Editor - Martyn Lambe, Proof reader –Bev Brown Article submissions send to rossburnmatters@hotmail.com or call 204-859-2779 for more info.

### From the Seniors Coordinator's Desk: All activities are at the Drop In Centre

Hello everyone, I'm sure we are all feeling cooped up in our homes, hang in there we will get through this. Christmas season has arrived and time to decorate and bake some Christmas cookies. I'm working from home so you can call 204-859 -2223 if you need to get a hold of me. All indoor activities have been cancelled for now. I encourage you to try staying active as much as you can, grab a friend and go for walk or do chair exercises.

I you need help with your life line, call me or contact lifeline at 1-800-387-1215 and they will contact me.

For those of you who would like a hot meal delivered to your home, Meals on wheels are available, please contact Phyllis at 204-859-2594. Meals are available Monday, Wednesday and Fridays.

If you need assistance with sweeping snow off of your deck contact me, I have a person who is willing to do it.

The Handi van is still available for your needs, whether it's for medical or just regular trips around town, please give Dale a call at 204-859-0300 to book your trip.

We would like to thank Fusion Credit Union for their donation of a previous owned computer for the seniors.

At this time the Resource and Handi van committees and Resource Coordinator would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy new year

Stay safe everyone and remember the reason for the season. Seniors Coordinator Marieanne 204 859 3386 rosscomm@outlook.com

#### **Rossburn Collegiate--News**

The RCI graduates of 2021 are planning our Monday, June 21st 2021 graduation ceremony. Currently we are unsure of what our celebration will look like. We are asking for your continued support in our fundraising efforts. Our raffle tickets and more information will be out very soon! We would like to wish everyone a safe holiday and Happy New Year from all of the staff and students.

Rossburn Hotel/Kopper Kettle "Where people meet for good food, good atmosphere and good times".

204-859-2561



Betty Budz & Tracy Woycheshin presenting Fire Chief Kelly Slon with a \$733.90 donation, which will be used for equipment for the dept.

A volunteer group known as "Friends of the Rossburn Fire Fighters" which Betty Budz and Tracy Woycheshin organized, were going to hold an appreciation evening on April 4, 2020, to honour the Rossburn Fire Fighters.

The evening was to honour past and present dedicated Fire Fighters who have, and continue to volunteer and devote their time unselfishly.

These individuals are like no other volunteers as they are on call 24/7 and carry pagers. They respond to a call, leaving their jobs during the day and evening leaving their families, maybe at the dinner table relaxing, visiting, etc. or during a family function including holidays.

They can encounter many various situations, including vehicle accidents, where fatalities occur.

We honour them for their services.

We truly have to thank Fusion Credit Union who donated \$500.00 to the event and the balance was raised by advanced ticket sales which the purchasers generously donated to the Rossburn Fire Fighters, whom we thank as well.

Unfortunately the appreciation evening had to be cancelled due to the COVID-19 VIRUS.

We truly THANK the ROSSBURN FIRE FIGHTERS for their services to the ROSSBURN FIRE DEPARTMENT.



#### **Rossburn Recreation News.**

Don't forget to try your best to tackle the "12 Days of Kindness Calendar"
From the Recreation Board we want to wish you and your family a safe holiday and New Year.

#### **Coats for Cold**

Need a winter coat for you or your family. We have some donated winter coats for children, as well as adults for men and women free of cost. Also there are toques and mitts to give away. All Covid restrictions are being applied. Please call Lynda at 859–2760 to make arrangements.



# ROSSBURN MATTERS



DECEMBER 2020

#### **Rossburn Municipality Council-Updates**

Thank you to Rossburn Game and Fish for their donation of \$3,028.60 toward the Arrow Lake aeration system. Council appreciates their contribution in operating and upgrading the Arrow Lake recreation area and campground.

Rossburn Community Development Corporation (CDC) is a non-profit, volunteer organization whose mandate is to promote economic activity, promotions and tourism within Rossburn Municipality. The current interim Board of Directors, temporarily comprised of members of your local council, is seeking people who reside within Rossburn Municipality to sit on the Board of the CDC. The first task of the new Board will be to develop a new organizational by-law, including specific mandates and operating procedures as well as determining the make-up of the Board.

If you are interested in joining an organization in which you can make a significant contribution to your community, please contact the Administration office at 204-859-2779 or email <a href="mailto:municipaloffice@rossburn.ca">municipaloffice@rossburn.ca</a>.

The Government of Canada Safe Restart Funding Program provided Manitoba Municipalities with per capita funding to assist with operating costs during the COVID-19 pandemic. Rossburn Municipality received much needed and appreciated relief in the amount of \$58,432.90. In particular, these funds will help offset lost revenue from facilities rentals and will help ensure we do not incur a 2020 operating deficit.

Initial discussions have been held to advance the idea of a permanent public display honoring our Veterans and the formation of a committee is in the plans. If you would like to join the committee or if you would like information regarding this initiative, contact Shirley Kalyniuk at 204-773-0297 or <a href="mailto:shirley-kalyniuk">shirkal8514@gmail.com</a>

#### Landfill:

Household Garbage Building - Now that we have a building at the waste grounds to store garbage this building is ONLY to be used for household garbage. When dropping off garbage at the waste grounds it is only to be household garbage that MUST be bagged in a plastic garbage bag. We will not accept loose garbage items or unbagged garbage.

Metal Recycling: Whether you are taking your household garbage to the waste grounds or for in town garbage pick-up, your bagged garbage should not contain metal. Please separate your metal from your bagged household garbage and then place it in the waste grounds metal recycling area. Metal includes such items as hand tools, appliances, wire, tanks (propane/helium/glue/oxygen), and hardware.

Couches & Mattresses: There is a separate area at the waste grounds to place your couches and mattresses.

Construction/Demolition Waste: Construction waste must be separated out, and you are required to contact Public Works in advance before you bring construction or demolition waste to the waste grounds. This does not include <u>shingles</u> which can be dropped off in a separate area at the waste grounds.

Compost: There is a compost area located at the lagoon road to deposit your garden waste. Please do NOT place branches or plastic bags in with your compost waste.

Styrofoam: Place your food styrofoam containers in your household garbage. However, styrofoam packing material should be placed in a separate clear bag in its own area in the waste grounds building.

Animal Carcasses: We do NOT accept dead animals at our waste grounds.

Cardboard and Electronics: As both cardboard and electronics are recyclable, they will NOT be accepted at the waste grounds and are to be deposited at the Town recycling depot.

On behalf of Council and all the staff, we would like to wish you and your family a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We would also like to thank everyone for doing their part in helping to keep our community safe through the pandemic, we will get through it together.





On Oct 20, 2020 Council gave final reading to By-Law 2020-003, Fees and Charges, which replaced By-Law 2015-012. A full version of the By-Law is available on our website,

www.rossburn.ca
Charges that we wish to bring to your attention are included on

the following condensed list.

Condensed List - Bylaw 2020-003 Fees & Charges

2014011124 2100 25144 2020 000 1000 00

Administrative: Fees include GST
Photocopying - No Color \$1 Per side, Color \$2 Per side
Faxes -In or Out \$3 fee + \$1/page
Taxes -Tax Bill Statement duplicate \$2
Returned Cheques -NSF & other reasons \$40

Municipality Maps - B & W \$20

- B & W Laminated \$30
- Color \$30
- Color Laminated \$40

History Books - 2 Vol History book \$40

- 2013 History Book \$50
- Remembering Rossburn \$5

Lottery License -\$5

#### **Public Works:**

Snowplowing & Grading- Private driveways & property, \$200 per hour + GST

Flat rate Minimum - 15 minutes or less \$50 + GST

- 16 min to 30 minutes \$100 +GST
- 31 min to 45 minutes \$150 + GST
- 46 min to 1 hour \$200 + GST

Special calls include travel time from shop.

Extra Pick-Ups to landfill - Discontinued. No appliances, branches or large items.

Culverts - Current cost plus 10%. \$35 freight & handling charge No Delivery, must be picked up.

Signage - Civic Addressing Sign (rural) \$75+GST Includes post & installation.

Water Meters -Current cost plus 10%. \$35 freight & handling charge. All new or replacements will be charged.



The much needed new organ for the Community Hall was purchased. Thank you for the \$500.00 donation from the Lions and the balance from the Municipality.

## TO THE TOTAL PART OF THE PART

#### **Rossburn Lions Club**

Wow! What a fall we had. I can't believe that Christmas is just around the corner already.

The Rossburn Lions have been busy, especially Lion David and his family. Since spring, they have been working on our Field of Hope and Charity. 30 acres of land were prepped, seeded with canola and harvested. Thanks to these amazing sponsors - Richardson Pioneer, Rossburn Municipality, Corteva, Nutrien, Syngenta, Fusion Credit Union, Twin Valley Co-op, Turko fertilizer, Bunge, BASF and Kalvin Kreshewski - we raised over \$15,000. We can't thank you all enough for everything that you have done!

Due to Covid-19, we will not be organizing our annual Lighted Christmas Parade this year. Instead, we encourage you to decorate your yards and go for a drive around the neighborhood. We are working on bringing the Lions Quest to all our homeschooling families. Watch for more in the next Matters and online.

This year their will be No Journey For Sight due to Covid-19, but the fundraiser is still on and raffle tickets are now available through our members. We offer contactless options for a chance to win a snowmobile, please see our Facebook page for more info.

We are also putting a call-out for new members and new project ideas. We are here to serve!

From all of us we would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas. Stay safe, stay home! Wishing you much health, happiness and a prosperous New Year!

Karina Ketelsen, Rossburn Lions Club Chair



Looking for workers? Give the Employment Resource Centre a call @ 204 773 3353. We can advertise your job, find a suitable employee for you and discuss the possibility of wage subsidies and apprenticeship.

#### **Health Tip of the Month – Smoking Cessation**

As the days get colder and having to step outside for a smoke becomes less desirable, it's a good time to consider quitting. Quitting smoking is one of the best things you can do for your health but also one of the hardest. The benefits of quitting start fast and get even better with time. After 8 hours your blood oxygen level goes back to normal. By day 2 your sense of taste and smell will improve. It only takes weeks for your blood to flow better. Within a few months your breathing will improve. Your risk of heart attack goes down by 50% after only a year of being smoke free.

Quitting cold turkey can be very difficult but there are nicotine replacements like gum and patches that can help. There are also pills that can block cravings and help quitting too. Support from friends and family is also key. There are lots of resources to help quitting and you can always ask your pharmacist, doctor, nurse or other healthcare provider anytime!

Craig Manns -Pharmacist

#### Rossburn Game & Fish - Raffle

Prize 1 – Bradley Original 4 Rack Electric Smoker, two boxes of flavor bisquettes, 2 Game & Fish hats (Valued at \$500.00).

Prize 2 – Pleasant Hearth 26" Square outdoor fire pit, bottle of red wine, bottle of white wine, bottle of Bailey's Cherry/ Chocolate, 2 campfire sticks, 2 Game & Fish t-shirts, box of chocolates (Valued at \$300.00).

**Prize 3** – 4 Day Camping Pass to Arrow Lake Campground for 2021 season plus \$30.00 of firewood donated by Landon Koloski and delivered to campsite (Valued at \$150.00).

**Prize 4** – Youth Hunting/Fishing package containing starter fishing kit, field box, rifle cleaning kit, LED headlamp, ice fishing rod, duck call, doe bleat, targets, orange toque, ice fishing hooks, Game and Fish t-shirt, 2 Game and Fish hooks, plus chocolates, candy, game (Valued at \$200.00).

Proceeds go to upgrades and repairs to the Arrow Lake Campground docks and play structure.

Tickets are only 1 for \$2 or 3 for \$5. Book of 15 tickets for \$25. Draw date December 19, 2020 @ 1:00 PM Text, call or message Connie at 204-859-0281 or email: rossburngame-andfish@hotmail.com and we will be sure you get your tickets for a chance to win one of these great prizes. Just in time for Christmas. Thank you for your continued support.

#### **Rossburn Health Centre Auxiliary News for 2020**

We wish to update everyone about our activities during 2020, as it has been a very strange and different year from any we have ever experienced.

We have not met since February but have certainly not sat idle during COVID. We still try to assist with purchases for the residents at the Personal Care Home.

Meals on Wheels is a very important component of a service we, the Auxiliary provide for anyone living alone and really doesn't like cooking a meal for one person. Meals are prepared at the PCH and ARE AVAILABLE 3 TIMES A WEEK. The cost is \$8.00 per meal. We would like to recognize the staff @ Fusion Credit Union, who have generously offered to deliver the meals - 2 weeks in October, all of November and 2 weeks in December. We truly are blessed to have caring staff doing this valuable service, giving our regular Volunteer Drivers a bit of a Holiday. So Thank You, Thank You from the bottom of our hearts.

We are thankful that we can communicate via telephone, which is strange and not the way we like to meet. Socializing is a very important part of life for all of us and this hasn't been an easy time for all of us, not just here but around the globe.

We get a Wish List two times a year for items that are needed at the Home, whether it is for the residents, Doctor's office, Diagnostics, Dietary or Housekeeping.

We have already purchased Christmas Gifts for all the Residents at the PCH so we do hope life becomes more normal so Santa can stop by and give the gifts to the residents.

We have been requested to replace all the quilts that are used by the residents, 30 in all. Due to constant laundering their life span is not more than 6 years, so many are down to their end of being useful. We have found a seamstress who shall sew over time 3 to 4 till we get to 30.

This year we will have spent \$1,543.72 for all the above purchases. As we all struggle during the Pandemic, we, the Auxiliary continue to care and help those vulnerable, in the Care Home and all seniors in our community.

In closing, we want to wish everyone a Joyous, Healthy Christmas and may 2021 bring us all back to a more normal life so we can enjoy the company of family and friends.

Respectfully submitted by: Shirley Kalyniuk (President for the Auxiliary in Rossburn)

The Rossburn Christmas Cheer Board is once again accepting names of individuals or families who may benefit from a little help during the holiday season. Due to Covid-19 an actual hamper may not be delivered. A grocery card to Co-op may be safely delivered instead. Please contact Charlene @ 204 -859-0798 by December 11th.



Box 550, Rossburn, MB R0J1Z0 Phone: 204-859-5036 Fax: 204-859-5034

Driver Licensing, Autopac, General Insurance, Farm & Business Insurance, Hail Insurance and Real Estate.



Box 653, 28 Main St. South Rossburn, MB ROJ 1VO

Call Lorne at 204-859-2940 or 859-0058 (cell)

#### **Complete Sales & Services**

Complete Auto Service Autopac Glass Repairs & Replacement Safeties, Oil Changes & Tire Sales Portable Toilet Rentals Septic Tank Pumping Used Vehicles Sales



Steve McKim 204-821-4007 www.45networks.ca steve@45networks.ca

\* Internet service with speeds up to 100 Mbps.

\* Unlimited data usage.