

COUNTY OF THORHILD COMMUNICATOR



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IT'S A COUNTY FACT!

The County has sprayed 610 ditch miles and mowed 170+ ditch miles of roadside so far this summer. This program is important for weed and brush control which increases the visibility of wildlife along the road, making travel within the County much safer.

UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS

Aug. 23 & Sept. 13, 2011 - Regular Council Meetings
 Regular Council meetings commence at 9:30 a.m. in the County Administration Building and are open to the public.

COUNCIL MEETING AGENDAS & MINUTES

You can obtain agenda packages and approved minutes on our website (www.thorhildcounty.com) or at the County Administration Building.

OFFICE CLOSURES

Please be advised that County offices will be closed on Monday, September 5, 2011 for Labour Day. Please have a safe long weekend!

THORHILD SWIMMING POOL EVENTS

Radway Lions Free Swim - Friday, Aug. 26 from 6 - 9 pm.
Movie Night - Saturday, Aug. 27 starting at 8:00 pm. Please call the pool for more details.
Lessons & Aquasizes - Offered all throughout the summer. Please call (780) 398-3730 for a detailed schedule.
Rentals - Please call about booking the pool for your birthday, club wind-up or any special event!

UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

Water Meter Maintenance

We are underway in changing water meters in the Hamlets of Thorhild, Egremont, Radway, and Newbrook to upgrade our system to an Automated Meter Reading program. If a utility serviceman has not been to your home to change your water meter or to do some maintenance that is required for this program, please contact Jessica at (780) 398-2811 to arrange for an appointment.

DIAL BEFORE YOU DIG!

ALBERTA ONE CALL 1 - 800 - 242 - 3447

If you are planning **ANY** excavation work, please call Alberta One Call. Line locates are only valid for a two-week period; any work commencing after that time must have line locations re-confirmed again.

Natural Gas Construction

If you will be requesting a Natural Gas service installation to your property this year please contact Jessica at (780) 398-2811. The sooner we get all the paperwork in order, plan a route, etc the better we can arrange construction to fit everyone's schedule.

AGRICULTURE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

Fall Programming

Course	Date	Cost
Dog Training - Thursdays from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.	6 wks starting Sept 8	\$100
Firearm Safety	Sept. 24 at 9:00 a.m.	\$100 + \$26.75 for manual
Zumba - Tuesdays from 7 - 8 p.m. (minimum of 20)	8 wks starting Sept. 27	\$110
Bootcamp - Mon. & Wed. nights from 7 - 8 p.m. (minimum 15/night)	8 wks starting Sept. 19	\$110 for 1 night; \$190 for 2 nights
Beginner Watercolor - process & orientation	Oct. 11 from 7 - 10 pm	\$30
Beginner Watercolor - Tuesdays	Oct. 18 - Nov. 22 from 7 - 10 pm	\$160
Planning for Post Secondary Education - videoconference	Nov. 15 from 2 - 3:30 p.m.	\$5.00
First Aid in Radway (min. 10 participants)	Nov. 19 & 20 from 8 am - 5 pm	\$165.00
Fundraising Ideas - videoconference	Dec. 7 from 11 am - 12:30 pm	\$10.00
Step Class Sampler (bring your step)	Nov. 22 & 29 from 7 - 8 pm	\$25.00

Please register for all classes by phone 780-398-3978 or e-mail carolyn@thorhildcounty.com at the County of Thorhild.

*** Sign up early as some classes have a minimum number required and if not reached session will be cancelled.**

We are still finalizing some programs so keep watching for more information. Please let me know if you have any ideas/suggestions for future courses as we are always looking for new ideas.

Long Lake Picnic & Play

Sun, sand, & surf for the little ones and their families. Please bring along your favorite sand toys, a bagged lunch, and plenty of sunscreen!

Dates: August 24
 Time: 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
 Age: 0 - 6 years
 Fee: No Charge

YOU MUST pre-register with Tammy at (780) 398-2809 or tammy@thorhildcounty.com in order to be notified of any dates changes or cancellations due to inclement weather.

Teen/Tween Event

If you are In Grade 5 - 10 come out and join us for a full

day of active fun including but not limited to Bowling, Fishing, Scavenger Hunt, Games and Great Food!!!!

Saturday September 10, 2011

Drop off and pick-up at Radway School

From 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Cost: \$10.00

Snacks, Lunch & Supper Included

Register early to be part of this great event!!

Bring running shoes, fishing rod (if you have), sunscreen and bug spray.

Transportation from Thorhild to Radway will be available upon request on a cost recovery basis.

Bylaw Reminders

GRASS AND HEDGES TOO LONG? This issue requires our constant attention this time of year as the grass and foliage on our properties are constantly growing as a result of the long summer days. Property owners and renters must maintain their yards so as to keep their yards and property lines in good looking shape. Traffic safety hazards and potential injury are significantly reduced for the public that are using the roadways and sidewalks where their vision is significantly reduced by your overgrown hedges and or trees. If you are not able to do the work yourself, then contact property maintenance companies who do this work for a living. Almost every notice board within our municipality has a few of their business cards on them that are seeking your business.

(County of Thorhild No.7 Bylaw No. 1135-2010)

FOUND OR MISSING A DOG? Please ensure that you notify the County Bylaw Officer as soon as you can (leave message on the phone even if it is afterhours) so that the search for the "missing pet" or the "missing owner" of the pet can be activated immediately. The bylaw officer is part of a network of other animal control and support agencies throughout our region that are all looking out for the best interest of our pets. Moreover, we do not want to see a "dog(s) at large" cause unwanted damage or inconvenience to others within the County. Happy "reunions" is what the County endeavors to make happen when it concerns our missing pets.

(Village of Thorhild Bylaw No.03-2008)

(County of Thorhild No.7 Bylaw No. 1024-2002)

Fire Permits

REMEMBER, Fire Permits are required year round for all types of fires and are necessary to monitor, control and promote safe burning activities.

For fire permit issuance, please contact Brett Demary, Emergency Operations Supervisor, at (780) 398-2828.