

Village of Alliance

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Elvis was here!!

Wasn't That a Party!!

"The Best is Yet to Come" was a huge financial success with profits over \$70,000, and quite a lot of fun as well. This would not have been possible without our great auctioneer, Jeff McClements, and his team of Shaun, Shane and CJ, who worked the crowd and had a lot of fun doing it. But we especially owe a debt of gratitude to the following donors and buyers:

Live Auction— raised \$ 44,695

<u>DONOR</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>BUYER</u>
Carey Price	- signed Montreal Canadians jersey	- Pat Gorcak, (former Rocket goalie)
Shane Doan	- signed Phoenix Coyotes jersey	- Glen Bullee (former teammate)
Valleymere Triple T Ranch	- Purebred Angus Heifer	- Craig Spady
Edmonton Oilers	- Press box tickets for 4	- Bruce Bateman
	- signed stick	- Mark Towers
Chuck & Brenda Wiart	- Doan jersey	- Castor UFA
Bruce Bateman	- Bobby Hull collectors jersey	- Castor UFA
Krista (Miller) Poyser	- Gretzky Rookie Card	- Jeff Bateman
Durabull; KG Cat, & Metalex	- Greenhouse	- Craig Spady
Melodie Davidson	- 2011 Team Canada signed jersey	- Cliff Jordahl
Tri-Pro Ltd.	- Banff Springs Hotel package	- Brad McClements
	- Piece of Memorial Arena	- Robert Borth for the new arena
Robert Borth	- 4 Oilers tickets	- Roger Spady
Viterra	- \$400 Mayfield Inn gift Card	- Robert Keichinger
Fantasyland Hotel	- One night Theme room	- Norman Miller
Calgary Stampeders	- Game package for 4 7 Helmet	- Elaine Pickles won this on the
		pre-auction draw which generated \$ 2520
Lorne Goodrich	- \$ 500 Co-op Gift card	- Tri-Pro Ltd. (Scott Peacock)
Thomas Vokoun	- signed goalie stick	- Robert Cameron
Ruby McCuaig	- Porcelain Doll	- Christi Prichard donated to Museum
Laurie Fuller	- 2 dozen cinnamon buns	- Craig Tanton (TNT Instrumentation)
Terry Ulrich	- Jamaican rum cake	- Craig Tanton
Tam's Teddy Bear Company	- Rockets Teddy bear	- Bill McPherson
Dodd Ulrich	- Dewalt Power tool set	- Clay Brower (Metalex)
Den Towers &		
Gord McPherson	- Whipper snipper	- Shila Peacock
VP Enterprises	- Scale model of Alliance School	- Lilas Lysne
Peter & Doris Spady	- Norman Johnston original painting	- Nancy Bateman
	- Norman Johnston print	- Tara Tanton
Ryan Fuller Contracting	- Firepot/Fountain	- Clay Brower
Spade Septic Solutions		
	- Portable Firepit, Picnic & BBQ accessories	- Dodd Ulrich
Bob & Collen Rombough	- Deacon's bench	- Roger Spady
2 Green fees & Cart	- Castor Golf Club	- Stettler GM
Chad Weber & Lee Bagshaw	- ½ pork cut & wrapped	- Nancy Bateman
Miller Limousine	- \$250 package of steaks, cut & wrapped	- Peter Spady
	First table to eat	- Ryan Fuller

Mayor's Corner

Office Hours
Wednesday
10 AM -Noon.
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**Council meeting
Wednesday,
May 18 @ 9 AM
***Note time
Change***
Village Office**

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My sincere thanks to the members of the building & fundraising committees, the Alliance Valley Inn, our entertainers, MC & auctioneers, all those who donated auction items, & those that bought treasures, our guests & ticket buyers, & to all those who helped in any way to make "The Best is Yet to Come" such a success.

Silent Auction & Draw donors Raised \$ 2,550

Community Press	- Porcelain doll
Alliance Ag society	- girls bicycle
VP Enterprises	- scale model of One room school
Commercial Hotel	- Texas Mickey
Dale & Sylvia Wold	- Solar path lighting,
	- Wrought iron planter
Fern Borgel	- Souvenir program
Donna Reid	- Trio White package
VanCleave Silver	- Handcrafted Necklace
Tan 4U	- Tanning package
Renovations Plus	- Turkey Dinner hamper
Camrose Casino	- Jacuzzi suite & buffet
BS Ranch	- Wine & Cheese basket
BR Credit Union	- Wine Basket
	- Valley Inn Gift Certificate
Tri-Pro	- Flower arrangement
Grant & Joanne Jackson	- Duffle bag
Castor Advance	- subscription
Kellys Computers	- Servicing package
Phyllis Alcorn	- In the Bend of the Battle
Edmonton Oilers	- Tom Gilbert photo
Anita Cameron	- Rockets sweater
ATB	- Portfolio, Teddy Bear & Blanket
Laurie Fuller	- 4 doz cinnamon buns

Thanks to Roger & Betty Spady sponsors of this newsletter

My sincere apology if anyone has been missed. Please let me know and I will be sure to acknowledge next month.

Laura

Library

Tues. 1—5
Thurs. 9—1 AM

Museum

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

Marie - 879-2144
Beth - 879-2486
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., May 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

Tues, May 3	- Dr. duPlessis
Fri, May 6	- Dr. vanVuuren
Tues, May 10	- Dr. duPlessis
Fri, May 13	- Dr. Niemann
Tues, May 17	- Dr. duPlessis
Fri, May 20	- Dr. Niemann
Tues, May 24	- Dr. duPlessis
Fri, May 27	- Dr. vanVuuren
Tues, May 31	- Dr. duPlessis

FARMER'S MARKET

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

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 Nielsen or any AWOFF member
We will be purchasing a defibrillator for public use.

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

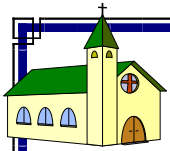
You Are Invited
to Help Celebrate
Bill & Phyllis Alcorn's
50th Wedding Anniversary
Saturday afternoon -
May 28 from 2 – 4 pm
In the
Alliance Community Hall
No Gifts - Please

**Thank you to the Fun For All
Club**

*For their cash donations to
The Museum and
The Arena building Fund*

Surprise Party

In honor of
Donna Chalifoux's 65th birthday
Sat, May 7, 1–7 PM
Alliance Community Hall
You are invited to a Come & Go Tea
If you have pictures or stories to share, please
bring them.
Your presence is your gift.



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



Town Wide Garage Sale

Friday, May 6, 6 to 9 PM
Sat, May 7, 10 am—2 pm



Now accepting donations at the
church.
Watch for balloons marking
other sales around the village.

Alliance Memorial Arena 1948—2011



Built in Memory of the Alliance Veterans

Phyllis Alcorn has compiled a book of
memories and photos of the
Alliance Memorial Arena
collected from many folks who spent time
there.

Order yours now at the Village Office.

\$20 each.

Profits to the Arena Building Fund.



Mother's Day Breakfast

The Alliance Legion # 94
Invites you to treat Mom to
Breakfast on her special day,
May 8th
Alliance Community Hall
9 am to 11:30 am

Spring Cleanup—May 2—8

The snow banks are gone leaving behind lots of garbage and mess that accumulated. Council and Flagstaff Waste are providing a large garbage bin which will be located behind the Village Office. Help us make our Village neat and tidy for the season.

This is your opportunity to get rid of some of the "**stuff**" that is cluttering your yards—broken toys, flower pots, bits of wood, glass, etc. Just gather it up and put it in the bin between May 2 and May 8. There is no charge for this,

BUT PLEASE

- ▶ only garbage from your yard
- ▶ Put leaves and other organics in the green compost bins, and take the plastic bags to the garbage
 - ▶ NO cement or shingles
- ▶ Put cardboard in the cardboard recycle bins

Doll Museum Grand Opening June 4



Watch for details next month



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. Fair books will be out by mid May

Help Wanted

The Village of Alliance is accepting Applications for the **Summer Temporary Employment Program.**

Interested persons must:

1. be enrolled in an educational program for the 2011/12 year.
2. Must have valid drivers license.
3. Be available for at least 6 weeks between June and September

Resumes should be sent or delivered to :
Village of Alliance
Box 149
Alliance, AB, T0B 0A0

Deadline: Noon, May 17th

Niconna's Greenhouse Opens May 1 10 am to 8 pm

Nick & Donna Kozak
780-879-2240

13 1/4 miles east of Alliance on Sec 602
Or

1 3/4 miles west of junction # 872 and 602
(Battle Bend Corner)

Variety of annuals, perennials, vegetables, herbs,
Hanging baskets and urns



A.C.D.C.

- ▶ A reminder that the deadline for nominations to this year's Wall of Fame are due by May 31st. Please nominate someone that you feel has done something positive that helped make our community.
- ▶ Still have spaces for volunteers to sign up to help look after our many little parks. Call Muriel— 879-3924
- ▶ Main Street is our beautification priority this year. Any constructive suggestions would be appreciated

Rainbarrels

We are partnering with Sedgewick and some others to get Barrelman rain barrels. These are refurbished food barrels converted into rain barrels. They are sturdy, clean, durable, well manufactured and have 2 brass taps fused on – top and bottom. Sedgewick has researched the cost of purchasing rain barrels from box stores and they range anywhere from \$80 and up.

Council believes that promoting rain barrels in our community is an additional avenue to encourage residents to conserve water.

We will be selling them at cost - \$ 45.
At this time we have 12 that are not spoken for.
Put your order in at the office and we will call you when they arrive.



Council Highlights

You may have noticed from the front page of the newsletter that some of our meetings have been moved to a different time. We have found that Wednesday morning meetings are much more productive for this Council, and staff, so have held several meetings on the second Wednesday morning of the month at 9 AM.

A final budget meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 4th at 1 PM. The auditor will be in attendance to present the audited financial statement for 2010, then we will finalize this year's budget. On Wednesday, May 18th, the Tax Bylaw will be brought forward to set this year's milrate. Tax notices will be mailed out on May 31st.

Public Auctions— require a lot of administration time, so a resolution was passed to charge \$100 administration fees when a public auction is held. This fee and advertising fees are added to the tax roll of the property that is up for auction.

Big trucks driving from the seed plant across 1st street are a problem, since that street is not adequate to carry their weight. 1st Street has a very high water table and goes mushy very easily. Rebuilding it to a standard that would bear the weight of heavy traffic is beyond our budgetary means. Council has spoken with the Seed Plant manager regarding this, in hopes of finding a solution that will satisfy everyone.

The following resolution was passed:

- “ 1) That we work with the Seed Plant to have signage put on their property stating no truck traffic on 1st street, and
- 2) that Railroad Avenue and 602 be designated as truck routes and signs posted to this effect.
- 3) That signs be posted on all streets that no trucks over 2 tonnes allowed, “

We value the farmers business in our Village, but we need your help to keep our streets in good condition. Council asks that our rural friends please help us out with this matter.

Council, Admin, and one business person attended the exciting Peter Kenyon seminar in Killam on April 6th. At our April meeting we discussed the ideas we heard and decided to begin with some simple steps such as:

1. Need to have a sign on the Highway, “New to Alliance” promote our public bathrooms
2. Signs giving direction to the bathroom
3. Signs in the bathroom promoting businesses, etc
4. Historical plaques on buildings could be paid for by the Norman Johnston fund.
5. ACDC is working on a walking tour of the Village of Alliance
6. Create a list of people's talents and interests
7. Need to get people engaged

Mayor Fankhanel attended the Battle River Railway annual meeting, and is now on the Tourism committee along with Dennis Freadrich, Val Vincett, and Dave Horner. One of their goals is to get a ca-booze, and to bring the train to town for days like Parade of Lights, Day at the Gallery, etc. Let her know if you have ideas to add.

. Muriel also attended the Veteran's memorial Highway strategic planning meeting. It was decided we needed to get the Legions on board to help us give meaning to Veteran's Memorial Highway. They also plan to work on improvements needed to make this an international transportation route, by advocating for widening it or build passing lanes and build access to all communities along the highway. They also worked on key strategies to get governments, highway users and communities on board.

Have Fun AND Help Make Flagstaff a Great Place to Live!

Applications Management Consulting invites residents of the County, the Towns and the Villages to an evening of
f u n a n d g a m e s
(and some serious thought about social sustainability, too)



Why give the politicians all the fun? For one evening, you have a chance to decide how YOUR tax dollars get spent to achieve social sustainability objectives. Join us for a game of D-MONOPOLY (where everyone wins!) and the chance to make a difference in your community.

Wednesday, May 11th

7:00 pm - Killam Community Hall, 4929 - 50 Street or

7:30 pm - Forestburg Community Centre

or

Thursday, May 12th

7:00 pm - Alliance Community Hall or

7:30 pm - Hardisty Community Hall, 4807 - 49 Street

Applications Management Consulting has been contracted by Flagstaff County to help develop a social sustainability framework for the Region to address quality of life issues such as affordable housing, transportation, community services, recreation services, and arts, culture and heritage. A social sustainability framework addresses the special needs of children, youth, seniors, and people with disabilities, and tackles social problems such as poverty, crime, and substance abuse, for current and future generations.

When a social sustainability framework is being developed, the local residents are the "experts" on what the issues are in their community.

Help us make the social sustainability framework the best ever, by telling us what your priorities are, and sharing your good ideas for addressing those issues.

For more information, or to complete our survey, visit Flagstaff County Website at

<http://www.flagstaff.ab.ca/> or contact Robyn at robynnewton@shaw.ca or 604-985-3929.