# TOWN OF STRASBOURG **NEWSLETTER**

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#### **UPCOMING DATES**

Yard Waste Afternoon – Transfer Station Friday, July 7 - 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Town Council Meeting Wednesday, July 12 @ 7:00 p.m.

Last Day for 5% Property Tax Discount Monday, July 31

Yard Waste Afternoon – Transfer Station Friday, August 4 - 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Admin Office Closed – Saskatchewan Day Monday, August 7

**Town Council Meeting** Wednesday, August 9 @ 7:00 p.m.

3rd Quarter Water Bills Due Tuesday, August 15

Last Day for 4% Property Tax Discount Thursday, August 31

Yard Waste Afternoon – Transfer Station Friday, September 1 - 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Admin Office Closed - Labour Day Monday, September 4

Town Council Meeting Wednesday, September 13 @ 7:00 p.m.

Town Council Meeting Wednesday, September 27 @ 7:00 p.m.

Last Day for 3% Property Tax Discount Saturday, September 30



### FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR'S DESK

LIONS PARK PROJECT - The Lions Park is taking shape! Our walking paths are all completed and the hydroseeding is finished. The grass does need time to establish so please refrain from walking on the grass while you are in the Park. Our spray park is almost complete - once it's operational, the Town Office will make an announcement so it can be enjoyed for the summer.

As well, later this summer, a public notice will be coming out as to how to donate to the Park in the form of benches and picnic tables. Thank you for your patience with us as we get this project finalized. We are so glad to see everyone excited to use it, and we are excited to share it with you in its entirety very soon!

TELEMATIK MESSAGING - The Town has recently signed up for Telematik Messaging, which is a text/email/landline service to provide quick messages and notifications to residents. Once operational, we intend to use it to update residents about missed garbage/recycling pickups, water breaks, boil water advisories, infrastructure project updates, road closures, etc. We are currently going through our ratepayer accounts and updating contact information. If we have incomplete account information, our Office will be contacting you. We will begin to utilize this service once we finalize the account updates.

**UPDATED GOLF CART RULES** - The Town has always permitted golf carts to travel from a location within Town out to the Strasbourg Golf Course, taking the most direct route there and back. SGI has recently implemented more stringent rules for golf carts travelling on municipal roads, including: not exceeding 24 km/h in speed, not travelling on roads posted greater than 50 km/h, displaying a slow moving sign on the back of the cart, the operator having a valid driver's license and third party liability insurance, and not travelling half-an-hour prior to sunrise and half-an-hour after sunset. For more information, Bylaw #436/23 regarding golf cart operation is available on the Town's website.

> Jenn Gritzfeld Administrator

### **2023 SCHOLARSHIP WINNER**

The Town of Strasbourg was pleased to present the 2023 Lance Cornwell Memorial Scholarship to WDS graduate Hannah Kozachuk for \$1,000.00 towards her studies. Hannah will be attending the Saskatchewan Polytechnic Regina Campus for Practical Nursing in the fall.

We wish Hannah all the best in her future studies!

### **DUTCH ELM DISEASE INSPECTION – SUMMER 2023**

The Town has hired Living Tree Environmental (LTE) to complete two Dutch Elm Disease (DED) surveys for 2023. In 2022, we removed 20 DED infected trees (both private and public) and unfortunately on track to remove the same amount this year, if not more.

For the DED surveys, LTE personnel identify all American elm trees with symptoms of DED and contraventions of the provincial DED regulations on public and private lands. LTE personnel collect branch samples from American elm trees that are displaying DED symptoms when possible and safe to do so. LTE personnel acquire permission from property owners where possible and/or community officials before entering private property for both elm branch collection and violation identification.

Your cooperation is essential for the completion of a thorough survey and effective management of this disease!

## **DUTCH ELM PRUNING BAN APRIL 1 TO AUGUST 31**

The annual ban on pruning elm trees in Saskatchewan to help curb the spread of Dutch Elm Disease (DED) is in effect until August 31. During this period, it is illegal to prune elm trees. The ban occurs at the time of year when the elm bark beetles that spread DED are most active. Fresh cuts from trimming trees can attract the tiny insects, increasing the chance of an infection. Please do your part in not pruning your elm trees during the ban period to help stop the spread of DED.



American Elm Leaf

# **2023 TOWN TRANSFER** STATION DAYS S

Town of Strasbourg Residents Only Town Transfer Station located 1 mile north of Golf Course

### Yard Waste Days

Saturday, May 6: 9-12 • Saturday, May 13: 9-12 Saturday, May 20: 9-12 • Sunday, May 21: 9-12 Saturday, May 27: 9-12



Friday, June 1: 1-4 • Friday, July 7: 1-4 Friday, August 4: 1-4 • Friday, September 1: 1-4

Saturday, October 7: 9-12 • Sunday, October 8: 9-12 Saturday, October 14: 9-12 • Saturday, October 21: 9-12 Saturday, October 28: 9-12

- Only BRANCHES, LEAVES, & GRASS CLIPPINGS accepted.
  Bagged leaves and grass will have to be opened and emptied into pit, as plastic cannot be burned.

# Free Transfer Station Weekend Saturday, May 20 & Sunday, May 21 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

- ITEMS ACCEPTED: Household waste, furniture, small demolition projects, appliances & other metals ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED: Large demolition projects (including concrete & asphalt), rubber tires, used oil, & household hazardous waste.
- You can make unlimited visits during the open times.
  Please bring ID that bears Town of Strasbourg civic address in case you are asked to produce it (driver's
- license, tax bill, utility bill, etc.).
  Transfer Station will be manned by Town Public Works staff during the times listed above and all loads will
- Public Works staff have the right to refuse any load.

# \$20/Load Fall Cleanup Weekend Saturday, October 7 & Sunday, October 8 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

- Every load is \$20 regardless of size, so fill up your truck & trailer with junk you would like to get rid of
- without having to drive to the Regional Landfill.
  You can make unlimited visits during the open times, but each load is \$20 so make it count!
  Metals and appliances are still free of charge and are placed in the metal pile.
  All regular requirements for the transfer station are in effect.

### **GRASS CUTTING REMINDERS**

Some friendly grass cutting reminders for the rest of the summer:

- Please refrain from blowing grass onto the street after it's been cut. This causes blockages in the gutters, which greatly hinders water flow to the drains and can cause severe issues during heavy rains.
- We ask that you maintain the grass on the boulevard in front of your property as well as in the alley behind your property, especially if you have a fence. The Town does not want to be responsible for potentially damaging any property, including fences, while grading or trimming the allevs.

