

Town of Arcola

Emergency Preparedness Week

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Emergency Preparedness Week is a national awareness initiative that has taken place annually since 1996. This is a collaborative event undertaken by provinces, emergency management organizations supporting activities at the local level and with Public Safety Canada.

Plan

In an emergency, your family may not be together, or you may be asked to evacuate your home. Thinking about what you would do in different situations and preparing a plan with every member of your family is the first step to being prepared. View “Making a Family Plan” video at www.getprepared.ca.

Prepare

Build a ready kit. The kit should have everything you and your family would need to be safe and take care of yourselves for at least three days immediately following an emergency.

Be Aware

SaskAlert is Saskatchewan’s emergency public alerting program which will provide critical information on emergency events as they are occurring so you will be able to take action to protect yourself, your family and property. Learn more about SaskAlert or sign up at www.saskalert.ca.

Refuse Pick Up

Refuse pickup will begin again this year starting on April 29th! Our town employees will be around to pick up any tree branches or bagged grass clippings/leaves **every Monday** until further notice.

We ask that you please put your branches and garden refuse on the curb. Also please tie or bundle branches neatly and make sure the bags and tree branches are not too large so that our maintenance workers can pick them up.



Summer Transfer Station Hours

Now that spring is upon us, we are changing the landfill hours to summer ones. They are as follows:

Tuesdays: 1-2 pm, Thursdays: 1-3 pm, Saturdays: 1-4 pm

Also don't forget to bring cash or a cheque with you to pay. The waste disposal fees are as follows:

"A \$5.00 administration fee is to be added to all accounts charged and not paid at time of disposal. "

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| • Small utility trailers or trunk of vehicle | \$7.00 each |
| • 1/2 ton trucks & 1/2 ton trailers | \$20.00 each |
| • 1 ton trucks | \$45.00 each |
| • 3 ton trucks, single axle | \$100.00 each |
| • Chester field and carpets | \$20.00 each |
| • Love seats, Chesterfield chairs and Easy chairs | \$15.00 each |
| • Fridges, stoves, washers (whites) | \$15.00 each |
| • Water heaters & smaller metal items | \$7.00 each |

Please note that a \$5.00 administration fee is to be added to all accounts charged and not paid at time of disposal.

SMAK Attack

Last year we had the SMAK Attack in June between Stoughton, Manor, Arcola and Kisbey.

Kisbey won again last year, so Arcola residents will have to work extra hard this year because we cannot let them win again!

We have not set a date yet, but it will be sometime in June again. We will advertise once a date is set. In the meantime, please do your part and clean up your property, cut your grass, trim your hedges, remove any unlicensed vehicles and clean up any garbage lying around.



Free Dump Day

The Town Council has designated **June 8th**, 2019 as a free dump day. This means that from 1-4pm on Saturday you can take all your garbage and large items to the landfill and not pay any fees! Please take advantage of this free dump day to clean up your yards. Reminder that we still do not accept and tires or asphalt shingles.

Town Information

Events:

- May 1st- Chapman Fine Foods Grand Opening
- May 17th- Grade 12 Graduation at Prairie Place Complex
- May 20th- Victoria Day (Town Office will be closed)
- June 1st- Town Wide Garage Sale
- June 8th- Free Dump Day at Town Landfill
- June- SMAK Attack (Stay tuned for exact day)



Donations:

- Arcola Buck Night- Donated \$1,500 to the Arcola Fire Department
- RBC- Donated \$1,000 to the Arcola Daycare and \$1,000 to the Arcola Curling Club
- Arcola Optimist Club- Donated:
 - Curling Club- \$2,325
 - Daycare- \$4,150
 - Figure Skating Club- \$1,850
 - Rodeo Committee- \$1,550
 - Prairie Place Complex- \$1,425
- The Arcola Optimist Club also is in the planning stages of a new RV Campground beside the Prairie Place Complex. This will host approximately 11 new sites that will have full service. Construction will hopefully start this spring/summer.

Welcome:

The Town would like to welcome Sol & Kim to Town as the new owners/operators of Chapman Fine Foods!

Transfer Station Operator Needed

The Town of Arcola requires a transfer station operator. Hours are Tuesdays, from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., Thursdays, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. and Saturdays, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Please call 306-455-2212 for details!

Please drop off a resume, including three references with telephone numbers, at the Town Office, 127 Main Street, or mail to Box 359, Arcola, SK S0C 0G0, or by email to arcadmin@sasktel.net.



Dutch Elm Disease

A Disease that kills Elm Trees:

Dutch elm disease is caused by an aggressive fungus that kills elms regardless of their health. It is considered the most costly shade tree disease ever and will remain active in a community as long as there are susceptible trees. The fungus invades the water transporting vessels and produces toxins to which the tree reacts. In defense to the toxins the tree produces gums and internal growths designed to block the advance of the fungus. The combination of the toxins and the defense mechanisms of the tree inhibit water flow to the crown, which causes wilting and tree death.

How Dutch Elm Disease Spreads:

Female elm bark beetles lay their eggs beneath the bark of dead and dying elm trees. If the elm is infected with Dutch elm disease the newly hatched beetles will emerge from the tree carrying the deadly fungus on their bodies. The beetles fly to healthy trees to feed on 2 - 4-year-old branches and thereby spread the disease. Besides beetle transmission, Dutch elm disease may also spread through grafted roots. When elms grow in close proximity to each other, their roots can come into contact and graft together. This common root system provides the fungus with a pathway to spread through an entire stand of healthy elms very quickly.

Disease Symptoms:

- Symptoms begin to develop 4 - 6 weeks after infection.
- Wilting or “flagging” of one or more branches, starting at the branch tip.
- Infected branches turn dull green to yellow, curl, and become dry and brittle.

What Can you Do to Help Save Our Elms?

- Take preventative measures by keeping your elm trees health, vigorous and properly pruned.
- Elms should be well watered from April to August.
- Dead branches and trees that provide beetle habitat should be removed. Since elm bark beetles are attracted to fresh tree wounds, pruning should only be done October 1 to March 31 when the beetles are not in their active stage.
- Dispose of all elm wood you have.



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