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WACKY, FUN 'HOLIDAYS' YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT

June isn't just for Father's Day. After you're done buying the old man some tools and ties for his special day, have some fun celebrating these weird June holidays.

June 2 - National 'Bubba' Day
This day honors anyone named or called Bubba.

June 3 - National Doughnut Day
National Doughnut Day honors the Salvation Army "Lassies" of WWI. It is also used as a fund raiser for needy causes of the Salvation Army.

June 4 - National Hug Your Cat Day
Go ahead and give your fur baby a big hug.

June 6 - National Yo-Yo Day
Not that you need an excuse to play with your Yo-Yo. Wherever you are today, get out your Yo-Yo and impress

your friends, family, and co-workers with your Yo-Yo skills.

June 13 - National Sewing Machine Day
What a great invention. Prior to it's creation, clothes items were sewn together by hand...stitch by stitch by stitch...yawn.

June 14 - National Monkeying Around Day
Put aside your troubles and worries. Throw off the shackles of stress on every day living. Lock up your inhibitions in a safe, or a drawer.

June 18 - World Juggling Day
This day celebrates the skill of juggling, and those talented people who can juggle many balls and objects at a time.

June 19 - National Kissing Day
The objective of this very

special day, is to appreciate the kiss. So, go ahead and swap some spit today.

June 24 - Take Your Dog To Work Day
They say every dog has it's day. Well, that day has arrived. Assuming, of course, that your (wonderful) boss will allow it.

June 29 - International Mud Day
To celebrate this day, all you need is some water and dirt! This day is for everyone, children and inner children. Turn off the television. Set down the smart phone. The purpose of this day is to help bring children back outdoors to enjoy nature and all it has to offer.

LIBRARY YARD SALE - JULY 1ST (10AM-5PM)

The Friends of the Alix Public Library are putting on a Yard Sale to raise money for the improvement of the Alix Public Library!

We are still collecting donations of gently used, good condition yard sale items for our fundraiser. Make some space in your garage! To donate, call or text:

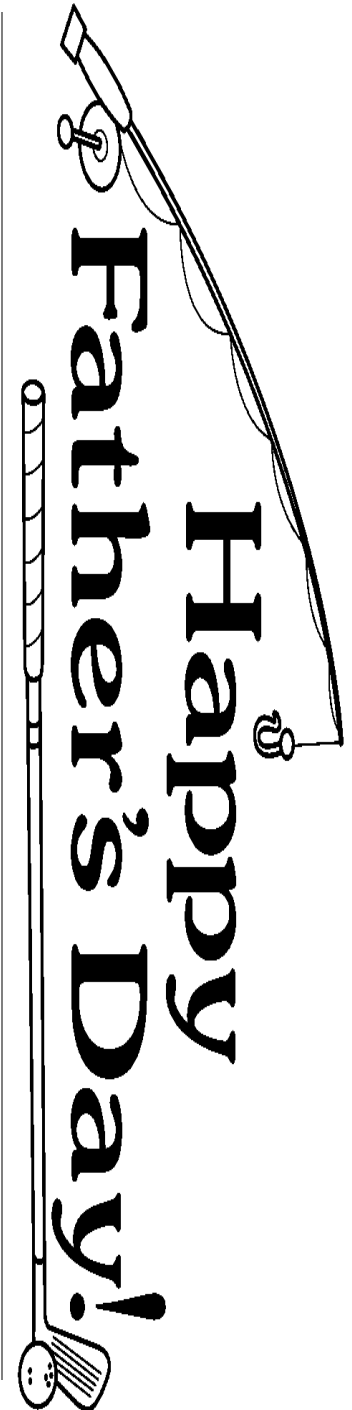
Amie @ 403-505-8771

We will pick up in Alix & Mirror. All unsold items will be donated to the Village Shoppe.

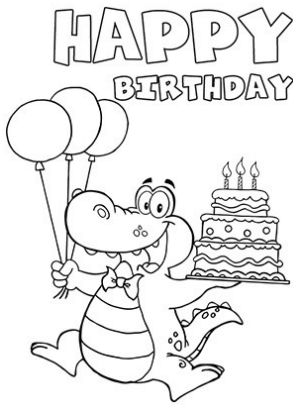
The Friends of The Alix Public Library Society are proponents and supporters of library services in Alix, AB. Our purpose is to bring community

awareness to the library and its services, increase programming for kids, teens and adults, as well as improve fundraising through new and exciting enterprises.

If you would like to be a part of this great society, email us at fotapls@outlook.com



BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES



June 1 - Chelsie Currier
 June 2 - Roberta Sissons,
 Wayne & Holly Buelow
 June 10 - Francois Laneville
 June 11 - Bob Barnes
 June 12 - Duane Humphrey
 June 14 - Sheila MacKay
 June 20 - Brian Hushagen,
 Doug Lancaster
 June 21 - Tiffany Phillips
 June 22 - John Gowler
 June 26 - Tyler Gartner
 June 29 - Charles Andrews



"It is scientifically proven that people who have more birthdays live longer."

COMMUNITY GARDEN PLOTS

Don't have room for a garden? The Village of Alix Community Garden still has plots available.

These plots are free, thanks to their sponsors FairValley Landscaping and Three Lil' Pigs Greenhouse.

Come down to the Village Office and claim yours today!

FROM THE VILLAGE OFFICE...

SUMMER SPLASH CAMPS are offered by the Village of Alix Recreation Department at a cost of \$130 per week. There are two camp weeks available -

July 4th and August 8th. Registration forms are available at the Village office or on the Village website. Don't miss out on the fun! Sign up now!

CANADA DAY is nearing and the Village of Alix is putting on celebrations! Join us and celebrate the fun with a Bouncy Castle, Spandy Andy, a petting zoo, face painting, craft tables, and an amazing race! It all concludes with spectacular fireworks at Alix Lake. All events will start at 12:00 pm (noon) at Rahr Park.

FCSS

It doesn't take a lot to change someone's life. For some, a can or box of food can make all the difference. In a world when most of us have too much, it is our responsibility to give back.

Alix FCSS is always accepting non perishable food items for the Food Bank.

Please help someone in need.

BAND NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS to the Recorder, Beginner, Junior and Senior Concert Bands for their outstanding performances at the Fine Arts Gala in May!

CONGRATULATIONS also to Kyle Snethlage on his art award and to Mrs. Shapka and her art students for your very creative and detailed art work that was displayed for us to enjoy!

Thank you to Flat Iron Jazz for their continued support of our band students and for modelling instrument mastery for us!

Well done to all of you!!

It was a wonderful celebration of fine arts in our school and we extend our appreciation to all the students, parents, community members and staff who continue to encourage us! Without your full support, we would not be able to

continue such a strong program.

The Senior Concert Band is performing at the Leduc East Elementary School and then on to West Edmonton Mall on Friday, June 10 all day. This is an important part of our curriculum, being able to perform successfully for different audiences. It is always fun to see student response when we perform music that they know and

enjoy. Our hope is that we will inspire others to pursue their own musical study.

Finally, all this is possible with the financial support of the Band Society and Alix community. THANK YOU for providing transportation for each band to perform and share their musical talents!

Mrs. JoAnne Henry - Band Director

LIBRARY NEWS

The Library will be going to summer hours on June 28th, through to August 31st. (See back page for summer hours)

June 14, 16 & 18th - Father's Day Crafts, all day @ the Library.

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

NEW & NOTABLE

end prizes for all participants.)

Emperor's Revenge - Clive Cussler

Bay of Sighs - Nora Roberts
Defender - Diana Palmer

Hunting Season - Shelly Laurenston

Beast Behaving Badly - Shelly Laurenston

Crown of Three: Lost Realm - J.D. Rinehart

Beast in Him - Shelly Laurenston

"Google can bring you back 100,000 answers. A librarian can bring you back the right one."

-Neil Gaiman

VOLUNTEERING AND WHAT IT MEANS TO ME

Before moving to Alix, I had never been a volunteer a day in my life. While I understood the definition of the word, I had no idea what it meant.

Sitting in the Alix Library one day, I was asked (by a wonderful woman who has racked up more volunteer hours than any of us could ever hope to reach - not that were counting) to volunteer to take orders at the community pancake breakfast

(every 3rd Sunday @ the Alix Community Hall, 9-Noon). I graciously accepted, never having been to a pancake breakfast before and eager to see what it was all about.

That Sunday changed my life here in Alix. In the span of three hours, I had been asked to join three different organizations in town; I had met dozens of people, many of which have

become close friends; I finally felt like there might be a place, a purpose for me in this community. What was more, I truly understood what it meant to be a volunteer.

Being a volunteer in your community doesn't just benefit your community by being able to put on great programs (like the Hot Lunch program, Cards & Games at the Drop In Cen-

tre, Pancake Breakfast, Book Club and so many more), it also benefits the volunteer. You will make new friends. You will find new passions. You might even discover some new talents that you didn't know you had.

There is no better feeling than knowing you have positively impacted your community. It doesn't take much. Just a few hours a week, or even a

ALIX FARMERS MARKET

The Alix Farmers Market will be starting up again on May 25th and will run every Wednesday from 3-7 PM at the Alix AG Grounds, 2 minutes West of Alix.

Come on out and support the great vendors with an array of interesting items!

Don't miss our \$5 supper!
Think. Shop. Eat. Local.

SENIORS DAY

June 9th @ the Drop In Centre
Cake and Ice Cream provided!

MOONWALKERS

June 13th is FREE DAY!

Bring the kids out for a fun, active day!

Thank you to our sponsor,
Superfluity 20-6!

ESSENTIAL OILS CLASS

June 16th , 7 PM @ Alix Youth Centre

"Summertime Foods"

Join us for an informative and fun Do Terra essential oils cooking class!

This class is free. Everyone is welcome.

Essential oils have many beneficial uses. Come and find out how they can improve your life.

ALIX BOOK CLUB

The Alix Book Club meets on the last Thursday of every month at 7 PM @ The Alix Public Library.

We invite everyone to bring one or two titles to vote on for our next book choice.

Food and Drink are provided. Book Club is free. Everyone is welcome.



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LEARNING,
ENTERTAINING,
CREATING,
DO IT ALL AT THE LIBRARY.

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.

Online Copies available @ alixpublic.prl.ab.ca/about-us/newsletters

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

IDENTITY THEFT AND YOU

What is IDENTITY THEFT? We hear the words often enough these days but a lot of us don't really know what it means, the consequences of being a victim, and how to protect ourselves from it.

What is "Identity Theft"?

Identity Theft is the deliberate use of someone else's identity to obtain financial gain or credit.

What is "my identity" and how is it stolen?

Your identity is your name, your I.D or Driver's License number, your Social Insurance Number, and any other government issued document that is specific to only you.

Your identity can be stolen in many ways. Some of the most common ways include:

- looking in your trash for discarded bills and bank receipts
- retrieving personal data from old computers (even after you have thrown it out) or lost USB sticks
- using public records, such as those published in official registers like electoral polls
- browsing social networking sites such as Facebook for personal details that might answer your online bank security questions to override your passwords
- 'Shoulder Surfing', the act of spying over your shoulder when you are entering your sensitive information
- advertising bogus job offers in order to gain your personal information
- making fraudulent phone call scams under the guise of well known organizations

How can I protect myself against Identity Theft?

While you can't protect yourself from everything, there are some things you can do to lessen the chances of being a victim of Identity Theft.

1. Shred your personal documents before you throw them away.
2. Don't post any personal information on social media sites.
3. Make sure no one is watching you type in your debit card pin number.
4. Don't give personal information over the phone.
5. Check your Equifax and TransUnion credit report often, compare them, and investigate any unknown debts.

For more information on how to protect yourself visit Privacy Commissioner's website at priv.gc.ca/idtheft