

DONALDA LITE

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November 2023



VILLAGE COMPLEX

Village Office

Mondays - Tuesdays: 9 am - 4 pm
Wednesdays: By appointment
403-883-2345
village.donalda.ab.ca
facebook.com/villageofdonalda

Water-related Emergencies:
403-741-6468 (*Please leave a message.*)

Museum

Hours: Mon, Thurs. Fri. 10am - 5pm
403-883-2100
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 Trailer Schedule

Oct/Nov - Donalda Library
Dec/Jan - Feral Cat Network
Feb/Mar - Cemetery Club
April - Parent Council

The Donalda Village Office will be

CLOSED Monday, Nov. 13

in lieu Remembrance Day

Sorry for any inconvenience and
thank you for your understanding.

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

The Regular Meeting of Council will occur on:

Tuesday, November 21st at 10 a.m.
in Council Chambers

Everyone is welcome to attend!



DONALDA TRANSFER SITE

Saturdays 10 am - 2 pm

Operated by the Stettler Waste Management Authority

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 or drop them off at the Village Office by **November 27, 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

DONALDA LIBRARY

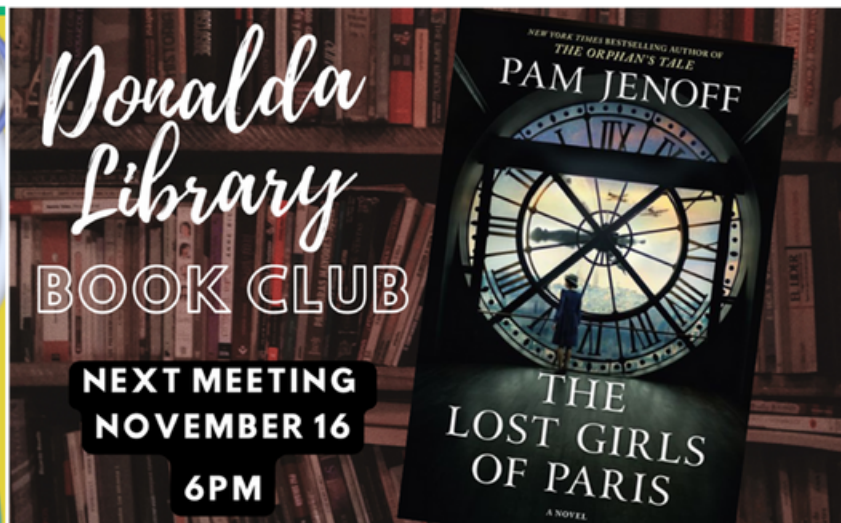


Trouble reading?

**GIVE
YOUR EYES**

A BREAK WITH OUR

**ROTATING COLLECTION OF LARGE
PRINT BOOKS**



Call for volunteers

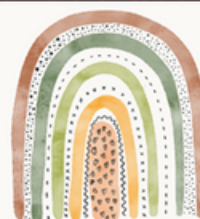
WILLING TO HELP OUT AT THE VILLAGE CHRISTMAS LUNCH ON
DEC 3 FROM 12PM-4PM ?

PLEASE GET IN TOUCH WITH US!

A drop-in parent and tot program at
Donaldda Library. For toddlers and
their caregivers.

*Baby
Buddies*

DATES:
NOVEMBER 1
NOVEMBER 15
10 - 12 PM



MAYOR'S MESSAGE

We as a council strive to represent the community to the best of our ability. We know our residents are passionate about the Village and we want to hear from you. This may seem contradictory to the recent decision to remove gallery time. I want to make it clear that the removal of gallery time from the council meetings was predicated on a resident using the time for a personal attack on me and the council. The council time is very valuable and having to deal with this nonsense is contrary to good governance. We strive to have an abuse-free council that is welcoming to all those who want to participate.

Residents are still able to engage with the Council via the delegation process. To become a delegate, residents must submit a delegation form (available at the Village Office, or on the Village Website) by 10 a.m. on the Tuesday prior to the next council meeting. Due to time constraints, only two delegations may be heard at each meeting per section 6 of Bylaw 765-23 and the Village's Delegation Policy. The delegation process also allows administration and council time to adequately prepare the necessary information required to address the delegation.



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.



**Sharon Evangelical Church
In Donalda**

Church Services and
Sunday School - 10 am

OPEN HOUSE PUBLIC NOTICE

Village of Donalda Land Use Bylaw Renewal



WHAT IS A LAND USE BYLAW?

- A Land Use Bylaw (LUB) outlines the rules and regulations for development of land in Donalda for each district (zone) as well as the process of making decisions for development permit applications. A Land Use Bylaw is required for every municipality in Alberta as per the requirements in the Municipal Government Act. This includes the division of the municipality into land use districts (zones).

WHY IS THE LUB BEING AMENDED?

- The amendment will ensure the Land Use Bylaw is consistent with the current legislative requirements of the Municipal Government Act.
- Updated regulations will be introduced for the use and development of land and buildings that support the overall aims and desires of the community.
- The LUB will be made easier to interpret by the general public and administration.

WHAT IS BEING AMENDED?

- Zoning: The bylaw renewal will update the zoning to match the appropriate use of land alongside new and updated mapping viewable to the public.
- General Regulations policies such as recreational vehicles, outdoor storage, and fabric covered structures are being proposed.
- Specific Use Regulations will see new policies such as short-term rental accommodations, solar energy collectors, wind turbines, and modular homes.
- Clearer wording around parking regulations.

WHEN IS THE OPEN HOUSE?

- The Open House will be taking place on November 15, 2023, from 5-7 PM. The location for the Open House will be at the Donalda Community Hall (5103 Main Street).

WHY SHOULD YOU ATTEND?

- You will learn more about the policies that are being implemented and have a chance to voice any considerations.

For more information please contact:

Sarmad Abbasi, sarmad.abbasi@pcps.ab.ca

Planner, Parkland Community Planning Services

DONALDA SCHOOL Submitted by Administration

The past two months at Donalda School have flown by. As our staff works alongside our students, we have much to be thankful for and to celebrate. On October 28, we were able to cut the red ribbon and open the doors to our restored gym. It has been great to have the gym back, as we didn't realize the importance of this space until we no longer had it. We are still waiting for some finishing touches, and then hope to provide the community an opportunity to see our new little gym.

As a school, we would like to thank the Ag Society for supplying us with twelve picnic tables, as we have been using them as an outdoor classroom while the gym restoration has been completed. The picnic tables have allowed us to meet outside as a whole school once a day for our new Social Emotional Learning block.

As we move forward into November and towards Christmas. We have a few events we would like to highlight. Both volleyball teams will be competing at the CARA volleyball tournament in Stettler on November 4th. The students will also be collaborating with Sharon Lutheran Church to pack Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes on November 17th. For other events, please check our school website and online calendar.

VILLAGE OF DONALDA FRANCHISE FEE INCREASE NOTICE

Please be advised the Village of Donalda is proposing to increase the local franchise fee, which is charged to Apex Utilities Inc. effective January 15, 2024, as per Council Resolution 248-23. The Village of Donalda can revise the franchise fee on an annual basis pursuant to Clause 5(b) of the Standard Natural Gas Distribution System Franchise Agreement as per Alberta Utilities Commission Decision 24796-D01-2019. The fee is recovered by Apex Utilities Inc. from its customers that receive natural gas service in the Village of Donalda.

The franchise fee will be increased from 17% to 17.5% on the delivery charge of Apex Utilities Inc. The average residential increase has been estimated at \$0.43 per month.

Residents of the Village of Donalda will have until November 10, 2023 at 4:00 p.m., to make their concerns known to the Village of Donalda. Please contact Kristie Vallet, Chief Administrative Officer at:



Village of Donalda
PO Box 160 Donalda, AB T0B 1H0
Ph: 403 883 2345
Email: cao@village.donalda.ab.ca



EMAIL HANNA TO PRE-REGISTER AND SIGN UP!
STUDENT@VILLAGE.DONALDA.AB.CA



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 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 for more info.

DONALDA AND DISTRICT MUSEUM SOCIETY

November Hours: Monday, Thursday, Friday, 10 am-5 pm

Stay Connected!

Facebook: @Donalda&DistrictMuseum

Website: www.donaldamuseum.com

Call: 403-883-2100

Email: info@donaldamuseum.com



**Leave your mark on the Village;
Purchase a donor plaque and contribute to the
Lamp Park Project!**

*Thank you to everyone who has donated! Your
contributions went toward re-coating the fiberglass
globe this summer!*

*(We are still raising funds to complete the repaint of
the Lamp's steel base)*

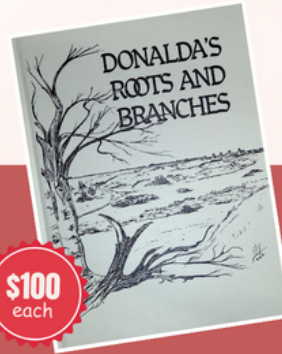
1" x 3" ~ \$100

3" x 4" ~ \$250

Engraved Plaque:

5" x 7" ~ \$500

Please contact the Museum for more information.



LOCAL HISTORY BOOK:

Donalda's Roots and Branches (1980)

The reprint has arrived!

Drop by, or contact the Museum
to purchase your copy today!

Contact the Museum to Order

\$100
each



MUSEUM CHICKEN & RIB DINNER

Thursday, Nov. 23, 2023

5:00 - 7:00 PM

MENU

CHICKEN & RIBS
BAKED POTATOES & TOPPINGS
BAKED BEANS
COLESLAW
BUNS
BEVERAGES
DESSERT

DONALDA DROP IN CENTRE

Adults \$25
Children (7-10) \$10
Children 6 & Under FREE!



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LOCAL: 780-666-2336

We accept Veterans
Affairs Allowances.

We offer special diet options.



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

WELCOMING COMMITTEE

To New Village Residents: 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

DONALDA AG SOCIETY

Community Calendar

Thank you to all who have purchased advertising space and/or calendars. They will be ready for the Country Christmas Market on December 3. We will have extras available.

Fall Harvest Supper

Join us Saturday, October 28 for our annual fall harvest supper featuring roast turkey and all the fixings for \$25, youth 12 and under \$10. Doors open 4:30pm, supper 5-7pm. Thank you to all the volunteers who come out and make this possible.

Ranch Rodeo

Due to a lack of team entries, our ranch rodeo has been postponed. Thank you to all the sponsors who have come on board this year. Watch our Facebook page for the rescheduled date.

Country Christmas Market

We have an amazing number of vendors already, but there is still room for more. The Country Christmas Market is held in conjunction with a Village Christmas on December 3, from noon to 4pm. Tables are \$20.00 each. Please call Beth (403-741-8196) to book your table.



Donalda's
A Country Christmas Market
Held in Conjunction with A Village Christmas

Sun Dec 3, 2023
Noon to 4pm
Community Hall - Main Street, Donalda

To Book A Table
Contact Beth @ 403-741-8196
Tables are \$20 each

Sponsored by Donalda Ag Society

Skating Rink

The snow is here, temps are dropping and we're looking forward to building the temporary outdoor skating rink again BUT we need your help with flooding and maintaining. Please contact Roy at 403-741-8569 if you'd be able to lend us a hand.

Notice of Annual General Meeting

Our Annual General Meeting is scheduled for December 13 at 7pm at the hall with regular meeting to follow.



Donalda & District Agricultural Society's
Annual Fall Harvest Supper
Donalda Community Hall, Main Street Donalda
Saturday, October 28, 2023

Roast Turkey Dinner
Roast Turkey, Mashed Potatoes, Garden Vegetables, Salads, Stuffing, Gravy, Cranberries & Homemade Desserts

Adults: \$25.00
Kids under 12 free: \$10.00

Supper served 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Please pre-order Tickets
Tickets will be available at the door as well

For Info or Tickets, call:
Teresa at 403-430-0097 or
Beth at 403-741-8196 or
Email: donaldaagsociety@gmail.com

Willow Canyon (former ski hill)

As soon as there is enough snow on the hills for safe tobogganing, we will open the gates to the community. The heated chalet is available to rent at \$100.00 per day, perfect for birthday tobogganing parties. Please NO ATV's or snow mobiles.

Canine Agility

We are organizing a canine agility class(es) to be held at the Equestrian Center arena over the winter. If interested, please let us know at 403-741-8196.

DONALDA SCHOOL PARENT SOCIETY

As the season begins to shift, we see the cross country runners wrap up their season. They were so fortunate to have such amazing weather to race in. The Fall Awards night was also a highlight, showcasing the amazing students that make up Donalda School. The Volleyball Athletes are headed to the C.A.R.A. tournament and we wish them the very best, we are all cheering for you Eagles!

THANK YOU to all that donated bottles to our Fall Bottle Drive! It all helps and is greatly appreciated. The Parent Society was happy to partner with Nielson Beef to bring us some great locally produced Alberta beef! A big thank you to everyone that supported our Donalda students by purchasing some beef jerky. Please stay tuned for the delivery of those!

The Tuesday hot lunch program has returned this fall. A big thankyou to all the parent volunteers that help make this program possible!

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

Important November Dates:

- November 3rd & 4th – C.A.R.A. Volleyball
- November 9th – No School – Professional Development
- November 10th – No School – Parent Teacher Lieu Day

DONALDA COULEE FRIENDSHIP CLUB

Upcoming Events

Thurs, Nov. 9 - Drop In Meeting at 12 pm

Sun, Nov 12. - Pancake Breakfast, 10-12 &
Remembrance Day Tribute @ 11 am.

Wed, Nov. 15 - Ham and Turkey Bingo at the
Drop In at 6:30 pm

Mon, Nov. 20 - Court Whist 7pm at the Drop In
Floor Curling Every Monday 2 pm at the Hall.

Saturday coffee Social at the Drop In 1:30 - 3:30

Wed, Nov 8 and 22 - Crafting with Heather 1 pm at
the Drop In.

Ham & Turkey Bingo

WEDNESDAY, NOV 15, 2023
Drop In Centre

Doors Open at 6:30 p.m.
BINGO Starts at 7:00 p.m.

Come out for an evening of fun!
Must be Over 12 to Play

Coffee & Snacks Available!

Attend the Donalda Coulee Friendship Club

Pancake Breakfast

Sunday NOVEMBER 12th

10:00 am to 12:00 noon

Eggs, Ham, Sausages, Quiche

Hash Browns, Pancakes,

Pierogies, Fresh Orange Juice,

Homemade Syrups and Coffee

Adults: \$15.00 Kids 10 and Under: \$8.00

Special Remembrance Day Tribute

to take place at around 11:00





November

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Baby Buddies 10am-12pm at the Library	2	3	4 Coffee Social 1:30-3:30pm at the Drop In
5 Sharon Church Service & Sunday School @ 10 am at Sharon Church	6 Floor Curling @ 2pm at Community Hall	7	8 Crafting with Heather @ 1pm at Drop In	9 NO SCHOOL Donalda Coulee Friendship Mtg @ 12 pm at Drop In	10 NO SCHOOL	11 Coffee Social 1:30-3:30pm at the Drop In Remembrance Day
12 Sharon Church Service & Sunday School @ 10 am at Sharon Church Pancake Breakfast 10am- 12pm at Drop In Remembrance Day Tribute at 11am	13 Village Office Closed in Lieu of Remembrance Day Floor Curling @ 2pm at Community Hall	14	15 Baby Buddies 10am-12pm at the Library Open House regarding Land Use Bylaw @ 5pm at Community Hall Ham & Turkey Bingo @ 6:30 pm at Drop In	16 Book Club @ 6pm at the Library Teach Me to Cook @ 5pm at the Community Hall	17	18 Coffee Social 1:30-3:30pm at the Drop In
19 Sharon Church Service & Sunday School @ 10 am at Sharon Church	20 Floor Curling @ 2pm at Community Hall Court Whist @ 7pm at the Drop In	21 Regular Meeting of Council @ 10 am at the Village Complex	22 Crafting with Heather @ 1pm at Drop In	23 Museum Dinner 5-7 pm at the Drop In	24	25 Coffee Social 1:30-3:30pm at the Drop In October Utility Bills Due
26 Sharon Church Service & Sunday School @ 10 am at Sharon Church	27 Floor Curling @ 2pm at Community Hall Deadline for the Lite	28 Museum General Meeting @ 7pm at Museum November Utility Bill Distribution Day	29	30		