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celebrate remember fight back



The Taber Relay for Life community will be hosting a "Relay Market - or everything sale" where Relay teams will be selling anything and everything, like a massive garage/bake/craft sale. It will

be on Saturday March 31st from 9:00am to 3:00pm at the Taber Auditorium. There are tables open for purchase for anyone who would like to sell crafts/garage sale items/or baked goodies.

Please contact Angie Angle at 915-2149 for more information or to purchase a table.

MARCH Meetings

Council

Regular Meetings:

5:00pm—Mon. Mar. 12, 2012

5:00pm—Mon. Mar. 26, 2012

Recreation Board

5:15pm—Thur. Mar. 1, 2012

Municipal Planning

Commission

4:30pm—Mon. Mar. 19, 2012

Police Commission

4:30pm—Wed. Mar. 21, 2012



Rick Hansen 25th Anniversary Relay Event

It's hard to believe that 25 years has come and gone. On Saturday, February 18th, Taber played host to the Rick Hansen Relay End of Day Celebration.

An event such as this just doesn't happen by chance. Special thanks to the Organizing Committee, comprised of Aline Holmen, Murray Gardner, Wanda Renner, Yvonne Dreddy and Laura Ross-Giroux, for stepping up to the plate to contribute their time and effort in making a difference in our Community!

Thank you to all that were a part of the celebration; especially to our final medal bearer, Lolly Turner! According to one member of the Rick Hansen Relay entourage, the attendance and enthusiasm generated at Taber's event was one of the best over the last number of weeks.

In celebration and with thanks,

Council of the Town of Taber

Ray's Thoughts.....

"It's not where you start – it's where you finish that counts" – Zig Ziglar

One of the most important tasks of a Council is to prepare a budget for the upcoming year(s). As with personal budgets, we need to find a way to optimize the amount of dollars that we have to work with. The 2012 budget was passed by Council at the regular meeting held December 19, 2011.

As part of the budgetary process, grants to Organizations include:

- ◆ Chamber of Commerce – \$22,500.00.
- ◆ Taber Irrigation Impact Museum – \$7,935.00
- ◆ Taber Food Bank – \$1,700.00
- ◆ Taber Handibus – \$37,500.00
- ◆ Taber Public Library – \$237,657.00

The Town of Taber is also a financially contributing member of:

- ◆ Canadian Badlands Ltd. (\$0.50/capita)
- ◆ Chinook Country Tourist Association (\$0.23/capita)
- ◆ Highway 3 Association (As needed)
- ◆ Veterans Memorial Highway (36) (\$0.08/capita)
- ◆ SouthGrow Regional Initiative (\$0.35/capita)
- ◆ Mayors/Reeves of Southwest Alberta (As needed)
- ◆ Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (\$6,999.15)
- ◆ Federation of Canadian Municipalities (\$1,313.00)

Also noteworthy.....

The present Administration Building was constructed in 1966. The Town of Taber is responsible for the south half of the building. Past major tenants such as the Taber School Division and the Taber Irrigation District have leased space which was customized to their organizational needs, but they have since moved on to occupy their own buildings.

For over a decade, there has been discussion about renovating the Town portion of the Administration Building. Recently, Council provided direction to Administration to formalize a conceptual design which then went out to tender. The low tender bid was approximately \$1.2 million. Consequently, all tenders were rejected. Council and Administration are committed to finding a solution between "doing nothing" and the conceptual design. The ultimate goal is to utilize the present footprint as effectively and efficiently as possible in order to provide staff the opportunity to meet the current and future needs of our citizens and our community.



NEW! **Aquafun Centre Boot Camp**

Looking for a new Aquatic experience?
Why not try our trial sessions (4 classes) of Water Boot Camp.

March 13, 15, 20, 22 10-11 am or 6-7 pm
Cost: regular admission or pass holders

This class involves some exercise in the water and on the pool deck.

Please note this trial session will replace our regular Aquafit programs on the above dates.
Other regularly scheduled Aquafit classes will not change.

Exercise and Our Immune System

Did you know that being active could help you ward off colds and flus? Our bodies are complex machines that operate best when well maintained. Eating well and being active helps keep everything working properly and that includes our immune system. It may be a bit harder to be active in the cold winter months, but it will be well worth it. Bundle up, get outside and be active.



Community Spring Registration Event

Looking ahead to Spring sports registration?
Come and register for all your sports at one time.

March 1, 5-8 pm
March 3, 9am - 1pm



Taber Gymnastics Club - White Room



Taber Vipers Swim Club - White Room
(March 1st only)



Taber & District Soccer Association - Green Room



Taber Girls Softball - Blue Room



Taber Football Association - Blue Room



Taber Minor Baseball - Blue Room

For more information see our Leisure guide or visit our website at www.taber.ca

Upcoming Classes with Taber & District Community Adult Learning - Take a Class

Introduction to Sewing - Mondays, 6:00 - 9:00 pm, March 5 - 19

Learn how to do the basics of sewing and at the end of class, you will have a completed pair of pajama pants to take home! Please bring your own fully functioning sewing machine.

Cost: \$53.00

Gluten Free Eating - Tuesday, March 20, 7:00 - 9:00 pm

Cost: \$5.00

Cake Decorating Basics - Thursday, March 7 & 14, 6:00 - 9:00 pm

Learn the basics of cake decorating including leaves, borders, stars, roses, drop flowers and some writing.

Cost \$69.00

Perennials - Monday, April 30, 7:00 - 9:00 pm

Design, start and grow a full selection of perennials suitable for our climate.

Cost \$24.00



For a full listing of all of the classes, <http://www.youblisher.com/p/224867-Taber-Adult-Learning-Take-A-Class-Spring-2012/>
Community Adult Learning opens doors to personal growth and achievement through education. We help adults overcome barriers, seize opportunities and create pathways to learning and employment through our Adult, Family and Workplace Literacy, English as a Second Language, Citizenship Services and Take a Class education programs.



MARCH HAPPENINGS AT THE LIBRARY

Thurs March 1 Book Worm Book Club meeting at 11:15 am. New members welcome.

March 2 & 3 Taber Nighthawks R/C Flying Club demos, display and flight simulator. Open to everyone and free of charge.

Tue March 6 "Ask a Pharmacist" Carin from Safeway Pharmacy will be on hand to answer questions from 1:15 to 2pm. The next session will focus on one main topic as requested from those in attendance.

Wed March 7 Law @ Lunch series topic this week is "Looking After Dependent Parents". Begins at noon to approximately 1:30 pm. Bring your own lunch and stationary supplies.

Thurs March 8 "Active, Passive and Touch Screens and your Young Child: The Impact of Screens on Child Development" video conference from 9:30 to 11 am. Participants please use East doors.

Fri March 9 The Taber Public Library will be closed due to Staff Development Day. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Tue March 13 Taber Public Library Annual General Meeting at 4pm. The general public is welcome to attend.

Fri March 16 Basic Internet Computer Class from 7 to 8pm. Pre-registration is a must. Free of charge.

Wed March 21 Law @ Lunch series topic is "Being an Executor". This is the last one of the series for the season. Bring your lunch and stationary supplies.

Thur March 22 "Armchair Traveler" location is Ghana West Africa with Lindsay Anderson presenting. Beginning at 7:00 to approximately 8:45 pm.

Trex Travelling Exhibition display is titled "Capturing Momentum" and also view the LEGO display from local teens.



*Town of Taber Business License Payment
deadline was February 15, 2012.*

Payments not received by that date are now subject to penalty.

*If you have not paid your invoice for 2012,
please contact Lorraine Belanger @ 403 223 5500 x 5551
to arrange for payment.*