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HAPPY BIRTHDAY CANADA! 149 YEARS STRONG!

There are some things every Canadian knows about their country - the maple leaf is our emblem, the beaver is our national animal, hockey and lacrosse are our national sports - but how much do we really know about our own history?

Here is your chance to put your patriotism to the test with our 10 question quiz!

1. What year was Canada established?
2. Where does the word Canada come from?
3. When did O, Canada become the national anthem?
4. What is Canada's tallest free-standing structure?
5. How many oceans border Canada?
6. What is the oldest walled city that still exists north of Mexico?
7. The Hudson's Bay Company is the world's oldest chartered trading company. What product gave this company its start?
8. Who was the political leader who led the campaign to introduce universal health care?
9. By land mass, what is the only country in the world larger than Canada?
10. What is Canada's highest mountain?

BONUS QUESTIONS:

True or False:

1. Canada is the most educated country in the world.
2. Canada has more lakes than the rest of the world combined.
3. Canada has the second longest coastline in the world.
4. American's have invaded Canada twice.
5. Canada has the largest oil reserves of any other country in the world.

Thanks for taking our quiz!
You can check your answers on the back page, We know you aced it!

ALIX WAGON WHEEL MUSEUM

While you are out celebrating Canada's history, stop in at the Wagon Wheel Museum and brush up on your Ali x history.

The museum has many fascinating relics and even more fascinating stories behind them.

Check out their photo albums and scrapbooks of Alix history like the 1980 fashion show of the clothing collection!

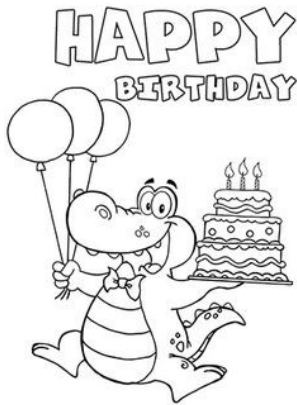
Did you know this is the 100th anniversary of Canadian Women getting voting rights that lasted (some

women such as those who had served in the armed forces in combat - eg: nurses - once had very limited voting rights, but these were terminated).

The museum is open Tues-Sat 10-4:30 in June and 7 days a week 10-4:30 starting in July.



BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



July 1 - Henry Cattelier,
Marlene Korzenowski

July 2 - Gordan Baines

July 3 - Rick Meyn, Chase
Pederson

July 4 - Kelsey & Karlee
Konschuh, Clarence & Trish
Verveda

July 6 - Murray & Wendy
Menage

July 8 - Cathy Mehle

July 10 - Dale Duffy, Karie

Wason

July 23 - Sharon Faszer

July 27 - Ross Guynup, Jamie
Kullman

July 30 - Tasha Bagshaw

July 31 - Mary Flexhaug

If you are celebrating a birth-
day or anniversary and want
us to print it, let us know!

*“Keep calm
and be crazy.
Laugh, love
and live it up
because this is
the oldest
you’ve been
and the youngest
you’ll ever be again.”*

MOVIE IN THE PARK

*“The true alchemists
do not change
lead into gold;
they change the world
into words.”*

- William H. Gass

Come out for a Movie In The
Park at Rahr Park on July
15th at dusk, around 10 PM.

The movie screened will be
“HOME”. Rated PG.

Don’t forget to bring a lawn
chair or a
blanket
and possi-
bly some
bug spray.



ALIX DAYS

Alix Days is August 6th!

It all starts at the Fire Hall
with a Pancake Breakfast at 8.
At 10, keep a watch out for
the Alix Days Parade!

The rest of the events will be
at the AG Grounds, including
a Market (10-3), bouncy cas-
tle, games for kids, chili cook
-off, pie tasting and movie
“Zootopia” that night!

WRITING CONTEST

The Poetry Institute Of Cana-
da is having their poetry &
short story writing contests
with tons of cash prizes!

The poetry contest is for all
ages. There is a 32 line maxi-
mum.

The short story contest is for
ages 18+, open themed, and
has a limit of 850 words.

BAND NOTES...



Congratulations to the Senior
Concert Band who performed
so well for the Leduc East
Elementary School on Friday,
June 10!! The students knew
our song selections and sang
or clapped along with us.

As well, band students played
solo selections to showcase
their instrument sound to
teach band instrumenta-

tion. Well done!

A big thank you to Larry
Henry for hauling instru-
ments for us!

The students also enjoyed
West Edmonton Mall and
travelling in the Frontier Bus!

Thank you to the Band Socie-
ty for another successful year
in the band program! We

appreciate all the fund raising
that it takes to pay for instru-
ments, books, music, reed,
cleaning supplies, instrument
repair, concert tickets and
transportation costs.

Have a great summer and
thanks to students, staff, par-
ents and the Alix Community
for all your support!!

Mrs. JoAnne Henry - Band
Director

LIBRARY NEWS

The Library is now on Summer Hours until September 2, at which time we will revert to regular hours.

July 1st - Library Closed for Canada Day

If there are programs you would like the library to try and put on, please let me know. You can drop in and speak to me or throw me an email at alixpublic@prl.ab.ca

TD Reading Program

The TD Summer Reading Program will start Tuesday June 28th @ 1:30 pm with the 9+ year olds. Wednesdays will be for the 2-4 year olds @ 11 am. And Thursdays are for the 5-8 year olds, also @ 11 am. The kids will be reading, doing crafts and even playing the occasional game.

You can register @ the library or drop in. (Registration will ensure I have enough summer end prizes for all participants.)

NEW & NOTABLE

Brass Verdict - Michael Connelly

Hunting Season - Shelly Laurenston

Defender - Diana Palmer

A Beauty Refined - Tracie Peterson

Harry Potter and the Cursed Child - J. K. Rowling

Witnesses - Robert Whitlow

Tail Gait - Rita Mae Brown

Truly Madly Guilty - Liane Moriarty

Super Pup Heroes (PAW Patrol)

If there is a book/author you would like to see brought into the library please contact me.

"What really knocks me out is a book that, when you're all done reading it, you wish the author was a terrific friend of yours and you could call him up whenever you felt like it."

JD Salinger

BOOK REVIEW - THE WIDOW BY FIONA BARTON

There are mixed reviews for this book but I was drawn into it immediately and read it in almost one sitting. If you like crime/mystery books, then this one is for you. I gave it 5 out of 5, which is rare for me to give to a thriller.

The book is a gripping debut psychological thriller, set in the UK. It is, in my mind, a flawless telling of the story of a paedophile, a missing 2 year old girl, the people trying to prove his guilt in this crime and those that stand by him and believe in his innocence. The story goes between the wife of the suspect, the detective in charge of the investigation, and the reporter who stayed with the story over the years. Did the husband take the girl? Does the wife know? Where is little Bella? Have they been pursuing the wrong man for years? These are ques-

tions that are asked through the book until the end.

The crime haunts the detective in charge; he knows whoever took the girl is still out there and could be looking for his next Bella. The wife of the accused is also haunted but for different reasons. Marrying young and totally swept off her feet by her husband, she now wonders if she really knows

him. He blames her for some of his secret obsessions that come out as the investigation proceeds and she keeps quiet about things. Why does she keep quiet and would she, if she knew for certain that he had taken Bella?

The story skillfully takes you into the minds and lives of the main characters. Also, the legal process and reporting

world is clearly shown with both their virtues and faults. If you read one mystery/crime book this year, I recommend this one.

Written By: Tracey Billson

Book Reviews are the opinion of the writer and do not necessarily convey the opinions of the Alix Public Library or Library Board.

ALIX BOOK CLUBS

The Alix Book Club meets on the LAST THURSDAY of the month at the ALIX LIBRARY at 7 PM.

The CLASSIC BOOK CLUB, for more a more in-depth analysis of books, will meet JULY 14th & AUGUST 11th @ 7PM at the Library.

Book Club is free. Everyone is welcome.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY SOCIETY

The Friends of The Alix Public Library Society are proponents and supporters of library services in Alix, AB. Our purpose is to bring community awareness to the library and its services, increase programming for kids, teens and adults, as well as improve fundraising through new and exciting enterprises.

We would like to thank everyone in the community who donated items to our yard sale fundraiser! Thank you for your contributions!

If you would like to be a part of this wonderful society, please contact us at fotapls@outlook.com





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ENTERTAINING,
CREATING,
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The Alix Public Library would like to thank the Village of Alix Office and Staff for graciously printing this Newsletter. It is very much appreciated.

The Alix Public Library has served the community for 100+ years. We are constantly looking for ways to improve our ability to help our patrons. If you have any ideas, programs or courses you would like to see here at the library please let us know.

You can follow us on Facebook as well at www.facebook.com/alixlibrary.

Hours: Tuesday 10:00 - 4:00
Thursday 2:00 - 8:00
Saturday 10:00 - 4:00

Summer Hours: Tuesday 10:00 - 4:00
Wednesday 10:00 - 4:00
Thursday 10:00 - 8:00
Friday 10:00 - 4:00
Saturday 10:00 - 4:00

Newsletters are available at:

The Alix Public Library, Village Shoppe, Village Office, Potluck Cafe, The Pantry, Post Office, Alix Hotel, Moonwalkers, Alix Foods, Lori's Little Luxuries and Alix Home Hardware.

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To have an event, birthday, anniversary, meeting, etc. added to the newsletter please contact the Library or Amie Saunders with your information.

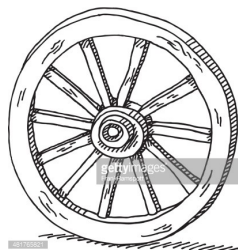
PIONEERS & PROGRESS

"One incident I'll always remember: One afternoon, at recess, about four of us had a little joke on our teacher... a man who lived in the country, about a mile. He drove to school in a buggy which he would leave at the school barn during the day. We reversed his buggy wheel, putting the small ones on the rear and the big ones on the front and he couldn't figure out what was wrong and drove home in that fashion after school. Nearly everyone noticed his predicament and got a huge kick out of it. Next morning, however, it was a different story – he just about wore out a new

strap on our poor hands. "

This article was excerpted from "George Darlow – by Frank Darlow" in *Pioneers and Progress*, a history of the Alix-Clive area, printed in 1974 by DW Friesen and Sons Ltd., Calgary.

Copies of it and of its follow-up 'Gleanings' are available for sale at the Alix Public Library, Alix Wagon Wheel Museum, and Alix Home Hardware.



CANADA TRIVIA QUIZ ANSWERS

- 1867.
 - Kanata was a word used by the St. Lawrence Iroquois people meaning village or settlement. When Jacques Cartier explored this territory, he misused the word to describe the area and it stuck.
 - Not until 1980—100 years after it was written.
 - The CN Tower, standing 553 metres, which was also the world's tallest free-standing structure until 2007 when the Burj Dubai was built.
 3. The Pacific, the Atlantic and the Arctic.
 - Quebec City is the only city that has maintained its fortification walls, first built in 1695.
 - Furs.
 - Tommy Douglas.
 - Russia.
 - Mt. Logan, in the Yukon.
- True or False Answers:
- True.
 - True.
 - False.
 - Canada has the largest coastline.
 - True. In 1775 and 1812. They lost both times.
 - False. Canada stands third, after Saudi Arabia and Venezuela.