



CALMAR CHRONICLE

August 2022

And
we're
back.....

*Please note the Office
will be closed August 1st
for the Civic Holiday.*

*You can find me
at:*

Calmar Pharmacy
Lee's
Papa Rony's
Grasshopper
Calmar Library
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www.calmar.ca

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Phone 780-985-3604 Fax 780-985-3039
Website: www.calmar.ca Email info@calmar.ca

August 2022

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The Town of Calmar is pleased to announce that Sandra McIntosh will be joining the Town as our new Economic Development Officer on August 16th.

Sandra is an Economic Developer with eight years of experience, she started out as a Program Coordinator and worked her way up to Officer. She has a passion for business and enjoys supporting local businesses in achieving their goals. Sandra and her husband have been residents of Calmar for 25 years and are proud to be raising their three boys in this great community. She enjoys driveway visits with her neighbours, cheering on her boys in basketball, and shopping at our local stores.

Drop by the Town office and say hello, Sandra would love to see you.



Mayors Corner

"Breathe the sweetness that hovers in August." –Denise Levertov.

August is here and the summer almost half over. I hope everyone is finding time to enjoy the great outdoors and the adventures that await in our great community, from baseball, walking trails, spray park, bike rides, the outdoor markets and of course some great ice cream from Maggie Moo's. Grass is growing and the smell of fresh cut grass can be so tantalizing and refreshing.

I would like to give a huge shout out to all residents & businesses in town that have worked hard to beautify their properties with trees, shrubs and flowers, and to all the hard work of Communities in Bloom for the gorgeous flowers and planter beds that flourishing in the summer heat. You have all done a tremendous job of making our community a very attractive place to call home. Also, a reminder to us to ensure we are working on keeping our properties clean and trimmed to avoid the visit to request yard maintenance.

August is full of activity in Calmar. Monday is family drop in at the Spray Park. Friday is teen drop ins at the Calmar program center (Scouts hall) and this year the return of [Calmar Days](#) August 19 to 21st with our awesome Mega Market, pancake breakfast, parade, ball tournament, movie in the park, Cabaret and of course fireworks. Watch for all kinds of updates and let's enjoy the festivities. If anyone is interested in volunteering to be a part of the teams that make this event a spectacular event, please reach out to Taylor Thomas at the town office TThomas@calmar.ca or complete the online [volunteer interest form](#) on our website.

I would like to end by reminding the public of the upcoming Public Hearing on August 8th @ 7pm (online and in Council chambers) as this is an opportunity to comment on proposed [bylaw 2022-18](#) an amendment to land use bylaw as council works to enable the first stage development of Thomas Creek area.

Sincerely Yours

Sean Carnahan, Mayor

Calmar, a great place to call Home

TOWN OF CALMAR
INVITES YOU TOGET
#BackToTheFuture



CALMAR DAYS PARADE 2022



August 20, 2022 Starting @ 11:00 AM

You are invited to REGISTER for the #BackToTheFuture 2022 - Calmar Days Parade.

Let's get #BackToTheFuture; Let's celebrate each other; Let's show off Calmar *The Real Deal!*

Deadline for Registration: Friday August 12th, 2022 @ 4:00pm

Register Online at calmar.ca/community/events/fair-days/





2022

CALMAR FAIR DAYS

BALL TOURNAMENT

FRIDAY TO SUNDAY
STARTING @ 5:00 PM AUGUST 19
CALMAR RECREATION GROUNDS

FRIDAY

AUGUST 19 | SUNSET OR
APPROXIMATELY 9:00 PM
CALMAR RECREATION GROUNDS

FAMILY DRIVE IN MOVIE

FAMILY SIDEWALK ART



FRIDAY

AUGUST 19 | 5:00 PM
CALMAR PUBLIC LIBRARY

SATURDAY

AUGUST 20 | 8:00 AM - 10:00
MIKE KARBONIK ARENA

PANCAKE BREAKFASTS

BIKE DECORATING



FRIDAY

AUGUST 19 | 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM
CALMAR PUBLIC LIBRARY



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MAINSTREET CALMAR

MEGA MARKET

BEER GARDENS

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CALMAR RECREATION GROUNDS

SATURDAY

AUGUST 20 | 9:00 PM
CALMAR CURLING CLUB & COMMUNITY CENTRE

CABARET

PARADE

SATURDAY
AUGUST 20 | 11:00 AM

SATURDAY

AUGUST 20 | 5:00 PM
CALMAR RECREATION GROUNDS

HOME RUN DERBY

FIREWORKS

SATURDAY
AUGUST 20 | 11:00 PM OR SUNSET
DISPLAY WILL BE SET OFF FROM FIELD LOCATED
SOUTH OF HWY 39 AND EAST OF THE ROYAL
CANADIAN LEGION



**CHRISTMAS ELVES
COORDINATOR**



**BECOME A
VOLUNTEER TODAY**



Forward your letter of interest and resume
to tthomas@calmar.ca
or submit your application online:
[https://calmar.ca/community/get-
involved/volunteer-opportunities/](https://calmar.ca/community/get-involved/volunteer-opportunities/)



What's Happening in AUGUST 2022



As I am writing this, I can hear the pitter patter of the raindrops coming down. Am I the only one who feels that the beginning of summer was a little wet? The good thing about the rain is it is the perfect excuse to curl up and read a book! Not that an excuse is needed! If you don't have a book, drop by the library we love helping you "find" that perfect one!

Can you believe that August is already here! At the Library we are winding down our summer activities and looking at what the fall will bring us. The TD Summer Reading Group's last day is Wednesday, August 3rd with *The Joe Show*. Time to get ready for Calmar Days and what better way than a parade! The Library is once again inviting kids to come down on Friday, August 19th and decorate your bike or wagon so you are ready for the Calmar Parade on Saturday, August 20th.

FREE LIBRARY CARD



New to the community? Library card needs renewing? Not a problem! Email circulation@calmarpubliclibrary.ca or call 780.985.3472 and one of our helpful staff will be happy to assist you.

AUGUST NATIONAL DAYS OF INTEREST

Here are some of the recognized national days for August we found interesting:

August 13th: International Lefthanders Day

August 20th: World Honey Bee Day

August 27th: World Rock Paper Scissors Day

IN-HOUSE PROGRAMS

Knit & Crochet Group – Every Tuesday @ 1:00 pm



Everyone is welcome to join the group every Tuesday at 1:00 pm in the program room. This group is for any and all levels of experience! Wool can be supplied if you are just learning. Don't be shy, come on down and learn a new craft or pick-up where you left off before COVID! This is a drop-in group.

TD SUMMER READING CLUB

We have partnered with the Calmar Summer Get-a-Way program to offer some great entertainers at the Library! To attend these programs, you must be registered in the Summer Get-a-Way or the TD Summer Reading Club.

The Joe Show

August 3rd @ 1:30



Illusions, comedy, ventriloquism and so much more! We are excited to have this family fun entertainer come out and wow us with his talent. Don't be disappointed, reserve your spot today. The show is recommended for ages 6 and up.

Calmar Days – Bike decorating at the Calmar Library

Friday, August 19th 11:30 am to 1:30 pm



Calmar Days is back and so is your opportunity to decorate your bike or wagon for the parade on Saturday. The decorating station will be located at the back of the Library in our parking lot. Come early so as not to be disappointed!

The Alberta Foundation Travelling Exhibition Program

From Water into Sky July 23rd to August 24th



The travelling exhibition **From Water into Sky**, featuring artworks from the collection of the Alberta Foundation for the Arts, explores the use of watercolour painting in expressing the landscape and related aspects of the natural world.

STORYWALK in the Park – Sometimes I Feel Like a Fox

Monday, August 1st until Wednesday, August 31st at the Calmar Spray Park



Sometimes I Feel Like a Fox by Danielle Daniel will be on display at the Calmar Spray Park for everyone to enjoy. This story is an introduction to the Anishinaabe tradition of totem animals. Delightful illustrations show the children wearing masks, while the few lines of text on each page work as a series of simple poems throughout the book. The Storywalk was donated by

the TD Summer Reading Club.

SAVE THE DATE! MOBILE BLACKSMITHING CLASS



Saturday, September 17th @ 10:00 am – 12:00 pm at the Calmar Public Library. Learn the basics of blacksmithing while you make a BBQ or camping tool to take home. This is a cost recovery program at \$125.00 per person and we need a minimum of 5 paid participants. If you are interested in participating, please contact the Library. Only those members that have paid in full will be considered registered.

To register for a program: Call 780.985.3472 or Email circulation@calmarpubliclibrary.ca

Can you help?



The Library would like to borrow a propane outdoor cooker, like the ones pictured below, for a program we would like to do. We need it for one day and we can pay for the fuel if you can provide the outdoor cooker. We promise to return it in the same shape we received it! If you can help us out, please contact Susan at sparkinson@calmarpubliclibrary.ca or call 780.985.3472. Thanks for your help!



e-Books versus Print Books

Here are some more interesting facts from a survey conducted by the Pew Research Center on book consumption and book formats.

- **Print books out sell eBooks 4 to 1.**
- **191 million e-books were sold in the United States in 2020**
- **Printed book sales amounted to 750.89 million units in 2020**
- **Print book sales have increased 13.2% between 2020-2021, and 21% between 2019 and 2021**
- **eBook sales grew by 22% in 2020**
- **eBook sales have decreased 8% in 2021 but are still 8% higher than they were in 2019**
- **In 2020, 19% of adult readers owned an e-reader, a decrease from 32% of adult readers who owned e-readers in 2014**

Watch for more interesting facts next month about the library world.

(<https://www.tonerbuzz.com/blog/paper-books-vs-ebooks-statistics/>)

New Items at the Library

Below are a few of the new items that we have added to our collection. Contact the library at 780.985.347 or www.calmarpubliclibrary.ca to reserve your copy today.

ADULT FICTION

For the Throne by Hannah Whitten
Local Gone Missing by Fiona Barton
My Summer Darlings by May Cobb
My Wife is Missing by D. J. Palmer
Rules for Commuting by Iona Inverson
Sparring Partners by John Grisham
The Hotel Nantucket by Elin Hilderbrand

The House Across the Lake by Riley Sager
The Lies I Tell by Julie Clark
The Omega Factor by Steve Berry
This Time Tomorrow by Emma Straub

YOUNG ADULT

A Show for Two by Tashie Bhuyan
Breath and Count Back from Ten by Natalia Sylvester
Dead End Girls by Wendy Heard
Rise of the Snake Goddess by Jenny Elder Moke
Veil by Dylan Farrow

JR. BOOKS

Bamboo Kingdom: River of Secrets by Erin Hunter
Bug Scouts: Out in the Wild by Mike Lowery
Dragon Masters: Bloom of the Flower Dragon by Tracey West
Skandar and the Unicorn Thief by A. F. Steadman
The Babysitters Club: Baby-sitters on Board by Ann Martin
Unicorn Selfies: Another Phoebe and Unicorn Adventure by Dana Simpson

DVD'S/AUDIO

Agatha Raisin #3
Hollington Drive #1
The Good Fight #5
The Unbearable Weight of Massive Talent

PICTURE/BOARD BOOKS

The Wonder of Color by Catherine Stier

To keep up-to-date on information regarding the library please go to one of the resources below:

- Follow us on Facebook @ <https://www.facebook.com/calmarlibrary>
- Follow us on YouTube @ https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCU_34ttDgZU1zpV3WE5fWDA
- Go to our website @ <https://calmarpubliclibrary.ca/>
- E-mail us at: circulation@calmarpubliclibrary.ca
- Phone: 780.985.3472

Until next time....

Susan Parkinson
Director of Public Library Services



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The Art of Mental Health

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6 JUNE - 19 AUGUST
2022

Entry Free, Donations Appreciated

@ZypGallery
www.zypgallery.ca
info@zypgallery.ca



CALMAR ART SOCIETY

3rd Annual Art Competition

Open to all young artists in Calmar and surrounding communities

Mediums accepted:

painting/drawing, 3D sculpture/art, photography (must be framed)

DEADLINE:
SEPTEMBER
2ND, 2022

Submission categories: Category A: Ages 14 - 18
Category B: Ages 9 - 13

Please contact calmarartsociety@yahoo.com for more information
Submissions should be original art.

WWW.ZYPGALLERY.CA

Monday - Friday
9 am - 5 pm

780-984-4114

4715 50th Ave, Calmar AB

OPEN HOUSE INVITATION

Proposed Solar Project
NW 24 49 27 W4
Tuesday, August 16th, 2022
5:00 – 8:00 PM
Calmar Royal Legion
4815 47 St, Calmar, AB

You're invited to attend an open house to learn about our proposed solar power project in Leduc County. Project specific information for the proposed project is available at the weblink below.

voltarixgroup.com/projects/creekside/

For more information in advance, contact our team at info@voltarixgroup.com



DON'T FORGET TO SUBMIT YOUR PICTURE OF CALMAR, TO BE ENTERED TO WIN THE MONTHLY PHOTO CONTEST. EMAIL YOUR SUBMISSION TO KBUSS@CALMAR.CA TO BE ENTERED TO WIN A \$25 GIFT CARD TO ONE OF MANY CALMAR BUSINESSES!!

July Photo Contest Winner—H. Bryans



NewsLetter DEADLINE 15th of the month!

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Monday August 8th, 2022

7:00pm in Council Chambers or
GoToMeeting Access Code: 738-393-413

A Public Hearing is being held for residents to have the ability to comment on the amendment to the Land Use Bylaw, Bylaw #2022-18. This bylaw aims at enabling the first stage of development for Thomas Creek. The first stage consists of a commercial areal along Highway 39/50th Avenue with residential development south of the commercial area.

More information can be found here:

<https://calmar.ca/special-council-meeting-info/>

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

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/

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 form 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 or 780-985-3604 ext. 232.



Calmar Pharmacy Ltd

5002 - 50 Ave, Calmar AB T0C 0V0
Front Store: 780.985.3142
Pharmacy: 780.985.3121
Website: www.calmarpharmacy.com


Family owned and operated since 1977

Hours of Operation

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

CALMAR FAS GAS

CONVENIENCE STORE - LIQUOR STORE - CARWASH



<p>Darrin & Kathy Mills 5001 - 50 Ave. P.O. Box 1200 Calmar, AB. T0C 0V0 email - dkmills_123@hotmail.com</p>	<p>Conv. Store 780-985-7224 Liquor Store 780-985-3334 Fax 780-985-3334</p>
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PUBLIC WORKS ON CALL

780-446-7319

PUBLIC WORKS SHOP

780-985-2121

COMMUNITY PEACE OFFICER

780-999-7181

EMERGENCY 911

TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

Held virtually & in person @ 7p.m., watch FB and website for details.

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