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May 2023

MONTHLY REMINDERS

Holiday Office Closure

The RM office will be closed Monday, May 22nd, 2023.



Vassar & Sandilands Dump Hours

Burnable Yard Waste Only!

Vassar and Sandilands waste disposal sites will be open from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM on the following days:

VASSAR Saturday, May 6th Saturday, May 13th SANDILANDS Sunday, May 7th Sunday, May 14th

Only yard waste such as trees, flax straw, grass, leaves, branches and natural debris are accepted.

Household garbage, recycling, or any non-burnable debris will not be accepted at these dump sites.

Request for Quotation Harvesting of Standing Timber

The RM of Piney is accepting quotations for the harvesting of standing timber on the SE ¼ of 1-1-11 EPM.

Contact the RM office for more information:

Rural Municipality of Piney 6092 Boundary St., Vassar, MB Hours: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm (closed for lunch 12:00 – 12:45) 204-437-2284

office@rmofpiney.mb.ca

https://rmofpiney.mb.ca/request-for-quotation-harvest-ofstanding-timber/

Deadline to submit quotations is May 5th, 2023 by 12:00 pm.



RM Private Well Water Testing Days 2023

The Seine Rat Roseau Watershed will be assisting residents with private well water testing for the presence of *E. coli* and coliform bacteria. The provincially subsidized cost of private well water testing is **\$25.00**, including tax. Each legal location is eligible for one sample per well at the subsidized rate.

Payment may be submitted by cash or cheque ONLY, with cheques made payable to Horizon Lab Ltd.

Water sample bottles & application forms can be picked up in advance at your participating RM office. Water samples must be taken on the same day as the drop-off. Drop your water sample off at your participating RM office **prior to 10:00 am**, along with your completed Chain of Custody and SRRWD Application forms.

Only those samples that are accompanied by correct payment and completed forms will be accepted.

RM Private Well Water Testing Days: Thursday, May 25th, 2023 Thursday, June 22nd, 2023

Contact SRRWD for more information:
Email: administrator@srrwd.ca
204-326-1030 www.srrwd.ca

Noxious Weed Control

The Municipal Road side spray program for control of noxious weeds for 2023 will start later this month. If you have a bee hive operation or a registered organic farm operation, please contact the Weed Supervisor so they can update their maps and provide buffer zones around those locations.

Gary Hora
Weed Control Supervisor
204-380-9624 or email supervisor@psweedbuilding.ca





Economic Development

Strengthening our community through local job and business listings

There are some rural businesses that operate exclusively by word of mouth. Their new customers or employees come through referrals from customers, friends and neighbours. That approach works...to a point. If businesses want to be more strategic in finding ideal customers or qualified employees, they might consider casting their net a little wider. Sunrise Corner has built two online tools to help: Business Directory and WorkFinder.

Business Directory: Our online Business Directory connects local residents with local companies. The searchable directory helps customers buy the products and services they need locally which ensures local businesses can stay open to serve the community. Shopping locally is a critical aspect of building our region. In fact, it is estimated that money spent locally is reinvested locally seven times before being lost outside our region. Money spent outside the region is lost immediately and may never make it back. Let's keep our dollars here to strengthen our community.

WorkFinder: This useful resource was launched to connect local workers and volunteers with local companies and organizations. If you're looking for paid work or volunteer opportunities in southeast Manitoba, Sunrise Corner's WorkFinder is the place to go. There are currently more than 20 postings on the site with the majority being paid full-time, part-time and seasonal jobs.

Did you know these tools also help with local economic development in indirect ways as well? Here are a couple examples.

Some local businesses sell to customers exclusively outside the region, so feel they don't need to list their company on a local directory. These kinds of listings show local businesses they can grow by targeting customers across Canada, in the US, or even internationally. It shows young people they can leave temporarily to get an education and/or experience and bring it back to our region. It shows potential new residents they can choose their ideal lifestyle rather than being forced to live near their business's customer base.

A robust local job listing site can attract new residents who see the opportunity for the rural lifestyle they want rather than having to live in a big city. With jobs available in the region to attract new residents, we can demonstrate to developers the demand for housing thereby increasing investment in our area.

Check out our website at www.sunrisecornermb.ca/invest. Both tools allow users to post job openings and directory listings but if you need help, I'm happy to assist.

Monique Chenier monique@sunrisecornermb.ca

UNSUNG HEROES OF PINEY RM

For many volunteers in the RM of Piney, volunteering is a lifelong commitment that evolves and changes over the years.

Every volunteer position looks different in each community, but they all continue to give their time and energy in many ways. Our Unsung Hero for May, Barbara Edbom, is no exception. Her roots are firmly entrenched in the Piney community and she has been, and continues to be, a lifelong volunteer. She has been a mentor and teacher for the many other volunteers that she has worked with. Her ability to see a need and come up with a solution has been much appreciated. Her organizational and problem-solving abilities have made her indispensable to the Piney community.

Barb devoted a lot of time in the past to 4H. She wanted her own children and the community to have the 4H experience, so she became a leader for the local club. Not only was she a local leader, she also decided to extend her involvement to Provincial 4H. She was also a school bus driver and helped transport sports teams when her children were younger.

Prior to the Pandemic, Piney held a yearly Fall Supper. Barb was involved for several years organizing and working in the kitchen for that event. Barb has continuously volunteered to work in the canteen whenever there is an event at the Piney Community Centre.

Barb has held several executive positions on The LGD (Local Government District) of Piney Community Resource Council / Piney Regional Seniors Services. She is currently the Chair of the Board. She is also the President of The Over 40 Club in Piney. Last December she was instrumental in organizing the 55+ Senior Living One Day Conference in Piney. She also cooked and served the participants a delicious meal that day. Barb has been overseeing the Piney Senior meal program, dealing capably with any concerns or problems that have come up. Piney holds Bingos and Crib nights in their Senior Centre on alternate Fridays. Barb works in the kitchen at Bingo nights and is also in charge of the Crib nights where participants are treated to several baked goods during refreshment breaks.

For many years Barb has taken on reporting Piney news in the Carillon newspaper. Her dedication to promoting the community is evident in her articles.

Barb's leadership, professionalism, and volunteerism is a model for other volunteers. We applaud Barb, and the many ways she has made Piney a kinder, more caring place to live.

Sharon Bernard

Job Opportunity

Sunrise Corner Tourism Marketing Coordinator

We are looking for an enthusiastic individual with a passion for tourism and community development in southeastern Manitoba. The Tourism Marketing Coordinator will be responsible for the promotion of all community events and festivals, cultural and historic attractions, and recreational activities through effective writing, photography and/or videography that tells a compelling story.

Apply by May 15, 2023 for this summer position.

https://sunrisecornermb.ca/job/tourism-marketing-coordinator/

Notice to All Dog Owners

The RM has received a high volume of dog complaints related to running at large and barking. If you are a dog owner, you have legal responsibilities under the Animal Control By-Law. If these problems do not get resolved in the near future, the RM will consider a more drastic form of animal control to maintain the safety of the public.

Per By-Law No. 118/2016 Responsibility of owners regarding dogs:

7(1) No owner shall:

- a) Permit his dog to run at large. When a dog is Found running at large, it's owner shall be deemed to have failed or refused to comply with this subsection;
- i) Permit his dog to bark or howl or in any other way unduly disturb the quiet of any person or persons anywhere in the Municipality;
- c) Permit his dog/cat to defecate on any public or private property other than the property of its owner. Where a dog/cat defecates on property other than the property of the owner, the owner shall cause such excrement to be removed forthwith;
- d) Permit his dog/cat to damage public property or private property other than that of the owner. Where public property or private property other than that of the owner. Where public or private property has been damaged by a dog/cat its owner shall be deemed to have failed or refused to comply with this subsection;
- g) Permit his dog/cat to pursue, bite, wound or worry any person or animal, whether or not on the property of the owner:
- h) Permit his dog/cat on any school ground or playground;



Southeast Regional Transportation Initiative - Results are In!

The RM of Piney and other southeast regional communities identified Steinbach and Winnipeg as desired travel destinations according to the recent survey provided to southeast communities. In the RM of Piney, 26% are not satisfied with current transportation options, 11% didn't answer and 63% noted they were satisfied.

Of those currently unsatisfied with transportation options, the majority own a vehicle but also travel with family/friends or pay a fee to travel. The greatest daily/weekly travel needs for those in the RM of Piney are for shopping and services. The need for medical and social purposes are somewhat higher for monthly/bi-monthly travel.

For those respondents satisfied with their transportation options, they would consider transit solutions if it was affordable, in an effort to avoid parking issues, as an option to when their vehicle is unavailable or when they are no longer able to drive.

The next stage of the Transportation Initiative will be led by Eco-West Canada to develop potential transportation options with RM of Piney involvement.



Help Wanted Summer Student

Piney Stuartburn Weed Control District

is currently seeking a summer student to assist the Weed Supervisor and Assistant Weed Supervisor in various works with-in the municipalities of Piney and Stuartburn.

The open position is for an *Entry Level Pesticide Applicator*. It will be a full time term position, running from mid June, 2023 to the end of August, 2023 for about 1*0 weeks*.

Job Requirements

- . Hold a valid Driver's License
- . Be able to travel to and from Vita on a daily basis
- · Be organized with excellent record keeping abilities
- · Work well in a team environment with a safety conscious attitude
- . Be able to operate ATV's
- . Take direction well and be able to work with minimal supervision

This is an excellent opportunity for hard working and motivated students.

Please email resume to: supervisor@psweedbuilding.ca

We thank all applicants for their interest, however only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

Application deadline 12:00 noon, Friday May 12, 2023

Emergency Preparedness Week!





Three Steps to Emergency Preparedness

If an emergency happens in your community, it may take emergency workers some time to get to you. You should be prepared to take care of yourself and your family for a minimum of 72 hours. By taking a few simple steps today, you can become better prepared to face a range of emergencies - anytime, anywhere.

1 KNOW THE RISKS

Although the consequences of various disasters can be similar, knowing the risks in your region can help you better prepare. Across Canada, we face a number of hazards, such as earthquakes in British Columbia, blizzards in Nunavut and tornadoes in Ontario. In addition to natural disasters, there are other types of risks, such as power outages and industrial or transportation accidents. Find out the risks most likely in your community by visiting the 'Know the risks' section from the GetPrepared.ca website or by calling 1 800 O-Canada to obtain our Natural Hazards map.

#2 MAKE A PLAN

Every Canadian household needs an emergency plan. It will help you and your family know what to do in case of an emergency. Your family may not be together when an emergency occurs. Plan how to meet or how to contact one another, and discuss what you would do in different situations. It only takes 20 minutes to complete a personalized plan online. You can then print it out. Most of this information can be filled out on your own. You may need to get some information from your municipality. To complete your emergency plan online, visit the 'Make an emergency plan' page from the GetPrepared.ca website.

#3 GET AN EMERGENCY KIT

In an emergency you will need some basic supplies. You may need to get by without power or tap water. Be prepared to be self-sufficient for at least 72 hours. Make sure your kit is easy to carry and everyone in the household knows where it is. Keep it in a backpack, duffle bag or suitcase with wheels, in an easy-to-reach, accessible place.



IS YOUR FAMILY PREPARED? www.getprepared.gc.ca

Emergency Guides are available at the RM office.







Beer Gardens Hot Food Free Camping Mud Run Registration Wally Gushulak (431) 205-1248

Registration 9:00 - 11:00 am Racing Starts at 12 noon

Yard Sale Registration Nancy Brown (204) 408-0874 \$20 per station Set up at 9 am - Sale starts 10 am **Tables not Provided**

JOIN US FOR OUR

ANNUAL YEARLY PICNIC



LOCATED AT THE

SPRAGUE & DISTRICT Renictime HISTORICAL MUSEUM

> **SUNDAY, JUNE 11, 2023** STARTING AT 2 P.M.

The Museum includes information and artifacts from all the villages and districts in the RM of Piney. **NEW ARTIFACTS & DISPLAYS!**

COME AND CELEBRATE WITH US.

DON'T FORGET TO BRING YOUR CAMERA

FREE ADMISSION HOTDOGS, COFFEE, JUICE & DAINTIES SERVED DONATIONS ACCEPTED

PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN LAWN CHAIR AND IF INCLEMENT WEATHER LUNCH WILL BE SERVED INDOORS. Remember we are wheelchair accessible.





Please refer to the RM of Piney Electronic Newsletter and the Ross L. Gray School Website for the full version of the BLSD Monthly Newsletter

BLSD Monthly Newsletter – May 2023

It's May Already

Teach Your Child Bicycle Safety

Make sure your child's bike and helmet are the right size. He or she should be able to straddle the bike with both feet on the ground; a bike that is too big or too small is a safety hazard. As a minimum, your child's first bike should be equipped with a bell and reflectors.

For young children, set the following hard and fast rules:

- No playing on the road.
- No riding on busy streets.
- No riding at night.
- Stop for all stop signs.
- Ride on the right with traffic.



Easy DIY Bike/Trike Streamers

Supplies Needed:

- 1. A pair of toilet paper tubes
- 2. Curling ribbon and/or crepe paper streamers (2-4 of your favourite colours)
- 3. Water-based children's poster paint
- 4. Paint brushes
- 5. Tape

Directions:

- Paint the toilet paper rolls with the poster paint and let dry.
- 2. Add stickers, if you like.
- 3. Optional: Adults can curl the ribbon with scissors.
- 4. Attach curling ribbon streamers to the inside of the toilet paper rolls using tape.
- 5. Slide the rolls over the handles and GO!

Come and Visit... and Stay to Play!! WILL BE CONTINUING TUESDAYS ONLY From April 4 – May 16

RLG, BLSD, and Southern Health are hosting a free stay and play for families and their caregivers in the area.

Where: Ross L. Gray Library When: FROM <u>9:30-11:30</u>

Who: Babies and children up to age 5 and their parents/caregivers.

PLEASE REGISTER SO OUR COORDINATOR CAN PLAN APPROPRIATELY.

To register please contact: Courtney Rozsa at <u>rozsagirl.6@gmail.com</u>
Or Carly Chubaty or Adriane Culleton at 204-437-2175

chubatyc@blsd.ca or culletona@blsd.ca

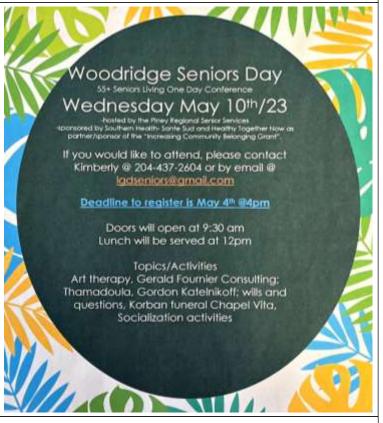
Kindergarten Registration Ross L. Gray School 2023-2024 School Year



Enrolment Requirements:

- -Will your child be five years old this year?
- -Childs birth certificate
- -Childs Manitoba medical number and any important medical information
- -Custody or guardianship documents/court Documents (if applicable)
- -Proof of residence or confirmation of permanent residence

Please contact the school for more information 204-437-2175



UPCOMING EVENTS

Care Partner Support Groups Alzheimer Society

May 30, June 27, July 25 @ 10am
Services to Seniors – 15 Prevost St., South Junction
Call Kimberly to Register: 204-437-2604
alzheimer.mb.ca

ANNUAL QUILT SHOW & SALE

Sprague Evergreen Senior Centre

TUESDAY, MAY 2011, 2023

10:30am to 1:30pm

LUNCH SOLD STABTING AT 11am

SOUP, OPEN FACED SANDWICHES AND PIE

*Quilt Raffle*50/50* *Door Prize* PINEY ANNUAL MOTHER'S DAY TEA & SOUTHEAST FARMER'S MARKET MOTHER'S DAY MARKET

SATURDAY, MAY 13
PINEY COMMUNITY CENTRE - PINEY, MB
11 am to 3:30 pm

FARMER'S MARKET VENDOR TABLES
Baking, Crafts, Plants, Preserves, Jewelry, Sewing & More

LUNCH, 50/50 DRAW
FREE WILL OFFERING FOR LUNCH
GAMES & DOOR PRIZE DRAWS – 1:30 pm

Proceeds donated to Piney Area Food Bank

Event Sponsors
Piney Community Centre & Southeast Farmer's Market

Woodridge Community Club and the Woodridge Firefighters Association present the

CAR SHOW
ON THE RIDGE

Bring It all . . . cars, trucks, race cars, Rat Rods, motorcycles, snowmobiles, semi-trucks, tractors and 'projects'

Saturday, May 27, 2023 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.

(Rain Date: Sunday, May 28, 2023)

Car Show registration opens at 9:30 a.m.

M.A. Querel Community Park Woodridge, Manitoba

For more information, go to www.woodridgecommunityclub.com or call/text LARRY & DELORES CLAVELLE at 204-304-1265

Vehicle Registration: \$5/vehicle

includes a souvenir dash plaque

Public Admission: Free

Planned events include: Car Show with trophies,

Tail Gate Swap Meet (http://www.table), BBQ Lunch, Beer Garden, Music, Blow the Engine 50/50, Silent Auction and 50/50 Draw.

NET PROCEEDS AND DONATIONS WILL GO TO SUPPORT THE PURCHASE OF A THERMAL IMAGING CAMERA FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND CAPITAL PROJECT FOR THE WOODRIDGE COMMUNITY CLUB!



Please note

You're Invited
PRCC Monthly Meeting
May 11, 2023 at 7 pm

RM Council Chambers in Vita

attend in person or via Zoom Guest Speaker: Connie Gamble, CPA "The Money Side of Business"

www.pineyregionalchamber.ca

EAST BORDERLAND COMMUNITY HOUSING

AGM MEETING

Monday, May 15th, 2023 7:00 PM

SPRAGUE COMMUNITY HALL
ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND