



The Innisfree Informer

Deb's Message in a Minute

September has been busy as many groups are organizing after the summer break. I love the lush green of summer, but the bright fall colors are hard to not enjoy! We are lucky to enjoy the seasons of Alberta. (Remember that in a few months when winter hits us!)

The time has come to close the Birch Lake Campground. I hope everyone has had a chance to enjoy the campground once or twice this summer.

At the last Village Council Meeting, RCMP Sergeant Buckingham shared that reporting of non-urgent crime can be easier through the Alberta RCMP APP available as a free download on Google Play or the Apple App Store. As this app is available on your phone or computer it offers a convenient way to report these non-emergent crimes. It was also alarming to me to see an increase in crime in the area. Our own break in the Village office being one of the increases.

The Innisfree Library continues to be a warm and welcoming place to visit and look for a good book. The library has much to offer along with the books, magazines, and DVD's and access to the public computers there.

Finally, I hope your harvest has been plentiful and your days filled with sunshine.

Check for updates as they are posted on the Village of Innisfree web site, www.innisfree.ca. See the Mannville-Minburn-Innisfree FCSS Facebook page for up-to-date information available.

Respectfully submitted by Deb McMann

FOR THE CHIPMUNK IN MY YARD

*I think he knows I'm alive, having come down
The three steps of the back porch
And given me a good once over. All afternoon
He's been moving back and forth,
Gathering odd bits of walnut shells and twigs,
While all about him the great fields tumble
To the blades of the thresher. He's lucky
To be where he is, wild with all that happens.
He's lucky he's not one of the shadows
Living in the blond heart of the wheat.
This autumn when trees bolt, dark with the fires
Of starlight, he'll curl among their roots,
Wanting nothing but the slow burn of matter
On which he fastens like a small, brown flame.*

- Robert Gibb

DOUBLE, DOUBLE TOIL AND TROUBLE;
FIRE BURN AND CALDRON BUBBLE.
FILLET OF A FENNY SNAKE,
IN THE CALDRON BOIL AND BAKE;
EYE OF NEWT AND TOE OF FROG,
WOOL OF BAT AND TONGUE OF DOG,
SIDDER'S FORK AND BLING-WORMS STING,
LIZARD'S LEG AND HOWLET'S WING,
FOR A CHARM OF POWERFUL TROUBLE,
LIKE A HELL-BROTH BOIL AND BUBBLE.
DOUBLE, DOUBLE TOIL AND TROUBLE;
FIRE BURN AND CALDRON BUBBLE.
COOL IT WITH A BABOON'S BLOOD,
THEN THE CHARM IS FIRM AND GOOD.

"Everyone must leave something behind when he dies, my grandfather said. A child or a book or a painting or a house or a wall built or a pair of shoes made. Or a garden planted. Something your hand touched some way so your soul has somewhere to go when you die, and when people look at that tree or that flower you planted, you're there."
- Ray Bradbury





NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

COUNCIL approved **First Reading to Rescinding Bylaw (1911 – 2004) 688-23** on September 19, 2023.

BY-LAW 688-23, OF THE VILLAGE OF INNISFREE IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, FOR THE PURPOSE OF RESCINDING OUTDATED AND IRRELEVANT BYLAWS FROM 1911-2004, FOR THE VILLAGE OF INNISFREE

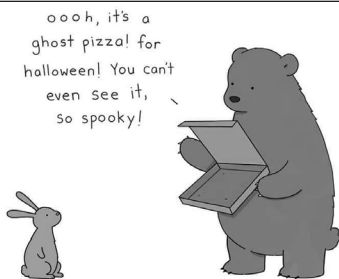
WHEREAS, under the provisions of the *Municipal Government Act*, RSA 2000, Chapter M-26, and amendments thereto, the Council has been granted the authority to pass bylaws for municipal purposes; and

WHEREAS several bylaws have become irrelevant in nature, updated, or replaced over time, without the old bylaws being properly rescinded, specifically for the period of 1911-2004.

A PUBLIC HEARING on Rescinding Bylaw (1911 – 2004) 688-23 will be held:

October 17, 2023, at 5:30 pm

In the Village Administration Office at 5016 – 50 Avenue, Innisfree.



Civic Addressing Bylaw 689-23

The purpose of the Civic Addressing Bylaw 689-23 is to establish a civic addressing and street naming system, and to regulate the display of civic addresses to identify properties and to accommodate the delivery of municipal and emergency services.

The Village of Innisfree does not have a civic addressing and street naming system in place. This bylaw will address that problem and mitigate the issues with identifying properties for emergency (AHS & Fire) and municipal services.

Council will be addressing the third reading of Civic Addressing Bylaw 689-23 at their regular Council meeting on October 17, 2023.

Any comments or concerns on this bylaw, please forward to the Village Administration office by Wednesday, October 11, 2023 via email: cao@innisfree.ca or deliver to the Administration Office, 5116 – 50 Avenue, Monday-Friday, 9am – 12pm and 1pm – 5pm, or via send regular mail to, Village of Innisfree, Box 69, Innisfree, AB, T0B 2G0.

The Civic Addressing Bylaw will be viewable on the Village website: www.innisfree.ca



Hey Kids! Are you an artist, writer, inventor, or creative kid?
The Informer wants to hear from you!
 Email your submissions or your creations to be featured in future issues!
 innisfreeinformer@gmail.com

PLEASE! SLOW DOWN WHEN PASSING OUR SCHOOL

Per Alberta.ca: When you approach a school or play-ground 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.



Upon Bernie's arrival, the "scariest-costume" party competition was about to get a whole lot stiffer.



Happy Birthday!

- Oct 3: Charlotte Smith
- Oct 4: Ken Parasynchuk
- Oct 4: Dylan Fowler
- Oct 5: Donna MacNeil
- Oct 8: Lorraine Fowler
- Oct 13: Amberlyn Myshaniuk
- Oct 14: Tyson Rudolf
- Oct 17: Justin Fleming
- Oct 18: Jennifer Sicklesteel



- Oct 19: Brandy Roland
- Oct 20: Fay Jackson
- Oct 22: Cameron Kuzio
- Oct 23: Mariyon Sen
- Oct 31: Tracy Rudolf
- Oct 31: Karen Anderson
- Oct 31: Iris Milburn
- Oct 31: Beau Sullivan

Happy Anniversary!

- Oct 29: Jennifer & Eliza Johnson

Innisfree Preschool & Kindergarten
ANNUAL CASH RAFFLE

First Prize \$1500
 Second prize \$500 Second prize \$250



Tickets \$10

Draw date: December 22, 2023

Contact Krystin @ 780-806-3490 for information
 Contact any Kindergarten/Preschool parent for tickets

Only 600 tickets printed!
 Raffle license #653138

**Village of Innisfree - End of Season
 Community Garage Sales**



Date: Oct 14, 2023
Time: 9:00 to 4:00

This craft room isn't going to tidy itself...

...so let's just close the door



C Two guys were hunting and one accidentally shot the other. The one hunter rushed his injured friend to the hospital. The doctor came out of the emergency room and the worried hunter asked him if his buddy was going to live. The doctor paused for a moment,

R blankly looked at the camo-streaked man's face and replied, "He probably would have if you hadn't field dressed him."



OUTDOOR CORNER is sponsored by:
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What's a zombies favorite cereal?
Rice Creepies!

EVENTS CALENDAR

Here's What's Happening!

- Oct 2: Evening Musical Jam hosted by local musicians. Seniors' Centre, set up at 6pm, jam from 6:30-8:30
- Oct 4: Village of Innisfree Library Board Meeting
- Oct 5: Innisfree & District Agricultural Society Meeting
- Oct 9: Thanksgiving
- Oct 10: Innisfree Senior Citizens Meeting
- Oct 11: Women In Business Member Gathering 7pm.
- Oct 17: Village of Innisfree Council Meeting
- Oct 23: Musical Jam hosted by local musicians. Seniors' Centre, set up at 1:30 pm, jam from 2:00-4:00
- Oct 26: Ranfurly Senior Citizens Meeting
- Dec 3: Innisfree Extravagant Spirit of Christmas Trade Show

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



Is someone special celebrating next month?
Send in your NOVEMBER Birthdays & Anniversaries for the November issue!

Please send birthday or anniversary names and dates by October 25 to wish your loved ones a special day!
Email to: innisfreeinformer@gmail.com

INFORMER TRAVELS

Readers! Let's see how far our little newsletter can go. If you or a friend plan to do some travelling, send us a photo of you holding the Informer and tell us a little about where you went, what you saw and the adventures you had!

Odd Jobs Wanted

Strong motivated teenager willing to do odd jobs like mowing, weed wacking, heavy lifting, cleaning, windows, sweeping, sidewalk clean up and other jobs you may need done around your farm or property.



Call or text Matt: 587-280-8977

OPEN YEAR ROUND

The **Beachside**
Bed and Breakfast
"On Wapasu Lake"

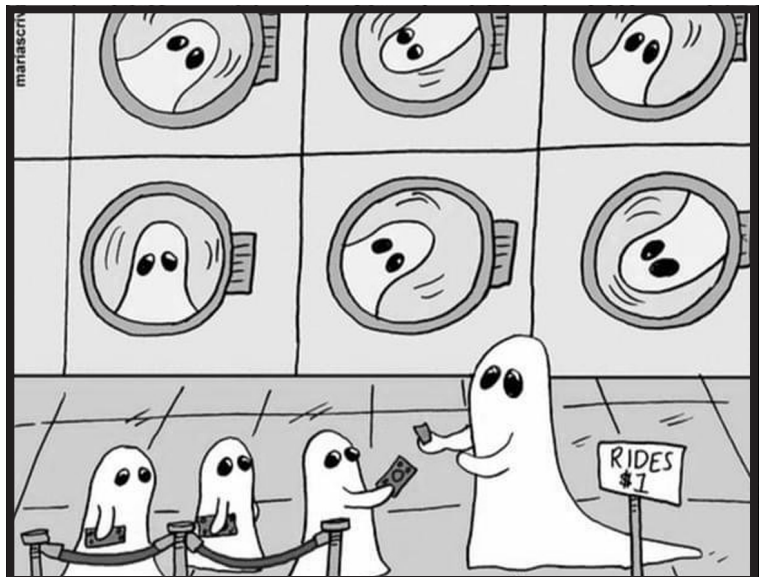
www.thebeachside.ca
(780) 592-3840 info.beachside.bed.breakfast@gmail.com



**TO RENT: The Minburn Hall,
Seniors Centre or Curling Rink:
Call Dawn 780-581-0592**

CAT NEEDS A HOME

BLACK AND WHITE MALE, NEUTERED, APPROX. 2 YEARS OLD, VERY FRIENDLY, FOUND AS A STRAY
CALL OR TEXT 780-632-9603



Kids helpline # 1-800-668-6868

Mental Health Helpline

1-877-303-2642



**Mannville – Minburn – Innisfree
Family & Community Support Services
And Yellowhead Community Support Society**

Email: mmifcss@manningville.com

Location: 5004-49 Street Suite # 4 Mannville **Phone:** 780-763-3005

Website: <https://mmifcss.wixsite.com/mmifcss> **Instagram:** @mmifcss

Facebook: Mannville-Minburn-Innisfree Family & Community Support Services

CONNECTING COMMUNITY

- Coffee Connections: **Wednesday October 11** at the M-M-I F.C.S.S office in Mannville from 10:00-11:30am
- Visit the Community Bulletin Boards for events calendar

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & SERVICES

- Check out Volunteer Connector <https://www.volunteerconnector.org/> for local volunteer opportunities or contact us if you need help to recruit helpers for an upcoming event
- KAIROS Blanket Exercise- October 17th at Mannville School. Pre-register by calling M-M-I F.C.S.S office
- Please help us by taking a few minutes to fill out a Needs Assessment Survey that will help gain a deeper understanding of our service area and it's unique needs. You can access the survey by using this QR code or contact us about obtaining a paper copy



KALYNA MMI FAMILY RESOURCE NETWORK

- Facebook: MMI Family Resource Network
- Mannville Red Wagon Parent & Play: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of every month 10-11:30am in the United Church basement
- Minburn Red Wagon Parent & Play: 2nd Tuesday monthly 10-11:30am at the Rec Centre
- Ranfurly Red Wagon Parent & Play: 4th Tuesday monthly 10-11:30am at Ranfurly School
- FIKA: An evening for caregivers to come together to refresh and strengthen relationships. Held on the **last Thursday** of each month at 7pm in the Mannville McQueen United Church basement
- Call or text Alicia Rutt at 780-581-4149

**A ghost walks into
a bar.**

**The bartender
says, "Sorry, we
don't serve
spirits."**

Fun Fact: There is a traditional Halloween bread in Ireland. It's called barmbrack or just "brack." The sweet loaf typically contains dark and golden raisins, as well as a small hidden toy or ring. Tradition dictates that the person who finds the item will come into good fortune in the coming year.

Village of Innisfree Council Highlights

September 19, 2023

Bylaws

- Council passed Revised Master Rates Bylaw 690-23 that addressed several typos and omissions in the previous Master Rates Bylaw 681-23.
- Council provided First and Second Readings to Civic Addressing Bylaw 689-23. The Civic Addressing Bylaw purpose is to implement a system to consistently display a civic address system to identify properties and to assist emergency response vehicles in locating the appropriate address.
- Council provided First Reading to Rescinding Bylaw (1911 – 2044) 688-23 to rescind bylaws that have become irrelevant in nature, updated, or replaced from time to time without old bylaws being properly rescinded, specifically for the period 1911 – 2004.
 - o A PUBLIC HEARING on Rescinding Bylaw (1911 – 2004) will be held on October 17, 2023, at 5:00 pm in the Village Administration Office at 5016 – 50 Avenue, Innisfree.

Policies

- Council endorsed several Asset Management Policies to address the Public Sector Accounting Board (PSAB) 3150 Policy:
 - o Policy 1300-03 – Tangible Capital Assets – Revised
 - o Policy 1300-07 – Asset Retirement Obligation
 - o Policy 1300-08 – Asset Management Policy

Business:

- Council endorsed a motion to maintain the existing ATCO Electric Franchise Fee on Distribution Revenue, for 2024.
- Council endorsed a motion to maintain the existing ATCO Natural Gas Pipelines Franchise Fee on Distribution Revenues, for 2024.
- Council endorsed a motion to donate a significant number of artifacts, letters, and documents to the Innisfree Prairie Bank of Commerce Historical Society. These items were uncovered during recent months' record retention actions being conducted in the Village Office.
- Council endorsed the promotion of a Water Meter Installation Program to promote the completion of the installation of the new Water Meters, whose costs were approved under a Provincial MSI Grant.

NOTE: Approved and Draft documents are available on the Village of Innisfree website: www.innisfree.ca



Women in Business Program



SUPPORTING THE COUNTY OF MINBURN

What's Coming Up

New Members Welcome - Women in Business who own/operate businesses of all natures: brick-and-mortar, online/virtual, pop-up shops, markets, and MLMs (multi-level marketing - for example, Scentsy, Tupperware, Epicure, Steepology, and any others not listed here). The program offers networking, learning events, and resources to help grow your businesses. Contact details below to join.

OCTOBER WIB MEMBER GATHERING

Wednesday, October 11th, 2023 at 7pm
Millenium Building, Innisfree

Topic: Get Social - Audit your Social Media Profiles and create a plan to connect with your clients.

This Month's Business Tip

Do you have a map of your customer journey?

Understanding how your customer experiences your business from the first introduction, through a purchase, and after is a key to business success. Not only does it shape their experience, it also impacts them being a return customer and referring you to others who may become future customers. Here are couple of things to include in your customer journey map:

- *Touchpoints* - these can include website visits, social media interactions, emails, phone calls, in-person visits, and more.
- *Painpoints* - the challenges, obstacles, or frustrations that customers encounter during their journey
- *Follow up* - how you communicate after inquiries and purchases.
- *Review & Refer* - how you ask for reviews and referrals.

If you are a women in business and want to learn more, join our program! Contact details below.

Feature Member | Shannon Tarapaski



PHOTOGRAPHER | ARTIST

In My Boots Photography



[@in.my.boots.photo](https://www.instagram.com/in.my.boots.photo)



[In My Boots Photography](https://www.facebook.com/InMyBootsPhotography)



A little about Shannon...

Shannon lives in the country and loves being outdoors - it is where she feels most inspired! Photographing landscapes, abandoned homesteads, wildlife and anything that catches her eye is how she started as a photographer. She recently has taken one more step, adding family and special event photos to her portfolio.

Shannon has recently entered her work in photo competitions which have led to her having three of her photos in a juried fine arts show in Lloydminster. Her piece called "waiting out the storm" placed best photo and 1st place, with her other two pieces tying for second place. You can see her photos on display at the Lloydminster and Museum archives until October 21st, 2023.

She has always had an entrepreneurial heart, making handmade jewelry with vintage silverware for over a decade. One of her pieces was worn by the lead male character in the E! Original movie, 'Why can't my life be a Rom-Com?'. She still enjoys creating beautiful pieces of art that can be worn. Photography is her newest venture, and she's excited to see where it takes her!

For more information, email us at wibprogram@gmail.com or reach out to one of our Program Co-ordinators

Marilyn Newton, Tel: 780-592-2122

Kristina Brummer, Tel: 604-315-5770



Innisfree walking club walks at the Innisfree Rec Centre. Please join us for a walk.

News from the Innisfree Walking Club

Welcome to FALL! My favourite time of the year! No news re the walking club yet but if you want to start up you could contact Deb McMann and maybe we could get a new key holder to open and close.

When fall arrives I always think of Pumpkin Pie! I am sure lots of you have your favourite way of making them but for those who don't I am sending along this recipe for you to try.

As always we are still waiting for anyone to submit some of their favourite recipes. For example how about recipes for your best side dish for Christmas dinner to go along with your delicious TURKEY~

Text Gayle at 587-280-0211 or email me: gaylefoyster@gmail.com HAPPY THANKSGIVING EVERYONE!

GREAT PUMPKIN PIE

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| INGREDIENTS: | ½ tsp ginger | |
| 1 15 oz can (about 2 c) pumpkin puree | ¼ tsp nutmeg | |
| 3 large eggs | 1/8 tsp ground cloves | |
| 1 and ¼ cups brown sugar | 1/8 tsp black pepper | |
| 1 T cornstarch | 1 cup heavy cream | |
| ½ tsp salt | ¼ cup milk | |
| 1 and ½ tsp cinnamon | Pastry or storebought crust | |
| | Whipping cream, cool whip or ice cream | |

DIRECTIONS:

1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees.
2. Whisk pumpkin, 3 eggs and brown sugar together until combined.
3. Add cornstarch, salt, ginger, nutmeg, cloves, pepper, cream and milk. Whisk vigorously until everything is combined.
4. Prebake pie crust for 10 mins using parchment paper and pie weights inside.
5. After 10 mins remove paper and weights and pour in filling. Bake pie until centre is almost set, about 55 to 60 mins.
6. Halfway through baking cover crust with pie crust shield or tin foil.
7. Once cooked put on wire rack to cool completely, about 3 hours. *Serve with whipped cream, cool whip or even ice cream*

Where do Bad Rainbows go?

Prism
It's a light sentence, and gives them time to reflect.

Innisfree Kindergarten Report

Happy back-to-school season! While all of Innisfree's youngsters have returned for another school year, September is especially important for our kindergarteners! Kindergarten is an exciting time for both our students and their families as the little ones begin their school journey. They spend whole days at school working hard to learn their letters and numbers and exploring the world around them. They are a wonderful group of kids who greatly contribute to the Innisfree school community and are an absolute delight to have in the building. We look forward to an exciting year where our new students will develop valuable skills, discover their talents, and make many friends.

I am proud to introduce our fantastic kindergarten Class of 2023/24!

Adam

Adam is a kind-hearted and well-mannered student who is always eager to learn and participate in activities. He begins every task with a smile, and whenever given the chance, he heads to the reading corner to find a book to entertain himself with.

Quinn

Quinn is a polite and artistic student. She is always enthusiastic about learning and puts great effort into everything she does. When she isn't laughing with her classmates or participating in activities, she is grabbing a piece of paper to draw a masterpiece.

Sarah

Sarah is an adventurous student who is curious about everything around her. She loves to play outside and try new things. Whether dressing up as a princess or constructing a tower with blocks, Sarah always keeps busy with something that makes her happy.

Skylynn

Skylynn is an energetic and lively student who loves to play. She enjoys listening to stories, trying out new games, and always wants to have a role in helping out the class. Skylynn also adores animals and will enthusiastically talk about them any chance she gets.

Taya

Taya is a charismatic and friendly student who is always excited about our activities and games. She loves sharing stories and entertaining her classmates and can put a smile on anyone. She also bakes the best toy plastic cupcakes I've ever pretend-eaten!

Fun Facts: *Turkeys can run up to 25 mph (almost as fast as Usain Bolt). Only male turkeys gobble. Female turkeys cackle*



PROPERTY FOR SALE



Land Area: 6,250 ft², serviced lot
Zone: Residential
House Details: 672 sq feet, one storey, with basement.
Built in approximately 1940-1950.

**4915 – 53 Street, Innisfree, AB
Plan 4175R, Block 6, Lot 12**

This property is a demolition project.

Upon a bidder's successful bid, a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to develop the property within a specified timeline will be a condition of sale.

The Village will accept offers on this property until Friday, October 13, 2023, at 12:00 pm (Noon.)

Bids accepted via email to: cao@innisfree.ca or, delivered to the Village Administration Office, 5116 – 50 Avenue, Innisfree, Monday-Friday, 9am – 12 and 1pm – 5pm, or, via regular mail to: Village of Innisfree, Box 69, Innisfree, AB, T0B 2G0.

Innisfree Dance Club News

The Innisfree dance club kicked off our first dance classes on September 11th & 12th with 26 dancers. The month of September the dancers are starting their routines and trialing different dances to see which classes they really like.

We held our AGM on September 11th and our executives are the following: President: Krystin Cannan Vice President: Rachel Miller Secretary: Shantell Larson Treasurer: Angeline Nott Fundraising Coordinator: Dalcyce Morris.

The dance club is doing Purdy's chocolate fundraiser. The chocolates will be in December 10th! The website to order is:

<https://fundraising.purdys.com/875800-107837> or you can contact

Dalcyce Morris with your order: 639-471-0965.



The most common ghosts are the ones that appear dressed in a white sheet with flailing arms.

These are people who died while changing their duvet covers and they are condemned to wander in bedrooms forever, trying to find the corners.



PROPERTY FOR SALE



Land Area: 6,250 ft², serviced lot

4824 - 52 Street, Innisfree, AB

Zone: Residential

Plan 4175R, Block 8, Lot 14

House Details: 444 sq. feet, one storey, basementless.
Built in 1936.

The Property is a demolition project.

Upon a bidder's successful bid, a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to develop the property within a specified timeline will be a condition of sale.

Village of Innisfree will accept offers on this property until Friday October 13, 2023, at 12:00 pm (Noon.)

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Have you heard about

✦ glimmers ✦?

They are the opposite of triggers. A glimmer is a tiny micro-moment of happiness; a sign of hope. Once you begin to look for them, they will start to appear everywhere

October is my favorite time of year to finally turn the central air off and turn the heat on at 5 am then turn it back off at 9 am to open the windows then shut the windows at noon and turn on the central air then turn it off at 7 pm then turn the...

What would October be without a scary story or two!

The Cabin

A hiker decided to go on a hike by himself. Something he was not very used to. The whole day was normal. Trees and bushes engulfed his surroundings. He enjoyed being outdoors in the mountains. Nothing seemed strange to him, that was until he was making his way back to his car. He figured an eight hour hike was good enough. The sky was already getting dark and he needed to get back, fast. What was odd was how much he didn't recognize the trail back. He began to panic.

Night had already taken over and all he had was a flashlight and no clue on how to get back. He knew it was already too late and too dangerous to keep going through the perilous forest. He began to worry that he would have no shelter for the night when almost luckily enough, he stumbled across a broken-down cabin. It was dark, and seemed like no one had visited it in years, but he knew it was the only place where he could rest until daylight, especially since his flashlight was running out of battery. He knocked on the door a few times but no one answered, so he let himself in where strangely enough, a perfect bed fitted for one person awaited him in the center. He knew that if the owner came back he could explain himself, he was sure that the owner wouldn't mind, or was even probably dead. So he went ahead and got himself comfortable in bed. As he tried to sleep, he couldn't ignore the collection of paintings around the room; portraits of strange looking people all peering at him, each wearing a smile that sent chills up his spine. Not too long after his exhaustion from the hike got the best of him and he was able to ignore the faces.

The next morning he got up early and was shocked to see that there were no paintings around the room, but windows...

Who's in my bed?

A father went to say good night to his seven year old son, very well knowing that if he didn't his son would have trouble sleeping. It was a nightly routine between them. He entered the dimly lit room where his son waited under his blanket. With the first glance the father could tell there was something unusual about his son tonight, but couldn't put his finger on it. He looked the same but had a grin that drew from ear to ear.

"You okay, buddy?" the father asked.

The son nodded, still with the grin, before saying, "Daddy, check for monsters under my bed."

The father chuckled a bit before getting on his knees to check only to satisfy his son.

There, under the bed, pale and afraid, was his son. His real son. He whispered, "Daddy, there's someone on my bed".

**If one door closes
and another opens,**

***your house is
haunted and you
need to run.***



| 1978 | 2023 |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Long hair | Longing for hair |
| 8 Tracks | Cataracts |
| KEGs | EKGs |
| Streaking | Leaking |
| Acid Rock | Acid Reflux |
| Seeds and stems | Fiber |
| Stayin' Alive (the song) | Stayin' Alive (the goal) |
| Hoping for a BMW | Hoping for a BM |
| Going to a new, hip joint | Getting a new hip joint |
| Rolling Stones | Kidney Stones |
| Bell bottoms | Big bottoms |
| Disco | Costco |
| Whatever | Depends |
| Rock n' roll all night | Sleep through the night |
| Think you know everything | Think you know your name |

it's important to
acknowledge and celebrate
your feelings.



Village of Innisfree Library News

The Village of Innisfree Library's first music jam was held on September 22. Eleven people came out - there were 2 ukuleles, 1 acoustic guitar, 1 electric guitar, 1 accordion and a variety of voices that blended well together. From 9 years old to 80 +, everyone had a fabulous time! It was decided to continue with more jams, so please watch for information on future sessions!

Great job Innisfree Library Patrons! Our library won the most submissions per population in the Read for 15 Friday contest! Every Friday over the summer that a patron read for 15 mins, one entry could be made. There was a great local snack basket to be won for the entrants (unfortunately none of ours did) and our library won bragging rights for the year!

Our Women in Business Program started on September 26. We are very happy to have this program up and running! This program is for any woman currently in business, or wanting to start a business. Our next program on October 11 will be focused on social media. Please see our full page feature in this issue of the Informer for more information and to see this month's featured member!

If you are interested in joining us, please contact the library for more information and to get a copy of our survey so we can get your input on future sessions we will offer.

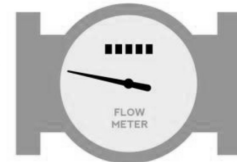
780-592-2122 or mnewton@innisfreelibrary.ca

Two priests died and went to heaven. The pearly gates were locked and they couldn't get in. The angel apologized, stating the computers were down, and they would have to return to earth, but they could not go back as priests. The first priest said, "I would like to be an eagle and fly over the Rocky Mountains". The second priest said, "I have always wanted to be a stud". Both priests left. Two weeks later the first priest was notified the computer was fixed and he could return to heaven. The priest asked where the other priest was, and the angel replied, "I don't really know for sure, but I think he is in a snow tire somewhere in N. Dakota.



WATER METER INSTALLATION PROJECT

The Village received approval to fund the *Water Meter Rehabilitation Project* under



A Canada Community Building Fund grant in 2022; the CCBF grant financed the entire project!

The Village received the new meters, finally, in March 2023. Since then, the Village has promoted the installation of the new meters. However, the response to the promotion has been slow and there were some installation difficulties, that have been "ironed out."

The new meters are slimmer, have updated technology and enhanced battery life components that have been extensively tested and should serve their purpose for the next 20 – 25 years.

The Village Administration Staff will be formatting the locations of the properties, block by block, that require a new meter.

Starting the week of October 10th, right after the Thanksgiving long weekend, the Village will be scheduling meter installations for each location identified.

Meter installation is free to the resident; it should only take 20 – 30 minutes to replace a meter.

PLEASE MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR ACCESS TO YOUR PROPERTY, UPON NOTICE FROM THE VILLAGE OF AN UPCOMING METER CHANGE.

(NOTE: THE VILLAGE REQUIRES AN INDIVIDUAL TO BE PRESENT DURING THE METER INSTALL.)

THEME IN YELLOW

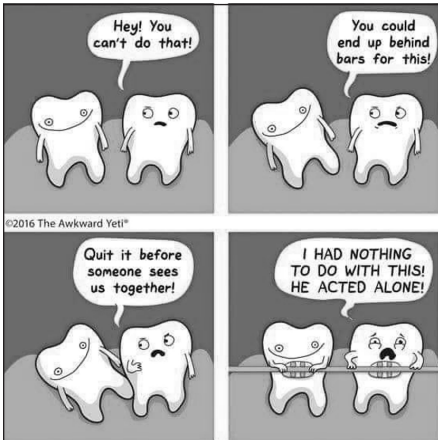
I spot the hills
With yellow balls
in autumn.
I light the prairie
cornfields
Orange and tawny
gold clusters
And I am called
pumpkins.
On the last of
October
When dusk is
fallen
Children join
hands
And circle round
me
Singing ghost
songs
And love to the
harvest moon;
I am a jack-o'-
lantern
With terrible teeth
And the children
know
I am fooling.
- Carl Sandburg

An elderly man thinking his wife was losing her hearing went about 20' behind her and asked, "Can you hear me sweetheart?" No reply. Moved to 10' away and inquired again. No reply. 5' and not a word. A few inches behind her ear he asked, "Can you hear me now honey?" His wife said "For the fourth time, yes!"

Halloween Search!

- trick or treat
- decorations
- halloween
- children
- costumes 
- october 
- pumpkin 
- creepy
- orange
- purple
- sweets
- black
- ghost
- night
- scary
- witch
- bat

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Report Card Time... by Deb Barber



I know what you are thinking, Deb school just started it will be a while before report cards

will be issued! Well, just hang tough and see where I plan to go with this.

A little bit ago I was listening to the radio, and they were interviewing the winner of their Meals In The Field event. They asked the farm wife they were speaking with what she would like to share with the non farming sector about farm life. She paused and said she couldn't really think of anything right off the top of her head. I decided that was a very good question and decided to spend sometime pondering what I would want to share. This is what I came up with.

To our non farming friends, neighbours and relatives; what would we like to share with you about our farm life? I think what comes most fore front to my mind is that we do this job with passion. We are invested in our farm no matter if it is grain, livestock, poultry, vegetable and it goes on and on.

The grain farmer has a deep respect for Mother Nature because at the end of the day she holds all the cards. She can send the right conditions to grow a bumper crop and in a flash of lightening and hail wipe it completely out! Farmers spend a great deal of time gazing into the sky trying to determine what action they should take next. They try to balance keeping the soil nutritionally balanced, fertilized

for maximum yield, weed control that doesn't damage the native vegetation, insecticides that don't wipe out the beneficial insects. At the end of the day very little is in our control, but we continue on, week after week, month after month and year after year. Our report card is as individual as what we produce, but I believe we are determined to do the very best to meet the criteria of feeding the world and keeping the planet healthy as well.

It's been a long time since I worked in the cattle industry. However, I am sure not much has changed. Ranchers continue to ensure their animals are feed the best feed they can grow or purchase. Long nights are spent during calving season, when water is in short supply, they spend hours hauling water to various pastures. Each animal's individual characteristics is what makes them unique and special, each and everyone is valued. Most Ranchers can give you a complete history about any of their animals!

I grew up on a broiler poultry farm. Seven thousand chickens were rotated through the two barns on a six-week cycle. My mom lived in the barns, ensuring proper temperature controls were in place for the baby chicks and that water was always available and food balanced and ample. In those days mortality records were given a high priority and my mom several times during the years we raised the birds had the lowest mortality rate in all of Alberta.

I would want people to understand that days are not measured in hours,

watching the clock to time out. There are no such thing as statutory holidays and even on Christmas Day the animals come first. I really want to stress that no one is complaining about this, it is the lifestyle we have elected to live and find it fulfilling. All I believe we really ask it that before people jump to conclusions or start to follow popular trends or start demonstrations against different concepts that are perhaps incorrectly reported or presented, put on your chore clothes and a sturdy but not new set of shoes or boots. Come work side by side with us. We are happy to share with anyone what we do, how we do it and why we do it and surprisingly I believe you will find us open to your questions and happy to share what we do and why with you in a friendly and encouraging manner.

So, off my soap box and back down to earth, the recent days have been filled with picking apples, tomatoes and cucumbers. Today is green tomato relish making day! Tomorrow might be digging potatoes and carrots day! Farmer Hubby is busy out vacuuming up the leaves but that's a tale for another time!



If you enjoy a weekly dose of Farm Wife humour please check out my blog at: <https://farmwifediary.blog>

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