

February

2013



Happy Valentines Day

VILLAGE OF HILL SPRING

Newsletter



SEWAGE WOES



NOTICE

THE TWO MOST IMPORTANT PIECES OF INFRASTRUCTURE IN HILL SPRING ARE THE WATER SYSTEM AND THE SEWER (LIQUID WASTE) SYSTEM.

THE SEWER SYSTEM IS CONSTANTLY REQUIRING SERVICING AT THE LIFT STATION BECAUSE SOME SORT OF FIBROUS MATERIAL HAS BEEN ALLOWED INTO THE SYSTEM AND IT BINDS UP THE PUMPS. RECENTLY (AGAIN) THE LARGER PUMP HAD TO BE SENT FOR REBUILDING DUE TO DAMAGE CAUSED BY THAT MATERIAL, AND WHILE IT WAS AWAY ONLY THE SMALL PUMP WAS AVAILABLE. IF THAT ONE FAILED, WE'D BE IN **SERIOUS SERIOUS TROUBLE**

PLEASE.

IF YOU DIDN'T **DIGEST** IT FIRST

AND IT ISN'T **TOILET PAPER**

DON'T FLUSH IT.



EXCITING NEWS



On Monday, Jan. 28 , MP Honorable Ted Menzie announced support for five communities to receive funding from the "Community Infrastructure Improvement Fund."

Hill Spring is among the 5 lucky communities. Hill Spring has been granted \$80,300.00 for renovations to the Community Center. The Village has allocated \$89,785.00 of MSI Capital Grant money for a total of \$169,000.00 grant dollars for the renovation project.

Last fall the AG Society approached Village Council about expanding the community hall to the east. Village Council approved a 40 x 40 ft expansion conditional on grant approval. On Tuesday, the Ag Society received a letter confirming that they were approved for \$50,00.00. The Village will contribute an additional \$40,000 MSI Grant Capital for a total of \$90,000.00 for the expansion project. The Cultural Society has also applied for a grant for kitchen upgrades but are still waiting to hear approval.



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Village Notes

Village Office Hours:

Monday 8am—12pm

Tuesday 1pm—5pm

Wednesday 1pm—5pm

Council Meetings will always be held on the third Tuesday of each month at 7pm at the Village Office on 2nd Ave South, unless otherwise posted. The next Council meeting will be Feb. 19, 2013.

SKATING RINK

The skating rink has had a lot of volunteer hours put in to it. In order to better serve the community and those who wish to skate the change room will be open from 9:00 a.m.—9:00 p.m. We hope you will utilize this facility, as soon the weather will be such that the ice will not be able to stay.

Ag Society News

In June 2012 the Agricultural Society was approached by a group wanting to get a long arm sewing quilting machine in the Village of Hill Spring. And asked if the Society could help them out. We felt this was a worthwhile project and approached the Village Council to ask permission to put a small sewing room on the east end of the community hall. Village Council not only approved the addition but asked to participate in doubling the size of the addition to increase the size of the Hall. The Agricultural Society applied for a grant under the Communities Initiative Program and the Village applied for a grant under the Community Infrastructure Improvement Fund. Both grants have been approved and with this funding, matching money and in-kind volunteer labor we will have over \$270,000.00 to work with. The Cultural Society has also applied for funding to help with this project and are waiting to receive an answer. A group of interested ladies also had a fundraiser for the project and were able to presale 18 quilts in Calgary to raise a total of \$8,100.00.

The project includes a complete renovation of the community center including kitchen, bathrooms, and a new 40 x 40' expansion on east end. Half of this new addition will be for a sewing room and a storage/mechanical room where chairs and tables can be stored. The other half of the addition will increase the size of the hall so it is big enough to hold community events.

Great things can be accomplished when there is co-operation and we all work together. Look for construction to begin in the spring.

Events

Feb. 14—VALENTINES DAY!!

*Cultural Society—Dinner—
Monday Feb. 25—Memberships
now due Contact Nonavee Campbell. Anyone 55 or older)*

*April 19—Baxter Black (Contact
Kelly Young—626-3277 or Karen
Merrill - 626-3643 or Jeanne Dent
—626-3892)*

Glenwood Library—video conference series

February 6th – “Permaculture Basics”

March 6th – “More than Just Tomatoes”

