



The Hepburn Howler

#44 - MAY 2020 EDITION

*sent Thursday, April 30th

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Last week, we finally saw some warm temperatures, and most of the snow melted. With that sudden melt, we saw some water problems, but Les and Tim were quite busy working with culverts to ensure that the problems were minimal. With the ground warming up, the water will soak in, and spring yard work and clean up can begin. With pandemic rules, the churches have shifted to YouTube and Zoom services. I applaud them for finding ways to reach out to their congregations during this time when everyone needs a boost in faith. I have noticed a lot of people out walking, and I want to compliment everyone for doing their part to keep the pandemic in check and continuing to keep physical distance. The province has a plan to re-open the province for business and activities. The Town is closely monitoring the provincial plan, and we will communicate regularly about our local decisions through the coming weeks. As I have walked around town, I have noticed many positive posters and signs taped in windows, and even prayer item banners hung up in yards. This has been a very encouraging sign to me that "the heart and spirit of Hepburn" is alive and doing well. Continue being good friends and neighbours to everyone!

Working together, Working for Hepburn Mayor Jeff Peters

- **NEXT COUNCIL MEETING:** Wed, May 20th
- **YOUR TOWN COUNCIL:** Jeff Peters (Mayor), Chris Becker (Councillor), Chris Crockett (Councillor), Ken Jeschke (Councillor), & Craig Kosowan (Councillor).
- **Communications to Council:** Submit messages in writing to Box 217 or send by email to office at administrator@hepburn.ca. If you are making a complaint in relation to town bylaws, please use the Complaint Form (located on website at www.hepburn.ca).

TOWN OFFICE INFO:

402 Main St, Box 217, Hepburn, SK S0K 1Z0

Phone: 306-947-2170 Fax: 306-947-4202

Email: info@hepburn.ca Website: www.hepburn.ca

Emergency: 306-947-0000 (after office hours)

Facilities Update: Town Recreational Facilities Closed
Until Further Notice: Arena, Bowling Alley, Crokicurl, Little
Free Library, & Little Park.



HOWLER NEWS!

*The Howler delivery will continue by **EMAIL**, sent as an attachment with your e-billing on last day of the month. Sign up for e-billing by emailing the office.

- We will also print a bundle of copies for Post Office.
- We will post at Outside Bulletin Board, & Post Office.
- **FEATURE INSERTS!** If your group wants to book one, contact info@hepburn.ca. It could be a 1-sided OR 2-sided page **Book your spot for JUNE!**
- **Submission Deadline: May 22 for JUNE HOWLER** emailing with utility billing at May month end.

SEND IN YOUR PHOTOS OF HEPBURN LIFE!

PHOTO courtesy of [Norm Fehr](#)! Thanks NORM for all your great pictures around town. We appreciate your eye for detail. Email your submissions to info@hepburn.ca or recommend a local photographer.



9-1-1 - EMERGENCY SERVICES

4-1-1 - LOCAL DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE

8-1-1 - PROFESSIONAL HEALTH ADVICE AND MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT

2-1-1 - INFORMATION AND REFERRALS ON SOCIAL, COMMUNITY, NON-CLINICAL HEALTH, AND RELATED GOVERNMENT SERVICES



IT IS MAY!!

- *1/15/29: RECYCLE DAYS
(Blue Bin)
- *2/16: Mennon Site,
Saturday Hours
- *4: PARKS & REC MTG
- *7/14/21/28: Mennon Site,
Thursday Hours
- *8/22: GARBAGE DAYS
(Black Bin)
- *10: Mothers' Day
- *14/28: ORGANIC DAYS
(Green Bin STARTS)
- *18: Victoria Day, office
closed
- *20: TOWN COUNCIL MTG
- *23: Garage Sale Day,
POSTPONED
- *23: Clean-Up Day,
POSTPONED
- *29: Jun Howler/e-billing
- *TBA—Watch for news
about Spring Soccer
- *TBA—Museum Hours

JUNE & Beyond!

- *1: PARKS & REC MTG
- *TBA: Garage Sale Day &
Clean Up Day, TBC
- *17: TOWN COUNCIL MTG
- *19-21: Fair Days, TBA
- *21: Fathers' Day
- *30: Jul Howler/e-billing
- *Jul 1: Canada Day
- *Sep 25-27: Culture Days
Weekend, TBC
- *Oct 26: Provincial Election
- *Nov 9: Municipal Election
& School Bd Election
- *SUBMIT YOUR DATES!

The Benefits of Recreation:

**"Recreation helps build
strong families and
communities."
(Reason #3, A
Recreation Framework
for Canada, 2015).**



AWARD NOMINATIONS OPEN

The **Volunteer of the Award** is presented on behalf of Town Council & Parks & Recreation Board. Presentation occurs at Hepburn Fair Days in June 19-21, 2020 (TBC). Please submit a nomination. We have an amazing group of dedicated people who work, live, and serve this community, area, & beyond. Remember to THANK a volunteer today! Sincerely, Lisa Braun, Community Coordinator

BASKETBALL SASK NEWS

Player Sport Science online series beginning April 23. For 13+ year old Athletes. 1 Hour Zoom sessions. Each session is free! Register for as many sessions as you like! Send First & Last name, & session names to basketball@basketballsask.com. Choices: Goal Setting, Sleep & Performance, Anxiety & Stress Control, Mental Imagery & Visualization, Routines, & Sports Nutrition.

CANADA PERFORMS #canadaperforms

Find Free Music in a variety of genres, live or recorded online by musicians across Canada.
<https://nac-cna.ca/en/canadaperforms>

COMMUNITIES IN BLOOM (CIB) PROGRAM

Have you heard of a CIB team in another town? The program emphasizes six main areas: 1) Tidiness, 2) Environmental Action, 3) Heritage Conservation, 4) Urban Forestry, 5) Landscape, and 6) Floral Displays. If you have an interest in any one of these areas, or have questions, send me an email at info@hepburn.ca.

COVID-19 IMPACTS

Parks & Rec Board is tracking with the updates from Sask Parks and Rec Association (SPRA) on implications for facilities, events, & programming. Find more at www.spra.sk.ca. Here's an excerpt: "On April 23, The Government of Saskatchewan released Re-Open Saskatchewan. The plan outlines five phases... Phase One will begin on May 4 and will re-introduce low-risk recreational activities, including fishing & use of boat launches (immediate), golfing with physical distancing guidelines, starting May 15, and a fixed date for the operation of parks and campgrounds has been set for June 1. Phase Two will begin on May 19 with the re-opening of retail & select personal services (e.g. hair stylists, massage therapists). Phases Three, Four & Five will see the gradual re-opening of the province, & more recreation opportunities will become available, but currently these phases have no firm dates assigned."

COMMUNITY GRANT FUNDING

Community Grant Funding is distributed in our community annually, thanks to the work of Parks and Rec Board. An email has been SENT OUT to the groups about allocations. Reminder that receipts and report are due May 15th. *Thank you to **Sask Lotteries** for their role in sport, culture, & recreation in our province.

EARTH DAY

It was the 50th anniversary of Earth Day on April 22nd! Find more at: earthday.ca You can also follow local info at **Ecofriendly Sask**, an organization that informs, encourages, & supports SK environmental initiatives through an online publication and Action Grants.
www.facebook.com/ecofriendlisk/

FIELD TRIP (VIRTUAL!)

ART ACROSS CANADA is an online platform to deliver arts experiences. FROM CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS TO ARTIST TALKS AND WORKSHOPS, these activities are designed to advance the work of our nation's organizations through digital platforms for different age groups. www.fieldtrip.art

FILM DAY in CANADA

Find free family friendly films HERE!
<https://canadianfilmday.ca/family-friendly-programming/>

FIRESIDE SEASON

Reminder to follow **recreational fire guide-lines** posted website. Follow gathering guidelines for your household & small gatherings (no more than 10 people). See Govt of Sask Re-Open Plan details at www.saskatchewan.ca/

FUNDRAISER SCHEDULE

Promoting your community fundraisers!

- **Vesey Seed Fundraiser**. Mar 4-May 29. By PARKS & GREENSPACE Team. Catalogues & Order Forms at Post Office. Use drop-box for labelled envelope and CHEQUE payable to Hepburn Parks & Recreation.
- **South40 Designs MAGNETS & ART**. By Parks & Greenspace Team. \$10/magnet or \$20/art print. Contact Office and your item can be mailed out to you. (See [more facebook.com/Allison.south40](https://www.facebook.com/Allison.south40))
- **Co-op Gift Card Sales!** Details coming.
- **2021 Community Calendar:** Details coming.

GALLERIES

Remai Modern art gallery info available at remaimodern.org.

GARDENING & SK-Grown FOOD

Gardening & growing your own food is a great spring & summer activity, and buying LOCAL. Check out info below:

***Flat Out Food:** New book on SK food.

www.facebook.com/flatoutfoodsk/

Did you know that author Jenn Sharp lived in Hepburn for a little while?

***The Little Market Box:** Online Farmers' Market and Small Retail Hub for Local Food & More. Find out more at:

www.thelittlemarketbox.com/

***Hepburn Marketplace:** TBA.

***Saskatoon Farmers Market Virtual Market:**

Place orders Wed/Thur at:

saskatoonfarmersmarket.square.site/

***THRIVE Market:** See Page 4.

***Any other suggestions are welcome.**

HISTORY BOOKS?

Anyone find any extra Hepburn History Books while doing your Spring Cleaning? I still have 2-3 requests from out of towners for the 75th anniversary edition.

LIBRARY SERVICES

ONLINE at: www.wheatland.sk.ca

SASKALERT

Check out Saskatchewan's Emergency Public Alerting Program at: sas-alert.ca

SASKCULTURE EVENTS

For art, heritage, & cultural events, both online and upcoming events, go to: www.saskculture.ca/events

SASK SUMMER GAMES

Postponed to 2021. See more info at <https://www.facebook.com/2020ssg/>

TOURISM TIPS

*Check out Saskatchewaner at www.facebook.com/skwanderer/

*Check out general resources at Tourism Sask: www.tourismsaskatchewan.com

***READ this month's LOCAL FEATURE:**

Guenther Farm Wedding, Event & Arts

Center. "Wayne & I have lived and farmed organically on his family farm since we were married in 1995. Our farm has been in the Guenther family for over 56 years. The barn is 75 years old, and has lived many lives since 1945. We spent the spring & summer of 2018 cleaning and fixing the barn to host a Guenther family reunion. That winter we spent hours dreaming of how to make an event center a reality. In summer 2019, we built a bathroom & kitchen building. We have an event tent for up to 90 people, and a second tent for banquets by summer 2020. Our barn seats 70 people per floor, which is a lovely space for smaller gatherings/parties, transformable for cocktail hours and dances. Our goal is to create a beautiful, unique & relaxing venue for outdoor weddings, reunions, family gatherings, pig roasts, community events, art classes, & other occasions" (Ruth Guenther). *Watch for date for Open House, Community Supper & Dance. www.guentherfarms.com.

VOLUNTEERS

#CHEERSTOVOLUNTEERS

Celebrating Hepburn & Area Volunteers, from April 19 to 25, in honour of National Volunteer Week. #NVW2020

***Volunteers Who PLANT:** Many people who have helped with planning, purchasing, planting, placing, pruning, & watering on MAIN STREET, including: Diane Batting, Verna Paetkau, Kim Bushman, Ruth Letkeman, Karen Boldt, Leanne Thiessen, Joy Hildebrand, Judith Andres, Barb Adams-Eichendorf, Reuben Andres, Cathy Shields, Leanne Schellenberg, & Lori Woelke. Thank you to ALL who beautify Main ST, & people who enhance businesses & residences around Town.



*Volunteers Who

SEW: There are SEWING GROUPS, full of amazing people who are donating time, supplies, expertise, and finished quilts to people, charities, and raffle draws.

There is the Helping

Hands Quilting Group that meets Monday, and the Sew4Fun Group that meets Tuesdays. One of the Tuesday Group's creations was the amazing Centennial Quilt! There are also other individuals who SEW and STITCH for charities - Jackie Hutchinson comes to mind!

*Monday Group: Lydia Peters, Alice Pilatus, & MORE!! *Tuesday Group: Rita Klein, Janet Hamilton, & MORE!! Thank you to ALL who sew, cut, press, tie, fold, sell tickets, and deliver quilts!

WALKING (Find more ideas from SK in Motion and ParticipACTION).

Add fun to your family walks with these ideas:

1. Explore the senses

Explore and talk about different senses as they touch grass, listen for airplanes, or smell pine needles.

2. **Inspect nature.** Bring a magnifying glass to peer at a raindrop or insects.

3. **Take pictures.** Take an old camera to take pictures. When you get home, upload and print into a storybook.

4. **Create a piece of art with nature rubbings.** Try different leaves.

5. **Turn your walk into an obstacle course.** Leap over the sidewalk cracks. Follow the leader. Run a lap around a pole. Skip to the sidewalk.

6. **Go on a mission.** Do a scavenger hunt.

7. **Use a pedometer.** Guess how many steps for a trip, or track your steps.

8. **Get out your imagination.** Hop like a bunny, gallop like a horse, & develop balance, coordination, & rhythm.

9. **Leave signs of hope.** Bring chalk to draw messages, pictures, or games.

MESSAGE FROM JENN

It is great that the weather has warmed up and the sun is shining. I see people finding ways to be active and get into nature while keeping social distance. We are keeping each other safe. I love heading out on my runs through our community and on the gravel roads. We have a vibrant and beautiful town, full of history and amazing people. Our town has many volunteers that support the programs that we offer. We will keep you posted on upcoming events and know that our Team is still behind the scenes, eagerly anticipating the time when we can all connect at larger events. Take care of each other & yourselves.

*Sincerely, Jennifer Beaumont-Becker,
Parks & Rec Chair (Photo From Jenn).
beaumontjennifer@hotmail.com*



INSPIRATION CORNER WITH LB

I have been researching NEW IDEAS, so ponder with me! *Financial Skills Workshop? *Communities in Bloom? *Summer Programs? *Culture Days? *Youth Advisory Team? *Bingo/Games Nite? *KidsSport Chapter? *Bike & Pedestrian Safety? *Economic Development? *Etc.
[Message Lisa at info@hepburn.ca](mailto:info@hepburn.ca)

Z IS FOR ZOOOOOM

Spring has arrived, so please walk, bike, scoot, stroll, blade, & drive with caution. Wear helmets. Be safe however you travel. If you see driving concerns, contact Rosthern RCMP at 306-232-6400 to register your complaint. Interested in BIKE & PEDESTRIAN SAFETY, send me an email.



YOUR MAYOR IN ACTION:

Jeff Peters, pictured last year, at our pickleball session. Maybe we will try outdoor pickleball

on a paved lot this spring??
*Wave when you see him out walking.
Thanks Jeff for all you do!

HEPBURN SCHOOL

- Closed Until Further Notice
- Playgrounds are Closed.
- **Find out more at website**
<https://blogs.spiritsd.ca/hepburn/>

Sask Valley Hospital Foundation (SVHF) Fundraiser

SVHF is the fundraising committee, authorized by the 9 municipalities of Twin Rivers region. Congrats to the winners and thanks to all ticket holders and sponsors for raising **\$16,320 towards New Hospital Project!** For a full list of winners, see www.townofhague.com

MINOR SOCCER NEWS

No Prairie Meats fundraiser this year. VSA has been encouraged by SSA to continue to plan for the 2020 Outdoor Season and are following the guidelines set out by Saskatchewan Soccer and the Provincial & Federal Governments. We will keep people updated as we hear things. Follow VSA on Facebook and website! Note the Cancellations of Coach and Ref Clinics at www.valleysoccer.ca/

HEPBURN BALL:

hepburnball@gmail.com

The season for children & youth has been cancelled. Watch for updates about future plans and ideas, as well as updates about news about SLO-PITCH.

THRIVE GROCERY

Online grocery with pickup and delivery every Wednesday from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm. Orders need to be in by Tuesday at noon. This is a fundraiser for the Thrive Discipleship Program but also provides a key service in this time where some people aren't able or willing to safely shop in stores. We get the food shipped directly from the supplier on a truck the same day it's available for pickup so there's minimal touch points and everything is sealed and handled by just a few of us following strict safety regulations. Safe handling procedures are included with each order. PLUS homemade baking by Martha each week!

FACEBOOK:

www.facebook.com/BethanyCollegeSK/

WEBSITE:

<https://thrivesk.com/>

ORDER FORM:

<https://thrivesk.wufoo.com/forms/zaoppcc1hwbydj/>

APRIL BUSINESS FEATURE:

LOCAL PLANTS

***Dyan Moulard—Floral & Hardy**
Find on facebook.

***Ariana Fehr—watch for posts about spring greenhouse (TBC).**

***Barb Hamm—B's Bloom, see the poster below.**

***To all in our community & area, please MAIL your business cards to the office &/or email suggestions to info@hepburn.ca**

B's Blooms Greenhouse
Opening May 1st

- Large selection of bedding plants
- Annuals and Perennials
- Hanging baskets
- Vegetable plants
- Herbs
- Strawberry plants

Hours of operation
9 to 5 Monday to Saturday
If you would like to come after hours call or text.
CLOSED ON SUNDAYS

Barb Hamm
(306) 290-5450
Cash only

Located 8 km North past Hepburn
On Hwy 12.
6 km East on Shmittsburg Rd

SHEPHERD'S VILLA NEWS:

shepherdsvilla@gmail.com

"Shepherd's Villa is doing good so far these days. The Renos to the Villa are mostly complete. The basement project included elevator construction, art room, and one fireplace. The office has been relocated to a smaller room & the "big room" is now the craft room. What is left to do is a change of flooring." (Jean-Yves Marsolais)



Barb Using Art Room

CHURCHES IN TOWN:

**HEPBURN GOSPEL CHURCH

Contact Office: (306)947-2143

hepburngospelchurch.com

Find info on website, facebook, & youtube.

**HEPBURN MB CHURCH

Contact Office: (306)947-2085

office@hepburnmb.com

hepburnmb.com

Find info on website, facebook, & youtube.

**VALLEY BEREAN FELLOWSHIP

Contact Cory: (306) 491-5624

**WORD OF HIS GRACE FELLOWSHIP

Contact Todd: (306) 227-8428

Email: tjhardy@sasktel.net

Find info on facebook.

How Can We Help?

For the duration of the COVID-19 pandemic, we want to be available to help with specific needs that may arise for anyone in our Hepburn community. If you need:

Grocery/Prescription Delivery

We know that leaving your home to pick up these items might not be an option for those who have a compromised immune system, elderly age or for a variety of other reasons. We have volunteers who are able to help be a delivery service for you.

Outdoor Yard Work

If you need someone to help with minor outdoor maintenance around your home, like snow shoveling, please let us know.

Food Hamper

If you or someone you know is in need of assistance in this way please let us know, we would love to help.

Prayer

No matter where you are at, we believe that God wants to meet you there. We are here to pray for any and all needs during this time.

If you have a need that is not listed here that we could possibly assist you with let us know as we would love to talk further with you.

Contact us at

Phone: (306)947-2085

Email: office@hepburnmb.com

Messages are checked regularly

Hepburn Gospel Church

www.hepburngospelchurch.com

Hepburn MB Church

www.hepburnmb.com

OPEN SPOT!

There is room... for your community NEWS, UPDATES, BUSINESS INFO, EVENT, FUNDRAISERS, & Etc. HERE! Get your notice in for NEXT MONTH by emailing details, graphics, or photos to info@hepburn.ca before May 22nd.

YOUR LEADERSHIP:

Have a Q. for our leaders? Send a message!

***Mayor (HEPBURN): Town of Hepburn.**

Jeff Peters. www.hepburn.ca

***MLA (SASKATCHEWAN): Biggar-Sask Valley.**

Randy Weekes. www.randyweekes.ca

***MP (CANADA): Carlton Trail-Eagle Creek.**

Kelly Block. www.kellyblock.ca