

GLEN LESLIE NEWS

“ANNA LADWIG, LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF GLEN LESLIE, SPEAKS ON THE GLEN LESLIE CHURCH RESTORATION PROJECT”

Anna Ladwig was one of the key presenters at the South Peace Regional Archives' Annual General Meeting on March 30, 2019. The Archives always invite guest speakers to present on various subjects at their AGM's. This year's theme was how the public can make use of their various resources. The speakers were Maxine Maxwell with the Grande Prairie and District Branch of the Alberta Genealogical Society, Charles Taws with the Grande Prairie Museum, Breanna Gouschuk with the Grande Prairie Regional Tourism Association and Anna Ladwig who spoke on how Archives played an important role in the restoration process of the Glen Leslie Church.



Although Anna was not raised in the Glen Leslie area, she married into a family, the Ladwig's, who had homesteaded in the area in 1913. In fact, the Ladwig's had hauled the logs that were used for the construction of the Church, volunteered numerous hours towards the building process and were parishioners of the Church until services were curtailed

in 1964. The Ladwig's farmed and raised their family of three boys in the Glen Leslie area exclusively. Members of Anna's family are buried in the tranquil setting of the Glen Leslie Cemetery.

Anna's dedication to the Church was evidenced by her willingness to be the hostess on the Saturdays that the Church was open to the public in 2018. There is no-one who is more dedicated to the history of the Glen Leslie Church and Cemetery than Anna.

Anna always welcomes any opportunity to discuss the multi-faceted aspects of the Glen Leslie Church. The little Church was designated a Provincial Historic Resource in 2011.