

# Valley Whistle

## INFO

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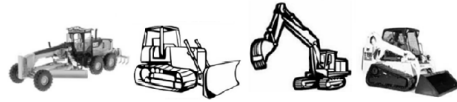
### VALLEY WHISTLE SUBMISSIONS:

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## ECHO DIRTWORKS



- Bush Piling & Burning
- Dugouts, Dams & Slough Drainage
- Roads, Yard Sites & Basements
- Demolition & Clean Up
- Stripping, Loading & Reclamation

**Call for any of your dirt work projects**

**403-740-5359 or 403-741-4414**  
**Bill Kirtley Wayne Saar**

## Waste Pickup

December 11, 2024  
\*\*December 24, 2024\*\*

**Waste Transfer Site**  
*Tuesday & Saturday*  
10 am - 2 pm



Big Valley United Church



Rev Kwon

Dec. 8 @ 9 am— BV Drop In  
Dec. 22 @ 11 am— BV Drop In

~ **FOOD BANK** ~  
MARION: 403-876-2617  
VAL: 876-2613



## Big Valley Library Hours

Tuesday - Thursday  
10 am - 1 pm  
3 pm - 6 pm  
Friday  
10 am - 1 pm



**Big Valley E Free Community Church**  
Pastor Allan Clark



meets every  
Sunday at 10:30 am  
Everyone is welcome!

**E free Church Additional events;**

Monday Prayer Group— 7pm  
Bible Study— Thursday—7 pm  
Saturday Worship— 10:30 am  
Pastor Clark  
403-740-6540

## BIG VALLEY

*Christmas Tree Lighting*

December 8th  
Big Valley Train Station  
530-730pm  
Tree lights at 6:00pm

Photos with the Grinch  
By donation

## Turkey Bingo-

Big Valley Elks Host annual Turkey Bingo  
**Rumsey Dec 4—**  
**Big Valley—Dec. 11**  
19 BINGO Games  
full card for Turkey Door prizes.  
\$10 master card  
\$1 for additional cards  
Prizes include Gift cards and Turkey for blackout  
**Doors open @ 6:30**  
**Start time 7pm**  
**Ladies Club will have treats available for purchase**

A great opportunity to support the BV Elks who proudly support our community.

The Valley Cafe Invites You

## LADIES' NIGHT OUT!

**DOLLY PARTON KARAOKE CHRISTMAS LADIES NIGHT**

6-9pm  
December 18th  
Mocktails & Appetizers  
Space limited  
Reserve your seat by emailing [thevalleycafe2024@gmail.com](mailto:thevalleycafe2024@gmail.com)

**All That Buzz & Granny's Fudge**  
**GIFT BASKETS**  
**We make custom gift baskets**

Pop into the store or email [buzzgifts@shaw.ca](mailto:buzzgifts@shaw.ca)



**Big Valley Hall Board**  
**Big Valley BINGO**  
 Each Monday  
 Jackpot-\$284.00  
 Loonie Pot-\$196.00  
**New Time: Doors open at 6:30**  
**Bingo starts @ 7:00**  
**Next Bingo- Dec. 2, 2024**  
 Last Bingo before Xmas- Dec 16. Will resume Jan. 6

**BINGO**

**Drop In News: Each Week:**  
**Monday to Friday**  
 Coffee Each from 9-10 am.  
 With the exception of Holidays

**Upcoming events;**  
**Tuesday- BINGO 1:30 pm**  
**Wednesday- Canasta- 6pm**  
**Thursday Floor Curling @ 1:30**  
**Friday- Chair yoga 10:30-\$5.00 each**  
**Friday- Crib @ 1:30**  
 Monday Dec. 20 Pancake Supper @ 5pm.  
 January 23, pot luck lunch at 12 and Meeting at 1

Big Valley Ag Society will hold it's AGM on December 9, 2024 @ 6:30pm this meeting is open for anyone who is interested in the general activities of the AG. Society.

The Valley Cafe  
 DECEMBER 13TH  
 6:00-9PM

**Youth NIGHT**

Must register  
 30\$/Youth  
 ages 8+

Safe Supervised Space with Video Games, Art Station, Reading, Singing, Dancing  
 Snack for each Youth included.

**Foot Care by Kaitlin**

**What is Foot Care by Kaitlin?**

- I am a Licensed Practical Nurse with my advanced foot care and a certified Reflexologist with musculoskeletal specialization. I have been a nurse for over half a decade. My specialties include working with those who have dementia, disabilities, poor circulation and diabetes. Some difficulties I can help with are calluses, cracks, thick nails, ingrown nails and fungal nails.

Where: Big Valley ATB Financial  
 When: Dec. 4, 2024, Jan. 8, 2025 & Jan. 29 2025  
 Time: 10:15-3:30(times may vary depending on how many/when appt are booked).

**Appointment Times:**  
 10:15am, 11am, 11:45am, 1:15pm, 2pm & 2:45pm

Home visits are also available on the above dates

**Phone Number (Call or Text): 587-377-6099**  
**Email: KaitlinCVolk@hotmail.com**

Save the date: Big Valley School Christmas Concert is Wednesday December 18, 2024

**ALL THAT BUZZ NOW ACCEPTING ENROLLMENT FOR ITS CANDLE COURSES**

Limited enrollments Class 1 to 6 persons  
 Evenings and weekends available  
 Courses range from \$15 to \$30 per person  
 Call 403-876-2061 to register or email [buzzgifts@shaw.ca](mailto:buzzgifts@shaw.ca)

### Arena Schedule for Nov. 26-Dec. 2

**Tues** – 3:00-4:15-Public Skating  
4:30-6:30– Minor Hockey Practice  
8:00-10:00– Mavericks

**Wed**– 3:00-4:30– Public Skating  
5:00-7:30-Puck & Stick  
7:30-10:00 -Private Rental

**Thurs**– 3:00-4:00-Public Skating  
4:30-7:30– Minor Hockey Practice  
8:00-9:30– Ice Dogs

**Friday**–Bow River Bruins– U13 Tournament

**Saturday**– Bow River Bruins– U13

**Sunday**– Bow River Bruins –U13  
Big Valley U9– vs Strathmore @ 1:30  
Public Skate-3:00-5:00  
Puck & Stick-5:00-8:00

### Village Office Holiday Hours:

The Village office will be closed on  
Monday Dec. 23 –26  
Open– Monday Dec. 30 & 31  
until noon  
Open regular hours  
January 2, 2025.  
Please note these hours when making arrangements for payment.

### Snow Removal;

All owners of property are asked to remove snow and ice from the sidewalks adjacent to their property within 48 hours for residential and 24 hrs for commercial properties after the cessation of a snow fall. (Excluding Sunday and Holidays)

### Winter Trivia:

The coldest recorded temperature was in 1947 –63 in Snag Yukon.  
The coldest windchill ever recorded was in 1989 it was –91 in Pelly Bay NWT.

With the current interruption to the mail service amidst the Canada Post Strike the Village would to remind everyone of the following;

- Utility bills will still be sent within Big Valley, however if you have a mailing address outside of BV, please note you are still responsible for your utility account. We ask that you contact the office to make arrangements for bills to be emailed.
- Taxes unpaid by Dec. 31 are subject to 8% penalty. Please make arrangements for payment. E-transfers can be sent to [info@villageofbigvalley.ca](mailto:info@villageofbigvalley.ca), in the drop slot or at the office during regular business hours.
- If you have any questions, please contact the office.

### Village News– Nov. 27

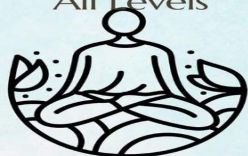
A grant application is in the process of being submitted this week for the Alberta Municipal Water/Wastewater Partnership. The funds, if approved, will be used toward rehabilitating Big Valley's Lagoon, on a 75%/25% cost share. The possibility of stacking other grants, to lower the Village's cost is being researched.

Winter has arrived, and with it our first big snowfall. Tammy is working diligently to clean the roads, and is following the most recent Snow Removal Policy, ensuring priority roads are plowed. The Village appreciates the efforts made by several residents in 'assisting with snow removal', with the exception that any damages which may occur are at the cost of those doing that work, and to avoid a safety issue, the snow cannot be piled on the road and just left. In addition, if moving snow on a road, all driveway accesses must be kept cleared; please do not block off these accesses.

Administration will be working on the 2025 Operating & Capital Budgets over the next few weeks, with an Interim Budget being presented to Council at their next Regular Council Meeting on December 16<sup>th</sup>. Winter is harsh at the best of times, and animals are vulnerable if left unattended outside. A reminder to all pet owners. The Animal Licensing Bylaw 881 remains in place throughout the year. Please do not let your cat or dog run at large. Another complaint has been received, and the owner has been notified. You will be receiving a survey in your mailbox in the next week or so, asking for public input relating to the Village's future priorities. This information will be gathered by the end of December, and Council will be working with Parkland Community Planning Services to develop a current Strategic Plan, providing direction to Administration. This document will be funded through Capital Grant Funding as a living document and can be amended as Council see fit. Hoping you are all keeping warm, and have safe travels. Colleen Mayne, CAO.

## YOGA CLASS

All Levels



With Coach  
SANTANA  
Big Valley Yoga

20\$ Drop In  
40\$ 4 class pass  
Every Wednesday  
starting Nov 6th 2024

7:15–8:15pm

### Big Valley Legion Pioneer Dinner;

December 14 @ noon At Big Valley Hall

Anyone who has ever held a Big Valley postal code or been a resident of surrounding area (Fenn, Rumsey)

Please reply to Val at 876-2613 or Sue 403-323-2500.

If we have your name in the past an invitation will be sent to you.



I am a certified Healthcare Aide for over 20 years...

I enjoy very much caring and helping others, where or if there is a specific need unmet. Are you someone who would like to have extra care or help, that you are not receiving at present? Perhaps, Help with showering, helping prep meals, going to town to get groceries for you, going for a walk, doing a respite?, etc....If you think you fit into one or more of these categories,

I'm here to be of assistance for you!  
References available and police check-  
Wages are flexible! Here for you,  
Sandy Wittenberg 403-740-9495