

Sundre Interagency Meeting

June 19, 2008

Summary

Purpose of Meeting:

To provide information and updates on services, programs and events offered by groups and service organization in Sundre.

Ingrid Mayr

Representing the Bearberry Community Association

The Bearberry community is very concerned about the miss-use of ATV's in the West Country. They see wrecked waterways and areas that are being destroyed mainly by the unrestricted use of ATV's. Talks with the Mountain View County are ongoing to pursue the possibility of a restricted area for the use of ATV's

Representing the Webmaster of Greenwood Neighbourhood Place

Please send information on any community event as soon as possible. Even events that are 5 to 6 month in the future need to be listed as early as possible as people are making plans for ticket sales. Information can be forwarded to gnp.marita@telus.net or to Ingrid Mayr directly at msiinc@telusplanet.net. Several local WebPages such as the Town of Sundre, the Chamber of Commerce and the Cowboy Trail website are directly linking to our website for an up to date view of community events at www.sundrepeople.com

Rod McLean

Principal at the River Valley School K to Grade 8

The School is winding down and will have their last day of student attendance on June 26th. River Valley School has been very helpful with promoting community activities and events. To distribute handouts through the school they have to meet certain guidelines: local event, not for profit organization, positive message. A draft has to be send to the principal for approval. The school newsletter is also available for passing on information. If any events are being considered they need to be forwarded to the school for approval as well.

For more information call 638-3939

Gord Moore

Manager at the Sundre Museum

An aboriginal day was held on June 21 at the Museum. There are several events planned for July 1st Canada Day Celebrations. Everyone is welcome. On August 2, the museum is organizing the *Taste of the West* festival. Watch for more news or visit their webpage at www.museum.sundre.com or phone 638-3233.

Shawn Russell

Chinooks Edge Assistant Superintendent

A \$300,000 grant has been received for a new technology lab at the Sundre High School. This project is part of the "*Finishing the Dream*" project which will provide Super Net connectivity to 13 central Alberta communities including Mountain View County and Sundre High School.

It will have the capability of video conferencing and therefore allow students and the general public to access global learning opportunities. Attending meetings and workshops in other provinces or towns, video conferencing with a specialist may all be possible through video conferencing in the near future. The site is planned to be open in 2008/2009 and will be accessible for the public. Please check the press release attachment for more news on the Super Net Connectivity site.

For more information on any of these programs call 1-800-561-9229.

Rob Leiptnitz

RCMP Sundre

With the summer month ahead the police is busy keeping everyone safe outdoors. A drug awareness presentation was held last week in partnership with GNP and it was a well attended event. The RCMP continues to work on relationship building with the youth in the High School and River Valley School, as they are planning additional events.
For more information on any of these programs call 638-3675.

Karen Grudeski

Family School Wellness Sundre High School

Wendy Tredger the Family Wellness worker at the River Valley School is working on becoming an Equine Therapist, a service presently not available in our area. Both workers (Karen and Wendy) are offering summer craft courses for children 8 to 14 in August at the Sundre Youth Museum. The other project they are working on is the *Youth Coalition Mentorship*, intending to partner a youth with an adult. A supporting relationship is focused on giving the youth a voice in the community.
For more information on any of these programs call 638-4545.

Deb Billings

Sundre Parent Link Facilitator

The programming will continue through the summer. A good turnout for the programs has been recorded with an average of 20+ people attending. Speakers such as the Nutritionist and Health Care nurses are invited to talk to the parents. More topics are planned for the fall.
For more information on any of these programs call 638-6899.

Janice Haddow

Children's Services

The new "Building Relationships Strategy" is implemented to bring in community services at an earlier stage to support front-end service delivery. This is a change to the previous system where clients have been taking out of the community for children's services. The case work practice mode will focus more on community where high risk youth are involved. For more information go to the following webpage:
http://www.child.alberta.ca/home/documents/rpt_06_Casework_Practice_Model.pdf
For more information on any of these programs call 556-

Lonestar Stone

Manager at the Sundre Public Library

The library is setting up four new computers and monitors to replace the old ones. The library has several summer programs planned for all age groups; summer reading club LOL and teen reading club online. The Friends of the Library are planning a fundraiser "*Tables for Tales*". They are asking anyone to donate a decorated table to be displayed in the library in August to be auctioned off in November.
For more information on any of these programs call 638-4000.

Cindy Shyback

Mental Health Liaison Sundre

A new worker is starting in Sundre July 1st and Mental Health will be fully staffed, which hasn't been the case for a long time. Five mental health first aid courses were held in the last month with great success. The training focused on first responders to mental health issues such as suicide, depression and anxiety. More courses are planned. A request for a Suicide Prevention course has been made several times and it is intended to offer a full 2 day course in the fall in Sundre. A refresher course may also be of importance. Presently there is a family support group in Rocky Mountain House with members in the Caroline area. A meeting could be arranged closer to Sundre if there is a need.
For more information on any of these programs call 638-3033.

Kari McDermid

Manager at the Aquaplex Pool

A successful fundraiser was held last week, with over \$ 10 000.00 raised. Fundraising is an ongoing task as well as proposal and grant writing. Any ideas or information in this matter are greatly appreciated. The pool will have to be retiled in the near future. A fundraising event will ask the community for support by purchasing "Tiles" for \$20.00.

The pool is working on several ideas to attract more youth to the center. Midnight swims and other events such as teen yoga are just some of their ideas. The signage for the pool is coming this week.

Other events planned for this summer: The summer swim schedule will be released this week. Archery Shoot is planned on June 28th; Texas Hold is an annual fundraiser planned in September.

For more information on any of these programs call 638-9370.

Marita Stermann

Representing Greenwood Neighbourhood Place (GNP)

A successful AGM was held last week, it was noted that GNP is as busy again as in the old location down town. GNP is participating for the first time in the Sunder parade and is hoping for good weather and good turnout. The youth coordinator is working on an outdoor movie night on July 30 at the Museum grounds. Everyone is welcome more info is available on the webpage www.sundrepeople.com.

Wendy is working with a newly formed board on getting a DayCare centre up and running in Sundre. This is a big project, but the board is hoping to open their doors in November of 2008. In the month of July and August the GNP office is closed on Fridays. We will return to regular office hours on September 1.

For more information on any of these programs call 638-1011.

If you have any **community events** for our webpage or the "Sundre on the Go" newsletter please send the information to gnp.marita@telus.net or gnplace@telusplanet.net

The next Sundre Interagency Meeting is scheduled for September 18th, at 9:30 am at the Library.

Summarized by

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