

Glenwood Neighbourly News

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Life in Your Neighbourhood

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Attendance Incentives

The Glenwood School had an attendance incentive from February to April of this year. Any student who attended 2 of the 3 months 100% of the time or had an overall 90% attendance record during those 3 months were given the opportunity to do one of three fantastic activities.

The Grades 1-3 students were able to spend the night at the Kootenai Brown Museum in Pincher Creek. On May 22-23 the students, teachers, and many parents traveled to Pincher Creek learning about the area's history. The kids participated in shearing sheep, square dancing, playing anti-i-over, and horseshoes. Thanks to Mrs. Kobza, for organizing this activity, Mrs. Nelson for driving the bus, Mrs. Griffin and Miss Ramler and all the parents and others who attended.

The Grade 4-5 students were able to go and spend the night at the Frank Slide Museum in Crowsnest Past. They had a wonderful time and learning the history of the area was very interesting. They were even able to go into a real coal mine and felt like miners of old. Thanks to Mrs. Rolfson who organized it, Mr. Francis who drove the bus, Mrs. Butler, and two grandparents who slept over with them.

The Junior High students who earned the attendance incentive were able to go white water rafting down the canyons of the St. Mary's River. It was a hair-raising experience and enjoyed by all. After it was all done, forgetting about the drowning possibilities and the hypothermia, the main comment was, "Can we do this again next year?!!!"

The following are some comments received from some of the students who attended the activities.

Submitted by Lindsay Henrie (Grade 3)

At the museum we sheared sheep, made an autograph book, played anti-I-over and horse shoes. Our tour guides names were Farley and Danielle. Everyone got a bag of alpaca wool. When it was bedtime, no one could go to sleep. On the way to the museum we stopped at the Saint Henri's Church. It was awesome.

Submitted by Kaitlin Elise Umpherville (grade 2)

The pioneer school was fun. We learned what the ink bottle were used for. We got to use the special ink pens to write with. When they got water they had to pump the water from a well or use a rope and bucket. We practiced the table manners game and it was fun.

Glenwood School Track and Field

The Glenwood School held the annual Track and Field meet on May 21st. The rain stayed away that day and even though it was a little cold and windy all the students had a great time.

For each event that a student placed in they were given points. The boy and girl in each grade level with the most points were awarded plaques. The students that won this year's plaques were:

Grade 1 - Maddisyn Bishop & Tayson Cherniawsky.

Grade 2 - Kaitlin Umpherville & Andrew Selk.

Grade 3 - Maren Sommerfeldt & Beau Walter.

Grade 4 - Jenae Hunsperger & Ty Archibald.

Grade 5 - Jaylee Lybbert & Maverick Many Gray Horses.

Grade 6 - Lexie Rabbit & Heidi Thomas (tie) & Junior Mills.

Grade 7 - Hunter Rice & Tucker Rabbit.

Grade 8 - Shaquille Day Chief & Alamo Thunder.

Grade 9 - Sadie Many Fingers & Francine Russell (tie) & Alden Day Rider.

Congratulations to all those who participated.

Attendance Incentives cont.

Submitted by Ashley Francis (Grade 2)

On our drive to the museum, we stopped at St. Henry's Church that is 122 years old. We got to ring the bell. It was so heavy that it lifted kids off the ground.

At the museum we square danced and then ate a traditional beef stew supper. The best part was chocolate cake and ice cream. Mrs. Kobza's son Daniel made a big mess!

After supper we watched people do a Métis dance. Our tour guide Danielle told fishing stories while we ate Mrs. Griffin's Rice Krispie casserole squares and snuggled into our sleeping bags. Some of the Dad's were snoring and one kid stayed up 'til midnight.

When we woke up we ate cereal and muffins for breakfast. Then we toured around the Kootenai Brown Pioneer Village. My favorite building was the Cox House (built in 1878) because it was cool and so big. I also liked climbing on the CPR caboose.

Then we packed our stuff and were going to get on the bus except the bus wasn't starting. Then it finally started and we went home. It was awesome.

Thank You

Submitted by Barb Michel, Deputy Mayor

Thank you, thank you, thank you!!! So many of you came out to the Village Clean Up on a windy Tuesday evening, 26th, to beautify our Village.

I would like to start naming names, but for sure I would miss someone, so thanks for the weed whipper, the pruners, the cement gazebo movers, the wood chip haulers, the rakers of the wood chips, the garbage picker-uppers, the sweeper of the cement, the flower pot and garden stirrers of the soil, the haulers away of debris, to those who stayed home and cleaned up their own yards, and even to the stander-arounders who did the bossing. You all contributed and we are so grateful for all the help. (I think I invented some new words, there.)

We hope you enjoy the gazebo and benches. We made the cement pad and placed the gazebo and benches so that it could be wheel chair and/or baby carriage accessible. Remember to use the garbage can for your ice cream cups and napkins. Enjoy!

Aged Cheese Club

The Aged Cheese Club will be joining with the Hill Spring seniors for their June potluck dinner. Meet at Spring Glen Park on Monday, June 22nd at 1:00 p.m. Chicken and buns will be provided. Please bring a salad or dessert and your own dinnerware. All seniors are invited to attend.

Glenwood Float Opportunity

The Village Council through the Economic Development Committee is looking to hire someone to drive the Glenwood Float in six villages and towns in southern Alberta parades this year. The float will be on an easy-to-tow trailer and will be of an easy-to-use collapsible construction. The person will be paid a generous kilometer fee and a generous per day rate. Please contact the Village Office if you are interested.

6th Annual Hill Spring Street Market

Saturday, June 20th

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By-Law #6

This year June 16th is the date that all residents must conform to By-Law #6. In this by-law residents are required to remove all barn manure, garbage and rubbish or anything unsightly from their properties. If your property is not cleaned you will receive a warning letter from the village. This by-law helps to keep our community looking and smelling nice.

Also a reminder about the long grass by-law. As the grass begins to grow, please either mow your lots or plan to have someone come in and cut the grass for hay. This helps decrease the fire hazard within the village as summer days get hotter.

Glenwood Fun Run

The Glenwood Fun Run website is up and running. All you need to know about this fun activity can be found at glenwoodfunrun.com. Online registration begins on June 15th. If you do not have internet access or are computer shy, contact Scott Sommerfeldt at 403-626-3857 for more information.

Property Assessments

Property tax assessments will be arriving later than usual this year. The change in the assessing firm and slow government approvals are causing the delay. If you have concerns about property assessments contact Brad at the Village Office.

Library Movie Night Changed

Submitted by Barb Michel

The Library would like to inform you that the FREE movie night for June will be changed to Friday, June 12th, due to a piano recital on the 19th which will take many of our steady viewers. We will be showing the movie "Hotel For Dogs". Everyone is welcome to come. Free admission, but we will sell popcorn and candy. Proceeds go to the Library for a new laminator.

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.**

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.

Volunteer Appreciation

The Village Volunteer Appreciation Dinner which was going to be held on June 5th has been postponed. Watch for more information at a future date.

Relief Society Enrichment Groups Book Club

The Relief Society Book Club will be taking a summer break. It will resume again in September. The book for September will be "Alas Babylon" and the date and time will be announced later. All women who are interested in joining this book club can contact Colleen Smith at 403-626-3362 for more information.

Singing Group

September 10th at 8:00 will be the first meeting of the singing group. If you like singing or would like to learn more about singing this group is for you. For more information contact Linda Loose at 403-626-3287.

Quilting

Monday mornings from 10:00 - 2:00 the Glenwood LDS Church will be open for all those who would like to come and quilt. The quilts are going to be made to have on hand in case of emergencies. Contact Kari Skoien at 403-626-3126 for more information.

Relief Society June Enrichment Healthy Grains: The Blessing of Economy and Other Treasures

"Eat, eat, eat your grains for they are good for you.
Bake them, boil them, spice them up
or put them in your stew"

June 9th at 7:00 p.m. in the Glenwood LDS Church

Come and learn how to cook and use grains in your diet.

Special Guest: Janet Pederson

A tasters table will be included in her presentation.

All ladies welcome to attend.

Community Calendar

June 4th - Elementary Divisional Track and Field at the Cardston Lions Park.

June 4th & 5th - High School Graduation at the Cardston High School.

June 9th - Jr. High Swimming.

June 9th - Relief Society Enrichment Evening 7:00 at the Glenwood LDS Church.

June 12th - Library Movie Night 7:00 in the Community Hall.

June 12th - Glenwood Grade 9 Graduation 8:00 in the Glenwood LDS Church.

June 12th - 13th - Youth Days in Cardston.

June 16th - PAT grade 3 Language Arts & grade 6 Social Studies.

June 17th - PAT grade 6 Language Arts & grade 9 Social Studies.

June 18th - PAT grade 3 Math & Grade 6 Math.

June 19th - PAT grade 9 Language Arts.

June 21st - Father's Day.

June 21st - The First Day of Summer.

June 22nd - PAT grade 6 Science.

June 22nd - Aged Cheese Club Potluck dinner 1:00 at Spring Glen Park. Chicken and buns provided bring a salad and a dessert and your own dinnerware.

June 23rd - PAT grade 9 Science.

June 24th - PAT grade 9 Math.

June 25th - Glenwood School Waterton Field Trip

June 26th - Last day of school. Awards assembly.

Youth Employment Opportunity

The Village of Glenwood is offering employment to any youths 14 and older who are interested in doing causal labour around the village. The names of those interested in working will be put on a list and when extra help is needed those youth will be given a call. If you are interested contact the Village Office.

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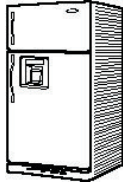
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Glenwood Library News

June 2009

Life at the Library:

The Glenwood Library is now famous across Canada, at least among librarians. A feature story on our little library appeared in *Feliciter*, a bimonthly publication of the Canadian Library Association. The four-page story features photos of the library and the town, and our wonderful librarian, Twylla Oviatt. The story includes a brief history of the town and of the library. The article is slightly out-of-date, however. Our average circulation is now about 3000 items per month, remarkable for such a small area.

Summer Hours:

Summer hours at the Library begin Thursday, July 2nd. Watch for future announcements in the next issue of the Library News, or ask at the Library.

Family Movie Night:

June's movie is *Hotel For Dogs*, about an orphaned sister and brother, Andi and Bruce, who can't keep their beloved dog when they move from one foster home to another. They secretly turn an abandoned hotel into a home for their pet and a host of other stray dogs and Bruce invents and builds some incredible machines to feed the dogs and provide sanitary facilities, exercise and entertainment. Their kind social worker, played by the excellent actor Don Cheadle, finds them a wonderful new home they can both go to, but it's too far from the dog hotel so they turn it down. Eventually, the orphans get separated and the dogs are sent to the pound. To stay together and to save the dogs, Andi and Bruce find lots of friends and gain new parents.

Hotel for Dogs will be shown at the Glenwood Community Centre on Friday, June 12th, starting at 7:00 pm. The movie is FREE, but refreshments will be sold to raise funds for the Library.

Summer Reading Program:

As mentioned in previous editions of this newsletter, the Glenwood Library will again be hosting a summer reading program for children under 12, based on suggestions from the Toronto Dominion Summer Reading Club. The program's objectives are to help youngsters improve their reading skills and reduce summer learning loss – and to have fun at the same time. In addition to reading books, the program features a wide range of activities and crafts. To add to the fun, participants will receive free posters, activity books, stickers, and prizes.

The theme for this year's program is Agent 009; participants will be amateur detectives, conducting an investigation, unraveling puzzles and solving a mystery, all while reading great detective books for children. Last year more than 65% of Canadian libraries and almost 270,000 children participated in the program; each child read an average of seven books.

Parents may register their children for the program or just drop in (visitors age 5-12 are also welcome). More details on the program will be available soon.

Get into Gardening at the Glenwood Library:

Before you start digging, pruning and planting, drop into the Library and pick up one or two of our excellent gardening books.

First published in 1979, *the Illustrated Guide to Gardening in Canada* is jam packed with information about growing trees, shrubs, flowers, lawns, and vegetables, and about the diseases, bugs and weather conditions that threaten them. There are also sections on propagating plants, pruning, mowing and other garden techniques.

In 2000, the publisher, Reader's Digest, came out with an updated version, the *New Illustrated Guide to Gardening in Canada* with more colour illustrations and charts, to improve readability. Both are big, well-indexed books, and are available in the Glenwood Library.

Not too many gardening books deal with the really tough gardening conditions in the Glenwood-Hill Spring area, but *Gardening Under the Arch*, first released in 1982 and also in an updated version, does just that. Long hailed as the ultimate gardening book for the challenges of southwestern Alberta, the book is full of practical know-how, based on the real-life gardening experiences of the Millarville Horticultural Club.

Lois Hole was an expert on gardening long before she became Alberta's Lieutenant Governor. Mrs. Hole wrote six gardening books (all Canadian best sellers), hundreds of newspaper and magazine articles, and a memoir, *I'll Never Marry a Farmer*, as well as giving gardening advice on both radio and television before she died in January 2005. She wrote her first book, *Vegetable Favourites*, in 1993 and co-authored several books with her son, Jim, who has gone on to publish his own books on gardening, as well as a successful magazine. The Glenwood Library has many of the Hole's Greenhouse titles, including *The Best of Lois Hole*, a collection of columns first published in the Globe and Mail.

Both the experienced gardener and the beginner will find *The Reluctant Gardener* an invaluable source of information about designing garden, the best plants, eliminating weeds, diseases and insects, and keeping garden chores to a minimum. This book is fun to read and user-friendly.