



## **Town of Blaine Lake December, 2009 Newsletter**



### **CHRISTMAS OFFICE HOURS**

The following are the hours the Town office will be open over the holiday season:

Thurs, December 24 <sup>th</sup>	- 8:00 am to 12:00 noon
Fri., December 25 <sup>th</sup>	- Closed
Mon, December 28 <sup>th</sup>	- Closed
Tues. December 29 <sup>th</sup>	- 8:00 am – 12:00 noon and 1:00 – 4:00 pm
Wed, December 30 <sup>th</sup>	- 8:00 am – 12:00 noon and 1:00 – 4:00 pm
Thurs. December 31 <sup>st</sup>	- 8:00 am to 12:00 noon
Fri., January 1 <sup>st</sup>	- Closed

### **Christmas Hours for the Landfill**

The landfill hours over the holiday season will be:

Wednesday, Dec. 23rd	- 8:00 am to 12:00 noon and 1:00 – 4:00 pm
Saturday, Dec. 26 <sup>th</sup>	- closed
Wednesday, Dec. 30th	- 8:00 am to 12:00 noon and 1:00 – 4:00 pm
Saturday, Jan. 2nd	- 8:00 am to 12:00 noon and 1:00 – 4:00 pm

### **Loraas Disposal Waste Pick up over Christmas**

Garbage pick up over the holiday season will be on Thursday, December 24<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, December 31<sup>st</sup>. Please remember to have Garbage put out by 8:00 am

### **DEADLINE TO PAY PROPERTY TAXES**

2009 Property taxes must be paid not later than December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2009 to avoid having a 10% penalty added to them. Payments can be made at the Town Office, on-line, or at several banking institutions. For your convenience we will accept cheques that are post-dated to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2009. If you are mailing your payment, the envelope must be post marked not later than December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2009. *\*\*Please remember the office will be closing at 12:00 noon on December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2009\*\*.*

### **Annual Water Billings**

The option of being billed annually for water, sewer and waste disposal service is available to all local residents. People choosing to pay this way are billed for the entire year in January and given a 5% discount. The only time a person would receive a bill or need to pay more than this is when their quarterly consumption exceeds the maximum usage of 9900 gallons per quarter, and then they are just billed for the overage. This year the annual billing will be \$609.35 (including the discount).

Any resident, who is not already being billed annually but is interested in being billed for water, sewer and garbage on an annual basis (once per year) can contact the Town office for more information.

### **Snow Removal**

Please move vehicles parked on the street onto your own property to assist with snow removal from our streets. This will keep vehicles from becoming blocked in by the heavy snow ridges the grader creates when it is clearing snow from the streets.

### **Pet Owners**

2010 dog licenses are due in January. License rates are: \$10.00 for spayed or neutered non-restricted dog; \$25.00 non-restricted dog; and \$55.00 for a restricted dog.

### **Olympic Torch Relay in Blaine Lake**

The Olympic Torch will be in Blaine Lake on January 12, 2010? A committee is busy planning and organizing an eventful day for this historic once in a lifetime event.

The committee has initiated a fitness log program for the community in conjunction with the school. The committee's initiative includes logging all physical activity performed by each individual. The goal is to log 45,000km which incidentally is the distance that the torch will travel across Canada – and this is the longest distance in any Olympic host country! **Log recording can begin immediately, a downloadable log form is available on the Town of Blaine Lake website [www.blainelake.ca](http://www.blainelake.ca)** For more information contact Laurie at 497-2222 or watch the Town website for updates.



**BLCA COMMUNITY POT LUCK CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Saturday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2008

Blaine Lake School Gym

Cocktails 5:30; Potluck Supper 6:30

(please bring a meal item to share)

Adults \$5.00 Students \$3.00

Children 6 & Under FREE

Entertainment will be by Hafford Charemka Dancers

With many local dancers and other local talent

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***Any non-profit organization that has a community event they would like included in the Town's monthly newsletter or on the website should contact the Town office by not later than the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month. We will try and include your event!***