



# Valley WHISTLE

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## Notes from the Village Office

### AGENDA FOR MAY 23 COUNCIL MEETING

#### Visitors and Delegations

- Waste Management – construction of new cell information.

#### Old Business

- Village of Big Valley and County of Stettler Intermunicipal Development Plan
- McKenzie Crossing Campground lease

#### New Business

- Operating Budget-Recommended changes to interim budget & final adoption of 2019 operating budget
- Capital Budget - Recommended changes to interim budget & final adoption of 2019 capital budget
- Bylaw 842 – Mill Rate Bylaw
- Village Street Dance sponsorship
- Utilities transferred to taxes

→ Last fall, Seniors Program Delivery Branch engaged with our partners at Alberta Health to change the delivery date of the Turning 65 Packages from 3 months to 6 months prior to the individual turning 65. The rationale behind the change was

based on the increased volume of seniors enrolling into the seniors programs and the subsequent processing times. This change will ensure seniors have adequate time to apply prior to their 65th birthday, ensuring they have the necessary supports in place when they turn 65.

Below are the programs impacted by this change:

- Blue Cross Coverage for Seniors
- Alberta Seniors Benefit
- Special Needs Assistance for Seniors
- Dental Assistance for Seniors
- Optical Assistance for Seniors

[www.seniors.alberta.ca](http://www.seniors.alberta.ca)

→ May 20 -25 is National Public Works Week.

Please remember our open house on Thursday, May 23 at 11 am.

→ Public Washrooms and Campsites are now open

→ COMPOST

Unfortunately there still are residents putting things other than compost in their bags. Things like Tupperware containers DO NOT belong in compost bags. It would be unfortunate to lose this service because people refuse to be sensible.

Gail Knudson, Administrative Assistant  
Village of Big Valley  
(403) 876-2269

# Historical Notes



Greetings from the Historical Society.

The Big Valley Historical Society meets every third Tuesday of the month for their regular meetings. (Our AGM this year will be held on Tuesday, June 18th.) We meet in the Train Station Museum at 7pm. If you are interested in the history and preservation of Big Valley and area's past you are welcome to join us and see what we are all about.

**NOTE:** Our next meeting will be **June 18th, 2019.**

## A BIT OF HISTORY

### St. Edmunds Anglican Church (Con't)

*Although the Church has been seen here before I am doing it again as we have started restorations and the inside is looking pretty spiffy for this season. If you are around when the train is in town please stop in and have a look this summer.*

### Dick Hunt-minster at St. Edmunds church from 1957 to 1964.

From a letter written in 2012

*One of my predecessors was Canon Herbert in the very early years. He used to drive down from Stettler with his team of horses winter and summer on Saturday night and sleep in the Bell Tower so as to be there for an early service on Sunday. Then whiz back to Stettler for the service there. He must have been tough because there was not a shred of insulation in the building anywhere.*

*I fancy that his old tin stove is still there in the bell tower. He was a great horseman and of course he didn't have a car in the earliest years.*

*My parents were married in St. George's church in Stettler in February 1913. Stettler, with Big Valley and Scollard were the first churches in which I ministered. Others of my predecessors were Fred Vaughn-Birch and*

*the great Arthur Peach both of whom were my great friends. For years, Mrs. Tom Usher was the organist in both Big Valley and Scollard.*

*Some of the regular active members in St. Edmunds that I remember very well were Bill and Marge Johnston, Bus and Orpha Johnston, Jack and Amy Darch, Bruce and Barbara Cable, John and Betty Nadurak and their lovely families, Eva Boyd, the Reverend Allan McQuaig. I have recently been in touch with Donny Johnston on the internet (son of Bus and Orpha). I should mention that I write stories all the time of the early days and have nearly 4000 in my Data Bank.*

*Saturday August 4th I will celebrate my 92nd birthday. On October 1st my wife Ruth will celebrate her 92nd birthday. On October 14th we will celebrate our 68th Wedding Anniversary. Before I studied for the ministry, we ranched at Endiang which community was founded by my mother, Florence Foreman and her father William Foreman in 1910. My father Harold Hunt homesteaded in the area in 1903 and I was born in the old ranch house as was my younger brother Bill.*





## **SOBO's**

**Food Garage  
(aka Sobo's Pizza)  
IS NOW OPEN!**

Hours are  
**Tuesday – Saturday**  
10:30 am – 9 pm  
**Sunday 12 – 8 pm**  
**Closed Mondays**  
34 1st Ave N Big Valley ...  
beside Carwash

We are featuring pizza only for another week as we complete renovations but will be adding items to our menu soon! Watch for updates in the Whistle and on Facebook at Sobo's Food Garage or call **403-876-2252**

## *Big Valley Library*

**BOARD MEETING**  
**Monday, May 27th**  
**7:00 pm**  
**at the Library**

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### Notice of the Development Officer

The following Development Permit for the proposed use listed below has been issued in accordance with Land Use Bylaw #765 of the Village of Big Valley;

#### Expansion to Existing Pole Shed

Lot 17/18 Plan 4035 AF  
57 Railway Avenue  
Permitted use

Decision May 09, 2019

Further information regarding this decision may be obtained from the Village Office, Box 236, Big Valley, AB T0J 0G0.

A Notice of Appeal must be received in writing no later than May 21, 2019.

Priscilla Brown,  
Development Officer

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# BIG VALLEY ELKS MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT SUNDAY MAY 26, 2019

REGISTRATION & BREAKFAST AT  
THE CLUBHOUSE 8-10 AM

TEE OFF @ 10

9 HOLES

TEXAS SCRAMBLE

COST \$20/PERSON

CARTS ARE NOT PROVIDED

STEAK BBQ & PRIZES TO FOLLOW



The Elks invite everyone  
to participate in  
fellowship and visiting  
following the golfing.



*Ross & Marion  
Annable's*



*Wedding  
Anniversary*

COME CELEBRATE WITH US  
ON  
FRIDAY, JUNE 7, 2019  
AT  
7:00 P.M.

WITH SUPPER,  
GREAT MUSIC  
AND TOONIE BAR.

NO GIFTS PLEASE

**SUMMER  
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

Are you a student between the ages of 15 and 30 that will be returning to school in the fall and looking for a summer job?

The Big Valley Historical Society has summer employment opportunities for the right individual(s)!

We require someone with maintenance skills and able to run landscaping equipment, computer skills and someone who likes talking and helping people.

Please send your resume to  
BVHS,  
Box 342, Big Valley, T0J 0G0  
Attention: Trudy Spence  
or email it to  
tdspence64@gmail.com

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# BIG VALLEY INN

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## Pizza Mondays

5 - 8 p.m.

8" - 2 Topping Pizza \$11.00

+ \$1.50 per topping

12" - 2 Topping Pizza \$18.00

+ \$2.50 per topping

## Wing Tuesdays

5 - CLOSING

Wings - 1lb. - \$9.95

FREE POOL

## Wing Thursdays

5 - CLOSING

Wings - 1lb. - \$9.95

FREE POOL

## Steak Night Fridays

5 - 8 p.m.

Featuring a Strip Loin Steak,  
Baked Potato with all the fixings  
along with Baked Beans  
and Garlic Toast for \$15.95

(Prices are Eat In Only)

### PHONE

Main: 403-876-2203 Restaurant: 403-876-2040

Bar  
OPEN  
AT

11:00 am  
7 DAYS  
A WEEK

Restaurant

7:00 am - 8:00 pm

Liquor Store

10:00 am - 9:00 pm

## BIG VALLEY DROP IN CENTRE SCHEDULE

FLOOR CURLING - THURSDAYS - 1:30 P.M.

CANASTA - MONDAY & FRIDAY - 7:00 P.M.

THE DROP IN CENTRE IS OPEN FOR COFFEE  
MONDAY TO FRIDAY - 8 A.M. TO 10 A.M.



Big Valley



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Andrea Kaiser

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Please join us for the  
*Bridal Shower*  
for

*Michelle Jensen*

*future bride of*

*Quinn Davies*

*Sunday, May 26,*

*2 pm*

*at the*

*Big Valley Drop in Centre*

*Ladies*

*please bring a favourite recipe.*



**FRIENDS of the  
Big Valley Library  
MEETING**

**Thursday, May 30th  
1:00 pm at the Library**



**Big Valley United Church**

Rev. Barbara Lieurance

We will gather for our next worship service on  
June 2 at 11:00 am at the Big Valley Cemetery



Loving God,  
help us to listen with the ear of our heart,  
paying attention to your heartbeat  
within the heart of the world.

Amen.

(D. Eadie, adapted)



**BIG VALLEY  
EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH**

*Welcomes you to fellowship with us  
Sunday Mornings 10:30 am  
Sunday School*

*Contact Numbers  
Pastor Clark @ 403 876-2877  
or 403 740-6540*

*Why are you looking for a living person  
in this place for the dead?  
He is not here;  
He has risen from the dead.  
Luke 24:5,6*

# classifieds

Big Valley ATB Agency  
will be

**CLOSED**

May 26 to June 2

Sorry for any inconvenience  
this may cause.

## NEW TO BIG VALLEY AND AREA

Wendy Cameron/Johnson's

"House Cleaning & Renovation/Restoration  
Cleanup Services"

Call: 403 - 826 - 9520 for info.



### Regular office hours are from

8:00 am to 4:00 pm **MONDAY THRU THURSDAY**

Council meetings are the 4th Thursday of each month beginning at 6:00 pm and are open to the public. If you wish to present to Council on a topic, please contact the office.

Office.....403-876-2269

Office Fax.....403-876-2223

Public Works Operator.....403-740-6285

Whistle/Linda.....403-741-9193

Fire Chief/Lori Gordon.....403-740-4858

Office email ...[info@villageofbigvalley.ca](mailto:info@villageofbigvalley.ca)

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Justin Anderson

403-740-2491

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## Big Valley **ATB** Financial Agency

403-876-2515

### Business Hours

Mon. - Thurs. 9:30 - 12:00 1:00 - 3:30

Fri. 9:30 - 12:00 1:00 - 4:30



Contact  
Marion 876-2617  
or Val 876-2515

**EMERGENCY FOOD BANK**