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County/Watson’s Foto Source Celebrates 2012 Photo Contest

On Tuesday evening, at Evergreen Park TEC Centre the County and Watson’s Foto Source announced and awarded the winners of the 2012 photo contest and officially launched the 2013 photo contest.

“It’s great to see so many people getting involved, showcasing their talent and sharing photos we otherwise wouldn’t see of the County of Grande Prairie,” says Leanne Beaupre, County Reeve. “These visions of the County deserve recognition and we are very honoured to display these stunning photos.”

There were 253 photos submitted by 63 photographers; with over half being new entrants to the contest.

“We received very diverse pictures this year from some very talented photographers,” said Robin Watson, Watson’s Foto Source Owner. “Every photographer viewed the categories through very different perspectives.”

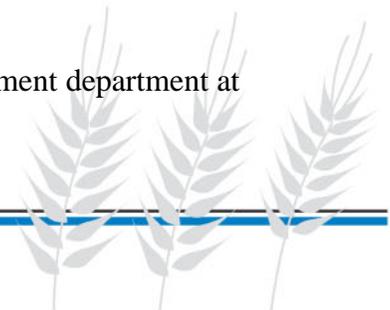
The 2012 County of Grande Prairie Photo Contest Winners:

	Scenes of the County Category	Families at work Category	County Historic Pre 1951 Category
1st	Belle Halls	Heather Strebchuk	Lee Tofer
2nd	Jocelyn Moe	Heather Strebchuk	Lee Tofer
3rd	Justin Cloutier	Aaron Anderson	Geraldine Mayer

To conclude the picture perfect event, the County and Watson’s kicked off the 2013 Photo Contest. The photo categories were also revealed – Scenes of the County; Energy, Forestry and Development in the County; and, Creatively Edited Photos.

The 2012 photos are available for viewing on the County’s website at www.countygp.ab.ca/photocontest.

For more information on the 2013 photo contest, please visit www.countygp.ab.ca/photocontest or contact the Economic Development department at 780-532-9722.





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Additional info attached:

- **2013 Photo Contest Criteria**



2013 Photo Contest Criteria:

Three Categories:

1. Scenes of the County
 - Scenes and specific sites must be located within the County.
2. Energy, Forestry & Development in the County
 - Must be taken within the County.
 - Includes activities associated with these industries. For example: construction sites, processing, building, transportation etc.
3. Creatively Edited Photos
 - Must be taken within the County, For example: Collage, colour enhancement, and Photoshop.

The following prizes to be awarded in each category:

- 1st – Digital Camera valued at \$400 - \$500 plus \$100 worth of photofinishing.
- 2nd – \$100 plus \$100 worth of photofinishing.
- 3rd – \$50

All entrants receive voucher for free prints.

Things to Consider when entering:

- Mail or email your photos with the following information: your name, address, phone number and where the photo was taken with any other interesting details about the photo.
- Enter up to five 4”x 6” unframed photos or digital photos (300 dpi) in each category.
- Entries must be received by Thursday December 12, 2013.
- Amateur photographers will be given preference.
- Entrants will retain ownership of their photos; however the County will retain the right to use all photos, including the right to publish.
- Photographers will be given credit when their photo is used.
- All entrants will receive a voucher from Watson’s Foto Source to develop 25 prints, free of charge.
- A limit of one voucher to individual will apply.
- Three prize winners will be selected for each category by an independent panel of judges.
- County employees can enter, however they are not eligible for prizes.
- Winners announced in January 2014.



Submit entries to:

County of Grande Prairie No. 1
Photo Contest
10001 – 84 Avenue
Clairmont, AB T0H 0W0
Phone: 780-532-9722

or

Watson's Foto Source
#1 Bell Tower Plaza
9899 – 112 Avenue
Grande Prairie, AB T8V 7T2
Phone: 780-532-1779

or

Electronic submissions
In JPEG format, 300 dpi
photocontest@countypg.ab.ca