

Donalda Lite



Sketch by Susan Dahl

November 2012

VILLAGE COMPLEX HOURS

Village Office Hours:

Monday - Wednesdays

9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Telephone: 403-883-2345

Museum Hours:

Monday - Friday 10:00 - 5:00

Weekends & Holidays 11:00 - 5:00

Telephone: 403-883-2100

Library Hours:

Mondays: 3pm to 6pm

Tuesdays: 3pm to 6pm

Wednesdays: 3:pm to 6pm

Thursdays: 6:00 pm to 9:00pm

Telephone: 403-883-2345

Transfer Site Hours:

Saturday 10 am - 2pm

Community Recycling: Please help protect our environment
Newspaper and cardboard bins are located by the Curling rink.

Bottles, cans and milk jugs- the trailer is located behind the Drop In Centre. All money raised from the collection of the bottles and cans stays in the community.

FROM THE VILLAGE OFFICE

Update on Internet Bill Payments

In the October Donalda Lite we advised all the residents of the Village that they could now use the internet to pay their utility and tax bills since we had been advised by our banking facility ATB that we were all set up. However we were made aware that each bank would be contacting us to set us up individual with fees that we would be paying to offer this service to our rate payers.

While it is true that you can now use ATB to pay online if you are their customer the other banking facilities are not set up as yet, we are in the process with the Royal Bank, CIBC, TD Bank, BMO Bank of Montreal and Scotia Bank to set up these services.

These financial institutions are advising us that we can expect to be live sometime around mid December, however no firm dates yet.

Our apologies for any inconvenience this may have caused, and we will pass on the live dates hopefully in the December Lite.

Village lots for sale

The 6 lots on the south end of the Village across from the ball diamond are now being listed with Royal Lepage Realty, you should see their signs soon in the Village. For information on these lots please contact the Village Office. Ph: 403-883-2345

Joan Kapiniak CAO

Donalda School Closure

As many of you are aware, on October 26, a proposed motion was put on the table regarding the possibility of conducting a study to close our school. Thank you to all the community members, parents and teachers who came to the November 1 information meeting to show your support for keeping our school. On November 15 at 2:30 pm, Bruce Gartside, Wayne Nixon, and Beth Fulton will present to the Board of Trustees all the reason why our school should stay open. Please plan on attending this meeting at the Stettler Town Office as the more eyes that are on Board of Trustees, the more uncomfortable it is for them to vote in favor of a school closure study. This meeting is open to all members of the public. If you would like to attend but do not have transportation please contact myself (Beth) at 403-883-2891 so arrangements can be made. Thank you in advance for your support.

We have had a school in the community since 1919. It is vital to the survival of our community. If it were to close, many of our young families would relocate to be closer to their children's new school. This means many empty houses are now for sale in our community. A village full of empty residences equals lower property values, so now that house you live in has decreased in value. We already have many properties that are for sale, that simply aren't selling.

Our community needs our school. It does impact you, even if you don't have children attending. However, it is not the job of the School Board Trustees to save communities. It is ours. What can you do? The School Board Trustees are looking for community support. You can write a letter of support against closing the school. A simple email will do. Send your comments and concerns to echoglengardens@hotmail.com and I will ensure that the Trustees receive it. Thank you to all those who have already done this and those who have signed the form letter, but we need way more support.

What else can you do? GET INVOLVED. Come out to the public meeting on November 15 at 2:30pm and show your support. Gather all your friends and family and have them come as well. Let's pack that house. OR. You can sit on a log and watch the proceedings from afar and then cry when our school is closed. It is your choice. We hope to see you at the meeting.

Donalda Ag Society News

It is good to have the moisture but Winter already?? Snow is falling again. We need to fill the custodian position for our facilities. This is a part-time position and a good supplemental income. Also, if there is a student or someone living in Donalda wishing to shovel snow off our sidewalks throughout the winter as needed please call Jodi B. @ 403-883-2330.

We are hosting Red Cross First Aid Courses again, Instructor - Cindy Auton--please call Mary Mueller @ 403-883-2469. Before Donalda's Centennial, we purchased an AED which is located in the HALL. It is easy to use but a person needs the education/confidence to use it.

Anyone interested in riding and singing in our wagon for the Village Christmas Parade. Saturday DEC 1 @ 5:00 pm. Call Julie 403-883-2264.

We are hosting a Meagan Saum Clinic - Nov. 14-16...Check out her website : equineconnection4you.com Spectators welcome.-- Donation to the Ag Society for admission. Call Becky Clement at 403-883-2436 for more info.

Remember to CALL BEFORE YOU HAUL at 403-883-2222.

The arena is getting busy and there are more private bookings occurring. Call Jodi Blouin for all BOOKINGS of All Facilities.

Hey Everyone!

If you have any news you want announced on Q14 or Q93.3 FM radio, call Minnie Jude at 403- 883-2555. I do the Talk of the Town every Tuesday morning at 8:20. It's a great opportunity to share your news! Call me.

~Judy Dinsmore

School News

Go to Clearview School board of Trustees meeting Nov 15 at 2:30 pm to help cancel the vote on our school being closed. Your support is needed today!! Meeting is held at the Clearview Office on the north east corner of main street Stettler.

Parent Society is supporting Operation Christmas Child. Stuff your shoe box today....boxes due Nov 19

Playground has to be upgraded for safety and code issues, your donation would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you to the Donalda & District Ag Society for supporting the playground upgrades from the profits from the fall supper. Students Union Scentsy Fundraiser is due Wed Nov 28. If you need anything from scentsy, please stop by the office with the order.

Parent Society meeting tues Nov 20th @ 7:30 pm.

Parent Teacher Interviews Nov 21 @ 3:30 - 7:30 pm.

No school on November 23

Donations are being accepted for the students union Christmas auctions. Student's auction on fri Dec 7 and adults on Christmas concert night thurs Dec 20.

Lost: 1 year old corgi from Echoglen Gardens. She answers to Penny. Please call 403-883-2466 if you have any information. She is missed dearly.

Curling Ice is being flooded. Please get your team together. call Kim at 883-2407 or Mike at 883-2469 if interested on being on a team or interested in being a spare.
Combined Bonspiel January 20-27, 2013

Hair on the Hill is in full operation.

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Mary Mueller 883-2469

Full Time Dayhome spots available!

\$4.00/hour, 1 mile outside Donalda. 6 years childcare experience. Subsidy available. Call Candice Erickson 403 883 2232

News from the Donalda Library

Our Teen Night Halloween party was a wonderful success. We had 9 teens in attendance! They had some great munchies and played some great games! There were some great costumes on parade here. Congrats to our prize winners Tessa Roberts, Kirsten Oleson and Shianne Klatt. Thank you to all the teens that take advantage of this opportunity at the library. I hope to see more. These programs are designed for teens and tweens.

Our next teen night will be Paperpalooza! What can you do with paper? on November 22 @ 7pm -8:30pm. Come in and make paper airplanes, card houses or see what kind of origami you can make. Our next Ladies Night Out book club will be on November 27 @7pm. The book is Something Borrowed. Check in and get your copy. If you have any other ideas for programs that would be of interest to you please let the library know.

Thank you to all who have graciously donated Dvd's and blu rays. Our movie collection is starting to grow!!

We have the Chautauqua paper available at the Internet café. Come in and enjoy a coffee and grab your free copy!

Our next board meeting is on November 20 @ 10 am.

~Kelley Andres

Donalda Arts Society Community News

The summer exhibitions are completed and we are busy making preparations for the New Year, but first, don't miss the Nativity Scenes Exhibit, opening December 1 with A Village Christmas. Featured will be Pat Kneeland's collection of Nativity Scenes. While I haven't personal seen this yet, I hear that it is huge and shouldn't be missed. Take time out of the busy, hectic season to enjoy the true beginnings of Christmas. As well, drop in during December and check out the renovations and improvements.

The Willy Bronze Poker Ride was well attended with equestrian riders enjoying the views and sights of the Donalda Coulee badlands. For our first ever Oktoberfest, we served about 60 people who enjoyed beer, schnapps and excellent German food and music. Thank you to all the volunteers for your hard work.

The Donalda Arts Gallery is the recipient of two permanent exhibits. We will be renovating first prior to revealing these exciting treasures. Mark your calendars for next year and be sure to support our communities up and coming artists as we take March and April to showcase Donalda School's rising stars.

In such a short time, our new board has accomplished a tremendous amount. Thank you to the members for contributing great ideas and working to ensure these ideas become reality. As we become more familiar with the art environment, changes and improvements are being made. Keep checking in with us, as we explore options and bring new artists forward to be exhibited.

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Cheryl Thomson

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SHARON LUTHERAN CHURCH

The congregation at Sharon would like to welcome visitors to our services which are Sundays at 10:00 am. starting on April 15. Below is a list of Supply Pastors/Lay People who will bring the message.

Nov 11 - Pastor Greg Kjos,

Nov 18 - Pastor Ken Grambo

Nov 25 - Pastor Rob Lewis

December 2 - Pastor Harold Rust

Just in time for Christmas gifts! Tickets for the 6th annual FUNdraiser for Living Hope Bible Camp. Roast beef supper, ever popular live auction, Comedy Variety Night, and silent auction Sat. Mar 9/13 at 5:30pm Donalda Community Hall.

For tickets call Harvey Vikse 403-883-2470 or Wade Montgomery 403-883-2566

KIDZ KLUB

Nov 6, 20, & Dec 4

Church basement 3:30 - 5 pm

All school age kids welcome

Info call Mary 883-2469

*Ladies please join us
for a time of fellowship and relaxation
at our*

'Fruit of the Spirit' Tea



*At the Sharon Church in Donalda
Saturday, November 17, 2012
@ 2:00 pm*

*Special Guest Speaker
Bernice Doan*

Babysitting will be provided

Hosted by Sharon Lutheran Church Ladies

Donalda Coulee Friendship Club

Thursday Nov 8 @ noon— regular lunch and meeting, new members always welcome

Sunday Nov 11— pancake breakfast and jam session, breakfast 11-1pm jam starts at noon, come for breakfast and enjoy an afternoon of music

Wednesday Nov 21 @ 7:30pm— BINGO. Come out for a fun evening

On November 11th there will be a short program at noon at the Drop In honoring our Veterans, the ones who have fought for our country past and present.

In need of donations for the "Santas Shopping Centre" can be dropped at the Drop In or Museum.

The Donalda Coulee Friendship Club will be sponsoring a bake table at the Village Market on December 1st, all baked goods must have a label on them listing the ingredients, there are packaging tags at the Drop In.

We are still looking for used Christmas Trees to decorate with these can be dropped at Museum or the Drop In."

Any seniors needing assistance in paying for snow shoveling, cleaning etc. can pick up applications from the Drop in or by contacting Darlene at the museum.

Donalda & District Museum Society

Darlene Tantrum, Manager

Winter Hours are : The Donalda & District Museum would like to draw your attention to historical event happening on Saturday November 24th, 2012, running from 10AM – 5PM, at the Donalda Drop In Centre. The event is called "STONES & BONES" where we ask you to bring in your found treasures and be assessed by Uof A students that are in the process of writing a thesis for their Masters. Come and enjoy this knowledgeable event.

Want to tour the museum our Winter Hours are Monday, Thursday and Friday 10 AM – 4 PM, I might suggest you call ahead to make sure we are in.

The next meeting for the Museum is Tuesday November 27th, in the Library at 7:30 PM if you would like to be part of our historical society come out and see what it is all about . Membership is \$5.00 per year.

"STONES & BONES"

Come and bring your treasures you have found in the coulees or your fields

to the Donalda Drop In Centre and have them accessed find the historical story behind your treasure.

November 24, 2012

10 AM – 5 PM

Coffee & Light Snack available
by donation

For more information call the Museum
403-883-2100

Donalda Promotion Community News

With the Centennial Appreciation Supper wrapped up, all bills are paid and we believe we can now put the Centennial Information to bed, so to speak. There is an approximate \$8000.00 surplus from Centennial that will be held by Community Promotions for future community endeavors. If you have a suggestion please email us at communitypromotion@mailhub.ca The Haunted Hall was once again a success, providing entertainment to about 65 children and their parents. Families enjoyed the maze, free treats and/or tricks, hot dogs and drinks. Thank you to all who helped make this event a success.

Our New Directions Workshop is scheduled for November 13 at 5pm at the hall. It is our focus to continue moving on a forward path, admittedly with some curves thrown in, towards reaching the goals that were outlined in the last strategic plan. One of the targets to accomplish this night is the draft of a community survey that will be sent out in late November/early December. We will be providing supper for all who attend. We hope to see you there, however if you are unable to attend please forward all comments, opinions, questions and what-knot to communitypromotion@mailhub.ca or phone Beth at 403-883-2891.

A Village Christmas is scheduled to take place on December 1 from 11am to 5pm. There will be a country market, Santa's shopping centre, Nativity Scenes Exhibit, entertainment, hot lunch, parade of lights and more. To book tables for the country market or parade entries please call Beth at 403-883-2891 or email echoglengardens@hotmail.com. This event is put on by Donalda Promotions, Donalda Ag Society, Donalda Drop In Club, Donalda Arts Society and Donalda School. Plan to attend, you won't be disappointed.

Spruce Coulee Ladies Aid Christmas Auction

November 17 @ 8pm

Baking items, crafts, quilt raffle, fish pond for the kids and lunch and coffee after the sale.

Everyone Welcome

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New Directions Workshop

A Community Directed Approach to Where We Are Going and What Trails To Blaze

Date: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13

Time: 5 PM WITH POTLUCK SUPPER AT 6

Who: EVERYONE

Where: DONALDA COMMUNITY HALL



Topics

COMMUNITY SURVEY

NEED FOR FUEL

DONALDA SCHOOL

FIRE DEPARTMENT

MARKETING & PROMOTING

OTHER TOPICS AS
BROUGHT TO THE TABLE

For More Information please call

Beth @ 403-883-2891 or Byron @403-883-2230 or email
communitypromotion@mailhub.ca

Everyone is Welcome... We need you to make a difference in our Community



a

village

christmas

Santa's Shopping Centre

Everything is a \$1.00

Country Market

Tables are available to rent

Parade of Lights

All parade entries welcome

Entertainment

Hot Lunch

By Donaldda School

Pictures with Santa

Cost \$5.00 per photo

Nativity Scenes Exhibit

At the Arts Gallery

Main Street
Donaldda

Saturday, December 1

11am to 5 pm

For more information:

Call 403-883-2891 or email

communitypromotion@mailhub.ca

THE NUT CRACKER SWEET HAS PUT TOGETHER A SAVVORY AND SWEET MENU TO SERVE YOU ON DECEMBER 1, 2012.

This special occasion is to raise funds for the Cross Cancer Institute's Volunteer Resources and their Complementary Television and Internet Service. This money will help people who have cancer and can't go home for the holidays by ensuring they will have the ability to stay in touch with friends and family, and keep up with all that is going on in our world.

So, on Saturday, December 1, between 9:30 AM to 4:30 PM, make your way to The Nut Cracker Sweet and check out our special menu below. One dollar from each item you purchase from this menu will go to the Cross Cancer Institute Volunteer Department and Complementary Television Service. Your patronage will have a wonderful affect on the men and women too sick to leave the Cross Cancer Institute for the holidays.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS EVERYONE & THANK YOU!

The Special Menu

The Great Canadian Hotcake Taco

The Saskatchewan Affair Hotcake Taco

More Cheese Please Hotcake Taco

My, How Sweet It Is Hotcake Taco

**Classic Tomato Soup
Hearty Chicken Stew
Beefy Chili Con Carne**

**Toothless Mutt Dawg
Dawg of War
Unholy Dawg of War**

Bring this flyer in and get 10% off your purchase.