

March 2026 Newsletter Village of Macoun

March Council Meetings

Council's regular monthly meeting is on Tuesday, March 10th at 7:00. It's always a good chance to see what is happening in our Village—feel free to attend.

Waste Collection Schedule

Blue Bin Recycle Collection	Mondays:	March 2 nd , 16 th and 30 th
Grey Bin Garbage Collection	Thursdays:	March 12 th and 26 th

Happy Gang Soup and Sandwich

March 18th's event features the always-fantastic Irish Stew. Happy Gang does a great job of continually fundraising and this month is no exception. By enjoying delicious Irish Stew, dessert and a beverage you will be helping Arnie and Lise Feser with Arnie's continued long recovery. Arnie and Lise are valued members of the Happy Gang Board so this fundraiser hits close to home. Join everyone at Happy Gang for \$12/person or for your convenience you can take a meal to go or have one delivered (within Macoun) for \$13/person. Cash is always welcome or you can use e-transfer (judy.sovdi@outlook.com). Please come out and enjoy a great meal and help a family that could really use your help.

Village-Wide Garage Sale

Spring is just around the corner and with it comes garage sale season. Mark your calendars for **Saturday, May 30th** for our Village-wide garage sale from **9:00 – 2:00**. To ensure the sale is well attended we will *not* be hosting on the same day as our neighbouring communities. To make things easier we have reached out to Blue Earth from Weyburn—when the sale is over they will pick up any of your remaining items if you simply leave them at the end of your yard (what a great way to make sure your unsold items don't end up taking up room again in your home and garage). Please register with the Village office to get your address on the garage sale map.

Of course what's a garage sale without a concession and bake sale. Drop by Happy Gang between 11:00 – 2:00 for a snack or light lunch and pick up some delicious baking. All proceeds will be donated to the Village's Trap, Neuter and Return Program. In the last four months alone we have rescued an adult female and 9 kittens (from 3 different moms)!! Baking donations are greatly appreciated – just contact the Village office for pick-up or drop them at Happy Gang at 10:30 – 11:00.

Get Your Steps In

The Macoun School has opened the gym from 9:00 – 10:00 Monday to Friday if you'd like to do some indoor walking. Shoes must be clean and dry. It is a great place to get your steps in with no weather issues and you can visit at the same time.

Pet Licenses

Pet licenses are now due and are mandatory for all pets that venture outside. A license is only \$10/pet and helps support the highly successful Trap, Neuter and Return program. Payment can be made through e-transfer (macoun.sask@gmail.com), pre-authorized payment, cash or cheque. *Thanks to all who have registered your pets.*

Utility Billing

You will notice a change in your utility bill beginning in March. To make it easier to manage your utility bills the Village will now send them out monthly, with payment due by the end of each month.

Snow Removal

February certainly reminded us that a winter storm can be brutal. In order for the Village to clean roads you must have your vehicles, garbage bins and blue bins removed from the edge of our roads.

If March brings more bad weather and you need help cleaning your drive the Foreman can give you a hand with the Village tractor for \$150/hr. Give us a call to arrange.

Stan is always very vigilant when there is bad weather and February's storm was no different. Long before most of us were even awake Stan was out making roads passable for our residents—thanks Stan. Another example of our Foreman doing an awesome job.

Taxes

Looking for a way to save on your taxes? Remember that any amounts received between the beginning of January and September 30th, 2026 receives the 5% municipal discount regardless if taxes for 2026 have been levied.

If you are in a situation where you are struggling to make your tax (or utility) payments please visit us in the Office. We will confidentially work with you to put a payment plan in place. It is often easier making smaller payments across the year rather than facing a much larger payment at the end of the year. By working with you we can often help you avoid interest charges or other serious consequences of unpaid bills.

Village of Macoun

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Mondays and Wednesdays 12:00 pm – 3:30 pm

Tuesdays and Thursdays 8:30 am – 12:00 pm

Feel free to stop in



Storytime, Singing, Dancing and a Craft

Friday, March 27th

10:00 – 11:00

Location: Macoun Happy Gang

We love Story Time!! Jeri-Lee from Midale Library will bring a fun story and craft. Feel free to join us (adults are just as welcome as all the enthusiastic kids we love to see come out)

Midale Library will be bringing a selection of books and you can return any that need to go back to Midale.

Just give the Village office a call at 306 634 9352 if you can come

See you on March 27th

(Refreshments provided)



March Feature

Story Time with Midale Library

For the March feature, we are going to learn more about Story Time in Macoun that started up in 2025.

The idea of story time came about from Jerri-Lee, librarian with the Midale Public Library Branch. Jerri-Lee was looking to find ways to bring the library to surrounding communities, promote the benefits of the Southeast Regional Library and offer a short time for kids and adults to gather, listen to a short story and complete a small craft.

The community has been so fortunate to host Story Time at the Macoun Happy Gang Centre on the last Friday of each month from 10-11am. Village staff provide drinks and snacks for all attendees and the Macoun school grade K-2 class has turned this day into a little field trip for the kids to venture out of the school and see more of their own community.

Those who make it out can drop off library books that they haven't had time to return to a local branch, they can browse some of the books Jerri-Lee brings along, free library cards can be issued for those who don't already have one or check out any of the books brought to view.

All ages are welcome to attend Story Time. Contact the Village office or Midale Library Branch for more details.