

*May 2015*

## Summer activities are around the corner

As spring yields to summer there are a host of programs and events on the schedule in Coaldale.

“We are excited to launch this year’s summer fun activities, programs and events,” said Stephanie Wierl, community services manager. “Summer is always a busy time for families and we have a number of ways to stay active and have fun in Coaldale.”

It all starts with the Summer Fun Registration May 23 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Kin Picnic Shelter. Stop in to register for all things summer including swimming lessons, summer programs and the Southern Alberta Summer Games; and stay for the free barbecue.

Registration opens May 1 for summer programs offered through the town. Week-long camps run July and August in two age groups. One camp features an introduction to a variety of sports and physical activity while the other allows kids to explore Coaldale.

Community Services with the Town of Coaldale will be launching the second year of Picture Me @ PLAY at 11 a.m. on May 23. This program encourages families to get out and enjoy all the playgrounds in town. The summer fun caps off Aug. 22 with the second annual Movie Night in Millennium Park. Stay tuned to the town’s social media channels and vote on this year’s movie.

For more information on all things summer in Coaldale visit our website at [www.coaldale.ca](http://www.coaldale.ca)

## Important tax information

• **PROPERTY ASSESSMENT AND TAX NOTICES**  
The 2015 Property Assessment and Tax Notices will be mailed the last week of May and will be due on JUNE 30, 2015. Please watch for your notice and if you do not receive it, please contact Kathy at 403-345-1317.

• **SENIORS PROPERTY TAX DEFERRAL PROGRAM**  
The Seniors Property Tax Deferral (SPTD) program allows eligible senior homeowners to defer all or part of their annual residential property taxes through a low-interest home equity loan with the Alberta government. If you are interested in learning more about this program, please contact the Alberta Seniors Supports Contact Centre toll-free at 1-877-644-9992 or visit [www.SeniorsPTDP.alberta.ca](http://www.SeniorsPTDP.alberta.ca)

• **TIPP ENROLLMENT DEADLINE**  
The deadline to sign up for the TIPP (Tax Installment Payment Plan) is MAY 29, 2015. We will be taking TIPP applications up until May 29, 2015 for the 2015 taxation year. If you are not paying your taxes through your mortgage and want to enjoy the benefits of monthly payments, from January to December each year, with no penalties and no administration fees, sign up today. This is a great way to budget. Call Kathy at 403-345-1317 or check out our website [www.coaldale.ca](http://www.coaldale.ca) for more information.

## Coaldale Youth Action Committee- CYAC

Coaldale youth, 14 to 19 years of age, are encouraged to check out the new Coaldale Youth Action Committee.

With a focus on leadership, community contribution and learning, the new committee will be formed by youth who want to be a voice for themselves and their peers in Coaldale.

Alysha Smith, Coaldale’s arts and culture coordinator, is looking for youth who want to help plan youth-led projects, initiatives and events.

“CYAC will give our youth a stronger and more discernible voice in Coaldale, which is particularly important because they have so much to offer,” she said.

“Giving our youth a chance to make decisions, have a larger role in town events and a chance for mentorship from various

local organizations, businesses and people will provide growth in leadership skills.”

Coaldale youth can help shape the focus and direction of the committee, something that will help them with future job and scholarship applications.

“This is a very positive way for the youth to get directly involved and engaged in our town while gaining volunteer hours and learning important skills for their future. I can’t wait to see what the committee will do,” said Smith.

An information session for youth to learn more about the committee will be held Friday, May 22 at 1:30 p.m. at the HUB and those who attend are encouraged to stay for snacks and a movie.

## Connect with us



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### Canadian flag fundraiser

The Coaldale 4th Scouts are gearing up for the 2015 Canadian Flag fundraising project. New and returning customers willing to support and show their patriotism please email [coaldale4flags@gmail.com](mailto:coaldale4flags@gmail.com)



## Community Information Night

The Town of Coaldale and the Coaldale Real Estate Centre are partnering on an initiative for Emergency Preparedness Week May 3-9 and to update residents on flood mitigation projects.

Join us May 7 at 6:30 p.m. at the Gem of the West Museum. Enter for a chance to win a free emergency preparedness kit.

The first 100 people who donate \$30 to the Canadian Red Cross that evening will get a free kit.

Check in with us on Twitter, Facebook and our website for more details.



IS YOUR FAMILY PREPARED?

## Community Calendar

**May 2:** Spring Plant Swap at 2210-19 Street Coaldale from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Bring plants to share or come partake. Please label plants, no cost to swap. Sponsored by Coaldale Community Garden Society.

**May 9:** Rehoboth Garden Center Annual Spring Sale & BBQ with coffee at 9:30 a.m., BBQ & Bake Sale 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and the garden center will be open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Come check out our bedding plants, perennials and more.

**May 22:** Youth Committee Info Session, 1:30 to 4 p.m. at the HUB. Open to youth ages 14-19. Get involved in the community and stay for snacks and a movie.

**May 23:** Summer Fun Registration BBQ from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Kin Picnic Shelter. Join us for the launch of this year's Picture Me @ PLAY at 11 a.m. Bring the kids and register for all things summer.

**May 30:** Rehoboth Christian Ministries hosts its 22nd Annual Golf Tournament at Paradise Canyon Golf Club on Saturday, May 30. Registration is \$200 and includes \$75 tax receipt, 18 holes, cart rental and dinner. Call Sigrid at 403-345-5199 or email [sigrid.miklos@rehoboth.ab.ca](mailto:sigrid.miklos@rehoboth.ab.ca)

**May 30:** Tea, Bake Sale and Craft Sale at Sunny South Lodge 1122-20 Avenue 2 to 4 p.m. Cost: \$5. Door prizes, Quilt Raffle and Craft Tables. Baking by Friends of the Sunny South Lodge.

**June 5 & 6:** Gem of the West Museum Garage Sale. Looking for items in good condition for the sale to help raise funds for the museum. Please call 403-345-1300 ex 1223 for more info.

## Tree branch drop-off May 11-16 at Town shop

The Town of Coaldale no longer does branch pick up or tree chipping in residential areas.

Residents can drop off tree branches, one 1/2 ton load, at the Town Shop – 1408-13 Street during the week of May 11-16, Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday 8 a.m. to Noon. During this week residents can also drop off old paint and aerosol spray paint cans.

Toxic chemicals will not be accepted and must be taken to the landfill for disposal. These can be dropped off at the Coaldale Transfer Station Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturdays 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Electronic equipment, cardboard and metal can be dropped off at the Recycling Depot located across from the Town Shop, 1408-13 Street. No furniture items are accepted.

The Town of Coaldale does not offer a spring pick-up but does provide residents with a free coupon to dump up to 250 kg at the Lethbridge Landfill.

Each year every homeowner in Coaldale is entitled to 3 landfill coupons which are available at the Town Office at 1920-17 Street. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Joanne at 403-345-1350.

## Bike rodeo May 28

With summer just around the corner, you are starting to see bikes come out on the road.

Kids, parents and friends alike are beginning to enjoy the warm evenings on their bikes. With this comes the added danger for both motorists and bike riders.

To help mitigate some of these risks, on May 28, 2015 the Town of Coaldale will be hosting a Bike Rodeo. This is to help encourage safe riding for kids out on the streets riding their bicycles. It runs 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Coaldale Sportsplex.

In partnership with the Southern Alberta Road Safety Society and various other partners we are proud to host this in our community.

As well, a big thank you goes out to the Coaldale Kinsmen Club for providing the purchase of the helmets, bikes and other safety equipment necessary to provide for the children who will be attending.

If you are free May 28, come on out and check out this public safety event.

## A Celebration of the Arts - Calling All Artists -

The Gem Society Arts and Culture Committee is introducing an Arts Festival in conjunction with Settler Days July 3-5. We are looking for visual, performing and literacy arts to help us celebrate the arts in our community.

Performance opportunities: Busking, Spoken Word (original work only please), literary displays, art displays and art demonstrations.

Contact Brenda Isaak Takao at [lilBITblue.design@gmail.com](mailto:lilBITblue.design@gmail.com) or 403-332-1740 for more info or to book an audition.