

# Town of Vauxhall



## Newsletter & Mayor's Message

### Thanksgiving Monday, Oct 10th

Thanksgiving Day is a holiday to give thanks for the blessings in one's life, particularly the harvest. It is a day off work for many Canadians.

The first government sanctioned Thanksgiving holiday in Canada took place in November 1879, though it wasn't until 1957 that the date was set to the second Monday each October.

### Gluten-Free Gravy

Many of us grew up watching our mothers make Thanksgiving gravy using the turkey pan drippings, plus wheat flour. Fortunately, it's incredibly easy to make gluten-free gravy — just substitute corn starch for the flour. Again, make sure you *don't* use any of the packets of gravy mix that come with certain turkeys since they do contain gluten. Gravy mix that's labeled gluten-free is safe.

### **Mayors Message**

**Survey** The past three years we have seen the Library and Pool built, the Recreation Centre painted, the Arena and Curling rink have had some upgrades to heaters, flooring and more. The Town office has a new roof and siding as well as some minor renovations inside and the old water treatment plant has been converted to a Fire Training Centre.

We have applied for a grant to assist us in updating the Community Hall and are awaiting a response. Now, we would like to take a moment to ask everyone in Vauxhall if we are on the right track with our upcoming projects.

We will be sending out a survey with the next newsletter and would love to have everyone complete the survey and return them to the office by November 30th. Please help us decide on Vauxhall's future projects, everyone's opinion is important to our community.

**Municipal Planning Commission:** We are looking for Vauxhall residents who can spare about one hour, once a month to participate on the Municipal Planning Commission Board. You will be presented with development permit applications for example; new homes or renovations to existing structures as well as compliance waivers. Our meetings are the second Monday of the month at 6:30pm, training will be provided.

### **Newsletter**

**In September's Newsletter a form was attached, to update your contact information in case of an EMERGENCY SITUATION if you have not filled out this form please do so and return to the office or we have a drop box located by the front door for your convenience you can also email the completed form to [cao@town.vauxhall.ab.ca](mailto:cao@town.vauxhall.ab.ca).**

**If you would like to start receiving your utility invoice by email please let us know by filling out the appropriate section on the same form.**

What's a vampires' least favorite song?



Halloween is Monday, Oct 31<sup>st</sup>

What did the mummy say to the detective?  
How do monsters tell their fortune?

Let's wrap this up!  
They read the 'horror scopes'!