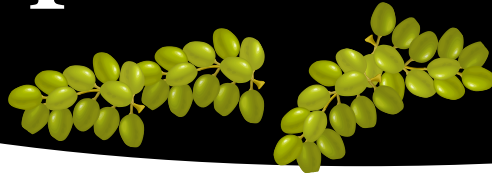


SMOKY LAKE COUNTY Grapevine Communication

July 2012



SMOKY LAKE COUNTY PHOTO CONTEST

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



Smoky Lake Council and Staff would like to thank everyone who attending the 10th Annual Farmer's and Rancher's Appreciation Day, and give a special "Thanks" to the Co-op's and exhibitors that participated:

- Access Pipeline
- Alberta Community and Cooperative Association
- Alberta Farm Fresh Producers
- Alberta Feeders Association
- Alberta Producers Commission (Canola Display)
- Federation of Alberta Gas Co-ops Ltd.
- Lakeland Rural Electrification Association Ltd.
- Smoky Lake Breeders Co-op
- Stry REA
- UFA
- Western Feed Grain Development Co-op

Scheduled Meetings

Agricultural Service Board and Utilities Committee
Meeting: July 30, 2012 @ 9:00 am

Council Departmental Operations Meeting: July 30,
2012 @ 1:00 pm

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

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

The meetings are open to the public.

SMOKY LAKE COUNTY OFFICE CLOSURE

The County Office and the Public Works Office will be closed on Heritage Day - Monday, August 6 – to recognize and celebrate the varied cultural heritage of Albertans.



Smoky Lake County welcomes our hard working Summer Students and STEP (Summer Temporary Employment Program) Students:

- Kennedy Antoniuk - Parks & Recreation
- Sierra Carson - Parks & Recreation
- Kaylee Chichak - Public Works
- Jessie Dohaniuk - Parks & Recreation
- Sheldon Dombowsky - Parks & Recreation
- Tamara Flondra - Agriculture
- Jeremy Smith - Planning & Development
- Rebecca Smith - Parks & Recreation
- Meagan Yakimowich - Parks & Recreation
- Jocelyn Zabrick - Agriculture
- Daniel Zenko - Parks & Recreation





PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT: DID YOU KNOW?

Land Use Bylaw 1102-02

New Dwellings are required to have a minimum ground floor area in the Country Residential District (CR) as follows:

- Within 1000 ft of a lake - 600 sq. ft.
- All others - 800 sq. ft.

Nearly all multi-lot CR areas within the County are located adjacent to or in close proximity to bodies of water such as lakes or the North Saskatchewan River.

These areas include:

- Birchland Resort, Bonnie Lake Resort
- Garner Lake Resort
- Hanmore Lake Holdings, Haynes Estate Subdivision, Hillside Acres
- Mons Lake Estates, Mons View Resort
- Parkview Beach Resort
- Sand Lane Park, Sunrise Beach Resort
- Wayetenaw Subdivision, Whitefish Properties



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 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

Summer is here! Enjoy local produce from one of the Farmers' Markets within the County





ENJOYING OUR GREAT OUTDOORS

There are fourteen Parks and Recreation sites within the Smoky Lake County for the enjoyment of residents and visitors.

Facilities might include golfing, swimming areas in lakes, camp kitchens, tenting areas, boat launches, fish cleaning stands, playgrounds, and horseshoe pits. Each site offers a different outdoor experience for everyone. Information about each sites can be found at www.albertaslakeland.ca/



Garner Lake

SMOKY LAKE COUNTY DRAFT STRATEGIC PLAN 2012-2014

What is a Strategic Plan?

A Strategic Plan is both a visioning document and action plan for achieving Council's long-term vision and goals for the future sustainability of the County.

How will the Strategic Plan affect me as a Taxpayer?

The plan describes Council's priorities for managing municipal services, parks and recreation, administrative services, human resources, social services, roads, utilities, protective services, heritage resources, environmental assets and communications. The plan will address all of the factors that contribute to your quality of life in the County.

Why develop a Strategic Plan?

The Strategic Plan is also the County's sustainability plan. The plan will help ensure that resources are effectively and efficiently utilized to meet the present and future needs of the community.

How can I participate in the review and provide feedback on the draft plan?

Residents may obtain a draft copy of the plan at the County Administration Office **until July 27, 2012**, or view it on our website. Comments may be provided in person or by e-mail to abrousseau@smokylakecounty.ab.ca

To find out more about the plan –

Check the County website, talk to your Councillor, or talk to any member of County administration.

Inquiries relating to the draft plan may be submitted to: Cory Ollikka, Chief Administrative Officer; Lydia Cielin, Assistant Chief Administrative Officer; or, Aline Brousseau, Planning & Development Manager.

SMOKY LAKE COUNTY COMMUNITY EVENTS

2nd Annual Vilna Cowboy Fest, July 20 to 22, celebrating cowboy culture and the spirit of the west. Featuring North American Fiddle Champion Calvin Vollrath, cowboy poets and more!

31st Annual Smoky Lake Stampede, August 4 and 5
Featuring Graham Sisters Trick Riding, Tyson Wagner Rodeo Clown and more weekend fun for everyone!



Victoria Trail Agricultural Society Annual Fair Days in Waskatenau, August 10 to 12. Parade, horse show, bench show, pancake breakfasts, BBQ, hole-in-one golf, family show, slo-pitch tournament and kid's games



Vilna Boomtown Days, August 17 and 18. An Old time Fair with a parade, bench show, and activities for the kids, wrapped up with a spectacular fireworks display. Followed by the annual Auto Show & Shine on August 19

Victoria Settlement is open until Labour Day from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm daily. This year marks 150 years since the establishment of the McDougall Methodist Mission on the North Saskatchewan River. Catch a glimpse of an exciting period of Alberta's past through exhibits, trails, and a variety of activities at the site



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