

# SMOKY LAKE COUNTY

## Grapevine Communication

June 2013



Seniors' Week: June 3 to 9, 2013  
"Creative and Inspirational"

Smoky Lake County proclaimed Seniors' Week to honour the past, present and future contributions of seniors in our community and throughout Alberta.

Seniors make a difference in our communities every day. From supporting family members and friends to assisting charities and volunteering, seniors are deeply involved in our communities and their contributions benefit Albertans of all ages. Let's Celebrate our Seniors!!

The 2013 Alberta 55 Plus Games will be held in Barrhead, Westlock and Clyde from July 25 to 28, 2013. The Games provide a venue for Albertans 55 years of age and older to pursue greater levels of physical, social, intellectual and creative achievement through friendly competition and participation. Activities include cycling, golf, horseshoes, swimming, tennis and creative writing. Many participants have now been selected through zone playoffs. Information on events and locations is available at the "55plussummergames" website.



### IMPORTANT REMINDER

Respecting Road Right of Way - Bylaw 1241-12 (formerly Bylaw 1186-09) 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.

### SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Council Meeting: June 26, 2013 @ 9:00 a.m.  
Council does not meet in July  
August 22, 2013 @ 9:00 a.m.

Smoky Lake County Strategic Plan Meeting: July 25, 2013 @ 1:00 p.m.

Utilities Meeting: June 25, 2013 @ 9:00 a.m.

- Natural Gas and Environmental Operations
- Agricultural Service Board

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

Smoky Lake County Office and the Public Works Office will be closed on Monday, July 1, 2013 for Canada Day. Celebrate Canada's 146th Birthday and enjoy the community parades and events!



Congratulations to all of the Graduates from H.A. Kostash and Vilna School!! Your success in completing this phase of your life makes your community proud. Smoky Lake County Council and Staff would like to wish all of the Grads much success with your future endeavours.



### DO YOU HAVE 2013 COUNTY TAX ASSESSMENT QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS?

Accurate Assessment Services will be available at the Smoky Lake County Office on Wednesday, June 19, 2013 to discuss any tax assessment concerns.

Meetings with the assessor are by appointment only.

If you would like to meet with the assessor to discuss a tax assessment, please contact Rose at the County Office to schedule an appointment. Phone Rose at 780-656-3730 or 1-888-656-3730 or email [rlyle@smokylakecounty.ab.ca](mailto:rlyle@smokylakecounty.ab.ca)



**SMOKY LAKE COUNTY  
REGIONAL HERITAGE BOARD  
BYLAW 1236-11**

**CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR  
TWO MEMBERS AT LARGE**

The purpose and mandate of the Regional Heritage Board is:

- 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; and
- 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 **Friday, June 28, 2013 at 4:00:00 p.m.** to Smoky Lake County, Attn: Aline Brousseau, Planning & Development Manager at [abrousseau@smokylakecounty.ab.ca](mailto:abrousseau@smokylakecounty.ab.ca)



Photo: Municipally Designated Site, Anderson House located at Lobstick Settlement on Victoria Trail.

The following County organizations received financial support in 2012 through Family & Community Support Services:

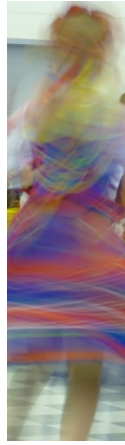


Photo of Vilna Veselka Dancer in motion

Vilna Senior Citizens (seniors transportation)	\$ 2,500.00
Community Adult Learning Council	\$ 600.00
Smoky Lake Foundation (seniors transportation)	\$ 2,000.00
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Smoky Lake Preschool	\$ 1,200.00
Smoky Lake Minor Hockey (coach training)	\$ 1,500.00
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Bar V Nook (seniors transportation)	\$ 2,000.00
Smoky Lake Minor Hockey (coach training)	\$ 490.00
Vilna Veselka Dance (volunteer support)	\$ 1,500.00
Smoky Lake CASA (Leadership Field Trip)	\$ 490.00
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**PUBLIC NOTICE — LIMITATIONS ON THE NUMBER OF  
RECREATIONAL VEHICLES ON PROPERTY:  
Section 7.23: Land Use Bylaw 1250-12 of Smoky Lake County**



As camping season is upon us, please be reminded that Smoky Lake County has a bylaw which limits the number of Recreational Vehicles (RV's) on your property.

**Multi-Lot Country Residential (R1), Residential (Cluster) Conservation (R2), Victoria Residential (R3), and Hamlet Residential (R4) Districts:**

- A maximum of 2 (two) RV's are allowed on a parcel without a development permit year-round.
- Additional RV's are permitted although, only for a maximum of 4 (four) consecutive days.
- If you wish to place 3 (three) RV's on your property on a year round basis, a Development Permit is required by the Development Authority.
- This does not apply to parcels zoned as Agriculture (AG), Victoria Agriculture (A1), Highway Commercial (C1), Victoria Commercial (C2), Hamlet Commercial (C3), Industrial (M1), Rural Industrial (M2), Institutional & Community (P), Direct Control (DC), and Direct Control Landfill (DC1) Districts.

No recreational vehicle shall be permanently connected to any utility or municipal service, such as power, gas, water supply, or sanitary sewage disposal facilities unless the RV is located in an approved RV Park.

You may verify the zoning of your property by accessing the Public Webmap <http://webmap.smokylakecounty.ab.ca>, select "Go" to enter the Webmap Site and turn on the "Zoning" and "Zoning Label" Layers in the Planning & Development section or by accessing the "Maps" section of the County's website <http://www.smokylakecounty.ab.ca/maps.htm>

For further information contact either:  
Aline Brousseau, Planning & Development Manager, or  
Ed English, Bylaw Enforcement Officer  
at the County Office at 780-656-3730.



Vitalize 2013: June 13 to 15, 2013 in the Shaw Conference Centre in Edmonton. Vitalize 2013 marks 25 years of go-to training and skills development for the non-profit/voluntary sector in Alberta.

Delegates can choose from a variety of sessions covering topics such as fundraising, board development, leadership, stress management, volunteer management and more.

See the website "Vitalize2013" for conference and registration information.



County residents are reminded that there is a Dog Control Bylaw in place. Smoky Lake County Bylaw No. 1163-08 Dog Control Bylaw states, in part:

That any person who keeps or harbours a dog which constitutes a Nuisance is guilty of an offence. "Nuisance" means any dog for which there is:

- Accumulation of waste
- Accumulation of material contaminated by waste
- Disposal of waste
- Disposal of material contaminated by waste
- Trespass upon property
- Threat to public safety
- Noise

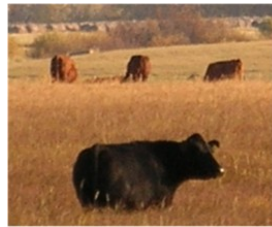
In part, the owner of a dog is guilty of an offence if the dog barks or howls disturbing the quiet of any person, the dog causes damage to public or private property, or the dog defecates on any private or public property other than the property of the owner. The owner may be fined a penalty of \$150.00 per offence for the above offences. The penalty doubles for second or subsequent offences within one year.

The Animal Control Officer is authorized to capture and impound in the County Dog Shelter any dog that is at-large. All impounded dogs may be kept at the Shelter for 72 hours. A \$20.00 per day County Dog Shelter Fee applies. During this time the dog may be claimed by its owner upon payment of an appropriate impoundment fee. After 72 hours, the dog may be offered for sale, destroyed in a humane manner, allow the dog to be claimed by its owner, or continue to impound the dog, at the discretion of the Animal Control Officer.

See the County's website "Bylaws & Policies" 1163-08 Dog Control for additional information.

Smoky Lake County 780-656-3730  
Toll free 1-888-656-3730  
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Keep up-to-date by following the County on the website, Facebook and Twitter



### 11th ANNUAL FARMERS AND RANCHERS APPRECIATION DAY "Supporting Our Local Producers"

On Friday, June 14, 2013 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

at the Vilna Cultural Centre

Hosted by Smoky Lake County and the Vilna & District Agricultural Society

Featuring -

- Keynote Address at 10:00 a.m. by the Farmers' Advocate Office
- Agricultural Tradeshow showcasing local producers and agricultural businesses
- Hamburger and hotdog BBQ from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Door prizes

Everyone is welcome to attend!

### SMOKY LAKE COUNTY COMMUNITY EVENTS

Victorian Geocache Murder Mystery at Victoria Settlement: Saturday, June 22, 2013 with a 1:00 p.m. start time. Mystery, history, caches, and fun! Teams will be given GPS coordinates for the mystery caches which have been placed in the surrounding area. Find all the caches and solve the mystery! Prizes will be awarded. Period costumes are welcome. \$10 per participant which includes admission, tours and a good cup of tea.



Ironhorse Motorcycle Show & Shine: June 29, 2013 in Bellis. Registration from 9:30 a.m. to noon at \$20.00/ Bike. An all day entertainment event! Supper and entertainment at 6:00 p.m. at a cost of \$30.00 per person/ \$15.00 for 9 and under. Prizes for Touring, Stock, Chopper, Street, Vintage, Best Dressed, Best Paint, Trike. Sponsored by Vilna & District Chamber of Commerce.

Victoria Settlement Jamboree: Sunday, July 7, 2013. Starting at 11:00 a.m. with a church service, followed by a tea. The afternoon is full of entertainment in a jamboree format featuring music, dance, and drama. Bring your banjo, fiddle, guitar or spoons and join in the fun! Hot food, historic demonstrations, tours and kids activities will be available throughout the day. Please bring a lawn chair.



### 3rd Annual Vilna COWBOY FEST July 19 - 21, 2013

At the Vilna Cultural Centre. Featuring internationally acclaimed Johnny Cash impersonator Darly Weyman, and Stomp (dance) with Wolf

River Band on Saturday night starting 7:00 p.m. Performers throughout the weekend include Kayla Patrick, Jackson Mackenzie, Don Wudel, Windi Scott and other Country singers, and Pickers, Grinners, Cowboy Poets, and more!!! On-site dry camping will be available at \$5.00/night. Meals will be available. Admission: Weekend \$59.00/ Friday \$15.00/ Saturday \$35.00/ Dance \$10.00/ Sunday \$15.00/ 17 & under are free. Information at [www.VilnaAgSociety.com](http://www.VilnaAgSociety.com)