

# Valley WHISTLE

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*BIG VALLEY, ALBERTA*

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## Notes from the Village Office

- Please be patient as summer work on some village streets and sidewalks have begun.
- School is out – please remember that our children are out and about enjoying the sun. Parents please take the time to remind your children of street safety and road etiquette.
- The Village looks awesome—thank you to the residents who take pride in our community and take the time to maintain their yards.

### **A reminder of \*BYLAW VIOLATIONS: Bylaw 827; PROHIBITION AND EXEMPTIONS**

3. An Owner or Occupant of Property shall not cause or allow that Property or his use of that Property to constitute a Nuisance, a danger to public safety or an Unightly Premise.

6. Conditions constituting a Nuisance, danger and Unightly Premise may include: (b) uncut grass or the presence of weeds, which in the opinion of the Designated Officer, are excessive or which demonstrate neglect by the Owner;

Every measure is taken to ensure that ALL residence in the Village are treated fairly and expected to comply with the SAME rules/bylaws.

### Notes from last Council Meeting June 27, 2019

"that the Village enter into a 5 year contract with Municipal Property Consultants"

"that Village administration research effects of leaving road ban on Railway Avenue"

"that administration update demolition permit with OHS standards"

"that administration provide WHISTLE revenues and expenses for 2017 & 2018"

"that administration contact Community Planning regarding Land Use Bylaw and definition of Class 1 or Class 2 home occupations."

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## Historical Notes

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Greetings from the Historical Society.

The Big Valley Historical Society meets every third Tuesday of the month for their regular meetings. 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.

Our next meeting is on July 16th, 2019 at the Big Valley Train Museum at 7:00pm.

### **TRAINS:**

There are three trains this week. The first is on July 12th, and it's a Country Dinner that arrives in Big Valley at 4:10pm and departs for Stettler at 6:00pm. The July 13th train is coming for the Steam and Vintage Car Show, and it arrives at 4:10pm and departs at 6:30pm. The final train on July 14th comes for the second day of the Steam and Vintage Car Show, arriving at 12:40 and departing at 3:00pm.

## **A BIT OF HISTORY**

### **MAIN STREET FIRE OF 1939**

— AS RECALLED BY PHIL FAWCETT

Excerpt from: *Thanks For The Memories: Big Valley Commercial and Main Street*

*I don't recall whether it was that year (1939) or the following year, that half the business section of the town burned down. It was a bitterly cold day with a strong wind blowing right down Main Street from the west. I was on my way up to the school on the hill when I noticed the cloud of black smoke billowing up from the back of the hardware store. There was no school that day. Everyone was downtown watching the fire. There was no water to fight the fire. All the water in Big Valley was obtained from wells. Some of the pumps were frozen stiff. There just wasn't enough water. Someone got the idea of coupling an empty railway tank car to a steam engine. (This railway equipment was left in Big Valley after to Divisional business had been moved out by CNR. Probably a conciliatory gesture by the railway company.) There was a water tower for*

*supplying water to the railway locomotives about four miles out of town. By this time the fire had progressed up the street – on one side of the street only, as the wind was blowing along the street – to the bank building, which was the next to last building on the street. The Bank building was the only brick building on the street. Nevertheless, it was going like a blow torch inside. The brick walls contained the flames, so they had not yet got a start on the tall wood-frame hotel building on the corner. A bucket brigade was formed from the tank car to the hotel. Men in Macinaw coats stood on the fire-escape landings at each floor of the hotel, with the burning bank inferno only a few feet away. They sluiced water down the walls of the hotel. Some people went up on the flat roof of the hotel and threw buckets of water down the sides.*

*Todd Watters couldn't find a bucket and seized the next best thing: a huge enamel "thunder-mug". There he was, leaning over the cornice which leaned out slightly from the roof, flinging his thunder-mug of water. He got quite a kidding about that from his friends in Scouts and Basketball later. The men on the fire-escape were getting showered with water from above. As they stood side-ways flinging buckets of water down the side of the building, their mackinaws would be covered with ice on the side next to the hotel, and steam would be rising from their mackinaws on the other side.*

*Inside the hotel, the air was frigid since the doors were open for the buckets to by pass in and up the stairway. As water got slopped on the stairway, it froze, eventually creating a dangerous ice slide from top to bottom. Eventually, the cornice on the side of the hotel next to the bank caught on fire. They chopped it off. In the end, the only building on that one side of the street that was saved was the hotel.*

*During all the excitement and activity of that afternoon, Eng Joe padded up and down the street with a very serene look on his face. The only café, other than his, was on the side of the street that burned down. His café remained intact, and in business.*

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# SOBO's



## Food Garage

### PIZZA TOPPINGS

Ham, Pepperoni, Genoa Salami,  
Taco Beef, Chicken, Bacon, Shrimp  
Feta, Green Peppers, Banana Peppers,  
Pineapple, Onions (red or white) Tomato,  
Olives (black and green) mushrooms,  
cheddar cheese, perogi

We offer different types of sauces  
to put on your pizza... Alfredo, Ranch,  
BBQ Pizza Sauce and Sweet Donair Sauce

### PRICES

<u>Regular</u>	10" - \$10 + \$2 per topping
	12" - \$12 + \$3 per topping
	14" - \$14 + \$4 per topping
<u>Thin Crust</u>	10" - \$8 + \$2 per topping
	12" - \$10 + \$3 per topping
	4" - \$12 + \$4 per topping
<u>Loaded</u>	10" - \$18.95
	12" - \$24.95
	14" - \$29.95

### SUPER TASTY DONAIRS

Garlic Cheese Bread now available

**NEW!**

10" - \$13  
12" - \$16  
14" - \$19

# TD Summer Reading Club

Come Join the Fun  
at the Library  
every  
Tuesday  
& Thursday  
2:30 - 5 pm





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## Farm Succession Planning

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**Date** Thursday, July 18, 2019

**Time** 11:00 am

**Location** Big Valley Drop In Centre

44 Main Street

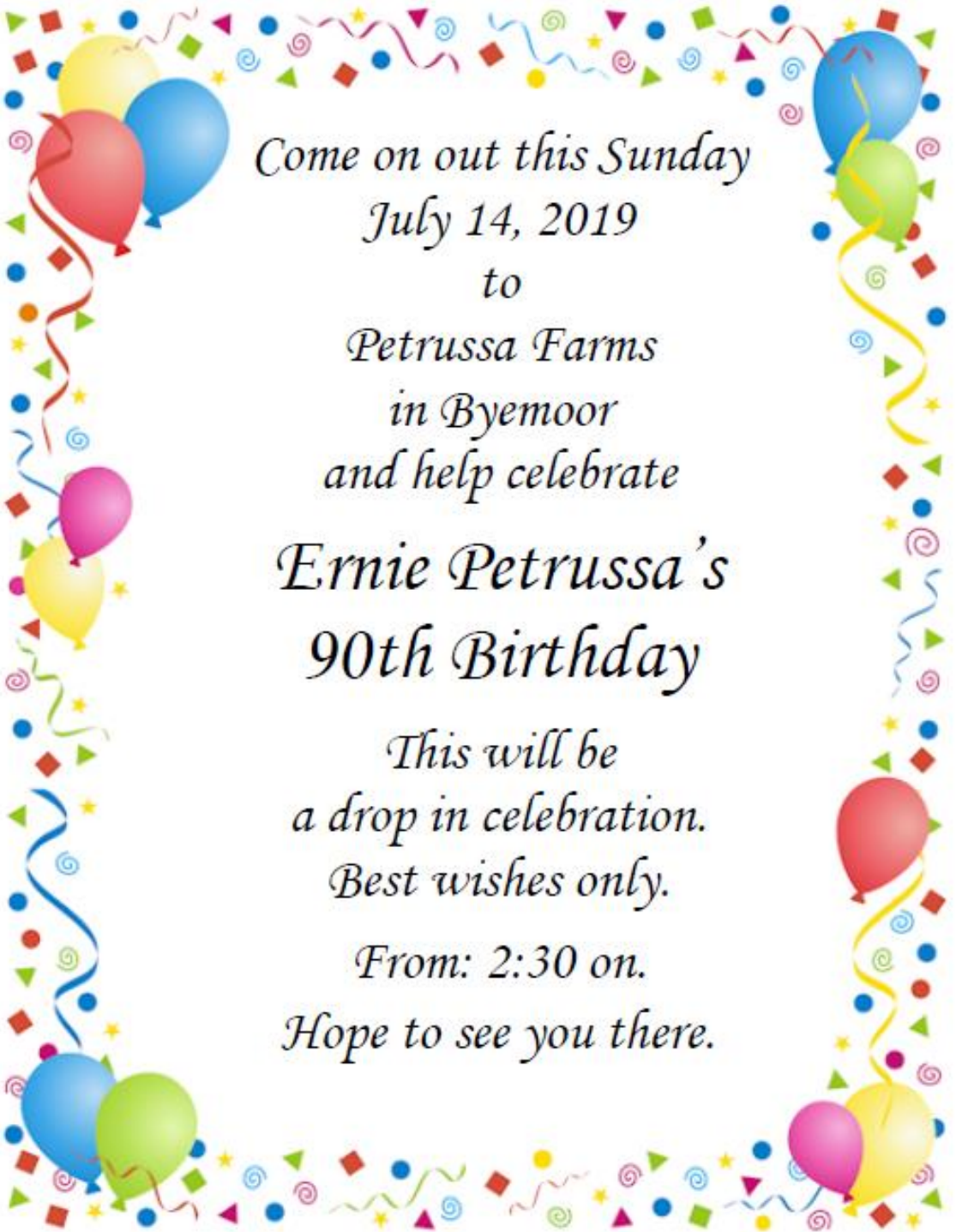
Big Valley

Hosted by ATB Wealth - Don Jensen | Dallin Jensen | Chris Raab

Please RSVP by July 10, 2019 to 403-740-4012 | [teamjensen@atb.com](mailto:teamjensen@atb.com)

**\*\*RSVP required as seats are limited and lunch will be served\*\***

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*Come on out this Sunday  
July 14, 2019  
to  
Petruzza Farms  
in Byemoor  
and help celebrate*

*Ernie Petruzza's  
90th Birthday*

*This will be  
a drop in celebration.  
Best wishes only.*

*From: 2:30 on.  
Hope to see you there.*

# 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



## New BooTy® Session

BooTy® is a barefoot fitness program that empowers & strengthens both the mind and body.

This program combines fitness moves with powerful music and movement, creating a perfect balance between intensity and fun.

Women will be inspired by the leader and the music and feel strong, confident and have fun while being active.

Runners are allowed and if you have a yoga mat bring it but not necessary.

INSTRUCTOR: Kae-Lynn Sorenson  
WHEN: July 9TH-30TH  
TIME: Tuesdays 7pm-8pm  
WHERE: Big Valley School Gym  
Cost: \$40 for 4 weeks  
or Drop In \$15/class

email [kaelynns.booty@gmail.com](mailto:kaelynns.booty@gmail.com)  
for more information

The Big Valley  
Evangelical Free  
Community Church  
will be having a  
camp out  
at Trenville Park  
this weekend

Sunday service  
will be held at  
Trenville Park  
Sunday  
at 10:30 am

### **BIG VALLEY DROP IN CENTRE SCHEDULE**

**POT LUCK & MEETING**  
THURSDAY, JUNE 20 – 12:00 NOON

**CANASTA**  
MONDAY & FRIDAY – 7:00 P.M.

THE DROP IN CENTRE IS OPEN FOR COFFEE  
MONDAY TO FRIDAY – 8 A.M. TO 9:30 A.M.

NO COFFEE WEEKENDS OR HOLIDAYS



**Big Valley United Church**

Rev. Barbara Lieurance

We are taking our traditional summer holiday  
and will not meet for worship services in July.



*As long as you don't forgive,  
who and whatever it is  
will occupy rent-free space in your mind.*  
-Dorothee Soelle



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

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

*All of God lives fully in Christ  
(even when Christ was on earth),  
and you are complete in Christ, who is  
ruler over all rulers and powers.*  
*Colossians 2:9,10*

# classifieds

## FOR TENDER

Big Valley Evangelical Free Church is placing its old church property up for tender.

Proper lot numbers are  
133 and 137 1st Ave South Big Valley  
Legal land description is  
4-11-1725AN and 5-11-1725AN

Tenders can be mailed to  
Big Valley E-Free Church  
Box 307  
Big Valley TOJ 0G0  
or delivered in person to Allan Clark.

Tenders will be received until 12:00 noon on  
Friday the 26th of July, 2019.  
The highest or any tender will not necessarily  
be accepted.

For more information  
call Allan at 403-740-6540.

### 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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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

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