

The Innisfree Informer

September 2021



Innisfree Mayor's Message in a Minute

Summer is a memory for the most part now! Fall has crept in like a stranger! I wish the farmers a safe harvest ahead.

Thanks to the summer students for the great job, they have done. And Thanks to Justin Fleming for the hard work, he has done for the Village these last couple of years or so! Thanks also to Darcy Wasylciw for the hard work done at the campground. The campground will be closing for the season after the Labour Day long weekend.

I am happy to see the museum had its Grand Reopening, August 11 and has been open again to welcome visitors. This too will be closing after the long weekend, except for visitors by appointment.

Coming together is a Beginning.
Keeping together is Progress.
Working together is Success.

As said by Henry Ford, I hope that as we Begin, and Progress we will have Success.

We are planning a community End of Season Garage Sale for the fall on Oct. 9, 2021. Anyone interested in participating please call me at 780-592-2116.

We also hope our dog owners will be careful to pick up after their pets when out for a walk and if at all possible, to keep them from excessive barking. Our Village has many seniors and this maybe very disturbing for them.

Check for updates as they are posted on the Village web site, www.innisfree.ca and Facebook page, Village of Innisfree.

Respectfully,
Debbie McMann,
Village of Innisfree Mayor

EVERY CHILD MATTERS



Sept 30 is the National Day
for Truth and Reconciliation

Village of Innisfree Library News

We can't believe that Summer is already gone! It seems like every year goes by faster. We are sad to see our Summer Student Kim leave, but wish her well on her new venture to college.

With school starting again, we will be very happy to welcome the students back into the library with their weekly visits! We have gotten a lot of new material over the summer for them – and for all other ages. Parents don't forget about all the great online resources we have to offer you on our website, including study help.

We still have a few Summer Reading Program bags left here at the library, so be sure to stop in and grab some for your kids! They are filled with a lot of neat crafts, games and other activities.

Please have your Summer Reading Program logs back to the library by Friday, September 10 at 3pm. These can be returned in person, or by email. We have 4 Walmart gift cards to award by random draw per age group. We are hoping to be able to get back to in-person programming soon, as we miss hosting these programs. Keep updated by visiting our Facebook page or our website (www.innisfreelibrary.ca).

If you or your family don't have a membership to our library yet, what are you waiting for? Memberships are free and they give you access to not only the items on our shelves, but through our weekly van run, thousands of other items from the other 48 NLLS member libraries. You also gain access to some great online resources through our website. Stop in to get your membership, it only takes a few minutes and is worth it!

Our hours of operation are:

Wednesday 1:00pm-7:00pm
Thursday 12:00pm – 6:00pm
Friday 10:00am – 3:00pm
Van Run: every Wednesday

Contact information:

Phone: 780-592-2122
Email: librarian@innisfreelibrary.ca
Thank you, Marilyn Newton, Manager

School starts September 1st!

MAXIMUM

30
km/h

PLEASE! SLOW DOWN WHEN PASSING OUR SCHOOL

Per Alberta.ca: When you approach a school or playground sign, with a maximum speed posted with it, you are entering a school and/or playground zone. You must not exceed the posted speed when the zone is in effect. **The speed limit for both urban and rural school zones and playground zones is 30 km/h unless otherwise posted.**

While school zone limits are in effect on school days only, the **entire stretch of road past the Delnorte School is also a playground zone.** Playground speed restrictions are in effect EVERY DAY from 8:30 am to 1 hour after sunset.

August 17, 2021, Village of Innisfree Public Hearing Highlights

Mayor and Council held on August 17, 2021.

Pursuant to Section 230 of the Municipal Government Act, Revised Statutes of Alberta 200, Chapter M-26, and amendments thereto, a public hearing on Bylaw 667-21 being a Bylaw to establish methods of advertising statutory notices, to hear any person, group of persons, or persons representing them, claiming to be affected by the proposed bylaw.

No representation was made, either it written or verbal format, regarding the proposed Method's of Advertising Bylaw 667-21. *The meeting was then adjourned.*

August 17, 2021, Village of Innisfree Regular Council Meeting Highlights

Mayor and Council met on August 17, 2021, for their Regular Council meeting.

The Council Agenda can be found at: www.innisfree.ca

Council discussed numerous items, which included:

Delegations:

Mayor and Council were presented two (2) delegations at the August 17, 2021, Regular Council meeting. The first delegation was by Sgt. Dunsmore, from the Vermilion RCMP Detachment, and presented the Quarter Report and Statistics for Innisfree and the surrounding area. The second delegation was by Mr. Grant Bergman, and presented a verbal and written request regarding 2021 Minimum Tax. Mayor and Council received both delegations as information.

Business Arising from the Minutes

• **Action on Smoking and Health – New Provincial Vaping Regulations:** Administration confirmed that the Village of Innisfree had no prior bylaws regarding smoking in Public Places. After reviewing the information provided, Mayor and Council directed Administration to research and develop a Smoking Bylaw, outlining the amendments to the Tobacco and Smoking Reduction Act, as recently proclaimed in Bill 19 by the Alberta Government. Further that Administration be directed to bring forward information in this regard to the September 21, 2021, Regular Council meeting.

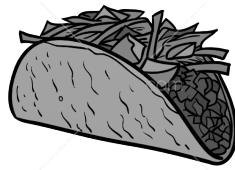
Policies/Bylaws:

- **Bylaw 667-21 – Methods of Advertising Bylaw:** After reviewing Bylaw 667-21, being the Methods of Advertising Bylaw, Council passed a resolution to approve SECOND and THIRD reading.
- **Bylaw 662-20 – Regional Emergency Management Bylaw:** After reviewing Bylaw 662-20, being the Regional Emergency Management bylaw, Council passed a resolution approving all THREE Readings. Mayor and Council then appointed the Board Member (and alternate) as well as the Director of Emergency Management in a separate resolution.
- **Bylaw 668-21 – Temporary Borrowing Bylaw:** After Reviewing Bylaw 668-21, being the Temporary Borrowing Bylaw, Council passed a resolution to approve all THREE Readings.

New Business:

- **Regional Emergency Management – Mutual Aid Agreement:** Mayor and Council reviewed the amended Regional Emergency Management – Mutual Aid Agreement. Mayor and Council passed a resolution approving the Mutual Aid Agreement as presented.
- **2021 Public Auction – Tax Sale:** After reviewing information provided by the Chief Administrative Officer and realtor, Mayor and Council passed a resolution setting the date, time, location, and reserved bid amounts for the 2021 Public Auction – Tax Sale. Date of the Public Auction – Tax Sale has been set for November 25, 2021 at 5:00 PM at the Village of Innisfree Administration Office (5116 50 Avenue, Innisfree AB).
- **Other items discussed:** Municipal Planning Services Quote – Innisfree Civic Mapping, Telus letter July 28, 2021 – Canada's Transition to Next Generation 9-1-1 Services, Telus Email August 5, 2021 – Telus Business Solutions Consultation, Alberta Municipal Affairs Letter July 5, 2021 – FGT 2021, Alberta Municipal Affairs Letter August 5, 2021 – 2021 Senate and Referendum Election, Councillor and Administration Reports, Correspondence and Closed Session Items. *The meeting was then adjourned.*

Fun Fact: *If you kept yelling for 8 years, 7 months and 6 days, you would produce enough sound energy to heat up a cup of tea*



To me, essential oils are what drips out of tacos.



Temporary Employment Opportunity 2021 Municipal Election

Election Workers

The Village of Innisfree will be holding a Municipal Election on October 18, 2021 and is seeking individuals who may be interested in assisting the Returning Officer and Substitute Returning officer, during the 2021 Municipal Election.

Reporting to the Returning Officer and/or Substitute Returning Officer, the election workers will be responsible for assisting the R.O. and S.R.O in conducting the 2021 Village of Innisfree Municipal Election as well as ensuring all activities are conducted in compliance with the *Local Authorities Election Act*. Training is provided in modules through Alberta Municipal Affairs, and Elections Alberta.

Training sessions will also be available to go over applicable forms, procedures, etc. in preparation for Election Day.

Duties and Responsibilities:

1. Assisting R.O. & S.R.O in establishing voting stations.
2. Ensure election supplies, ballots, and ballot boxes are available at the voting stations.
3. Work polling station during Election Day/Advance Vote Day.
4. Assisting the Public with filling out applicable election forms.
5. Assist with all other duties deemed necessary for conducting an election as required.

Qualifications:

1. Minimum 18 years of age is preferred.
2. Previous experience as an election worker is an asset.
3. Knowledge of the L.A.E.A is an asset.
4. Courteous and professional customer service skills.
5. Ability to work in a fast paced environment with minimal supervision.

Compensation will be offered to those selected as Election Workers for Advance Vote & Election Day. We appreciate the interest of all applicants, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted. **The positions will be left open until suitable candidate(s) are found.**

Applications clearly marked "Confidential – Election Workers" can be submitted to:

Brooke Magosse, Returning Officer
PO Box 69
5116 – 50 Avenue, Innisfree, AB T0B 2G0
(Mail or Drop-off)

OR: Email: cao@innisfree.ca



Elect Karen Arndt-Nedzielski

for County of Minburn - Division 2 Councillor

This driven, resilient and strong community leader is committed to her communities (and not just the ones directly in her County division.) She has operated two small businesses, served on numerous boards and societies in Innisfree and neighbouring areas and has time to commit to this position. She was born and raised on a farm and has an Agricultural background of more than 20 years in the Innisfree area.

"Passionate about my area and rural Alberta!"

Feel free to call 780-581-0871 or email info@karenarndtnedzielski.com with any questions and concerns.

WARD 1 SCHOOL BOARD TRUSTEE
CANDIDATE

KARA JACKSON



"I commit to working on behalf of our community to establish and promote:

- HIGH QUALITY RURAL EDUCATION
- EFFECTIVE INVOLVEMENT & COMMUNICATION WITH CONSTITUENTS
- THE DEVELOPMENT OF LOCAL POLICIES & PROGRAMS THAT RESPOND TO LOCAL NEEDS

Let's make rural education better together!
Vote October 18, 2021

- BACHELOR OF ARTS AND SOCIAL WORK
- FAMILY FARM OPERATOR
- MOTHER OF 3 CHILDREN ATTENDING WITHIN OUR WARD
- ACTIVE VOLUNTEER IN THE SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY
- SMALL BUSINESS OWNER



JACKSON.KARA2021@GMAIL.COM

Ukrainian Dance!

The CHUDOVYI
Ukrainian Dancers of Innisfree

Welcome our new
and returning members

JOIN US FOR OUR 2021/22 SEASON!

New members welcome!
Affordable Fees
Fun classes for Ages 3 - Adult
Colorful Costumes



CLASSES BEGIN SEPT 8TH
For more information please contact
Marilyn Newton
780-581-1040



Hey Kids! Are you an artist, writer, inventor, or all around creative kid? The Informer wants to hear from you!

Email your submissions for your creations to be featured in future issues!

innisfreeinformer@gmail.com

**WHAT DO YOU CALL
A BOOMERANG THAT
WON'T COME BACK?**

A Stick.



Mannville – Minburn – Innisfree
Family & Community Support Services
Yellowhead Community Support Society
Kalyna M-M-I Family Resource Network

Website: <https://mmifcsw.wixsite.com/mmifcsw>
Phone: 780-763-3005 Email: mmifcsw@mannville.com
Location: 5004-49 Street Suite # 4 Mannville
Follow us for more information > Facebook: Mannville-Minburn-Innisfree Family & Community Support Services Instagram: @mmifcsw & on Community Bulletin Boards

Programs and Services:

- Digital Newsletter
- NEWCOMER WELCOME
- New Chapters Community Challenge
- Seniors POP-UP Coffee
- S.M.I.L.E. Program
- Friendly Phone Visiting Program
- Meals on Wheels Program
- In-School Program: Roots of Empathy & Money Mentors

Please help us thank the Summer Students Payton Konieczny and Elizabeth Koehler-Lenko for their commitment to projects this summer. We wish Payton well as she returns to her studies. Elizabeth will be remaining with our FCSS team.

FCSS would like to thank Valerie Mytz for her dedication to the work of FCSS over the years. We wish her well as she enters the life of Retirement.

M-M-I F.C.S.S. Program and services reviews are taking place as we move into the Fall. We look forward to continued partnerships with the Schools, Libraries and other community organizations and businesses.

**I own the world's worst thesaurus.
Not only is it awful, it's awful.**

Innisfree walking club has started again at the Innisfree Rec Centre. Please join us for a walk.



We walk weekdays 9 am to 9:30 am but may extend that to 10 am sometime in the future!

Cost is \$1.00



Terry Fox Run
Sept 20, 2021 at 9 am
Innisfree Rec Park

Village of Innisfree
"End of Season"
Garage Sales
Date: Oct 9, 2021
Time: 9:00 to 4:00

Several garage sales around the village. Maps available.

Attention all past customers!

In honor of their 15th Anniversary, Ron & Holly will be offering a 15% discount on your next booking

(a 2 night minimum) Note: Reservations are required.

Call 780-592-3840

To reserve your room(s)

The Beachside
Bed and Breakfast
"On Wapusa Lake"



Be sure to ask how you can extend that discount forever!



2021 Municipal Election
Village of Innisfree



Notice to File Nomination Papers

A person may file a nomination to become a candidate for the 2021 municipal election which is to be held on October 18, 2021, within the period beginning January 1, 2021, ending at 12 noon on nomination day, September 20, 2021.

Nominations for the election of candidates in the Village of Innisfree will be received at the Village of Innisfree Administration office between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday excluding statutory holidays.

Candidates must have their nomination papers filed by 12:00 noon on nomination day, September 20, 2021, four (4) weeks prior to Election Day.

A person may request to examine the filed nomination papers during regular business hours and in the presence of the returning officer.

For more information on how to obtain/submit nomination papers for the 2021 Municipal Election, please visit our website: <https://www.innisfree.ca/governance/2021-municipal-election> or contact Brooke Magosse, Returning Officer via Telephone: (780) 592-3886 OR email: cao@innisfree.ca

I forgot to take my photo to the toilet.

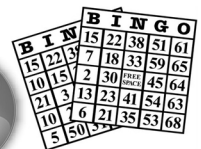


There are 1325 vertical and 975 horizontal lines on the tiles.



GET YOUR DABBERS READY!

BINGO
is Back!



INNISFREE REC CENTRE, MONDAY EVENINGS
BEGINNING SEPT 6TH
Doors open at 7pm



C O U T D O O R C O R N E R

The Old Fisherman

It was raining hard, and a big puddle had formed in front of an Irish pub. An old man stood beside the puddle holding a stick with a string on the end and jiggled it up and down in the water. A curious gentleman asked what he was doing.



“Fishing,” replied the old man. “Poor old chap,” thought the gentleman, so he invited the old man to have a drink in the pub. Feeling he should start some conversation while they were sipping their whiskey, the gentleman asked, “And how many have you caught today?” “You’re the eighth.”

OUTDOOR CORNER is sponsored by:
PARANYCH CONSULTING 403-506-4667

Submissions for the Outdoor Corner are welcome. Hunting, fishing and outdoor stories, facts or jokes!
Email: innisfreeinformer@gmail.com



Is someone special celebrating next month?

Send in your OCTOBER Birthdays & Anniversaries for the October issue!

Please send birthday or anniversary names and dates by Sept 25 to wish your loved ones a special day!

Email to: innisfreeinformer@gmail.com

SUBDIVISION AND DEVELOPMENT APPEAL BOARD REQUEST FOR MEMBERS OF PUBLIC AT LARGE

The Village of Innisfree requires two (2) members of public at large for the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board. This quasi-judicial body, appointed by Council, makes impartial and unbiased decisions on challenges of subdivision or development authority decisions and stop work orders. Deliberations are based on the municipal planning documents such as the Land Use Bylaw and Municipal Development Plans, provincial statute and information presented by hearing participants.

Subdivision and Development Appeal Board hearings are scheduled as required. Board members are appointed for a one (1) year term with an option to be reappointed for a second term.

Village residents with an interest or experience in planning or development activities are invited to submit a resume including a statement on your interest and abilities in serving in this capacity.

Mandatory training is required upon appointment. Cost of training will be covered by the Municipality (if applicable).

Compensation will be offered to the appointed members of public at large who attend the scheduled Subdivision and Development Appeal Board hearings as required.

Position's will remain open until suitable candidates are found.

Please mail, fax, email or drop off resumes to:

Subdivision and Development Appeal Board
Attn: Brooke Magosse, Clerk
Box 69, 5116 50 Avenue
Innisfree, AB T0B 2G0
F: 780-592-3729 E: cao@innisfree.ca

Q: What do you get when you cross a robot and a tractor? A: A transfarmer

EVENTS CALENDAR

Here's What's Happening!

- Sept 1: Village of Innisfree Library Board Meeting
- Sept 14: Innisfree Senior Citizens Meeting
- Sept 19: Terry Fox Run
- Sept 20: Federal Election
- Sept 21: Village Council Meeting
- Sept 30: the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

Please send your event info (name, date, location) by Sept 25 to be included in the October Calendar of Events

*Congratulations to
Yarina and Zac Younie*

Married
Aug 21st
2021



*Love from your family
May God bless your marriage and your future together*

What creature is smarter than a talking parrot?

A spelling bee!



August 10, 2021

Happy 30th Anniversary

Lawrence & Maria Sen

Love from your family

Self Worth

“When you try to make things better for a lot of people, you may end up making things worse for yourself. A little self-sacrifice is noble, but depriving yourself of too much will only leave you depleted. By that time, most people won’t even realize that you need anything, because you’re the one who has always given. Take care of others, but don’t forget to take care of yourself. Self preservation is not selfish, it’s essential for living a full and happy life.”

Fun Fact: When you say “a million seconds”, it means 11 and a half days. “A billion seconds” would be over 31 years.

What happened when the farmer crossed a chili pepper, a shovel and a terrier?
He got a hot-diggity-dog!

Kids helpline # 1-800-668-6868
Mental Health Helpline # 1-877-303-2642



Village of Innisfree Employment Opportunity



The Village of Innisfree is now hiring for the following positions:

1 x Full-time Public Works Foreman

The Village of Innisfree is looking to hire a full-time Public Works Foreman to manage the delivery of municipal transportation, environmental (Water, Wastewater and Waste), parks services, Fleet Management, and the care and maintenance of other municipal facilities.

The successful Candidate will:

- Possess a valid class 5 driver's license
- Necessary skills to operate heavy equipment such as a tractor, skid steer and loader.
- Ability to perform physical labour
- Be a "team player"

Required Education/Work Experience

- Grade 12 or equivalent
- Certification in Water and Wastewater would be considered an asset.
- Experience in municipal infrastructure operation, maintenance, construction, and the safe operation of related tools and equipment would be considered an asset.
- Supervisory experience or experience working in a municipal and/or unionized environment will be considered an asset.

Required Skills and Abilities / Work Demands

- Demonstrated strong leadership and organizational skills with the ability to manage change and direct multiple employees.
- Excellent knowledge of municipal infrastructure and public works best practices in the following areas:
 - Roads and sidewalks maintenance and repair (including winter operations).
 - Water distribution systems.
 - Wastewater collection and treatment systems.
 - Storm drainage systems
 - Parks maintenance
 - Fleet vehicle and equipment maintenance
 - Solid waste collection.
- Excellent networking and interpersonal skills to interact with internal staff, external agencies, contractors, and members of public. These skills are required to represent the Municipality effectively as well as to provide direction and leadership within.
- Excellent problem solving, decision making, and negotiation skills in a complex environment.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills.
- Sound computer skills with the capacity to promptly learn new computer software programs relevant to the department.
- Ability to organize and prioritize work to ensure deadlines are met.

Position will be held open until **Wednesday, September 15, 2021 by 12:00 (NOON)**
OR until a suitable candidate is found.

Interested applicants may submit their resume by:

Mail: Village of Innisfree
 Box 69, 5116 50 Avenue
 Innisfree AB T0B 2G0

Email: cao@innisfree.ca

Fax: 780-592-3729

Full job description is available on the Village of Innisfree's website:
<https://www.innisfree.ca/residents/employment>.

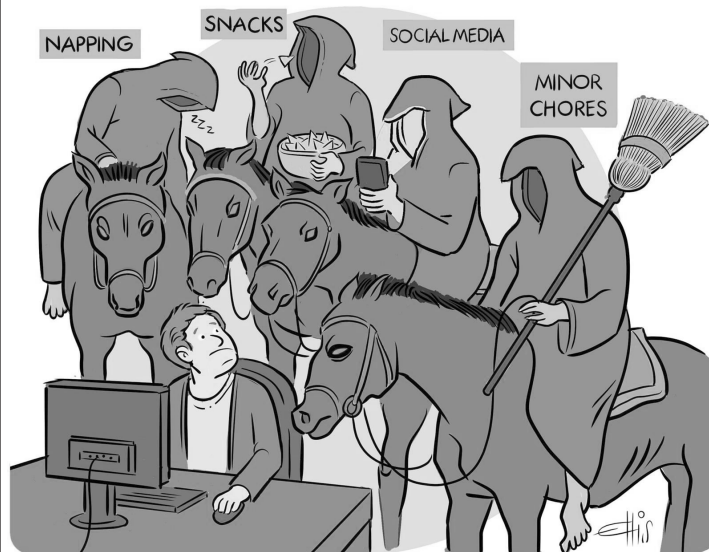
Dated: Thursday, August 20, 2021



Happy Birthday!

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| Sept 2: Gunnar Cannan | Sept 24: Ann Johnman |
| Sept 2: Ruth Douglas | Sept 26: Jordi Sullivan |
| Sept 3: Charlie Paranych | Sept 27: Anita Dale |
| Sept 7: Kiera Comeau | Sept 28: Jordana Saskiw |
| Sept 12: Robert Paterson | Sept 28: Lorna Usenik |
| Sept 16: Jason Forsey | Sept 29: Tiffany Tomlinson |
| Sept 17: Sam Barber | |
| Sept 19: Holly Cependa | Happy Anniversary! |
| Sept 19: Katelyn Drury | Aug 10: |
| Sept 20: Katie Anderson | Maria & Lawrence Sen |
| Sept 21: Mary Kravetz | Sept 26: |
| Sept 23: Clint Taylor | Linda & Ken Whitten |

THE FOUR HORSEMEN OF PROCRASTINATION



Power Outage!

The Informer asked our readers what they did to pass the time during a lengthy power outage a few days ago...

"We had a Very Nice supper last night with no power. It got a dampening feeling in the house, so on August 22, yes, in the middle of summer, we lit our wood stove in the basement and at first, simply enjoyed the awesome warmth.

Then Larry boosted up the wood supply & we braised a T-bone steak from our "herd," and panfried some fresh spuds outta my garden! I opened a can of pork 'n beans and added some crisp refrigerator pickles from my Mother-in-Law's garden! Yum Yum!

Everything but the beans, produced within a 60-mile radius!

P.S. Larry kicked my butt during 3! games of crib!

Warm regards, Thelma Rogers





2021 Property Taxes
Reminder



September 1 is right around the corner, and the Village of Innisfree would like to remind its taxpayers of the important Tax/Assessment Deadlines.

Property Tax Payment Deadline
Thursday, September 30, 2021

For more information regarding Property Taxes (Forms, payment methods, etc.) please visit our website: www.innisfree.ca/residents/property-taxes

Thank you, Administration

WORD SEARCH: Falltime!

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LEAVES
PINECONE
SEASON
BUSY

SEPTEMBER
HAYRIDE
SCHOOL
HARVEST

BALE
CHILLY
CORN
BUSSES

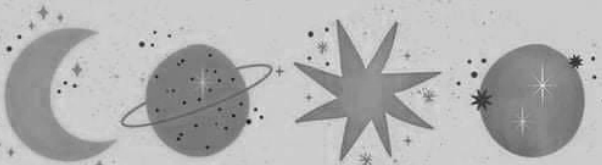
Why do fathers take an extra pair of socks when they go golfing? *In case they get a hole in one!*

Singing in the shower is fun until you get soap in your mouth. *Then it's a soap opera.*

What do a tick and the Eiffel Tower have in common? *They're both Paris sites.*

I thought the dryer was shrinking my clothes. *Turns out it was the refrigerator all along.*

STOP SAYING SORRY FOR ...



BEING BUSY AND OWNING YOUR TIME

SETTING BOUNDARIES FOR YOURSELF

NOT BEING PERFECT ALWAYS

CRYING OR SHOWING EMOTIONS

SELFCARESPOTLIGHT

Innisfree Preschool & Kindergarten CHRISTMAS CASH RAFFLE

First Prize \$1500 Second prize \$500



Draw date: December 16, 2021 at Innisfree Rec Center

Contact Elise @ 780-603-1080 for information

Contact any Kindergarten/Preschool parent for tickets (tickets will also be available at the Innisfree ATB)

Only 600 tickets printed!

BUSINESS DIRECTORY

LAND Seed & Agro Services Ltd.
LISA ANDERSON
Minburn, AB
780-632-5526
lisa.anderson@plantpioneer.com

Scentsy
INDEPENDENT CONSULTANT
Amberlyn Myshaniuk
780-592-3936

"The Little Convenience Store... with a whole lot more"
Confectionery 881
CONVENIENCE STORE + MORE
780-853-7306 info@confectionery881.ca
Find us on Facebook/confectionery881

Farm Fresh \$3 dozen
BROWN EGGS FOR SALE
Chantal Laforest
780-592-3946 or 780-721-9685

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PROFESSIONAL CORP.
-Accounting Services -Personal Tax
-Corporate Tax -Commissioner for Oaths
Phone: 780-995-5235
Email: jo@lanovaz.com

Village of Innisfree Library
Library Hours
Wednesday 1:00pm - 7:00pm
Thursday 12:00pm - 6:00pm
Friday 10:00am - 3:00pm
780-592-2122

Sipology
by Steeped Tea
Tamara Kitt 780-646-3797
sipology.com/tamaralupul
Follow me on Facebook & Instagram @sipologysister

780-592-2443
The Cutting Edge
Family Hair Care
Tues, Thurs, Fri & Sat
Appointments only at this time
Linda Dobler
Stylist/Pedicure
See you soon!

Three Sheets to the Wind! by Deb Barber



I got home later last night from an appointment and while checking my messages I overheard Farmer Hubby grumbling a bit about temperatures and immediately my ears perked up. He was going on about 'frost warnings' and it being far too early for such nonsense and I quickly flipped to the Weather network app. Sure enough, it was claiming that although the overnight low was 5 degrees Celsius it would feel more like +2! Alarmed that if the cucumber plants even caught a hint of this lower temperature, I knew they would immediately curl into a ball and proceed to perish; so armed with flashlights I headed out to cover as many plants as possible

First, I headed to the greenhouse to move in the most productive cherry tomato plants and to shut the vents and door to minimize the heat loss. From there I headed over to the sea can where I store the old sheets inside. I fumbled with the latch and then made my way via the tiny circle of light luminated by my flashlight to the shelf where the blankets are stored. By this time Farmer Hubby had caught up to me so I loaded his arms with sheets and sent him in the direction of the cucumber patch. Last year I had decided to sew a number of sheets together so that I have access to large enough sheets to accommodate greater areas to cover the plants more efficiently and I have found this has made covering the plants so much easier.

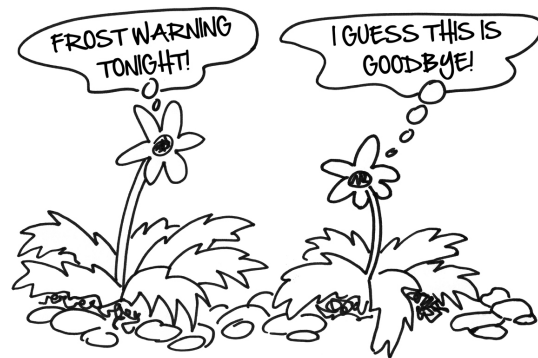
After covering the cucumbers, I decided I had sufficient blankets left to cover the majority of the Tiny Tim pumpkin plants as well. This meant a second trip into the dark interior of the sea can and by now my rubber boots were several sizes larger with the accumulation of mud. That inch of rain that had made us so happy had brought with it that clingy, mucky soil that clumps onto the soles of one's boots. Farmer Hubby is 'very' fussy about the interior of his sea can, so I had to slip the rubbers off while walking into secure more blankets. In the end I don't think the temperatures dropped sufficiently, however, I'm happy to take that time to ensure I don't lose the fruits of my gardening efforts before I absolutely have to!

This morning when I was removing the sheets from the plants, they were barely even damp which is so unusual as most times in the fall they are drenched with dew. Nonetheless I hung them over the wooden fence so that they could completely dry in the wind that has them all billowed out like ship's sails.

A week or so ago we thought that harvest had hit full tilt with neighbours racing up and down the road with sprayers, swathers, combines and trucks. We even managed to get a field of canola swathed and some wheat taken off and then things came to a grinding halt when although on the verge the remaining fields are not quite ready to be put in the bin.

It's a good thing because I was not prepared with no meal plans in place nor groceries purchased, my family would be happy to tell you that my pantry and deep freezer(s) are always prepared for anything short of apocalypse so they basically rolled their eyes at my apparent panic that I might be unable to feed them!

My kitchen has turned into its annual pickle and relish factory, and I have found myself barefoot on a sticky floor on more than one occasion. In fact, it is on today's To Do List to give the floor a good scrubbing even though I am not completely finished turning cucumbers into relish! Due to the extreme heat no jams or jellies have been procured but the berries have been frozen and will be rendered into jars during the cold days of winter!



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LAST PAGE LYRICS

9 to 5

Dolly Parton

Well, I tumble outta bed and stumble to the kitchen
Pour myself a cup of ambition
Yawn and stretch and try to come to life

Jump in the shower and the blood starts pumping
Out on the street, the traffic starts jumping
With folks like me on the job from 9 to 5

Working 9 to 5, what a way to make a living
Barely getting by, it's all taking and no giving
They just use your mind, and they never give you credit
It's enough to drive you crazy if you let it

Working 5 to 9, you've got passion and a vision
'Cause it's hustlin' time, a whole new way to make a livin'
Gonna change your life, do somethin' that gives it meanin'
With a website that is worthy of your dreamin'

Well you got dreams and you know they matter
Be your own boss, climb your own ladder
That moment's getting closer by the day

And you're in the same boat with a lotta your friends
Launching ideas you all believe in
The tide's gonna turn, and it's all gonna roll your way

Working 5 to 9, making something of your own now
And it feels so fine to build a business from your know-how

Gonna move ahead, and there's nothing that you can't do
When you listen to that little voice inside you

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