



Your *Village* Voice

The Village of Bawlf Newsletter
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Next Council meeting:

Wed, April 21 at the
Village Office, 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 April 15
to arrange a time.

Mayor's message, by Mayor Jerry Iwanus



An 18th-century philosopher named J.J. Rousseau said, "As soon as any man says of the affairs of state, 'What does it matter to me?', the state may be given up as lost." The Village of Bawlf's annual general meeting is everyone's opportunity to attend and say, "Bawlf does matter to me and I want to know what is happening in our community." This year's AGM will be held on **Thursday, April 22nd, 7 PM, at the Community Centre** and will include a synopsis of events and accomplishments in 2009, as well as the Mayor's annual "State of the Village" address. The address will touch on what is happening in 2010 with regard to projects, taxes, and other matters of interest to all of us as residents (this year's budget will be all but finalized by that time). This is the last AGM prior to the **municipal election slated for October, 2010**, so plan to attend and share your thoughts with your elected representatives and fellow residents. For **anyone interested in contesting the election**, this is an excellent chance to get acquainted with some of the issues and processes prior to nomination day in September.

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Kudos to the Bawlf Lions for engaging actors to stage a very fun and exciting interactive "Murder Mystery" on March 20th at the Community Centre. The actors were very good, as was the meal (thanks, Homestyle!). This was the first time the Lions undertook such an event and the Club's willingness to "think outside the box" and try something new and different is great to see. The Lions continue to be a critical part of community life in Bawlf and we deeply appreciate the efforts of everyone involved.

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For those of you who don't know, the **Bawlf Community Builders** were struck as a result of the Municipal Sustainability meetings held throughout 2009. The **BCB Committee is meeting on April 8, 7 PM at the Bawlf Country Store in order to plan projects and events for 2010.** Everyone is welcome, even if you're just there to listen and see what the BCB is all about. For further information about the committee or if you're willing to assist either regularly or on a project-by-project basis, call Michele at 780-373-2263.

Bawlf School Recycling Drive

(paid recyclables only -- including plastic milk jugs!)

Date of this month's pick-up: Wednesday, April 28th

Items to be at the curb in front of your house by 11:45 AM. Area **rural residents** who wish to participate can bring their items to the door of the bus storage shed north of the school.

Questions? Call Bawlf School at 780-373-3784

Think you're a good pool or card player? This is your chance to prove it. Every Thursday until the end of April, the **Senior Citizens Society** invites area residents of **all ages to attend its new weekly community games night** at the Seniors' Clubroom in the Bawlf municipal complex. Doors open at 7 PM. Anyone who wants to come socialize while playing pool, shuffleboard, board games, or cards is welcome. Coffee and snacks served.

THE REGIONAL RURAL CHILDREN'S CENTRE PLANS TO START OUT-OF-SCHOOL PROGRAM IN SEPTEMBER, 2010

An exciting new program to provide family child care support is coming to Bawlf under the direction of the Bawlf Playschool Society. This program will provide out-of-school care to children of Bawlf and surrounding rural areas. A waiting list has been started for the out of school program as well as the future daycare program. If you would like more information about these programs and/or if you would like to be added to the waiting list, please contact Christine at 780-672-8262 or Tina at 780-608-8304.

Bring your child to meet the teacher! The Bawlf Playschool is hosting two open houses and registration days for the 2010-2011 school year. They are:

**Wednesday, April 7
&
Monday, April 19
9:30-11:30 AM at the Old Bawlf Hall**

No by-laws were given first reading at the March 17 Village Council meeting

April, 2010 Calendar

- Apr 7:** Out-of-School Care open house, 9:30-11:30 AM, old hall
- Apr 8:** Bawlf Community Builders meeting, 7 PM, Bawlf Country Store
- Apr 12:** Alvin Law presentation, 12:30-1:30 PM, Bawlf School gym
- Apr 14:** Bawlf Public Library Annual General Meeting, 7 PM, Village Office
- Apr 19:** Out-of-School Care open house, 9:30-11:30 AM, old hall
- Apr 21:** Village Council, 7 PM, Village Office
- Apr 22:** Village of Bawlf Annual General Meeting, 7 PM, Community Centre
- Apr 28:** School recycling drive (items at the curb by 11:45 AM)

Village of Bawlf Council Members

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“Courage is what it takes to stand up and speak; courage is also what it takes to sit down and listen.”

(Sir Winston Churchill)

News and Notes

You are invited... **Bawlf Public Library Annual General Meeting, Wednesday, April 14th, 7 PM**, at the Village Office (Council chambers). Plan to attend to learn more about how you can get involved with literacy initiatives in our community!

The High School Students' Union would like to invite the Bawlf community to hear our guest speaker, Alvin Law, on Monday, April 12th, 12:30-1:30 PM, in the School gym. Mr. Law is a highly-recommended inspirational speaker and we at Bawlf School feel that he will help to improve student relationships by providing our students a more positive outlook on life. Mr. Law was born with no arms and yet he has not allowed that to become a disability; he plays piano and drives a car and does not allow the word "disability" to get in his way. He has spoken all across North America we look forward to hosting him in our community.

Bawlf School Kindergarten Registration - Kindergarten is for children who will be five years of age before March 1, 2011. *Please come and register your child at the school office or call the school office at 373-3784 for more information as soon as possible.* **Birth certificates are required** as part of the registration package.

Help wanted for casual librarian position. Successful applicant will fill in for our regular casual employee when she is unavailable. Resumes can be dropped off at the David Knipe Memorial Library in Bawlf Monday, Wednesday and Friday 11AM-5 PM and Thursday 3 PM-7 PM (deadline Friday, April 16th). For further information contact Betty or Fern at 780-373-3882.

Notice: Village staff and residents have noticed that someone has been driving on the grass by the Bawlf Lions Park and south of Railway Avenue. We are asking for the residents of Bawlf to keep a lookout and report any type of this activity to the Village Office either in person or by phone at 780-373-3797. Thanks from the Village of Bawlf.

Village Clean-Up and Community Barbeque will be held on Tuesday May 4th or, if the weather is poor, Thursday, May 6th. *Come lend a hand and join us afterward for a hot dog!*

- Bawlf School students will once again go around the village during the day and pick up garbage.
- If anyone has old appliances or something they would like picked up, please call the Village Office at 780-373-3797 to make arrangements. All landfill fees for fridges and deep freezes will be charged to the owner.
- We will require volunteers to help pick up the garbage the students have collected and to help load appliances and various other items. We will load the Village trucks with items to go to the Camrose landfill, but we would appreciate people bringing their personal trucks to help haul the garbage bags to the Kelsey Transfer Site.
- We will gather at the Fire Hall at 6:00 p.m. The Village will be serving hot dogs and ice cream.

Bawlf's Annual Community Garage Sale Saturday, May 8th, 2010, 9 AM to 4 PM

Please call the Village Office prior to May 5th
to register your sale and/or to book a table
in the Bawlf Curling Rink (\$10.00 per table).

Maps with the location of all registered sales will be printed and copies will be available at each registered sale. For more information, please call the Village Office at 780-373-3797.



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 37.5-hour per week position will begin May 3rd and will run until August 27th, 2010.
WAGE: \$12.00 per hour.**

Applications will be accepted until
Wednesday, April 21, 2010:

by mail to: The Village of Bawlf
Box 40
Bawlf, Alberta T0B 0J0

by Email to: vilbawlf@syban.net
by fax to : 780-373-3798
or by dropping it off at 203 Hanson Street

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



S.T.E.P. Village Labourer Position

The Village of Bawlf is accepting applications for the S.T.E.P. position of Village Labourer:

Duties will include:

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

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