



## Historic church burned to the ground



By Brandie Majeau

On Friday, April 18, a fire began in the centre of Radway AB. It was rumoured that a routine yard work task took a tragic turn when an individual, while using a traditional burning method to dispose of leaves and grass clippings, inadvertently lost control of the fire. Although

this was not the cause of the fire, it ultimately led to the devastating destruction of the historic church in downtown Radway.

The local volunteer firefighters responded with remarkable speed and unwavering dedication. Their relentless commitment ensured that the fire was contained to mostly the church, preventing it from

engulfing adjacent homes. Fortunately, (although there was damage to neighbouring homes) no residential properties were lost, and thankfully, there were no injuries reported among the residents or responders.

The church, which had been serving as a storage facility, suffered complete devastation along with a few vehicles and several garages

located on the property. At one stage, the scene was overwhelmed with emergency response vehicles, their lights flashing against the darkening sky, as they lined the street in a concerted effort to keep the fire from spreading throughout the town.

In the end, while the physical loss was minimal compared to what could have

transpired, this unfortunate incident stands as a stark reminder of the importance of vigilance and caution. It highlights the necessity of avoiding open flames and other igniting materials during periods of dry conditions and strong winds. The event served as a wake-up call for the entire community to prioritize safety and be aware of potential hazards.

## Seeds to Sprouts opens new building

By Brandie Majeau

Seeds to Sprouts Childcare Society proudly hosted its Open House at its new, spacious location in Thorhild on April 25, marking a significant milestone in its journey.

Previously housed at Thorhild Central School, the daycare has expanded its offerings with the new facility, designed to accommodate children aged 0 to 3.5 years, while the school site will continue to cater to 3 to 4-year-olds. This arrangement provides seamless transitions for children who require daycare services while also being enrolled in playschool or kindergarten programs, allowing them to transition between rooms within the same building.

In a bold move to enhance

its facilities, Seeds to Sprouts made a strategic decision to invest its reserves to purchase the new building, officially gaining possession on November 10, 2024. Renovations commenced immediately, with teams entering the premises just two days later on November 12. Thanks to a series of creative fundraisers, sponsorships, a poker tournament, and the tireless dedication of community members, the building underwent a remarkable transformation. Finished renovations were completed swiftly and efficiently by the end of February 2025, allowing the daycare to open its doors to eager local families on April 7, 2025. The influx of new families relocating to

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Parker was just dropping by for the Open House but is excited to be starting at Seeds to Sprouts in June.



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### BREAKFAST BUN - \$ 6.50

Housemade bun with a fried egg topped with melted marble cheese and a slice of thick cut bacon

### BREAKFAST BURGER - \$ 8.00

Our classic rink cheeseburger on a housemade bun topped with a fried egg and bacon

### BREAKFAST WRAP - \$ 5.50

Cheesy Egg scramble with sautéed onions wrapped in a toasted tortilla with bacon and salsa.

### OPEN FACE EGGS BENNY - \$ 6.00

Half a toasted housemade bun, topped with bacon, a fried egg and hollandaise sauce. Sprinkled with cheddar cheese and green onions.

### BREAKFAST POUTINE - \$ 7.50

Fried tater tots loaded with egg scramble with onions, bacon bits and cheese smothered in poutine gravy

### TATER TOT SIDE - \$4.50

Make it a Poutine adding mozza cheese and gravy - \$1.50

### BACON N EGGS - \$6.00

2 fried eggs and 2 pieces of bacon  
Add a half side of tater tots - \$2.25

### ADD ONS

Fresh sliced tomato and sautéed onion \$0.50  
Hollandaise sauce \$1.00  
Burger patty \$1.00

Any substitutions - veggies, no onions, sauces?  
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## Lunch Menu

### BURGERS

Our classic rink burger, on a house made bun

### TITANS BURGER - \$7.50

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### CHEESEBURGER - \$7.00

with cheddar

### DOUBLE CHEESEBURGER - \$9.00

with cheddar

### HAMBURGER - \$6.00

### DOUBLE BURGER - \$8.00

### ADD ONS

Bacon \$1.00  
Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles Onions \$0.50  
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NOTICE OF PROPOSED MATERIAL  
CHANGE TO SMOKY LAKE DEVELOPMENT CORP.  
PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD AND MEETING DATE

TOWN OF SMOKY LAKE  
("Smoky Lake")

In the matter of the proposed material change to the Smoky Lake Development Corporation.

Notice is hereby given pursuant to the provisions of Section 75.3 of the *Municipal Government Act* and Section 7 of the *Municipally Controlled Corporations Regulation* that:

On June 2, 2025, the Town of Smoky Lake Council will meet to discuss their desire to make a material change to the Smoky Lake Development Corp.'s operations that will suspend the current service of tourism development within the municipal boundaries until viable future economic opportunities can be determined.

TAKE NOTICE that a Council meeting will be held on June 2, 2025 at 56 Wheatland Avenue, Smoky Lake, AB. This will be an opportunity for residents of the municipality to make representations to the Town of Smoky Lake in an effort to determine if the proposed change is in the best interests of the municipality and its residents.

AND FURTHER NOTICE THAT any written submissions or to pre-register, please contact Legislative Services no later than 4:00 p.m. (MST) on Thursday May 29, 2025, via email at [legislative@smokylake.ca](mailto:legislative@smokylake.ca) or by phone at 780-656-3674. Anyone who fails to register within the designated time frame will not be permitted to speak.

DATED at the Town of Smoky Lake, Alberta on April 28, 2025.

## Town of Smoky Lake receives grant

**By Brandie Majeau**

The Town of Smoky Lake has proudly secured a generous \$211,520 grant from the Government of Alberta's Ministry of Immigration and Multiculturalism to launch an ambitious two-year plan known as the Newcomer Navigation Supports Program. This program aims to significantly enhance the community's capacity, enrich avenues for information-sharing, and cultivate a spirit of intercultural inclusion—all while providing newcomers with the tools to seamlessly access essential resources and promote a profound sense of belonging in their new home.

At the heart of this initiative is a dedicated Newcomer Navigation

Facilitator, whose role will be crucial in establishing connections with schools, local businesses, health services, libraries, and various organizations within the community. This facilitator will work to ensure that resources are not only accessible but are also culturally responsive, reflecting the diverse backgrounds and needs of newcomers. "Smoky Lake is a community that welcomes growth while staying true to its roots," said Amy Cherniwchan, Mayor of Smoky Lake. "This initiative gives us the tools to grow thoughtfully, by strengthening the way we connect with newcomers and ensuring every resident feels informed, included, and proud to call Smoky Lake home."

Focused on enhancing community awareness and forging solid partnerships, the program will roll out newcomer-friendly materials, host engaging intercultural events, and create smoother pathways to vital services. "This funding gives us the chance to strengthen the way we connect as a community," said Rachelle Amyotte, FCSS Director. "It's about building systems that feel welcoming, inclusive, and easy to navigate for anyone who chooses to make Smoky Lake home."

Set to launch in the spring of 2025, this program seeks to attract newcomers and also to nurture their long-term retention and successful integration into the community.

The grant will fully support a full-time position dedicated to this mission over two years, with a particular emphasis on developing community capacity. This role will prioritize collaboration with employers and service providers, focusing on training and capacity-building initiatives rather than offering one-on-one support to individuals relocating to the area. The overarching aim of this position is to substantially increase the number of cultural events and programming available, ultimately creating rich and dynamic opportunities for both newcomers and existing residents to create meaningful connections and feel a deep sense of belonging within Smoky Lake.





**GORGEOUS TREED  
70 ACRES WITH HOME**



This cozy 1 bdrm walk out bungalow in Thorhild County offers a peaceful retreat with a beautifully landscaped yard and wide trails that wind through the mature trees, creating the perfect setting for outdoor enthusiasts. The main house features a finished basement, which could be used as second bedroom, with door to the attached woodshed and provides ample living space for family or guests. The 26'x26' double detached garage has in floor heating and offers plenty of room for vehicles and storage, while multiple outbuildings on the property provide additional space for hobbies, animals, workshops, or extra storage. There is also a charming guest house, which only requires water to complete it and make it a perfect space for visitors. Bring your animals or just use the land for recreation and hunting with moose and deer right on your land. Gardens, fruit trees and dugout complete the property. **\$549,900. Call Heather to view.**



**2,78 ACRES NEAR  
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**NEW  
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Beautiful 149 Acres of rolling land in Thorhild County with many great building sites for a walkout home. Approximately 100 acres is cleared and planted to hay with the rest large, mature forest. There is both a dugout and a natural pond on the land. Lots of wildlife in the area. Use as your weekend getaway, build your dream home and start your farm, or rent the hay land out and use for hunting. Power line runs along both sides of this quarter. Good possibility of subdividing into a few smaller parcels with County approval. Located just under an hour to north Edmonton. **\$295,000 plus gst. Call Heather for more info.**



**3 BEDROOM HOME  
IN PIBROCH**

Great starter or retirement home or rent it out. Has been rented in the past few years for \$950 per month plus utilities. Upgrades over the past years include metal roof, windows, and furnace. In the past 3 years the hot water tank has been replaced, bathroom renovated and new vinyl plank flooring was installed. Main floor features a large back entrance with laundry, good sized kitchen with plenty of wood cabinets, 4 pce bathroom, furnace room and huge living room. Upper floor has 3 bedrooms. Sits on a large 150x50' corner lot with plenty of room to add a garden or garage. Backs onto a park with basketball court, ball diamond, fire pit area and kids playground. Pibroch has city water and community sewer and an active community hall. It's only minutes away from Westlock with all the amenities you will need including a hospital and indoor swimming pool. **\$79,900. Call Heather to view.**



**NEWBROOK FARM**

Enjoy privacy on this 160 acres at the end of a dead end road just a few minutes south of Newbrook. This cute 896 sq ft 2 bedroom 1 bathroom home was built in 1983 with 2"x6" walls and has been well kept. Upgrades over the years include flooring, kitchen cabinets, windows, ss appliances (stove and dishwasher new this year) shingles and bathroom renovations. Open living/kitchen concept, bay window and garden doors to a large covered deck add to this great home. There is a 32'x24' detached garage with addition on the back for more storage. Beautiful setting amongst large mature trees. The pasture land is all fenced and has dugouts for water and has been rented out for cattle pasture the last few years Perfect property for someone wanting a little privacy with lots of land for hunting or farming. Just about an hour to Edmonton. **\$459,900. Call Heather to view.**



**SOLD  
AFFORDABLE LIVING  
IN REDWATER**

This charming 2+2 bedroom, 708 sq ft home offers a blend of comfort and modern upgrades. The upgraded kitchen features a countertop induction stove, built-in oven, dishwasher, and stainless steel appliances. Skylights brighten the upstairs bedrooms, with the master boasting a walk-in closet. The finished basement includes two additional bedrooms – one with a walk-in closet – a bathroom, laundry area, and a stand-up freezer. Upgrades over the years, include new shingles (2023), a high-efficiency furnace, hot water tank, and newer windows that fill both levels with natural light. Outdoor amenities feature a greenhouse and a garden ready for spring planting. **\$175,000. Call Janine to view.**



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Applications are  
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**May 26  
2025**



Sturgeon County is now accepting applications for the Dale MacMillan Memorial Scholarship for Community Leadership.

Two \$2000 awards are available for Sturgeon County residents who are enrolled in a recognized post-secondary institution and have demonstrated leadership and involvement in the Sturgeon County community.

For more information and to submit your application, please visit [sturgeoncounty.ca/scholarships](http://sturgeoncounty.ca/scholarships)

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- ☒ GO INSIDE
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**5315 63 ST REDWATER**



**\$324,900**

You won't find a better location than this charming bungalow in Redwater, perfectly situated backing onto Poplar Park and just a few blocks from the elementary school. The main floor offers a functional and inviting layout, featuring a movable eat-up kitchen island, a patio door leading to the front deck, and a spacious living room. This level also includes three bedrooms, with the primary suite boasting a private 2-piece ensuite, plus a 4-piece main bathroom. Conveniently located before heading downstairs is the entrance to the attached heated double garage. The fully developed basement adds even more living space with a fourth bedroom, a large rec area, a cozy family room, and a 3-piece bath combined with the laundry room. Recent updates include a new boiler and hot water tank (2024) for added peace of mind. The fully fenced, pie-shaped backyard is a private retreat with a deck, a garden shed, and a gate providing direct access to the park.

**62209 RR 201 THORHILD COUNTY**



**\$649,900**

This Nelson Homes-built RTM bungalow sits on a ICF basement and offers the perfect blend of comfort and functionality. Located on 10 acres, the property features a double attached garage and a 36x48 drive-through shop—ideal for hobbyists, mechanics, or those that just need more storage. The home's layout is thoughtfully designed, starting with a spacious mudroom complete with a sink and stove—perfect for canning, prepping, or cleaning up after outdoor work. The main floor boasts an open-concept kitchen, dining area, and walk-through pantry, creating a seamless flow for everyday living. You'll also find main floor laundry, a 2-piece bath, a 4-piece main bath, and 3 bedrooms including the primary suite with a walk-in closet and private 4-piece ensuite. The basement with in floor heat is nearly complete—just flooring and drop ceiling remain. It includes a 4th bedroom, 4-piece bath, family room, den and wet bar area. Step outside onto the deck off the kitchen and take in your own private paradise.

**5832 50 AVE REDWATER**



**\$310,000**

Charming 2+2 bedroom bi-level home situated on a spacious corner lot in Redwater, just steps from the golf course. This well-maintained property has seen numerous upgrades over the years, including newer shingles, a renovated kitchen, updated flooring, windows, and a cozy wood-burning stove. The main floor features an open-concept layout with a bright living room, updated kitchen and dining area with access to the back deck, two bedrooms, and a 4-piece bathroom. The fully finished basement offers two additional bedrooms, a 3-piece bath, a den, an office space, and the flexibility to convert one bedroom into a family room. Completing the property is a double detached garage with 220V power, all set on a generously sized lot.

**1114 OLD TIMER'S DR, SKELETON LAKE**



**\$279,900**

Enjoy the best of both worlds with this incredible .46-acre gated lot in the Summer Village of Bondiss at Skeleton Lake—backing onto the 5th tee box of Skeleton Lake Golf Course and offering lake views! Included in the sale is a spacious 2014 Bighorn Silverado 5th wheel (42 ft) featuring quad bunks, 2 bathrooms, an outdoor kitchen and outdoor shower, 4 slide-outs, an Onan 5500 onboard generator, and oversized water tanks. The trailer sits on a 12x36 deck, perfect for relaxing or entertaining outdoors. The lot is fully equipped with a 2000-gallon septic tank, 50A power hook-up for the RV, two additional 30A receptacles, and power to the 12x20 shed. You'll also find a 16x16 wood/storage shed combo, a fenced dog run, and a secure gate at the entrance for added privacy and peace of mind. Located just 30 seconds from the boat launch and public playground, with paved roads right out front. Under 2 hours from Edmonton and less than 3 hours from Fort McMurray—this is your ideal lake retreat!

**#46 GOLDEN HEIGHTS, STURGEON COUNTY**



**\$254,900**

Located just 10 minutes north of Gibbons and 30 minutes from Edmonton, this 3-bedroom mobile home sits on a spacious 3-acre lot in the quiet subdivision of Golden Heights. The home features a functional layout with a kitchen and living room at the center. The primary bedroom includes a 4-piece ensuite, while the two additional bedrooms and another 4-piece bath are located at the opposite end—perfect for added privacy. While the home could use some updates and TLC, there's great potential to make it your own. The property also includes a double detached garage that is insulated and heated, though it will need new shingles. With plenty of space for a large garden, outdoor projects, or simply enjoying the peace and quiet, this is a great opportunity to escape the city and enjoy country living at an affordable price.

**4615 49 AVE REDWATER**



**SOLD**

**\$254,900**

This 1,159 sq. ft. bungalow offers a 22x24 detached garage, room for RV parking, and a concrete parking pad at the front of the home. With 3+1 bedrooms, the home has seen some updates over the years, including newer shingles and most main-floor windows. The main floor features a well-designed layout with a kitchen and dining area, a bright living room, a 4-piece bathroom, a primary bedroom with a 2-piece ensuite, and two additional bedrooms. The basement offers plenty of potential and includes a large family room, a 3-piece bathroom, a utility/laundry room, and an additional bedroom. A fantastic property with space, functionality, and room to make it your own!

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the area, along with a growing waitlist for services, confirmed that this was a pivotal and necessary step.

The expanded facility now has a dedicated team of 15 staff members, who are thrilled to offer improved incentives, including benefits and sick days. This growth allows for the care of 45 current children across the two spaces. The opening of the new building can now accommodate up to three infants under the age of 12 months. Kelly Feledichuk

expressed her excitement, stating, "We are really happy with it." The unwavering support from the community has been nothing short of phenomenal, with an outpouring of generous donations, including toys and services. Shannon Barnes also took the time to highlight the willingness of staff to embrace new roles and responsibilities, creating a positive and engaging environment that promotes job satisfaction and retention.

The daycare itself is designed to be bright, cheerful, and

welcoming, providing an environment that encourages play, exploration, and learning. It balances colourful areas for noise and fun with cozy nooks and corners designated for quiet reading or to decompress if overwhelmed or overstimulated. It's truly amazing to reflect on how far Seeds to Sprouts Childcare Society has evolved from three mothers gathered around a kitchen table discussing the pressing need for childcare to its initial opening in 2019, to where it is now.

# Redwater School News



On April 16, Redwater School's Senior High Badminton Team participated in the Sturgeon Conferences tournament at the Saville Center in Edmonton.

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MAY 2025

# GRAPEVINE

## SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Visit our ‘**Agendas & Minutes**’ web page for Council meeting information and the ‘**Calendar**’ web page for the complete list of other scheduled meeting dates and community events.

**Regular County Council Meeting**  
May 8, 2025 @ 9:00 AM  
May 22, 2025 @ 9:00 AM  
June 12, 2025 @ 9:00 AM  
June 26, 2025 @ 9:00 AM  
August 21, 2025 @ 9:00 AM

*A Public Q & A Period is held during each Council Meeting 11:30 AM to 12:00 PM*

Smoky Lake County Main and Public Works Offices will be

# CLOSED

Monday, May 19, 2025 for Victoria Day

**FARMERS & RANCHERS APPRECIATION DAY BBQ**

**June 13, 2025**

**11:00 AM - 2:00 PM**

**Smoky Lake Complex**

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*Everyone Welcome!*

## COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading given to Bylaw 1479-25: 2025 Bellis Sewer Tax Bylaw.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading of Bylaw 1477-25: Bylaw to amend Land Use Bylaw 1272-14 to redistrict a portion of NW-27-60-14-W4.
- Amended Policy 61-10-03: Disposition of County Owned Lands.
- Amended Policy 08-18-11: Council Renumeration and Expenses.
- Amended 8 Community Peace Officer policies.
- Amended Policy 03-18-20: Five Year Road Plan.
- Approved funding in the amount of \$55,000 to Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA) to enter into agreement to allow Smoky Lake County producers access to LARA's environmental and agricultural extension programing.
- Approved an extension of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Kosiv District, Ivano-Frankivska Oblast, Ukraine, and the “Smoky Lake Region” with the Town of Smoky Lake, for three years.
- Approved the 2024 Smoky Lake County Consolidated Financial Statements.
- Approved the 2024 Smoky Lake County Natural Gas Financial Statements.

### Donations

- \$7,000 of FCSS funding towards the Smoky Lake Fire and Rescue Summer Day Camp.
- \$1,400 sponsorship towards the Bellis 4-H Beef Club Achievement Day trophy belt buckles.

## FIRE BAN & OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE RESTRICTION

Effective April 28, 2025

A fire ban and off-highway vehicle (OHV) restriction are in effect Smoky Lake County. These measures will remain in place until the fire hazard conditions improve significantly.

- No outdoor fires are allowed.
- No OHV use on municipal property, highways, trails, and permitted use areas.

For more information visit: [www.smokylakecounty.ab.ca/firerating](http://www.smokylakecounty.ab.ca/firerating)

## IMPORTANT DEADLINES

### Dust Control/ Suppression Applications

Policy No. 03-39

Public Works is accepting applications for blade mix oil or magnesium chloride dust control/ suppression for rural roads within the County in front of residences.

**Deadline to apply is prior to 4:00 PM on May 31, 2025.**

Application forms can be found at: [www.smokylakecounty.ab.ca/policies](http://www.smokylakecounty.ab.ca/policies)



## Spring Clean Up Promotion

May 1<sup>st</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025

Smoky Lake County is offering free disposal of appliances containing Freon at Smoky Lake County Landfill sites for all residents of the Smoky Lake Region.

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Hay permits must be renewed annually by land-owners that are planning to cut hay in County ditches adjacent to their land and submitted prior to June 1. Contact Smoky Lake County Agricultural Services at 780-656-3730 for information.

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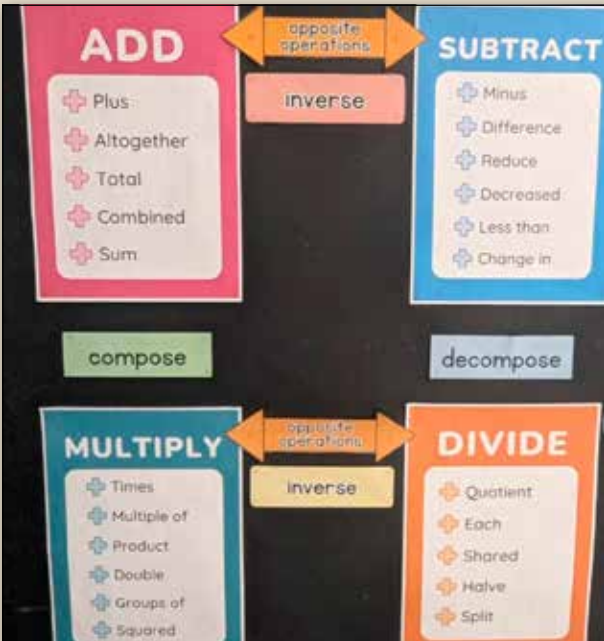


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