# Innisfree Informe

### Deb's Message in a Minute

November is the month that reminds me of the battles fought to give us this wonderful country, we sometimes take for granted!

Village Council welcomes Terri Wiebe as our Interim CAO and Evan Raycraft has been declared the Mayor in Innisfree. Jennifer Johnson and I will be there to support and back up Evan in his position as mayor.

Innisfree Senior Citizens are serving Coffee Monday mornings from 9 to 11 in the Seniors' Drop-in Centre. Drop in for a cup of coffee and see your friends there. This is coffee time is open to all ages. Then come on back Wednesday Evening for Fun Bingo starting at 7:00 P.M.

I am sorry to report that there will not be a flu clinic in Innisfree this fall. You can check with your pharmacy to get your flu shots this year.

Congratulations Kevin and Carmen Kassian and family for receiving the 2022 Farm Family Award. You truly deserve this award!

I am excited to see Multi Purpose Court developing. Have you had a look yet?

Check for updates as they are posted on the Village of Innisfree web site, www.innisfree.ca and look for the Village of Innisfree Resident Input Survey. This survey will help give Village Council direction as we work on the budget for 2023.

See the Mannville-Minburn-Innisfree FCSS Facebook page for up-to-date information available.

Respectfully submitted by Deb McMann

**Thank you to our Fire Department!** The Village of Innisfree and its residents wish to say Thank You to the Innisfree Volunteer Fire Department for their devotion to the protection of Innisfree and Area. On Nov 11 ~~~ We Remember

IN FLANDERS FIELDS

In Flanders fields the poppies blow Between the crosses, row on row, That mark our place; and in the sky The larks, still bravely singing, fly Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow, Loved and were loved, and now we lie, In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe: To you from failing hands we throw The torch; be yours to hold it high. If ye break faith with us who die We shall not sleep, though poppies grow In Flanders fields.

**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.

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km/h

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.



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

### Innisfree Dance Club News

Meet our ballet/ jazz girls: Kashlyn Morris, Stephanie Nott & Brinley Jackson. We are looking forward to joining the Ukrainian dancers on December 10th for their Santa tea. The dancers are currently working on their dances to showcase to the community. We also have joined the Ukrainian dancers in selling Purdy's chocolates.







Innisfree Ukrainian Dance has partnered up with Innisfree Dance Club to sell Purdy's chocolates.

CHOCOLATES **Thank you for supporting our dancers!** Link address: https://fundraising.purdys.com/1565879-97541 Happy Birthday! Nov 2 Nov 2: Morris Anderson Nov 2 Nov 4: Amanda Baker Nov 2

Nov 7: Brayden Drury

Nov 13: Eliza Rurak

Nov 8: Curtis Anderson

Nov 13: Grant Swanson

Nov 22: Kevin Kassian

Nov 9: Doris Christensen Nov 11: Darlene McEwen



Nov 24: Vanessa Fundytus Nov 25: Alex Nott Nov 26: Dylan Sydora Nov 27: April Poulin Nov 28: Ed Jackson Nov 30: Tisha Giese

Happy Anniversary! Nov 3: Chris & Elise Nott Nov 20: Ron & Judy Konieczny

### News from the Chudovyi Ukrainian Dancers of Innisfree

Our dancers are in full swing learning chorography, & preparing to entertain our community.

Members who attended the Shumka Tour thoroughly enjoyed the show, we were all memorized by the beautiful costumes & the high-flying acrobatic moves, it sure got our young members excited about Ukrainian Dancing. We are planning on bringing Shumka to our community & school for a workshop & details are still getting worked out for the spring of 2023.

We have started our first fundraiser & returning with Purdy's chocolates, but this time we have teamed up with the Innisfree Dance Club, so both organizations will be selling & we both appreciate your support.

Preparations are under way for our Annual Dine & Dance (formally Malanka) tickets will be available shortly, members will be selling or can call Lisa Anderson for tickets (780)632-5526

Charcuterie is French for "I'd like a sandwich, but I don't have any bread."

### Thank you from The Innisfree School Sustainability Committee

The Innisfree School Sustainability Committee would like to send a heartfelt Thank You to the following community members who have donated tool, wood & gift cards for our school shop. Without your support we wouldn't have been able to give our students this opportunity.

-Keith Whitmore -Boyd & Lil Carter -Jeff Nott -Brian Overly -Marie & Terry Gorda -Village of Innisfree for the use of the village shop

-Bob Logan -M -Minburn Ag Society -Lo -Robert & Genevieve Weder

-Melanie Nykolaychuk -Lois & Leslie Cusack

We are still accepting hand tools, power tools, gift cards & monetary donations. If you would like to donate, please contact Lisa Anderson (780)632-5526



Fun Fact: There are approximately 100,000 hairs on an average human head

If you can't remember why you walked into the room, but you can remember the rest of these jingles...you are my people.

- 1. "My bologna has a first name"
- 2. "I don't wanna grow up"
- 3. "Gimme a break, gimme a break"
- 4. "The best part of waking up"
- 5. "Sometimes you feel like a nut"
- 6. "I'd like to teach the world to sing"
- 7. "Reach out and touch someone"
- 8. "If you dare wear short shorts"
- 9. "They're magically delicious"
- 10. "Meow, meow, meow, meow"



Innisfree Seed Plant News On September 29/22 we celebrated Ed's Tschetter's last day as Manager of the Innisfree Municipal Seed Cleaning Association. Ed has presided over many Seed Plant improvements over his tenure, some of which include the installation of our outdoor semi-truck weigh scale, gravity table & our most recent, the receiving bin expansion.



I HATE IT WHEN YOU CAN'T FIGURE OUT HOW TO OPERATE THE IPAD AND THE RESIDENT TECH EXPERT IS ASLEEP.

> BECAUSE HE'S FIVE.

AND IT'S PAST HIS BEDTIME.



Ed has steered the ship through two painful droughts of 2002 & 2021, the ergot years of 2012-2015, and a few different assistant employees over his 35 years. We are extremely grateful for your 35 years of service. You made it easy & enjoy-able to be part of this organization. On behalf of the Management, Staff & Board of Directors, thank you for all you've done to bring reliable, efficient & cost-effective service to the Innisfree Seed Plant. We hope that you will enjoy your retirement and schedule in a few more fishing trips. Don't forget to stop by for coffee from time-to-time. We will keep the pot hot. Congrats Ed!!

Pictured above is Ed receiving a stained-glass elevator & leather stitched camping chair as tokens of our appreciation. Ed has handed the keys over to our new Manager, Brett Lindballe & his assistant Tyler McColl. Welcome to the operation guys. Please get in touch with them for all your seed cleaning needs going forward.

In other Innisfree Seed Plant news:

• Our scale took a lightning strike back on July long weekend and has fried the automated printing of scales tickets, computer system & our R.F.I.D. scale tag reader. The digital display of scale weights is still functional but requires users to manually right down their own weights b/c there is no printer anymore. The indicating "stop & go" lights are also in-operable for the time being. We are looking at a temporary work-around for the indicating lights soon. Manually entered paper copies/receipts can be provided upon request to the manager. The scale has since been re-calibrated and is completely functional for trade. Please be patient as we are working on a replacement system, but due to out-dated equipment & covid supply issues, it will take some time to source a replacement system.

• The Seed Plant now has a Facebook Page (Innisfree Municipal Seed Cleaning Plant). Please look for it and give it a follow to keep up to date on current matters.

• We also have a company email address now: innisfreeseedplant@gmail.com Submitted by Chad Bown, President

### **Kids helpline #** 1-800-668-6868 **Mental Health Helpline #** 1-877-303-2642



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

#### FOR DETAILED INFORMATION:

Location: 5004-49 Street Suite # 4 Mannville Email: <u>mmifcss@mannville.com</u> Phone: 780-763-3005 Website: <u>https://mmifcss.wixsite.com/mmifcss</u> Facebook: Mannville-Minburn-Innisfree Family & Community Support Services Instagram: @mmifcss In Person: Drop by the FCSS office to see what is happening or check out the Community Bulletin Boards & Newsletters for event posters.

DID YOU KNOW? Alberta has the third highest rate of self-reported spousal violence among Canadian provinces, yet family violence is preventable. November is Family Violence Prevention Month in Alberta. It is a time to increase awareness of the warning signs of family violence and the resources and supports available so we can work together to end family violence and build healthier relationships in our communities.

CONNECTING COMMUNITY

Coffee Connections: creates connections & opportunity to address needs and improve quality of life. We bring the coffee; you bring the conversation. Wednesday, November 9<sup>th</sup>: Mannville FCSS office at 10-11:30am and Innisfree Millennium Building at 1-3pm

Foot Print Project: Starting November 1<sup>st</sup> indoor walking is available at the Mannville Recreation Center between 9am and 3pm. This project enhances well being, feelings of being connected to community and the sense of accomplishment. Pre-registration is required and cost is \$10 to join.

#### PUBLIC INFORMATION & EDUCATION

Information & Referral & Resource Program: connect people to advocates for: Elder Abuse, Woman's/Men's Shelters, Guardianship, Alberta Supports, Service Canada, Alberta Health Services, Wills & Estates, Alberta Seniors Benefits, Funeral planning, Seniors Adaptation & Repair Program. Assist with forms/applications for financial supports.

#### KALYNA MMI FAMILY RESOURCE NETWORK

Delivers high-quality prevention & early intervention services and supports for families with children 0-18 years old. These services focus on strengthening parenting and caregiving knowledge, social support, coping & problem-solving skills, access to community supports & resources, improving child & youth development, building resiliency, & fostering wellbeing.



Red Wagon Parent & Play: A get together with children 0-6 and their caregivers. Held on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month. Location Mannville United Church (Basement). Innisfree Literacy Program Partnership: Interactive time with parents and preschoolers. Held on the last Thursday of every month.

FIKA: An evening for caregivers to come together to refresh and strengthen relationships. Held on the last Thursday of each month.

Call or text Alicia @ 780-581-4149 Facebook: MMI Family Resource Network

I think it's so cute that parents understand their children so well the kid would be like "hujflfo lsoofhdp jsbsuofl hbsjkicl ahsicyhb" and the mom would be like "no you cannot get your cheetos i am about to cook"

I just saw on reddit that the opposite of "easy peasy lemon squeezy" is "stressed depressed lemon zest" and now I'm using that all the time.



### Innisfree Preschool & Kindergarten JOB OPPORTUNITY - KINDERGARTEN TEACHER AIDE

Temporary Part-Time Position

Start Date: November 2022

start date to be determined with successful applicant.

End Date: June 2023

Innisfree ECS is looking for a temporary part-time Kindergarten Aide at our private kindergarten school in Innisfree, AB. The hours would be 8:45am-3:30pm every Tuesday and Thursday.

Qualifications:

Level 1, 2 or 3 Early childhood Educator certificate an asset but not required.

Must have current, clean vulnerable criminal reference check

Must be compassionate, personable, reliable and organized

Salary: Based on qualification and experience

Please email resume and cover letter to: Innisfreeecs@gmail.com Elise Nott, President

The Innisfree Recreation Centre has positions open for a <u>Relief Bingo Caller</u> as well as a <u>Relief Bingo Manager</u>.

Innisfree Bingo is on Monday Evenings beginning at 7:00 pm. At this time we would like a commitment to one Monday a month.

If you are interested, please contact: Chantal Laforest at 780-592-3946.

tappy Sir

It's my birthday month so YOU get to SAVE! Would you like a Free Class? Free Massage? Free Reiki or Access Bars Session?? (I'll choose someone at random)

Saturday, Sunday & Some Holidays

### 780.292.1089 to book!



Serendipitous Adventures... More than just massage

Chair Yoga Wednesday 7:30pm Saturdays 12:30pm Yin Yoga Fridays 7:30pm

Fun Fact: There is an estimated 100 billion galaxies in the universe. That's 13 galaxies for every living person. Averaging 100 billion stars per galaxy, that's 1.3 trillion stars, for you alone.

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

### News from the Innisfree Walking Club

Hello-November already! Amongst some old recipes I found one very simple supper and one much more complicated cake. I made this cake years ago and it was so beautiful and tasty that I had to take a picture of it. We don't seem to make too many scratch cakes anymore but I promise you if you make the effort it will be worth it!

We would love to have your old recipes that you still use, or recipes from a loved one that were passed to you. You can email them to me: gaylefoyster@gmail.com

### **PUMPKIN SPICE CAKE**

Makes one 8" three layer cake

### INGREDIENTS

- ¾ cup unsalted butter, softened
- 1 cup firmly packed brown sugar
- 1 cup sugar
- 3 large eggs
- 1 cup pumpkin purée
- ½ cup buttermilk
- 1 ½ tsp ground cinnamon 1 tsp baking soda ½ tsp nutmeg

2 cups flour

2 tsp baking powder

- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 1 recipe Pumpkin Cream Cheese Frosting (recipe follows)

### DIRECTIONS

-Preheat oven to 350°F. Prepare cake pans: Lightly coat three 8-inch cake pans with softened butter. Cut three 8-inch circles of parchment paper and fit them into the bottom of the pans. Lightly coat the parchment with butter.

- Cream butter with electric mixer until smooth. Add white and brown sugar and mix until smooth. Add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each eggs, until mixture is smooth and light. Set aside.

-Combine the pumpkin purée, buttermilk and vanilla in a medium bowl and set aside.

-Combine the flour, baking power, cinnamon, baking soda and nutmeg in a large bowl and set aside.

-In thirds, alternately add the flour mixture and the buttermilk mixture to the butter/sugar mixture, blending well after each addition until smooth.

-Pour batter into the prepared pans and bake until a toothpick inserted into the middle of each comes out clean – 35-40 minutes. Cool the cakes in the pans on wore racks for 30 minutes. Remove cakes from pans and set on wire racks until completely cool.

-Assemble the cake. Place one layer on a cake plate and top with one third recipe of Pumpkin Cream Cheese Frosting. Repeat with the second and third layers. Frost only the tops of the layers, not the sides. Serve or stored refrigerated for up to 4 days.

#### HASH BROWN QUICHE

Servings: 6

#### INGREDIENTS

3 cups shredded hash brown potatoes 1/3 cup butter, melted Seasoning salt to taste 1 cup diced cooked ham ¼ cup chopped onion ¼ cup shredded cheddar cheese 2 eggs ½ cup milk Salt and pepper to taste

### DIRECTIONS

-Preheat oven to 425°F. Press hashbrowns onto the bottom and sides of a nine-inch pie dish. Drizzle with melted butter and sprinkle with season salt.

-Bake in preheated oven for 20 minutes, or until beginning to brown.

-In a small bowl, combine ham, onion and shredded cheese.

-In a separate bowl, whisk together eggs, milk, salt, pepper and a little seasoning salt.
-When crust is ready, spread ham mixture on the bottom, then cover with egg mixture.

-Reduce oven temperature to 350°F. Bake in preheated oven for 20-25 minutes, or until filling is puffed and golden brown. -Notes: some prefer to sauté the onion and ham before combining. You can also substitute cooked and chopped bacon for the ham. Experiment by adding chopped mushrooms and peppers too!

### PUMPKIN CREAM CHEESE FROSTING

### INGREDIENTS

1 Eight ounce package cream cheese, softened

- 1/4 cup pumpkin purée
- ¼ cup unsalted butter, softened
- 1 tbsp fresh orange juice
- 1 tsp grated orange zest
- 1/2 tsp vanilla extract
- 4 cups confectioners sugar, sifted

### DIRECTIONS

Blend the cream cheese, pumpkin purée, butter, orange juice, zest, and vanilla in a large bowl using an electric mixer until smooth. Add the sugar and continue to blend until light and creamy, about 5 minutes on medium speed.

# Δίδυμα Didyma



Ashley holding son Ethan & Innisfree Informer, with Village of Didyma in the background.

### **INFORMER TRAVELS!**

On a recent air flight over the Atlantic Ocean, the Innisfree Informer accompanied the Tjathas family from Edmonton, Alberta enroute to the Country of Greece. Ashley (Melenka) Tjathas, formerly of Vegreville, son Ethan and husband Jim, flew to visit Jim's extended family in the village of Didyma, Greece.

Bordering the Mediterranean Sea, Didyma is a three hour drive to Athens and if touring during the summer months, temperatures can register as high as 40 degrees Celsius. This hot weather is ideal for the olive crops that produce their famous olive oil.

The highlight of the trip, and a most memorable moment experienced by all the families, was when the four generation photo was taken of 1 year old Baby Ethan with his 98 year-young greatgrandmother, Sophia Tjathas.

The extended families of Greece were very grateful that Baby Ethan was able to make the long journey to visit them, but more so, for the precious gift he left behind, "A Framed Golden Memory".

#### October 18, 2022, Village of Innisfree Organizational Council Meeting Highlights

The Council Members met for their Organizational Meeting at 5:00 pm. The following Councillor positions were endorsed:

- Mayor Evan Raycraft
- Deputy Mayor Deborah McMann
- Councillor Jennifer Johnson

Council meetings will continue to be held on the third Tuesday of each month at 5:00 PM.

Committee Appointments were made; check out the Village website: <u>www.</u> <u>innisfree.ca</u>

October 18, 2022, Village of Innisfree Regular Council Meeting Highlights:

Mayor and Council met on October 18, 2022, for a Regular Council meeting.

### **Business Arising**

• Council endorsed a motion to conduct a public survey for public input on cardboard services in the Village of Innisfree. Further that Administration was directed to promote a \$50.00 gift card as an added incentive for completion of the public survey.

• Council endorsed a motion directing Administration to seek demolition quotes for two (2) derelict properties located at Lot 12, Block 6, Plan 4175R and Lot 14, Block 8, Plan 4175R, that the Village of Innisfree currently holds under Tax Forfeiture Title. Further, Administration was directed to obtain a Building Inspection on the Commercial Property located at Plan 4175R, Block 1, PT 38, currently held under Tax Forfeiture Title by the Village of Innisfree.

### Bylaws & Policies

• Council approved the Electronic Communications Bylaw 678-22 as presented.

### New Business:

• Council approved the 3rd Quarter Strategic Plan Updates with amendments.

• Council directed Administration to include this topic in the public survey for public input. Further that Administration was directed to research and amend the Feline Bylaw 607-15 and Canine Bylaw 601-15 pursuant to the results of the public survey.

• Council endorsed a motion to increase the Cleaning Service Rate for Dolphin Cleaning from \$20/hr to \$35/hr effective November 1, 2022.

• Council endorsed a motion directing Administration to develop a Lease Agreement between the Innisfree Seniors Citizens Association and the Village of Innisfree for the usage and utilization of the Innisfree Seniors Drop-In Centre. Further, that Council provides the Innisfree Senior's Citizen Association a Letter of Support for the rehabilitation of the concrete pad located at the south facing entrance of the Innisfree Seniors Drop-In Centre, to be included with the Seniors CFEP Grant Application.

• Council endorsed a motion approving the 2023 North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance contribution at \$0.50 per capita.

The Council Agenda, approved Policies, Bylaws and Draft Minutes can be found at: <u>www.innisfree.ca</u>

The Regular Council Meeting is scheduled for November 15, 2022, at 5:00 P.M.



**REMOVING SOMEONE** 

FROM YOUR LIFE

\$10 Each

**Innisfree Kindergarten News** 

In October the Kindergarten had their first field trip to the firehall in Innisfree to learn about fire safety and check out the equipment, they had a lot of fun! They had a Halloween party dressed up in their costumes, and enjoyed lots of treats that day. The kindergartners have also been enjoying going to the early literacy program at the Innisfree Library. We are actively looking for a Kindergarten Teacher Aide, please check out our ad if you are interested.

Raffle tickets are still on sale, we are almost sold out and this is the last month to purchase.

### THINGS YOU DON'T NEED TO FEEL GUILTY ABOUT @MARISARENEEBAILEY 11/ LEAVING A JOB THAT DOING WHAT'S BEST DECLINING A PHONE SAYING 'NO' TO DRAINS THE LIFE OUT OF FOR YOU DESPITE WHAT CALL OTHERS YOU OTHERS THINK OR SAY ASKING FOR YOUR SLEEPING IN

NEEDS TO BE MET

SPENDING MONEY

ON SOMETHING YOU

WANT

YOUR DREAMS AND ASPIRATIONS



YOUR SPIRITUAL BELIEFS

BREAK FROM SOCIAL MEDIA



SETTING BOUNDARIES AND STICKING TO THEM

### Innisfree & District **Multi Sport Courts Our Fundraising Goal:**

\$180.000.00

Thank you to the following donors:

-Buffalo Trail Public School Division

-County of Minburn -Innisfree & District

Ag Society

-Innisfree & District Fish & Game Association

-Village of Innisfree -Mannville, Minburn,

Innisfree Rural Crime Watch

-Minburn Ag Society

-Ranfurly Ag Society

-Howard Austin

-Kassian Family

-Bob & Lily Ann Logan

-Lavoy Action Society

Robert & Genevieve Weder.

-Canada's Farmer's Grow **Communities – Bayer Crop** Science Canada

-Robin & Amberlyn Myshaniuk & Family

Grand Total from Sponsors to Date: \$124.423.76



While admiring some dinosaur bones in the Museum of Natural History, a tourist asks the guard, "How old are they?" The guard replies, "They are 73 million, four years, and six months old."

"That's a rather exact number," says the tourist. "How do you know their age so precisely?" "Well," answers the guard, "The dinosaur bones were seventy-three million years old when I started working here, and that was four and half years ago."



# **December 4, 2022** 10 am to 4 pm ~ Innisfree Rec Centre

The Innisfree trade show is happy to welcome singing by rising star Abygale Durie, a visit from Santa Clause and vendors such as:

-Whirlygigs & Quilts -Simply Christmas -Epicure -Norwex -5th Avenue Jewelry -Nails By Noliee -The Mya Banks Collection -Beach Side Bed & Breakfast (Canning, Baking & Gift Cards) -Sock Junkies -Pampered Chef -City Lights Boutique -Serendipitous Adventures -Jody's Baking & X mas Crafts -Cutting Edge -Valerie Anne Psychic Medium -A-Bee & Dee Naturals (Hand-made skin & body products)

-Mama K's Home made Salsa & Crafts -Purses, Totes, Table runners etc. -Get Brushed Airbrush tattoos -Yvonne's Baking -And many more to come...

### Kitchen open all day



### Limited tables left. Contact Dalyce @ 639-471-0965

### **Innisfree Delnorte School News**

At the Innisfree Delnorte School, many great things are happening. Recently we had three students and two staff attend the Cultivate Conference hosted at Old's College by Inside Education. The conference discusses farming, agriculture, and sustainability. Our students mentioned highlights such as meeting new people, touring a Yak farm, seeing some amazing technological advancements in farming such as electric collars for cattle and self-driving combines, as well as touring the Old's College Campus. They learned about sustainable agriculture, cover crops, and grazing cattle efficiently! What a neat experience!

Our school was the fortunate recipient of both the A+ for Energy grant and Corteva's Sustainable Agriculture project grant. With these grant monies we have started the construction of a net-zero greenhouse. Stay tuned in coming months for continued updates about this project!!

We'd like to thank our Village for partnering with us to make an industrial art program a possibility. We are currently collecting tools and monetary donations for tool and materials purchasing. The learning will happen next semester. We are so excited for this opportunity! We will continue to provide updates as this learning happens. Thank-you so much to all of those who have generously supported our project so far.

We interviewed a grade 2 and grade 3 student to get their opinions about what they have been doing in their classroom and learning. Stella, a grade 2 student, said her favorite thing they did this month was "making paper body outlines that have what they describe themselves as to show that everyone is different." She is also looking forward to scaring people on halloween. The grade 3 student that we interviewed was Kashlyn. Kashlyn's favorite subject is gym and her favorite thing to do is soccer. She is very excited to make people laugh on Halloween even though she makes people laugh on a daily basis! The grade 2's and 3's have finished their Exploring Liquids unit,

### RIS book your eye exam today!

New patients welcome. Call us to make your appointment - 780.632.3474



Use your benefits before they expire at year end!



### **ANNUAL TIRE** RECYCLING ROUNDUP

CANADA 4-H Alberta

Do you have old tires, batteries, or electronics you want removed? Our 4-H members can pick up these items

### SATURDAY NOVEMBER 12, 2022



Please contact any 4-H member or leaders below: Clint: (780) 870-2435 Blair (780) 853-0069 Carmen (780) 208-0569 Brandy (780) 853-0441 Chris (780) 603-1024

(this is a unit based on the grade 2 curriculum). The grade 3's have been learning how to add and subtract using mental math. The grade 2's are also working on part-part-whole number relationships. Next month we will cover the grade 4/5/6 class!

Article written by: Adia Durie (Grade 10), Ethan Gamble (Grade 10), and Ms. Miller

### News from the Innisfree Curling Club

Our 2022-2023 bonspiel dates:

New Years Open Spiel Dec 30, 31, Jan 1 Entry Fee \$200

**Mens Spiel** Jan 27, 28, 29 Entry Fee \$200

**Ladies Spiel - theme to be announced** Feb 24, 25, 26 Entry Fee \$200

Mixed Spiel March 24, 25, 26 Entry \$200

**Super League starting Thursday Jan 5** Entry Fee \$400

For Spiels or Super League please contact: Deanna Jackson 780 581 5871 or Allan Nott 780 581 5154

League Curling Tuesday Jan 10 Please contact Chris Nott to enter 780 603 1024

We are also looking for an ice caretaker, general caretaker and booth operator please contact Deanna if interested

### Walking With Grandma

I like walking with Grandma, Her steps are short like mine. She doesn't say "now hurry up" She always takes her time.

I like to walk with Grandma, Her eyes see things like mine do, Wee pebbles bright, a funny cloud, Half hidden drops of dew.

Most people have to hurry, They do not stop to see. I'm glad that God made Grandma Unrushed and young like me!

### Hello and temporary good-bye from Village of Innisfree staff

As many of you are already aware, Brooke Magosse is taking a year off for maternity leave starting in early November. During this time, Terri Wiebe has been hired to fill in as the Interim CAO. Since Brooke lives nearby, I am sure we will be seeing her face (and the new baby) out and about around the village on occasion.

Terri was born and raised in the northern Peace Country. She lived in that part of the province until 2007 working different jobs while taking evening university courses. Since 2004, she has worked in various municipalities across the province gaining knowledge & experience while acquiring her CLGM designation in 2009. CLGM stands for Certified Local Government Manager. There is a mandatory education requirement, an experience requirement, and a verification from already existing CLGM members requirement before someone can get this designation.

Terri says she is looking forward to working with the Innisfree Council, staff and the local ratepayers to continue improving the community while Brooke is away so she can return and find things in the same, or even better shape then when she left.



#### **Innisfree 4-H Multi News**

Innisfree 4-H Multi Innisfree 4-H Multi is starting up again after a year off. Members are meeting Nov. 10, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. to make pizza in the Millennium Building with a meeting to follow.

Members ages are 6 to 21. Several projects are available and new members can apply to have their membership fees paid by Cornerstone Co-op.

Join us Nov 10 for pizza. Any questions call Debbie at 780-592-2116

# You didn't come this far to only come

## this far.

How deep is the mud? Depends who youask GO THROUGH THINGS DIFFERENTLY

### Innisfree-Minburn 4-H Beef Club October Report

Peyton Hess- Club Reporter

*Hi, my name is Peyton Hess, and I am the club reporter for this year. I am 11 years old, and this is my first time being a club reporter. I would like to submit this report for the month of October. Thank you.* 

Our reorganizational meeting was held on October 12, 2022. We welcomed several new members to our club and to our cleaver program. This year, our club has 16 members and 4 cleaver members.

We held elections for our Executive and our Club Leaders. This year, our President is Brad McLaughlin, and Vice president is Rylan Jackson. Camille Kassian is our Secretary, Austin Garnier is our Treasurer, Peyton Hess is Club Reporter, Katrina McLaughlin is Historian, Carson Kassian is our Parliamentarian, and our District Reps are Chase Hess and Cole Arnold. Our Leaders are Clint McLaughlin, Blair Jackson, Carmen Kassian, Brandy Hess and Chris Nott. Our Cleaver Leader is Tawyna Copland-Hlus.

Our annual weigh-in will be held November 6. A huge thank you to the Harder Family for allowing us the use of their facilities for weigh-in day. Our annual Tire Recycling Fundraiser is scheduled for Saturday, November 12. If you have old tires, batteries, or electronics to get rid of, our 4-H members can pick them up on this date. Please contact any member or a club leader to arrange pick-up. (Clint 780-870-2435, Blair 780-853-0069, Carmen 780-208-0569, Brandy 780-853-0441, Chris 780-603-1024) We will also have our ice melt fundraiser again this year so be sure to watch for details!

We have scheduled our annual Achievement Show and Sale Day for May 31, 2023. We are looking forward to an exciting year ahead!

Whats a deer's favorite place to get ice-cream? Deery Queen!

### Guaranteed to get you into the holiday spirit!

\*Refreshments\*

### "Silent Auction"

(you bid)

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### 'White Elephant Auction'

(put your tickets on the items of your choosing)

Once Again . . .

Holiday in the Hallway



### 'An Old Fashioned Christmas'

### Millennium Building

Innisfree AB

### November 23, 2022

6:30-8 PM

**Merry Christmas** 

Purchase your Christmas gifts while supporting local groups.

All proceeds stay in your community!

Participants: \*\* VILB\*\* FILS \*\* Quilting Queens \*\*

\*\* 4-H Clubs\*\*Chudovyi Ukrainian Dancers \*\*

\*\* Innisfree Kindergarten & Pre-school Assoc.\*\*

### **Village of Innisfree Library News**

The Friends of the Innisfree Library Society invite you to join us at our 6th Annual Holiday in the Hallway Celebration! Wednesday, November 23 from 6:30-8:00pm at the Millennium Building. This will be the first time since Covid that we are able to hold this event in person, and we are very excited to welcome everyone back to this Community Fundraising Event! Involving all user groups within the Millennium Building, this 'Old Fashioned Christmas' has silent and white elephant auctions, as well as plenty of food and time to visit with your neighbours! Support our local non-profit groups, do some Christmas shopping (or shop for yourself) and enjoy some great appetizers! We hope to see you here!

The Early Literacy Program will be held on November 24th from 10am – 11:30am. This program is designed for parents and their small kiddos to have fun and gain some early literacy and numeracy skills. Snacks are also provided! Our theme for the day will be Superheroes. We will also be offering Early Literacy take home kits for those who are unable to make it to the program in person. Please let us know by emailing or calling if you would like one. As always, watch our Facebook page for story lady Holly as she reads a new book each week following our Early Literacy theme!

Tickets are now on sale for our Christmas Basket Raffle! Tickets are \$2.00 each and are available at the Library, Village Office and at some Bingo nights in Innisfree. Draw to take place at the Library on Friday, December 16. Proceeds from the raffle will be used for programming. License # 616578

This years' Giving Tree will be benefiting "Vegreville and Area Stands With Ukraine." Please watch for more information in a mail out flyer to come out sometime later in November.



A little old man shuffled slowly into an ice cream parlor and pulled himself slowly, painfully, up onto a stool... After catching his breath, he ordered a banana split. The waitress asked kindly, 'Crushed nuts?' 'No,' he replied, 'Arthritis.'

Innisfree Preschool & Kindergarten Plant Fundraiser 2022

Once again, our plants are from Off the Beaten Path Greenhouse. ORDERS DUE JANUARY 2, 2023





Price

Quantity Total



Cookies & Cream







BlackCherry

Supertunia

\$35





Early Girl Tomato Sunsugar Sweet Orange Cherry

Tomato

Customer Name:



Phone Number:

Thank you for your support! It is greatly appreciated! Blind Love Bright Mix Oh Cookies & BeeHave Cream \$40 \$40 \$40 \$40

Hummingbird Mix

Black Cherry Supertunia

Jazzberry

Supertunia

\$35

Jazzbern Supertunia



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	Persimmons Supertunia	Hummingbird Mix	Early Girl Tomatoes	Golden Cherry Tomato	Strawberry Basket	Subtotal:
Price	\$35	\$50	\$27	\$27	\$35	Total:
Quantity						Total:
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E-transfer to: innisfreeecs1@gmail.com, or chqs payable to Innisfree ECS



#### The Village of Innisfree is now hiring for the following positions:

1 x Full-time Public Works Foreman

The Village of Innisfree is seeking a full-time Public Works Foreman to manage the delivery of municipal transportation, environmental (Water, Wastewater and Waste), parks services, Fleet Management, and the care and maintenance of other municipal facilities.

#### The successful Candidate will:

- Grade 12 or equi
- Possess a valid class 5 driver's license
   Necessary skills to operate heavy equipment such as a tractor, skid steer and loader considered an asset
- Ability to perform physical labour
- Be a "team player"

#### Required Education/Work Experience

- Grade 12 or equivalent
- Certification in Water and Wastewater (specifically Small Systems) would be considered an asset.
- Experience in municipal infrastructure operation, maintenance, construction, and the safe operation of related tools and equipment would be considered an asset.
- Supervisory experience or experience working in a municipal and/or unionized environment will be considered an asset.

#### Required Skills and Abilities / Work Demands

- Demonstrated strong leadership and organizational skills with the ability to manage change and direct multiple employees.
- Excellent knowledge of municipal infrastructure and public works best practices in the following areas:
  - Roads and sidewalks maintenance and repair (including winter operations).
  - Water distribution systems.
  - Wastewater collection and treatment systems.
  - Storm drainage systems
  - Parks maintenance
  - Fleet vehicle and equipment maintenance
- Solid waste collection.
- Excellent networking and interpersonal skills to interact with internal staff, external agencies, contractors, and members of public. These skills are required to represent the Municipality effectively as well as to provide direction and leadership within.
- Excellent problem-solving, decision-making, and negotiation skills in a complex environment.
- Excellent problem-solving, decision-making, and
   Excellent oral and written communication skills.
- Sound computer skills with the capacity to promptly learn new computer software programs relevant to the department.
- Ability to organize and prioritize work to ensure deadlines are met.

Position will be held open until <u>November 14, 2022, by 12:00 (NOON)</u> OR <u>until a suitable candidate</u> <u>is found.</u>

#### Interested applicants may submit their resume by:

Mail:

Village of Innisfree

Box 69, 5116 50 Avenue Innisfree AB TOB 2G0 <u>Email: cao@innisfree.ca</u> <u>Fax:</u> 780-592-3729

Full job description is available on the Village of Innisfree's website: www.innisfree.ca/employment.

### **Remembrance Day Ceremonies in Mannville**

Everyone is welcome to the Mannville Remembrance Day Ceremonies Friday November 11, 2022.

We'll gather at the Elks Hall 10:30 and march to the School Cenotaph at approximately 10:45am. We'll have a small ceremony then march back to Elks Hall for a time of food and fellowship.

All are welcome if they want to march with or just meet us at the Mannville School Cenotaph.

We'll have a contingency of military from Camp Wainwright and other Dignitaries.



Dated: October 14, 2022

Thank you, Jim Storch - Exalted Ruler Elks

When the moon hits your knees and you mispronounce trees; *sycamore* 

Don't tell me I'm behind. Don't tell me I need to try harder. Don't tell me I need to stay longer. Don't tell me I'm lazy.

Tell me I can do it. Tell me you'll help me. Tell me you believe in me. Tell me we'll do it together.

### Yours sincerely, Every child that struggles at school

### November

BY MAGGIE DIETZ

Show's over, folks. And didn't October do A bang-up job? Crisp breezes, full-throated cries Of migrating geese, low-floating coral moon.

Nothing left but fool's gold in the trees. Did I love it enough, the full-throttle foliage, While it lasted? Was I dazzled? The bees

Have up and quit their last-ditch flights of forage And gone to shiver in their winter clusters. Field mice hit the barns, big squirrels gorge

On busted chestnuts. A sky like hardened plaster Hovers. The pasty river, its next of kin, Coughs up reed grass fat as feather dusters.

Even the swarms of kids have given in To winter's big excuse, boxed-in allure: TVs ricochet light behind pulled curtains.

The days throw up a closed sign around four. The hapless customer who'd wanted something Arrives to find lights out, a bolted door.





today



I'm not sure what the hunting regulations are with respect to the time frame concerning

which month and hours are allowed when it comes to hunting squirrels. However, I'm pretty sure that my barn felines could not be bothered less by rules or regulations and they have been wagging an outright war against these furry rodents for the last month. Each day when I make my trek down to the barn to let them out, I have to carefully pick my way through the ravages of war as they often leave bits and pieces of internal and external goodies along my pathway that at one time pieced together were squirrels. I also think they feel sorry for me and have decided that I am very inept in the ways of hunting, as one afternoon our female outside cat laid a live mouse at my feet as if to say, "here I've brought it right to you, all you need to do is kill and devour it," when I didn't instantly pounce on her gift, she gave me a look of pity and terminated its life and took care of the clean up as well. They have things under such control here in the yard that I see them venturing out a far in search of more morsels. I have tried to discourage them from crossing the road however they appear to have set their sights set on higher ground and continue to disobey returning with their spoils so I know what they've been up to!

We were blessed with such a beautiful fall; the colours were spell binding and the extra days of unusual

### Carnage and Chaos... by Deb Barber

warmth certainly made autumn clean up a joy rather than a chore. Sadly, the drought conditions made cultivating the garden areas and the transplanting of small evergreens a huge challenge with the soil taking on the consistency of cement. We some how made it through this year with a shortage of moisture but I think it's safe to say we are all praying for winter snow and some good spring rains for next year. That's farming for you, we are always looking to next year for whatever was lacking from the existing one.

For the first time that I can remember I ran out of fall pasture before I ran out of fall. I started feeding my horses about mid September and I usually can get away with waiting until mid November. Of course, they made it crystal clear to me that they were suffering something terrible and even though the equine weight measurement tape says they remain on the healthy side of 'over' weight they have been insisting that they are close to death's door. For a little while I was putting up temporary fences so that they could graze the grass still somewhat abundant on the lawn. That soon came to a quick close when the oldest Fjord continued to walk through the fence line like it didn't exist, wandering off, the other horses would suddenly look up and see her MIA and go crazy galloping around, so the fences came down and they were permanently locked up. I'm sure the SPCA received a few blistering texts from them stating the sad state of affairs they found themselves in!

Farmer Hubby spent the better part of the fall with tools in hand and sawing wood. Sometime ago he decided he wanted to build a gazebo, he undertook the construction job by the seat of his pants, creating the plan as he has gone along. It is starting to take shape and looks very impressive, he is somewhat disparaged that it will not be completed prior to the on set of winter, but it will be a great spring project for him to finish.

I have found it difficult to spend too much time in doors with the lingering warmth but I did manage to dry and few herbs that I grew in the greenhouse and have jars of parsley, basil and thyme to add flavour to our winter soups and other culinary dishes.

It's getting dark so much earlier that we find ourselves driven back into the house earlier and earlier. The dark nights do however, make for the perfect time to catch up on reading and other quieter crafts.

Hoping everyone had a safe and enjoyable Halloween!



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

Sometimes I just want someone to hug me and say, "I know it's hard. You're going to be okay. Here's a coffee and 8 million dollars."



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Thank you to the Village of Innisfree and the Minburn Agricultural Society for their help and support of the Innisfree Informer. Nov 25, 2022 is the December Informer deadline for submissions. Email to: innisfreeinformer@gmail.com or text 780-632-1585