



COLD LAKE GRAND OPENING

BIG NEWS

RPAP EXPERTISE BEING TAPPED

Over the last year RPAP was engaged to assist both Alberta Health and Alberta Infrastructure to finalize two important documents; "Design **Guidelines for Continuing** Care Facilities in Alberta" and "Family Care Clinics—Facility and Equipment Infrastructure Reference Material". Our job was to review the proposed standards to ensure compliance with both provincial and national standards and that functional and architectural approaches made sense. The Continuing Care Guidelines were included in the ASLI grant RFP earlier this year as well as being presented by Jan Pierzchailo at a recent ASCHA conference. The Family Care Clinic information will be included in the upcoming RFP by Alberta Health.



It is always a joy to be at the opening of a newly completed building. It is extra special when the building is being used for its intended purpose and is full of residents. In early May RPAP were in attendance for the Grand Opening of the new Points West Living facility in Cold Lake which provides designated supportive living for 52 residents. Many dignitaries attended the event and the day was a great success topped by a ribbon cutting ceremony. The project has been much anticipated in order to meet the needs of the community in the area of supportive housing. Thank you to the residents for allowing us to 'take over' the building for a few hours and for opening their doors to tours of the building.

THE SECRETARY'S DESK BOOK

You know you have been around for a while (RPAP is going into our 45th year) when you start doing a little clean up and come across a book called "The Secretary's Desk Book". Published in 1951, it provides "the secretary" with a bevy of useful information. The book begins with "The Role of the Secretary" and includes detailed information on punctuality, efficiency, loyalty, respect for the public, dress, posture and poise, cleanliness and health, and mental



outlook. It states "the executive cannot realize his ideas without her; an enterprise cannot function without her services". The role, the language, and gender biases have definitely changed but our appreciation for our administrative assistants has not.

UNDER CONSTRUCTION

- · Construction is nearing completion and residents will be moving in this summer to the new Points West Living assisted living project in Stettler.
- Design work has begun on a new infill apartment building in west Edmonton.
- · Piles are complete, grade beams are

- underway, and the drawings for the next tender package are nearing completion for the new Hay River Health Centre.
- Construction continues on the renovation and addition to the Edmonton Medical Examiners Building.
- · Formwork and concrete work are in progress for the parkade of Ottewell Terrace affordable seniors apartment building.