



September 7, 2010

## **News:**

### **Be part of the solution – SUMA seeks volunteers for Environmental Code Content Committees**

SUMA is looking for qualified people from towns/villages to be a part of the Saskatchewan Environmental Code Content Committees. As appointed SUMA reps on the Content Committees, you will represent urban municipalities and help develop the Saskatchewan Environmental Code. For more information on the Content Committees, please click [here](#). If you would like to volunteer on the committees, please contact, Che-Wei Chung, Policy Advisor. You can email him at [cchung@suma.org](mailto:cchung@suma.org) or call him at 306-525-4389.

### **Government moves to increase surgical capacity in Saskatchewan**

Saskatchewan patients will now benefit from being able to have certain day surgeries outside of a hospital setting. Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region has started booking patients for dental surgery and knee arthroscopy procedures at Omni Surgery Centre, a private surgical facility in Regina. The government's ambitious goal is to reduce surgical wait times to no more than three months by 2014. Third-party delivery of surgical services is being introduced under the Saskatchewan Surgical Initiative as a way to shorten patients' wait times and help eliminate the backlog of people on the surgical wait list. For more information click [here](#).

### **Highlight your achievements -- Water Canada wants great water stories**

As a supplement to Water Canada's January/February 2011 issue, Water's Next will highlight significant contributions to Canada's water sector, including people, projects, businesses and innovation. The deadline for story idea submissions is October 15. A selection committee of water professionals and experts will review nominations in late October. For information, click [here](#).

### **September 2010 Municipalities Today online**

The latest issue of Municipalities Today is available online. Topics include planning for floods, management of exemptions, abatements, discounts and penalties in relation to education property tax, and a feature on the Moose Jaw YWCA. To view this edition, click [here](#).

### **Recognize outstanding municipal work – Scoop Lewry Award nominations open**

Municipalities are encouraged to submit nominations for the **Scoop Lewry Award**. SUMA presents "The Scoop" at the SUMA Convention Awards Program, in recognition of outstanding service in municipal government or administration, on a local and provincial/national basis. Those eligible for nomination include elected officials, administrators, SUMA officials and personnel in Municipal Affairs and First Nations and Métis Relations. The nomination form is located on the [SUMA website](#). The submission deadline is September 14, 2010.

### **Call for Resolutions for 106<sup>th</sup> Annual SUMA Convention**

SUMA asks its members to send all resolution submissions prior to the 2011 Convention deadline of Nov. 1, 2010. Send resolutions electronically to [smceachern@suma.org](mailto:smceachern@suma.org). For more information on how to prepare resolutions, [click here](#).

## **Municipal Financial Statement Workshop deadline coming up**

The deadline for registration for the Municipal Financial Statement Workshops is Friday, September 17, 2010. These workshops, which run October 5 (Regina), 6 (Saskatoon) and 7 (Prince Albert) will focus on understanding and analyzing the new financial information in the 2009 financial statements, and municipal budgeting going forward (illustrating and analyzing the changes to municipal budgeting). The cost is \$75 per person. For more information visit <http://www.sasktca.ca/seminar-registration.php>.

## **Grants of the Week:**

### Community Grants Program (SGI) – Deadline: October 31, 2010

SGI and the Acquired Brain Injury Partnership Project are proud to offer the Community Grants Program to help offset the costs of traffic safety and brain injury prevention programs for local organizations. For more details click [here](#).

### Community Vitality Program (Tourism, Parks, Culture & Sport) – Deadline: October 1, 2010

The Community Vitality Program aims to respond to challenges at the local community level and assist communities to remain vibrant places to live. It will support small capital project that improve the quality, accessibility and use of facilities in communities, and projects and events that build community pride, encourage volunteerism and community involvement, and engage Aboriginal and young people as leaders in community activities. For more information click [here](#).

## **Corporate Services:**

### September special – “Stop, Yield” signs

For the month of September, SUMA Advantage partner Signal Industries has the RA-1 Stop and RA-2 Yield signs on sale. Quantities are limited, so act fast. For pricing, click [here](#). Contact Signal Industries at [www.signalindustries.ca](http://www.signalindustries.ca) or 1-800-565-9443.

## **Upcoming Events:**

### **CES Summit 2010**

#### **A Sustainable Saskatchewan – Managing The Growth**

**September 16, 2010**

**Regina, SK**

The Consulting Engineers of Saskatchewan is hosting a summit of interest to all wishing to influence the Saskatchewan economy in a positive way. Bringing together representatives from major economic segments in our province with a focus on Human Resources and Industry/Infrastructure issues, the Summit will give attendees the chance to network on innovative solutions to manage the province's growth. For more information, click [here](#).

### **8<sup>th</sup> Annual Western Municipalities Aboriginal Gathering**

**September 27-29, 2010**

**North Battleford, SK**

“Strength, Unity and Pride” is the theme for this year's gathering. The purpose of the Western Municipalities Aboriginal Gathering is to provide opportunities to meet colleagues, discuss challenges and solutions, as well as share practices that have proved to be successful. For more information, email Ray Fox at [ray\\_rkfox@sasktel.net](mailto:ray_rkfox@sasktel.net) or (306) 937-6898.

The organizers invite municipalities to join the gathering to make short presentations on current initiatives, services and practices related to their Aboriginal citizens. To register a delegate for presentations or to register for attendance at the gathering, contact Jim Toye at the City of North Battleford, [jtoye@cityofnb.ca](mailto:jtoye@cityofnb.ca) or fax (306) 446-3288.

**Fall '10 Waste Minimization Forum  
September 30–October 1, 2010  
Humboldt, SK**

The Saskatchewan Waste Reduction Council hosts this forum. For more information or to register call (306) 931-3242 or email [swrc@link.ca](mailto:swrc@link.ca).

**Financial Statement Workshops  
October 5–7, 2010  
Regina & Saskatoon, SK**

For further information, please go to <http://www.sasktca.ca/events>

**Canadian Urban Forest Conference 9  
October 5–7, 2010  
Truro, NS**

The Canadian Urban Forest Conference (CUFC) is held every two years, alternating between an eastern and western host community. The CUFC has become recognized as the education and networking event for those working in the field of urban forest management. For more information on the conference, please go to the conference [homepage](#).

**Media Relations & Public Speaking Training  
October 14, 2010  
Regina, SK**

Benchmark Public Relations is sponsoring two sessions for public representatives of organizations, associations and businesses Oct. 14 at the West Harvest Inn in Regina. The half-day morning session will focus on media relations, and feature mock interviews and information on how the media operates. The afternoon workshop is on dynamic public speaking by David Benjatschek. For more information click [here](#).

**Building Capacity, Building Communities: Homegrown Housing Solutions for Saskatchewan  
November 17-19, 2010  
Saskatoon, SK**

Hosted by the Saskatoon Housing Initiatives Partnership, this event will feature Saskatchewan-based guest speakers from governmental and non-governmental organizations, as well as builders and developers from the residential construction industry. To register or for more information, please click [here](#)

**North American Rail Summit 2010  
October 17-20, 2010  
Montreal, QC**

The North American Rail Summit (formerly the Railway Interchange Conference) focuses on sharing knowledge and experience among railway researchers, practitioners and decision makers in North America. For more information, contact Janet Greene at (613) 564-8109 or [JanetG@railcan.ca](mailto:JanetG@railcan.ca).

**MCDP Sustainable Planning Workshop  
October 14, 2010  
Meadow Lake, SK**

For more information on the sustainable planning workshop, please email [MCDP](#).

**Rural Development Institute and Canadian Rural Revitalization Foundation Conference  
October 14-16, 2010  
Brandon, MB**

The national conference will focus on issues affecting rural communities and their futures. Saskatchewan's [Municipal Capacity Development Program](#) has been invited to highlight successful inter-municipal practices at this year's conference. For more information on the conference, please click [here](#).

## **Tax Enforcement Workshops**

**October 19-28, 2010**

### **North Battleford, Saskatoon, Prince Albert, Kelvington, Swift Current, Moose Jaw & Broadview, SK**

The Ministry of Municipal Affairs, the Rural Municipal Administrators' Association of Saskatchewan and Urban Municipal Administrators' Association of Saskatchewan have collaborated to create a series of one-day Tax Enforcement and Small Claims Workshops this fall, featuring guest speakers from Advisory Services, Information Services Corporation, the Provincial Mediation Board, as well as legal professionals. The workshops will deal with all facets of the tax enforcement process, including options for enforcing payment of taxes outside *The Tax Enforcement Act*.

Seven workshops will take place from October 19-28 in North Battleford, Saskatoon, Prince Albert, Kelvington, Swift Current, Moose Jaw and Broadview. Registration fee of \$65 includes lunch. For full details and a registration form, click [here](#).

## **14<sup>th</sup> Canadian National Conference & 5th Policy Forum on Drinking Water**

**October 30-November 2, 2010**

### **Saskatoon SK**

With the objectives of assuring continuous improvement in drinking water services and public health in the face of new challenges, aging infrastructure and new solutions, the 2010 Conference and Policy Forum will focus on the unique challenges faced in aligning research needs with reality in the drinking water situations across the country. Featuring both oral and poster presentations, and possibly a policy or research forum, the event will also address regulatory issues, research needs, and the contaminants of emerging concern. Contact [www.cwwa.ca](http://www.cwwa.ca)

## **2<sup>nd</sup> Agri-Investment Symposium (Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada)**

**November 8-9, 2010**

### **Saskatoon, SK**

Companies across Canada are being called to present innovative investment-ready agri-technologies or start-up or growth-stage agri-enterprises to 20 potential investors. The deadline for formal "requests to present" to the AAFC is September 15, 2010. Further information and instructions are available by clicking [here](#).

## **2010 National Restorative Justice Symposium**

**November 14-16, 2010**

### **Regina, SK**

The Regina John Howard Society will host the first ever National Restorative Justice Symposium at the Ramada Hotel in Regina. Anyone with an interest in restorative justice and effective responses to crime and conflict is welcome to attend. For more information details, click [here](#), or contact the John Howard Society at [rjs\\_2010\\_regina@sk.johnhoward.ca](mailto:rjs_2010_regina@sk.johnhoward.ca), or call 1-888-757-6658 ext. 228.

For more events, visit the [SUMA events calendar](#).

**Classifieds:**

*Positions Available:*

- [Village of Buena Vista: Foreman](#) – Sept. 15, 2010
- [Town of Carnduff: Administrator](#) – Sept. 10, 2010
- [Village of Kincaid: Working Foreman](#) – Sept. 8, 2010
- [Town of Regina Beach: Manager of Public Works & Utilities](#) – When filled
- [Town of Black Diamond: Public Works Equipment Operator II](#) – When filled
- [Town of Arcola: Urban Administrator](#) – When filled
- [City of Estevan: Facilities Manager](#) – When filled

*Items For Sale:*

- [Ice Machine for Sale](#) – August 31, 2010
- [Pumper Truck for Sale](#) – Sept. 17, 2010
- [Commercial Steel Building](#) – When Sold