

VILLAGE OF ALLIANCE

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Council Notes

- ▶ A resolution has been passed to proceed with a Municipal Sustainability Plan. We will be calling upon residents of the area to join in this process.
- ▶ At the request of the owners, the Commercial Hotel was added to the list of places to be designated as Municipal Historic Resources.
- ▶ Municipal Auditor, Guy Chapman reviewed the audited 2007 financial Statement with Council, which shows the Village to be in sound financial state, with adequate reserves. Copies are available at the Village Office.
- ▶ The 2008 budget was finalized and the Tax Bylaw passed. Tax notices are scheduled to be mailed on May 30. Anyone who wishes to appeal their assessment will have 30 days to file their appeal with the Village Office.
- ▶ A bylaw banning ALL MOTORIZED vehicles from Nature's Way Walking Trail was passed. Any owner of a motorized vehicle who allows a person under the age of 18, or any person over 18 yrs who operates a vehicle on the Walking Trail is subject to a \$500 fine.
- ▶ Effective May 12, there will be a fee of \$25 for Development Permits issued by the Village.
- ▶ Sidewalk inspection was done, and tender will be advertised for repair and replacement of about 3 blocks of sidewalk this summer.
- ▶ We continue to work with the Bylaw Officer and residents on cleaning up properties as well as dog complaints.

Mayor's Corner

Office Hours
Wednesday
10 AM -Noon.

Next Council meeting
is
June 16 at 6 PM.

The public is welcome to attend all Council meetings.

If you have an issue to discuss with Council, you must request a time on the agenda by Thurs, June 12

Dissolution Study

By now all Village residents should have received their copy of the Dissolution Study in the mail. If you did not receive one, there are extras at the Village Office. Please read it carefully and attend the Public Meeting on Mon., June 9 at 7 PM in the Community Hall.

This is your chance to ask questions so that you can make a well informed decision, and cast your ballot for the best option for the future of our community.

Remember that once a Village is dissolved we can never go back to a Village unless we achieve a population of at least 300.

VOTE on the question -

**Mon. June 16
10 am—8 pm
Rec Centre**

Strawberry Tea

Wednesday, June 4th

Alliance Hall

1:30 pm—4:00 pm

\$5.00 per person

We will even deliver if you want.

Call 879-2252 for delivery.

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Public
Library

STEP

Village of Alliance
Seeking a student to work under
The Summer Temporary
Employment Program
from about June 20 - Aug 31.

A valid driver's license is
required.

Submit a written resume to:
Village of Alliance
Box 149,
Alliance, AB T0B 0A0

By Noon, Friday, June 13

Questions ? —call 879-3911

*Thanks to Robert & Karen Cameron
sponsors of this month's newsletter.*

Library

Tues. 1—5 PM
Thurs. 9—1 AM

Museum

Open Saturdays
1 - 4 PM
Or Call for apptmt.

Norman - 879-3762
Marie - 879-2144
Karin - 879-2333

Meetings
4th Monday, 7:30 PM

Village Office Hours

Monday - Thursday
9 AM - Noon
1 PM - 3 PM
Friday 9 to Noon

Landfill Hours

Effective April 1
Wednesdays
9am -12 Noon
Saturdays
1 pm - 6:30 pm

Rural Landfill

On Township Road 410
(Coal Trail) &
Range Rd 110
Wednesdays
9 am - 6:30 pm

**Newsletter
Deadline
Mon., June 23**

Forestburg Doctor's Schedule



Phone **582-5185**

When the office is closed, the phone is forwarded to Daysland Medical Center, so appointments can be made Monday to Saturday. Please specify that you want your appointment in Forestburg.

June 3 - Dr. Hart
June 6 - Dr. Niemann
June 10 - Dr. vanVuuren
June 13 - Dr. Hart
June 17 - Dr. Niemann
June 20 - Dr. vanVuuren
June 24 & 27 - No Dr. scheduled at this time.

FARMER'S MARKET DAY

Wed., June 18
10 am to 2 pm

Alliance Community Hall
Lots of vendors with a variety of items.
Great place to meet with
Friends and neighbors and
Enjoy a terrific lunch!
To book tables,
Or for more information
Call Tina @ 879-3917 or
Sharon @ 879-3804

Thank You

*Alliance for purchasing
irises and sponsoring Judi for the
Walk'n Run for Schizophrenia.
We raised almost \$400 in
Our little Village.*

Well Baby Clinic

**Schedule Change
Effective Sept 2006**
**First Tuesday morning
Of the month**
At Alliance Community Hall

Call 384-3652 for apptmt.

Sedgewick Health Unit

2nd Tuesday: 10am - 3 pm
4th Tuesday: 1:30pm - 8 pm

Killam Medical Center

385-7890
Monday to Friday
9 am to 12 Noon
1:30 to 4:30 PM

Appreciation Night

For
Gordie Lewis
Manager of Viterra Elevator

Saturday, June 14,
Doors Open at 5:30 PM.
Potluck supper at 6 PM
Program to follow.

PLEASE

**No watering lawns
In daytime.**

Sewer Rates effective May 31.

Will be \$1 for every cube of
water that is used.

Therefore watering of lawns will cost you
more.

We have set up a pump at the dam for
anyone who wishes to haul water to their
yards. Just make sure you put gas in the
pump and close the gate when you leave.



Alliance United Church

Minister: Rev. Jope Langejans

Phone—582-3796, or

Alliance Church 879-3883

WEBSITE— <http://allianceuc.anwc.net/>

Sunday Services 11:30 AM

Sunday School 11:00 AM

Join us for refreshments and fellowship after the service.

The Heart of the Drum Tour

With Bruce Harding

Drumming Workshop

Friday, June 6th, 7 PM

Bethel United Church,

Forestburg, AB

Registration deadline—May 31

Fee—\$10

Djembe drums provided



Bruce Harding is not a master drummer, he is a singer, song leader and multi-instrumentalist from the South Coast of BC, who can never get enough djembe! Bruce invites people to connect to the soul and spirit of drumming in worship, and helps drummers immediately build skills for accompanying the communal voice in song. No previous drumming experience is necessary, all levels of skill are welcome—as well as all ages.

Visit www.bruceharding.com.

For more information (780) 582-3796,

albethuc@persona.ca

Library News

Thursday, June 12

Starting at 1:00

Storyteller, Pearl-Anne Gooding

Is doing two sessions -

- 1) Kindergarten to Grade 3 program
- 2) Mixed age program

These sessions are fun, interactive, and humorous.

Refreshments will be served.

Please call 879-3793 to confirm space.

A.C.D.C.

Thanks to the generosity of Lynda Anderson, there are some new spruce trees on the walking path.

Small flags and Canada pins should be in the office before July 1st as we have requested them along with our funding application.

The committee has worked hard to produce a tourist brochure to help us advertise ourselves as a unique place to visit. The materials have gone to the graphics artist for a first draft.

Time to start planning your float for July 1st.

We are pleased to be hosting the spring Ambassador driving and walking tour of Alliance and area. This is a Trail of the Buffalo project to show those who encounter tourists what can be enjoyed when they visit us.

The Alliance Library

Reminds you that library membership is free in 2008 in celebration of their 100th anniversary. Why not come in and apply for your Alberta Library Card?

Thanks to Flagstaff Waste Management and the hard work of the Women's Institute, Alliance has many opportunities to recycle waste. It is great to see that more & more people are taking the opportunity to reduce the waste going to the landfill,

but we could do a better job of sorting!!

- ▶ Yard Waste bin says NO BAGS. This means dump the leaves and take the bag with you for reuse.
- ▶ #2 plastic & Milk Cartons means exactly THAT! At time of writing, plastic bags, styrofoam, cardboard, and a large coffee can could be found in the bin. These are NOT # 2 plastic.
- ▶ Cardboard needs to be flattened and pushed completely into the bin (don't plug the slot). We need to get all cardboard into the recycle bin, and NOT in your pick up garbage.

If we don't sort properly here, it has to be done at the landfill at a cost to YOU!!

CANS—please rinse and flatten to reduce smell and take less space.

Some Good initiatives have been noticed -

*** Butt pails placed outside some businesses.

***Many folks using cloth rather than plastic bags for groceries, etc.

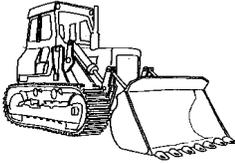
***Home composting



Flagstaff Regional Solid Waste Management Association

Phone (780) 384-3950 Fax (780) 384-3926

THE FLAGSTAFF LITTER PROBLEM



The litter problem is a disgrace. Just look at our roads, streets, alleys, fields, the transfer site and our landfill. Is this something you are proud of?

The litter problem is an aggravation to agricultural operations. Just ask an operator of a seeder, mower, or swather when the plastic bags catch on a tooth or shovel.

The litter problem is expensive. Just ask local governments as well as Flagstaff Waste Management how much is spent in time and money to try to remove litter. These costs absolutely dwarf the cost of garbage bags.

Litter starts when loose garbage (paper, plastic, small items subject to blowing) are not placed in sealed bags.

Can you visualize all the locations where loose waste can become litter...

- ...when the loose garbage is placed in the residential pickup truck.
- ...as the residential pickup truck travels down the alley with doors open.
- ...when the residential pickup bin with loose waste is left at a transfer site.
- ...when residents transport and unload loose garbage at the transfer sites.
- ...when the bins with loose waste sit in the wind at the transfer sites.
- ...when the bins with loose waste are unloaded into the compactor trucks.
- ...when the compactor trucks unload loose waste in the wind at the landfill.
- ...when compactor loads sit at the landfill awaiting spreading and cover (We have to unload in windy conditions as there are more loads to pick up, but only spread and pack while it is calm.)

To address this severe litter problem that our communities and waste facilities are facing, the board of Flagstaff Waste Management has decided that:

As of July 1, 2008, waste of a nature that would create litter will only be accepted if it is bagged—for residential pickup, arriving at transfer sites or the landfill, or placed in blue compactor bins.

Meanwhile remember that **insecure loads** are illegal, and local police forces have been asked to enforce that law, again to keep waste out of our roadside ditches.



Come to Castor's Paintearth Lodge!

Senior Citizens wanted !

Are you missing out on all of the FUN??

For the first time since 1991 Paintearth Lodge is actively seeking applications for Lodge living.

- ❖ **Make an appointment for a tour.**
- ❖ **Come see what you're missing!**
 - ❖ **25 beautiful new units.**
 - ❖ **12 renovated units.**
- ❖ **A beautifully enclosed courtyard.**

❖ **A friendly helpful Staff that will quickly become your friends.**

➤ **Phone (403) 882-3244 for an appointment or tour. Learn how we can enhance your quality of life. Ask for Sylvia.**