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| TUESDAY TO THURSDAY 9:00AM TO 5:00PM |

Where did the summer go?! Summer Reading Program is over for another year, the children were very excited about Ozbots, Cubelets, the Virtual Reality program, and the Mystery Bag Building Challenge! Maddy Antaya, the summer student from Wapiti Regional Library, did an excellent job keeping the kids entertained. We had some very interesting combination with the Cubelets, lots of Ooh's and Aah's when using the virtual reality goggles, and some very creative mystery bag builds!

Sparky the Fire Dog came for a visit and taught the children how to inspect a smoke detector's batteries and how to safely get out of the house in case of fire—how to plan a safe way out of their room and where to meet their family when they were out of the house. There was a great question and answer period. Courtney Tremblay did an excellent presentation.

Culture Days 2023 plans are in place! Watch the Story Stroll beginning the last week of September for the story "Stolen Words", as well as a Treaty 4 Timeline and recommended reading for adults and children to learn more about residential schools. Special Culture Days happenings at the Library include:

- ◇ **Tuesday, September 26th — Storytime & Snacks** @ 10:30a.m. Elder Earnshaw will read the story "Stolen Words" to the daycare children and explain what Truth & Reconciliation means. Bridget Apooch will make Bannock for those in attendance. *Everyone welcome!*
- ◇ **Thursday, September 28th — Shorts 'n Sweets** @ 1:00p.m. Viewing of the documentary "Mary Two-Axe Earley: I am Indian Again", followed by coffee and sweets. *Everyone welcome!*

October events listed in the Culture Days ad — keep an eye out for event posters!

September Reading Picks...

Adult Fiction:

- * *After That Night* by Karen Slaughter
- * *The Invisible Hour* by Alice Hoffman
- * *None of This is True* by Lisa Jewell
- * *Lion and Lamb* by James Patterson

Adult Non-Fiction:

- * *Paper Trails* by Roy MacGregor
- * *What an Owl Knows* by Jennifer Ackerman
- * *Tangled Vines* by John Glatt
- * *The Underworld* by Susan Casey

Childrens:

- * *Bluey: Barky Boots*
- * *Big Nate: No Worries*
- * *Anna and the Mystery of the Mountains*
- * *Pets Rule: The Rise of the Goldfish*

Teens:

- * *Bring Me Your Midnight*
- * *Fangirl 3*
- * *Swamp Thing—Green Hill*
- * *Hulk 2 vs Hulk Planet*

Until next time... have you read a good book lately



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1961 CLASS REUNION

*Written by Bev Scott (nee Hipkins)
Submitted by Dalelene Yelland*

In 2021, Dalelene Yelland had an idea that a 60th reunion of our 1961 Porcupine Plain High School graduating class would be a great celebration. However, Covid-19 was rampant. Dalelene, being a persistent lady, kept at it and, on August 10th & 11th, 2023, her idea became a reality. It was now their 62nd reunion!

Fourteen graduates gathered at the Porcupine Plain Sunset Club to renew old acquaintances. They were accompanied by husbands, friends, and family members, for a total of 27 people. Dalelene made a photo display board of each graduate covering many highlights over the 62 years since high school life.

Co-hosting the event were Metro & Gloria Bloski, who treated guests to a delicious pancake breakfast on Thursday, August 10th. Later, the group played fun games, cards, had coffee and cookies, and toured the Museum. Metro & Gloria also hosted an awesome home-cooked dinner for everyone.

On Friday, August 11th, the group began the day with a breakfast of fruit and muffins, followed by remembrances of stories and visiting. Later, some people toured the town, while others visited the Hillcrest Cemetery, concluding the reunion with a catered banquet and a photoshoot for the classmates. Everyone left with many precious memories and smiles on their faces.

Those in attendance at the event chose to donate \$425.00 — which included profits from the 50/50 [thanks to Carol LaValley] and registration fees — to the Sunset Club.



BR - Metro Bloski, Jerome Plaskan, Carol Marxen, Glen LaValley, Lillian Gabriel, Gloria Hayes, Betty Chadney, Dalelene Yelland, Ethel Hill; **FR** - Lois Dodds, Bev Hipkins, Arnold Schmeichel, Carol Lavalley, Elva Cooper
(only maiden names of women provided)

UPDATE: Larwood-Shaw Memorial Pool

As some of you may have noticed, Paradise Pools Inc. has been working on the new swimming pool project. They are presently pouring the cement for the pool deck. Next week, the pool liner will be installed, with mechanical requirements wrapping up by the middle of September. The main feature to look forward to is the beach entrance, which will make the pool easily accessible by all. This fall, the change house will need some renovations so that everything is ready to roll next spring.

Thanks again to everyone for your generous donations towards this fabulous recreation facility! Don't miss the "In The Bin" fundraising event happening on October 27th for another opportunity contribute.

We can't wait to see the pool being utilized next summer!



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Tuesday, September 19th - Parkland Co-op Fuel Good Day
Support the Larwood-Shaw Memorial Swimming Pool by fueling up in Porcupine Plain on September 19th!

Sunday, September 24th - Fall Supper
Porcupine Plain Community Hall 4:30-6:00p.m. Adults \$15, 12 & Under \$8, Preschool FREE. Hosted by Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Roman Catholic Church.

Prairie Hope Wellness in Porcupine Plain
Briana Panchyshyn, Counsellor with Prairie Hope Wellness in Melfort is attending appointments in Porcupine Plain. To book an appointment call 306-920-8881 or email panchyshyn@prairiehopewellness.com. Prairie Hope will also be hosting a Grief Therapy Group in Melfort, starting Tuesday, September 26th and running every Tuesday for 4-5 weeks (excluding October 10th). Anyone interested can call 306-920-8881 or email emoss@prairiehopewellness.com.

WEEKLY:

New to You
Tuesdays 9am-4pm at Quilly's Community Place. Purchase gently used clothes/items & support your community! September sales benefit PP Search & Rescue.

Porcupine Plain Sunset Club
Bingo - Fri 7:30pm | Shuffleboard - Wed 1pm | Seniors Exercises - Thur 1pm
Potluck Birthday Supper to honour all members born that month, on the last Friday of each month starting at 5:30pm - followed by Bingo!
Sunset Club is also open for event rental (birthday parties, showers, etc.)
Call: Sharon 306-278-7127 or Muriel 306-278-7323 or Debbie 306-278-7786

Singing at Red Deer Nursing Home
Every Wednesday meet at RDNH at 2pm. One week Hymns, next week other songs! For more info, call Joan 306-278-2165 or Muriel 306-278-7323.

Story Stroll at Scott Park
Enjoy a story while you stroll thru Scott Park! Entrance on Oak Street. Presented by Porcupine Public Library & Town of Porcupine Plain.

For even more updates and info, follow us on Facebook & Instagram
Visit www.porcupineplain.com for complete Events Calendar

Save the Date...

Fall Fair — Thursday, October 7th
Hosted by the Porcupine Plain Healthcare Auxiliary

Haunted Halls — October 20th & 21st
Stay tuned for updates!

In The Bin Party — Friday, October 27th
Stay tuned for updates!



PORCUPINE AIR CADETS

Starting September 12, 2023
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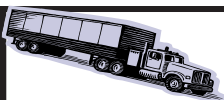
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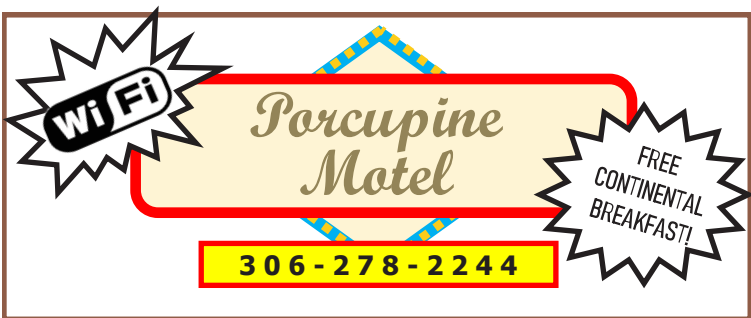
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Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Catholic Church

Rev. Alberto Dela Pena | rcparish.tisdale@sasktel.net
Sunday Mass: 11:15a.m.

Prayer Baptist Church

Pastor Karl Galindez - 306-981-2400 - prayerbaptistchurch.ca
Sunday Worship 11a.m. | Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer 7p.m.

Weekes Evangelical Chapel

Adult Sunday School 10a.m. | Sunday Worship 11a.m.

Weekly Bible Study - Day & Location vary

For info, call Heidi 306-278-7883 | Pastoral Care, call Neil 306-278-7501



Porcupine Plain Congregation
of Jehovah's Witnesses

Meetings on Tuesdays 7:30pm & Sundays 10am.

For September, there is a Special Campaign being

conducted by Jehovah's Witnesses worldwide.

The Porcupine Congregation will be visiting all they can

to discuss the topic "What is God's Kingdom?" Please

visit JW.org or scan the QR code for more information.

Local inquiries please contact 1-639-314-1255.

Porcupine Plain Mennonite Church

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RECYCLING & GARBAGE SCHEDULE

SEPTEMBER 2023

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7 Entire Town -Recycle	8	9
10	11	12	13	14 Entire Town -Garbage	15	16
17	18	19	20	21 Entire Town -Recycle	22	23
24	25	26	27	28 Entire Town -Garbage	29	30

OCTOBER 2023

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4	5 Entire Town -Recycle	6	7
8	9	10	11	12 Entire Town -Garbage	13	14
15	16	17	18	19 Entire Town -Recycle	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 Entire Town -Garbage	27	28
29	30	31				

Do not place garbage or other non-recyclable items in your blue recycle bin. Refer to the list of recyclable and non-recyclable items below. IF YOU ARE UNCERTAIN IF AN ITEM IS RECYCLABLE, ERR ON THE SIDE OF CAUTION AND THROW IT IN THE GARBAGE! The ENTIRE TRUCK LOAD will be REJECTED if there is even one non-recyclable item in the load.

Space is required for the truck to pick up your bins; when placing bins on street, leave room for pickup. Do not place your bin close to another bin or beside a vehicle. In order for your garbage or recycling to be picked up by the Greenland truck, your items must be neatly INSIDE the bin, with the lid CLOSED. You CANNOT have bags on top of the bin or beside it. The driver does not get out to physically toss the garbage into the truck. Your bin will not be picked up/dumped if there is garbage on the lid.

THESE ITEMS CAN BE PLACED IN YOUR BLUE BIN OR IN THE RECYCLE BINS LOCATED AT THE PORCUPINE TRANSFER STATION
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- ⇒ CARDBOARD, BOXBOARD, OFFICE PAPER, NEWSPRINT, JUNK MAIL & CATALOGS
- ⇒ PLASTIC CONTAINERS, MILK CARTONS & PLASTIC MILK JUGS (plastics numbered 2 through 7 - must be clean!)
- ⇒ TIN & ALUMINUM CANS (must be clean, with or without labels)

Kitchen: Milk jugs, Milk cartons, Creamer cartons & bottles, Paper egg cartons, Soup/Vegetable/other food cans, Aluminum & tin cans, Pie tins, Plastic juice bottles, Yogurt & salad dressing containers, Cereal boxes, Cardboard boxes (unsoiled)
Bathroom: Body wash, Shampoo & Conditioner bottles, Plastic hairspray & shaving bottles, Toilet paper cones, Tissue boxes, Plastic pill bottles
Office: Office paper, Catalogs, Phone books, Sticky notes, Scrap paper, Cardboard boxes (flattened)
Laundry: Laundry soap containers, Spot remover bottles, Bleach containers

ALL ITEMS MUST BE CLEAN!

ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED FOR RECYCLING:

Plastic grocery/shopping bags, Glass, Plastic wrap, Single-use plastic containers (clamshells, etc.), Styrofoam, Ceramics, Light bulbs, Soiled cardboard (including pizza boxes), Pet food bags, Hazardous chemical containers, Scrap metal, Car parts, Plastic toys, Household garbage.

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- Play Therapy
- Supervised Visits
- Commissioner for Oaths

Training & Certificate Programs

- Anger Management
- Grief Edu-Therapy
- Reconnecting With Your Inner Child (Inner Child Therapy)
- SafeTALK (Suicide Alertness for Everyone)
- ASIST (Applied Suicide Intervention)
- ASK (Assessing for Suicide in Kids)

*For full descriptions and more details on all services and programs, please visit the "services" tab on our website.

Other Workshops & Presentations

- "Lift Each Other Up" (Anti-bullying)
- Wellness Days (for businesses/ organizations)
- Customizable Wellness Presentations

*Some programs can be done individually or as part of a group. Travel to your own site is available, or we can host in our own board room for groups up to approximately 12 people. We can also take care of any arrangements for booking local venues for larger groups.

Coverage

- You may have coverage for services under your health care benefits (i.e. Great West Life, Blue Cross, etc.). Check with your provider to inquire whether your session is reimbursable.
- Arrangements can be made to direct bill SGI and the Ministry of Social Services in circumstances where they are providing funding.
- We can direct bill NIHB (Non-Insured Health Benefits), Metis Nation, and Victim Services.
- If you do not have health benefit insurance, note that your costs can be used as a deduction within your personal income tax.

Contact

Erin Moss, Registered Social Worker
Mike Lang, Registered Social Worker
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“My mother cooks beans,”
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A third student spoke up,
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OFF MANE STREET HAIR DESIGN

Corinne Andrychuk, Stylist

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Join us for the Annual Autumn Markets at Northside Greenhouses Gifts and Garden Centre!

1007 11th Ave Tisdale Sk

Starting September 8-10
Friday 11 am – 6 pm
Saturday 10 am – 4 pm
Sunday 10 am – 4 pm

Come check out some fantastic vendors!

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Please contact Tracy at 306-852-7642 if you would like to join the list of vendors.



Northside Greenhouses Gifts and Garden Centre

Autumn Markets are starting soon!

1007 11th Ave Tisdale SK

The Autumn Markets will be running for 5 weekends this year.

September 8th- 10th
September 15th - 17th
September 22nd- 24th
September 29th - October 1st
October 6th – 8th

Hours open are:
Friday 11 am – 6 pm
Saturday 10 am – 4 pm
Sunday 10 am – 4 pm

Please contact Tracy at 306-852-7642 if you would like to be a vendor.


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The dust has settled on the World Professional Chuckwagon Associations (WPCA) racing season and both Salmond brothers had a great summer.

Evan Salmond made the move to big wagons in 2008 and has always been a fierce competitor. All season he was in the hunt for first, finishing 3rd in the Word just behind Chanse Vigen and Jamie Laboucane. Evan’s brother, Wade, started with the WPCA in 2019 and was able to hit the top ten as well, ending the year with an impressive 8th place in the World Standings.

With over 55 days of running, the Salmonds were away from home most of the summer. The horses are now out to pasture, resting up for another run at the World Title next year.



Wade Salmond - Photo By Shellie Scott



Evan Salmond - Photo By Shellie Scott

PORCUPINE PLAIN CULTURE DAYS

Culture Days is a national celebration of arts and culture. Between September 22-October 15, 2023, the community will be hosting a number of events highlighting the importance of arts & culture in our community. **Everyone is welcome — All events are FREE!** Some events have limited spaces available so registration is required — to register, contact 306-278-2311 / cdo.porcupine@sasktel.net

OCTOBER SEPTEMBER	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	17	18	19	20	21	22	23 Macrame Feather Class 1pm @ QCP Gym
	24	25	26 Storytime & Snacks 10:30am @ Library Storytime with Lily & Bannock by Bridget	27	28 Shorts 'n Sweets 1pm @ Library Documentary: Mary Two-Axe Earley: I am Indian Again	29	30 National Day for Truth & Reconciliation Carving & Craft Demonstration 1pm @ Community Hall (no registration)
	Story Stroll @ Scott Park: Treaty 4 Timeline & Recommended Reading for adults & children to learn more about residential schools And pages from the story "kimotināniwīw itwēwina / Stolen Words" by Melanie Florence						
	01	02	03 Storytime & Snacks 10:30am @ Library Storytime & Lefse with Myra	04	05 Shorts 'n Sweets 1pm @ Library Documentary: Between: Living in the	06	07
	Story Stroll @ Scott Park: "The Three Billy Goats Gruff: A Norwegian Folktale"						
	08 Spring Roll Cooking Class 10am & 1pm @ Community Hall	09	10 Storytime & Snacks 10:30am @ Library Storytime & Perogies with Evelyn & Vasta	11	12 Shorts 'n Sweets 1pm @ Library Documentary: Wards of the Crown	13	14 Painting Class with Beth Bentz 1pm @ QCP Gym
	Scarecrow Contest (6th) & Tour (weekend)						
	Story Stroll @ Scott Park: "Kolobok: The Small Round Bun" by Olha Tkachenko						

CULTURE DAYS

SEPTEMBER 23 – OCTOBER 16
GET STARTED AT CULTUREDAYS.CA



News Release

Parkland Co-op to acquire Grocery Store location in Hudson Bay, Sask.

Hudson Bay, Sask. — August 31, 2023 - Parkland Co-op is adding its first grocery store location in Hudson Bay, Sask. through the acquisition of McDonald’s Family Foods.

Parkland Co-op operates three additional locations – agro, gas bar/convenience store and cardlock in Hudson Bay and four locations – food store, home centre, gas bar/convenience store and cardlock in Porcupine Plain. Adding this retail location in Hudson Bay will expand its service to the community and give Co-op members and customers another option to shop Co-op.

“Parkland Co-op is excited to have our first Co-op food location in Hudson Bay,” said Todd Svenson, General Manager. “We’ve heard for many years from the community they wanted a Co-op food store, and we are eager to make this a reality. We are local and this will contribute to the long-term sustainability of our business. Making investments in our communities and creating value for our members and customers is at the core of who we are as a Co-op.”

For over 65 years, McDonald’s Family Foods has served the local community, providing excellent service, quality products and expertise to customers in the grocery market.

“Finding a company who shares our values and could keep our business local was important to us,” said Glynn McDonald, owner of McDonald’s Family Foods. “Parkland Co-op has been a long-term member of our community and we’re confident our customers will continue to receive the same great service as we make this transition.”

Parkland Co-op is working with McDonald’s Family Foods to ensure a smooth transition for employees and customers. McDonald’s Family Foods employees will be offered similar employment with Parkland Co-op, which will continue to serve Hudson Bay with grocery products.

The transaction is subject to customary closing conditions and is expected to close in September. Financial terms of the transaction will not be publicly disclosed.

For more information:

Todd Svenson
General Manager
Parkland Co-op
Phone: 306-873-2688

Glynn McDonald
Owner
McDonald’s Family Foods

PORCUPINE PLAIN COMMUNITY

FALL FAIR

PORCUPINE PLAIN COMMUNITY HALL
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Stew Luncheon 11:30a.m. to 1:00p.m.

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Table will be ensured after payment is received.
If unable to attend, full refund available until October 1, 2023.
Doors open at 8:30a.m. for setup. Exhibitors must remain and not pack up until 3:00p.m.

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September meeting will be held on Monday, September 18th
Looking for new members!

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Welcome back, wonderful families, to another exciting school year! We are thrilled to have you back with us, partnering in the education of your amazing children. As we begin this journey together, let's work hand-in-hand to nurture curiosity, foster creativity, and inspire a love for learning in our young minds. Here's to a year of growth, exploration, and cherished moments that we'll create together.

These are great words of welcome to a new school year, but they are not mine — this was generated by artificial intelligence (AI). I simply asked ChatGPT, a popular AI platform, to generate a welcome back to school message for families. It produced the above in less than 5 seconds. Although I agree with the words, and they are nice words, they are not mine. This is one of the many new adventures we will face in the coming months at PPCS, and we are so excited to get started. As ChatGPT so eloquently put it, we are excited for a year of growth with #ppcsevolution. Last spring, we asked the students how to make their experience at PPCS even better, and they gave us some great advice. Advice that we will actualize in the coming weeks and months. We have renewed both our staff and family handbooks, using the feedback from our students to make our learning environment second to none.



I look forward to working with all of our students and families as we embark on the 2023-2024 school year journey.

D.O. (Dan) Mielke, Principal
Porcupine Plain Comprehensive School

The summer is drawing to an end and, with the arrival of September, comes the beginning of another school year. The 2023-24 school year activities start anew and, not only will we be invited to take part in a multitude of educational, athletic and cultural activities, but we are encouraged to continue sharing an active role in meeting the challenges which the municipal world, and our community is confronted.

School preparedness is not just lunches, school supplies and new clothes. It also includes a plan for emergencies that can occur during, before or after the school day. Be sure you have a plan for your home (including a family communication plan), and know your school's emergency plan.

The issue of school safety doesn't just affect the local school community, it affects the community at large. It is again time to remind motorists and students alike to take extra precautions in school zones and on school routes. Cell phone use is prohibited while driving and parents are encouraged to remind their children (driving, riding, or walking) of the importance of vigilance while traveling to and from school. We all play a role.

A new school year means new beginnings, new adventures, new friendships, new challenges. The slate is clean and anything can happen. Remember discipline gives you freedom and, with freedom, you are rewarded with more options and choices in life. Discipline gives you the ability to build the life you desire and want. The hard is what makes it easy. In other words, when you stay disciplined now, life will become easier later. If you work hard, and be kind, amazing things will happen.



The Town of Porcupine Plain and area would like to wish all students, staff and bus drivers an excellent year.

Nick Wood, Mayor
Town of Porcupine Plain

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