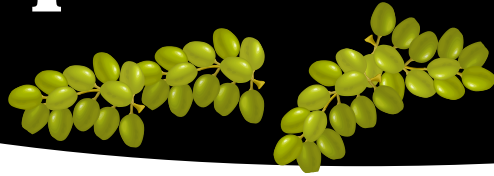
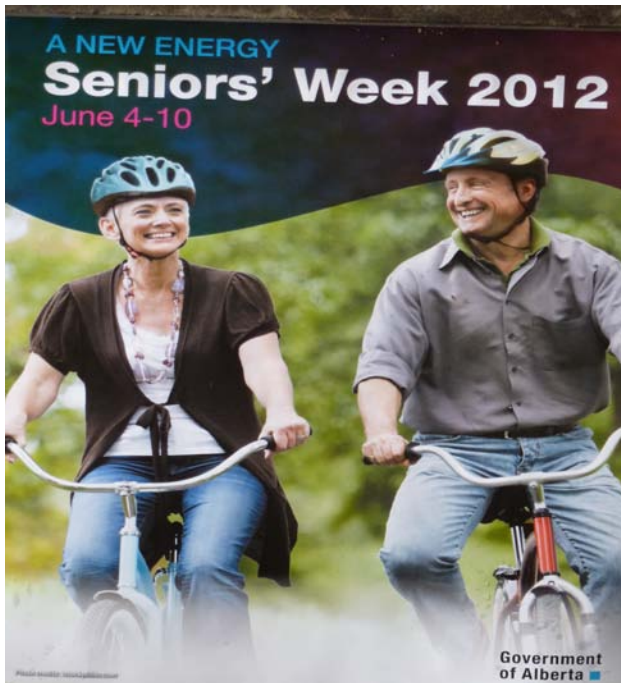


SMOKY LAKE COUNTY
Grapevine Communication



June 2012



Smoky Lake County Council and staff would like extend our appreciation to and honour all seniors living within the County, who have made and who continue to make contributions to our community.

Scheduled Meetings

Regular County Council:
June 21, 2012 @ 9:00 am

There is no Council meeting in July

Regular County Council:
August 23, 2012 @ 9:00 am

IN MEMORY OF EUGENE SENETZA

Eugene passed away suddenly on May 21. Husband, Father, Son, Brother, Uncle, Friend. Eugene was an Agriculture Fieldman with Smoky Lake County whose good natured, friendly personality and contribution to the County's operations will be greatly missed.



SMOKY LAKE COUNTY OFFICE CLOSURES

The County Office and the Public Works Office will be closed on Friday, June 15 as all staff will be participating at the Farmers and Ranchers Appreciation Day in Waskatenau.

Smoky Lake County Office and the Public Works Office will be closed on Monday, July 2 due to July 1 Canada Day falling on a Sunday.

FIRE BAN STATUS



Please watch for notices posted in the County or check the website www.smokylakecounty.ab.ca for the current fire risk status.



CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Weed Control Independent Appeal Panel
Smoky Lake County
Agricultural Service Board

Smoky Lake Agricultural Service Board is seeking public members for the purposes of ruling on Appeals to Weed Control Notices given within Smoky Lake County.

- Council will appoint three (3) members at large to serve on the Panel, and a minimum of five (5) members at large to serve as alternates on the Panel.
- Remuneration will be provided to all public members of the Panel as per County policy.

All nominations will be presented to Council.

ROLE OF THE PANEL:

Panel members are required to make findings of fact based on evidence presented and then make a decision after conducting a hearing fairly and in accordance within the provisions of the Weed Control Act and Regulations, and Municipal Bylaw.

MEMBER REQUIREMENTS:

- Must not be an employee of the County, or a member of the Agricultural Service Board for Smoky Lake County;
- Agricultural background; and
- Attend Appeal Hearings and meetings which are normally scheduled during business hours.

SELF-NOMINATION SUBMISSIONS SHOULD INCLUDE:

- Statement about commitment to making fair Appeal Decisions in Smoky Lake County; and
- Talents and skills that would be brought to the Panel.

NEW SUBMISSION DEADLINE
Friday, JUNE 29, 2012 @ 4:00 PM to:

Evonne Zukiwski, Assistant Agricultural Fieldman
Smoky Lake County
Weed Control Independent Appeal Panel
Box 310
Smoky Lake, Alberta T0A 3C0
Fax: (780) 656-3768
Email: evonne.zukiwski@smokylakecounty.ab.ca

The Call for nominations may remain open until the required number of suitable candidates is found.

Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board
proclaimed
May 29, 2012 as the
3rd Annual "Day of the Honey Bee"



PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT: DID YOU KNOW?

LAND TITLES

An individual can create a Guest Account and access "SPIN 2", the Government of Alberta Land Titles system, for any of the following items :

- Certificate of Title
- Survey Plans
- View your property dimensions
- Map Search
- Registered Documents

For more information you may call the SPIN 2 Help Desk at 780-422-7874 (toll free from anywhere in Alberta by first calling 310-0000).

<https://alta.registries.gov.ab.ca/spinii/logon.aspx>

CALL FOR MEMBERS AT LARGE

SMOKY LAKE COUNTY REGIONAL HERITAGE BOARD
BYLAW 1236-11



The purpose and mandate of the Regional Heritage Board is to:

- To manage aspects of the survey, identification, evaluation, designation, preservation, restoration, planning, financing, and development of the heritage of Smoky Lake County.

- To advise Smoky Lake County Council on all policy and regulatory matters relating to the heritage and heritage resources of the County.

- To stimulate in the general public an appreciation and knowledge of heritage and heritage activities, and encourage, promote and advocate for the preservation and safeguarding of the integrity of landscape heritage, ecological heritage, and cultural heritage events and built heritage in Smoky Lake County.

Members at Large Criteria:

Commitment to Smoky Lake County Heritage;
Talents and skills needed to achieve the purpose of the Heritage Board;
Demonstrated ability to be a team player.

Membership on the Board is voluntary and no remuneration will be paid for serving as a member. Members will be reimbursed for reasonable out-of-pocket expenses and mileage to attend each meeting of the Board and Committee meetings.

For information please contact Noreen Easterbrook, Chair at 780-656-2114.

All interested persons are encouraged to submit a cover letter and background information no later than Monday, August 13, 2012 at 4 pm, to Smoky Lake County, Attn: Aline Brousseau, Planning & Development Manager at abrousseau@smokylakecounty.ab.ca

Bylaw 1210-10

Photo above of Highland Hall at Barich located at Pt. of SW 16-60-18-W4M



IMPORTANT REMINDER

Respecting Road Right of Way - Bylaw 1241-12 (formerly Bylaw1186-09) was passed by Council on March 29, 2012, regarding the use of Road Right of Way Management.

Section 3: Prohibitions

- 3.1 No person shall dispose of, or cause to be disposed of, any litter on a road right of way.
- 3.2 No person shall cultivate, or cause to be cultivated, a road right of way or any portion thereof.
- 3.3 No person shall remove, cut or otherwise destroy trees or shrubs located on a road right of way.
- 3.4 No person shall remove any soil, sand or gravel from a road right of way.
- 3.5 No person shall grade, ditch or otherwise change the contour of a road right of way.
- 3.6 No person shall deposit snow upon the traveled portion, shoulder or side slope of any road right of way.
- 3.7 No person shall construct any improvement upon the road right of way.
- 3.8 No person shall deposit matter that will interfere with or plug up a culvert.
- 3.9 No person shall apply used or waste refined oil on road surfaces within County road right of way.**

Note: As of March 29, 2012, Section 3.9 is new to this bylaw.

SMOKY LAKE COUNTY PHOTO CONTEST

Have you take photos with Smoky Lake County that you would like to share and have published in the County's 2012 – 2014 Strategic Plan and other County publications? Photographers will not receive any prize award but will be acknowledged with any published photo(s). The contest is open to photographers of all ages. Each participant may submit up to 3 photos. For more information, look for posters and check the County's website. Deadline for submissions is July 27.

SMOKY LAKE COUNTY 2012 TAX ASSESSMENT OPEN HOUSE

Wednesday, June 13 from 1:00 pm to 7:00 pm, and
Thursday, June 14 from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

If you have any questions about your tax assessment, please attend the Open House at which time you can discuss your tax notice with the County Assessor. You may also call the County Office on the days and time indicated above to speak with the County Assessor. The phone numbers are 780-656-3730 or 1-888-656-3730 (toll free within Alberta).

NOTIFICATION FOR "DO NOT SPRAY"

Staff of the Agricultural Services Board is preparing for the upcoming spray season. Spray operations will commence on June 1st, as long as weather and growing conditions permit. Spraying will be conducted for the purposes of brush and weed control.

Landowners who do not want spraying to be conducted along their property are requested to sign a Right-of-Way Vegetation Control Application (for chemical spray exemption) and pick up "DO NOT SPRAY" signs from the County Office. Signs must be posted far enough in advance of the non-spray area to allow the operator time to react. Landowners posting these signs assume all responsibility for weed and brush control along the road right-of-way. For more information on the types of herbicides being used or any other program details, please contact the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Services Board at (780) 656-3730.

COUNTY COMMUNITY EVENTS

Gary Starchuk/Dwayne Semeniuk Memorial Baseball Tournament (Men's Baseball Tournament)
June 9 and 10, Waskatenau Pine Creek Ball Park

10th Annual Farmers and Ranchers Appreciation Day
Friday, June 15 from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm at the Waskatenau Community Centre. Cooperative Tradeshow and Keynote Address at 10:00 am, followed by a Hamburger and Hotdog lunch from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. Hosted by the Smoky Lake County and Victoria Trail Agricultural Society.
Everyone is welcome to attend!

National Aboriginal Day Celebrations at Métis Crossing
Saturday, June 16. Check their website for more information <http://www.metiscrossing.com/index.html>

Town of Smoky Lake 50th Birthday Celebrations!
Friday, June 29 - Open House at Public Works/ Fire Hall and Town Office. Saturday, June 30 – Town wide garage Pancake Breakfast, and other events. Check the Town's website under "Upcoming Events" for details.

CANADA DAY CELEBRATIONS IN SMOKY LAKE COUNTY



Smoky Lake: Kids Parade, Free Hotdog Lunch, Canada Day Bike parade, Birthday Cake, and more.
From 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm at the Historic CN Station

Vilna: Exposition, Fair, Parade

Waskatenau: Family-oriented event for all ages. Wiener roasts, birthday cake, children games, baseball game, awards presentations. Held at Waskatenau Pine Creek Park & Campground

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