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#### **Upcoming Important Dates:**

Check the following pages for more important dates and details!

January 1 New Year's Day (Town Office is closed)

January 3 50+ Club AGM

January 8 Council Meeting @ 6:15 pm

January 15 Library Board AGM

January 22 Council Meeting @ 6:15 pm

February 3 Boggy Creek Wildlife Supper & Awards Night

February 10 2-6-4 Curling Bonspiel

February 12 Council Meeting @ 6:15 pm

February 26 Council Meeting @ 6:15 pm



#### **Mailing and Civic Address:**

PO Box 310, D-129 Railway St.

**Phone:** 306-771-2284 **Fax:** 306-771-2899

Office E-mail:

townofbalgonie@sasktel.net

Recreation E-mail:

balgonieparkrec@sasktel.net

**Newsletter E-mail:** 

balgonienewsletter@sasktel.net

**Emergency Number/After** 

**Hours:** 306-535-4235

#### **REGULAR OFFICE HOURS**

9:00 a.m. to noon and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday to Friday.

#### Christmas Tree Drop-Off

Loraas Disposal will
have a Christmas tree
drop-off bin on
Railway Street (across from the
Administration Building) until

#### Christmas Recycling

January 12<sup>th</sup>.



Loraas Disposal will have a large blue recycling bin at the Transfer Station for extra cardboard boxes and recyclable material. The bin will be available until January 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Note:** Wrapping paper is not recyclable. Please do not place wrapping paper in any recycling bins.



#### WATER RATE ANNOUNCEMENT – JANUARY 2024

The Town of Balgonie has reviewed the water and sewer rates to its consumers and it was determined that the rates are not sufficient to support increased operational costs. As the utility rate structure does not pay for all of the utility costs to the Town of Balgonie, Bylaw 456/2023 has been passed which will increase the rates from 2024 to 2026. The rates have been reviewed and approved by the Saskatchewan Municipal Board (SMB). As an oversight to Utility Rates, the SMB's approval is based on the following criteria:

- That rates are equitable to all users;
- The Revenue Generated by the Utility is sufficient to offset all expenses including maintenance and debt retirement resulting from borrowing for capital utility projects.

The goal is to have a user pay system where the consumers of the utilities pay for all associated costs. Currently, the utility is subsidized by the general tax levy.

Council has attempted to keep increases at a minimum for water and sewer while ensuring equity to all consumers.

The impact of the changes to utility costs will be as follows:

- Minimum metered water rate will increase by \$1.00 per month in 2025 and 2026
- Minimum flat-water rate will increase by \$1.10 per month in 2025 and 2026
- Minimum residential sewer rates will increase by \$0.70 in 2025 and 2026
- Minimum commercial and community service sewer rates and will increase monthly by \$3.24 in 2024 and \$0.85 in 2025 and 2026
- Infrastructure fees will increase by \$1.00 per month in 2025 and 2026
- Overage rates for water consumption will increase from 2024 to 2026 as per the below table:

Quarterly consumption	2024	2025	2026
range in gallons	Fee per 1000 gal	Fee per 1000 gal	Fee per 1000 gal
9990-27,000	\$6.00	\$7.00	\$8.00
27,001 and up	\$10.50	\$12.00	\$13.50

The most significant increase will be for consumers that exceed 27,000 gallons per quarter. Utility customers are encouraged to use water conservation and water loss strategies to minimize the impact on their utility expenses. For a copy of the Water and Sewer Rates Bylaw and 2022 Financial Overview for Waterworks and Wastewater, please visit the Town's website at <a href="https://www.townofbalgonie.ca">www.townofbalgonie.ca</a>.

#### **Tips for Conserving Water**

You can save water and save money by changing how you use water on a daily basis. You can also install low-flow water devices throughout your home. Below are some simple tips and ideas that can help you reduce your water consumption.

#### **Bathroom**

- Turn off the faucet while brushing teeth or shaving; only use water when you need to rinse.
- Reduce the time you spend in the shower and turn off the shower when you are shampooing.
- If you use the tub, use a limited amount of water instead of a full tub.
- · Reduce toilet flushing.
- Install low-flow shower heads, low-flow or ultra low-flow toilets, or faucet aerators on your bathroom taps.

#### **Kitchen**

- Use the dishwasher only when there is a full load and do not pre-rinse dishes as most modern dishwashers do not require this step.
- Pour yourself a drink of cold water from a refrigerated pitcher instead of running the tap.
- Wash fruits and vegetables in a partially-filled sink instead of rinsing them under running water.
- Replace old dishwashers with ENERGY-STAR dishwashers that conserve water or faucet aerators on your kitchen taps.

#### **Laundry Room**

- Only wash clothes when there is a full load.
- Replace old washers with front-loading ENERGY-STAR washers that conserve water or faucet aerators on your laundry tub taps.

#### **Outdoors**

- Water lawns in the early morning or late evening in 20-minute intervals.
- Use a broom instead of your hose to remove debris from your driveway or sidewalk.
- Bathe your pets outdoors in areas that need water.
- Install a shut-off nozzle on your water hose.
- Direct downspouts towards shrubs and trees in your garden.
- Use mulch around trees and plants to reduce evaporation.
- Allow your grass to grow slightly taller to promote water retention in the soil.

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#### **Preventing Frozen Water Pipes**

The pipes in your home can freeze in cold weather. This can leave you with no water or cause your pipes and/or your water meter to burst, leading to expensive property damage. Take steps to protect your pipes and water meter from freezing. Preventing pipes and the meter from freezing is easier than trying to thaw them.

- Heat areas of your home containing water pipes so that warm air will prevent them from freezing.
- Set the thermostat no lower than 12°C (55°F) at night and when you are away. Ensure the area where pipes are near exterior walls and the area near your water meter does not fall below 5°C (41°F).
- Keep the garage door closed if there are water pipes inside.
- Open kitchen, bathroom and laundry cabinet doors to allow warm air to circulate around the plumbing.
- If a pipe freezes and bursts, turn off the water shut-off valve immediately.
- If leaving for longer than a 24-hour period, turn off the water at the main shut-off valve and open the taps to drain the water from your plumbing lines. Have someone check your home daily to ensure the heat is working.

#### **Plastiq Payments**



How to pay with Plastiq:

- 1. Go to <u>www.townofbalgonie.ca</u>
- 2. Scroll down to the right hand side of the screen.
- 3. Sign up create a free account, add who you are paying, and enter your card info.
- 4. Plastiq will process your payment and the funds will be transferred to the Town of Balgonie.

The fees associated with Plastiq are as follows:

- Standard credit card rate 2.9%
- Debit cards are discounted to 1%



#### **Snow Removal Reminder**

The Town of Balgonie would like to remind residents that, to provide the best snow removal services, all unused vehicles are to be removed from Town streets, boulevards, and alleyways. This includes trailers, campers, boats or other vehicles and equipment not used regularly.



The Public Works Staff work hard to remove the snow. Piling snow or blowing your driveway onto the Town's roadways is not permitted. The extra snow also makes it hard for vehicles to pass. If you have private work done, the excess snow can be dumped in Westview, west of Greenall Street.

Thank you for your co-operation!

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#### Paying Utility Bills On-line

Utility and tax bills may be paid through your online banking service. Please use Balgonie (Town of) Taxes for your taxes and Balgonie (Town of) Utilities for your water/sewer bills.

If you are unsure of your account number, please contact the Town Office to obtain your account number.

When making an on-line payment, allow 2-3 business days before any due date so that your payment is receipted prior to any penalties being applied to your account.

If you'd like to receive your utility and/or taxes notices by e-mail, or need to update your email, please fill out an <a href="Email Consent Form"><u>Email Consent Form</u></a> on-line.



# Follow us on Facebook at **Balgonie's Talk** of the Town!

#### 2024 Pet Tags

2024 pet tags are now available. Please ensure to register your dog (s) with the Town Office. Pet licenses are required under Bylaw #377/2014. Purchasing a license helps ensure your pet is returned safely if it is lost or found running loose. Licenses need to be renewed each calendar year.

#### **License Fees:**

Female dog \$20.00 Spayed female \$10.00 Male dog \$10.00

Fines are \$40.00 if a dog is found "at large".

The Dog Control Bylaw can be viewed on-line at <a href="https://www.townofbalgonie.ca">www.townofbalgonie.ca</a>.

#### **Loraas Disposable Bin at the Transfer Station**

The **red Loraas bin** at the Transfer Station is delivered on the first (1st) and third (3rd) Friday of every month. There is no specific time as to when the bin will arrive on these days.

If a red bin is NOT available, do NOT leave any items where the bin is normally located. Residents have been fined (up to \$500) and their cards have been suspended.

Be courteous of others! Large items and multiple loads take up the entirety of the bin, making it unusable for other residents. If you have multiple large items, please take them to the Regina Landfill. Home builders/ developers are not permitted to use the red Loraas bin.

For a complete list of what can be left at the Transfer Station, please see the end of the newsletter.

With many new residents in town and cellular phones replacing land lines, we graciously ask that you contact our office with your updated contact information.

There are times throughout the year where we require the ability to contact households, and do not have a means of doing so.

Please call us at 306.771.2284 or email us at townofbalgonie@sasktel.net.

The information is intended for office use only. Thank you for your assistance.



# 2023 Sparkle Tour Winners!

#### The winners of the Sparkle Tour are:

1st Place - 54 Qu'Appelle Crescent

2nd Place - 234 Westview Drive

3rd Place - 226 Main Street

Prizes are gift certificates from Cross Country Foods.

Please contact the Fire Department to claim your prize!

Huge thank you to Balgonie residents for their support of the 2023 Sparkle Tour! Your support of the Town and the Fire Department was awesome and the event was very well attended with over 350 people!

We hope all who attended had a great time!

An extreme thank you to **J&J Tree Service** for installing the Christmas lights on the Fire Hall. It was great to get it professionally done.

Thank you to ALL members of the Balgonie Volunteer Fire Department for your tireless work to make this event a big success.

Thank you to LoveHolm Dairy and CEDA for lending us your trucks and trailers.

See you all next year at the 2024 Sparkle Tour!

- Fire Chief Doug Lapchuk



#### Appendix C

## FORM CC [Clause 139(1)(b) of the Act]

#### **Declaration of Results**

#### Councillor: Town of Balgonie

Number of Votes or Acclamation/Elected

for the By-Election held on the 6th day of December, 2023.

Names of Candidates

Blair, Cory	125
Hoffman, Wade	82
Masson, Lori	19
Number of rejected ballots, except those on which no vote was made:	
*Number of ballots counted but objected to	
Spoiled: (e.g. Issued to a person who declin	ed to vote)0
Total number of voters who voted as indicate each Form Z (or Form AA for voting machi	
I declare that this is an accurate statement of	f the votes cast for the office
of COUNCILLOR for THE TOWN OF BAI	GONIE.
Dated this 6th day of December, 2023.	× 0 · ·



#### **2024 Town Council Meetings**

Council Meetings occur regularly on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month. If the date falls on a holiday or on a day scheduled off in lieu of a statutory holiday, it is moved to the day afterwards. The meetings start at 6:15 PM in Council Chambers at D-129 Railway Street East.

Meetings are open to the public and requests to address Council as a delegation may be made in writing to the Town Administrator. A date and time will then be set for attendance.

Monday, January 8<sup>th</sup>

Monday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>

Monday, February 12<sup>th</sup>

Monday, February 26<sup>th</sup>

Monday, March 11<sup>th</sup>

Monday, March 25<sup>th</sup>

Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup>

Monday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>

Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup>

Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup>

Monday, June 10<sup>th</sup>

Monday, June 24<sup>th</sup>

Monday, July 8<sup>th</sup>

Monday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>

Monday, August 12<sup>th</sup>

Monday, August 26<sup>th</sup>

Monday, September 9<sup>th</sup>

Monday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>

Tuesday, October 15<sup>th</sup>

Monday, October 28<sup>th</sup>

Tuesday, November 12<sup>th</sup>

Monday, November 25<sup>th</sup>

Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup>

## **Recreation News**

by Shaun McBain

#### HAPPY NEW YEAR!

We hope everyone had a safe and festive holiday season! Let's make 2024 a great year.

The outdoor arena is not in operation due to the warm weather. As soon as the temperatures drop we will have it made as quick as possible. The Zamboni will flood the ice once a week. There is no set day for this. The lights will turn on around 5:30 p.m. and turn off at 9:30 p.m. Time permitting the town staff will shovel off the ice surface periodically throughout the week.

If the weather is above zero for a few days, please refrain from using the gate will be locked so we do not damage the ice. Please be courteous to others who are also using the facility.

Stay safe!

BE CAREFUL AND HAVE FUN!
HELMETS ARE MANDATORY!





# STICK & PUCK / PUBLIC SKATING / MOMS & TOTS 2023/24 SEASON TIMES (October 1st -March 31st)



Stick & Puck		Public Skating		Moms & Tots	
Monday	3:30 - 4:45 p.m.	Tuesday	3:30 - 4:45 p.m.	Wednesday	9 - 11 a.m.
Wednesday	3:30 - 4:45 p.m.	Thursday	3:30 - 4:45 p.m.		
Friday	3:30 - 4:45 p.m.	Sunday	12:30 - 1:45 p.m.		

\* All dates and times may be subject to change. Visit Balgonie's Talk of the Town Facebook page or call the Town Office at 306-771-2284 to confirm the arena is open. \*

# · · · · · What's Going On · · · · ·



Have a thank you, congratulations, or an announcement to make? Send and e-mail to:

balgonienewsletter@sasktel.net by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month to get into the next month's newsletter!

#### Cribbage Tournaments



Cribbage tournaments

will be held at the 50+ Club on the second Saturday of every month. For more information, please call Bart Eliasson at 306-771-0024.

#### Cards at 50+ Club

The 50+ Club has card games on Friday afternoons at 1:00 pm. Join us for a fun afternoon!

Thank you to the Town of Balgonie and Sask Lottery Grant for allowing us funds to add new items to our outside play yards, to enhance the children's learning and development in sensory and gross motor play.

- Balgonie Early Learning Centre

# Did you know...

The speed limit in Balgonie is 40 km/hr. unless otherwise specified (School zones, Griffin Road, etc).

Please keep our children and pedestrians safe by slowing down!



#### Indoor Walking

The Balgonie Arena is open for indoor walking from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Meet up with a friend or two!

## 1st Balgonie Beaver, Cubs & Scouts Bottle Pick-up!



The Balgonie Beaver & Cubs are always looking for cans and bottles! If you have any recycling, please call Larry at 306-771-7830.

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#### **Balgonie Soccer News**

We are halfway through our indoor season and things are going well. A big thank you to all the coaches/parent helpers who volunteer their time this season.



It seems early, but here is an update on the upcoming outdoor 2024 season. Registration is going to open up earlier this year. We plan to open registration in February and it will close earlier then previous years. Please watch for updates via email, our Facebook page, and on our website. If you're not a member of the Balgonie Soccer Facebook page please request to join so you can receive updates there.

**Balgonie Soccer Board** 



# BOGGY CREEK WILDLIFE 29th ANNUAL WILD GAME SUPPER AND AWARDS NIGHT

FEBRUARY 3rd, 2024

Held at the Balgonie Multiplex

Limited number of tickets available

Tickets - \$35 each

For more information please contact us at boggycreekwildlife@gmail.com

Or call Gord at 306 535 5300

"Our mission is to ensure the wildlife legacy we leave to our children surpasses that which we inherited."

## Want to make some extra cash?!

Tired of spending your weekend evenings on the couch? Do you like meeting new people? Do you need extra cash?! Get your name on the Town of Balgonie's Bartending List to serve at private events at the Balgonie Multiplex!

You must have a <u>Serve It Right Saskatchewan</u> certificate (\$30 course fee and 6 hrs of on-line training). Once on the Bartending List, Multiplex renters may contact you looking for your availability and rate.

For more information, contact Shaun at 306.771.4343 or townofbalgonie@sasktel.net.

\*\* The Town of Balgonie does not take any responsibility for those individuals hired for any event. \*\*



# RENTAL RATES



# ICE RENTAI

\$20 / HOUR / PER SHEET

\$300 / 6 HOURS/ 3 SHEETS

\$350/ ALL DAY/ 3 SHEETS

ALL ICE RENTALS HAVE PREPARED ICE WITH OPTIONS OF SLIDERS/GRIPPERS/BROOMS

## LOUNGE RENTALS

\$20 / HOUR

\$100 / DAY

LOUNGE.BAR: CURLING RINK WILL SUPPLY BAR TENDER FOR LOUNGE USAGE FOR: \$50 / NIGHT \$100 / DAY

To book Ice/ Lounge Rentals text/ call Blair @1-639-571-3212







# BALGONIE CURLING CLUB



# Save the Dates

2-6-4 **=** February 10, 2024 **=** 

The Skins 👄 March 16, 2024 🕳

Wind Up — March 23, 2024 —

Stay tuned for more Information & potential date changes



# Friday<sup>\*</sup>. Night Curling

\$10.00 PER ADULT \$5.00 PER STUDENT EVERY FRIDAY BAR OPEN (a) 7:00PM- 9:00PM



# Balgonie Dance & Twirl

## Important Dates to Remember:

March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Ogema Dance Competition

March 14<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Weyburn Competition

March 22<sup>nd</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Moose Jaw Competition

April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Recital (Greenall High School)



#### Find Us on Facebook to follow the club!

For information about our club please email us at: balgoniedancetwirl@gmail.com

# Balgonie 50+ Club News

Seasons Greetings from the Balgonie 50+ Club!

I hope you have all had a wonderful Christmas with family and friends!

January is **Annual General Meeting** time for our club. We hope that all members will consider joining us for our meeting.



5:30 PM Happy hour

6:00 PM A light supper will be provided by the club

6:20 PM AGM, followed immediately by the January regular meeting

If you have any questions about the Balgonie 50+ Club, contact Wendy (306-541-8229) or Wayne (306-535-9434).



#### Safety Reminders

Follow these safety tips to keep your home and property safe from theft/break-ins:

- **Light up your property** install motion detection lights or leave your lights on around entrances.
- **Have a security system** there are lots of options for wireless security systems with cameras. Keep an eye on your home when you're not there.
- Advertise your security system clearly advertise that your home is monitored.
- Lock your doors and windows make a habit of checking doors before bed each night.
- Make it look like someone is home it is important for your home to look occupied even if you are not home. Leave a light on or get timers for your lights.

Report any and all suspicious activity, break-ins and erratic driving to the RCMP. Reporting these incidents lets the RCMP know where they need to have their staff monitoring. To report incidents:

- Fill-out an Incident Form on-line at <a href="https://townofbalgonie.ca/incident-report/">https://townofbalgonie.ca/incident-report/</a>.
- Call the White Butte RCMP Detachment at 306-781-5050.



#### January 2024



#### Balgonie Public Library Program & Events Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Closed for the holidays	2	Preschool Story Time 10:00 AM	4 Light Therapy Lamp available	5	6
7	8 Lego STEM Club 3:45 - 4:45 PM	9	Mom & Tot 10:00 AM	Ξ	12	HAPPY?
14	Lego STEM Club 3:45 - 4:45 PM/ Library Board AGM - 7:00 PM	16	Preschool Story Time 10:00 AM	18	19	20
21	22 Lego STEM Club 3:45 - 4:45 PM	23	24 Mom & Tot 10:00 AM	25	26	Family Literacy Day
28	29 Lego STEM Club 3:45 - 4:45 PM	30	<sup>3</sup> Preschool Story Time 10:00 AM / Book Club - 7:00 PM	BOOK		















#### **Preschool Story Time and** Mom & Tot

Wednesdays @ 10:00 AM December 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

Join us for a story, a craft and some games! A great way to meet other children and care givers in the community!

#### Cover-to-Cover Book Club

Good reads. Good conversation. Join us!

This month's book is Digging In by Loretta Nyhan. Books are available for pick-up! Join us on January 31 at 7:00 PM to discuss!



#### Lego STEM Club

Mondays @ 3:45 PM December 8, 15, 22, 29



Join us for a new Lego challenge every Monday from 3:45 - 4:45 PM! Lego Club is geared for kids ages 5-12. We ask that kids under 7 be accompanied by an adult.

#### **Library Hours**

Wednesday



9:00 - 12:30

1:00 - 5:00 2:30 - 7:00 Thursday Friday 1:00 - 5:00

For more information on these programs, call 306.771.2332.







Can't visit us in person? Check out these great eResources, all FREE with your library card!



SILS App - Digital barcode, catalogue search, place holds, and more



Libby - eBooks, audiobooks, & magazines



Hoopla - Movies, music, TV shows, audiobooks, eBooks, & comics



AudioBookCloud -Stream audiobooks



TumbleBooks -Interactive children's books



Creativebug -Thousands of online arts & craft classes



PressReader -Newspapers & magazines



Kanopy - Stream movies via mobile devices & TVs



# Your Small Town Gym BALGONIE, SK

#### **OUR LOCATION:**

21 Simpson Bay

- · Convenient and spacious location
- Private Classes
- Qualified Coach
- FUN & Exciting Classes
- · Variety of Class Times
- In-Class & On-Line (Zoom) class option
- · Supportive & Encouraging Environment
- 1:1 Personal Training or Small Group Training

IG: shine.fitnessbalgonie
FB: SHINE Fitness Balgonie

Email: the.shine.fitness@gmail.com

## New Year's Word Search

F R I E N D S Y A S R I L A H
N E Y S E R T I E M O W B L C
B S I L Y F A E N E I Y A E O
N O C R N V N V E Y D L B N U
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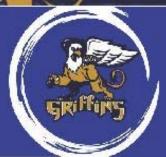
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# GRIFFIN GRIT

GROWTH AND RESILIENCE WITH INTEGRITY TOGETHER



## GREENALL Update GRIFFINS

@greenallschool



Greenall High School



# January Update

#### Final Exam Week

Final Exam Week is scheduled Jan. 25-Jan. 30th. Please see the website or EDSBY for details about the exams. Grade 9's will continue with their regular scheduled classes.

#### Course Registration for 2024-2025

Families are invited to attend an informational meeting regarding course selection for next year. These meetings will be held Thursday Feb. 1st. Current Grade 10s and 11s will attend at 6PM and current Grade 9s at 7PM. We know this information will be valuable in helping determine which classes will meet your child's post secondary needs.



#### UPCOMING DATES:

- January 10 Band Concert 7PM
- EXAM Week Jan. 25-30
- Feb. 1- First Day of Semester 2.
- Parent Mtg. for Course Selection
   Feb. 1 (Gr. 10/11)
   6PM & (Gr 9) 7 PM

#### Congratulations Rita Selzer

Rita Selzer has been a friendly face at the Greenall High School Canteen for the last 29 years! We wish Rita all the best in her retirement. Her Banana Chocolate Chip Muffins were legendary and her smile always brightened her customers day. All the best in the future Rita!



#### EVERY DAY COUNTS

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> MISSING JUST 2 DAYS A MONTH MEANS MISSING

> > of the school year

ABSENCES ADD + UP!!



Aratulations to Freddie Comfort, chosen for the 2023-2024 Youth Council. The Youth Council consists of 12 students in Grade 10-12 from different Saskatchewan school divisions. The Youth Council members have an important role in providing advice and insights that contribute to the delivery of education in Saskatchewan.





#### Griffin Drama

Griffin Drama presented
"Freaky Friday" to our
communities on Nov. 30-Dec.
2. We transformed the gym
into a theatre space that
allowed for all kinds of special
effects and theatre magic to
take place.

Auditions for our One Act Play will take place in January.



# SAVE THE DATE

# **Banger BINGO**

#### ST.PATRICK'S DAY PARTY

Hosted by the Greenall Griffin Booster Club

WHEN: SATURDAY, MARCH 16 2024

WHERE: BALGONIE MULTIPLEX

MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW

**NO MINORS** 



#### 2024 Newsletter Advertising

Advertising in the monthly Talk of the Town is available for local businesses and local owners of businesses who have a Balgonie post office box.

Prices for advertising:



<b>Business Card Size Ad</b>	\$10/month	\$100/year
1/9 Page Ad	\$25/month	\$250/year *
1/4 Page Ad	\$30/month	\$300/year
1/2 page Ad	\$60/month	\$600/year
Full page Ad	\$120/month	\$1,200/year

Please call the Town Office at 306.771.2284 or e-mail <u>balgonienewsletter@sasktel.net</u> to book your spot.

As always, local programs and announcements are not charged; however, you must have a Balgonie post office box.

\* the 1/9 page ad receives a full page ad during the year.



May 2024 be filled with peace, love and laughter.



Scott Petras Journeyman Welder/Fabricator

Edenwold, SK (306) 537-6531 north14welding@gmail.com

# Cuts Outback





Servicing Balgonie and area since 2004. Flexible hours and evenings.

Call (306)771-4883 to book your next salon service.

334 Queen Street, Balgonie, SK



Don McMorris, MLA
Indian Head - MileStone

#### **Constituency Office:**

125 Railway St. Balgonie, SK Box 720, Balgonie, SK SOG 0E0 (306) 771-2733 (877) 337-3366

mcmorris.mla@sasktel.net

# The RM OF EDENWOLD joins Pilot Butte and White City to feature





# REGISTER FOR FREE STARTING JANUARY 1, 2024

Register to receive important notifications that matter to you. The service is free, easy to use and totally anonymous.

## **NOTIFICATION SERVICE**

- >> COMMUNITY NOTIFICATIONS
- >> ANONYMOUS REGISTRATION
- >> EMERGENCY ALERTS
- >> BE INFORMED

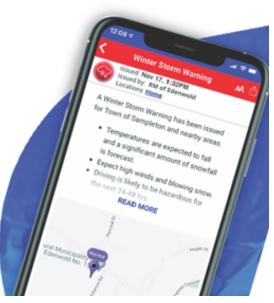
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#### Winter Art Classes

#### Register at www.pilotbuttearts.ca

If there are other classes that you would like to have us organize, or if you teach classes, please contact us at: pilotbuttearts@gmail.com

#### PILOT BUTTE



#### Adult Classes

#### **Beginner Knitting**

Sundays, Jan 7, 14, 21 & 28 1:30pm - 3:30pm

Cost: \$18



#### Children's Classes

#### Sand Art Valentines Day Cards

Tuesday February 13 6:00pm - 8:00pm

Cost: TBD

#### **Beginner Quilting -**Beads

Thurs, Jan 18, 25, Feb 1 & 8 6:30pm - 9:30pm

Cost: \$58.50



#### Creative Jar **Painting**

Thursday Feb 29 6:00pm - 8:30pm Ages: 12+

Cost: \$25



#### **Adult Open Creative** Time

Thur Feb 22 6:30pm - 9:00pm

Cost: \$27



#### **Bumblebee Crochet**

Thursday March 7 6:00pm - 8:00pm

Ages: 10+ Cost: \$18

#### Moccasins

Sundays Mar 3, 10, 17 1:00pm - 5:00pm Cost:\$153



#### **Other Upcoming Classes:**

#### Watercolour

Sundays, Feb 4, 11 & 18

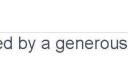
Details: TBD

#### Macrame

Thursday Feb 15 Details: TBD

All classes are held in the Pilot Butte Community Hall and are subsidized by a generous grant from Saskatchewan Lotteries Community Grant.







# Flower Arranging Candace Laczko

Rose and Vine Florals



Candace Laczkos owns and operates Rose and Vine Florals, a full-service floral boutique located in the heart of downtown Regina, which specializes in truly special products and offering a mix of both vintage and modern designs in floral arrangements. Bouquets and flower arrangements are inspired by nature and curated with love. The use of mason jars, vases, hand tied bouquets along with an endless number of other creative possibilities are used to provide exciting offers. Candace's enthusiasm for beautiful things, love of design and colour is evident in the florals and décor that adorn her shop.

Join us to get tips on how to make your next garden flower arrangement extra special.

# Wed. Jan. 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 7:00 pm Virtual & Ramada Emerald Park Everyone Welcome

Zoom link will be shared the afternoon of Jan. 10<sup>th</sup>
Visitors drop-in fee \$5.00 or for virtual meeting send email address to and then etransfer \$5.00/person to wcgc.communications@gmail.com by Jan. 08<sup>th</sup>

Info: https://whitecitygardenclub.ca/events/









## 2024 Balgonie Collection Calendar Garbage ONLY Recycle ONLY Compost ONLY

\*\*\* EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2024, Compost Collection Day is changing to Friday\*\*\*

Route changes and relief drivers can result in variability of actual collection time. \* BE SURE TO HAVE CARTS OUT BY 7 AM \*

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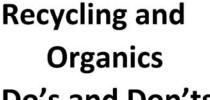
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Loraas Disposal 620 McLeod Street Regina, SK S4N 4Y1 Phone: 306-721-1000 www.loraasdisposal.com cart@loraasdisposal.com Web: Email:



# **Organics** Do's and Don'ts





Cardboard, Boxboard, Office Paper, Newsprint, Junk Mail, Magazines and Catalogues





in clear bags

Plastic Containers, Plastic Milk Jugs, Milk and Juice Cartons (No "Clam Shell" Type Food Containers labelled #1) (No oil containers or chemical jugs)















Tin, Aluminum and Glass Rinse all items – labels can remain on















#### - TRANSFER STATION -

The Transfer Station is electronically set up and monitored to provide our Town residents with accessibility day and night. The Town of Balgonie offers on site services at the Transfer Station, but has the added responsibility to ensure that environmental regulations are followed. Municipalities can be fined for burning unapproved items and not properly disposing of items set forth by the Ministry of Environment and the *Clean Air Act*.

The card holder will be held accountable for all occurrences at the Transfer Station whether they accessed the Transfer Station themselves or provided their card to another individual in their household. Lending the card out to another residence in Town or anyone else is definitely NOT PERMITTED.

Transfer Station cards are initially provided to the "New" home owner at no charge. However, if a card is lost; it must be reported to the Town Office immediately to be disabled. The card will be removed from the system and a new card, if requested, will be provided at a cost of \$40.00.

The red Loraas Disposal bin is currently delivered on the first (1st) and third (3rd) Friday of every month. There is no specific time as to when the bin will arrive on these days. IF A RED BIN IS UNAVAILABLE, DO NOT LEAVE ANY ITEMS WHERE THE BIN IS NORMALLY LOCATED. Individuals who leave items which are not permitted will be fined up to \$500.00, and will have their Transfer Station card suspended. Additional fines may be levied by the Ministry for individuals dumping illegally.

Be courteous of others! Although the bin may be available, large items and multiple loads take up the entirety of the bin, making it unusable for other residents. If you have multiple large items, please take them to the Regina Landfill.

Home builders/developers are NOT permitted to use the red Loraas Disposal bin and are required to rent their own waste container bins.

#### Items that may be left at the Transfer Station in their designated areas:

- Scrap Metal
  - Propane tanks are accepted in the scrap metal pile
  - Please remove the Freon from fridges and freezers
- Tree Branch/Grass/Leaf Piles
  - Absolutely NO treated or painted wood
  - Grass and leaves must be UNBAGGED
- Compostable Materials
  - Bags or boxes containing compostable materials are NOT to be left in the compost area
- Oil Recycling Station
- Cement

#### Items that may NOT be left at the Transfer Station or in the red Loraas Disposal bin:

Tires and Shingles

#### Items you are encouraged to recycle at SARCAN:

- Beverage Containers, Batteries, Electronics, Household Paint and
- Non-Beverage Glass Containers (only accepted at Regina and Saskatoon SARCAN locations)

Items that are accepted or NOT accepted at the Transfer Station in Balgonie may be subject to change. Be sure to follow the current signage.

**IF YOU ARE MOVING** – You must **RETURN** the Transfer Station card back to the Town Office so we can provide it to the new home owners.

Thank you!

# Balgonie United Church

You are invited to join us for Worship and Sunday School at 11:00 a.m. every Sunday.

Located on Main Street
Balgonie, SK
306-771-4303



# **Balgonie Baptist Church**

Join us on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. Corner of Main St & Griffin Rd. Balgonie, SK

Pastor: Shawn Cavers Phone: (306) 771-2545

eMail: office@balgoniebaptist.org Web: www.balgoniebaptist.org

It would be our privilege to pray for you prayer@balgoniebaptist.org

#### St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church



Regular Mass Times at St. Joseph

Saturday evening 7:00 p.m.
Sunday morning 10:30 a.m.

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Office: 306.771.2387

Email: <a href="mailto:stjoseph1@sasktel.net">stjoseph1@sasktel.net</a>

Website: <a href="https://stjosephbalgonie.ca">https://stjosephbalgonie.ca</a>

Come join in our celebrations with Fr. Chinh our Pastor



#### St. Paul's Lutheran Church

Located in the Village of Edenwold.

Services are every Sunday at

11:30 a.m.

Pastor Stewart's contact info: pastor.stewart@sasktel.net





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Wishing everyone a Happy New Year!

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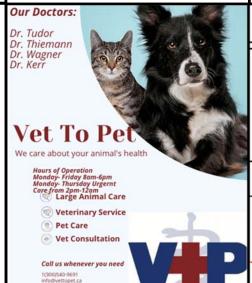
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