

THE PRIDDIS POST

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MERRY CHRISTMAS!

We hope everyone will take a moment to relax and reflect on the true meaning of Christmas during this busy time.

If you are looking for some excitement for New Year's Eve, head down to the Hall for the **New Year's Eve Dance**. Tickets are \$25.00 per person and can be purchased at the Priddis Store. Cocktails are at 6:00, with dinner at 7:00. The dance is from 9:00 – 1:00 and the DJ providing the music is from Crow Productions. There will be door prizes and a cash bar. This year this event is being organized by Kim Borbely. Volunteers can contact Kim at 403.969.6416. So get out your dancing shoes and bring in the New Year at the Hall.

The cold weather has been great for the **ice rink** down at the Priddis Hall. It is being well used now that the kids are out of school. Thanks to Kate Tilley, her crew and the Priddis Fire Department for flooding and maintaining the ice for everyone to use.

It's time again to renew your **Annual Membership** with the PCA. For easy submission, the form is attached. Copies are also available at the Priddis Store, or on the website at www.priddis.org under the Community Association tab. The new membership dates run from September 2009 to August 2010.

The next **Men's Breakfast** meeting is January 16th from 8:30-10:00. The cost is \$5.00. Attendance averaged about 35 men for each session over the last year. Come on out for a great home-cooked breakfast with your friends and neighbours in the community.

Priddis Early Learning Program ... In addition to the pre-Kindergarten 4 year old program, a 3 year old program is run on Tuesdays and Thursdays. For more information please call Amy at

403.931.2406.

The **Priddis Playgroup** is at the Hall on Tuesday afternoons from 1:00 – 2:30. Please enter the Hall through the west doors, left of the kitchen. The Priddis Playgroup is a parented group for children ages newborn to 5. If you have any questions or would like further information call Cassie at 403.931.2662.

A re-cap of activities this Fall: About 100 people came out for **The Halloween Howl** on October 31st. Thanks to Trish and Terry Jeffries for organizing this family event. It started with a pot-luck. After supper, the DJ had the dance floor smouldering with mist as vampires and mermaids danced to 'Thriller'. Throughout the evening, screams were heard coming up from the Haunted House in the basement. Games were played, costumes were on parade, and kids took home bags of candy. Everyone had fun! Special thanks to all the families who helped out with ideas, decorating, and clean-up. Thanks to the Ball, Doyle, Drewes, Egeland, Madeyski, Pierrault, Salter, Tilley, and Xerri families.

The **Priddis Fall Supper** was a huge success on November 6th. Sue Dunne and her team cooked 22 of the big birds. Now that's a lot of turkey! And the meal was finished off just right, thanks to the volunteers who brought the pies and desserts. A special thank you to Dale Wozniak and Janet Madeyski for volunteering the Cub program by taking a big part in keeping the dishes being turned over during the evening. A big thank you goes out to ALL the volunteers that stepped up to the plate to lend a hand in the preparation of the meal, setting up, and cleaning up the Hall. The steering committee for the supper was made up of Wendy Johnson, Linda Eagleton, Erika Hayes, Sharon Williams, Irene Smith, Carmen Heinen and Sue Dunne. Many hands make it a much more manageable task to take on. We fed 451 people and raised \$2,900.00 for the community.

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DETAILS:

Newsletter Publication and Distribution will occur April, September and December. These times may change without notice.

Deadline: Submissions of articles should be received by the 20th of the month for the next month's issue.

The Priddis Community Association Board meets the first Monday of every month at 7 PM at the Priddis Hall. Everyone is welcome.

The **Craft and Bake Sale** on November 8th was hosted by the Priddis Fire Department. All proceeds went to the Burn Unit in Calgary.

The Annual General Meeting was on November 16th. There was a short presentation by Terry Waddock, our MD representative, reviewing the outcome of the decision made by the MD Foothills Council to withdraw from the **Calgary Regional Partnership and the Calgary Metropolitan Plan.**

More to follow on this in the New Year. There were no new elections so Board Members will remain the same for 2010. For fund raising, our next **casino** dates are June 8th & 9th, 2010 at the Silver Dollar Casino. Beth Adams will again be organizing this huge fund raiser. Further information to follow early next year.

The 3rd annual **Turkey Bingo** on November 28th brought 75 people out to try their luck at winning a turkey, ham, or some of the other great prizes. Thanks to Sue Dunne and Erika Hayes for organizing this family fun time.

November was a busy month for the **Priddis Cubs and Beavers.** Search and Rescue came and did the Hug-a-Tree Program for both groups which talked about what to do if you get lost in the woods. They brought along their rescue dog, Bentley. The Cubs have been working on survival skills. The Beavers had a space theme

so they visited the Rothney Observatory. They learned about the constellations and how to find their way using the night sky. They also did a joint camp at the Priddis Hall. They went swimming and did more space activities, enjoyed outdoor games and of course, had a campfire at Pioneer Park. After the holidays, there will be another **bottle drive on January 16th.**

Thanks to everyone who has supported the 1st Priddis Cubs and Beavers. Contact Dale Wozniak 403.931.0372 or Janet Madeyski at 403.931.7544 for more information about the program.

The **Foothills Continuing Education Course & Program Guide** will be coming out early in the new year. Check out the wide variety of courses being offered throughout the MD. The contact for Priddis is Nivia Shearer, 403.201.1024.

With your support, the **Priddis Community Hall** will continue to offer a great local meeting place. During 2009 these events took place at the Hall:

PELP daily from Monday to Friday from September to June,
Scouts weekly from Sept to June,
Continuing Ed- Yoga twice a week,
Tai Chi weekly from Sept to May,
Tree Burning Party, 9 Men's Breakfast meetings, the Quilt

Group met 6 times, Girl Guides Campout, 2 Teen Challenge Grads, Meota Gas Meetings, Musical Ride, Ridge Riders met 4 times, 2 Family dances, Saddlesores held 7 meetings, 2 Funerals, the W.I. Conference, Priddis/Millarville Residence Association Meetings, a Family picnic, an Anniversary party, annual Bingo, Craft Sale, Fall Supper, Garage Sale, Rec Board Meeting, 8 Weddings and Church meetings.

So you can see that the Hall is being utilized extensively. Check out the PCA website at www.priddis.org. You can **book the Hall** or check the calendar of community events. Place your ad on the website for one full year for only \$25.00 (2 lines or 140 characters).

The PCA Board is run by volunteers. Let's all continue to help out where and when we can and **make Priddis a fun and active Community!**

From our family to yours,
The PCA Board
would like to wish everyone

MERRY CHRISTMAS
and
HAPPY NEW YEAR

PRIDDIS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

2009 / 2010 MEMBERSHIP FORM

Effective September 1st, 2009 – August 31st, 2010

Family Memberships = \$25.00 Single Adult = \$15.00 Seniors = \$10.00 single

If you and your family are new to the community, your 1st year membership is free. Check here

First name: _____ Last name: _____
(please print) (please print)

Spouse's First name: _____ Last name: _____

Mailing address: _____

Postal Code: _____ Phone #: _____ E-mail: _____

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Please mail cheque and this form to the PCA, Box 77, Priddis, AB T0L 1W0 or you can drop it off at the Priddis General Store. Membership cards will be mailed back to you.

Do you wish to volunteer for PCA functions? Yes No

