

Beep-Beep: Acme News

April 2021 Edition



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Office Hours: Monday to Friday: 8:00 am - 4:30 pm
*Closed 12:00 - 1:00 for lunch

APRIL BIRTHSTONE: DIAMOND



APRIL FLOWER: DAISY



Message from the Village Office

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS

Monday, April 12 at 6:00 pm at the Village Office
Monday, April 26 at 6:00 pm at the Village Office

Would you like to go paperless?



The Village Office now has the ability to send you both your Utility/Water Bill and your Tax Assessment Notice by email!

If you are interested in signing up for this service, please contact the Village Office for more information or come in to complete the email authorization forms!

EVERY CLOUD HAS A SILVER LINING

Positive Quotes.com

UTILITY BILL INFORMATION

Although Utility Bills are sent out every 2 months, did you know you can still make monthly payments if you want to?

If you divide your average utility bill by two, that will give you a rough estimate of your monthly payment. If you make monthly payments, those additional payments will be credited to your account for the next Billing Period.

Thank you from Cisco Plumbing!

We at Cisco Plumbing would like to thank the Village of Acme and its residents for their patience and for allowing us to come into your homes to replace your water meters over the past couple of years. We are appreciative for all the business you have given us over the years. As we wrap up the water meter installs this Spring, please know that you can call us anytime for your plumbing needs—we are happy to serve you.

~ Cisco Plumbing, Colley & Victoria, 403-831-3963 ~

Thank you

NEW SECTION ON THE VILLAGE WEBSITE: LOCAL JOB OPPORTUNITIES

EMPLOYERS: If you are an employer looking to hire local employees, let us know and we can post your job opportunity on our website!

INDIVIDUALS: If you are looking for a local employment opportunity, there may be postings up you are interested in!



The Village Office is now accepting nominations for "Volunteer of the Year 2020" Award.

This award will be presented during our Sports Day Celebration in June 2021.

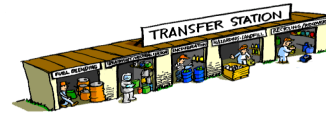
Final date for nominations will be April 30th, 2021.

Submit your nomination letter soon!



Message from Public Works

Transfer Site Frequently Asked Questions



Q. When is the transfer site open?

A. Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Q: Where can I take my old, used engine oil and oil containers?

A: Used engine oil can be dumped into the large oil tank provided at the transfer site. Used oil filters can go into the a barrel next to the tank. Empty oil containers go in the shed next to the tank.

METAL & RUBBLE BINS will be available at the Transfer Site from Saturday, May 1 to Saturday, May 29. *Please remember, use of these bins are for Acme Residents only.*



BLACK KNOT FUNGUS



Many trees (mainly mayday, fruit trees, and shrubs) in the Village are being infected with Black Knot. If you see this fungus the only way to get rid of it is to cut it out of the tree, disinfecting the saw blade after each cut. Black Knot is a fungus that sets in over winter, gets in knots and twigs, then the branch swells in the spring. The fungus is carried by wind, rain and wildlife. This fungus is devastating and spreads quickly. The village will be removing or pruning trees infected with this fungus on village property only. Please do your part to stop the spread of Black Knot, be proactive.

Heartfelt 
THANKS
TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!

National Volunteer Week is April 18 to 24, 2021

The Village of Acme Council and Staff and Kneehill Regional FCSS would like to acknowledge the many area volunteers who show every day how much they care about our community and the people who live here. Thank you for the generous amount of time, energy, and ideas you devote to your community!

“Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart.” ~Elizabeth Andrew

Capital Projects the Village of Acme Plans for 2021

- **Water Meters:** Continue replacing all water meters to remotely read meters in the properties throughout the Village to better serve our residents with utilities. *(Ongoing)*
- **Sidewalks:** Some sidewalks will be repaired/replaced throughout the Village. *(Summer)*
- **Road Work/Utility Replacement:** Davis Street & North Prospect: Repair/upgrade sewer and water systems and storm drains. *(Spring/Summer)*
- **Culverts:** Hwy 806 North of Village Entrance (Alberta Department of Transportation) *(Summer/Fall)*
- **Road Repairs:** Pacific Avenue - Transfer Station to Trail Net Crossing (DRP) *(Summer/Fall)*
- **Road Repairs:** Complete road work on Wheeler Avenue South. *(Summer)*
- **Sewer Repairs:** Along the pathway from Walsh Avenue towards Heritage Estates. *(Summer/Fall)*
- **Municipal Office:** Purchasing 615 Pacific Avenue, fully renovated into a new office. *(May/June)*
- **Studies:** Asset Management Study & Pumphouse Study *(Current - complete in May)*
- **Playground Equipment:** Purchase and Install new Playground equipment *(Spring/Summer)*

****If work will be done in your area, you will be notified regarding moving vehicles, etc.***

Village of Acme

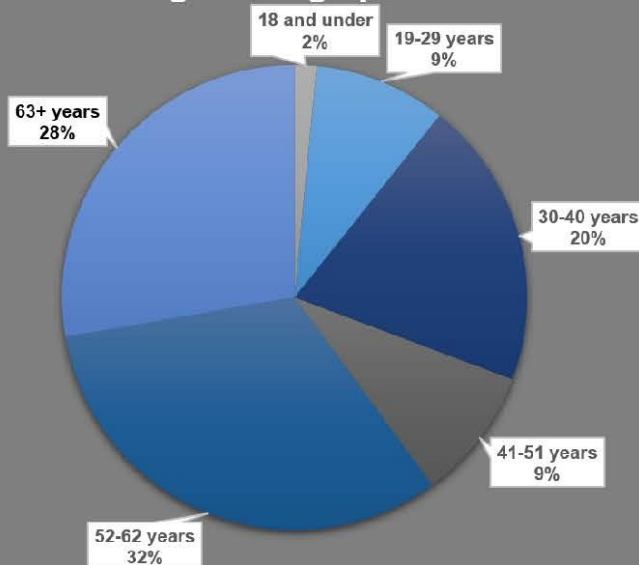
The Survey was open from
January 27 to February 15.

Community Engagement Survey Results

Total Respondents: 65 residents. 94% Owners and 6% Renters

Business Owners: 6% of total

Age Demographics



DISTANCE TO WORK

Work in Acme	40%
Commute 20 Minutes or Less	11.5%
Commute 1 hour or more	29.5%
Retired	19%

Acme's Main Attributes

These attributes all appeared in the responses multiple times. They are listed in no specific order.

- Small Town
- Sense of Community
- Safety
- Rural Living & Slower Paced Lifestyle
- Affordability
- Potential for Future Growth & Development

Residents of Acme Value

These items all appeared in the responses multiple times. They are listed in no specific order.

- Community Focus & Sense of Belonging
- Small Town Feel, Support, & Values
- Peace & Quiet
- Good Neighbors & Knowing Your Neighbors
- Safety for Kids and Property
- Small Businesses Provide Basic Needs
- Good Quality School
- Community Events (Angels Events/Sports Day)

Areas for Future

Growth & Improvement

RESIDENTIAL

- ♦ North Side of Village
- ♦ Heritage Estates
- ♦ Pacific Avenue
- ♦ East Side of Village
- ♦ Lower Income Housing Options

COMMERCIAL & INDUSTRIAL

- ♦ Main Street
- ♦ Wheeler Avenue & Wyndham Way
- ♦ Hotels & Motels
- ♦ More Shopping Options

PARKS & AMENITIES

- ♦ Parks & Open Green Spaces
- ♦ Off Leash Dog Park
- ♦ More Walking Paths
- ♦ Multi-Use Recreational Facilities
- ♦ Teen & Young Adult Amenities
- ♦ Family Oriented Amenities
- ♦ Wheelchair Accessibility

What Will Add Value in Next 5-10 Years

Ranked in Order from 1-10

1. Jobs
2. Affordable Housing
3. Infrastructure
4. Business Sector
5. Healthcare
6. Recreation & Sports Facilities
7. Environment
8. Social Services
9. Expanding as a Village
10. Population Stability



VILLAGE OF ACME VOTES

Nomination period for the 2021 Municipal Election opened January 1st, 2021

The Village of Acme's next election will be on Monday October 18th, 2021, and prospective candidates can file their nomination papers between January 1st and September 20th at the Village Office. In previous municipal elections, there was a single day when candidates could submit nomination paperwork. For this election, due to the change in the Local Authorities Election Act, a nine month period has been implemented.

If you are interested in running or would like further information, the Village of Acme's website has been updated with the Nomination Package, Candidate Guide to Municipal Elections, and other important resources. More details on the election will be provided in future newsletters and additional information will be added to the website as it becomes available. www.acme.ca/election

****Nominations can be dropped off to the returning officer,
CAO Gary Sawatzky, at the Village Office during regular office hours.***

*****Please call ahead to schedule an appointment and ensure Gary is in the office.***



SECTION FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

We want to take time to acknowledge the businesses in our community who are helping make Acme the wonderful community that it is.

In our Newsletter, we would like to dedicate space to the businesses in our community.

If you are a business owner and would like to share anything about your business with our residents through our monthly newsletter, please call the office or email specialprojects@acme.ca.

Thank you for providing your services to our community - we are grateful for your business!

FEATURED BUSINESS

Country Village Bed & Breakfast

Located at 128 Nolan Street



Country Village Bed & Breakfast is a beautiful little B&B run by Elaine Sadler. Reservations are available year round.

For more information or to make a reservation,
Please call: **Phone: 403-546-4478**



Farewell to Salim & Suraiya who owned and managed Acme Foods for the past 8 years. Thank you for your years of service to our community. We wish you all the best in your future endeavors!

Welcome to the new owners and managers of Acme Foods, Hitesh & Harry and Family!



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: LIFEGUARD



The **Acme Pool** is once again looking to hire **junior guards** for our 2021 season!

If you or someone you know is 16 or will be by June and is interested in becoming a lifeguard now is the time to start looking into getting your **NLS** and **WSI**. This is a great opportunity for all students! The pool offers competitive wages, a safe and fun atmosphere, and great tans!

If you require more info or would like to send in your resume, please email us at acmeswim@gmail.com

ACME MUNICIPAL LIBRARY NEWS

Location: 610 Walsh Avenue (Acme School) Box 326, Acme, AB. T0M 0A0
Contact Information: Phone: 403-546-3879 or Email: aamlibrary@marigold.ab.ca

Great News! Acme Library has reopened!

The well-being of our community and staff is always our top priority.

Open to the Public with limited access:

Tuesday 4:00 - 8:30pm
Thursday 4:00 - 8:30pm
Saturday 10:00 - 2:30pm



Curbside Service:

Wednesday 12:00 - 2:00pm

VISIT <https://www.acmelibrary.ca/>

What we're doing to keep you safe:

- ◇ Restricting access to the building.
- ◇ Limiting the access to 4 patrons in the library at one time.
- ◇ Maintaining 6 feet of distance between each other.
- ◇ Wearing face coverings.
- ◇ Following cleaning and disinfecting protocols.

What we're asking you to do:

- ◇ Ring doorbell to access the building. You will be allowed to enter the building if there are not more than 4 patrons currently (providing you pass the self screening questions posted on the entrance).
- ◇ Keep your hands clean. Hand sanitizer will be provided at entrance and throughout the library.
- ◇ Maintain at least 6 feet of distance from others.
- ◇ Wear face coverings. Mask are available on request.
- ◇ Adults must accompany and actively supervise children.
- ◇ Linger within the library only for the length of time needed to choose or pickup items.
- ◇ Only touch items you wish to borrow. Any unwanted items pulled off the shelf must be put into quarantine. Gloves or hand sanitizer must be used for browsing, gloves available if needed.

Acme Municipal Library is pleased to offer access to any e-resources found at <https://www.acmelibrary.ca/eResources>. A few popular options are:



PressReader: On-line newsstand providing access to electronic copies of more than 7,000 newspapers from 120+ countries in 60+ languages.



Hoopla: Hoopla offers over 500,000 titles available to stream instantly ranging from movies, tv episodes, full-length music-albums, eBooks, Comics, and audiobooks.



Overdrive | Libby: Collection of eBooks and eAudiobooks for all ages including popular fiction and nonfiction. Borrow up to ten titles at a time. Choose your loan period of one week, two weeks, or three weeks, with the option to return early. Download [Libby](#), the fun and easy-to-use OverDrive mobile app. Kids can view the [Kids Reading Room](#), a collection of materials just for kids and teens!



Library Press Display: Library Press Display is an online newspaper kiosk. It provides access to electronic copies of more than 2,600 newspapers from 100 countries in 60 languages. Up to 90 days of back issues are available. You can read your favorite international, national, and provincial newspapers from cover to cover, sometimes even before the publications hit the newsstands. The publications are full-colour, full-format, and can be read at home or on the go!



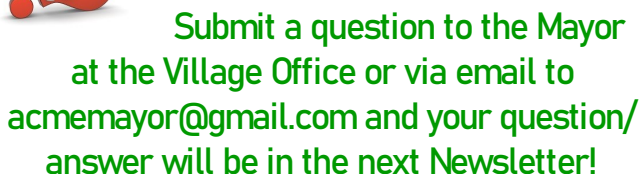
Visit: <https://marigold.ab.ca/Public-Services/Library-Card-Application>
to apply online for your library membership today!



We are excited to announce it is that time of the year where we start planning for the upcoming swimming season! The Acme Pool Board is actively seeking sponsorship from local businesses and/or individuals.

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES If you are interested in this opportunity and would to discuss the details please contact us at swimacme@gmail.com

◇ Q: What do you call a parade of rabbits hopping backwards?
A: A receding hare-line.





Community Volunteer Income Tax Program

Volunteers can prepare your income and benefit tax return if you have low income and a simple tax situation. Volunteers are not employees or volunteers of the Canada Revenue Agency.

Please make
an
appointment
for Curbside
drop off

We are offering a curbside service for:

Acme
Linden
Carbon
Torrington
Trochu
Three Hills

Tuesdays and Thursdays
in
March and April 2021
Kneehill Regional FCSS
403-443-3800
or email
rochelle@krfcss.com



APRIL

KNEEHILL ADULT LEARNING SOCIETY

S.M.A.R.T. GOALS

Set goals and work towards them
\$20 Tuesdays 2:00-3:00pm

COMPUTER BASICS

One-on-one help with digital skills
Call to set up a time!

ADULT LITERACY

One-on-one tutoring
Reading, writing, and math
In-person & virtual

ESL

One-on-one tutoring
Conversation Classes
Ladies' Only Group
In-person & virtual

We are now offering some of our classes on-line!
Learn new skills and connect with others from home.

The Mighty Pen- Blogs and Journals
In-person & Virtual learning offered
\$20 - 8 weekly classes

SPELL WELL!

Tools and tips for spelling better
\$20-6 weekly classes

VIRTUAL BOOK CLUB

Wednesdays 1:00-2:30pm
Call for current book details



COMING SOON!

safeTALK

Centre for Suicide Prevention
FREE! Community workshop

*BABYSITTING
*FIRST AID/CPR
*FOOD SAFETY



REGISTER HERE!

FREE! Resume and
Employment Support

Online Courses for the
workplace are now
available on our website,
check them out!

Click for Courses

403-443-5556

409 Main Street, Three Hills

Or visit our website
kals3hills.ca

Alberta Government



KNEEHILL

KidSport provides grants to children (18 years and under) from families facing financial barriers, so they can participate in registered sport programs.



KidSport supports programs that provide the child with a sustained sport experience led by qualified instructors.

For information about the Kneehill Application, please visit our website:

<https://kidsportcanada.ca/alberta/kneehill/>

or email us at: kneehill@kidsport.ab.ca

Follow KidSport Kneehill on Facebook at

<https://www.facebook.com/KidSport-Kneehill-100101165424266>

So **ALL** Kids Can Play!

SCREEN TEST

Mobile Mammography Screening is coming to:

Three Hills

May 13 to 20, 2021

Three Hills Health Centre (Hospital)



Appointments are required. Call to book:

1-800-667-0604 (toll free)

To learn more visit: screeningforlife.ca

Due to COVID-19, Screen Test is taking a number of precautions to ensure the safety of our clients and staff. Details will be shared when you call to book your appointment.



Post until: May 20, 2021



APRIL 2021

SENIORS OUTREACH ACTIVITIES: Everyone Welcome for All Activities

Call Seniors Outreach Office for more info: **403-443-2555 OR 1-888-443-2555** (Carbon)

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/SeniorsOutreachKneehill/>

Connect on Facebook for news, information and interesting links.

SENIOR'S:
LOW-INCOME
FINANCIAL
SUPPORT IS
AVAILABLE!

MEALS ON WHEELS

Do you need help with meals?

Frozen Meals are available in all Kneehill Communities.

Seniors contact Seniors Outreach for Menu and Cost.

Adults and Families contact KCFCSS @ 403-443-3800.

Room is limited so get your order in ASAP!



Seniors Outreach Office Hours: To make an appointment call the Seniors Outreach Office.

We can help with your gov't. forms, questions, programs & support for seniors.

Carbon

New Horizon Seniors Drop In Centre

~ Tuesday, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm.

Acme

Seniors Association Centre

~ Thursday, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm.

Linden

50+Plus (Care and Share)

~ Thursday, 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm.

Trochu

Seniors Drop-In Centre

~ Tuesday & Wednesday, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm.

Torrington

~ Thursday am.

BY APPOINTMENT ONLY!!

Protocols are in place to protect both you and the staff. We encourage you to contact 403-443-2555 or 403-425-1555 to have staff return your call for an appointment as we are not taking drop in clients.

Three Hills Seniors Outreach Office Hours:

We can help with your gov't forms, questions, programs & support for seniors.

To make an appointment call (403-443-2555)

Open Monday to Thursday, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm.

We encourage people to call instead of dropping by as The Provincial Building is locked. We are doing all we can to keep you and the staff safe.

**Upcoming
BUS TRIPS:**

To Be Announced

**FACE MASKS ARE
MANDATORY
IN ALL SENIORS
OUTREACH
OFFICES. THANKS!**



Acme Seniors Association

Will be closed
until further
notice!

**Seniors Outreach will be
CLOSED on:**

April 2nd Good Friday
April 4th Easter Sunday
April 5th Easter Monday

Happy Easter!



PUZZLES GALORE

Available in our Three Hills office.
Please come down and pick out
some puzzles. We love to share.

FREE to take home!!

LARGE PRINT PHONE BOOK FUNDRAISER!

Call us at 403-443-2555
to pre-order now.



**Volunteer Appreciation
Week** is April 18-24.

People can nominate
neighbors or organizations
with FCSS. 403-443-3800



All locations are CLOSED and activities
are CANCELLED until further notice.

- ♦ **THREE HILLS CommUnity Drop In Centre Activities**
- ♦ **CARBON Activities**
- ♦ **ACME Activities**
- ♦ **LINDEN Activities**
- ♦ **TROCHU Activities**