



**Upcoming Events**

-Morning Coffee – 7-9:30am Daily @ Birch Hills Senior Centre

-Walk & Talk – 10am-2pm on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays @ SR Centennial Hall

-Rycroft Lions Bingo – 6:30pm on Mondays @ Rycroft Community Hall

-Adult Drop-In Sports – 7-9pm on Mondays @ SR Cent. Hall

-Fit Walk – 7-9pm on Tuesdays @ Woking Community Hall

-Drop-In Quilting – 10am on Wednesdays @ Birch Hills Senior Centre

-Drop-In Quilting – 10am-5pm on Wednesdays @ Rycroft Merry Pioneers Senior Centre

-Court Whist Tournament – 1pm on Wednesdays @ SR Happy Hour Club

-Bingo – 7pm on Wednesdays @ Birch Hills Seniors Centre

-Drop In Shuffleboard – 2pm on Fridays at Rycroft Merry Pioneers Senior Centre

-Spring Fling Sale – 10am-4pm on Apr. 1 @ Savanna Rec Plex

-Kickboxing – 7pm on Apr. 3, 10 @ Eaglesham School

-Seniors Housing Survey Open House – 5pm on Apr. 3 @ Rycroft Community Hall

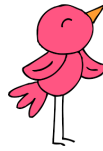
-Seniors Housing Survey Open House – 5pm on April 4 @ SR Centennial Hall

-Seniors Housing Survey Open House – 6pm on April 5 @ Savanna Rec Plex

-Community Kitchen – 9-11am on Apr. 6 @ Rycroft Community Hall

-Community Kitchen – 11am-1:30pm on Apr. 7 @ SR Centennial Hall

-Spring Supper & Auction – 6pm on Apr. 8 @ Silver Valley Hall  
Events continued on next page...



# COMMUNITY CONNECT



## Traffic Safety Coalition rolls forward

In 2014, 369 people were killed in traffic collisions in Alberta. Out of those fatalities, 26 happened in the Grande Prairie area. Throughout Alberta the main causes of collisions are distracted and impaired driving, unsafe driving practices at intersections and speeding. One of the most effective methods of reducing traffic collisions has been to create traffic safety coalitions across the province. Currently there are over 60 coalitions in Alberta.

In January of 2017 the Central Peace Traffic Safety Coalition (CPTSC) was created in response to ongoing traffic issues in the communities of the Central Peace. Representatives from enforcement, fire, the Office of Traffic Safety, Alberta Health Services, FCSS and municipal councils came together to take action to make our roadways safer.

The mandate of this new

coalition is to promote traffic safety by reducing collisions through the development and execution of programs designed to educate the public about traffic safety and injury prevention.

The main traffic priorities chosen include:

- 1) Impaired Driving
- 2) Distracted Driving
- 3) Medically at Risk and Senior Drivers
- 4) Occupant Restraints (car seats and seat belts)

Over the next year the CPTSC will develop and deliver a series of projects and programs to address these priorities. Some of the projects that the coalition will be working on include:

- Compile information for local newspapers and social media
- Hold Option 4 enforcement checks in conjunction with traffic enforcement.
- Plan bike rodeos

- Hold joint enforcement checks on distracted, impaired and commercial vehicles
- Participate in local trade shows and community events
- Provide presentations to community and business groups on various traffic safety topics
- Partner with local schools to deliver education on distracted driving
- Conduct a clinic to ensure seniors feel comfortable in their vehicles during seniors week
- Bring a Vision Zero advocate to the area to provide support and direction on future initiatives.

Together the members of the Central Peace Traffic Safety Coalition have made a commitment to work together to teach residents about the importance of safe and responsible driving. By driving sober, slowing down and obeying the rules of the road, we can all work together to create a safer environment for everyone. The traffic safety plan can be viewed at: [www.transportation.alberta.ca](http://www.transportation.alberta.ca).

**April 22  
2017**

Rycroft Agricultural Building, Rycroft

Live and Silent Auction



**PLATINUM NORTH RESOURCES LTD.**

*Spring Break up  
Dine and Dance*

Cocktails 5:30 pm  
Dinner 6:30  
Dinner Sponsor:  
Rick's Fuel Service



**TJ RUCKUS BAND**



Dance to follow with live music  
\$40.00 per ticket  
No minors permitted

**All proceeds go to the**

The Wanham COCO Committee, The Rycroft Arena Board  
The Spirit River Kinettes Club

DOOR PRIZES  
**WIN A TRIP FOR 2 TO VEGAS!**  
Sponsored by



Must be present to win trip

**Tickets available at: Edge Auto Repair • Home Hardware • Vertex Office**

**Events Cont'd...**

-Woking Willing Workers' 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dine & Dance – 6pm on Apr. 8 @ Woking Community Hall

-Paint and Sip Fundraiser Night – 7pm on Apr. 8 @ Rycroft Community Hall

-Lunch, Play and Learn Day – 10:30am-1pm on Apr. 10 @ Woking School

-Easter Farmers' Market – 12-6pm on Apr. 13 @ Rycroft Ag Society

-Movie Matinee: Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them – 6:30pm on Apr. 20 @ Woking Community Hall. Hosted by the Woking Municipal Library.

-Rycroft Old Tyme Dance – 1-5pm on Apr. 22 @ Rycroft Community Hall

-Spring Break Up Dine & Dance – 5:30pm on Apr. 22 @ Rycroft Ag Society

-Savanna Creations Annual Quilt Show – 12-4pm on Apr. 23 @ Savanna Rec Plex

-Volunteer Pancake Supper – 5-7pm on Apr. 24 @ Rycroft Community Hall

-Presentation on Herbs: Healing Herbs for the Garden – 7-9pm on Apr. 27 @ Woking Community Hall. Hosted by the Woking Municipal Library.

-Rycroft Spring Home Business Show – 11am-3pm on Apr. 29 @ Rycroft Ag Society

-Spring Community Supper – 5pm on April 30 @ Birch Hills Seniors Centre

-Art Show & Sale – 10am-5pm on Apr. 30 @ Ste. Marie School

This newsletter is a community project supported by the Central Peace Health & Wellness Coalition and the Town of Spirit River.

For more information, to subscribe to receive the Community Connect via email, or if you would like to submit info, please call 780-864-9771 or email [recmanager@townofspiritriver.ca](mailto:recmanager@townofspiritriver.ca).

## CPECC hosting TenTalks

The Central Peace Early Childhood Coalition (CPECC) is making it easier for parents to gain access to new research and evidence surrounding parenting and early childhood by hosting TenTalks.

TenTalks are a series of parent sessions designed to share science-based information with parents, caregivers, coaches, educators, community leaders – programs offer a meal and onsite engaging

childcare, and are free to participants.

There is a self-regulation event at noon on April 6<sup>th</sup> in Savanna.

Evening, afternoon or morning, TenTalks are offered in three communities at three different times to accommodate family schedules.

Call Rebecca @ CPECC (780) 500-7019 to register your family or for more information.

## Calling all artists

The Spirit River Municipal Library will be hosting their 19<sup>th</sup> annual Art Show and Sale on Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup> in the Ste. Marie School gym in Spirit River from 10 am to 5 pm. This art show and sale is to raise funds for our Municipal Library as well as to provide a showcase for the many talented artists of the region.

A delicious lunch and snacks prepared by Library board members will be available at the school.

There is no admission fee for the public and we encourage everyone to visit the show, enjoy the art, meet the artists and support our public Library. The deadline for registration is April 24<sup>th</sup> and is on a first- come, first-served basis.

If you are interested in showing your work please contact Judy Brown at (780) 864-3608, email [judybrown69@gmail.com](mailto:judybrown69@gmail.com) or drop in to the Library to pick up a registration form.

## April brings Canadian Cancer Society daffodils

Spring is just around the corner, and at the Canadian Cancer Society, so is Daffodil Month. The daffodil is a little flower for a great cause: a symbol of life and hope. During April, Canadian Cancer Society volunteers raise vital funds for the fight against cancer.

"When you buy flowers or a pin you are supporting people living with cancer and helping us fund research to fight all cancers for all Canadians in all

communities," states the Canadian Cancer Society website. "Wearing a daffodil pin in a way to show Canadians with cancer that they are not alone."

Since the 1950s, bright yellow daffodils have arrived in communities across Canada to mark the beginning of Daffodil Month. To this day, the daffodil continues to symbolize strength and courage in the fight against cancer.

Daffodil Month proceeds help



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PRESENTS

## ART SHOW & SALE

10am – 5pm APRIL 30

STE. MARIE SCHOOL GYM

Woking Willing Workers'



Live Band  
Shady  
Junction

**SATURDAY APRIL 8<sup>th</sup>**  
Woking Community Hall

Tickets \$30 / person  
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local patients and their families living with more than 100 different types of cancer. Canadian Cancer Society funds life-saving research and support services, and other work, with these donations so that fewer Canadians are affected by cancer.

For more information, to volunteer or donate, visit [www.cancer.ca](http://www.cancer.ca).



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