

THE IGNITER NEWSLETTER

May 2013

Upcoming Events

- **May 25, 2013**

Swap Meet & Tractor Pull

- **July 2 – 7, 2013**

**Historic Edmonton –
Open Doors Festival**

- **July 26, 2013**

4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

**Leduc County 50th
Anniversary Celebration
with Danny Hooper as M.C.
and other local
entertainment**

- **July 27, 2013**

**7:00 p.m. Canadian
Country Legends Concert**

**(Tickets \$30 – ON SALE
NOW at the LWAS office)**

23rd Annual Exposition

**Featuring International
Harvester**

- **July 28, 2013**

23rd Annual Exposition

- **September 14, 2013**

Fall Harvest & Tractor Pull



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Leduc County 50th Anniversary Celebration July 26, 2013

The Leduc West Antique Society welcomes Leduc County residents on Friday, July 26, 2013 to the 50th Anniversary Celebration. We are honored to have been chosen as the location of this prestigious event. Attendees can look forward to local dancers, singers, and other homegrown talent. A video is being produced highlighting long-time residents; articles are being gathered on the history of the area, distinguished guests are being invited. The Master of Ceremonies will be Danny Hooper. Congratulations Leduc County; we are proud to be a part of the 50th Anniversary Celebration.

Living the Past for Future Generations

YOUR 2013 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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BINGO REPORT BY: RON BODNAR

LWAS IS A MEMBER OF THE LEDUC RAPID BINGO ASSOCIATION AND IN 2013; LWAS ALONG WITH THE LEDUC LIONS BREAKFAST CLUB (A GROUP WE WORK VERY CLOSELY WITH) WILL HOST 16 BINGOS.

EACH BINGO NETS LWAS BETWEEN \$800-\$900 DOLLARS, A CONSIDERABLE SUM OVER THE YEAR CONTRIBUTES TO OUR OVERALL FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS.

UNFORTUNATELY, WE HAVE A SMALL GROUP OF US THAT ARE REGULAR WORKERS AT THE BINGOS AND COULD USE SOME EXTRA HELP, SO PLEASE CONSIDER GIVING US YOUR TIME FOR AN AFTERNOON OR AN EVENING, AS A BONUS, WE SUPPLY A MEAL BEFORE EACH BINGO, SMALL REWARD BUT BETTER THAN NOTHING.

OUR FUTURE BINGO DATES ARE:

- **FRIDAY, MAY 20 AT 11:00 A.M.**
- **FRIDAY, JUNE 7 AT 11:00 A.M.**
- **SATURDAY, JUNE 29 AT 5:00 P.M.**
- **WEDNESDAY, JULY 17 AT 11:00 A.M.**
- **TUESDAY, AUGUST 6 AT 11:00 A.M.**
- **THURSDAY, AUGUST 13 AT 5:00 P.M.**

CALL ROBERT MCKELL OR RON BODNAR FOR INFORMATION.



BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND

THE CANADIAN COUNTRY LEGENDS

JULY 27, 2013 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE HOOPER BLDG. TICKETS ON SALE NOW! CALL 780-986-5912 EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT!

Notes From the Chair

By Ron Bodnar

2013 is well on its way, it's hard to believe that the year is 1/3 gone, there is still a considerable amount of snow on the ground and that there will be grass, leaves on the trees and time enough to get crops and gardens in, in time for these things to happen and see them to maturity in the fall. As always, nature works at its own speed and we just happen to be here.

As the new President of LWAS, I look forward to the year in leading the Society and thank you in your confidence in me. It is a big commitment and I hope I can do a reasonable job.

Your new Board welcomes three new persons, Rick Loose and Jim McConnell, Directors for two years and one year respectively, and Ann Grabatin. All three Directors have been long time members of LWAS and we thank them for committing their time to service on the Board. The 2013 Board is a great team that is committed to betterment of LWAS.

Retiring from many years of service on the Board are Dallas Arnholtz and Tom Makepeace. On behalf of LWAS, thank you for your time on the Board. Both Dallas and Tom have said they will continue to volunteer their time at the site and our events.

We held our Volunteer Kick-Off on April 18 at the Hooper Building. Thanks to all that brought the delicious desserts and to those who attended. Thanks to Pam and Marilyn for their work in setting up the evening. We have several members who have signed up to chores at the site or our events. As I had mentioned that evening, there are some 20 years of work donated to get LWAS to where it is today, but we cannot close the door and say "we will come back later". There is regular day to day work be it accounting, mowing grass or helping in the concession during the July Expo.

There are several projects at the site that require attention and regular upkeep. Thanks to Elmer, Josh and Harvey, a good amount of the snow has been removed from our roadways leaving them dry with lots of snow everywhere else. Elmer has spent many hours doing maintenance work on our mowers, and yes, there will be grass to look after. Mowing grass is a major job every year and it just will not go away.

As for our major events, we are getting ready for the Spring Tractor Pull and Swap Meet and have booked major attractions for the July show.

Till our next newsletter, have a good spring.

Wally & Pauline's John Deere Tractors for Sale, 2013

Phone: 780-222-6034, Morinville, AB

<u>Model</u>	<u>Serial#</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Front</u>	<u>Rear</u>	<u>Sale Price</u>
820	8202718	1957	7.50X18	23.1X26	\$9,000
BR	331629	1940	6.00X16	12.4X24	\$8,500
BR	334291	1945	5.50X16	11.25X28	\$8,000 (Pending)
420S	85831	1956	5.50x15	12.4X24	\$7,500
AR	282296	1953	6.50X16	16.9X26	\$4,000
AR	269352	1948	6.00X16	13X26	\$5,000 (Unstyled)
B	297599	1951	5.50X16	11X38	\$6,500
VA Case	5054877	1946	5.50X16	11.2X28	\$3,500

Majority of the tractors have been totally restored and are in excellent running condition. Always shedded, except during shows and parades.

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We look forward to another exciting performance from the Tractor Square Dance Team. Pictured is the 2012 "Team". Thank you to the Square Dancers that practice diligently for this crowd pleasing event.

Out of the Office Window by: Pam Bakker

My second term as Secretary has certainly been a busy time with new opportunities being presented to LWAS. I thank all of the members that voted in favor of my return to the position of Secretary for one more year; your confidence in me has not gone unnoticed.

Board meetings are held the second Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. in the Train Station and are open to members.

For those of you that attended the Volunteer Kick-Off on April 18, 2013 in the Hooper Building you experienced one of the new additions to LWAS in the form of a new screen and projector installed to aid with power point and video presentations. Thank you to Howard for his many hours of work installing the equipment and Lowell for his expert advice and being a standby consultant. There is also a projector in the Train Station thanks to our friends at EPHF. As members you will be treated to presentations in this format from now on.

During the month of March I attended two trade fairs representing LWAS. Well over 1500 cards and event brochures were distributed during these events. We continue to receive a large volume of hits on our website which is updated continually to remain relevant. Our events are listed on 1calendar.ca, Volunteer Leduc, and will be shown on the 3 E-Signs in Leduc. Increasing visibility and gate admissions are a priority. We are listed on the Edmonton Regional Tourism Group website and are offering a 2 for 1 gate admission for the July Exposition.

We will be participating in the Historic Edmonton – Open Doors on July 2 – 7, 2013 and will be open each day from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. We will be charging a \$5 admission fee to this event with children 12 and under free. We will need volunteers for this event, so if you can lend a few hours to be a guide/interpreter please call the office and let me know.

Howard Lengert, Marilynn Saramaga, and I attended a Policy and Board Development Workshop at which we learned how to develop policies that help guide the volunteers and members of a non-profit organization. The LWAS Board has passed a motion that a committee made up of the three attendees of the workshop continue to develop policies for LWAS. We have had one development meeting so far and have found it to be a challenging task. If anyone has policy development experience, please let us know.

As I turned the page on the calendar this morning to May 1, 2013, I am enthusiastic about the future of LWAS and look forward to working with the new Board. My husband and son continue to work alongside me and are an immense help. I could not do what I do without them. To the members that have sent encouraging emails, phone calls, letters, and words, Thank you. They renew my drive to keep working diligently as a volunteer at LWAS.

Did You Know?

- You do not need to be a member of LWAS in order to volunteer. The membership renewals do contribute financially and you do receive a newsletter when you are a member.
- LWAS has 230 members: 80 have email addresses, 26 are yearly paid to date members, and 25 Lifetime Members have paid the \$10 newsletter fee. That leaves a large number of lifetime members that are inactive and are not receiving a newsletter.
- Lifetime members that pay their \$10 yearly newsletter fee will receive a membership card.
- Yearly paid members receive a membership card.
- LWAS is a non-profit registered Society in good standing. Google registered charities, and LWAS will come up in good standing.

Here is What Happened by: Pam Bakker

February 12, 2013 – Meeting Highlights

- Proposal from the Leduc Composite High School in the amount of \$1700 to have the Grade 12 Welding students construct a new LWAS entrance sign was rejected in favor of a smaller budget friendly sign.
- Two people movers are requested for use by the World Plowing Competition organizers in Olds, AB for July 18, 19, 20, 2013. An 8'X20' display area will be designated for use by LWAS at the Olds Competition to promote LWAS.
- Feature for 2014 will be Allis-Chalmers
- Representation at the Community Registration Day on March 7, 2013 at the LRC will be handled by Pam Bakker
- Policy Development workshop on March 2, 2013 will be attended by Howard Lengert, Marilynn Saramaga, and Pam Bakker
- Ron Bodnar presented a drawing for proposed storefront displays in the Founder's Building
- A screen and projector will be installed in the Hooper Building

March 12, 2013 – Meeting Highlights

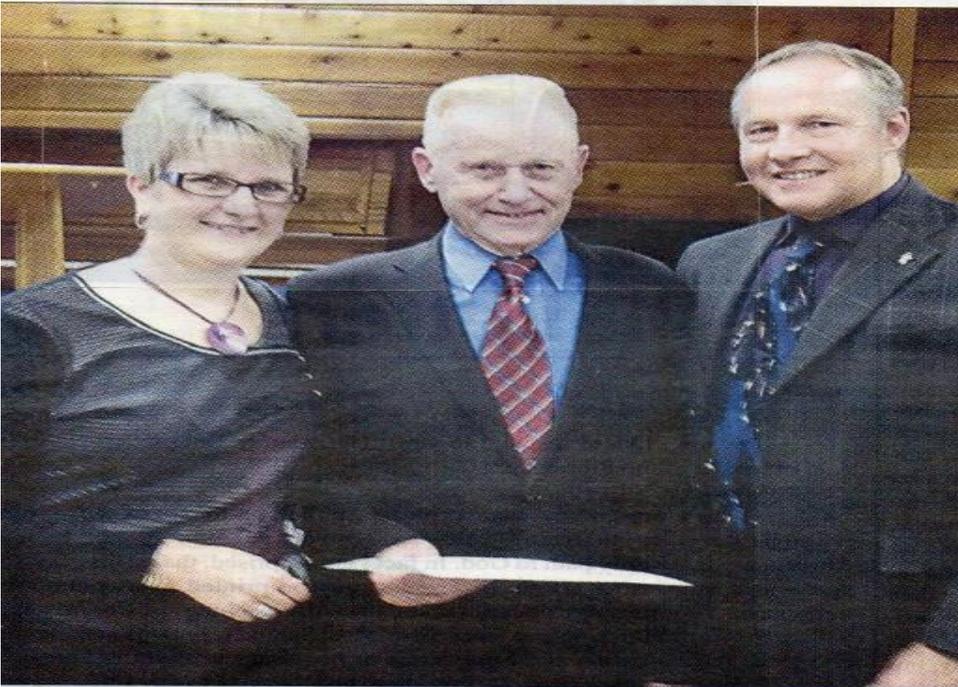
- Policy Committee of Howard Lengert, Marilynn Saramaga, and Pam Bakker are formed.
- Replacement unit for the LWAS reefer Thermo King Unit is sourced and will be donated.
- World Plowing Championship organizers in Olds are prepared to pay \$500 each for delivery of people movers to Olds, AB event.
- Pam Bakker will represent LWAS at the Edmonton Regional Tourism Group AGM and Trade Fair on March 20, 2013.
- Thistle Hill Petting Zoo is retained at a cost of \$1500 for the July Exposition
- 20'X5' Diorama is confirmed for July Show in the Modeler's Building at the cost of \$400
- Edmonton Garrison is invited to participate in the 2013 July Exposition
- Motion made to no longer supply FREE breakfast to the tractor pullers during the events

Here is What Happened – Continued

April 9, 2012 – Meeting Highlights

- Rick Loose will serve a two year term to fulfill retiring Director Dallas Arnholtz's term
- Jim McConnell will serve a one year term to fulfill resigning Director Lyle Kause's term
- Two new hats styles have been received and will be sold at the price of \$15 per hat as a fundraiser for LWAS
- LWAS will be participating in the Historic Edmonton – Open Doors Festival – July 2 – 7, 2013 from 10a.m. – 4:00 p.m. each day
- The Black Gold Rodeo sends volunteers to help serve the Saturday evening supper during the July Exposition, so 8 LWAS volunteers are required to work at the Friday evening, Saturday, and Sunday Black Gold Rodeo on May 31, June 1 & 2, 2013
- Discussions are held regarding LWAS 25th Anniversary in 2015 and how that landmark event should be celebrated
- Jubilee Insurance will be invited to a question and answer session at LWAS to help the Board understand who, what, where, and why we are covered at LWAS so that clear guidelines can be established regarding LWAS insurance

Leduc Extendicare Volunteer Appreciation



Extendicare Leduc hosted their annual Volunteer Appreciation supper Monday April 22 at Telford House, with over 80 volunteers attending. Jim Fehse was awarded the Volunteer of the Year. For his many hours and years of dedication and commitment to the Residents of Extendicare. In this picture Bev Neufeld (Recreation Therapist) and Joe McQuaid (Administrator) are presenting Jim with his certificate and award

Congratulations to LWAS's Jim on his well-deserved award in recognition of his dedication as a volunteer.

Grandma's Apron

The strings were tied, it was freshly washed, and maybe even pressed.

For Grandma, it was every day to choose one when she dressed.

The simple apron that it was, you would never think about; the things she used it for, that made it look worn out.

She may have used it to hold some wildflowers that she'd found.

Or to hide a crying child's face when a stranger came around.

Imagine all the little tears that were wiped with just that cloth.

Or it became a potholder to serve some chicken broth.

She probably carried kindling to stoke the kitchen fire.

To hold a load of laundry, or to wipe the clothesline wire.

When canning all her vegetables, it was used to wipe her brow.

You may never know, she might have used it to shoo flies from the cow.

She might have carried eggs in from the chicken coop outside.

Whatever chore she used it for, she did them all with pride.

When Grandma went to heaven, God said she now could rest.

I'm sure the apron that she chose, was her Sunday best.

- By Tina Trivett-

*In honour of all
of the great
women of
LWAS -
Happy Mother's
Day on May
12, 2013.*

Wanted

Guest Writers!!

Articles are

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At Anytime



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Guest Columnists!!

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