



## **Are you curious where the money raised at the West of the 5th Poker Run in 2023 is going?**

At the West of the 5th Poker Run the volunteers are passionate about giving back. All of the proceeds raised will be contributed back to the following groups in 2023:

### **Friends of Falun Fundraising Committee**

Falun School is a Kindergarten to Grade 6 school. Our school supports literacy and numeracy by providing responsive intervention based on student need. We have a diverse body of students whose experiences and backgrounds meld together to create an inclusive learning community. The majority of our students reside in Wetaskiwin County between Highway 2 and Range Road 10/281, and in the Four Nations reserves of Ma-Me-O Beach and Louis Bull.

The funds raised this year will go towards Falun schools new playground that will be built in the spring. As well, these funds will support busing for field trips and support for our teachers to purchase supplies and equipment used on a daily basis.

### **Lakedell School Parent Fundraising Committee**

Lakedell School is located in a rural setting, 48 km west of Wetaskiwin along Highway #13. Our school emphasizes literacy and numeracy development at all grade levels, and our programming meets the diverse educational needs of our students. The student population is 71 pupils, of which 40% are of Indigenous ancestry and, for the most part, reside in the Four Band Reserve at Ma-Me-O Beach, but who also live at Louis Bull Reserve and off reserve. Our school serves students in ECS (Kindergarten) along with grades one through six.

Funds that are donated in 2023 will always support student experiences and or initiatives. This includes our playground improvement projects, year end field trips for the entire school at no cost, swimming lessons for grades K-2 at no cost, Skiing/Snowboarding for Grades 3-6 at no cost. The fundraising committee also supports school meals, year end picnic and so much more!

### **Pigeon Lake Region School**

Pigeon Lake Regional School currently serves 258 students in Grades 7 - 12. Most of the school's students are drawn from a vast attendance area that includes the hamlet of Falun, the lake community around Pigeon Lake, and the four bands of Maskwacis. The school receives grade 7 students from the Falun, Lakedell, Mimiw Sakahikan and Pipestone Schools.

PLRS will be using their funds to support welcome back and Christmas dinners, outdoor seating for students in common areas, convocation(Cap and gowns), outdoor recreation equipment and electronics in the gym.

### **Friends of Pipestone Fundraising Committee**

Pipestone School is located approximately 30 km west and 10 km north of Wetaskiwin. Families located in Mulhurst Bay, Pipestone, west of QEII along secondary highway 616, and the north of Falun area are served by Pipestone School. The current enrollment for the Pipestone School is 115 students in Kindergarten to grade six.

Funds raised will be used for a variety of educational in-school and outdoor field trips! The funds will also help us build new playground equipment and allow staff to purchase school related equipment and supplies!

### **PLRS Parent Grad Class Committee**

Parents of the 2023 Grad Class have come together to raise money for their graduates. The class of 2023 are approaching a life milestone in the spring. Funds raised from the Pre-Event will be contributed to the PLRS Parent Grad Class Committee. They will be using the funds to host a dinner celebration and special evening for the Grads. The funds that will be contributed to the PLRS Parent Grad Class Committee will be from the Pre-Event Dinner Ticket Sales.

### **Pigeon Lake Pre-School**

Pigeon Lake Pre- School is located at Lakedell School. Funds raised will support the pre-school operation for the services they provided. This includes but not limited to learning and craft supplies. Currently they have enrolled 22 students ages 3-5 years old. The Pigeon Lake Pre-School is a great start for the youngsters in the area.

### **South Pigeon Lake Fire Department**

Located near the Village of Pigeon Lake, the South Pigeon Lake Fire Department serves the surrounding area. SPLFD is a volunteer based fire department.They support various community events and strive to stay up to date on their training and have state of the art equipment to keep the community safe. SPLFD supports the West of the 5th Poker Run by being out on the lake volunteering and helping out where needed.

### **Mulhurst Fire Department**

Located on the north side of Pigeon Lake the Mulhurst Fire Department serves the surrounding area. MFD is a volunteer based fire department that works hard to keep up on their training and services in the community. They support various events to keep the community safe and create awareness of their services.

***The West of the 5th Poker Run fundraising efforts will be shared in the following Manner:***

Friends of Falun(Falun School) - 20%

Lakedell School Parent Fundraising Committee(Lakedell School) - 20%

Pigeon Lake Regional School (PLRS - High School) - 20%

Friends of Pipestone School Fundraising Committee(Pipestone School) - 20%

***South Pigeon Lake Fire Department (SPLFD), Mulhurst Fire Department (MFD), Pigeon Lake Pre - School - 20%***

PLRS Parent Grad Committee - Pre- Event Dinner Ticket sales

### **Event Background**

West of the 5th Poker Run will be hosting their 5th event on February 25, 2023.

This community fundraising event started with a group of friends who enjoy sledding and ATVing! This group of volunteers enjoy giving back to their community and have taken their passion of sledding and volunteerism and combined it to help raise funds for four rural schools as well as other selected groups.

NEW in 2023 is a pre event held on Friday, Feb 24 at the Lakedell Ag Society Hall. Tickets are on sale for \$25 each. Participants can pick up their Poker Run packages between 5-11. You do not need to purchase tickets for the Friday night event in order to pick up your registration package, however the evening will include a great beef on a bun dinner, live music from the Red Canoe and time to socialize with new and old friends. You don't want to miss it!

There are many large prizes to be won!!! Raffle prizes, day of 50/50, door prizes and youth prizes!! Don't forget to stop by our incredible bake sale and pick up something sweet.

In 2023, the West of the 5th Poker Run funds raised from this event will be split evenly between four schools: Falun School, Lakedell School, Pipestone School and Pigeon Lake Regional School. Funds will also be donated to: Pigeon Lake Pre-school, South Pigeon Lake Fire Department, Mulhurst Fire Department, PLRS Parent Grad Class Committee.

To register for the event follow this link:

<https://www.jotform.com/223514892442053>

Each adult must complete a registration form (including a set donation) for score cards. Cards can not be shared. Be sure to pre-register to ensure you get a score card. Participants must be 18 years of age or older to register for poker run score cards.

You need to have your order number to pick up your cards. (Save your email info)  
Refunds will only be issued if the event is canceled.

**Event details can be found on the West of the 5th Poker Run Facebook Page.**

Links for registration, pre-event 50/50, Pre-event Raffle, and online silent auction can be found on this info page.

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100072273495606>

If your friends and family can not attend the event you can still get involved by purchasing an online 50/50 ticket or an online raffle ticket for an ebike or smoker, or smart TV.

**50/50 RAFFLE**

<https://www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/westofthe5thpokerrun?fbclid=IwAR38Rqej1i0A5W0nqG2H0xgmryxlz17pfJBhm1b0AzVtTWaqDd5rUYQQKow>

**Prize RAFFLE**

[https://www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/westofthe5thpokerrun-prize?fbclid=IwAR0FE1\\_FWFzyYS\\_0ChvI0wUFD5v\\_TiDOMkH5HNbhnNghNhFIGPxvv2VpTlg](https://www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/westofthe5thpokerrun-prize?fbclid=IwAR0FE1_FWFzyYS_0ChvI0wUFD5v_TiDOMkH5HNbhnNghNhFIGPxvv2VpTlg)

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