

# CALMAR CHRONICLE

December 2019



NOTICE: Our office will be closed December 25th, 26th, 27th & January 1st, 2020

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# December 2019

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## DID YOU KNOW...



**Reminder**  
January 1st, 2020 a 12% penalty will be applied to all outstanding amounts on property tax accounts.

Courtesy letters will be mailed by December 13 to those who have a balance on their accounts.

2018 Calmar & District Christmas Elves received a total of 32 hamper referrals, 25 family hampers and 7 adult only family hampers, 56 adults and 52 children ages 0-18 years old.

The Calmar Christmas Elves food drive food donations were down last year, however the children's gift donations received did help with completing the family hampers with children. The feedback received regarding the Christmas Elves red food drive bags with a promotional/information poster distributed by Canada Post, was positively received and utilized. We will be recycling the bags by distributing to the volunteers to use for door to door collection of food & gift donations.



## *Mayor's Corner*

The month of December is here and once again it is time to invite the jolly old man into our homes along with family and friends. However, there are people in and around our community that have been hit hard by the economy, job layoffs, and other personal circumstances, who need our help for a Merry Christmas. Please, if you can, consider donating food items as the Calmar & District Christmas Elves will be picking up food donations on Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup> from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Please contact Yvonne Pearson (780) 985-3604 at the Town Office if you can donate a gift to a child or teen in our community. The greatest gift you can give to yourself, is to help another in need.

If you are looking for that special stocking stuffer or that gift you cannot find anywhere else, join us at the Calmar Christmas Craft sale on December 7, at the Elementary School Gym.

Remember to come out between 6:00 pm. and 8:30 pm. on December 31<sup>st</sup> and enjoy Calmar's First Night Celebration at the Mike Karbonik Arena. Enjoy hot chocolate, hot dogs, public skating, face painting, a bon fire and, best of all, the tremendous fireworks display!

I hope that everyone enjoyed 2019 even though we had a cold and wet summer this year. The weather made construction projects difficult to complete, but we prevailed and were able to finish all projects. The Provincial Government was even able to complete the new 'Calmar Circle'. This circle will reduce the number of fatalities in the future and make it a much safer intersection for our community.

We are always looking for volunteers on all boards. Please enquire at the Town Office for volunteer positions at 780 985-3604.

On behalf of Myself, Council, our Town Manager and Town Staff we would like to take this time to Wish Everyone a Very Merry Christmas and All the Best in 2020.

Let's make Calmar the best Calmar it can be!

Mayor Wally Yachimetz



# What's Happening at the Calmar Public Library

December 2019

## One Time December Programs

### Christmas Crafts

**Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup> @ 1:00 pm**

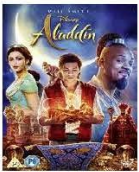


Christmas crafts could also be Christmas gifts!

Drop by and do a little Christmas Crafting at the Library. Chocolate covered pretzels, snowman ornaments, and much more. The button making machine will also be available. Though the program is free, space is limited, so registration is required. 780.985.3472

### Family Matinee

**Saturday, December 28<sup>th</sup> @ 12:30**



Matinee time at the library! Come on down for popcorn and a movie. Bring your stuffy or pillow and get comfortable while you enjoy watching Aladdin with Will Smith. Another free program at the library. Everyone is welcome. Call to let us know how much popcorn to make. 780.985.3472

## Monthly Programs

### Knit 'n' Stitch

**Every Tuesday from 1:30 pm**



Did you know that when you knit, you always have your yarn in the back of the right needle and when you purl, you always have your yarn on the front of your right needle? Join our weekly Knit 'n' Stitch group to learn these and other knitting technique tips. From the beginner to the pro, all levels are welcome. Bring your project down or start a new one.

### McBride Career Group

**By appointment only – call 587.285.8118**

The McBride Career group are here to assist unemployed individuals to achieve and retain meaningful employment opportunities and to assist working Albertans to identify steps required toward job and career goals. For more information on the services being offered call 587-285-8118 to book an appointment.



## Stay 'n' Play

Wednesdays starting September 4<sup>th</sup> – Dec 11<sup>th</sup>

10:00 am to 11:15 am

This program is for caregivers and children (0-5 yrs) and encourages children's brain development through exploration of 'loose parts' and child directed play. Healthy brains are built on quality playtime and strong relationships. You are your child's best 'play partner' and most important teacher. Create connections and build community at your local library. Join us in play, conversation, and early years learning!



## Stay 'n' Play Plus

Wednesdays starting September 4<sup>th</sup> – Dec 11<sup>th</sup>

1:00 pm to 2:30 pm

This program offers more activities and discussions about early childhood development. What does it mean to be your child's first teacher? Why is play so important? How do I guide my child through a tantrum? What is the connection between relationship and resiliency? What does healthy brain development look like? Come out to play, chat and be curious about the factors that influence human development, and link the dots from connecting, to playing, to learning.

## Early Dismissal Movie

First Wednesday of the month @ 3:00 pm

December 4<sup>th</sup> - School age



Free Movie! Free Popcorn! Early Dismissal Movie is back with a star-studded selection of movies for your viewing pleasure. For December we will be watching **How to Train Your Dragon: The Hidden World**.

Call the library to register so we know how much popcorn to make.

**780.985.3472**

## Thursday Tween Time

Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup> @ 3:30 pm

Tween Scene is back! Bigger and Better!

On the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month join us for a fun filled afternoon. Each month we will have a theme that we will work from. December's theme is all about Christmas gifts and decorations. Keep the chocolate covered licorice and spoons for yourself or give them as gifts. The button making machine will also be available. Registration is required as space is limited. 780.985.3472



## **Keto Konnection**

**Monday, December 9th @ 6:00 pm**

**Monday, December 23rd @ 6:00 pm**



You asked for it and here it is! The Keto 101 information session with Elke was not enough. Many participants asked for regular get-togethers and here it is! This will be a participant run program and will include recipe ideas, meal planning and overall information regarding the Keto Diet. Registration would be appreciated but this program does accept drop ins.

## **Cook Book Club**

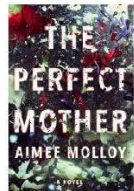
**Monday, December 16th @ 6:30 pm**



Christmas is just around the corner and what better way to celebrate than an evening of edible gift ideas. This month's Cook Book Challenge is to bring a dish centering around **Christmas Edible Gifts**. Don't forget the recipe! Everyone will get a chance to sample dishes so make sure you are hungry when you come. For more information please call 780.985.3472

## **Adult Book Club**

**Last Monday of the month @ 1:30 pm**



No meeting in December.

January's book will be The Perfect Mother by Aimee Molloy.

The book will be available for pick-up at the library 2<sup>nd</sup> week in December. Join the book club. Join the conversation.

## **January Save the Date**

**Monday, January 13<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>:** Keto Konnection

**Tuesday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>:** Knit 'n' Stitch

**Tuesday, MCG Careers:** By appointment only

**Wednesday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>:** Play, Learn & Grow and Play, Learn & Grow Plus

**Thursday, January 9<sup>th</sup>:** Thursday Tween Time

**Monday, January 20<sup>th</sup>:** Cook Book Club

**Friday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>:** After Hours Nerf Wars (8 – 12 yrs)

**Friday, January 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>:** Rhymes that Bind

The Library will be closed December 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, and 31<sup>st</sup>

**Check out our webpage: [www.calmarpubliclibrary.ca](http://www.calmarpubliclibrary.ca)**

**Call 780.985.3472 for more information.**



**DECEMBER 2019 CALMAR PUBLIC LIBRARY PROGRAMS**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
						1 CLOSED
2 11:00 – 8:00 11:30 AM Zook Adult Exercise	3 11:00 – 5:00 1:30 PM Knitting Group (Everyone)	4 11:00 – 8:00 10:00 – 11:15 Play, Learn & Grow 1:00 – 2:30 Play, Learn, & Grow Plus 3:30 early Dismissal Movie: How to Train Your Dragon: the hidden world	5 11:00 – 5:00	6 11:00 – 5:00	7 11:00 – 3:00	8 CLOSED
9 11:00 – 8:00 11:30 AM Zook Adult Exercise 6:00 Keto Konnection	10 11:00 – 5:00 1:30 PM Knitting Group (Everyone)	11 11:00 – 8:00 10:00 – 11:15 Play, Learn & Grow 1:00 – 2:30 Play, Learn, & Grow Plus	12 11:00 – 5:00  Thursday Tween Time: Christmas Crafts (Button Making Machine)	13 11:00 – 5:00	14 11:00 – 3:00 11:30 – 2:00 Christmas Craft Day (Button Making Machine)	15 CLOSED
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30 11:00 – 8:00	31 11:00 – 5:00 CLOSED					

# Colouring Contest!!

\* See pages 12-15

\* Four age categories; 4-7, 8-12, 13-18 & 18+

\* Hand in at the Town Office (4901-50 Avenue) by 4:30 December 16th

\* Include name, age and phone number

\* Winners will be contacted later that week to pick up their \$25 gift card

**Calmar and District Senior Citizens Club  
December 2019 News**

**WANTED**

The Calmar and District Senior Citizens Club is inviting all adults 50 years and older to join our Senior Citizens Club for fun and camaraderie. The club holds various functions throughout the year. We hold monthly MUSIC Jammer Sessions of the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month where musicians from our region get together and provide lively music for your dancing and listening pleasure, a light lunch is served for an entry fee of only \$7.

**Musicians of all ages are always welcome to join in at our monthly Music Jammers.**

We hold monthly birthday celebrations for our members where the club provides a birthday cake; you can offer your well wishes to fellow members that are celebrating a birthday. We hold quarterly general meetings to inform members of what is going on at the center and with the club; we also have a celebratory meal for holidays such as Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas. **The membership fee to join the Calmar and District Senior Citizens Club is ONLY \$10 per year.**

Come and join the Calmar & District Senior Citizens Club, you can get your membership by just showing up at the hall for any of the senior club functions or by emailing Terry Balaban at [tbalaban@shaw.ca](mailto:tbalaban@shaw.ca) or calling at 587-988-3636.

The Calmar & District Senior Center is available for rental for meetings and all social functions. The rental fees are:

\$100 for 4 hours or less plus a \$100 refundable damage deposit

\$200 for more than 4 hours plus a \$200 refundable damage deposit.

Call Ed Roskewich at 587-986-0921 for bookings.

**December Activity Schedule**

**There is NO Music Jammers in December, the next Music Jammers will be held on January 28, 2020 at 12:30 pm.**

**Quarterly General Meeting will be held on Wednesday December 4, 2019 at 1:00 pm.**

**Seniors Club members Pot Luck Christmas Dinner will be held on Wednesday December 11, 2019 at 12:30 pm.**

**Remember to buy your tickets for the following:**

**The Calmar Seniors Club, in conjunction with the Calmar Legion Branch #266, is holding the Playhouse Raffle to raise funds to help our clubs operate. Tickets are only \$5.00 with only 2000 tickets printed. The draw will be held on December 31, 2019 at Calmar's First Night Celebration, for tickets contact Terry Balaban @ 587-988-3636, any senior club members or purchase at the Calmar Library.**

**Merry Christmas and Happy New Year**



## FROM THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT

The annual Calmar Craft Fair is Saturday 07 December at Calmar Elementary School. From 10 – 4pm come and visit the many vendors and hopefully cross some names off of your “Presents to Buy” list. Coffee, Pucks, & Poutine will be running the concession at the sale so if you get hungry or thirsty, we’ve got you covered.

At the time of this article’s typing we have reached vendor capacity. Unlike last year, we have capped the number of vendors so everyone can be in the gymnasium.

The holidays are often a time of family so don’t forget to get that special picture or story that shows what family means to you for our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Family Day contest in February. All submissions must be made by Friday 07 February so the Recreation Board can select the winner(s) at its 19 February meeting. And yes, that is 2 days after Family Day but it’s the thought that counts, isn’t it?

The festive season will end as it always does with First Night on Tuesday 31 December. As usual, all activity will take place at the Mike Karbonik Arena. There will be free public skating (no sticks or pucks please), a balloon artist, and face painting as well as hot dogs (maximum 2 per person) and hot chocolate for everyone. A reminder to everyone that the arena will close its doors (and lock them) to the public at 8 p.m. and the fireworks should happen at 8:30 p.m. Before the arena closes we will be announcing the winners of the Christmas Lights contest AND drawing the winning ticket for the Seniors Centre/Legion Playhouse raffle.

As we end the year I would like to take this opportunity to thank Sandra McIntosh for all of her dedication and hard work that she put into the Calmar & District Recreation Board. Unfortunately, Sandra has decided to take a step back so that now leaves us with 2 Board vacancies to fill. One of these vacancies is for a local recreation representative so if you belong to a minor sport program, one of the adult hockey teams, or adult slo-pitch and are interested, please give me a call at 780-985-3604 or send me an email at [bking@calmar.ca](mailto:bking@calmar.ca) to discuss things more.

A head’s up to the many players who help make Calmar Days a success every year – the Town will be holding a special meeting sometime in January to discuss how we can help Calmar Days grow and be bigger and better. Once an actual date has been chosen I will be sending an email invite to those who have partnered in the past but even if you don’t get an email, if you are interested, you will be more than welcome to attend.

For those who haven’t noticed, in addition to getting the nice new trophy case in the Mike Karbonik Arena (which now houses both minor hockey and figure skating memories), a decision was made to redo the jersey box and the commemorative plaque and both came out lovely. The jersey looks really nice in its new shadow box and you can now read the plaque without risking eye strain.

Awhile back, there was some Facebook activity regarding public skating in our community. I appreciate your concerns regarding public skating but please note, unlike other communities, Public Skating in Calmar is not sponsored nor does the Town charge for public skating. In addition, having only 1 sheet of indoor ice and due to the cost of maintaining such a facility, paying customers take priority and public skating and shinny is usually slotted in where there is empty ice.

Due to the complexities of Minor Hockey scheduling, it is not uncommon to find out about free ice as late as the day of. Tuesday to Friday the arena is usually booked from 4pm on so there is little opportunity for public skating or shinny hockey at these times. There is the potential to operate on school PD days but as this is essentially a financial matter (to operate the arena at no charge to anyone) I will first have to bring this to the Recreation Board at its next regular meeting of 18 December which will then make a recommendation to Town Council for its next regular meeting following that. Even if the consensus is to accommodate free public skating on these days, we will still see none on Fridays as that is ice maintenance day.

At the time of this article’s typing, temperatures are still too warm for the free outdoor rink to be operational however, when the outdoor rink is ready, that is still a viable option for many of our residents.

**CALMAR & DISTRICT CHRISTMAS ELVES HAMPER REFERRAL**



**Are you (or someone you know) experiencing economic difficulties?  
If so, you may register (or refer someone) for a Christmas family hamper.  
All requests must qualify through an intake interview.  
Please contact Yvonne @ (780)985-3191  
between November 5—December 5, 2019**

**Hamper Delivery Date December 18, 2019**



## **Sponsor-A-Teen Program**

Would you like to donate a gift for a teen, ages 13 to 18?  
The Sponsor-A-Teen Program available until **December 3, 2019**



Would you like to sponsor a children's gift? Stop by the Calmar Town office.

**We are waiting for Angels like you.**

Angel Tree Gifts sponsorship available until **December 3, 2019**





## CALMAR & DISTRICT CHRISTMAS ELVES

# Calmar Annual Food Drive

LEDUC COUNTY FIRE SERVICES  
WILL BE LEADING THE DOOR TO  
DOOR FOOD DRIVE

### **VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR DOOR TO DOOR COLLECTION TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN!!**

Please consider joining us collecting food & gift donations going from door to door for a couple hours.

If you are willing to volunteer please contact: YVONNE @ 780.985.3191

Volunteers will be meeting @ 1:30 PM Sunday, December 1, 2019

At the Calmar Community Hall—4815—49 Street



#### UNISEX

- |            |                  |
|------------|------------------|
| Gift Cards | Gloves, Mittens  |
| Board      | Toques, Scarves  |
| Backpacks  | Pajamas          |
| Wallets    | Watches          |
| Pajamas    | Belts            |
| T-shirts   | Tooth Brush/     |
| Socks      | Toothpaste/Floss |
| Hoodie     |                  |

#### Teen Gift Ideas Suggestions

##### GIRLS

- Make-up Sets
- Hair Accessories
- Curling Iron/Flat Iron
- Purses/Wallets
- Hair Dryer
- Manicure/Nail Kits
- Jewelry
- Bath Sets

##### BOYS

- Sports Jerseys or clothing
- Shower Gel, & Bath sets
- Shaving Kits
- Cologne & Cologne Sets
- Deodorant
- Hair Gel/Mouse/Spray
- Ball Caps
- Hockey sticks, pucks



#### Family Gift Ideas

Movie Night

Pizza Night Gift Card

Family Swim Pass

Board Games

#### Gift Ideas Suggestions — All Ages

- Board Games
- Chapter Books
- Pajamas
- Word Puzzle Books
- Coloring/Activity Books
- Alkaline Batteries (AAA/AA/9V/C/D)
- Toothbrush/Toothpaste/Floss

- Soft Dolls
- Barbie Dolls
- Barbie Dolls Clothing/accessories
- Dolls
- Bead Set
- Gloves, Toques, Scarves

- Puzzles
- Sport Balls
- Make-up Sets
- Action Figures
- Lego
- Craft Kits

- Cloth Books
- Rattles
- Shape Stacker
- Music Toys
- Coordination Toys

Food Donations are being accepted beginning November 13—December 13th, 2019

#### Items needed:

##### ⇒ Non-perishable Food Items :

- cans of soup, meat, fish, vegetables & fruit
- coffee, teas, hot chocolate-packets/ container
- pickles, peanut butter, jam and syrup
- pasta-dry, pasta sauce and rice
- flour, sugar/white/brown, salt,
- pepper, spices
- mayonnaise

##### ⇒ Miscellaneous

- pajamas
- gloves, scarves, toques
- socks
- sports-themed items
- gift cards to clothing stores
- wrapping paper
- diapers and wipes
- pet food/dog or cat/ dry or canned

##### ⇒ Personal hygiene

- ⇒ shampoo, conditioner, soap
- deodorant, body/feminine spray
- personal care products
- hair and make up supplies

##### ⇒ Household items

- toilet paper
- laundry soap, fabric softener
- dish soap
- other cleaning supplies

⇒ *We cannot accept expired items, carbonated beverages (pop), alcohol, homemade or home-canned food items or opened packages.*



# Ages 4-7 Colouring Contest!!



NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

AGE: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

# Ages 8-12 Colouring Contest!!



NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

AGE: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

# Ages 12-17 Colouring Contest!!



NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

AGE: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

# Ages 18+ Colouring Contest!!



NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

AGE: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

## Economic Development & Tourism

T: 780.985.3604 (223)

E: mlevasseur@calmar.ca

### November Update



### Tis the season to shop local!



As we enter the holiday season, consider shopping & dining local while supporting small business entrepreneurs. Our local retail and restaurant community starts right here in Calmar but spans across our local region including Thorsby, Warburg and Devon. Check out

the markets, stop in at the quaint main street shops, and leverage social media to find the perfect gifts from our local makers.

### Remediation and Reclamation

Two steps forward and three steps back. Weaving through the organizations that set policy, enforce policy and mandate site clean up has been enlightening but frustrating. However the recent connections I have made thanks to referrals from some of you (our residents), I have learned a lot more about landowner rights and have a better understanding of how to determine who could be held accountable for remediation on land in Calmar. I have moved forward explaining the economic and social impacts the contaminated lands have on Calmar, but I still have a long way to go in gaining resource support to undertake the environmental assessments required so the lands can be developed.

### Opportunity Development Cooperative (ODC)

The ODC committee held an information webinar with the Alberta Community Co-operative Association on Wednesday November 20, 2019. The presenter explained the details of starting a local investing cooperative, what it means to invest locally, project examples, duties of the board of directors and more. The committee will meet again shortly to further discuss what was shared and determine next steps in the assessment process. If you are interested in this initiative but were unable to attend the session, please contact me and I will share the recorded webinar.

### NoWhere to Run Event

The Town is proud to have partnered with the Calmar Secondary School PTA to host the NoWhere to Run event on October 4, 2019. The event attracted over 100 participants from Calmar and the Leduc County region. The organizing committee consisted of parents, youth, residents and myself. Together we raised over \$3,000 to fund positive mental health initiatives in the school and to contribute funds towards the community trail development reserve.





## Community Video

The Town completed a community video through the support of the Government of Alberta CARES Grant Program. Thank you to the businesses, residents, and the schools for participating in this project. The video can be viewed on the Town of Calmar website and our Facebook page.

## Investment Opportunities in Calmar

I have been working closely with realtors or individuals who have property for sale or lease in Calmar. There has been some movement in this area with local companies moving into larger spaces and new companies moving into Calmar. I would like to ensure the listings are complete and accurate. Please let me know if you are aware of a property for sale or lease so I can add it to the list. The complete list can be found on the Town of Calmar website under the 'Business' tab.

## Thank you Economic Development Board Members

*Thank  
you*

Through a review of all Town of Calmar Boards, it was determined that the Economic Development & Tourism Board would disband. Economic Development will launch upwards of four (4) community committees to implement and deliver upon initiatives outlined in the five year Big 7 Strategic Action plan. Each committee will have their own terms of reference which outlines the project timeline, objectives and deliverables. Stay tuned for opportunities to volunteer on an upcoming project committee. Thank you very much to all residents and businesses who have given time and expertise to the economic development board in the last few years.





We would like to thank all the folks for attending our annual fall Harvest Supper/fundraiser held on November 2nd.

A special thanks goes to the following businesses and individuals who donated a lot of nice items for our door prizes and silent auction.

Leduc UFA  
Fraserway RV  
Hayduk Lumber, Calmar  
Peavey Mart, Leduc  
Loganberry's, Calmar  
Farm Animal Hospital, Leduc  
Local Meats, Leduc  
Rental House, Leduc  
Schwab GMC

Under The Sun Glass Studio  
Stanz Pedestals  
Black Gold Gallery  
Riekje TerBorgh  
KeyAG Kubota Leduc  
Leduc Co-op  
Mr & Mrs Jim Kuzio  
Leduc County  
Hilda Elgert

To the attendants, sponsors, entertainers and all who helped make our event a great success, Thanks

The Glen Park Hall board

# Happiness Basics

in Thorsby

This workshop teaches skills to boost overall happiness. Improve mood, vitality and energy levels, boost physical and mental health and reduce pain.

Cost: \$20 for workshop materials

**Taught by a PCN Mental Health Clinician**

This is a 4-part workshop  
**January 23, 30, February 6 & 13, 2020**  
**1:00 pm - 3:00 pm**

**Arctic Spa Recreation Complex**  
**4901 48 Avenue**  
**Thorsby**

A partnership between:



To register, visit  
[www.lbdpcn.com](http://www.lbdpcn.com)  
or call 780-986-6624

# Mike Karbonik Arena



# Fiber Speeds Are Coming to Town

True **50** <sup>Mbps</sup>  
+up Unlimited  
Internet

Starting  
as low as **\$85**/mo



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[www.bigwifi.ca](http://www.bigwifi.ca)

[clientcare@bigwifi.ca](mailto:clientcare@bigwifi.ca)



## Calmar & District Seniors Club Playhouse Raffle

Tickets only \$5.00  
Only 2000 tickets printed

For Tickets Contact:

Terry Balaban - Calmar & District Seniors Club  
Phone: 587-988-3636  
EMAIL - [tbalaban@shaw.ca](mailto:tbalaban@shaw.ca)

Pete Popowich - Calmar Legion Branch #266  
Phone: 780-920-1485

Wally Yachimetz - Calmar Legion Branch # 266  
Phone: 780-722-4147

**Draw Date: December 31, 2019**  
**Calmar First Night**

ALGC License No. 530934  
Proceeds to help support Senior Club and Legion activities in Calmar.

*Tickets  
Available at  
Calmar Library  
& Gas*



LEDUC COUNTY FIRE SERVICES

# NOW RECRUITING PAID ON-CALL FIREFIGHTERS

IN THE CALMAR, NEW SAREPTA, NISKU AND THORSBY FIRE DISTRICTS

APPLY ONLINE BY JAN. 3, 2019 AT  
[LEDUC-COUNTY.COM/RECRUITMENT](http://LEDUC-COUNTY.COM/RECRUITMENT)  
OR CALL **780-955-7099**



Paid on-call firefighters receive professional-level NFPA training at no personal financial cost and gain valuable hands-on experience through training scenarios and emergency calls.



*Use it or Lose it!*

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Does your Vision Coverage start over in 2020?

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*Come see us!*



**COUNTRYSIDE**  
VISION CARE

Unit 204 4715 50 Ave  
Calmar, AB  
TOC OVO  
587-906-1515



## **NOTICE: PROPERTY FOR SALE**



Pursuant to the Tax Recovery process in the Municipal Government Act, the property listed below was offered for sale at a Public Auction held on June 27th, 2019. The property was not sold at the Auction and the Town of Calmar has taken title to the property.

Pursuant to further processes in the Municipal Government Act the property may now be sold by private sale with no further notice to the previous owner. A sale may be initiated by a person or persons by presenting a bona fide offer, along with a 10% deposit, based on the offer, to the Council of the Town of Calmar. Council may entertain any offer that is reasonably close to fair market value.

Should you have any questions in this regard please contact Director of Finance Mike Storey at [mstorey@calmar.ca](mailto:mstorey@calmar.ca) or call 780-985-3604 extension 226.

### **Property For Sale**

Commercial Property Located at: 4718—50 Avenue

Sale Price: \$200,000



## Watch for your 2020 Business License

### renewal invoice in the mail!

**Renewal period will be from December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 to January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020.**

**NEW** in 2020! The Town will be producing a printed Business Directory which will provide **free advertisement** for all valid **local businesses** who renew by the **January 31** deadline. The Business Directory will be distributed to every household, to all new residents and throughout the region at information centres.

Please contact Ruth Sider if you have questions at [rsider@calmar.ca](mailto:rsider@calmar.ca) or 780-985-3604 ext. 233



*Darlene Fedor*

**Looking for great rates and coverage for  
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***Isn't it time you called Direct-Line?***

**780.985.3666**

**[dfedor@directlineins.net](mailto:dfedor@directlineins.net)**

*4905 – 50 Avenue - Calmar*

Proudly  
Representing





*"Growing together in Jesus Christ"*



*to spread His light of love in Calmar"*

# Calmar Community Baptist Church

Pastor Keith Froese (780)721-2171 Email: calmarcommunitybaptist37@gmail.com

Street Address: 37A Parkview Cres. Calmar

## *Sunday Mornings @ the church*

Adult & Youth Sunday School class - 9:00 - 9:45am

Pre-service coffee 9:45 - 10:25am

Pre-service Prayer 10:00 - 10:15am

Service begins @ 10:30am



## **Men's Bible Study**

Enjoy studying God's word,  
discussion and a cup of  
coffee together.

Saturday mornings @ 7:30

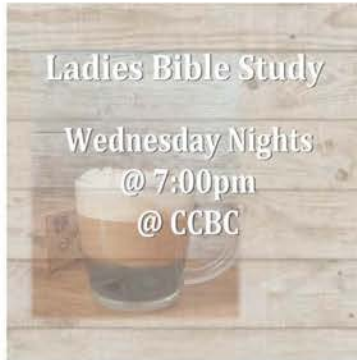
Breakfast every 1st  
Saturday of the month.

Ladies Bible Study

Wednesday Nights

@ 7:00pm

@ CCBC



## **Christian Service Brigade**

For boys 8-12

(Grades 3-6)

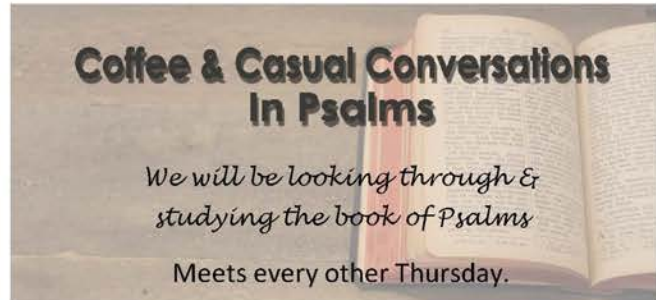
*"Bright & Keen for Christ"*



## **Coffee & Casual Conversations In Psalms**

*We will be looking through &  
studying the book of Psalms*

Meets every other Thursday.



**ALIVE**  
YOUTH MINISTRIES

**Attention Youth!**

Join us on Friday nights  
for Alpha Supper @ 6:30pm

Alpha @ 7:15pm

**ALPHA  
YOUTH**

Explore life's  
biggest questions.



CHRISTMAS EVE  
**CANDLELIGHT**  
SERVICE

December 24th @ 5:00PM

All welcome to attend




# NewsLetter DEADLINE 15th of the month!

## OPTIONS:

**\$100.00 Full Page      \$75.00 Half Page**  
**\$50.00 Quarter Page    \$25.00 Business Card**  
**COMMUNITY GROUPS ARE FREE!**

Phone: 780.985.3604 ext. 232 Fax: 780.985.3039

Email: [hbryans@calmar.ca](mailto:hbryans@calmar.ca)



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5002 - 50 Ave, Calmar AB T0C 0V0  
 Front Store: 780.985.3142  
 Pharmacy: 780.985.3121  
 Website: [www.calmarpharmacy.com](http://www.calmarpharmacy.com)

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**Hours of Operation**

Monday-Friday	9:00AM-7:00PM
Saturday	9:00AM-6:00PM
Sundays & Holidays:	11:00AM-5:00PM

**CALMAR STORAGE**  
**Box 693, 5009 - 43 Avenue**  
**Calmar, Alberta T0C 0V0**  
**Tel: 780-985-2102**



**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](mailto:dkmills_123@hotmail.com)

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

**SMALL 2 BEDROOM HOUSE FOR RENT**

In Calmar. Utilities included.  
 Rent is \$1300.00 monthly  
 Available immediately.  
 References are required  
 Call 780-985-3655



Please contact the Town office with any inquiries. When requesting an ad please submit it in an electronic format which is print ready. **All ads must be paid for at the time of submission.** Calmar Community groups are free. A full list can be found on our website: [www.calmar.ca/newsletter/](http://www.calmar.ca/newsletter/)

**Starting a Home Based Business?**

Did you know that you may require a Development Permit and possibly other approvals if you are going to change the existing use of your building?

Also, you are required to obtain a Business License.

Please contact Ruth Sider, Development Officer, at [rsider@calmar.ca](mailto:rsider@calmar.ca) or 780-985-3604 ext. 233.

**Property Taxes**

The Town offers a penalty free payment plan specially for Tax Accounts. (TIPS)

You can sign up anytime through out the year! (You will need to pay up front for the months that have already passed, to stay caught up).

All you need is a signed Pre-Authorized Debit form and a VOID Cheque/Direct Deposit paper from your bank.

No missed due dates and penalties, no need to renew every year. Just an automatic withdrawal from your account once a month.

~The payment is calculated based on your most current levy~

If you are interested in joining, contact Heather @ [hbryans@calmar.ca](mailto:hbryans@calmar.ca) or 780-985-3604 ext. 232.

**PUBLIC WORKS ON CALL**  
780-446-7319

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**PUBLIC WORKS SHOP**  
780-985-2121

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**COMMUNITY PEACE OFFICER**  
780-999-7181

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**EMERGENCY**  
911

**TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS**

Held in Council Chambers  
 @ 4901-50 Avenue @ 7p.m.

1st and 3rd Mondays each month (except July & August).

**ALL RESIDENTS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND**