The official newsletter of Flagstaff County

Summer 2021

#### **We're Redefining Rural Food**

Flagstaff County's Economic Development team is redefining mealtime by curating the Flagstaff Crafted Food Box.

Passionate about fresh local food and supporting local producers, we have put together a collective of locally grown, handmade food products.

We can all agree that breakfast is the most important meal of the day. So ... with that in mind, the Flagstaff Crafted Brunch Box was born! The brunch box has been specially curated to include all of the ingredients you need to craft a delicious and nutritious brunch for the whole family.

From mouth-watering crisp bacon to the sweet taste of honey, bring the box home to create a delicious, indulgent, do-it-yourself breakfast filled with local flavours. The brunch box includes ethical, sustainable, and locally sourced



Flagstaff Crafted's A Rooster & 2 Chicks produce and sell quality farm fresh broilers (whole or parts), turkeys,

and brown and white eggs. You can find their farm fresh

eggs in the Flagstaff Crafted Brunch Box.

#### Photo credit: Branded By Barns

food produced by Flagstaff Crafted makers and producers. The selection of healthy products inside the box is inspired by you – the hardworking, communityminded, and resilient Flagstaff citizens. Purchasing a Flagstaff Crafted Brunch Box

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#### Flagstaff Crafted Pop-Up Marketplace

Flagstaff County, in partnership with the Wild Rose Co-op, presents the Flagstaff Crafted Pop-Up Marketplace. A pop-up marketplace retailing Flagstaff Crafted products will be located in both the Killam Wild Rose Co-op Food Store and the Sedgewick Wild Rose Home



and Farm Centre. The pop-up marketplace will run from August 2021 until October 2021, with the final launch date and times being announced in the coming weeks.

Accepted applicants will retail their products at an assigned location from Tuesday to Saturday, 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Wild Rose Co-op has graciously donated the space at no cost, so 100% of the profits are retained by the participating makers! Flagstaff County and Wild Rose

Co-op will provide the space, product display shelving, and sanitization stations.

Participating applicants will be responsible for stocking their products, and additional marketing/displays, staffing their booth, and providing a point of sale system

that accepts cash and debit/credit cards.

We invite makers to collaborate and consider another local business/maker they would like to share the pop-up marketplace with – there will be room for TWO participants at a time at each location; not only will this encourage collaboration, but staffing time may be reduced by working together.

If you have any questions, please email Kerri at: klefsrud@flagstaff.ab.ca.

#### **Pre-order your Flagstaff Crafted Brunch Box**

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is an opportunity to enjoy a nutritious morning meal while directly supporting the local supply chain – and 12 local businesses!

Pre-order your Flagstaff Crafted Brunch Box on the Flagstaff Crafted website today. To preorder, visit flagstaffcrafted.ca and under 'Blog' select 'We're Redefining Rural Food'. Limited quantities are available, so act fast.

Flagstaff County has partnered with Lil' Ryley Farms, so you can pick up your "Flagstaff Crafted Brunch Box" at the Lil' Ryley Farms Alberta Open Farm Days event Aug. 14 or 15.

If you have any questions, please email Kerri Lefsrud at: klefsrud@flagstaff.ab.ca.

#### **Host a Flagstaff Region Market**

From savouring produce at the peak of freshness, to finding unique, creative handmade products, to seeing smiling faces within our communities, there are countless reasons to attend a Flagstaff Region Market.

Flagstaff County is gearing up for the 2021 Market season by offering support to any market committees within the Flagstaff Region looking to host a market in their community.

Apply on the Flagstaff



Crafted website today under 'Flagstaff Region Markets'.
Deadline to apply is
Tuesday, August 3rd.

If you have any further questions, please email Kerri Lefsrud at: klefsrud@flagstaff.ab.ca.

#### **Apply for our Innovation Masterclass**

Flagstaff County invites YOU to join our upcoming Innovation Masterclass Fall intake! (Dates will be finalized based on registration and availability).



The Innovation Masterclass is a comprehensive 6-8 week program designed to introduce innovative thinking to leaders 16 years and older through collaborative group sessions, as well as provide valuable hands-on experience using the Exponential Organizations Model.

Throughout this program, participants will learn from and interact with global business leaders, gaining valuable experience in innovative thinking, idea development, business development, public speaking and leadership skills. Participants will also build upon their

knowledge base to become highly capable business industry leaders. This program is offered online and is flexible to each participant's schedule. For more

information on the program and how to apply, please contact Jordyn Prior, Economic Development Coordinator, at jprior@flagstaff.ab.ca.

"The Innovation Masterclass was such an amazing experience! I learned so much and enjoyed making new connections and working with others in and outside the region. I am so thankful to have been a part of this amazing experience."

- Trish Granger, Rustic Stars

#### **Flagstaff Region Business Succession Program**

Flagstaff County has partnered with Grant
Thornton to offer FREE one-on-one support to
Flagstaff Region businesses that are
succession planning. Participants will receive
an initial consultation with Grant Thornton to
discuss their unique circumstances, and then
dive deeper to determine the next steps and
considerations most relevant to their business.

This program was developed due to staggering statistics that directly impact the future vitality of the Flagstaff Region economy, such as:

- In Canada, \$1.5 trillion of business assets could be transferred to a new generation of business owners over the next decade, up 50% from the last estimate in 2012. If this is not managed well, this could have a significant impact on local jobs and the economy overall. How many of our businesses will be prepared and positioned as an "Investable Opportunity" for a new generation of owners?
- 60% of small business owners do not have a succession plan in place because they are



working too hard to secure a financial future, and:

• 50% of small businesses in rural municipalities are either contemplating their exit or are currently for sale.

A handful of businesses have started their succession planning through this program, and we have EIGHT REMAINING SPACES for 2021. If you are a Flagstaff Region business owner that would like to explore succession planning in more detail, or look at options to improve your existing plan, please reach out to Jordyn Prior, Economic Development Coordinator, at jprior@flagstaff.ab.ca.

#### Obituaries, wedding announcements sought

Former Flagstaff County Councillor Charlotte Curtis is looking for obituaries, birth notices, and wedding and anniversary announcements for residents of the Flagstaff Region. As part of an exhaustive undertaking, she's compiling the newspaper clippings, as well as funeral cards and wedding invitations, into binders for a historical library collection and backing them up with an online database.

Charlotte can be reached on her home phone at 780-889-2139, on her cell at 780-678-0141, or through email at charlottecurtis51@gmail.com.



#### **Fencing and Gates on Road Allowances**

If you're considering any fencing or gate projects along Flagstaff County road allowances this summer, please refer to the below information to ensure you work within Flagstaff County's guidelines.

The purpose of Procedure PW 001-6 is to facilitate the opportunity for short and long-term cattle grazing within County road allowances.

Wire fences for livestock management may not be constructed on a County right-of-way without written authorization. Applications are to be submitted in writing, with sufficient detail, to be considered by the Public Works Department. Information required by the applicant includes:

- · Location and term of proposed use
- Post size and spacing (minimum 100 mm or 4-inch posts)
- Corner and intermediate bracing details (sketch with wood and/or wire dimensions provided)
- Gate details (sketch showing type of wire posts and other hardware including closing device, minimum 7.3 m wide)
- Wire gauge and spacing (minimum 4 strand)

- Location of signs with the signs being supplied by the County at the Landowner's expense
- Provisions to maintain through traffic (i.e. no locking devices)

Fence and gate construction must be consistent with the noted Fence/Gate Standard Drawing. Gates across road allowances shall not be locked, and if approved, the applicant must enter into a "Hold Harmless" Agreement with Flagstaff County.

Texas gates may be considered as an option to manage cattle. Applications must be submitted in writing to the Public Works Department for review and approval. The applicant will be responsible for the cost of installation, removal and maintenance of the Texas gate. All work performed in the road allowance will be completed by the County.

On roads developed to a gravel standard, Texas gates must be certified for a minimum load rating of 36,000 kg or 80,000 lbs and be a minimum of 8.0 m wide. For undeveloped roads, other options would be considered based on current access use. Cattle Underpasses must meet Alberta Transportation standards.

#### **Hamlet Sewer CCTV Inspections**

Both Strome and Galahad will have their sewer systems inspected via CCTV (closed circuit television video) this summer. This

service provides a video of the sewer network, and allows viewers to see any sags, blockages or weak areas in the line.

#### **2021 Road Recovery Program**

The 2021 Road Recovery Program started in May. Crews will be working on six shoulder pulling projects this year, including:

- ENE 36-41-16, Rge Rd 160 South for 6.0 miles (Local Road)
- ENE 33-46-15, Rge Rd 153 South for 2.0 miles (Arterial Road)
- NNW 33-40-13, Twp Rd 410 East for 5.0 miles (Arterial Road)
- NNW 23-40-14, Twp Rd 404 East for 2.5 miles (Collector Road)
- ENE 33-43-16, Rge Rd 163 South for 6.0 miles (Collector Road)
- ENE 20-44-16, Rge Rd 164 South for 2.0 miles (Local Road)

Please see the 2021 Programs and Services Map on the next page.

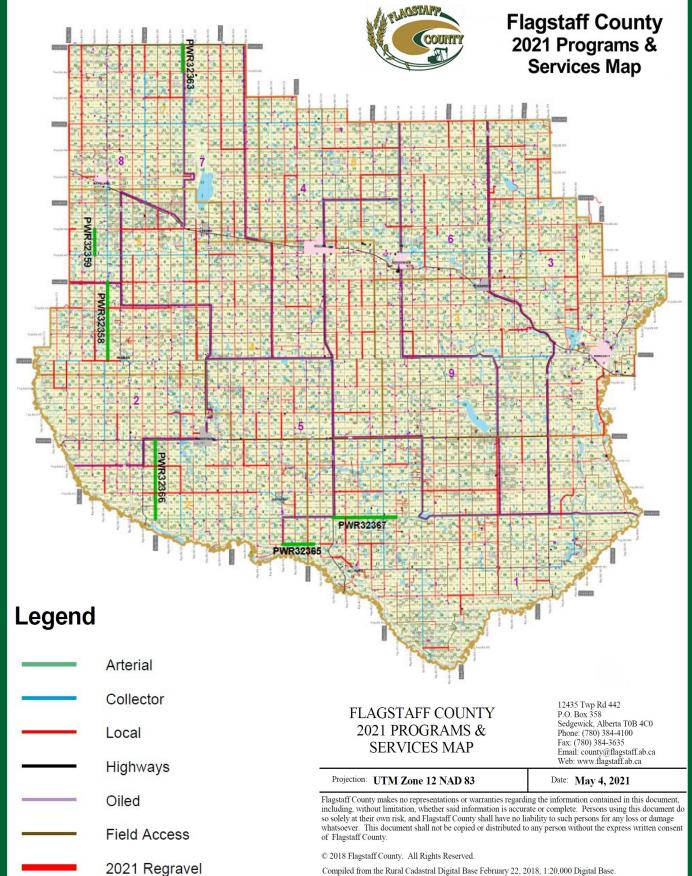
#### Strome Lagoon Upgrades to be Completed

This summer, crews will be on site at the Strome lagoon to complete extensive upgrades and repairs to the cells and berms, due to significant erosion and degradation of the berm slopes. The berms will be rebuilt with clay, and a liner will be installed to maintain the slopes and prevent future erosion.

This project will commence in July, and will not result in any service disruption.



The 12th annual Movie at the Airport will be held at the Flagstaff Regional Airport on Tuesday, August 17th. This event will be a drive-in and will include two showings: Raya and the Last Dragon at dusk (approximately 8:45 pm), and Jumanji following at approximately 11:30 pm. Tickets will be \$30 per vehicle per movie, or \$50 for both showings, and will go on sale July 25th at 10:00 am. For more information, please see the ad on the back page of this newsletter and the Parents for Fun in Flagstaff website at: parentsforfuninflagstaff.com.



Compiled from the Rural Catastral Digital Base February 22, 2018, 120,000 Digital Base. Land Ownership derived from municipal tax data, February 22, 2018. Building/Site/Feature information compiled from municipal assessment data, December 2017.

Due to name length and parcel size some parcels cannot be labeled.

NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ERRORS OR OMISSIONS

2021 Shoulder Pulling



## Keep Alberta DED free

- Under the Alberta Agricultural Pests Act (APA) "Pest and Nuisance Control Regulation (PNCR)" the Dutch Elm Disease (DED) pathogens, smaller European elm bark beetle, and the native elm bark beetle are named declared pests.
- DED prevention/control measures for Alberta are enforceable under the APA and are found on the STOPDED website.
- Elm trees from a DED infected province cannot be shipped into Alberta.

Elm Pruning Ban is April 1 - September 30 annually,





Society to Prevent Dutch Elm Disease

www.stopded.org 1-877-837-ELMS (3567)



#### **Online County Planning Tool at your Fingertips**

Webmap is a very useful mapping tool for planning your development site and subdivision design, and it's available through the County webpage.

Sign in as a guest, and you will be able to locate any parcel within the County, access measuring tools, view aerial photos of

properties and much more.

Webmap is available by clicking on the "I Want To" drop-down menu at the top of the County home page, scrolling down to "View", and choosing "Maps". Once there, you will see the link to "Webmap". If you need help finding Webmap, please don't hesitate to call us!

#### \$100,000 Community Grant Program

Enriching education, recreation & culture

Does your rural community have a project that needs a financial jab? While COVID-19 has created upheaval, it hasn't stopped community groups from dreaming about projects that will boost their immunity after the pandemic.

For the third year, the UFA Rural Communities Foundation (RCF) is offering a \$100,000 grant to ensure rural Alberta remains strong.

"We know this has been a tough year for community groups. This is why we are proud to do our part to keep rural communities sustainable. We have seen the difference our grants have made to the communities and their projects. We made the commitment to give away \$100,000 a year for five years and COVID-19 has shown us the importance of these grants," said RCF board chair Harvey Hagman.

Hazel Bourke, with the Onoway and District Historical Guild, said the \$50,000 they received to build an equipment shed was the kickstart needed to start their heritage village and preserve their area's history. Inside the shed are threshing machines, fanning mills, buggies and wagons. They have also started to hang old tools on the shed walls

"The new shed has allowed us to expand our museum," said Bourke.

The UFA Rural Communities Foundation has committed to invest \$500,000 over five years to rural communities. The mandate of

the foundation is to improve the sustainability of farmers and ranchers in Alberta by improving access to funding for educational, recreational and cultural

> facilities and programs in Alberta. Groups that are eligible to apply include registered charities under the Canada Revenue Agency, registered non-profit organizations that are registered with either their provincial or municipal

government and community service cooperatives. The project must be located within 200 kilometres of a UFA location and must be completed within two years.

Application forms are available online now from our website www.rcfufa.com. The application can be submitted until August 31, 2021. Winners will be announced in October, during Co-operative week.

In 2019, the winning projects were in Paradise Valley, Delia and Onoway. In 2020, winning projects were in Irvine, Pincher Creek, Vegreville and Castor. Information and photos of these projects are on the website.

For more information on how to apply for the RCF grant, please go to our website or email info@rcfufa.com.

Follow us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter for updates, tips on filling out the application form and highlights from the previous winners.

— UFA Rural Communities Foundation

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 17, 2021

# online

**Location: Flagstaff Regional Airport** 

Cost: \$30 per vehicle per movie \$50 for both showings

Raya and the Last Dragon starts at Dusk

(approx 8:45pm)

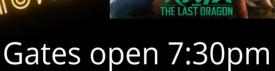
Jumanji to follow (approx 11:30pm)

TICKETS ON SALE JULY 25TH @ 10:00AM



Wild Rose





Concession & Washrooms Available POPCORN CINEMA More details on our Website

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