

**Visit the ATCO
Blue Flame Kitchen™
On-line**

The ATCO Blue Flame Kitchen has launched an interactive new website to even better meet your cooking needs. Visit www.atcoblueflamekitchen.com today to find great recipes and helpful information on cooking. Learn everything from how to shuck an oyster to how to bake a pie on your barbecue.

The site features a number of on-line tools and services including:

- A searchable database full of professionally tested recipes
- Menu plans for every day and special occasions
- A special section dedicated to the barbecue
- A kitchen notes section full of helpful advice including a cooks glossary and special "how to" guide for mastering cooking techniques

Each month you can check out "What's Hot" in the world of cooking and download the feature recipes for the month.

If you prefer to talk to us in person, please contact us at one of the numbers that are listed following the recipe.

contact

Customer Assistance Centre

Monday to Friday, 7 a.m. – 9 p.m.
Saturday 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Calgary and local areas (403) 245-7888
Edmonton and local areas (780) 424-5222
City of Red Deer (403) 347-8947
All other areas 310-5678
(toll-free, do not dial 1-800 first)

**24-Hour Emergency Service
Gas Odour, Hit Lines**

Calgary and local areas (403) 245-7222
Edmonton and local areas (780) 420-5585
City of Red Deer (403) 347-9576
All other areas (toll-free) 1-800-511-3447

Alberta 1-Call

Call Before You Dig
1-800-242-3447

Recipe

From our kitchen to yours

Olé Smokies

- 4 burrito-style flour tortillas (10 inch/25 cm)
- 4 smokies or jumbo wieners
- 4 processed cheese slices
- 1/2 cup (125 mL) medium salsa
- 2 cups (500 mL) shredded lettuce

Wrap tortillas in foil and place off to one side of barbecue grid. Grill smokies over medium heat on natural gas barbecue, turning occasionally, for 10 minutes or until thoroughly heated. On each warm tortilla, place one cheese slice and one smokie. Top with salsa and lettuce. Fold in two sides of each tortilla and roll up. Serves 4.



Call the ATCO Blue Flame Kitchen home economists, Monday to Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. If you live in the Edmonton area, call 420-1010. If you live in Lloydminster, call toll-free 1-306-825-5010. From other locations in Alberta, call toll-free 1-877-420-9090. To purchase cookbooks, call the order desk toll-free 1-800-840-3393.

There's still time to order your copy of *Let the Flames Begin*, the latest ATCO Blue Flame Kitchen barbecue cookbook. Call our toll-free cookbook order number at 1-800-840-3393. The price is \$5.00 plus postage. GST is included.

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Should you sign a gas contract?

Information to help customers

Customers can now make choices about buying natural gas, and companies are offering contracts to buy energy. Here are some questions to ask before you sign anything.

Do I have to sign a contract to receive gas?

No. You can go on buying gas month by month from ATCO Gas, without a contract. We charge what it costs to purchase gas that month.

What's important to consider before signing?

It's like deciding between an open mortgage and a closed one. If you think interest rates will go down in the future, you may not want to be locked into a fixed rate. On the other hand, if you need to be certain what rate you'll pay, you may want to lock in.

Timing is essential. You don't want to lock into a fixed rate when prices are high, although that is often when people get most nervous about the future. Before signing, ask yourself—are you confident prices won't go down? Assess all your options and consider how long you want to lock in your rate. New players may come along with attractive offers.

Should I worry about gas prices going up?

Gas is a commodity, and prices continually rise and fall. But current forecasts (as of June 2002) are for relatively stable energy prices for the next 12 months. Forecasters don't expect a sharp rise like we had two years ago, when supplies were tight throughout North America and demand for gas was very high.



Can I get a gas contract through ATCO?

Government regulation does not allow ATCO Gas to offer fixed price contracts. However, if your main objective is to know in advance what your monthly bill will be, ATCO's budget payment plan – The Equalizer – will help smooth out your payments.

If you would like information about payment options – or about energy management services – call our Customer Assistance Centre at the number on your natural gas bill.



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INTRODUCING THE
ATCO
 LEARNING CENTRE
TYRRELL

The ATCO Group of Companies will donate \$1 million for a new learning centre at the internationally renowned Royal Tyrrell Museum in Drumheller, one of the province's premier visitor attractions and educational research facilities. This represents the first major expansion in the museum's 17-year history.

Nancy Southern, co-chair of the ATCO Group, announced the \$1 million donation June 20th at a special ceremony celebrating the partnership and marking the beginning of construction of the 16,500 square foot facility. Within the new building will be six learning zones, including a hands-on lab and an outdoor interpretive area.

"ATCO Group is committed to Alberta, to learning, and to enriching the quality of life in communities all across the province" said Nancy Southern, co-chairman, ATCO Group. "Using advanced technology, the ATCO Tyrrell Learning Centre will deliver great educational experiences to Albertans, on-site and in cities, towns and hamlets across Alberta."

The Learning Centre is being built with a \$2.5 million grant from the province of Alberta through its Centennial Legacy Funding. The opening of the ATCO Tyrrell Learning Centre is scheduled for the spring of 2003. Watch for updates on the Royal Tyrrell Museum and ATCO websites as the Centre develops.

It's another part of our commitment to the communities where we live and work all across Alberta.



Where we are this summer...

- Heritage Festival: August 3-5, Edmonton
- Alberta Summer Games: August 15-18, Camrose
- Whoop-up Games: Aug 20-24, Lethbridge
- Saddle Lake Finals Rodeo: August 22-25, Saddle Lake
- Barbecue on the Bow: August 31 - September 1, Calgary
- Highland Games: August 31 - September 2, Canmore



Energy Management

How to save energy during warmer months

As the weather warms, take the opportunity to consider these energy saving ideas.

- Keep the pilot light off on your natural gas fireplace.
- Cook with your natural gas barbecue. In addition to cost savings, you benefit by keeping the temperature cooler in your house than if you used your oven.
- Suitable window coverings will improve the comfort level in your home immensely by keeping the sun's rays out in the summer.
- Consider using fans rather than air conditioners to keep your house cool. Fans use less energy and can be turned on as needed.
- To help keep rooms at uniform temperatures, use ceiling fans to circulate air effectively in large areas.
- Plant leafy green trees on the sunny side of your home. Their summer leaves provide cool shade.

ATCO Gas is pleased to offer a full range of energy efficiency services. For more information, contact ATCO EnergySense at 310-SAVE (7283) or visit www.atcoenergysense.com.

We're visiting your neighborhood.

Our employees may be working in your area as part of our continuing effort to provide you with safe, reliable natural gas service.

From now until late fall, our trained staff will be using very sensitive gas detection equipment to inspect the pipelines on your property.

Our employees must enter your property to complete their inspections. However, we operate several thousands of miles of pipeline and serve many thousands of homes and businesses. It is not possible to seek permission prior to entering your yard. Your co-operation is appreciated.

This inspection does not require entry to your home or business premises.

Our employees have identification, which they will be pleased to show you. Your co-operation will assist them in conducting the inspections quickly and efficiently.

If you have any questions about our leak detection program, please contact your nearest ATCO Gas office.