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## ORGANIZING YOUR PHOTO MEMORIES



1949 – The Year of The Flood in Onoway  
Submitted by Yvonne Slemko | Onoway and District Historical Guild

Do you look at those boxes of old photos or photo albums and wonder what to do with them? What about those “important” documents that you hate to



Ruth Schultz, June 1926

throw away?

One of the concerns faced at the Onoway Museum and Archives is how to arrange photos donated to the museum so that they are accessible but, perhaps more importantly, how to store them so they are not damaged over time. The Museum has

received numerous coil-bound photo albums where the photos are kept in place behind plastic pages. These pages stick to the surface of the photos and result in deterioration over time.

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## ROTARY CLUB OF WHITECOURT DONATES \$100,000 TO ENHANCEMENTS AT WHITECOURT’S ROTARY PARK

Submitted by Tara Gallant, Legislative Manager | Town of Whitecourt

The Town of Whitecourt is proud to announce that the Rotary Club of Whitecourt has donated \$100,000 towards future enhancements at Rotary Park.

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# Rotary Club Of Whitecourt Donates \$100,000 To Enhancements At Whitecourt's Rotary Park

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"The Rotary Club of Whitecourt is excited to continue its partnership with the Town of Whitecourt by presenting a do-

nation of \$100,000 to the next phase of the pride of our community, Rotary Park," stated Club President Nevis Prufer. "Rotary Park exists because of past, present, and future Rotarians, and

the support of the community at large."

Rotary Park, the gem of our community which happens to hold their namesake, was developed cooperatively and involved

transforming a former gravel pit into one of the most popular family destinations in the province. Rotary Park continues to be a summer favourite for not only residents, but also people from across our region and province. Interest in the Park grows each year, and the municipality has noted an increase in the number of inquiries from tourists visiting the area specifically to see the Park.

"Whitecourt and the Rotary Club have a shared vision of creating superior lifestyle opportunities for people of all ages," added Whitecourt Mayor Maryann Chichak. "Over the years, we have worked closely in our pursuit to develop and enhance recreational and leisure opportunities as a way to build the community and grow our local economy. This generous contribution to Rotary Park will be used towards one of the projects identified in the newly adopted Sportsfield Master Plan."

The Rotary Club of Whitecourt sponsors numerous activities at various facilities that families can enjoy for free, including family skating at the Scott Safety Centre, family swimming at the Allan & Jean Millar Centre, and family range day at the Whitecourt Golf & Country Club. The Club also proudly sponsors the Rotary Totally "Unplugged" Program (summer day camp for ages 6-12), Totally Unplugged 2.0 (adventure camp for teens), Seniors' Week activities, and the Family Day BBQ that are all hosted by the Town of Whitecourt. In addition, the Club has contributed to enhancements at the Allan & Jean Millar Centre (multi-use recreation facility) and Eastlink Park (local ski/board hill).

The President of the Rotary Club of Whitecourt added "The Club relies on the funds raised from the annual Lobsterfest to support projects such as enhancements at Rotary Park. This year's event will be held May 5 at St. Joseph Hall. Those interested in sponsoring, donating to, and supporting the event can call Jenn Hendrickson at 780-779-8698."

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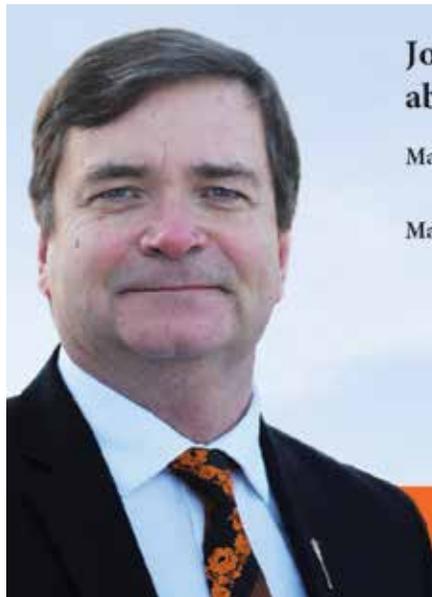
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# Organizing Your Photo Memories



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Onway and District Historical Guild is hosting a photo organizing/preserving workshop at the Onway Heritage Centre on Tuesday April 24 at 7:00 p.m. Karen Murdock, a Certified Photo Organizer, will tell how to organize and preserve photos. This is not strictly a lecture. Participants are asked to bring a shoe-

box of photos for some hands-on time categorizing photos, then using the correct supplies, ensure that the photos are properly preserved.

In order to ensure that there are adequate supplies, participants are asked to pre-register by phoning 780.967.1015. Learn how to save your memories in photos. Start hunting and gathering your photos now!

## JOKE OF THE WEEK

A cat meets a fox in the forest. The fox asks the cat why she smells so dreadful. The cat replies, "I was walking by a pooping bear and he asked me if my fur makes fuzz. I said no. So he wiped his butt with me." The fox wonders: "So how come you're still in such a good mood?" "Well" the cat replies, "When he was done with me, he asked the hedgehog."

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# RCMP RECEIVE FIREARM COMPLAINT

**Submitted by Stony Plain/ Spruce Grove/ Enoch RCMP**

At approximately 12:00 pm on March 12, 2018 RCMP responded to a complaint from the public

of a male in a vehicle pointing a firearm at the other passengers of his vehicle.

Police subsequently located the vehicle and all three male occupants were taken into custo-

dy. Upon further investigation the firearm was determined to be a replica.

No one outside of the vehicle was threatened at any time. No one was injured in this incident

and the three males were released without charges.

Police take these types of complaints very seriously and treat all firearms as if they are a real threat.

## RCMP BEATS

**Submitted by Stony Plain/ Spruce Grove RCMP**

Occurrences for the week of 5 March to 11 March 2018.

Total Calls for Service Spruce Grove/Stony Plain/Enoch Detachment: 602

Total Calls for Service for the Victim Service Unit: 31

Individuals Charged: 104

Person Crimes reported: 58

Property Crimes reported: 71

Impaired Driving Complaints reported: 12

Impaired Driving Charges Laid: 2

Roadside Suspensions: 1

Motor Vehicle Collisions Attended: 41

Property Crimes:

Spruce Grove

1. March 6 – Area of Greenwood Bay – Break and Enter to Garage, red and white mountain bike stolen

2. March 7 – Area of Manor Drive – Theft from Vehicle, diesel heater stolen

3. March 7 – Area of Belleville Avenue – Theft from Vehicle, wallet stolen

4. March 7 – Area of Aspen Glen Drive – Theft from Vehicle, GPS and jacket stolen

5. March 10 – Area of Westridge Crescent – Theft of Vehicle, 2007 grey Ford F350

6. March 10 – Area of Meadowland Way – Theft of Vehicle, 2003 white Chevrolet Express Van

Stony Plain

7. March 8 – Area of 44 Avenue and 35 Street – Break and Enter to Shed

Rural

8. March 9 – Area of Township Road 542 and Range Road 35 – Theft of Snowmobile, 2008 black Ski Doo Summit

9. March 9 – Area of Township Road 531 and Range Road 14 – Break and Enter to Residence, laptop stolen

10. March 10 – Area of Yeoman Avenue, Onoway – Theft from Vehicle, CDs and registration stolen

Stony Plain/Spruce Grove RCMP remind you not to make it easy for thieves. Never leave purse/backpacks unattended in

a vehicle, shopping cart, etc. It only takes seconds for a thief to steal it.

The Spruce Grove / Stony Plain Drug Section Information Tip Line is 780-968-7212. Anyone with drug information is asked to call and leave a message.

If you have information regarding any of these crimes, or any other crime, please call the RCMP At 780-962-2222 or 780-968-7267. You can also call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 or text the keyword TIP205 (TIP250 for Edmonton Metro) & your Tip to CRIMES (274637)

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# FCC OFFERS ASSISTANCE TO CUSTOMERS IMPACTED BY GRAIN MOVEMENT DELAYS

Submitted by Trevor Suter, Corporate Communication | Farm Credit Canada

Regina, Saskatchewan, March 7, 2018 – Farm Credit Canada (FCC) is offering support to customers across western Canada facing potential cash flow problems due to delays in grain movement to inter-

national markets. “We have been monitoring the grain movement situation for the past number of weeks and are aware it could have an impact on our customers’ short-term cash flow through the busy spring season,” said Michael Hoffort, FCC president and CEO. “We feel it is important that we be proactive and ensure our

customers know that we are here to support them and have tools available to reduce the impact on their business from these unforeseen challenges that are beyond their control.”

FCC is available to support all its grain and oilseed customers potentially impacted by delays in grain delivery in the three Prairie prov-

inces and British Columbia’s Peace region, and to explore options to address their individual needs.

“We will support customers as needed, and continue to ensure they have the financial means to get their crops in the ground this spring,” Hoffort said, noting FCC rolled out a similar program in 2014.

Lawrence MacAulay, Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, said FCC is a strong and stable partner in the agriculture sector which is there to provide support for farmers.

“I am pleased that Farm Credit Canada will help producers deal with the unfortunate financial challenges caused by the delay in grain transportation,” MacAulay said. “Working with FCC, we will closely monitor cash flow concerns and ensure producers potentially impacted by delays in grain delivery have the flexibility they need. I also encourage all affected producers to consider applying to the federal Advance Payments Program (APP), a financial loan guarantee program that gives producers easier access to credit through repayable cash advances.”

The APP offers cash advances for stored or planted crop of up to \$400,000, the first \$100,000 interest-free. Under the APP, the federal government guarantees repayment of cash advances issued to farmers by producer organizations.

Customers are also encouraged to contact their FCC relationship manager or the FCC Customer Service Centre at 1-888-332-3301 as soon as possible to discuss their individual situation and options.

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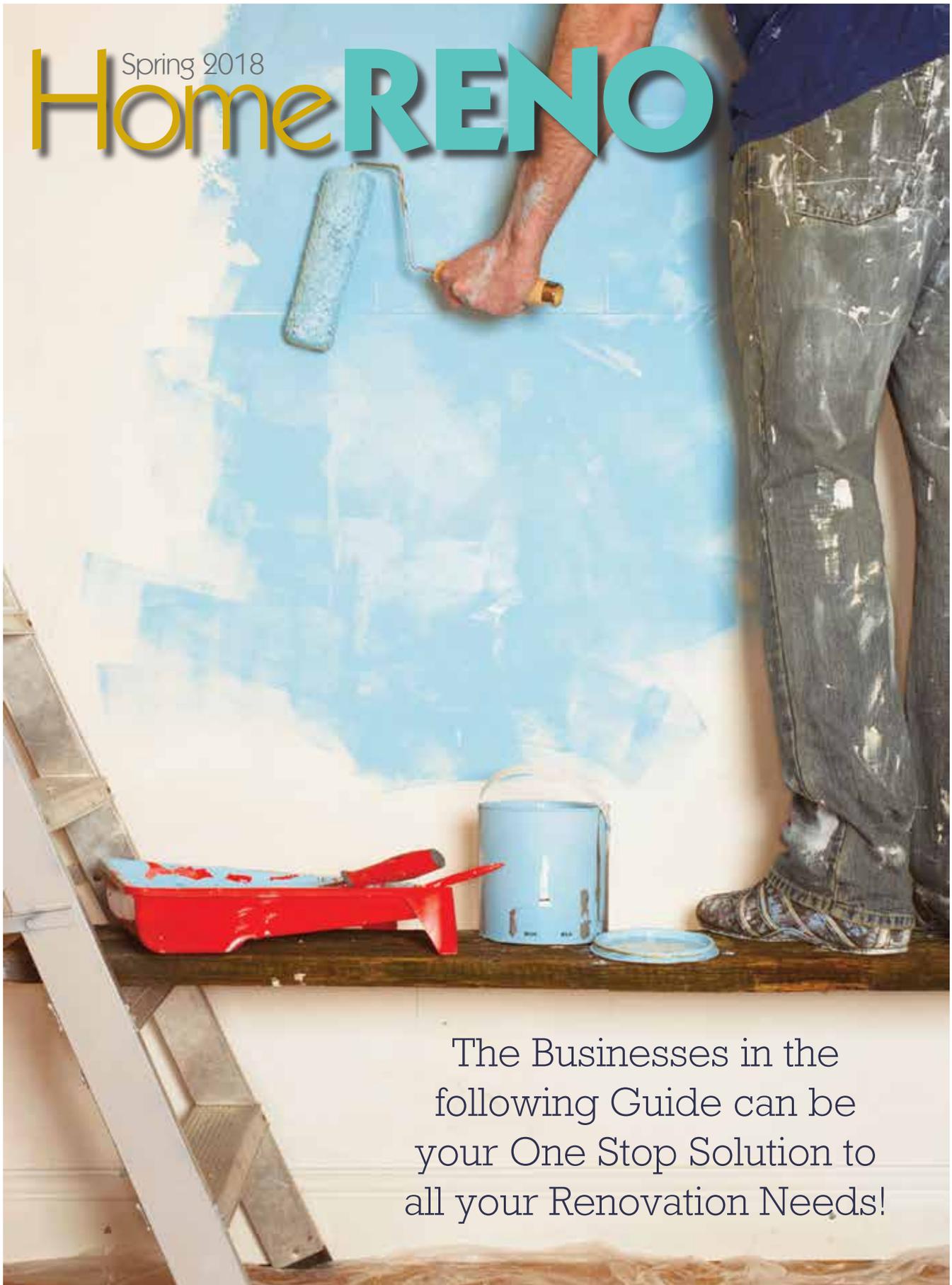
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## PREPARE HVAC SYSTEMS FOR WARMER DAYS AHEAD

Before the weather starts to warm up too much, homeowners may want to evaluate their home cooling needs and ensure that all equipment is in good working order.

Spring air conditioning inspections and tuneups are essential steps in system performance. Homeowners should not take for granted that a system that performed optimally last year will do so this year when temperatures climb. Various factors, including weather damage, dust and grime, mechanical wear and tear, and even rodent or insect infestations, can compromise HVAC systems. Since HVAC systems have so many moving parts, a thorough inspection of such systems can save headaches and money down the road.

According to Heating Ontario, the extreme weather conditions that come along with fall and winter can be especially taxing on

homes and the systems that keep them comfortable. During a spring visit, an HVAC technician will perform maintenance on the air conditioner and make sure it is ready for the heat of summertime. This maintenance may include cleaning the unit, checking controls, calibrating the thermostat, lubricating moving parts, checking refrigerant levels, tightening electrical connections, and clearing any clogs. Homeowners are urged to also change the filter at the start of the cooling season.

Correcting any issues in the HVAC system well in advance of the arrival of warm weather can help ensure comfort when air conditioning is needed. As an added advantage, homeowners should install programmable thermostats if they do not already have them to keep cooling as cost- and energy-efficient as possible.

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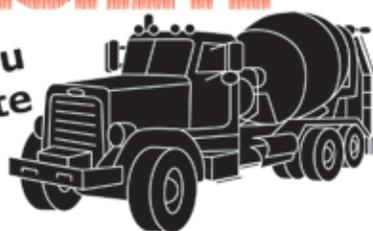
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Increase usable yard space

Awnings can create privacy and establish boundaries for outdoor living areas. Place an awning over a deck, tables and chairs, or an entire patio area. Some people like to install awnings over a portion of their pools to provide shade for those who want to escape the sun's rays. Motorized awnings can be retracted with the push of a button, which can help homeowners with physical limitations.

Protect against sun damage

Awnings provide excellent protection against sun damage, as they can shield outdoor furniture from direct sunlight, helping to reduce the chances for discoloration or fading.

Reduce air conditioning costs

In addition to shading outdoor living areas, smaller awnings can be placed over southern- and western-facing windows, shielding interiors against the sun's rays. In turn, this may reduce reliance on air conditioners.

Expand gardening possibilities

Some plants require very specific light conditions to grow. Awnings can protect shade-loving plants from harsh sunlight and filter the sun for plants that require indirect light. They can be placed over a patio container garden or permanent garden structure.

Add value for buyers

For those who may be selling their homes soon, awning may help them receive top dollar. Today's buyers want houses that have attractive and functional exteriors, and an awning can provide that

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# SURVIVING A HOME RENOVATION

Homeowners invest large sums into improving their homes to make them more comfortable living spaces or to increase their odds of selling quickly. The Remodeling Futures Program at the Joint Center for Housing Studies of Harvard University predicted U.S. spending on home renovations and repairs to peak at \$327

billion in 2017. Whether one is doing a large renovation or a small remodel, life may be turned upside down during the project. Furniture may be moved out of the room, walls may be demolished, water or electricity may be turned off, and appliances may be missing or not hooked up. Home improvements

often drum up dust and disarray. Such projects can try the patience of any homeowner, and things may get worse before they get better.

Even though remodeling can be taxing, the end result is often worth it. Here's how to look forward to the silver lining and come out unscathed.

Discuss the project before it starts.

All family members should be in agreement before the first hammer is swung. Decide on as many details as you can ahead of time and have a firm plan in place. Establish back-up choices for tiles or color schemes in case the items you want are out of stock. Trying to make decisions under duress may result in bad choices.

Do one project at a time.

It's tempting to want to improve as much as possible at once to maximize motivation and renovation materials. However, having no place in which to escape the mess can elevate stress levels. Do not think about renovating kitchens and bathrooms all at once, or you will not have any working fixtures for tasks like washing up.

Have everything in place.

Before demolition even begins, have building materials bought and stored, contractors and subcontractors lined up, and see what you can do to minimize the time workers need to spend in your home.

but expect delays.

In a world where things move at lightning speeds, renovations have not gotten the memo. Home projects take lots of time and will likely take longer if you are doing the work yourself in your free time. Build lots of extra time into the project so you are not disappointed when delays happen - even when you've done your best to avoid them.

Plan an escape zone

Construction environments can be messy, loud, smelly, and a host of other unsavory adjectives. The chaos that ensues when life is turned upside down can be overwhelming, particularly for the person who spends the most time in the home while work is being done. Build escape moments into the plan and make sure everyone else at home is on board. During the real grind of the project, a night or two at a hotel may be a welcome respite.

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## MEDIA ROOMS NOW EDGE OUT HOME THEATERS

Not so long ago many homeowners were racing to outfit their homes with home theater spaces. If spaces allowed, homeowners would transform rooms into dark, theater-like retreats, complete with large screens, surround sound and reclined seating. Interest in such spaces has waned in recent years, with many homeowners opting for media rooms instead. So what is the difference between these spaces?

According to HGTV, a home theater is a room designed to replicate the experience of the cinema. A media room is a multipurpose space where people can gather to enjoy any type of media, from TV to music to gaming systems. Home theaters tend to limit activity to watching movies. However, homeowners interested in more versatile

spaces may find media rooms are much more practical.

A media room is an option for families who want a theater experience in common areas or open-concept living spaces, says Digitech Custom Audio and Video System Integration Specialists. Media rooms frequently feature comfortable, customizable seating, rather than rows of seats facing the screen that are standard in home theaters. Guests can converse in media rooms while enjoying a show, streaming music or gaming. Various design layouts are possible, including furniture that conceals electronics so the media room can be an entertainment lounge one minute and a theater the next.

Because media rooms are not as isolated as home theaters, the acoustics in such rooms may be

compromised. That's a disadvantage for homeowners who have invested heavily in sound systems for their media devices. Sound from media rooms also may filter out and disturb others in different rooms of the house. However, fluffy sofas, drapery

and carpeting can absorb sound and keep it in the room.

Homeowners who like to entertain while watching or listening to media may prefer the flexibility of media rooms, which make it easy to stream movies and music and play games.

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Home improvement projects ramp up when the weather warms up, as homeowners channel the rejuvenating feelings of spring and tackle their home to-do lists. Large-scale renovations can greatly affect a home, but smaller projects can yield impressive results and be completed over the course of a single weekend.

If time is of the essence, these weekend or one-day projects may satisfy homeowners' desires to fix up their homes.

- Create an accent wall. Painting a focal wall in a home can create a serious impact. The bonus is it will not take as long or require as many materials as painting an entire room.

Accent walls frequently feature a bold color, so decide on placement and tackle this project in less than a day.

- Install stair runners. Dress up hardwood stairs with decorative carpet runners. Runners come in elongated pieces of carpeting or individual pieces that can be placed

on each step. If carpeting doesn't fit with the home's design, painting individual stair treads also can create visual appeal.

- Dress up the entryway. An entryway is a guest's first impression of a home. Many entryways can use a minor overhaul, both inside and outside. Paint the front door a different color so it pops from the curb. Install a new mailbox or decorative house numbers. A new welcome mat can change the look as well. Inside, consider laying a new floor. Resilient vinyl tiles come in many different patterns and can mimic the look of wood, travertine or marble. Installing a floor can take a day or two.

- Install a new faucet. Instantly improve a kitchen or a bathroom with new fixtures. New faucets can provide aesthetic appeal and low-flow faucets can help conserve water.

- Create a gallery on the staircase. Gather and arrange framed photos, artwork or wall accents so that they ascend the wall of a staircase. This creates a designer touch and can dress up an often barren area of wall space.

- Install a fresh light fixture. Improve drab spaces with a little illumination. Better Homes & Gardens suggests replacing an existing fixture with something new and vibrant. If hanging a new fixture is not within one's skill set, free-standing table or floor lamps also can cast a new glow on a space.

- Add molding. Molding can add instant aesthetic appeal to a room. Molding is appropriate near the floor, at the top of walls where they meet the ceiling, or even mid-wall as a chair rail. Some homeowners like to create framed molding on walls in formal living spaces.

- Update kitchen or bathroom hardware. Replacing hardware is a fast and easy project, but one that can have immediate impact. Swap out tired or outdated hardware for newer brushed metals and more impactful shapes and designs.

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mechanics can be invaluable resources, drivers can take several minor, simple steps to keep their cars running smoothly for years to come.

your owner's manual.

- Perform weekly visual inspections. Few drivers take the time to look at their vehicles once those vehicles lose their new car luster. But visual inspections can help drivers find problems that, though minor, may impact their vehicles' performance. For example, a routine examination of vehicle tires can indicate if those tires are properly inflated. Poorly inflated tires can decrease fuel efficiency and affect the overall safety of a vehicle. If tires appear flat, check their pressure and inflate them to the levels listed in

- Look for fluid leaks. Another telltale and easily identifiable sign that a vehicle needs some maintenance is the sight of fluids beneath the car. If you notice puddles or stains beneath where you normally park your car, your vehicle may be leaking fluids. Note the color and consistency of the fluid and then call your mechanic to determine which fluid is leaking and how to fix the problem.

- Stick to manufacturer-recommended maintenance schedules. Whether your vehicle is brand new or has some tread on its tire, consult the owner's manual for manufacturer recommendations with regard to changing fluids

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and replacing filters. Many recent models can now be driven roughly 5,000 miles before they need an oil change, but check your owner's manual for the guidelines established by your vehicle's manufacturer, and adhere to that schedule religiously. If you drive an older car, recognize that the vehicle may benefit from more frequent oil changes and tuneups.

In addition, read the manual for additional guidelines, such as how often to replace the air filter, headlight, turn signal and brake lamps, windshield wipers, and other vehicle parts that can wear down over time.

• Look under the hood as well. While many drivers feel that the

area beneath their vehicles' hoods is best left to the professionals, you can still lift up the hood every so often to see if there are any glaring problems that demand attention. Inspect rubber belts for signs of wear and tear, and know that such belts may need to be replaced every 50,000 miles or even more frequently depending on your driving habits. Lifting the hood is also necessary when checking fluid levels, which you should check periodically and before and after any long trips.

Drivers who notice or suspect damage when performing simple vehicle maintenance should bring these concerns to the attention of their mechanics as soon as possible.



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# CALLING BAND ALUMNI

**Submitted by Onoway Music Parents Association (OMPA)**

The 2018 Bottles for the Band fundraiser was a great success. Thank you so much to the Onoway Community for donating bottles, we greatly appreciate it. Many thanks to the parents and students who volunteered their time to make it all happen. And a great big thank you to the staff at the Onoway Bottle Bin!

The Onoway Music Parents Association (OMPA) is pleased to announce the 15th Annual Coffeehouse Showcase, highlighting:

- the Joe Saumer Big Band
- Mission Hill Brass Band
- Our Honours Band
- Chamber Ensembles
- Jazz Band
- "Let's Swing" dance team

As this is the 15th Coffeehouse, we are issuing a special invitation to all OJHS Band Alumni. We'd love to see you!

The Coffeehouse program is interesting, varied, and provides a neat alternative to our traditional Concerts. Guests are invited to enjoy some absolutely outstanding music (and munchies!) while

they visit, browse and bid at the Silent Auction tables.

Mark your calendar for Saturday March 24th (doors at 6:30, performances at 7:00) to join the OJHS Honours Band as they present an evening of musical entertainment, refreshments and fun. The evening will include a silent auction fundraiser, with proceeds going toward the OHS Band Program, door prizes, and raffle. Also, we are having a 50/50 draw to benefit the Joe Saumer scholarship.

Tickets are \$15 and are available at OJHS and the Alberta

Beach and Onoway Libraries.

We are currently accepting donations for new and unique items to include in the auction. Please contact Vivian at 780-860-1055 or v.mcdonald@explornet.com to contribute an item.

The Onoway Music Parents Association (OMPA) is a not-for-profit organization run by parent volunteers which works behind the scenes to raise funds, organize events and support the bands. We are a committed group of parents working hard to help make it all happen, and we always have room for more. Thank you!

## RIDING UPDATE – WEEK OF MARCH 12, 2018

**Submitted by Jim Eglinski, MP – Yellowhead**

As stated at the end of my last update, I took a week off in lieu of a winter vacation. Upon my return to the riding, I got right back to work. Over the week, I met with several constituents throughout the riding, returned emails and phone calls, and participated in meetings. I spent Monday in my Edson office, where I answered emails and met with constituents concerning issues in the riding.

On Tuesday, I had a meeting in Edson regarding Kinder Morgan's Trans Mountain Pipeline Project. After my meeting, I drove to Jasper where I participated in the Jasper National Park Annual Forum, a public forum where the Park's yearly report is discussed. This year, it was also an opportunity to

ask Park staff about Jasper's wildfire preparedness and the spread of the mountain pine beetle. On Wednesday, I stopped in Nordegg to meet with a constituent while on my way to Rocky Mountain House, where I spent some time in the office. After meeting with residents the following day, I drove to Drayton Valley for more meetings with constituents and business leaders, and later returned

to Edson.

On Friday, I attended the Peers Play School Ukrainian Supper and Dessert Auction.

I will spend Saturday celebrating St. Patrick's Day with friends and family before heading back to Ottawa on Sunday. The House of Commons will sit for two weeks before the Easter holiday. Look for my update next Friday on the happenings of Parliament.

## WHITECOURT TOWN COUNCIL UPDATE

**Submitted by Tara Galant, Legislative Manager | Town of Whitecourt**

Each year, representatives from local emergency service functions provide a report to Council on activities. At the February 26 Regular Meeting, Council received reports from the Whitecourt Fire Department and Municipal Bylaw Enforcement. Highlights from the reports include:

- Members of the Whitecourt Fire Department responded to 328 calls, training, and the volunteers logged over 12,500 hours of service to our community. The Department will continue to promote the FireSmart Program in 2018. For current information on the Department and its activities, follow the Department's Facebook page at WhitecourtFD.

- Municipal Bylaw Enforcement continues to assist departments throughout the organization, and will be restarting community and event bike patrols in the coming weeks.

- An overview of 2017 will be presented by the Whitecourt RCMP in the near future.

The Economic Development Committee also provided an update on activities and accomplishments. The Committee and staff continue to work with provincial and local

partners to attract investment and retain businesses in our community. This year, the economic development team will be conducting an online survey of the business community that will help develop future programs and resources to help with expansion and improve operations. Watch for the survey this April.

As a result of a 2018 incident in Fernie, BC, Occupational Health and Safety has been conducting site visits and audits of arenas across Alberta. A successful audit of the Scott Safety Centre was conducted in January 2018. There were four areas identified for improvement during the visit, which is exceptional. The inspectors identified only one other facility with fewer areas for improvement. The four items have already been addressed and reviewed by the Provincial OH&S Inspector.

Council scheduled a Special Meeting for April 3, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. to discuss the 2018 Budget. The 2018 Interim Budget was passed in December 2017. The final budget will include updates for provincial and federal grants, and assessment values. The Town of Whitecourt held a 2018 Budget Open House on February 28 to inform residents of proposed projects for the year, and to hear comments

on priorities and where tax dollars are spent. Comments received from the event will be reviewed during final budget deliberations.

The Collision Report is prepared annually, and the 2017 report shows an overall decrease in collisions from the previous year. However, incidents along the Highway 43 corridor have increased despite decreasing traffic counts. The Town of Whitecourt will be sending a letter to Alberta Transportation, which is responsible for safety and maintenance of the highway, informing the department of the local findings.

Council approved the closure of a portion of 47 Avenue to allow for the consolidation and sale of several properties within the downtown south area.

The Community Services Department presented its 2017 Year End Report to Council at the March 12 meeting. The report is prepared annually to provide Council and the Community Services Advisory Board with an overview of programs and services offered, and records major projects and accomplishments achieved throughout the year. Highlights from the report include:

- 102,815 scanned visits at the Allan & Jean Millar Centre;
- 1,816 people participated in reg-

istered programs;

- 66,678 visits to the ASAP Heating & Well Servicing Fitness Centre and Rotary Running Track;

- 2,043 people participated in aquatics classes at the Alliance Pipeline Aquatic Centre;

- 1,489 people were assisted through the Whitecourt Food Bank;

- 1,606 children and 1,296 adults attended Parent Link & Early Childhood Development programs;

- 22,990 passengers were provided service on Public Transit – double from 2016.

- A complete copy of the report can be viewed on [www.whitecourt.ca](http://www.whitecourt.ca).

Alberta Infrastructure is proceeding with an addition to the front of the Courthouse at 5020 52 Avenue to allow for Sheriff transportation units to park within the building. The project is valued at approximately \$2 million and construction is scheduled to start this spring.

Rowen Camps-Daly and Alycia Dibben are this year's Mayor for a Day initiative winners! Both students will be shadowing Mayor Chichak and attending the next Regular Meeting of Council on March 26.

Council has changed the date for the Regular Meeting of Council in August to Tuesday, August 21.

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**MAR 25 - SUNDAY BRUNCH** hosted by the Onoway Community Hall Association, 11:00am – 2:00pm. Adults \$10, 10 and under \$6, Preschool free.

**MAR 26 - SANGUDO HORTICULTURAL CLUB: DAHLIAS TO DELPHINIUMS**, presented by Nick Lysachok. 7:00pm at the Sangudo Golden Age Club (4927-50ave Sangudo). Members of the public welcome. (\$5.00 drop in fee)

**FARMERS MARKETS**

**ALBERTA BEACH:** Open Every Sunday, May - Oct, 12-3PM. Contact Joanne 780-690-6392  
**BARRHEAD:** Open Saturdays, May - Dec. 10AM - 1PM. Sherry 780-674-6802

**ONOWAY FARMERS' MARKET:** Fridays at Onoway Community Hall. Starts May 1<sup>st</sup>. 780-667-6327 or onowayfarmersmarket@gmail.com.

**SPRUCE GROVE:** at the Elevator, Sat 9:30-1:30pm, tables (780)240-5821

**STONY PLAIN:** Sat, 9AM-1PM, Downtown, Stony Plain. Nancy 780-962-3993.

**WESTLOCK:** 11-3PM, Bargain Shop Mall, Dave 780-954-2437

**WHITECOURT:** Legion, Tuesdays from 11AM - 2PM, May - Oct. 779-7002.

**BINGO**

**BARRHEAD ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION:** Doors 5:30pm, games start 7PM. Games: #7, Jack Pot, Mini Jack Pot, Loonie #1 & #2.

**CHERRILL BINGO:** Tuesdays at Cherhill Community Association. Doors @ 6:30PM, Games @ 7:30PM.

**CHERRILL LEGION:** First Sunday of Month. Doors Open 12:00PM

**MAYERTHORPE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION:** Tues, doors 6:30pm, bingo 7:30PM

**RICH VALLEY COMMUNITY HALL BINGO:** 7:30PM. Loonie Pots. Next bingos March 7 & 21, April 4 & 18.

**STONY PLAIN SENIOR'S DROP-IN CENTRE,** public bingo every Tues, 7PM. All ages welcome. Phone (780) 963-6685

**MEAT DRAWS**

**ALBERTA BEACH MUSEUM:** Every Sat 4PM, Alberta Beach Hotel

**ALBERTA BEACH:** 4PM, Every Sun. Jungles Bar & Grill

**BARRHEAD ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION:** Fridays 6:00PM. Queen Of Hearts draw & 50/50.

**DARWELL:** by Alberta Beach & District Lions Club, 4:00PM bi-weekly, Darwell Lounge & Restaurant

**ONOWAY ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION:** Fridays, Ph. 780-967-5361

**STONY PLAIN ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BR# 256:** Saturdays @ 3:00PM. Meat Draw & 50/50.

**WHITECOURT LEGION:** Saturdays 4:00PM. Located downtown behind the CIBC.

**MEALS ON WHEELS**

**ALBERTA BEACH & AREA:** Diane 780-924-2348.

**DARWELL & AREA:** Lorraine, 892-2967.

**ONOWAY & DIST:** Call 967-2338 or 967-5244.

**JAMBOREES**

**SANGUDO:** Sangudo Community Hall, 1<sup>st</sup> Sat of

month 7PM. 785-4105 or 305-5088. \*October - May.

**SPRUCE GROVE:** at Sandhills Community Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday, 1-5PM. Info Florence 780-962-3104 Margaret 780-962-3051 \*September - June.

**STONY PLAIN:** Stony Plain Seniors Drop In Center, 5018 - 51 Ave. Every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thurs of month, 7PM, \$2. PH: 587-989-7214 or 963-7920.

**THE ABBOTTSFIELD VARIETY MUSIC JAM:** at Abbotsfield Rec Centre (3006 119 Ave. Edmonton) 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of month, 7PM. PH: 780-918-8545, Adm: Donations Only.

**TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)**

**ALBERTA BEACH:** Tuesdays, Weigh-in 6:00-6:45PM. Meeting 7:00PM. Alberta Beach Lutheran Church, Hwy 633. 967-5009.

**EDMONTON:** Thurs 8:30-10AM at Annex of Grace United Church (6215-104 Ave). \$7/month

**SANGUDO:** Tues, United Church, 6:00PM. Sharon 785-2095 or Marlene 786-4646.

**STONY PLAIN:** Thurs evening, Stony Plain United Church. Susan (780) 968-0869

**SPRUCE GROVE:** Wed 8:45AM at Anglican Church, 131 Church Rd. Christiane 960-1109

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**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS** IF Drinking is a Problem, call 780-236-1043

**ONOWAY ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION:** Open Tuesdays 7:00PM to 10:00PM for "Games" (pool, shuffleboard, darts, cards, etc.) Fridays 3:00 PM - 10:00PM. Friday's Family Friendly Dinner, 5:30PM (open to the public).

**PROBLEMS WITH DRUG OR ALCOHOL ADDICTION** in a loved one? Contact Drug Rehab Resource free confidential consultation. 1-866-649-1594 or www.drugrehabresource.net.

**SPRUCE GROVE ELEVATOR TOURS,** Tues-Sat, 9:00-3:00PM. Info 960-4600.

**UNITED CHURCH THRIFT SHOP:** North end Curling Rink, Onoway. Open Fri & Sat, 10AM-4PM.

**VOLUNTEER TUTOR ADULT LITERACY PROGRAM:** Need assistance with reading/writing, English language (ESL) or Basic Computer skills? Free 1-on-1 tutoring! Carla Burkell, 780-554-2940, email: literacy@lsac.ca

**WATER SAMPLE DROP OFF:** Tues Onoway Aspen Health Services. Drop off 1:00-2:30PM.

**SOCIAL EVENTS**

**ALBERTA BEACH & DISTRICT ACTIVE 50+ CLUB ACTIVITIES:** Tues 7:30PM Crib; Wed 1PM Bridge. Mon, Wed, Fri 10:15AM Aerobics/Fitness.

**BADMINTON:** Wed, 7-10PM, Barrhead High School Gym. Jamie (780)674-8974 or (780)674-6974.

**COUNTRY QUILTERS** in Stony Plain house a "Sew in Tuesday", 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of every month,

from 10-3PM. Drop in \$5/member, \$6/non-members. Contact Cindy 780-963-7170.

**JR. SCRAPBOOKING** Wed 4-6PM. Pre-register by Tues evg. Mayerthorpe Public Library www.mayerthorpepubliclibrary.ab.ca (780)786-2404

**LAC STE ANNE COMMUNITY CHOIR,** Wed 7-9PM at Alberta Beach Heritage Center. New members welcome (18+). Call Eunice @ 780-618-7865.

**ONOWAY GOLDEN CLUB:** Cards Tuesdays, 1PM. Exercise Fridays, 10AM. 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday: Pot Luck Supper. Last Friday: Soup & Sandwich. 5023 49 Ave. 780-967-3436.

**ONOWAY HAVE FUN & GET FIT!** Exercise Class with Video La Blast. Fridays 10:30AM at the Drop in Centre, 5023-49 Ave. PH: 780-967-2056.

**PANCAKE/BREAKFAST SOCIAL:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday 9:00-11:30AM, Parkland Village Community Centre. \*except June, July, August

**RIVER TALKERS TOAST MASTERS CLUB,** Thursdays, 7-9PM. 32 Whitecourt Ave. Hilltop Community Church. Info Lorraine 286-5040.

**SANGUDO ART GROUP:** Wednesdays 9AM-12PM at Sangudo Community School. Info call 780-785-2112.

**SPIRITUAL LIVING STONY PLAIN INSPIRATIONAL CINEMA & DISCUSSIONS** at PERC Building (5413-51 St). 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of month at 7PM. Popcorn provided, donations appreciated. Contact 780-940-3032

**SPIRITUAL LIVING STONY PLAIN GATHERING** at PERC Building (5413-51 St). Every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of month. Meditation 10AM, inspirational sharing 10:30AM. PH 780-940-3032

**WRITERS PROGRAM:** Mayerthorpe Library, 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday at 1PM.

**MEETINGS**

**1ST ONOWAY SCOUTS:** Registration, Mondays 6:30-8PM. Beavers 5-7; Cubs 8-11; Scouts 12-14. Kim 967-4339.

**299 ROYAL CANADIAN SEA CADETS CORPS MACKENZIE:** Stony Plain Comm Center, Wed 6:30PM. Youths 12-18, 963-0843

**3053 ROYAL CANADIAN ARMY CADETS,** Onoway Historical Centre, Wed, 6:45-9:30PM for youths 12+. 967-0443

**526 BARRHEAD AIR CADETS,** Wed 6:30-9:30PM, High School. Ages 12-18. 780-305-7233

**755 PARKLAND AIR CADETS** Thurs, 6:30-9:30PM Muir Lake School, ages 12-18. Info call 405-6585 or www.755aircadets.com.

**AA - MAYERTHORPE,** Kingsmen Hall, Thurs 8PM. (780) 786-2604 or (780) 786-1927

**AA - SANGUDO GOLDEN CLUB,** Tues 8PM call 786-4402/785-9214/785-3599

**AL-ANON:** Tues 7PM, Onoway Anglican Church (4809-50 St.) 780-967-3356 or 1-800-4AL-ANON. \*MEETINGS SUSPENDED FOR JANUARY - APRIL INCLUSIVELY

**AL-ANON** Wednesdays, 8PM. Spruce Grove United Church, 1A Fieldstone Dr. 780-962-5205

**ALBERTA 55 PLUS:** Villeneuve Hall at 10AM. Meetings on 2<sup>nd</sup> Tues of month. Info: Donna 780-962-5933

**ALBERTA BEACH & DIST LIONS CLUB** meets every 4<sup>th</sup> Tues 7:00PM, Alberta Beach Agplex.

**ALBERTA BEACH AG SOCIETY** meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thurs of month, 7:00PM, Alberta Beach Agplex.

**ALBERTA BEACH MUSEUM** meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed, 7:00PM at Heritage House 924-3167.

**BARRHEAD ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION,** meeting every 2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs, 7PM at the Legion Hall.

**CHERRILL COMMUNITY ASSOC.** Monthly Meeting 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday, 8PM at the Hall. 785-2825 \*Except Jan, July, Aug, Sept.

**CHERISHED MEMORIES, PARENTS & TOTS** Wed & Fri, 10-12PM, Alberta Beach Agplex. Info call 780-902-4879 or 780-999-7622. \*Sept-June.

**Citizens Helping In Life's Defence (C.H.I.L.D)** Join our Pro-Life meetings for the Spruce Grove/Stony Plain area once a month. Call Chris 780-963-6997.

**DARWELL & DISTRICT AG SOCIETY MEETINGS,** 8:00PM, 1<sup>st</sup> Monday, Darwell

**DDRA MEETING,** 7:00PM, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mon, Darwell 892-3099. \*except Jul/Aug/Dec

**GIRL GUIDES, BROWNIES & SPARKS** Thurs, 6:30PM, Onoway Heritage Centre. Info Laura, 780-967-1004.

**GREENCOURT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION** meet 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, monthly at 7:30PM at the hall. Info W. Jager (780) 786-4648.

**KINETTE CLUB OF MAYERTHORPE,** 7:30PM at Kinsmen Hall, 1<sup>st</sup> Tues of month. Contact: mayerthorpekinettes@gmail.com, Tracy: 780-786-0161.

**LAC STE ANNE ARMY CADETS,** Thurs, 6:30-9:30PM at Onoway Museum (780) 967-0443

**LAC STE. ANNE & LAKE ISLE WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT SOCIETY:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Fri, 7PM, Alberta Beach Council Chambers.

**LAKE ISLE HALL COMMUNITY HALL BOARD:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs of each month @ 7:30PM at the Lake Isle Hall (Hwy 633 and RR5) Ph # 780-892-3121

**MAYERTHORPE HOSPITAL AUXILIARY ASSOC,** every 4<sup>th</sup> Mon, 5PM in Hospital Basement Education Room.

**MEN FOR SOBRIETY:** Wednesdays at 7:30PM, FCSS Building (#105, 505 Queen Street, Spruce Grove). Mike (780) 965-9991.

**MS SOCIETY PARKLAND COMMUNITY SUPPORT GROUP** Are you diagnosed with MS and have questions? Last Tues of month, 7-9PM, Westview Health Centre. Cassy 780-471-3034 \*Sept-June

**NA MEETING,** Tuesdays 7:00PM Poplar Valley Church (780)514-6011

**ONOWAY & DIST HERITAGE SOCIETY:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed of each month, 7:30PM, Chateau Lac Ste Anne

**ONOWAY & DISTRICT HISTORICAL GUILD:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed 7PM, Onoway Museum. 967-5263 or 967-2452.

**ONOWAY & DISTRICT QUILT GUILD:** Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs, 10AM-4PM, @ the Lac Ste. Anne Chateau Activity Room. Info, Ph Dixie @ 780 967 0528.

**ONOWAY ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION** General Meetings, 1<sup>st</sup> Mon, 7PM. \*Sept-June

**RICH VALLEY AG SOCIETY BOARD MEETINGS:** at the Agplex on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed of the month. 7:00PM.

**RIVER TALKERS TOASTMASTERS CLUB** Build confidence, speaking & listening skills. Thursdays 7-9PM at the Hilltop Community Church. Carla Burkell, VP Membership, (780)268-3653.

**SANGUDO PAINTING GROUP:** 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed, 9:30AM-12:00PM at Sangudo Community School. Info, call 780-785-2112.

**SUNDOWNERS TOASTMASTER CLUB:** Mon (excl. Holidays) 7:30-9:30PM. St. Matthew's Church, Spruce Grove. Judy 960-5258

**WEIGHT WATCHERS** Alberta Beach Agplex - Mondays, weigh in 6:30PM. Meeting at 7PM.

# SUDOKU OF THE WEEK

## Fun By The Numbers

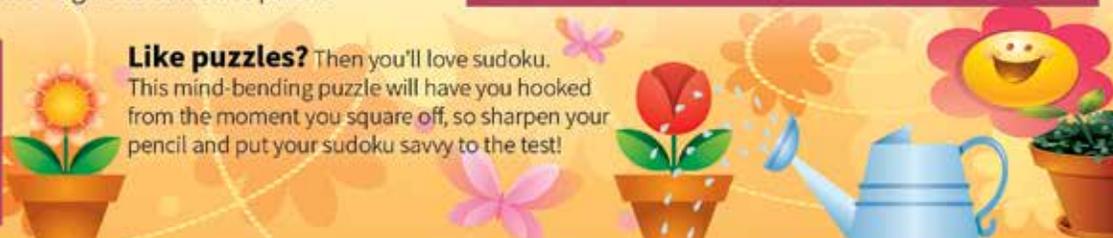
**Here's How It Works:** Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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**ANSWER:**

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