

# VILLAGE OF ACME

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## JANUARY - 2018 NEWSLETTER

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Colleen by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month @ the Village Office (403) 546-3783

### MESSAGE FROM THE VILLAGE OFFICE

- Council meeting January 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 6:30 p.m.
  - **ACME TRANSFER SITE WINTER HOURS** are Tues/Thurs/Sat from 9am – 5pm
  - **FYI:** To prevent water lines from freezing under your home this winter, please ensure your water lines are protected with heat tape, insulation and skirting around your home. [Expect a COLD winter!](#)
  - 2018 Dog & Cat licenses are due: unaltered \$30.00 altered is \$15.00. As per Bylaw 2016-08, license fees are due on or before the 31<sup>st</sup> day of January. As of February 1<sup>st</sup>, the fees are doubled. The Fine for not having a license is \$250.00
  - If your house/business is going to be vacant over the winter months, please make sure that you have someone to flush the toilets and fill the bathtub with warm water bi-weekly to flush the sewer line to prevent freezing.
  - **2018 Water Rate Increase:** Effective January 1, 2018 water rates will increase by \$.13/cubic meter because of a rate increase by our provider.
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# MESSAGE FROM PUBLIC WORKS

- The Newsprint & Cardboard Recycling Depot is available at the Village Transfer site. **Cardboard bins are for cut & flattened cardboard ONLY.** **NO** Styrofoam, **NO** plastics, **NO** metal, **NO** garbage.
- **Please remember that if your garbage bags are too heavy (more than 40 pounds) they will not be picked up. (DO NOT USE THE ORANGE ONES!)** Please remember that you can use the Transfer Site to take your household garbage when the dump is open on Tuesday, Thursday or Saturday. There is no cost to use the dump.
- Many will be using Wood stoves/ Fireplaces during these cold winter nights. Only NON-TREATED LOGS and PELLETS (approved for wood burning) can be burned!!! Any other materials are unacceptable as per Village Bylaws and violators will be fined!
- With the arrival of snow, please remember to **"Keep sidewalks cleared of snow & ice."** **Please shovel your snow on the grass and trees. Your grass will thank you and so will our Public works as they will not have to clear this off of our streets.**
- **Be Pro-active:** Cigarettes, paper towels, disposable rags, sanitary napkins & tampons, newspapers and rags will not readily decompose and are likely to lead to clogging of the sewer line. **Disposable does not mean 'flush it.'**
- **Please do not park your vehicles in front of your garbage/bin. Garbage will not be picked up if there is no access to your garbage. Thank you.**



## ICY SIDEWALKS

The road salts that Acme Public Works uses are for roads only not sidewalks. Over time, the salts in the gravel are corrosive to the concrete, causing pits where water and salt can sit, damaging sidewalks. **Please use a certified sidewalk de-icer.** It will say on the label if it can be used on sidewalks. It will save all of us from replacing the sidewalk at a cost of \$90per/ft.

## ACME MUNICIPAL LIBRARY NEWS

Did you know: Our library receives the 10 Best Sellers for each month!!

We have: **Free Internet & WiFi**

: Comfortable seating available if you bring your laptop to use the Wifi

Become an Acme Municipal Library patron! For only \$15.00/year and you can order that new best-seller or classic that you have been wanting to read!! There are ebooks using Overdrive, 3M Cloud, Freegal, Hoopla, Zinio, and Mango (which all have apple and android apps).

**LIBRARY WILL BE OPEN JAN 3<sup>rd</sup> (5pm-8pm), JAN 4<sup>th</sup> (9am-12noon, 12:30pm – 4pm), JAN 5<sup>th</sup> (5pm-8pm)**



## COMMUNITY ANGELS

### THE ACME ANGELS WINTERFEST

Watch for posters! (weather permitting and snow)

Join our Facebook Page....."Acme Angels" (public group)



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**PRAIRIE ROSE REBEKAH LODGE SOUP & SANDWICH LUNCH IS  
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31<sup>ST</sup> AT THE SENIORS CENTRE FROM 11:30 AM TO  
1:00 PM. COST IS \$7.00/PERSON**

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The Village Office is now accepting nominations for *"Volunteer of the Year 2017"*  
Award. This award will be presented during our Sports Day Celebration on June 16/18.  
Final date for nominations will be April 28, 2018.  
Submit your nomination letter soon!



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Now that winter is here, all electrical cords must not be across the sidewalk.

Bylaw #97-13, Part 5, Section 509 states: "Any electrical cord over a sidewalk shall be erected at least eight feet (2.5 meters) above the sidewalk and in no event shall an electrical cord be laid on a sidewalk." The fine for this offence is \$50.00.





## ACME SENIORS OUTREACH NEWS January 2018

### IMPORTANT DATES & EVENTS: (Organized by Seniors Outreach)

**Important Dates & Events** (organized and facilitated by Seniors Outreach) Contact our office at 403 443-2555 if you wish to join us or are available to volunteer.

#### Office Hours are

Acme Thursday 9am-noon at Acme Seniors Association Centre please note we are here for you. We can help you with forms, questions, programs and support for seniors.

If for any reason, the Community Relations Coordinator is not able to have office hours due to weather or for personal reasons, please contact the Seniors Outreach Main Office and leave your name and number with them so we can pass it on for you and they will get back to you as soon as possible to make an appointment.

**Meals on Wheels** – are you in need of a meal or are you able to deliver a meal to a senior in need of one? Please contact the Seniors Outreach Office the week before you are in need of a meal. Volunteers will deliver these meals to you. If you would like to help with this, please contact our office 403 443-2555.

**Caring Car Volunteers Drivers NEEDED!** Volunteer drivers are needed to drive seniors to appointments and activities. If you have the time and a vehicle and would be interested in something like this, please contact the Seniors Outreach Office at 403 443-2555

**Seniors Outreach Bus Trips**, contact the office at 403 443-2555 for details.

Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra Rehearsal

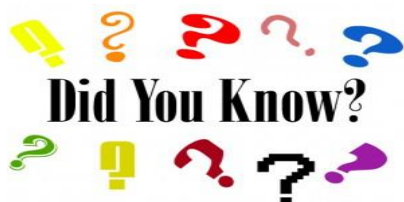
January 26, 2018 – Tchaikovsky - From Russia with Love (Maciej Kutakowski – Cello)

**Pot Luck** is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each Month at the Acme Seniors Association at 6pm!

#### Acme Seniors Association is looking for new members

Acme Seniors Association is for 50+. They welcome younger seniors with new ideas and they are always happy to have new members. Please come by our Pot Lucks on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month or contact Phyllis Deines @ 403 546-2406 with your ideas or talents as we bring in someone every month for our Pot Luck to speak or entertain. You may also contact Seniors Outreach @ 403 443-2555 if you are willing to share that talent in another community.





**Did you know** there are more than 50 different kinds of kangaroos  
**Did you know** the average lifespan of a squirrel is 9 years  
**Did you know** Canada has more lakes than any other country  
**Did you know** the largest island in the Mediterranean Sea is Sicily  
**Did you know** 90% of all volcanic activity occurs in the ocean  
**Did you know** the Nile river flows North  
**Did you know** Spain's largest source of income is from tourism  
**Did you know** a platypus can eat its weight in worms every day  
**Did you know** a baby fetus develops fingerprints at eighteen weeks  
**Did you know** a group of foxes is called a skulk  
**Did you know** a male baboon can kill a leopard  
**Did you know** rhinoceros have 3 toes on each foot  
**Did you know** a shrimp has 5 pairs of legs  
**Did you know** elephants can run up to 40kmh (25mph)  
**Did you know** baby rattlesnakes are born in August and September  
**Did you know** a hippopotamus can run faster than a man

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**New Year's Day** is observed on January 1st, the first day of the year on the modern Gregorian calendar as well as the Julian calendar used in the Roman Empire. However, with most countries now using the Gregorian calendar as their main calendar, New Year's Day is probably the world's most celebrated public holiday, often observed with fireworks at the stroke of midnight as the New Year starts in each time zone.

While each culture's New Year celebration has its own flavor, there are certain common themes. The period leading up to New Year's Day is a time for setting things straight: a thorough housecleaning, paying off debts, returning borrowed objects, reflecting on one's shortcomings, mending quarrels, and giving alms. In many cultures, people jump into the sea or a local body of water-literally washing the slate clean.

In some towns in Italy, you have to watch out for falling objects, as people shove their old sofas, chairs and even refrigerators out of their windows on New Year's Eve. In Ecuador, people make dummies, stuffed with straw, to represent the events of the past year. These "ano viejo" effigies are burned at midnight, thus symbolically getting rid of the past.

Whatever preparations are made, most traditions teach that they should be completed before midnight on New Year's Eve. According to British folklore, you should not sweep on New Year's Day, or you will sweep your good luck away, or take anything out of the house-even trash. You only want to bring new things in to insure abundance in the coming year. If you must carry something out, be sure to bring something else in first, preferably a coin concealed outside the previous night.

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*The Acme and District Food Bank* would like to THANK the **Acme Fire Department** and **everyone** who donated during the **CANDY CANE RUN** in December. The Community Support was overwhelming!! (\$580 and 1320 pounds of food!) HANK YOU to the Acme Bank of Montreal Staff who collected for us. A big THANK YOU as well, to the **Acme School** who collected 'silver' & food at the school Christmas Concert. We want to give a shout out to Ember Resources for their generous donation! To those of you who continually give financial donations...THANKS! Without your generous donations, we would not have been able to make our Christmas hampers. The Candy Cane Run has been going for 15 years in our community!



Fire Department sorting the collected food



Sorting the donations



Fire Department bringing in donations



Organizing for the Hampers



Acme Fire Department Members



Acme Food Bank Volunteers



ACME ANGELS WOULD LIKE TO CONGRATULATE THE  
WINNERS OF ACME'S  
*6<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CHRISTMAS LIGHT COMPETITION*

RESIDENTIAL CATEGORIES

1<sup>ST</sup> PRIZE – (\$100.00)



2<sup>ND</sup> PRIZE – (\$75.00)



3<sup>RD</sup> PRIZE – (\$50.00)



4<sup>TH</sup> PRIZE – (\$25.00)



**5<sup>TH</sup> PRIZE – (\$25.00)**



**6<sup>TH</sup> PRIZE – (\$25.00)**



**THANK YOU TO THE ACME LEGION WHO DONATED \$100, SO THAT WE COULD HAVE 3 MORE PRIZES! WE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO THANK THE FAMILY FROM DIDSBURY WHO JUDGED THE LIGHT COMPETITION LAST NIGHT. WE HAVE OUR 6 WINNERS, BUT WE ALSO HAD MANY HONOURABLE MENTIONS!**

**HONOURABLE MENTIONS:**







## THANK YOU



Thank you to FORTIS for putting up our Christmas Decorations in November and for taking them down in January. You fellows are awesome!

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