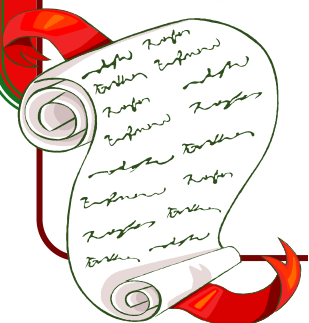




**UPCOMING
EVENTS!**

- ◆ CHRISTMAS ELVES Food Drive!!!
- ◆ Christmas in the Park
- ◆ Christmas Craft and Bake Sale
- ◆ First Night Festival
- ◆ Senior's Centre
- ◆ Open Access Youth Club

**PEEK INSIDE
FOR FULL
DETAILS OF
EVENTS!**



Calmar Chronicle

DECEMBER, 2013



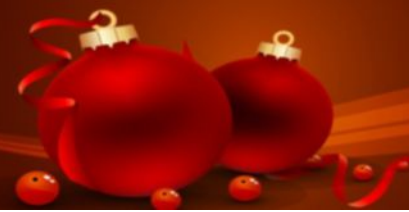
Merry Christmas

The Town of Calmar wishes all of you,
and your families a very happy and joyous
holiday season!

Please See inside how you can volunteer your time,
and/or support our
CALMAR CHRISTMAS ELVES ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE!

The Difference between "Ordinary" and "Extraordinary" is that little "Extra"

The Christmas Gala Has Been Canceled





The Calmar Christmas Elves program was developed to provide Christmas hampers and gifts to families throughout the Town of Calmar and District who, due to economic challenges are unable to have an old fashioned Christmas.

"In sharing ourselves, our time and good fortune we can make a difference "

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

We will need Volunteers to Collect donations from door to door to make this happen!

If you would be willing to volunteer please contact: Yvonne @ (780)985-3191

Date: SUNDAY, November 24, 2013

Time: Meeting @ 3:00 pm

Where do we meet: Calmar Community Hall

4815-49 Street

Approximate time commitment 3:00 pm to 6:30 pm.

Choose how you would like be involved



WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT

Calmar Christmas Elves Annual Food Drive

Door to Door Donation Pickup

SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 24, 2013

Starting @ 3:30 pm. TO 6:00 pm.



If you would like to contribute, please have your donation ready for collection

OR

NON Perishable
Items Only

if you're not able to be home in the afternoon , SUNDAY, November 24th,
please leave your donation clearly labeled Christmas Elves
on the front door step or leave it with a friend, neighbor

After November 24th drop off a donation at one of our collection boxes at the following
locations: Calmar Food Town, Calmar Post Office, Apple Drugs or Bank of Montreal Town of Calmar Office.

Donations Closing Deadline:

Monday, December 9th

Hamper Referral Closing Deadline:

Monday, December 9 2013

Sponsor-A-Teen Program

If you would like to participate and
donate a gift for a teen contact:

Yvonne@(780)985-3191

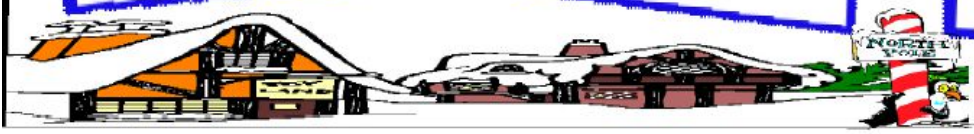
Hamper Delivery

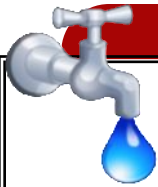
December 16, 2013 Monday

Looking for Volunteers to help for a
couple of hours with hamper deliveries

Contact: Yvonne @ (780)985-3191

Email: ypearson@calmar.ca





NOTICE TO TOWN OF CALMAR RESIDENTS

Effective January 1, 2014, the Capital Region Southwest Water Service Commission has increased the price of water purchased by the Town of Calmar by 11.50%. This necessitates an increase in the bi-monthly flat rate charged for water on residential & commercial accounts. This increase will be reflected on the January/February, 2014 billing. The increase in the flat rate on a bi-monthly bill will amount to \$3.00.

Garbage rate will also increase by \$1.00/bi-monthly billing due to increase in tipping fees by Regional Waste Management Authority. All other rates remain unchanged for 2014.

CALMAR FAS GAS
 CONVENIENCE STORE - LIQUOR STORE - CARWASH

Darrin & Kathy Mills
 5001 - 50 Ave. P.O. Box 1200
 Calmar, AB. T0C 0V0
 email - dkmills 123@hotmail.com

Conv. Store 780-985-7224
 Liquor Store 780-985-3334
 Fax 780-985-3334

LITRE LOG

BUY MORE GAS. GET MORE CASH.



Need a Babysitter?

Hours:
 Wed. Thurs.
 Fri. 10 - 6
 Sat. 10 - 3

Hair Pam
 by *Michele*
 Your Personal Stylist

4741 - 50 Avenue
 Calmar AB
 780.985.2266

Congratulations to our Successful Graduates of the Kidproof Babysitting Course!

If you are seeking part-time or occasional child care consider one of our graduates!

You can contact Yvonne Pearson @ 780-985-3191.

CASTINE CANINES
 Dog Grooming

TRACY HAYDUK
 Professional Pet Stylist
 Box 603
 Calmar AB T0C 0V0

dtrastine@yahoo.ca
 780-919-3371

4-1/4 Miles West of Calmar on Highway 39

I can put you in touch with these students and have them meet with you and your family. This will give you piece of mind that these students have the knowledge and responsibility to care properly for your children!



Comments from The Mayor

December

What a winter we are having. Many thanks to the snow removal crews of Calmar, as they work tirelessly to keep an upper hand on what mother nature throws our way. I guess there will be no question about a white Christmas this year. Please continue to be safe and patient.

As we move forward I would like to ask for your forgiveness as we make a small increase in your utility bills, this is a reflection of the costs that are handed our way and our constant effort to keep them as low as possible.

Council is getting adjusted to the new team and we strive to move forward in a united front and to serve the residents of Calmar. We have many challenges ahead and I am confident that we will meet them in a more than satisfactory manner.

Special thanks to all the volunteers that make our Christmas Elves Program so successful, their hard work and dedication will go a long way to help those who need a little extra in making this a joyous season.

Finally on behalf of the Calmar Town Council and our Staff, I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.



Candy Cane Relay

Divide players into two teams. Give each player a chopstick. (The cheap, disposable wooden ones work fine.) Each team forms a line, and each player holds his or her chopstick in front of him or her. Place a candy cane on the chopstick of the first student. At a given signal, the player must turn and pass the chopstick on to the next player who in turn passes it on down the row. Players may touch the candy cane only with their chopstick. If the candy cane falls to the ground, and players cannot retrieve it with their chopsticks, the player who was passing it may pick it up and put it back on his or her chopstick, but a ten-second penalty will be assessed. When the candy cane reaches the last player, the player must run to the front of the line with the candy cane on his or her chopstick. The first team to get the candy cane back to the front of its line wins.

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Leduc, AB



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THERAPY & FITNESS**

Holiday Specials

Starting NOW until December 25, 2013;

*When you purchase a Gift Certificate for \$70 or more for that special someone, YOU can then book (in 2013) for your FREE Eye Brow, Lip OR Chin Wax!!!

OR

*Purchase 10 or more Gift Certificates for \$70 or more and receive a 90 Min Hot Stone Massage for yourself FREE!!! (booked in 2013 or 2014)

OR

*Sign up for our 6 week session per class for \$60 OR sign up for our 12 week session for \$110 per class!!!

Come and Join
Us for our Annual
Christmas Craft & Bake Sale

December 7, 2013
Calmar Elementary School
10:00am - 3:00pm

FREE ADMISSION

For More Information please
contact Cory Jones
780.985.3604 ext. 224
or at cjones@calmar.ca

\$30.00/table
Registration Deadline: Nov. 15, 2013

2013-2014
SCHEDULE
MIKE KARBONIK ARENA
PUBLIC SKATE

TUESDAYS
4:00 PM - 4:45 PM

SUNDAYS
4:30 PM - 5:45 PM

SHINNY

THURSDAYS
4:00 PM - 4:45 PM

SUNDAYS
3:15 PM - 4:15 PM

Cancellations may occur due to tournaments,
rescheduling and holidays.



CHRISTMAS IN THE PARK
JOIN US - DECEMBER 5, 2013
WOODLAND PARK
(Weather Permitting)



6:00pm - 8:00pm

**Thank you to our
 Corporate Sponsor
 Calmar Pharmacy
 Ltd.**

**PICTURES WITH SANTA, SLEIGH RIDES, CHRISTMAS MUSIC, HOT
 CHOCOLATE, COOKIES AND MORE!**

Join us!

Cookbook Club



Monday, December 16, 6:30PM

@ The Calmar Public Library

Do you love to cook? Do you love to talk about the wonderful (or terrible) things that you make? If so, this book club might be for you. Contact the library for details.



Calmar Public Library
 Box 328, 4705 50 Avenue
 Calmar, Alberta T0C 0V0 | (780) 985-3472
<http://www.calmarpubliclibrary.ca/>



Christmas Craft

Help us decorate our Christmas tree and
 create your own decorations to take
 home.

Saturday, December 7
 12:00-1:00pm

*Craft suitable for all ages



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MY CELL!

The Town of Calmar has partnered with the "Recycle My Cell" Program in Canada!

You can Reduce the Number of Cell Phones and accessories that end up in our Landfills!

It's EASY and it's FREE!

Just Drop off your unwanted or old:

-  Cell Phones/Smart Phones
-  Rechargeable Batteries
-  Chargers
-  Other Cell Phone Accessories

To the TOWN OFFICE!

4901 - 50th Avenue

! Please ensure that all personal information, photos, videos and data are deleted.



Award of Excellence

The Calmar Bottle Depot was recently awarded the "Award of Excellence" from the Beverage Container Management Board. The award is given to Bottle Depots who demonstrate excellence in four areas: the mystery shopper program results, inspection scores, accuracy and promptness with UCA (uniform code of accounts) submissions and volume increases.

In Alberta, there are approximately 215 bottle depots. Five "Awards of Excellence" were given out province wide.



From Left to Right:
Jeff Linton - Alberta Bottle Depot Association, Mike Dosanjh - Calmar Bottle Depot and Malcolm D. Kirkland, President Beverage Container Management Board

Calmar Seniors Centre

December is a Quiet Month

at the Seniors Centre

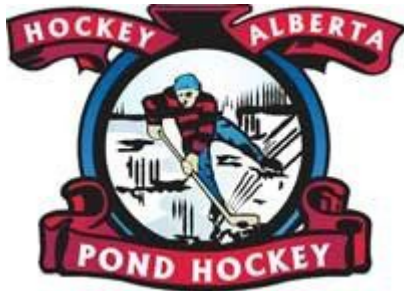
FOOT DOCTOR CLINIC  

Will be held on

MONDAY DECEMBER 23, 2013

Feliz Navidad





CALMAR POND HOCKEY
JUST FOR FUN!
Ages 4-15

Registration for January – March Session
Saturday's 11:45 – 1:00
\$100.00



Due to a great participation turnout, Calmar Pond Hockey has now expanded to Saturdays! Our Monday night session is full.

Pond Hockey is an innovative approach to hockey

Non-contact

Full equipment required

Boundaries are not an issue

Sanctioned under Hockey Alberta

Hockey Alberta Insurance Program coverage

Parent on-ice assistance is encouraged

(Equipment can be provided if needed)

To register contact:

Howard @ 780-985-2207 or hogo316@gmail.com

Angie @ abataille@stenebros.com



**Calmar Pond Hockey and Junior Golf Program Hosts the Annual Pancake Breakfast
for Calmar Days!**

Come join us Aug 16th, 2014

Help Support Your Local Youth Programs!!



Christmas Lights Competition

JUDGING TO TAKE PLACE ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2013

1st, 2nd and 3rd Place Prizes

Results will be announced during the First Night Celebration December 31, 2013!

Judging based on: ORIGINALITY, DESIGN and MAINTENANCE

No Registration Required



OPEN ACCESS YOUTH CLUB

More than just a place to be...a place to belong!



THE MUSIC CAFE

Thursday Nights
7:00 - 9:00 pm

- ◆ Live Music
- ◆ Open Mike Nights
- ◆ Jam Sessions
- ◆ Karaoke Nights



HOURS OF OPERATION

Mondays:
3:00pm - 5:30pm

Tuesdays and Thursdays:
3:00pm - 5:30pm
7:00pm - 9:00pm

Wednesdays:
3:00pm - 5:30pm
(2:30 on early dismissal days)

Fridays:
3:00pm - 5:30pm
7:00pm - 9:30pm

Christmas Traditions

A Youth Christmas Gathering

Friday, December 13, 2013
6:30 PM

Potluck Dinner and Other
Great Activities for
Youth Members!

If you are interested in helping out please call Shannon @ 780.987.3893

FIRST NIGHT

December 31, 2013
6:00pm - 8:00pm
Mike Karbonik Arena

BonFire
Free Hot Dogs & Hot Chocolate
Great Family Fun!

Fireworks @ 8:30pm
Face Painting
Skating

Balloon
Animals

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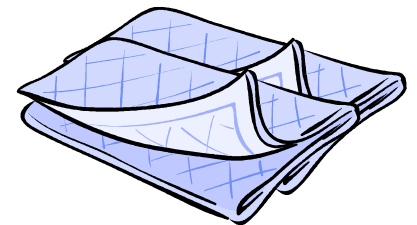


Hey Guys!

We're all very fortunate to be able to stay warm this winter, but some Edmontonians are not quite as lucky. We wanna team up with the Edmonton Emergency Relief Services Society (EERRSS) to help out low-income families, crisis victims, and homeless people by collecting new or gently used blankets for their campaign. We'll be blanketing the NOW! studio (and building a sweet fort!) with your donations, and at the end of the week they'll go to the EERRSS to give to the people who really need them.

Drop off your donations any time between this Friday, November 22nd until next Friday, November 29th at our studio (9894 42 Ave). By the way, after we announced this on air, a NOW! family member already pledged \$1000 to the EERRSS for this cause. What a great start! Let's show 'em what the NOW! family can do when we band together to help those in need!

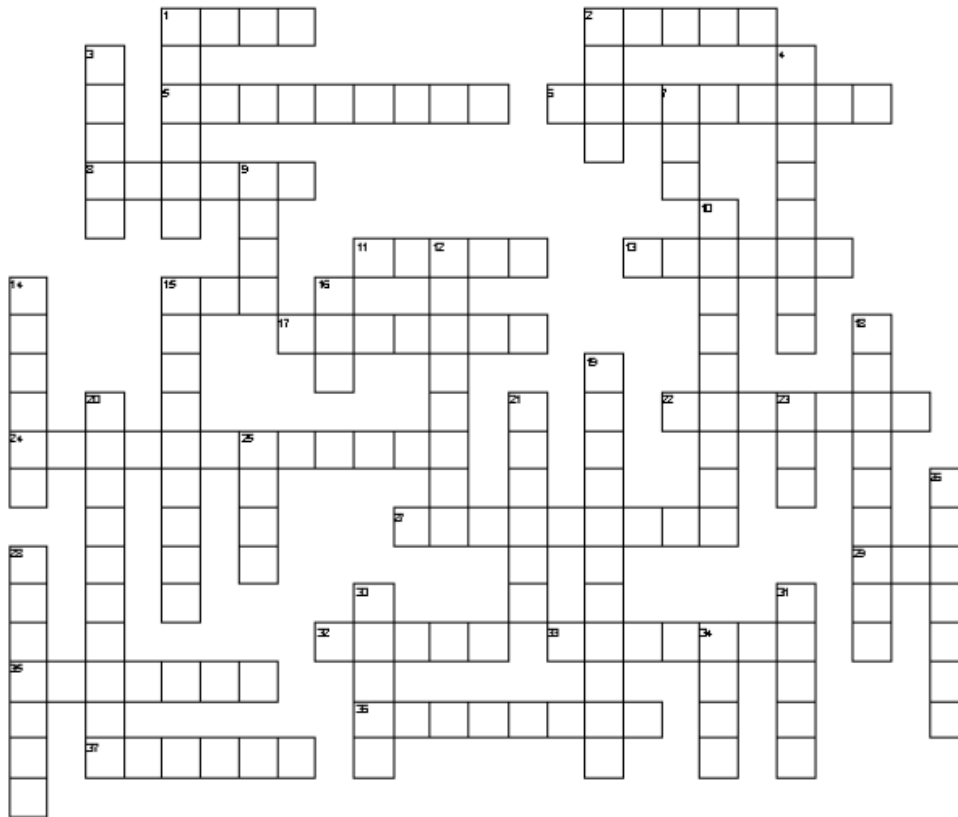
From All of Us at the Station



If you wish to donate a blanket to this cause, you can drop off your donations at the Town Office and we will pass them along to Now Radio!



Merry Christmas!



ACROSS

- 1 The mother of Christ.
- 2 People often mail these to friends and acquaintances.
- 5 Santa's home and workshop are located here.
- 6 Traditional red-and-white-striped candy.
- 8 Santa's vehicle.
- 11 A Christmas song.
- 13 _____ Christmas.
- 15 If you _____ a live Christmas tree, you must throw it out after the holidays.
- 17 A treat commonly left for Santa.
- 22 They followed a star to find the Christ child.
- 24 The night before Christmas.
- 27 Decorations commonly hung on trees.
- 29 The color of Rudolph's nose.
- 32 _____ Claus.

33 Kris _____.

35 A "door" for Santa.

36 St. _____.

37 These electric decorations were introduced as a safe replacement for candles on Christmas trees.

DOWN

1 Baby Jesus had this for a bed.

2 Naughty children may find a lump of this in their stockings.

3 "not a creature was stirring, not even a _____."

4 People who go door to door singing Christmas songs.

7 If you _____ a live Christmas tree, you may plant it after the holidays.

9 Another word for present.

10 These should be hung by the chimney with care.

12 The animals that travel with Santa.

14 Christmas Eve services are held here.

15 "I'm dreaming of a white _____."

16 A colorful decoration often added to the top of a package.

18 Angels announced Jesus' birth to these people.

19 These spicy holiday cookies are often shaped as people.

20 This type of Christmas tree may be used year after year.

21 A round object often hung on a door.

23 A small person who helps Santa.

25 Santa's preferred beverage.

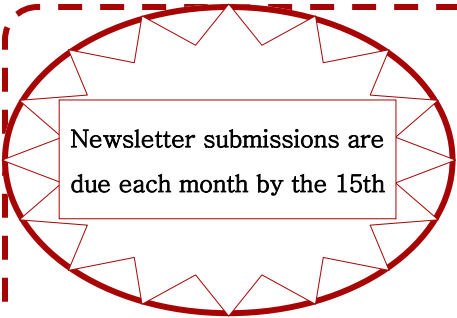
26 He guided Santa's sleigh one foggy Christmas Eve.

28 String this to decorate the Christmas tree.

30 Old _____ Nicholas.

31 _____ Christmas!

34 One of the three gifts the wise men brought to the Christ child.



Newsletter submissions are due each month by the 15th

Find us on Facebook

www.facebook.com/townofcalmar

Like us—For up to date events and news in the Town

Town Office Christmas Hours

Dec. 24 - 9:00am - 12 Noon

Closed Dec. 25, 26 and 27

Dec. 31 9:00am - 3:00pm

Contact Leah Ofstedahl

Town of Calmar
4901 - 50 Avenue
PO Box 750
Phone: 780.985.3604
Fax: 780.985.3039
E-mail: lofstedahl@calmar.ca

\$100.00 for Full Page Ad
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SEE YOU IN THE NEW YEAR!



Community Groups are Free to Advertise!



GET INVOLVED

Did you know that 80% of Alberta's firefighters are volunteers?

You give us some of your free time; We will give you: Training and Equipment to keep you safe and the ability to serve your community!

Applications can be picked up from the Town of Calmar Office or any Tuesday evening at the Fire Hall after 7:00 pm.

FOR MORE INFORMATION
CALL FIRE CHIEF DAVID BROOKS
587.985.7587