

Innisfree Informer

January 2014

70 Pj's for Library's Pyjama tree

Hi there everyone, we wanted to share with you that 70 pyjamas were donated to the Library pyjama tree. That is phenomenal!

Half of the pyjamas went to the Interval Home in Lloydminster and the other half to the Bissell Centre in Edmonton. The ones from the Bissell Centre were to be given out at the White Gift Service downtown Edmonton on Sunday.

The hope is that the pajamas are as loved by the people receiving them as they were by the people who sewed them and the people who donated them.

Have a wonderful Christmas and New Year.

Lil Carter,

Village Of Innisfree Library



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Innisfree Delnorte School News

December flew by with a rush of Christmas activities. Thank you to all who supported our Christmas Concert and Dinner. A fun time was had by all.

Curling has started in the school with lots of interested students. This would not be possible without parent and community volunteers helping us coach the kids, so a very big thanks from the school to you all.

January of course feels like the longest month after such a nice break, and to make it even worse it is exam month for our Junior and Senior High students! So much of the month will be focused on preparing and writing exams.

We have an author visit on January 14th for Grades 1 to 3. Our students union have hosted Twin day, P.J. day and are working on these upcoming events on January 15 - Crazy Hair day, January 24 - Spirit/Jersey Day, and preparing for a dance in February.

Happy
NEW YEAR!



Mayor's Report

We at the Village of Innisfree, hope your Christmas was happy and we wish everyone a happy and healthy New Year.

Many of the committees that council members sit on are reorganizing with newly elected members attending. There will be a sharp learning curve as the business of these groups precedes. If anyone has a concern relating to these committees, please contact the Village office to pass the concerns on to the appropriate council representatives. The Village Council would like to welcome Jennifer Hodel to the Village office in the position of Chief Administrative Officer.

The New Year looks like a time to begin some new projects. We will be reading the water meters in the New Year and following this we will be setting water rates based on the household usage of water. Presently the cost of our water is being covered by the monthly water utility bills.

The new garbage collection system is a costly change, but thanks to close monitoring by Hugh Fleming, the cost is being kept down and when the decreased cost of fuel and wear and tear on the Village truck is considered, the garbage expenses are nearly covered by the collection of monthly garbage utility bills.

We will be looking at providing leadership in the reorganization of the Innisfree Cemetery Association and to assist with the Prairie Bank of Commerce Historical Society and their program plans in the New Year.

Advertising and promotion of the assets of the Village will be developed as the year goes on. We have several projects that will be completed this year as all.

It looks as though we will have a winter with abundant snow fall. We appreciate your patience as Hugh tackles the big job of relocating this abundance.

If you are planning a winter get away, it might be a good idea to give the Village office a call with dates you expect to be away. If there are any usual activity or non- activity in the area, we will be able to keep an eye out for you. We are not offering house setting services by only observation of the area as Village staff go about their daily activities.

I am looking forward to a productive and exciting New Year and I hope we can move forward together.

Wishing each of you a
Happy New Year!

Innisfree Toboggan Party



Cold and windy conditions couldn't stop people from attending the now-annual toboggan party held on Dec. 29.

Village of Innisfree Notes

The new Water/Sewer/Garbage rate has been set at \$90.00 per month. Stay posted for changes. more information please contact the Village Office at 780-592-3886.

Please take all recycling to Vegreville or the Recycling Station of your choice. Eyeglasses and cell phones may be left at the Village Office.

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT Pursuant to Schedule A of Bylaw No. 510-95 – 2013, DOG LICENSES ARE REQUIRED FOR YOUR DOGS and are available at the Village Office for the low fee of \$20.00 each pet.

Fines for not picking up after your pet can be up to \$250.00 – so please pick up after your pet. PLEASE KEEP YOUR PET ON A LEASH.

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT A VALID BUSINESS LICENSE IS REQUIRED for all businesses operating within the Village of Innisfree. This includes home-based businesses. 2013 Business Licenses are available from the Village Office at a cost of \$20.00 per year for residents and \$100.00 FOR PEDDLERS. For

Thank you to all the Businesses who have purchased their Business Licenses for 2013. We would like to remind all business owners that your 2013 Business License can be purchased for \$20.00 at the Village Office.

Council representatives are attending the Regional Landfill meetings and keeping us up to date.

Tax Deferral Program is available for residents 65 and over. Contact the Village Office for more information.

The Village has 11 lots available for sale. Selling prices vary because of the assessed property values. Anyone interested please contact the Village Office.

The Audited Financial Statement was presented by our Auditor in July and is available at the Village Office.

CRIB GAMES!!

Sunday, Jan. 5, 2014
7 p.m. at the Innisfree Seniors
Drop-in Centre
\$7 per person
Everyone Welcome!

December Crib Winners:

1st - Walter & Peggy

2nd - Bob & Wink

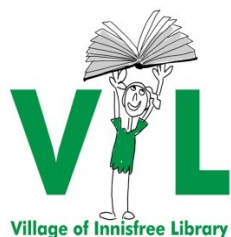
3rd - Terry & Arlene

**Skunk pot went to Floyd & Carol



For more information call Ken.

780-592-3887



Marilyn Newton,
Library Manager

Holiday in the Hallway – On Monday, December 16 we held our “Holiday in the Hallway” Celebration. Each group that uses the Millennium Building decorated a Christmas tree, which was then auctioned off, with the proceeds going to each of the groups. Among the participants were the Friends of the Library, Ukrainian Dance, Kindergarten, Beef & Multi 4-H Clubs & the Quilting Queens. Thank you to everyone who came out and supported these local groups. Thanks also to all those that brought goodies!

Teddy Bear Sleepover – On December 18th, we had our first ever Teddy Bear Sleepover! We had 14 kids attend with their stuffed animals! We all had a lot of fun! We started off with a Christmas bulb craft, followed by a snack. We had oranges, Christmas baking, hot chocolate & juice. The kids then had some free play time while waiting for Santa to arrive. Next came Christmas carol singing! Santa arrived while we were singing – bringing his teddy bear with him! He read the kids “Santa Stinks” and then the classic “The Night before Christmas”. He told the kids that he has children and grandchildren and that he reads this book to them every Christmas Eve. One little boy asked how long he’d had his book and Santa told him about 100 years! “Wow you’re really old!” was his response. When Santa was finished reading to the kids, he took pictures with them and, of course, their stuffies! The kids tucked their teddy bears in for the night before heading home to their own beds. While we were gone, the teddy bears decided they weren’t ready for sleep! The next morning I found pictures of the animals around the fire, by the Christmas tree singing, reading books & eating cookies! It looks like

they had a lot of fun too! All the kids got to take home their Christmas bulbs and a 3 page photo “book”!



Pajama Tree



Next year we will be having a sock and slipper tree!

We collected 70 pairs of pajamas! Thank - you to everyone who donated!



INNISFREE & DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL
SOCIETY

ANNUAL MEETING

ON JANUARY 7, 2014
"Watch for Posters"

AT THE AGRI-PLEX

This is the time to bring your concerns and ideas.

We NEED your Support!

Meeting starts at 7:00 P.M.

*The audited financial statement will be presented,
and committee reports given.*

Refreshments will follow the meeting

**TOGETHER WE WILL KEEP OUR COMMUNITY ACTIVE
AND MEET THE NEEDS OF THE PEOPLE IN THIS AREA.**

Innisfree & District ECS Part-Time Aide Required

Innisfree ECS invites applications for a part time educational assistant beginning in February 2014.

Responsibilities: The educational assistant will support the kindergarten teacher in the day to day kindergarten program, as well as therapists and support program personnel during on site visits. Will work one on one with preschool to kindergarten aged children with varying needs.

Qualifications:

- Early Learning and Child Care Diploma or Special Needs Educational Assistant Diploma, or Teacher Aide/Educational Assistant Certificate or Diploma (or equivalent)
- Related experience working with pre-school aged and kindergarten aged children is an asset.
- Related experience working with special needs children is an asset.

A Current Childcare First Aid Certificate is required

Compensation: Will be commensurate with experience

Closing Date: *Monday January 13, 2014*

To apply, please email your résumé, cover letter and references to:

innisfreeecs@gmail.com

or mail to: Innisfree ECS, Box 85, Innisfree, AB T0B 2G0

Innisfree ECS thanks applicants for their interest in this opportunity. Only those candidates considered for the position will be contacted.



Innisfree 4-H Multi Club Report

The Innisfree 4-H Multi Club started on Nov.4 and we are off to an amazing start! This year for clubs we have cooking, goats, crafts, and outdoors all of our 14 members are excited and eager to learn more about all of our selected clubs.

With the new 4-H year we have new executives, this year we will have Cyena Chadney as President, Tamara Cannan as Vice President, Keana Boere as secretary, Tristan Neil as treasurer, Kathleen Fleck as club reporter, and we are represented at district meetings by Hayden Isley, Madison Isley, and William Quinton.

Our club has already had several activities so far, the whole club participated in a craft making session ran by our crafts leader Sheila Nail in which we made homemade decorations for our Christmas tree that was auctioned off at "Holiday in the Hallway". It was

an absolute beauty! The cooking club also baked Christmas treats with the guidance of our leader Sherry Fleck. Mmmm yummy!

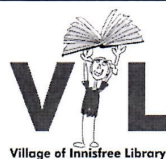
The goats club went to a goat farm with their leader Cheryl Quinton and were taught a lot about goats and how they're raised and are now ready to begin working on their project.

Photography and outdoors have many super fun activities planned for the new -year organized by photography leader Debby McMann and outdoors leader Joyce Baker.

Our 4-H club would also like to invite all 4-H clubs to our annual 4-H dance on Jan.18, 2014 at Innisfree Seniors Hall.

This 4-H year is sure to be an amazing year!

Kathleen Fleck
Club Reporter



**The Village of Innisfree Library Board (VILB)
is looking for board members.**

If you . . .

- are passionate about reading
- believe in intellectual freedom and access for all
- are willing to come prepared and actively participate in Board meetings (6:30 -8:30 PM the first Wednesday of the month)
- are computer literate and can navigate the internet
- participate in Board development training sessions

. . . pick up your application at the Village of Innisfree Office or at the Village of Innisfree Library.

Review of all applications will begin on November 6th 2013. The position will remain open until a suitable candidate is found. The VILB thanks all applicants for their interest and will only contact those considered.

Innisfree-Minburn 4-H Beef Club Report



The Innisfree Minburn 4-H beef club held their December meeting on December 4th in the Innisfree millennium building.

We had two teams participate in this years district volleyball held on December 8th at JR Robson high school. Everyone had lots of fun.

We had our Christmas party on December 27th at the veg. Pool. Our next meeting will be held on January 8th in Minburn curling rink.

Morgan Nott,
Club Reporter

Saturday,

Feb. 1, 2014

Innisfree Senior's Hall,
Main St. Innisfree AB

2 Showings: 2 PM

7 PM

Only \$5.00

Lunch Available

All proceeds go to: VIL

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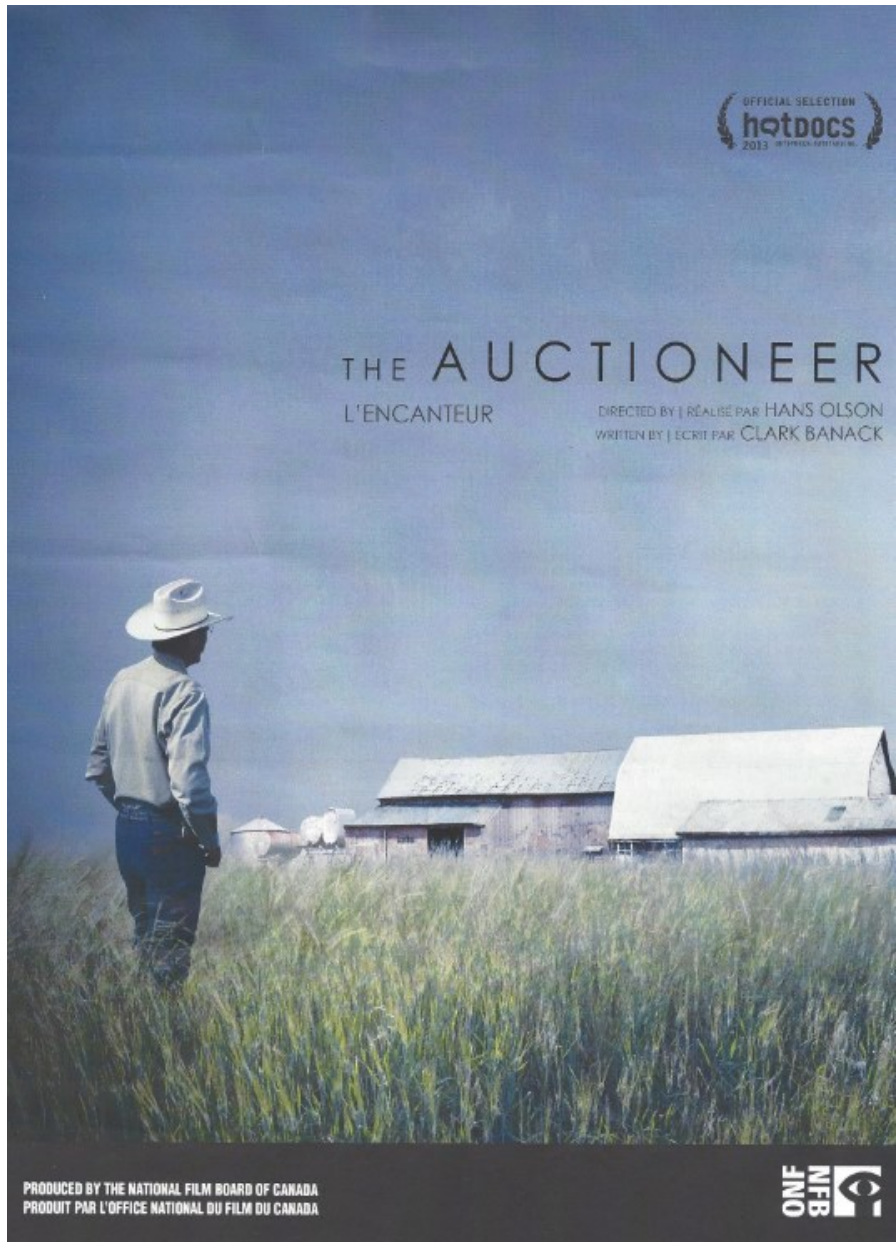
Dale Menzak is an auctioneer specializing in the sale of family farms. A man of few words when not auctioneering, he also works part-time as an undertaker. From his portable auctioneer's booth, Dale helps to liquidate antiquated farm equipment, after which he dons a sombre necktie and returns to his job at the funeral home. Set against a backdrop of gorgeous Prairie vistas, *The Auctioneer* observes Dale from a respectful distance as he facilitates the difficult process of letting go.

HANS OLSON, DIRECTOR

Hans Olson grew up in Armena, Alberta, and is now based in Edmonton. After completing workshops at the Film and Video Arts Society of Alberta, he studied screenwriting at Langara College in Vancouver. He has directed two narrative shorts set in the Canadian Prairies, *Branwen's Ark* (2006) and *Baby Boots* (2008), and a short documentary, *Where Credit is Due*, shot in Guatemala in 2008. In 2009, Olson was selected as one of five emerging filmmakers to participate in the Directors' Lab at the Canadian Film Centre (CFC) in Toronto. His most recent short film, *Champagne*, was produced by the CFC, screened at the 2010 Toronto International Film Festival and has been broadcast on CBC and TMN.

CLARK BANACK, WRITER

Clark Banack holds a Ph.D. from the University of British Columbia and currently teaches in the Department of Political Science at York University in Toronto. He grew up on a farm in rural Alberta and pursued a career in academia after his family discontinued farming and held their own auction sale in 2001. His background, along with his academic interest in rural-urban issues and "agrarian identity" in the Canadian Prairies, certainly helped to shape *The Auctioneer*.



Sponsored by: VILB, FILS

& Innisfree Seniors

2013/14 INNISFREE AGRI-PLEX SKATING/HOCKEY SCHEDULE

MONDAY: 3:30 TO 6:00 PUBLIC SKATING
7:00 TO 9:00 LOCAL SHINNEY FOR JUNIORS

TUESDAY: 3:30 TO 6:00 PUBLIC SKATING
8:00 TO 10:00 OPEN FOR ICE RENTALS

WEDNESDAY: 3:30 TO 5:00 PUBLIC SKATING
7:00 TO 9:00 LOCAL SHINNEY FOR SENIORS

THURSDAY: 8:00 TO 10:00 OPEN FOR ICE RENTALS

FRIDAY: 3:30 TO 5:00 PUBLIC SKATING
7:00 TO 9:00 LOCAL FAMILY SHINNEY

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY 2:00 TO 3:30 PUBLIC SKATING
3:30 to 5:00 SHINNEY

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL DEB @ 592-2083

SKATING FEES MUST BE PAID BEFORE SKATING WILL BE ALLOWED.

PRIORITY WILL BE GIVEN FOR RENTAL OF THE ICE.
PLEASE CHECK THE BOARD FOR ANY CHANGES.

SEASON SKATING FEES ARE : \$10.00 PER PERSON OR
\$30.00 PER FAMILY

or

\$2.00 PER PERSON EACH TIME FOR CASUAL SKATING

ARENA RENTAL IS \$50.00 PER HOUR or
\$30.00 for Agric. Society Members OR \$500.00 PER TEAM

Dispersal Sale

~ 2000 Chev Ext cab 3/4 Ton, 4x4, 350 cubic inch V8, Power steering, power brakes, radio, box liner, automatic, needs reverse gear \$1495

~ 1993 Ford Aerostar Sport wagon, 3L V6, automatic, power steering, power brakes, am/fm, air, perfect glass, recently fully serviced & winterized \$1675

~ 2003 Volkswagen Pasat GLS station wagon, 1.8 L Turbo, automatic, Leather interior, all VW up servicing at 160,000 km, Beautiful to drive, see to believe \$7650

~ Bounder Diesel by Fleetwood, 5.9 Cummins, Allison transmission, has Onan Diesel generator, Completely loaded, immaculate, 105,000 miles, Full inspection provided \$19,995

~ 1992 Chrysler New Yorker Salon, 4 dr, V6, 1 owner car, immaculate \$2850

~ 1992 Dodge van, 3/4 ton, 250 Series, former Telus unit, 215,000 km, full inspection provided \$1850

~ 1993 Plymouth Voyager Van, V6, automatic, excellent tires, drives nicely, may be used for parts \$550

Call 780-593-3785

or 780-581-3031

Village of Innisfree Classified Ads

RUN YOUR CLASSIFIED AD in the Innisfree Classified Section for FREE.

The Informer is read by more than 385 readers! Contact the Village office by the 25th of each month to get your ad in the following months issue.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

United Church Services are held on the second and fourth Sunday of the month starting in September at 9 a.m. at the Seniors Drop-in Centre. Everyone is welcome to attend!

FOR SALE

Village owned lots for sale. Call or visit the Village Office for details. 780-592-3886.

Treated fence posts for sale. Call Bob 780-592-2246

For sale universal bluetooth in-car speakerphone. Blocks out background noise in the car and better than other speaker phones. Brand new asking \$50.00 valued at \$100.00. Call Deb @ 780-592-2083

Innisfree Recreation Centre. Anyone wanting to book the Rec Centre call Karen Anderson 780-592-2268.

FOR RENT

The Village still has its van available to book for appointments and shopping. Call the Village Office to book. 780-592-3886. Please allow 2 days notice.

FOR RENT

Rent the New Buchach Hall. Contact Janice 780-592-2245 and leave a message.

The Innisfree Seniors Hall and Drop-in Centre are available for rent. Call Ken Whitten to book. 780-592-3887

HELP WANTED

The Innisfree Rec Centre is looking for a back-up Bingo Caller. Call Julie 780-592-2086 for more information.

GIVE AWAY

Wood pallets - FREE. Contact Lisa 780-632-5526.

SERVICES

Jenn's Small Engine Repair. For all your small engine repairs from weed eaters to 2000 cc motor bikes and skidoos, quads, etc.. Innisfree operated.

LAST CALL. The last call you will have to make before you DIG. Locate all your private underground lines. Phone MarDar Electric 780-592-2236.

Trenching available. No job too big or small. Phone 780-208-1461

Piano lessons, etc. in Mannville beginning September. For more information call Edith Hinecker 780-763-2315.

SERVICES

Enjoy Yoga in Innisfree! \$10 per class if you sign up for 6 classes. \$12 for drop-in. Monday's at the Millennium Building. Contact Lil 780-592-2291 or Sheila 780-603-8007.

Need EAVESTROUGHS DONE? DOWN SPOUTS? Contact Merlin or Tammi Potschka.

WANTED

Serviced lot wanted for a trailer. Phone Ken at 780-658-3723.

Old, used jewelry wanted to recycle. Call 780-801-2625.

Classified ads are **FREE** in the Informer!

Advertise your items by emailing the innisfreeinformer@yahoo.ca Before the 25th of each month to make sure your event gets in the newsletter.

Advertise your event or business in the Innisfree Informer.

Classifieds Ads are FREE and Display Ads are: \$5 per month for a half page \$10 per month for a full page.

WE ARE ON THE WEB!!! CHECK US OUT AT

WWW.VILLAGEOFINNISFREE.CA

New Year's Greetings From All Of Us!



The Village of Innisfree Council

Back row from left: Councillor Robert Dobler, Councillor John Hlushak, Administrator Jennifer Hodel and Councillor Aaron Cannan.

From row from left: Deputy Mayor Morris Anderson and Mayor Debbie McMann

The raffle at the Christmas Craft Sale raised \$450.00 for the Food Bank. Thank you to all who participated. See you next year!



YOGA in Innisfree Now on Mondays!

Yoga class will now be held on Mondays, ending December 9.
Yoga classes will resume on January 13, 2014. Classes start at
7 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. at the Millennium Building.
The January session starts January 13 and ends March 17, 2014
And costs \$80 (\$10 per class). Drop in is \$12

Village of Innisfree Office Hours:

Monday through Friday : 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Council Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month

780-592-3886





Bottle Drive

January 4th, 2014

The 2015 Grad class is looking for bottles to help fund-raise for our graduation. We would greatly appreciate and donations. We will be around Innisfree picking up but if you are out of town please call one of these numbers and we will come to you!

780-853-3562 or 780-592-5566

Thank you!

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(f) 780-592-3857
Service Truck for Mobile Repairs

Part time child care needed!!!

I am looking for someone to watch my beautiful 8 year old daughter. I need before and after school care for approximately 3 weeks during January and February, 2014. I am also looking for backup care for the odd occasion. I would need someone willing to drop off and pick up from Innisfree School as well.

Daily rate negotiable.

Please contact Melanie @ 1-780-237-0944 or
Sheila @ 780-592-3933



*The Informer is a great
way to make your event a
success.*

*Give us a call with your
information.*

ATB Open House

Thanks for attending the ATB Open House

On Nov 15, 2013.

The Door Prize Winners are:

Screw Driver Set – Greg Bruce

Baba Linda's Cookbook – Naomi Melnyk

Binder and Pen – Borden Tarapaski

Binder and Pen – Rosanne Bohaichuk

Pliers Set – Stan White

Scented Pillow – Martha Pasay

Coffee Gift Bag - Doris Christensen

ATB Sports Bag – Robert Dobler

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