

# Village of Alliance

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## Alliance & District Museum Society

### Year end newsletter

Our Museum had a busy year!

We opened the new Doll House May 11, 2012, displaying the collections of Millie Duncan and Millie Myers. Museum members wore period dress and served tea and finger foods.

The elected executives are Dell Wickstrom, President; Judi Solonick, Vice-President; Mary Wold, Treasurer; and Wilma McLeod, Secretary. Dell Wickstrom, Beth Smith and Mary Wold were the newly formed Grant Committee.

Lilas Lysne and Millie and Larry Duncan paid for two signs that were put out on Highway 36. We welcomed another new member, Janet Heffel.

We participated in the Trail of the Buffalo Passport competition. First and third prizes were won by Sharon Fitzpatrick and her sister from Evansburg, Roberta Wapshott.

Our display lights were checked for safety.

We held two busy and effective work bees during the good weather. Dell Wickstrom, Lloyd O'Reilly and Larry Duncan constructed a miniature log cabin for our July 1st float, which was decorated by Judi Solonick and Beth Smith, using some of our dolls. We also had a hot dog and ice cream float stand at the museum that day which proved to be very popular!

We enjoyed a very special dinner with Marie Rands as our honored guest at a local restaurant.

Our Parade of Lights and the Winter Picnic following it were very successful despite the damp wood!! Randi and Dell Wickstrom made our year end on a happy note by hosting a Christmas party for all members.

We would like to have more members involved in preserving our memories and heritage. We meet at 7:30 PM on the 3rd Monday evening of the month.

Drop in to visit us—EVERYONE WELCOME!

*- Submitted by Wilma McLeod, Secty.*

*Dear Alliance Community,*

*You hear of the generosity and compassion that exists in small towns, but when you get to actually experience it firsthand, the impact is so much more personal and meaningful. There are not enough words to express the gratitude to all those who have done so much to support my family during this difficult time. I am proud to call Alliance my home for the past 20 yrs. To now have the privilege to share this place with my family and watch my children grow with this sense of community and home is a blessing. Thank you to each and every one of you that have shown caring and kindness to our family!*

*Sincerely. Jolene, Andy, Lexie, Avery, John and Darlene*

## Mayor's Corner

### Council meeting

Wed. May 15  
9 AM

### At Village Office

Thanks to everyone who contributed in some way to make the first major fund raiser of the Friends of the Battle River Rail such a smashing success. We hear nothing but positive things about the party, and the fun everyone had.

The passenger car has been purchased and readied in Kamloops, BC. It will be on it's way as soon as CN has space to pull it. We are expecting in in early May.

## ANNUAL STRAWBERRY TEA

Sponsored by the  
Alliance Public Library

Thursday, May 30th

1:30—4 PM

At

Alliance Community Hall

Come and enjoy an afternoon of  
visiting and entertainment.

We will also be delivering to  
your home or business.. Please  
phone **780-879-3973** to place  
orders.

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*Thanks to Jolene Sinclair for sponsoring this newsletter*

## Library

Tues. 1—5  
Thurs. 9—1 AM

## Museum

### **Winter Hours By appointment Only**

Or Call for apptmt.

Judi 780-879-3634

Dell 780-879-2241

Beth 780-879-2486

#### **Meetings**

**3rd Monday, 7:30 PM**

## Village Office

Monday - Thursday

9 AM - Noon

1 PM - 3 PM

Friday 9 to Noon

## Landfill Hours

*Effective Jan 1, 2013*

**OPEN  
SATURDAY  
1 TO 4:30 pm**

## Newsletter Deadline

**Mon., May 27**

Items can be emailed  
to:ltowers@villageofalliance.ca

OR

Put in door slot at office.

## 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 5 -	- Dr. Niemann
Tues, April 9	- Dr. Van Dyk
Fri., April 12	- Dr. Liza
Tues, April 16	- Dr. Liza
Fri. April 19	- Dr. Niemann
Tues, April 23	- Dr. Liza
Fri., April 26	- Dr. Liza
Tues, April 30	- Dr. Niemann

## Well Baby Clinic

Change of location—  
No longer coming to Alliance  
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

**Alliance Community Multiplex  
Is available to rent  
for your event.**

**\$50/ hour or \$200/ day**

Call Village Office to book.  
780-879-3911

## Thank you

*to Main Street Medley,  
Buchanan Agencies, and Battle  
River Credit Union for their  
generous donations to the Red  
Serge Ball. A portion of the pro-  
ceeds goes to the libraries in the  
County of Flagstaff, for which we  
are very grateful.  
The Alliance Library*

## Bottle Depot Winter Hours

**Until April 30th**

**9 AM to 4 PM**

**Tuesday to Saturday**



## **AWOF RAFFLE**

1st—Solar Fountain/Bird bath  
2nd—Scentsy Fireman Flameless  
Candle

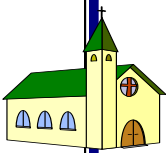
Tickets are \$3.00 or

2 for \$ 5.00

Book for \$ 20.00

Draw to be made at  
Mother's Day Breakfast

**Do you have a fridge you  
don't need?  
David Joseph at  
105 Railway Ave is  
looking for one.  
Call 780-299-2401**



# Alliance United Church

## Minister:

Rev. Jope Langejans  
Phone—582-3796, or  
Alliance Church  
879-3883  
WEBSITE—  
<http://allianceuc.anwc.net/>

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Sunday Services at  
9:30AM

Sunday School at 10 am

Followed by coffee & fellowship

Spring Garage Sale

Fri, May 10

Sat. May 11

Donations are welcome.

## Twice Nice Fund

Do you know someone who cannot afford to put their child in Soccer, Swimming, Dance, Music, Baseball, Hockey, Art Classes etc.

Flagstaff Community Foundation (based out of FFCS) administers funds to give more opportunities to children in need.

These funds were donated by Twice Nice store in Killam. A big thank you to them for their contributions.


A letter requesting funds is all that is required. Must reside in Flagstaff.



## Wedding Invite

Ralph Davidson  
and  
Elizabeth Holt

Invite you  
to celebrate their marriage!  
Saturday, June 1, 2013  
Wedding—4 pm at  
Alliance United Church  
Open House—7 pm  
Dance—8 pm  
At Alliance Community Hall



## WI Centennial Garden

The Argyle Women's Institute was approached to take on the project of a development where the old arena was. Being as this year is our 100th anniversary, we decided we would make it our Centennial Garden.

Plans have been drawn up and include a community garden area, bog garden, wildflower garden, rock garden, and formal garden.

SO....

As we are a group of mostly old ladies, we are looking for help. We need trees, flowers, money and muscle.

If you would like to help in any way, please contact Karin at  
780-879-2201

## Alcoholics Anonymous

If you need the support of  
AA,  
Call Dell @ 780-879-2241

# Mother's Day Breakfast

Sunday, May 12, 2013  
At Alliance Community Hall  
9 to 11: 30 am  
Adults \$ 8  
6—12 years—\$5  
Under 6—Free  
Sponsored by Alliance Legion

## Buchanan Grocery Grand Opening!

Drop by for coffee and cake and meet Minseon and Sunny

We invite you to join us for food, fun, great prizes and fantastic savings as we celebrate the Grand Opening of Buchanan Grocery. Proudly serving Alliance and surrounding area!

Monday, May 13

Sale prices in effect May 13 to May 18

## Thanks to

Terry & Donna Howe

For donating a new sound system to the Community Hall and to Terry and Peter Spady for installing it.



## Mixed Wedding Shower

For  
Roxanne VanHecke And Mike Field  
At Battle bend School  
On May 4th, 2013 @ 1:30 PM  
Daughter of Pat and Ernie VanHecke  
Everyone Welcome

## Bridal Shower

In honor of  
Nicole Nychporuk  
At Alliance Rec Center  
Sunday, May 5 At 1 PM  
Everyone Welcome

## NICONNA'S GREENHOUSE

Opening May 1st  
Nick and Donna Kozak  
780-879-2240  
Order your baskets/flowers/ or  
gift certificates for Mothers Day.

**July 1st**  
**Organizational meeting**  
**Wednesday,**  
**May 1, 7:30 pm**  
**At the Multiplex**  
**Everyone Welcome—bring**  
**your ideas!**

### Library News

We have an author coming in May or June. Ron McGregor wrote a biography of his life in the oil patch, entitled *"Now I Lay Me Down to Sleep"*. Some of the local people may know Ron and his hot oil/steamer company "Ronwood".

Peter Spady is hard at work building our new Book Drop.

We are planning a summer program, so watch for more details in future newsletters.

Just a reminder that our hours are Tuesday 1—5 and Thursday 9 am—1 pm.

### Spring Clean Up

Flagstaff Waste and the Village are pleased to offer NO FEE Weekends at selected Transfer Stations for your spring yard cleanup.

All transfer site fees will be waived to rural and urban customers at the Alliance, Forestburg, Daysland, Killam, Sedgewick, Hardisty and Loughheed sites.

The detailed schedule is posted in the Village Office Window and is also on the Flagstaff Waste Management website.

**Alliance hours are**  
**Sat. May 11, 1 to 4:30 PM**  
**Sun, May 12, 1 to 4:30 PM**

## A Year of AWOFF (2012)

**We Call ourselves AWOFF (Alliance Women On Fire).**

We are here to work side by side with the Alliance Volunteer Fire Department.

We thought that it would be nice if we gave the community and area an idea of what AWOFF does for your Fire Dept each year.

We start off each year by having a raffle on Mother's Day for various items. Tickets are available from AWOFF members during April and May, with final sales at the Legion Mother's Day Breakfast. All ticket sales from this raffle are used for the Fire Dept. In 2012 the raffle item was a log style yard swing which was won by Karen Cameron.

At the Annual July 1st Sports day AWOFF takes care of the entrance gates to the grounds. We also set up a First Aid station on site, and sell Fire department souvenirs, as well as a 50/50 draw for the end of the day. We have a photo album of our Firefighters in "action" on display at the AWOFF booth. All monies taken in during the day go towards the Alliance Fire Dept.

In 2012, during October Fire Safety week, AWOFF joined the Fire Dept in going door to door offering a safety inspection of smoke detectors and fire extinguishers, an offering people the purchase of these items if theirs were outdated or non-usable.

In previous years we held Fire Demonstrations at the fire hall and demonstrated proper use of hand held fire extinguishers, where we had a concession stand and a fun way for kids to learn fire safety. As the turn out for these demonstrations was low, we started the door to door campaign.

All monies are used to assist the Village Fire Budget with purchases of fire related equipment. A large portion of these funds are used to purchase food and refreshments for all firefighters and emergency workers during major fires or accidents that run several hours or even days. AWOFF stays on site for as long as needed to provide nourishment during these emergencies.

Donations are another major part of the AWOFF monies. We wish to thank all of you that have supported AWOFF with donations of cash. **THANK YOU ALL!**

Every five years we hold an awards dinner for our Volunteer Fire Fighters ( the last being in 2009). In the past we held community dances, catered for special functions, etc, but are unable to continue this, but we will always try our best to be there for our community.

AWOFF has been in operation since June 24, 2009 and has become recognized by surrounding communities for all their efforts and assistance to our Emergency Volunteers.

We have in the pst 3 years purchased for our community an (AED (Defibrillator) for public use—located in the Post Office. For the Fire Hall we purchased a hot water tank, and an industrial sink. As well we try to clean the Fire Hall twice a year

Our 9 current members are Pat Kowolsky, Laurie Fuller, Judi Solonick, Beth Smith, Sue Buchan, Jacquie Cameron, Anita Domoslai, Lynn Nielsen, and our newest member, Cathy McKay. We have had many other community members assist us with food, food preparation and delivery. **We thank you all as well!!**



**Our Volunteer Fire Department is so very IMPORTANT to our community. We are proud to assist them in any way possible.**