

Talk of the Town



Prices for advertising a business:

\$10—Business card size,

\$30-quarter page ad,

\$60—half page ad,

\$120—full page ad.

Local programs and announcements are not charged. However, you must have a Balgonie Post Office Box # to advertise.

Send news items to the balgonienewsletter@sasktel.net

All information must be received by April 18, 2014 to be included in the May 2014 issue.



IMPORTANT DATES

April 3—Greenall High School R&B Band fundraising concert at 7:00 p.m.

April 7— 50 + Club AGM AT 7:00 p.m.

April 10—Deadline for Summer Maintenance
Staff resumes with Town of Balgonie

April 12— Beaver, Cub & Scout Bottle Drive 9:30 a.m.

April 12—Bisons' NHL Playoff Auction Draft

April 15—Deadline for Lifeguard resumes with Town of Balgonie

April 20—EASTER SUNDAY—HAPPY EASTER!

May 4—Balgonie Playschool AGM

May 10—PMFA Ladies Night

May 21—Swimming Lessons Registration

May 24—Firefighters and 1st Responders GALA

The Balgonie 50+ Club will be offering a series of art classes beginning late April through May. Classes are being planned for Monday afternoons from 1-3. We are looking at Acrylic and Watercolor painting plus some new forms of art. The classes will be offered to our membership first and if space allows, we will accept other budding artists . Call Heather @ 306-771-2891 or Wendy @ 771-4305 for further information.



March 8th CRIBBAGE RESULTS

1st Place: Vic & Alma

2nd Place: Eleanor & Gertie

3rd place: (tied) Bob & Shirley

Laurence & Ron

Congratulations to Gertie Kramer on a 28 POINT HAND!

24 Hands:

Mae Karlonas Myrna Belanger



Ken Butz Vic Neiser Elmer Miller The 50+ Club is having their Annual General Meeting on April 7th at 7 p.m.

We encourage all members to come out and have a voice in the activities of the Club. If you know of anyone that would like to become a member, please ask them to come along.

Coffee and donuts will be served.

THANK YOU!

I would like to Thank all my family, friends and neighbours for bringing food, cards and helping me while I was recovering from surgery. It meant so much to me.

Thanks again!

Shirley Rider

THANK YOU!

Heartfelt thanks to all who were at the scene of my snowmobile accident on March 7th, 2014. The local EMS were fantastic in their efforts and I can't thank you all enough!

Roy Schulz and Family.





Condolences are offered to Mark Worrall and Kelsey Lane on the passing of Mark's father.

FOUND:

We found a set of car keys in the snow outside the curling rink. They belong to a KIA.

To claim them, contact Lindsay at 305-536-4632.



Do you have any old bikes? The Balgonie Elks Club is accepting donations of old bikes. Please call Darren at 306-771-2778.



MB Accounting Services

Specializing in bookkeeping and accounting services for personal and small business

Office: (306)771-0007
Cell: (306)570-8242
PO Box 517
Balgonie, SK SOG OEO
mbaccountingservices@sasktel.net
www.mbaccountingservices.ca



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

JOB TITLE: GUARD SERVICES

LOCATION: WHITE BUTTE RCMP DETACHMENT, 58 Great Plains Road, Emerald Park, SK

Details: Guards / Matrons are required to supervise prisoners while in custody at the NEW RCMP DE-TACHMENT (White City / Emerald Park).

This is for multiple "Casual" positions only- on an "as and when" required basis.

Requirements: As a guard or matron you must possess or be able to obtain the following:

Obtain a Criminal Record Check

Obtain the Required Security Clearance

Pass the required Guard Training Course

Current First Aid/CPR/AED an asset

Valid Un-Restricted Class 5 Saskatchewan Driver's License

Reliable Transportation

Excellent customer service/interpersonal skills

Have a proven ability to work independently and or in team concept

Good oral and written communication

May be required to pass a Pre-Access (Drug Test) prior to employment

To Apply: Attend or Contact the Detachment @ 306-781-5050

Loraas Waste Disposal Carts:

The Town of Balgonie has been notified that Loraas will not be picking up carts which are over 200 pounds. To ensure pickup, do not overload the Waste Disposal Carts. Items like concrete, wood, building materials, landscaping materials should not go in the carts.

If your cart is too heavy or overloaded, it will be left behind.

There is a Loraas bin at the Town Transfer Station for disposal of larger heavier items. The red bin is delivered on the first Friday of every month and remains there until the bin is full. The spring clean up bins will be here later in the month of April. There will be 4 of these bins in total.

To recycle some heavier items that still have some useful life, please consider the

following options:

RESTORE—HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

SALVATION ARMY

VALUE VILLAGE

YWCA

LOCAL GROUP GARAGE SALES—Balgonie Community Garage Sales are on June 7th. Sign up with the Library.

Sell or give away items on local websites like www.usedregina.com or www.kijiji.ca



Balgonie Water Project:

The Town of Balgonie has started receiving water from Pilot Butte through the transmission line that was built this past year. During this transition phase, there may be some residual water in the system from our previous water sources. For the next month, you may notice changes in the water which you are receiving to your homes. There may be some subtle changes in the odor and taste as the chlorination levels are adjusted to the water supply. The

water from Pilot Butte is filtrated by Reverse Osmosis, which takes the minerals from the water. This may make the water taste slightly different.

After this testing phase of the project, the hardness of the water will be published, so that residents may make any necessary adjustments to their water softening systems.



TOWN OF BALGONIE SENIOR RESIDENTS:

The Town of Balgonie will be implementing a pick up program for grass and branches for the months of *May, June, July and August 2014*.

The grass clipping/tree branch pick up will be available to senior residents of Balgonie who are 65 years and older who have registered for the program with the Town of Balgonie.

- Cost \$ 50.00 for the season.
- Limit of 4 bags per week
- Wednesday pick up

Please register with the Town Office for the program by April 20, 2014.

Registration Form for 2014 grass and tree branch pickup.

Name:
Street Address:
Mailing Address:
\$ 50.00 fee enclosed for the season –May, June, July & August 2014
Signature

Flood Maintenance and Prevention-

Maintaining Home Drainage System

Regular maintenance of your home drainage system can often be the difference between staying dry or being flooded. Once a year, it's a good idea to evaluate the condition of your system – inside and out. If you find a problem, make fixing it a priority.

Remember: Most flooding on private property is caused by the failure of one or more home drainage elements.

The following provides a maintenance checklist you should review each year. If you are unsure of what to do, call a professional.

Outside

Eavestroughs & Downspouts

- Clean leaves and debris from inside the trough and downspouts.
- Tighten elbows and other connections.
- Caulk and seal any leaks.
- Repair or replace sagging, badly dented or cracked sections.

Splash Pads & Extensions

- Reconnect any loose pads or extensions.
- Replace badly dented extensions.
- Check soft plastic, roll out extensions for leaks and to determine if they work properly.

Lot Grading

- Check the slope from the basement wall.
- Check for settling, particularly under stairs and decks.
- Raise any low spots.
- Look for cracks or spaces on driveways, sidewalks and patios that are next to the foundation wall.
 Caulk or waterproof where needed.



Inside

Foundation Walls

- Check for moisture along the walls and the floor.
- Fill and seal any visible cracks.

Sump Pump

- Check for power.
- Test the pump by pouring water into the pump well.
- Check the outside pipe to confirm water is flowing towards the street or back lane.
- Check and repair any leaks in the sump pump pipe.
- Disconnect sump pump discharge hose in winter conditions to avoid freezing in the line.

Sewer backup:

- Sewer caps should be on to prevent sewer backup.
- Install a backflow prevention valve

Plumbing Fixtures

 Maintain proper water levels in traps in floor drains and toilets to minimize odours.

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT:

The Town of Balgonie will be accepting resumes for Summer Student positions in the Maintenance Dept. May 5, 2014 starting date. Resumes will be accepted at the Town office until 4:30 p.m. on April 10th, 2014.

A valid driver's license is a requirement of the position.

Fax: 306-771-2899

Email: balgonieparkrec@sasktel.net

129 Railway St. E, Balgonie



Cabaret

Saturday, April 26, 2014 at Edenwold Hall

Cocktails: 5:00 - 6:00

Catered Supper: 6:00 - 7:30

Talent Show: 7:30 - 8:30

Music by "Sucker Punch" 9:00 - 1:00

Tickets \$30.00 per person

Darcy & Faye Scott 306-771-2104

Paul Boehme 306-591-3888

Box 310, 129 Railway St.

Phone: 306-771-2284 Fax: 306-771-2899 E-mail: townofbalgonie@sasktel.net

Emergency Number:

306-535-4235

From the Town

REGULAR OFFICE HOURS

9:00 to noon and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday.

We are open every weekday. (including Wednesdays)

The Town Office will be closed on Good Friday, April 18th.

ELECTRONIC PAYMENTS:

Taxes and Utility Bills may be paid electronically through your online banking website. The payments would be under Town of Balgonie Taxes and Town of Balgonie Utilities.

(Do not choose Balgonie Water—this payee is a previous business and is not connected with the Town of Balgonie.)
Please contact the Town office to obtain your account numbers.

Electronic payments for Utilities and Taxes are a convenient way to pay your bills, but they are not instantaneous. Please allow 2-3 business days before any due date so that your payment is receipted by our office before any penalties apply. The bank requires time to process the payment and advise the Town.

TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS are open to the public. They are regularly scheduled on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of every month starting at 6:15 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Balgonie Administration Building.

Council meetings in APRIL are scheduled for April 14 and April 28, 2014.

April Loraas Pick up dates:

Apr. 1	Recycling
Apr. 8	Garbage
Apr. 15	Recycling
Apr. 22	Garbage
Apr. 29	Recycling

Please refer to the Town of Balgonie website for a comprehensive list of materials which are allowed in your recycle bin as well as the yearly calendar of pickups.

Fats, Oils, and Grease -

Store it,

don't pour it.

Pouring fats, oils, and grease down your drain can cause significant problems in your home sewer system as it solidifies in your pipes and causes sewer back up. The result can be property damage and considerable expense and inconvenience to you and to the Town of Balgonie. Used cooking oils and grease should be cooled and put into a container with a lid for storage that can be put in to the garbage receptacle.

Blocked Sewer Drains:

Blockages in the sewer lines are the homeowner's responsibility. The Town of Balgonie may issue a reimbursement for sewer cleanout only if it is on the Town portion and due to tree roots. A Town of Balgonie should be called to have an employee present when the Plumbing company inspects the line. Please call our office to arrange this: 306-771-2284 or after hours 306-535-4235.

Reimbursement for the plumbing costs will not be paid if our office is not called, or if the blockage is due to disposal of improper items.

PLEASE PLACE THESE ITEMS IN THE TRASH! DO NOT FLUSH!!

sanitary napkins tampons and applicators q-tips

cotton balls condoms diapers/pull ups

incontinence products sanitary wipes kleenex

paper towels napkins cosmetic pads

cleaning wipes disposable toilet brushes sponges

needles razors grease

All of the above items have been found in Town sewer lift station screens and have caused drainage issues. These materials do not "break down" in the sewer system. These items travel down the sewer system and combine with other items and cause a blockage at some point in the line. These blockages cost property owners directly through blockages to their homes or indirectly through the costs to the Town for removal.

QUESTIONS FREQUENTLY ASKED REGARDING APPEALING YOUR PROPERTY ASSESSMENT

(The following questions and answers are taken from the pamphlet "Understanding the Property Assessment Appeal Process" from the Saskatchewan Government Relations, Provincial Municipal Relations and Advisory Services)

What is Property Assessment?

Property assessment is the process of determining a property's assessed value as of a specific date for property tax purposes. The assessment provides an estimate of the property's value that reflects typical market conditions.

Local governments use property assessments as a basis for the distribution of property taxes among property owners. <u>Property assessment is not the same as property tax.</u> The assessment of a property is the value assigned to it as the basis for allocating taxes among various classes of property.

Who Can I Contact to Explain My Assessment?

You should start with your administrator of your municipality (Phone 306-771-2284). You can also call SAMA (Saskatchewan Assessment Management Agency) as it is the agency that performs Balgonie's assessments.

Preparing the Notice of Appeal Form

When making an assessment appeal, the notice of appeal form must be fully completed. You must provide specific grounds supporting the appeal. You are required to provide as many details as possible and all facts and evidence that an error has been made in the:

- valuation of the property;
- classification of the property;
- preparation of the relevant assessment roll or assessment notice; and/or

content of the relevant assessment roll or assessment notice.

The grounds for the appeal must be detailed. Phrases such as "assessment too high" or "assessment too low" are **NOT** sufficient.

It is your responsibility to make a case to the board of revision. It may be as simple as proving that dimensions or measurements are wrong or that a classification is not correct, or as complex as proving that the value of a property is not fairly assessed compared to another property that is similar in nature.

Regular Assessment Appeals or Simplified Assessment Appeals?

When making regular or simplified assessment appeals, the notice of appeal form must be fully completed. Regular appeal – the appellant must provide specific written grounds supporting the appeal when submitting it to the secretary before the hearing. Simplified appeal - the appellant is not required to submit detailed written grounds to the secretary before the hearing but must have detailed information ready to present to the appeal board.

Can I Base My Appeal on the Fact that I Feel my Taxes are Too High?

NO! Legislation outlines the valid grounds of appeal. Only your property assessment can be appealed, not taxes or mill rates.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE A COPY OF THE PAMPHLET, PLEASE COME INTO THE TOWN OFFICE OR VISIT THE FOLLOWING WEBSITE.

www.municipal.gov.sk.ca/Assessment/Revaluation/UnderstandingAssessmentAppeals

Notice of Preparation of Assessment Roll

Town of Balgonie

Notice is hereby given that the assessment roll for the Town of Balgonie for the year of **2014** has been prepared and is open to inspection in the Office of the Assessor during normal business hours from 9 a.m. to noon and 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. on Monday to Friday, April 4 to May 5, 2014.

A bylaw pursuant to section 214 of *The Municipalities Act* has been passed and the assessment notices have been sent as required.

Any person who wishes to appeal against his or her assessment is required to file his or her notice of appeal accompanied by a \$50.00 fee for each assessment being appealed, which will be returned if the appeal is successful, with: The Secretary of the Board of Revision, c/o Town of Balgonie, Box 310, Balgonie, SK SOG 0E0, by the 5th day of May, 2014.

Dated this 4th day of April, 2014.

Valerie Hubbard, Assessor.

2014 property taxes will be set as part of the budget process for the Town Council.

Property taxes have not yet been determined for the 2014 year.

PROPERTY ASSESSMENT DOES NOT EQUAL PROPERTY TAX

SAMA's role in determining assessed value for properties is just the first part of a process established by provincial legislation. The second part is application of provincial government established tax policy, such as property classes and percentage of value, and statutory exemptions. The third and final part of the process involves municipalities determining the local mill rate annually based on local budget needs. The province also sets the mill rate for the education sector. Municipalities then multiply the taxable assessment by the local mill rate* to produce property tax levies, also known as your property tax bill.

(SAMA) (Province) (Municipalities and (Taxpayer)
Government)
ASSESSED VALUE X PERCENTAGE OF VALUE X MILL RATES* = PROPERTY TAXES
& EXEMPTIONS

With SAMAView you can:

- Verify your property assessment information
- Compare your assessment to similar or neighbouring properties; and
- Get a general idea of assessed values in your municipality.

The SAMAVIEW website: www.sama.sk.ca

^{*}Municipalities have the authority to use a series of tax tools ranging from mill rate factors to minimum taxes. For more information on tax tools and exemptions see the Ministry of Government Relations website (www.municipal.gov.sk.ca).

Balgonie Elementary School

Believing Everyone can Succeed

Pre-school Storytime

Do you have a child who will be attending kindergarten at Balgonie Elementary School Fall of 2014 . . . who <u>does not</u> attend Balgonie Early Learning Center or the Balgonie Playschool?

As part of BES's Learning Improvement Plan and our School Community Council, literacy has become a major priority for our students and for our community. As members of our larger school community, we would like to invite you to the "BES Storytime" in our school library.

Story times occur every other month and include picture books read with the children and a fun activity. This is a great opportunity for your child to become comfortable in the school environment, meet some BES staff members and enjoy some great books and activities.

Please call Mrs. Andrea Moroz at the Elementary School (771-2345) if you are interested in bringing your pre-school child(ren) to join in our storytime!

Monday, April 14th - 11:00-11:45 Tuesday, April 15th - 10:00-10:45 Tuesday, April 15th - 2:30-3:15



Spend less time in the kitchen and more time enjoying great food with friends and family!

Make delicious, affordable meals in minutes with versatile VE Herb & Spice Blends. Discover the gourmet chef you already are by simply opening a jar!

Spend LESS – enjoy MORE with Epicure. Bon appétit!

Contact your Independent Epicure Consultant today!

Brittany Melnychuk 1-306-535-8689 brittanymelnychuk.myepicure.com



GETTING READY FOR KINDERGARTEN

IMMUNIZATION

Your child should receive an immunization after their 4th Birthday (prior to starting school). The immunization is to protect your child from Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis and Polio. If your child did not receive an immunization to protect your child

from Meningococcal C when they were 1 year of age they will need this immunization as well.

For immunization appointments in Pilot Butte, Balgonie or Regina (day and evening clinics) call 306-766-7500 and press 1.

If you have any questions call Dawn Overend Public Health Nurse at 306-766-7514 For further information on immunizations you can go to:

www.rqhealth.ca/immunization

www.immunize.cpha.ca

www.phac-aspc.gc.ca

VISION

It is recommended that your child have an eye exam at an optometrist prior to starting school.



SCENTSY PRODUCTS:

Brittany Melnychuk 306-535-8689

Balgonie Playschool Needs YOU!!



Annual General Meeting Sunday, May 4, 2014 at 7:00 pm Balgonie Baptist Church

Balgonie Playschool is in need of new board members to <u>fill open positions</u> for the 2014/2015 school year. If you are interested in a position on the board or generally interested in the operations of Balgonie Playschool, please feel free to attend the AGM.

We're a group of parent volunteers who meet once a month. Joining the board is a great way to become involved in your child's education and meet new people.

We would love to have you!

Any questions please call Lee Peter at 771-4248 for more information.

Balgonie Playschool wishes to offer a special thank you to **The Diner** for providing free pizza to the playschool classes so that the kids could enjoy a much needed pizza party!!!



Balgonie Playschool – Save the Date!

Registration for the 2014/2015 school year will be on Sunday, June 8 at 7:00 pm.

Watch for more information in May.

The Balgonie Playschool wishes to thank the following sponsors for their generous donations to the 2014 Ladies Night

General Paint - 3 Cans of White Deck and Dock Paint

Papp Signs -- Signage

Brittney Melnychuk Epicure - Basket of Product

Cynthia Lovering Park Lane Jewellery - 2 Pair of Earrings

Jenn Schmidt Binky Dots Blankets - Scarf and \$25 Gift Card

Fidelity Fitness - Hoodie & 1 Ladies Strength Training Class

Spa Cantik & Salon - Moroccanoil Products & \$50 Gift Card

Alexis Wagman - South Hill Designs Necklace

Janice Wyper Stampin Up - Bag of Product

Shades of Bliss - Product Basket & 3 Free Tanning Sessions

Shelly Kainz Remax - Wine Basket

Lisa Bueckert Tupperware - Pink Bowl Set

Balgonie Chinese Food Restaurant - \$20 Gift Card

Pilot Butte Insurance Agency - \$100 Gift Card to EnVoque Day Spa

Amaranth Designs - Custom Blouse & Skirt

Ronaleen Carlson Fifth Avenue Collection - Necklace & Earrings

Naomi Romanow Scentsy - Warmer, Wax & Hand Cream

Darcie Lozinski Steeped Tea - \$20 Gift Card

Corrina Holhoyi Beauty Control - Zenergy Product Bag

 ${\bf Brigitte\ Olsen\ Tupperware\ -\ Tupperware\ }\ {\bf \it Containers}$

Elljay Designs - Necklace

Corrina Holhoyi - Steeped Tea Basket

Party Lite Advent Calendar & Garden Gnome

Kayla Thompson Stella & Dot - Gold Bangle Bracelets

Regina Pats T-shirt

Pampered Chef - Basket

Cuts Out Back - Hair Product Basket

Blair's - Lunch Coolers and Product

Aspen Links - 4 Rounds of Golf with Cart

Boston Pizza Emerald Park - Two \$25 Gift Cards

Kelly Welder K & B Jewellery - Green Sparkle Ball Earrings

Candace Hill Park Lane Jewellery - Gold Necklace

Brittany Lindenbach Photography & Co - 8 x 12 Metal Print

Victoria Jewellers - Seiko Watch

Amie Lindenbach Paper White Photography - \$50 Gift Card

Graham Tire - 4 Hoodies, 4 Hats & 3 Golf Shirts

Delta Bessborough - 1 Night Stay

Kim Skrypnyk 13th Avenue Body & Soul Massage-Two 90 Minute Full Body Relaxation

Old Dutch - Snacks and Trays for Munchies

Amanda McKay - Canvas Painting

Amy Rankin & Chad Landry Metal Muse Jewellery - Necklace

The Diner - \$25 Gift Card

Saskatoon Inn - 1 Night Stay & Brunch for Two

Pamela Kydd Lia Sophia - 4 in 1 Earrings

Vanessa Erikson Epicure - Summer Berry Spice

Robin Crowshaw - 1 Hour Massage

Zazu Salon - \$25 Gift Card

Wood Country McLean - Solar Lights and \$25 Gift Card

Kimberly Kiel: Kiel Art Contemporary Ltd - Painting

Avicii Day Spa - Two Casmara Facials

Dawn Bourret Toe Trendz - Gift Card for Airbrushed Toes

Merle Norman Cosmetics Golden Mile - Product Basket

Van Houtte Coffee - Keurig Machine

Cross Country Foods - Wine Basket

Kerri's Cakes - Gift Card for 12 Cupcakes

Chantal Cote -- Mary Kay Gift Certificate

Core X Fitness - Gift Certificates

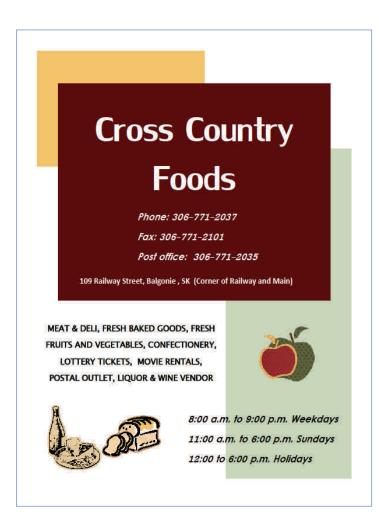
Colony Coffee Northgate Mall - Gift Basket

DM's Korner -- \$50 Home Outfitters Gift Certificate

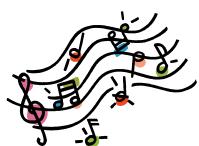
Sherry Lutes - Avon \$250 Gift Basket

Wascana Flower Shop - Bouquet Jay's Trucking - Product Basket

A huge thank you to Dorothy McLennan for donating her time to prepare the meal and the waiters and bartenders who donated their time to add to the evenings festivities.







The Greenall High School R&B Band will be putting on a fundraising concert and dance on Thursday, April 3rd at 7:00pm in the Greenall High School Gym.

This concert will be featuring: Grammy Nominated Los Angeles based drummer **Sammy K** as well as

many other specials guests such as **Chris Jacklin** on the Alto Saxophone.

Tickets are \$10.00 and available from band students in the programs at WCS / BES / PBS / GHS / Edenwold or McLean Schools. Tickets will also be available at the door. If you have any questions about the R&B band or the show please contact Ms. Katlyn Redding at Katlyn.Redding@pvsd.ca or 306.771.2566

The Balgonie Elks 572 Lodge Updates:

-with members from Balgonie, Mclean, White City, and Emerald Park.

Our regular, monthly meeting was held on Tuesday March 18. We are pleased to announce that Elks will continue to support the Balgonie Elementary Literary Program, which provides age appropriate books to children the ages of 4 and 5 during their annual visit to the school.

We are working very hard to bring back the Balgonie Bed Derby Races to be part of our Family Fun Day on July 1, 2014. The Elks



are looking for any old bikes that you no longer need. If you have some, please contact Darren at

306-771-2778 to arrange for them to be picked up. We desperately need them to build our beds.

As the spring season is upon us, now is the time to start planning your entry for the parade. You can enter a float or decorate your bikes or garden tractor or whatever to enter into our parade. We are always looking for more entries—the more the merrier.

Get in the sprit and join in the fun on July 1, 2014.

Our Back Yard BBQ tickets are now for sale we have only 400 join the fun maybe you will be the next winner of a steak supper for 12 in your own back yard.

Next meeting is May 20, 2014 at 8:00 in the small hall in the Balgonie Multiplex. New members are always welcome. If you are interested in joining, please give Darren a call at 306-771-2779.

Our annual poster and literacy contest is complete and the winners will be announced in the next edition of the Talk of the Town.

Your Balgonie Elks Lodge helps children.

We know that just like butterflies,

the children we assist are transformed.



137 Railway St W Balgonie, Sk

*Haircuts, Colors, Extensions,
Perms, Formal Styles

*Full retail line of Styling Products

*Tanning

*Gift Certificates

*Book now for Grad to avoid disappointment!

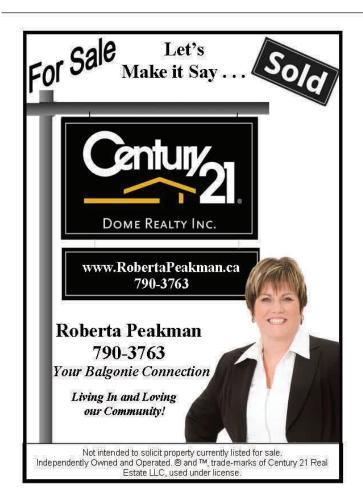
Crime Prevention

LOCK YOUR VEHICLE DOORS: Recently, there have been some thefts from vehicles in neighbouring communities. Items that are often left out in cars include cash, sunglasses, garage door openers, keys, etc. Please don't leave items in your vehicle which are in plain view and tempting to steal!

REPORT CRIMES: It is important to report <u>all crimes</u> to the White Butte R.C.M.P detachment. Although, you may feel that it is unnecessary to report, the R.C.M.P. use the information received to monitor crime trends. As well, patrols and staffing are allocated based on the statistics of crime. If incidents are not reported, the R.C.M.P. are not getting accurate information about crime in our community.

White Butte R.C.M.P Detachment: 306-781-5050—non-urgent

Emergency: 911







Ladies Night



Football 101 for Ladies

Saturday, May 10, 2014
Balgonie Multiplex (Hwy 364)
Tickets \$35 each

(Tickets at the door \$40 each)

With Special Guest Speakers from the Saskatchewan Roughriders

Doors open at 6:30pm
Cocktails & Dessert Buffet 7:00pm
Guest Speakers 8:00pm
Raffle Prizes

For tickets, please email <u>prairieminorfootball@gmail.com</u> Check out our Facebook page for more information.

Robin's Relexology, Relaxation and Remedial Massage

And Jade Hot Stone Massage

Balgonie

Monday - Friday

Phone: 306-771-2696

Registered with MTAS for your health insurance





GREENALL 2014 AFTER-GRAD (DRY-GRAD) COMMITTEE LOOKS TO COMMUNITY FOR SUPPORT

Greenall's 2014 After-Grad (Dry Grad) Committee, consisting of parent volunteers, is hosting an event on Friday, June 27/14 for students to celebrate their graduation together in a safe and engaging way. This event has been a tradition and is an all-night, super- Soon volunteers will be contacting members/ following morning. The party will feature activities, donation, entertainment, food and enticing prizes designed to hertzhaven@gmail.com persuade graduates to attend.

Gas Appliance Service & Installations

Furnace Replacements—Underground Gas Lines

Garage &Shop Heaters—BBQ Hook ups

Complete Gas Fitting Services

Lyle Morris

Licensed Gas Fitter

Box 356 Tel: 306.771.2351 Balgonie SK SOG 0E0 Cel: 306.531.5836

morris132@sasktel.net

As you can imagine, planning an event of this size is a significant undertaking and requires considerable financial support and volunteer effort. Ticket sales will generate funds to partially cover the venue, food and/or activities. Committee volunteers have joined together to bring in additional funds to provide the extras like interactive entertainers, high-energy activities and prizes (small & large) for all graduates.

vised, after-grad celebration where no alcohol or businesses in the community for donations so that drugs are allowed. The Dry Grad event will immedi- we can provide the most unforgettable celebration ately follow the dinner/dance portion of the grad for years to come. If you have not been contacted evening and will end at approximately 3am the and would like to make a cash, prize or gift bag item please email Gerry Hertz at or Dawn Arguin at dawn.arquin@sasktel.net - no amount is too small!

> All sponsors will be thanked and promoted at the After-Grad celebration, in local newsletters and After -Grad publications. We thank you in advance for your support.

> (Note: The After-Grad is not a school sponsored event - it is an event organized and run by parent volunteers)

Gerry Hertz, Sponsorship Coordinator Dawn Arguin, Chair-After-Grad Committee



Careers in a Class of Their Own

Spare and Regular School Bus Driver Positions

Prairie Valley School Division delivers educational services to over 8000 students in 38 schools throughout southeast Saskatchewan. We have opportunities for you to join our team of professionals in the Transportation department. We are currently seeking spare and regular bus drivers in anticipation of possible vacancies for the current and 2014/2015 school years in many areas of the school division.

Great reasons to join our team of dedicated, professional and hard-working permanent bus drivers:

- Our permanent and spare bus drivers are valued members of our staff, providing an essential service by transporting rural children and youth to and from school safely every day. This is a job you can feel good about every day!
- Our buses are modern, with up to date safety technology.
- Drivers work in a safe and supportive work environment, with a team of journeyman mechanics, administrative staff in our office and school administrators who ensure our drivers have the skills and confidence they require to be successful.
- Our drivers receive various professional development opportunities throughout the school year.
- This is an excellent part-time job with fixed hours, with no work on weekends or school holidays.
- There are lots of opportunities to supplement your income by driving for school sports, field trips and other school charter trips.
- Drivers may take their young children on the bus with them, eliminating the need for daycare in many cases.
- Training is free to suitable applicants who do not yet possess their school bus endorsement, and is
 provided by our own qualified driver trainers who also have permanent routes and understand the job.
- Prairie Valley School Division supports the principles of a representative workforce and welcomes
 applications from all qualified candidates.

The preferred applicants will possess school bus driving experience, demonstrate safe driving practices, and have strong interpersonal and communication skills. All applicants are required to provide a clear criminal record check (including vulnerable sectors check) and a drivers' abstract for the previous five years.

For more information about becoming a bus driver, contact the Transportation Department at (306) 949-6566. All interested applicants are invited to apply online at www.pvsd.ca/careers; by fax at (306) 543-1771 or by stopping in to meet someone in the Transportation Department. We look forward to having you join our team of dedicated, hard-working and professional school bus drivers!





Just Maid Time Inc.



Licensed, Insured and Bonded

Residential & Commercial Cleaning
Weekly – Bi-weekly – Monthly
Daily & one time cleans
Call or Text Pat (306) 533-6349
e-mail: justmaidtime@hotmail.com

www.justmaidtime.ca



AT BALGONIE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL WE BELIEVE IN



Calling all future Kindergarten students and new students in the community of Balgonie...

Kindergarten Registration – Please register by May 31st!

Parents of students who will be in Kindergarten next year are asked to register their child(ren) for the upcoming school year by May 31st. Having accurate enrolment information is important to ensure appropriate staffing and to best meet transportation needs.



If you would like to register please contact the Balgonie Elementary School office (306-771-2345 or balgonieelementary@pvsd.ca). We look forward to meeting our new Bobcats and welcoming them to the Bobcat Pride! Thank you for registering!

BES Bobcats Want You!

Are you new to the Balgonie area? Are you planning to send your child(ren) to Balgonie Elementary in the fall? Please register your students for school as soon as possible! Having accurate enrolment information is important to inform future staffing and transportation needs.

If you would like to register please contact the Balgonie Elementary School office (306-771-2345 or <u>balgonieelementary@pvsd.ca</u>). We look forward to meeting our new Bobcats and welcoming them to the Bobcat Pride! Thank you for registering!



We Are Love Week — April 7th — 11th

We are excited that students at Balgonie Elementary will be participating in a week full of activities to promote kindness and positive relationships to support the Red Cross Day of Pink campaign on April 9th. 'We are Love' buttons, classroom presentations and a school-wide art activity are just a few of the items planned for the week!



Balgonie Branch Public Library

SUPPORT THE BALGONIE GARAGE SALE

Do you realize there are only two months left before our community garage sale gets underway? June 7th Book your spot early to make sure your location is on the map. \$10.00 gives you free advertising, one garage sale sign, balloons & more. Get rid of unwanted items, plus you'll be supporting your library. All monies collected go towards children's programming.

We are very proud of our new look at the library. Watch for our Grand Opening to be held in June. Remember library use is for everyone and new ideas are always welcome. NEW AT THE LIBRARY

A Man to Call my own by Johanna Lindsey Notorious Nineteen by Janet Evanovich Plus Many Many More!

Story Hour & Children's Crafts for Preschoolers

Every Wednesday from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m.

Library Hours

Monday - 1:00 - 5:00

Tuesday - 3:30 - 8:00

Wednesday - 9:00 - Noon

Thursday - 3:30 - 8:00

Friday - 1:00 - 5:00

The Library is located in the

Balgonie Administration Building

on 129 Railway St. E. in Balgonie. Come and check it out!!

PROPERTY

2013 BISONS

N.H.L. PLAYOFF AUCTION DRAFT

Proceeds from this fundraiser are used by the Balgonie Bison's & Hound's hockey clubs in an effort to keep hockey alive and competitive in Balgonie.

The draft will be held on the evening of April 27, 2013 at the Balgonie Multiplex.

The bar opens at 5:30 and supper begins at 6:00 pm, followed by the draft which will begin at 7:00pm. All other draws will be announced at the event.

The Entry Fee is \$300.00 per team. Teams can consist of a maximum of 5 members. In order to prepare the draft software and team labels all teams must be registered (paid) 1 week prior to the draft. We also can only accommodate a limited number of teams (30) - First come, first served.

PAYOUT: 1st - \$3,000

2nd - \$1,500

3rd - \$900

4th - \$300

The payout above is based on 30 teams

We invite you to participate in our 2ND NHL playoff auction draft.





Don McMorris, MLA

125 Railway Street Balgonie 771-2733

Indian Head ශත Milestone

Office hours are Monday–Friday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Email: mcmorris.mla@sasktel.net
Internet: www.donmcmorris.ca

2013 BALGONIE BISONS N.H.L. PLAYOFF AUCTION DRAFT ENTRY FORM

CAPTAIN'S INFO:

Team Name:	
Name:	
Address:	
Email:	
Fax:	
TEAM MEMBERS:	
2	
3	
4	

Entry Fee - \$300.00 per team.

WHEN PAYING BY CHEQUE THE CHEQUE SHOULD BE MADE OUT TO:

Balgonie Senior Hockey

For more information phone or email:

Mark Perkins hm: (306) 771-2636

cell: (306) 539-1196

email: mark.perkins@NBPCD.com

Shaun McBain hm: (306) 771-2344

cell: (306) 570-3885

email: mcbains1@sasktel.net

Nevin Rumpel hm: (306) 565-0205

cell: (306) 530-6981

email: nrumpel@hotmail.com



DRAFT RULES

AUCTION

- Team bidding points = 1000 points
- Minimum bid = 10 points.
- Maximum number of players per team = 15 players
- All Goalies are auctioned as a team package (essentially you are picking that team's goaltending points).
- Once a team has zero points remaining or chooses a player from the pick list they must turn in their team's bidding card.
- Trading players, points or 1st round player selection position is not allowed.
- The Auctioneer's decision is final on any bidding disputes.
- The auction player list and pick list will be provided at the draft.

SCORING

- Player scoring 1 point / goal 1 point / assist
- Goalie scoring 1 point / win 2 points / shutout - 1 point / goal -1 point / assist

DRAFT ORDER

- The 1st round (1 selection per team) draft order is determined at the auction by the bidding teams. Each teams selection position will be based on when your entry fee is paid. (ex. 1st team paid = last selection).
- 1st round selections that are not bid on become that team's player for 10 points
- 1st round selections must be players from the auction list (pick list players can't be selected).
- The remaining draft order is determined by the league's scoring leaders (points) - descending from the highest remaining scorer.

PICK LIST

- The pick list is a pre-determined list of players that are projected to finish at the bottom of their team's scoring (approximately bottom 5 10 players per team).
- Pick list player = 10 points
- Maximum number of pick list players per team = 3 players
- Once a team picks from the pick list they must turn in their bidding card.
- Players from the pick list must be chosen before the final player is auctioned.

PRIZES AND DRAWS

MYSTERY AUCTION PLAYERS (2)

- One player and one goalie from the player auction list are selected as the mystery players.
- The Auctioneer selects this player prior to draft.
- The team that selects this player receives 10 drink tickets.

MYSTERY PICK LIST PLAYER

- One player from the pick list is selected as the mystery player.
- The Auctioneer selects this player prior to draft.
- The team that selects this player receives 10 drink tickets.

DRAWS

- 50/50 Raffle
- Jersey Raffle Players TBD
- Please visit our Facebook page (Balgonie Bisons Hockey Club) as the draft day nears for more on additional draws, prizes or any other information.

ARMOUR MECHANICAL SERVICE

*HEATING * COOLING

* GAS FITTING * SHEET METAL * PLUMBING * WATER TREATMENT (SOFTENERS AND REVERSE OSMOSIS UNIT)

RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL

SALES, SERVICE AND INSTALLATION OF ALL HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING EQUIPMENT Call today and save money by purchasing top quality furnace filters by the case.



TERRY DOVELL—Owner/Operator

Licensed Gas Contractor with Over 25 Years Experience

Balgonie, Sask. **SOG 0F0**

Phone: 550-3319

SERVING THE RURAL AREA WITH REASONABLE RATES

VISIT US AT WWW.ARMOURMECHANICAL.CA

BALGONIE

302 Service Road, Balgonie SK.

Call 306-771-4530 or 306-501-2925

Store Hours:

Monday to Thursday 7:00 a.m. to 9:15 p.m.

Friday 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m.to 8:00 p.m.

Healthy Breakfast served until 11:00 a.m. starts from \$2.29 with FREE coffee and refills!

Catering orders with SPECIAL discounted rates for party platters and giant sub-

Call or come into the store for details.

E-mail: subway.balgonie@sasktel.net

Balgonie Agencies Ltd.

Call us for all of your insurance and licensing needs!

We are your local agent for SGI Canada, Wawanesa, **Portage Mutual**

Insurance Broker / SGI Licence Issuer

129 Railway Street

Phone: 306-771-2243 Fax: 306-771-2251

balgonie.agencies@sasktel.net www.balgonieagencies.ca

ALGNCUSTOM

"Your LOCAL Contractor"

Serving Rural Regina East

SERVICES INCLUDE:

PROJECT MANAGEMENT RENOVATIONS FLOORING INSTALLATIONS BASEMENT DEVELOPMENT PAINTING FINISH CARPENTRY WINDOWS & DOORS BATHROOMS DECKS DRYWALLING

CALL FOR FREE ESTIMATES AND REFERENCES

RYAN THIESSEN

737-5630

align.cc@gmail.com

FIND US ON FACEBOOK



RECREATION NEWS

By Shaun McBain

ARENA NEWS!

The arena winter season will be done at the end of March. Any business or company looking at doing any advertis-



ing in the arena, please contact me at 771-4343 for more details.

SOCCER NEWS!

Registration deadline is March 31st. CURLING NEWS! Registration after this date will be Please contact

info@balgoniesoccer.com if you have any questions about Outdoor Soccer or BROOMBALL NEWS! if you would like to volunteer to help Congratulations to all teams who won with our league.

SWIMMING POOL NEWS!

Lifequard applications are now being accepted. Please mail to either Box 610 or Box 310, Balgonie, Sask., S0G 0E0.

If you would like to help out on the Board, please call Penni @ 771-2230. Your assistance would be greatly appreciated.

MINOR BALL NEWS!

Minor ball will begin soon. March 30 is the deadline for registration.



HOCKEY NEWS!

Best of luck to the players who are still in playoffs and to all

teams who won their leagues.

RINGETTE NEWS!

Congratulations to all teams who won their leagues.



The curling season has come to an considered only if room is available. end. Congratulations to all of this year's league champions.

their leagues.



1st Balgonie Beavers, Cubs & Scouts

Our annual Lord Baden-Powell Birthday Celebration & Sponsor Appreciation Banquet was held Feb 25th, & we would like to take this opportunity to publicly acknowledge & thank all of those organizations, businesses & individuals who have supported our Balgonie Scouters. Without everyone's support we couldn't run the successful programs that we run.

Balgonie Fire Department
Balgonie Recreation Board
Balgonie United Church
Cross Country Foods
Prairie Diamond Farms
Tina Szeles
Town of Balgonie
Wascana Flower Shoppe
Ken Younghans

Colleen, Darren & Dylan Zimmer

And, of course, all the Parents, Leaders & Group

Commitee Members.

Thank you to Penni McAlpin & her crew for putting together such a delicious meal for our banquet. You never disappoint our taste buds. A huge thank you to all former Leaders for coming out to help us celebrate 1st Balgonie's 30th anniversary. This is a huge milestone for any scouting group & we couldn't have done it all these years without your devotion to 1st Balgonie.

Our Beavers, Cubs & Scouts came together for our annual group camp at the Regina Wildlife Federation Clubhouse to be held March 15th & 16th. Everyone had a blast! Thank you to the Leaders for planning fun activities, to the Beaver parents for helping out, to Colin Warnecke who

cooked for us all weekend & to Justine Walton & Susan Sebastian for baking the delicious muffins for everyone to devour. The Beavers made stepping stones, wooden airplanes & built their Beaver Buggies that they took with them to the annual Wascappella Area Beaver Buggy Bash. Some of our Beavers, Cubs & Scouts attended the Dallas Valley Winter Camp in February & had a blast!! Our Cubs have earned a bunch of badges in relation to the star badges & are building their Kub Kars in preparation for the annual Kub Kar Rally to be held in April. Our Scouts are busy working towards a bunch of badges & awards.

All the sections are busy wrapping up their year. The Beavers are going on their annual tour of the STC depot (thanks to Ken Younghans!), & a night at Lazer Quest is planned. The Cubs are wrapping up their badge work, while still working on their Kub Kars for the Area Rally & planning for June's annual Saskatchewan Cub Camp. Our Scouts are working hard at their Scouting badges & overnight camps.

Our last bottle drive of our 2013/2014 year will be on Saturday April 12th starting at 9:30 am. Please look for the flyers in your mailbox that week. Thank you in advance to the residents of Balgonie for their amazing support.

WOW! Can't believe that our Scouting year is coming to a close so soon. April 29th will be the last night that everyone will be gathering for Scouting fun until September.

Yours in Scouting,

Darcie Lozinski

1st Balgonie Secretary

Balgonie Volunteer Fire Fighters and First Responders 1st Annual Firefighters Appreciation Gala

May 24th, 2014

Come help us celebrate our volunteer firefighters past and present.

May 24th at the Balgonie Multiplex. Tickets \$25.00 each

Cocktails-6:00 pm Supper-6:30 pm Presentations-7:30 pm

Entertainment 9:00 pm

Tickets available after April 10th from any Balgonie Firefighter or call 306-771-2701

Firefighter's Prayer

When I am called to duty, God, wherever flames may rage, give me strength to save a life, whatever be its age. Help me embrace a little child before it is too late, or save an older person from the horror of that fate. Enable me to be alert, and hear the weakest shout, quickly and efficiently to put the fire out. I want to fill my calling, to give the best in me, to guard my friend and neighbor, and protect his property. And if according to YOUR will I must answer death's call, bless with your protecting hand, my family one and all.

Balgonie Swimming Pool

Mark your calendars!! Swimming Lessons Registration will be on Wednesday, May 21 @ 6:30 PM @ The Multiplex.



Summer Employment

LIFEGUARDS NEEDED

The Town of Balgonie is seeking individuals to fill the position of manager and lifeguards.

Qualifications needed: NLS, Valid Bronze Cross,

Current Standard First Aid, & CPR(c), WSI would be a definite asset.

Wage is based on qualifications. Resumes along with copies of all current levels of certification may

be sent to Town of Balgonie, Box 310, Balgonie, SK, SOG 0E0 or fax to (306) 771-2899 by April

15, 2014

DM's KORNER STATION



Monday - Friday: 6:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Saturday: 7:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. 306-771-5116

Gas * Diesel * Oil

Confectionery * Coffee/Cappuccino
Phone Cards* Thermal Paper
Hunting/Fishing Licences * Bait
Lottery * Key Cutting
Mom's Perogies
Local Fresh Honey



ELCIC Lutheran Churches

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Edenwold, hold services every Sunday at 11:00 AM.



St. John's Lutheran Church, on the Correction Line Road, hold services on the second and fourth Sundays every month at 9:30 AM.

All are welcome to join us for Sunday school, confirmation classes and bible study. Contact Pastor Kragbe Legre at 306-771-4112 or 306-530-2728 (cel) for details.



Balgonie United Church

Time of Worship: 11:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m.

If you would like a ride, please call by Friday: 771-4303



Balgonie Baptist Church
Interim Pastor: Darold Sauer

We invite you to join us for Sunday Worship Service at 10:30 a.m. For more information call Pastor Sauer at the Church Office: 306-771-2545

or Ina Kurtz at 306-540-6793 balgoniebaptist.wix.com/balgonie-baptist

April Events!

Weds. Apr. 2- NEXUS Youth Bible Study

Fri. Apr. 4- NEXUS Youth Fondue

Weds. Apr. 9- NEXUS Youth Bible Study

Fri & Sat. Apr 11-12- NEXUS Youth 30hr Famine

Sun. Apr. 27- Linger Longer Lunch after Sunday Worship Service

Weds. Apr. 30- K6 Club

Fr. Ed Hengen and

St. Joseph's Parish, Balgonie, would like to

welcome you to come and worship with us.

Mass times:

Saturday 7:00 p.m.

Sunday 10:30 a.m.

For information please call 771-2387, email us at st.jobal@sasktel.net, or visit our website at www.catholic-church.org/stjosephbalgonie



"For where two or three are gathered in my name,

I am there among them." (Mt. 18:20)

April 12th Palm Sunday: Saturday: 7:00 pm.

Sunday 11:00 am. (Note time change)

April 17th Holy Thursday 7:00 pm Eucharist followed by adoration until

midnight

April 18th Good Friday 3:00 pm –St. Joseph with Communion

Easter Masses:

April 19th Saturday 8:00 pm - Easter Vigil and Eucharist

April 20th Sunday 10:30 am - St. Joseph's

Note: Anyone wishing to have Easter food blessed, may bring it to any of the celebrations.

Come join in our celebration with

Fr. Ed Hengen our pastor



SKYLAR JADE RENOVATIONS WILFRED MOULY



Flooring, ceramic tile



Siding, decks



Garage packages or stick frame



Boarding, painting, rumpus rooms,

suspended ceilings



And more...

CALL FOR A FREE ESTIMATE TODAY! 771-2163 OR 527-9978