

# Village of Duchess May

## 2016

The Public Works staff will once again be offering an alley cleanup for the week of May 9<sup>th</sup> through May 13<sup>th</sup>. This year's Cleanup will have a few limitations and we ask that if you have more than 2 or 3 items...to please give us a call to talk about removing your items. 378-4452

A Duchess Community garage sale is being held on Saturday May 28<sup>th</sup>.

Please contact Peggy 378-4330 to be added to her list.

Exciting things are happening at The Duchess Recreation Centre this Summer. We literally have something for everyone. Registrations for summer programs have begun. For those athletes looking to improve their game or simply stay in shape over the summer months we have basketball camps, soccer camps and volleyball camps. The Alberta Sport Development Centre, through The Medicine Hat College is bringing a specialized athlete development camp to our area.

Athletes will have the opportunity to expand their abilities and knowledge through mental skills training, sports nutrition, strength conditioning and team building activities. Looking for something a little lower key and just want to get out of the house for some fun? check out our DRC camps. Camps are set by age groups and will offer games, crafts, activities and much more!! Please stop by and see us at The Duchess Recreation Centre to find out more or to register for one of our great programs!! 256 Louise Ave, Duchess or call us at

403-378-3311

Thanks DRC STAFF







The Dutchess Agricultural Society is hosting their Annual Lobster and Steak Feed on May 14<sup>th</sup> at the Dutchess Arena... Please stop at the Village office, UFA, Bevan and Partners or Frontier Signworks to purchase your tickets.. This is a family event



The Dutchess & District Public Library is excited to have a selection of the Dutchess School's Art Classes displayed in the Library for the month of May so please stop by and enjoy our local talent! We are also starting to do sign ups for the Summer Reading Program so please stop by or give us a call to sign up your young ones for lots of fun this summer! 403.378.4369

In an effort to look at water conservation and cost recovery, the Village of  Dutchess is working on a new structure for our water billing system. We are proposing to implement a base rate that better covers costs and increases the consumption fees that residents are currently paying.

So what will this mean on your upcoming water bills? We are looking to include a reasonable amount of "free" water to go with everyone's base rate. This means that if you stay within the parameters, your charge will always be the same. But if you use a larger amount of water, the charge will go up accordingly.

Hopefully this will encourage consumption and overuse to decrease. This will also place the responsibility upon each homeowner to be conscious of their water  consumption. If you have questions...please give us a call

The Recreation Parks Cultural Board is accepting applications for funding for their spring session. Please pick up an application at the Dutchess office, or if you have questions, give us a call 378-4452. Applications with a financial statement need to be dropped off by May 24<sup>th</sup>.