

Rainbow Lake Newsletter

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Fire Prevention Week

Oct 8-14, 2024

Since 1922, the NFPA has sponsored the public observance of Fire Prevention Week. In 1925, President Calvin Coolidge proclaimed Fire Prevention Week a national observance, making it the longest-running public health observance in our country. During Fire Prevention Week, children, adults, and teachers learn how to stay safe in case of a fire. Firefighters provide lifesaving public education in an effort to drastically decrease casualties caused by fires.

Fire Prevention Week is observed each year during the week of October 9th in commemoration of the Great Chicago Fire, which began on October 8, 1871, and caused devastating damage. This horrific conflagration killed more than 250 people, left 100,000 homeless, destroyed more than 17,400 structures, and burned more than 2,000 acres of land.

This year's focus is:

Smoke Alarms: Make Them Work For You!

Fire Prevention Week

When the smoke alarm sounds, **get outside and stay outside.**
Go to your **outside meeting place.** Call **9-1-1** from a mobile phone or a trusted neighbor's phone.
Stay outside until the fire department tells you it is safe to go back inside.

Smoke Alarms: Make Them Work For You!™



Test all smoke alarms at least **once a month** by pushing the test button.

Make sure smoke alarms meet the needs of all family members, including those with sensory or physical disabilities.

Replace smoke alarms **10 years** from the date of manufacture.

You could have as little as two minutes to get out safely once the smoke alarm sounds. Working smoke alarms give you early warning so you can get outside quickly.

Installation

- Install smoke alarms in every bedroom, outside each separate sleeping area (like a hallway), and on each level (including the basement) of the home.
- When installing, follow the instructions that come with the smoke alarm.
- For the best protection, interconnect all smoke alarms. When one sounds, they all sound. It is important to have interconnected smoke alarms if you sleep with the bedroom doors closed.
- A smoke alarm should be on the ceiling or high on a wall.

How to Choose an Alarm

It is important to purchase a smoke alarm that is listed by a qualified testing laboratory. The two most common types of smoke alarms are ionization and photoelectric alarms.

- For the best protection, or where extra time is needed to wake up or help others, both types of alarms or dual sensor ionization-photoelectric alarms are recommended.
- An ionization smoke alarm is more responsive to flaming fires and a photoelectric smoke alarm is more responsive to smoldering fires.
- Photoelectric smoke alarms are the best type of alarms to be installed near the kitchen and bathrooms to reduce nuisance alarms.

Testing and Maintenance

- Test smoke alarms at least once a month by pushing the test button.
- Follow the manufacturer's instructions for cleaning to keep smoke alarms working.

Replacement

- Smoke alarms with non-replaceable (long-life) batteries are designed to remain effective for up to 10 years. If the alarm chirps, warning that the battery is low, replace the entire smoke alarm right away.
- For smoke alarms that do not have non-replaceable (long-life) batteries, replace batteries at least once a year. If the alarm chirps, replace only the battery.

Fire Prevention Week

The Town would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the men and women of the Rainbow Lake Volunteer Fire Department. We appreciate the time, dedication, and hard work you put in.

Join us in thanking your local Fire Department!!

James Barnhill—Fire Chief

Ron Stevens—Deputy Fire Chief

Dustin Seghers—Captain

Mark Kastiro—Captain

Ashley Howatt

Brendan Bedard

Brendon Emmett

Cid Boivin

Kaleb Goldade

Karen Simms

Lorne Lambert

Marshall Wild

Max Marko

Melissa Stevens

Myles Simms





**PARTY STARTS
08:00PM**

OCT 26, 2024



HALLOWEEN PARTY

AT THE PEC PEX

LIVE MUSIC

SOUL SMASH



**DONT FORGET YOUR MASK AND
CREEPY COSTUME**

AGM'S HAPPENING!

Curling Association AGM

Tuesday, October 15th 7pm at the curling lounge

Hope to see you there!



Rainbow Lake Municipal Library AGM

Tuesday, October 22nd. 6pm at the
Library

Come see what our amazing little library is
about!



Gas Outage: October 3-5, 2024

TransCanada is conducting a mandatory shut down of the gas line that feeds into Rainbow Lake beginning October 3, 2024 to complete a project as a result of their integrity program.

There is no anticipated impact to our customers because of line pack (gas already in the line) and an external natural gas truck is being brought in to connect to our system.

Even with the measures we have in place to manage this outage, we kindly ask that you limit your use of natural gas where possible during the outage.

We will communicate via Facebook when the full system has been restored by TransCanada.

IF you experience any issues, please reach out to the town office at 780-956-3934



Did you know...?!

The Town accepts all those pesky leaves that fall each year and the process is very easy!

- 1) Put leaves in clear plastic bags
- 2) Arrange a time with Public Works to meet you at the composite pile to drop them off

You can call or stop by the Town Office Mon-Fri from 7:40am-4:30pm to make those arrangements.

And did we mention, it's all **FREE OF CHARGE!**

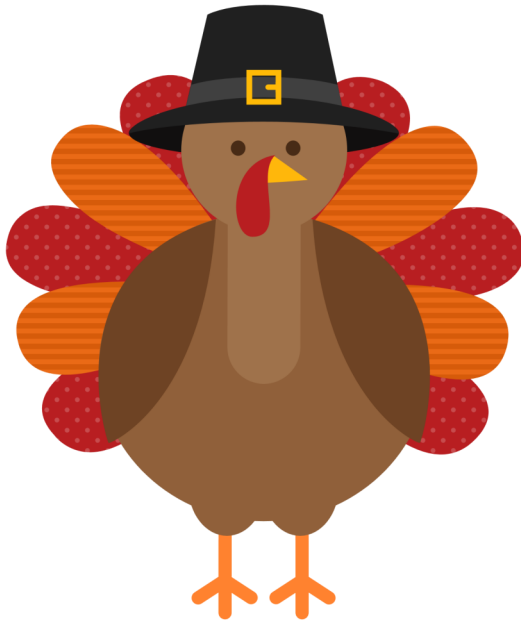


Cold Weather Season

The times they are a changin'! As we head towards winter we wanted to remind you of some cold weather tips!

- * Turn off outdoor hose bibs to reduce the risk of freezing water lines
- * Ensure you switch to windshield washer fluid that is suitable for freezing temperatures
- * Give yourself extra time to defrost windows in your vehicle and keep lights clean for better visibility on those long dark days
- * If you haven't yet, test out your furnace and ensure your carbon monoxide detector is in working order

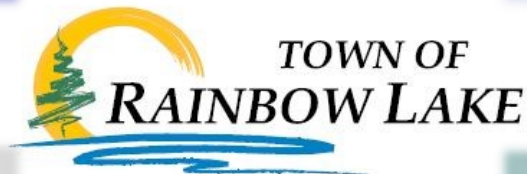
OFFICE CLOSURE NOTICE



The Town Office will be closed on Monday, October 14 for Thanksgiving Day. We wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and will return to the office on Tuesday, October 15.

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