

## **Important Dates**

November 3

Green Community
Dumpster Service Wraps Up

November 10

Residential Green Bin Winter Pause

**November 10** 

Dementia Workshop 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

November 11

Remembrance Day

November 12-18

Métis Week

November 17

Coffee with Councillors

Daytime session: 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Evening session: 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

November 28

Battle with the Broncos Charity Game 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM

November 30

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# DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

Alberta has the third highest rate of self-reported spousal violence among Canadian provinces, yet family violence is preventable. November is Family Violence Prevention Month (FVPM) in Alberta. www.alberta.ca/family-violence-prevention-month

We encourage you to stop by the Community Connection Centre, located at 4911-51 Avenue to pick up a purple ribbon to wear during the month of November as part of the Purple Ribbon Campaign to show support for those escaping domestic violence. From November 1-15, the Gazebo in Centennial Park will be lit up with purple lights to recognize all those who have been touched by domestic violence in our community and surrounding areas.

Moose Hide Campaign pins are also available for the public. This is an Indigenous Led grassroots movement of men and boys – and all Canadians who are standing up against violence towards women and children.

To learn more about how you can help family, friends and neighbours who may be experiencing family violence, visit the Mountain View Emergency Shelter Society:

www.mountainviewemergencyshelter.ca/

## **Battle with the Broncos**

Mark your calendars for the 1st Annual Battle with the Broncos, November 28th from 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM at the Olds Sportsplex where your Olds and area First Responders will take to the ice against the Olds College Women's Broncos.

Prepare yourself for an evening of entertainment that includes a raffle and opportunity to Shoot to Win \$10,000 courtesy of Hildebrand Motors.

All proceeds raised from the event go to the Mountain View Emergency Shelter Society. Entry by donation and/or non-perishable food item.

www.olds.ca/battlethebroncos

# **Dementia Workshop**

Presented by Beth Nolan and developed by renowned dementia educator, Teepa Snow. This workshop aims to help care partners understand brain changes resulting from dementia and to learn new ways to approach those changes.

Date: Friday November 10th 2023

Time: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Location: Olds College Alumni - 4500 50 St, Olds Cost: \$30.00 per ticket includes coffee/muffins

and lunch



Tickets available on Eventbrite







# OLDS

## In Flanders Fields

by John McCrae

In Flanders fields the poppies blow Between the crosses, row on row, That mark our place: and in the sky The larks still bravely singing fly Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the dead: Short days ago, We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow, Loved and were loved: and now we lie In Flanders fields!

Take up our quarrel with the foe
To you, from failing hands, we throw
The torch: be yours to hold it high
If ye break faith with us who die,
We shall not sleep, though
poppies grow
In Flanders fields

Remembrance Day is a time for us to reflect on the sacrifices made by those who served our country. We are forever grateful for their courage and commitment to safeguarding our future. It is in their memory that we continue to strive for peace and harmony within our community.



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### **Coffee With Councillors**

After a positive response this summer, we're pleased to announce that Coffee with Councillors is back, now with added evening sessions. We hope you can join us to share your valuable input on our community.

#### Friday November 17th, 2023

Dieppe Room at the Olds Legion Daytime session: 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Evening session: 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

www.olds.ca/councilcoffee

# Stay in the know to help us clear snow!

Your safety and the safety of our snow clearing team are top priorities this winter. Keep informed by checking our social media and subscribing to email alerts. Watch for signs or equipment in your area – please be patient and let our crews do their work. Please use our www.olds.ca/RAP to report any issues or concerns. Together, let's keep Olds safe and fun this winter!

www.olds.ca/subscribe

# Christmas Kick-Off Light Up Event

Presented by the Olds Fashioned Christmas Committee

December 2, 2023

Bring the whole family out for the Kick-Off to Christmas Lightup and Santa Claus Parade on December 2 - brought to you by Olds Fashioned Christmas.

2:30 PM-5:30 PM: Activities in Centennial Park: snow bowling, snow painting, free hot dogs and hot chocolate. Visits with Santa and Mrs. Claus. Live Nativity and Skating. Follow the Olds Fashioned Christmas Facebook Page for updates!

www.olds.ca/OFC



#### **Become a Snow Angel!**

It's the neighbourly thing to do! For some, the first snow fall of the year is a welcome event. For others, the first snow fall brings worries of slipping and falling. Snow Angels is an awareness and recognition program, encouraging residents to help a neighbour in need with snow removal.

#### Why Volunteer?

Snow that remains on sidewalks is hazardous for everyone, especially for people with limited mobility who may be severely injured from a fall on ice or snow. Our community will be safer and more accessible if we can keep sidewalks, walkways, and driveways clear of snow. Small acts of kindness change the world!

#### Become an Angel

To help with snow removal or to apply for snow removal support please contact Apryl Webb. awebb@olds.ca 403-507-4847

www.olds.ca/fcss/volunteering

# **Housing Assessment**

Knowing our housing needs is our first step toward enriching life in Olds. It's not just about being able to afford having a roof over your head—it's about creating a community that brings in families, skilled professionals, and the services we depend on every day. This also signals to developers and investors that Olds is a prime location with many possibilities. By making informed decisions with housing, we can open doors and make Olds a more vibrant, fulfilling place to be.

See the results of the 2023 Housing Assessment here:

www.olds.ca/housing-needs

## Métis Week November 12-18, 2023

The Métis are a robust, thriving community and one of three legally, politically, and culturally distinct Indigenous peoples of Canada, recognized by s. 35 (2) of the Constitution Act, 1982.

Olds is proud to be the home of many Métis people. During Métis Week 2023, we want to recognize their contributions to our community. Contact Mountain View Moccasin House located in the Community Connection Centre at 4911-51 Avenue to learn more.

www.olds.ca/ccc