
- Good organizational and planning skills
- A very high degree of thoroughness, accuracy and attention to detail
- Can work independently as well as a team member
- · Possesses the ability to maintain confidentiality

EDUCATION & EXPERIENCE

- · High school diploma an asset but not necessary
- WHMIS & First aid certification would be an asset but not necessary
- Valid class 5 Alberta driver's license is required
- Experience in operating equipment
- Ability to work flexible hours and weekends
- Provide a current driver abstract
- The ability to use hand tools and lift heavy objects
- Up to date computer skills
- Willingness to learn new skills and technologies
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills

For initial consideration, your resume must be received at the village office by June 15, 2021.

If you are interested in joining our team, please forward your resume to:

Glen Hamilton-Brown - Village of Ryley Box 230 Ryley, Alberta TOB 4A0

Phone: (780) 663-3653 Email: cao@ryley.ca

Employment Opportunity

Ryley ~

The Ryley Municipal Office is accepting applications for the **Summer Employment Student**. Summer employment will be full time 30 to 40 hours per week, possible start dates July 1 till end of August 2021. You must be over the age of 16. It would be an asset to have a valid driver's license. Duties include assisting Public Works, office staff, mowing and general indoor and outdoor work. Send resumes to Village office at Box 230, Ryley, AB, TOB 4A0, or drop off through office door mail slot. Closing date June 15th, 2021. Office is located at 5005-50 St. We appreciate and consider all applications however only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

Good News Community Church Sunday Service

Awana ends May 6. If you would like information on start up dates please contact Pastor Mark.

Youth Groups, please contact Pastor Mark for activities and details for attendance.

There is a Ladies Bible Study happening at the church on the first and third Mondays of the month. They meet at 10:00 am at the church.

Also each and every Sunday our church services are on 88.7 FM from 11:00-12:00.

For more information contact Pastor Mark at 780 663-3664. See website for additional information and updates. **Email: pastor@ryleygncc.ca**

website: ryleygncc.ca

Trees and Grass

Trimming Trees and bushes: Residents are responsible to trim their trees and bushes to be within the bounds of their own property. This applies to back alleys, trees and bushes hanging over the sidewalk, and hanging over your neighbour's property. Help the Village walkways stay clear for everyone to use, prune your trees and bushes. Please be courteous to your neighbours to ensure that your trees and shrubbery do not encroach on their property.

Grass Clippings: Many of our streets cannot be cleaned by the street sweeper. Please do not blow your grass clippings onto the street or alley. They decompose, become mud and can plug up the curbs and drainage system. Public works employees have been out hand shoveling the gutters to get them clean. Please do your part by keeping them clear of grass and leaves.

UPCOMING events



Tuesday, June 1, 2021

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

Monday, June 7, 2021

- Social Needs Assessment deadline for survey completion. See FCSS article for details.

Friday, June 4, 2021

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

Tuesday, June 15, 2021

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

Thursday, June 17, 2021

- WECAN Pick up at 3:30 p.m.. See ad for full details.
- Beaver County LGBTQ2S Adults monthly facilitated social support group, 7 p.m. at hall. See FCSS article for details.

Sunday, June 20, 2021

- Father's Day! Check out www.goeastofedmonton.com for all event in our area.



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Niko's Dance Team is your local dance studio. Find our registration and additional information on our facebook page Nikosdanceteam.

Owner- Niki Hofer

Office Administrator- Amber Carson

780-663-3903 nikosdanceteam@gmail.com https://www.facebook.com/nikosdanceteam/

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@ryley.ca



Community Adult Learning Program

Beaver County Community Adult Learning Program

Phone: 780 663 3730 Email: calp@beaver.ab.ca

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 longrange 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

Summer Reading Program is coming! Programming is underway to align with AHS guidelines while still providing fun activities for the kids as always. Stay tuned to social media for details and updates.

Kids will also be able to participate online through the TD Summer Reading Club website, which will allow kids to create an online notebook, read ebooks, vote in the "battle of the books", and share stories and jokes along with tons of other features.

The Ryley Book Club, hosted by McPherson Municipal Library hasn't been able to meet for a year! But that doesn't mean we have stopped reading! Hook your library card into the online library system using the Libby or Overdrive apps. You can borrow e-books and audiobooks for free. Little ones bored? There are endless options for all ages and all free with your library card. Big Library Read (BLR), facilitated by OverDrive, is a reading program through your library that connects readers around the world with the same ebook at the same time without any wait lists or holds. Join in on BLR and check out what the book is for May. Hopefully we can gather together again soon but until then... READ ANYWAY!

Board meetings are via zoom on the second Monday of every month and we are still looking for board members. Please contact us for details.

The library has currently closed walk-in visits due to the Covid-19 restrictions. You can still access books by calling during library hours to arrange for pickup.

> Mondays & Thursdays 3-6 p.m. Tuesdays & Fridays 11-6 p.m. Wednesdays 1-4 p.m. Saturdays 12-3 p.m. 780-663-3999

email librarian@mcphersonlibrary.ab.ca. www.mcphersonlibrary.ab.ca

House for Sale in Ryley, AB \$244,900 2002 - 1,200 SQFT Bi-level

Master Bedroom with ensuite and walk-in closet plus 2 more bedrooms upstairs. Upstairs has 3 piece main bathroom. Basement has 3 bedrooms and a partially finished bathroom.

For more information call Marvin at: 780-913-5614 or Email: marviv09@gmail.com For sale by owner.

River Rock Cafe' 5111-50 St. Ryley

It is that time of year again, Farmers are heading to the fields!! We are here to make your lunch or dinner. Please give us notice in advance but we have fried chicken, lasagna, spaghetti with meat sauce as well as our regular menu items.

Call 780-663-3300

We are working on our patio and should be up and running soon!

Due to the café being closed to dine – in, we are looking for feedback and ideas on how to start a Seniors support group since we don't know how long this Covid will last.

Reminder of our hours but subject to change once our patio is finished.

Tuesday – Friday 11am to 7pm.

Thank you to everyone for the continuous support and eagerness to help to get our patio opened! Don't forget to check out our Facebook Page "River Rock Cafe 2019"



780-901-4100 Take-out only at this time.

Lunch Special

Mon. to Thur. 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

\$11.95 ~ Chicken Fried Rice

plus 2 Items of the following 7:

- 1. Sweet & Sour Chicken Balls
- 2. Sweet & Sour Pork
- 3. Ginger Beef
- 4. Dry Garlic Ribs
- 5. Lemon Chicken
- 6. Beef with Stir-fried Vegetables
- 7. Chicken Chow Mein

\$8.95 ~ Grilled Chicken Burger

\$7.95 ~ Grilled Ham & Cheese sandwich



Diamond J Bakery in Lougheed

Pick up at Lisa's Market or call for details on porch delivery. Delivery every Wednesday. Email: contact@diamondjbakery.com Phone: 1 (780) 386-2254

The RINK Diner

Dine-in and Take-out Open Monday to Friday

8:00 a.m. - 1:30

Social Distancing Rules Enforced

Daily specials and soup with sandwiches. I'll cook whatever you want within reason. I'll try to keep prices down. Call 780-663-3960

WECAN Order Online Now Available!

About WECAN Food Basket

The WECAN Food Basket Society operates as a "warehouse without walls" - we buy all our food in bulk and distribute it to our community based depots.

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, Produce Order (\$10): 3 types of fresh vegetables and 3 kinds of seasonal fruit. Members can order whatever quantity of each order they would like, for example: 2 produce + 1 meat = \$35 or 2 meat + 1 produce = \$40Membership 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
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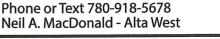
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