

Village of Alliance

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Remember spring??? It's coming

Arena Update

The arena is gone and clean-up nearing completion. The next decision for Council will be what to do with the old site, since the new arena will be built at the Recreation Grounds. The site is currently zoned Recreation/Park, so if it is to be used for something else, the first step will be to amend the Land Use Bylaw.

Council is interested in hearing input from the public as to what you think should be done with the property in the future.

The Building Committee has finalized the purchase of a building from Allied Steel. It is to be 100 feet by 240 feet, just a few feet longer than the old arena. The building package is expected to arrive in Alliance near the end of April. The committee has been meeting with contractors regarding construction, and plans are well underway.

Mayor's Corner

Office Hours

Wednesday

10 AM -Noon.

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Council meeting

Wed, April 13

@ 9 am

Note time Change

Village Office

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Thanks to everyone who attended Council's information session on the 23rd. We appreciate the opportunity to answer your questions and discuss our priorities.

The Best is Yet to Come

Sat, April 23

Cocktails 5:30 Dinner 6:30

Followed by entertainment, auction and dancing featuring

"ELVIS - His Concert Years"

dynamically presented by Rob Rushton, a multi contest winner in Canada and USA competitions.

and

"SINATRA" a nostalgic tribute by Wayne Knight.

\$ 100/ person— Only 200 tickets to be sold—
just a few left at time of publication—don't miss your chance!

Live Auction Items include :

One night in theme room at Fantasyland Hotel

\$400 Gift Certificate for Mayfield Inn & Suites

Shane Doan signed jersey

3 strand turquoise necklace with handcrafted silver cross

Bobby Orr collectors jersey

Wheel barrow with whipper snipper

Oilers hockey stick signed by the team

Framed painting of pond hockey

And more to come!!

A.W.O.F

Get your raffle tickets for a Handcrafted octagon picnic table with attached benches.

\$ 5 each or 3 for \$10

Draw on Mother's Day

Available from Main St Medley, Lynn Neilsen or any AWOFF member

After all our fundraising we will be purchasing a defibrillator for public use.

Museum

Renovations in the addition are almost complete and summer opening is slated for Saturday, April 2nd

Summer hours are

Every Wednesday and Saturday

From 1 to 4 PM.

Redefining Alberta's Rush

Historic Site Tour

July 16 & 17

The Alliance Museum, Alliance Cemetery, and Battle Bend School are all on the Trail of the buffalo self-guided driving tour. More info at the Village Office, or

www.trailofthebuffalo.com

Toll Free 1-888-575-0279

Thanks to Dale & Sylvia Wold for sponsoring this newsletter

Library

Tues. 1—5
Thurs. 9—1 AM

Museum

**Open Every
Wednesday & Saturday
1 –4 PM**
Or Call for apptmt.

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 Oct 1
Wednesdays
9am -12 Noon
Saturdays
1 pm - 5 pm

Rural Landfill

On Township Road 410
(Coal Trail) &
Range Rd 110
Wednesdays
9 am - 5 pm

**Newsletter
Deadline
Mon., Apr 25**

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

Fri, April 1	- Dr. Niemann
Tues, April 5	- Dr. Eleanor
Fri, April 8	- Dr. duPlessis
Tues, April 12	- Dr. Eleanor
Fri, April 15	- Dr. Niemann
Tues, April 19	- Dr. duPlessis
GOOD FRIDAY	- NO CLINIC
Tues, April 26	- Dr. Fouche
Fri, April 29	- Dr. Eleanor

FARMER'S MARKET

Wed., April 20

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,
Call Tina @ 879-3917 or
Sharon @ 879-3804

Bottle Drive

The Travel Club bottle drive will
Be on Wednesday, April 20 at 5 PM.

Call Raylene at 780-879-2275 or
Denise at 780-879-2157
If you need pickup. Bottles can be left
On your front step

Well Baby Clinic

**First Tuesday morning
Of the month**
At Alliance Community Hall
Call 384-3652 for apptmt.

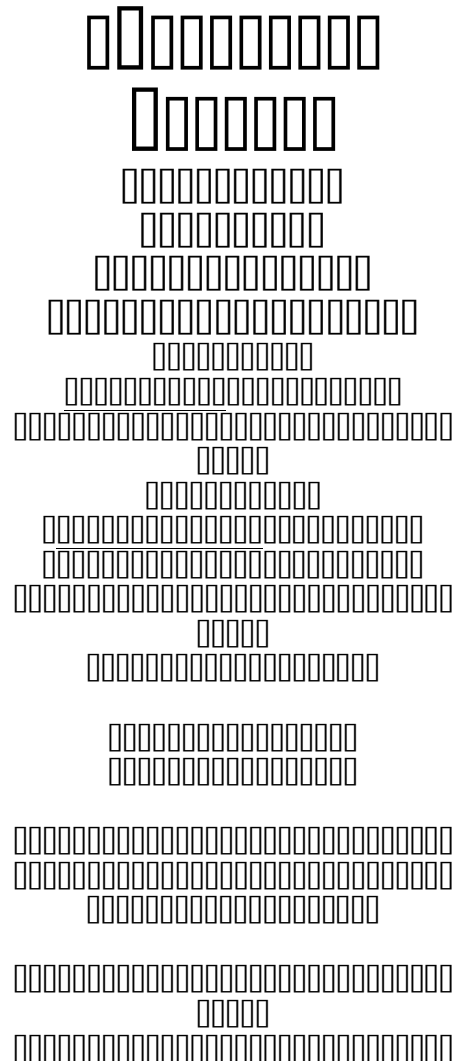
Sedgewick Health Unit

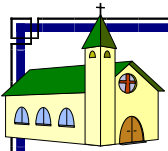
2nd Tuesday: 10am - 3 pm
4th Tuesday: 1:30pm - 8 pm

Killam Medical Center

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

Peace,





Alliance United Church

Minister: Rev. Jope Langejans

Phone—582-3796, or

Alliance Church 879-3883

WEBSITE—

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

Sunday Worship @ 9:30 AM

Join us for snacks & fellowship after the service



Thank you to the many people who donated to the Silent Auction, and to all of those who came out to contribute to the success of the evening.

A record amount of \$2,900 was raised before expenses. 1/2 of the profit will be donated to the Arena Building fund



Alliance/Castor Joint Choir
Easter concert

2:30 PM, Sunday, May 1



Town Wide Garage Sale
May 6 & 7

Alliance & District Agricultural Society

Wednesday, July 20

**The Second Annual
Horse Show and Bench Fair.**

Time to get your arts and crafts entries ready and plan your flowers and gardens so you can participate.

A.C.D.C.

- ▶ We would like to form a volunteer parks department to help us keep our village looking inviting. The work has been divided into sections which will be allotted on a first come, first served basis.
- ▶ Areas are:
 - 1) Trees at south entrance to the Village
 - 2) Triple bank by the railway track (a couple of people would be nice)
 - 3) Heritage trees and others on the west end of walking path
 - 4) Bushes along the Village shop
 - 5) Bandstand area—Wickstrom's volunteered
 - 6) Peace Park—Karin McCracken volunteered
 - 7) South side of Office
 - 8) Main Street Planters (watering included) - perhaps the business nearest to them would take these one?
 - 9) Playground—mostly weeding
 - 10) Wall of Fame Park—Muriel volunteered
 - 11) Grass Cutting—Village staff

The major job description is weeding, trimming and general Beautification. Please call Muriel at 780-879-3924 to sign up for your desired area.

Thank you for offering your help. It would be nice if we could all meet once or twice a year to discuss plant beautification.

COUNCIL NOTES

March meeting

- ▶ The snow removal policy was revised and is now as follows:

“Public works foreman is responsible for setting snow removal priorities in keeping with the following policies

 1. Weekend snow removal to be carried out during the allotted 3 hour work period.
 2. An exception to this would be in the incidence of heavy snowfall that has accumulated to at least 6” depth.
 3. Snow piles to be removed if there is danger to public safety (eg intersections)
 4. In consultation with Village Administration, casual help and trucks may be hired for hauling away excess snow.
 5. Alleys to be cleared as necessary after streets are done.
 6. Residents who need private driveways or sidewalks cleared must arrange with the Village Administration, and they will be invoiced for a minimum of 15 minutes at the rate of \$70/hour. This will only be done by Village personnel after streets and alleys are done.
 7. Residents and businesses are responsible for snow removal from sidewalks abutting their property, as well as from private driveways.
 8. Flagstaff Waste Transfer site will be cleared as required prior to days when it is open.”

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Council notes, contd...

- ▶ We have been consulting with the WI on how to reorganize our newspaper and glass recycling. We removed the containers and cleaned up the office backyard in the fall due to too much garbage being dumped, and no one to take away the collected recyclables. If you have ideas about how this could be done, please let us know.
- ▶ Thank you for your cooperation while the water was restricted. Upgrades in the plant are very near completion.
- ▶ Council set their priorities on capital projects for this year and these were taken to the public meeting on the 23rd for input. In April we will finalize the decisions on this year's projects.
- ▶ We will purchase a few trees to be planted around the Village at various sites.

Curfew Bylaw— effective April 1

The Village of Alliance Council enacts as follows:

- 1) No boy or girl under the age, or apparent age, of (16) shall be in any public place within the village at night without proper guardianship.
- 2) Guardianship shall be construed to mean an adult and no other.
- 3) The hours at which children are required to be in their homes, is from 8 pm from the first day of September until the first day of May, in each and every year, and at 10 PM from the first of May until the first of September in each and every year.
- 4) That parents and guardians shall be responsible to the Council of this Village for the due observance of this by-law by their children or wards.
- 5) That any child found in public place within this village contrary to section 2, chapter 12, Public Statutes of Alberta, 1909.
- 6) Any parent or guardian who violates, or allows his or her child or ward to violate any of the provisions of the preceding sections of this bylaw, shall be liable on summary conviction, to a fine of not less than one dollar nor more than five dollars, for each offense, and in default of payment thereof, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 7 days.
- 7) Done and passed in Council assembled at the Village of Alliance ,

April 1, 2011.

“Good Enough Never Is”

Ingredients for successful small businesses and communities

Flagstaff Intermunicipal Partnership presents

Peter Kenyon, Community Enthusiast from Australia, who is an authority on success in small communities

“....communities cannot develop from the top down or from the outside in—they must build from the inside out.”

Killam Community Hall Wed, April 6, 2011, 9 to 4 PM

Lunch provided

Please pre-register with lheck@flagstaff.ab.ca Or call 780-384-4105

“Good Enough never is” delivers the stories of ordinary rural people who dared to be different & have become out of the ordinary rural entrepreneurs. Rather than being endowed with unique and mysterious qualities, these people have discovered and developed attitudes, behaviours and skills that set them apart from most business operators.

Peter's book tells the inspirational stories of success, their lessons and the actions we could be taking. He is recognized in Australia and around the world as a leading authority on Business, Town & regional development. He is a keynote speaker and facilitator at events and programs around the world, including at key global events with the United Nations.

Peter Kenyon is a social entrepreneur and community enthusiast. He has worked with over 600 communities in Australia, North America, Asia, Africa and Middle East seeking to facilitate fresh and creative ways that stimulate community and economic renewal. See

HAND SIGNALS ON THE FARM—The 'Universal Language'

Perhaps you have experienced the shouting and hand-waving that seems to accompany many chores on the farm. Noise from working around farm machinery and/or distance between workers often leads to a **communication breakdown**. This can lead to hazardous situations on the farm. Whether backing up to a farm implement, navigating an oversized load or working with livestock, hand signals are an ideal **communication tool**.

Using hand signals provides a way to **communicate the needed information effectively** and safely. The signals should be used by all the farm family, employees and farm visitors such as feed truck drivers, chemical salespeople and farm store delivery drivers.

Post the hand signals in an area where they will be seen on a daily basis. This will allow everyone to become familiar with the standard signals. The **American Society of Agricultural Engineers (ASAE)** has adopted the following uniform hand signals for agricultural safety. These hand signals help everyone to communicate in the same 'language' which decreases the risk of injury.



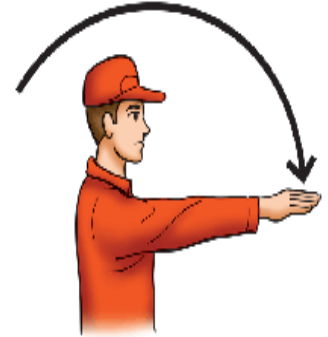
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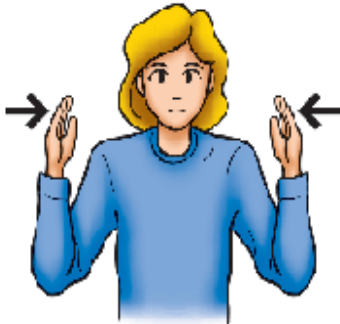
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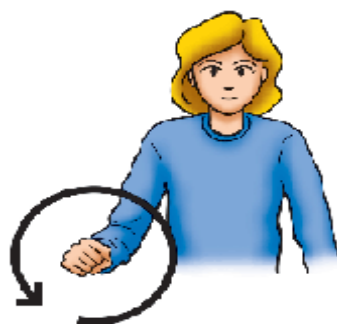
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This Far to Go



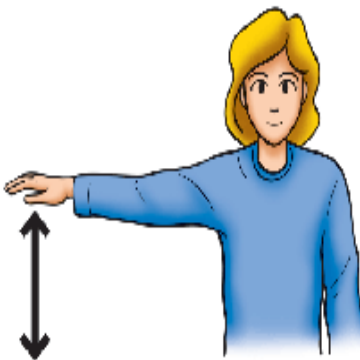
Raise Equipment



Start the Engine



Speed it up



Slow it down



Move toward me/Follow me



Right turn



Stop

FIRST: FLAGSTAFF'S INITIATIVE TO RELATIONSHIP AND SPOUSAL TRAUMA 2011 THANK YOU ALLIANCE FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Flagstaff's Initiative to Relationship and Spousal Trauma (F.J.R.S.T.) is the domestic violence prevention team in Flagstaff. The program provides outreach responses, services, and community education aimed at making life better for the families and children of Flagstaff.

The program is run by a local board under the umbrella of the FFCS Program; and partners with the RCMP, assisting those in crisis as a result of spousal trauma. It is initiated through the local Killam and Forestburg detachments. FIRST also is a major player in the School/Community Resource Officer Program, the DARE school Program, victim's Services and numerous Educational Programs. The program has received excellent responses from our clients and many accolades from government; several other communities are in the process of using our FIRST template to set up the successful program in their communities.

The most exciting contributions however come from you the members of the community through donations, and sponsorships to the program through the annual live and silent auction. Originally the auctions were held in each town and village within the County however, as our success grew, it could only be held in the halls that held at least 200 supper guests as well as tables displaying all of the donated items.

The Annual FIRST auction is a major fund-raiser We are fortunate that Alliance will once again host the FIRST Auction on Saturday February 4th, 2012. The last time we hosted it was 2004.

I would like to thank the Alliance businesses that donated to the 2011 FIRST Auction in Forestburg. These businesses give generously (most of them every year for 13 years) to help raise the funds that make a positive difference in the lives of families in Flagstaff.

They are:

- BOB'S CORNER SERVICE ALLIANCE - Marty and Bob Rombough
- ALLIANCE BOTTLE DEPOT - Viki Golby and Doug Larson
- ALLIANCE VALLEY INN RESTAURANT - Hazel Horkoff & Jacqui Cameron
- ALLIANCE COMMERCIAL HOTEL CAFE - Jeff
- ALLIANCE RENDER TRENDS - Tammy Borson
- ALLIANCE BUCHANAN'S BIG WAY FOODS -: Barb Buchanan/Hogg
- ALLIANCE BUCHANAN AGENCIES - Lynn Miller
- ALLIANCE - DALE AND SYLVIA WOLD
- BATTLE RIVER CREDIT UNION
- C E FRANKLIN, ALLIANCE
- CSIBII'S UNISEX HAIR BY ELIZABETH
- MAIN STREET MEDLEY - ALLIANCE - Laurie Fuller
- PEACOCK ENERGY - Cec Peacock
- ONSITE SUPPLY - Leslie Ganshirt
- WATKINS PRODUCTS - Diane Dammann

Thanks to all of those who bought supper tickets for the event and a special thanks to Judy Solonik who did all of the successful canvassing this year.

The 2011 in Forestburg raised \$25,800.00 dollars. We'll look forward to increasing that amount at next year's Alliance event

**Mark your calendar:
FEBRUARY 4TH, 2012-
for the F.I.R.S. T.
AUCTION IN ALLIANCE!**

Sylvia Wold,
Board Member of FIRST & FFCS

FIRST AUCTION SUMMARY 1999 TO 2011 FLAGSTAFF'S INITIATIVE TO RELATIONSHIP AND SPOUSAL TRAUMA

TOWN	YEAR	PEOPLE	TICKET SALES	AUCTION SALES	DONATIONS	CASH TOTAL
Killam	1999	150	\$1,900	\$7,117	\$310	\$9,326
Daysland	2000	140	\$2,300	\$10,452	\$600	\$13,352
Hardisty	2001	120	\$1,810	\$7,148	\$160	\$9,118
Galahad	2002	169	\$2,730	\$10,858	\$160	\$13,748
Forestburg	2003	145	\$2,335	\$10,553	\$1,460	\$14,348
Alliance	2004	150	\$2,250	\$10,344	\$1,510	\$14,104
Sedgewick	2005	205	\$3,000	\$10,681	\$1,210	\$14,891
Heisler	2006	172	\$2,760	\$11,594	\$2,328	\$16,682
Killam	2007	200	\$3,000	\$14,623	\$2,820	\$20,443
Daysland	2008	167	\$2,505	\$12,343	\$2,508	\$17,356
Hardisty	2009	173	\$4,325	\$11,467	\$3,130	\$18,922
Galahad	2010	162	\$4,055	\$12,530	\$8,075	\$24,660
Forestburg	2011	156	\$3,975	\$12,225	\$9,600	25,800