

SMOKY LAKE COUNTY Grapevine Communication

December 2012

"May the holiday season be bright with joy
and rich in memories."

Christmas, Hanukkah, the Holiday Season, and the New Year is a time when many of us reflect on the meaning of this season: We enjoy the company of friends and family, and we consider the new year as an time for new possibilities.



Smoky Lake County Council and Staff would like to wish everyone a Very Merry Christmas and Happy Hanukkah and all the best in the New Year 2013. We are hopeful this special time is enjoyable but please — *be safe, and do not drink and drive.*

"Merry Christmas" in many languages:

Ukrainian: Z Rizdvom Khrystovym or S rozhdestvom Kristovym/
Різдвом Христовим

Polish: Wesolych Swiat Bozego Narodzenia or Boze Narodzenie

Swedish: God Jul and (Och) Ett Gott Nytt År

Finnish: Hyvaa joulua

Chinese: (Mandarin) Sheng Dan Kuai Le 圣诞快乐

Afrikaans: Geseënde Kersfees

Philippines: Maligayang Pasko!

Italian: Buone Feste Natalizie

German: Fröhliche Weihnachten

Slovak: Vesele Vianoce. A stastlivy Novy Rok

French: Joyeux Noel

Spanish: Feliz Navidad

Japanese: Shinnen omedeto. Kurisumasu Omedeto

Scheduled Meetings

County Council Meetings:

- Regular Council Meeting: December 6, 2012 @ 9:00 a.m.
- Budget Meeting: December 20, 2012 @ 10 a.m.
- Regular Council Meeting: January 24, 2013 @ 9:00 a.m.

Agricultural Service Board and Utilities Meeting:

- December 10, 2012 @ 1:00 p.m.

Council meetings are held in the County Administration Building located at 4612 McDougall Drive in Smoky Lake. The meetings are open to the public.

COUNTY'S EXTERNAL SAFETY AUDIT

Smoky Lake County has been part of WCB's Partners in Injury Reduction (PIR) program for 25 years. PIR is designed to encourage injury prevention and the development of effective workplace health, safety and disability management systems. All employers can participate in the program and be eligible for a Certificate of Recognition by maintaining safety standards.

An external audit was conducted recently on Smoky Lake County's safety and work practices: The County received a 94% score.

The County would like to commend and congratulate all employees who — everyday — work to achieve a safe work place!



SMOKY LAKE COUNTY OFFICE HOLIDAY CLOSURE

The Smoky Lake County Office and Public Works Office will be closed for one week over the Christmas Season, starting from Christmas Day on Tuesday, December 25, 2012 to New Year's Day on Tuesday, January 1, 2013.

The office will reopen on Wednesday, January 2

County Offices will be closed on Monday, January 7 for Ukrainian Christmas Day — Різдвом Христовим!



