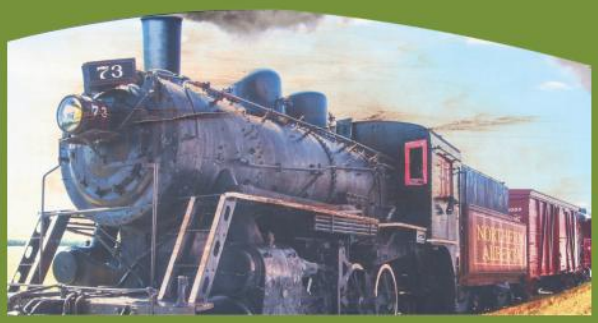

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT *of* SPIRIT RIVER NO. 133

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PO Box 389, Spirit River, AB T0H 3G0
www.mdspiritriver.ab.ca
Facebook: Municipal District of Spirit River

OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm
(Closed for lunch from 12pm to 1pm and closed all statutory holidays)

Nov 27th, 2026, Newsletter

The next Council Meeting will be held on Dec 9th, 2026, at 9:00am and will be held in the Council Chambers located in the MD Office in Spirit River. Council meetings are recorded live for online public viewing, or you may attend in person. Please refer to our Facebook page or the MD website for your live link to log into these meetings.

The following motions were made at our last Council meeting:
Moved by Deputy Reeve Wark to approve meeting date and time changes to 2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month, starting at 9 am.

Moved by Deputy Reeve Wark that Council direct administration to send a letter of support to the Town of Spirit River for their STIP application regarding the airport rehabilitation project.

Moved by Councillor Rozecki that Council approves the establishment of the Regional Childcare Solutions Steering Committee and Terms of Reference as amended.

Moved by Councillor Rozecki that Reeve Van Rootselaar be appointed to the Regional Childcare Solutions Steering Committee.

Anyone wishing to review our Council Meeting minutes can visit the MD of Spirit River #133 website under Council and Council Meeting Minutes.

Public Works

In the event of Emergency Call out of Municipal Equipment please call: David Johnson 780 864-9600.

REMINDER, PLEASE NOTIFY US BEFORE YOU BURN. THOSE WHO DO NOT ADVISE OF CONTROLLED BURNS ARE SUBJECT TO A $ 500.00 FINE. THESE RULES APPLY YEAR-ROUND!
When calling for a burn notification please call the office Monday through Friday before 4:15pm. MD Office at (780) 864-3500

R360 ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUTIONS CANADA LANDFILL IS OPEN TO MD RATEPAYERS ONLY

MD residents will be asked to show their Landfill Usage Card upon entering the landfill site.
Regular Landfill Take in days:
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 9am-5pm
Saturday 10am-4pm
Closed: Monday, Tuesday & Sunday
R360 LANDFILL will no longer be accepting any chemical jugs or containers.
If you have any questions, please contact the landfill at 780-765-3745

Or the MD of Spirit River office at 780-864-3500

LANDFILL CARDS:

Attention MD Residents,
Landfill cards that have been issued with an expiration date do not need to be renewed unless you are renting your land. If you own your property and your Landfill Card has an expiration date on it, please disregard this expiration date. Your Landfill card will remain active until you have either reached your load limit, you have sold your land, or if you have lost your Landfill privileges. If you are renting in the MD of Spirit River and your Landfill Card has expired, please stop by the office for renewal.

DID YOU KNOW?

North Zone Health Neighbourhood



Get to the Emergency Department or Dial 911 if you have:

- Chest pain, trouble breathing, severe shortness of breath
- Heavy bleeding or major injuy
- Poisoning or overdose
- Signs of stroke (Sudden weakness; facial droop; arm droop, slurred speech)





For Non-Emergent Care, DID YOU KNOW...

Prescribing Pharmacists:

- Offer prescriptions for minor ailments
- Phone your local pharmacist at:

Visit your Family Doctor or Nurse Practitioner - accepting family physicians can be found at: albertafindadoctor.ca

You Can Access 24/7 virtual care by dialing 811 to access TeleHealth

Access Social Services:

- General inquiries: 1-877-644-9992
- 24/7 Emergency income support: 1-866-644-5135



Important Phone Numbers

Crisis Lines

Dial 211 - for Emergency Social Resources (Housing crisis; food insecurity; shelters)

Dial 988 - For mental health emergencies

Help-Lines

1-877-302-2642 - Mental Health helpline (24/7)

1-866-332-2322 - Addiction helpline (24/7)

1-780-482-4357 - 24/7 Distress Line

1-888-342-4822 - Alberta Indigenous Virtual Care Clinic

Know Where To Go For Care

SPIRIT RIVER/SEXSMITH BUS



The MD 133 Spirit River transit bus will be **adding a stop in Sexsmith**! This service will run each **Tue/Wed/Thur** in partnership between the MD of Spirit River and Sexsmith FCSS.

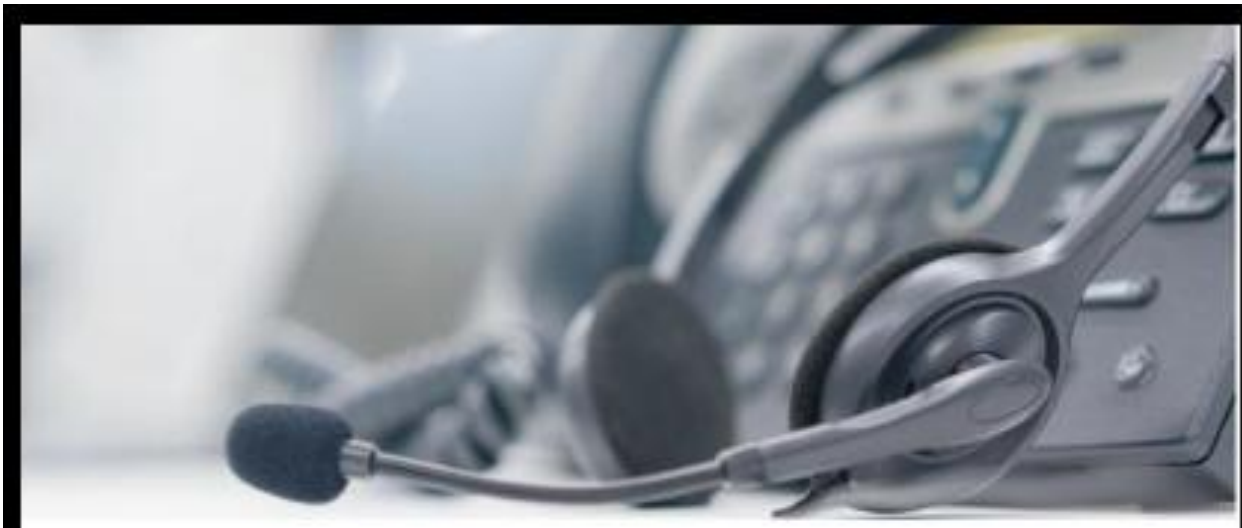
Seats are $25.00 each. Pick-up will be at **Sunset Homes (9702-97 Ave)** in Sexsmith between **9:30am and 9:45am**. Passengers will be taken to Grande Prairie for appointments and shopping and then returned to the same drop-off location around **3:00pm**.

Passengers 16 and younger must have signed parental/guardian permission to ride. *Medical appointments are priority bookings!* The bus runs with min. 1 passenger - **24hr advance booking required.**

Subsidies are available for those requiring assistance. Please contact Naomi Robinson to apply: **780-568-4345 or fcss@sexsmith.ca.**

Book a seat by calling:

780-864-3500



Starting July 2025

AFSC ON LOCATION

2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month

8:15 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

AVAILABLE BY REMOTE COMMUNICATION

Monday to Friday

8:15 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

To reach us call 780-864-3896

Or 1-877-899-2372

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AFSC.ca

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Stand on Fertile Ground

STAY CONNECTED AND INFORMED! This is a friendly reminder to download the Voyent App! And register to sign up for emergency alerts in our area, such as wildfires. If you see smoke or fire, please call 911.

HOW TO REGISTER

Step 1: Watch the short video: Registration tutorial - Voyent Alert! for tips @ **www.youtube.com/watch?v=zSXaklw5tsI**

Step 2: Learn about registering for the Central Peace Fire & Rescue* Alerting System @ **www.voyent-alert.com/community/#registration**

Step 3: Register:

• For Mobile App Users, download and install the Voyent Alert! app from the Apple or Google Play app stores.

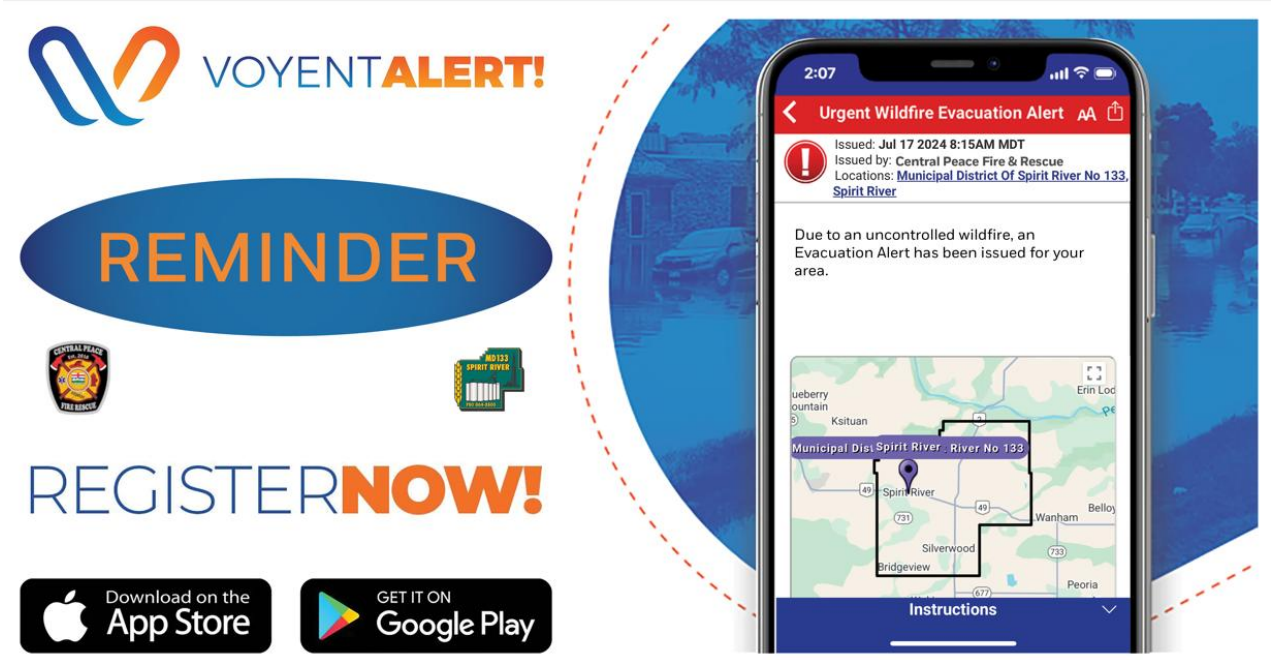
• For Email, Phone, or SMS (Text message) Users, register online to receive alerts

Once downloaded, register for your account by selecting your region on a map and receive immediate emergency alerts.

YOU CAN ALSO ADD NEIGHBOURING MUNICIPALITIES

Birch Hills County, County of Grande Prairie, City of Grande Prairie, and Saddle Hills County, just to name a few, also use the Voyent Alert! notification system. You can choose to receive alerts from Voyent Alert! for any or all of these communities.

* The Central Peace Fire & Rescue covers the MD of Spirit River, the Town of Spirit River, and the Village of Rycroft



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NORTHERN LIGHTS FIBER

northernlightsfiber.ca

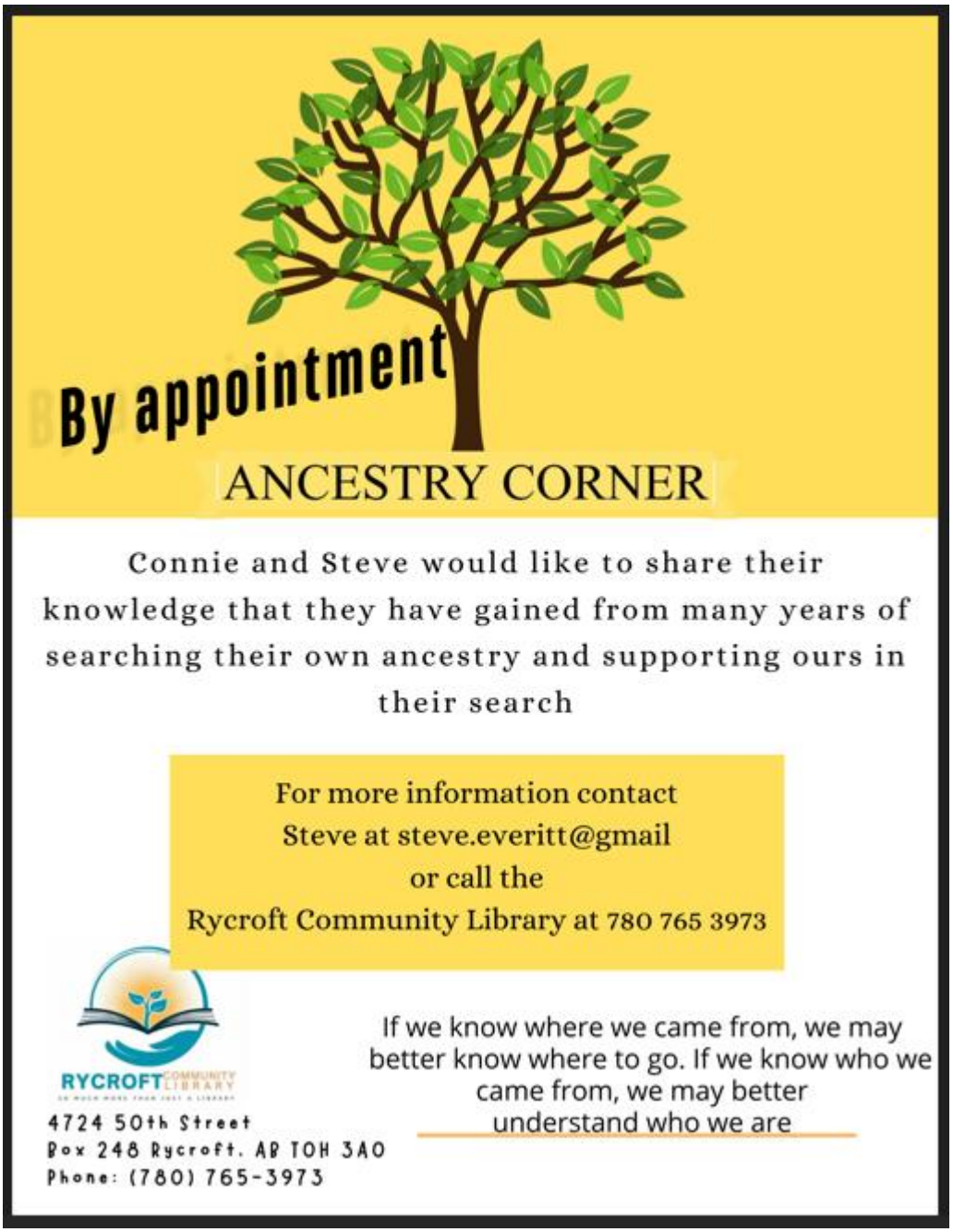
https://www.northernlightsfiber.ca

Attention! Municipal District of Spirit River #133 Residents!

If you are interested in getting Fiber Optics to your residence or business, please go online and submit a request.
3 simple steps to submit a request, go to:

1) Northernlightsfiber.ca
2) Project Aurora
3) At the top of the page- Click for form

Submit a NO Obligation Fiber Access Request (FAR) to ensure your home gets fiber optics lines built. Click Here.


By appointment
ANCESTRY CORNER
Connie and Steve would like to share their knowledge that they have gained from many years of searching their own ancestry and supporting ours in their search
For more information contact
Steve at steve.everitt@gmail
or call the
Rycroft Community Library at 780 765 3973
RYCROFT COMMUNITY LIBRARY
4724 50th Street
Box 248 Rycroft, AB T0H 3A0
Phone: (780) 765-3973
If we know where we came from, we may better know where to go. If we know who we came from, we may better understand who we are

PICK UP

Your

JOURNAL

youth inspired

ages 10 -17

FREE



DID YOU KNOW
Journaling

improves mental health
by reducing stress and anxiety,
enhancing self-awareness and emotional processing,
and boosting creativity.
It also helps organize thoughts, track goals and
progress, and creates a personal record of memories
and experiences.

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Stop by the library to take your turn. Every lap around the board gets a PRIZE!

Library-Opoly



HAPPENING TUESDAY'S

ART DAY



2:00-4:00 PM

PLEASE PLAN ON ATTENDING WITH YOUR CHILD, AS PER LIBRARY POLICY CHILDREN UNDER 11 REQUIRE PARENTAL SUPERVISION

HAPPENING WEDNESDAY'S

Science Day



2:00-4:00 PM

PLEASE PLAN ON ATTENDING WITH YOUR CHILD, AS PER LIBRARY POLICY CHILDREN UNDER 11 REQUIRE PARENTAL SUPERVISION

HAPPENING THURSDAY'S

Outside Play



2:00-4:00 PM

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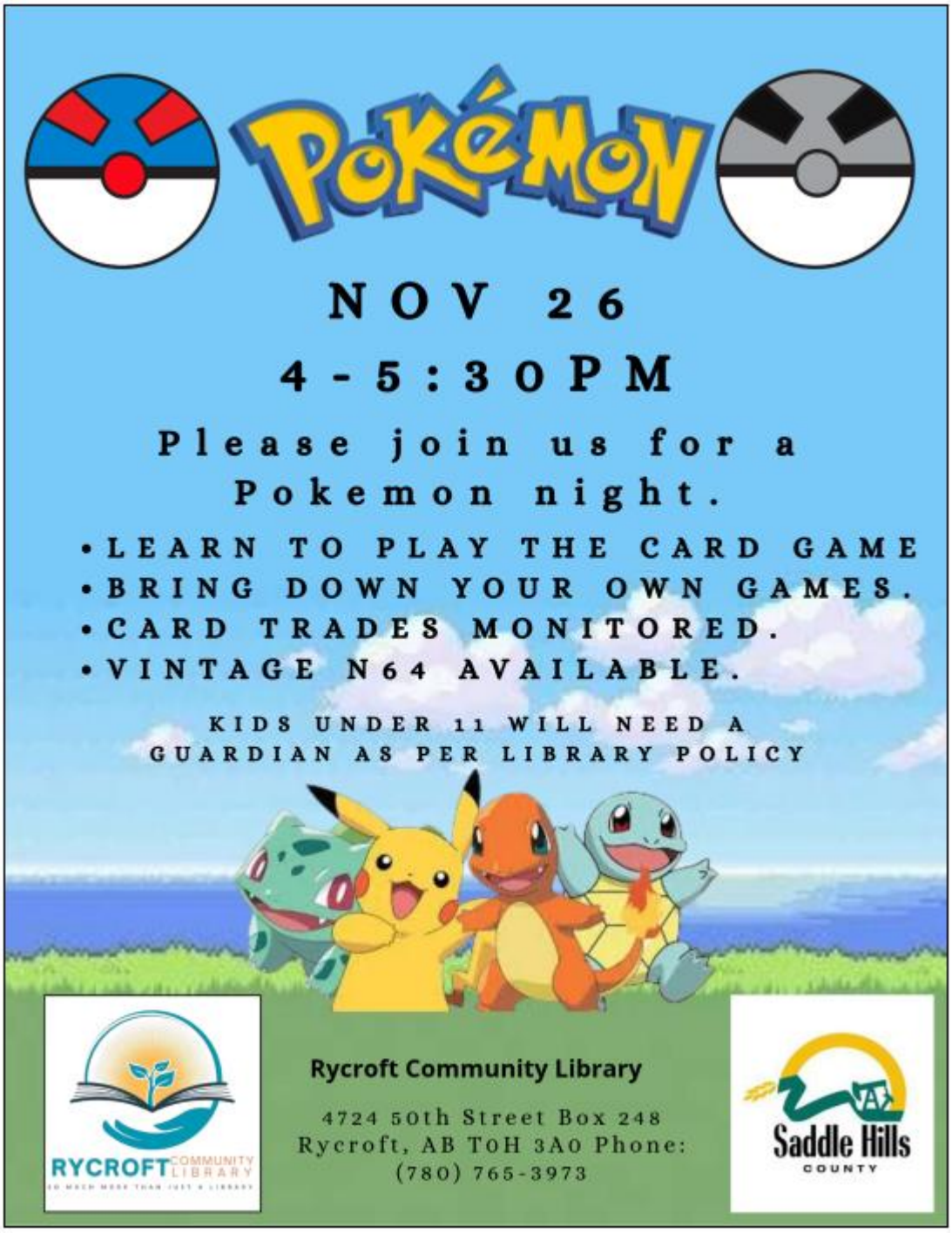
Pokémon
NOV 26
4-5:30PM
Please join us for a Pokemon night.
• LEARN TO PLAY THE CARD GAME
• BRING DOWN YOUR OWN GAMES.
• CARD TRADES MONITORED.
• VINTAGE N64 AVAILABLE.
KIDS UNDER 11 WILL NEED A GUARDIAN AS PER LIBRARY POLICY
RYCROFT COMMUNITY LIBRARY
Rycroft Community Library
4724 50th Street Box 248
Rycroft, AB T0H 3A0 Phone:
(780) 765-3973
Saddle Hills COUNTY


COMMUNITY CAFE
Open Mic
hosted by
Steve & Janet
"Perfect place to share your music, stories, jokes and poetry, and have conversations with old friends and new friends."
Fridays
6–9 'ish
2026
September 11th, 25th
October 9th, 23rd
November 13th, 27th
December 11th
Sponsored by
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For more information contact
Steve @ 780 500 9553
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RYCROFT COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Christmas is just around the corner!! FCSS is coordinating a number of Christmas programs and is looking for some help.
Central Peace FCSS is looking for volunteers and monetary donations. If you would like to help, please call FCSS at 587 771 3567 or email fcss@townofspiritriver.ca

Community Kitchen

Sunday December 13 starting at 10am at the Rycroft Community Hall. Everyone Welcome!!

Christmas Hamper Applications

The Christmas hamper applications are available at the Town of Spirit River, Village of Rycroft, Birch Hills County, MD#133, Rycroft Library, Spirit River Library or FCSS office. Application **Deadline is December 16th**.

Secret Santa for Seniors and Children

The Secret Santa for children and seniors' gifts must be back to the FCSS office **by Dec 15**

Christmas Sharing Dates

Christmas hampers will be assembled on Dec 18. Pick up will be Dec 21 & Dec 22, 2026, 10am-2pm at the Ross Room in Spirit River.

Office Closure

Christmas Hours Dec 24 open until noon, Closed Dec 25 & Dec 28. Open Dec 29, 30, and 31 until noon. Closed Jan 1, 2027. Reopening Jan 4, 2027




SPONSORS NEEDED!
CHRISTMAS
2026
SECRET
SANTA
FOR KIDS AND
SENIORS
Dear
Santa,
CALL OR EMAIL FCSS TO
SPONSOR A KID OR SENIOR
WISHLIST
PHONE 587 771 3567
EMAIL
FCSS@TOWNOFSPIRITRIVER.CA
fcss
Central Peace
Family and Community
Support Services


Central Peace FCSS
Secret Santa Wishlists
for Seniors and Children
are due
DEC 1, 2026
If you have questions please call
FCSS at 587 771 3567

December 4th

Please join us to celebrate community and the holiday season as we light up the Christmas Tree!



4 pm - 8 pm

Hotdogs, Hot Chocolate, and Cookie Decorating at the Library

5:30 pm

Light Up

6 pm - 8 pm

Wagon Rides

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RYCROFT AB HUB OF THE PEACE

Saddle Hills COUNTY


Community Kitchen
Sunday, December 13th, 2026
STARTING AT 10AM
LET'S COME TOGETHER AS A COMMUNITY, LEARN, AND CREATE READY MADE MEALS.
EVERYONE WELCOME!
(CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT)
NO CHARGE TO PARTICIPATE
At the Rycroft Hall
fcss
Central Peace Family and Community Support Services
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Christmas
PROGRAMS
587 771 3567
CHRISTMAS SHARING-GET AN APPLICATION FORM NOW OR GIVE A MONETARY DONATION
SECRET SANTA FOR KIDS -SPONSOR A CHILD'S XMAS GIFT
SANTAS FOR SENIORS- FILL OUT A WISHLIST OR SPONSOR A GIFT NOW
CHRISTMAS HAMPERS- VOLUNTEER YOUR TIME DEC. 21TH & 22TH
SANTAS FOR SENIORS- VOLUNTEER TO DELIVER GIFTS NOW
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MEALS ON WHEELS

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VOLUNTEER DELVERY DRIVERS NEEDED

Fresh Healthy Homestyle
Lunch Time Meals
Delivered by Volunteers

Monday, Wednesdays and Fridays
(excluding statutory holidays)

call us for more information
on how to join this
amazing volunteer program

587 771 3567



Connie and Steve are willing to share the knowledge that they have gained from many years of researching their own ancestry & family trees.

While we don't do your family tree for you, we can show you how to do it. We can help you begin if you don't know how to start or perhaps you have already started but run into a problem, we can help.

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towards women and children



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