We all want to be respected, no matter what job we have. One might think their job is more important than another job...this is simply not the case...everyone's job is important and needs to be treated as such. We have landfill attendants that take their job seriously. They want to make sure the rules are followed for not only their own safety but to make sure our municipality looks its best. Pictured below are the garbage bins at Thomas Lake. The bins and the ground is overflowing with unacceptable materials:



Not only is this unsightly but a hazard to our workers. The safety of our workers is our priority, we need our ratepayers to do their part and recycle, leaving messes (like shown) is not acceptable. The bins are for ratepayers to have a place to put their garbage and recycling, not to drop off unsafe items. We are grateful to our landfill staff for their hard work and diligence.

The last picture is a testament to their commitment to keeping our communities clean.

Separate your items and if in doubt what is or is not considered recyclable, call our office and we are more than happy to help. If the Bins are full please use one of our other locations. Do not overfill.

#### The overflowing bins are an attraction for wildlife.

Our landfills are open (previous page shows the schedules) and we also offer e-waste recycling.

Dangerous items should go to a depot that accepts these items. We can point you in the right direction where to take used needles, chemicals, ammunition, etc. Please don't leave it for one of our staff to have to deal with.

The municipality appreciates your cooperation as we work together to keep our communities clean and safe.

#### **Dumpsters in Strathclair**

Please use clear or blue recycling bags. No grass clipping in the dumpsters. Recently we have found canola in the dumpsters, please refrain from doing this!





FUN IN THE SUN BARBECUE FRIDAY, AUGUST 23, 2019 STRATHCLAIR COMMUNITY CENTRE EVERYONE WELCOME!!!! If you want a meal delivered please call the Community Centre 204-365-2539

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'How's the new job going" is the most common question I get. It's going quite well, thanks to a supportive Council, fantastic administration, and a great bunch of employees. Our public works manager Albert, begins his job in the RM of Yellowhead the first week of August. Please introduce yourself and make him feel welcome. I ask that you be patient and let him get familiar with our communities and rural areas for the next couple weeks.

If a rate payer has an issue that needs attention, or needs information, a new stringent rule is being put in place. YOU MUST CALL THE OFFICE OR COUNCILLOR and they will forward the information on. This is not to say that no one can call Albert directly, but history has shown that a lot of manager's time was wasted attending to issues the office could have handled. Most important, NO CALLS IN THE EVENINGS OR WEEKENDS except for emergencies. Likewise, in the past, the manager was bothered by late night and weekend calls that could have waited until the next day or Monday. Councilors are not immune to this rule. They have access to an on-line program called Service Tracker where they are required to input both their own and your requests. As I promised at election time, we are going to bring back our Economic Development position and are currently advertising for that job. We are getting closer to seeing the Morley House transferred, and we are waiting for a draft license from Sustainable Development for the lake level. I visited with Woodworth Dodge and expressed our disappointment to see them close their dealer ship. I am pleased that two replacement vehicles have been purchased for garbage collection. A new housing developer wishes to build in Shoal Lake, with a lower buy-in required and lower rent than the previous developer. Stay tuned for details. There are a few other "good news" stories to be introduced in the near future. Details will be announced when agreements are finalized.

This fall will be time to again host our "Welcome to the community" evening. Also, if you wish to help organize the Manitoba 150 celebrations in any of our four communities, please call the office. ~Mayor Mery Starzyk

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Ages: 5 - 12 years Westminster United Church August 12 - 16, 2019 9:00 a.m. (doors open at 8:30 a.m.) to 11:30 a.m. (pick up by noon) Call Krissy Teall 204-759-3437 to register and for information





1:00 pm - 3:30 pm daily Strathclair Baptist Church Ages 4 and up For info: Jody Bryce 204-365-2709

What's Up Yellowhead?

# August 2019



#### **Understand Your Water Rates**

With the utility rate changes effective July 1st, the most commonly asked guestion is "why are the Strathclair rates higher than the Shoal Lake rates?"

Here is the answer: The cost to operate the utility is divided among users. Each utility is its own entity. The municipality hired a consultant to compile a study to determine the rates of each of our utilities. This study was then sent to the Public Utilities Board (PUB) for approval. The PUB then forwards an order to the municipality setting the rates for each utility.

2019 Education Property Tax Credit Changes Manitoba Budget 2018 announced that, effective for the 2019 tax year, the calculation of the Manitoba Education Property Tax Credit (EPTC) will be based on school taxes and the \$250 deductible before the EPTC applies will be eliminated. This change may result in an increase in your property taxes.

### **Calendar Dates to Remember:**

July 29 - Aug 2 - Lakeview Park Swimming Lessons August 1 - Farmers Market, 3-6 p.m., Station Road August 1- Slo-pitch, 7 p.m., Shoal Lake School grounds August 5 - Civic Holiday

August 6 - Capoeira, 5:15-6:15 p.m. at the Shoal Lake School August 6 - Bingo, 7 pm at the Shoal Lake Community Hall August 6 - Ladies Golf Night, 6:30 p.m., Lakeside Golf Club August 7- Employment Skills & Services, by appointment,

(204) 867-2833, Leisure Board Room August 7 - Magician Ryan Price, 10:30 a.m., Shoal Lake Library August 7 - Shimmy With Char, 6-7 pm, Strathclair Hall August 7 - Men's Golf Night, 6:00 p.m., Lakeside Golf Club

August 8- Capoeira, 5:15-6:15 p.m., 6:15-7:15 p.m., Muay Thai at the Shoal Lake School

August 8 - Farmers Market, 3-6 p.m., Station Road August 8- Service Canada, 1:00-3:30 pm, Leisure Service Office August 8- Slo-pitch, 7 p.m., Shoal Lake School grounds August 10 - Movie at the Bend Theatre

August 12-16 - Vacation Bible School, 9 a.m., Westminster United August 12-16 - Vacation Bible School, 1 p.m., Strathclair Baptist August 13 - Ladies Golf Night, 6:30 p.m., Lakeside Golf Club August 13 - Capoeira, 5:15-6:15 p.m. at the Shoal Lake School August 13 - Bingo, 7 pm at the Shoal Lake Community Hall August 14 - Strathclair Community Centre General Meeting, 10 am August 14 - Shimmy With Char, 6-7 pm, Strathclair Hall August 14- Men's Golf Night, 6:00 p.m., Lakeside Golf Club August 14 - Shoal Lake Lions Club Meeting, 7 p.m., Drop In Centre August 15 - Capoeira, 5:15-6:15 p.m., 6:15-7:15 p.m., Muay Thai

at the Shoal Lake School

- August 15 Slo-pitch, 7 p.m., Shoal Lake School grounds
- August 15 Farmers Market, 3-6 p.m., Station Road
- August 16 Lakeside Golf Club Night Golf, 10:30 p.m.
- August 20 Capoeira, 5:15-6:15 p.m. at the Shoal Lake School
- August 20 Ladies Golf Night, 6:30 p.m., Lakeside Golf Club
- August 21 Men's Golf Night, 6:00 p.m., Lakeside Golf Club
- August 21 Shimmy With Char, 6-7 pm, Strathclair Hall

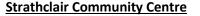
August 21-23 - DramaRama Camp

August 22 - Capoeira, 5:15-6:15 p.m., 6:15-7:15 p.m., Muay Thai at the Shoal Lake School

August 22 - Farmers Market, 3-6 p.m., Station Road August 22 - Service Canada, 1:00-3:30 pm, Leisure Services August 22 - Slo-pitch, 7 p.m., Shoal Lake School grounds August 23 - Fun In The Sun BBQ, Strathclair Community Centre August 27 - Capoeira, 5:15-6:15 p.m. at the Shoal Lake School August 27 - Bingo, 7 pm at the Shoal Lake Community Hall August 27 - Ladies Golf Night, 6:30 p.m., Lakeside Golf Club August 28 - Shimmy With Char, 6-7 pm, Strathclair Hall August 28 - Men's Golf Night, 6:00 p.m., Lakeside Golf Club August 29 - Farmers Market, 3-6 p.m., Station Road August 29 - Capoeira, 5:15-6:15 p.m., 6:15-7:15 p.m., Muay Thai at the Shoal Lake School

August 29- Slo-pitch, 7 p.m., Shoal Lake School grounds

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Mondays - Whist/Cards 1:30 p.m. Tuesdays - Tea/Dessert (afternoon) Thursdays - Cards/Games 2 p.m. Fridays - Scrabble 9 a.m.

Shoal Lake Drop-In Centre

Mondays - Bridge 1:30 p.m. **Tuesdays** - Floor Shuffle 1:30 p.m. (Floor shuffle runs from November 1st to April 30th) Five Hundred 6:30 p.m. Thursdays - Floor Shuffle 1:30 p.m. Spades 6:30 p.m. Fridays - Senior Exercises 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Pool is Monday to Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**Ryan Price** Children's Magician will be performing a show at the Shoal Lake Library on Wednesday, August 7th at 10:30 a.m. Please come join us!



SAVE THE DATE - DECEMBER 1ST, 2019 -WINTER GALA Shoal Lake Community Foundation is planning a Winter Gala with an evening of

supper by Old School Catering and confirmed entertainment by Home Grown Artists to date: The Garden Club & The Northwest Mounted Police Museum. Major Sponsors include: Russell Redi-Mix Concrete, a division of Coco Group Woodworth Dodge Chrysler Ltd. Watch for more announcements in next month's newsletter!

You won't want to miss this event!

## **ALUS PROGRAM**

R.M. of Yellowhead Councillor Paulette Koroscil attended the Little Saskatchewan River Conservation District Alternative Land Use

Services (ALUS) Tour on July 8th. The tour was broke down into five projects: Northam - Pollinator Buffer **Delgaty - Wetland Enhancement** Dowsett - Dam, Ravine, Springs Smith - Grazing Management Pedersen - Saline Management

Interested in more information? Call toll free: 1-866-820-1512 or view on LSR website: www.littlesaskatchewanrivercd.ca

NOTICE Thursday, August 1st, is the last day for farmers to cut forage along municipal roadways before the municipality starts cutting them.





#### From the Office of the Senior Services Coordinator:



We had a great month in July and boy the weather has been amazing. We are headed out to the Martese boat on July 24<sup>th</sup> (pictured) above) and it was beautiful weather and very hot. We really can't complain about the summer we have had so far.

August has another fun filled month with the following events coming our way. We are heading out to the Pottery Church and then lunch in clear Lake on August 9<sup>th</sup>. This would be a good time to check out some of the shops and spend the day in the park. May even see some bears!!!. Our next trip is on August 20<sup>th</sup> when we head over to Carberry and go to the Casino. This will be a supper adventure as well. Stop in and have a coffee, tell me about ideas you might like to see and do. Maybe a afternoon matinee at the movie theatre in Brandon, or going to the mall and lunch out somewhere you would like to try. I would like to try the Hansel and Gretel restaurant in Brandon, I hear the schnitzel is very tasty.

Reminder: When the handibus or handivan is being used, mileage starts as soon as you pick it up, and ends when you drop it off. Here's to a wonderful summer and hope you all are enjoying your gardens, soon to be full with bountiful vegetables and blooming flowers. ~Leslie Toovey, Senior Services Coordinator



Tuesday - 1:00 pm to 5:45 pm (winter) Thursday - 1:00 pm to 3:45 pm Saturday - 10:00 am to 12:00 pm 12:30 pm to 2:30 pm

Tuesday - 8:30 am to 4:15 pm Thursday - 8:30 am to 6:45 pm (summer) Thursday - 8:30 am to 4:15 pm (winter) Friday - 8:30 am to 4:15 pm Saturday - 9:00 am to 12:45 pm





R.M. of Yellowhead Councillor Gord McDonald congratulated Morgan Geekie on his Calder Cup Championship on behalf of the municipality on Friday, July 19.

# **MOVIES AT THE BEND**



YOU'RE INVITED Playing Saturday August 10th 7:30 pm (\$10 & under 12 is \$5) " A Dog's Journey" (2019 Release) The sequel to "A Dog's Purposed" filmed in Manitoba and

involving some local locations.

## SHOAL LAKE LANDFILL HOURS

## **OAKBURN LANDFILL HOURS**

Tuesday - 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm Saturday - 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm

\*The landfill hours are subject to change, please check our newsletter/facebook and website pages for any updates\*