



Nov/Dec 2025

**MERRY CHRISTMAS
&
HAPPY NEW YEAR
from the
Staff
&
Students
of
Dr. Folkins Community School**



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Newsletter**

**Chauvin Municipal Library
The Wildeboer Family
In memory of Louise Pare
Marty and Annette Dallyn
In Memory of David Armour
Melvin & Ruth Haldenby**

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Chauvin Chronicle



DFCS School Newsletter – Holiday Greetings



As the holiday season approaches, we would like to extend our warmest wishes to all members of the Chauvin community. May this Christmas bring joy, peace, and meaningful time shared with those you hold dear. We also wish everyone a bright and hopeful New Year, filled with new opportunities and continued growth for our students, families, and staff.

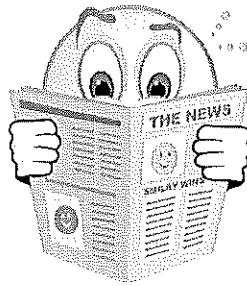
We would like to take a moment to express our sincere gratitude to the parents who graciously volunteered their time to help set up the stage for the DFCS Christmas Concert. Your willingness to lend a hand, especially during such a busy season, reflects the strength and spirit of our school community.

As we move quickly toward the Christmas break, we encourage everyone to take time to rest, recharge, and enjoy the season. Whether you're traveling or staying close to home, we hope the days ahead are filled with comfort, connection, and winter cheer. Stay warm, enjoy time with family, and may the roads be clear and dry for all who are out and about.

Wishing you a safe, joyful, and memorable holiday season,
The DFCS Team

2026 NEWSLETTER

NEW Mailing Information



We will be changing our mail out process starting with our January issue on a trial basis.

Instead of placing a copy in every mailbox in our post office, there will be copies available in the lobby for anyone who wishes to take one.

We are trying to get a better idea of how many printed copies are utilized, which will help with the cost of copying and paper purchases.

We are happy to provide the printed copies for pickup for those who prefer this method, but if you would like to receive a copy to your email instead, please message annette.dallyn@btps.ca and we will add your email address to the list.

To our out of town customers who are on our mail out list, you will still continue to receive a copy by mail unless you inform us of changing your method of delivery to email copies.

We welcome your thoughts or comments after the January trial issue to annette.dallyn@btps.ca.

Thank you!

2025-2026 NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION DEADLINES

Please mark on your calendars for 2025-26

All deadlines will be on Wednesdays

Deadline will be **NOON** on the dates below, so that newsletter can be put together that day, and printed early the next day.

September 10th

~~**October 8th**~~

~~**November/December on Dec 3rd (no Dec print)**~~

January 7th

February 4th

March 4th

April 1st

May 6th

June 10th

If you are from out of town please consider emailing annette.dallyn@btps.ca for an electronic copy to be emailed to you each month to help cut down on postage expense.

If you are out of town and are on the mailing list, please consider a donation to help cover the cost of mailing your newsletter to you. If you wish to be removed from the mailing list, please call the school office at 780 858-3744 or email annette.dallyn@btps.ca

Suggested donations for ads in the newsletter are: \$5 for a half page, and \$10 for a full page.

Please submit all material to the school office, or mail your material with payment to:

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Ads may be emailed to annette.dallyn@btps.ca as long as arrangements have been made for payment with the office.





DFCS INVITES YOU TO

O Little Town of Chauvin

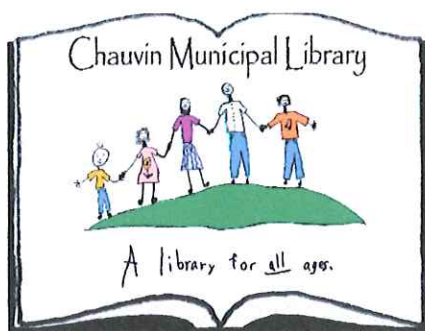
DEC | 10 | 5:20PM

Featuring Chauvin Tiny Tots and
Elementary Students



If you wish to display your
musical talents please contact
any elementary teacher by
December 4

DFCS GYMNASIUM



www.chauvinmunicipallibrary.ab.ca

Located in Dr. Folkins Community School

jwaters@chauvinmunicipallibrary.ab.ca



Scan Me!!
Library

Library Hours

Mondays, Thursdays 3:30-6:30pm

780-858-3744

DATES TO REMEMBER:

2025/2026

Dec. 4 - November Book Club

Dec. 11- Teen M.A.G.I.C.

Dec. 15 – Gr. 3 - 6

Dec. 18 – K – Gr.2

Dec. 22, 25, 29 – CLOSED

Jan. 1, 2026 – CLOSED

Jan 22, 2026 – Book Club & exchange

THANK YOU

The winners of the
pumpkin decorating
contest are:

Zack M.

Carter M.

Krista M.

Each won a \$40 gift card

Chauvin Book Club

Reading List 2025-2026

(Teens/Adults are always welcome)

*Book club gatherings are held the last
Thursday of the month in the library.
With some exceptions.*

January:

The Jazz Club Spy

by Roberta Rich

February:

100-year-old man who climbed out a
window

by Jonas Jonasson

March:

Thursday Murder Club

by Richard Osman

April:

The Last Exchange

by Charles Martin

Books/ebooks/audio can be ordered on

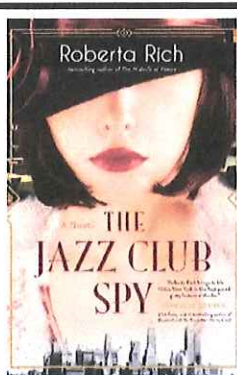
www.tracpac.ab.ca

Download on Libby, Hoopla,
CloudLibrary apps.

BOOK CLUB

JANUARY 22, 2026 at 7:00 pm

New York, 1938. Giddy Brodsky knows she's lucky to have a job as a cigarette girl at a Manhattan jazz club, but she dreams of opening her own beauty shop and lifting her family out of poverty. While focused on the future, the past comes flooding back when she recognizes one of the Cossacks who irrevocably changed her life. Determined to get justice, she enlists the help of Carter van der Zalm, the director of the Department of Immigration at Ellis Island. Not everyone is who they appear to be - and Giddy finds herself embroiled in a political conspiracy that could bring America into the war in Europe.



The Jazz Club Spy
By Roberta Rich

Monthly programs

CHECK DATES TO REMEMBER

Register your patron by emailing
the library.

Notes will go home with patrons

Patrons: ages 5 years to Gr. 2

Patrons: Gr. 3 to Gr. 6

Teens: Gr. 7 to Gr. 12

Adult book club. Discuss books!!

Winter events:

- Winter reading Program
Starts January 2, 2026.
Log your minutes online.
- Friday 15 challenge starts
January 2, 2026
- More winter contests can be
found:

<https://nllsreadingprograms.ca>

TEEN M.A.G.I.C. (Gr. 7-12)

How well can you identify flavours?

Dec. 11, 2025 3:30-5:00 pm

games, snacks, music



2026 READING LOG * January 1 to February 28 * You or your library can use the checkbox at the end of each row to track which rows you've already entered. To enter your minutes for the NLLS grand prize draw, bring this log to

your library OR enter them online at:

NLLSREADINGPROGRAMS.CA



WHICH KIND OF PRIZE WOULD
YOU LIKE A CHANCE TO WIN?

LEGO PRIZE

OR

GIFT CARD PRIZE



This full book is 1200 minutes



Log your minutes online by

March 1, 2026

LIBRARY CARD OR PHONE #:

HOME LIBRARY: CHAUVIN MUNICIPAL LIBRARY

Age Category:

0-5 6-9 10-12

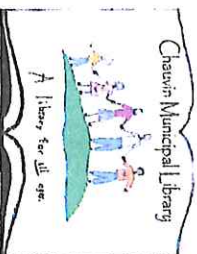
13-16 17-54 55+



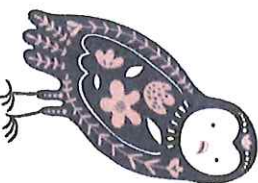
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2026 Reading Log



* JANUARY 1 TO
FEBRUARY 28 * FILL
IN A SPACE FOR
EVERY 15 MINUTES OF
READING.

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Friday 15 minutes are logged separately but can be counted on here as well.

KEEP READING!
YOU'RE DOING GREAT!



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NEEDS ASSESSMENT 2025

CHAUVIN MUNICIPAL LIBRARY



The Chauvin Municipal Library is conducting a survey to assess the needs of our community's library patrons.

Please stop and take a few minutes to answer some questions. Your opinion matters to us.

The Chauvin Municipal Library is located in the Dr. Folkins Community School.

Our public hours of operation are Mondays, Thursdays 3:30 – 6:30 pm.

You may also drop off books on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

User Satisfaction Survey

For each of the following items, please rate the library on a scale of 1 to 5 (1 being very poor, 5 being excellent)

1. Library Staff (knowledge, helpfulness)	1 2 3 4 5
2. Library Collection	1 2 3 4 5
3. Information Services	1 2 3 4 5
4. Library facilities	1 2 3 4 5
5. Electronic resources	1 2 3 4 5
6. Library hours	1 2 3 4 5
7. Overall Satisfaction	1 2 3 4 5

***Chauvin Municipal Library has been a part of Northern Lights Library Systems since 2010. This gives patrons the ability to find materials anywhere in Alberta and have them shipped to Chauvin.**

What is your favourite part about the Chauvin Municipal Library?

What types of books do you prefer to read?

Are you familiar with all the e-resources that our library has to offer? We have e-books, audiobooks, digital magazines, digital newspapers, etc. What e-resources do you use? _____

We would like to know what other services/ programs we could provide to our patrons and what age category? Currently we have adult book club, Teen M.A.G.I.C., 2 elementary Library fun programs. Each run once a month.

Our library advertises in the Chauvin newsletter, post office, and Facebook page about what programs and events we offer. Where do you see us posting our information? _____

What would encourage you to visit the library?

Thank you for taking a few minutes to let us know what we can do to make your library a valuable part of our community. Drop off surveys at the school or Village Office.



Presenting Partner



Dear Parent/Guardian,

Our school is participating in Jump Rope for Heart! For more than 40 years, Jump has encouraged kids to be active, build healthy habits and raise money that will make a difference in the fight to beat heart disease and stroke.

Register today!

Sign up online today at jumpropeforheart.ca

Search our school and click "Register".

Need help registering, use the [How to Register Your Child Guide](#).

School goal: Dr. Folkins Community School

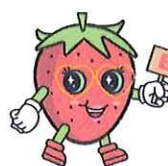
Event date: February 9, 2026

Once registered, you can share your child's page with friends and family. Learn how [here](#).

For additional fundraising tips visit the Families Corner at jumpropeforheart.ca.



Don't forget to practice your EASY Healthy Habits!



Eat fruits and vegetables



Active for 1 hour or more



Screens for 2 hours or less



Yes to water, no to sugary drinks



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A TIME TO RECOGNIZE OUR STUDENTS SUCCESS!!

Date: Wednesday, Jan 28th

Time: 2:00 pm

Dr. Folkins Community School

For Information
Contact the School Office
Phone: 780 858-3744



24/25 Awards Presentation

This is a day when we will celebrate the accomplishments of our students of 2024/2025!

We are grateful for the many businesses and residents that make our awards celebration possible and letter will be sent out shortly.

If you have any questions regarding your sponsorship or wish to let us know who will be presenting for our program please call the school office.



Phone: 780 858-3744



THANK YOU TO THE CHAUVIN HAUNTED HOUSE
FOR THE TREATS THAT WERE DELIVERED TO OUR
ELEMENTARY STUDENTS!

* There will be a box at the Concert *
on the 10th @ 5³⁰

KINSMEN CHRISTMAS WISH

DFCS Leadership Students would like your help in bringing Christmas gifts to children who may not get a gift this year.

New, unwrapped gifts can be brought to the school until **Wednesday, December 10, 2025**. The gifts will then be delivered to Wainwright (Bison Printing) to be distributed.

They usually have trouble getting enough gifts for children 9-12 years of age. Other things that can be purchased include; gloves, toques, mitts, scarves, books or stuffed animals. These items are placed in family bags as extras.

Please remember that all of the items must be new.

Toy Suggestions:

9 & 10 YEARS

- chapter books
- puzzles with 100 to 300 pieces
- bead sets (intricate)
- backpacks
- shoulder bags
- board games
- sports balls (inflated)
- Lego and K'Nex (more complex)

11 & 12 YEARS

- chapter books
- puzzles with 300 to 500 pieces
- craft set
- science set
- board games
- watches
- fashion jewelry (no pierced earrings)
- hair accessories
- Lego

They make every effort to have toys “immediately playable” on Christmas morning, therefore they always need:

- Barbie Clothes
- Colouring and Activity Books
- Crayons, Pencil Crayons
- Books (from cloth for infants to novels for 12 year olds and everything in between)
- Alkaline Batteries (AAA and AA)

If you purchase an item that requires accessories please include them. For example send batteries with battery operated toys and extra clothes with a Barbie.

They want to ensure that every toy that is sent out is new, safe, age appropriate and is as special as each child is. In that spirit they do not gift the following:

- Games that require a console (XBox, Wii etc)
- Games that require a computer and/or an internet connection
- Food due to possible food allergies (except Easy Bake Oven packets)
- Used Items - They provide new toys only, helping children to maintain their dignity and self-respect.
- Makeup and bath products due to allergies and possible household rules
- Clothing

- Fragile items like glass, porcelain or china. These items may not survive the wrapping, stacking and delivering process
- Toys requiring adult supervision
- Realistic weapons (except Nerf dart guns)
- Poor quality plush animals. Does it say "This is NOT a Toy"? Are there wires that poke out, loose eyeballs, or extremely hard heads? When you tug on the seams does stuffing come out?

Please help us make this Christmas special for every child!



Thank You!

Chauvin Home and School Parent Council Highlights

Say hello to our School Council for 2025/2026

Chair: Deanna Volk

Gr 10-12 Rep: Kelsie Dallyn

Vice Chair: Ashley Paré

Gr 7-9 Rep: Amanda Paré & Jodie Waselick

Treasurer: Tara Schaffer

Gr 4-6 Rep: Tiffanee Paulgaard

Secretary: Shantelle Skinner

Gr 1-3 Rep: Caitlin Gilchuk

ECS Rep: Kelsey Bambrick

THANK YOU

to our parent volunteers who helped supervise the Grade 4-6 swimming after it was rescheduled.

Thank you Chris & Deanna Volk,
Chantelle Scott & Renae Skinner!

We would like to send our most appreciative gratitude to the Chauvin Recreational Board for being such an amazing sponsor to our school track project! Their generosity, along with other local groups and companies, helped make our track a reality!

Thank you!

2025-2026 Parent Council Upcoming Meetings

January 20th, 2026

March 17th, 2026

May 19th, 2026

All meetings are at 7:00pm in the Home Ec room.
Everyone is welcome!

Did you know we only have 5 meetings a year?

School Council is a great place to share your ideas & opinions to everything school related and stay up-to-date on all things DFCS.

Wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!



Chauvin

CHRISTMAS CRAFT MARKET

DEC 6TH 10-4 @ THE CHAUVIN HALL

GREAT VENDORS . SANTA . SLEIGH RIDES 1-3PM . PRIZES
COFFEE – SOUPS – SANDWICHES

VENDORS WELCOME, CONTACT ASHLEY PARE

780.704.0880



The Village Office

Landfill Closed

Closed December 25

Closed January 1

Village Office

&

Public Works

Christmas Hours

December 24, 2025

Closed

December 25, 2025

Closed

December 26, 2025

Closed

December 31, 2025

Closed

January 1, 2026

Closed

Regular hours resume

January 2, 2026



Christmas Greetings from Council

It was a busy year again in Chauvin. Here are just some of the major projects completed in 2025. All Projects Funded Using Grant Dollars – NOT Taxpayer Dollars!

- Spectre Systems paved 2nd Ave in front of the Elks Hall!
- We had Olson Construction do a massive sidewalks project. They replaced some sidewalks, curb and gutters on 2nd, 3rd and 4th Avenues.
- Down n Dirty construction did some much-needed fixes on the outside of our Lift station.

The Council and Staff would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a wonderful New Year!

Main Street Chauvin looks a lot different this year. Council and Staff would like to welcome all the new business's that opened on Main Street in 2025.

Winter Haven Advanced Esthetics,
Down n' Dirty Construction,
Stook & Stubble Kitchen and Bar
&
Coming soon The Bird Lady Bakery

Chauvin Utility Rates for 2026

Chauvin Council reviewed utility rates at their November 10, 2025, meeting. With the rising costs associated with delivering the best possible utility services to the Village of Chauvin and Council's desire to keep costs down for rate payers (taxes), it was determined that the rising cost associated with our sewer services Chauvin Council chose to increase the monthly charge for sewer. No other utility cost was increased for 2026.

Sewer: \$29.00 (Increase from \$26.00)
Water, Gas, Garbage, and Infrastructure Charges
REMAIN THE SAME!



2025/2026 Curling

chauvincurlingclub@gmail.com

League Curling

Tuesday and Thursday Evenings

Open to all Curlers

Call Troy @ (587) 878-0415

If you are a single and would like to join a team or be on the spares list please let us know and we will try our best to get you on a team

Wednesday Afterschool Curling

Grades 4 to 12

Call Jennifer @ (780) 808-6210

League Curling Fees

Adults \$100
Students \$35
Family \$235
After School \$10

Bonspiels

Wildcard (4 Person Teams)

Open to all Curlers

Dec. 6/2025

Call Troy @ (587) 878-0415
Or Logan @ (780) 806-8985

Seniors Stick (2 Person Teams)

Jan. 8/2026

Call Rob @ (780) 806-3103

Chauvin Open

Open to all Curlers

Mar. 5-8/2026

Call Troy @ (587) 878-0415
Or Logan @ (780) 806-8985

Thank you

Remembering Louise Elizabeth Paré | July 9, 1960

A letter on behalf of Don Paré and family

When 'Grandma Louise' – the title she cherished most – was called home on August 31, 2025, our family experienced a grief so heavy that, for a time, it seemed impossible to bear.

All our lives, she was at the heart of so many good things – the first person we called to share happy news, the one who brought us together for special occasions, the one who always knew just what to say when we were troubled. No matter the situation, she was unfailingly present when we needed her most, and it is that graceful and genuine companionship that we continue to miss as we adjust to life without her.

By all measures, Louise was an extraordinary wife, mother, grandmother, and friend. While we feel her absence deeply, the hurt has been softened by the outpouring of support and kindness from this incredible community.

Over the past several weeks, people have brought meals, sent cards and letters, shared tearful memories, or simply stopped by for a coffee and a check-in. We have even seen thousands of dollars in donations made to local causes in Louise's memory. Every one of these gestures has meant more to us than words can convey.

We all lose loved ones – it is one of life's tragic and beautiful truths. Though the pain can feel overwhelming at first, bit by bit, we find a way through the sadness and discover warmth in the memories and lessons left behind.

For the Paré family, your love and support has been an ever-present beacon of light illuminating our darkest days – and for that, we are eternally grateful.

Louise loved this place – this land, this village, these people – and the past couple months have made clear just how much this place loved her in return.

From the bottom of our hearts, thank you.

**Don, Leo & Amanda, Aric & Ashley, Brenna,
Grayson, Rylan, Everly, Maisy, Dekker, Bryken, Keslee, Brynn, Caleigh**



THANK YOU TO OUR U9 TOURNAMENT SPONSORS!



The U9 Chauvin/Edgerton Avalanche held their home tournament back on November 22nd in Edgerton.

Our two Avalanche teams hosted four other local teams and had the best day!!

We can't thank all of our sponsors enough who helped make the day such a huge success!

Thank you:

- Benoit Oilfield Construction
 - Stook & Stubble
- J-Gaard Contracting Ltd.
 - Chesterman Farms
 - Prairie Vision
- Dark Water (Corey & Kelsey Bambrick)
 - Teine Energy
 - Cave Inspection Ltd.
 - PureChem Services
 - Chauvin Agency
 - OJ's Leisure Products
- Sheena's Catering & Cupcakes
 - HoneyPot Eatery & Pub
 - Benoit Rentals
 - WestLake Energy
 - Edgerton Oasis Hotel
 - All of the U9 Families



Join in for a Christmas Potluck Supper

Tuesday December 16, 2025

Chauvin Seniors Drop In Centre

@ 6:00 pm

Meat will be provided

Everyone Welcome!!

*"Someone's junk is someone else's
Treasures"*

Save that junk or those treasures for
another six months and

Prepare for the

CHAUVIN GARAGE SALE DAY

In May or June 2026

Exact date to be announced in
early 2026!

**The Village Office has volunteered to collect the names &
addresses of all participants. Rural residents are welcome
as well!**



Christmas Dinner

Everyone
Welcome!

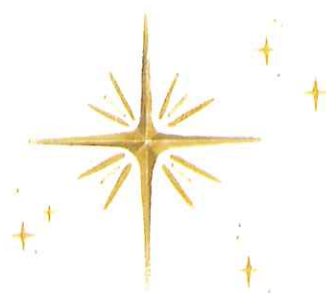
December 14
11am



MAY THE
SPIRIT OF
Christmas
BE WITH YOU

Christmas Candlelight Service

December 21
10am



Community of Christ

Co-Pastors: Darleene & Leila

www.ribstonecommunityofchrist.com



SERVICES AND KIDS' SUNDAY SCHOOL: SUNDAYS 10 AM

Please Note: No Church on December 28, January 4, and January 11



Community
Christmas Eve Service

December 24, 2025

Sacred Heart Parish

Chauvin, AB

4:30 pm

Sacred Heart Parish

&

Chauvin Gospel Centre

Westminster Presbyterian Church

Christmas Eve Service

Wednesday, December 24, 2025 at 4:30 pm



Unto Us a Child is Born!

Christmas Season Services at 10:30am:

December 7/25, December 21/25

January 4/26, January 18/26

The congregation of Westminster Presbyterian Church wishes everyone all the joys of the Christmas Season and a happy and blessed New Year!

Reverend Steve Haughland can be reached at any time at (780)385-1141

If you are searching for a welcoming, traditional, scripture-based atmosphere in which to worship, join us the first and third Sundays of each month.

On behalf of the family of the late John Wildeboer we would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who sent flowers, meals, cards, gifts of remembrance, made donations to the Provost Health Foundation, and offered kind sympathies. We appreciate your love and generosity, it has provided comfort throughout this difficult time. Our sincerest thank you.

Gwen and Family



MERRY
Christmas

And A



Happy
New Year!

*From MD Division 1 Councillor Oscar Buck,
Debra and families*

A BETHLEHEM IN NO-MAN'S LAND
*"I'll sing for you because I need to. Right now this is all I know
I'll sing so we will not forget you. I will sing you home."
(Sing You Home, by The Ennis Sisters)*

Sitting in my office yesterday, I listened once again as Nova Scotia's Ennis Sisters sang their moving tribute to all who had served and sacrificed in times of war. Remembrance Day was two weeks past, yet hearing "Sing You Home" reminded me of questions we often ask in the days after November 11th: EG: Did we treat those who served and sacrificed in ways that truly honoured their service? Did our Act of Remembrance show our fallen ones that we understand and appreciate the future they gave up so that we, the living, could still have a future to hope for and believe in? Did we keep faith with the memory of their sacrifice, or did we break it?

This Remembrance Day we accepted our sacred responsibility and tried our best. Gladly, solemnly, faithfully, we honoured those who had lived, loved, felt dawn, saw sunset glow, so that we the living could continue to live confidently each day, appreciate each new dawn, marvel at each new sunset, and love, and be loved in return. We knew, and honoured, the debt owed by so many to so few, and we ended the day hoping they were pleased with our efforts and were resting in peace.

Now it's December, and Christmas is fast approaching. Yesterday, I listened as another Christmas melody filled the airwaves. "O Tannenbaum," was the Christmas Carol our soldiers heard in the trenches as the German soldiers opposite them welcomed Christmas Eve. It was 1914; the first Christmas of the Great War, and as the sounds of that beautiful Carol echoed across no-man's land, first one, then a few, and then many on both sides laid down their arms, took up gifts of tobacco and chocolate, surrendered their fear, and crossed over the barriers that separated them.

That Christmas Day, combatants from both sides set aside their differences to sing each other peace, and good-will, and the brotherhood of man. They came together in the hope that Jesus, the King of Kings and Lord of Lords could have, for a few precious hours, and even in no-man's land, a worthy welcome. They sang, so that no-man's land might become, however briefly, a Bethlehem. And, briefly, it did.

This Christmas, what might happen if we surrendered our own fears and worries, and found the courage to sing our Saviour, and each other, home? Could the dark and angry spaces that so often persist between us and others become, even briefly, another light-filled Bethlehem? A place of Peace? A place of Hope? Even a place of Joy? Even for just a little while? Perhaps, long enough, even, to make a difference?

And what better time than Christmas to ask?

And what better way to celebrate Christmas than to let it happen! To make it so...!

Christmas Blessings...!

Rev. Steve



The Prince of Peace

Taken from Kiley Butlers' Anxiety Unashamed notes

Let us think about the hope of Christmas, by turning our thoughts to Peter. His story is one we should reflect on, especially when we feel unworthy or overwhelmed.

Peter walked with Jesus. He witnessed miracles, listened to His teachings, and boldly proclaimed his love and loyalty to Jesus. And yet, in the heat of fear and uncertainty, Peter denied knowing Jesus - not once, but three times. Can you imagine the weight of that failure? The shame that Peter must have felt?

Ever have times you didn't have a confident hope that Jesus could truly forgive you or that His grace was enough to cover your mistakes. Times when your own failure felt too big, too final? What is amazing about Peters story isn't his denial. It's what happened after - even in Peters brokenness, Jesus sought him out. After His resurrection, Jesus didn't scold Peter or push him away. Instead, He gently restored him. "Peter, do you love me?" Jesus asked. Not to condemn him, but to remind him that he was still called, still loved, still chosen!

That is the kind of Savior Jesus is!

The baby born in Bethlehem, The Prince of Peace, didn't come for perfect people. He came for the weary, the broken, and the lost. He came for Peter - and, He came for you and me!

The magic of Christmas is not only in the festivities, gifts, and traditions - it is in the living for something beyond ourselves. Christmas reminds us that no matter where we've been or what we've done, Jesus offers us forgiveness, love, and confident hope. Living for the One who was born to live and die for us. We can have hope in Christmas making us feel joy, peace, and love because of what Christ has done for us.

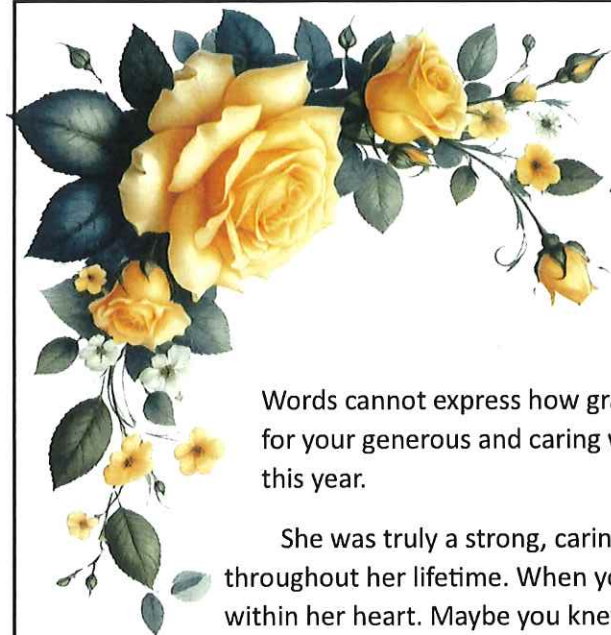
Jesus is our Prince of Peace, redeeming our failures and restoring our purpose. So, this Christmas, let's rest in this truth. No matter what we've been through, we can celebrate the peace and hope that only Jesus brings.

"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders.

And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."

Isaiah 9:6

***Wishing everyone a Christmas Season filled
with Hope, Peace,
and knowledge of the Love that Jesus has for all
of Gods children!***



*In loving memory of our
Mother, Mother-in-law, Gramma J
Sylvia Johnson*

Words cannot express how grateful we are to our wonderful family, friends, and community, for your generous and caring words, and acts of kindness since Mom left us September 8 of this year.

She was truly a strong, caring, loving human, and made her presence known to so many throughout her lifetime. When you met Mom, she left a lasting impression, and she kept you within her heart. Maybe you knew her for only a short time, maybe a lifetime, but you felt how special she was.

We cherish the lessons she's taught, the words of encouragement, her wisdom (and wit), and the bountiful love she shared. Please keep MOM in your hearts and hold onto your memories of her forever!

Thank You!

To all who sent messages, phone calls, flowers, food, help with the service in every way, The Chauvin Gospel Centre, Lunch served, Chauvin Hall, Battle River Lutheran Church Cemetery (grounds crew), McCaw Funeral Service, to those who attended the service, and those who were not able to attend, you shared through livestream, we THANK YOU from the bottom of our hearts! We apologize for anyone we may have missed, please accept our thanks!

Thank you to those that donated to the charity of their choice:

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2025 SPECIAL THANKS

GO BACK IN TIME.
Chauvin and District Museum

As another busy year comes to a close, the Chauvin and District Museum offers sincere appreciation to the dedicated individuals and supporters who shaped our 2025 season.

To our volunteers and Board of Directors – your steady commitment, practical wisdom, and willingness to roll up your sleeves have been the backbone of every success this year. Each hour you contributed strengthened our ability to preserve and share the stories that define our district.

To our donors – thank you for the generosity expressed through financial gifts, treasured artifacts, materials, equipment, and professional expertise. Every contribution moved us forward in meaningful ways.

To those who organized work crews, helped with restorations, provided storage solutions, tended the grounds, and ensured our technology stayed up and running – your efforts helped us protect the past while preparing for the future.

Your dedication proves that preserving local history is not simply a task – it is a shared responsibility and a point of pride for this community. Thank you for your time, trust, and enthusiasm. We truly could not accomplish this important work without you.

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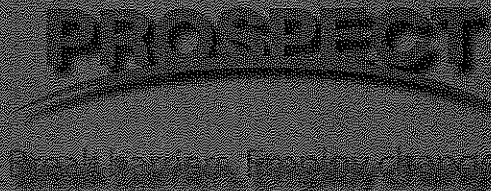
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WISHING YOU A SEASON FILLED WITH WONDER
AND A NEW YEAR FULL OF PROMISE!

Youth Assessment Centre



Are you aware that Prospect Human Services has other Youth Serving Programs?

Below is a listing of youth servicing programs and contact information.

Please feel free to connect ☺

Program: Youth Apprenticeship Connections Program

Description: Prospect's Youth Apprenticeship Connections Program provides comprehensive support for youth in government care with Children and Family Services and young adults receiving supports from the Transition to Adulthood Program and Advancing Futures aged 16-24. The program is available is now available across Alberta. The program empowers youth and young adults to access apprenticeships and build pathways to rewarding careers and trades. Through its personalized approach, the program gives participants the freedom to explore their interests, develop their strengths, and chart their own course.

Eligibility Requirements: This is a provincial program, designed to assist youth and young adults again from the foster care system aged 16 – 24 and are interested in creating apprenticeship-focused action plans and exploring career opportunities in trades across Alberta.

Contact Person: Trina Smith

Contact Email: trina.smith@prospectnow.ca

Contact Phone: 587-405-2466

Website: <https://www.prospectnow.ca/yacp/>

Program: Youth Employment Connections Program

Description: Prospect's Youth Employment Connection Program provides comprehensive support for young people aged 16-24 in Edmonton who are currently or have been supported by Children's Services. The program is designed to help youth build the skills and connections needed to succeed in today's job market.

Eligibility Requirements: This program is available exclusively in Edmonton and provides support for youth who are currently in or transitioning out of the foster care system and are between the ages of 16 – 24. They should be seeking to develop employability skills, connect with employers, and gain meaningful work experience.

Contact Person: Melissa Diachuk

Contact Email: melissa.diachuk@prospectnow.ca

Contact Phone: 780-306-5091

Website: <https://www.prospectnow.ca/pyec/>

Program: Youth Transition to Employment Services

Description: Prospect's Youth Transition to Employment Service supports individuals in Edmonton and the surrounding areas aged 18-24 who's looking to jumpstart their career. Prospect provides you with all the tools you need to make your job search successful. We can support you through your job search and help you get connected to the workplace. We assist a wide range of job seekers, from those who want help with resumes and interviews right through to those who are looking for support along the way. Prospect provides financial support for short-term training that aligns with our client's job goals.

Eligibility Requirements: These services are also Edmonton-based and focus on equipping youth with the tools and resources needed to secure and maintain employment. Youth must reside in Edmonton, be between the ages of 18 – 24 and be EI eligible.

Contact Person: Rana Nakhai

Contact Email: rana.nakhai@prospectnow.ca

Contact Phone: 587-404-2836

Website: <https://www.prospectnow.ca/pyes/>

****For those student's seeking individual counselling supports please be aware that:**

The Alberta College of Social Workers (ACSW – <https://acsw.ab.ca/>) serves as the regulatory college for the profession of social work in Alberta. The Mental Health Counselors working with Prospect-YAC are governed by this group and must follow all standards and codes of Practice.

As Prospect's services and supports are only contracted across the province of Alberta, our Mental Health team is not currently licensed or able to provide services for individuals when they are physically located in another province or jurisdiction.

All individuals accessing Prospect's Mental Health Supports have the responsibility to:

- Be located in the province of Alberta at the time of their session;
- Supply their full name, address, phone number, and email address as well as their current physical location;
- Secure a private location (for example, a room in their home with the door closed) where they can speak without being overheard or interrupted by others.

Youth Assessment Centre



YAC Supports & Services

Wrap around services and supports.

We're thrilled to announce new intake opportunities to better support the needs of our youth between the ages of 16-19 and enrolled full time at an approved educational facility. If you or someone you know is facing challenges, our team is here to help with:

- 🍷 Food & Nutrition Crisis
- 🧠 Mental Health & Addiction Supports
- 📅 Post-Secondary Planning & Support
- 🏠 Housing Crisis & Support Services
- 🎓 School Enrolment Assistance
- 💼 Employment Guidance & Resources
- 📍 Local Resources & Referrals
- And more...

At YAC, we understand that young people are navigating complex barriers. That's why we offer advocacy, research, referrals, and support tailored to each individual's needs.

Our Intake Services team is your first step to getting connected. Let's work together to find the right support path for you.

Reach out today or refer someone who could use a hand. We're here to help!

We are still offering...

Assistance with applying to Foundational Learning Assistance program.

YAC still supports applications to Foundational Learning Assistance program for those who fall under the below eligibility:

- Between the ages of 16-19
- Meet one of the GoA eligibility criteria
- The student must be registered "Full Time" at an approved educational facility. "Full Time" is defined as being registered and participating in a minimum of 3 classes per semester to be considered for FLA Funding.
- Social Insurance Number
- All eligible students must create an account on Alberta.ca <https://account.alberta.ca>
- Bank account

Alberta Works funded learners are expected to attend the program, make acceptable progress, achieve their training goal and facilitate a successful transition to further education or employment. Funding is based on participation/progression in the classes and consultations with the student as well as the school.

What's New

Supports for Educational Expenses: Prospects' Priority Support Services will offer financial support for educational expenses to eligible youth who are experiencing financial challenges.

Intake Services / Enrollment: Prospects' Priority Support Services will offer support for youth who are experiencing challenges with enrollment at an approved educational facility.

Holidays

Prospects' Priority Support Services will be closed during the following holidays: Christmas Eve (December 24th), Christmas Day (December 25th), and New Year's Day (January 1st).



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We are always taking in new referrals. Intakes are being completed by our Program Manager, Shaundell Curran. Please forward new referrals to her: 587-998-1935, shaundell.curran@prospectnow.ca

Mental Health Services: Prospects' Priority Support Services will offer mental health services to eligible youth who are experiencing mental health challenges.

Please Contact: Prospects' Priority Support Services for more information.

Shaundell Curran, Program Manager

Contact: 587-998-1935
Email: shaundell.curran@prospectnow.ca
Website: prospectnow.ca

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Building a Better Future



Other Info:

Gift of Christmas Deadline Wednesday the 10th
December 15-19th Christmas Spirit Week

December 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Newsletter Nov/Dec Printed Dec 3rd						
	1	2 Staff Meeting	3 Nov/Dec Newsletter Subway lunch	4	5	6
7	8	9 Gift of Christmas deadline tomorrow	10 Christmas Concert@ 5:30PM Winter beans lunch	11	12	13
14 Christmas Spirit Week→	15	16	17 Elementary Sock Hop McDonalds Lunch	18	19	20
21	22 No School	23 No School	24 No School	25 No School	26 No School	27
28	29 No School	30 No School	31 No School			



January 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
				No School	No School	
4	5	6	7 Staff Meeting Newsletter Dress like your dream job/role model	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20 School council 7pm	21	22 Grad Prestige Photo Day	23	24
25	26	27	28 24-25 Awards Presentation	29 PL-day **CHANGED TO STUDENT DAY	30 Self Directed Teacher Day No School	Feb 2 nd Semester 2 starts