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# CAO Corner

Let's Light Up the Town Everyone! Showing off our Holiday glamour during these challenging times due to the COVID-19 pandemic will release our good endorphins bringing warmth and cheer to our fellow human being. If we can have our decorations brightly shining by December 9th, between 5-9pm would be fantastic. It can be as simple as having your Christmas tree decorated and shining in your window.

The Hardisty Ag Society is also hosting a Food Bank drive between Dec. 8th (noon) and Dec. 11th (noon). Food Bank donations can be dropped off at the Gibson Energy Center (Arena). Mic's Concession will supply a small hot beverage when you drop off your donation, thanking you for your generous support of the Flagstaff Food Bank. If you would like to donate money to the Flagstaff Food Bank you may drop off your cheque or cash at Hardisty Laundry. The Hardisty Ag Society will match all money donations received with a donation to the Flagstaff Food Bank.

While this year the CP Holiday Train will not be lighting up communities across Western Canada in their annual Holiday Train events, they will host this concert virtually as a call to action for the train's supporters to donate generously to their local foodbanks if they can this Christmas season. The spirit of the Holiday Train will come alive even though the train itself will not operate due to the COVID-19 pandemic. December 12th at 6pm we will be able to watch the "Holiday Train at Home" concert on CP's Facebook Page (cpr.ca/holidaytrain). Let's support our Holiday Train by tuning in to watch Serena Ryder, The Trews, JoJo Mason, Logan Staats & Kelly Prescott while we

## ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH

In-church services at 10:00 a.m. with COVID-19 protocols in place. Everyone is welcome.

SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO COVID RESTRICTIONS:

Blue Christmas Service Dec. 18 @ 7:00 p.m.

Christmas Eve Service at the Elks Hall - Dec 24 @ 9:00 p.m.

Time will change for our first service, January 10, 2021 to 11:30 a.m. for Hardisty.





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Light Up the Town and enjoy our favorite Holiday events safely and take our donations down to the Gibson Energy Center.

As the number of active cases in the Flagstaff Region continue to grow, we understand that the feeling of isolation, fear and anxiety maybe overwhelming for our community. Our local businesses have been resilient. We encourage you to shop locally. Over the last few weeks I have been in contact with many of them and are impressed with the selection of merchandise and services they are offering this year with the challenges they have weathered. You want it contactless – they will do it, you want it wrapped and ready – they will do it, you want it customized - they will try to make it happen! Short of Christmas decorations no need to leave Hardisty, Hardisty Home Hardware, Rustic Stars, Hardisty Community Drug Store & The Old Town Merchant Store have you covered! Looking for western wear, work wear, safety wear, footwear – Safety First has a great selection for him & her along with children's coveralls, coats & boots for the little helper! Gift cards are available at many of our local merchants if you are not a shopper. Want to send a gift card to someone further away, those gift cards are also available – stop in at Flag City Foods and check out their selection. Maybe buy a gift certificate to any one of our local restaurants to take the humbug out of cooking. Dream Creations with their selection of giftware, jewelry and engraving services for personalization. All this selection right here in Hardisty. You need it shipped – Cathy and the crew at Canada Post have been steadfast during these challenging times delivering our letters and parcels with several options for contactless delivery & with extended hours. Need a trim, color, curl or all of the above, Amy & the Buzz Buzz crew are open and want to keep us looking & feeling our best. Hadi and Sal at Hardisty Fresh Market are ready to meet our needs for Christmas cooking, excellent selection of baking supplies along with the special items we look for each Christmas, don't see it just ask, Hadi will bring it in for you. These

are the goods and services that our local merchants can deliver right here at home where we can stay safe.

Now for a little bit of Council business to report. As we near the end of 2020, many of the budgets and supporting requisitions for 2021 for the organizations that deliver services to our community have come in for council's consideration. Flagstaff Regional Solid Waste Mgmt., Flagstaff Family & Community Support Services, & Parkland Regional Library Services have all been approved with 0% increases in their budgets leading to minimal change in requisitioned amounts for the Town of Hardisty. The Regional Emergency Services Committee members were able to meet and it appears that FRESS will be moving forward in 2021. The urban municipalities and Flagstaff County were able to work out the concerns of the proposed financial costs of the new FRESS by adding a financial capped amount into the agreement which would apply to the overall Society operating funding. This cap would be based on the overall operating budgets of the member municipalities. As well there is a built-in component that if extra funding is required, then an Emergency Budget would be proposed and would pass based on approval by ALL member municipalities. With uncertain financial streams still lingering for assessment model changes for regulated assessment, along with unprecedented financial hardship on our Provincial stakeholder, these changes provide an element of financial stability for future requisition impacts for the delivery of fire and rescue services. Council will be approving their interim budget for 2021 this month and will be striving also to keep a 0% budget increase.

With this being a different holiday season for all of us, Council & Staff like to wish everyone all the best and stay safe & well.

Leave a Little Sparkle Wherever We Go!



## GP Holiday Train Virtual Concert

Serena Ryder and The Trews Also, feature performances by JoJo Mason, Logan Staats and Kelly Prescott.

CP will be hosting a virtual concert in lieu of the typical CP Holiday Train this year. The event will raise money and awareness and help local food banks collect much-needed donations.

CP will make a donation to the local food bank that we funded the last time the CP Holiday Train visited your community. With the "CP Holiday Train at Home" concert, CP also hopes to inspire donations even though local shows won't occur. Viewers looking to donate will be directed to Food Banks Canada and Feeding America, the national organizations that support community food banks in their respective countries.

We have created downloadable promotional posters for the "CP Holiday Train at Home" concert. We encourage you to share concert details within your community and on your social media channels. They are available here: https://www.cpr.ca/en/community-site/Documents/2020-HTrain-Poster.pdf

### Saturday, December 12th, 2020 6 p.m. MT/8 p.m. ET



WHEN

Visit facebook.com/canadian.pacific or @Canadian.Pacific on Facebook to watch the live premier

WHERE

An archived version of the show will remain on the page for later viewing.

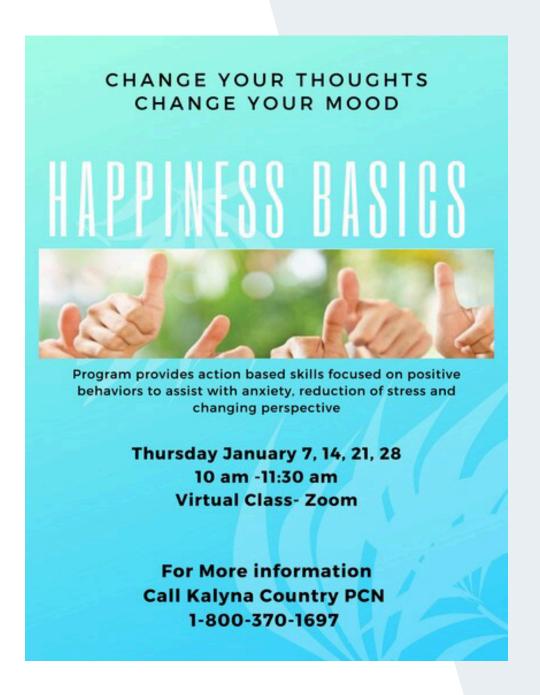




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## Development Permits Issued - 2020

L = Lot; B = Block, P=Plan

**Permit No 2020-001 -** L4-7, B12, P76U Use & Storage of Recreational Vehicles

Permit No 2020-002 - L24, B26, P172 0652 Structural Roof Changes & Repairs

**Permit No 2020-003 -** L16-18, B6, P945R Installation of 10 meter wood pole

**Permit No 2020-004** - BA, P7031KS 40' x 14' Pole Shed

**Permit No 2020-005 -** L13&14, B16, P6726AJ Cement Driveway

Permit No 2020-006 - L26, B16, P752 0527 Remove Manufactured Home

Permit No 2020-007 - L1, P982 2598 Demolition of Accessory Building

Permit No 2020-008 - L9, P6429NY Addition to Shop

Permit No 2020-009 (MPC) - BA, P802 0586 Training Grounds & C-Can

Permit No 2020-010 - L19, B23, P772 2832 Replace & Expand Existing Deck

Permit No 2020-011 (MPC) L26, B16, P752 0527 Move in Manufactured Home

## Development Permits Issued - 2020 cont.

L = Lot; B = Block, P=Plan

Permit No 2020-012 (MPC - Denied) L37, B1, P072 9501 Fence

**Permit No 2020-013 (MPC) -** L5, B1, P962 3246 54 x 80 x 24 Shop

Permit No 2020-014 (MPC) L24, B26, P172 0652 Free Standing Off Site Digital Sign





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Hardisty Lougheed

Galahad **Forestburg** 

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23 Strome Sedgewick Heisler Rosalind Daysland

24 CLOSED IN LIEU **OF BOXING** DAY

**CHRISTMAS** DAY

28 Alliance Killam Hardisty Lougheed

Galahad **Forestburg** 

Heisler Rosalind **Daysland** 

Strome Sedgewick **NEW YEARS** DAY

Alliance Killam Hardisty Lougheed

Galahad Forestburg

Heisler Rosalind Daysland

Strome Sedgewick Alliance Killam

#### Bin Services Customers:

Please be aware, because of the holidays, Bin Services Dates may be altered.

#### Transfer Site Customers:

Forestburg Transfer site will be closed Thursday December 24. All Transfer Sites will be closed Christmas Day, as well as New Years Day. Regular Transfer site hours will resume January 5th.

Happy Holidays from Flagstaff Waste!

Any questions? Call the main office at 780-384-3950



Get those decorations ready! It's that time of the year again!



HARDISTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY'S

# Light Up The Town



We would like to invite Businesses, Groups and Families (your cohorts) to **light up your home** (inside &/or outside) on DECEMBER 9TH from 5-9 p.m. Then communities members can drive around town and enjoy the various Christmas lights! No matter how large or small the Christmas decoration we just want as many people / business to participate and provide some Christmas Cheer during this Pandemic.

We are also having a **Food Bank Drive from Dec 8 (noon) till Dec 11 (noon)**. If you drop off an item at the Gibson Energy Centre (arena) during the hours above Mic's will provide you with a small hot beverage compliments of the Hardisty AG Society.

If you drop off a Cash donation to Penny Fleming at the Hardisty Laundry during the hours above the Hardisty Agricultural Society will match all cash donations.

Let's help the Flagstaff Food Bank and our Community and show our Christmas Spirit!

Seasons Greetings, Hardisty Agricultural Society

## December 2020

Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
		1		2		3	4	5	6
7	<u> </u>	8 Council Meeting		9 Light Up The Town		10	11	12	13
14 Hardisty Hos Auxiliary Me	spital eeting	15		16		17	18	19	20
21	<u> </u>	22		23	<b>*</b>	24 Christmas Eve Town Office closed	25 Christmas Day Town Office closed	26 Boxing Day	27
28	<u> </u>	29		30	<b>*</b>	31 Town Office closed	Town Office closed		

#### **LEGEND**



Curb-side Gargbage Pick-up



Hardisty Fire Department Meeting



Hardisty Library Open



Hardisty Bottle Depot Open



Bingo at Elk's Hall

**Hardisty Fire Department Meetings -** have resumed. Hardisty Library - open. Hardisty Bottle Depot - open. Bingo - cancelled until further notice.

#### HARDISTY THRIFT SHOP

Open by appointment. Please message or call: www.facebook.com/HardistyThriftShop Michele (780) 888-1637 Shelly (780) 888-7676 Gail (780) 888-2266 or (780) 888-1106

Would you like to see your event listed in our newsletter and our website or announced on our Facebook and Twitter accounts?

Email upcoming events to marketing@hardisty.ca no later than the 29th of the preceding month.

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#### Seniors FIRST with FFCS

Cancelled until further notice due to COVID-19.

#### **COFFEE TIME**

Cancelled until further notice due to COVID-19.