

MEETING MINUTES

May 5th, 2009

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: The Community Centre, Kinsmen Room

1. Meeting called to order at 7:04 p.m.
2. Attendees: Grace Durand, Jean Keetch, Doreen Glanfield, Gladys Johnson, Rick Kreklewich, Russ Wardrope, Moira Gates, Peggy Makofka, Florence Stemo, Alvin Goetz, Al Lewis, Don McFadyen, Barbara Patey, Shirley Ingram, Lynn Johnson, Judy Lamb-Richardson and Dave Huff.
3. Minutes reviewed from Feb. 3/09 with one correction. Page two under the heading of Town of Rimbey the first entry should read "The Rodeo Board" and not the "Ag Society".

4. **Sweet Sixteen Program:**

There will be highlighted events promoted throughout Alberta on 16 different weekends. It cost \$2,200.00 to be apart of the program and the promotions will run from the May long weekend through the Sept. long weekend. Rimbey was able to secure two events (the 100' Shootout/Show & Shine and the Demo Derby) which will be showcased in the promotional materials going out. The members of various organizations were asked to please send their community events in to the Recreation Department so that they can put them onto the Community Events Calendar.

5. **Parade:**

Judy Lamb-Richardson updated the groups with where the parade is at. Florence Stemo and others present had stated their concerns about vehicles obstructing views parked along the parade route. The town will put out "no parking" signs along the parade routes and advertise in the paper requesting people's cooperation with not parking along the parade route. If there are enough volunteers, we will have security people go along the parade route and request that people move their vehicles. Lynn Johnson also inquired about prizes for floats. It was explained that instead of prize money going towards trophies that it will go towards the "Healthy Lunch Programs" at our local schools that give children a lunch that might not otherwise have one. The Rodeo will get 10 months of advertising and the sponsors and prize winning floats will receive a double bang as they will be advertised in the papers and also in the monthly newsletters that go out from the schools.

So far we have a few bands and a few floats secured. Volunteers are still desperately needed to work a couple of hours during the parade as security.

6. Wild Pink Yonder Wagon Train:

Lynn Johnson explained that the Wagon Train is a re-enactment of the NWMP trek from Lethbridge to the Fort at Edmonton. All money raised will go to the Canadian Breast Cancer Society. They will be travelling from Ponoka to Rimbey on July 15th /09.

They will require from our community: Places to park rigs/trailers and horses; Supper/breakfast & lunch for the participants (approx. 120 people) in the ride; 50 square bales for the horses and bottled water for the participants. Lynn Johnson would like to set up a small committee and a bank account to service this event. Please contact Lynn at 843-6702 or Shirley at 843-6242 if you wish to help.

The Lions will do the breakfast at the Ag. Grounds on the 16th and the Drop-In Centre will do the supper on the night of the 15th at the Drop-In Centre. The dessert may possibly be put on by the Historical Society down at Pas Ka Poo Park. It was unsure who would provide the lunches for the next day and it would either be bag lunches to take with them or a setup to serve a hot lunch possible at Hoadley. Dale Barr stated that all meals will be considered donations by those organizations which are putting them on.

Grace Durand offered the use of the Cadets bus for transportation which holds 25 passengers and the passenger van which holds 15 passengers.

Don McFadyen offered the overflow area (for self-contained units) to use at Pas Ka Poo. Lynn will check into taxable receipts for any donations raised. Rimbey Builders will match any funds raised during the time of their Grand Re-Opening this Saturday.

The town that paints their town the most pink and raises the most money per capita could win a free concert to do with what they choose.

7. Shoot Out:

The final Shoot Out (Pre Drag Strip Final Race) in downtown Rimbey will occur on July 11th. After this year, the Shoot Out will be moved to the raceways. Barbara Patey inquired if the Legion would be used again in the same manner and Dale Barr had stated that all previous contracts with surrounding businesses/service groups will remain the same for this year.

8. Show & Shine:

This should have a date of July 12th. No one has yet stepped forward to take this project on.

9. Seniors Information Resource Centre:

Doreen Glanfield explained that the Centre has received 5 computers that will be housed in the basement of the Seniors Drop-In Centre. This project is in conjunction with FCSS. The Centre will help provide seniors in need with help for things such as income taxes, aids to daily living, etc. A volunteer will be stationed there one day per month from 1-4 p.m. on Fridays.

10. Senior's Week:

Senior's week will be held June 1-7/09. On June 2nd there will be an Ethnic Food Booth and Fair. There will be 10 booths for food and "demo booths of interest" to seniors. They will finish off the evening with a dance. Also held during this time will be a Canadian supper serving Alberta beef, Saskatoon pies, etc. On the 4th there will be a pancake breakfast and on Friday there will be a Strawberry Tea and bake sale. On June 3rd there will be a Crokinole tournament at the Rimbey library.

11. Palliative Care Week:

Ponoka Rimbey Palliative Care Council along with Rimoka Housing Foundation, Rimbey FCSS and the Rimbey Hospital and Care Centre will hold a Palliative Care Week the second week in May. On May 14th from 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. there will be a Strawberry Tea at the hospital. There will be a special guest in from the Red Deer Hospice in attendance.

12. Vitalize:

The Vitalize Conference will be held on June 4, 5 & 6th in Calgary. Pamphlets were given out to those who may be interested.

13. Club Reports:

The Beatty House

Florence Stemo reported that the Baying Buffoon performances yielded over 250 theatre attendees over the 6 performances and they were very pleased to accommodate this local theatre group.

The Art Show has changed their venue to be at the Beatty House on June 5th and June 6th.

The Lily Show will be held on July 25th.

The Beatty House will also be serving smokies after the parade on June 13th.

The Rimbey Library

The library will also be supporting a Baying Buffoons production on the 26th, 27th, 28th and 29th of.... They will continue to show a family movie on the 1st Thursday of the month and have a golden oldies movie on the 4th Thursday.

They are once again, having a raffle for a Bed and Breakfast stay through the kind support of Michael's Studio.

The library will also be holding the crokinole tournament on June 3rd/09.

Old-timers Reunion

Gladys Johnson informed us that the Old-timers' Reunion (which is their 54th Anniversary) will take place on Monday, May 29th. There will be a supper followed by a dance and the next day will see a breakfast in the park.

Ag. Society

Lynn Johnson informed us that the high school rodeo will take place on May 16th & 17th.

The horse show will take place on June 27th & 28th.

The Ranch Rodeo (which is free to spectators) will take place July 25th. Ranches will have 4 cowboys/cowgals per team participate in events such as branding/roping, etc. They will carry out all the old-time requirements of any cowboy that was done throughout the ages on any working ranch.

Legion

Barbara Patey was pleased to announce that our local youth had won in various categories of art/essays/poems. It was not only local area awards but also in district awards.

Recreation

Some upcoming Recreation events are: The Intergenerational Family Relay Triathlon, Annual Kite Competition, Terry Fox Run, Canada Day Celebrations that we're still looking for volunteers for, we're hoping to get the Inter-School Olympics for next summer with the schools, the comedians are booked for Christmas The Family New years and.....we recently received an honourable mention at the Community Choosewell banquet recently held in Southern Alberta for our efforts in trying to make as many events as possible filled with healthy food, activity and movement for everyone. (Side note not mentioned at the meeting was: This was in regards for getting Wii's in the Elementary School and the Youth Centre on the condition that only inter-active fitness programs be played on them).

Adjournment – 8:37 p.m.