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2023 De Winton Board of Directors

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Alan Alger	Vice President / Foothills Council Representative
Mike Kosinec	Secretary
Jean Creagh	Treasurer
Chelsea McLeod	Preschool Director
Cindy Poole	Facility Director (Casino)
Edith Rabinovitch	Membership Director
Michele Waldner	Communication Director
Mia Staysko	Communication Director
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We were founded in 1918 and have been an Alberta Association Member since 1962.

Are you new to De Winton? On behalf of our amazing community, please allow us to welcome you and your family. We have a welcoming gift for you, along with some information about our local happenings, activities, and fabulous preschool. Please contact us directly at the Hall by phone or email. Also visit our website and sign up for our newsletter. Once again, welcome!





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The DCA is Seeking Board Members

The Board of Directors is looking for some helping hands in the running of our wonderful community. Please consider stepping up and becoming a member of our Board of Directors. As we come out of COVID-19 restrictions, we have many opportunities to provide so much to our community.

DCA Mission Statement:

Dedicated to fostering a strong community spirit through events and programs for all within our community.

For those of us who have been here for many years, the DCA has met this commitment through our very successful Playschool program, dances, seasonal events like Christmas Craft Fairs, and Canada Day Pancake breakfasts.

We are so blessed to live in such a wonderful place, and we need help to continue to support and grow our community spirit. Please consider giving us some of your time so we can continue to grow and promote our strong community spirit.

We know time is a valuable commodity. As a Board, we meet once a month for roughly two hours. In addition, each Board member often contributes time in an area in which they would like to help out. (Last year, I stepped up to help develop a new communication strategy, updating our website and streamlining all our communication contact points. Lucky for me, my neighbour, Mia Staysko – who actually knows what she is doing – stepped up and was able to update our website and our social media platforms, and has been a wonderful resource. I truly couldn't have done it without her. Yes, volunteering takes some time, but with a bit of preplanning, it's not hard to do.

Please seriously consider helping your community. If you want to talk to someone on the Board for a candid conversation about what being on our Board would look like, please contact us through the Hall at dwca@platinum. ca. The Hall Manager will ensure you are contacted as soon as possible.



WE NEED YOU!



Olympic Medals for Artists







The founder of the modern Olympic Games, Baron Pierre de Coubertin, believed that a true Olympian was not only athletic, but also artistic. As a result, for the first four decades of these international games, artists were awarded medals for painting, sculpture, architecture, literature, and music, so long as their work was inspired by athletic endeavours.



De Winton Community Association (DCA) Notice of Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Thursday, January 26, 2023 | 7:00 pm

DCA members are asked to support their community association and Board by attending our AGM, where members will hear about our successes, challenges, and upcoming plans.

The meeting will commence at 7:00 pm via Zoom. A Zoom link, along with the agenda and other documents, will be sent to current members approximately one week in

advance of the AGM. With renewed uncertainty regarding COVID-19 and increased respiratory infections, Zoom is the safest and most effective way to include all who wish to attend.

At the AGM, members in good standing may be asked to approve reports, statements, and initiatives, including the Annual Financial Statement and nominations of new Directors to our Board.

As always, we encourage those in our community to join the DCA, volunteer to become a Director on our Board, and/or volunteer for various events hosted by the DCA throughout the year.

We look forward to seeing you there.

SAVE THE DATE

DeWinton Community
Association's
ANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING



√ is at **7pm** via ZOOM **January 26, 2023**

(not January 28 as previously advised)
All registered members will receive
a link one week in advance.



Don't miss out! De Winton Community Preschool Registration

will be held on
Monday, January 23, 2023
from 6 - 7 pm at the
De Winton Community Hall.

for all the details please visit

Dewintoncommunitypreschool.com

Spaces fill up fast so don't miss this opportuity!

National Hot Tea Day

We have ancient China to thank for tea, the most consumed beverage in the world aside from water. According to myth, tea was discovered when a dead leaf from a wild tea bush fell into an emperor's cup of boiled water. Thousands of years later, we still love tea, so much so that January 12 is National Hot Tea Day. In honour of this day, why not brew yourself a nice hot cup of tea!



Preschool Director

Sadly, our Preschool Director, Chelsea McLeod, after four years in this role, has had to step down. We will really miss her kind, efficient, fun loving, and focused lead as our Preschool Director.

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We need help to continue to meet this Mission Statement and to keep our Preschool growing. We are so blessed to live in such a wonderful place. Please consider giving us some of your time so we can continue to grow and promote our strong community spirit.

We know time is a valuable commodity. As a Board we meet once a month for roughly two hours. Yes, volunteering takes some time and with a bit of preplanning it's not hard to do. You will have the support of a Parent Committee to help you through. For more information, please contact our Parent Committee at dewintoncommunitypreschool@gmail.com. We would love to hear from you.

SAFE & SOUND

Sledding Safety

by Alberta Health Services, EMS

Emergency Medical Services (EMS) would like to remind parents and children about a few toboggan/sledding safety tips as the winter season continues. Injuries may result from collisions with stationary objects on the hill, such as trees, poles, rocks, or even collisions with other people. Unprotected falls can also result in more serious injury if you lose control at high speeds. However, everyone can be safe and have fun on the toboggan hill by following these reminders.

Equipment

- Always ensure your toboggan, or sledding device, is in good repair. Inspect it for any damaged or missing parts before each use.
- Be certain the operator is fully capable of staying in control of the sled at all times.
- Wear a ski helmet, designed for use in cold weather and high speeds.

Hazards

- Avoid hills that are too steep or too icy.
- Choose hills free of all obstacles such as trees, rocks, utility poles, benches, or fences.
- Beware of loose scarves, or clothing containing drawstrings, which could present a strangulation hazard if they become caught or snagged.
- Look out for others. Move quickly to the side after finishing a run and stay to the side of the sliding path when walking up the hill.
- Children should be supervised by an adult; never toboggan alone.
- Tobogganing at night is not advised.

Plan Ahead

- Dress warmly in layers and anticipate weather changes.
- Consider bringing extra sets of gloves and toques to exchange wet garments for dry ones.
- Take breaks out of the cold to warm up.
- Attempt to cover any exposed skin.
- Even when properly protected from the elements, the fingertips, toes, ears, the tip of the nose, and other high points on the face, such as the forehead and cheek bones can be affected by frostbite.
- If frost bite has occurred, treat it by first removing the individual out of the cold environment. Gently warm the affected skin by placing a warm hand over it, or by placing the affected part in warm - not hot - water, until re-warmed.

EVENTS RECAP



Ghoulfest

On October 16, scary ghosts and goblins attended our Ghoulfest at the De Winton Hall. It was a spectacular success with over 350 paticipants enjoying the very scary haunted house, music, snacks and Halloween treats. Thank you to Amanda Gotmy for spearheading this event again this

year. Thank you also to Chelsea, Wanda, Lisa, Charley, and Paul, community members that donated their Halloween items and time.

Christmas Craft Fair

The De Winton Christmas Craft Fair was held November 19. We had over 30 vendors with an amazing variety of holiday and handcrafted items. The Bow Valley Fiddlers performed to the delight of everyone in attendance. Thank you to the De Winton Preschool for running the concession and providing so many goodies. A big thank-you



to Edith Rabinovitch and her whole volunteer team who decorated the hall and to Amanda for running this event.



De Winton Community Association Membership Renewals are Due

It's DCA membership renewal time!

The annual DCA membership will be remaining at just \$21 per family for 2022/2023.

New and renewing members can head over to our website to see the value of joining and fill out the membership form at https://www.dewintonca.com/join/.

Please renew promptly as your continued support helps us to tailor our events and programs to our membership.



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Outdoor Fun!

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