



NEWS RELEASE – Reeve’s Annual Charity Golf Tournament Raises over \$37,000 for Local Programs in Need!

September 10, 2024 – LAMONT, AB: Lamont County Council and Reeve, David Diduck, are proud to announce this year’s charity golf tournament has raised **more than \$32,000**. Proceeds from the Reeve’s annual tournament directly support the County of Lamont Food Bank, for its new building fund and Christmas hamper program—initiatives that directly benefit residents within Lamont County. The initial amount raised was \$32,072, and including a further \$5,000 donation from Sil Industrial Minerals, this brings the total to over \$37,000.

“What a great charity tournament initiative giving back to Lamont County residents in need,” said Jason Wytrykush, Board Member of the County of Lamont Food Bank. “The food bank serves approximately five per cent of County residents each year, and of that, 60 per cent of these recipients are senior and children aged—these are among the most vulnerable in our community!” Supporting a new building goes a long way to assisting families with the right resources.

A record number of golfers descended on Whitetail Crossing Golf Course in Mundare on August 22, including 144 golfers from the public, businesses and industry across Lamont County.

With everyone’s support, Lamont County is doing what it can to have impact on local initiatives to aid those in need. New this year, Sil Industrial Minerals included an additional \$5,000 donation to the County of Lamont Food Bank announced at the tournament’s reception dinner.

“Sil has been a part of Lamont County for more than 50 years,” said Ron Dorton, Sil Edmonton Branch Manager. “We are committed to helping the local community – from hiring and training of local residents, to giving back where we can. The County of Lamont Food Bank is an amazing group of volunteers that help those in need, and we are happy to help out!”

This year there was significant demand for Lamont County Food Bank services, and Reeve Diduck also encourages those able, to also look at the many opportunities to donate to organizations that offer local support, both in Lamont County and its surrounding municipalities.

“I continue to be amazed at the tremendous amount of support when our community steps up and helps those in need. The funds raised will have a direct benefit to residents of Lamont County,” said Lamont County Reeve, David Diduck. “I am glad I was able to meet, speak with and take pictures with almost all the participants this year. The weather was decent, and everyone was able to have a great day of golf and networking – thank you to our sponsors and participants for your generous donations, and to our volunteers who help make this tournament a success! I am already looking forward to next year.”

Sponsors and participants, as well as staff volunteers, stepped up and supported this great tournament.

“We are extremely grateful for our sponsors and participants, who came together to support local,” said Shane Olson, Economic Development Manager with Lamont County. “I am amazed at the response of our partners, stakeholders and participants. We have raised significant funds, and it was a great day to golf and to network with everyone. Raising over \$37,000 for the food bank and its new building fund will go a long way in Lamont County.”

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The Reeve, Council and Administration appreciate the tournament's gold/silver/bronze and hole sponsors, as well as the additional funds and prize donations provided by everyone—our gold sponsors: Cenovus Energy, CLH Group Inc., Edge Equipment, Graymont, Sameng Inc., Sil Industrial Minerals, Western Asphalt and Wolf Midstream.

Mundare's Whitetail Crossing golf club hosted the tournament and breakfast and dinner were catered by Ironwood Catering. It was a great day for golf.

Golfers enjoyed the overcast weather, and additional fund-raising through participating in raffles and 50/50 draws. Congratulations to the winners!

Snippets from the tournament:

- **Participants: 144 registered golfers** in a Texas scramble best ball format.
- **Champion Team:** (15 under par) Team EPCOR - Marcus O., Thomas S., Trang N., & Ryan L.
- **Most Honest Team:** included Lamont County CAO Peter T., Cory L., Kevin P. & Alex T.
- **Unfortunately, no hole-in-one's:** there were prizes from sponsors and cash prizes on a few of the par-3 holes, as well as additional golf bags and prizes for proximity provided by The Cooperators, HumanEdge and Lamont County.
- There was plenty of food, games and swag from the hole sponsors, including hot dogs, burgers, cherries, popcorn and snacks.
- There were additional raffle draws and a 50/50 to raise more charity funds.
- **Over \$32,000 raised for** local initiatives (County of Lamont Food Bank for its new building fund and Christmas hamper program).
- Sil provided an additional **\$5,000 donation** to the County of Lamont Food Bank.

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[Enclosure: Photos from the event and sponsors poster.]

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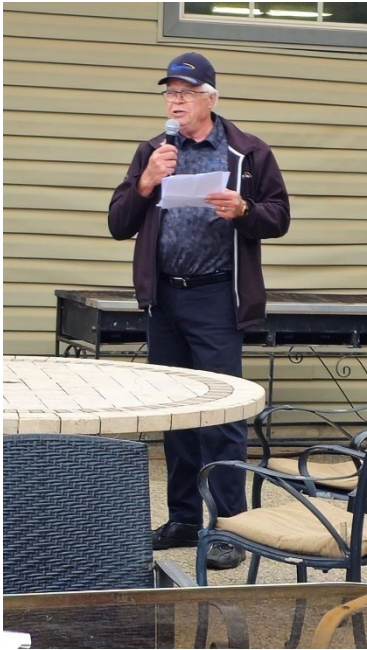
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Photos from the Lamont County Reeve's Charity Golf Tournament (**Media: please let Lamont County Communications know if you would like a specific photo at higher quality for print...names are withheld for specific participants for privacy**):

1. Reeve Diduck welcoming participants and sponsors to this year's tournament.
2. Reeve Diduck taking a Ukrainian putt at the Friends of Ukrainian Village sponsor hole.
3. The trophy presentation by Reeve Diduck (EPCOR team with trophy).
4. The winning team: EPCOR's full team - Marcus O., Thomas S., Trang N., and Ryan L.
5. Councillors BBQ-ing at the clubhouse (at the turn).
6. Participants enjoying dinner and networking.
7. Participants (candid photo) from the golf tournament.
8. A brisket buffet followed an intense day of golf on a nice overcast day to hit the links.
9. Participants (candid photo) from the golf tournament.
10. Participants (candid photo) from the golf tournament.
11. Participants (candid photo from one of the sponsor hole's games) from the golf tournament.
12. Golf carts loaded and ready for the sold-out tournament.

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REEVE'S 2024 CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

Thank you to our sponsors & volunteers!

This year's tournament raised \$32,072!

All proceeds going to Lamont County's food bank for its new building fund and for the Christmas hampers program – vital initiatives within Lamont County. And an additional \$5,000 was presented by SIL!



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“Thank you for participating in our tournament this year. Proceeds raised are going to a very important cause – to help the food bank in obtaining a new building and providing crucial support within the community!”

- Lamont County Reeve, David Diduck

