



# CALMAR CHRONICLE



## Happy St. Patrick's Day!

**ST. PATRICK'S DAY - March 17** - St. Patrick's feast day was being celebrated by the Irish in the ninth and tenth centuries - it was placed on the universal liturgical calendar in the Catholic Church in the early 1600's. It then became a holy day of obligation for Roman Catholics in Ireland. In the Church of Ireland it remains a Feast Day. It became an official Irish public holiday in 1903. The government of the Republic of Ireland began campaigning to use St. Patrick's Day to showcase Ireland and its culture in the mid-1990's, with its goal to create a festival that attains international greatness - projecting an accurate image of Ireland as a creative, professional and sophisticated country with wide appeal.



Traditional St Patrick's Day badges from the early 20th century, photographed at the [Museum of Country Life in County Mayo](#)



Sunday, March 8, 2015, 2:00 AM clocks are turned **forward** 1 hour

## EARTH HOUR

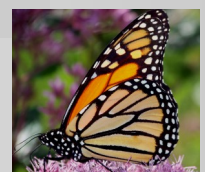


**Energy Your Way™:** FortisAlberta's Energy Your Way™ Earth Hour Challenge was a huge success last year with 11 municipalities competing to save the most electricity in FortisAlberta's service territory. Participants saved a total of 10 MW, which is enough to power 11,000 houses for one hour! Earth Hour is a global event that takes place in March each year with the goal of encouraging people and businesses to turn off unnecessary lights, appliances and electronic devices to help conserve power and protect the planet.

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Due to a high level of interest in the program last year, FortisAlberta is adding two additional grants in 2015 to support this project. These are available to municipalities in our service territory that have a franchise agreement\* with FortisAlberta. The grant is designed to help communities with activities such as retrofitting facilities with LED/CFL bulbs or to improve the energy efficiency of heating and cooling units in public facilities.





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Liquor Store 780-985-3334  
Fax 780-985-3334

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HOURS OF OPERATION  
Mon.: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm  
Tue.: 8:30 am - 7:00 pm  
Wed.: 8:30 am - 7:00 pm  
Thur.: 8:30 am - 7:00 pm  
Fri.: 8:30 am - 5:00 pm  
Sat.: 8:30 am - 3:00 pm



## MARCH AT THE SENIOR'S CENTRE

Mama, there's a man at the door, he says he's collecting for senior citizens! Do you think we should hide grandpa?!



**Member's Birthdays**  
**March 18, 2015**  
**1:30 PM**



To book an appointment

**FOOT CARE CLINIC**  
**MARCH 6, 2015**  
 Starting @ 9:00 AM  
 Please call Diane @  
 780.218.3268



**General Meeting**  
**March 11, 2015**  
**1:30 PM**

### MUSIC JAMMERS

**Tuesday, March 24, 2015**  
**1:00 - 3:00 PM**  
 Admission: \$4.00  
 Light Lunch will be served



## Wilton Park Community Centre



Last Saturday of the Month!  
**February 28**  
**March 28!**  
**\$5.00 Per Person**

Jammers are free.  
 Door Prizes and a light lunch served!

Everyone is welcome to bring their instruments !

In March we will be hosting a **FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT!**  
 Popcorn/Pop Available  
 Bring your own chairs, blankets, pillows!

**WILTON PARK  
 COMMUNITY  
 CENTRE**

## Glen Park Community Hall



We are holding Spring and Fall weekend markets at the Glen Park Community Hall.  
 Featuring local vendors, handmade products, concession and more...  
 Watch the April Newsletter for the Spring Show's date and time!



# At the Library



**Rhymes & Story Time**  
 Fun Interactive Child-led Program  
 Drop Ins Welcome!  
**Every Wednesdays at 10:00 am**

## Basic Computers 101

This course will teach you computer basics, from using mouse controls, desktop toolbars, managing and searching for files and folders. This course is the first step in gaining confidence to be comfortable using your computer. Registration is required due to limited space. Computers are supplied. NO CHARGE.

**Thursdays March 5, 12, 19, 26 starting at 1:00 pm**

**THIS CLASS IS FULL BUT WE ARE ACCEPTING NAMES FOR THE NEXT CLASS.**

**DATE AND TIME TO BE DETERMINED.**

## Cards with Ramona

**FUN! CREATIVE! SOCIAL!**

\$6.00 per person includes 3 unique cards

Please bring double sided tape and fine tipped scissors

Must be 12 years and older

**4<sup>th</sup> Monday March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 pm**

## Dew Drop Story Time

This program is designed to promote early and family literacy by encouraging emerging language skills through books. Drop Ins Welcome!

**Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am**

## Cookbook Club

Mini crab cakes with coriander paste and Thai chicken cakes. Is your mouth watering? These are just a few of the items provided by members as they sample and explore the many cookbooks at the library.

Interested in finding out more? Call the library for details on how to join.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Monday March 16<sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm**

## Book Sale

The library is doing a little gardening. Come in a check out our selection of books for sale.



## Knitting and Crocheting Group

Bring your project down! Beginners Welcomed!

**1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday - March 4<sup>th</sup> and March 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm**

**3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday - March 14<sup>th</sup> and March 28<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm**

Don't forget to check out our webpage: [wwwcalmarpubliclibrary.ca](http://wwwcalmarpubliclibrary.ca)

Like us on Face Book: Calmar Public Library



## Calmar... Community in Bloom

Hello everyone, I hope you all had a good Christmas and a very happy and prosperous New Year!

Calmar's Community in Bloom executive is excited to announce that there are a few new ideas in place for this coming season. We are planning a Trade Show in April to serve as a fundraiser for our society, a 'whole town' cleanup in May, and a Block Party for Canada Day!

We have yet to determine the exact date of the Trade Show, but we have a number of vendor's interested in showing their products to our community. Refreshments will be served. We will keep you all posted.

The 'whole-town' cleanup will be on May 23, 2015. We will be asking someone from each area of town to oversee the cleanup of a designated section. Following the cleanup, we will be hosting a Bar-b-que for all those participating.

The time frame of the cleanup will flow into the spring time planting and basket hanging along Main Street. We welcome anyone who can contribute even a few minutes of their time to assist us, not only in planting, but maintaining our flowerbeds throughout the season (watering, weeding, fertilizing and dead-heading).

This will bring us to the end of spring and full bloom into summer, where the kids are no longer in school, summer holidays for families, and other fun summertime activities such as golfing, fishing, swimming, baseball, etc. To kick off this summer season Calmar's Community In Bloom will be hosting a big block party, JULY 1, 2015 at the ball diamonds! There will be lots for everyone to participate in such as races, face painting, and a dunk tank, will be among numerous other games and activities. Don't forget, Canada Day falls on a Wednesday this year, so we are expecting a good turnout for this event.

Later on in the summer, the Communities in Bloom judges will be here observing our beautiful little town to give us their opinion on what needs to be completed in order for us to be successful in the competition next year, as we will not be competing this year.

So everyone, please mark these days on your calendars and enjoy the festivities with us as we work toward a united community that we can be proud of!

For updates and further information check out our website @ [calmarcib.webs.com](http://calmarcib.webs.com), or our facebook page @ Calmar Community In Bloom!

Lola Coombes President  
Calmar's Community In Bloom

Calmar Communities In Blooms' Annual General Meeting is March 9, 2015 at 6:30pm in the Town Council Chambers. All are welcome.

We are also looking for volunteers to help out with planting and maintaining the gardens throughout the town. You don't need a green thumb, just a willingness to get your hands a little dirty and have some fun. If interested please contact Lola Coombes at 780-985-2212 or email [lolacoombes@gmail.com](mailto:lolacoombes@gmail.com)  
Visit us on FB - Calmar Community in Bloom - Web - [www.calmarcib.webs.com](http://www.calmarcib.webs.com)



## HOME ALONE TRAINING



FCSS is holding a Home Alone Training session for children between the ages of 9 and 11.

Being home alone can be an uncomfortable and unsafe situation without some basic skills. Dealing with siblings, friends and strangers, internet safety, fire safety, safety in the kitchen and more are covered in this course empowering participants to feel safe and confident while home alone.

Bring a bag lunch and snacks. PLEASE NOTE: An email address is required at the time of registration as there is a homework pre-requirement that parents must complete with their children prior to the course.

Tentative Date: May 23, 2015 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM



For registration contact Yvonne @ 780.985.3191 / email: ypearson@calmar.ca

## 2014 INCOME TAX RETURNS

# Volunteer Income Tax Program Beginning March 10, 2015



FOR SENIORS, STUDENTS, ADULTS OR FAMILIES WITH LOW INCOME

TAX RETURNS DONE BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT OR FOR MORE INFORMATION

CONTACT YVONNE @ 780.985.3191

OFFICE HOURS: TUES - WED ~ 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

EMAIL: ypearson@calmar.ca

The Program DOES NOT complete returns with income from:

- ⇒ Capital Gains
- ⇒ Bankruptcies
- ⇒ Self Employment
- ⇒ Fishing Income
- ⇒ Rental Income
- ⇒ Farming Income
- ⇒ Deceased Persons
- ⇒ Interest of \$1000

Please contact Yvonne @ 780.985.3191 if you have Transportation challenges, between March 10 and March 26

### Tax Return Filing Deadline April 30, 2015





# Renting 101

## FREE Community Information Session



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### Know Your Rights as a Renter and Landlord

- Tenancy Agreement
- Security Deposit
- Inspections
- Paying Rent On Time
- Rent Increases
- Dispute Settlement
- Municipal Land Use
- Regulations & Building Code

**Location: Leduc Public Library**  
2 Alexandra Park

**Time: 6:45 – 8:00 PM**  
Refreshments provided

**Date: Wednesday, March 18th**

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#### SPONSORED BY:



**Leduc Regional Adult Learning**

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**Please call 780-980-7109 before March 11, 2015 to register**  
**SPACE IS LIMITED**



## Devon Outgrown It Sale!

Come experience the Devon Outgrown It Sale - Saturday,  
April 25, 2015 - 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Devon Community Centre (20 Haven Avenue)

Find Great Deals on new and gently-used maternity, baby, toddler and children's items, and something for Mom! This great one-stop shopping experience includes local children/maternity-focused businesses and family resource agencies.

Don't miss out on a chance to win one of many door prizes, and be one of the first 100 Shoppers to get a Grab bag!

While you are here, grab a hot lunch from our concession (fundraiser operated by the Devon Local Youth Experience).

Admission is only \$2.00 per adult

(children and vendors are free)

50% of admission proceeds are donated to charity.

Bring the entire family to our bi-annual Sale event!



## National Volunteer Week April 12 - 18, 2015

The Town of Calmar will be honouring our Volunteers throughout the community at the Annual Volunteer Appreciation Night to be held on Saturday, April 11, 2015.

If you or your organization have those truly remarkable people who give their time and energy into helping out where they are needed, we request your assistance by completing the forms sent out, as soon as possible, to ensure they are recognized for their contribution to our community.

*Thank You Volunteers  
the Spirit of Calmar*



## Calmar Junior Golf

Calmar Junior Golf is seeking a co-ordinator for the 2015 Program. This volunteer position involves all aspects of the program from liaising with the golf course, taking registration and supervision at the Golf Course.

Instruction is provided by Certified Golf Instructors.

For further information, please contact Howard @780.991.6717 or via email @ hogo316@gmail.com.





**GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE**

**Calmar Community Good Friday Service**

**Friday, April 3, 2015**

**10:30 AM**

**Gateway Family Church**

**37A Parkview Crescent**



**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

**For Information please call:**

**Keith Froese @ 780.721.2171**

**Calmar's Annual Spring Trade Show**

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Spring Tradeshow**

**May 9, 2015**

**Mike Karbonik Arena**

**Registration Forms will be  
available March 6, 2015!**



**Bring your family to the Park  
for a community gathering!**



**Earth Hour Bonfire!**

**Centre Park**

**March 28, 2015**

**7:00 PM - 10:00 PM**





**Bring your lawn chairs, snacks and FAMILY!**

**Coffee, Hot Chocolate  
and Popcorn on site!**



# OPEN ACCESS YOUTH CLUB

Not just a place to be...a place to belong.

-  Facebook: Open Access Youth Club  
Parents of Calmar Youth
-  Twitter: @CalmarYouth
-  Instagram: Open Access Youth Club
-  E-Mail: OpenAccessYouthClub@gmail.com
- Youth/Young Adult Pastor and Director:  
Shannon Huhtala 780-906-2412

**HOURS OF OPERATION**

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 - 10:00 pm

 **create art at the club**

Fridays: 3:30 - 5:30 - Come on in and get in touch with your artsy self!

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**Ping Pong**



**Guitar Lessons**  
7:00 - 9:00 PM  
**TUESDAYS**  
Must be Registered

**Board Games!**



**Video games and wifi!**



**Friends! Fun!**

**Youth Nights**  
Fridays 7:00 - 10:00 PM

**Snacks!**

**AIR HOCKEY!**

You must be a member for the **Members Only Nights!**  
Membership is **FREE!**

**Billiards**

# COOL SCHOOL News...

## Calmar Area Schools

Calmar Elementary School...Home of the Stingrays!



Calmar Secondary School...Home of the Hawks!



ECS Registration  
Calmar Elementary School  
Information and Registration Meeting  
Thursday, April 23 @ 6:30 PM  
PARENTS ONLY



New Humble Centre School...Home of the Panthers!

**Spring Break**  
**March 27 - April 3**



## Calmar Figure Skating Carnival

Sunday, March 15, 2015

1:00 PM

Mike Karbonik Arena

Family and Friends welcome to come see your little skaters year ending ice show!

Entry Fee is just a coin donation at the door!



**Glen Park Community  
Association  
HAM and TURKEY  
BINGO**

**Glen Park Hall  
March 29, 2015**

**1:00 PM**

**For More Info call:  
Stella @ 780.985.2703**



**GRAD CLASS OF 2015**

Take your empties to

Bob's Bottle Depot

Let them know that you want to donate  
them to the Class of 2015!



**Alberta Health  
Services**

**1 in 8 women in Alberta  
will be diagnosed  
with breast cancer  
in her lifetime.**

**A Mammogram can  
help find breast cancer  
2 - 3 years before it  
can be felt.**

**Women 50 - 74 are  
recommended to have  
a screening mammogram  
every 2 years and  
may self-refer.**



**MOBILE  
SCREEN TEST**

**Beaumont  
March 11 / 12**

**Leduc  
March 13 / 14**

**TO BOOK A MAMMOGRAM  
APPOINTMENT CALL**

**1.800.667.0604**

Calmar Prairie Players Present:

  
**Crimson Cap Ladies**

 **Catch a Con**

**April 30, 2015**

**7:00 PM**

**DINNER THEATRE**

**May 1 - 2, 2015**

**Cocktails @ 6:00 PM**

**Catering by**

**Bob Ronnie Catering**

The Crimson Cap Ladies are back again in Chris McKerracher's "*Crimson Cap Ladies Catch a Con*". This time the Ladies believe that they have accidentally consumed a mind-altering substance at their meeting when a strange vacuum cleaner salesman appears in Town. Hi-jinx ensues with much hilarity in this new adventure of the Crimson Cap Ladies!





**ADVERTISE WITH US**

Contact: Leah Ofstedahl  
Town of Calmar  
lofstedahl@calmar.ca  
(780) 985-3604 ext. 221

**OPTIONS:**

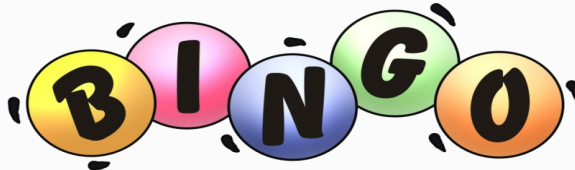
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- \$50.00 Quarter Page
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**COMMUNITY**

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**Royal Canadian Legion  
Calmar Branch**

**For More Information call: 780.984.8414**



**Wednesday Nights  
7:00 PM  
Calmar Legion**



**First day of Spring - March 20, 2015!**



**The Fire Department  
is seeking On-Call  
Child Care Providers  
for its members.**

**If you are a Town Resident  
and would be willing  
to rotate on an on-call  
basis with other Child  
Care Providers,  
please contact:**

**David Brooks @ 780.985.3500 or  
email: dbrooks@calmar.ca**

**Compensation will be  
provided.**

**Criminal Record and  
Vulnerable Sector Check Required.**