



Village Voice

November 2011

The Village of Bawlf Welcomes New Fire Chief

In September, the Village Council accepted the resignation of the Village of Bawlf Fire Chief Rod Blatz, with many thanks for his thirty three years dedicated service as a volunteer firefighter with the Bawlf Fire Department, twenty of which were spent as Fire Chief.

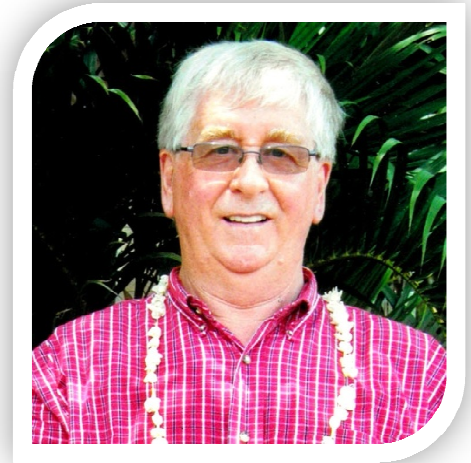
The Village is pleased to announce that a new Fire Chief, Dr. Robert Wilson, was appointed by the Village Council at the October 20, 2011 Council Meeting.

In addition to his professional career as a teacher and principal, Robert has twelve years of volunteer Fire Fighting experience in the communities of Tumbler Ridge and Nisgha, British Columbia, and Bashaw and Arrowwood, Alberta. Tumbler Ridge and Arrowwood were very active departments with an average of 2.5 call outs per week.

Robert has completed Fire Fighter I and II courses, Vehicle Rescue and Extrication courses and held EMR certification in Alberta. Robert attended the Vermilion Fire Training School and completed an extensive Fire Management Strategies Course for Officers. He has held the rank of Fire Fighter, Lieutenant, Captain, Deputy Chief and Acting Chief during the course of his voluntary service. During his volunteer career, Robert has attended approximately 32 local Fire Service training sessions offered by larger Fire Departments for the purpose of assisting smaller Departments to remain current and implement up to date practices.

Robert and his wife Margaret intended to retire to Bawlf in 2007, however this was delayed by three years spent in Bangkok, Thailand following his acceptance of an invitation to open a new private school. In 2010, the couple returned to Bawlf, and Robert officially completed his 40 year career in Education.

Welcome Robert — the Village Council and staff, residents and your fellow volunteer firefighters look forward to working with you!



Bawlf Public Library Events

The Perfect Stocking Stuffer

Bawlf Public Library wishes to announce its Fall Membership Drive, running Nov. 1 – Dec. 15.

Single memberships are \$10 per year and family memberships are \$20.

Get ready for Christmas – treat your family and friends to one today.



Bawlf Children's Christmas Party

Sunday, December 4, 2011

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Bawlf Community Centre

Featuring a special visit from Santa, fun activities and snacks. Parents and grandparents are welcome. Presented by the Bawlf Public Library & Bawlf Lions Club.

November Calendar:

- November 6 – Daylight Savings Time ends
(turn clocks back one hour)
- November 11 – Remembrance Day Service
Bawlf Community Centre
Ceremony begins at 10:50AM
- November 18 – Mini Slammers
Volleyball Tournament
Bawlf School
- November 16 – Council Meeting,
7PM, Council Chambers

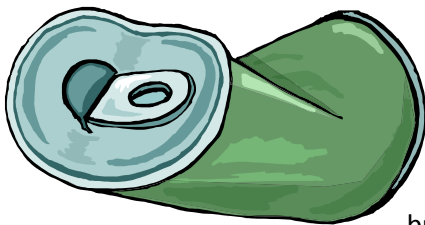
November Green Box Recycle Dates:

Monday, November 14 & 28

Please place your green box near your garbage bins by 7:30 a.m. on these dates.



Bawlf School Recycling Drive



Wednesday, Nov 30 is the date of this month's pick-up.

Please place items at the curb in front of your house by 12:00 noon.

Paid recyclables only may be donated.

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

For more information call Bawlf School at (780) 373-3784.

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Calling All Contributors!

Call Jocelyn Sparks at the Village Office (780) 373-3797 to submit information about your event for the newsletter (deadline for submissions is the last Monday of the month), the website, or to book the entrance sign.

Council Meetings are open to the public and usually held the third Wednesday of every month in the Council Chambers, 7:00 p.m. If you wish to speak to Council as a delegation, please contact the Village Office one week prior to the meeting.

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