



Your *Village* Voice

The Village of Bawlf Newsletter
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**Next Council
meeting:**

May 20th at the Bawlf
Community Centre,
7 PM

The public is welcome
to attend all Council
meetings. If you
would like to address
Council, please contact
the Village Office by
noon on
Thursday, May 14th to
arrange a time.

Mayor's message



Village Council has put the finishing touches on the 2009 budget. Due to an uncertain economy, Council felt that any property tax increase should be kept to an absolute minimum. The result is that your tax bill will either have gone up a bit or possibly even have gone down a bit: it all depends on how much your assessment has changed. As many of you know, **the Provincial Government raised the education portion of property taxes** in the April 7th Provincial Budget; in Bawlf's case, our education requisition went up approximately 6.5% (while, at the same time, one of our major sources of grant revenue was reduced). Had these factors not been part of the equation, Council would have had even more flexibility in holding the line on taxes. If you have any questions about the Provincial Budget and its effect on your property tax bill, I urge you to contact our MLA, Doug Griffiths, who can be reached at either 780-422-5369 or 780-842-6177.

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The annual Village Clean-up is scheduled for Tuesday, May 5th (meet at the Fire Hall at 6 PM for instructions). Due to Bawlf School's kind assistance in doing an initial clean-up during the day, the evening pick-up will primarily involve pick-up of larger items (trucks and utility trailers appreciated). Hot dogs and refreshments to follow at the Fire Hall. **The Village would like to thank Mr. Bowie and Bawlf School students for assisting in the clean-up** (this is the second year they have done this). Council and Administration continue to be extremely pleased with the working relationship between the School and the Village; the clean-up is just one part of that. *Note: in case of inclement weather, alternate day is May 7th.*

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A reminder to residents, now that spring is here, to clean up your yard. This refers to, among other things, mattresses, appliances, equipment, old vehicles, etc. (Unsanitary premises and nuisances are governed by **By-law 558/08**, which contains a complete list of items or situations that could constitute an infraction. The bylaw is available at the Village Office or at www.bawlf.com). Village policy is to prosecute infractions **only** on the basis of written complaints; i.e., with the exception of some specific situations, the By-law Enforcement Officer is not authorized to issue a citation for By-law 558/08 on his own initiative. However, the Village itself can lodge complaints if it deems it in the public interest to do so (several such complaints are already in process). We all want to live in a village of which we can be proud. Do **your** part to make it that way.

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The Annual Village Garage Sale will be held on Saturday, May 9th, 9 AM to 4 PM. Tables are available for rent in the Bawlf Curling Rink for \$10.00 each. Please call the Village Office at 780-373-3797 to book a table or to register your sale. Maps will be available.

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The Village is still accepting **Municipal Sustainability surveys**. Please fill your survey out and drop it off at the Village Office. *Imagine if you walked out your front door and it was 2060. Would Bawlf look like the kind of community you would want it to be?* This survey is your chance to have a say.

Bawlf School Recycling Drive (beverage container pick-up)

Date of this month's pick-up:
Wednesday, May 20th

(items to be at the curb in front of your house by 12:00 noon)

Area **rural residents** who wish to participate can bring their items to the door of the bus storage shed north of the school

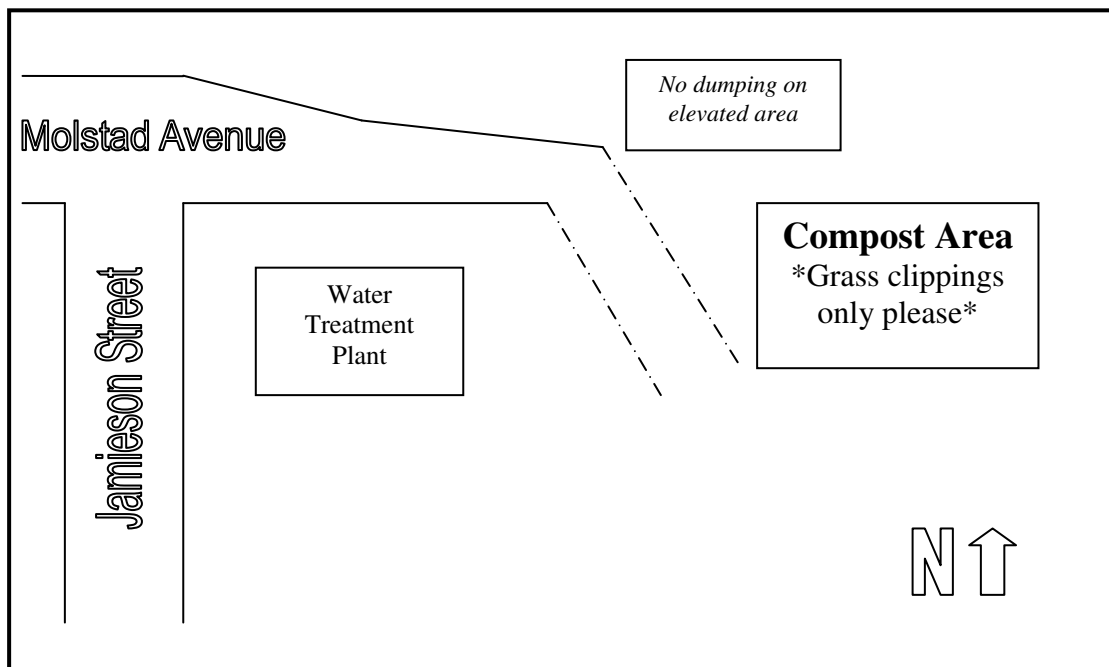
Proceeds are being directed toward Bawlf School music programs.
Questions? Call Bawlf School at 780-373-3784

Recycling in Bawlf

1. Newspapers and cardboard are no longer accepted in Bawlf but may be taken to Centra Cam in Camrose. The shed located at the bus garage is closed until further notice.
2. Items accepted at the village garage behind the fire hall are plastic milk jugs (rinsed and squashed), cardboard milk containers (rinsed and flattened), clean tin cans, clean clear glass and #2 plastic (please check the number in the recycle symbol on the bottom of the container).
3. Items not accepted are coloured glass, egg cartons and all plastic other than #2.

Composting Area

Grass clippings will be accepted directly east of the Water Treatment Plant. Please remove the plastic bags and/or boxes that you transported your clippings in. If you are able, please spread the clippings out for ease of roto-tilling.



Did you know? – Centra Cam provides residents of the region with the opportunity to **recycle used electronics**. However, they accept only computer monitors and televisions. Other working electronics can be donated to the emergency shelter.

Note that the **Bawlf Public Library is undergoing renovations and is expected to re-open sometime in June.** The new Library facility will have more than twice the space of the previous one. Watch the newsletter and the Village website for further details.

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Congratulations to Bawlf High School's 2009 graduands! Students at Bawlf School continue to make our community proud and we wish this year's graduating class all the success and happiness they could ever imagine. **Class farewell will take place on Saturday, May 16th in the School gymnasium, 7 PM.**

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The Village of Bawlf is seeking a junior or senior high student to change the message on the Village entrance sign a few times per month. Rate of pay: \$35/month. Please drop off your application at the Village Office prior to May 8th. Contact the Village Office for further information, 780-373-3797.

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At the April 22nd meeting, Village Council declared June 1-7 as Seniors' Week. Bawlf is very proud of the legacy with which today's seniors have left us and it is only fitting that we take the opportunity to say "thank you".

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The Village of Bawlf Annual General Meeting was held at the Community Centre on April 14th. Councillors took turns summarizing Village activities and accomplishments throughout 2008 and Mayor Iwanus presented the annual "State of the Village" address. Council and Administration appreciate everyone's questions and suggestions. For a copy of the "State of the Village" address, please contact the Village Office or go to www.bawlf.com, where the speech is available either as a hard copy or in viewable form.

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Regional Children's Centre Update: The land for this centre has been secured to the east of Bawlf School. The Battle River School Division has submitted an application to the Provincial Government for a modular building that will house a portion of the project. A decision will be made by June 30, 2009 in that regard.

If the RCC is awarded the modular, two of the three programs could be set up as early as fall 2009. The committee is committed to move ahead with a stick-built project by July 2009 if we are not awarded the 2009 modular. If we go ahead with a complete build, we anticipate turning dirt by spring of 2010. We have been excited to see the interest that has been generated about the project from the Bawlf community and the surrounding areas. Thank you to all who contributed thus far and helped us to move this project forward.

Questions? Call Tammy Albers at 780-373-2421 or Christine Ginther at 780-672-8262.

May, 2009 Calendar	Village of Bawlf Council Members
May 5: Village clean-up (Fire Hall, 6 PM)	<i>Mayor Jerry Iwanus</i> (780-373-2263 or jiwanus@bawlf.com)
May 9: Village-wide garage sale, 9-4	<i>Deputy Mayor Darrell Szott</i> (780-373-2517 or dszott@bawlf.com)
May 10: Lions Mother's Day breakfast, Bawlf Community Centre, 8-12	<i>Councillor Jody Yuha</i> (780-373-3806 or juha@bawlf.com)
May 16: Bawlf High School graduating class farewell (ceremony at BS, 7 PM)	<i>Councillor Reta Porter</i> (780-373-2448 or rporter@bawlf.com)
May 18: Victoria Day	<i>Councillor Gord Blatz</i> (780-373-3733 or gblatz@bawlf.com)
May 20: School recycling drive (items at the curb by 12:00 noon)	
May 20: Village Council, 7:00 PM	

Council meetings are held the third Wednesday of every month at the Community Centre, 7 PM.
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Village Labourer

The Village of Bawlf is accepting applications for the position of Village Labourer.

Duties will include:

- mowing grass/maintaining the cemetery;
- painting;
- some mechanical work and repairs;
- other maintenance or public works projects assigned by the Director of Public Works.

**This 40-hour per week position will run from approximately May 8th to August 28th, 2009.
WAGE: \$14.00 per hour.**

Summer Recreation Coordinator

The Village of Bawlf is currently seeking an individual for the position of Summer Recreation Coordinator who:

- was a full time student in a post-secondary, vocational or technical program during the preceding academic year and intends to return to school on a full time basis during the next academic year;
- is between 15 and 30 years of age;
- is a Canadian citizen, permanent resident or person on whom refugee protection has been conferred under the immigration and refugee protection act;
- is legally entitled to work according to the relevant provincial legislation and regulations.

Duties will include:

- maintaining the ball diamonds for the Ball Program;
- assisting with a variety of maintenance projects on other recreational facilities including landscaping, grass cutting and other duties as assigned by the Director of Public Works.

**This 40-hour per week position will begin May 4th or 11th and will run until August 21st or 28th, 2009.
WAGE: \$12.00 per hour.**

DAYS LAND PALACE THEATRE

Movie Information Line: 780-374-3774

SHOW TIMES: Friday & Saturday 8 PM
Sunday 7 PM

May 1, 2, 3

THE INTERNATIONAL Rated: 14A
Drama. An Interpol agent (Clive Owen) tries to find evidence that a banking group is trafficking weapons in order to gain financial control over developing countries.

May 8, 9, 10

BRIDE WARS Rated: PG
Starring Kate Hudson and Anne Hathaway
Comedy. When two best friends' dream weddings are booked on the same day, each tries to ruin the other's wedding.

May 15, 16, 17

SLUM DOG MILLIONAIRE Rated: 14A
Drama. When Jamal appears on India's version of "Who Wants to be a Millionaire", each question prompts a disturbing recollection from his past.

REEL ALTERNATIVE MOVE NIGHT
Thursday May 21, 8 PM

THE WRESTLER Rated: 14A
Warning: Sexual Content, Nudity, Coarse Language. Drama starring Mickey Rourke as an aging wrestler struggling to salvage his fragmented life.

May 22, 23, 24

RACE TO WITCH MOUNTAIN
Rated: PG

Action/Adventure. A Los Vegas cab driver enlists the help of a UFO scientist after he picks up two alien children trying to get back to their spaceship.

May 29, 30, 31

THE PINK PANTHER II Rated: PG
Comedy. After some precious artefacts are stolen, an international team of detectives is formed, led by Inspector Clouseau.



Applications for both job postings above will be accepted **until close of business on May 5, 2009** and should be made as follows:

by mail to: Village of Bawlf, Box 40, Bawlf, AB T0B 0J0
by Email to: vilbawlf@syban.net
drop-off: at 101 Hanson Street

For more information on either posting, please call the Village Office at 780-373-3797.

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