

October 2015

Talking stormwater solutions



Andrew Saje, Director of Engineering and Operations for the Town of Coaldale, presents at the annual conference of the American Public Works Association.

When Andrew Saje traveled to Arizona to present at a stormwater summit he had no idea he would witness a monsoon and see firsthand how Phoenix's storm water drainage handled the influx of water.

"I was amazed at how quickly it drained," he said after watching an inch of rain fall in less than an hour leaving the city without power for three hours.

Saje, Director of Engineering and Operations for the Town of Coaldale, was a speaker at the summit on Aug. 31, the day before the rain fell. He was a presenter at "The Best Show in Public Works" and spoke about Coaldale's response to the flooding in 2014.

He spoke on the innovative approaches used by the town to respond to and manage the stormwater, the resilience of staff and firefighters who assembled two temporary pipelines to direct stormwater from retention ponds to the town's abandoned

reservoirs and the work the town has done since the flooding.

"Those pipelines are now in the ground."

Saje said he felt Coaldale's response to the 2014 flooding was worth talking about at the summit and he submitted an abstract and from that was asked to speak. The summit provides an opportunity for professionals to share ideas and lessons learned.

He learned the current trend in North America is to develop wetlands and parks that can also serve as stormwater retention. Saje also attended the 2014 summit in Toronto following the flooding in Coaldale and said what he learned there led to the idea to expand the wetlands at the Alberta Birds of Prey Centre as part of the second phase of the Malloy Drain project.

Saje said scheduling public works preventative maintenance was one of the key things he took away from this year's summit in Arizona.

Halloween at the Gem

The Halloween Family Activity at the Gem of the West Museum begins Oct. 31 at 10 a.m. Come create a Trick or Treat bag and decorate Halloween cookies. Admission \$2, children 3 and under free. All children under 13 must be accompanied by an adult.

CYAC Halloween Party, 7 to 10 p.m. If you're 13 to 17 years old and looking for something exciting to do on Halloween, come to the Gem of the West Museum where our youth committee will be hosting a Halloween party with new and traditional Halloween games, a haunted cemetery tour, pumpkin carving contest and more.

Admission is free, donations to the food bank accepted.

From the Tax Department . . .

The Town of Coaldale offers a Tax Installment Payment Program (TIPP) that allows you to make monthly payments to your tax account from January to December each year instead of one payment on the due date of June 30. This is a great way to budget and assures that your taxes are paid on time. The town does not charge any penalties or administration fees while you are enrolled in this program.

If you are interested in enrolling in the TIPP program for the 2016 taxation year, you can find an application form on our website www.coaldale.ca or at the town office. Please return the form with your "void" cheque by Jan. 1, 2016. Call Kathy at 403-345-1317 if you have any questions about the program.

RV trailer parking reminder

Happy Halloween. Hope everyone is having a great fall. As the summer has come to a close and the camping season is over, we just want to send out a friendly reminder for everyone to move their RV trailers off the road. From October long weekend to May long weekend, RVs parked on the roadway must be attached to a motor vehicle and can not block anyone's driveway.

- Town of Coaldale, Community Peace Officers

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Community Calendar

October 2: Picture Me @ PLAY Winter Edition will be held the first Friday of each month starting Oct. 2 at the Coaldale Sportsplex during Public Skating at 1 p.m. Join us for games and activities or just for a skate around the arena.

October 3: Coaldale Rotary Club is hosting an 'Out of the Barn Hoe-Down' featuring the Great Canadian Barn Dance on Saturday, Oct. 3 at the Coaldale Community Centre to celebrate its 60th Anniversary. Tickets are \$60 per couple and available at the Coaldale Food Market. Contact Colleen at 403-345-4994 for more information.

October 5: Fire Prevention Week Open House at Coaldale Fire Hall from 4:30 to 8 p.m. Come for the barbecue, displays and Jaws of Life demonstration at 7 p.m.

October 7, 21 & November 4: Dr. Robbin Gib presents a series on Early Experience and Brain Development at 6 p.m. at the Gem of the West Museum. Call Cynthia Chisholm 403-405-4466 ext 27 for more information.

October 15: Women's History Talk at the Gem of the West Museum 7 to 8:30 p.m. Join us as we celebrate October as Women's History Month. Learn about the women who helped shape Coaldale and Southern Alberta. Free admission with tea and coffee provided.

October 17: Coaldale Clothing Fest, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Coaldale Mennonite Church, 2316-17 Street. Pick out clothes at no charge. Donate clean clothing in good condition weekdays until Oct. 13 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. with the exception of Monday, Oct. 12, Thanksgiving Day.

October 17: Oktoberfest at St. Joseph School. Cocktails at 6 p.m. followed by home cooked German dinner. Entertainment and dancing. Tickets \$45 a person, available at church office 403-345-3400, Taralynn Craig 403-715-6593, Ellen Wagner 403-345-2610.

October 17 & 18: Calling All Artists for Gem of the West Museum Art Show and Sale. To book tables or spaces contact Brenda Isaak Takao at 403-332-1740 or lilBITblue.design@gmail.com for more info.

October 24: Gem of the West Wine and Cheese Auction 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tickets \$20 and available at the Museum, NAPA Auto Parts and Coaldale Giftware. Donations of antique items in good condition appreciated by Oct. 22. Call 403-345-1300 ext 1223 for more information.

November 14: 7th annual "Winter Wonderland" Ladies Night Out hosted by the Kinette Club of Coaldale at 7 p.m. at Coaldale Community Centre. Fashion show, silent auction, raffles, entertainment, appetizers and desserts. Money raised goes to community projects. Tickets \$30 or reserve a table for \$240. Call Tricia Mitchell at 403-360-3415.

November 18: Sports History Talk, Gem of the West Museum 7 p.m. Come learn about the region's sports history.

November 21: Sunny South Lodge Tea, Fashion Show & Craft Sale 2 to 4 p.m. Cost \$5. Door prizes & raffle.

Coaldale Copperheads



October home games

Oct. 2 at 8:30 p.m. vs Stettler
Oct. 3 at 8:30 p.m. vs Mountain View
Oct. 10 at 8:30 p.m. vs Airdrie
Oct. 11 at 8:30 p.m. vs Okotoks
Oct. 12 at 2 p.m. vs Strathmore
Oct. 17 at 8:30 p.m. vs Three Hills
Oct. 24 at 8:30 p.m. vs Red Deer
is our Cancer Fundraiser evening
Oct. 31 at 8:30 p.m. vs Ponoka

Calling all teachers, coaches and youth leaders

PLAY Tools Assessment Workshop: PLAYCoaldale in partnership with PLAYLethbridge are hosting Dr. Dean Kriellars, a leading expert on physical literacy in Canada. This all day workshop is designed for coaches, teachers or program leaders working with children 6-12 years if age.

Discover how to assess children's physical literacy using the PLAY Tools designed by Dr. Dean Kriellars. Nov. 20 from 9 a.m. 4 p.m. at the Coaldale HUB. This workshop is free of charge but space is limited. Please visit www.coaldale.ca/PLAYCoaldale to register. Lunch will be served.

Garbage/Recycling collection

Reminder: Garbage and recycling collection in Coaldale is only rescheduled for Christmas Day and New Year's Day.
It will NOT be rescheduled for Thanksgiving.

Coaldale United Church Thrift Shoppe

2022-18 Street, Coaldale

Through our volunteers we help to support our community. Thrift Shoppe operates every Thursday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

We accept items of clothing, small kitchen appliances, bric-a-brac items, toys, pictures and more. If you have items you no longer need think of us. We don't accept TVs or large furniture but will gladly help you post information. Support us by making donations or coming out to shop. Phone the church office at 403-345-3240 if you have any questions.

Coaldale Flu Clinics

Coaldale Mennonite Brethren Church, 2114-18 Street

Tuesday, Oct. 20 • 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 21 • 2 to 6 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 4 • 2 to 6 p.m.

Coaldale Community Health, 2100-11 Street

Friday, Dec. 4 • 9 a.m. to Noon

*Thinking about booking your family or staff Christmas party this season?
Give us a call to reserve your space now by calling 403-345-1324.*