

# COMMUNITY PAGE

## VILLAGE INFO

### Office Hours

M-F 8:00-4:00

Closed for lunch 12:00-12:30

Office 403-876-2269

Fax 403-876-2223

Public Works- 403-741-7989

Fire Chief: Jeff 403-323-0298

### ADMINISTRATION EMAILS:

cao@villageofbigvalley.ca

info@villageofbigvalley.ca

publicworks@villageofbigvalley.ca

### VALLEY WHISTLE SUBMISSIONS:

info@villageofbigvalley.ca

### COUNCIL EMAILS:

german@villageofbigvalley.ca

gkndson@villageofbigvalley.ca

sattfield@villageofbigvalley.ca

## Waste Pickup

April 15  
April 29

Waste Transfer Site  
*Tuesday & Saturday*  
10 am - 4pm

## Big Valley United Church

### Next BV Church Service

Everyone Welcome

April 5 Easter Sunday 9:00

April 19 9:00

### Services at the Drop in Center

### Food Bank

Allan Clark @ 403-740-6540

Christine Dahlen@ 604-870-4884



## Big Valley E Free Community Church

157 3rd Avenue South

Pastor Alan Clark: 403-740-6540

Sunday Service: 10:30 am

Monday Prayer Night: 7:00pm

Wednesday April 8—6:30pm Youth Group Grades 7-12

Saturday Sabbath Service: 10:30am

New (free) Seed bank (veggies/flowers) - Lyne 403-876-2250 Landline (no texting)

Radio Broadcast in Church parking lot on station 88.1FM during Sunday services,

Everyone Welcome!

# Big Valley Whistle

April 8, 2026 Issue 14

## Next Council Meeting

April 8 @ 5:00

## Committee of a Whole

April 22 @ 5:00

## Both meeting @Village Office

Employment Opportunity  
Part Time

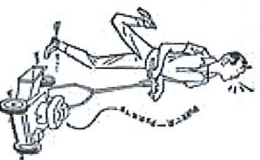


Village of Big Valley is seeking a temporary part-time public works labourer. This position can be physically demanding and requires someone that can keep up with the busy seasons.

Required attributes:

- MUST be able to drive a standard transmission
- Be physically capable of manual labour
- Possess some mechanical inclination
- Attention to detail
- Be comfortable with the use of a variety of small tools and equipment
- Be comfortable working in all weather conditions
- Be willing to work additional hours if required
- Have a valid driver's license — driver's abstract to be shown at applicant's cost if selected
- Be able to work independently

This position is 3 days a week, with additional hours possible during peak season. Starting wage is \$20/hour. Must be a team player and be able to change focus as issues emerge.



# WHAT'S HAPPENING

## Your Invitation to Big Valley Elks

100<sup>th</sup>

*A Anniversary*

**SATURDAY, MAY 23, 2026**

REFRESHMENTS: 5pm

SUPPER: 6pm

DOOR PRIZE

60

ELKS



ENTERTAINMENT  
**Ken & Josh Nixon**

\$50/per person

60

Tickets available from members

2026 Big Valley Street Festival

Save the Date: July 11, 2026

We are looking for all local organizations/  
businesses to



participate in a way that is meaningful to them. If you are interested in more information or have an idea of how you would like to participate please email us at [bigvalleystreetfestival@gmail.com](mailto:bigvalleystreetfestival@gmail.com)

Next organizational Meeting: April 26 @ 1:00 @ Big Valley Inn Bar

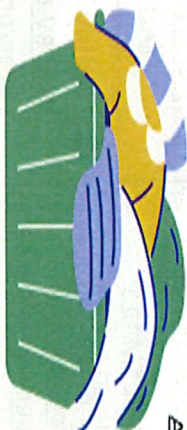
# ADVERTISING

WASH RINSE REPEAT  
**LAUNDRY**  
*service*

\$10 pick up/drop off in Big Valley

\$20 pick up/drop off in Stettler

\$2/pound



Also Available  
Starching  
Ironing  
Mending

403-820-1774

RESIDENTIAL ONLY. NO COVERALLS, OIL OR GREASE.

## 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



# COMMUNITY GROUPS



Some exciting changes are coming to the library! Two positions are opening up and we are looking for the right candidates to fill these roles. Are YOU that person?

## SUMMER STUDENT:

A perfect part time job if you have high energy and zest for delivering fun & creative educational experiences for children and would also like to gain work experience in a library, educational, public service type of environment.

## LIBRARY MANAGER:

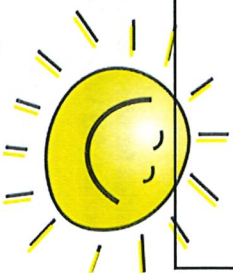
If you have a passion for community engagement, programming, collaboration, confidentiality, building relationships, and are a life long learner then you should probably apply! 🙋

I have so enjoyed my year at the Library and it has not been an easy decision to resign. The job is great, the patrons are great, the Board and Friends members are great; but life has a way of steering us in a different direction than the road we think we should be on. My family and I have made the decision for me to transition from Library Manager to fulltime Ranch Manager (sounds glorious but I guarantee you the pay is 🍷 and it's just a fancier title for Ranch Gopher, lol!). I am excited to be able to put all my energy in to my family business and maybe, for the first time in 27 years, I will be able to stay on top of my jobs at home. Maybe... I hope to stay involved with the library in some capacity and collaborate with a new manager who is eager to see this lil' gem of a library and community continue to thrive. Thank you to everyone who made my experience enjoyable, and even challenging at times. It's been a pleasure getting to be your librarian!

Take care & see you around,

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# ADVERTISING



## Hiring a Summer Student!

We are looking for someone creative, enthusiastic, and organized to deliver this year's Summer Reading Program, as well as help with day-to-day tasks at the library.

Employment dates: July 6- August 20, 2026

### Qualifications

Applicants must be enrolled in school for Fall 2026 and:

- be at least 15 years old
- be able to comfortably lift 25 pounds
- enjoy working with the public (especially children)
- be able to work independently
- be pleasant and friendly
- possess attention to detail

### Summer Student - Job Description

15 hours/week  
\$15/hour

Responsibilities, working under the supervision of the Library Manager:

- Working at the circulation desk, assisting patrons, checking books in and out
- Recommending books
- Answering the phone, taking messages/writing notes
- Shelving books, organizing shelves
- Processing incoming and outgoing materials
- Assisting patrons with basic computer use
- Taking care of the Library Wi-Fi Park (weeding, watering flowers, etc.)
- Other jobs as assigned by the Library Manager
- Deliver the Summer Reading Program
  - Arts and crafts following this year's theme: Around the World
  - Preparing outdoor and other learning activities
  - Storytime
  - Reporting and keeping track of statistics related to the program

If you are interested, please drop off, email, or mail your resume by May 11, 2026.

Interviews will run May 13th, 2026.

[bigvalleylibrary@onl.ab.ca](mailto:bigvalleylibrary@onl.ab.ca) Big Valley Library, Box 205 Big Valley, AB, T0J 0G0

# ADVERTISING

Position for hire: Library Manager  
Location: Big Valley, Alberta

The Big Valley Municipal Library is actively seeking an energetic, community-focused librarian with excellent management, organizational, and communication skills to fill the part-time, permanent position of Library Manager.

Nestled in the picturesque Village of Big Valley, our library operates under the Alberta Libraries Act and is governed by an independently appointed Board of Directors. It is jointly funded by the Village of Big Valley, the County of Stettler, and the Province of Alberta. While the Village of Big Valley has just over 300 residents, the library serves a broader surrounding area. Located near Stettler, it is home to several museums and an active passenger train station, offering a unique blend of rural charm and local heritage.

As the Library Manager, reporting directly to the Board of Directors, you will oversee the day-to-day operations of the library, with responsibilities including:

- Assisting patrons with information, reference questions, and reading recommendations.
- Developing and maintaining a diverse, community-focused library collection.
- Organizing and leading programs, such as storytimes, book clubs, or workshops.
- Promoting library services through community advocacy, public relations, and outreach.
- Creating a welcoming, inclusive environment for all patrons.
- Implementing the Library's Plan of Service.
- Managing library systems, including cataloging, circulation, and online resources.
- Hiring and supervising summer student(s).
- Assisting in developing and administering the budget.

A Library Technician Diploma or equivalent post-secondary education is an asset, but is not required for our small library. We value: experience in library services or administrative roles, a passion for books, and strong skills in using technology; providing leadership, and, above all, building connections through outstanding communication.

This part-time position currently offers up to 21 hours per week with an annual salary of about \$16,800. The current schedule is Tuesday and Thursday from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM and Wednesday from 1:00 PM to 6:00 PM. We are open to adjusting hours for the right candidate.

To apply, please submit a resume and cover letter, outlining your qualifications and interest in the role to [bigvalleylibrarybd@gmail.com](mailto:bigvalleylibrarybd@gmail.com), by **April 24th**. Applications will remain open until a suitable candidate is found. Only those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted. Interviews will likely be scheduled for Apr. 29th. Start date to be decided with successful candidates, but the goal is to start training and transitioning into the new role early to mid-May.

# COMMUNITY GROUPS

**Big Valley Historical Society** is holding their volunteer meeting on April 9@ 7:00 in the Rail Station. If you can volunteer a couple of hours (or more) this summer we would LOVE to see you. We certainly need help to man the museums at train time and can always use drivers and narrators for the people mover. It isn't every weekend...even one day helps.

**Hope to see you there.**



## **BIG VALLEY DROP IN**

50+ are invited to join

Coffee Each Week- Mon-Fri @ 9 am

(with the exception of Holidays

Upcoming Events;

Chair Yoga Tuesday @ 11:00

Cards Wednesday @ 6:00

Pool Wednesday @ 2:00

Floor Curling Wednesday @2:00

Next Meeting April 16—  
Potluck and meeting to  
follow

