
Voices of the Village

MARCH 2023 NEWSLETTER



Would you be interested in a Community Garden?



With spring just around the corner, the Village of Marwayne is looking for your input! We have been approached regarding the development of a community garden and we want to hear from you.

The community garden would feature plots of varying sizes in which you would be able to grow plants, flowers, vegetables, fruit, etc. The garden would be completely ran by its users and would not be maintained by the Village. If this sounds like something that would be of interest to you, we encourage you to visit www.marwayne.ca or the Village of Marwayne's Facebook page to complete our survey.

Council will be reviewing the survey results at the March 20th, 2023 Regular Village Council Meeting.

Please go and share your opinion now!

Important Dates

MEETINGS & DEADLINES

Council	Mar 20
EVENTS	
Playground Fundraiser	Mar 13
Book Club	Mar 15
Mommy & Me	Mar 17 & 31

SERVICES

Blue Bag Recycling	Mar 9 & 23
Landscaping/Gardening Workshop	Mar 18
PBR	Apr 01
Steak Night	Mar 24

Operating Hours & Contacts



In Person Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
8:00am—4:30pm

Office open Mondays and Fridays 8:00am—12:00pm & 1:00pm—4:30pm but staff will be working remotely. Drop box available 24/7

After Hours Water/Sewer Emergencies: Wilson Curtis 780-205-2993
Carry Grant 780-214-7933

Health and Safety Emergencies: Kitscoty RCMP 780-846-2870
RCMP, EMS, FIRE 911

For all non-emergency inquiries, or to file a complaint, please contact the Kitscoty RCMP at 780-846-2897

Transfer Station Hours: Wednesday 2:00pm—5:00pm
Saturday 10:00am—2:00pm

Residential garbage pickup: Thursdays 7:00am

During inclement weather, please call the Vermilion River Regional Waste Management Services Commission at 780-853-5561 to get updates as to whether or not transfer stations are open.

Council Contacts: Chris Neureuter ctneureuter@gmail.com
Ashley Rainey 780-214-1410 a_irvine@hotmail.com
Rod McDonald rojoco@lloydmail.ca

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHT

- Sergeant Corey Buckingham from the Kitscoty RCMP presented the Quarter 1 and 2 statistics at the February 13th, 2023 Council Meeting. Sgt. Buckingham also reported on the RCMP's current initiatives to engage the public at large as well as ways to mitigate rural crime.
- In response to requests for a community garden, Council directed administration to circulate a survey to gauge resident interest. The survey is available via Facebook and www.marwayne.ca.
- Council reviewed 2023 capital projects for the upcoming budget season. Budget deliberations will begin in March and conclude in April. Residents can expect a 3% overall increase due to inflation.
- The Village of Marwayne has received the County of Vermilion River's \$50,000 contribution towards the fire hall addition project that was completed back in 2020/2021. With the expansion, the fire hall is now able to accommodate the brand new tanker that has been purchased for our Volunteer Fire Department. We look forward to showcasing the new equipment upon arrival!
- Reminder to please drive according to the road conditions. Our staff is doing their best to remove snow and sand the roadways as required, but it is the season for ice!



**Truck Tickets are Available to Purchase at
Tannas Bros Home Hardware**



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Volunteers Needed for Marwayne's 100th Birthday Celebration!

The Village of Marwayne will be turning 100 in the year 2026!

We are looking for ideas, volunteers, vendors, etc. to partner with us to make the 100th birthday celebration a big success!

We encourage anyone interested in joining the planning committee to contact the Village office today at 780-847-3962.

100 YEARS



Marwayne Community Hall

A Unique Setting for Your Special Occasion

Consider the beautiful, quiet location of the Marwayne Community Hall

- Banquet seating for 375 in main hall
- Large meeting room with table-seating for 80, or use it to serve buffet-style banquet
- Large covered patio backs onto nature, accessible from main hall
- Modern, beautiful bathrooms
- Stange with dressing rooms & washrooms
- Excellent sound room with A/V equipment.
- Camping on site or just 10 minutes north at Lea Park
- Just a 30 minute drive from Lloydminster

Contact 780-847-3962

For more information visit marwayne.ca

Service Line Warranties of Canada by HomeServe

Many homeowners are unaware that they are responsible for the water and wastewater service lines on their property. So when an emergency arises, they don't know what to do. The Village of Marwayne has partnered with Service Line Warranties of Canada to educate residents of the community about home maintenance, repair costs and responsibility for their private water and wastewater service lines.

In the coming weeks, homeowners will receive a letter from Service Line Warranties of Canada that describes the program, how they would benefit from the coverage and the steps for enrollment. Plans will be offered starting at a rate of \$8.00 per month for water lines and \$10.00 per month for wastewater lines.

Many Canadians are **unaware** they are **responsible** for the water and sewer lines on their property

20%
think **the city or town** is responsible

66%
believe they are **not responsible** for water and sewer line damages on their property

18%
think repairs are covered by **homeowners' insurance**

25%
Not at all sure





Marwayne Jubilee SCHOOL

RE: Physical Education Fundraising/Wildcat Wall of Support

To Whom It May Concern:

As staff at Marwayne Jubilee School, we have had the privilege of fulfilling a lifelong passion for physical education and student athletics. In the Marwayne area, our community dedicates itself to a history of athletic achievements, some of which are showcased on our gymnasium wall. Without the pride and support of the Marwayne area, our students at Marwayne Jubilee School would be unable to continue our athletic traditions, as we rely heavily on teachers, parents and other volunteers to not only coach our student-athletes, but to transport them to athletic events as well.

In the technological world that we live in today, it is becoming increasingly difficult to motivate our students to pursue lifelong physical education. At MJS, we have the good fortune of allowing our classes the opportunity to participate in daily physical activity for 40 minutes per day, which exceeds the Province of Alberta's mandated goal of 30 minutes per day. However, due to budgetary restraints, aging equipment, and the rising costs of physical education equipment and shipping, it becomes increasingly difficult to provide our students and our athletes the necessary resources to develop individual skills needed at a recreational or a competitive level.

As a result, our physical education program and our athletics department are reaching out to you, members of our community, to support us with an annual fundraising initiative; our "Wildcat Wall of Support." If you choose to support this initiative, all donations will be recognized in our gym with a personalized sign that will remain visible at all MJS events during the course of the school year. The fundraising system is as follows:

- Black & Gold – A \$250.00 donation and a personalized 2'x 3' sign on the middle tier of the "Wildcat Wall of Support"

Your donation would go towards providing our physical education classes with more equipment, and furthermore will help us to replace any aging equipment, allowing our students to have access to the most current "technology" in a gymnasium setting. This, in turn, will ensure that our students stay competitive with larger schools at athletic competitions. Short term purchase plans include a track tent, all new volleyballs with the change at the ASAA level and jerseys for our cross country and track athletes. This donation would renew annually but the individual may opt out at any time.

Our student athletes are able to offset the cost of their team fees for athletics by bringing in a sponsorship as well, which will hopefully lead to a large group of support.

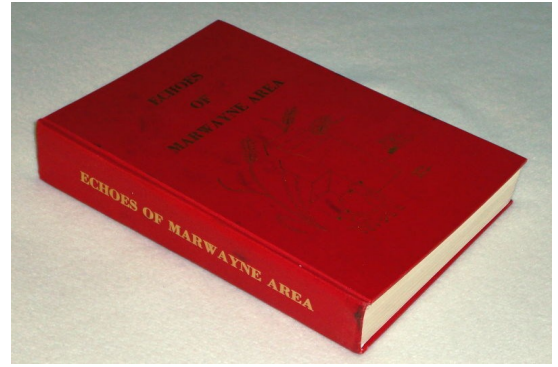
On behalf of the physical education program and the athletics department at MJS, we would like to thank you in advance for any donation that you may make. It will be a great benefit to our teachers, coaches and student-athletes. Should you have any questions regarding this initiative, or the "Wildcat Wall of Support," please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Reuben Baker at the school at (780)847-3930 or via email reuben.baker@btps.ca.

Thank you for supporting our Wildcats!

Athletic Director

Marwayne History Books

The newest edition of the Marwayne History Book is now available. The cost is only \$50.00. Please contact Sharon Kneen by phone at 780-872-0011 for more information. Take advantage of this great opportunity to receive a piece of Marwayne's history today!

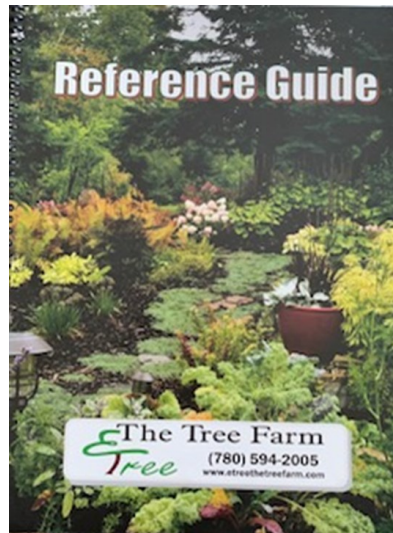


Landscape/Gardening Workshop

March 18, 2023

10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Tulliby Lake Community Hall



The Tree Farm owned by Joan and her family is a local 35 yr old, 3 generation farm.

Joan will be sharing her expertise knowledge on pruning and caring for trees & shrubs and the new varieties of perennials for our soil & weather conditions.

Lunch served – Cost \$10

11TH ANNUAL MARWAYNE PBR

PRESENTED BY: **GARNIER CUSTOM SILAGING**
AND OBVIOUS ENTERPRISES

SATURDAY
APRIL 1

Marwayne Arena
6:30 Wild Pony Races
7:00 PBR

TICKETS SOLD AT DOOR
\$30 (12 and under FREE)

DOORS OPENS 5PM

PROCEEDS TO
MARWAYNE ARENA

Live band
The Prairie Dogs
Dance only tickets \$15

BOOTH AND ATM ON SITE



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HAMES RIDGE FARMS, MITCHCO ENVIRONMENTAL
SIX STRONG AGRONOMY, TOP OILFIELD PRODUCTION,
ANDERSON INSURANCE GROUP, GOLD HORSE CASINO,
NORTHSTAR OUTFITTING

2023 POLARIS RANGER 570 FULL SIZE



Supplied By:



ATV Raffle Returns!

Plus 2 Draws for \$500

*Tickets available at Marwayne
Home Hardware & Liquor Store!*

*Draw Date – June 11, 2023
Lea Park Rodeo*

*Marwayne Ag Society/Marwayne Curling Club
700 Tickets to be Sold
Lottery License #620901*



The Kitscoty 4-H Multi Club Small Engines
Projects will be going door to door in Kitscoty
collecting bottles for their third annual bottle drive
Saturday March 11th in Kitscoty

drop off donations and out of town pickups will also be accepted, contact 780.808.1570



funds raised will go towards learning opportunities and workshops



Kitscoty 4-H Multi Club Easter Fundraiser

Ukrainian & German Cabbage Rolls, Cinnamon Buns, Squares, Cookies

Order forms available from any Kitscoty Multi member

All orders are due by March 10, 2023 ~ Fundraiser Contact: Nicole Holmen 780.808.1570

Cheques payable to **Kitscoty 4-H Multi Club**

Etransfers will autodeposit at kitscotymulti@gmail.com

(include customer name, order details, and members name in etransfer comments)

Orders will be delivered the last week in March and members will make arrangements with customers for pickup





BOOK CLUB every 3rd Wednesday at 6:30 pm. Our next book is *A Year to the Day* by Robin Benway.



“Leo can’t remember what happened the night of the accident. All she knows is that she left the party with her older sister, Nina, and Nina’s boyfriend, East. And now Nina is dead, killed by a drunk driver, leaving Leo with a hole inside her that’s impossible to fill. “

***National Book Award – Winning And New York Times Bestselling Author of Far From The Tree**

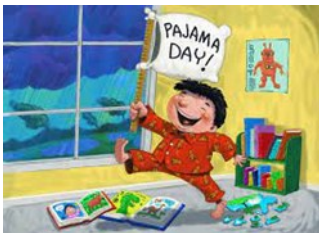
BOOKCLUB to discuss this riveting novel is on March 15th at 6:30 pm. Come to the library to borrow a copy and join our club!

MOMMY & ME:

March 17th at 9:30 am – We will be making a St. Patrick’s Day craft.

WEAR GREEN!

A Leprechaun trap will be set up in the library. Come and see if any leprechauns have been trapped!



MARCH 31st at 9:30 am – It’s Pajama Day!

MOMMY & ME is for ages 0-5. All caregivers are welcome to join in the fun!

Marwayne Library—March Events

CONVERSATIONAL SPANISH LESSONS! Interested?
Call the library at 780-847-3930. We will only offer lessons if there is enough interest.

Winners of our Winter Reading Program will be contacted in March

THANK YOU

This thank you message is long over due, but not forgotten. We couldn't find the right words to describe how thankful we are for all the help we received. Thank you to family, friends, acquaintances and even strangers for taking the time to help our family after our vehicle accident. You all good people, may God bless you for your kindness.

This amazing community that we call home picked us up and said, "We got you."

Everyone's help was noticed and appreciated. Our 4 boys were taken care of and we were given time to heal.

Thank you so much,
Sincerely,
Morgan and Tara Wood and our boys





LEA PARK GOLF CLUB

We are very excited to be open again this year and bring back one of your favorite summer activities!

Our 9 Hole Course - Par Total 36 - 2033 Yards, with natural grass greens, watered fairways, cart rentals, and a clubhouse to enjoy refreshments will be ready to welcome our past and future golfers for an action-packed 2023 Season!

Looking for a summer job?

We will soon be accepting applications for both inside and outside workers. To apply, email us at leaparkg@gmail.com



A Pastor's Gleanings

It's March! "And the mercury is falling, ... springtime in Alberta chills you to the bone." That's for sure! With the recent passing of Ian Tyson, I find myself humming his tunes. His line "the time has passed so quick the years all run together now." Is even more relevant to me now that I am older and like Ian sings "I out grew the wagon" too.

As for Ian, his day has come, he has crossed the divide to where time is no more and his questions will be answered. "Rock with me Jesus help me pull this heavy load, don't let her slip don't let her slide, you'll answer all my questions further down this muddy road, where old cowboys cross the great divide."

When considering the crossing, I think this too is pertinent. "Forsake not the assembling of yourselves together as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near." (Hebrews 10:25) You may think you don't need to attend Church, but there are some that attend who will be helped and encouraged when you do.

Whether we cross over like Ian or Christ returns, time will run out for all, the Day approaches. Do not neglect the assembling, the building up, of one another. The blessings of coming together to worship are far reaching! Far more than we know! Amen

Bethel Lutheran Church Lea Park, services Sundays at 10:30 A.M. call Pastor's Kevin 780 872 0070 or Ed 780 808 5026.

Marwayne, We Need Your Help!

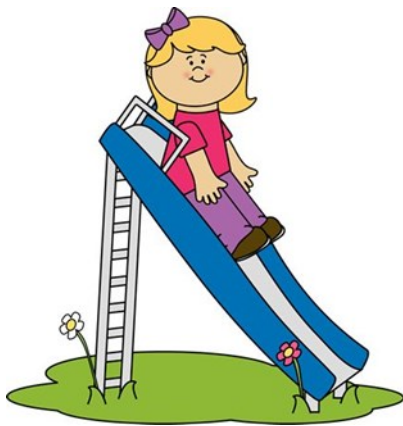
- * Did you know that the “new” part of our school playground is 20 years old... or did you know that the “old” wooden playground is 40 years old... or did you know that the metal slides, swings sets, and teetertotters are 50+ years old!
- * Government funding for schools does not cover playgrounds and with your help, the funds must be raised by a fundraising society.

The new playground will serve over 200 students each day and is also a primary playground for many young families in our community.

Come on out, to our next meeting!

Monday, March 13th @ 7:00pm. Upstairs at the curling rink to hear the proposed plan and to help elect a board in to commence the fundraising process.

Contact: Bobby – 306-381-3657



NORMAL – WHAT IS NORMAL?

Dictionary: Normal, ordinary , conforming to type, standard or regular pattern.

Psychological: Any behavior or condition which is usual, expected, typical or conform to pre-existing standard.

I seem to be hearing more comments such as “ I can’t wait to get back to normal”, or after a life changing experience “when will life be normal again and when will I feel normal?”

Normal following the pandemic.

Normal following a trauma event.

Normal following the death of someone loved.

Normal following any life change

CHANGE – LOSS- GRIEF

Normal becomes a memory we have but not a normal that we can return to. The more we strive for the return of “normal”, the more we become anxious, depressed and fearful of what lies ahead. Life has changed forever and what we had some control over in the past we now feel helpless about.

What can we do to move into, embrace, a “New Normal”?

If the normal you knew was one of times of joy , accomplishment, peace, and relationship even though it is painful to remember, it is good to go there in memory and gratitude. Remember though, that you can’t stay there. If the” normal “you knew was pain filled this may be the time to look forward to a “new normal” of change.

Looking ahead, through the long seemingly empty dark space is frightening and nothing seems familiar. Stepping into a “New Normal” is like a toddler taking first steps. Be brave, reach out to what lies outside of your sanctuary (safe place). Go on an outing to a store or for lunch with a friend, or more courageously, on your own. It may feel frightening and you are anxious but try it again. Maybe reduce the outing to a walk. Find a gratitude.

Sit and observe 5 Meaningful Moments; 5 things you can see, 4 things you can feel, 3 things you can hear, 2 things you can smell and 1 thing you can taste. Find a gratitude for each thing.

You were dreaming dreams and now you have to dream new dreams. Old dreams are shattered and you will grieve the loss of those dreams. Share the dream you had with someone you trust, mourn that dream. What is a new small dream that you may dare to dream? HOPE.

Think about who you were earlier in your life: Your character. Did you have a strong personality, quiet, active, enjoyed sports, caring, giving , a planner, artistic . This may be a time to revisit the “you” from earlier times as part of your “New Normal”...

Be gentle with yourself. It may be two steps forward and one step back but you are making a step. Don’t freeze at the fork in the road and choose not to move forward. Risk to rebuild. Seek support, companionship of a friend, reading, seek a counsellor or support group, who are also finding their way on the “New Normal “ path. Find a little joy, hope and some gratitude’s on the journey. Remember to honor your loved one, by how you choose to live the rest of your life.

Submitted by Walking Through Grief Society – 780-846-2576/780-871-1750 or check the web or FB.

Funded by : Town of Vermilion, Wainwright, Village Kitscoty, County Vermilion River and donations.

MJS SNAPSHOT

With the end of February comes hope for longer days and warmer weather as we have seen our fair share of the deep freeze this winter. We did get outside to enjoy Winter Active Days which were organized by the grade 5 class and enjoyed by all elementary students on February 14th. We also finally got the chance to hold the Toy Bingo that the SRC originally planned for Christmas. The whole student body gathered in the gym for several entertaining games of BINGO with the winners having an assortment of donated toys to choose from. On March 22 our students have the opportunity to attend a Ski Day at Kinosoo Ridge and on April 21, grades 3-6 students will be heading to the Vic Juba to watch Matilda. Remember to mark the community gym nights on your calendar if you think this is something you and your family would like to do. Upcoming dates are March 7 and 22 and April 4 and 19th.

MARWAYNE HISTORIC HOTEL- ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Come join us March 17th for our St. Patrick's celebration! We'll have green beer, or cocktail of your choice . Karaoke to sing away the winter blues, wear green so you don't get pinched!

And our Steak Nite is coming back!

Friday March 24th, April 28th, May 26th.

5:30-8:00

