

The Wood Buffalo Monthly

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Welcome your 2010 UDI-Wood Buffalo Board of Directors



Left to right bottom:

**Bryan Lutes President, Dan Lemke Vice-President, Carmelo Daprocida Director
Cliff Maron Past President, Charles Schwarz Director,**

Left to right top: Michael Wheating Director Jeremy Williams Director Dan Ball Treasurer

The board would like to take this opportunity to thank Cliff Maron for his past years as President of UDI-Wood Buffalo and Frank Reitz for his past years of service as Past President. They would also like to encourage all members to become more active by being involved on any one of our three working committees. The three committees include the Builders, Government Bylaws and the Land Developers. They meet once a month or once every 2 months depending on the issues at hand. For a few short hours of your time UDI-Wood Buffalo can benefit from your expertise and knowledge. Please inform the office if you wish to be involved.

The Annual Construction Industry Golf Tournament was held on June 17th. Thanks to all the golfers who attended for a day of golf in the sunshine. Congratulations to all of the winners and a very special thanks to our sponsors and our partner Fort McMurray Construction Association for making this a successful event.

Upcoming Events



SAVE THE DATE!

**Our Annual Builders BBQ will be held on Friday August 13, 2010
Time and location to be announced. Hope to see you all there, Join
us for a free lunch and a chance to win some great door prizes!**



Committee Reports

Builders/Trade:

Alberta Municipal Affairs has updated its building and fire code regulations. In order to help our Industry understand these changes the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo, Superior Safety Codes and UDI-Wood Buffalo will be hosting a **Residential Building Code Seminar**. Alberta Municipal Affairs will be on hand to address the questions related to the newly adopted fire amendments to the Alberta Building Codes for the single-family dwellings.

Location: Merit Hotel-8200 Franklin Ave

Date: April 2, 2009

Time: 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Complimentary Lunch will be provided

Registration forms are available on UDI-Wood Buffalo's website at www.udiwoodbuffalo.com or call Superior Safety codes at 780-715-7726 please fax in your registration by March 30th. Be sure to send any one from your firm who is involved in the decision making process from the general contractors to the foremen and supervisory staff.

The new fire codes are in effect immediately, and the new building codes will come into effect on May 3,2009. To find out more information, visit www.municipalaffairs.alberta.ca or call toll free 1-866-421-6929 or better yet **attend the seminar!**

UDI-Wood Buffalo stakeholder programs update:

Community Development Advisory Board (CDAB) –Parsons Creek Land Parcel

On March 11,2009 the first meeting was held in Fort McMurray which involved going through the terms of reference and the expectations of the board members. The board members are: Gary Friedel, Chair, Mayor Melissa Blake, Dave Gourlay, Brenda Erskine, Heather Kennedy, Robin Wigston and Cliff Maron. The board's purpose is to make recommendations (to government of Alberta Housing & Urban Affairs) regarding the overall development plan of the Parsons Creek land parcel, including land use and cost implications.

As a member of the board, UDI-Wood Buffalo is looking for membership input or concerns that can be taken and reviewed at the board level. We have an opportunity to be involved, so lets take advantage of the opportunity for our Industry and Community.

The advisory board will meet once a month in Fort McMurray, which will allow the members to see the development and its progress first hand. Land clearing started this month and it is anticipated that more than 100 acres will be cleared by the first week of April. The first phase of the development will consist of 8,000 homes, 1,000 will be affordable housing. The next meeting is scheduled for April 15.

Permits Stats

Building permits issued for the month of February.

Single Family Dwellings- 11 Multi Family- 0

UDI Alberta Conference “Facing the Future” April 23,2009 Edmonton AB

MEMBERS PROFILE

CDM Properties –Contacts- Christine Matthews or Bill Damm – Category- Supplier Services
Rental Office: 101-242c Powder Drive, Fort McMurray, AB T9K 0B6 Phone 780-743-3534
Hours of operation: Monday thru Friday 8:30-6:00. After hours by appointment.

CDM Properties Ltd is an organization that is actively engaged in property management and established presence in Fort McMurray in 1999. The first rental apartment building of 83 units completed in 2001 and have since added 420 units over the past 7 years and now have holdings

totaling 503 completed rental units. Some of our properties include Parson's Creek Village, Emma Manor and Bronwyn Place. Our newest project "Franklin Landing" contains 3 buildings of 171 furnished units under construction with completions scheduled from June-September 2009.

General Manager, Residential Portfolio, Alberta is Christine Matthews who manages the entire portfolio with over 15 staff in Fort McMurray. The company provides rental units complete with cleaning, maintenance and housekeeping of all the properties. They cater to all needs of the community with a variety of housing options for the single person to the family households including corporate executives' needs.

If you want "convenience and comfort beyond compare" CDM Properties is the company to choose.

Be sure to watch for the unveiling of our new branding "**Big Spirit Rentals**" coming soon.

Please consider supporting our members if you have a need for the services they provide.

Quote of the Month

Today is the Tomorrow I was worried about Yesterday

Author Unknown

Please forward any comments or concerns

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