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Lethbridge County Council and Anyang County, China delegation on Oct. 29, 2015.

## Message from the Reeve

# Welcome to 2016!

## It's shaping up to be as great a year as 2015 for Lethbridge County!

On behalf of Lethbridge County Council, I hope you and your loved ones had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! At the County, we took part in some festive celebrations by entering the County float in the 17th Annual Country Christmas Night of Lights Parade in Coaldale, where Lethbridge County won second place in the small business category! Congratulations and thank you to our staff who put together such a beautiful float that reflected the Christmas spirit in Lethbridge County!

Lethbridge County Council passed the 2016 budget during the December 17, 2015 council meeting, details of which are outlined in this newsletter. A summary document of the approved budget is available at [www.lethcounty.ca](http://www.lethcounty.ca) and a copy of the final distinguished budget document will be placed on the website upon completion.

Last fall, the County was honoured to host a delegation from our new twin county, Anyang County, China. The purpose of the visit was to foster relationships, promote trade, exchange ideas, build goodwill, and create international awareness of Lethbridge County's assets. The delegation included six



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representatives from Anyang County, the Town of Tongye, and the City of Anyang, who were in Lethbridge County for two days at the end of October. The Consul General for the Chinese Consulate in Calgary joined us to witness the signing of the Twinning Agreement. In order to give our guests a taste of what Lethbridge County has to offer, we took the delegation on a tour, including stops at Western Tractor, DuPont-Pioneer (Canola), Lethbridge Biogas, and lunch at Broxburn Vegetables and Café. The second day, Economic Development Lethbridge hosted the delegation and stops were made at Lethbridge City Hall, Richardson Oilseed, Lethbridge College, and the University of Lethbridge.

It is well known that Lethbridge County has a history of overland flooding and this fall, we broke ground on Phase One, of the Malloy Drainage Basin Project. This project is a partnership between Lethbridge County, the Town of Coaldale and the Saint Mary River Irrigation District. It will be extremely beneficial to Lethbridge County residents and improve drainage in these flood prone areas. Construction on this phase of the project is expected to be complete this spring.

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