

# Glenwood Neighbourly News

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Life in Your Neighbourhood

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## **New Fire Truck for Mid-Rivers**

What is white, big, and beautiful? The answer is the new Mid Rivers Fire Truck. Purchased by the Village of Glenwood and Cardston County with the help of a government grant, the fire truck is now ready to serve area residents. The truck is made by International, and is white with a blue stripe. It has a water tank that has a 900 gallon capacity and can pump up to 1000 gallons a minute. The truck can also run 120 plus kilometers per hour which will cut down on response time for the Mid Rivers Fire Department.

This fire truck is especially needed because the existing fire truck is proving to be unreliable. The new fire truck will be very reliable and will get the job done. The Mid Rivers Fire Department would like to thank the Village of Glenwood and the County of Cardston for their support.

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## **Jr. Vikings Basketball**

Submitted by Sandy Lybbert

The Village of Glenwood's Recreation Board is once again sponsoring Jr. Vikings Basketball. It is intended to hone the skills of our young athletes in basketball. We are still working on a date, but it will be running sometime the end of February or the first part of March. Keep an eye out at the Village Office for more information.

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## **Recreational Vehicle Bylaw**

The ATV and Snow Vehicle Bylaw has passed council and is in place. Those operating ATV's and Snow Vehicles within Village limits are encouraged to pick up information about the rules of operation and the schedule of penalties. Peter Oursien, the Village Bylaw officer will be enforcing this bylaw. If you have any concerns or complaints please contact Peter at 403-626-3596 or Brad at the Village Office.

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## **Prepay your Village Utilities**

If you would like to save money on your water, sewer, irrigation and garbage charges this year, pre-pay at the Village Office. When you pre-pay your year's utility payments the Village of Glenwood will provide December's services free of charge. Pay 11 months and get 1 month free. This offer expires on March 31st. Contact Brad Salmon at the Village Office for more information.

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## **Neighbourly News Begins it's 10th year**

This month marks the 10th year of the Glenwood Neighbourly News. Started in February of 1999, through the efforts of Bill and Barb Michel and funded by the Village of Glenwood, the Neighbourly News has kept Glenwood and surrounding area residents connected.

At that time, the Neighbourly News was started so that all residents in the Glenwood area would know what was happening in the area and to bring a greater closeness and friendship between individuals and families in our community. Over the years some things haven't changed, but it is interesting to look back at past editions and see how many changes have occurred in our community. For example in 1999 the Glenwood Elevators came done and in 2001 the Library renovations were finished. Village councils have changed and people have moved on. Businesses have come and gone and the August Glenwood Days has gone through three name changes.

George Bernard Shaw once said "I am of the opinion that my life belongs to the whole community and as long as I live, it is my privilege to do for it whatever I can. I want to be thoroughly used up when I die, for the harder I work the more I live". May we as community members carry on in the spirit of the Neighbourly News and develop greater friendships with each other in this coming year.

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## **Dog License Renewal**

If you own a dog, you will need to renew their licenses as soon as possible. The village would like all dog licenses renewed in the month of January. Also the village would like to encourage Cardston County residents to register their dog also. If a county dog is registered and finds it's way into town, the village will know whom to return the dog to. This way your family pet will not be lost and considered a stray.

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## **Spring Glen Park Bookings**

If you would like to reserve Spring Glen Park for your summer family reunions and activities, now is the time to do it. Call Brad at the Village Office for the dates you would like to reserve before they fill up.

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Love one another and you will be happy. It's as simple and as difficult as that. ~Michael Leunig

## Glenwood School

In school news, the Junior High will be going skiing on February 3rd. The bus will leave the school at 7:00 a.m. Please have your students at the school before that time. Make sure that your students dress warm. It is recommended that they do not wear blue jeans because when jeans get wet it is hard for the pants to dry and for the person to stay warm. The best way to dress is in layers so that your student can add clothing or take off clothing as he/she needs. Also send lots of snacks as the food at the ski hill tends to be very expensive. The students will return to the school at around 6:00 in the evening and will need to be picked up at the school.

Are you tired of the cold and the snow? The Glenwood School will be hosting Book Fair Beach. We may not be able to bask at the beach just yet, but here is your chance to pick up a few books so you will be prepared for those lazy summer days. The book fair will be open during school hours. All proceeds from the sale of books goes towards buying new books for the school library.

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## Cooking Classes

Submitted by Sandy Lybbert

The Village of Glenwood is sponsoring two different types of cooking opportunities. One will be for those who would like to learn how to cook better meals for their families. The other will be for those who would like to get together and put meals into their freezers. For more information on either of these please call Sandy Lybbert (403) 626-3342. Watch for more information being posted around the village and in your mailbox.

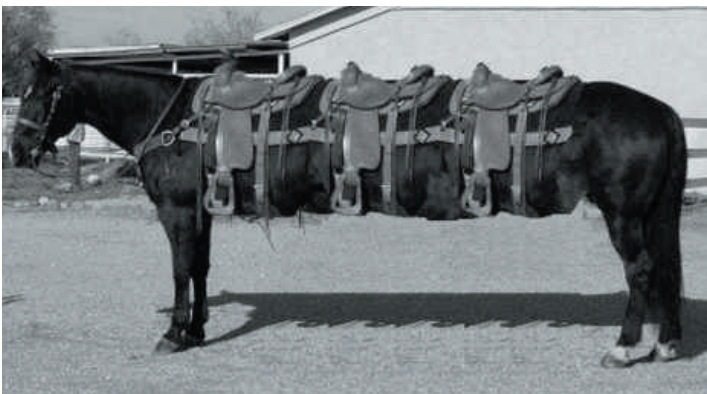
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Math is like love; a simple idea, but it can get complicated.

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## New Glenwood Limousine

Submitted by Roger Clark



## Book Club

The Relief Society Book Club will meet on February 26th at 7:00 p.m. at Elisha Sommerfeldts. The book for February is *I Am Hutterite* by Mary Ann Kurkby. All women who are interested in joining this book club can contact Colleen Smith at 403-626-3362 for more information.

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## Basic Homemaking Skills

In this time of economic recession it is good to have a knowledge of basic homemaking skills that you can use to stretch those precious dollars. To help you obtain this knowledge, the Relief Society is offering a basic homemaking skills class the second Tuesday of each month. Some of the topics to be discussed could include bread making, pie making, home repairs or pressure canning. The topics and the time of the class will be decided by those who are interested in attending the classes. If there is a basic skill that you are interested in and would like to attend these classes contact Elisha Sommerfelt at 403-394-5284.

The class for February will be Tuesday, February 10th and the topic will be soap making. The time will be decided by those who would like to attend this class. If you are interested in this class contact Connie Henrie at 403-626-3397 as soon as possible.

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## Cupid Poop

Put some cinnamon red hot heart shaped candies in a zip lock bag and give with this poem attached: "I couldn't send you flowers, and candy wouldn't do. And mushy cards just didn't say the things I want them to. So I got you something special, and here's the inside scoop. I found you something very rare - It's genuine Cupid poop!"

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## Origin of the Family Day Holiday

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

The holiday was first celebrated in 1990 and was proclaimed by Lieutenant Governor Helen Hunley, on the advice of her premier, Don Getty, in response to a drug scandal involving the premier's son, Dale Getty. The younger Getty had been arrested for possession of cocaine and was revealed to have a cocaine addiction. Premier Getty was embarrassed by the revelation and admitted publicly that he had neglected his family, saying that it was also important for all Albertans to take more care with their families.

## What Does Love Mean?

A group of professional people posed this question to a group of 4 to 8 year-olds, "What does love mean?"

"When my grandmother got arthritis, she couldn't bend over and paint her toenails anymore. So my grandfather does it for her all the time, even when his hands got arthritis too. That's love."

Rebecca - age 8

"When someone loves you, the way they say your name is different.

You just know that your name is safe in their mouth."

Billy - age 4

"Love is what's in the room with you at Christmas if you stop opening presents and listen."

Bobby - age 7

"If you want to learn to love better, you should start with a friend who you hate,"

Nikka - age 6

"Love is like a little old woman and a little old man who are still friends even after they know each other so well."

Tommy - age 6

"I know my older sister loves me because she gives me all her old clothes and has to go out and buy new ones."

Lauren - age 4

"You really shouldn't say 'I love you' unless you mean it. But if you mean it, you should say it a lot. People forget."

Jessica - age 8

## Skating Rink Hours

The hours for the skating rink are as follows:

8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. - Reserved for the School

3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Mixed Skating / Hockey

5:00 - 8:00 - Family Skating

8:00 - 10:00. - Hockey Soft pucks only

Please help keep the skating rink nice by keeping the change rooms clean, and putting all garbage into the cans that are provided.

A reminder that only soft pucks are to be used on the rink. These pucks can be purchased at the Village Office. Using the soft pucks lessens the damage to the boards surrounding the rink.

## Something to Think About

If fish could sneeze, and a whole school of fish sneezed all at once, how big of a wave would it create?

Can a ventriloquist converse with his dentist while his teeth are being worked on?

## Community Calendar

February 2nd - Groundhog Day.

February 3rd - Jr. High Ski Trip. Meet at the school at 7:00 a.m.

February 5th - 9th - Book Fair Beach at the Glenwood School.

February 5th - Jr. High Basketball. Boys at Mountain View.

February 7th - Stake Relief Society Enrichment 10:00 a.m. in Cardston.

February 13th - Glenwood School Valentines Parties 12:00 noon.

February 14th - Valentines Day.

February 16th - Family Day - no School

February 16th - 20th - No School for PD days and Teacher's Convention.

February 20th - Library Movie Night 7:00 in the Community Hall.

February 23rd - Aged Cheese Club Potluck Dinner. 1:00 in the Community Hall. Bring one potluck dish and your own dinnerware.

February 26th - Glenwood School Hot Lunch - Franks and Beans (hotdogs and ?) \$3.00.

March 8th - Daylight Savings Time Begins.

## 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](mailto: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.**

## Receive the Glenwood News Via Email

If you would like to receive the Glenwood Neighbourly News through your email contact Kathy Thomas at the email address above.

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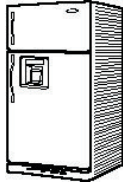
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## Glenwood Library News

February 2009

Submitted by Barbara Grinder

### **Life at the Library:**

As mentioned in the December newsletter, per capita grants to municipal libraries from the province of Alberta haven't increased since 1992. As a result, we have had to reinstate a small fee for library membership and increase fines for overdue materials.

Statistics Canada reports that the cost of reading materials has increased 50% and magazine and newspaper costs have jumped 67% since 1992. Costs for staffing and other operational expenses have also gone up dramatically in that time. In most of the world, public libraries are truly public, supported by taxes. They are considered as critical to a democracy as public schools and a way to ensure the informed and literate citizens needed to support a real democracy. The UNESCO Public Library Manifesto states the public library is the local gateway to knowledge, and provides a basic condition for lifelong learning, independent decision-making, and cultural development. Free public libraries are neither new nor radical. Eight provinces and all three territories support free library membership for local residents. In B.C. and Saskatchewan that idea is mandated by law. The original Alberta Public Libraries Act of 1907 and even the current Alberta Libraries Act both defend the public right to borrow library materials free of charge. So why does the richest province in Canada not have truly public libraries?

We need the help of our readers to lobby their MLA to reconsider this issue. Please send a brief message to our local MLA, Broyce Jacobs, and/or the Minister of Advanced Education, Doug Horner. A simple note indicating your interest in giving better financial support to our libraries is sufficient, but feel free to use any of the information printed above to support your argument.

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### ***Just a reminder – our hours are now:***

Monday – 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm  
Tuesday – closed  
Wednesday – 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm  
Thursday – 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm  
Friday – closed  
Saturday – 9:00 am to noon  
Sunday – closed

### **Family Movie Night:**

Our next FREE family movie will be **Igor**, an animated fable about the assistant to an evil scientist – a spoof on the Frankenstein story. The voices of John Cusack, John Cleese and Jay Leno are among those featured. This movie plays at 7:00 pm, Friday, February 20, at the Glenwood Community Centre and refreshments will be sold.

### **Gone But Not Forgotten:**

Several of the world's notable writers died in 2008. Though we won't be getting new works to inform and entertain us from these celebrated authors, the Chinook Arch Library system houses most of their current books. Why not read one today, to honour their efforts?

**Michael Crichton** – The best-selling author and filmmaker was known for his stories of disaster and government foul-ups. Many of his books, including *The Andromeda Strain* and *Jurassic Park*, sold millions of copies and became major Hollywood movies. Crichton, who graduated summa cum laude and received an MD from Harvard, also taught anthropology at Cambridge University and writing at MIT. He was one of the most popular writers in the world, (translations of his books appear in 36 languages,) and in 2002, a newly discovered dinosaur, *Crichtonsaurus bohlini*, was named after him.

**Tony Hillerman** – His highly popular and award-winning series of Navajo mysteries featuring tribal policemen Joe Leaphorn and Jim Chee won praise from the general public and from Navajo leaders, a rare feat for a non-Native writer. Several of his 18 tribal police novels, including *The Dark Wind* and *Thief of Time*, were made into movies. Hillerman also wrote two novels that weren't in the Navajo series, two books for children, and several travel books and other non-fiction works.

**Robin Moore** - Author of *The French Connection* and *The Green Berets*, Moore based his novels on real-life experience and intensive research in places such as Dubai, Iran, Rhodesia, Uzbekistan and Russia. He also wrote non-fiction books, including *Rhodesia*, *Major Mike* and the bestseller, *The Hunt for Bin Laden*.

**Alexander Solzhenitsyn** - His books chronicled the horrors of the Soviet gulag system and he was lauded as a moral and spiritual leader, as well as one of the greatest writers of his time. His writings, such as *The Gulag Archipelago* and *One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich*, (which won the Nobel Prize), earned him 20 years of exile from his homeland.

**Margaret Truman** – Best known for her 21 mystery novels, including *Murder at the White House* (made into the movie, *Murder at 1600*) she also wrote several biographies. *Harry S. Truman* (1972) was a critically acclaimed profile of her father, the 33rd president of the US. She continued to write and publish regularly into her eighties.

**Hillary Waugh** - His prolific career introduced generations of mystery readers to small-town intrigue. He wrote almost 50 novels - some under pen names. His first novel, *Madame Will Not Dine Tonight*, was published in 1947. Waugh was one of the first mystery writers whose characters used real police techniques to solve mysteries. *Last Seen Wearing* is listed by the Mystery Writers of America as one of the top mystery novels of all time.