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County of St. Paul 5014-49 Ave. St. Paul, AB T0A 3A4

Dear Councillors,

The Kalyna Country Festival of the Performing Arts is your local connection to our Provincial and National Performing Arts Festivals. Every year adjudicated sessions are held at the St. Michael Recreation Centre, St. Michael, located in the centre of the cultural area known as "Kalyna Country." Students are invited to participate in classes where they perform choral, instrumental, dance, literary, and/or dramatic works. They receive a workshop style adjudication that emphasizes both enjoyment and education. In 2012 over 250 students from the Kalyna Country area participated in this very rewarding cultural experience.

The 2013 Festival runs from March 3-5. The week concludes with a Festival Highlights Concert on March 10 that gives selected performers the chance to showcase their talents and to be further rewarded with scholarships, plaques, or trophies.

In this, its 15th year of operation, the Kalyna Country Performing Arts Association is seeking your assistance to ensure the ongoing sustainability of the Festival. Your support in the amount of \$200 would be very much appreciated. Your contribution will enable us to continue our mandate of encouraging young Albertans to explore and expand upon their talents in the field of performing arts, and help keep our youth in our communities.

We, at the Kalyna Country Performing Arts Association, look forward to hosting young performers from your area at the 2013 Festival.

Yours truly,

Judy Taylor

President

Kalyna Country Performing Arts Association