



Parks & Leisure Services – Family Day (Indoors at the SRC)

Family Day Activities – **Monday, February 20, 2012** to be held in the Stettler Recreation Centre from 1-4 p.m. Events include: Bouncy houses, wii party areas, shinny, mini basketball, crafts, ring the bell game, ice painting, skating, swimming, raffle table, hot dogs and door prize. Admission is a Food Bank donation or \$10/family.
West Stettler Pond – **THE POND IS OFF LIMITS – THE ICE IS NOT SAFE AT ANY TIME.**

2012 Business Licenses

2012 Business Licenses have been sent out and are now due. All businesses in the Town of Stettler are required to obtain a business license for \$125.00 per calendar year. If the business is from outside the Town/County of Stettler corporation boundaries, the fee is \$325.00 per calendar year. Included in the business license fee is a Board of Trade Membership which allows business owners to benefit from a variety of value added programs as well as have access to a Chamber of Commerce Group Insurance Plan. Visit www.stettlerboardoftrade.com/ for information.

Town of Stettler Business License Changes

The Town of Stettler would like to remind all business owners that if your business is no longer operating to please fill out the “Business License Cancellation Form” that was mailed with your 2012 Business License Invoice or by finding the form online at www.stettler.net under “Town Services” and “Apply for a Business License”. If there is a change in your business information, please contact the Town Office in writing or call (403) 742-8305 so your information may be updated on our database. These changes include the following:

- address (mailing and municipal) - phone number - business name
- owner of the business - relocation - any other changes you feel are important

2012 Interim Operating Budget and Water, Sewer & Recycling Rates



Starting January 1, 2012 the rates for in-Town water consumption increased by \$.28 cents per m³ to \$2.29, sewer rates increased by \$2.00 to \$17.00 per month while recycling fees increased by \$1.00 to \$5.00 per month.

The financial impact on a household consuming an average of 17m³ per month of water will be an additional \$93 per year in 2012. These utility rate increases are necessary to offset related costs associated with “User Pay” municipal utilities included in the Town’s 2012 Interim Operating Budget projections. The Town of Stettler does not use property tax dollars to support municipal utility operations.

In 2012 the Stettler Water Treatment Plant will regionally supply potable water to Botha/Gadsby, the Shirley McClellan Regional Water Services Commission operating an easterly line to Castor, Coronation and Consort, and to the Highway 12/21 Water Services Commission operating a line to Alix and Mirror.

The 2012 Interim Operating Budget reflects Council’s intent to be fiscally responsible and accountable to its residents while sustaining services and programs, and to renew aging capital infrastructure which requires significant funds each year. Town Council also considers it appropriate to put aside funds to support larger capital expenditures anticipated in the near future; and to contribute significant funds towards community programs and partnerships to maintain existing levels of services expected by our citizens.

2012 DOG AND CAT LICENSES

The Town of Stettler would like to remind all dog and cat owners to purchase their 2012 dog and cat licenses. The cost for dog and cat licenses is \$25.00 for spayed or neutered animals and \$50.00 for unspayed or unneutered animals. Please make sure to always have your license on your pet when off your property. If you have any questions contact Alberta Animal Services Toll Free at 1-866-340-2388 or the Town Office at (403)742-8305.

Pre-Authorized Utility & Tax Bills

Pre-authorized payment is a simple, convenient, no-fee method of paying your monthly utility bill; your bill is always paid on time and the required amount is automatically debited from the bank account of your choice. No more cheques to write, stamps to lick or envelopes to mail. No more going to the bank and waiting in line to settle your account and no more late payments if you happen to forget. The automatic payment is made 25 days after the billing date shown on your bill and you will continue to receive a monthly bill detailing your charges. Contact the Town Office at (403) 742-8305 to sign up for the Utility or Tax Pre-Authorized Payment Plans.



Stettler Variety Showcase – 2011-2012 Concert Series

The next Stettler Variety Showcase performance will be held on **Sunday, February 12 “April Verch Band”** – April Verch, Canadian champion fiddler, singer, step dancer, performed at the Opening Ceremonies – Vancouver 2010 Winter Olympic Games. Highly accomplished trio performs breathtaking instrumentals, captivating vocals and spectacular Ottawa Valley step dancing. Check out their website at www.aprilverch.com. Cost for concert tickets: Adults \$20.00/Students \$10.00. Tickets available at Pfeiffer House of Music or a Stettler Variety Showcase Member. For further information call Rose at (403)742-3092 or visit www.stettlershowcase.com

Upcoming concerts include:

Sunday, March 11, 2012 “Ballet Kelowna”- Inspires, educates and entertains through the athletic energy and artistry of ballet, beautiful, bold and fresh, captivating audiences with classical and innovative dance. Check out their website at www.balletkelowna.com

Sunday, April 1, 2012 “Tiller’s Folly”- A multi-media concert, by gifted artists, celebrates the triumph, mystery, intrigue, adventures and heroes of the Canadian Northwest’s colorful past through a collection of historically based songs and photos. Check out their website at www.tillersfolly.com



Heartland Youth Center’s 21st Annual Lloyd’s Bowl for Kids

The Heartland Youth Center's 21st Annual Lloyd’s Bowl for Kids fundraiser is just down the lane! This year’s **“Crazy Cartoon Character”** themed event takes place **Friday, February 24, 2012** from 4-8 p.m. If you and your co-workers, teammates, coffee buddies, or family would like to obtain pledges and join in the bowling fun, please call the HYC at (403) 742-5437 to register. Prizes for best Cartoon Characters and teams will be awarded! Also note - your support of donations to this event are matched by the Alberta Community Spirit program!

Kidsport Gala



Kidsport has some exciting things planned for the St. Patrick’s Day Gala to be held on **March 17, 2012** at the Stettler Community Hall. Cocktails begin at 5:30 p.m. with dinner, silent and live auction to follow as well as entertainment from “The Jazz Guys” and a dance to follow with “Klay the DJ”. For tickets, please call Barb at 403-742-3206 or Laurie at 403-323-8881. Your support makes it possible **“so all kids can play”** and stays in Stettler.

Stettler Curling Club Bonspiel Dates

Seniors – February 16 & 17 - \$120

Ladies Open – March 9-11 - \$140

Closing Mixed – March 23-25 - \$140

Junior/Bantam Bonspiel – February 10 & 11 (Call 403-742-6847 for information)

For further information call the Stettler Curling Club @742-3111 or Manager, Fred vonKrogh at 740-2855.



Pedestrian Crosswalk Safety



The Town of Stettler would like to remind everyone to be cautious and slow down for pedestrians at crosswalks. **HELP US KEEP THESE CROSSWALKS SAFE AND ACCIDENT FREE!**

Transfer Station/Regional Landfill Hours of Operation

The Stettler Transfer Station - **OPEN** from 10:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Thursday through Monday. The Transfer Station is **CLOSED** Tuesdays and Wednesdays and all Statutory Holidays.

The Regional Landfill - **OPEN** from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. on Saturday and **CLOSED** Sundays and all Statutory Holidays.