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DONALDA LITE

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

I want to take a moment to speak directly to you, as neighbors and as a community, about where we are today and the decisions that lie ahead.

As you know, our village is currently undergoing a viability review. This process began after two bi-elections were required within the same year, which raised questions about our ability to continue functioning effectively as a village government. I know that this has caused concern and, at times, tension among residents. Some wish to see the village continue as it is, while others believe a change may be needed.

What I want to emphasize is this: the future of our village is not decided by council or outside voices - it is decided by you, the residents through your vote. Each person has a say, and every vote will carry equal weight in shaping what comes next.

As you prepare to make that decision, I encourage everyone to rely on accurate, reliable information. The most trustworthy source is the data and reports compiled by Municipal Affairs, which are specifically prepared to give residents a clear picture of the village's current position. Please take the time to review these materials carefully, when they become available, so your choice is based on facts rather than rumor or speculation.

At the same time, I want to reassure you that village operations continue, and we remain focused on serving the community.

At our most recent council meeting, we discussed progress on the Handi Van. I am pleased to share that the office is working hard to finalize a policy that will ensure the van is able to serve residents safely and responsibly. Once complete, this will allow the Handi Van to be ready for the road and supporting those who need it most.

In times like these, it is natural for strong opinions to surface. But let us remember that we are still one community-neighbours who share streets, school, and a common history. No matter the outcome of the viability review, what matters most is that we treat each other with respect and work together in the best interest of the village we call home.

I encourage everyone to stay engaged, informed, and supportive of one another. Together we will meet this moment with clarity and unity.

MESSAGE FROM DONALDA VILLAGE OFFICE

The Regular Meeting of Council will occur on:

<u>Tuesday September 16 at 7 p.m.</u> <u>in the Council Chambers</u>

Everyone is welcome to attend!

Village Office

Tuesday-Thursday 9 am - 4 pm 403-883-2345 village.donalda.ab.ca assistantcao@village.donalda.ab.ca Water-related Emergencies: 403-741-6468 (*Please leave a message*)

Museum

Please see Sept hours on Museum ad pg 6 403-883-2100

Email: info@donaldamuseum.com Facebook: @Donalda&DistrictMuseum Website: www.donaldamuseum.com

Gallery for the Arts

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

Donalda Public Library

Mon-Thurs: 2 - 6 pm 403-430-BOOK (2665)

https://donaldalibrary.prl.ab.ca/

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 by Sept **22**, 2025

*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 1/2 Page Ad \$40 + GST \$25 + GST 1/4 Page Ad 1/8 Page Ad \$15 + GST

\$10 + GST

Next Election

Our next municipal election will be on Monday, October 20th, 2025.

Submit your Notice of Intent

All potential candidates must complete the Notice of Intent form. Candidates who plan to run can only accept campaign contributions and incur campaign expenses once their notice of intent is complete and they are added to the Register of Candidates.

A Candidate Nomination Package has been prepared with general information for anybody looking to run for Village Council. Also, the package contains the forms needed to submit a nomination.

Nomination Process

Once a potential candidate has submitted their notice of intent, they may begin the nomination process. Here are some important dates to consider:

> Nomination period ends at 12 noon on: Monday, September 22, 2025. Election signs permitted on public property, Monday, September 22, 2025. Election day is on Monday, October 20th, 2025 from 10am to 8pm.

For more information about Municipal Elections, please email our Returning Officer or visit the Alberta Municipal Affairs election website.

Register to Vote!

All voters must be on the permanent Electors Registry. Registering in advance for the Permanent Electors Register will ensure your voting experience is faster and easier.

Go to voterlink.ab.ca to register to vote or confirm your information is correct. If you are not registered before August 15, 2025, electors will be required to complete registration at a voting station prior to receiving a ballot.

DONALDA RECYCLING

Batteries: the Donalda Ag Society collects these as a fundraiser; please contact Dwayne Adams for more info (780-679-4811).

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

July/August - Donalda Promotion Society September - Parent Council Oct/Nov - Donalda Library





Saturdays 10 am - 2 pm Wednesdays 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.



Oct 18th 2025 Get your license to start shooting display fireworks

Why get your Natural Resources Canada (NRC) license

FIREWORK

SAFETY
Understanding fireworks safety is important in order not to harm yourself or others including properties. It

very costly when making mistakes and you could possibly go to jail if you harm others. LAWS

The laws in Alberta are getting difficult to buy and set off consumer fireworks. Getting your Display Certification will make it much easier within City and County limits. Part 5, Section 5.8 of the Alberta Fire Code, governs fireworks.

Fireworks cannot be purchased or discharged anywhere in Alberta without a permit. **PERMITS**

We will show you the process of filling out the proper forms in order to acquire these permits faster, and having a relationship with those departments makes it easier.

PRICING

With your certification you will have access to purchase Consumer and Display Fireworks at wholesale pricing along with the equipment that is needed to shoot.

INCOME

You will be able to make extra income doing shows for weddings, family reunions, on Canada Day, etc.

INSURANCE

Getting certified means having access to group insurance for those "just in case" situations.

MEMBERSHIP

Being part of the Fireworks community allows you to share ideas and gain different techniques. BE THAT PERSON

You become the one that people come to to put on a GREAT Fireworks Show!

You must register by Oct 1 2025 @tbachand6@gmail.com You must be at least 18 years

The course is 125.00 and be approximately 6 hours, starting a 9 AM. 50.00 will be needed at the time of registration. If for reasons (not enough interest) the class is canceled, you will be refunded. The course will be held on Saturday Oct 18 2025 at Ol' Macdonald resort. Lunch water and coffee will be supplied. Once you send the email more details will be sent to you

Please let a member of Donalda Promotion Society

know if you are signing up



DONALDA COMMUNITY PROMOTION SOCIETY PRESENTS: POPOVICH

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2025
7 PM (DOORS OPEN AT 6:00)
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AT THE DONALDA HALL ON MAIN STREET DONALDA. AB



Contact: donaldapromosociety@gmail.com or 780-781-0075
to reserve your tickets today









September 07 Bernie Doan

September 14 Paster Dan Jefferies

September 21 Pastor Charles Jackson

September 28 Pastor Luke Hendrick



Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. -Proverbs 3:5-6-

DONALDA COULEE FRIENDSHIP CLUB <u>September Events</u>

- <u>September 11</u> Drop In Regular Meeting at Noon
- <u>September 14</u> Pancake Breakfast at the Drop In 10-Noon
- <u>September 18</u> Bingo at the Drop In at 7 pm Doors open at 6:30
- <u>September 23</u> Donalda Arts AGM & Meeting 5 PM at Art Gallery
- <u>September 23</u> Donalda Museum Reg Meeting 7 PM at Museum
- <u>September 25</u> Museum Beef Dinner 5-7 PM at Drop In
- Crib will start Sept 17 at Drop In at 1 PM
- Floor Curling Mondays 2 pm @ the community hall.

• Coffee Social Every Saturday 1:30-3:30 Everyone Welcome. Live Music when players available A couple of years ago, I had mentioned to the previous CAO that the Old Boomtown Trail sign by the Ball Diamond was in need of replacement. Below is what was ordered by the previous CAO.

Thanks to the Current Village Staff, the new awesome signs were erected a few weeks ago. If you have not noticed them, please take a look.

I am assuming a grant was obtained for this.













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

If you see a new cat roaming or a cat in distress, please let us know, we our counting on our community to be our eyes.

"Remember there is no such thing as a small act of kindness. Every act creates a ripple, with no logical end"

Scott Adams

DONALDA COMMUNITY PROMOTION SOCIETY

A Big shout out to all for making Canada Day a huge success. Next Big Event for Promotion Society is the Sept 20, 2025 Drive In Movie and Popovich Sept 26, 2025

Don't forget our Monthly Red Lamp Market Next Donalda & District Community Promotion Meeting is September 8, 2025. Downstairs at the Church.

If you want to be involved please stop by or reach out to me Heather T 780-781-0075

WELCOMING COMMITTEE

The Donalda Welcoming Committee would like to give all new residents a Welcome Package to welcome them to Donalda. Please let us know if you are new and we have not contacted you.

Asha Simser 403-916-5188

Heather Taylor 780-781-0075



DONALDA LIBRARY

What's New At The Library

Adult Book Club Date: Wednesday, September 17th

Time: 6:30 PM

The return of the club! We're starting book club back up again with a surprise book courtesy of the Parkland Book Club Kit!

Kids Book Club (Ages 7 -12)

Date: Monday, September 15th

Time: 4-5 PM

This month, the kids will be reading "City Of Ember" by Jeanne DuPrau, a now classic post-apocalyptic tale.

> 403-430-2665 (BOOK) text or phone Library Hours: Mon to Thurs 2pm-6pm / donaldalibrary@prl.ab.ca / Follow us on Facebook for updates

DONALDA & DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY (DDAS)

The Donalda & District Agricultural Society 2025 Board of Directors

President - Dwayne Adam Treasurer - Cori Fuller Vice - Becky Halseth Secretary - Mary Mueller

Ray Kneeland Teresa Kneeland Cory Scott Leanne Brown Wendy Adam

We welcome Becky Halseth back to the board!

The board is excited to announce that we were awarded the Agricultural Societies Revitalization Grant to fix the poly B piping in the Hall and resurface the Arena. Work will hopefully start early fall.

The Board is looking for Community Calendar Volunteers, please contact Mary Mueller 403 740-2843

Thank you Teresa Kneeland for all your hard work being the Summer Job Coordinator, it was greatly appreciated. Another thank you to Owen Rushton & Lincon Bjorge for being great students and hard working young men.

August 31, 2025 Alberta Day



RED LAMP MARKET & SWAP MEET

SEPTEMBER 24 DECEMBER 07 All Summer Markets will be outside by the World's Largest Lamp 4-8 PM \$15/ table

Bring own tent, table, chairs. This is an open to all market. Homegrown, homemade, yard sale, swap meet and items such as Fifth Avenue, etc.

Dec. 7 will be at the Donalda Hall 12-4 with Village Christmas by Donalda Ag

Society Table rent will be different

Come and be a Vendor and Join us.

Wednesday is one of the best days
of week in Donalda for traffic.

To Register: donaldapromosociety@gmail.com or

780-781-0075. \$15/table





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DONALDA MUSEUM

September 2nd-5th& 8th-18th MUSEUM CLOSED
September 6th & 7th OPEN 10am-5pm
September 19th-30th OPEN Monday, Thursday, Friday
10am-5pm

**Please note, the museum will be closed from September 2nd-18th, but will be open for visitors the weekend of the 6th-7th. Any inquiries can be left via message on our phone, or email and our manager will get back to you promptly upon her return on the 19th.

Summer in Review: It was a wonderful summer for the Museum, filled with fun event days, new faces and lasting memories. A huge thank you to our summer students Chloe, Lyla, and Nevaeh for all their hard work this year! They welcomed many visitors, and were able to complete a variety of tasks including digitalizing records and photos, sorting through artifacts and still had time to keep the Museum in tip top shape! Thank you also to all our dedicated volunteers, we couldn't do what we do without your support!

Stay Connected!





Roast Beef Dinner
Baked Potatoes
Dreamy Vegetables
Yummy Coleslaw
Pickles

Beverages and Dessert

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Come out and support the Donalda Museum

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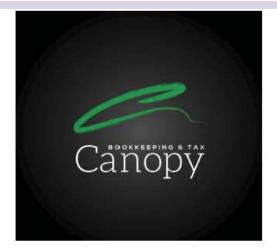
Donalda School Parent Society

Welcome back students and teachers!

The Outdoor Sport Court is underway! It will be available for the students, village, and surrounding community. Thank you to all those that have generously donated and for those that have committed to donating their labour as the project continues. A donor wall will recognize the contributions made to the project. We are still fundraising for the top surfacing of the court. For more information to donate or get involved call 403-883-2280 or email donscc@clearview.ab.ca Please watch for our upcoming Neilson Beef fundraiser as well as the fall bottle drive! Thank you for the continued support of our Donalda Students and the programs they enjoy! Watch for updates, reminders, and upcoming events in the Donalda Lite, and on the Donalda Parents Facebook page.

Important May Dates:

- September 2nd first day back for students
- September 29th PD Day no school for students
- September 30th no school



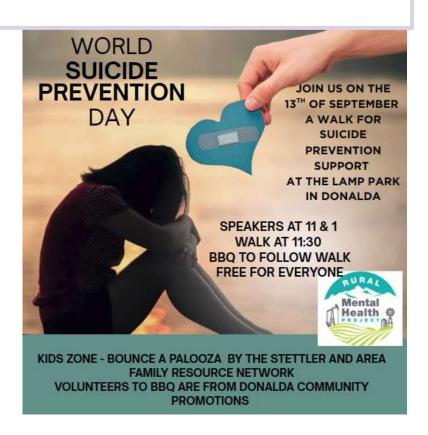
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Pooh: "What would happen if you forget about me?" Christopher Robin: " Silly old bear, I won't ever forget about you".

SEPTEMBER



2025						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THV	FRI	SAT
Alberta Day	Labor Day	2	3	4	5	6
	Floor Curling 2 PM @ Community Hall	Museum Closed First Day of School	Museum Closed	Museum Closed	Museum Closed	Coffee Social 130-330 PM at Drop In all Welcome
Church Services & Sunday School 10 AM Sharon Church	Museum Closed Donalda Promotion Meeting 7 PM at the Church Floor Curling 2 PM @ Community Hall	Museum Closed	Museum Closed	Museum Closed Drop In Reg Meeting at Noon at Drop In	Museum Closed	Museum Closed Coffee Social 130-330 PM at Drop In all Welcome Walk for Suicide Prevention and Free BBQ at Lamp FRN and Promotion Society
Museum Closed Pancake Breakfast at Drop In 10-Noon Church Services & Sunday School 10 AM Sharon Church	Museum Closed Floor Curling 2 PM @ Community Hall Kid's Book Club 4-5 PM Court Whist 7 PM at Drop-In	Museum Closed Village Council Meeting 7 PM in Council Chambers	Museum Closed Crib 1 PM at Drop In Adult Book Club 6:30 PM at Library	Museum Closed Bingo at Drop In 7 PM Doors open at 6:30	19	Coffee Social 130-330 PM at Drop In all Welcome Willow Canyon Drive- In Movie at Dusk Footloose
Church Services & Sunday School 10 AM Sharon Church	Deadline for Donalda Lite Submissions Floor Curling 2 PM @ Community Hall	Donalda Art Gallery AGM and Reg Meeting 5 PM at Art Gallery Donalda Museum Reg Meeting 7 PM at Museum	Red Lamp Market 4-8 PM by Lamp	Museum Roast Beef Supper at Drop In 5-7 PM	Dessert Bar with Popovich 7 PM @ hall Musical Comedy	Coffee Social 130-330 PM at Drop In all Welcome Willy Bronze Trail Ride
Willy Bronze Trail Ride Church Services & Sunday School 10 AM Sharon Church	PD day - no school for students Floor Curling 2 PM @ Community Hall	No School International Day of Truth & Reconciliation September Utility Bills Due				

