

Glenwood Neighbourly News

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Life in Your Neighbourhood

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Election

Monday, October 15th is the day of the civic elections. While Cam Francis was acclaimed for the Cardston County and Darcy Barfuss as acclaimed for the Westwind School Division there will be an election for Village residents to elect 5 positions on the Village Council. 13 candidates are running for the 5 positions. (see page 4).

Voting will take place at the Village Office between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. There are 5 positions to be filled but you are not required to vote for 5 candidates. You may vote for only one candidate or more and your vote will still be complete. If you vote for more than 5 candidates your vote will be discounted. Directions for voting will be placed at the polling stations.

Aged Cheese Club

The Aged Cheese Club will be traveling to Hill Spring in October. The Hill Spring Seniors are hosting a dinner that will be held October 29th at 1:00 in the Hill Spring Community Hall. All seniors are welcome to attend.

It is also the time of year for flu shots. This year the Health Unit will not be coming to Glenwood to give shots. You will have to go into Cardston to the Health Unit to get your flu shot. The dates for flu shots are Friday, November 9th; Monday, November 19th; and Tuesday, November 27th.

Citizens on Patrol

The RCMP in conjunction with the villages of Hill Spring and Glenwood is organizing a Citizens on Patrol program. There will be an organizational meeting on October 4th at 7:00 in the Community Hall. This first meeting is an informational and sign up meeting. A follow up meeting will be held on October 14th. For more information contact the Village Office at 626-3233.

Thank You Glenwood

We would like to thank all those who came out to help us unload the moving van when we arrived here on Sunday, September 9th around 6 p.m.. We have never experienced such kindness and thoughtfulness!!! All of you are truly a credit to the Village of Glenwood.

Sincerely, Donna Wyant and Don Fleming

October at the Glenwood School

The little ghosts and goblins are keeping busy at the Glenwood School with many activities leading up to the big day of Halloween.

Author Cora Taylor will visit the school on October 1st. She has written many books for children from about grades 3 to 7. She will also be selling her books at this time.

There are even more books to buy at the school as the annual fall book fare takes place on October 11th, 12th, and 15th. This year's theme is "Wild for Books." Go a little wild and pick up some books for the members of your family. All proceeds from the book fare go to supply the school library with books. Books make great Christmas gifts too.

The Jr. High Student Council will be traveling to Badger Valley on the 11th for a Leadership Training Camp. There they will meet with other Jr. High councils from the Westwind School Division. In these training sessions the students are taught effective leadership skills that they can then take back into their schools and implement in their student councils.

School Pictures will be taken on the 15th. If you have younger children who are not in school and you would like their pictures taken too, you are welcome to bring them to the school. Please call the school for the time to bring your children.

As Halloween approaches it is time for the annual Pumpkin Race. The students will be running a designated course through town. Each student will have to estimate how long it will take her/him to run or walk the course. Two students from each grade who are closest to their estimated time will win a pumpkin. The race will take place on the morning of October 29th. If you are driving around the village on that day please use extra caution around the students.

Carved pumpkins can be brought to the school on October 31st and entered into the pumpkin carving contest. Also on Halloween Day the halls will be filled with Halloween creatures as they party and get ready for the big night. Happy Halloween from the Glenwood School.

Thank You

Thank you to the 4 Musketeers for the amazing job in decorating my office. Thank you so much.

Brad Salmon

**Potluck and a Project
Relief Society Enrichment Evening
October 9th**

7:00 p.m. at the Church

Bring a potluck dish and a project of your choosing. It could be something that you are working on, a scrapbooking project or anything that you would like. If you don't have a project there will be a quilt that you can help tie. Enjoy an evening of visiting with good friends, eating great food, and maybe even finishing that project.

**Library Happenings
Movie Night**

The next Library Movie Night will be held October 19th at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Hall. The feature presentation will be "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone." This movie is rated PG for some scary moments and mild language. The movie is free and you can purchase popcorn, candy and pop at the movie.

These movie nights will be held the third Friday of every month. Upcoming movies are:

November 16th - "Meet the Robinsons"

December 21st - "Santa Clause 3"

Watch for up coming information about the free computer classes offered by the Library or contact Melissa Lybbert at 626-3615 for more information.

Glenwood Library Hours
Monday 2:30 - 5:30 p.m.
Tuesday 3:30 - 6:60 p.m.
Thursday 5:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Saturday 9:00 - 12:00 noon.

Annual Christmas Craft Fair

If you are interested in having a table at the Christmas Craft Fair or would like more information about the Craft Fair contact Tina Lybbert at 626-3131 or Melissa Lybbert at 626-3615. The Craft Fair will be held in the Community Hall on Saturday, December 8th.

**Count Down 'till Christmas
As of October 1st - 84 Days**

Community Calendar

October 1st - Author Cora Taylor visits the Glenwood School.
October 4th - Citizens of Patrol meeting 7:00 in the Community Hall.
October 8th - Thanksgiving
October 9th - Relief Society Potluck and Project Evening 7:00 at the church.
October 11th - 12th & 15th - "Wild About Books" Book Fair during school hours at the Glenwood School.
October 15th - Election Day 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Village Office.
October 15th -Picture Day at the Glenwood School
October 18th - Jr. High Volleyball in Cardston
October 18th - Citizens on Patrol Meeting.
October 19th - Library Movie 7:00 in the Community Hall
October 26th - PD Day - No School
October 29th - Glenwood School Pumpkin Race
October 29th - Aged Cheese Club Dinner 1:00 in the Hill Spring Community Hall.
October 31st - Halloween

It Takes All Kinds

"I live in a semi-rural area. We recently had a new neighbor call the local township administrative office to request the removal of the Deer Crossing sign on our road.

The reason: Too many deer were being hit by cars and he didn't want them to cross there anymore".

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Cartoons

Originally, a `cartoon` was a full-sized drawing for a painting, usually worked out in complete detail, ready for transfer to a wall, canvas, or panel. The cartoon was rubbed on the back with chalk and the main lines were then gone over with a stylus, transferring them to the wall or canvas.

Economic Development

Submitted by Sherri Tatlow

Glenwood residents were invited to a special information meeting put on by the Economic Development and Tourism committee on September 18th.

A power-point presentation was presented which included the goals the ECC has for future plans for Glenwood. The Glenwood Vision Statement was presented as well as short, medium, and long term goals.

Village residents were able to make suggestions and there was a great deal of information given and ideas shared.

Those attending were treated to Dilly Bars donated by the Cardston Dairy Queen and the left over bars were given to the Library Board for Movie Night.

A contest was also announced for a slogan for Glenwood. The slogan must be between 6 and 9 words and needs to describe Glenwood and its location. Think of Hill Spring's "Prairie to Peak Perfection" and you'll have a good idea of what we would like to see in our slogan. The winner of the contest will be announced soon and they will receive a gift certificate for dinner for 2 from Radcliffe's Ranch House.

If you have any questions for us or would like to see the power point presentation you can contact any of the Economic Development and Tourism Committee. They are Wayne Layton, Brian Kitchen, Sherri Tatlow, Karen Jarvie, Peter Oursien, and Kim Radcliffe.

Village Council Announcements

The current Village Council held their last council meeting on Thursday, September 27th. They would like to inform all residents of Glenwood that at this last meeting the Animal By-Law which has been under discussion has passed. If you want more information about this by-law and how it affect you please contact the Village Office.

Also they would like resident to know that the irrigation water will be turned off on Monday, October 1st. Any outside watering you need to do needs to be done before that date.

A truly happy person is one who can enjoy the scenery on a detour

Election Candidates Respond

There are 13 people running for the Glenwood Village council. Many residents may not know some of these candidates. In order for you to make an informed decision as you exercise your right to vote, each of these candidates was asked the question "What would you like to see happen in the Village of Glenwood?" Each candidate was asked to keep their response to about 150 words or less because of space consideration. Following are each of the candidates responses (listed in alphabetically order).

If you would like more information about any one of the candidates please contact them and they would gladly answer your questions and be able to explain themselves more completely than in these short responses.

Roger Clark: "I would like to see many things happen in Glenwood and a few not happen as well. We need new residents badly, this implies adopting a strategy to attract move-ins and to retain them. Keeping our school open will become an increasing challenge in the future; new people with families creates a solution. Council needs to purchase land for resale, so that we can attach a caveat requiring a home to be built on the property in a reasonable period of time. Our main street needs revitalization and branding so that we present a good visual image to potential move-ins and the general public. We are losing our seniors to other locations, a post retirement partial care facility is needed. On the not-happen side, I hope Glenwood will not grow too large, or lose its' heritage."

Ben Goetz: "While I think this should be a descent looking village to those inside and out, I think the most important thing that should stand out are the people living here. Small communities are and have always been known to be different than town and cities in that the people from elsewhere know that you are from a small community as soon as you smile. There is a certain feeling in the atmosphere of friendliness, unity and happiness. I would like to see good communication, being able to approach anyone in the community, getting along, neighbors helping neighbours. I am glad to have my family living here and would like to see an expansion of family oriented activities. It is important that any decisions that are made for the community be based on what is best for the people living here as opposed to personal preference."

Ardell Hartley: "I would like to see the whole village take pride in cleaning up their yards, painting their buildings and removing old dilapidated unused buildings. We need to keep the grass cut short so there is less danger of fire, and do all we can to be open and friendly to encourage people and industry to want to build here. As we can afford it, I would like to see the old water and sewer mains updated, which will give better water quality and pressure as well as better sewer control where needed. The constant improvement of the roads and the provision for run-off from rain or snow is a priority. Glenwood's friends and families love to come home and I want it to be a haven of safety, beauty, and peace, where loved ones and friends can be reunited and rejuvenated by the spirit of friendliness of this great area."

Brian Kitchen: "I would like to see the residents become more involved in local issues by talking to their councillors and for council to spend more effort getting information to the community. I feel that there are many communication issues that could be easily solved with a bit more effort on both parts. I would also like to see the Village of Glenwood increase in population by about 100 people. This would help spread out the tax burden and help us to keep our existing taxes low. I am concerned about lost revenue from the cheese factory. I would also like to see more businesses located in Glenwood and am working towards that goal. Finally, I would like to see a pro-active, fiscally responsible council that responds to the wishes of the village."

Keith Law: "As I consider life in Glenwood can I liken it to a roll of toilet paper. The more you get into it the faster it goes. There have been many worthwhile things done for the benefit of all who live here and I would like to thank all those who have contributed to the accomplishments we have seen done. There is a lot of things we need to address that will make this village better for 'All.' Some of the immediate concerns that I have is to implement the land use and animal control bylaws. They are making a thorny situation for all. We need to finish up all the upgrades available to us through the government grant system. This is the only way we can have the help we will need to have upgrades on our sewer, water and roads. They all cost big bucks and 'we can't spend monies we don't have.' As I have seen the weed and dandelion population grow, my thinking is that we'd better filter our irrigation water before it goes into the watering system and keep the seeds from entering the town water supply. Glenwood can be better and more beautiful if we 'All' make it so."

Wayne Layton: "I have respect for people and their beliefs and dreams and I like people. I believe that it is easier to stay out of debt than to get out of debt. If debt is necessary it should only be taken on with great thought and care. As part of the Economic Development Committee I believe that we need plans to assure economic survival and a plan for the direction of growth. I would support decisions for these plans along with plans for beautification and recreation. As a person I am calm and thoughtful and I listen well. I believe in getting all the facts available before making a decision. I like to end rumors by talking to the people involved and getting each side of the story. This town's future is not about how long we have lived here but how long we will live here so if you are new or old to the area it does not matter. I have been here many years, I know the past but I am looking forward to a future with you."

Doral Lybbert: "Having spent almost my entire life here what I want in Glenwood becomes somewhat personal. I would like to see Glenwood maintain its Rural Southern Alberta Village Status; keeping many of its traditions and yet be involved in the modern world. I would like young or not so young to be able to enjoy the companionship of a good dog, horse, or other animal if they so choose. I would like to see enough business to provide the necessities of life plus some of our wants. I like to see people succeed and be there to help. I would like to see a community where people of all walks of life work together for the betterment of everyone. I would like to see our greatest export still be the people we send out into the world to make a difference. In short I would like to see some of the greatest people on earth enjoy some of God's greatest creations; Together."

Neighbourly News Submissions

Submissions to the Neighbourly News are welcomed and appreciated. Please include your name with your submission. You may e-mail your submission to katkelthomas@gmail.com. You may also phone Kathy Thomas at 626-3602 with your information. **The deadline for submissions is the 26th day of each month. Any submissions received after the 26th will be placed in the next edition.**

Sandy Lybbert: "When asked what it is that I see for the future of Glenwood, the first thing that came to mind is that I don't wish for it to become Calgary, or any other large urban area. I think that one of the things that makes Glenwood a great place to live is the small town feel. Appreciating the slower feel in the pace of life has brought many people here. I am dedicated to increasing the feelings of community. I plan to work hard to hear and serve you. I would like to rebuild the close knit feeling of this village. It has taken quite a beating lately and I would love to see it brought back to the point that we are far more concerned about how our neighbor feels and his/her needs before we worry about how their yards look."

Barbara Michel: "I love Glenwood. It is such a beautiful place to live and raise our children, and because of that, I have decided to run again for a position in council. We have everything we need right here in Glenwood, but for anything else, it's only just 1/2 hour away. I would love to see businesses and industry move to our village, but more than that, I want to have young families move here. When families move in, the rest will follow. When visitors see tidy yards and lots, flowers, gardens, and happy people, they feel welcomed.....a place wherein they want to raise their children. So I will help to promote our safe, caring village and continue to beautify our surroundings. There were many highs and lows these past three years, and no doubt, will be many more in the future. But may I say, the highs far outweighed the lows, and I feel it an honor to have served".

Rachel Selk: "My first concern is improving the lives of those who live in Glenwood. I would like to see the members of this community working with one another to improve and beautify our town. I feel it is essential to make each person living here feel as though they are a valued member of this town, whose thoughts and concerns will be heard, and dealt with in a compassionate and professional manner. I do not feel it is right for a person to be on council for their own agenda. I want to see Glenwood stay what it is. I want to work for the people of Glenwood, as the council does not run the community, but the community runs the council."

Robert Tatlow: "In an ideal world I would like to see the Cheese Factory back up to full potential but since that is a pipe dream I would like to see 20-50 more families in Glenwood. This would help our school and our tax base as well as make the possibility of having a gas station more economically feasible. I would like to see us continue to have a safe and clean community. Having Citizens on Patrol is a step in the right direction. I would like to see us get some new Alberta Government infrastructure money so that we can improve our water and sewer lines as well as get some more streets and sidewalks so our citizens can be more active if they wish. I would encourage small business development and would certainly like to hold taxes as is, if possible. We love the small village atmosphere of Glenwood and would not like to lose that".

Stuart Townsend: Mr. Townsend was unable to condense his response to fit in the Neighbourly News. As a result his comments, which he copied himself at his expense are attached at the back.

Lisa Welch: "My name is Lisa Welch. It is my understanding, that everyone who is running for a position on the Village of Glenwood's council has been asked to write about what we would like to see happen in Glenwood. I am quite torn with this question. I like Glenwood the way it is. This community, for me, is about family and togetherness, as well as being a safe place to raise your children. I feel the volunteer committees that we have; Economic Development, Recreation, Beautification and the Volunteer Fire Department, have done wonderful jobs in trying to build and expand upon what has already been in place. I don't believe people who have moved to Glenwood would have relocated to such a wonderful picturesque community as Glenwood if they weren't already looking for a quiet, homey, off the beaten path Village, where everyone waves to each other in passing. Sometimes it takes longer to get things done in Glenwood, but hey, there is a reason we all live here... It's not the big city. I have forgotten how long I have lived here because I feel Glenwood is my home and I enjoy participating in my community".

Thank you to all the candidates for taking the time to answer this question and for their commitment to making Glenwood a better place to be.

Kathy

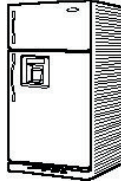
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