



# Blackie Buzz

Daylight Savings begins  
Sunday March 11th, 2018

## Blackie Lions Breakfast

Saturday March 3rd,  
2018



Blackie Community Center

8:30 am to 10:30 am

Sponsor: D.L.Meadows/Justin Wyatt  
Trucking

Donations to: High River Hospital

Foundation Cancer Centre

Enjoy a delicious breakfast and donate to  
a local cause

## Blackie Community Association

Next meeting, Monday Marh 19th, 2018

7:00 pm I.O.O.F. Hall

Everyone is welcome

Reminder: just a quick reminder to write your family history for the second printing of the Blackie and District History Book Fencelines and Furrows. See February Buzz for all the details.

## Comedy Night

featuring Jebb Fink as seen on

Comedy Now, Just for Laughs,

Breakfast Television,

Winnipeg Comedy Festival

Blackie Community Hall

Saturday March 10th, 2018

\$60 per ticket includes dinner, show and one drink

Dinner by Blackie Lions Club

Presale tickets only 403-684-3019  
groeneveld83@hotmail.com or Blackie ATB

Cocktails 6:00 pm      Dinner 6:30 pm

Show 8:00 pm

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### Blackie-Gladys United Churches

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Web: [blackiegladys.weebly.com](http://blackiegladys.weebly.com)

Minister: Susan Wilkinson-Matticks

Phone 403-256-4507

Email: [suzyqpublic@telus.net](mailto:suzyqpublic@telus.net)

#### Worship services ~ Everyone is welcome.

March 4<sup>th</sup> 10 a.m. *Gladys* LENT 3  
with Susan Wilkinson-Matticks  
~ *A.G.M. with Potluck Lunch*

March 11<sup>th</sup> 1 p.m. *Blackie* LENT4  
with Susan Wilkinson-Matticks

March 18<sup>th</sup> 10 a.m. *Gladys* LENT 5  
with Worship Team

March 25<sup>th</sup> 10 a.m. *Blackie* PALM SUNDAY  
with Worship Team

The Blackie and District Food Bank may  
also be reached at 403-684-3693.

I named my dog "5 Miles". So I can tell  
people I walk 5 miles every day.

It's funny how nobody notices what you do  
until you don't do it.

A cranky, obnoxious older man was caught shop-  
lifting at the supermarket. He became unruly and  
insulting, so the police were called. They took  
him to the station, and later that day he appeared  
in court. The judge asked him what he had stolen  
and why. "I was hungry and forgot my wallet, so  
I took a little old can of beets, that's all." "How  
many beets were in that can?" asked the judge.  
"I don't know. Maybe six or seven," said the old  
man. "Then I'm sentencing you to seven days in  
jail, announced the judge. "One day for each  
beet". Just then a meek little old lady raised her  
hand and coughed. "Yes ma'am, what is it?"  
asked the judge. "I'm his wife", replied the lady.  
"Do you have something to say?" asked the judge.  
"Yes sir. He also stole three cans of peas."

### St. Patrick's Day in Canada

St Patrick's Day is a public holiday in the Canadi-  
an province of Newfoundland and Labrador on  
the nearest Monday to March 17 each year. It re-  
members St Patrick, a missionary who converted  
many of Ireland's inhabitants to Christianity in  
the 5th century. His feast day also celebrates Irish  
culture.

The most widely-seen St Patrick's Day symbols  
are the colors green, and sometimes orange, and  
the shamrock. The shamrock is a symbol of Ire-  
land and a registered trademark of the Republic  
of Ireland.

Robyn, soon we will welcome the flocks of robins  
returning to their northern home. Robins are  
very sensitive to any disturbance during the nest  
building and egg laying, and will easily desert  
the nest if they think that the nest has been dis-  
covered. Unless the birds are used to people, it is  
best to stay clear of the immediate vicinity of the  
nest until the incubation starts.

American Robins begin to arrive at their breed-  
ing grounds in southern areas of Canada in early  
March and continue to arrive at northern breed-  
ing areas until as late as mid-May. Flocks of up  
to a dozen males arrive first as the snow recedes;  
females sometimes arrive the same day but are  
usually a week, or even more, behind their ma-  
tes.

### Blackie T.O.P.S.AB5183

"Take Off Pounds Sensibly"

T.O.P.S. would like to welcome  
everyone in supporting one an-  
other into their personal weight  
-loss journey.

Meet at the Library

Wednesday morning 10 am to  
11:30 am. Hope to see you  
there!



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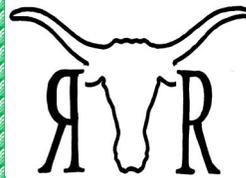
Friday 10 am to 4 pm

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Closed Good Friday March 30th, 2018



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*Trump's new Ambassador to Canada didn't win friends when she implied that Canadians need to improve to be like Americans. Here is a response, printed in a Canadian newspaper. From the Ottawa Citizen website: U.S. Ambassador Kelly Craft, in her first Canadian print interview, stated, "The golden rule is we want Canadians to be as successful as Americans." I doubt Canadians want to be "as successful as Americans." In February, Scott Gilmore, writing in MacLean's magazine, provided some statistics that show Canadians are already more successful than Americans. We live 2.5 years longer than Americans. Americans are six times more likely to be incarcerated. The World Economic Forum ranks Canadians as the sixth happiest people in the world. Americans are 13th. Fifty-nine per cent of Canadians have college degrees versus 46 per cent in the U.S. Home ownership rates are five per cent higher in Canada than in the U.S. Canadians are twice as likely as Americans to move from the poorest one fifth of the population to the wealthiest. And perhaps most telling for the citizens of the "Land of the Free," the Cato Institute's Human Freedom Index considers Canadians to be the sixth freest people in the world. Americans are way behind, in 23rd place. So Ambassador Craft, I suggest to you revisit your Golden Rule. Instead, during your appointment as Ambassador to Canada, you should try to help your citizens be as successful as Canadians. As helpful Canadians, we would be happy to show you how. Robert Macdonald, Ottawa*

Advertising in the Buzz is very easy:

- 1) Business ads are a donation of \$10. Household ads are \$5.
- 2) Write your ad, pay at the ATB, drop in the book deposit at the library.
- 3) Deadline is noon on the 23rd of each month.
- 4) Free community events must be in writing and dropped in the book deposit at the library before the deadline.
- 5) All submissions are subject to editing for space and content.

Read the Blackie Buzz online [www.blackie.ca](http://www.blackie.ca)

### **Blackie 2018-2019 Kindergarten and Junior Kindergarten**

**Registration Open House**

**Wednesday March 14th 5-6 pm**

**Blackie School, 201 John Street,**

**Blackie, Alberta                      403-601-1752**

**Kindergarten children must be 5 years of age on or before December 31st, 2018**

**Junior Kindergarten children must be 4 years old on or before December 31st, 2018**

**(We must have a minimum of 12 registrants for the Junior Kindergarten program to operate)**

**A reminder to please bring your child's birth certificate**

**Registration is on-going at the Blackie School**

**For more information please call the school at 403-601-1752 or visit [www.fsd38.ab.ca](http://www.fsd38.ab.ca)**