



# DONALDA LITE

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April 2023 

## VILLAGE COMPLEX

### Village Office

Mondays - Tuesdays: 9 am - 4 pm  
 Wednesdays: By appointment  
 403-883-2345  
[village.donalda.ab.ca](http://village.donalda.ab.ca)  
[facebook.com/villageofdonalda](https://facebook.com/villageofdonalda)

### Water-related Emergencies:

403-741-6468 (*Please leave a message.*)

### Museum

Hours: Mon, Thurs. Fri. 10am - 4pm  
 403-883-2100  
[info@donaldamuseum.com](mailto:info@donaldamuseum.com)

### Gallery for the Arts

By appointment  
 403-883-2100

### Donalda Public Library

Mon-Thurs: 2 - 6 pm  
 403-430-BOOK (2665)  
<https://donaldalibrary.prl.ab.ca/>

## DONALDA RECYCLING

Paper Recycling: newspaper bins are located at the Donalda Transfer Site, managed by the Stettler County.

Batteries: the Donalda Ag Society collects these as a fundraiser; please contact Roy Fulton for more info (403-741-8569).

Bottles, cans, and milk jugs: trailer located behind the Drop-In Centre; all money raised from these recyclables stays in the community.

### Bottle Recycling Trailer Schedule

Mar - Cemetery Club  
 April - Parent Council

The Donalda Village Office will be

**CLOSED Monday, April 10**

*Happy Easter!*

Sorry for any inconvenience and  
 thank you for your understanding.

## REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

The Regular Meeting of Council will occur on:

**Tuesday, April 18 at 10 a.m.**

**in Council Chambers**

**Everyone is welcome to attend!**



## DONALDA TRANSFER SITE

Saturdays 10 am - 2 pm

**Operated by the County of Stettler**

For Questions & Concerns Call: 403-742-4900

We do not accept used oil.

If the burn pit is full, all material must be taken to the Stettler Regional Landfill on Highway 56. Please fill one bin at a time.

## DO YOU WANT TO SUBMIT TO THE DONALDA LITE?

The deadline for submissions is

**The fourth Monday of the month by 5 pm.**

Email your submissions to [lite@village.donalda.ab.ca](mailto:lite@village.donalda.ab.ca) or drop them off at the Village Office by **April 24, 2023**

*\*Remember the Lite is printed in black & white only when submitting.*

*The Lite is intended for businesses and non-profit community organizations. Personal ads will be accepted on a case-by-case basis at the discretion of village administration.*

Full Page Ad \$40 + GST

1/2 Page Ad \$25 + GST

1/4 Page Ad \$15 + GST

1/8 Page Ad \$10 + GST

Attend the Donalda Coulee Friendship Club

## Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>

**10:00 am to 12:00 noon**

*Eggs, Ham, Bacon, Quiche*

*Hash Browns, Perogies, Pancakes,*

*Fresh Orange Juice,*

*Homemade Syrups and Coffee*

**Adults: \$12.00 Kids 10 and Under: \$6.00**



403-741-8196

echoglengardens.com

## Now Open

*Wednesday to Saturday 10 to 4*

Seeds & Starting Supplies, Bulbs, Seed Potato

House Plants, Succulents, Cactus

Soil, Fertilizer, and Additives

Planters & Pots, Garden Decor

Annuals, Hanging Baskets & Containers

Trees & Shrubs (arriving late April & early May)

Perennials & Water Plants...and more

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Shop our website @ [echoglengardens.com](http://echoglengardens.com)

## DONALDA WELLNESS SERVICES

### By Appointment at the Village Complex

Are you uncertain of who to talk to when challenges become too much? Do you need help applying to or finding financial, health or other support?

We have designated staff who will help create a plan, so that your concerns are addressed and needs/ goals are met. Let us know if you would like to access services, available by appointment in Donalda at an office in the Village Complex. Community wellness services comprise of information & referral, resource navigation, one-on-one support and help to support individuals and families in our region by providing wrap-around services.

If you could benefit from this, email [bashawnavigator@gmail.com](mailto:bashawnavigator@gmail.com) or call 780-372-4074.

## DONALDA HOME SUPPORT

Home Support offers light housekeeping, light meal preparation, laundry, and local errands. If you are a senior or have health concerns and would like some extra help in your home, **please call 780-372-4074.**

Cost is \$20/hour plus mileage.

## THE DONALDA FOOD BANK

WE ARE OPEN:

**Every Tuesday from 9am-4pm  
@ Donalda Village Complex**

*Each household can receive one hamper per month and are required to fill out an application.*



During Food Bank hours, you can call **403-883-2345** with any questions.

If you have a question outside of Food Bank hours, please call Bashaw & Area Community Resource Centre @ 780-372-4074.

Questions about any of these services? Call Bashaw & Area Community Resource Centre @ 780-372-4074 or email [frontdesk.bdss@gmail.com](mailto:frontdesk.bdss@gmail.com) for more info.



# DONALDA AND DISTRICT MUSEUM SOCIETY

**Winter Hours:** Monday, Thursday, Friday, 9 am-4 pm

**Stay Connected!**

**Facebook:** @Donalda&DistrictMuseum

**Website:** [www.donaldamuseum.com](http://www.donaldamuseum.com)

**Call:** 403-883-2100

**Email:** [info@donaldamuseum.com](mailto:info@donaldamuseum.com)

**Local History Book Reprint:** We are  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the way to our goal to fund a reprint of Donalda's Roots and Branches, the district's local history and memoir book!! **If you are interested in contributing the reprint, please reach out to the museum office.** (Tax receipts available for donations over \$20 and a copy of the book is available with a donation of \$100)

**World's Largest Lamp:** The Lamp Committee is excited to get started with renovations on the World's Largest Lamp this spring! For more information, please contact the Museum.

**Museum Dinner:** Thursday, April 27th. Keep an eye out for an updated menu!

**Summer Students:** The Donalda Museum is accepting applications for three Summer Students. An interest in history, museums, and the local community is an asset. The ideal candidates will have a mature attitude, be available to work weekends, enjoys outdoor tasks, be comfortable working with the public, and be self-motivated. Each position is expected to begin at the end of June and run until the last week in August. Resumes can be dropped off at the Museum Office or emailed to the address below. Do not hesitate to contact us for more information!

- **\*Please note: these positions are pending approval of funding from Canada Summer Jobs\***



Sharon Evangelical Church  
In Donalda

Church Services and  
Sunday School - 10 am



Tracy @ 403-741-7752

## Feral Cat Network Foundation of Alberta

Want to get involved? We are looking for some awesome people who care about the feral cat population. We need new ideas and input, and we need volunteers to help fundraise. Give us a call.



## DONALDA MUSEUM DINNER

**Thursday, April 27, 2023**  
**5:00 - 7:00 PM**

### MENU

HEISLER SAUSAGE  
DREAMY MASHED POTATOES  
CREAMED PEAS  
PEROGIES  
SAUERKRAUT  
SALAD  
BUNS  
DESSERT  
BEVERAGES

### DONALDA DROP IN CENTRE

|                       |       |
|-----------------------|-------|
| Adults .....          | \$20  |
| Children (7-10) ..... | \$10  |
| Children 6 & Under    | FREE! |

**Come Out and Support the Donalda Museum**  
**Proceeds to the Creamery Restoration**



## Willow Canyon Drive-In Movie

**Encanto**  
Saturday, May 27, 2023  
Movie starts at dusk

**Movies Showing With Our New Lazer Projector!**

**FEATURING...**

**Avatar: The Way of Water**  
Saturday, August 26, 2023  
Movie starts at dusk

**Location:** Willow Canyon (formerly Donalda Ski Hill)  
**Cost:** \$10.00/person or \$25.00 per car load (cash only)  
**Full Concession:** Buttered Popcorn, Hot Dogs, Drinks & Candy

Gates & Concession opens at **7:00pm**.  
Come early for kids outdoor games & treasure hunt.  
*Explore DONALDA before the movie*

Contact: 403-883-2943 Email: [donaldapromosociety@gmail.com](mailto:donaldapromosociety@gmail.com)

# DONALDA PARENT SOCIETY

Congratulations to the Girls Basketball team that not only won their CARA Tournament but went on to win the CWAJHAA Tournament and bring home a banner! Good job Eagles! We also want to acknowledge the amazing school staff and community that did a fantastic job arranging alternative learning spaces to keep the students engaged and in person learning despite the displacement from the fire in the school gym. We are so fortunate to have such caring educators and community members for our children.

Thank you again to everyone that supported The Donalda Parent Society SEED & PLANT Fundraiser with local Echoglen Gardens. Seeds and plants will be ready for pick up Monday April 3rd at 3:00 outside the School.

Our Morning Nutrition program will be continuing once a week, providing the kids with a free healthy snack every Tuesday morning.

Please watch for updates, reminders, and upcoming events in the Donalda Lite, and on the Donalda Parents Facebook page.

## Important April Dates

- April 4th – Parent Council / Society Meeting
- April 7th-10th – Easter Break

## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

The Museum has another dinner planned at the end of the month. It is always delicious and all the proceeds go toward restoring the historic creamery building! Mark your calendars!

## WELCOMING COMMITTEE

To Village Residents: We as the welcoming committee would love to come by and drop off a welcome package to any new families in our village. If you are a new resident or if you know of anyone who is, please contact us.

Heather Taylor (780)781-0075  
or visit Heather's Yarn Haven 404 Railway Ave

Congratulations to Jenn Wells for winning the Donalda & District Agricultural Society Community Service Award. She is such a giving and vital member of our community, it was very much deserved.

The Donalda Coulee Tea house has just reopened under new management, if you have a chance, please go support this local business and check out all the new baked goods and meals that are offered.

Council has decided to increase the millrate for the 2023 taxes by 3.5%, this does not take into account the school and seniors tax. Donalda has not had a raise in taxes for a few years, and this increase will not result in much change at all. In fact, most people will only see a few dollars difference. Some may even see a decrease in their taxes. If you have any questions about taxes, please contact the Village Office.

Thank you,  
Mayor Doug Booker.

# DONALDA AG SOCIETY

## **ABRA Barrel Racing Jackpots**

Join us on April 14 & 28th at 6pm for an evening of fast paced, turn and burn barrel racing. Spectators welcome. Contact Megan @ 403-740-9262 for more information.

## **A Mother's Trail Ride**

DAS is hosting a 2 day memorial Equine Trail Ride in memory of Roberta Rouse on May 20 & 21 to raise funds to donate to many causes that she held dear to her heart. For more information contact Becky at 403-740-5997 and/or follow the event page on facebook.

## **Battery Drive**

DDAS collects automotive type batteries year long as a fundraiser. As you're doing your spring repairs and maintenance programs, please keep us in mind for batteries. We will gladly pick them up. To donate, call Roy @ 403-741-8569 or Ron @ 403-741-2321.

## **CampCash Program**

Calling all kids! DDAS is pleased to announce that the CampCash Program is now accepting applications for 2023. This program is designed to help cover some or all of the cost to send Donalda area children to camp. To apply, applicants are required to submit a letter via email to donaldaagsociety@gmail.com explaining why they would like to go to camp and what they hope to learn at camp. The Board will consider all submissions and will inform the recipients they have been selected to receive CampCash funding. Successful applicants are expected to present what they learned to the board at one of the regular board meetings. If you have any questions feel free to contact us via email or call Beth at 403-741-8196.

# EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY X2

## **Donalda Agriculture Society**

**Assistant to the Board – General Labourer, Seasonal, Part-Time (32 hrs/week)**

**Starting Date: flexible dependent upon applicant**

**Wage: \$15.00/hr - \$17.00/hr dependent upon skills and experience**

The successful Candidate will:

- be 15-30 years of age
- have an interest in agri-tourism, outdoor recreation, and the local community
- be mature, self-motivated, well organized and have time-management skills
- have computer experience particularly with Microsoft Office including word, excel and publisher
- be a positive team player with strong interpersonal & communication skills
- be available to work weekends

These are positions where job duties and responsibilities are widely varied and are project and event based. The successful applicants must be adaptable.

For more information, please contact Beth Fulton at 403-741-8196.

**Please submit resumes to:**

**email: donaldaagsociety@gmail.com**

**Mail: Box 269, Donalda AB T0B 1H0**

We thank all applicants, but only those who are selected for interviews will be contacted.

\*Position pending approval of funding from Canada Summer Jobs\*



# DONALDA LIBRARY

## What's New at the Library

Canva 101 classes are happening on the first two Tuesdays of the month. There is still a chance to join in and learn all that you can do with this website! Hosted by SLC.

The library will be closed Monday, April 10. Happy Easter everyone!

Our next board meeting is on Wednesday, April 19, at 6:30 pm.

## Spring Programs: March to May Tax Clinic (register)

Ages: Adult

Time: March – April

The library is hosting a Tax Clinic Program. Book a time to come in to get help to complete your tax return (for simple returns). Call the library for more information!

## Book Club (drop in)

Ages: Adult

Time: Every third Thursday, 6:00 - 7:30 pm

Come and pick up a book to read each month!

This month: Karen Kingsbury - Firstborn Series

Next month: Canadian Red by R.W. Stone

## D&D Night (register)

Ages: 16-21

Time: Thursday, April 6, 6:00 - 8:00 pm

For beginner to all levels. Story we are playing is 'The Unknown Library: Seeking Darkmore' by Merideth Jenson-Benjamin.

## Youth Programs (register)

D&D nights (min 3).

Ages: 10-15

Time: Monday, April 3, 6:00 - 8:00 pm

For beginner to all levels. Story we are playing is The Unknown Library: Seeking Darkmore by Merideth Jenson-Benjamin.

Spring Garden Party (min 3).

Time: Friday, May 5

Hang out with a movie, craft, and snacks!

403-430-2665 (BOOK) text or phone /

donaldalibrary@prl.ab.ca /

Follow us on Facebook for updates!

*Hello* The Simser Family is new in town and we are excited to make the Village of Donalda our home. Thank you for the warm welcome the community has shown us so far. Please do not hesitate to introduce yourselves if you see us!

Happy to be here,  
Patrick, Asha, Sam, Lucinda and Hannah

# CANVA 101

DONALDA LIBRARY

Canva is an easy to use graphic design platform with endless possibilities.

March 21 - How to set up a Canva account (optional)

April 4 - Learn The Basics & Explore

April 11 - Review, Create & Play

Tuesdays 1:00pm-2:00pm

(Laptops Provided)

\$30

Register today:

info@stettlerlearning.com

(403) 742-6700



STETTLER LEARNING CENTRE

## 2023 MCRA PALT SUPPER



Saturday, April 15, 2023

5:00pm – 7:00pm

Meeting Creek Community Centre

\$20.00 – Adults

\$10.00 – Kids (6-12)

FREE – 5 & under

\$20.00 – Take out (while supplies last)

Proceeds from event will help with the maintenance and upkeep of the Community Centre.



# The Village of Donalda is Hiring

## **Summer Community Program Manager**

Seasonal, Full-Time (29 hrs/week)

Starting Date: Jun 29, 2023

Wage: \$17/hr

The Successful Candidate will:

- Enjoy working with youth
- have excellent interpersonal skills
- have computer experience and familiarity with Microsoft Office
- have experience working with social media platforms
- well-organized and have excellent time-management skills

## **Program Assistant**

Seasonal, Part-Time (20 hrs/week)

Starting Date: July 4, 2023

Wage: \$15/hr

The Successful Candidate will:

- be a positive team player
- enjoy working with youth
- self-motivated and have time-management skills
- have a valid class 5 driver's license
- Enjoy the outdoors

Previous related experience an asset but not required

Please submit resumes to:

Email: [assistantcao@village.donalda.ab.ca](mailto:assistantcao@village.donalda.ab.ca)

Drop off: 5001 Main St. Donalda

Mail: Box 160, Donalda, AB T0B 1H0

We thank all applicants, but will only contact those selected for interview.

**Criminal Records check and vulnerable sector check required upon hiring**



| SUNDAY   | MONDAY  | TUESDAY   | WEDNESDAY  | THURSDAY  | FRIDAY                             | SATURDAY  |
|--|---|---|--|---|------------------------------------|---|
|  |   |   |  |   |                                    | 1<br><br>Coffee Social 1:30-3:30pm at Drop In   |
| 2<br>Sharon Church Service & Sunday School @ 10 am at Sharon Church<br><br>Pancake Breakfast 10am - 12 pm @ Drop In                                | 3<br><br>Floor Curling @ 2pm at Community Hall<br><br>Youth D&D Night @ 6-8 pm at Library                         | 4<br>Donalda Community Arts Society AGM & General Mtg 4 pm @ Art Gallery<br><br>Pickleball 7 pm @ Community Hall        | 5  | 6<br>Donalda Coulee Friendship Club Monthly Meeting at 12 pm @ Drop In<br><br>D&D Night @ 6-8 pm at Library | 7<br><br><b>Good Friday</b>        | 8<br><br>Coffee Social 1:30-3:30pm at Drop In   |
| 9<br>Sharon Church Service & Sunday School @ 10 am at Sharon Church  | 10<br><b>Easter Monday<br/>Village Office Closed</b><br><br>Floor Curling @ 2pm at Community Hall                 | 11<br><br>Pickleball 7 pm @ Community Hall  | 12   | 13  | 14<br><br>Ag Society Barrel Racing | 15<br><br>Coffee Social 1:30-3:30pm at Drop In<br><br>MCRA Palt Supper at 5-7 pm @ Meeting Creek Community Centre |
| 16<br>Sharon Church Service & Sunday School @ 10 am at Sharon Church   | 17<br>Floor Curling @ 2pm at Community Hall   | 18<br><b>Regular Meeting of Council @ 10 am at the Village Complex</b><br><br>Pickleball 7 pm @ Community Hall          | 19   | 20<br><br>Book Club @ 6-7:30 am at Library  | 21                                 | 22<br><br>Coffee Social 1:30-3:30pm at Drop In  |
| 23<br>Sharon Church Service & Sunday School @ 10 am at Sharon Church<br><hr/> 30<br>Sharon Church Service & Sunday School @ 10 am at Sharon Church | 24<br><b>Deadline for the Lite</b><br><br>Floor Curling @ 2pm at Community Hall<br><br>Court Whist 7 pm @ Drop In | 25<br>Pickleball 7 pm @ Community Hall<br>Museum General Meeting at 7 pm @ Museum<br><br><b>March Utility Bills Due</b> | 26<br><br><b>April Utility Bill Distribution Day</b> | 27<br>Donalda Museum Dinner 5 -7 pm @ Drop In   | 28<br><br>Ag Society Barrel Racing | 29<br><br>Coffee Social 1:30-3:30pm at Drop In  |