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The new "Transfer Station" sign from WayLyn Signs of Dundurn has arrived and should be put up in the near future.

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News from Hanley United Church

- Sunday, August 1st the time for worship will change to 11:15 a.m.
- On Sunday, August 29th the Hanley United Church will be holding an Animal Blessing service. This is an opportunity to give thanks for the important role animals and pets play in our lives. All creatures great and small are welcome. A hot dog lunch will follow. The service will take place in the parking lot next to the church, weather permitting.
- On Sunday, September 12th the United Church will be combining with Dundurn in their 100th anniversary celebrations at 9:30 a.m. in Dundurn.

The town receives lots of enquiries from people looking for houses to rent. If you have a house to rent and would like us to pass on your information, please give us the details.

On Line Banking

The Town is now set up so that you can pay your water bills or taxes through online banking (CIBC, Credit Unions, Scotia Bank and Royal Bank).

Many people are taking advantage of the On-line banking to pay utilities and taxes.

This is a great advantage for those of you that are unable to make it in to the Town Office to pay your bills.

Administrator Holidays

Darice will be taking holidays the week of August 3 to 6. Joyce will keep the Town Office open on August 3rd & 4th and the office will be closed on August 5th and 6th.

The next regular meeting of Town Council will be held on Monday, August 16th.

Hydrant flushes

The town foreman has begun some hydrant flushes. You may experience a loss of pressure and may see dirty water.

Hanley Senior Centre

Wednesday and Friday morning exercises have continued at 9:30 am over the summer. Please feel free to drop in sometime and see if this type of exercise would suit you, then have a visit with us over a cup of coffee and cookies.

The afternoon card games are held at 2:00 pm on these days.

The next bingo is on August 5th at 2:00 pm and bingos will continue on the first Thursday of each month at 2:00 pm.

There will be no Wellness Clinic in August but it will resume on September 13 at the usual time.

The monthly Sunday afternoon Travel Films will begin in September. Watch for posters for date and time.

We hope to organize an extra social activity in August but no details yet so watch for posters.

Club 52

‘Correction’

Russell King’s name was missing from the list of those selling Club 52 in the last edition of the Hermes.

We regret the error.

HANLEY CAFÉ

544-2515

Chinese and Canadian Food

Eat in or Take Out

John and Polly Yeung

Community Beware

Several communities close to Saskatoon have had valuables stolen from unlocked vehicles and vehicles stolen when keys have been left in them. Also, local youth have vandalized several places in our town recently. If you see any vandalism, please call the R.C.M.P. at 544-3400 and let the members know. If the local Detachment members are not made aware of what is happening in our community as it pertains to vandalism, then it hard for the members to solve the crime.

All citizens should be aware that this vandalism is indeed happening in the Town. If everyone is a bit more aware then we can hopefully find out who is responsible for the vandalism and damage that is taking place.

HANLEY Ag Society

We are trying to locate the whereabouts of three plastic and metal folding picnic tables. (like the ones used at the golf course) If you know their whereabouts, please contact Patti Prosofsky at 544-2226, as we need them for our upcoming Fair Days. Thank you.

HANLEY TOPS (Evenings)

Lose weight and get healthier with a fun, supportive weight loss group.

Wednesday evenings at the Hanley United Church.

Weigh in at 6:00 p.m.

Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

For more information, contact Linda at 544-2264.

TOPS (Mornings)


Take off Pounds Sensibly

Meet every Wednesday morning

At 9:00 A. M.

Hanley United Church

Anyone interested please call Pat @ 544-2212 or Elsie @ 544-2293







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NOTES FROM THE TOWN OFFICE

WATER METERS

Terry Block has been plugging away with the installation of the electronic water meters. We still have about 40 left. Some will need some plumbing repairs to install the meters so you will be contacted.

SUMMER STUDENT

Trygve Sira has been hired for the summer and has been kept very busy.

BUDGET

- Lift Station Upgrades – are complete with new pumps, a generator to run the lift station in the event of a power outage, and an alarm system that will ring Terry’s phone in the event of an emergency.
- Sewer Snake – Terry Block & Don Suttie are appreciating the new sewer snake. No more lost fingers!
- Sidewalks – we have contracted Strive Concrete from Dundurn to remove and replace sidewalks on Washington Ave. and in front of the United Church.
- Culvert – the culvert extension across Second Ave. is in and Trygve Sira has been busy rip rapping the ends with rocks.
- Campground Expansion – is complete with minor landscaping to be done.
- Transfer Station Building – we purchased a camper trailer for the transfer station employees to use to get away from the mosquitos and in from the cold.
- Office Equipment – has been ordered but hasn’t arrived yet.

There are still outstanding capital projects that have yet to be completed, but the council has gone a long ways with their 2010 funding for these projects.

Local Churches

Hanley Lutheran Church

Box 296
Hanley, SK S0G 2E0

Sunday Worship:
10:00 a.m.

Hanley Mennonite Church

15 kilometres west of Hanley
Pastors Gary &
Margaret Peters
544-2633

Sunday School:
10:00 a.m.
Church Service:
11:00 a.m.

Hanley United Church

Box 219
Hanley, SK S0G 2E0
Rev. Andrew Appledore
544-2822 (Thursday, Friday)
956-3228 (Home)

Sunday Worship and
Sunday School:
11:15 a.m.

Hanley Little Theatre

If are you interested in having some fun and laughter this fall, get involved with our little theatre group.

HANLEY LITTLE THEATRE NEEDS ACTORS: November 2010 play has been picked. The play will take place November 18-21, 2010.

HOMECOMING - Playwright Leeann Mionque, writer of our 2006 play "DRY STREAK" from Griffin, Sask.

This play is set on the Wilson farm in June of 2005. The Wilson family farm is a grain farm, a few miles south of Stony Valley, Saskatchewan.

**** Jerry Wilson thinks it is easy to retire and pass control of the family farm on to his son, Greg, but is it? ****

July 15, 2010 WE STILL NEED:

1 male - Greg Wilson – Jerry and Marlene’s son

1 female - Susan Bryant – Jerry and Marlene’s daughter

1 male – Jerry Wilson, older retired farmer – Volunteer Found

1 female - Marlene Wilson – Jerry’s wife – Volunteer Found

1 female - Norma Janson – a friend of Marlene’s – Volunteer Found

If you are interested in acting this year please contact Heather McGregor, 544-2988 as soon as possible. If we have enough interest the show will go on. If we have lots of interest we will hold auditions.

Hope to see you there. This is a great way to give back to your community, as all proceeds go to our Centennial Hall.

If you would like to get involved but don't want to act, or have some questions please call, we are always looking for more volunteers. Heather at 544-2988, Cindy at 544-2853, Pat at 544-2212 or Glenda at 544-2504.

TRANSFER STATION

The Transfer Station has a tendency to get very muddy when it rains or the snow melts and as such, the agent manning the Station has the authority to close the Transfer Station down if he/she feels it is necessary to prevent people from getting stuck when entering the area.

WATER BILLS DUE!

Another reminder to get your water bills paid within 20 days of the billing date!

PDAP

We had a number of people applying for Disaster Assistance Funding. Hopefully everyone is getting the assistance they need.

WATER PIPELINE UPDATE

The Dundurn Rural Water Pipeline (DRWU) Administrator Rosalind Arndt, Phase III Committee Chairman Dave Bilanski and Project Manager Luke Muirhead met with your administrator and 2 councillors to get an update on the water pipeline project. Even with the weather delays, they are running close to schedule & budget. They will be going to tender on the pumphouses and awarding them in mid-August.

We are hoping that they will be able to connect to an existing line where SaskWater is currently supplying the Town on the west side of Railway St. If this is possible, there won't be any trenching necessary in Town. When the line is connected, a pressure test will be performed to ensure that the line will work for our purpose then they will have to have a period to shock chlorinate the connecting lines (not the lines throughout the Town). We will be cleaning the cisterns prior to the new water going into them.

The estimated cost to the Town is expected to be around \$1,200,000. The Town Council has decided to divide this cost to \$4,600 per meter. You will have the option to "pay out" the full amount by December 31, 2010, or have the principal and interest charged to your water bill as an "Infrastructure Fee" at about \$35 per month for fifteen years (the same term as the Town loan at a fixed rate for the entire term). This charge will be dependant on the interest rate we are able to obtain from Canadian Mortgage & Housing Corp. (CMHC). We found CMHC to have the lowest interest rates. You may choose to "pay out" the \$4,600 with financing on your own. The Town Administrator will have amortization schedules set up for each meter so you can make prepayments on your long term "loan". The Infrastructure Fee, if not paid out, will be added to your December, 2010 water bill. New houses or structures requiring a water connection will be charged a \$4600 connection fee up front.

The council is considering the following in regards to usage charges:

The DRWU has to charge the Town \$11.93 per 1000 gal. This reflects their cost of purchasing the water from SaskWater and a base fee to cover their administration. The Town will still have expenses to cover so are considering a charge of 26% of \$11.93 or \$3.10/1000 gal. Since 50% of the users use less than 3000 gal/month, the council is considering lowering the minimum gallons to 3000 gal/month (now you are charged for a minimum of 5000gal/month). $\$11.93 + \$3.10 = \$15.03/1000 \times 3000$ gal. Per month, the minimum charge would be \$45.00. If you use over the minimum amount, the charge would be \$15/1000 gallons. Currently you are being charged \$33.33/month for 5000 gal. or \$100/quarter for 15,000 gal. This increase in water rates would take place when we are actually using the pipeline water.

The council could consider monthly billing rather than quarterly if that would be easier for you to budget for.

A Public Meeting will be held in September or October of 2010 with DRWU Executive.

The town receives lots of enquiries from people looking for houses to rent. If you have a house to rent and would like us to pass on your information, please give us the details.

Hanley Legion Auxiliary

Meet 3rd Tuesday of every month
September – June @ 2:00 P.M.
Anyone interested please call

Elsie @ 544-2293

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

Hanley Legion

Meet 1st Wednesday of each month
September to June @ 8:00 p.m.
At the Legion Hut . . .

Anyone interested please call:

- Gary Hanson @ 544-2634
- Ron Earis @ 544-2212

New members always welcome.

Council Minutes

The minutes of council meetings can be accessed on our website at www.townofhanley.ca or stop by the office for a copy if you don't have access to a computer or the internet.

Mowing

David and Wyatt Prosofsky were able to help the Town get caught up on the mowing so Terry and Trygve can get a better handle on it.

Thanks guys!

Reminder: If the power is off in town, we have an auxiliary power for emergency use only. Please do not use excessive amounts of water during these outages.



Unsightly Yards



Let's try to keep our community 'green' and 'tidy' this summer. Remove vehicles that are not being used or likely to be used in the future and try to keep our yards in good shape. This year it has been a real chore trying to keep ahead of the grass. With all the rain, the grass appears to be jumping out of the ground. A 'tip of the hat' to those of you who have stayed ahead of the growing greenery.

As a reminder, if you have hedges covering part of a sidewalk, please trim them back so the sidewalk can be used by people for walking so they don't have to walk on the roads or the grass beside the yard. Thank you.

Mass E-mail

If you would like to be included in a mass e-mail when the Town has information to send out, please give the Town your email address. For example: when we had to conserve water, a mass e-mail was sent out asking people to conserve and to tell their neighbours & friends. It was not an emergency, but was an easy way to get the word out. To include your email address in the fan out, send an email to the Town's email address of: townoffice@townofhanley.ca



THANK YOU TO HANLEY AND AREA.

***THE 9th ANNUAL BACK YARD WEEKEND
HAD ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL DRAW***

1st Prize WINNER WAS CATHY ANDERSON

**- Win a Hot Tub rental for 6 days & Supper for 10 people
or \$300.00 Cash**

2nd Prize WINNER WAS DOUG ARMSTRONG

- 2 tickets for 2011 draw & a Goodie Basket

3rd Prize WINNER WAS DALLAS LOBERG

- 2 tickets for 2011 draw



ALL PROCEEDS TO HANLEY COMMUNITY PROJECTS

DRAW WAS MADE AT HANLEY GOLF COURSE ON WEDNESDAY JULY 7, 2010

Comparison of water rates in Communities of about our size

These comparisons of water & sewer rates were compiled by Bullee Consulting Ltd.

Hanley's numbers are the proposed charges as explained in pipeline update

COMMUNITY	POP.	WATER	SEWER	MONTHLY MINIMUM	MONTHLY AVERAGE
Duck Lake	610	\$20/mo \$5/1000 gal. over 1000 gal. \$10/1000 gal over 2000 gal.	\$20/month	\$40.00	\$111.23
Asquith	576	\$19.50/mo \$6.50/1000 gal. over 3000 gal.	\$25/month	\$44.50	\$81.05
Wawota	522	\$82.50/quarter \$9.85/1000 gal over 6000 gal.	\$40/quarter	\$40.83	\$66.67
Leroy	500	\$20/mo \$7.50/1000 gal over 2000 gal.	\$14/month	\$34.00	\$83.67
Hanley	496	\$42.25/mo \$14.25/1000 gal over 3000 gal	\$10/month \$35/month Infrastructure Fee	\$52.25	N/A
Paradise Hill	483	\$15/mo \$8/1000 gal over 1000 gal.	\$13/month \$10/month Infrastructure Fee	\$38.00	\$98.99
Blaine Lake	472	\$33.50/mo \$10.15/1000 gal over 3300 gal	\$10/month	\$43.50	\$97.53
Eastend	471	\$40/quarter \$2/220 gal over 4400 gal.	\$10/month	\$23.33	\$61.73
Elrose	453	\$30/mo \$7.50/1000 gal over 4000 gal.	\$10/month	\$45.00	\$74.67
Vanscoy	339	\$20/mo \$10/1000 gal over 2000 gal.	\$20/month \$53.66/month Infrastructure Fee	\$93.66	\$159.89

So you will see that our sewer rates are consistent with other communities of our size (and cheaper than some communities) and the water rates are an average of other communities.

Hanley Water Rates

	Current Rates (5000 gal per month)		Suggested New Rates (3000 gal per month)	
Water:	\$100.00 for 3 months	\$33.33 per month	\$135.00 for 3 months	\$45.00 per month
Sewer:	\$30.00 for 3 months	\$10.00 per month	\$30.00 for 3 months	\$10.00 per month
Waste Management:	\$29.25 for 3 months	\$9.75 per month	\$29.25 for 3 months	\$9.75 per month
Total:	\$159.25 for 3 months	\$53.08 per month	\$194.25 for 3 months	\$64.75 per month
Infrastructure Fee:	Nil	Nil	\$105.00 for 3 months	\$35.00 per month
Total:	\$159.25 for 3 months	\$53.08 per month	\$299.25 for 3 months	\$99.75 per month

*Over 15,000 gal charge is \$3/1000 gal billed quarterly
*Over 45,000 gal charge is \$4.50/1000 gal billed quarterly

* Over 9,000 gal charge is \$15/1000 gal. if billed quarterly