

DONALDA LITE

July 26

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VILLAGE ESSENTIALS

MESSAGE FROM DONALDA VILLAGE OFFICE

The Regular Meeting of Council will occur on:

Tuesday July 21 at 7 p.m.

in the Council Chambers

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



Food Bank Supports & Services

Tuesday - Thursday 9 am - 4 pm

403-883-2345

Water-related Emergencies

Public Works Department

403-741-6468

Museum

Sun-Sat 10 am-5 pm

403-883-2100

Email: info@donaldamuseum.com

Facebook: @Donalda&DistrictMuseum

Website: www.donaldamuseum.com

Gallery for the Arts

Hours: Closed for the season

403-883-2100

Donalda Public Library

Mon-Thurs: 2 - 6 pm

403-430-BOOK (2665)

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

Donalda Post Office

Monday-Friday 8 am-4 pm

Closed from 12-1

403-883-1212

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

July 27, 2026

**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

1/4 Page Ad

\$15 + GST

1/2 Page Ad

\$25 + GST

1/8 Page Ad

\$10 + GST

WELCOMING COMMITTEE

The Donalda Welcoming Committee would like to give all new residents a Welcome Package to welcome them to Donalda. In 2025 we welcomed 12 new residents to Donalda. Reach out to receive yours

Asha Simser
403-916-5188

Heather Taylor
780-781-0075

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

May/June - Drop In **July/August** - Promotion Society

Sept - Parent Council **Oct/Nov** - Donalda Library



DONALDA TRANSFER SITE

Saturdays 9 am - 2 pm

Wednesdays 9 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.

OPERATIONS INSIDER

Summer has arrived in Donalda, and our community is looking better than ever. From beautiful flower displays and community gardens to infrastructure improvements and Canada Day celebrations, there has been plenty happening throughout the Village over the past month.

One of the first things residents and visitors may notice this summer is the colourful collection of flower pots and planters throughout town. The Village would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Echoglen Gardens for completing the custom planting of our community flower pots. Their work has helped brighten our streets and public spaces, creating a welcoming atmosphere for everyone who calls Donalda home or stops by for a visit.

We would also like to recognize Bobbi for volunteering her time and talents to plant the Donalda Community Garden. Community volunteers are the heart of rural Alberta, and contributions like these help make our community a more beautiful and enjoyable place for everyone. If you happen to stop by the Donalda Tavern this summer, be sure to thank Bobbi for her hard work and dedication to helping keep our community looking its best.

Preparations have also been underway for Canada's birthday celebrations. Administration has been working alongside the Donalda and District Promotions Society to support this year's Canada Day festivities. Events like Canada Day showcase the strong community spirit that exists within Donalda and would not be possible without the dedication of local volunteers, organizations, businesses, and residents who continue to support community-building initiatives.

Behind the scenes, Administration and Council continue to move forward with important infrastructure projects. The Village recently received proposals for the replacement of the North Main Street sidewalk. This project will improve pedestrian safety and accessibility while enhancing the appearance of one of our busiest areas. Council and Administration will now review the submissions and work toward awarding a contract so the project can move forward.

Our Public Works team remains busy with the many tasks that keep Donalda running smoothly throughout the summer months. In addition to mowing, park maintenance, boulevard upkeep, and cemetery maintenance, staff continue to monitor and maintain the Village's water and wastewater systems. Regular water testing, infrastructure inspections, and lagoon maintenance help ensure these essential services continue operating safely and efficiently for residents.

This summer, we are pleased to welcome Dina to the Village team as our summer student. Dina has been assisting Public Works with a variety of projects, including community beautification, parks maintenance, and seasonal operations. If you see her working around town, be sure to say hello and help us welcome her to the Village team. The Village is also excited to participate in the 2026 Communities in Bloom/Miracle-Gro® Best Garden Selection Award Program. Through this initiative, residents are invited to nominate outstanding gardens throughout the community that showcase creativity, beauty, and community pride.

This year, twelve nominated gardeners will be recognized through the program. Selected participants will receive recognition materials, including custom signage, a congratulatory letter, and gardening products provided through the Communities in Bloom/Miracle-Gro® program. We encourage residents to keep an eye out for beautiful gardens throughout the Village and submit nominations. Every nomination helps celebrate the pride, care, and dedication that residents invest in making Donalda a welcoming and attractive community.

Thank you to everyone who contributes their time, energy, and community spirit to helping Donalda thrive. Whether you're volunteering at an event, tending a garden, supporting local businesses, or simply lending a helping hand to a neighbour, your efforts help make our Village a wonderful place to live, work, and visit.

Village Administration

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

As we welcome July and the summer season, I would like to provide an update on the work completed by council during the month of June.

Prior to our regular council meeting, council held a Committee of the Whole meeting on June 15. This meeting provided an opportunity for council to review the council package, gather additional information where needed, and have preliminary discussions on agenda items. The goal was to ensure that council was prepared to efficiently work through the regular meeting agenda while allowing for informed discussion and decision-making.

During the June 16 regular council meeting, council gave first reading to amendments to the Procedural Bylaw.

The proposed amendments would formally incorporate Gallery Time and the Donalda Village Residents Committee into regular council meetings. These changes are intended to provide additional opportunities for communication and engagement between council and residents.

Council also approved a contract with Aquatech to provide a certified water operator to oversee the village's water and wastewater systems. This agreement ensures the village remains in compliance with provincial requirements while local staff continue working toward obtaining the necessary certifications to provide these services in the future. Council views this as an important step in maintaining reliable service while building local capacity for the future.

In addition, council gave first reading to a Land Use Bylaw amendment related to the parcel of land currently being considered for sale to the Shirley McClellan Water Services Commission. Council also approved a Public Hearing to be held during the regular council meeting on August 18, 2026. Residents are encouraged to attend and participate in the process. Updates and information will be available through the village office and on the village Facebook page as they become available.

I hope everyone enjoys a safe and happy Canada Day and has a wonderful summer season.



DONALDA & DISTRICT COMMUNITY PROMOTION SOCIETY

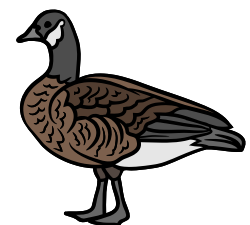
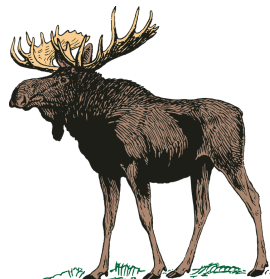
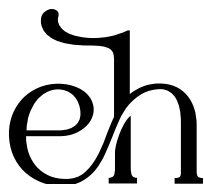
Our 5th Pull Up A Chair Dinner was another success.

Thank You to all the Volunteers

Thank You to the donations we have received towards Fireworks and July 1, 2026 activities. Ag Society, Coulee Friendship Club, Donalda Promotion Society, John's Vending, Sharon Church, Grant rec'd via Village Office

For our next meal - baked spaghetti, garlic bread, salad, desserts

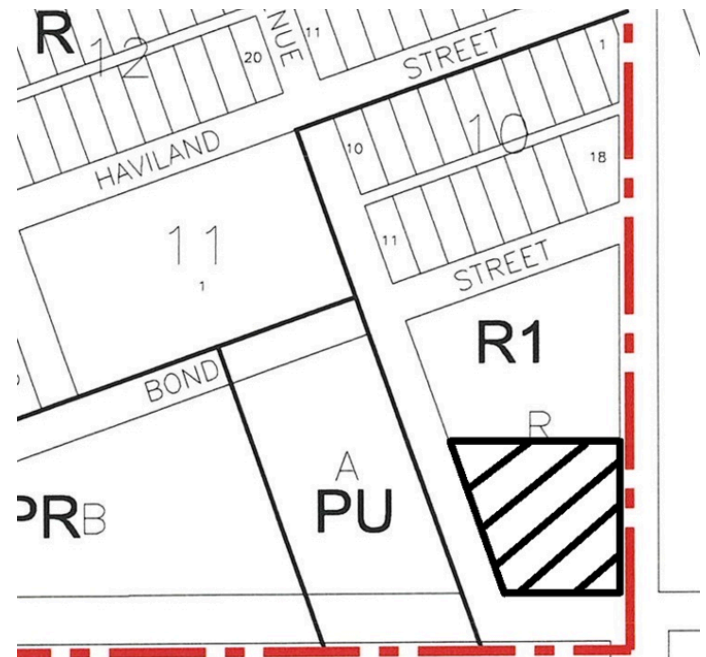
Next events: July 1 and Aug 8 Car Show





Village of Donalda - Public Notice
Bylaw No. 776 - Land Use Bylaw Amendment and Removal of Municipal Reserve
Designation relating to Water Reservoir and Truck Fill Station

Bylaw No. 776 proposes to amend the Village of Donalda Land Use Bylaw designation for the south part of Block R, Plan 867CF. The subject area is shown as hatched (black diagonal lines) in the drawing below and is located north of Township Road 42-0 and west of Railway Avenue. The Bylaw proposes to change this portion of the site from R1 Low Density Residential District to PU Public Use District to allow construction of a municipal water reservoir and truck fill station. Council will also consider a resolution to remove the municipal reserve designation on the same portion of Block R, Plan 867CF.



Bylaw No. 776 may be viewed at the Village Office during regular office hours (9:00am to 4:00pm on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday) or at www.village.donalda.ab.ca

The public hearing for Bylaw No. 776 and the public hearing for the removal of the municipal reserve designation will be held on Tuesday, August 18, 2026 at 7:00pm in Council Chambers at the Village of Donalda Office at 5001 Main Street, Donalda. The second hearing will proceed once the first has concluded.

Any person wishing to comment on the proposed bylaw or resolution may do so in writing to the Chief Administrative Officer, Village of Donalda, 5001 Main Street, Donalda, AB, T0B 1H0 or by email to cao@village.donalda.ca by August 10, 2026 or make representation at the Public Hearing.

The hearings will be chaired by the Mayor. Persons joining by teleconference or speaking in person will be requested to state their name and address for the record upon being recognized by the Chair. Council will hear verbal or written submissions from any person who claims to be affected by the proposed bylaw and/or resolution. Persons may make oral presentations at the hearing regardless of whether they have provided written comments.

Following the Public Hearing, Council may proceed with second and third reading to approve the bylaw and may pass the resolution for removal of municipal reserve designation.

Should you require additional information, please contact the Village at (403) 883-2345 or assistantcao@village.donalda.ab.ca. Should you wish to join the public hearing by teleconference please email for the contact details.

On Tuesday, July 14, 2026, Shirley McClellan Regional Water Services Commission will host a Public Information Session regarding the proposed water reservoir and truck fill station. Residents are invited to stop in, view display boards and find out more about the project. The Public Information Session will be a “drop in” format so feel free to stop in when convenient.

What: Public Information Session on Water Reservoir and Truck Fill Station

When: 6:30pm to 8:00pm on Tuesday, July 14, 2026

Where: Donalda Community Hall, Alberta Avenue, Donalda

SHARON

Evangelical Lutheran Church

DONALDA, AB

February Services:

July 05 Pastor Eric Osnes
(President of CLBI)

July 12 Pastor Dan Jefferies

July 19 Pastor Paul Reich

July 26 Bernie Doan



Church Services and
Sunday School 10 AM

Bible Study Tuesday Afternoons 1 PM at 2120 Haviland St.
John 3:16

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that
whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

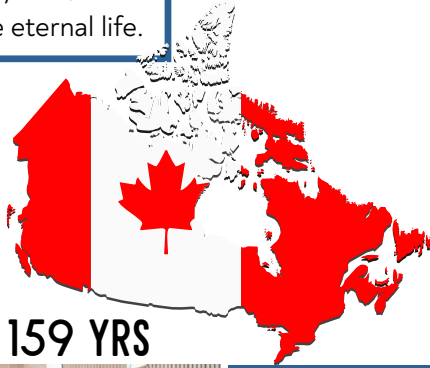
PAINT NIGHT!!!!



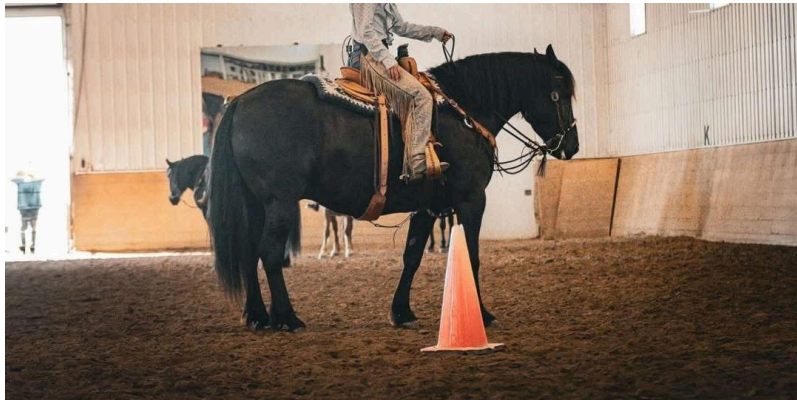
Come join us at the Donalda Drop In
for an evening of fun!!
Sunday July 12th at 6pm

\$40/person, no experience necessary
All supplies are provided

Text Leticia at 403-391-6923 to book your spot!!



159 YRS



C.H.A.R.M.D presents:

Canadian Horse Breed Show

with full class list open to ALL breeds

June 27 & 28 • Donalda Equestrian Centre
1207 Bond St. Donalda, AB

CASH PAYOUT FOR ALL CLASSES

Judge: Astrid Hryciuk

Saturday June 27 -

Horse Show followed by Dinner with High Point Awards
and Fundraiser Auction

Sunday June 28 -

AM: Gymkhana & FUN Games PM: Guided Trail Ride
Guide: Becky Halseth of Donalda Trail Riders

Follow C.H.A.R.M.D Facebook page
and visit <https://www.charmd.ca> for updates!



Donalda and District
Agricultural Society

Free admission to the C.H.A.R.M.D. horse show

Summer student - Gavin Gallon

The Donalda & District Agricultural Society would
like to thank all the advertising businesses who
bought signs for the arena! Your generosity is greatly
appreciated.

Have a wonderful Summer!

HALL & WILLOW CANYON, CAMPSITE RENTALS
CONTACT MARY MUELLER 403-740-2843

INDOOR AND OUTDOOR RIDING ARENA RENTAL
CONTACT WENDY ADAM 780-678-6511

ATTENTION ALL ARENA USERS.
A CAMERA HAS BEEN SET UP AT THE BACK ENTRANCE FOR SECURITY &
SAFETY PURPOSES.

DONALDA MUSEUM

CANADA DAY

Wednesday July 1st 2026

\$2 ADMISSION (to view Museum)

HOTDOGS \$4

BURGERS \$7

CHEESEBURGERS \$8

BEEF ON A BUN \$10

POP, WATER COFFEE \$1

BBQ OUTSIDE FROM NOON-5PM

DONALDA, AB
2026



Happy Canada Day

CANADA IS 159 YEARS OLD



Pancake Breakfast 10-12 (free will offering - Sharon Church), **Pie and Coffee 12-4** (Donalda Senior Center), **Museum BBQ 12-5**, **Parade** (kids welcome to participate) 4 pm, food, ice cream, bouncy houses, dunk tank, face painting, balloon animals, outdoor games, fire department challenge - by World's Largest Lamp 12 pm, plus more. **Fireworks Supper Coulee Tea House 5-7 PM**



ALL VENDORS WELCOME FOR A FREE OUTDOOR MARKET WEATHER - PERMITTING 780-781-0075

Outdoor games at the Donalda School 1-3 PM



Karaoke Donalda Tavern w/ Wing Night

SPONSORED BY DONALDA COMMUNITY PROMOTION SOCIETY, SENIOR CENTER, VILLAGE OF DONALDA, DONALDA AG SOCIETY, SHARON CHURCH, DONALDA SCHOOL

Help Us Celebrate DONALDA'S Best Yards!

2026 BEST GARDEN SELECTION

Communities in Bloom & Miracle-Gro® Canada

The Village of Donalda is looking for 12 outstanding properties that help make our community beautiful. Whether it's a colourful flower bed, thriving vegetable garden, welcoming front yard, creative yard feature, or inviting outdoor living space, we want to celebrate the residents who help Donalda bloom.

VEGETABLE GARDENS **DECKS & PATIOS** **FRONT YARDS** **CREATIVE FEATURES** **BEAUTIFUL GARDENS**

WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR

- Beautiful Flower Gardens
- Productive Vegetable Gardens
- Attractive Landscaping
- Well-Maintained Front Yards
- Creative Yard Features
- Inviting Decks, Patios & Outdoor Living Spaces
- Pollinator-Friendly Gardens
- Trees, Shrubs & Natural Landscapes
- Community Pride & Curb Appeal

SELECTED GARDENERS WILL RECEIVE

- Official Best Garden Selection Sign
- Complimentary Miracle-Gro® Products
- A Congratulatory Recognition Letter
- Opportunity to be Featured by Communities in Bloom and the Village of Donalda

HOW TO NOMINATE

Please submit:

- Property Address
- Homeowner Name (if known)
- Why They Deserve Recognition
- Optional Photo

NOMINATION DEADLINE JULY 15, 2026

12 OUTSTANDING PROPERTIES WILL BE SELECTED!

Let's keep Donalda Blooming!

SUBMIT YOUR NOMINATION TODAY!

cao@village.donalda.ab.ca
403-883-2345

NOMINATE A: Flower Garden, Vegetable Garden, Front Yard, Deck or Patio, Landscaped Property, Unique Yard Feature

Sport Park Outdoor Courts at the School

Open to all for the summer months. Please be respectful and share court time and return all equipment to the bin it was taken from.

WILLOW CANYON BAKESHOP

- Sourdough bread/rolls
- Regular bread/rolls
- Cinnamon buns
- Buttertarts
- Bagels
- English muffins
- Cookies
- Cakes
- Pies

Check us out on Facebook
willowcanyonbakeshop@gmail.com

July's Donalda Lite monthly special!!!
Get a free order of bagels, pretzels or english muffins with every \$20 order (Please mention this ad when ordering)

HOME BAKED GOODS FOR ALL YOUR CRAVINGS :)

PULL UP A CHAIR

July 20 , 2026

Free Community Supper 5-7 PM at Hall
For Donalda Residents



**Baked Spaghetti
Garlic Bread, Salad
Desserts**



Serving Camrose and area

- * Messy books clean up
- * Bookkeeping and E-commerce accounting
- * Sole Prop Tax Returns
- * Corporate Tax Returns

QBO Certified / Xero / Sage / Wave Software

Contact: 780-563-0351 / kimcanopy362@gmail.com

Website: canopybookkeeping.ca



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



Thank you to all who have donated!

*The committee continues to raise funds to
complete the repaint of the Lamp's steel base,
which should proceed in spring of 2026.*

1" x 3" ~ \$100

3" x 4" ~ \$250

Engraved Plaque:

5" x 7" ~ \$500

Please contact the Museum for more information.

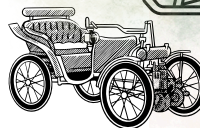
Thank you to everyone who came to help out at
the annual Lamp Park Clean Up back in May,
including all our volunteers and Donalda School.
And a huge thank you to the Donalda Drop In
Center for providing lunch for everyone!

DONALDA COULEE SHOW AND SHINE 2026
8TH ANNUAL

ANTIQUÉ CARS, TRUCKS,
TRACTORS, SNOWMOBILES, ETC

WITH DONALDA MUSEUM
DAY AND
FAMILY GAME DAY

SWAP MEET
& MARKET



When: August 8, 2026
Where: The Worlds' Largest
Lamp, Donalda, AB
Time: 10 AM - 2 PM
Registration from 9-11 AM
Admission: \$10 per car
please pre-register at 780-
781-0075 or
donaldapromosociety@gmail.com

💰 2 admission to Lamp Museum

🍔 BBQ hotdogs, hamburgers,
Beef on a Bun at Museum

🍷 Donalda Tavern Lunch 12-2

☕ Coulee Tea House Lunch 11-4

🚗 Show and Shine

🍦 Iced Out Treatz

🎮 Family Fun Day
(outdoor games)
w/Bounce House



LET'S TALK DONALDA

Actions, Answers & Updates



The Donalda Village Residents & Owners Committee held its monthly meeting on June 2, 2026, attended by 5 committee members along with 7 residents and property owners. We had some great discussions on some of the topics that were on our agenda. Here are some updates from our meeting and the June Council meeting on topics we are working on.

1. Adding the Committee as a standing item on the monthly agenda – Council and Admin have moved to amend the procedural bylaw to accommodate a place for Committee on the monthly agenda and that it be recognized as an advisory committee to Council.
 2. Certified water and wastewater operator – it was confirmed by Admin that they are in the process of contracting this service until we can get our public works team certified.
 3. Status of the Village 2025 audited financial statements – the auditor should have them completed by the end of June.
 4. Budget & Financial reports – residents discussed concerns regarding the 2026 Operating Budget posted on the Village website and several of the YTD line items were discussed. Committee will prepare a more detailed report for questions to Admin and Council.
 5. Some Council members have expressed interest in meeting with Committee to further discuss feedback and concerns for a better understanding of where residents' priorities are.
- We will continue to gather information on these topics and any other feedback we receive from residents and owners.

NEXT MEETING - TUESDAY JULY 7, 2026 @ 7:00PM AT THE DROP IN CENTRE

Residents & owners are welcome to attend; we will open up part of the meeting for public discussion.

If residents or owners have any questions, concerns or ideas they would like us to discuss at the next meeting, please complete a Feedback form available at the Coulee Tea House or online using this QR Code



DONALDA LIBRARY

What's New at the Library
The Land Before Time
Date: July 16th
Time: 4 PM

Stop in at the library to watch a screening of the classic film "The Land Before Time", complete with projector screen!

Summer Reading Club
Date: July & August

Kids! Earn awesome weekly prizes all summer long by meeting reading goals!

Visit the library for complete details!

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

SUMMER LEARNING

403-883-2013

EMAIL: JANICE@SOVEREIGNGIG.COM

Bible Study 101

Tuesdays @ 1 pm

Studying Luke, John, Galatians & Ephesians
Everyone Welcome!

Also available on different days/time on zoom
(*email for link and schedule)

Bible Book Club



Why do “you” matter?

Beginner & Intermediate classes

Online and In-person

July – Galatians / August - Ephesians

Kingdom Speakers



Build confidence - learn the art of
public speaking.

Online & In-person.

Pre-register required.

Ever read “God at the Bedside”?

Now there’s “God is STILL at the Bedside!”

This online program is a college level course but the content appeals to adults & youth with questions, personal contributions, or medical experiences to share.

Thought provoking and yet insightful!

Text provided - no cost!

The British Parliament passed the British North America Act in 1867. The Dominion of Canada was officially born on July 1, 1867. Until 1982, July 1 was celebrated as "Dominion Day" to commemorate the day that Canada became a self-governing Dominion. Today it is officially known as Canada Day.

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JULY

2026



"THE NICEST THING ABOUT RAIN IS THAT IT ALWAYS STOPS. EVENTUALLY" - EYORE



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<p>INFO: Floor Curling \$2 - all welcome Whist \$2 - Contact Marlene 403-883-2381 Crib \$3 - all welcome</p>		<p>June 27-28 C.H.A.R.M.D. horse show at Donalda Arena</p>	<p>HAPPY Canada Day See Poster for all the Great Activities</p>			
<p>SHARON Evangelical Lutheran Church Services 10 AM</p>	<p>Floor Curling at the Hall at 2 PM</p>	<p>Bible Study 1 PM 2120 Haviland St Donalda Village Residents Committee Meeting 7 PM At Drop In</p>				
<p>SHARON Evangelical Lutheran Church Services 10 AM</p> <p>Paint Night at Drop In 7 PM Register-see poster</p>	<p>Floor Curling at the Hall at 2 PM</p> <p>Promotion Society Meeting 7 PM at the Church</p>	<p>Bible Study 1 PM 2120 Haviland St</p>	<p>Crib at Drop In 1 PM all welcome</p>	<p>Library 4 PM Land Before Time Movie</p>		
<p>SHARON Evangelical Lutheran Church Services 10 AM</p>	<p>Floor Curling at the Hall at 2 PM</p> <p>Pull Up A Chair Community Supper 5-7 PM at Hall Court Whist 7 PM at the Drop In</p>	<p>Bible Study 1 PM 2120 Haviland St</p> <p>Regular Meeting Council 7 PM Council Chambers</p>				
<p>SHARON Evangelical Lutheran Church Services 10 AM</p>	<p>Floor Curling at the Hall at 2 PM</p>	<p>Bible Study 1 PM 2120 Haviland St</p>				
					<p>Water Bills Due</p>	