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## Reeve looks back on 2023

**JOHN WATSON** 

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Wheatland County Reeve Amber Link is excited to have seen so much new interest and business looking toward the county throughout the course of 2023.

"2023 was an extremely exciting year. Obviously, we have had some significant investment and interest in Wheatland County. I am excited and proud of what Wheatland County has done throughout 2023 under the strategic governance of our council," she said. "We also have an incredible team that has executed that strategy that council has made, and we have changed the trajectory of Wheatland County. We are on a path where we will not just be viable, but a prosperous region for generations to come."

The two most prominent projects coming to Wheatland County, Link attributed to the CGC wallboard manufacturing plant that will soon begin to see construction, as well as the plans De Havilland has to establish their new aircraft repair and manufacturing campus.

Between these two developments, hundreds of new jobs will be created within the county for both people who will be new to the area, and currently residing professionals.

"One thing I have realized is that I have not communicated why I have been driven to pursue that, and I can't necessarily say the why behind what our council has done - we certainly have done it collectively," said Link. "For me, a lot of it is, of course we want to diversify the economy and grow that tax base and create sustainable revenue for Wheatland County, but we are also creating employment opportunities which have a ripple effect, and we know that individuals who have employment have purpose."

Link explained, examples of such an effect taking place are parents being able to afford their homes, feed their children, kids who are able to learn better with full stomachs, and better outcomes within families can be observed through lower stress environments.

Thus far, CGC and De Havilland have made active efforts to be good corporate neighbours in Wheatland County, having made significant investments and donations back into the local community.

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## **Celebrate good times!**

The Strathmore Storm U11AA team celebrates a goal during the annual U11 tournament hosted by the Strathmore Minor Hockey Association (SMHA) Jan. 5-7. The tournament featured the five U11 teams under the SMHA umbrella. See Page 3 for more coverage.



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## **Upcoming Meetings**

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**January 16: Municipal Planning Commission February 6: Council Meeting** February 13: Municipal Planning Commission

To join the call, dial 403-917-1764 and enter the PIN 47001 when prompted. Agenda packages can be found on our website.

#### WHEATLAND COUNTY INVITES APPLICATIONS FOR 2024 **COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT FUNDING**

Wheatland County recognizes that its residents utilize various recreational, cultural and other community enhancement facilities and resources and has established the Community Enhancement Fund to provide financial support for such venues and activities.

The Community Enhancement Fund provides grant funding from Wheatland County to enhance, promote, and support groups and organizations that bring a broad range of enjoyment, benefit, beautification, recreation, entertainment, participation, and enhancement projects to Wheatland County. The program is intended to invest tax payer dollars annually to support recreational, cultural and other community activities, facilities, and resources that are utilized by Wheatland County residents.

#### How to Apply:

Applications and Guidelines for the Community Enhancement Fund are available at the Wheatland County Office and on the County website: www.wheatlandcounty.ca/cerb

#### Deadline:

Applications must be post marked on or before January 31, 2024.

Please note that eligibility for 2024 funding is dependent on filing all previous funding reports with Wheatland County by January 31, 2024.

For more information please contact Jessica Salmon at 403-361-2021 or jessica.salmon@wheatlandcounty.ca

#### **Subdivision and Development Appeal Board Call for Members**

Do you hold a strong interest in the decisions made by local government regarding subdivision and development permits? If so, seize the opportunity to apply and become a representative on the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board (SDAB)!

Wheatland County is actively searching for individuals residing in **Division** 2, Division 6, and Division 7 to participate as members of the SDAB. If you reside outside these specific Divisions but are interested in contributing, we encourage you to submit your application for our consideration.

The SDAB deals with subdivision and development appeals by the provisions of the Municipal Government Act; and shall exercise any other powers, duties, and functions as assigned by Wheatland County bylaws or policies. Members of the SDAB serve a three-year term and meet as necessary during the day or evening.

Following your appointment to the Board, SDAB members must successfully complete online training provided by the Land & Property Rights Tribunal. Members will be financially compensated for their training as well as attendance for scheduled appeal hearings.

For more information regarding training, please go to: <a href="https://www.alberta.ca/">https://www.alberta.ca/</a> subdivision-and-development-appeal-boards-training.aspx

If you require additional information, please contact the Wheatland County Subdivision and Development Appeal Board Clerk, Michelle Van Haarlem, at

Please forward letters of interest to sdab@wheatlandcounty.ca.

Application Deadline: February 1, 2024

Address: 242006 Range Rd 243, Wheatland County, AB T1P 2C4 Phone: 403-934-3321 www.wheatlandcounty.ca @wheatlandcounty Office Hours: Mon-Fri 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.











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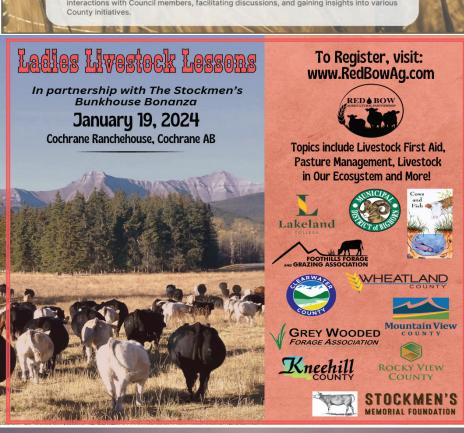


Available opportunities include:

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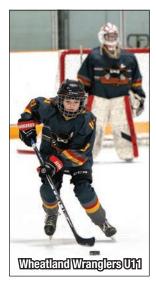
The five U11 teams from Strathmore Minor Hockey Association hosted their annual tournament from Jan. 5-7. The tournament was so large that games were played in Strathmore, Gleichen and Standard.

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# Strathmore RCMP positive as 2023 concludes

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Staff Sgt. Mark Wielgosz of the Strathmore RCMP detachment is confident in the closing out of 2023 and is in high spirits for the start of the new year.

"2023 overall went very well for us. Of course, no year is without its challenges for sure, but I think with the goals that we set forward and the efforts of our members in meeting those goals, we have generally been pretty successful," he said. "With the past year and into this next year, because we work on fiscal operating years rather than calendar years, our focus has been on property crime - that being theft of motor vehicles, theft from motor vehicles, and break and enters."

He explained the local RCMP also prioritized road safety by reducing overall collisions and injury collisions, as well as maintaining a high level of community involvement and engagement, meant to foster positive relationships within the local communities.

Wielgosz said with the efforts of local members, the Strathmore RCMP has been meeting and exceeding their objectives and are seeing local crime reduction goals being met.

He described the drop in local crime rates and the organization's goals being met as a positive reflection of the hard work being done by RCMP members, as well as the engagement from community members.

"A couple of the highlights that come to mind are our annual Strathmore Stampede – of course, that is a multi-day event that our members are heavily engaged in, be it stampede breakfasts, the rodeos, and generally meeting and engaging with the public in the surrounding areas both on and off the stampede grounds," he said. "Remembrance Day is another occasion that I am proud that our members have had a high level of engagement in, not only here in town at the Legion, but our smaller surrounding communities such as Carseland and Rockyford."

Members will also tend to stop and say hello at occasions such as block parties to let the kids check out the squad cars, hand out stickers and temporary tattoos, and so on.

One of the larger instances which saw media releases distributed was the recovery of over \$800,000 of stolen or fraudulently acquired equipment between a number of businesses from Airdrie to Calgary; with members even attending locations in Red Deer to conduct reco-

"Another major release that we put out recently was in regards to a drug trafficking investigation here in the Town of Strathmore where our members simultaneously executed two search warrants between two residences and that lead to a sizeable seizure of cash and drugs. That investigation is still underway and further charges may result."

## Focus on fixing Alberta's health care

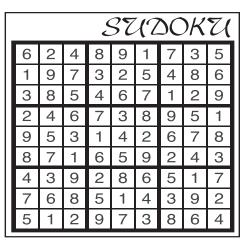
CHANTELLE DE JONGE

Chestermere-Strathmore MLA

2023 saw Alberta government's strong economic policies working to balance the budget, attract investment, create jobs, diversify the economy, and keep life affordable - all while maintaining the lowest taxes in the country for families and businesses.

Last year also saw our government undertake efforts to fix longstanding issues in Alberta's health care system. We have heard loud and clear that the current system centered around AHS is complex and uncoordinated, and we are moving swiftly to refocus the system around patients and their families, alongside our world-class health care workers who understand the system and its challenges better than anyone.

In 2024, our United Conservative government will continue



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Thomas Gray

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standing strong against unaffordable and unconstitutional ideas from the NDP-Trudeau Alliance, and we will be unrelenting in our advocacy for our province. This year will offer more opportunities to attract investment, create jobs, grow and diversify the economy - with most economic forecasts suggesting Alberta will once again lead the country in economic growth.

Here are some updates for this week:

Albertans are encouraged to nominate remarkable community members, leaders, and innovators for membership in the Alberta Order of Excellence. For more information on previous nominees and on how to nominate someone, please visit the Alberta Order of Excellence website (alberta.ca/the-alberta-order-of-excellence).

Our Government is highlighting the many opportunities that are available for outdoor winter activities like camping and other recreation opportunities including cross-country

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Through Budget 2023, the Alberta government is investing \$211.3 million over three years to improve and expand recreation and amenities.

Alberta has launched a new naming policy for government buildings. According to the policy, the naming of buildings should reflect a deep understanding of Alberta's rich history and diverse cultural and natural heritage and should be used as an opportunity to highlight the significance of people, events and natural heritage that have contributed to Alberta's history. This applies to facilities owned and run by Alberta's government, including existing, under development or future buildings and designated spaces like gardens and plazas. Details can be found online (open.alberta.ca/publications/ building-naming-policy).

Friends, as we embark on a new year, let's do so with hope, optimism, and the same can-do spirit that has always made Alberta the best place in Canada to live, work, play, start a business, or raise a family.

Our best days are still ahead!

(Chantelle de Jonge is the MLA for Chestermere-Strathmore and the Parliamentary Secretary for Affordability and Utilities)

#### County set up well for future

Continued from Page 1

"Some of our renewable energy, we have the Wheatland Wind and East Strathmore Solar Community Benefit Funding which helps facilitate opportunities in the county ... we can't do that without the business backbone in the county," said Link. "What having a stable tax base also helps do is fund things like our community enhancement regional board. Council just recently approved 47 projects under that grant funding, totaling over \$400,000."

Since its inception, the Community Enhancement Regional Board has invested nearly \$4.9 million, which goes directly into cultural and recreational programs throughout the local region.

Link also specified throughout 2024, the county aims to continue its focus on streamlining its processes, as well as continuing to seek ways to invest back into local communities such as for emergency and fire services.

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New Zealander Jon Nabbs ran through Strathmore on Jan. 9 as part of his cross-Canada tour to raise money for cancer.

Joe Lepage Photo

## **New Zealander crosses through** Strathmore during cross Canada run

IOHN WATSON

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

New Zealander Jon Nabbs is running across Canada, aiming to raise money for cancer research, making the journey alone, and without a support vehicle.

He passed through Strathmore on his journey, Jan. 9, on his way to Calgary to stop at the Children's Hospital.

"What I am up to is attempting to run all the way from St. John's Newfoundland all the way to Victoria, B.C. in a Superman costume," he said. "I am doing this, stopping at (children's) hospitals - specifically at the cancer centres at various children's hospitals along the way and visiting the kids who are there receiving chemotherapy and cancer treatments.'

Nabbs explained he is fundraising for cancer patients across New Zealand and Canada, with a goal of reaching \$60,000 over the course of the journey.

He started the journey in early May 2023, taking on roughly 20 km a day. Over the course of the run, Nabbs' distances have been getting progressively longer. He is now able to breach 75 km covered over the course of a day.

"I am doing the whole run unsupported, which has only been done by four people in history, which means there is no support vehicle, no team, nobody following me, it is just myself running, Nabbs added. "In order to carry all the equipment that I need to survive, especially through the Canadian winter, I have got myself a baby stroller that carries my tent and my sleeping bag, my food, clothes, laptop, everything."

This particular cause, Nabbs explained, carries significant weight for him, as he lost both his parents to cancer within the last three years.

Via his website, he talks about being very aware of the desperate feelings a family experiences following a diagnosis, and the importance of continuing to find hope, inspiration and joy.

"The cause means a lot to me ... if I can help us move even a little bit more towards finding a cure and making the world a place where cancer can be cured (by) a doctor, that is a big motivation for me," he said. "Three years ago I lost my dad to skin cancer, and two years ago I lost my mom to bowel cancer. I want to do something constructive about that grief ... I heard about Terry Fox a long time ago and his story, combined with the loss of my parents to the same disease Terry died to definitely motivated this journey of mine.

For any who are interested in following and/ or donating to Nabbs' cause, they are able to do so at jonnabbs.com. A link is also open through his Instagram page (@jonnabbs).



#### Giving back

The Crowfoot 4-H Multi Club held their Christmas party at the Bassano bowling alley in December. According to club reporter Erik Semeniuk, 4-H members brought in items for clients of True North, formerly the Wheatland Crisis Shelter, as part of their annual community service.

**Photo Courtesy of Katie Harder** 





Cold weather and dry skin occur together. Protect your skin from cold weather by covering up as much as possible. The backs of hands have thinner skin so wear gloves outside as much as possible. Use a good body lotion regularly. Choose one that doesn't contain alcohol or fragrances. Apply within minutes of a lukewarm shower or bath to keep the skin well-moisturized.

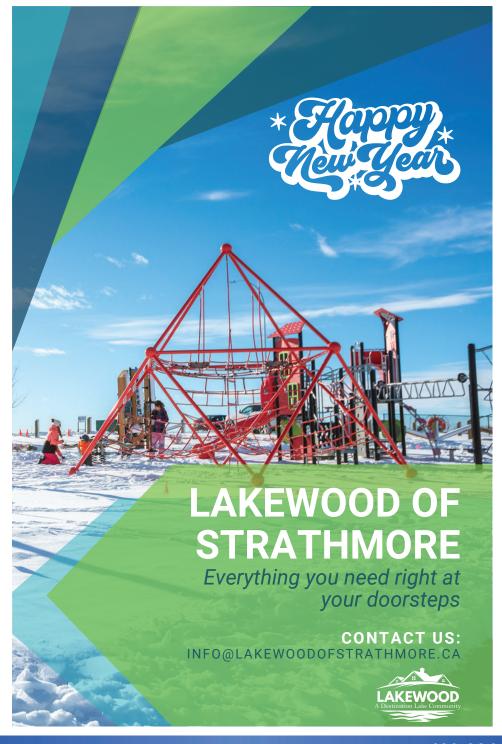
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A large study in the U.S. looked at the effects that regular use of marijuana had on teenagers. One of the conclusions was that the more you use it, the more it negatively affects thinking. In fact, teenagers who use cannabis recreationally are two to three times more likely to have depression and suicidal thoughts. School attendance drops and marks start to drop. If marijuana is a habit with your youths, encourage them to stop.

BMI (body mass index) was once a valued method of assigning health risks to groups of people based on their weights and height. An assessment on BMI predictions proved to be inconsistent. There were so many other variables that affected people's health other than weight and height. Waist circumference, belly fat, genetics and metabolic factors tend to be more reliable

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- Coffee & Comradeship Buddy Check for Veterans and RCMP; serving, retired or allied 1100 - 1300 hrs. 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month in Veterans Hall.
- General Membership Meeting January 23rd 7 pm sharp in the main hall.
- Drop by and enjoy a warm meal from Baldwin **BBQ.** Tuesday – Sunday 11am – 8pm. You don't' have to be a Legion member to enjoy the wonderful menu with regular features.

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#### TIMES CLASSITICOS

#### <u>Obituary</u>



#### MILLER, Gladys Joyce

Our beloved Mom and Grandma, Gladys Joyce Miller, of Rockyford, Alberta passed away peacefully in her home on the farm on December 26, 2023 at the age of 92, surrounded by all of her immediate family and

2 special caregivers.

She leaves to treasure her memory her son Greg and daughter Jean (Will) Van Roessel and their daughters Jessie (Brandon) Lysholm, Rowan and Naomi.

She was predeceased by her parents James and Jane Cormack, her husband Jim, and all of her siblings: Catherine McCool, James, William, Margaret Sorenson, Jean Bremner, Ida, and Marion

Gladys was born in her family's farmhouse east of Strathmore on June 19, 1931. She loved life on the farm and helped her parents with many iobs. Since their house was uninsulated with no running water or electricity, she did her homework in a chilly room by the light of a coal-oil lantern. She particularly enjoyed walking out to bring lunch to her dad in the field when he farmed with workhorses and was proud to drive a tractor for him in the later years. She especially loved walks to the irrigation canal north of their farmhouse to her favorite spot under a giant poplar nicknamed "the big tree".

At the age of 18 Gladys moved into Strathmore with her parents when her brother took over the farm. She loved music and excelled at piano, so after graduating from high school she furthered her music training in Calgary. In the predawn hours, her commute to Calgary began with using a lantern to flag down the passenger train which she said would slow down just enough for the conductor to pull her aboard. In order to afford lessons with the renowned Gladys Egbert, she house cleaned for Mrs. Egbert in the morning before her afternoon lesson. She received her degree in music from the Royal Conservatory of Music of Toronto. She began teaching piano to as many as 30 local students

at a time, and later taught her children and grandchildren as well. Gladys also worked as secretary for the Alberta Agriculture District Agriculturalist.

Gladys' dream of marrying a farmer came true when she married James Miller in 1959. After living in Strathmore for the first few years, during which Greg and Jean were born, they moved to our farm south of Rockyford in 1963. Mom planted a big garden, colorful flowers, and lots of trees. She cooked and cleaned for hired men, and was known for her hospitality, always inviting farm visitors in for a meal. We will never forget the mobile feasts delivered piping hot to the field at harvest time. She contributed so much to the farm.

Mom deeply loved her family. We were blessed to have such an amazing mother. She taught us about God at an early age, inspired our faith and taught us to pray. She cared for us when we were sick. She encouraged us to do our best and tried to make sure we learned how to do the things that she never got a chance to try, such as riding a bike, skating, swimming and skiing.

She was a mom and best friend.

The last 20 years were harder for Mom, but we were privileged and blessed to care for her at home. We will miss her so much, her wisdom, sense of humour and abundant love.

We would like to thank all the caregivers, neighbours and medical professionals who provided Gladys with excellent, kind and loving help and support for all these years.

In honor of Gladys Miller, donations may be made to a charity of one's choice, or a tree may be planted in her memory using the link below (please enter Alberta or AB in the Preferred Forest field):

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> Wheatland Funeral Home Strathmore, AB



#### NIELSEN, Richard Dale January 23, 1932 - December 29, 2023

Dale passed away peacefully at Strathmore Hospital with his loving wife Betty by his side.

He is survived by his wife Betty; his cousins Bruce Nelson, Gloria Fluney, Kathy Bonnycastle, and families; Murray Nelson, Carolyn Gallant, Merle Cotrell and families; David Kinton and family; Liz Kinton and family; Keith Nelson, Clare Nelson, Donna Nelson and families; as well as relatives in Denmark.

He was predeceased by his parents Aage and Thelma Nielsen; his aunts and uncles Hazel Schofield, Howard (Anne) Nelson, Leslie (Marion) Nelson, Sue (Clare) Kinton, Donald (Gerry) Nelson, and Helen Nelson; also, cousins Chuck Kinton, Sonny Nielsen, Dean Nelson, and

Dale was born in Calgary and lived his life in Standard until moving to Strathmore in 2008. He owned and operated Nielsen Transport for many years hauling oil from wells to pipeline terminals. During his retirement he spent many enjoyable days pursuing his woodworking hobby in his "new" shop.

During his younger years, he was involved in hockey and baseball. He loved golfing and enjoyed many yearly excursions with golfing buddies to Banff Springs Golf Course. Dale and Betty were privileged to be able

to travel during their retirement. For Dale, the best part of any trip was always "coming home"!

A special thank you to Keith and Donna, Kathy, Murray and Julie, Tanis, Chantel, Pastor Brad, Pastor Dawn, and so many other family members and friends who have been there to help, comfort, and support in so many ways.

Thank you to all the Doctors, Nurses, and Support Staff at Sagewood Long Term Care Center, and Strathmore Hospital for their exceptional care! Thank you to all our Home Care Workers who were so wonderful when Dale was at home.

There will be a viewing on Wednesday, January 10, 2024, at Wheatland Funeral Home, Strathmore at 3:00 p.m.

A Memorial Service will be held on Friday, January 12, 2024, at Nazareth Lutheran Church, Standard at 1:00 p.m. followed by a graveside service. Please join us for coffee at the Senior's Center.

In lieu of flowers donations in Dale's memory may be made directly to: The Village of Standard "Memory Lane", Box 249, Standard, AB T0J 3G0.

To send condolences, please visit Dale's obituary at www.wheatlandfuneralhome.ca.

> **₩ Wheatland Funeral Home** Strathmore, AB 403-934-4404

### Obituary



#### WARD, Walter James (Jim)

Walter James (Jim) Ward was born November 20, 1959, in Calgary, Alberta at the General Hospital, he was the fifth child of Jerry and Ivy Ward. Jim is predeceased by both of his parents, his older brother Alvin

Ward and older sister Marlene Stevenson. Jim has two remaining sisters: Sharon Korhonen and Peggy Arnold. He also leaves behind his only child, his beloved daughter Della Eveleigh Ward.

Jim began working at a young age for Greg Percival, where he remained employed for over 30 years, as a farm and ranch hand. In his younger years when he had extra time, he would bounce at Dusty's Saloon in downtown Calgary, he loved the entertainment. He was known by patrons to mix beer, tomato juice and a single raw egg together and drink it out of his boot. Why? I don't think anyone really knew but people absolutely loved it! Most recently Ji m was employed by Joan and Terry Theissen as a welder.

Throughout the course of his life, he developed many passions and hobbies, including attending the rodeo at Wyndham Park in Carseland, fishing, hunting, and taxidermy, which he spent many hours at and if you've ever been to his home, you know he took great pride in his work. Among the rest of his hobbies, he loved to two step and would burn up the dancefloor with his boots and wirey legs!

Jim has some amazing life long and newly made friends and a family that he adored greatly. He would never hesitate to spend time with family when he could; spending many springs and falls helping to plant and harvest the veggies from the family garden, teaching his nieces and nephews to shoot a shotgun (so they could shoot gophers), how to fish (so he could convince them to take out their eyeballs). Jim was never one to sit around and be lazy, show weakness, or com-

Wheatland Funeral Home

He will be greatly missed by all his friends and family.

Strathmore, AB 403-934-4404

plain. He was stubborn with a big heart, as all the Wards are and were.

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**NOTICES** 

#### **Notice of Nomination Day**

Local Authorities Election Act (section 26)

#### **VILLAGE OF STANDARD**

Notice is hereby given that nomination day is:

#### **January 29, 2024**

and that nominations for the election of candidates for the following offices will be received at the location of the local jurisdiction office set out below within the period beginning on January 29, 2024 10:00 am and ending at 12:00 noon on Nomination Day.

#### **ONE (1) COUNCILOR**

Local Jurisdiction Office: Village of Standard Office 120 Elsinore Ave Standard, Alberta T0J 3G0

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Yvette April, Returning Officer

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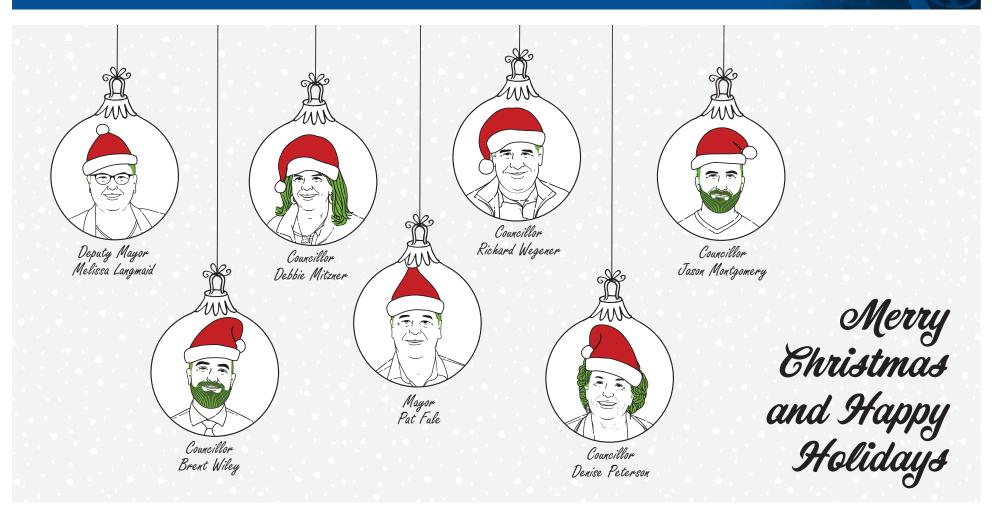
#### **Upcoming Council Meetings**

January 17, 2024 | 6 P.M. January 24, 2024 | 6 P.M. February 7, 2024 | 6 P.M.

Regular Meeting of Council Committee of the Whole Regular Meeting of Council

#### Come Say Hi

Hearing from the community is really important to us, so you're welcome at any Council or Committee of the Whole meeting. You do not need to call ahead or register to observe Strathmore Council in action. There is ample public seating and additional standing room if needed. You can also watch livestreamed meetings online as they happen, or catch up later on YouTube.









## **Strathmore**

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#### **Seasonal Collection Schedule**

November 01, 2023 to April 30, 2024

January 1, 2024 new collection days

black cart/waste green cart/organic

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#### Keep organics light and fluffy!

Avoid packing down contents in your cart. Materials may become stuck in the cart, and the truck may not be able to fully empty it. Lining and layering your cart every 30 cm (12") with newspaper, food boxes or paper towels will also reduce materials from becoming stuck. If items are stuck, it is up to you to loosen them and put them out for the next collection date.

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#### May 1, 2024 - return to weekly garbage and compost collection.

Questions? infrastructure@strathmore.ca

or 403-361-2108 or strathmore.ca/waste-collection

Waste Collection Days – effective January 1, 2024							
<u>Tuesday</u>	Wednesday	Thursday	<u>Friday</u>				
Hillview	Aspen	Cambridge	Downtown				
Lakewood	Briarwood	Glenwood	Strathmore				
Strathaven	Brentwood	Grande Point Est.	Westmount				
Strathcona	Crystal Ridge	<b>Green Meadows</b>	Wildflower				
Range Rd 254	Edgefield	Maplewood					
	The Ranch	Parkwood					
	Thorncliffe	Range Rd 250					
		George Freeman					
No Collection on Monday							

waste collection questions - 403-361-2108 / infrastructure@strathomre.ca waste cart repair or replacement - 403-361-2126 / operations@strathmore.ca strathmore.ca/waste-collection strathomore.ca/question