

— September 2026 —

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Archerwill's Free Community Newsletter

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ANOTHER SEASON BEGINS

"And all at once, summer collapsed into fall."

- Oscar Wilde 1854-1900

As we leave summer behind, we move forward into a season of plenty. It is all about harvest now whether it is in the field or in the veggie patch.

We will begin the tasks of harvest and reap the benefits. With each task completed, we ready ourselves for earth's winter's nap. Not that we want to think about winter just yet, but really we are preparing ourselves as temperatures cool and days shorten.

Grain bins will fill up. Vegetables and fruits will be frozen or canned for use throughout the winter. We will store everything away as though we are animals in nature preparing for the inevitable.

Children return to school and their activities begin in earnest. And all at once, summer collapses into fall and our focus is upon what lies ahead.

Happy and safe harvest to all!

Church Services

New Hope Lutheran Parish 10:00 a.m.

Sep 13 Nut Lake Lutheran Church

Sep 27 Zion Lutheran Church, Rose Valley

St. Lawrence Catholic Church, Nobleville

Sep 6 11:00 a.m.

Sep 12 7:00 p.m.

Sep 27 9:00 a.m.

"We are not put on this earth for ourselves, but are placed here for each other. If you are there always for others, then in time of need, someone will be there for you."

-Jeff Warner

Archerwill Seniors

The Renovation Continues...

Seniors' \$2 Coffee Row has returned to the Seniors Centre starting at 9:00 a.m. each day. Everyone is welcome!



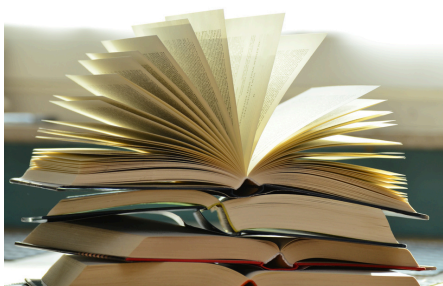
Classes commence Wednesday, September 2

Children in the Archerwill area commonly attend school in Archerwill, Rose Valley or Tisdale. We wish them well as they begin another year of studies.

Whether they are starting Grade One (Class of 2039), Grade Twelve (Class of 2027) or somewhere in between, the first days of school can be filled with excitement and trepidation.

Routines are essential for proper learning. Classes, activities, meal times and bedtimes are all important elements in your child's well-being. Getting routines in place helps build security and stability for your learner.

Here's to a happy new school year!



***"No one is perfect. That's
why pencils have erasers."
-Wolfgang Riebe***



BARRIER VALLEY AGENCIES LTD.

104 1st Avenue PO Box 70 Archerwill, SK S0E 0B0

Phone 306-323-2065 Fax 306-323-4622 bvagencies@sasktel.net

Wishing all our clients a safe and bountiful harvest season. We want to make sure your farm, equipment, and hard work are fully protected as you head into the fields.

Harvest Safety and Coverage Checklist

- **Inspect Equipment:** Check your combines, tractors and grain carts for maintenance needs before rolling out.
- **Review Policies:** Confirm that your equipment limits, loss-of-use coverage and liability protections match your current needs.
- **Practice Road Safety:** Stay alert for slow-moving machinery on public roads during transit between fields.

If you need to update or review limits on your current policy, give us a call. We are here to serve you.

Shannon, Marlene and Nicole at Barrier Valley Agencies Ltd.



THE VILLAGE

103 Main Street PO Box 130 Archerwill, SK S0E 0B0
Phone 306-323-2161 villageofarcherwill@sasktel.net

Elected Officials 2024-2028

Mayor Steven Christianson
Councillor Sheldon Kohlen
Councillor Jenna Patterson
Councillor Traci Thorpe

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voask@sasktel.net
voajp@sasktel.net
voatt@sasktel.net

CAO

Amber Patterson

Foreman

Josh Montes



The Village held a community barbecue August 11 with proceeds to the library. The good people of Archerwill raised \$531.75. Thank you to all who came out and supported the event.

Thank You for a Great Summer!

We would like to thank our summer student, Garret, for all his hard work throughout the summer season.

Your dedication to keeping our community looking clean, neat, and well maintained has been greatly appreciated. Your willingness to help out, work hard, and get the job done made a valuable contribution to our community.

Thank you for your time and effort this summer. We hope you have a great school year!

Thank you for a job well done!



Garret & Josh at work

THE VILLAGE

Notice to the Public

Village of Archerwill

Pursuant to section 54 of the Municipalities Regulations the following Waterworks information is available for public inspection at the Village office during regular office hours. Village office address is 103 Main Street, Archerwill, SK.

1. Annual Waterworks Financial Overview for the year 2025
2. Appendix #1 Notes to Annual Waterworks Financial Overview for the year 2025
3. Utility Reserves as described in Schedule 8 Consolidated Schedule of Accumulated Surplus for the year ended December 31, 2025
4. Waterworks rate policy as described in Bylaw 6-2019 Water and Sewer Rates

Dated this 17 day of August 2026

Amber Patterson

CAO

Village of Archerwill

RM of BARRIER VALLEY NO. 397

100 Main Street PO Box 246 Archerwill, SK S0E 0B0

Phone 306-323-2101 Fax 306-323-2106 rm397@sasktel.net

Reeve: **Wayne Black**

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Administrator **Glenda Smith**



FORM H

[Section 66 Of the Act]

NOTICE OF CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF BARRIER VALLEY NO. 397

Public notice is hereby given that nominations of candidates for the offices of:

COUNCILLOR FOR DIVISION NO. 2,

COUNCILLOR FOR DIVISION NO. 4,

COUNCILLOR FOR DIVISION NO. 6,

will be received by the undersigned at the municipal office,

located at 100 Main St., Archerwill SK

during normal office hours until

Wednesday, October 7, 2026, at 4:00 pm local time.

Nomination forms may be obtained from the municipal office

or online at www.rm397.com

Dated this 22nd day of September 2026.

Glenda Smith
Returning Officer



A poster for the Archerwill Volunteer Fire Department's Appreciation Night. The background is dark with a fire truck on the left and flames on the right. The text is arranged in a central, bold layout. At the top, a red banner reads 'SAVE THE DATE'. Below it, 'ARCHERWILL' is in white, 'VOLUNTEER' is in yellow, and 'FIRE' is in large yellow letters. To the right of 'FIRE' is a Maltese cross logo with 'FIRE' at the top, 'DEPT.' at the bottom, and a fire helmet in the center. Below this, another red banner reads 'APPRECIATION NIGHT'. To the left of this banner is a calendar icon showing 'NOVEMBER' and '21ST'. To the right of the calendar are three items: a location pin icon for 'ARCHERWILL HALL', a fork and knife icon for 'SUPPER', and a group of people icon for 'PROGRAM TO FOLLOW'. At the bottom, a yellow banner with stars on either side reads 'OPEN TO THE PUBLIC'. Below this, a dark banner reads '— Thank You —' and a final yellow banner reads 'FOR YOUR DEDICATION, COURAGE & SERVICE!'.

SAVE THE DATE

ARCHERWILL
VOLUNTEER
FIRE

APPRECIATION NIGHT

NOVEMBER
21ST

ARCHERWILL HALL

SUPPER

PROGRAM TO FOLLOW

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

— Thank You —
FOR YOUR DEDICATION, COURAGE & SERVICE!

KELVINGTON-WADENA MLA



Chris Beaudry

Minister of Energy and Resources

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S4S 0B3

306-787-1422

ministerer@gav.sk.ca

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S0A 1A0

306-272-3003

cbeaudrymla@gmail.com

YORKTON-MELVILLE MP

The Yorkton-Melville seat is currently vacant.
A by-election will be called within the next six months.

FOR THE LOVE OF BIRDS

by Elaine Hughes

September 2026

NORTHERN HOUSE WREN

There are more than sixty species of Wrens in the world, ten of those are in the West and, one of those - the plainest, greyish-brown bird – the Northern House Wren (HOWR) (*Troglodytes aedon*) – are the common ones in our area. This species breeds from central British Columbia, east to New Brunswick, and south to Arizona and Georgia, arriving in their breeding grounds by mid-May.

They prefer woodlands, farmlands, parks and human yards with ample shrubs for nesting and foraging for food such as insects, spiders and some snails. They leave for their winter homes in the American southwest, along the Gulf Coast and north to Virginia by the end of September.

The House Wren, known as “Big-noise-for-its-size” by Ojibwa Indians, is a small, stumpy, mainly greyish-brown bird with a slender, slightly decurved bill, tail often cocked, is highly energetic, endlessly checking every nook and cranny for food, all the while beautiful trilling, churring, scolding, stuttering, gurgling, their voices rising in a burst and falling at the end which can be heard from dawn to dusk during mating season. . . . and bring joy to my yard.

Only through careful observation of the actions of a House Wren is it possible to determine its sex. [<https://www.birdfact.com/articles/female-house-wrens>]. It is the male (12 cm long, wing span of 15-18 cm) who sings the most strenuously while frantically building three or four dummy nests out of a mass of twigs and rubbish in nesting boxes, boots, cans, buckets, mailboxes, coat pockets and even in skulls of long dead animals in his area!

When the female shows up, she will choose one of those nests and finish it with a layer of hair, feathers or plant material, lay 4 to 8 pinkish, spotted oval eggs (1.5 x 1.3 cm) and incubate them for about 2 weeks. Both parents guard the young against cats, foxes and owls but the most serious threat to eggs and nestlings comes from other House Wrens.

Looking for a new mate, a particularly expansionist male House Wren may destroy nearby nests of other House Wrens or even those of bluebirds or chickadees. Occasionally, it is the female who takes off, finds a new mate and has a second, or even a third brood in a season!

NORTHERN HOUSE WREN continued...

Over this past summer, there were several House Wrens in my yard, with lots of flying from tree to tree and constant chattering from dawn to dusk. Around the first week of August, I noticed activity at the “Cat” nesting box shown below and on August 7, I heard the sound of the young being fed in that nest.

Over the next week, both parents made countless trips to the nest with food for the young causing lots of chirping and stuttering. Then, on the morning of August 15, there was no activity at the nest at all and my yard was suddenly too quiet again.



Northern House Wren – Male/Female?

Source: All About Birds – Cornell

[<https://www.birdfact.com/articles/female-house-wrens>].

“Cat” Nesting Box – E. Hughes

NOTE: The 2” x 2” square brass-coloured plate with a hole in the centre on the front of the nesting box came from Lee Valley Tools in Saskatoon. They are easily mounted, rust-resistant and are offered in four different sized holes to match the preferences of specific cavity-nesting birds; they successfully guard against squirrels and larger birds from enlarging the entrance and taking over the nest. Plus, nesting boxes last longer! [<https://www.leevalley.com/en-ca/shop/garden/wildlife/housesand-habitats/67399-birdhouse-portal-protectors?>].



Fun Facts About the HOWR - Audubon

[<https://www.audubon.org/magazine/10-fun-facts-about-northern-house-wren>].

The Bulletin Board



Metis Flower DIAMOND DOT ART

Sunday, September 6th, 2026

@ 10:00-2:00

LUNCH AND SNACKS INCLUDED!

Ages 7-13

10 SPOTS OPEN!

MESSAGE *Kristie MacDonald* TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT THROUGH THIS NUMBER 1 (306) 322-7177 OR FACEBOOK



ARCHERWILL SINISTER SOCIETY

WE ARE ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR GROUPS TO JOIN US FOR OUR HAUNTED RINK!

HAUNTED HOUSE IS ON OCTOBER 31

APPLICATION DEADLINE SEPT. 11

GROUPS MUST BE AVAILABLE FOR:

- A DAY OF SET UP
- THE DAY OF THE HAUNTED HOUSE
- A DAY OF CLEAN UP

THE GROUP WILL ALSO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CANTEEN IN THE HALL DURING THE HAUNTED HOUSE. YOU WILL GET ALL PROCEEDS FROM THE CANTEEN!

PAST YEARS HAVE SEEN A DONATION AROUND \$2500 FROM ARCHERWILL SINISTER SOCIETY

GROUPS HAVE MADE AROUND \$1500 FROM THE CANTEEN

APPLICATIONS CAN BE SENT TO: ARCHERWILLHAUNTEDHOUSE@GMAIL.COM

BE A PART OF SOMETHING SPOOKTACULAR! APPLY TODAY AND HELP MAKE THIS YEAR'S HAUNTED RINK OUR BEST ONE YET!



Friends of the Archerwill Centennial Centre present Archerwill's 2nd Annual

HAPPY HARVEST PANCAKE BREAKFAST & SCARECROW COMPETITION

Saturday, September 12

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Archerwill Centennial Centre
\$10/Person \$25/Family
Proceeds to the Archerwill Hall

Make & bring a Scarecrow to win a prize!
Contest open to all ages.

Kids, dress up as a Scarecrow, Witch, Harvest Fairy or Black Cat to enter the Live Kids' Contest!




We invite Kids 12 and under to enter the

HAPPY HARVEST Kids' Costume Contest

Saturday, September 12

ARCHERWILL CENTENNIAL CENTRE

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Attend the Pancake Breakfast and enter yourself as a live Scarecrow, Black Cat, Witch, Harvest Princess, Dinosaur covered in fall leaves...let your imagination run wild!

Dig into your Halloween costume stash and see what you can come up with to win prizes!

The Bulletin Board

SENIORS RALLY
ARCHERWILL
SEPTEMBER 24, 2026
REGISTRATION 10:00 AM
\$20 / PERSON
PHONE ATTENDANCE NUMBERS
BY SEPTEMBER 18
ALICE (306) 323-2069
SHARON (306) 322-7402
LUNCH - ROAST BEEF

 **BINGO**

 **Whist Drive**

GROCERY HAMPERS
BUCKET DRAWS
DOOR PRIZES
AND MUCH MORE



National Day
**for Truth and
Reconciliation**

September 30



*Lakeside
Cemetery*
**FALL
SUPPER**
SUNDAY OCTOBER 4TH
5-7PM
WATCH FOR
MORE DETAILS



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**NAICAM SCHOOL HERITAGE MUSEUM
PUBLIC INVESTIGATION**
OCTOBER 24th, 2026

JOIN US... IF YOU DARE...

3 TIME SLOTS - \$50.00 TICKETS
15 TICKETS PER TIME SLOT
7-9 PM / 9:30-11:30 PM / 12-2 AM

GET YOUR TICKETS AT:
NAICAMHERITAGE@GMAIL.COM

HELP SUPPORT THE NAICAM MUSEUM &
GHOST HUNT WITH CANADIAN PARANORMAL
EXPEDITIONS

USE OUR EQUIPMENT & DO THE INVESTIGATING!



The Bulletin Board



The Poppy Campaign 2026
begins October 24.

Lest We Forget

St. Front
LADIES
Night Out ♥

A NIGHT TO SIP, BID & CELEBRATE
the season!

 NOVEMBER 7	 DOORS OPEN AT 6:30	 LOONIE & TOONIE AUCTION STARTING AT 7:30	 LUNCH SERVED	 \$25 A TICKET
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 ♥ DRINKS	 ♥ FOOD	 ♥ LOONIE & TOONIE AUCTION
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♥ Good Friends. Great Times. Giving Back. ♥

COME FOR THE FUN,
STAY FOR THE MEMORIES!

The
JUBILEE
CAFE

OPENING SOON!

BURGERS • SOUPS • SALADS • CHICKEN FINGERS
FRIES • POUTINES • AND MORE!

HOURS
MONDAY - SATURDAY
9AM - 7PM
CLOSED SUNDAYS

Dine In or Take Out
306-322-2150

317 CENTRE ST,
ROSE VALLEY

ARCHERWILL PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Blank Page

"You can't calm the storm, so stop trying. What you can do is calm yourself. The storm will pass."

-Timber Hawkeye

My storm has been teaching this old dog a new trick.

I had mastered the art of using Microsoft's Publisher to create this newsletter. However, powers that be have decided to do away with Publisher.

This past month, I have been learning Canva's newsletter templates. Phew! It's taking me a moment, but I'm getting there.

So, just a heads up, be prepared to find all sorts of errors and oddities in this first edition under the new system. This newsletter and I are a work in progress!

Happy September everyone.

Karen

BOOK REVIEW by Sharon Quaal

I'll Be Seeing You by author Elizabeth Berg

This memoir is a moving love story about the caring of and for aging parents, one of which has Alzheimer's.

The book made me laugh, cry and sad. I could relate to what the author experienced, and recommend it to anyone who has aging parents.

At a couple hundred pages, it is a quick read despite the heavy subject matter.

I have requested other books be brought in for me by this best selling author and former registered nurse.

STORY TIME: THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 AT 2:30 P.M.

Come to Archerwill Library on the second Thursday of the month for Story Time.

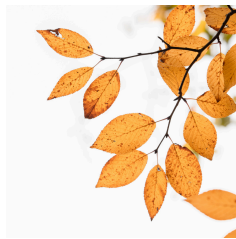
We will read a book or two, make a craft and have a snack.



It's a fact...

Termite queens live longer than any other insect.

Scientists estimate that they can live as long as 100 years.



The Eiffel Tower can grow taller by about 6 inches during hot days due to thermal expansion.



The annual number of worldwide shark bites is 10 times less than the number of people bitten by other people in New York.

Wapiti Regional Library Archerwill Branch

Box 174
1st Avenue
Archerwill, SK S0E 0B0

306-323-2128

arccirc@wapitilibrary.ca

Hours of Operation

Tuesday & Thursday
12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Second Thursday of the Month
Story Time 2:30 p.m.

The Book Return Drop Box is located in the Grocery Store lobby.

The Next Chapter is published as a community service by the Archerwill Branch of Wapiti Regional Library.

Thank you to our sponsors
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printing The Next Chapter.



Picture this...



Archerwill Sports Days
August 14, 15, 16



Archerwill Library's
End of Summer
Get Together
August 26



BUSINESS DIRECTORY

Algrove Electric

306-323-0003

Alli's Custom Woodworking

Contact: Linda Conarro

306-716-6207

Archerwill Centennial Centre

Contact: Meagan Etsell

403-563-0593

Archerwill Housing Authority

Contact: Pat Morvik

306-278-7325

Archerwill Seniors Club

Contact: Alice Fountain

306-323-2069

Baba's Kitchen

Annette Kozak 306-323-2023

Barrier Valley Agencies Ltd.

306-323-2065

Beauty Bliss Boutique

at Barrier Valley Agencies

306-322-7341

Canada Post

306-323-2025

Community Funeral Lunch

Contact: Annette Kozak

306-323-2023

Cornerstone Credit Union

1-855-875-2255

Country Cuts Salon

6 miles east of Archerwill

Call or Text Brooke

306-269-7551

Cozy Country Inn

www.cozycountryinn.ca

306-322-7511

Echo Lake Archers

Contact: Wayne Lupien

306-322-7203

El-Vee's Kitchen

306-322-8151

verlarh@sasktel.net

Getaway House B&B

Air B&B Website

Hosted by Chantel

JR's Stone & Stucco

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lschweitzer2018@gmail.com

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306-380-6204

archerwilllodge@gmail.com

MLA Chris Beaudry

1-800-554-1600

North East Outreach

24 Hour Crisis Line

1-800-611-6349

Notary Public Marlene Carlson

306-323-4905

Prairie North Co-Op Archerwill

C Store: 306-323-2134

Farm Supply: 306-323-2112

Fertilizer Plant: 306-323-2139

Grocery: 306-323-2141

Pro Stream

Premium Streaming Services

1-204-228-9312

Revoy's Marina

306-322-7030

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Latest Lake News



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RM of Barrier Valley No. 397

306-323-2101

rm397@sasktel.net

Rose Valley Community Spirit Manor

Senior Assisted Living Units

306-322-4476

Seed Source Inc.

306-323-4402

SEVA Thrift Store - Rose Valley

Contact: Richelle

306-874-7906

Village of Archerwill

306-323-2161

Wilson Electric

306-323-4804

Keep our community safe.
See something suspicious?

For non-emergency
assistance, call

310-RCMP

310-7267