



Stettler County **CONNECTION**

FALL 2024

TAX PAYMENT DEADLINE

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TAX PAYMENT DEADLINE

The 2024 County of Stettler Tax Payment Deadline is Thursday, October 31, 2024 (the last working day in October).

A 10% penalty is applied on November 1 to all unpaid 2024 taxes.

Accepted methods of payment:

- Cash
- Cheque
- Interac
- Online Banking
(Please choose 'Tax' and use Roll Number or Customer ID)
- At most financial institutions

Another method of payment to consider is setting up an ONLINE BANKING PRE-AUTHORIZED – Autopay, through our Tax Installment Payment Program (TIPP). This program will spread tax payments out over 12 months.

In order to qualify for the TIPP program, your taxes have to be at a zero balance. Application forms must be received prior to December 15. The amount of the

monthly tax payment is determined from your previous years taxes. For example, a tax bill of \$1,200 would be divided by 12 payments of \$100 per month. The payment of \$100 would begin in January and continue until the current year's taxes are levied. The balance of the year would be recalculated to equal what is left owing, to come to a zero balance at the end of the year.

We typically try to take payments on the first of each month. If you happen to miss two payments, you will be taken off the TIPP program. Please contact our office for an application.

Tax payments continue to be collected at the County Administration Building at 6602 – 44 Avenue, Stettler, Alberta, Monday through Friday from 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM.

Please consider receiving your tax notices by email/ electronic means. Call us at 403-742-4441 to find out how.

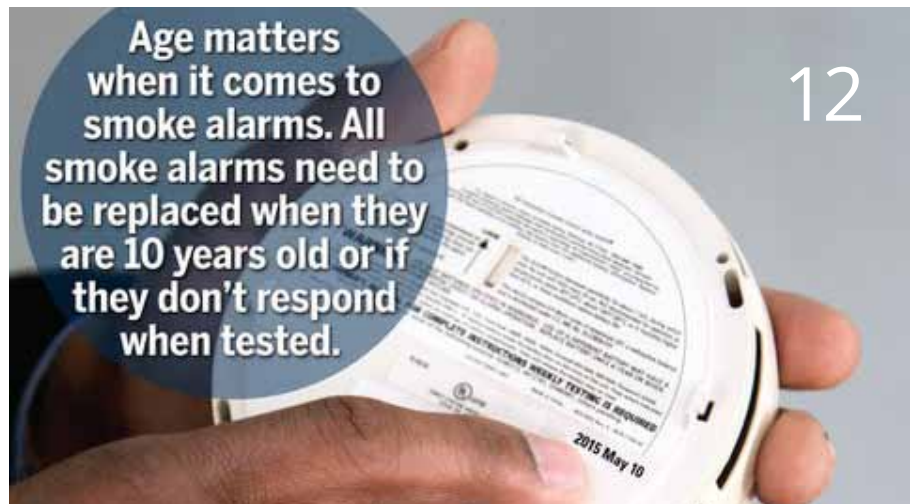


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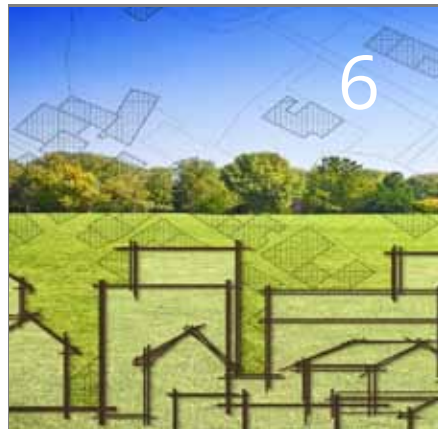
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MAKE SURE YOUR SMOKE ALARMS ARE WORKING.



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SRFD NOW RECRUITING.





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INTRO

"If you eat today, thank a farmer."

What a beautiful summer and amazing fall we have enjoyed here in Stettler County. And as the breeze turns crisp we are well into our preparations for winter as we work towards tending to maintenance on equipment after a busy construction and mowing season, and prepare equipment and blades and tools required for the winter we know is ahead.

Council has just completed three days of workshops, reviewing and updating the Strategic Plan, which will help steer our municipality into the future. These workshops challenge Council and staff to look at what has been going well, what we're doing well, what we could be doing better, and what external forces threaten our viability. From here, Council looks at the big picture and develops directions for Administration to carry out which will guide us as we bring decisions forward for Council's consideration.

Our daily operations are guided by policies and bylaws, and as the saying goes... 'Good policy makes for good governance'. With that, we continue our complete policy review which we began this year and so far have worked our way through reviewing 1/3 of our policies. Each month, the policies under review are posted on our website for public input and feedback and we always encourage the public to be actively engaged with their government.

We've had some big events this year - Red Willow turned 50. Botha held a homecoming. Union Hall celebrated 100 years and we were very happy to visit with everyone who came out to enjoy Stettler Ag Society's revival of the Stettler County Fair. It will be back next year along with the Stettler County Bench Show all occurring the last week of July into the Heritage Day August long weekend. Start collecting your seeds, and planning your gardens and artistic and 'maker' entries, we are excited to see what Stettler County has to show off next summer.

Speaking of showing off - be sure to come by in December and pick up a copy of the 2025 County Calendar which will highlight all the winners of our 2024 Photo Contest, with our 70th Anniversary edition.

Niki Thorsteinsson
Director of Communications

County of Stettler

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Yvette Cassidy

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Ward 2: Big Valley

Dave Grover

Ward 3: Botha-Gadsby

Larry Clarke

Ward 4: Erskine-South Warden

James Nibourg

Ward 5: Stettler

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Ward 6: Erskine-Buffalo Lake

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Ward 7: Donalds-Red Willow

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REEVE'S RAMBLINGS

Larry Clarke - Reeve, County of Stettler

As I look out the window and the thermometer on September 30, the temperature is 1 C with a forecasted high of 13 C. The last couple of weeks, fall is definitely in the air with frost warnings. Another growing season has passed. Our County had very varied rainfall with some areas having record high amounts in instances while others had very low amounts resulting in very different crop and forage harvests and stressed pastures in many areas. Surface water amounts in many areas were challenging with producers having to haul water to ensure livestock had adequate safe drinking water.

As Council we have to look at where money and resources are committed to ensure our county excels into the next century. We are currently completing our 2025-2028 strategic plan and staff will use this in preparation for our 2025 budget. This includes operations and capital along with multi-year forecasts. There are many demands on funds with focusses on doctor recruitment, safe water supply and expanding this service, road maintenance/restructuring and bridge replacements, economic development and capital replacements.

We are continually challenged on income as grant amounts and structure has been a moving target and assessments are being challenged especially in oil and gas with municipalities lobbying hard not to grant more cuts in this assessment and to force companies to better manage assets. Our Council and senior administration will continue to lobby the government to ensure County of Stettler residents and all rural Albertans are treated fairly and receive proper funding to allow us to transport

food and raw materials to the larger provincial, federal and global markets. As I have stated before there are only limited sources of income and if income decreases overall taxes must be increased, or level of service must drop substantially to reduce expenses. Green energy projects challenge our County as well as many other municipalities, with some landowners wanting to have installations on their land and some neighbouring residents opposing the projects. This can create conflict in the neighbourhoods and has many questions coming to County staff and Councillors, but the regulator in this is the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) and they need to manage development and deal with all concerns or objections. If you are looking at developing or hosting any green energy projects, please seek legal advice on abandonment liabilities and restricted land uses.

Doctor attraction and retention is at a crucial point now attracting General Practitioners and Anesthesiologists to our community to ensure our future includes proper and timely health care to our residents. This is very important to your County Council and we have worked with the Town of Stettler, our main partner, to provide financial incentives of \$50,000 to \$70,000 over a 5-year term to attract new doctors to ease their burden of moving, sometimes across the ocean, and setting up a new practice. These incentives are also greatly supported by the Stettler Health Services Foundation in the form of a 2-year \$100,000 interest free loan. This summer a group called 'Stettler Needs Doctors' was formed and brought greater awareness to this critical cause through a sign campaign, media, ads and a very well attended

REEVE'S RAMBLINGS



Reeve Clarke at the Stettler County Fair & Rodeo 2024

town hall. Together now, we participate in the continual work with local doctors, RhPAP, AHS, College of Physicians, Alberta Health and the required government ministries trying to remove barriers and help in the recruitment of these health professionals to our area.

Anesthesiologists are currently very limited in our area and C-sections are now diverted from our hospital until we get this issue fixed. We have two new doctors who should be through all their paper work to start in the new year and we are actively advertising and attending sessions with practicing residents and recruiting. I know how very frustrating it is to not have a family doctor, but it is a very long process to have a non-resident doctor approved to work in Canada and Alberta. We are advocating strongly to streamline this process but every step takes time. We are also pursuing Canadian graduates but this is in looking towards the future, as class sizes are expanding but will not come close to keeping up with our Country's ongoing demands.

Most municipalities and communities are challenged in staffing of doctors. We need to appreciate our larger urban hospitals, doctors and staff in providing us critical and emergency care in our times of need. We also need to work hard as a community and provide competitive incentives and convince more doctors to call our community home, as many of our fine past and present doctors have and do.

Further on our health care struggles, after many, many meetings Stettler District Ambulance Association (SDAA) has negotiated a 60-day extension to this critical contract. SDAA supplies our area with the best Advanced Life Support (ALS) service with paramedics on board enabling the distribution of life saving drugs and

the best equipment in what could be our biggest time of need. With our ER and current hospital diversions this is of utmost importance in life and death situations. A 2-year contract extension is being pursued and hats off to Stettler District Ambulance management and board members in holding their ground ensuring our area continues receiving this top-level service.

We thank the Stettler District Agricultural Society and their tireless and dedicated board and volunteers for resurrecting the Stettler County Fair this year. It provided us with a wonderful opportunity to come out and engage with you and we are already looking forward to next summer where we will continue with our presence and booth at this annual celebration of all things agriculture. The Heavy Horse Pulls and the Heavy Horse Show were a site to behold, and we hope the public will join us again next year for this spectacular event which will include a Junior Cattle Show as well. The Bench Show will coincide with next years Stettler County Fair and we look forward to seeing the talents of our community on display and challenge our citizens to enter some of the MANY categories, and perhaps win some bragging rights at the same time as reviving the tradition of the Stettler County Bench Show.

We also enjoyed a wonderful morning at the Stettler Town & Country Museum on Heritage Days weekend, flipping pancakes and getting a visit in with all who came to enjoy their amazing display. In 2023, we went out to our communities and hosted 'County in your Community' events. This year we took a different approach, meeting the public where they were already going. We were pleased with these results and look forward to more opportunities to come to 'where you are'. As we kick off the LUB and MDP review we hope you will take time to come and engage with us this month (see page 8 for details). Watch for opportunities to discuss budget coming this winter.

Please drive safely on our very busy roads, be patient when following heavy equipment or with construction as we and our producers are getting fall work completed. As always please treat County of Stettler staff and all of our wonderful business frontline workers with respect as you would your neighbours!

Larry Clarke, REEVE

COMMUNITY INVESTMENT PROGRAM



Application deadline: December 31, 2024

The County of Stettler recognizes that community organizations should be supported in principle and with resources when it comes to assisting with the increasing costs of organizing and holding community events.

The Community Investment Program was created to fill this need. There are two intakes per year, with deadlines in December and May of every year.

Eligibility criteria include:

- Applicants can only submit one application annually
- Must benefit the community
- Provide community involvement and support
- Have long term viability
- Program or event must be open to the public
- County of Stettler will be recognized as a source of funding

Some organizations Council has funded include:

- Stettler and District Music Festival
- Canadian Northern Railway
- Donalda and District Museum Society
- Endmoor Minor Ball Association
- Big Valley Bust Out Rodeo
- East Bound and Down Poker Rally
- Stettler Pheasant Festival Society

Application forms can be found at www.stettlercounty.ca.

Questions?

Contact Lorraine Hankins at 403-742-4441 ext 109.

Please note: Holiday hours over Christmas will affect access to staff, please prepare your information and questions early!



MUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN & LAND USE BYLAW REVIEW

Public Input Encouraged

The County of Stettler is reviewing the Municipal Development Plan and Land Use Bylaw. The review is meant to update these two documents to reflect the aspirations of the County community, anticipate trends in development, and guide land use planning decisions to help create the community's desired future.

The review is intended to assess the current direction of the MDP and LUB to determine what is working as intended and what may need adjustment. The review also includes checking to see if the policies and regulations still fit the desired direction of the community.

Upcoming Open House and Community Workshops

You are invited to attend one of our upcoming workshops to discuss land use planning in the County. We are seeking input on what you would like to see in the future. The workshops are your opportunity to share your thoughts and discuss the future with your neighbours.

Location	Date	Time
Big Valley Community Hall	Tuesday, October 22	6:00 PM to 8:30 PM
Erskine IOOF Hall	Thursday, October 24	6:00 PM to 8:30 PM
Red Willow Community Hall	Tuesday, October 29	6:00 PM to 8:30 PM
Byemoor Community Hall	Wednesday, October 30	6:00 PM to 8:30 PM

An informal, drop in open house will also be hosted before each workshop between 4:00 and 6:00. Display materials will be available for review and project team members will be available for discussions. More details are available on the County website at www.stettlercounty.ca/planreview.

A virtual workshop will also be hosted on Zoom on the evening of Tuesday, November 12, 2024. Details are available on the County website.

To find out more about the MDP, the LUB and the review process, and the upcoming workshops please visit www.stettlercounty.ca/planreview.

Review Process

The review process will have several phases and opportunities for direct participation by County residents and ratepayers. In general, the major phases of the review will involve:

- Collecting background information on topics usually covered by Municipal Development Plans and Land Use Bylaws and seeking input on the current documents
- Gathering input on the future vision for the County and suggestions on approaches for various topics
- Creating draft materials for review and discussion with the community
- Writing full replacement documents and making these available for public review and discussion
- Public hearing hosted by County Council to consider adoption of the updated documents

The review process will take many months and stretch into 2025. Watch for a dedicated area on the County website that will provide more details in the coming weeks.

Your participation and input in the review process is welcome and will be greatly appreciated.

For more information about the Municipal Development Plan and Land Use Bylaw Review please contact Craig Teal, RPP MCIP, Director of Planning & Development at 403 742 4441 or cteal@stettlercounty.ca.

What is a Municipal Development Plan?

The Municipal Development Plan (MDP) is one of the documents the County is required to create to carry out land use planning responsibilities under the Municipal Government Act. It is a statutory plan, meaning that it is adopted through a Council bylaw.

TOPICS COVERED IN THE MDP INCLUDE:

- *Use and development of agricultural lands*
- *Preservation of significant environmental features and impacts on the environment*
- *Protecting special places and providing recreation opportunities*
- *Land uses and activities (residential, commercial, industrial, recreational) that may be considered in selected areas or may be approved based on a set of criteria*
- *Expectations relating to rural residential development*
- *Economic development and the role of various economic sectors*
- *Infrastructure and transportation connections such as roads, railways, airports, water and wastewater systems, storm water management, modern telecommunications*
- *Services to support the community such as health care, education, emergency response, and protective services, and*
- *Relations with other communities, regions and the Province with respect to land use planning matters.*

The MDP guides and directs future physical growth and development. It seeks to ensure that growth is orderly, economical and beneficial while balancing the environmental, social and economic needs and desires of the community. It is a collection of policies that act as an overall “blueprint” for future land use and physical changes in the County of Stettler.

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What is a MDP? CONTINUED...

It provides a long-term vision of the type of community that County residents and ratepayers desire. Policies on a variety of topics provide direction on how to reach the vision. The policies of the MDP are used by Council in assessing more detailed plans, such as area structure plans and outline plans, and Land Use Bylaw re-designations to allow development to proceed. The policies of the MDP are also used to make decisions on subdivision applications.

What is a Land Use Bylaw?

Where the MDP is the “blueprint” for what we want the community to look like in the future, the Land Use Bylaw (LUB) is the primary toolbox for implementing the MDP.

The County’s Land Use Bylaw regulates and controls the use and development of land and buildings. It does this by:

- Establishing land use districts (zones) that are assigned to various properties
- Identifying a range of allowable uses for each district (e.g. agricultural operations are the main use in the Agricultural District)
- Setting standards for common items such as yards, setbacks, building heights, safe distances for new driveways
- Setting standards for the size of new parcels being subdivide such as parcel area and parcel width along a roadway, and
- Creating a system for requiring and deciding on development permits.

Get involved: Please join us at one of our MDP/LUB open house events!

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STARTING DEVELOPMENT BEFORE APPROVAL? APPROVAL FIRST, CONSTRUCTION SECOND.

Starting to clear land and build before obtaining development permit approval comes with significant risks. You may be faced with a financial penalty in the form of an additional fee or fine. You could also be required to undo all the work that has been done.

The County of Stettler requires development permit approval for most changes to property. This approval must be given in writing before construction of the development begins. Some forms of development, like agricultural buildings, do not require a development permit approval. These are listed in the Land Use Bylaw under the heading "Development Deemed Approved." If you are not certain about the permit requirements for your project please contact the County Development Officer at 403-742-4441.

The County's Fee Bylaw includes penalties for developments that are started before a development permit application has been

approved. Our policy is to apply these penalties based on a zero-tolerance approach. Our preference is to work with applicants as they plan their project.

Please contact the Planning and Development Department when you start planning your development in order to ensure you obtain the required development permit and other approvals in a timely manner. This could also avoid any expenses that you may incur if your idea for your development does not comply with the County's policies and bylaws (e.g. yard setbacks, road upgrades, etc.), so that you can make the necessary adjustments before you start digging or laying down concrete.

For further information, please contact the County's Planning and Development Department at 403-742-4441.

WEED WATCH

Common Tansy (Tanacetum vulgare) **Weed Control Act: NOXIOUS**

Common Tansy reproduces using underground horizontal creeping roots. This noxious weed produces up to 50,000 seeds per plant. Common Tansy has been documented in every region in Canada except Nunavut. Common Tansy inflicts the greatest impact on stream banks and native grasslands. This species prefers areas with full sun and fertile, well-drained soil. It often grows on stream banks, pastures and other disturbed sites, such as roadsides.

Introduced from Europe in the 1600's, its pungently aromatic foliage has been used medicinally, as an insect repellent, and for embalming. During the American colonial period, meat was frequently rubbed with or packed in tansy leaves to repel insects and delay spoilage. Tansy was frequently worn at that time in shoes to prevent malaria and other fevers. Ninth century Irish folklore suggests bathing in a solution of tansy and salt as a cure for joint pain. Some traditional dyers use tansy to produce a golden-yellow color. However, modernly it is seen as a noxious weed that produces alkaloids that can be toxic to both humans and livestock if consumed in large quantities. Cases of livestock poisoning are rare, though, because tansy is

unpalatable to grazing animals.

Common Tansy can be controlled with repeated mowing or herbicide.



This is one of the few plants that is easily identified late in the season, Common Tansy has very distinct plant skeletons where the browned stems and seed heads of the plant remain. The umbels of this plant are fairly characteristic.

To report sightings of noxious and prohibited noxious weeds call the County at 403-742-4441. Please have a legal land location and area description ready when you call.

WHERE DO I FIX IT OR RECYCLE IT?

Your guide to fixing or recycling household items!

From shoe and bike repairs, to small engines and leather, the Heartland Beautification Committee has compiled an extensive list on where you can 'FIX' your broken items, or take items which may just need a little TLC.

Repairing or fixing items keeps them out of our landfills and allows you to re-use them, or pass them on to someone who can.

If you can't repair it - recycle it.

Keep your re-usable items out of our landfills.

Visit our website at www.StettlerCounty.ca, or call 403-742-4441 and find out where you can get your items 'fixed'.



Where do I Fix It?



Where do I Recycle It?

DON'T GO HUNTING FOR TROUBLE

For many years, hunting has been a cherished tradition among families and friends in Alberta. Responsible hunters conduct themselves in a manner that shows reverence for this tradition, as well as for fellow hunters, landowners, the public, and wildlife resources.

Use respect while hunting and always:

- Discuss access with landowner before entering a grazing lease or farmland. In the case of County-owned land, contact lease holder.
- Follow all access conditions.
- Pack out all litter. Take all garbage and waste with you for proper disposal at home or at a dump station.
- Do not cause damage to the land or property.
- If pets are allowed, keep them under control.
- Leave gates in the same state in which they were found (open or closed).
- Be mindful of spreading soil bore diseases like Clubroot and wash your vehicle often.

Many resources are available to ensure you have proper rights to access land including but not limited to:

- Calling 310-LAND (5263) M-F, 8:15 am - 4:30 pm land disposition information
- Visiting the Alberta Recreational Access Internet Mapping Tool
- Using apps like "iHunter"
- Purchasing a paper map from the County but it needs to be replaced annually.
- Download a digital copy of the County Map from our website.
- In the event of suspicious activity, call the Report a Poacher line 1-800-642-3800



SFRD URGES RESIDENTS TO MAKE SURE THEIR SMOKE ALARMS ARE WORKING.

"Smoke alarms: Make them work for you!™"

A safety message from Stettler Regional Fire Department

Taking a few seconds to test your smoke alarms could save a life/lifetime. Test smoke alarms at least once a month by pushing the test button. Follow manufacturer's instructions for cleaning.



Learn more at fpw.org



The Stettler Regional Fire Department is promoting this year's Fire Prevention Week campaign, "Smoke alarms: Make them work for you!™" The campaign works to educate everyone about the importance of having working smoke alarms in the home.

According to NFPA, smoke alarms reduce the risk of dying in a home fire by more than half (54 percent). Meanwhile, roughly three out of five fire deaths happen in homes with either no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms.

Smoke alarms serve as the first line of defense in a home fire, but they need to be working in order to protect people.

This year's Fire Prevention Week campaign helps better educate our residents about simple but critical steps they can take to make sure their homes have smoke alarms in all the needed locations and that they're working properly."

The Stettler Regional Fire Department encourages all residents to actively support the 2024 FPW theme, "Smoke alarms: Make them work for you!"

"Working smoke alarms can make a life-saving difference in a home fire, giving people the time to get out safely,"

said Ivan Dijkstra, Regional Fire Manager.

"This year's Fire Prevention Week campaign is a great way to remind everyone about these messages and to act on them."

Age matters when it comes to smoke alarms. All smoke alarms need to be replaced when they are 10 years old or if they don't respond when tested.



Learn more at fpw.org



Fire is fast! You could have less than 2 minutes to get out safely once the smoke alarm sounds. Working smoke alarms give you early warning so you can get outside quickly!



Tips & Guidelines:

Settler Regional Fire Department offers these key smoke alarm safety tips and guidelines:

- Install smoke alarms in every bedroom, outside each separate sleeping area (like a hallway), and on each level (including the basement) of the home.
- Make sure smoke alarms meet the needs of all family members, including those with sensory or physical disabilities.
- Test smoke alarms at least once a month by pushing the test button.
- Replace all smoke alarms when they are 10 years old.

For more information about Fire Prevention Week and smoke alarms, visit fpw.org.



ADVOCACY

Mature Well Assets

A topic heating up this fall for municipalities like ours, is the Alberta Government's Mature Well Asset Strategy.

County of Stettler Reeve, Larry Clarke was invited to join a working committee as the Reeve representing rural municipalities, advocating on behalf of the County of Stettler and on behalf of rural municipalities, as part of the Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA) advocacy effort on this topic.

The advocacy includes a series of 12 meetings under the following categories:

Group 1: Municipal Tax and Rising Costs

In depth discussion on taxes in regards to oil and gas and land leases.

Group 2: Conservation and Enhanced Oil Recovery

Discussion on projects that could substantially extend the life of oil pools within our region.

Group 3: Economic Opportunities

Discussing alternate uses for natural gas and lease locations when it is at these lower prices. This includes use of existing leases and assets.

This work is very important in terms of advocating for fair and equitable treatment of rural municipalities and rural landowners.

Please watch and keep your eyes open for more on

this very important matter for our region, as the subject is further investigated.

Doctor Recruitment

In June, County and Town Council announced a new Doctor Recruitment incentive program to entice doctors to choose our region to practice.

We are offering incentives of up to \$70,000 for physicians committing to come to our community for five years. An additional \$100,000 in interest-free loans is available through Stettler Health Services Foundation.

Currently, we have had two doctors who have committed to joining our community. We expect them both to be able to start practice in the new year. Recruitment efforts continue. In August, we visited 1st year and 2nd year residents at the Red Deer Hospital who will start practice in the next year or two. Additionally, we are speaking with a couple more doctors interested in our community. Council is committed to working tirelessly on this effort until our situation is stable and thanks the 'Stettler Needs Doctors' committee for their awareness campaigns and ongoing efforts on this matter.

STETTLER WASTE

Winter Hours - In Effect after Thanksgiving until after Easter Weekend

Regional Landfill	Monday-Friday	8:00 AM - 6:00 PM
	Saturday	10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Botha	Tuesday	1:30 PM - 5:30 PM
	Saturday	8:00 AM - Noon
Big Valley	Tuesday & Saturday	10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Byemoor	Saturday	10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Donalda	Saturday	10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Erskine	Wednesday	1:30 PM - 6:00 PM
	Saturday	9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
	Sunday	1:00 PM - 6:00 PM
Gadsby	Saturday	1:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Stettler	Everday	10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
	Closed on STAT Holidays	
White Sands	Walk In Year Round	

BYLAWS AND POLICY UPDATE



Bylaw 1727: Fee Bylaw

An addition was made to Schedule B: Administrative and Finance fees.

Specifically, the addition of a clause formalizing fees for requests for assessment and tax information under Sections 299 and 300 of the Alberta Municipal Government Act.

To account for the administrative efforts required to fulfill these requests, the following fees have been approved:

Resident or Multifamily property - \$60.00 per parcel

Non-Residential Property - \$125.00 per parcel.

Policy Review Schedule

Since January 2024, Council has reviewed over one-third of the County of Stettler Policies.

Council and Administration are continuing this review. For information or to provide input on the current policies up for review, be sure to visit www.StettlerCounty.ca regularly.

Bylaw 1726-24: Procedural Bylaw

The County of Stettler

Procedural Bylaw was updated in July. This update rescinded, therefore dissolving, the Rural Crime Prevention Committee.

Our rural crime committee was formed in 2018 in response to rising community concerns regarding escalating and increased crime matters in rural areas.

This committee helped develop a pattern of engagement between the community and law enforcement agencies and identified key, reoccurring problem areas in which to focus joint efforts.

With new partnerships and collaborations established, it was determined the committee was no longer needed at this time.

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Draft Bylaw 1708-23: Tax Incentive Bylaw

At the November 2024 Council meeting County Council will consider the draft Tax Incentive Bylaw.

The Tax Incentive Bylaw is part of Council's goal to support development and expansion within the County of Stettler.



RESCUE SEA DOOS OFFICIALLY IN SERVICE

Two new rescue sea doos in service, thanks to volunteer firefighter fundraising efforts.



**VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS
TRAINING FOR WATER RESCUES**

Stettler County is thankful for the enhancement to Stettler Regional Fire Department response capabilities, for the benefit of those who recreate on Buffalo Lake.

The County of Stettler No. 6 is proud to formally announce two sea doo watercraft units, generously fundraised and donated by the Stettler Volunteer Fire Department (SRFD) and the Stettler Volunteer Firefighters Association, are now officially in service, with the first volunteers from Stettler Regional Fire Department (SRFD) having completed training on the equipment.

This donation marks a significant enhancement to the capabilities of the SRFD, with the County of Stettler accepting the associated costs for training, maintenance, and operational use.

Volunteer firefighter training took place this summer and we are pleased to report the successful deployment of these units, now fully operational for rescue efforts. The County received these sea doos

and transport trailer from the volunteers at the end of June 2024.

"We extend our gratitude to the Stettler Volunteer Fire Department, the Stettler Volunteer Firefighters Association, and the entire community for their unwavering support, time, and dedication in making this asset possible. The fundraising efforts of the volunteer firefighters have equipped our region with essential water rescue tools that will improve public safety and response efforts on Buffalo Lake. We look forward to continuing our partnership with Stettler Regional Fire Department as we work together to ensure the safety and well-being of our community."
Larry Clarke, Reeve for the County of Stettler No. 6

SRFD plans to offer more SRFD members the opportunity to complete training in sea doo watercraft rescue operations in 2025.

Now Recruiting
Stettler Regional Fire
Department



**MAYBE IT'S TIME TO
ADD A NEW SUIT TO
YOUR WARDROBE?**



**Make a difference in your
community!**

**IN SEARCH OF
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Apply today at WWW.STETTLERCOUNTY.CA

Station 1 - Stettler
Station 2 - Big Valley
Station 3 - Donalda
Station 4 - Byemoor

Recycling - Did you know?

WHERE DOES OUR HOUSEHOLD RECYCLING GO?



1

E360 collects curbside recycling for the Town of Stettler, while Five Star Ventures manages recycling from the County of Stettler transfer sites

2

These companies haul our recycling to Cascades Recovery+ in Calgary

3

At Cascades Recovery+, materials are sorted both by people and machinery

4

Cardboard and paper are baled and sent to various pulp and paper mills; some to be made into more paper and some to be returned to Cascades Containerboard Packaging in Calgary to be made into cardboard boxes

5

Plastics are baled and shipped to Merlin Plastics in Delta, B.C. to be made into plastic pellets for packaging materials

It takes far more resources and time to mine and refine the earth's raw materials than it does to reuse and recycle them!



RECYCLING & RE-USE

WHAT ELSE CAN BE RECYCLED AT OUR TRANSFER SITES?

- **HOUSEHOLD & VEHICLE BATTERIES**
- **ALL ELECTRONICS (EXCLUDING LARGE APPLIANCES)**
- **MATTRESSES (STETTLER TRANSFER SITE ONLY)**
- **METAL**
- **FRIDGES**
- **AIR CONDITIONERS**
- **TIRES**
- **OIL JUGS & FILTERS**

DID YOU KNOW THAT OIL CAN BE RECYCLED TOO?

Bring your used oil to Stettler UFA or Foesiers Heavy Duty Service!

BROUGHT TO YOU BY:



RECYCLING ONE PART OF A CIRCULAR ECONOMY

WHAT IS A CIRCULAR ECONOMY?

In a circular economy, products are made and used in a way that emphasizes durability, repair, reuse, remanufacturing, and recycling to keep products, components and materials circulating in the economy. This minimizes the use of the world's natural resources, cuts waste, and reduces carbon emissions.

Recycling is just one part of a circular economy of long-term use for products. Re-use and repair are also crucial!

LINEAR ECONOMY



RECYCLING ECONOMY



CIRCULAR ECONOMY



BIG THINGS IN BYEMOOR!

FALL SUPPER



**Byemoor Community Club
Annual Fall Roast Beef Supper
Saturday October 19, 2024
4pm-7pm at
Byemoor Community Hall
Adults - \$20.00
6-12 Years - \$10.00
Under 6 - Free**



*Byemoor Santa Claus Day
and Christmas Market!*

*Saturday November 30
Market opens at 10 AM!
Santa arrives at 2 PM!*

BYEMOOR TURNS 100 IN 2025!

The planning committee for Byemoor's Centennial is BUSY making plans to celebrate in 2025!

Save the date for Byemoor's Centennial Celebration:
Saturday, June 7, 2025

RESOURCES AND SERVICES FOR SENIORS

Programs listed below are available to senior's and their families which are tailored to improve the health and well-being of our seniors:

Presentations/Seminars: Offered on a wide range of topics to support the wellness of seniors in their everyday lives

Information & Support: Seniors, families and caregivers can receive information on a variety of resources such as Personal Directives, Alberta Seniors Benefits and Old Age Security Benefits and more

Referrals: FCSS is well connected with other community organizations. If we are unable to support you, we will find someone who can!

VOLUNTEER DRIVER PROGRAM

The Volunteer Driver Program provides two services:

- Affordable transportation to out of town medical appointments for residents who are unable to afford other options or who require a socially supportive transportation option if family or friends are unable to meet the need.
 - A meaningful volunteer experience for supportive volunteers in the community interested in meeting transportation needs.
- Fees for trips are based on a flat rate depending on the destination and starting point
 - Some government benefit programs will reimburse some travel expenses for the trip



If you are 65 and older you may be entitled to the following benefits:

Alberta Seniors Benefit | Old Age Security | Special Needs Assistance for Seniors
Seniors Health Benefits | Canadian Pension Plan



Need help applying or more information on all services please call Stettler FCSS at 403.742.2337 or stop by the office at 4720 50 Street, Stettler



EMPLOYMENT PREPARATION WORKSHOP



FREE!

Learn how to:

- Manage job transition and change.
- Create a winning resume and cover letter.
- Answer interview questions.
- Set goals for your future.
- Network with your community.

 9:00am - 3:00pm

 October 21-24th

 4911 - 51 Street

info@stettlerlearning.com
(403)742-6700

REGISTER NOW

TREE PROGRAM

Tree Program Voucher Winners!

Congratulations to Neal Walgenbach and also to Kathy Rairdan both winners of our \$250 Shelterbelt tree vouchers!

The County of Stettler Agricultural Services Department has launched a new initiative to revitalize the Shelterbelt Program, rebranding it as the Tree Program.

As part of this effort, two \$250 Tree Program Vouchers were awarded as door prizes to ratepayers who attended the Stettler County Fair in July.

Tree orders for the program are processed through TreeTime.ca and will be available from December 9, 2024, to March 17, 2025. The program offers a wide selection of small (>2') tree seedlings, including species like Saskatoons and Pines, suitable for both shelterbelt planting and yard landscaping.

UPCOMING ASB WORKSHOPS

- **Environmental Farm Planning - November 14 from 1 pm - 4 pm (see page 24)**
- **Farm Emergency Plan Workbook Workshop - November 21 from 5 pm - 8 pm**
Call 403-742-4441 to register for workshops or for more information, or email asb@StettlerCounty.ca

TOP 10 THINGS YOU MIGHT NOT KNOW

About Stettler Pheasant Festival

1. The Stettler Pheasant Festival was started in 2014 as a result of a partnership between the Stettler Regional Board of Trade, Canadian Badlands Tourism and several passionate volunteers.
2. Hunters come from all over Alberta, British Columbia and sometimes the USA for the three day hunt.
3. The land that is used (40 pieces per day) is generously donated to the committee by farmers within the County of Stettler.
4. The hunts are sold out every year by May! We now have a waiting list of hunters that we work with to accommodate.
5. We release between 2000-2500 ring neck pheasant roosters each year and 300 hens after the hunt for conservation efforts and to assist with repopulating the ring neck pheasant.
6. The banquet is open to everyone that would like to attend! We want residents to come and check out our great event!
7. The economic impact from the three day hunt brings in \$200,000 into the Town and County of Stettler each year. Over the last 10 years, that totals \$2 Million!
8. The committee has recently donated \$5,000 to the revitalization of the Rosedale wheelchair accessible playground as they want to give back to the community.
9. During its 10th anniversary in 2023, the Stettler Pheasant Festival earmarked \$10,000 (above and beyond the silent and live auction items) that went towards give-away prizes as a gesture of appreciation to the hunters and community members.
10. Our greatest assets are our volunteers! Without our pheasant releasers, catchers, farmers, and banquet volunteers we would not be as successful as we are today. If you would like to volunteer for the event or join our board of directors, please contact stettlerpheasantfestival@gmail.com.

Donalda & District Agricultural Society's
Annual Fall Harvest Supper
 Donalda Community Hall, Main Street Donalda
Saturday, October 26, 2024

Roast Turkey Dinner

Roast Turkey, Mashed Potatoes, Garden Vegetables, Salads, Stuffing, Gravy, Cranberries & Homemade Desserts

Adults: \$25.00

Kids under 12: \$10.00

Supper served 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Dessert Auction

Entertainment during supper & after

by local musician Dennis Hall

Please pre-order Tickets

Tickets will be available at the door as well

For Info or Tickets, call:

Teresa at 403-430-0097 or

Beth at 403-741-8196 or

Email: donaldaagsociety@gmail.com



QUESTIONS? CONTACT YOUR COUNCIL.

Do you have questions or concerns about the County of Stettler?
Reach out to one of your Council members.

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403-740-5482 • lclarke@stettlercounty.ca

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Les Stulberg | Byemoor-Endiang Ward

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ENVIRONMENTAL FARM PLANNING

Supporting Agriculture.

With day to day responsibilities pulling us in all directions, it's hard to find time to even think too hard about the future, much less plan for it. That's where we come in. The EFP walks you through step by step, highlighting areas that need attention on your operation and coming up with a plan to address those areas. Addressing environmental risks not only benefits your operation, but also the next generation of farmers.

You are probably already doing great things on your operation. Completing an EFP provides you with the opportunity to demonstrate your commitment to environmental stewardship.

Change does not have to happen rapidly or be shouldered alone to have a lasting impact. Alberta Environmental Farm Plan (EFP) provides a free, confidential, whole-farm self-assessment tool for producers to know exactly where their farms are at. Completing an EFP allows for greater awareness, education, and access to market opportunities for producers across the province. Once an EFP is completed, it is valid for 10 years and provides you with an action plan that you can implement as time and resources allow.

The voluntary and free Environmental Farm Plan (EFP) helps farmers highlight their commitment to the land. The program covers an entire farm using a self-assessment tool to help the producer identify on-farm environmental risks. At the completion of the program, the farmer has an itemized list of improvements that can be made in their operation.

Each EFP expires after a decade, at which time easily renewing the plan through the WebBook will keep the farm's EFP certificate current. The EFP is a useful tool for analyzing a farming operation and guiding improvements as time and resources allow.

The first step of registration begins through the Alberta EFP website www.albertaefp.com or by calling 1-587-200-2552 to receive over the phone assistance. Once registered, click on the confirmation email you received to fully activate your account. Once registered, a technician will be assigned to you over the following two weeks. If you feel comfortable you can begin your online workbook, with the learning content guiding you through most of the process. However if you have any questions, you can contact your technician or attend a local/online workshop to receive additional support.

The Environmental Farm Plan (EFP) is a useful tool to use in the succession planning process. The guided nature of the program can help a young person starting in a farm business to familiarize themselves with the operations. Farms are complicated businesses with many facets, however by working on an EFP, a new entrant to the farm can learn many



ENVIRONMENT FARM PLAN WORKSHOP

*Register today for our Environmental Farm Planning Workshop
Thursday, November 14 from 1 pm - 4 pm at the Stettler County Shop
Call 403-742-4441 or email asb@Stettlercounty.ca*

nuances about how the farm works while having a defined role in the operation. Likewise, for a farmer passing the farm on to the next generation, it can be a great tool to pass on years of experience and knowledge. The guided nature of this planning can help you capture all of the important information that helps the farm run smoothly.

The Environmental Farm Plan (EFP) is a practical way to view your entire farm through a different operational lens. The EFP process helps you to easily think through basic factors on your farm such as soils, water, inputs, waste, energy use and many other facets of your operation. Having a step by step guide to produce an operational plan can help you, those you work with and other professionals, such as accountants and lawyers, have a greater understanding of what you do every day.

The Sustainable Agriculture Initiative (SAI) has created a global standard in sustainability for major corporations to source agricultural products. This program is called the Farm Sustainability Assessment (FSA). On December 21, 2020 a modified version of Alberta's Environmental Farm Plan (EFP) version 3.1 called EFP-Plus (EFP+) was launched. This update meets the verification minimum for the FSA Silver Level so that Farm Management Groups and farm businesses who have opted into this program are able to make an equivalence claim against FSA 2.1 at up to the Silver Level. Alberta is the first province in Canada to have this option available to farmers so that farmers and agribusiness alike can access more markets now and in the future.

The Alberta Environmental Farm Plan (EFP) takes the privacy of all users of the system very seriously. All of the information contained in your plan is private and confidential. Only you and your technician can access this information. Additional security measures have been undertaken to ensure that all of your information is protected. More details on the Alberta EFP privacy policy can be found on the website. If you have further concerns please do not hesitate to contact the Alberta EFP office at 587-200-2552.

Regular environmental planning is becoming part of the business planning process for a variety of reasons including cost reductions, improved efficiencies, building social license and engaging the next generation in operations. Updating your environmental farm plan alongside your business plan is not only good business, but it also helps Alberta farmers position themselves strategically in global markets. The environmental stewardship sector evolves as new research emerges and so does the content in the AEFPP WebBook. The Alberta EFP sees a renewal period for the program as essential to keep pace with the global environment and to manage risk most effectively on the farm.



COZY UP WITH STETTTLER PUBLIC LIBRARY

Fall and Winter Programming



As the leaves change color and the air turns crisp, it's the perfect time to get comfortable with a good book or enjoy an exciting library event. From October through January, the Stettler Public Library is packed with activities, special events, and resources to keep the entire family inspired and entertained all season long.

Read on for a selection of our upcoming events, but to explore even more of what the library has to offer, visit our website at <https://prl.ab.ca/stettler> and choose Stettler as your home or default library. Dive into our resources and discover the full range of programs we have planned for you.

Come for a Byte (Ages 50+)

Learning about technology doesn't have to be intimidating—it can actually be fun! The library is teaming up with the Stettler Adult Learning Centre to offer Come for a Byte. With the rise of online scams, this program will teach you how to recognize phishing attempts, guard your online privacy, and feel confident navigating the digital world. Plus, it's a great way to connect with others while you learn something new! We'll be in Gadsby on October 15 and 22, and in Botha on November 12 and 19, from 11 am to 1 pm. Bring your device—and your appetite—because lunch is on us.

Spooktacular Book Sale (October 19–25)

Stock up on books for the winter! The Spooktacular Book Sale is back from October 19 to 25, hosted by the Stettler Friends of the Library Society. Proceeds go

towards supporting library programs—so it's a great time to find hidden literary treasures and at the same time help us to provide programming for members of your community.

Monster Bash (October 26, 1-3 pm)

Get ready for a monstrously fun time at our Monster Bash! On Saturday, October 26, from 1-3 pm, we're conjuring up chilling crafts, spine-tingling treats, and a costume parade that will send shivers down your spine. It's a ghoulishly good time for the whole family! Don't forget to pre-register by calling 403-742-2292—because if you don't, you might be haunted by regret.

Mocktails & Masterpieces (November 1, 6:30 pm)

Get creative while sipping on tasty mocktails! Our Mocktails & Masterpieces paint night fundraiser is back, and this time we're painting poppies. This event, happening Friday, November 1 at 6:30 pm, is for adults (18+) and costs \$25 per person. All supplies—and refreshments—are included, so call 403-742-2292 to register today.

Business Selling Made Easier (November 6, 6:30 pm)

Thinking of selling a business? Business Selling Made Easier with Gil Poulin (owner of BizPlanSell) is happening on Wednesday, November 6, at 6:30 pm. With 45 years of business insights, Gil will help you make smarter selling decisions. Join from home on Zoom, or come to the library to watch with others.

Bring Your Writing to Life (November 13, 6:30 pm)

Calling all aspiring writers! On Wednesday, November 13, local author David Daniels (of the Black Menagerie



series) will host a workshop on how to bring your stories to life. This session is open to writers aged 13+—a great opportunity to learn the art of storytelling.

Travel Talk: Norway & Iceland (November 20, 6:30 pm)

Are Norway and Iceland on your bucket list? Local globetrotters Gail and Brian will share their recent adventures through these breathtaking countries on Wednesday, November 20 at 6:30 pm. Come enjoy stories, photos, and perhaps start planning your next trip!

Wine Survivor Fundraiser (December 2-7)

It's the seventh year of the Wine Survivor fundraiser! Buy a ticket for \$20 and donate a bottle of wine (minimum value \$15) to enter. Elimination draws begin on December 2 and run until December 7, with the final draw determining the big winner—just in time for the holidays. Follow the elimination draws live on Facebook at 4 pm each day. If your ticket is pulled, purchase a \$20 immunity ticket to get back in the game. Help us raise funds for future programs, and who knows—you might go home with a wine bounty!

Holiday Kids' Programs

The holidays aren't just for relaxing—our programs for kids over the school break will keep them active and entertained! Check our program brochure or follow us on Facebook or Instagram for upcoming events.

Looking into the New Year

International Family Literacy Day (January 27, 2025)

Start 2025 on the right foot by joining us for International Family Literacy Day! This year's theme is Learn to Be Green Together, and we'll celebrate with family-friendly activities on Monday, January 27. Don't forget to participate in our Read for 15 challenge—whether it's 15 minutes a day with a good book, magazine, or even a newspaper, it's a great habit to have.

Why 15 Minutes of Reading Matters!

- For Kids: Reading just 15 minutes a day can improve language skills, boost vocabulary, and ignite the imagination!
- For Adults: Regular reading reduces stress, sharpens the mind, and even helps improve memory.

Drop by the Stettler Public Library, check out our exciting events, and find something that sparks your curiosity. Whether you're looking to cozy up with a book, learn a new skill, or enjoy a family event, we've got it all this fall and winter!

Submitted by Stettler Public Library

HARVEST SUPPER

Stettler Community Hall
5:30 - 8:30
October 17th 2024

Please Scan QR Code to RSVP
Andrea 403-741-9606

Tickets \$10 each
Please send e-transfer to:
rmhstettler@gmail.com

Brett Gardiner
Guest Speaker is 12x Canadian Pro Rodeo Announcer of the Year & Mental Health Advocate

THANK YOU TO OUR PARTNERS
Stettler CONNECTS

Rural Mental Health





Big Valley Christmas Craft Show & Sale

Saturday, November 16, 2024
Big Valley Community Hall
10 AM - 2 PM

Please contact
bigvalleymarkets@gmail.com or
Andrea at (403) 741-5045



Stettler Ag Society

CHRISTMAS MARKET

DECEMBER 13 & 14
FRI 4-7PM & SAT 11AM - 3PM

XMAS DECOR - GIFTS - CRAFTS - Baking - Concession
Over 80 Vendors Each Day
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COMMUNITY

STETTLER'S 27th ANNUAL

Festival of Lights

November 26th - November 30th at the Stettler Community Hall 5101 - 46 Avenue

Silent auction open to the public for bidding: Tuesday to Thursday 12 p.m. - 5 p.m. and Friday 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Bidding Closes November 29th at 1 p.m. Admission: Cash Donations

Christmas Market

The Market is open during public hours as listed and during all special events.
The market features local handmade items including sweats, quilted items, home decor, furniture, paintings and much more.

Tickets for Special Events Go On Sale October 1st at Grate Kitchen

<p>Tuesday, November 26th</p> <p>ATCO Pancake Breakfast Served: 7-9 a.m. Adults: \$10 Kids: 45 (ages 5-10) (4 & under are free)</p> <p>Christmas Spirits 7-9 p.m. Advance tickets only: \$50 Coared by: Dinklyn & Vine Sensational drinks, snacks & entertainment</p>	 <p>Special Events</p> <p>Thursday, November 28th</p> <p>Canalta A&W Burgers & Beer</p> <p>Family Night 5-7 p.m. Tickets at the door Adults: \$15 Kids: \$10 (ages 5-10) (4 & under are free)</p> <p>Sleigh rides donated by Jim Long</p>	<p>Saturday, November 30th</p> <p>Hawaiian Luau Dinner, Dance & Auction Advance tickets: \$65 (☺) (\$5 ticket discount if you buy 8+) Cocktails: 5:30 p.m. Dinner: 6:30 p.m. Silent & Live Auction Entertainment by: Way Tate Productions We encourage you to wear your fancy Hawaiian attire, but please no coconut bras!</p>
<p>Wednesday, November 27th</p> <p>Seniors Tea Sponsored by Volunteer Stettler 11:00-3:30 p.m. Admission at the door: \$5</p> <p>Art & Cheer 7-9 p.m. Advance Tickets Only: \$50 Create a unique, custom greeting sign</p>	<p>Friday, November 29th</p> <p>Holly Jolly Lunch Sponsored by Bond-O Security Systems 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. (☺) Admission at the door: \$15 a person Kids: \$10 (12 & under) Join friends for a wonderful hot lunch, market & fund bidding on silent auction items</p>	<p>All Proceeds Support The Stettler Health Care Centre www.stettlerhealthfoundation.com</p>

Presents
Trevor Panczak
Dinner Show
Saturday,
November 2, 2024

STETTLER SHOWCASE



Trevor Panczak is an award-winning country music entertainer from southern Alberta. His humor, smooth vocals, charming stage presence, drive and energetic live show has contributed to him becoming the headline act he is today.

STETTLER COMMUNITY HALL
DOORS @ 5:00pm
DINNER @ 6:00pm
SHOW @ 7:30pm

Tickets \$70 (Adults) \$45 (Students)
FOR TICKETS AND MORE INFORMATION, VISIT
WWW.STETTLERSHOWCASE.COM



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Fridays
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Starting Sept 27th

CONTACT:
403.742.6795
s23nigel@stettlerwriting.com

SALC
Located at 498 - 51 Street, Stettler

Stettler Cancer Support Group

Meets the first Thursday of each month: 1:30 pm at Stettler FCSS and at 7:00 pm at Stettler Board of Trade. Everyone welcome.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

**RANCHING FOR PROFIT WORKSHOP:
THE 3 SECRETS FOR INCREASING PROFIT**

Join Dave Pratt, Ranching for Profit, for a 1-Day Workshop! Dave has helped thousands of farm and ranch families build happier, healthier lives, increase the profitability of their businesses and improve the health and productivity of millions of acres.

Topics will include:

- Economics vs. Finance
- Working In vs. On the Business
- 3 Secrets for Increasing Profit
- Knowing What the Numbers Mean
- Show Me the Money
- Working with Nature

Saturday, Nov. 16, 2024 * 9am-4pm
 Delia & District Community Centre
 \$100/first member of an operation, \$50/person for additional members of the same operation
 Register: <https://tinyurl.com/58rbe3wy> or contact the CARA Office: (403) 664-3777 or cara-3@telus.net



14TH ANNUAL
Ranch Rodeo
 2024

at the Donalda & District Agricultural Society Equestrian Centre
 Saturday, October 19 — 11:00 am

Team Events Trailer Loading - Cattle Drive
 Doctoring - Sorting - Surprise Event



Free Admission
 (accepting donations for the food bank)

Concession

Team Entry Fee: \$400
 4 people per team
 *Minimum 1 female per team
 *Cross-Entry allowed

Optional \$100 Mulligan

For More Information or to Enter a team:
 call Beth @ 403-741-8196 or
 email: donaldaagsociety@gmail.com



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