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Merry Christmas to everyone, and all the best in 2024!

We would like to thank each and every one of you for your continued support for the Library and for New to You throughout the year. Thank you to our faithful volunteers — we could not do it without you!

On Tuesday, December 5th, we will have Santa flying in from the North Pole to greet little ones as they come shopping at our 9th Annual Kids' Christmas Shopping Spree, looking for gifts for their parents, siblings, grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins. Playschool, Kindergarten and Grades 1 & 2 will shop on Tuesday, December 5, and Grades 3-6 will come on Wednesday, December 6. I don't know who has more fun — the kids shopping for just the right gift, or the volunteers who help them shop and wrap presents!

December Programming:

- ◇ **Playschool & Daycare Storytime** Tuesdays @ 10:30a.m.-11:15a.m. Moms with young families are welcome to attend as well! *There will be no Storytime on December 19th & 26th.*
- ◇ **New to You** will once again be sponsored by the Library during the month of December. Pop in Tuesdays between 9a.m. & 4p.m. on Tuesdays, to buy gently used clothing and household items, with proceeds to benefit the Library. *There will be no New to You on December 19th & 26th. New to You will resume January 2, 2024.*
- ◇ **The Library will be closed for the holidays December 22nd to January 1st; we will reopen Tuesday, January 2nd.**

December Reading Picks...

Adult Fiction:

- * *Christmas Presents* by Lisa Unger
- * *It Happened One Christmas* by Chantel Guerten
- * *Resurrection Walk* by Michael Connelly
- * *The Edge* by David Baldacci
- * *Just Once* by Karen Kingsbury

Adult Non-Fiction:

- * *The Road Years* by Rick Mercer
- * *Big Heart, Little Stove*
- * *Wavewalker* by Suzanne Heywood
- * *Energy Follows Thought* by Willie Nelson

Teens:

- * *Check & Mate*
- * *A Curse of True Love*
- * *The Way I Am Now*
- * *Carry My Secret to Your Grave*

Movies:

- * *The Hill*
- * *Gran Turismo*
- * *Golda*
- * *A Christmas Story Christmas*

Kids:

- * *The Big Cheese*
- * *The Bad Guys*
- * *Best Buddies*
- * *Keeper of the Lost Cities*

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

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December 30th & 31st
& January 1st



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HOLIDAY TREE LIGHTING 2023



Bob Nicholson & Susie Cairns

On Thursday, November 30th, Johnston Agencies hosted the 10th Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony. Although mother nature was confused most of the day, by evening the weather was very nice. About 150 people gathered in person for the festivities, with many more joining the live-stream on Facebook through the Porcupine Plain Holiday Tree Lighting page, where the video is still available.

Bob Nicholson, emcee for the evening, welcomed the crowd and brought everyone's spirits up with some excellent dad jokes.

He chatted about volunteerism and acknowledged the award that the host, Johnston Agencies, had received from the Insurance Brokers Association of Saskatchewan for community involvement. Bob outlined the criteria that is needed to receive the title of "Official Tree Lighter," and the importance of community involvement.

Nick Wood, Mayor of Porcupine Plain, came forward to introduce this year's Tree Lighter, his friend and coworker, Susanne Cairns. He talked about how much Susie does within the community, and how grateful he is to have her as a fellow volunteer and friend. He also talked about Susie's gift for getting others involved; if Susie asks you to help out, you do because you know it will be a good time!

Arriving in typical "Susie Fashion", Susie's ensemble included a cow mask decked out in Christmas lights. She may have taken the official tree lighter title a little too literally, though — with blow torch in hand, she yelled "Let's light this baby up!"

Susie Cairns is heavily involved within our community. She has been a great asset to Scouts Canada for over 20 years, volunteering to take the kids to Jan Lake and anywhere else they need to go. She loves Halloween and, along with her team of committed, creative volunteers, puts on a spooktacular Haunted Halls each year. Every Sports Day, you can find Susie at the sports grounds all day, all

weekend, working tirelessly to put out amazing food and beverages for all to enjoy. On the second Wednesday in August, you can find her running another booth out at Shand Fair! Even though she is extremely busy, she will always lend a hand to anyone that needs it. Susie has been at the Co-op for over 15 years, and is integral to the Co-op Kids' Club. Every year, children are thrilled to see what she has in store for them.

When she isn't busy volunteering, Susie enjoys canning, making perogies and cabbage rolls, building incredible things, and working with her cattle. This woman never stops moving, and never stops helping others; if she isn't busy with her own herd, you can find her helping other cattle farmers with theirs. The only time Susie might not be so giving is with her chocolate — which she loves, loves, loves!

Thank you Susie for all your hard work, it is greatly appreciated by everyone!

Amber Hoffus of Johnston Agencies, event sponsor, then thanked the people involved in the event, and wished everyone a Merry Christmas from the Johnston Agencies Team. Cassie Galindez, of the Prayer Baptist Church, wrapped up the program with a lovely rendition of *Silent Night*. The kids in the crowd jumped out of their seats and lined up for sleigh rides, given by Dallas "Cookie" Langevin of Swan River, MB. The rest of the crowd huddled around the blazing bonfire built by the Porcupine Volunteer Fire Department to drink hot chocolate, eat cookies baked by Caroline's Restaurant, and visit with neighbours and friends.

A huge thanks to everyone that came out to enjoy the evening!



2023 Official Tree Lighter,
Susanne Cairns

**JOHNSTON
AGENCIES**

HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND PORCUPINE PLAIN...

Monday, November 13th-Friday, December 8th - Christmas Cash!
With every purchase made at a participating merchant, get your name entered in to win CHRISTMAS CASH! Prize Draw will take place at Carol Festival - One Grand Prize Draw of \$500, Three prizes of \$250, Five prizes of \$100. Prizes awarded in "Christmas Cash", useable at participating businesses only.

Sunday, December 10th - Carol Festival
Porcupine Plain Community Hall 2pm. Choirs & Soloists will fill the Hall with the musical sounds of Christmas! Admission by Donation, to benefit Porcupine Plain Healthcare Auxiliary.

Thursday, December 14th - Town Council Meeting
Call Town Office by Monday prior to meeting to add agenda item - 306-278-2262.

WEEKLY:
Indoor Walking
Monday to Friday at 9-10am at Quilly's Community Place (except holidays). *Everyone welcome!*

New to You
Tuesdays 9am-4pm at Quilly's Community Place. Purchase gently used clothes/items & support your community! *December sales benefit Porcupine Library.*

Porcupine Plain Sunset Club
Beginner/Chair Yoga - Tues 10:30am | Shuffleboard - Wed 1pm
Mat Yoga - Thur 6pm | Bingo - Fri 7pm
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 rentals on weekends (birthdays, showers, etc.)
Call: Sharon 306-278-7127 or Debbie 306-278-7786. or Muriel 306-278-7323.

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.

Indoor Pickleball
Wednesday & Sunday evenings at 7pm at Quilly's Community Place Gym. \$5 per person, per night. Call or text Darryl for more info 306-278-7595.

Karate for All Ages!
Fridays at 6pm at PPCS Gymnasium. For more info, call Ashlee 306-813-7233.

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...
Job Fair
Thur, January 25th
For more info, call Rita
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Unity in the Community Event
Sat, February 10th
Snowmobile Derby
Sat, February 24th

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Saturday Steak Night

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Redeemer Lutheran Church
Phone: 306-278-3029 | Sunday Worship at 12noon

Full Gospel Church
Pastor David Silver - Phone: 306-278-2006
Sunday Worship at 10:30a.m.- live-streamed on Facebook at www.facebook.com/Porcupine-Full-Gospel-Church-100453934948684

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church
Rev. Alberto Dela Pena | rcparish.tisdale@sasktel.net
Sunday Mass: 11:15a.m.

Holiday Services:
Sunday, December 24th
Regular Sunday Service 11:15a.m.
Christmas Eve Service 7p.m.
Monday, December 25th
Christmas Service 11:15a.m.
Monday, January 1st
New Years Day Service 9a.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.
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Local inquiries, please contact 1-639-314-1255.

Porcupine Plain Mennonite Church
Worship on Sundays at 10:30am - 4 miles North & 1/2-mile East of Porcupine
Contact Bruce Toews at 306-813-7937 *Everyone welcome!*

RM OF PORCUPINE #395
TAX PAYMENTS ARE DUE
DECEMBER 31, 2023

To assist the snow removal process, please remove recycle/garbage bins from the street following pickup, and move vehicles off street after snowfall. Do not shovel or plough snow onto streets, sidewalks or alleys.

Note: Vehicles are not to be parked on the street for more than a 24-hour period.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!

Are you looking for work in Porcupine Plain?
Visit the Town website for a list of current opportunities!
www.porcupineplain.com/category/job-posting

RECYCLING & GARBAGE SCHEDULE
DECEMBER 2023

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

JANUARY 2024

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4 Entire Town -Garbage	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 Entire Town -Recycle	12	13
14	15	16	17	18 Entire Town -Garbage	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 Entire Town -Recycle	26	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
OPEN TUES, THUR & SAT 8A.M.-5P.M.
- ⇒ 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.
NO FOOD CONATAINERS LABELED #1
This applies to both Town & RM Recycle Bins!!!

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS OF THE PORCUPINE & DISTRICT MUSEUM ELIMINATION DRAW!

- 1st Draw:**
Tracy Darmokid — \$100
- 2nd Draw:**
Bev Zimmerman — \$100
- 3rd Draw:**
Barry Steiestol — \$100
- 4th Draw:**
Jean Morhart — \$100
- Last Draw:**
Jana Alexander — \$500

Thank you to everyone who supports the Museum by buying tickets for the Elimination Draw. Your support is appreciated!



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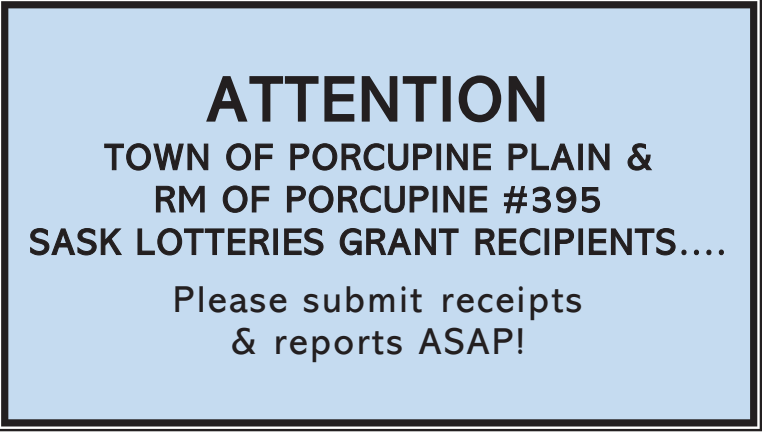


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With the Christmas season fast approaching may you embrace the beauty and true meaning of the season.

As the year draws to a close, I would like to take the opportunity to thank you for your friendship and support.



HUGH NERLIEN, MLA
Kelvington-Wadena

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Cpl. Myron Hleck with SK Trafficking Response Team; Rita Robertson, Porcupine Provider Team; Sgt. Kyle Wyonzek, Porcupine RCMP

On Wednesday, November 15th, the Porcupine Plain Provider Team & RCMP hosted Cpl. Myron Hleck with Saskatchewan's Trafficking Response Team as he presented an information session on *Human Trafficking, Labour Trafficking & Internet Safety*. Hleck noted that one of the main ways individuals have been targeted recently has been through the internet; they often target "vulnerable" individuals (those who are bullied, loners, have an unhappy home life, etc.), seeking out targets on social media, at teen hangouts, schools, malls, and courthouses.

According to the Canadian Centre to End Human Trafficking, some warning signs that someone may be a victim of human trafficking include the following:

- Not being allowed to contact family or friends; isolated & secluded
- Being controlled and watched by others, driven to/from locations, escorted at all times, having someone speak for them in public
- Not having a passport or other forms of I.D. in their possession
- Not having control of their own money or cellphone; may have more than one cellphone in their possession
- Lying about age/false ID
- Providing scripted or rehearsed answers to casual questions
- Show signs of a controlling/abusive relationship (acting in a fearful, anxious, submissive or nervous manner; excessive concern about displeasing partner/employer)
- Fearful of law enforcement or immigration services

Other signs of Labour Trafficking might include poor work and living conditions, no work permit or employment contract, being paid under the table, or being paid lower than minimum wage.

Because traffickers and other predators are using Facebook, Twitter, Snapchak, Instagram, TickTok, etc. to target youth, the Canadian Centre to End Human Trafficking recommends that parents speak candidly to their children about potential risks and insist on knowing the passwords to all electronic devices their kids use. Parents should also be able to recognize the warning signs that your child might be being trafficked (including, but not limited to, having an older controlling boyfriend, dressing provocatively, staying out late, skipping school/meals, carrying false I.D., having more than one cell phone, unexplainable expensive new items, becoming secretive, etc.)

If you are a victim/survivor of forced prostitution or forced labour, or believe someone else might be, call the Canadian Human Trafficking Hotline at 1-833-900-1010. If you are concerned about your own or others' working conditions, reach out to Employment Standards, OH&S, Immigration, Foreign Workers Recruitment or Immigration Services.



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Holiday Greetings from Mayor Wood

Every year Christmas comes around and it's a surprise when it does. The rush starts, so many things to purchase, prepare, schedule and organize. It can be hectic and sometimes over-whelming. It also comes at year's end and we do an assessment of the year that was and prognosticate the year that will be. Like so many years before, there is a lot of turmoil in the world and many people are struggling to cope with all of the conditions set before them. Yet Christmas will endure. There may be some changes from year to year in how each of us celebrate, but as long as we are a community we will continue to thrive.

One of the most appreciated authors of Christmas is surely able to provide more wisdom than I, so I would like to offer you this excerpt from Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol*:

'There are many things from which I might have derived good, by which I have not profited, I dare say,' returned the nephew. 'Christmas among the rest. But I am sure I have always thought of Christmas time, when it has come round—apart from the veneration due to its sacred name and origin, if anything belonging to it can be apart from that—as a good time; a kind, forgiving, charitable, pleasant time; the only time I know of, in the long calendar of the year, when men and women seem by one consent to open their shut-up hearts freely, and to think of people below them as if they really were fellow-passengers to the grave, and not another race of creatures bound on other journeys. And therefore, uncle, though it has never put a scrap of gold or silver in my pocket, I believe that it has done me good, and will do me good; and I say, God bless it!'

Whatever Christmas is to you, make time to enjoy it. Appreciate the food, the pageantry and the friendship. Look to your neighbors and take care of each other. If you can do that you will be guaranteed a wonderful Christmas this year. If you aren't able to, don't ever be afraid to ask for help. It's not the major inconvenience that you think it will be. This community steps up all the time without a second thought.

On behalf of myself, council and staff of the Town of Porcupine Plain, Merry Christmas to you and yours, and all the very best to you in the New year!

Mayor Nick Wood

Larwood-Shaw Memorial Pool Community Calendars Have Arrived!

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Between November 13th & December 8th
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One Prize of \$500.00
Three Prizes of \$250.00 each
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CHASE PLACE ARENA SCHEDULE - DECEMBER 2023

Fri, Dec 8th	Free Public Skating	3:45 to 6:30p.m.
Fri, Dec 8th	U15 Game	7p.m.
Sun, Dec 10th	U7 Tournament	All Day!
Mon, Dec 11th	U9 Game	6p.m.
Wed, Dec 13th	U13 Game	6p.m.
Fri, Dec 15th	Free Public Skating	3:45-7p.m.
Fri, Dec 15th	Sr. Blues Game	8:30p.m.
Sat, Dec 16th	Sr. Blues Game	8:30p.m.
Mon, Dec 18th	U9 Game	6p.m.
Fri, Dec 22nd	Free Public Skating	3:45-7p.m.
Fri, Dec 22nd	Sr. Blues Game	8:30p.m.
Fri, Dec 29th	Free Public Skating	3:45-7p.m.

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What do you call an old snowman?
Water!

Which one of Santa's reindeer has bad manners?
Rude-olph!

What do you call Santa at the beach?
Sandy Claus!

What did the Gingerbread man put on his bed?
A cookie sheet!

What did one angel say to the other?
Halo there!

What is the wettest animal at the North Pole?
The rain-deer!

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	DEC 24	DEC 25	DEC 26
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LIQUOR	CLOSED	CLOSED	9AM-6PM
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ADMIN	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED

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