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Hours: Monday – Friday

8:30am – 12:00pm

12:45pm – 4:30pm



Rural Municipality of
PINEY

Need to Contact your Councillor?

Wayne Anderson: 204-527-0569

Ken Prociw: 204-429-2143

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Mark Bernard: 431-997-5077

November 2023

MONTHLY REMINDERS

2023 Tax Deadline

All 2023 RM of Piney taxes were due on October 31st, 2023. If you missed the deadline, your RM account will incur interest charges of 1.25% on the first day of each month following the deadline. Payments can be made online (Credit Union or Caisse banks), over the phone with credit card, by mailing in a cheque, or in the office by debit/credit, cash, or cheque.

Winter Garbage Dump Hours

As of November 5th, 2023, the hours of all three garbage dumps in the RM of Piney will change to 9:00am to 5:00pm on the regular days the dump is scheduled to be open.

Council Meetings

All Regular Council meetings will commence at 6:00pm starting November 5th, 2023 until March 2024.

The Regular Council meeting scheduled for Tuesday, November 28th has been moved to Thursday, November 23rd, 2023.

Recreation Grants Reminder

Recreation Grants are to be submitted to the RM office as a package from each District by November 10th. Council will review all grant applications (except for event grants) and have a resolution passed by November 30th, 2023.

**The RM Office will be closed
Monday, November 13th, 2023**



**Thank you to all the volunteers who
have helped and are still
putting in effort in the ongoing search
for Ywanna (Jean) Backman.**

**We should be proud and thankful of a
community willing to come together in
a time of need.**

**Anyone who has information on her
whereabouts is asked to contact
Sprague RCMP at 204-437-2222, Crime
Stoppers anonymously at
1-800-222-8477 or submit a secure tip
at www.manitobacrimestoppers.com.**

**We appreciate everyone's efforts in this
ongoing matter.**

*A sincere
thank you*

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Partnerships to help local businesses grow

Sunrise Corner is the partnership of the RMs of Piney and Stuartburn promoting the southeast corner of Manitoba, Canada as an incredible place to live, work, play, visit, invest and explore. One of the ways we do that is to partner with other organizations that provide business owners with resources to successfully achieve their goals.

Piney Regional Chamber of Commerce

If you're looking to learn skills to help build your business, connect with other local businesses, and contribute back to the community, you should consider membership in the Piney Regional Chamber of Commerce. Formed in 2016, the mission of PRCC is to promote an environment which fosters economic development, works in partnership with our civic agencies, and provides value to members through education, networking and cultural interests thereby enhancing our region for work, play, raising families & doing business. www.pineyregionalchamber.ca

Community Futures Triple R

If you're looking for support to develop a business plan or obtain funding to undertake an expansion of your business or start a new one, you'll want to learn more about Community Futures Triple R. They are a community-based economic renewal initiative funded by the Government of Canada and directed by local volunteer boards. Their main objectives are to help rural Canadians start or expand a business and to help sustain and improve communities and their local economies. www.cfmanitoba.ca/triple-r

Eastman Tourism

If you have a tourism-related business (and the majority of businesses could directly or indirectly count visitors as customers), you'll want to join Eastman Tourism. They are the official Regional Tourism Association in Eastern Manitoba. They provide quality tourism information, support tourism operators and agencies, and facilitate networking and collaborations that strengthen the Eastern Manitoba tourism industry. www.eastmantourism.ca

Travel Manitoba

If your business caters to people visiting our region, you need to know about Travel Manitoba's free and paid promotional opportunities. Travel Manitoba is a Crown corporation whose role is to provide leadership by collaborating with tourism businesses, communities, destination marketing organizations and governments to realize the full potential for tourism in Manitoba. www.travelmanitoba.com

If you are looking to start a new business or grow your existing business, I invite you to get in touch with me and I can direct you to these organizations and others that can best meet your needs.



Monique Chenier
monique@sunrisecornermb.ca

UNSUNG HEROES IN THE RM OF PINEY

Every month we have been recognizing those people who stand out in their community and in our RM. Our November Unsung Hero is no exception. Adrien Grenier has lived most of his life near the tiny hamlet of Saint Labre. He took over the family farm in 1978 from his father. He is an active, respected member of this farming community. He is one of those people who is always ready to jump in, help, and support someone in need. Whether it is for a neighbour, a community organization, the Church, a club, or a family member, Adrien is happy to assist if he can.

While farming, Adrien became very adept at repairing farm equipment. His talent with machinery has long been recognized by those who know him. He shares his knowledge and abilities with anyone who needs them. If someone arrives with a broken piece of machinery, he is prepared to take it on and fix it. He has even helped the South East Sno-Riders repair their grooming machine.

Always concerned about the best interests of his community, Adrien took on the role of School Trustee with DSFM (Division Scolaire Franco-Manitobaine) for many years. He also chaired SPADA (Stuartburn-Piney Agricultural Development Association). He continues to work with the church in St. Labre as "syndic", where he is responsible for the general well-being of the Church, and transacts business on its behalf. He oversees the maintenance of both the church and the cemetery.

Adrien was not only an active volunteer fireman in Piney for many years, he has continued to be a volunteer for the last 10 years with the Woodridge Fire Department. In addition, he has been involved in multiple special projects, big and small, as well as maintenance for the Woodridge Fire Department.

Adrien started the Saint Labre Lumberjack hockey team. He participated and managed the team for many years. The team is still active today, and plays once a week in La Broquerie.

It was Adrien who planted the idea for the Saint Labre 200 go-kart races in the minds of his sons, Joel and François. He then supported them with all of their plans to create it. Adrien did whatever was needed, from setting up the grounds in Joel's field, to picking up materials. He has participated on a team every year since its inception, but has yet to win.

His sense of humor, his dedication to community service, and his philanthropy are not only appreciated, they have also been passed down to his children. Thank you for everything you do Adrien.

Sharon Bernard

THANK YOU!

FOR VOLUNTEERING

The RM of Piney Climate Action Plan

The RM has now started the process of developing an RM of Piney Climate Action Plan. The climate action plan will ensure that the RM of Piney is prepared to adapt to or mitigate climate hazards and risks. The development of this plan relies heavily on public participation and engagement. Through a series of community and stakeholder engagement sessions, residents in this region will:

- Identify climate risks/hazards most prevalent;
- Use climate modelling to show how climate risks and hazards are predicted to change over time;
- Look at the impacts of the hazards/risks to the RM;
- Identify ways that the RM of Piney can be prepared to mitigate or adapt to the climate hazards.

We are inviting you to get involved in this process and use your voice to help us understand current climate hazards and risks and identify ways that the Municipality can be prepared for these climate impacts.

The first way that you can get involved is to share your thoughts on climate change in our Climate Action Plan Survey. This survey will gather initial thoughts and ideas on climate change and how it impacts this region.

The survey will be available at the RM of Piney municipal office and is available on-line. Everyone who completes the survey will be entered in draw to win one of 5 gift cards. The survey can be found on-line at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Pineyclimate>

If you would like to get involved in this project, please reach out to Allison Driedger by phone at 204-392-3849 or email: bluestemdevelopment@gmail.com.

Hunting Ethics

We would like to remind you to practice ethical hunting to keep everyone including yourself, safe at all times. If you are unfamiliar with the area, please stop by the RM office to take a look at the municipal map.

Respect Private Property:

- Ask landowners for permission to hunt;
- Follow restrictions on when & where you may hunt;
- Leave all gates the way you found them;
- Never enter private land unless you have obtained permission first;

Respect Yourself:

- Always let someone know where you are;
- If there is a change in plans, leave a visible note;
- Practice basic life skills of first aid and survival.

Respect for Laws and Enforcement Officers:

- Obey all laws – do not hunt off roadways;
- Ethical hunters will not condone lawbreaking by ignoring illegal acts they observe when afield;
- When meeting enforcement officers working in the field, be cooperative and provide all requested info.

Information provided to you by: <https://mwf.mb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/ManitobaHunterEducation.pdf>

Recycling Incentive Program

With a decrease in our recycling numbers over the past few years, the RM is optimistic that recycling numbers will increase with the use of a Recycling Incentive Program. **This program will commence January 2024** and will be done in the form of a monthly draw using tickets received. This ticket system will work by receiving a ticket for every recycling bag you drop off at our recycling facilities. **Our goal is to receive 5,000kgs+ of recycling per month.**

Rules & Regulations:

- For every blue bag you recycle (or items of the equivalent size of a blue recycling bag), you will receive a ticket that will be entered into our monthly draw;
- Recycling bags must be dropped off at one of our three waste transfer sites: Sprague, Menisino/Piney, Woodridge;
- If you use a community recycling bin, tickets can be picked up at the RM office;
- If someone drops off your recycling for you, it is your responsibility to get your tickets from that individual;
- Once a ticket is received, the "KEEP THIS TICKET" portion is to be kept by the resident, while the other ticket is to be given back to dump attendant or RM office;
- If you do not want to keep your portion of the ticket, you must write your name on the back of the ticket that stays with the dump attendant or RM office;
- Only residents of the RM will be able to participate;
- Draws will be done by the 21st of the following month. i.e. tickets received in January will be drawn in February;
- Winners will be announced on social media after the 21st of each month as well as in our monthly RM of Piney newsletter by mentioning the winning ticket number along with the winner's name, if it is included on the winning ticket; by participating in the draw, you are agreeing to your name being published in our newsletter;
- The winning ticket will be announced the month following the draw. i.e. the winning ticket drawn in February will be announced in our March newsletter;
- Winners are to come down to the RM office to pick which prize they would like; please bring your ticket, a picture of your winning ticket, or I.D. that matches the name on the winning ticket when picking up your prize;
- Prizes must be picked up by the end of the month your ticket was announced. i.e. your ticket is announced in the March newsletter, you must contact the RM office and have your prize picked up by the last day of March;
- If prizes are not picked up within the month that winning ticket was announced, another ticket will be drawn in place of the unclaimed ticket; we suggest you keep your tickets or take a photo of them in case of a re-draw;
- After each monthly draw, the leftover tickets from that month will be destroyed and only new tickets received will be eligible to win for the following months draw;
- Prizes are \$200-\$250 in value and range from gift cards to outdoor furniture/décor;
- There is no limit on how many times one person can win, so keep recycling to see if you can win more than once!

Wellness Wednesdays

Family Evenings

at Ross L. Gray

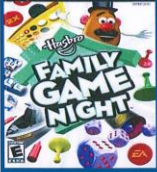
Virtual Cooking Night

Sign up for a family meal

Family Night

Outdoor Games, Board games, pumpkin carving etc..

Two Wednesdays a month
Stay tuned for more information



Fun Fridays

at Ross L. Gray

Student Council Fundraisers

For Who: K—12 Students

When : at Lunch Hours

Most Fridays there will be a small fundraisers such as a popcorn sale, bake sale, etc..

Parents—Watch for emails with more information.



stay & play

**Tuesdays from 9:30am – 11:30am
at the Ross L. Gray School Library**

Children can come and explore and participate in various activities that will strengthen their social skills and help promote independence.

Open to all families with children up to the age of 5

A free snack & book will be provided

Contact Carly or Adriane at 204-437-2175

Hello NEIGHBOUR

Welcome Kit from the Piney Regional Chamber of Commerce

Are you new to the community within the last two years?

Visit our website to sign up today:

<https://pineyregionalchamber.ca/hello-neighbour-welcome-kit/>

For more information contact:

info@pineyregionalchamber.ca



www.PineyRegionalChamber.ca



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# Christmas Lights Fundraiser

Donate \$5 per light bulb -or-  
light up an entire tree for \$75 donation

Proceeds towards  
East Borderland Community Housing  
Timberline Assisted Living Community

Trees will be decorated in front of  
East Borderland Primary Health Care Centre  
& East Borderland Community Housing

**Thank you for your support!**

Please drop off your donation at  
East Borderland Primary Health Centre in Sprague.  
Place your donation in an envelope, including your name and address.  
Tax receipts will be issued for all donations \$20 or more.

**Questions?** Call Danielle Charrette 204-371-1983

**Together We Can**

East Borderland Community Housing Inc. | PO Box 207, Sprague, MB, R0A 1Z0  
[www.timberlinehousing.ca](http://www.timberlinehousing.ca)

## Coffee Conversation & Computers

PRESENTED BY VASSAR PINE NEEDLES  
AND CONES SENIOR CLUB

COME JOIN US TO LEARN ABOUT  
IPADS, FACEBOOK ,CELL PHONES  
AND ENJOY A VISIT WITH FRIENDS.  
IF YOU HAVE A QUESTION WE  
WILL FIND AN ANSWER.

DROP IN AND ENJOY A COFFEE  
AND FIND ANSWERS TO YOUR  
QUESTIONS!

EVERY MONDAY STARTING OCT 16  
FROM 9:30 TO 11:30 AM.  
AT VASSAR HALL.



## PINEY REGIONAL SENIOR SERVICES

**IS LOOKING FOR  
VOLUNTEER DRIVERS**

We need driver's who can drive  
seniors who live in the RM of Piney  
to appointments.

If you have a valid driver's license  
and clean driver's abstract we  
would love to have you on our  
volunteer list.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL  
RACHEL LACHNIT  
RESOURCE COORDINATOR  
AT  
204-437-2604**



## The Piney Community Centre

Invites you to sign up for some new activities we are running in our hall, please contact our Activities Coordinator, Bab Zarn 204-423-2053.

### **TUESDAYS: FLOOR CURLING**



### **WEDNESDAYS: PICKLE BALL**



### **THURSDAYS: ARCHERY**



## MANITOBA HUNTER EDUCATION COURSE

Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
8:30am – 5:00pm



Pine Grove Seniors Centre  
22 Prevost St.  
South Junction, MB

Ages 12+

\$65.00 per person  
(cash or e-transfer, due upon arrival)

Bring your own lunch and water

Registration Deadline: November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023

Topics covered include:

firearms safety, ethics, wildlife management,  
conservation, survival, first aid,  
specialty hunting, and tree stand safety

To register contact:

Bryan Hiebert  
204-380-4565

bryanhiebert@gmail.com



## Upcoming Events

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

### Ross L Gray Halloween Community Parade

Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023 from 12:15pm – 12:45pm  
Starts at the school and loops around by the store  
Please come out to see the wonderful costumes!

### One Day 55+ Senior Conference

Tuesday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023 from 9:15am – 3:30pm  
Woodridge Community Hall in Woodridge  
Call Rachel Lachnit – Resource Coordinator at 204-437-2604 for more information or to register

### Piney Regional Chamber of Commerce Meeting

Thursday, November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 7:00pm  
RM Piney Council Chambers in Vassar  
Guest Speaker: Konrad Narth, MLA La Vérendrye,  
Government of Manitoba

### Southeast Farmer's Market

Saturday, November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023 from 10:00am – 2:00pm  
Pine Grove Seniors in South Junction  
Indoor Market / Canteen / 50/50 Draw

### Care Partner Support Groups

Tuesday, November 28<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 – 11:15am  
Piney Regional Senior Services in South Junction  
Contact Rachel at 204-437-2604 for more information

### Kids Club

Every Wednesday from 7:00 – 9:00pm  
Sprague Community Fellowship (*kids 5 and up welcome*)

### Exercise for Fun & Health

Mondays & Thursdays at 9:30am  
Pine Grove Seniors Club in South Junction

## VASSAR

# Fall Brunch

Sunday November 12<sup>th</sup>  
10:00-1:00

Waffles, French toast, hashbrowns,  
eggs, ham, sausages and MORE!

**Cost: \$18**  
**6-12 years \$10**  
**Under 5 free.**

**Bingo to follow!**  
**1:00-3:00pm**



**'Free!**

# Parent DROP IN

Meet and connect with other parents  
Participate in activities, crafts & games  
Join group discussions

Please call or email Holly if you are  
interested in attending at:  
[LarsonH@blsd.ca](mailto:LarsonH@blsd.ca) OR 204-324-6491

**3 sessions on Mondays from**

**10-11:30am**

**November 13**

**November 27**

**December 11**

Snacks will be provided

Facilitated by: Holly Larson,  
Katherine Beaudoin & Quinn Brandt

Location: East Borderland Primary Health Centre

## CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2023

10 am to 3 pm

PINEY COMMUNITY CENTRE

PINEY, MB

TABLE RENTAL

CRAFT, BUSINESS, & MISC Tables

\$15 each

Call Jen @ 204-423-2223

Bev @ 204-423-2211

CANTEEN

## Woodridge Fire Hall 10TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2023**

at the Woodridge Community Centre

Join the Woodridge Firefighters Association in celebrating  
the 10th anniversary of our community fire hall.

FIREFIGHTER GAMES

DJ & DANCE

CASH BAR

LATE LUNCH

50/50 DRAW



ADMISSION: \$15/PERSON

DOORS OPEN AT 8P.M.

Tickets can be purchased from members of the  
Woodridge Firefighters Association, call Joel @ 204-392-5679  
or at the Woodridge Vintage Corner Store.



## WOODRIDGE COMMUNITY CENTRE

69 Denis Street, Woodridge

## CHRISTMAS CRAFT and BAKE SALE

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023**

**11 a.m. – 3 p.m.**

**Admission: FREE . . . you can bring a 'tin for the bin'  
in support of the Piney Food Bank**

**There will also be a . . .  
CANTEEN (soup, snacks, beverage)  
SILENT AUCTION and  
50/50 DRAW!**

**The 3<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL WOODRIDGE CHRISTMAS  
PARADE will follow the Craft & Bake Sale,  
starting at 3:30p.m. from the Woodridge  
Fire Hall. Hotdogs, bonfire and carolling  
will be part of the evening festivities.**

