

# Donalda Lite



Sketch by Susan Dahl

## December 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 form the collection of the bottles and cans stays in the community.

### FROM THE VILLAGE OFFICE

As we review a very busy year, we would once again like to thank our great Village Council for all their support as well as all the fine volunteer from the Village and surrounding area who gave so much to make 2012 the year of our Centennial and many other events, such a success. We have also appreciated the positive attitude and patience of everyone in the Village as we have continued to work on catch up in the office and on making improvements in the infrastructure. We can finally say that our work is current in the office along with the reporting and granting caught up, your Village Foreman has been working very hard with Alberta Environment to meet all of their requirements for the water, and waste water services within the Village. This year we were able to complete a sidewalk on Lawson Crescent, some Swales were placed near the school in the intersection of Alberta Avenue and Haviland Street, as well we are in the process of having our Waste Water Lagoons dredged a requirement from Alberta Environment which we want to stay current with, the first cell was completed in October, however due to an early winter we will have to wait until spring to do the 2 remaining cells. We have done more repairs to leaky water lines and repaired and placed some new shut off valves which will make our work more efficient in the future. Along with some water and sewer hook ups to new properties in town it has been a very busy year. Winter is the time of year

we are working to get contractors lined up for capital projects in 2013. There will be repairs and refurbishing of our Water Tower which we need to do in preparation for the Shirley McClellan Regional Water Services Commission Water for Life Project. We will also continue our work to update the deteriorating curb stops many of which no longer function, Atco Electric will be changing out 11 of the power poles that are deteriorating, part of their 9 year cycle. You may have noticed the lots on Bond Street East are now listed with a realtor by the request of Council, we are currently doing the preparation to have the water and sewer hook ups placed for each lot as well as a sidewalk on that street in preparation of the individuals who will make their homes there. These are just some of the projects that we are planning for. The village office will be hosting a Drop In on Tuesday December 18th. as a way to wish all the residents old and new, a thank you and Merry Christmas, we hope you will drop in for a short visit and refreshments. We wish you all a Wonderful Christmas Season and a all the Best in 2013 Joan Kapiniak CAO, Janet Bergstrom Assistant, Frank Sutton Assistant

To the Organizers of the Donalda Centennial Celebration

Dear Organizers;

I would like to take this opportunity to say a very special 'Thank you' for the kind and gracious way I was received by my old hometown on June 30th for the Country Music Legends show. I can't express in words how great it was to see people that I haven't seen in almost 60 years, some even go back to the old Beuna Vista days!

I got a special treat of even singing "Wagon Wheels" with my old school chum Eldon Graf. He still sings on key (ha ha) like we used to 60 years ago. I sincerely hope I was able to live up to my friends expectations on stage. I was nervous but you made me feel welcome.

I would like to thank Judy for making us all (Country Music Legends) comfortable. She was of great help.

Once again, thank you Donalda!! You will always live in my heart. In closing good health to all and God Bless.

Your Old Friend,

Jimmy Arthur Ordge



### Donalda Ag Society News

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Thank You all for your Volunteering and Support over the last year. Arena Memberships are due. If interested in purchasing a new membership, the fee is \$121 for a volunteer membership and \$181 for a non-volunteer membership. Contact Becky Clement @ 403-883-2436. If interested in riding lessons, Wednesdays Call Julie Hebbes for more info @ 403-883-2264 Horse Conference - Jan 11, 12, & 13 Red Deer Ag Society will sponsor contact Julie if interested. Website will be getting updated so if there is anything you would like to see on it, or have a nice photo, please contact Julie. [donaldaagsociety.ca](http://donaldaagsociety.ca)

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

Ho Ho Ho...tis the season to be jolly....our school is a hive of activity. Volleyball is wrapped up and students are now enjoying floor hockey. Elementary kids are enjoying the snow during recess. Please ensure that they are dressed appropriately.

The proposed motion to study school closure was defeated, with a new motion requiring community consultations taking its place. This will happen sometime in the new year and prior to the end of March. Thank you to all who helped our delegation to represent the school: Bruce, Beth, Wayne, Tasha, Byron, John and all the members of our community who showed up for the information session, signed our petition letter and/or wrote your own letters of support for keeping our school open. The Board of Trustees were very impressed by our level of commitment to our school.

The Parent Society is selling 12" poinsettias (these are big) for \$20.00. Available colors are red, white, pink, rose/white bicolor, glitter or burgundy. To order one, please contact the school at 403-883-2195. Deadline for ordering is Monday, December 10 for delivery on Friday, December 14.

The annual School Christmas Concert is scheduled for December 20 at 7pm. Parents, Grandparents and close family friends are invited to this enchanting evening.

We are currently working on updating the school library and are looking for donations of good quality, new or slightly used, grade 4 level books and up.

Until next month, have a safe and happy festive holiday season.

### Full Time Dayhome spots available!

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### DONALDA CURLING CLUB

Merry Christs & Happy New Year A Big Thanks to all who helped out with the casino Nov 30 & Dec 1 COMBINED BONSPIEL JAN 21 - 26, 2013 BANQUET & DANCE FRIDAY JAN 25. DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY WITH \*DOMINO\* EVERYONE WELCOME CALL MIKE MUELLER @403-883-2469 OR PAUL MCKAY 403-883-2168 OR KIM KLATT @ 403-883-2407 FOR BONSPIEL ENTRIES

### News from the Donalda Library

We will be closed from December 21 till January 2. On December 21 we will be open from 3-6 pm instead of 6-9 pm so that staff can attend the Christmas concert. Our Teen Night for November had 5 kids attending!! They had loads of fun building card houses and origami. We will have our next teen night on January 25. We will be having a Wii dance off! As well we will be offering a NEW tween night. Our first one will be on January 11 from 6:30pm - 7:30pm. I hope that we will see some new faces. We will be having a Wii dance off as well!

Our next Ladies Night Out book club will be on January 8 @7pm. The book is Kabul Beauty School. 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.

**DID YOU KNOW.** The library is not just books anymore! We now carry movies and blu rays. Looking for a tv series? Come in and ask and I will see if we can get it! We also have 1000's of great databases, from what to read next to health watches. If you have any questions about these please do not hesitate to ask. As well we have ebooks. Come in with your ereader and I will help you look for some great books.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

~Kelley Andres

### Donalda Arts Society Community News

O' Holy Night, the stars are shining brightly. Be sure to visit the Nativity Scenes and the Christmas Village that are on display in the Arts Gallery. They are impressive. Contact 403-883-2100 to arrange viewing times.

The Arts Society is working on getting instructors for courses to be offered. We currently have someone who will teach Acrylic Painting, with beginner starting in February, followed by intermediate in March. More information to come with dates, times, and cost. Also, we have been in contact with a professional photographer who will offer photography classes. Stayed tuned for more information. If you are interested in either of these please contact Darlene at 403-883-2100.

The Arts Society is now the proud recipient of 58 pieces of Gerda Christoffersen Native and African artwork. These have been donated to us from the Stanford Collection. We will be cataloguing them, framing and then exhibiting as part of our permanent display. Renovations including new locks, wall repair and painting will commence in January after the holiday season.

Our exhibition schedule for the 2013 season is almost complete with a different artist or group of artists every month beginning in March. Looking forward our Annual General Meeting is coming up in March and we desperately need new members and executive in order to keep operating.

Our next Arts Society meeting will be held on December 12 @ 7pm at the Drop In Centre in conjunction with the Promotions meeting.

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Dec 16 - Albern Bergstrom

Dec 23 - Pastor Charles Jackson, followed by pot luck

Dec 24 - Christmas Eve Service Pastor Harold Rust & family, (service @ 8:00 PM)

Dec 30 - Pastor Pat Gill

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

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### Donalda Coulee Friendship Club

December 13 @ noon- regular lunch and meeting, new members always welcome

December 9- pancake breakfast and jam session, breakfast 11-1pm jam starts at noon, come for breakfast and enjoy an afternoon of music

There will be no Bingo in December. The next Bingo will be January 16 @ 7:30pm. Due to poor attendance Bingo is in danger of being cancelled. If you are interested please come out.

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

If you are looking for great gifts for Christmas, give a gift of memories, the Museum still has the Centennial Decks of Cards depicting Donalda in the early years, also beverage travel mugs or maybe a "Donalda Maid" butter wrapper that is matted and ready for a frame. These would all make wonderful gifts of memories. If you are interested in a DVD of Donalda Centennial Parade you can preorder through the museum, all of the above are \$10.00 each.

The Donalda & District Museum has an Endowment Fund, the monies from this fund will help to keep your museum sustainable in the future. A tax credit receipt will be provided to you. Forms are available at the museum.

The "Stones and Bones" was well attended and for those that attended I'm sure you enjoyed the history shared. Thanks to the Donalda Coulee Friendship Club for offering coffee and goodies.

If you are interested in visiting the Art Gallery it will be available for viewing Monday, Thursday and Friday, 10 AM to 4 PM, if these time do not accomodate you please call the Museum at 403-883-2100 and make other arrangements.

Visit the Museum and Art Gallery at the same time.

The Museum will be closed December 21<sup>st</sup> to January 7, 2013.

May your holiday season be happy and bright.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!

**Telephone Books Now Available at the Museum in the Village Complex.**

**Great Christmas Gifts**

**Centennial Playing Cards, Travel Mug, DVD'S of the Parade, or Matted Donalda Maid Butter Wrapper, all of these are \$10.00 each.**

**Purchases can be made at the Museum.**

### Donalda Promotion Community News

The crazy, busy season called Christmas is upon us with the arrival of December. We greeted it with a well attended "Village Christmas". People enjoyed the Country Market where we had a record 32 tables. Kids enjoyed Santa's Shopping Centre with a 191 items being sold. Santa came to visit and pictures were taken. Thank you to Donalda School Parents Society for providing a delicious lunch. The parade of lights was sparkling. Hopefully, we will have more entries next year. Wrapping things up, was a great fireworks display. Thank you to Bruce and Roy for this. Thank you also to everyone who donated trees for us to decorate on main street.

In November we hosted a Community New Directions Workshop. This was well attended with several good ideas brought to the table. We are requesting representatives from every organization attend a session designed to create a community organizations "business" plan on Tuesday, January 8. The focus and goal of this is to get us all working together, increase communications, and identify common goals/targets. Contact Beth at 403-883-2891 to be part of this.

In January, we will be starting to work on the 2013 publication of the Donalda Directory and Tourism Guide. To be included in this, please call Beth @ 403-883-2891

Our next Promotions meeting will be December 12 @ 7pm at the Drop In Centre, held in conjunction with the Arts Society meeting.

We would like to remind people to enjoy the festive, holiday season and wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.



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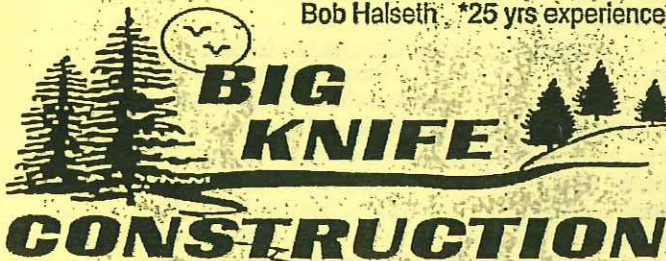
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# December 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Christmas Village 11am-5pm
2 Church Services begin @ 10 am	3	4 Kidz Club 3:30-5 pm Church Base- ment	5	6	7	8
9 Church Services begin @ 10 am Pancake Breakfast and Music Jam 11 am @ Drop In	10	11 Ag Society AGM @ 7:30pm Promotion Meet- ing 7:30pm @ Drop In	12 Arts Society meet- ing 7:30pm @ library	13 Donalda Coulee Friendship Club meeting 1 noon @ Drop In	14	15
16 Church Services begin @ 10 am	17	18	19	20 Donalda School Annual Christmas Concert 7:00pm @ the school gym	21	22
23 Church Services begin @ 10 am	24	25 <i>Merry Christmas</i>	26	27	28	29
30 Church Services begin @ 10 am	31 <i>Happy New Years!</i>					