

# VILLAGE OF COUTTS NEWSLETTER



SEPTEMBER 2019

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**The kids are back to school, please watch for the school bus and stop if the arm is out.**

**Thank you** to all who have dropped off bottles for the 2020 Coutts Days. Our first haul amounted to \$431. 75. We appreciate the donations, and will continue to accept them over the next year.

## BURGER IN THE PARK—TAKE 2

### CENOTAPH PARK

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 25TH—11:30—1:00

**PRE ORDERS ENCOURAGED**

**(sign up at the Village Office)**

**\$7.00 Combo (chips and pop)**

**\$5.00 Burger**



## WE NEED YOUR INFORMATION

We are in full swing entering information into our new Accounting System. We would appreciate it if all of you would please forward your email and cell phone numbers (we are finding that if we need to get a hold of you, most of the land lines are no longer in service). In the new year (2020) we hope to have all the information ready to start new. Utility and Tax bills will be emailed to all that we can, to save on postage. Thank you to those that have already done this.



## THANK YOU

We would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to all of our friends, family and neighbors for your kind words, condolences, sympathy and prayers. Your support and thoughts have made this difficult time a little easier. Special thank you to Marlene, the ladies who helped out in the kitchen, and everyone who made squares. Also special thank you to the first responders from Coutts and Milk River.  
Sincerely, The Bevan Family



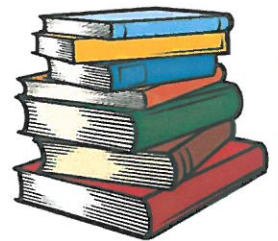
## NEWS FROM YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY

Well I don't know where summer went but I guess it is over for another year! Back to fall brings us back to our regular operating hours Tuesday 2:30 - 7:30 pm, Wednesday 10:30am - 1:30 pm, Thursday 2:30 - 7:30 pm. Our phone number is 403-344-3804. We are enjoying our fresh, updated space and encourage you to come in and have a look if you haven't already done so.

September is LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH! Sign up or renew your card this month and be entered to win a tablet or a \$100 Toys R Us gift card. We don't charge for a membership at Coutts so if you are a County of Warner (rural) resident you can choose Coutts Municipal Library as your home library and get your membership from us.

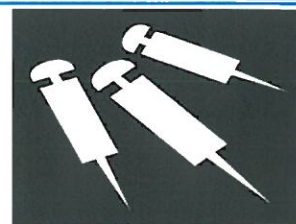
Our next computer class in our series will be held on October 30 from 11:00 am - 12:00 pm here at the library. There is no charge for this class and the subject for this class is Digital Resources. Libraries are more than just books on shelves! Join us to learn about what digital resources the library has to offer you and how to access them. In addition, we will look at basic and advanced search strategies for Internet search engines and databases, to help you find what you are looking for.

We continue to get new materials so come on in and check us out!



## FLU CLINIC

**COUTTS CIVIC CENTRE**  
**OCTOBER 25—NOON-2PM**







## CHRISTMAS MARKET

# Call for Vendors

# Get a Jump on Christmas

Saturday November 9<sup>th</sup>

In the gym of the Historic Coutts School

Tables \$25 each.

For more information call

Cindy Clarke 403-492-8100

Or email [cindyclarke@theclayteacher.com](mailto:cindyclarke@theclayteacher.com)



Merry  
Christmas

## **NEWS FROM THE BORDER RASCAL'S SOCIAL CLUB**

The fields are ripening and the evenings are growing cooler as September rolls around and we are looking forward to seasonal changes on many fronts. The Border Rascals Social Club (for seniors 55+) resumes our monthly open executive meetings on the first Thursday of each month beginning on September 5<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am at the Rec' centre. And with all the fresh garden bounty we are sure to have a tasty potluck this month. Come out and enjoy it on September 26<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm.

Last month our club members were invited to Warner to join seniors from Milk River and the Warner club for a summer bar-b-q potluck. It was a fine evening for the outing and those Warner folks put on a nice spread! They welcomed a full house to their tables and Coutts was well represented with about twelve members attending. The food was abundant and well prepared and the company lively! After supper we all enjoyed card bingo before heading home.

We hope you all have enjoyed your summer and all the good things of summer time. The village flowers and parks were so nice this year and we are grateful to have the many public spaces to use and enjoy in the village. And I finally got to float down the Milk River this year after wanting to for the last four summers! It was great fun.

This fall I have been asked by Kelly Thiessen to teach a class on making braided rugs and I am happy to do that for those who might be interested. Classes would be held at the Rec' hall, one day a week for 4-5 weeks. The dates and times (classes last 2 hours-ish) can be determined by those interested. If you would like to make a braided rug, give your name and phone number to either me , Kris Rollins at 587-762-0124 or Kelly at 403-344-3957 before the end of September.

If you are new to Coutts, the Rascals welcome you to the village. Coutts is peacefully quiet and safe and friendly and full of opportunities to volunteer on local boards. What we lack in public amenities we make up in community spirit!  
from your executive;

Jim Willett, president

Kris Rollins, secretary

Joanne Person, vice-president

Mardell Pederson, treasurer

## **MILK RIVER HOME HARDWARE**

**10% Tuesday September 03, 2019**

**In-Stock Items Only**

**Some Restriction Apply**

**Milk River Home Hardware is now your Authorized Battery  
& Electric STIHL Dealer**

## PRAIRIE ROSE LODGE BITS & PIECES – SEPTEMBER - 2019

I have been stuck for something to talk about this month, so decided to share what has been on my mind due to constant physical reminders. This process of aging truly is mind boggling. What has happened that I can no longer run - I can't even trot. Not that long ago I could run up and down stairs. Now I am holding onto the handrail as I descend and still catch my heel if not completely focused on what my feet are up to. I never needed help bringing in my groceries (big bags of flour and sugar) and good sized boxes packed full. Now I need to make sure the grocery bags are not packed to the top. At one time an afternoon nap was a treat - now it is a necessity if I am to prepare our evening meal. Now seems as though a rotator cuff has dislodged (I thought that was a car part). Each morning as I get out of bed, I need to reassess what new aches/pains found me during the night. Please tell me this is normal and I am not alone.

Winners of the Bonanza Day Raffle were Julie Swanson-\$300; Joanne Standell- Lap quilt. Thank you everyone for your support-the toasters are awesome.

Now for the important news! Terra has organized a picnic trip to Waterton Lakes on September 5<sup>th</sup>. We will pack a picnic lunch, hopefully get a tour of the Hotel, go to the falls then have our lunch. On the way home, we will stop for ice cream in Cardston, then journey back to Milk River.

September 10<sup>th</sup> is the Senior Barbecue at the Lodge starting at 12 noon. This is open to everyone and the charge is \$10 so all you men, how about making lunch that day for your lady.

The September birthday party is on the 12<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM. This month we will be celebrating Rick Feist's birthday so lets everyone come out and make it memorable for him. Entertainment for the evening will be Bill Emmerson of Coutts and once again the ice cream and cake will flow freely. Come out for an enjoyable evening.

Personal Touch Fashions will again be in Milk River with their fall clothing on September 25<sup>th</sup> so folks it's that time to get ready for another season. The time is the usual 10 AM- 2PM.

Terra has been busy with the residents making dills and later something called "bucket pickles" that are kept in the fridge. Later in September the residents will be brewing up some salsa for the fall. I'm surprised someone has not researched to find out if there is such a thing as Senior Slavery. Terra certainly has those ladies busy.

The grand opening of the "New" Ridgeview Lodge is slated for September 5<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 PM on 40 East 300 South in Raymond. Everyone is welcome. RSVP by Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup> to 403-752-3683 ext.3

Folks remember-If everything is coming your way, you're probably in the wrong lane. Be safe & God bless- Emma Hulit



Our records need updating! Over the next few weeks we will be contacting members to update contact information. Please contact Nicole to provide your current information:

[mrconnect@mrcable.ca](mailto:mrconnect@mrcable.ca) or 403-647-2115 ext. 2

Do you want to receive paperless billing? Provide us with an e-mail to receive your monthly statement online. Having your e-mail on file also ensures that you receive usage warnings when you are over your limit, notices from MRCC and payment reminders.

We're rewiring the Prairie Rose Lodge this month. The anticipated completion time is 2-3 weeks. Once done, the signal issues with Cable TV that many residents of the Lodge encounter will be fixed.

We have had over 60 SD feeds come off-air in the past month. We anticipate the changes to be completed by the end of October. If you have not already done so, please come into the office to grab an updated sheet of all the changes, or you can find it online on our website ([www.milkrivercable.ca](http://www.milkrivercable.ca)) and Facebook page.

With all of the Cable TV changes, our packaging is in need of a makeover. We will be looking at repackaging channels to offer more variety. Responses from our Member Satisfaction Survey were overwhelmingly in favour of moving away from such themed packages, so that is our goal. We will also offer most channels as Pick N' Pay.

New HD feeds have been added. Last month we lost 4 channels, 3 of which we now have an HD feed for.

**NOW AIRING:**

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|--------------------------|------------|
| Travel & Escape          | <b>645</b> |
| Crime & Investigation HD | <b>644</b> |
| BNN Bloomberg HD         | <b>639</b> |

**The following channels are currently off-air:**

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|--------------|----------------|
| Global BC    | <b>336 NBC</b> |
| Spokane      | <b>370</b>     |
| ABC Spokane  | <b>371</b>     |
| CBS Spokane  | <b>372</b>     |
| FOX Spokane  | <b>373</b>     |
| Outdoor Life | <b>457</b>     |

**We do not know when or if an HD feed will be released.**

We have had a lot of channels coming up as "one moment please" lately. Unfortunately, this is also correlated to the switchover to HD and we are limited with what we can do at this time.



JOIN US FOR A **FREE** PICNIC SUPPER & FUN WITH

# OUTDOOR PLAY!

**IN WARNER:**

**Wednesday Sept 18th**

**4:30-6:30 pm**

**At the Warner Memorial Library**

**IN COUTTS:**

**Wednesday Sept 25th**

**4:30-6:30 pm**

**At the Coutts School Playground**

**ALL FAMILIES IN THE COUNTY OF WARNER ARE WELCOME!**

**PLEASE REGISTER WITH PENNY:**  
[penny.pittman@fcss.ca](mailto:penny.pittman@fcss.ca) or 403-915-4017







British Columbia | Alberta | Saskatchewan

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Tucked in at the base of the Sweet Grass Hills in **Southern Alberta**, this is truly an outstanding piece of Western Canadian landscape being offered for sale. Whether you're looking to expand your **grain farming operation** next to the U.S.A border, east of **Coutts**, or perhaps dream of owning that **ranch** on the Canadian side of 6,983' picturesque West Butte, Montana, this property is a must see.

Established over a century ago by the Bianchi family, this farm sits quietly in the shadows of the Sweet Grass Hills. In total there are **12 quarters** of land, **9** of which are **dedeed**, with the remaining 3 quarters **Grazing Lease**. If you're looking for that elusive, prolonged season, fertile grassland upon which to run your herd, the **Shadows of the Sweet Grass Hills** offers infinite potential.

At the conclusion of the auction all 9 parcels making up Shadows of the Sweet Grass Hills will be offered for sale 'en bloc' to prior high bidders of 4 Parcels or more. Visit **CLHbid.com** for more details and starting bids!



## Shadows of the Sweet Grass Hills

9 quarters for Sale + Grazing Lease Sept 24, 2019

Coutts, AB

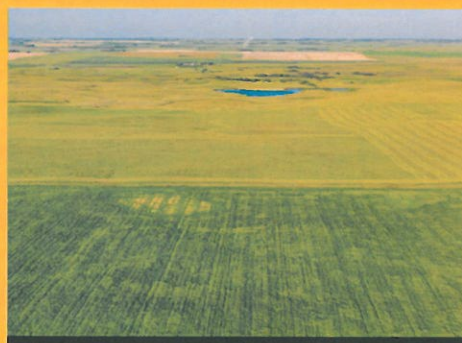


### Lazy A Diamond Ranch

7 quarters For Sale

Oct 15, 2019

Hardisty, AB



### Machell Generational Farm

11 quarters For Sale

Oct 23, 2019

Cereal, AB



### I Lazy T Ranch

11 quarters For Sale + Grazing Lease

Nov 18, 2019

Irma, AB

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- Bidders bid in anonymity
- Everyone has an equal chance to bid online
- You can never be outbid
- Only the high bidder is disclosed
- Extra value with 'en bloc' bids

**Website continuously updated with new sales and information!**



# St. Peter's Catholic Church

## **ANNUAL FALL DINNER**

(Roast beef with all the trimmings)



**Sunday, September 29, 2019**

Milk River Civic Center

**1:00 p.m.**

Adults \$15.00

Children (6 to 10) \$5.00 (5 & under) Free

**Take out Available**

**Bake Table**

**Fishpond for Kids**

**50/50**

**Silent Auction**

**Religious Gift Store**

**Everyone Welcome**



The University of Lethbridge's *Centre for Oral History and Tradition* in partnership with the Milk River Historical Society is offering a



## BEGINNER COMMUNITY ORAL HISTORY WORKSHOP



*This workshop is funded by a grant from the Community Foundation Henry S. Varley Fund for Rural Life ensures future study of Milk River Area Oral History.*



COMMUNITY FOUNDATION  
LETHBRIDGE + SOUTHWESTERN ALBERTA

**Saturday, October 5, 2019**

Time: 9:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Milk River Heritage Hall  
921 Main Street  
Milk River, AB

For more info:

e-mail: [dbleffin@shaw.ca](mailto:dbleffin@shaw.ca)

phone: 403-593-1133

To register:

Mail:

Milk River Historical Society  
Box 296

Milk River, AB T0K 1M0

or e-mail: [dbleffin@shaw.ca](mailto:dbleffin@shaw.ca)

Registration Deadline:

**September 27, 2019**

Cost:

\$15/person - *Registration to be collected at the door!*

*This workshop will focus on basic practical preparation for an oral history project, including interviewing and transcription*

*Registration includes a full day of lectures, lunch and break refreshments, a workshop package including a booklet with guiding principles & helpful instructional information.*

**This event is hosted by  
Milk River  
Historical Society  
(Mr. Dale Leffingwell)**

### **Speakers:**

**Dr. Carol Williams** (Professor, History & WGST,  
University of Lethbridge)

**Dr. Carly Adams** (Associate Professor,  
Kinesiology, University of Lethbridge)

**Kimberley Lyall** (Motivational Speaker &  
Consultant)

**Aimee Benoit** (Curator, Galt Museum & Archives)

**Diane McKenzie** (MA Candidate History,  
University of Lethbridge)





# JOIN US

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*“Old in Years, Young at Heart”*

## Milk River Seniors' Conference

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**Thursday, October 17**

**8:30 AM – 3:00 PM**

**MILK RIVER  
CIVIC CENTRE**

**305 - 3 Avenue NE**

**To register, call:**

**Shirley**

**403-647-7551**

**hawcofam@gmail.com**

**Please note pre-registration is  
required. Payment can be made at  
the door.**

**Registration Deadline: October 8**

**Speakers and topics for the day include:**

- **David Hawco – Seniors...A Valuable Resource**
- **Dr.Krogg – Green Sleeves**
- **Cornerstone Funeral Home – It's All in Being Ready**
- **Calgary Co-operative Memorial Society – Preplanning**
- **ATB & RCMP – Fraud & Scams**
- **Display Tables**
- **Doorprizes**
- **Cost: \$5, includes lunch & refreshments**

