

# *The Wood Buffalo Monthly*

**Volume 8, January 2008**

Happy New Year to all and wishing you a healthy and prosperous 2008.

## **COMMITTEE NEWS**

**Builders/Trade Committee** - The RMWB Bylaw Enforcement section have 2 bylaw officers designated for construction and development sites. The areas of concern are safety, off loading on roadway, traffic control, untarped loads, overweight loads, cleated vehicles, running equipment on sidewalks and commercial vehicle dirt tracking. They are requesting your company follow the rules, regulations and guidelines set with your development permit. They are looking for compliance and will be equipped to enforce the infractions. Bylaw Enforcement will be available to attend your sites safety meetings or answer any questions you may have by phoning Robin Taylor at RMWB.

**Land Developers Committee** - In order to assist the RMWB planning department for approving development permits please forward your project timelines to UDI-Wood Buffalo office, this will enable RMWB to schedule for the work load and be better prepared for the upcoming construction season. You may also book appointments to bring in your development permits by phoning the planning department through Dennis Peck.

**Government Bylaw Committee** - Just recently had another offsite levy meeting and the negotiating committee is moving forward, the timeline is set with anticipation of completion in May. The Land Use Bylaw general text amendments have now been reviewed with a few minor changes. The landscaping section will be removed until all affected parties can provide input.

**Our Next Event** will be our **Annual General Meeting (AGM)** March 7th Friday at 12:00 pm at the Sawridge Inn & Conference Centre. Our keynote speakers for this event will be **Onufry Shinkewski (President)** of UDI Alberta and **Nicole Martel (Executive Director)** of UDI Alberta. Please plan to attend and find out what UDI Alberta has been involved with this year and also to vote in your new executive board.

### **Please make Note**

If you have not done so already, please remit your membership renewals, you will need to be a member in good standing to vote at the AGM on March 7th and to let your name stand for any board positions. The nomination and proxy forms are attached and also available on our website home page. Please complete and submit by February 25,2008

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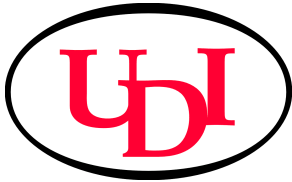
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### **Quote of the Month**

Do not go where the path may lead, go instead where there is no path and leave a trail.

- *Ralph Waldo Emerson*



## Urban Development Institute-Wood Buffalo

*Annual General Meeting and Election of Officers  
Guest Speakers Onufry Shinkewski President UDI Alberta &  
Nicole Martel Executive Director UDI Alberta*

**Friday, March 7, 2008 12:00 pm Lunch  
Sawridge Inn & Conference Centre**

### **Guest Speaker President UDI Alberta**



#### **Onufry Shinkewski**

Onufry graduated from the University of Saskatchewan with a degree in Civil Engineering. After graduating he headed west for his first engineering position with the Edmonton firm of Reid Crowthers and Partners. He later joined Qualico Developments in their land division and thereafter Block Bros as the Regional Manager for the Edmonton region. An opportunity was presented to move to the Denver office of Block Bros where he spent over 10 years in the development business. During his time in Denver Onufry also completed an MBA at the University of Colorado. Onufry joined Genstar in 2001 in the Calgary office and is currently Vice President for the Edmonton region. As of January 1, 2008 he will be Vice President of Alberta overseeing the Edmonton and Calgary offices of Genstar. Onufry assumed the position of President of UDI Alberta in April of 2007.

### **Guest Speaker Executive Director UDI Alberta**

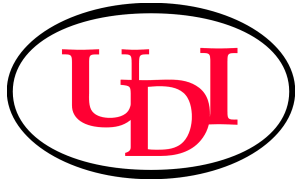
#### **Nicole Martel**

Nicole studied at the University of Alberta attaining Bachelors and Masters Degrees in Political Science. After her education, she pursued a number of different career paths with bureaucracy, business, politics and government relations. Her past roles include being a policy analyst with Alberta Municipal Affairs and the Manager of Government Relations for EPCOR. Nicole is also co-owner of a local Edmonton business. In June of last year, Nicole joined UDI Alberta as their Executive Director. She has been engaged in provincial activities such as the Land Use Framework, affordable housing initiatives and wetland policy implementation plans just to name a few. She looks forward to continuing to meet with UDI members across the province over the next year.



**Plan to attend to vote in your new executive board and get an overview of  
UDI Alberta past, present and future.**

**Register today! Complete attached form and fax to 743-2915**



# **UDI - Wood Buffalo**

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Date: **March 7, 2008 Friday**

Time: 12:00pm Lunch

Location: Sawridge Inn & Conference Centre

Guest Speakers: **Onufry Shinkewski President UDI Alberta**  
**Nicole Martel Executive Director UDI Alberta**

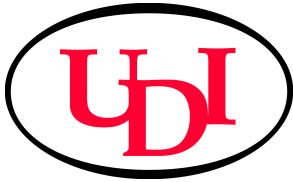
**Register today! Complete form and fax to 743-2915**

Company:	
Contact:	
Phone:	Fax:
E-mail:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Member: \$25.00 <small>gst included.</small>	Non Member: \$35.00 <small>gst included.</small>
Method of Payment	
<input type="checkbox"/> Cash at Door	<input type="checkbox"/> Cheque at Door <input type="checkbox"/> Invoice Me ***
Attendee:	
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Total # of Attendees:	Total amount owing:
*** If you have prepaid for events they will be deducted.	

Any questions please call the office at 743-2900

**Cancellation/Refund Policy:**

No refunds will be issued for non- attendance\*Registrants that choose payment at door & do not attend will be invoiced\*Cancellations must be received 48 hours in advance of event.



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## REQUEST FOR BOARD NOMINATIONS

The Board of Directors for the Urban Development Institute-Wood Buffalo consists of a President, Vice President, Treasurer and four Directors. The term is for one year and you must be a member in good standing. If you are interested or know someone who would be interested in serving a one-year term please complete this nomination form.

### NOMINEE

<b>Nominee Name:</b>	
<b>Company:</b>	
<b>Address:</b>	
<b>Phone:</b>	<b>Fax:</b>
<b>E-Mail:</b>	

- Nominated for Position of:**
- President**
  - Vice President**
  - Treasurer**
  - Director (4 Positions)**

Signature of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dated: \_\_\_\_\_  Yes I am a member in good standing.

### Nominator

I hereby nominate the above individual as a candidate for the noted position on the UDI-Wood Buffalo Board of Directors for the term 2008.

<b>Nominator Name:</b>	
<b>Company:</b>	
<b>Address:</b>	
<b>Phone:</b>	<b>Fax:</b>
<b>E-Mail:</b>	

Signature of Nominator: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dated: \_\_\_\_\_  Yes, I am a member in good standing.

Completed nomination forms must be received no later than **February 29, 2008** send to UDI- Wood Buffalo 108-9908 Franklin Ave, Fort McMurray, AB T9H 2K5  
Or fax to 780-743-2915. Any questions please call the office at 780-743-2900.



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## PROXY DESIGNATION

TO: Urban Development Institute – Wood Buffalo

The undersigned, as a member in good standing with UDI-Wood Buffalo, hereby designates \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_,  
Name of individual Company  
as my proxy to vote for me on my behalf at the Annual General Meeting of UDI-Wood Buffalo to be held in Fort McMurray, Alberta on the 7<sup>th</sup> of March, 2008.

I confirm that I am a member in good standing.

Member Name:
Company Name:
Signature:
Date:

**NOTE:** This proxy form must be received at or before the Annual General Meeting. You may deliver the proxy to UDI-Wood Buffalo at: 108-9908 Franklin Ave., Fort McMurray, Alberta T9H 2K5 or fax to 780-743-2915.