



## NEWS from MD #26

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WINTER 2016



### DATES TO REMEMBER

**Dec 6 & 7**—Farming Smarter  
Trade Show - Med Hat

**Dec 14**—COUNCIL & ASB  
meetings

**Dec 21**—COUNCIL & MPC  
Meetings

**Jan 10**—Troubleshooting Shelf  
Life— Lacombe

**Jan 11**—COUNCIL & ASB  
meetings

**Jan 16**—Manure Management  
Update 2017 - Lethbridge

**Jan 18**—COUNCIL & MPC  
meetings

**Jan 20**— Legacy of Our Land  
Banquet—Fort Macleod

**April 11**—Troubleshooting  
Shelf Life— Airdrie



## MERRY CHRISTMAS

From the  
**COUNCIL & STAFF**  
MD of Willow Creek #26

*All the Best for the New Year!*



### Willow Creek Regional Landfill Holiday Hours

Dec 19-22	9:00—4:30	Dec 23	CLOSED
Dec 24	CLOSED	Dec 25	CLOSED
Dec 26	CLOSED	Dec 27—30	9:00—4:30
Dec 31	CLOSED	Jan 1	CLOSED
Jan 2	CLOSED	Jan 3—6	9:00—4:30

The landfill will resume regular business hours on January 9, 2017

The Willow Creek Regional Landfill Board of Directors, management and staff would like to wish their members, customers and neighbours the joy and peace of the Christmas Season and continued health and prosperity in 2017

# BE IN THE KNOW!



## Demolishing A Building



*In order to take down most buildings a demolition permit will be required.*

*A demolition permit is a requirement under the Provincial Safety Codes Act and may be obtained through the MD's contracted agency, Superior Safety Codes Inc.*

*Final inspection for a demolition permit takes place once demolition, including the removal of any foundation, has been completed. An inspection is done in order to confirm that utilities have been correctly disconnected and that the post demolition site is safe.*

*The Alberta Occupational Health and Safety Code (OHS) requires that all chemical (insulation, asbestos, air conditioning systems etc.) and biological substances (eg. mould, animal or human waste etc.) that could pose a hazard during demolition must be removed from the building before demolition.*

***Builders and homeowners are responsible for proper management of Construction & Demolition waste. Ask your contractor to provide a scale slip confirming that the waste was disposed of properly.***

## Disposal of Construction and Demolition Material

*Under the Environmental and Protection and Enhancement Act burning certain material (such as waste material from construction sites and wood & wood products containing wood preservatives) is illegal.*

*The Willow Creek Regional Landfill is a class 2 landfill and is authorized to take most construction and demolition material. Please contact the landfill for a list of acceptable solid waste.*

*The MD will not issue a burn permit to burn a demolished buildings unless a demolition permit has been obtained.*

*The MD may inspect a property prior to issuing a burn permit for the burning of a demolished building. An inspection will confirm that only acceptable waste will be burnt.*

### Recycle

- ☒ Check the Yellow Pages under 'Building Materials - Used' for companies that deal in used building supplies.
- ☒ Some charities need furniture and appliances in good working order. Check the Yellow Pages under Second Hand Stores or Building Materials.
- ☒ Websites such as Kijiji and Facebook 'Buy & Sell' will facilitate connecting with someone that may reuse some of the waste.
- ☒ Consider a renovation yard sale, classified ads or call second hand building materials outlets.
- ☒ The landfill recycles certain types of waste eg. metal and cardboard material.



## Important Numbers





**Willow Creek Regional Landfill**  
**113053 RR263**  
**Municipal District of Willow Creek**  
**403-687-2603**

The Willow Creek Regional Landfill is a regional waste management facility dedicated to responsible and environmentally sound waste management. Our goal is to lessen our footprint on the environment while providing waste management solutions to our members and their residents. We encourage everyone to recycle, re-use and re-purpose.

**MATERIALS PROHIBITED ON SITE**

**No person shall dispose of the following material in the landfill:**

- Hazardous waste, including radioactive and pathogenic, as defined by Alberta Environment
- Explosive substances
- Chemicals which may create a hazardous working condition
- Liquid waste
- Materials hot enough to cause combustion
- Waste oil or petroleum by-products, oil filters, or containers
- Biomedical waste
- Animal carcasses, whole or in part
- Asbestos

**MATERIALS ACCEPTED FOR LANDFILLING INCLUDE:**

- Municipal Solid Waste ( kitchen waste)
- Construction and demolition/building materials including asphalt shingles, vinyl siding, drywall and insulation
- Agriculture plastics including silage wrap, grain bags and bale wrap/twine. Burning of plastics is illegal under Alberta's Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act and should be landfilled or diverted where possible.
- Basic household items including furniture, couches, mattresses etc.

**MATERIAL ACCEPTED FOR DIVERSION**

- Lead acid batteries
- Dry cell batteries
- Barbed wire, page wire, chain link fencing etc. All wire must be free of posts and rolled to be manageable
- Propane tanks
- Agriculture chemical containers
- Electronics which include televisions, computers, monitors, printers, copiers, fax machines
- Tires which include car, light truck, highway tractor, farm implement and tractor. Recyclers require tires that were used for silage piles to be clean and free of silage.
- Paint and stain products up to 20 liter in size.
- Metal including appliances. Refrigerators, air conditioners, water coolers and freezers require the recovery of the refrigerant which is done on site for a fee. This is a requirement of Alberta Environment and there are no exceptions.
- Wood that is free of other debris including OSB sheathing and plywood, treated lumber, painted or stained wood and tree branches.
- DVD players, VCR's, satellite and cable television receivers and microwaves.



## Troubleshooting Shelf Life

This one day workshop is designed for farmers' market vendors and farm direct operators who want to understand food quality issues and how to determine the shelf life of food products.

### Content for the Day

Attend this workshop to learn:

- What food quality is
- The difference between food quality and food safety
- Product shelf life and what it means
- How to use hand held testing equipment and where to buy it
- Food and nutrition labelling

### Registration and Information

This workshop will be offered in two locations.

**Date:** Tuesday, January 10, 2017

**Registration deadline:** January 3, 2017

**Location:** Agriculture and Forestry Building  
5030 50 St  
Lacombe

**Date:** Tuesday, April 11, 2017

**Registration deadline:** April 4, 2017

**Location:** Airdrie Agriculture Centre  
Theatre Room  
97 East Lake Ramp NE, Airdrie

**Time:** 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

**Cost:** \$25 includes GST  
Lunch and refreshments provided  
Payment options: Visa, MC or cheque

**To register call:**  
**1-800-387-6030**

**For More Information:**  
Delores Serafin  
Alberta Agriculture and Forestry  
780-427-4011  
[delores.serafin@gov.ab.ca](mailto:delores.serafin@gov.ab.ca)

### Speakers

Linda Ho of CanBioCin will share strategies to determine the shelf life of your processed food products.

Stuart Johnston with the Food Processing Development Centre will demonstrate hand held lab equipment.

Alberta Agriculture and Forestry's Ileana Costiuc will highlight key food and nutrition labelling requirements.



## MANURE MANAGEMENT UPDATE 2017

### TOPICS

Public Trust Research-Farm & Food Care  
Industry Sustainability Initiatives  
AF and AAFC Research Updates  
Growing Forward 3

CCA credits available

Agenda and registration information available on Ropin' the Web ([www.agric.gov.ab.ca](http://www.agric.gov.ab.ca))

Registration through the  
Ag-Info Centre at 1-800-387-6030

**JANUARY 16TH, 2017 LETHBRIDGE LODGE HOTEL**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**  
Lynda Miedema 1-403-329-1212 ext. 222

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Alberta Agriculture & Forestry and  
Lethbridge County

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Growing Forward 2  
A federal-provincial territorial initiative

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Government

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**A NEW SHELTERBELT PROGRAM IS NOW AVAILABLE. EACH LAND OWNER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR INDIVIDUAL ORDER AND TREES WILL BE SHIPPED DIRECTLY TO YOU.**



## Tree Seedling Order Form

Prairie Shelterbelt Program  
www.prairieshelterbeltprogram.ca



Shipping charges	
\$100.00 and under	\$20
\$100-\$250	\$25
\$250-\$500	\$30
\$500-\$750	\$40
\$750 and up	\$50

SPECIES	HEIGHT (meters)	LIFE SPAN (years)	GROWTH RATE (cm/year)	SPACING
White Spruce	65 ft	50-100	slow	10 ft
Colorado Spruce	80 ft	50-100	slow	10 ft
Ponderosa Pine	50 ft	25-100	slow	10 ft
Larch	50 ft	50+	slow	10 ft
Trembling Aspen	80 ft	25-60	fast	10 ft
Paper Birch	40 ft	80	slow	10 ft
Manitoba Maple	40 ft	30-60	fast	10 ft
Saskatoon	9 ft	30+	fast	3 ft
Green Ash	65 ft	50-90	fast	10 ft
Villosa Lilac	15 ft	50+	medium	3 ft
Common Lilac	12 ft	50+	medium	3 ft
Cotoneaster	8 ft	rejuvenate	fast	1.5 ft
Red osier Dogwood	8 ft	rejuvenate	fast	3 ft
Raspberry Boyne	6 ft	rejuvenate	fast	1.5 ft
Caragana	16 ft	50+	medium	1.5 ft
Laurel leaf Willow	50 ft	30-60	fast	10 ft
Sharp Leaf willow	50 ft	30-60	fast	10 ft
Hybrid Poplar	60 ft	40 +	fast	10 ft
Cottonwood Poplar	80 ft	30+	fast	10 ft
Lombardy columnar Poplar	70 ft	30+	fast	6 ft
Northwest Poplar	70 ft	20-30	fast	10 ft
Golden Willow	35 ft	25-50	fast	10 ft

**Warranty:** Due to the perishable nature of nursery stock, the effects of weather conditions, transplanting and care practises, we cannot be responsible for losses after 7 days of acceptance of the nursery stock.





# Tree Seedling Order Form

Prairie Shelterbelt Program

www.prairieshelterbeltprogram.ca



First Name	Last Name
Company Name	Phone Number
Mailing/Shipping Address: Town or City                      Postal Code	E-mail address

**Application fee of \$25 (26.25 + GST) MUST be included with your order.**

*Trees are sold in bundles of 10*

# of Bundles	Evergreen Trees \$28.00 + GST/bundle
	White Spruce
	Colorado Spruce
	Ponderosa Pine
	Larch

# of Bundles	Mid-Size Trees \$28.00 + GST/bundle
	Paper Birch
	Manitoba Maple
	Saskatoon
	Green Ash

- Trees are delivered each May Via expedited Canada Post and applicant agrees to pay delivery charges
- Trees are not reserved until invoice is paid, all trees are sold on a first come, first reserved basis
- We accept orders until we're sold out, but suggest April 1 as a deadline for best results, no order cancellations after March 15.
- You will be notified of your parcels expected arrival, we will not be held liable for parcels not being picked up in a timely manner
- All trees are shipped dormant
- **We accept orders by mail, phone, internet, fax.**

## Mail orders to:

Prairie Shelterbelt Program

P.O. Box 1930, Sundre AB T0M 1X0

Phone: (403) 507-8340 Fax: (403) 507-2336

Cheques, Money Orders,  
Visa and Mastercard accepted

☐ Mastercard

☐ Visa

# of Bundles	Hedges \$28.00 + GST/bundle
	Villosa Lilac
	Common Lilac
	Cotoneaster
	Red osier Dogwood
	Raspberry Boyne
	Caragana

# of Bundles	Tall Trees \$28.00 + GST/bundle
	Trembling Aspen
	Hybrid Poplar
	Cottonwood Poplar
	Lombardy columnar Poplar
	Northwest Poplar
	Golden Willow
	Laurel leaf Willow
	Sharp Leaf willow

Total Bundles Ordered		\$28.00/bundle
Application fee	1	\$25.00
GST 5%		\$
Subtotal		\$
Shipping Charge (no GST)	1	\$
Amount Due		\$

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Security Code \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last 3 digits located on back of card)

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Order Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**FARMING  
SMARTER**  
Growing new ideas

# 2016 CONFERENCE & TRADE SHOW

December 6 & 7  
Medicine Hat Lodge

Register online  
[www.farmingsmarter.com](http://www.farmingsmarter.com)  
Farming Smarter  
403-317-0022 **NEW!**

## KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



### Greg Johnson

Greg Johnson devotes himself full time to pursuing his passion for capturing nature's most beautiful and deadly displays of severe weather. As one of North America's top professional storm chasers and severe weather experts, Greg recently became a television personality with the CMT series "tornado Hunters". A firm believer in the "Bucket List" philosophy, Greg's mission is to inspire others to chase their own passions while sharing and teaching the lessons he has learned from pursuing his. When he is not storm-chasing or speaking, Greg enjoys life at home in Regina, Saskatchewan spending time with his three children and of course, cheering for his beloved Saskatchewan Roughriders.



### Errol Anderson

Errol is president of ProMarket Communications Inc. and a commodity broker with R.J. O'Brien, based in Calgary. Errol authors the daily "ProMarket Wire" commodity report. He actively trades futures and options contracts as risk management tools for farm and feedlot clients across Western Canada. His career path has led him as a former economist with Alberta Pool, marketing specialist for Alberta Agriculture, manager of Palliser Commodities and vice-president of Linco Futures. He has also been an agricultural market advisor for Doane Ag Services in St. Louis. Errol is a native Albertan growing up on a dairy and grain operation near Medicine Hat. He received a BSc in Agricultural Economics from the University of Alberta.

## BANQUET SPEAKER

### Sheldon Smithens

Sheldon Smithens is Co-Host of *Canadian Pickers* television series on History Channel, known internationally as *Cash Cowboys*. (UK, USA, continental Europe, Australia and Japan).

After graduating from the University of British Columbia, he joined family-owned Smithens Auction Galleries in 1980 conducting approximately 60 auction sales annually. He now boasts 25 years as a licensed Auctioneer that specializes in antiques and fine art.

He is also a Member of the Canadian Association of Personal Property Appraisers which allows him to conduct estate auction sales and appraisals for insurance, matrimonial settlements, probate, downsizing and estate purposes.

Sheldon's roots are in Calgary where his grandparents owned an antique shop. He conducted benefit auctions for dozens of organizations in Alberta. He gives back by teaching through a Continuing Education Credit courses, lectures and programs for educational institutions and organizations throughout Alberta.

He writes "Discovering Antiques" magazine and conducts antique appraisal days throughout Western Canada. He appeared as an expert on *Canadian Antiques Roadshow* and was Calgary co-host of *Treasure Seekers*.



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# ***“LEGACY OF OUR LAND” BANQUET***

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 2017

GUEST SPEAKER : CHRIS KOCH

*“If I Can do It...”*

*as seen on OPRAH'S SUPER SOUL SUNDAY FILM*

Cash Bar 6:00 p.m. Dinner 6:30 p.m.

Fort Macleod & District Community Hall

*Hosted by the MD of Willow Creek Agricultural Service Board*



TICKETS: \$20.00

Available from your Division Councillor or at the  
MD Administration Office

Call Rachel or Carla 403 625-3351 for more information

