

The Spirit of Giving

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\$100,000 Donation to Ronald McDonald House Made in Honour of Edwin Boneleye



L to R: Doug Osborn, RMHS Board Member and For Every Family Capital Campaign Co-chair; Geoff Gay, ABD; Glen Strong, Points Athabasca; Board Member Edwin Boneleye; Gord Gillespie, West Wind Aviation; George Presseault, Team Drilling.

This winter, Athabasca Basin Development, Team Drilling, West Wind Aviation and Points Athabasca contributed \$25,000 each for a total of \$100,000 to Saskatoon's Ronald McDonald House. The donation was named after ABD Board Member Edwin Boneleye, in honour of his current battle with cancer.

"Our friend and colleague Edwin is fighting a brave battle with cancer right now and his strength and his courage are inspiring," says Geoff Gay, CEO of Athabasca Basin Development. "We are honoured to make this donation to the Ronald McDonald House Capital Campaign and to have a room built in Chief Boneleye's name, to recognize him not only for his contributions to the Athabasca region, but also to honour his strength and courage in the midst of this battle. The Ronald McDonald House provides a way

for families to support their loved ones during their own battles and I am proud that we are supporting such a worthwhile charity."

"Thank you so much for your generous contribution to the Ronald McDonald House," says Angela Bergerman, Capital Campaign Associate for the Ronald McDonald House. "This donation will go towards expanding the house so that we can make sure we have the room to provide accommodations for families of sick children travelling to Saskatoon for medical treatment. This donation is truly appreciated by so many families and it is wonderful to be part of such a momentous gift."

The Ronald McDonald House provides a "home away from home" for families of sick children travelling to Saskatoon

to receive medical treatment. The northern region of the province has been the second biggest user since 1995 with over 1,400 families accessing the facility. The Ronald McDonald House Saskatchewan prides itself on maintaining a warm, comforting, safe atmosphere where families have the opportunity to connect with other families in similar situations. In 2012, the Ronald McDonald House kicked off the "For Every Family" capital campaign, to expand the house to ensure that they are able to accommodate all families whose children need medical treatment. For more information, visit www.rmh.sk.ca.

Workshop Prepares Performers for Northern Spirits Showcase

The Points Athabasca Northern Spirits Showcase will be held February 16th at the Exhibition Centre in Prince Albert at 2 p.m. In November, many youngsters who displayed an incredible range of talent traveled from Northern Saskatchewan to Prince Albert to participate in a workshop to prepare them for the big show.

"We at Points Athabasca are proud to be the major sponsor for this worthwhile event," says Glen Strong, Community Relations and Training Coordinator at Points Athabasca. "The workshop, which saw involvement from 88 Northern Saskatchewan youth, as well as the upcoming showcase, help to build valuable skills and instill leadership qualities in our young people. We look forward to seeing everyone at this event supporting our young Northern Artists!"

This is the third year for the workshop, held in preparation for Points Athabasca Northern Spirits showcase. Points Athabasca Northern Spirits will feature 44 youth out of Northern Saskatchewan between the ages of 12-18. These youth will not only produce their own showcase, but they are the musicians, performers, stage hands, emcees, directors and set designers.

Points Athabasca Northern Spirits is part of the famous Voices of the North showcase, which has been running an annual show featuring Aboriginal talent for the past 21 years.

The Points Athabasca Northern Spirits Showcase is sponsored by Points Athabasca, which has contributed \$120,000 to the event over the past three years.



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Christmas in the North

In the second week of December, ABD co-sponsored the third annual Christmas in the North Campaign together with West Wind Aviation, Pronto Airways, Cameco and AREVA.

In this three-day event, 1,200 activity-based gift packages were delivered to Northern Communities in Wollaston Lake / Hatchet Lake, Fond du Lac, Stony Rapids, Camsell Portage, Uranium City and Black Lake.

"This is the third year that West Wind has organized this event and we are proud to have become a part of it this year," says Geoff Gay, CEO of Athabasca Basin

Development. "Christmas in the North directly touches the lives of residents in the Athabasca and is a natural fit for our sponsorship program. I'd like to thank West Wind and all the partners for their initiative in organizing, volunteering and sponsoring this excellent and exciting event."

Volunteers participated in school Christmas concerts and helped decorate four Elders' residences with lights and Christmas trees. They also visited four permanent residents at the Health Facility at Stony Rapids, where each resident received a gift pack of warm socks, shirts and sweat suits. Pronto also once again flew up the community Christmas feast for Uranium City and Camsell Portage.

"This event is very dear to our hearts and I am pleased to welcome Athabasca Basin Development as our new partner this year," says Gord Gillespie, CEO of West Wind Aviation. "This event really gives us and our partners a chance to visit and get to know the residents in the Athabasca region. In

each community, we had the opportunity to catch up with old friends, make some new ones, all while listening to the children sing Christmas carols. I would like to recognize

and thank all of our partners, Cameco, AREVA, Shell Aviation Fuel and Athabasca Basin Development, for providing their support in making this event a reality."



The third annual Christmas in the North campaign visits the communities in the Athabasca region.

Athabasca Basin Security Honours Five-Year Employees

In 2012 Athabasca Basin Security presented five-year service awards to eight employees: Stan Dugan, Rod Genest, Philip Laban, Darrin Laviolette, George Ledoux, Sandy McKenzie, Gerry Roy and Jolene Tsannie.

"I would like to thank all our five-year employees for their hard work in providing excellent service for our clients," says Ron Hyggen Jr, CEO of ABS. "In an industry that traditionally has high rates of turnover, I am pleased that so many of our people choose to stay with us for the long term. We believe in supporting our people to thrive in an exciting career and we work hard to make sure we continue to be an employer that our employees are proud to work for. We would not be where we are today without our employees and I am proud to recognize so many for five years of dedicated service."



L to R: Ron Hyggen Jr. presents an award to Darrin Laviolette.

Five Years of Service

Stan Dugan
Rod Genest
Philip Laban
Darrin Laviolette
George Ledoux
Sandy McKenzie
Gerry Roy
Jolene Tsannie

Message from the CEO and Board Chair



Geoff Gay, CEO and Anne Robillard, Board Chair

As we near the end of our tenth year, it is an excellent time to reflect on the success we've experienced so far and to begin mapping out the direction we'd like to see our company take over the next ten years.

With the majority of our current investments in the resource sector, we will always be subject to changes in commodity prices such as uranium, oil, potash, diamonds and rare earths and we have no control over when these changes might occur. The good news is there is a lot that our company and our investments can control and this will be

the basis for developing our ten-year plan. Whenever we invest in a company, we will ensure they have a strong, transparent safety culture, a strong management team with an eye on succession planning, a focus on maximizing aboriginal participation, solid governance practices and exceptional service. Since we invest in businesses for the long run, it is vital that we do our work up front to ensure that any potential investment fits these criteria.

As we work through our plan over the next several months, we will be looking at best practices, reviewing our performance over our first ten years, setting goals and devising strategies to reach these goals

for the next decade. As always, we will continue to maintain a strong focus on long term growth, while balancing the needs of our unit holders.

The key to our growth so far has been a strong economy, outperforming companies and re-investment and this will be the key for success in the next ten years. By taking the time to plan now, we will be very prepared to handle the ups and downs and capitalize on all the promise that exists in northern Saskatchewan and beyond. We have experienced remarkable success in our first ten years of operation and we look forward to seeing what the next ten years will bring.

Company Profile: Team Drilling

Team Drilling was established less than five years ago, but has quickly achieved success as a premier drilling company, demonstrating a strong track record of service and incredible growth.

Robert Fleming, Al Lamy, George Presseault and Sylvain Brisson, who form the management team, each had over 20 years of experience in the drilling industry. When they began the company in 2008, their vision was to provide a premier

drilling service focusing on safety, the environment and productivity in the mining industry. With the opportunities available in Northern Saskatchewan, a partnership between Athabasca Basin Development and the management at the newly-formed Team Drilling was created and the company quickly grew.

Team Drilling began with a staff of nine and within their first year of operations, not only generated sales of \$8M, but were also recognized by the Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce with an ABEX award for Best New Venture.

Today, the company employs over 200 people and is listed as one of

Saskatchewan's Top 100 Companies. With a focus on knowledge, experience, integrity and safety, Team Drilling provides long term, productive and safe services to some of the mining and exploration industry's biggest and best companies.

Services include surface, underground and specialty drilling. ABD has 50% ownership in Team Drilling. For more information about Team Drilling, visit www.teamdrilling.com.

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About Athabasca Basin Development

Athabasca Basin Development is an aboriginal-owned investment company. Investments are focused on the mining and exploration sector and include partial or complete ownership in construction, underground mining, industrial security, electrical, diamond drilling, logistics, road maintenance and aviation. The company is owned by the seven communities in Northern Saskatchewan's Athabasca region, providing an efficient way to partner with local communities in one of the world's premier mining and exploration districts.

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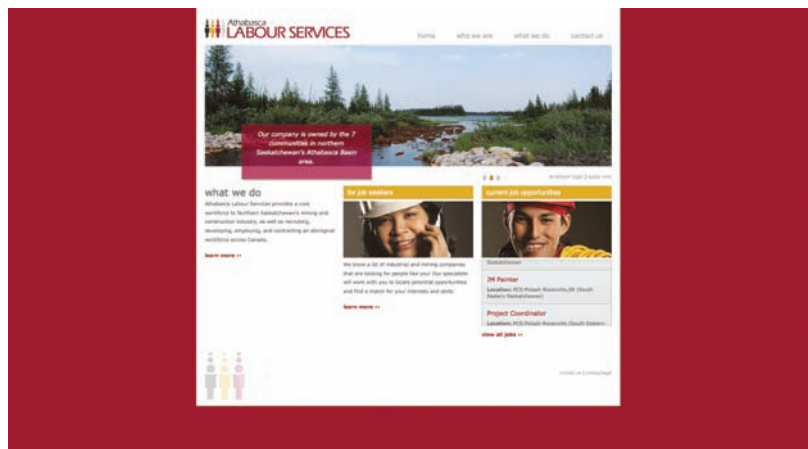


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New ALS Website Allows Job Applicants to Leads to **Apply online**



Athabasca Labour Services is pleased to launch their new website, designed with a fresh new look and user-friendly navigation. The site features current job postings and online application capability, making it easy for prospective employees to view opportunities and apply easily by

completing an online form. Plus, there's also a "tell a friend" feature, which allows users to send a job posting to a friend or family member that they think might be interested. Check it out at www.athabascalabourservices.ca.

New Logo, New Tagline for ABS



Old logo

Athabasca Basin Security is proud to announce the launch of a new company logo as part of the ongoing evolution of our company's brand.

In addition to a new icon, which graphically depicts a shield made up of seven lines representing each of the communities in northern Saskatchewan's Athabasca region, the company has also adopted a new tagline. "Your Trusted Partner for Industrial and Mine Security" describes



New logo

ATHABASCA BASIN
SECURITY

our company's mission to work with our clients to provide customized solutions for a full range of security services.

The rebrand has been nearly completed, with updates to all our collaterals, uniforms, trucks, business cards and more with the new logo. We are currently working on our new website and it is expected to be launched in the spring.

Flyer Electric Adopts New Logo



Old logo



New logo

Flyer Electric has recently adopted a new logo, representing a significant milestone in the company's evolution. After 30 years, however, saying goodbye to the original logo will be tough.

"We have significantly expanded our business in the past couple of years and looking ahead, the future is looking very bright for Flyer Electric," says Terry Tessier, CEO of Flyer Electric. "It is the opportune time to look at the company's future and we have spent a lot of time in the past months defining who we are and where we want to go. The new logo and tagline really capture our identity and I am very happy with the result."

A contemporary design, the new logo features a stylized version of the FE initials

in a vibrant gradient of reds and oranges. In addition to the logo, a new tagline has been adopted.

Bob Cockwill, President of Flyer Electric, started the company and has been there since its inception. "Providing a quality product and service has always been a key to our success and our new tagline, '30 Years of Powerful Solutions' really captures that," says Cockwill. "While the original logo served us well for the past 30 years, I think it's the perfect time for the company to make this change. I am very pleased with the new logo and tagline, as I think both accurately depicts who we are, as well as honouring our history of providing top-notch service."

In the coming months, Flyer Electric will be updating all collaterals, uniforms, trucks, business cards, etc. including a new website that will be launched this spring.

Proud to Support Cameco-MBC Radiothon for New Children's Hospital

On September 21, Missinippi Broadcasting Corporation (MBC) once again partnered with Cameco Corporation and the Children's Hospital Foundation of Saskatchewan to host a radiothon with a goal of raising money for the new Saskatchewan Children's Hospital. The radiothon generated over a half million dollars this year, with donations pouring in from nearly every northern community as well as many businesses.

Athabasca Basin Development, Points Athabasca, Team Drilling and Flyer Electric

once again participated in the radiothon and with Athabasca Basin Security joining in this year, donated a total of \$17,000.

"The new Children's Hospital will benefit everyone in Saskatchewan, including people in the Athabasca region, by taking care of our children," says Geoff Gay, CEO of Athabasca Basin Development. "This is a vital initiative for everyone and I'm proud that we were able to play a part, along with Saskatchewan's Northern residents, communities and other businesses."