GLENWOOD GLEANTINGS

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Glenwood Gleanings

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glenwoodgleanings@gmail.com

To subscribe to this newsletter to be emailed to you monthly, please request by calling the village office or by email to above.

Community Calendar

To access the new online Community Calendar, visit: glenwood.ca/resident/community-calendar
Click on any item to see the details for that calendar item.

RCMP Cardston Non-Emergency Contact Phone

(403) 653-4931

Victoria Day will be celebrated across Canada on Monday, May 24. The holiday began as a celebration to honour Queen Victoria, who ruled Great Britain and Ireland for most of the 19th century. Victoria Day has been observed since 1845, and it was officially declared



a Canadian federal holiday in 1901 — the year of Queen Victoria's death. The holiday was originally celebrated on May 24, Queen Victoria's birthday. But an amendment to the laws of Canada in 1952 established that Victoria Day be observed on the Monday preceding May 25.

When Queen Elizabeth II ascended to the throne in 1952, Victoria Day became her official birthday in Canada — even though her actual birthday is April 21. The day unofficially signals the start of summer for many Canadians, and it is celebrated with parades and fireworks in some cities. Some Canadians get the day off from work. The Royal Union flag is flown alongside the National flag at federal buildings, airports and military bases from sunrise to sunset to mark the occasion.

Village Office News

Employment Opportunities

Spring brings an increase in campers in our area, anticipation for the opening of the Pioneer Parlour and needing additional help with public works. See page 2 for more information on employment opportunities.

Power Outage and Municipal Water

When the power goes out, we all get a little nervous. How long will this last? What happened? But we want to assure you that our water treatment plant has an automatic notification system to immediately contact our operators to advise them of any problems. They are on it!

Glenwood Library

Library Hours:

Monday 12-4 PM Tuesday 12-4 PM Wednesday 1-5 PM Thursday 3-7 PM Questions? Call

403.942.8033

Glenwood Community Hall

The Glenwood Community Hall is closed to all events except Village Council Meetings. **Current** COVID regulations must be followed. Village Council meetings will continue be held there as it is large enough to facilitate the required social distancing requirements. If you are showing COVID symptoms, please do not attend.

The next Village Council meeting will be on Thursday, May 13 at 7:00 PM.

Spring Glen Park

- ~ Monday night camping is free for all local residents.
 - ~ Powered sites \$30
 - ~ No power \$20
 - ~ Tents \$15
 - ~ Kitchen \$150/\$75
 - ~ Entire Park \$750

*to reserve a spot, check out our new online booking website at

www.campreservations.ca

Irrigation Water is NOT drinkable

We would like to make it very clear that the irrigation water provided in the Village of Glenwood has not been treated to make it safe for humans to drink. Its purpose is to water your flowers, gardens, grass, yards and animals only.

Cemetery News

The cemetery committee has noticed an increase in glass jars containing flowers on your loved one's graves during the winter. Be advised that those flowers and glass jars will be removed during the cemetery cleanup later this month (flyers will be in your mailbox when this date is set). Please refrain from using glass jars in the future, or fasten them to the headstone, so they don't end up in the grass, with the potential of being run over by the mower and broken.

2021 Municipal Election

Election candidate nomination packages are currently available at the village office.

Pioneer Parlour Hostess Positions - May 17, 2021 to September 10

Applicants must be self-motivated, have the ability to work with the public and handle money.

Responsibilities (Host/Hostess):

Ice-cream and other food item sales

Complete cleaning duties at end of each day

Handle customer payments and count/report floats before and after each shift

Follow health and safety guidelines

Ability to multi-task

Work independently

Function in a fast-paced, highly stressful work environment

Provide tourism information and history of Glenwood information

Qualifications (Host/Hostess):

Self-motivated (be to work on time, ready to do your job)

Work well as a team (with both co-workers and supervisor)

Be able to count and handle money (applicants will be tested on this area during the interview process)

Be willing to complete and acquire a food worker permit (online)

Service oriented (provide excellent customer service)

Stress tolerance (remain focused during distracting and stressful situations)

Commitment to integrity, courtesy & diligence (strong willingness to learn and take direction)

Resumes may be dropped off at the Village Office during regular business hours or in the locked mailbox by the front door, by mail to PO Box 1084,

Glenwood, AB T0K 2R0, or email to office@glenwood.ca.

Parlour Hours are:

May & June: 5-8 PM Monday thru Saturday

July - August: 11 AM to 9 PM Monday thru Saturday

Applications/resumes will be accepted until positions are filled.

Village Maintenance Worker

The Village is accepting applications for a part time maintenance worker to assist the Village Foreman. Duties will include general maintenance, grass mowing, painting and other duties as required. The successful applicant must hold a Class 5 driver's license, be able to operate Village light and heavy equipment and tools, and be able to work with minimum supervision. Duties of this position include heavy lifting, manual labor, any and all other duties deemed necessary by the Public Works Foreman. This position is open to anyone over the age of 16.

Resumes may be dropped off at the Village Office during regular business hours (Mon-Wed 8 AM-4 PM), dropped in the locked mailbox beside the front door or mailed to PO Box 1084, Glenwood, AB ToK 2Ro. They can also be emailed to office@glenwood.ca.

Applications/resumes will be accepted until position is filled.

Spring Glen Elementary School Calendar

May 5: Track & field May 6: Book Fair
May 14: Grade 5 Annie Play May 19: Animal Day
May 20 & 21: PD Day - no classes May 24: Victoria Day

May 25: ISP Meetings May 28: Kindergarten Friday

Spring Glen Jr High School Calendar

May 20 & 21: PD Day - no classes

May 24: Victoria Day

Glenwood Library News

COVID Update

We enjoyed the entire month that we were open and able to see your smiling faces as you browsed our shelves! Unfortunately, we had to close again, but at least we're able to provide curb-side pickup. Place your holds online, or call and I will place them for you. 403-942-8033 www.glenwoodlibrary.ca

SUPERNET UPGRADE

Chinook Arch libraries are transitioning to Supernet 2.0. Our library will be increasing from 20mbps to 30 mbps on Tuesday May 18, so there will be no library service from 2:00 until about 2:30. Thanks for your understanding.

DIGITAL LITERACY CLASS

Would you like to brush up on your computer skills? Learn about what digital resources the library has to offer you and how to access them. In addition, we will look at basic and advanced search strategies for internet search engines and databases, to help you find what you are looking for. Take advantage of this free Digital Resource Class on Monday May 17 from 1 – 2pm. For more information or to register: 403-942-8033 or help@glenwoodlibrary.ca

WE HAVE SEVERAL NEW BOOKS AT THE LIBRARY. A FEW OF THESE INCLUDE:

Fort Whoop Up Remembered – From Niitsitapi Voices – George Kush Award Winning Song for a Whale – Lynne Kelly Picture book Tiny T. Rex and the Impossible Hug – Jonathan Stuzman Picture book They All Saw a Cat – Brenda Wenzel Jr Graphic Novel Dog Man Grime and Punishment – Dav Pilkey Cold As Ice – Allison Brennan Rest Not in Peace – Mel Starr The Night Fire – Michael Connelly Ride For Justice – Ralph Compton A Texas Bond – Shannon Taylor Vanhatter Deadly River Pursuit – Heather Woodhaven Troubles in Paradise – Elin Hilderbrand The Orphan Thief - Glynnis Peters Shadows in Death – J.D. Robb Shadows of Lions – Scarlette Pike

KIDS CRAFTKIT

The KIDS CRAFT KIT for May will be a Mo Willems Pigeon Craft. Reserve your kit today!

WE HAVE SOMETHING VERY EXCITING THAT IS HAPPENING AT THE LIBRARY RIGHT NOW AND WE CAN'T WAIT TO SHOW YOU WHEN WE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AGAIN!!!

We will be closed Monday May 24 for Victoria Day. Enjoy the long weekend

Emergency Preparedness Week is May 2nd – 8th

Check out some valuable information below:

https://www.getprepared.gc.ca/cnt/rsrcs/ep-wk/index-en.aspx

https://www.scouts.ca/safety/emergency-ready/overview.html

Alberta's preparedness materials are updated regularly and some feature translations. The content is divided into seven pages as follows:

- 1. <u>Hazard preparedness</u> includes multiple pages dedicated to hazards in Alberta with preparedness tips and 60 second video clips that are sharable on social media including:
 - a. What to do before, during and after an emergency
 - b. Wildfires
 - c. Tornadoes and extreme winds
 - d. Floods
 - e. Power and water outages
 - f. Thunderstorms, lightning, heavy rain and hail
 - g. Blizzards, freezing rain, ice storms and extreme cold

- 2. <u>Build an emergency kit</u> is our most popular page and includes printable brochures and checklists for family, pet, farm animal and vehicle preparedness
- 3. <u>Pet Preparedness</u> includes tools and materials to help keep pets safe and comfortable, before, during and after an emergency
- 4. <u>Farm animals and livestock</u> includes tools and materials to help keep farm animals and livestock safe if you need to shelter in place or evacuate
- 5. <u>Raise awareness in your community</u> includes tools and materials for communities to raise awareness, including info on emergency preparedness week, #PrepareYourSelfie campaign, and <u>60 second</u> videos that are sharable on social media
- 6. <u>Make an emergency plan</u> includes an emergency preparedness guide, tips on how to communicate during an emergency and information relating to pets, children and a guide for people with disabilities
- 7. <u>Emergency preparedness</u> includes hazard info and general emergency preparedness information including shelter-in-place and evacuation fact sheets

Test your Knowledge:

1. A family emergency plan should NOT include which of the following?

- A. Information about your children's school(s)
- B. The name and phone number of an out-of-town contact person
- C. A list of important phone numbers, including those of doctors and emergency services
- D. Arrangements for each person in the family to be at a specific land line telephone at a specific time
- E. A meeting spot outside your home and one outside your neighbourhood in case you need to leave the area

The answer is **D**. The arrangements for each family member to be at a specific land line telephone at a specific time may not be possible or useful under many conditions, as people may have to relocate or evacuate entirely during a disaster. Families should create an emergency plan and carry important information with them so they know how to get in touch and get back together during an emergency. Finally, both telephone land lines and cellular phones may be overloaded or out of service during or after an emergency, so knowing in advance where to meet is important.

2. How many litres of water per day per person should you have in your basic emergency kit?

- A. I litre per day per person
- B. 3 litres per day per person
- C. 2 litres per day per person
- D. 4 litres per day per person

The answer is C. At least two litres of water are recommended per person per day. Be sure to include small bottles that can be carried easily in case of an evacuation order.

3. Which of the following items should NOT be included in a basic emergency supply kit?

- A. Water (two litres of water per person per day)
- B. Food
- C. Manual can opener
- D. Cash
- E. Comfortable shoes

The answer is E. While sturdy protective shoes are important during and after a disaster, they are not necessary for survival. You can learn more about the basics of survival by visiting GetPrepared.ca.

One of the new services from the Alberta Government is an online Emergency Registration System. When you log into **emergencyregistration.alberta.ca**, you can register yourself and your household member, even pets. This information is used only during an Emergency Event in our local area and is shared with the Evacuation Center when you check in, thus making the process much easier during a stressful time.

If you need help or don't have access to the internet, call 310-4455 and operators can take your information and get you registered. They are available 24/7.

Out of Place

by Chester Ferris

(This article won first place for nonfiction in the 2021 Askew's Word on the Lake Writing Contest)

At a 2000 Palm Springs California collector car auction, I noticed a vehicle, not a collector car, that was out of place. A grocery getter.

So out of place that to me, it was like seeing a Shetland pony at a thoroughbred horse spring sale.

A 1986 Ford LTD Crown Victoria LX Country Squire seven-passenger station wagon, 302 engine. White colour with woodgrain panelling, roof rack, full load options, and only 7,846 miles. Out of place. Dirty windows, stained white side-wall tires, un-vacuumed interior. Not prepped for a collector car auction. Out of place. Ignored by all passers-by in the parking lot, except but a few. The image stayed in the carbon-monoxide warehouse of my mind for the next three days, as I was unable to fathom why anyone would bring a grocery getter to a high-end collector car auction.

On Sunday morning, the final day of the auction, I entered the sales tent early. In the far right-hand corner, by the tea and coffee vendors, I noticed an elderly lady in a wheelchair, well dressed, white gloves, alone, out of place.

As the day progressed, the Ford wagon rolled across the auction block. The last car of the day. Out of place and out of buyers, as most attendees and bidders had left. A call for bids was met with silence. Grocery getters are not sought-after collectables. The tent busily emptied as people tended to the payment and the removal of cars that had sold.

The Ford wagon passed the block without a bid and was returned to the stall where I had first seen it three days earlier.

The lady in the wheelchair was waiting there alone, head bowed. Out of place. A pang of passion struck my heart. I approached, asking if I could assist. With tears in her eyes, she stated she needed help to get into her car, and also collapse her wheelchair and load it into the back. Her care aide had not shown up at 1:00 pm, and it was now 6:00 pm. She mentioned she had not driven in at least ten years, but she had no alternative than to attempt the thirty-mile drive up the Coachella Valley to her home.

Interstate 10 from Riverside to Indio is not an ideal stretch of freeway for anyone at any time, let alone an infrequently driving elderly woman on a late Sunday afternoon. I had no obligations after the auction, and my hotel, Trump 29, was at Indio. I offered to drive the Ford to her home. She readily accepted, and I excused myself a moment to notify the friends I had been with of my change of plans.

When I returned to her, Keith McCormick, the auction owner, was consoling her. He introduced us, as she had told him of my offer to drive her car to her home. He reassured her I was competent and she was in good hands. Keith and I had a history going back to his first auction, as I frequently brought cars from Canada for his event.

Getting the wheelchair loaded and getting underway with the lady in the front passenger seat took a bit of time. But when I turned the key, the 302 sprang to life like a new car. The instrument panel proudly registered eighty-five miles per hour as maximum speed. This was a 1980's cream puff, manufactured during the oil crisis and designed to be smooth but without power, 28-32 MPG on fuel. The car was like new, tight, responsive, good visibility, roomy, comfortable, but neither cared for nor abused. 7,846 original miles.

I chose Gene Autry Drive to get out of Palm Springs and onto I-10 eastbound.

The lady's name was Penelope Prendergaust. However, she preferred Penny.

I asked about her beautiful wagon. She related she'd had it since new for her two corgi dogs. Her husband had bought it for them because the dogs shed, and he didn't want hair in his Jaguar. Her husband had passed. His car was sold. Now she was trying to sell her wagon to help cover his funeral expenses before she returned to Bangor Maine and her children there.

The Country Squire purred all the way to Indio. Penny's home was three miles past Trump 29. I mentioned my hotel to her as we passed. I didn't know how I was going to get there after taking her and the wagon to her place.

I unloaded her wheelchair and pushed Penny to her door. A group of people greeted us. Her children and grandchildren from Maine had arrived three hours earlier than scheduled. Her son, Ardean, drove me to Trump 29 in the wagon.

My friends had brought my rental car from the auction site to the hotel, and we discussed the day over dinner. The three collector cars we'd brought down from Canada had all sold. We had bought nothing at this auction, so our carrier would return empty and leave the next day for home.

The following morning, we met for breakfast and planned our return trip. While we were eating, a group of people pushing a wheelchair entered the dining room. It was Penny, in black, and her family. They came by our table and I introduced Penny and Ardean. Niceties were exchanged, and they went to a different dining area. Our meal continued and we prepared to leave.

When I stopped at the cashier counter, Ardean approached again and handed me a thick brown envelope packet. He told me it contained a transfer of title, a bill of sale, the factory build sheets, an operator's manual, a precise vehicle log, the cancelled cheque for the wagon's original purchase price in 1986, and a set of keys. The transfer of title is in my name. The wagon is in the hotel parking lot. His mother wanted me to have the car for rescuing her in her hour of despair.

I was tearful as I approached Penny, offering a protest that this gesture was too much. She would not reconsider. That afternoon, they were going to her husband's funeral, and she had been moved during a sleepless night to give the car away since no one would buy it at the auction. She was heartbroken that no one would even bid on it. I told her it was out of place, and that the auction was not the venue to dispose of that type of vehicle. Her woody wagon was a fine car, and dependable. We parted as she handed me the second set of keys from her lace white hankie, along with a copy of the funeral program.

I told my friends what had transpired, and I said they should start home without me. I would catch up.

The funeral parlour proprietor was someone I knew. Mortimer Montague, a fraternity brother. A car guy. Years earlier, I had delivered a 1968 Pontiac Bonneville hearse from Superior Coach Works to him that he promised I could have when he retired it. I had charged him nothing for that delivery. He owed me a favour.

I went to see Mort. I had three hours before the service for Penny's husband. I filled him in on the events of the preceding twenty-four hours. I wrote a cheque for the funeral costs, and he assured me he would refund Penny's deposit. Then I asked for a second favour, which he granted.

I now had two hours before the funeral. I took my new wagon and had it completely detailed inside and out. Thirty minutes after the funeral started, I parked it on the lawn (the second favour from Mort) at the funeral parlour, in direct line of the casket delivery to the Pontiac hearse. I stood by the front fender of the woody.

When the family came out of the chapel, the sparkling clean woody wagon was there in the warm, bright-shining California sun. As the casket was rolling by, Penny touched the hand of the first pallbearer and beckoned him to pause. She wiped away a tear and waved her lace white hankie toward the wagon, not out of place! The pallbearers rolled on.

In 2017, Penelope Prendergaust passed. I drove the woody wagon from Osoyoos, BC, to Maine. I parked it on the lawn of that funeral home. The pallbearers stopped when Ardean waved his mother's lace white hankie toward the sparkling clean white woody wagon sitting there in bright Bangor sun. Not out of place?

Today that wagon (I named her "Penny") is not out of place. It has a place of honour in my car collection and in my memories. Woody wagons have become collectables. Old cars are a great social vehicle. Never out of place.

First Place — Nonfiction

In his picaresque journey, the narrator of this story, who clearly knows his cars, drives a grocery getter into the beautiful sunlight of mourning. It is a tale of intergenerational kindness, the empathy that saves us from eternal damnation and horrible choices. Many of the nonfiction submissions had feminist subtexts. In this one, the storyteller is a man who manifests his humanity with respect for an elder who returns the blessing. It is a perfect tale, almost a short story with its beautiful epiphanies, but still within the boundaries of nonfiction.

—Linda Rogers, Judge

Spring Glen Park is now open for the 2021 camping season. We are currently looking for families/individuals who would like to volunteer as camp hosts for a few days during the summer. This includes a free camping spot for yourself and one for a friend or family member on the days that you are hosting. For more information, please contact Wayne Smith at 403-626-3294.

IT IS CANADA CENSUS TIME!!

My name is Kelly Thomas and I am going to help with the Census this year.

Every five years Canada requires everyone to participate in the Census. It is one of those 'duties' we do for living in such a great country! The information provided is vital to the planning and continuing programs offered by all levels of government.

Because of COVID, this year will be a little different. During the week of May 3-8, information packets will be placed on your door or step or gate or whatever. (-:

When you get the packet you can fill out the information online with the link that will be given, or there will be a 1-800 number given to you so you can call it in. This needs to be done on or before Canada Census Day which is May 11. If you have any questions, give me a call or text or whatever. 403-894-5311.

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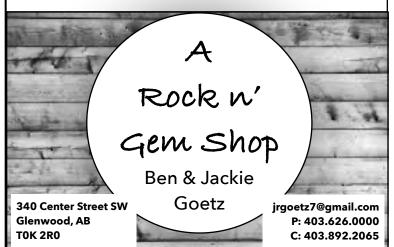
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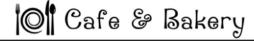


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