

DONALDA LITE

August 2  26

VILLAGE ESSENTIALS

MESSAGE FROM DONALDA VILLAGE OFFICE

The Regular Meeting of Council will occur on:

Tuesday August 18 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: Sun-Sat 10 am-5 pm

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

403-883-2121

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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

August 24, 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 been another busy and rewarding season for Administration. From responding to emergencies and supporting community events to securing grant funding and advancing important municipal projects, Village staff continue working every day to provide quality services for our residents.

Supporting Our Community During the Recent Power Outage

The recent extended power outage reminded us how important a strong community can be. Recognizing that some residents rely on electrically powered medical equipment, our Public Works team quickly coordinated alternate power sources to help ensure critical equipment could continue operating safely. Staff also checked in on several of our most vulnerable residents throughout the outage to make sure they were safe and had the support they needed during the extreme heat.

To further assist the community, the Donalda Community Hall was opened as a cooling centre where residents could recharge their cellular phones and electronic devices, escape the heat, and connect with neighbours while waiting for power to be restored.

Administration extends its sincere appreciation to our Public Works staff for their professionalism, compassion, and dedication throughout this event. Their willingness to go above and beyond reflects the spirit of service that makes Donalda such a special community.

Second Annual Flannel Festival

Administration is excited to announce that the Village has secured funding through the Government of Alberta's Alberta Day Grant Program to host our Second Annual Flannel Festival.

The festival will take place on Saturday, August 29, and will celebrate Alberta's heritage, our community spirit, and everything that makes Donalda unique. We encourage everyone to join us for a fun-filled day of activities, entertainment, and community celebration. Watch the Village website and social media pages for the complete event schedule.

Celebrating Our Beautiful Community

Thank you to everyone who participated in this year's Best Garden Selection program. The care and pride residents take in their properties help make Donalda a welcoming and vibrant community. Congratulations to all of this year's winning gardens! In addition to receiving one of Scotts Canada's Best Garden prize packs, each winner also received a \$25 gift certificate generously donated by Beth and the team at Echoglen Gardens. We sincerely thank Echoglen Gardens for their continued generosity and support of this community initiative.

Donalda Reservoir Project Update

Residents had the opportunity to learn more about the proposed Donalda Reservoir and Regional Truck Fill project during a public information session hosted by the Shirley McClellan Regional Water Services Commission. Thank you to everyone who attended the session to ask questions and learn more about this important regional project. The proposed reservoir represents a significant investment in strengthening long-term regional water infrastructure and improving water reliability for our area. Administration looks forward to continuing to work with the Commission as the project progresses.

Behind the Scenes

While many of our day-to-day responsibilities happen behind the scenes, Administration and Public Works continue to provide the essential services that keep our community operating smoothly.

Throughout the month, staff have continued work on:

- Maintaining parks, boulevards, alleys, cemeteries, and public spaces.
- Responding to resident service requests.
- Advancing long-term infrastructure planning.
- Supporting Council initiatives and strategic priorities.
- Preparing grant applications and securing external funding opportunities.
- Planning upcoming community events and seasonal projects.

Every project—large or small—helps contribute to the quality of life enjoyed by residents and visitors alike.

We hope everyone enjoys the remainder of the summer, and we look forward to seeing you at the Second Annual Flannel Festival on August 29!

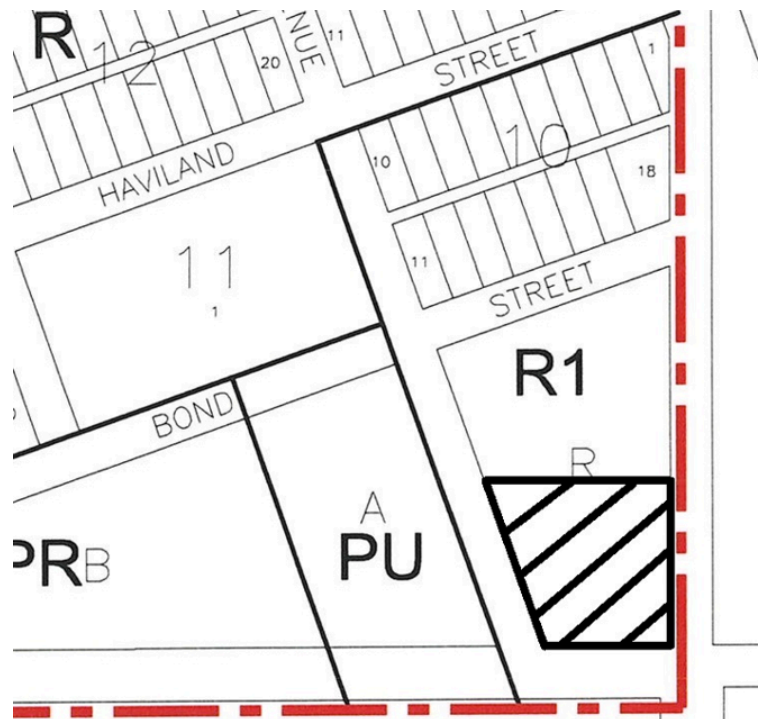


Village of Donalda - Public Notice

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.donaldal.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.donaldal.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.donaldal.ab.ca.

Should you wish to join the public hearing by teleconference please email the Village office for contact details.

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

As we continue to enjoy the summer season, I would like to provide a brief update on the work completed by council during our July meeting.

During the meeting, council discussed opportunities that could help strengthen the village's economy over the long term. While these discussions are still in the early stages, council continues to explore ideas that support responsible growth and benefit our community. As opportunities develop, more information will be shared with residents.

Council also heard concerns from residents regarding the village's finances. I want to reassure residents that council continues to review the municipality's financial position carefully and considers the budget when making decisions throughout the year. Responsible financial management remains an important part of every discussion, and council is committed to making informed decisions that support both the current and future needs of our community.

I would also like to take a moment to recognize our village staff. They work hard every day to provide services to our community and to carry out the direction of council. I understand that residents may have questions or concerns, and those conversations are an important part of local government. My hope is that we continue to approach one another with patience, courtesy, and respect. Constructive conversations help us work through challenges together and create a positive environment for everyone who lives and works in our community.

Thank you for your continued interest in village matters and for the care you show our community. I hope everyone enjoys the remainder of the summer, and I look forward to sharing more updates with you in the months ahead.



*Donalda and District
Agricultural Society*

-We have been cleaning out some storage benches at the Arena and was wondering if anybody would like an old hockey or ball uniform?

-There are some outdoor rink perimeter stakes that you slip a one by four into the grooves so the water doesn't all run away that need to go, make a donation and they are yours.

-There has been some suspicious activity at the arena this summer and we are asking the public to report anything you see out of the ordinary to the authorities please!

-Facility rates will be going up in October which is the start of a new year for the Ag Society as well as memberships. Our insurance company has strongly suggested all rentals buy additional event insurance too.

-new meeting dates will be the 3rd Wednesday of the month so our next general meeting will be Aug 19th at 7 pm.

**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.**

**GRADES 1-9
START
AUG 31, 2026**

**BACK
TO
SCHOOL**

**KINDERGARTEN
STARTS
SEPT 1, 2026**



**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.
Hours will change in Sept



DONALDA LIBRARY

Hitster: Summer Party Edition

Date: Mondays

Time: 4 PM

Stop in at the library to play the summer edition of the ultimate music party game! Now blasting on our fancy new Bluetooth speaker!

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



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DONALDA & DISTRICT
COMMUNITY PROMOTION
SOCIETY

Donalda Community Promotion Society is looking for you - The Volunteer
We put on July 1, Donalda Coulee Show and Shine, 2 Drive In Movie's a year, the monthly free suppers for Donalda Residence and are working with the Village Office to promote and help with Alberta Days.

Do you enjoy these events and would like to see more? We have more on the list but without you they might not happen.



Our next meeting is Aug 3, 2026 at 7 PM. Sharon Church

Our 6th Pull Up A Chair Dinner was another success.

Thank You to all the Volunteers

For our next meal - Sweet and Sour Meatballs w/ rice, salad, desserts

Next events: Aug 8 Car Show and Sept 19 Drive In



A Big THANK YOU to Donalda Valley Club for their \$1000 donation to the Pull Up a Chair Meals.

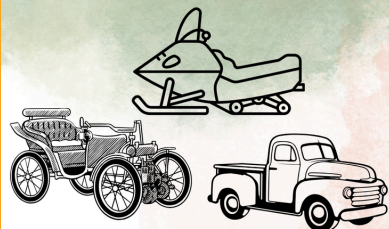
DONALDA COULEE SHOW AND SHINE 2026

8TH ANNUAL

ANTIQUE CARS, TRUCKS,
TRACTORS, SNOWMOBILES, ETC

WITH DONALDA MUSEUM
DAY AND
FAMILY GAME DAY

SWAP MEET
& MARKET



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

Tashas' Food Truck

Family Fun Day
(outdoor games)
w/Bounce House



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

PULL UP A CHAIR

Aug 17, 2026

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



Sweet & Sour Meatballs w/
rice, Salad, desserts

VILLAGE OF DONALDA

Show 'n' Shine & MUSEUM DAY

A great day out with the
family! It is going to be
an awesome day so
make sure to come
check it out!

SATURDAY
8 AUGUST,
2026

\$2 Admission to Museum

Hotdogs, Burgers, BBQ Beef
on a Bun (10am-2pm)

Donalda Coulee
Show 'n' Shine

403-883-2100 info@donaldamuseum.com Donalda

2ND ANNUAL CHANNEL YOUR Flannel!

Let's fill Donalda with flannel
and celebrate our amazing community!

**SATURDAY
AUGUST
29
2026**

**FESTIVAL BEGINS AT
4:00 P.M.**

AN AFTERNOON & EVENING OF
FREE FAMILY FUN!

**COMMUNITY
GARAGE
SALE
THROUGHOUT
THE DAY!**

**WEAR YOUR FAVOURITE FLANNEL
AND JOIN US FOR THE
2ND ANNUAL DONALDA
FLANNEL FESTIVAL!**

**BRING YOUR
FAMILY!**

**INVITE YOUR
FRIENDS!**

**GOOD FRIENDS.
GREAT FUN.
OUR AMAZING
COMMUNITY!**

**SUPPORT
LOCAL!**

**LET'S MAKE
MEMORIES
TOGETHER!**

**COMPLIMENTARY
HOT DOGS**

COTTON CANDY

MINI DONUTS

SNO-CONES

**EXCITING GAMES
WITH PRIZES!**

**MUSIC
THROUGHOUT
THE EVENING!**

**FIREWORKS
AT DUSK!**

**GRAND FINALE
FIREWORKS!**

PRESENTED BY THE
DONALDA COMMUNITY PROMOTION SOCIETY

HOSTED BY THE
VILLAGE OF DONALDA

PARTNERSHIP
WITH
TASHA THOMPSON

UPCOMING EXHIBITS

DONALDA GALLERY FOR THE ARTS

OPEN DAILY

10.00 – 05.15 PM

JUNE 8-19

Donalda School Art Scholarship

JUNE 26-JULY 10

Bashaw Art Club

JUNE 27-JULY 4

Under Canadian Skies (Upstairs)
Youth Art Contest

JULY 11- 25

TBD

JULY 26-AUG 9

Doris Banziger

AUGUST 10-24

Handcrafted Art & Craft Show

More Info: +403.883.2100
info@donaldamuseum.com

DONALDA MUSEUM

HOURS:

DAILY, 10AM-5PM

SUMMER STUDENTS:

MAKE SURE TO STOP BY THE MUSEUM AND SAY HELLO
TO OUR SUMMER STUDENTS, CHLOE, DAWN, AND
MERCEDEZ!

MUSEUM DAY:

JOIN US AT THE MUSEUM AUGUST 8TH FOR A BBQ
AND REDUCED ADMISSION. HOTDOGS, BURGERS AND
BEEF ON A BUN WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE
FROM 10AM-2PM

SHARON

Evangelical Lutheran Church



Next Services:

Aug 2 Pastor Lewis Smith
Aug 9 Pastor Dan Jefferies
Aug 16 Katrina Siemens
(report on Mission Trip)
Aug 23 Mark Siemens
Aug 30 Pastor Paul Reich

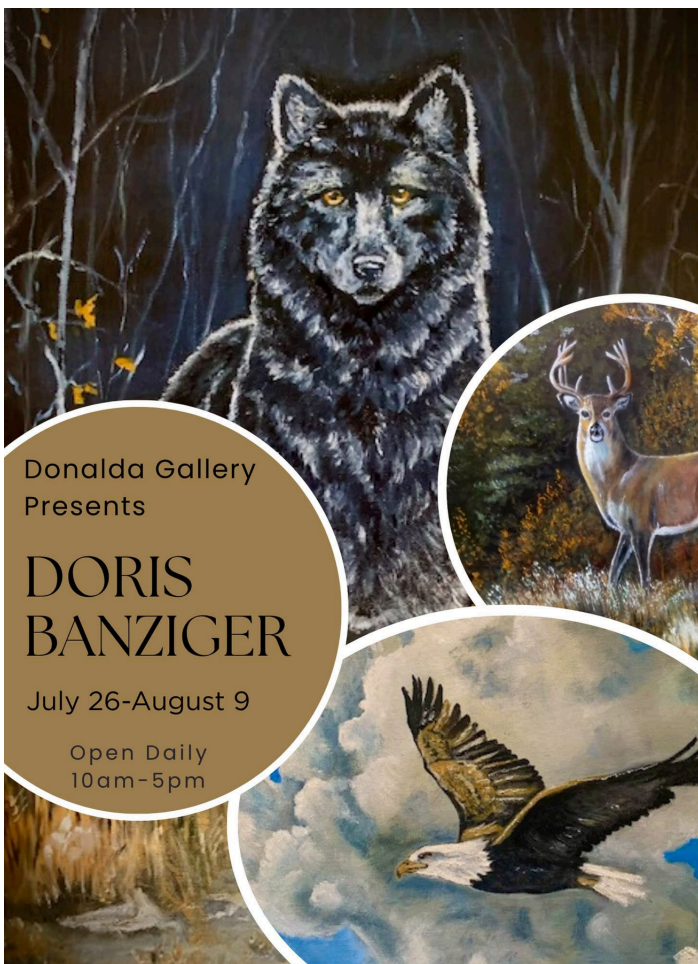


Church Services and
Sunday School 10 AM

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.



Donalda Gallery
Presents

DORIS BANZIGER

July 26-August 9

Open Daily
10am-5pm

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.



Donalda Village Residents & Owners Committee

The Donalda Village Residents & Owners Committee held its monthly meeting on July 7, 2026, with 3 committee members and 6 residents and property owners in attendance. The Committee discussed a number of community topics and received updates on recent Council matters.

Meeting Highlights

- **Committee Terms of Reference:** Council approved the Committee's Terms of Reference at its July 28, 2026 meeting. The Terms of Reference establish the framework for collaboration and communication between the Committee and Council.
- **2025 Audited Financial Statements:** The Committee noted that the Village's 2025 audited financial statements were not available for the July Council meeting. It is anticipated they will be presented at a future Council meeting once the audit is complete.

Upcoming Meeting Topics

The Committee's next meeting is expected to include discussion on:

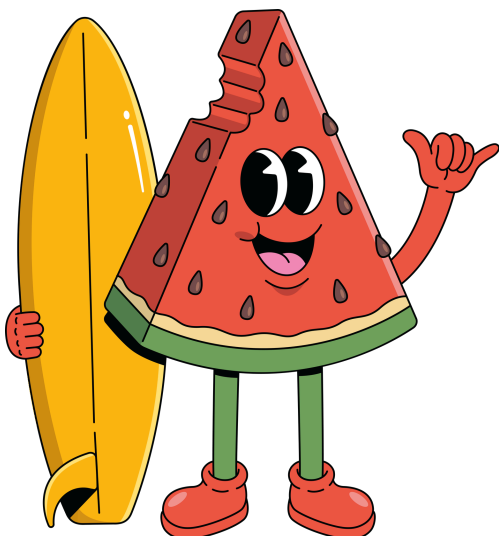
- Budget and Financial Reports
- Main Street
- Village Bylaws



NEXT MEETING - TUESDAY AUGUST 4, 2026 @ 7:00PM AT THE DROP IN CENTRE

Residents & owners are encouraged 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.



Summer
Vibes

EVERYONE WELCOME @ BIBLE STUDY



1

TRIVIA QUESTION

God used over 100 names for Himself in the Old Testament. Do you know the name He gave us for now?



2

New Day & Time

Wednesdays @ 10:30 am
2120 Haviland St.
Donalda (side door)
Refreshments served!
**(Please Note: NO Bible
Study August 19th)**
Call Janice 403-883-2013



3

STUDY TOPIC FOR AUGUST

Romans – “Therefore, there is now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus!”



4

74 Be's ... Here's Some!

1. Be exceeding glad (Matthew 5:12)
2. Be thankful (Colossians 3:15)
3. Be of good cheer! (John 16:33)
4. Be given to hospitality (Romans 12:13)
5. Be filled with the Spirit (Acts 2:36-41)



5

This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.
(Psalm 118:24)



Alberta Heritage Day is celebrated on the first Monday in August. It is an optional civic holiday rather than a paid provincial statutory holiday, meaning whether you get the day off depends entirely on your employer. It is dedicated to celebrating the province's rich and diverse multicultural roots



AUGUST

2026



Piglet sidled up to Pooh from behind. "Pooh?" he whispered. "Yes, Piglet?" "Nothing," said Piglet, taking Pooh's hand. "I just wanted to be sure of you," --A.A. Milne



SUN

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SAT

INFO: Floor Curling \$2 - all welcome Whist \$2 - Contact Marlene 403-883-2381 Crib \$3 - all welcome		June 26-July 10 Bashaw Art Club @ Art Gallery	June 27-July 7 Under Canadian Skies Youth Art Club upstaris @ Art Gallery	July 11-25 TBD July 26-Aug 9 Doris Banziger @ Art Gallery	Aug 10-24 Hancrafted arts & craft show @ Art Gallery	1
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SHARON 16 Evangelical Lutheran Church Services 10 AM	17 Floor Curling at the Hall at 2 PM Hitster: Summer Party Edition 4 PM @ Library Pull Up A Chair Community Supper 5-7 PM at Hall Court Whist 7 PM at the Drop In	18 Bible Study 1 PM 2120 Haviland St Regular Meeting Council 7 PM Council Chambers	19 Ag General Meeting 7 PM @ Hall Crib at Drop In 1 PM all welcome	20	21	22
SHARON 23 Evangelical Lutheran Church Services 10 AM	24 Floor Curling at the Hall at 2 PM Hitster: Summer Party Edition 4 PM @ Library Deadline for Sept Donalda Lite	25 Bible Study 1 PM 2120 Haviland St	26 Bible Study 10:30 AM 2120 Haviland St	27	28	29  Alberta Days/ 2nd Annual Flannel Festival Free for all Fireworks, see flyer
SHARON 10 Evangelical Lutheran Church Services 10 AM	31 Floor Curling at the Hall at 2 PM First Day of School grades 1-9 Water Bills Due	First Day of School for Kindergarten				