



# Tell-It-Gram

## News from RM of Oakview

June 2026



# ATTENTION

RM of Oakview has LIFTED  
the burning ban, effective as  
of 11:00 a.m. Monday  
June 1st, until further notice.



Thank you for your patience with this matter.



June 20—FUNd Raising Social—Legion Hall

June 20—Rapid City Ag Society Fair

June 21—Father's Day

July 1—Canada Day

July 5—Tractor Trek

July 15—Learn Golf for Kids RC

July 18—OR Legion BBQ Cook-off



# RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF OAKVIEW

Oak River - 204-566-2146

[info@rmofoakview.ca](mailto:info@rmofoakview.ca)

Rapid City - 204-826-2515 [adminrc@rmofoakview.ca](mailto:adminrc@rmofoakview.ca)

Check out our website: [rmofoakview.ca](http://rmofoakview.ca) or our Facebook Page

PLEASE NOTE THAT WE DO NOT MODERATE Facebook. If you have legitimate concerns, please contact the office staff at one of the above numbers.

Minutes can be found on the R.M. of Oakview Website

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## Upcoming Council Meetings

RC—June 22

OR—July 14

**Rural Municipality of Oakview**

# Connect With Us!

## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Sign up for the new  
notification system -  
receive important voice  
messages & emails from  
the RM of Oakview!!**



Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_



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**Utilities, Roads,  
Weather, Closures  
and so much more.**

Visit our website at [www.rmofoakview.ca](http://www.rmofoakview.ca) or send an email to [info@rmofoakview.ca](mailto:info@rmofoakview.ca) to sign up.

# FUND - RAISING SOCIAL

For the Rapid City Legion Memorial Community Centre  
(380—3rd Avenue, Rapid City, MB)

Saturday, June 20, 2026

9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Live Band...The New HIGHWAY 25  
“Repaved”

Tickets—\$20.00

SILENT AUCTION

50/50 DRAW

150 Entry Tickets Available—No Minors

In-Support Tickets Available—\$15.00

Tickets available at various locations in Rapid City, or you can contact  
Jaimie Richter @ 204-939-1219, Bob Christie @ 204-868-0297, or  
Bonnie Wright @ 204-826-2515.

Monetary, or New Raffle Item Donations Gratefully Accepted (contact above)





# OAK RIVER CAMPGROUND

**NOW OPEN**  
Water is on!

**Rates: \$15/night**

Payment can be placed in the lockbox at the campground or paid at the Municipal office at 10 Cochrane Street, Monday - Friday 8:30 - 4:30

Please contact the municipal office at 204-566-2146 with any questions!

*Coming Soon!!*




# NOW OPEN!

Oak River  
Driving Range

Golf Balls available at  
Oak River Municipal Office

Bag of 30 for \$5

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| <b>10</b><br>JUN | <b>VS RIVERS COMETS</b><br>OAK RIVER   7:00 PM      |
| <b>14</b><br>JUN | <b>VS DELORAINE ROYALS</b><br>OAK RIVER   2:00 PM   |
| <b>14</b><br>JUN | <b>VS SOURIS CARDINALS</b><br>OAK RIVER   6:00 PM   |
| <b>17</b><br>JUN | <b>@ HAMIOTA RED SOX</b><br>HAMIOTA   7:00 AM       |
| <b>19</b><br>JUN | <b>@ VIRDEN OILERS</b><br>VIRDEN   7:00 PM          |
| <b>25</b><br>JUN | <b>@ RESTON ROCKETS</b><br>RESTON   7:00 PM         |
| <b>26</b><br>JUN | <b>@ BRANDON YOUNG GUNS</b><br>BRANDON   7:00 PM    |
| <b>03</b><br>JUL | <b>VS BRANDON YOUNG GUNS</b><br>OAK RIVER   7:00 PM |



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The Digital Billboard is a great place for business and community members to put news, greetings or other entertainment messages.

It's a great way to keep the community informed.

Scan this QR code to access the online info & request form. Fill out the form and submit it online to get started.



**Soon you will also find links to the request form on Facebook and local websites.**

May 8th Winners are:

\$500 Ken McFarlin Grandkids Brandon

\$300 Roy & Sandy McTavish Rapid City

\$200 Reece Kolesar Rapid City

This concludes the 200 Club #44. #45 200 club draw tickets to go on sale in August.

Last meat draw until September was held on May 29.

On May 30 Juvenile Diabetes Association golf tournament was held in Minnedosa. Rapid City Lions were represented by Lion Art, Trace Houle, Lincoln Kolesar, and Bill Bootsman. The event was very well attended, and had a perfect day with cooler temps and only a brief rain event. The team did not place, and did not win any of the available prizes. There were 4 holes offering a hole in one prize of \$10,000. Unfortunately, none were claimed. Highly recommend participation next year. Lunch & supper was provided, as well as a golf cart for each team as part of the \$125 registration fee per golfer.

On May 31 Elton Grad Highway cleanup from Rapid City North to 270 turn off and Rapid City East to #10. RC Lions will make a donation towards their graduation celebration for their efforts.

New curtains being put up at the Lions pavilion near the beach. Upgrades being done on the east Rapid City sign, new lettering and solar lights.

Keep a lookout on the Lions electronic sign. Watch for photos of your local graduates.

Don't forget we have good used medical equipment like walkers, canes, toilet seat risers and sometimes scooters to loan out at no cost. Contact Lion Bob Thompson, or any of your local Lions. We are also accepting donations of good used health equipment.

#### Upcoming Events:

- Lion president Art will present the Rapid City & area Award at this year's Elton grad June 19.
- Social at the Rapid City Legion Hall June 20 with the Lions Donating \$500 towards the event.
- Canada Day Supper and fireworks July 1.
- We plan on helping out August 21-23 in the canteen at the Rapid City rodeo.

Thank you for supporting the Rapid City & Area Lions Club

## NEVER TOO EARLY TO THINK ABOUT HOCKEY

Rapid City Rec Hockey – Early Registration Now Open for the 2026/2027 Season!

Scan the QR code to register for the upcoming hockey season. Everyone is welcome to join!

If you experience any issues with registration, please contact Michelle Anderson for assistance.

We look forward to another exciting season on the ice!

Scan Here For Hockey Registration

[https://forms.gle/8LNP  
hKMWq7TMQPPD8](https://forms.gle/8LNP<br/>hKMWq7TMQPPD8)



You can also find us on Facebook

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Rapid City Rec Hockey

# Valleyview Golf Club

Finally the weather has turned and golfers are enjoying being back on the course!!! We encourage anyone who loves the game of golf to get involved at the Golf Club by volunteering. We can always use extra people for tournaments, clean-up, etc. Have any questions, please email us at [golfrapidcity@yahoo.com](mailto:golfrapidcity@yahoo.com) or call or text us at : 1-431-801-6186. We would be happy to help you!

## The Golf Schedule is:

Monday—6:30pm JUNIORS

Tuesday—6:30pm Two Person Best Ball

Wednesday—6:30pm Ladies Night

Thursday—6:30pm Men's Night

Sunday—3:00pm Par 3 at 3 (for everyone). Smokies for sale after the round!



## Prices this year are:

Year membership—\$350.00 \*\*\* Bonus—pay extra \$45.00 to join Golf Manitoba/Canada

9 Hole—\$15.00

18 Hole—\$20.00

ALL-DAY ROUND—\$25.00

17 & UNDER ARE FREE

PAYMENTS CAN BE MADE BY CASH OR ETRANSFER.

DONATIONS ARE GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED.

\*\*\*\*\***ATTENTION KIDS AGES 5—18**\*\*\*\*\*

**Golf Manitoba is offering a LEARN TO GOLF FOR JUNIORS FREE CLINIC on July 15th 2026.**

**This is a free clinic where introductory golf skills will be taught for junior golfers ages 5—18.**

**It is delivered by a PGA of Canada Community Coach certified instructor.**

**There is a sign up sheet in the Clubhouse or contact the club at 1-431-801-6186**

**A fantastic opportunity to give this great sport a try!!!**



# Rapid City and District Wildlife Association

Rapid City and District Wildlife Association report for May 2026

On Thursday May 28th, the Wildlife Association received 150,000 Walleye Fry from the Manitoba Fisheries Branch to release on the Little Saskatchewan River. We met Brody Kitch ( Fisheries Branch ) at the Wildlife Boat Dock with bags of the small fish. The fish were then hauled upstream to the release points. ( see attached map ) The Rapid City and District Wildlife Association would like to thank Brody and the Fisheries Branch for selecting Rapid City for stocking the Walleye. Brody informed the Association, a release is planned for next year also.

The Wildlife Association is pleased to announce that Texas Hold'em Poker Night has been a huge success but has been shut down on May 12th for the summer months and starting up again in the fall.

Series # 18 of the Rapid City and District Wildlife Association Chase the Ace is down to 21 cards. Presently the CTA total is 6,832.00 with a possible winner receiving 60% of the total plus 60% of that evenings revenue.

The Chase the Ace runs every Saturday night at the Queens Hotel with new hours from 5:30pm to 7:30p.

The Rapid City and District Wildlife Association would like to thank everyone for all the continued support over the years.

It was April of 2016 that the Association applied to the LGCA for a permit to host a CTA event at the Queens Hotel. The Association has used CTA money to place sand at the beach, and removed weeds at the reservoir. The Valleyview Golf Course and the Rapid City Daycare Committee have also received funds for their projects from the CTA.

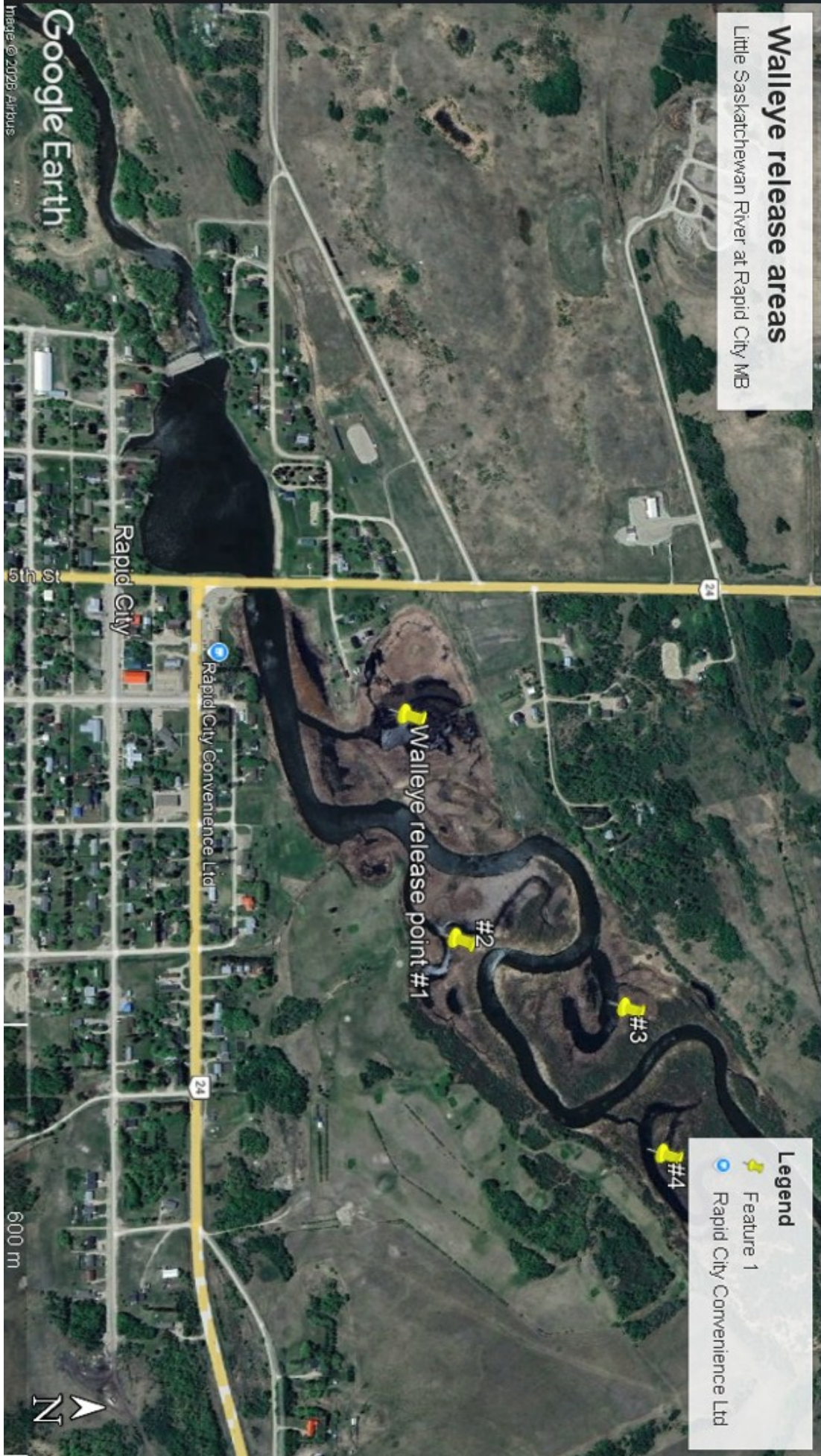
Rapid City Wildlife presently has 52 memberships broken down into 33 family memberships, and 19 single memberships .

This translates into just over 90 men, women, and children that are part of the Rapid City and District Wildlife Association. If you or your family are interested in joining the Wildlife Association, contact Gary Phillips or myself Bob Christie.

## Rapid City Beach and Reservoir Committee

Now that the Wildlife Boat Dock and the Swimming Dock are in the water ( Thanks Viking Mike, and Shaun and the gang ) The Committee has proceeded with sloping the North side of the berm by hiring Viking Excavation. The Committee has also purchased 200yds of VMA Grade beach sand from Bjorn Kristianslund of Rivers and had it delivered by Rick Stanick. ( Sunoba Horse ), These projects are made possible with leftover funds from the 2019 Cando Reservoir Project.

The fresh beach sand will be a nice touch to the beach area this summer.



# Attention

**Barbecuers / Grill Masters / Smoke Connoisseurs**

*July 18<sup>th</sup> is a chance to show off  
your BBQing skills in Oak River!*

Teams will consist of 3 people

Each team will receive 3 supper tickets for themselves – so they can eat and vote too!

We would like to have 8 teams at the most

Each team needs to confirm they will be participating with a \$100 deposit  
which they will get back that night!

Each Team will receive \$150 to help with supplies  
which they will get back that night!

Teams need to have enough of a meat sample for 150 people (Suggestions are: 150 chicken wings, baby  
back ribs, brisket, pulled pork sliders, meat balls, just to name a few)

Food can be prepared ahead of time but must be finished on site with a bbq / grill / smoker (NO deep fry-  
ers) and top winning teams receive prize money. Votes are from those who purchased supper tickets.

There will be prize money for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place teams

The remaining teams will be asked to come up and get their \$250 (\$100 deposit, plus \$150 for supplies)

Any further questions, please email Susan at [s-heapy@hotmail.com](mailto:s-heapy@hotmail.com)

## WE NEED YOU!!!!

The Municipal Election is coming up on October 28th and we need people to work the polls on  
election day.

Depending on Candidates, there could be 4 stations:

Rapid City Basswood Cardale Oak River

If interested contact Donna Anderson at 204-826-2515

Or email her at [Financemgr@rmfoakview.ca](mailto:Financemgr@rmfoakview.ca)

# Rapid City Library Report

How is it June already?? I must say, the other day we had the most wonderful treat—a very young baby fawn was hanging around the library and sleeping under the hedge waiting for mom to return. It sure was cute and hopefully mom came back!!

Turning the calendar meant we have passed the anniversary date of our big flood. May 20th of this year was a much drier year than it was last year! I still shake my head when I think of how everything went down and how amazing our community was in helping us and supporting the library. It's something I don't think I will ever forget! We are still replacing things—we have our public computers back up now, and we are slowly getting through the list of things to replace. That is one thing I can't get over—the amount of time it has taken!! It has certainly been a learning experience!!

We have had fantastic turnout at our Story Time Program on Wednesday mornings—and we really appreciate all our daycare families who bring their crews to the library. It would not be the success it is without you!! We are wrapping up our Story Time Program on June 10th and it will also be the ending of our Reading Our Way to Spring, so that means a party of course!! Have no fear, we are just taking a break from our regular Story Time to make way for our Summer Reading Program which will begin in early July! Watch for news of that in the July TIG!!

A huge thank you to Mirka who came and taught two full classes of Hand Lettering Technique! It was amazing, and way harder than it looks!! I think I can speak for everyone who took the classes, that Mirka makes it look so easy, but we all have a lot of practicing to do!!! Mirka is a very patient teacher and my goodness she is a talented lady!! We are so lucky to have her here, willing to share her expertise!!

The book club is reading yet another Non-Fiction book. This one is called Just Mercy by Bryan Stevenson. It tells Bryan's story and it looks to be a good one! This will be our last book to read before our summer break and then maybe I will get some books read off my To Be Read list!! So many books, and so little time!!

We kicked off a big movie sale by having them available at the Town Wide Yard Sale. This great deal—\$0.25 for 1 or 5 for \$1.00 will continue for the rest of the month of June and then we will pack them all away. There are still a lot of great movies available and perfect for this time of year—for campers or cottages or just to add to people's collections! Make sure you come in and take a peek and take some movies home with you!!

A big thank you to Georgina McMaster for so thoughtfully digging out the weeds that grow in our rock. Georgina, your kindness knows no bounds!! Thank you!

We were very sad to hear the passing of two very dedicated library patrons—Arlene Bell and Olive Walker. Both women loved to read and they loved what the library meant to the community. They will be dearly missed by all of us here at the library.

A big thank you to Bill Aaroe and Sue Parker for donating a set of Hairy Maclary books! The kids are loving the crazy antics of Hairy and his puppy dog friends!

We have had quite a few new books in recently, and there is a little something for everyone, everything from fantasy to mystery, to romance and everything in between! Now that we have had some rain, and it is too wet to do anything— never to wet to read!!!

Have fun at the fair!

The Gang at the Library





Join the Rapid City Rec Hockey Family on June 20 as we host lunch at the AG Society Fair. We'd love to see everyone there for great food and community fun!

## 5th Annual Tractor Trek Coming Up!



Join Rivers 5th Annual Tractor Trek To Beat Cancer July 5th.

Registration at 9 a.m. at Redfern's in Rivers.

Leave on trek at 10 a.m. to Clack's Museum.

Registration \$25 all proceeds go to Hamiota Hospital Foundation Chemo Unit.

Trek sponsored by Redfern's Farm Service and Rivers Heritage Co-op. Antique and Vintage Tractors wel-

come.

Please Preregister by contacting Tom Ryall 204-724-4639 or Harry Airey 204-328-7103



## REBUS

## PUZZLES

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out the words or  
expressions?

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# RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF OAKVIEW



## CALL FOR COMMUNITY GROUPS Fundraising Opportunity

The Rural Municipality of Oakview is seeking interested community groups to assist with a garbage clean-up initiative at the Rapid City Waste Transfer Station.

### Scope of Work:

**Collection of loose garbage at the site**  
**General clean-up of designated areas**  
**Clean-up to be performed on a Saturday**

Interested groups are asked to submit their name, contact information and to list their grant expectations, to:

Mark Humphries, CAO  
[cao@rmof oakview.ca](mailto:cao@rmof oakview.ca)

204-566-2146

**Submission Deadline: June 15, 2026**



*Help support your organization while making a positive impact in our community!*

## Oak River Legion Branch 150

will share in the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration  
of The Royal Canadian Legion with a

# BBQ COOKOFF

## JULY 18, 2026

at the **Oak River Memorial Rink**

**Interested in BBQing?** We will assist with \$150 for supplies,  
Plus there's over \$1200 in prizes for the top winning teams!

To enter a Team (of 3), please email Susan at [s-heapy@hotmail.com](mailto:s-heapy@hotmail.com)

### \$20 / BBQ Tasting Ticket

which includes one sample from each BBQ, along with some salads

4:30pm - Doors open

5:00pm-7:30pm - Supper

8:00pm - Winners announced

*If you have questions, please contact any of our Comrades.*

President Comrade Diane Kuculym (kuculymjd@gmail.com)

Oak River Legion Branch 150



## RAPID CITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Do you enjoy the Town Wide Street Sale, the Farmers Markets and suppers, Candidate Nights, Old Fashioned Christmas? If the answer is YES would you consider helping organize and helping at these events. The Chamber doesn't have many members that help with these events and they are burnt out. If these events are to continue we need HELP from the community. If you would be interested contact Doug Finlay at 867-0702 or Bernice Finlay at 826-2226

**IF WE DON'T GET THE REQUIRED COMMUNITY SUPPORT THESE EVENTS WILL NOT BE ABLE TO TAKE PLACE AND  
THE FUTURE OF THE CHAMBER WILL BE COMING TO AN END.**

**PLEASE CONSIDER HELPING US!**





# HEALTH MATTERS

## JUNE 2026

Welcome to June and the kickoff to summer with its own version of fireworks! This month's article will be a bit different, as there are a few highlights for the clinic to share.

A couple of months ago, Christopher and Chandra Hume approached me with their generous idea of fundraising for Oakview Clinic. The Iron Butt Challenge for Oakview Clinic will occur on August 15/26 - packages and more information are available on Facebook or calling 204-761-5603. The post below shows their FB profile and information. Donations from this wonderful event will go towards equipment and supplies to increase services in our community. What an amazing community we have and thank you to all who are riding and supporting this event to help continue our services to the community!



### Iron Butt Challenge for the Oakview Clinic

18 May at 12:48 · 🌐

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Do you enjoy long rides on your motorcycle? Do you like raising money for a good cause? If so, have we got a deal for you!

The Oakview Clinic is in need of funds for equipment and supplies, and we've decided to try and help!

So today, we're asking our rider friends to join us on Aug 15 and ride 400 miles in one day to help raise money for the clinic. We will be riding from the rest area at Minnedosa to Dauphin, The Narrows, Gladstone, and Griswold, then ending at the Queen's Hotel in Rapid City. Contact us here on Facebook or text 204-761-5603 for your rider packet to help you get started collecting sponsorship funds from your friends and family and then get ready to make some friends, some memories, and most importantly, some money for a local good cause. Don't ride but wanna help? Follow this page for updates on who's riding with us so you can sponsor them, and if you're a rider, follow this page for ride updates and to see which of your friends is joining us! There's nothing better than big miles and good causes so let's do this! **See less**

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Advocacy for appointment coverage through provincial health funds continues. Our RM of Oakview CAO will be addressing this with fellow CAO's at an upcoming meeting this month. A form letter is attached at the back page of this month's TIG which can be mailed to the Health Minister - no postage needed - and you simply need to sign and address this letter. The letter was formulated by the Nurse Practitioner Association of Manitoba who continues to advocate for alternative funding. Please take the time to sign, address, and pop in the mail to make the Health Minister aware health coverage is needed in this community!

As Oakview Clinic rolls into its 8th month of operations, we are constantly reviewing and revising hours, procedures, and appointment structure. I have included June, July and August calendars in this month's TIG which shows the clinic hours. Updates can be found on Facebook and I do try to keep the website, [www.oakviewclinic.ca](http://www.oakviewclinic.ca) up to date as well!

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Services to Oak River will temporarily be suspended until health funding is sorted. Rapid City clinic hours will change in July to Sundays 1pm - 4pm, Mondays 11am - 7pm and Tuesdays 8am - 5pm. As appointments are quickly filling, we may add Wednesdays, however will plan for this in September. I will still do home visits within Rapid City, however appointment times will be shortened to 20 minutes to meet increasing demand. Rates will stay the same! Linda, my trusty sidekick, has developed a pamphlet with updated information and we will circulate this once she has returned from her well deserved retirement vacation!

I have incorporated a couple of weeks vacation for myself; end of June into July and for a week and the first week of August. Because this is only 3 days of office hours, we will not be seeking a temporary replacement for those clinic dates and will accommodate to the best of our ability to meet your health care needs around those times!

### Weighell, Michelle - June 2026

Oakview Clinic

| Sunday                  | Monday                  | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday                                       | Friday | Saturday |
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| 21 Rapid City 1pm-4pm   | 22 Rapid City - 8am-5pm | 23      | 24        | 25<br>Rapid City 8am - 5pm                     | 26     | 27       |
| 28 Rapid City 1pm-4pm   | 29 Rapid City 8am - 5pm | 30      |           |                                                |        |          |

## Rapid City Chamber of Commerce

Looking For Vendors For The Farmers Markets

Dates Are July 9 & 23, Aug. 6 & 20 and Sept 3. Tables are \$10.00 additional tables \$5.00. Markets are 5 pm to 7 pm, suppers are at 6pm. To book tables or for more information call Bernice Finlay at 204-826-2226

## Weighell, Michelle - July 2026

Oakview Clinic

| Sunday                  | Monday                 | Tuesday                 | Wednesday | Thursday        | Friday | Saturday |
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## Weighell, Michelle - August 2026

Oakview Clinic

| Sunday                | Monday                 | Tuesday                 | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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# Additions to the Voters List and /or Personal Security Protection Requests RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF OAKVIEW

In accordance with Section 36 of *The Municipal Councils and School Boards Election Act* (MCSBEA), the Rural Municipality of Oakview's Voters List is open for changes or revisions.

- Any person who is eligible to vote in municipal elections in the local authority of Rural Municipality of Oakview can have his or her name added to the Voters List, or have any information about the voter on the Voters List corrected.
- Any person can request to have his or her name and address obscured from the Voters List. A person whose name has been obscured will receive a Personal Security Certificate and identification number. In a civic election that person may only vote by sealed envelope ballot and cannot vote in person at the regular or advance voting places.

To implement the above, a written request must be submitted to the Senior Election Official in person, by email or mail to:

Rural Municipality of Oakview  
435 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Box 130  
Rapid City, MB R0K 1W0  
Email: [adminrc@rmofoakview.ca](mailto:adminrc@rmofoakview.ca)

Mark Humphries, Senior Election Official

## CONGRATULATIONS

Classes of 2026!



From the Reeve, Council and staff  
of RM of Oakview, including LUD's  
of Oak River and Rapid City.



# HISTORY HOOKS

-Canadian History You May Not Know About by Yool Sharp

## SUMMER OF ANGRY RIVERS IN SOUTHERN ALBERTA

**WEDNESDAY, THE 19TH OF June, 2013** was a normal Calgary morning weather wise. Within a matter of hours that would change dramatically. By late morning clouds were moving over the mountains west of Calgary from British Columbia, a common occurrence which caused no concern. By late afternoon dark, ominous clouds hung low over the foothills.

Calgary's very origins can be connected with two major rivers—the Bow and the Elbow—which have carved ancient, meandering channels from the Rocky Mountains to the foothills and out onto the boundless Canadian Prairies. For all the blessings these rivers bestow, there are dangers. Four times in the past, 1897, 1932, 1950 and 1955, roiling waters broke river banks, washed over communities and filled homes with heartbreak. Were the approaching clouds a warning that it could occur again? By early evening rain had started to fall—it would continue non stop for over eighteen hours over the Bow River basin—the headwaters for all the rivers that flow into the Bow and Elbow before they get to Calgary. This was compounded by the rain melting the snow pack, adding to the volume of water collecting in streams and rivers.

Calgary Mayor, Naheed Nenshi, was touring Ontario for a series of meetings and speeches. He received numerous tweets, texts and emails about heavy rain, mudslides and broken highways just outside of Calgary—and flood waters were headed toward the city. At 10:16 am, June 20th he ordered a state of emergency. Calgary's municipal emergency plan was activated and the new Emergency Operations Centre was opened. Crews began sandbagging in low lying areas near the Bow and Elbow Rivers. At the hotel where Nenshi was speaking he rushed into a downstairs room for a phone call from Calgary Fire Chief Bruce Burrell, who said "This is going to be really bad". Nenshi immediately cancelled his tour and booked a flight back to Calgary.

Cougar Creek typically merely babbles as it winds its way past some of the scenic streets of Canmore, Alberta. But in the early hours of Thursday, June 20th, Cougar Creek was rumbling and groaning said Wade Graham, who was stirred from his sleep by the frightening noise. When he looked outside he was awestruck by what he saw: rocks and trees, hot tubs and decks, mud and water—unfathomable amounts of water—racing past in the once gentle stream. As the creek banks became unstable, nearby residents packed up what they could and headed for higher ground, while their homes were being trashed. Just fifteen kilometers further east, Exshaw's quiet creeks were turning into monsters. It was a surreal scene; the power was out, sirens squawked and car alarms shrieked as rising water shorted out their electrical systems. It was time to evacuate! Fortunately no lives were lost in these two communities.

As some Bow Valley residents began to head for higher ground, a desperate situation was developing on the Highwood River, near Longview, a ranching village 80 kilometers south of Calgary. On June 19th, Amber and Scott Rancourt had set up a campsite in the tall trees on the west side of the river, several meters away and up from the riverbank. A lightning storm rolled over but they were not worried as this area had never experienced a flood. By 3:30am water was cresting the river banks and soon it was up to the camper door. They called friends to bring a tractor to rescue them, but the mighty river had carved an island around them. Worried about the safety of their horse they had brought with them, Scott decided to take him to higher ground and was successful in getting the horse across the river through waist deep water. For the next three hours water up to his chest he tried to get back to his wife at the camper. The river was packed with logs and debris which battered Scott and wedged him in a cluster of trees. After dawn a search helicopter plucked him to safety. They then began an air search for Amber and shortly found her limp body wedged in a tree. She was the first fatal casualty of the raging water. Over the next 48 hours, there were four more fatal casualties in various

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areas of the province.

Calgarians woke up on the morning of June 20th to see staggering images on Twitter from Canmore of unbelievable scenes. Raging waters swallowed up yards and devoured trucks. Torrents of water lapped at exposed foundations, with homes on the brink of being swept away. Bridges were washed out, highways closed, mudslides swept across roads, traffic on the Trans Canada Hwy came to a standstill—people couldn't go west to Banff or east to Calgary. By 9:30am citizens of High River realized the situation wasn't routine. The southwest and northeast area were under an evacuation order. Some residents were already stranded by high water. Floodwaters in Calgary continued to rise, evacuating orders were issued for some areas.

The Calgary Zoo is partially located on St. George's Island at the confluence of the Bow and Elbow Rivers. As the flooding grew worse the zoo workers risked their lives to keep the animals safe. Over 10 hours, staff, relocated more than 160 animals—including tigers and lions to snakes. The zebras and pot-bellied pigs were moved off site. Others, such as gorillas were taken to higher areas in their own enclosures. Staff made the sad decision to leave behind those animals that could survive in a few feet of water. Dr. Veasey, the zoo's director of animal care, conservation and research, returned to the island early Friday morning to feed and assess the state of the remaining animals. The elephants were muddy, but otherwise fine, as were the camels and gorillas. But what he found when he eventually swam into the African Savannah building was hair-raising: two shivering giraffes up to their bellies in cold water and water levels so high that the two hippos were floating meters above where they were supposed to be. The two potentially lethal hippos could have easily swam out of the enclosure into the Bow River and could have been miles down-stream and a major hazard to the public. Veasey sat on a tractor holding a rifle in case the hippos tried to escape, until staff could secure the area. They then moved the giraffes to a safe area. Despite efforts of the staff some birds and fish became casualties.

Mayor Nenshi returned to Calgary in the late evening of June 20th. He immediately had a meeting with emergency operations staff, city officials and others to update him on the current flood situation. That evening he drove through the city in a police cruiser with a Calgary police officer, whom he described as 'incredibly patient and understanding'. Nenshi later commented "It was dark and quiet, most of the evacuations having been completed—the calm before the storm as we waited for the rivers to crest. I held my breath watching the Bow River nearly touch the bottom of the Langevin Bridge. Even with the police vehicle, we could not enter Bowness that was already under water. I spoke with incredibly tired guys who described themselves as 'labourers' who were frantically bailing out the Glenmore water treatment plant to keep it, and our water supply safe. (Most of Calgary homes had clean drinking water throughout the flood.) I met police officers, in the twentieth hour of their shift, who were evacuating senior citizens in the middle of the night." At 5 am the next morning at a media briefing in the emergency operations centre he said, "The city has only one goal: keep the city safe".

Alberta Premier, Allison Redford was in New York on business when she was informed of the flood threat. She flew back to Calgary about midnight on June 20th. After an emergency meeting, she toured the city—including her home riding of Calgary Elbow—to see the damage. Early in the morning of June 21st she toured southern Alberta by helicopter to see the devastation. From the air she saw water surrounding her late mother's home in High River. "I saw just a bit of the roof and that was it", she said. Downstream, east from Calgary the Siksika Reserve was swamped and residents moved to higher ground or sought refuge in the local evacuation centre. Further to the west the Elbow River flooded the community of Bragg Creek and the bedroom community of Redwood Meadows where quick action by residents of the Tsuu-Tina Reserve using their heavy equipment

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reinforced a burn that held back the flood waters reducing the degree of flooding. Further south in Kananaskis country several bridges were severely damaged. The road to Highwood Pass was closed because of washouts and would remain so for a year. The berm on the north side of the Elbow River was breached and fly fishing ponds were inundated with gravel and fish were destroyed.

Tensions also began to rise in Medicine Hat, a community in the southeast of the province. Officials feared they would have to close the Trans Canada Hwy Bridge that connects the north side of the city to the south, because of the rising waters of the South Saskatchewan River coming from the mountains to the west and also from the Bow River. Fortunately, with days to prepare and some good luck, the city was spared the catastrophic flooding many had feared.

In the afternoon of June 21st Allison Redford, Prime Minister Harper and Mayor Nenshi stood on a hill overlooking the swamped Calgary community of Sunnyside and the roaring Bow River. Following a helicopter tour PM Harper told reporters he had never before seen anything like it. "But this is a resilient place, and when the worst passes, I know everybody will rebuild and get back to life. But I know it is going to be a very difficult time", he said.

By June 22nd Calgarians finally heard some good news. Nenshi told reports the city had turned a corner in the battle with the flood. Flow rate on the Elbow River began to decline. The first group of evacuees in Calgary's west end were allowed to return home. There was also the sign that despite all of the damage and uncertainty, Calgarians wanted the Stampede to take place. Gradually through the weekend, some evacuation orders in the city were lifted and the slow, enormous clean up could begin. In High River, however 80% of homes were without power and basic services. For High River families, there was no indication when they would be allowed home. On June 23rd, Premier Redford, at a media briefing said, "The past few days were a devastating and emotional overwhelming experience for Albertans. We will live with this forever".

Before the cleanup started health organizations warned citizens of the hazards caused by sewers overflowing and contaminated water getting into homes. Toilet backups added to this. Public meetings were held in affected communities explaining that microbial enzymes produced by microscopic organisms such as bacteria and fungi could cause serious disease. For cleanup proper clothing, footwear and hand coverage were essential to prevent these infections and any contaminated material should be destroyed. This material should be placed at the curb where supply trucks could haul it away. Assistance was also provided to remove large items such as refrigerators, freezers and hot water tanks and also truck them away.

For the first few days of the flood Calgarians were urged to stay home because of traffic chaos. On day five however, the official call went out for volunteers to meet at McMahon Stadium, where Mayor Nenshi thanked them for volunteering before they headed out. There were enough buses at the stadium to transport six hundred to flood stricken areas but well over 1,000 showed up. Later the Mayor commented "The most enduring image of the flood, is that of the ordinary citizen—covered head to toe in mud and mosquito bites, cut and scraped and bruised, working hard to save the home of someone she didn't even know". The Mayor became one of the heroes of the flood with a seemingly non-stop straightforward and sensitive approach to disseminating information, assistance and reassurance. In appreciation of the Mayor's support a "Nenshi" pie was created and a T-shirt bearing his likeness with the words "There's a new Sheriff in town", raised money for flood relief.

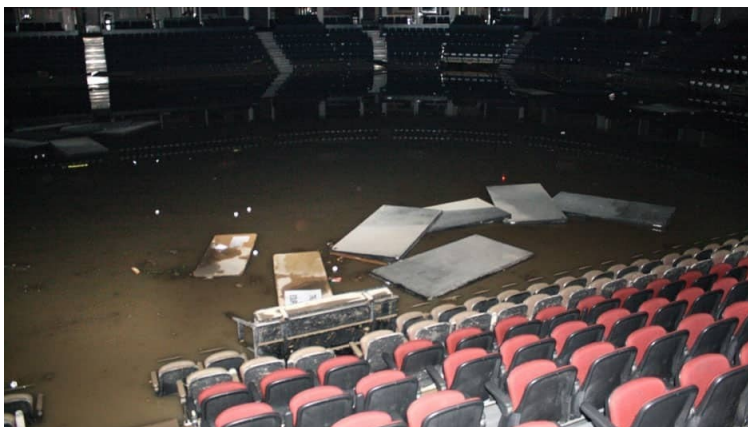
Besides residential clean up, two major public restorations were required. The C-train (commuter) had been



severely damaged with rails twisted like pretzels. An exceptional repair effort by city staff and volunteers had the C-train in full operation on July 2nd, just in time for the Stampede. The view of the Stampede grounds from Scotsman's hill to the east was jaw-dropping. Over three feet of water covered the grounds—stables were inundated, the rodeo infield and chuck wagon race track was a sea of mud and water, just two weeks before the Stampede was to open. If there was any hope for a Stampede the water would have to be drained and the rodeo and track grounds contamination removed and new surfacing to take place. Stampede board members brought in experts in remediation of such disasters as hurricane Katrina. They also encouraged the army of over twenty-three hundred volunteers to focus on efforts of helping neighbors struck by the flood. 2013 was the 101st anniversary of the Stampede—it had never been cancelled, despite two world wars, a worldwide flu epidemic and a depression. Stampede board members with Major Nenshi once again the cheer leader, rallied the citizens of Alberta determined "Hell or high water" the Stampede would go on as planned. Barns and rodeo facilities were repaired and 30,000 meters of new material spread on the infield and track. Many thought the goal of staging a stampede on such short notice was foolhardy. Once again the public spirit of Albertans shone through and the Stampede opened its gate to the world on July 5th as scheduled, one day after evacuations had been lifted. And so after the worst flood of the century Albertans were able to "let off some steam", a definite requirement.



Equally shocking was the state of the Scotiabank Saddledome. Millions of litres of water had seeped into the Calgary Flames arena, eventually filling it up to the eighth row of seats. The event level—which included the ice plant and kitchens, all the dressing rooms and coaches' offices, and the Jumbo Tron nerve centre were a total loss. This caused the big name concerts, normally a part of the stampede, to be cancelled. Despite draining 30 million gallons of water, it would be months away from coming back to life.



Inside flooding of the Saddledome



Trading Post Bragg Creek

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#### FOOTNOTE:

Sheila and I lived in Calgary in 2013. Our home was in North West Calgary, well north of and about 500 feet higher than the Bow River. The heavy rain caused minor streams on our street but no water reached our residence. Similarly, our youngest son lived in the north east and was also spared any flooding.

Our eldest son and his partner lived in Sunnyside, about for blocks north of the Bow. About 5 pm June 19th he answered the door bell and a city police officer informed him he had fifteen minutes to clear the area, after which all access in and out would be closed. By the next evening their basement was flooded to within six inches below the upper floor joists. Everything in the basement was water contaminated and the contents had to be destroyed. As well, their hot water tank and furnace had to be replaced. After removing all contaminated articles from the basement, he like so many others, the basement concrete walls had to be pressured hosed, scrubbed and then washed with disinfectant before having them inspected by health authorities before they could begin returning their home to some sort of normal.

As a fundraiser the Herold produced a book explaining the cause, the devastation and the cleanup of the flood. There are over 180 photos. I have a copy which I will lend if you are interested.

## Rapid City Ag Society 2026 Fair

### It's not too early to be thinking exhibits!!!!

This is it—Fair month. We hope to see all your exhibits and we wish everyone the best of luck!

We have a new class for this year in our Horticulture division!!

Class No. 17 Junior Horticulture Special.

The Rapid City Elementary School students were each given a small geranium plant to look after, they did this as a group in their own classroom. These plants will come to the Rapid City Fair to be judged as groups on June 19th.

1st place group—each participating student will receive a \$5.00 prize.

2nd place group—each participating student will receive a \$4.00 prize.

3rd place group—each participating student will receive a \$3.00 prize.

Everyone will participating will receive a treat.

Groups are Kindergarten, grades 1/2, 3/4, 5/6 and 7/8.

See our poster elsewhere in the TIG and we hope to see you at the fair!!



# RAPID CITY

*Agricultural Society*

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## ANNUAL FAIR

★ SATURDAY, JUNE 20TH, 2026 ★



**PANCAKE BREAKFAST**  
SERVED BY THE RAPID CITY RINK  
7:30 - 9 AM



**PARADE**  
9:30 AM



**4-H BEEF ACHIEVEMENT**  
10:30 AM



**HORSE SHOW**  
10:00 AM



**MGRA**  
3:00 PM



**CONCESSION**  
(BY THE RAPID CITY RINK)  
11:00 AM - 3:30 PM



**SUPPER**  
SERVED BY THE RAPID CITY RINK  
5:00 - 7:00 PM



*Proud of Our Agricultural Roots.  
Building Our Community's Future.*

# AROUND THE HOUSE AND THROUGH THE YARD WITH ME

Hello again everyone and welcome to June. Wow this has been a hot spring with more to come I hear. Now all we need is a good day of rain.

The fruit trees are all in bloom making the yard look so appealing to all those birds. The cedar waxwings love to eat the flower petals and they have been here by the dozens feeding on each and every fruit tree. The honeybees are busy feeding on the trees in the orchard. With any luck at all the fruit will be abundant this year.

The greenhouse bedding plants are slowly making their way into pots and into the garden. It has been a slow start this year due to the cold and snow we had in April then the +30 days with very gusty winds. Today seems like a great day to get everything moved out and planted. There are peppers, tomatoes, geraniums, petunias, some margolds and other flowers to name just a few.

Already the delphiniums, lilies and peonies are a foot tall and many of the other perennials area really coming along. It's really beginning to look like a garden now that things are growing.

There is a resident bear around the place over the past few weeks trying to get into the bee boxes out by the garden and it seems as though he was here again last night. I need to drive the gator to the garden each time I go as it's loud and if the bear is anywhere near it will run away. I really hope the bear finds another place to live and moves on its merry way soon. Between the bear and the resident moose I'm not sure which is worse. The moose is so tall it prunes the top of the cherry trees which is totally unnecessary but it does it anyhow. Then it tramps all through the garden with its large hoofs breaking off any number of plants and knocks over fences along the way. More and more wildlife seem to be coming this way from the park. We never saw moose or bear here in the yard/garden back in 70s or 80s.

The resident cats are all enjoying the warm weather and are out and about chasing and catching mice and gophers plus the odd squirrel. Max was at the groomers a couple of weeks back as he needed a good shave to cope with the summer heat. He is a long haired Maine coon type of cat and is a good 25 lbs, although I am trying to get him slimmed down with some diet type of cat food. He came back from the groomer looking like a lion, with his mane all cut and trimmed, with fluffy legs and big poofy tip on his tail. He seems to feel better and he definitely looks better and is even loosing some weight. Way to go Max.

The asparagus is ready to be eaten and we have been eating it as much as we possibly can. Our daughter has been the recipient of some and will definitely be getting more. We've had it in stir fry's, oven roasted, asparagus quiche and in soup. Mmmmmmmmm

Chinese proverbs

If you want to be happy for a lifetime, plant a garden.

He who plants a garden plants happiness.

The best time to plant a tree is 20 years ago.

All gardeners know better than other gardeners.



## Other garden quotes

Audrey Hepburn said, "to plant a garden is to believe in tomorrow."

"Gardening is cheaper than therapy-you get tomatoes." unknown.

Janet Kilburn Phillips, "there are no gardening mistakes, only experiments."

On another note, my grandparents house burned to the ground this time last year, what a loss. I have many memories of the place and after they passed my parents moved into the home and began remodelling. The home was build sometime during the late 1800s. There are pictures of it in the first history book that were taken in 1912 but the exact year has been lost to me.

I have a variety of pictures of granny and grandpa Basler's house so I decided to paint it just because it was over 100 years old. Then I decided to paint other 100+ houses/buildings that are still standing in town. The idea has caught on and to date I've done about 15 or so houses/buildings. I hope to have an exhibit sometime this summer at the library. If you currently live in an old house here in town feel free to get in touch with me (826.2407) or Shirley at the library and I'll be sure to include your home in the show. If you grew up in an old home or your granny and grandpa moved off the farm and bought a home in town, then it might just be a century home. Some of the homes so far include the Taylor house, Couch's house, the Howard house, the Birkinshaw house and the house I grew up in at the east end of town which is now painted a beautiful blue colour. I painted the old RM Saskatchewan brick building which has now been demolished. There are so many more to do.

Here is an easy asparagus quiche recipe to try

## Asparagus quiche

|                           |                             |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 3 tbsp butter             | 1 1/2 c shredded mozzarella |
| 1 onion diced             | 4 eggs well beaten          |
| 1 garlic minced -optional | 1 1/2 c milk                |
| 2 c chopped asparagus     | Salt and pepper             |

Melt 2 tbsp butter in fry pan over medium heat, add onions, asparagus and garlic. Cook until veg are soft.

Spoon into the uncooked pie shell. Sprinkle the cheese on top. Combine the eggs and milk together and season with the salt and pepper. Stir in the remaining tbsp of melted butter.

Pour the egg mixture over top of vegetables and cheese.

Bake in 350 oven until the center is set, 35-45 min depending on your oven.

Delicious

Rhubarb is now in season and I currently have a rhubarb crisp cooking in the crockpot to have with lunch today.

### **Rhubarb crisp in crockpot**

#### **Filling**

4 cups diced rhubarb

1 c white sugar

1/4 c flour

1 tsp cinnamon

#### **Topping**

1 c flour

1 c b.sugar

1/2 c rolled oats

1/2 c butter

1/2 tsp nutmeg if desired

Butter inside of crockpot. Combine filling ingredients and pour into slow cooker. Combine topping ingredients in large mixing bowl until crumbly.

Sprinkle over the rhubarb mixture. Set on low and cook for 2 1/2 hours

TIP to make topping crispier, remove slow cooker lid 30 minutes before done. Place piece of paper towel over the top of the slow cooker and then replace the lid on top. Cook for another 30 min or so until done.

Well that's about it for now

Until next month

Margo

## **MUSEUM MUTTERINGS**

The museum crew are busy planning their Canada Day activities and one of the things we will have is a cool display of school photographs. You will want to come and see if you can find yourself from your elementary school days!!

We will also be having our human slot machine going, so see how your luck is!

This year we will be charging \$2.00 a hot dog which is new, but a sad reality to the cost of food!

Also, mark your calendars for November 14th as it will be our Corn Hole Tournament!! We had to skip last year, but we are looking forward to a fun evening again this year!

# OBITUARY

## *Arlene Lorna Bell*

May 10, 2026

Forever in Our Hearts

Arlene Bell of Rapid City, Manitoba, passed away peacefully on Sunday, May 10, 2026, with her family by her side. She was 89 years old. Arlene was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, auntie, teacher, and friend whose kindness and warmth touched the lives of many. Arlene was born in Shoal Lake, Manitoba to Archie and Violet McDonald.



While teaching in Rapid City, she met her beloved husband, Lawrence Bell, and in 1959 they were married, beginning a partnership that lasted 60 years. Together they raised three children, Glen, Max, and Shauna, and built a life centered around family, farming, hard work, and community. She was her family's greatest cheerleader, offering wisdom, unconditional love, and endless support.

As a teacher, Arlene was caring, positive, and patient. She was guided by a deep belief in the potential of every child and always saw the best in everyone. She took great pride in making her students feel encouraged and valued, leaving a lasting impression on the many young lives she helped shape.

Community-minded and deeply rooted in small-town life, Arlene and Lawrence were active supporters of their children's activities and the Rapid City community. Through their involvement, they built many lifelong friendships and meaningful connections over the years.

Arlene enjoyed nature and appreciated the beauty of every season. She was a dedicated partner on the farm and a true steward of the land. Over the years, she enjoyed having her grandchildren visit and delighted in seeing the world through their eyes. Many wonderful memories were created through time spent together reading, baking, picking rocks, berries, and flowers, observing wildlife, watching the hummingbirds, and eating ice cream! She had a special gift for preserving family memories through photography, carefully capturing treasured moments and creating beautiful photo albums that will be cherished by her family for generations to come.

Arlene will be lovingly remembered by her children: son Glen Bell and his children, Alexe (Curtis), Jesse (Travis), Robin and Mackenzie; son Max Bell; daughter, Shauna (Bill) Sherven and their children, Justin (Melissa), Jennelle (Paul), Kaitlin (Andrew), Meghan (Nathan), and 11 great-grandchildren. Sister, Bev (Gary) Phillips; sister-in-law Mary Bell; and many beloved nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband, Lawrence, her parents, Archie and Violet McDonald; sister, Shirley (Les) Cummins; and in-laws, Frank Bell, Margaret Greig (Bob), (Stan Greig), Islay Bell, Bella (Jack) Belcher, Neil Bell, and mother-in-law and father-in-law, Donald and Agnes Bell.

The family will honour Arlene's life with a private service at a later date.

If so desired, donations in memory of Arlene may be sent to the Rapid City Regional Library (P.O. Box 8, Rapid City, MB R0K 1W0). For those wishing to leave online messages of condolence, please visit [www.MyAlternatives.ca/Regina](http://www.MyAlternatives.ca/Regina).

A heartfelt thank you to the wonderful staff at Autumn Personal Care Home for their compassionate care and support of Arlene during her time there. We are forever grateful.

The following reflection is one that Arlene cherished: "Those we love can never really leave us. We feel their presence, like a gentle touch, whenever we remember moments shared and do again the things they loved to do. In so many ways, they remain with us, their gentle spirit part of all we do and all we are."



## *Thank You*

"Thank-you" to the Rapid City Lion's Club for supporting and donating to the Minnedosa Centennial Handivan. Shown is Lion Glen Dyck presenting a cheque to Lion Lawrence Ruddick, representing the Minnedosa Handivan. This much-needed service is available to residents in The RM of Oakview.

Sincerely,

The Minnedosa Centennial Handivan

## *Coloring Contest Information for Fair*

This year we are doing a coloring contest for grades Kindergarten to Grade 8

**BUT WITH A TWIST!!**

You have TWO pictures to choose from but you can only enter 1

**AND**

We want you to add your own drawings to the picture—maybe add a cat or a person or some flowers....

**USE YOUR IMAGINATION**

**And make your picture come alive!**

**PRINT YOUR NAME, AGE AND GRADE on the back and please return to the library or your teacher by Friday June 19th.**









**CANADA**  
4-H Manitoba

# Rapid City 4-H Beef Club Achievement Day June 20, 2026



**CANADA**  
4-H Manitoba

| MEMBER               | MARKET<br>STEER | YEARLING<br>HEIFER | BEGINNING<br>BEEF | CONTINUATION | PROGENY<br>HEIFER | PROGENY<br>STEER |
|----------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------|-------------------|------------------|
| <b>CLOVERBUD</b>     |                 |                    |                   |              |                   |                  |
| BOOTSMAN,<br>ENSLEY  |                 | *                  |                   |              |                   |                  |
| GILCHRIST,<br>TACI   |                 | *                  |                   |              |                   |                  |
| GINTER,<br>ELIJAH    |                 | *                  |                   | *            |                   |                  |
| SWITZER,<br>JESSA    |                 | *                  | *                 |              |                   |                  |
| USUNIER,<br>BRAXTYN  | *               | *                  |                   |              |                   |                  |
| VAN MEUL,<br>KASHTON |                 | *                  |                   |              |                   |                  |
| <b>JUNIOR</b>        |                 |                    |                   |              |                   |                  |
| BOOTSMAN,<br>BENSON  |                 | *                  |                   |              |                   | *                |
| BOOTSMAN,<br>BREELEE | *               |                    |                   |              | *                 |                  |
| BOOTSMAN,<br>SWAYZIE | *               | *                  |                   |              |                   |                  |
| BROWN,<br>LAKELYN    |                 | *                  |                   |              |                   |                  |
| ROBINS,<br>JESSICA   | *               |                    |                   |              |                   |                  |
| VAN MEUL,<br>RYLER   | *               | *                  |                   |              |                   |                  |
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| BOOTSMAN,<br>KALEB   |                 | *                  |                   |              |                   |                  |
| <b>SENIOR</b>        |                 |                    |                   |              |                   |                  |
| HINSBURG,<br>KATIE   | *               | *                  |                   | *            | *                 |                  |
| HINSBURG,<br>KENDRA  | *               | *                  |                   |              | *                 |                  |
| REA, TRISTIN         | *               | *                  |                   |              |                   |                  |

**Thank you to all of our supporters!**  
**We hope you enjoy our show!**

**Our club will compete at the  
Neepawa & Area Fat Stock Interclub Show  
on July 1, 2026**

**We will have 9 prime quality steers for sale that day**



**Learn To Do By Doing**

**CANADA**



# Have Your Say! Municipal Elections 2026

The Rural Municipality of Oakview is preparing for the 2026 General Municipal Election, and we encourage everyone to stay informed and get involved!

**Municipal Election Day:** Wednesday, October 28, 2026

**Thinking About Running?** All candidates must be registered before fundraising or campaigning – Please see the **notice of registration**. This is a great opportunity to serve your community and help shape local decision-making.

**Qualification Requirements** for a municipal Councilor, a person must be:

- A Canadian Citizen;
- At least 18 years of age on Election Day;
- A resident of Manitoba
- A qualified voter of the RM of Oakview who has either resided in or owned property in the municipality at least 6 months prior to Election Day
- For the LUD you must be a qualified voter of the LUD who has either resided in or owned property in the LUD at least 6 months prior to Election Day
- Not disqualified under the Municipal Act or any other Act (a judge, MP, MLA or is appointed to another local elected office)

## MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS KEY DATES

### Candidate Registration

- Reeve – May 1, 2026 to September 22, 2026
- Councilors & LUD Committee – June 30, 2026 to September 22, 2026

### Nomination Period

- September 16, 2026 to September 22, 2026 – 4:30 PM SHARP!

### Campaign Period

- Reeve – May 1, 2026 to March 31, 2027
- Councilors & LUD Committee – June 30, 2026 to March 31, 2027

**Deadline for updating the Voter's List:** September 20, 2026

**Candidate Withdrawal Date:** September 23, 2026

**More Information** can be found on the municipal website at [www.rmofoakview.ca](http://www.rmofoakview.ca).

**Get involved. Stay informed. Your voice matters.**

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**NOTICE OF REGISTRATION  
OF PROSPECTIVE CANDIDATE FOR GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION  
RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF OAKVIEW**

Please be advised that a general municipal election will be held on **Wednesday, October 28, 2026**.

Prospective municipal election candidates must register with the Senior Election Official (SEO) during the registration period before they may begin to accept contributions, incur expenses, fundraise or borrow money for their campaign.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I will be receiving candidate registrations:

For the office of **Head of Council**: Between May 1, 2026 and September 22, 2026

For the office of **Councillor**: Between June 30, 2026 and September 22, 2026

at the Rural Municipality of Oakview office at 10 Cochrane Street, Oak River, MB during the regular hours of business.

To obtain a registration form contact the SEO at the email or telephone number listed below.

Mark Humphries – Senior Election Official  
10 Cochrane Street, Oak River, MB  
Phone – 204-566-2146  
E-Mail – [cao@rmofoakview.ca](mailto:cao@rmofoakview.ca)

Dated at Oak River, MB on April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026. Mark Humphries – SEO, R. M. of Oakview

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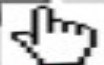
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## DRIPS FROM THE TAP



### *Our Sympathies*

Our deepest sympathy to the family of Olive Walker. Olive passed away on May 16th at the age of 94. Olive lived in Rapid City for a number of years and was active in the Valley View Seniors, the Drama Club, and she was one of the "Bridge Ladies" that played cards every Thursday afternoon! She had a real fondness for a good story, a friendly cat and writing poems. She loved her family and will be deeply missed by all.

### *Sincere Condolences*

We were saddened to hear of the passing of Ann Rothnie from Oak River. Ann was dear to many as their favorite hairdresser, but it was her love to have a good laugh or a chat or to help out in some way that really touched people's hearts. She could often be found in the kitchen of a community event, sharing a laugh with someone!

She will be missed by all. Ann passed away on April 27th at the age of 75.

### Countdown to Graduation

June is Graduation month, and there are so many kids moving from a different grade to the next, moving to a new school or moving to the next step, whether that's the working force or secondary education.

Hope they all get to enjoy this last month of school wherever they are in their lives.

And teachers....

July is just around the corner for your well deserved break!

### FYI

**The TIG is a monthly newsletter put together by the RM of Oakview and the Rapid City Regional Library. It is free to residents of the RM of Oakview and is available around the 10th of the month.**

**To contribute articles pertaining to your organization or community activities, please send it to: [rclib@wcgwave.ca](mailto:rclib@wcgwave.ca) or drop it off at the RM Offices either in Oak River or Rapid City.**

**Submissions to the TIG must be in by the 4th of the month!**

### BE CAREFUL

Now that the nice weather has finally arrived (did anyone else go from their furnace running to turning the air conditioning on in a 24 hour period) that means little kids are out playing, people are walking more and bicyclers are everywhere. Please be aware of road rules and when driving in towns, please slow down and be watchful.

And there is lots of wildlife out and about too, so watch for our four legged friends as well! We all want to enjoy the heat and sunshine safely!





## Prevent blowing dust and soil erosion\*

The windstorm in mid-May showed why forage crops are important to farmers AND town residents hoping to control blowing dust, floods and drought.

Forage crops are grasses and legumes that grow naturally or can be planted. You see forages in farm fields, ditches and even yards in town. Forages thrived on the prairies for thousands of years before farming reshaped this area.

Today, many local farmers grow forages to feed their herds. Forages also increase soil fertility, reduce salinity, control weeds and lower the need for herbicides. Forages make farms more profitable and sustainable.

Town residents also benefit. Forages cover the ground to prevent erosion from excessive wind. Forages help filter groundwater. Forages mitigate flooding by pulling water deep into the soil, reducing runoff during rainstorms or spring snow melts.

Forages provide shelter and food for wildlife and birds. Forages help crop production by providing a diverse ecosystem for pollinator insects. Forages mitigate climate change by pulling greenhouse gas from the air and storing it in the soil.

**\* Ducks Unlimited Canada (DUC) - Manitoba's largest conservation group - pays farmers to plant forages.**

Landowners in the RM of Oakview have received over \$190,000 through DUC's Forage Program, funded in part by the provincial Conservation Trust.

Find out more at [ag.ducks.ca/program/grow-more-forage/](http://ag.ducks.ca/program/grow-more-forage/).



**Summer Solstice is June 21st**



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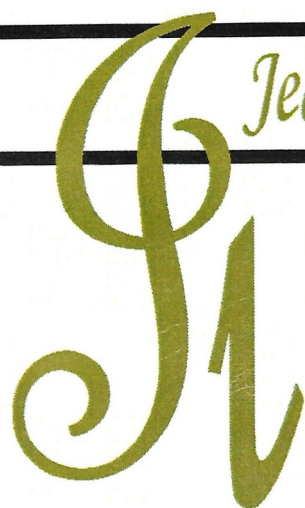
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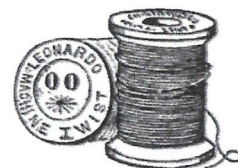
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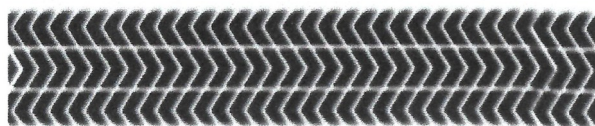
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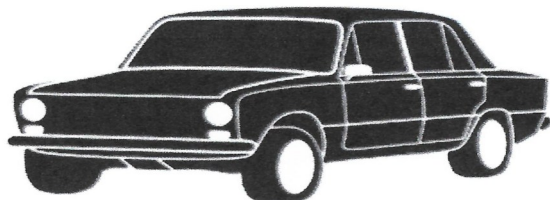


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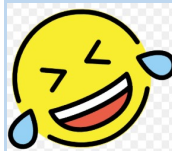
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Dear Minister Asagwara,

**Subject: Improving Access to Healthcare in Manitoba**

I am writing as a resident of the Rural Municipality of Oakview to ask for your support in improving access to publicly funded healthcare services across Manitoba.

Many Manitobans continue to face barriers when seeking timely healthcare. Nurse Practitioners (NPs) are highly educated, regulated healthcare professionals who are authorized to assess, diagnose, treat, prescribe, and manage patient care independently. Their services are recognized as insured services under the Canada Health Act.

Despite this, current funding structures in Manitoba limit how Nurse Practitioners can provide publicly funded care outside of health authority employment. This restricts patient access and prevents the healthcare system from fully utilizing qualified providers.

Several other provinces have implemented alternative publicly funded payment models that allow Nurse Practitioners to deliver care in community-based settings, improving healthcare access and system efficiency.

I respectfully ask that you support the modernization of funding models in Manitoba so that Nurse Practitioners can contribute more fully to improving access to healthcare services for Manitobans.

Thank you for your leadership and service to our community.

Sincerely,

Name:

Address: