

Deadline: 20th of the month @ 10am for the following month.
 Contact Community Services 403-748-2160 community@townofbentley.ca

Everyone is invited to the annual.....

Good Neighbor Day

**Free Food
 Music/Dancing
 Resource Tables
 Touch a Vehicle
 Kids Korner**

EVERYONE IS INVITED!

Good Neighbor Day

SEPTEMBER 24/2025 3:30 TO 7:30 PM
 COME & GO AT THE BENTLEY AG CENTRE

Book Your Spot!
 Non Profits/Service Providers - information tables available

Sponsor Opportunities
 Door Prizes, Water/Pop, Dessert
 What would you like to contribute?

Volunteer Opportunities
 Set Up/Planning, Drink Station, Cooks, Clean Up, Floaters,

- The Plaiders 5:30-7:15 - great music for listening or dancing!
- Children's Corner - Seventh Day Adventist Church
- BBQ - Nutrien - thanks for the loan of the bbq!
- Facility - Bentley Ag Centre - thank you for the facility use!
- Touch A Truck - Town and others!

Info: 403-748-2160

Follow FB for updates

TOGETHER WE ARE BETTER!

Draw & Win Kids Contest

Draw a picture of something you like about Bentley.

Bring it to Good Neighbor Day to be put on display.

- ✔ 8.5 x 11
- ✔ Random Draw
Ages 6 & under
Ages 6 & older
- ✔ Pictures will be scanned for social media
- ✔ Please put name/number/age on the back for privacy

Prizes: TBA

Prizes sponsored by: Bentley Farmer's Market

Public Open House/Information Session
 Southeast Area Structure Plan

Date: Thursday, September 11, 2025
 Time: 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
 Location: Town of Bentley
 Municipal Office – Senior's Drop-in

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Music In The Park In Lacombe
Sept 3/25

Where are our age 50+ citizens?

LET'S GO!

The Community Van will leave the Town Office parking lot @ 5:30 pm

Cost: ONLY \$5 ride, drink, snack

RESERVE YOUR SEAT!
 Call 403-748-2160

Bring a lawn chair and your smile!

SEPTEMBER 3: THE ROJO'S

One of Western Canada's most versatile vocal groups, The RoJo's repertoire spans many genres of music including outlaw country, classic rock, blues and reggae. Whether performing their own songs or their unique takes on other people's material, they have a sound unlike any other band.

LACOMBE PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE



Kids Klub resumes September 15
Stay & Play resumes September 12

Mondays 3:15 to 5:15

Grades 3 to 5

Kids Klub

Where young minds meet big ideas!



With a focus on community engagement our program nurtures good citizenship, emotional regulation and creativity. We will explore science and art while learning valuable life skills in a fun and supportive environment



Fridays 9:30 to 11:30

Stay & Play

Ages 0-6 with an adult



Location: Basement of Town Office

Contact: Community Services 403-748-2160

Programs Facilitated by: Parenting Proactively 101



Bentley AG Society and Rodeo Bench Show
Sewing & Thread Arts Category

Congratulations to THE WINNERS

Sarahmae Jamieson

Krista McIntosh

Maureen McMurtie

Angela Wildeboer



Norma Kootz

Kay Leavitt

Judy Raabis

With special thanks to our sponsors

Prairie Points - Twisted Barn - Daisy Dots

Rimby Craft & Chat - Nuts for Bolts - Wanna Bee Quilting

Tulips & Quilts - Bentley & District AG Society



Over 55 Wellness Mornings

Mondays/Wednesdays

Seniors Drop In - Town Office

Call 403-748-2160



Mondays 9:45 to 11 am

Seated Range of Motion Exercises

Wednesdays 10:30 to 11:45 am

Chair Yoga - light movements



Move your body, make connections & socialize!



Have you considered becoming a Foster Parent?

Now is the time.

McMan Central is urgently seeking **over 30 beds** for children to call home.



To register:

frnlacombe@mcmcentral.ca



IT'S LIT!

BOY CODE

Thursdays @ 6:30-8pm

5 weeks

@ Lacombe FRN

10-14 year old boys - responsible decision making, relationship skills, self-management, demonstrate effective coping skills when faced with a problem, demonstrate self-discipline and self-control, demonstrate ethical decision making and social responsibility.

Try It For
FREE

Chance To Dance

Join us at Kozy Korner,
5024-53rd Street in
Lacombe, on
October 20th for a **FREE**
intro to cued
choreographed
social dance - the
two step.
See a demo and enjoy
refreshments.



Lessons start
Monday,
October 27th
\$5/night
6:30 - 7:45pm

**FIRST TWO CLASSES
ARE FREE!**

*Bring a partner
or come alone!*

*Come out and
give it a try!*

The Lacombe Round Dance Club gets together at Kozy Korner on
Monday nights during the winter.

Cliff: 403 866 3995 call or text



connecting community through **18+ SOCIAL DANCE**

Just some people who want to get together, share skills and dance!

We have enjoyed some two stepping, waltzing, line dancing, jiving, lindy hop and laughs!

Could you help someone learn? We are wanting to learn some line dancing.

We Invite you to our 4th Social Dance Session

- a variety of recorded music genres
- no partner needed
- come and learn
- come and help someone learn
- come and hangout
- come and DANCE!

*Dances will be planned for the
3rd Sunday each month*

WHEN: Sunday, Sept. 21/25 6:30 to 8:30pm
WHERE: Bentley Seniors Drop In
BRING: non alcoholic drink(s) or a glass/cup
for water, snack if you want one
COST: \$5 cash per person

Questions: 403-748-2160

Brought to you by:
Awesome
VOLUNTEERS



Dance, whether in organized classes or social settings, offers numerous opportunities for Socialization.

It fosters communication, teamwork, empathy, and self-confidence, while also providing a platform for building friendships and expanding social circles.

Through shared movement and creative expression, dance can enhance social and emotional development and create a sense of belonging within a community.

JOIN US!

This paper is produced by....

**FCSS -
Community
Services**

Contributions by citizens, non-profits, service providers and businesses are welcome.

Paid and "in kind" space available. A variety of delivery methods: postal, social media, around Town and the Town website to help people be in the know!

**Call 403.748.2160
to submit**



August 8th Fireworks Brought To You By:



Bentley Hotel

**MOORE'S BACKHOE
CONTRATING SERVICES LTD**



Barkie's *Spa*

**T & D FRANZ
R & D PARK**

Bentley Community Hall **Outlaw Electric**

**Bentley Community
Van Society**



Sunset Hills Riding Club **Bentley Museum**

Bentley ESSO **Bentley Agencies**





Bentley Museum

WELCOME AUTUMN
and BACK TO SCHOOL

Fall Hours

Wednesday 10:00 am - 11:00 am

A big thank you to our summer students
Emma Atsma and Ava Pike.

The girls did a fantastic job greeting our visitors and guests showing them our displays. Their friendliness and knowledge of our archived items were greatly appreciated. Many compliments were received.

A big thank you as well too Bart who showed his talents at Chainsaw Carvings at our Open House. Many visitors went home with his wood carvings. He will be back again next year.

We had over 300 visitors come to our museum over the summer with visitors from many towns and cities throughout Alberta, British Columbia, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Quebec, Ontario, Nova Scotia, Scotland, Switzerland, Hong Kong and Nigeria
A few History books and Dick Damron CD's and books are available at the Museum - FREE

Bentley Museum Contacts:

Rick: 403-304-0353 Diana: 403-748-4024



Some cooking, some crafting and lots of fun!

Dates: Oct 6, 20, 27 & Nov 3, 17, 24

Time: 3:30 to 5:30 pm

Age: Grade one/two

Investment: \$15

Contact Community Services

403.748.2160

Paid registration ensures a spot!

10 spots available



Hosted @
Bentley High School
Foods Lab



Public Open House/Information Session: Southeast Area Structure Plan

The Town of Bentley invites residents and property owners to a public meeting to discuss the proposed adoption of an updated **Southeast Area Structure Plan**. The ASP was adopted by Lacombe County in late 2023, but now that the land has been annexed, the Town of Bentley is proposing to re-adopt the plan as its own. This meeting will provide an opportunity to review the proposed plan and discuss preferred land uses and development standards for the area.

This is the first step in the process to obtain community input. In addition, a statutory public hearing by Council is required before the Area Structure Plan can be formally adopted. This public hearing will occur at a future date once public input has been incorporated into the plan and council considers it for first reading.

Meeting Details

- **Date:** Thursday, September 11, 2025
- **Time:** 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- **Location:** Town of Bentley Municipal Office – Senior's Drop-in

For More Information

Town of Bentley

- **Contact:** Marc Fortais, CAO
- **Phone:** 403-748-4044
- **Email:** mfortais@townofbentley.com

Parkland Community Planning Services (PCPS)

- **Contact:** Albert Flootman, RPP, MCIP
- **Phone:** 403-710-8996
- **Email:** albert.flootman@pcps.ab.ca

All interested members of the public are encouraged to attend.



The Bentley Parade and Sunset Hills Riding Club is pleased to congratulate the following award winners:

Best Overall entry
The Bentley Scoop

Best Commercial entry
GLDC
Bentley Scoop
Nutrien
Royal feed—runner up

Best Organizational entry
Bentley Museum
Bentley Ag Centre
Blindman Valley Minor Hockey

Honorable mentions:
Camp Silverside
Summer Village of Gull Lake
Westerner Days
Lacombe Regional Tourism.



Best antique or classic Vehicle
Trent Baumbach

Best antique farm equipment
Allan Wilson
Thomas Mueller

Best Horse Entries
McKendrick stables riders:
Murphy
Ellie/Floyd
Faith

HUGE shout-out to ALL parade participants and spectators for making such a festive day amid challenging weather.

Massive thank you to our parade sponsors: West Country Mills, Taylor Snow Trucking Ltd, The Drop Coffee and Tea, Hawk Tail Brewing, Magnum Hydrovac, Royal Feed and Farm Supply, The Market at Bentley

Thank you to our awesome judges. Will look forward to next year!!

Donations Accepted



The Blessing Pantry has food set up at the Library for people to access.

This is available free, to bless you, when the Library is open.

Tuesday 10:00 AM - 05:30 PM
Wednesday 10:00 AM - 05:30 PM
Thursday 12:00 PM - 07:30 PM
Friday 10:00 AM - 05:30 PM
Saturday 11:00 AM - 03:00 PM

Crocheting is a wonderful and versatile hobby that offers endless possibilities for creativity and relaxation. As a skill that can be learned by anyone, it's both rewarding and accessible, making it an ideal activity for those looking to create beautiful handmade items.

Do you crochet?

Could you help someone learn?

Would you like to get together a couple of times a month to work on your projects while socializing?

We have a volunteer who would like to host a

CROCHET SOCIAL

for adults/youth and explore other ideas for crafting together.

Interested? Contact 403-748-2160



Volunteer Drivers Needed



Bentley Community Van

587-877-1002

Trips depend on driver availability



TRIP CHANGES

2nd Wednesday - Red Deer shopping
3rd Wednesday - Lacombe post office/shopping
4th Wednesday - Sylvan Lake shopping
These trips are open to everyone!

No Charge - donations accepted

Please contact our coordinator for more information and book your seat!

DID YOU KNOW?
Community Groups may be able to use the van?
LET'S TALK!

NOTABLE MOMENTS
WORDS OF THANKS

Submit to
community@townofbentley.ca
text 403.748.2160

- *Amazing fair week. Many thanks to everyone who volunteered and sponsored everything!*
- *Great fireworks - appreciated the evening with my young family!*
- *Fantastic Car Show. Hats off to the organizers, volunteers & sponsors.*
- *Enjoyed pancakes both mornings - great to see so many people out.*
- *Drive In Movie was enjoyed....mother nature not so much....lol*
- *Small Town rocked ... great events.*
- *Parade was awesome in spite of the weather! Thanks everyone :)*
- *We have enjoyed all the Music in the Park outings. Thank you to the organizers and funders!*
- *We are new to Town and so happy to be here!*
- *Visited, shopped, ate, met nice people....we will be back!*
- *Thank you to the seniors for cornhole this summer.*
- *Enjoy your retirement Queen Bea! We will miss your store.*
- *The quilt shop is awesome.*
- *Congrats to the new owners of Piccolo's*
- *We appreciate the responsible pet owners in Town.*
- *Fair week was fun!*
- *The Farmer's Market has been awesome.*
- *Museum Open House was nice, enjoyed the carving as well.*
- *The town looks beautiful! Nice flowers and tidy. Thanks Public Works! PC*
- *Shout out to the public works staff for all they do and the above and beyond. BV*

A huge ***THANK YOU*** to the Bentley Museum for generously hosting the post-time-capsule-opening gathering and providing refreshments and cake at the Drop-In on Saturday afternoon. It was wonderful to share the moment with everyone who attended. (A bunch missing from the photo ...)
Photo Credit: [Bobbie Palanuik](#)



Re-Elect Lenore Eastman

For Town Council

Meet & Greet
September 17, 2025
6pm-8pm
Bentley Scoop
&
Holey Grail

Beverage & Treats On Me!

POWER HOUR UTILITY PRESENTATION

UNDERSTANDING UTILITY CHOICES FOR SENIORS

September 17 - 1:00 pm
Online
Zoom Platform

Join us to learn about:

- Tips for utilities while moving
- Shopping for utilities
- Understanding utility bills
- Saving money on utilities
- Winter Utilities Reconnection Program

A question-and-answer session will follow the presentation



presented by
utilitiesconsumer
advocate

310-4UCA (4822) | UCAhelps@gov.ab.ca
UCAhelps@gov.ab.ca | UCAhelps.alberta.ca



Monday - Friday 8am to 3pm **403.748.4044**
 info@townofbentley.ca www.townofbentley.ca

Council meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday evening monthly at 6:30 pm

Agendas and meeting packages are posted on the Town Website Fridays prior to each Council Meeting. Citizens are encouraged to keep themselves educated on Town Council and Administration activities via these documents. Public is welcome and encouraged to attend Council meetings.

To attend as a delegation, please contact Town Office for the proper procedure to do so.



2025 Animal License Tags - As per Bylaw 152/2011 All dogs and cats in the Town of Bentley require a tag.



Animal control license tags may be purchased at the Town office. Applications may be obtained at the Town office or on the website. **spayed/neutered \$35, unaltered \$45 Please remember to scoop the poop!!**

Reminder for Weekly Residential Garbage Collection - Don't be missed because your garbage is not available for pick up.

Please have your garbage (maximum 4 bags, 40 lbs. or less) ready for pick up by 7:30 am on regular garbage days for collection.

Please be patient if it isn't picked up at the same time each week. The public works personnel collecting garbage changes, as may the route and the volume of garbage.



Business Licenses - With a few exceptions, all Commercial and Home based businesses in the Town of Bentley require a valid yearly Business License. This also applies to those businesses and services that are not located in the town of Bentley but are coming into town to conduct business or provide a service. The application form can be found on the Town's website or picked up at the Town office.

Monthly Tax installment - Payments are an option with the Town of Bentley. For more information on this program, please call the town office or drop in and speak with one of our staff.

Utility Payment Agreements - We offer auto withdrawal from your bank for your Town Water, Sewer & Garbage utility payments. We are also offer emailed utility billings rather than a paper copy, your choice.

Waste Transfer Station & Recycling Bins

403-748-3961

Thursday 9am-4:45pm
Friday 9am-4:45pm
Saturday 1pm-4:45pm

CLOSED stat holidays

BENTLEY AGENCIES
All classes of
Insurance & Registration

ALL LAST NAMES & COMPANY NAMES STARTING WITH THE LETTERS F, PO, AND T WILL BE DUE THE END OF THE MONTH!

Hello
September

SAVE THE DATE

OCT. 4TH 2025

Town of Bentley FALL FEST

Bentley Municipal Park (Elks Park)
4918 50 Ave, Town of Bentley
12PM - 4PM

Lacombe REGIONAL TOURISM

FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY! MARKET - DUCK HERDING - OLD TYME GAMES - LIVE MUSIC & MORE!

Mayor Greg Rathjen Update



Wow, summer is over. School is on its way back and we've had a great summer in Bentley and area.

I want to say how much we appreciated everyone that got involved in our rodeo [non-rodeo] weekend. It turned out to be one of the best rodeo weekends minus the rodeo. We look forward to the rodeo next year. Lots of people showed up for breakfasts and all the different activities. Even in poor weather the Parade was impressive. We had a great group of dignitaries, responders and service people that came for the lunch with our MP and MLA's, with several area Mayors and councillors were in the parade. It

turned out positive with visitors being surprised at what a good parade Bentley puts on. Thanks to all the people who make it happen each year, fireworks, movie, car show, bench show, reunion, kids petting zoo and more!

*As far as our team working in town, we have a new member on staff, Sarah Lafleur working in public works, filling the vacancy as Nathan Dennehy has moved up to 'Maintenance worker 3' We have lots of things happening in a busy town. We've hired a company to finish up the soccer field/track area and they will be responsible for it for a year, getting everything up and going. Looking good.

*At our arena we're moving on forward as soon as possible to getting everything back and running as our hockey season is coming quickly. It's been a major job and we're very fortunate that we were able to fund it. Again, thanks to all that I've been willing to go without rodeo this this summer. We know that it will be a great when it comes back.

*The Farmer's Market has been doing very good and our new businesses in town and all our businesses are busy. On Saturdays it's great to see that there's a parking challenge. In talking with many people that are visiting, the words I get from most of them is, "Bentley is an amazing town." This is a beautiful town and many comment on our attractive main street, buildings and parks. We thank our staff and summer staff for keeping everything looking beautiful. It is positive when people notice and comment on how this is a great community, a special town, they just feel so positive here and are looking forward to coming back. I've talked to people who have never been here, and they came off the bypass and really enjoyed themselves. This goes well for all those who have invested in so many different aspects of our community, especially our businesses. BENTLEY HAS BECOME A PLACE TO BE IN.

*As we are moving forward, lots of things are happening in the town and in the area. We're very fortunate to see the fields have a great crop. Looking ahead, we see forward to many great opportunities for people to come as lots are being sold. It appears we sold three lots last year and we've now will have sold seven lots this year and houses are being built. When houses are coming on the market they are often sold within days. We want to welcome everybody that is moving here and choosing to purchase and live in Bentley. Some have watched the market for a year to finally get a home in Bentley We trust everyone will be happy they have chosen to BE here. *We are always open for people to sit in on council on the second and fourth Tuesday evening at 6:30 PM. Speaking of the future you still have up till 20 September to submit papers to run for Mayor or Council. There are five positions in total, and we'd encourage people to consider getting involved and letting their name stand for serving in our community. The papers can be given to you at the town office.

*Our museum will be shutting down the summer hours soon.

*With cold, hot, rain, and lots of lawn mowing, it has been a great summer in every way. Again, another summer minus mosquitoes. As we listen to news around the world, we are most fortunate to live in Bentley and area.

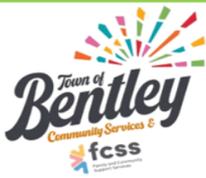
One side note; Dick Damron at 91 passed away in March and we had the funeral in August celebrating "The Legend and the Legacy." Everyone going to the Funeral had to come down Dick Damron drive to get to the funeral; we will miss him.

*For our school, Adam Sia has been appointed as the new principal of the Bentley School. We welcome him to our community. He comes with a great many years of experience.

With changes coming, I speak on behalf of our whole council, staff and CAO Marc Fortais, to thank everyone for the support, contributions; and encouragement extended to us in making Bentley the Place to BE. Working and believing together assisting Bentley to reach many goals in leading our community into the future.

If you are new to town and a senior, seniors watch for get togethers Tuesday and Thursdays at the Drop-in Center.

Looking to a great fall. Mayor Greg Rathjen



be in the know

Community Services is located in the Bentley Long Term Care @ 4834-52 Avenue Monday – Thursday 8-3:30

Staff is often working out of the office attending to duties thereby appointments are recommended.

403-748-2160 community@townofbentley.ca

CHURCH COMING FULLY ALIVE IN 2025

We invite you to join with us each Sunday at 10AM

As we continue the study...

Taking back what has been stolen.

Coffee fellowship after each service



BENTLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH [ALIVE IN 2025] 4824 50th St. BENTLEY, AB. PASTOR GREG RATHJEN [1987 TO PRESENT] *Founded in 1928 P.A.O.C. *****Welcome to a fellowship of people looking to the Lord and then reaching out to bless, help & encourage others!

Bentley Municipal Library

September Newsletter

September is "Library Sign Up" month

Movie Night

Lilo & Stitch

Sept. 18th @ 3:30pm



Profiling Art

starts September 4



Dewydecimile Walking Club
Fridays 10:30 - 11:30



Sourdough Workshop
September 25 @6pm



September Spice Club is

"CUMIN"



5th Annual Ity Bity Teenie Weenie Art Challenge starts September 2

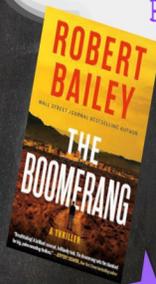
Lego Club

Sept. 3rd & Sept. 17th

3:30-4:30pm

Book Pick

The Boomerang
By Robert Bailey



Nature Skool starts September 9

Grace Lutheran Church



Summer break from services

July, August and September 7

Sept 21 Services resume at Grace

Services held on 1st and 3rd Sundays of the Month

BENTLEY Afterschool Program

Friday September 12,26

Family Resource Network

Location: TBA

Are your kids curious about learning with hands on activities with their peers. Then join us for some great fun!

We will be doing fun activities each class. A small snack will be provided.

Ages 6-13
3:30-5:00 pm

To register:
403-896-3915/587-679-0544
frnlacombe@mcmancentral.ca

Thursdays @ Bentley arena starting late Oct/early Nov to March -

***except 2 night level 5-6/Prestar/JrStar Thursday and Friday
- 5 skaters min to run extra Friday night***

Pre School CanSkate - 3:30-4:00

**Learn the fundamentals of skating in a fun-filled 30 min class.
Open to children ages 3-5, non-parented class.**

CanSkate 4:00-4:45

**Learn the fundamentals of skating in a fun-filled atmosphere
in a 45 min class, Open to children ages 5+**

**Level 5-6/Prestar/JrSTAR Basic 1 night Thurs 4:45-5:45, *2nd night Friday 4:00-4:45*
learn to figure skate program for skaters who are finishing up or completed Stage 6 badges
and are working on STAR 1 & STAR 2 levels...**

this is a group instructed class. offered in a 1 or 2 day session/week*

Visit our Facebook group

**@ - Bentley Skate Club for more information on our programs offered or email at -
bentleyskate@gmail.com**



Scan QR code to register



**KidSport Lacombe -
Approved Program**

<https://kidsportcanada.ca/alberta/lacombe/>

Registration night: Sept 11th 6pm-7pm

@ Bentley downtown park (East of the town office)

last chance for early bird registration

**Precan, canskate, PreStar/JrStar
1 night \$200 + \$60 Skate Canada fee**

Level 5-6/PreStar/JrStar skate 2 nights - \$400 + \$60 Skate Canada fee

save \$25 from now till Sept 11th with early bird registration



Since our last report in May, the Bentley District Fire Department has responded to 29 calls, which is actually pretty quiet for this time of year. Of those calls, 17 have been non-emergency alarms calls due to cooking incidents or faulty carbon monoxide or smoke detectors. If your CO or smoke detector goes off, please do evacuate the building. However, you should know that the fire department will respond unless you call your alarm company and have them cancel us.

We have also had some more serious calls, including 4 watercraft in distress incidents. One of these involved five people who were on a floating raft that was blown away from shore. One person on the raft decided to make a try for the shore on a floating mattress but was unable to make any headway against the wind. We were able to locate both the main raft and the individual and get them back safely to shore.

Summer always brings with it increased travel and a few motor vehicle accidents. We have responded to seven of these in the last 2 and a half months, with a couple of them being quite serious. One patient needed to be extricated from their vehicles with the Jaws of Life-type tools.

Some other calls have included two vehicle fires, a tractor fire, two small grass fires and some medical assist calls with EMS.

Since our last report we have also had some long-serving and extremely valuable members retire from our department.

Stephen Dojahn joined the Bentley District Fire Department in 2018. In the eight years he was with us, he advanced to the rank of Captain based upon his dedication, strong work ethic and leadership ability. Stephen has been an invaluable asset to our department, and we will miss his contributions greatly. Both Stephen’s brother, Curtis, and his daughter, Trinity, remain on the department and doubtless they will regale Stephen with stories of all the exciting calls he is missing!

Also leaving us recently are the dynamic duo, the husband and wife team of Al and Jan Bickford. Jan joined us in 2010 and filled so many roles on the department that it was hard to keep track! She was a Captain, social organizer and administrative wizard. Never one to seek the spotlight, Jan often worked quietly in the background doing the many jobs that keep a volunteer organization going. To say we will miss her is a huge understatement.

Allen joined us in 2009 and was one of the longest serving members of the Bentley Fire Department. Allen had been serving as the Deputy Chief for many years, and his calm leadership was respected and appreciated by every member of the department. Allen was willing to leave his farm during the day, when many of the rest of the members were unable to respond. On a few occasions, he was the only member to respond initially! Allen is one of those people who can do it all. If it needs to be fixed, taken apart or moved, he was our guy.

Thanks you, Stephen, Jan and Allen, for you many years of dedicated service. The door is always open to all three of you.

Finally, I want to congratulate some of our newer members for completing their NFPA 1001 Level 1 course and becoming full members of the department. Great job and welcome aboard to Brian Kasper, Celine Leikeim, Trinity Dojahn and Cayla Kenyon. The future of our department looks bright!



Peer Coaching for Healthy Living

You don't have to do it alone

Get support for coping with long-term health concerns.



What Will a Peer Coach Do?

- Explore how to solve problems, set action plans, and achieve goals
- Check in with you on your goals, and help make decisions towards healthy habits
- Help find services and programs in your community
- Be a supportive listening ear—a safe place to share
- Talk with you for 30 minutes every week for 3 months
- Connect with adults in the Edmonton and Northern Alberta areas who cannot to use online options

Who are the Peer Coaches?

They are trained AHS volunteers who may be living with similar health issues.

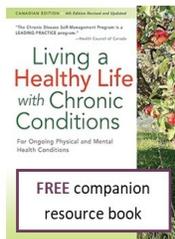
They are not healthcare providers and cannot offer medical advice.

How Do I Get a Peer Coach?

There is NO COST to be paired with a coach. Scan the QR code or call the number listed.

Registration: North Zone: 1-877-349-5711

Edmonton Zone: 825-404-7460 (press 3)





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Stay and Play September 2025



Kids Klub September 2025

Sept 12: "The Wheels on the Bus"

Theme: Transportation & Movement

Gross Motor: Tape roads on the floor with masking tape for ride-on cars or crawling toddlers

Hula hoops as "steering wheels" or bus wheels to roll
Play "Red Light, Green Light"

Free Play Items: Toy cars, buses, trains

Blocks to build bus stops

Little figurines as passengers

Steering wheels (paper plates with center cut out)

Craft: Make a Bus!

Pre-cut shapes (rectangle for body, circles for wheels)

Let children glue onto cardstock

Use stickers or draw passengers in windows

Story Time: The Wheels on the Bus

Sing Along: Act it out with hand motions and encourage kids to join in

Sept 19: "It's Okay to Be Different"

Theme: Feelings & Individuality

Gross Motor: Mirror play with silly faces

Obstacle course with color spots (different ways to go through = everyone's path is okay!)

Dancing with scarves or colored streamers

Free Play Items: Dolls and animals in all colors and shapes

Dress-up clothes, books with faces and emotions

Craft: "Me" Portraits

Use paper plates or large paper

Kids glue yarn, buttons, googly eyes, fabric scraps

Encourage them to make their face however they want

Story Time: It's Okay to Be Different

Sept 26: "We're Going on a Leaf Hunt"

Theme: Autumn & Nature

Gross Motor: Indoor "leaf hunt". Hide paper or real leaves around the space

Walking across balance beams or 'logs'

Free Play Items: Real or fake leaves

Sensory bin with leaves,, sticks

Nature-themed animal figures (squirrels, foxes, birds)

Craft: Leaf Art

Use collected or paper leaves

Glue onto paper to make trees or leaf collages

Optional: sponge paint around leaves for prints

Story Time: We're Going on a Leaf Hunt

Act Out: Repeat the lines together and add hand motions like stomping or climbing

September Overview: "Building Our Best Selves!"

September 15: Welcome & Connection

Theme: Getting to Know You

Snack

Craft (30–40 min): "All About Me" Puzzle Pieces

Materials: Cardstock, scissors, crayons/markers

Instructions: Each child decorates a puzzle piece with their name, interests, and something they're proud of. Fit all the pieces together on a poster to show that everyone belongs to make our special group

Social-Emotional Focus: Belonging, identity, sharing about ourselves in a safe space.

Activity: "Human Bingo"

Movement-based get-to-know-you game where kids find others who match prompts (e.g., "Has a pet," "Loves pizza")

September 22: Kindness & Cooperation

Theme: Friendship in Action

Snack

Craft (30–40 min): "Kindness Rocks"

Materials: Smooth stones, paint or markers, mod podge (optional)

Instructions: Decorate rocks with kind words or images. Rocks can be placed in a community kindness garden or taken home.

Social-Emotional Focus: Practicing kind words and gestures, sharing positivity.

Activity: "Pass the Compliment" Circle Game—like hot potato but each time the ball is passed your compliment or encourage who you're passing to

September 29: Confidence & Creativity

Theme: Celebrating Super Me!

Snack

Craft (30–40 min): "Super Me Shields"

Materials: Paper plates or cardboard, markers, glue, magazines for collage, scissors

Instructions: Kids create a "super shield" that shows their strengths and things that make them unique.

Social-Emotional Focus: Self-esteem, celebrating what makes us special.

Activity: "Power Share"

Allow kids to share a joke, dance move, or drawing in a no-pressure mini talent show to show off their unique "powers".



The Seniors Drop In Welcomes Everyone 55+

- Tuesdays 1 pm Socialize/cards/games
- Thursdays 1pm Socialize/cards/cornhole
- Potluck Last Tuesday each month

Membership Fee: \$20

Start Date: September 9/25

Loretta 403-748-4087

Diana 403-4024

Karen 403-748-4233

Located in Town Office 4918-50 Avenue



Over 55 Wellness Mornings Mondays/Wednesdays Seniors Drop In - Town Office Call 403-748-2160



Mondays 9:45 to 11 am

Seated Range of Motion Exercises

Wednesdays 10:30 to 11:45 am

Chair Yoga - light movements



Move your body, make connections & socialize!

Central AB Women's Emergency Shelter 1.888.346.5643

Suicide Distress Line 1.800.SUICIDE (784.2433) Suicide Crisis Helpline 988

Hope for Wellness Chat 1.855.242.3310

Kid's Help Phone 1.800.668.6868

Alberta Mental Health Helpline 1.877.303.2642

Health Link 811

211 Alberta - find programs/services

Indigenous Support Line 1.844.944.4744

Addiction Helpline 1.866.332.2322

Crisis Text Line - text CONNECT to 741741

Bullying Helpline 310.1818

Child Abuse Hotline 1.800.387.5437

Dementia Advice 811

Income Support Contact Centre 1.866.644.5135

Poison & Drug Information Service 1.800.332.1414

It's always beneficial to have certain important numbers readily available for emergencies and everyday needs. Keep contact information for the local hospital, poison control center, and personal doctor.

It's also wise to have numbers for roadside assistance services, especially if you travel frequently. Include the contact details of trusted neighbors or nearby family members who can assist in urgent situations.

Don't forget to save numbers for utility services like electricity, water, and gas companies to report outages or issues.

Lastly, keep the phone numbers of your workplace, children's schools, and any other organization pertinent to your daily life. Having these numbers easily accessible can save valuable time and provide peace of mind.



Running for a council position can be a rewarding opportunity to make a tangible impact in your community. It allows you to have a direct say in local governance, addressing issues that matter to residents, such as infrastructure, education, and public safety. Serving on a council provides a platform to advocate for change, promote inclusive policies, and ensure that diverse community voices are heard. Additionally, it's an excellent way to build leadership skills, network with influential figures, and gain a deeper understanding of civic processes. By taking on this role, you can help shape the future of Bentley.

Nomination Papers Due Sept 22/25 at noon

Information packages are available at Town Office and on the website

Bentley United Church Time Capsule



A big thank you to all who came out to see the Time Capsule Opening and to Bud and Sharon from the Kite Guys for opening the Time Capsule. It was so nice to see old friends and Bentley residents who show an interest in our history.

The Bentley United Church was built in 1965, and a time capsule was enclosed in the wall of the church. 60 years later the time capsule was opened and everything was perfectly preserved. A copy of all the documents will be copied, and

a booklet will be on display at the Bentley Museum.

A second time capsule will be placed in the original container with a copy of the booklet. The next opening will be in 40 years from now.

If anyone has a story about their family attending the United Church, we would love to enclose your story for the next time capsule.

The articles should be on a sheet of paper (8.5 x 11) as there will be limited space.

For information you can contact Diane @ 403-748-4024. Documents will be accepted until the end of September as the space must be closed before winter.

Thank you to Bud and Sharon from the Kite Guys for doing this.



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