



On The Cowboy Trail

News from Councillor Barb Castell

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There is excitement in the air as I write this newsletter. Many of you are busy getting ready for this year's Priddis & Millarville Fair. Everywhere I go people are talking about Millie from Millarville. One does not even have to mention who she is - everyone knows! The community is just bursting with energy and ready to host the best Fair ever. I plan to be there volunteering but not how I originally thought. I have strict orders to stay off my sore feet so I will be doing a lot of sitting jobs at the Fair. I feel like that old saying: No feet, no horse. I still would not miss it for anything. I'll be the one in the chair. By the time you read this, the Fair will be over and knowing the people involved, plans for next year's Fair will already be under way.

The MD Historical Committee had a table at the Races on July 1st to entice people in the area to share their knowledge, stories, pictures or identification of historic sites. Flores Groeneveld, former councillor and member of the Historical Committee, brought his antique truck, a Model A Ford, which was a huge hit. I could have sold it several times over, maybe he would like to donate it for next year's Fair raffle? It will be on display again at the Fair as we are hoping for more contact information to add to the ever growing list of identified areas of significance in the MD of Foothills.

Leighton Art Centre, Gallery and Museum will be saying good-bye to retiring manager Paula Swann this month. Everyone who has worked with Paula or had contact through school visits or special events wishes her good luck on her next venture in life. She has made a valuable contribution to this unique, historic place nestled in our own Foothills. We will all miss her immensely. For more information about the Leighton Art Centre go to www.leightoncentre.org

For those of you who have not heard, the High Country Rural Crime Watch Association (HCRCWA) was restarted earlier this year after a rash of break-ins in the Priddis/Millarville area. Help to reduce crime in our area by being the eyes and ears to assist the RCMP. To become a member or for more information, contact Suzanne Oel at 403-931-2711 or visit the new web site: www.hcrcwa.ca

These last three years have flown by and another election is coming on October 18th. I have been privileged to meet and help so many wonderful people and organizations in our community. I hope that I will be able to serve as your Division 3 Councillor for another term so that I can continue on with the many projects that are currently underway.

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