

Tri-Village Buzz

March 2018 Issue 206

Visit: www.wasalake.com / buzz

Kootenay Monument Profile



Myra and Ford Harrison Photo Nowell Berg

By Nowell Berg In 2011, Myra and Ford Harrison took over Kootenay Monument Installations (KMI) from Harry and Sonja Steinwans.

We were "looking for a home based business where we could work together and be our own bosses," said Ford.

According to Myra, their business philosophy is "small enough to care and big enough to get the job done." She added, "Because we're smaller we don't have to take the big markup like larger companies." As most people and municipalities are "price driven", this gives them a competitive advantage.

KMI specializes in cemetery monuments, memorial walls and books, columbaria, ossuaries, benches and statues along with cremation urns and liners. They also supply and install a wide array of bronze plaques.

They have done a wide range of work in the local area, as well as across BC, Alberta and Saskatchewan.

KMI worked with Kimberley Military Ames to supply and install all of the granite, benches and plaques at the Veterans Memorial Park. KMI installed the memorial walls and columbaria at the Wasa Memorial Garden which is in the process of raising funds for a second one.

Depending on the granite's colour, KMI sources granite from around the world. Fine black granite is shipped from India and China. Canadian granite comes in three colours, primarily pink, green and gray.

One of the larger bronze projects undertaken by KMI was for the City of Grand Prairie. KMI installed 100, 36 x 24 inch, bronze oval plagues in 100 City parks. Each plaque was dedicated to area founders and community leaders.

Another unique project KMI has done was the installation of a decorative 7 inch diameter polished granite finial on newel posts for a staircase at the Hume Hotel in Nelson.



Hume Hotel courtesy of Ryan Martin, Hotel owner

Columbia Basin

Continued on Page 6

Inside this issue

Trails of Yesterday	2
WLLID	3
Wasa Community Church	4
Wasa Community Library	5
Helpful Hints	5
RDEK	6
Mario's Fun Page	9
Ashram Words of Wisdom	10

Tri-Village Kids

Wasa Historical &

Memorial Garden

Calendar March

Club

11

11

14

R.A.P.P.
Report All Poachers and Polluters
Conservation Officer 24 Hour Hottine
1-877-952-RAPP (7277)
Cellular Dial - #7277

Report smell from Pulpmill

VOLUNTEER FIRE SUPPRESSION STRATEGY PROPOSED FOR WASA

www.wasalake.ca

"Where do you take Your Buzz" 2017 Contest Winner Page 8

Media Release

Pages 7 & 13

Serving Skookumchuck, Ta Ta Creek and Wasa



FOLLOWING THE TRAILS OF



"The main value of history is to point out the direction in which society is going."

"The past will not go away without a fight. A growing population of preservationists understands that a sense of place and a sense of the past are necessary for the maintenance of a personal and societal culture. Without the content of ones history, the image and identity of a society ceases to exist. Just as a French language has been the vehicle to maintain the continuity of Creole and Acadian life in Louisiana, the natural and built environment provides the physical and spiritual struggle for historical and environmental protection." Engen Grzek

> Professor at Tulane University New Orleans, Louisiana

In Canada, we would substitute English for Creole and French for Acadian. The Acadians did speak French when they were sent to Louisiana from Nova Scotia in 1855 during the expulsion of the Acadians.

I am working with Graydon on the "Ford" History at Wasa from Graydon and Doug's great grandfather to the present. Due to health issues with Graydon, I hope to have it completed by next month.

Stu Laurie and Nellie Vereshagen will be giving me their history in a few weeks time.

Pete Woods passed away January 25, 2018.

"There are many tentacles in life"

Wasa Country Pub & Inill

Winter Hours Sun -Thurs 11 am-10 pm Fri - Sat 11 am - 12 pm **Closed Tuesdays**

- •Cold beer •Great Food
- •Free Wifi •ATM Machine
- •Pool Table & Dart Board
- Jukebox •Off Sales
- TSN back on TV line-up

Take Out Available Call 250-422-3381

Minors welcome until 8:00 p.m. must be accompanied by a parent or guardian



Menu & Specials on our FaceBook page & www.wasapub.com

GROOMING & SPA

Professional Dog Grooming All Breeds Welcome Therapeutic Spa Bath Top Quality Dog Products

Small Groom \$44 **Medium Groom \$54 Large Groom** \$59 X-Large Groom \$69 Bath \$29 **Face Trim** \$12 **Nail Clipping \$9**

Coats **Boots Dishes** Collars Harnesses **Shampoos**

Teeth Wipes Face Wipes Gift Cards

www.CorysGrooming.com

250 427-2311

475 Wallinger Ave Kimberley, BC

#Armchair Traveller

2018 ARMCHAIR TRAVELLER SERIES Join us for the 2018 Travelogue Series at the Wasa Community Hall for another year of stress free travel! Please note that the shows are scheduled for alternate **THURSDAY** evenings

instead of Wednesdays. Start time of 7:30 p.m. remains the same.

Mark the dates:

- Thursday, Mar 1st presented by Alex and Heather Jensen Elephants and People (Africa!)
- Thursday, March 15th presented by Kathy McCauley Road Trip Through the American South West

Admission is by donation; all proceeds help support our community hall.

Looking forward to seeing you! Call Kathy at 250-422-3759 for more information.



Bruno's Plumbing Service

Mike Sylvestre 250 342 5105 brunosplumbing@shaw.ca Serving The Columbia Valley



Wendy Davis 250.422.3060 trivillagebuzz@gmail.com

Treasurer

Diana Perih 250.422.3504

Invoicing / Advertising **Sherry Shields**

Email Coordinator Helen Kelly 250.919-9490

Item Coordinator

Tosh Leblanc

Folders

Helen and Ken Maine

Website Coordinator Clay Tippett

Article Submitters

Nowell Bera Mario Carelli Karen Markus Kathy McCauley Judy McPhee Naomi Miller **Sherry Shields** Ven. Gurudev Hamsah Nandatha Jane Walter Clifford Youngs

Advertising Rates Per Issue 1 column width.....\$15.00 or \$60.00 / 5 issues or \$120.00 / 10 issues 2 column width.....\$25.00 3 column width.....\$35.00 Full Page.....\$45.00 Supply your own page..\$20.00 (1 Column width = 2.5")For more information or to place an ad, please contact Wendy Davis 250.422.3060 or trivillagebuzz@gmail.com

To receive a newsletter by e-mail contact Helen Kelly (trivillagebuzz@gmail.com) or go to: www.wasalake.com/buzz Tri-Village Buzz Newsletter Box 169 Wasa, BC VOB 2K0



Glenn Johnson 250.489.4213 www.kootenaykwikprint.com

WASA LAKE LAND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (WLLID)

By Clifford Youngs

While it's the middle of winter, spring will soon come and with it, open water in the lake. The WLLID is currently working with others in preparation for summer activities. These include:

- Annual General Meeting (AGM): The AGM is scheduled for Thursday, April 26th, 2018 at 7:00 p.m., at the Wasa Community Hall. More information to follow.
- Flap Gate: The flap gate at the south end of Cameron Pond will be modified in order to allow the culvert to be cleaned safely.
- Fire Suppression Program: WLLID is assisting the community in establishing a fire suppression program for Wasa and area. The program will follow the model established in the St Mary's Lake area.
- Milfoil and other aquatic plant growth: Information packages are being prepared for distribution to boaters and residents outlining ways that will enable boaters and residents to reduce the spread of native milfoil in the lake.
- Aerial Survey: Phase two of the aerial survey of plant growth in the lake will be completed in the spring shortly after the ice is gone.
- Data Logger: The data logger has been installed and calibrated. This will enable greater accuracy when measuring and reporting lake levels this season.



Dale Gray

Phone: 250.422.3638

Cell: 250.421.1746 email: dale58@shaw.ca

Box 245 Wasa, BC V0B 2K0

DOCK SYSTEMS



- Boat Whips
- Dock Boxes
- Dock Bumpers & Fenders
- Swim Ladders
- Wood Frame Docks
- Metal Frame Docks
- Floats & All Hardware

most items in stock



KOOTENAY MONUMENT INSTALLATIONS

Granite & Bronze Memorials, Dedication Plaques, Benches, Memorial Walls, Gravesite Restorations, Sales & Installations

In-Home Consultation or Visit our Showroom

6379 Highway 95A Ta Ta Creek, BC 250.422.3414 1-800-477-9996

myra@kootenaymonument.ca

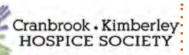
EURSANDI REKANDI VERNECHI



Be noticed in your community! Advertise your Business Name, Family Name or Group Name. Renewal price will be determined after 3 years.

Support your local Lions Ice Rink. For info call Marilyn at 250-422-3210

BOARDS \$250. EACH
4' X 8' SPACE FOR 3 YEARS



20-23rd Avenue South, Cranbrook, B.C. V1C 5V1 Phone: (250) 417-2019 Fax: (250) 417-2046 Toll Free #: -855-417-2019 Email: hospice1@telus.net

Email: hospice1@telus.net Website: www.ckhospice.com

Volunteer Today!

Cranbrook Kimberley Hospice Society Needs volunteers to help with Client and Family Companioning & Grief Support

> Call 250-417- 2019 Toll Free 1-855-417-2019



A United Way Sponsored Agency

Wasa Community Church



I recently watched a video where a guy who was very well off money wise, decided to call in to a homeless shelter in his city, ask what they needed, and proceeded to buy it for them. He bought toothbrushes, clothing, towels, toiletries and all that kind of stuff. He even went as far as to buy a few washers and dryers for them, as well as a new stove. I thought that was a pretty nice thing to do; he had lots of money and

decided to do something good with it.

It's a great thing when people help others out. There are a lot of amazing, selfless things you can do for people. There are a lot of great things you can do in general. Not all of us have the kind of money that the guy in that video had, but even in small ways, we can help one another, whether that includes money or simply lending a hand. We should do good to others where we are able.

In the past, I've asked people the question, "How do you get to heaven?" the most common response I get are based around doing good. Whether that's helping others in need, or just trying to do as little bad things as possible. Some people say you have to go to church. However, those responses are wrong. Going to heaven after you die is not based on going to church. It's not based on how little you lie or steal. It's not based on how good you can be.

The Bible says: "For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast" (Ephesians 2:8-9). The thing is that we are all sinful, and because of that, we, on our own, can never be good enough to enter heaven. We don't deserve to go there since we've sinned. We deserve to die and then be separated from God forever. Grace, however, means getting something we don't deserve. We get that through Jesus, the only one deserving of heaven because He was perfect. On the cross, He died the death we deserved before conquering death and coming back to life. So how then does someone get to heaven? How is one saved from the death they deserve and instead given eternal life? Through faith in Jesus Christ and what He has done.

Doing good deeds for people is great and we should be doing what we are able to in order to help out, but no amount of good deeds will gain us access to heaven. The only way to heaven is to repent of our sins and believe in Jesus. Once we do that, we are forgiven of every sin: past, present and future. We are made right with God. Saved by grace through faith.

- Pastor Jon Malpass, Wasa Community Church - Sunday Service @ 10:30 a.m. ____ (250) 464-4419

I would like to extend a sincere thank-you to everyone who came out to celebrate my mom, **Andrea Konschuh's birthday**.

A special shout out to all those who helped with the set up, decorations and tear down of the hall. A huge thanks to all of you who made and dropped off all the yummy dainties! A warm, heart felt thank-you to Marie and Kurt Kernaghan for all their time and help in the kitchen, along with the delicious sandwiches!!

It was a great day and so wonderful to see you all!!! Warmest Regards,

Lesli

Helpful Hints

In Memory of Vi Cockell

By Sherry Shields



1. Sour Dish Cloth

Have a sour dishcloth. Place dishcloth in a plastic bag with a drop of dish soap and a small amount of water (I use 1-2 tbsp). Place in microwave for 30 seconds. Rinse under water and voila sour smell is gone.

Oil Stains

To remove oil stains from cement (garage) floor, try dish soap or laundry detergent and let it sit on the spot for several minutes. Add a little hot water and scrub the spot until the oil lifts. Another possibility is to pour some baking soda on the oil spots to absorb it, and then scrub with water.

3. Water stains on Faucets

Keep faucets and shower heads looking great. A water and vinegar solution can remove unwanted water spots. Spray the surface, then wipe away with a clean cloth.

"Life is worth living, as long as there's a laugh in it!"

~ Lucy Maude Montgomery - A

- Anne of Green Gables ~

CATAMOUNT CONTRACTING

- Over 30 years experience -

- ExcavatingLandscaping
 - Road Building
- Land Clearing Tree & Stump Removal
 - Top Soil, Sand & Gravel Hauling
 - Snow Removal & Sanding Ice

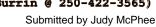
Guy Winkleman

Bus: 250.422.3694 Cell: 250.417.9728 Box 181 Wasa, BC VoB 2Ko



WASA COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Located in the Basement of the Wasa Hall
Open Tuesdays 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
or by appointment
(call Marg Burrin @ 250-422-3565)



"A room without books is like a room without a soul."

It has been brought to my attention that there are now approximately 80 children in the Wasa, Ta Ta Creek, Skookumchuck and Premier area. There are approximately 21 children five years old and under.

Over the years, Brenda and Marg have collected a large number of books for preschoolers and youth including books for teens. Please phone Marg for an appointment to bring your school aged children to the library. Dozens of books fill the library shelves for all ages and interests.

DISNEY'S COLLECTION OF STORY BOOKS

We have 11 or 12 books for the elementary school aged child to read and for parents to read to younger children. A delightful collection of stories sure to amuse your child, (children).

For adults this month, I recommend the historical book section.

Books which I found interesting are:

BATTLING THE BAY

by Jordan ZInnovich

It is the life story of Ed Nagle, born in 1853 in Quebec. HIs family came from Ireland to Quebec in 1823.

It is an excellent descriptive book of Ed's journeys, landscape, the genre of the day as he travelled throughout Western Canada and the North as a fur trader. The book excels in stories of life in Western Canada, from the mid to late 1800's to 1900. Especially descriptive is life in Winnipeg, buffalo hunts, the Red River carts, the development of the prairies and his travels in the North. Ed, was an independent fur trader first, then he founded a company with James Hislop to buy furs. They were continually in competition with the HBC. This book will spark your interest in the fur trade and Canadian life from the 1870's to the turn of the century.

WILD THOUGHTS FROM WILD PLACES by David Quammen

A science and nature writer, David writes about places around the world noted as wild places. He covers rivers, mountains, cities and a compilation of things close to his heart.

TWO MONTHS IN THE BUSH by Fraser Bjornson, a local author

A journal of his two months of experiences as a 15 year old boy on his fathers trap line.

As well as being home schooled, he and his brother experienced life in the bush helping their parents trap. A light book, full of everyday life on the trap line.

"SO MANY BOOKS TO READ! SO LITTLE TIME!"



At Quartz Lake ice auger and other items.

To claim phone and describe Richard Heffernan 250-422-3696

Kootenay Monument Profile

According to Ford, "We've seen growth every year." In the next year or so they will "hopefully hire more local staff and continue to grow" the business. To that end, they've branched out into granite counter tops for do-it-yourselfers (DIY) looking for

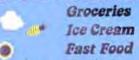


Photo Nowell Berg

small vanities and kitchen counter tops.

KMI is the company with the longest continuous advertising record in the Buzz.

Welcome Neighbors & Visitors



Cold Beer Wine & Spirits Lotto!

Wasa Lake Gas & Food 250.422.9271

- Groceries
 Ice Cream
 Fast Food
 - Cold Beer
 Wine & Spirits
 - Gas & Diesel
 Premium
 - PropaneWash Bay
 - LottoATM
 - Fishing / Hunting Licenses

Open Daily

Summer: 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Winter: **Contact store for hours**

www.wasagasandfood.com

RECREATION SOCIETY

The Recreation Society would like to give a BIG THANK YOU to the Wasa Country Quilters and Wasa Gym for their donations to the community hall. These donations are so beneficial to help with the operational costs of our community hall.

RECREATION SOCIETY

RDEK NEWS



By Area E Director Jane Walter

INVITATION TO A PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE **WASA & AREA OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN** - ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE AREA -**DEVELOPMENT PERMITS**

The Regional District is proposing to include a new Development Permit Area in the Wasa and Area Official Community Plan. The OCP plan area includes Sheep Creek, Skookumchuck, Moan Road, Lazy Lake, Ta Ta Creek and Wasa area.

The purpose of the ESA Development Permit is for the protection of the natural environment, its ecosystems and biological diversity. The plan area includes a range of significant ecosystems, habitats such as wetland and riparian ecosystems, grasslands and habitat for species at risk.

The meeting will be held at the Wasa Community Hall, Wednesday, March 21, 2018, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

2018 Draft Budget for Area E

The average residential taxpayer in the Electoral Area E area will notice a 6.9% increase in their taxes.

Budget Highlights:

- Mosquito Control in Ta Ta Creek, Wasa, Skookumchuck will see a \$14. parcel tax decrease. With this year's decrease, we've reduced this parcel tax by 17.5% since
- Installation of a new bench at Cherry Creek Falls Park
- Increases in Area E park function to prepare for a potential park in St Mary's Lake Road
- No changes to Lazy Lake Water Level Control Service
- No tax increase for Solid Waste Service
- A contribution to the Wasa & District Historical Society for the operation of the Wasa Memorial Garden

Tri Village Kids Club

The Tri Village Kids Club held another successful event. The kids had a lot of fun and the parents, grandparents and area residents had a chance to visit with everyone. I am glad that we are getting younger families back to our area.

I hope everyone has a good month, if you have any questions please give me a call or send me a email.

Jane Walter, Area E Director

email: s.janewalter@gmail.com or phone 250-427-2577

HI HEAT INSULATING.com

HAROLD HAZELAAR OFFICE 250.342.7260 CELL 250.342.7656

sales@hiheatinsulating.com • www.hiheatinsulating.com

Residential & Commercial Insulation • Attic Upgrades Fiberglass, Dense Pac Cellulose & Spray Foam

BASIN BUSINESS ADVISORS PROGRAM





AGRICULTURE BUSINESSES GET SPECIALIZED ADVICE

Columbia Basin Trust's Basin Business Advisors now offers a full-time Agriculture Specialist

(Columbia Basin) - Farms and agricultural producers can now get specialized business advice through Columbia Basin Trust's Basin Business Advisors (BBA) thanks to a new full-time agriculture business specialist.

BBA has been providing free, one-to-one, confidential business counselling and assessment services to businesses throughout the Basin since 2000.

"Our region's agriculture sector has been growing and the BBA team is evolving to help meet its specific needs," said Lisa Kilpatrick, Columbia Basin Trust Senior Manager, Economic. "By having an advisor dedicated to agriculture, the program will be able to uniquely support their businesses challenges, as well as help residents access local healthy food."

BBA's new Agriculture Specialist, Tracey Fredrickson, has over 15 years' experience advising hundreds of businesses and has particularly focused on agriculture over the past five years.

"The Columbia Basin has a diversity of farm operators with the desire to grow," said Fredrickson. "After many years providing businesses advice in all sectors, agriculture has become my passion. I look forward to dedicating my skills and experience to working with farm operators on the business side of farming to help them achieve their goals and grow a dynamic agriculture sector for the region overall."

Agriculture businesses can receive advice in areas such as production costing, marketing and branding, and expansion feasibility. BBA may also connect businesses with more specialized agriculture consultants who can address unique business needs of a variety of producers. This service works in conjunction with the Kootenay Farm & Boundary Advisors, who focus on the science of agriculture.

"Tracey is a great addition to the Advisor team and brings her 'business of farming' experience to producers and farms that need help to make their operations more profitable," said Will Nixon, BBA's Program Manager. "We have a strong team of business advisors with diverse experiences and skill sets, so we are able to access direct experience to assist a client in whatever their field happens to be."

To learn more about BBA, visit bbaprogram.ca or contact info@bbaprogram.ca or 1.855.510.2227.

Delivered by Community Futures, the program is funded by the Trust, which lists agriculture as one of its 13 strategic priorities.

Columbia Basin Trust supports the ideas and efforts of the people in the Columbia Basin. To learn more about the Trust's programs and initiatives, and how it helps deliver social, economic and environmental benefits to the Basin, visit ourtrust.org or call 1.800.505.8998.

Community Futures is a not-for-profit community economic development organization that is committed to helping people who are operating or are planning to start their own businesses. For information on its programs, call 1.250.352.1933 or visit futures.bc.ca.

CONTACTS:

Rachel Lucas, Columbia Basin Trust 1.800.505.8998 or rlucas@cbt.org

Will Nixon, Basin Business Advisors Program 1.855.510.2227 or wnixon@bbaprogram.ca





- Livestock Feed Pet Food Siding
- Windows Paint & Supplies
- Fence posts & Fencing Lumber
- Yard & Garden
 Aluminum Railing
- Propane CHECK US OUTS



We just might have what you're looking for!

Phone: 250.422.3123 Fax: 250.422.3300 Email: wasa.hardware@shaw.ca

Box 779, 6102 Wasa Lake Park Dr, Wasa, BC

Authorized Dealer for:













Jim Large

PROJECT MANAGER

- New Construction and Design
- **HPO New Home** Warranty Program
- Renovations and Repairs
- Insurance Restorations
- Property Management

250.421.7813

Box 265 Wasa, BC VoB 2Ko



Donate your pop cans and liquor bottles (no dairy please) to the Wasa and District Lions Club to help with their scholarship fund. Please call Val at 250-422-3499 to make arrangements for drop-off at the Lions Grounds.

The Aluminum Deck Railina Specialists

OVER 9 MILES OF EXPERIENCE & MILLIONS OF FRUSTRATED INSECTS!

- Manual and remote control awnings
- Retractable shade and insect screens
- Aluminum fencing
- Retractable screen doors for large openings
- Storm Doors

Harold Hazelaar

www.hdrailings.ca sales@hdrailings.ca Ph 250-422-3457 Cell 250.342.7656

AKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY

T. O. P. S. **Take Off Pounds Sensibly**

Every Friday Weigh-in 8:30 a.m. Meeting 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. Wasa Community Hall

More Information Contact:

Susan: 250.422.3510 Irene: 250.422.3686 1.800.932.8677 (Toll Free) www.tops.org

The Wasa Recreation Society's main objective is to generate funds to keep the Wasa Hall running. Wasa Recreation Society members meet in the basement of the Wasa Hall in the Quilters Room on the last Tuesday of each month. Everyone is invited to attend. Listed below are some of the user groups and contacts:

- Hall Rentals and Information Karen Markus 250.422.3514 Bonnie Meena 250.422.3795
- Gym Sonia Blackwell 250.422.9201 Rod 250-422-3253
- TOPS Susan 250.422.3510
- Library Judy McPhee 250.422.3766 In addition, BINGO's are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at the Wasa Hall. Early bird starts at 6:30 pm and regular at 6:45 pm.

where do you take... YOUR BUZZ?

And the Winner Is... Pat Walkey!!



2017 Bruce and Pat Walkey with their grandkids Avery, Quinn and Beckett and the Tri Village Buzz in Huatulco, Mexico.

Pat Walkey wins a \$50. gift certificate to a 2017 Tri-Village Buzz advertiser of her choice.

Email your photos with "The Buzz" your name will go into a draw for the "2018 Where do you take Your Buzz" contest. email: trivillagebuzz@gmail.com





Anne and Graham took their Tri Village Buzz to New Zealand.

Jack Morrison remembered The Buzz on his Trip to Chile.

This picture was taken at Fort Lambert (aka Fort Coquimbo) near the city of Coquimbo, Chile on December 22nd, 2017. The canon was installed on July 10, 1879 to protect the port of Coquimbo from attacks by Peruvian ships.

Safety guidelines and things you need to know:

- ☐ Minimum of 2 people in the Gym at all times
- ☐ All users must sign in with date and time ☐ All users must sign a Wasa Recreation Programs User
- ☐ All users are required to wear "gym shoes" no street shoes permitted
- ☐ All users must use the safety key on the Walking Machines

Waiver located at the sign- in desk

- ☐ Cost is a loonie or twoonie
- ☐ Have fun and be safe!

We're open to suggestions, give us a call if you know 2 or more people that would like to attend at a time not indicated.





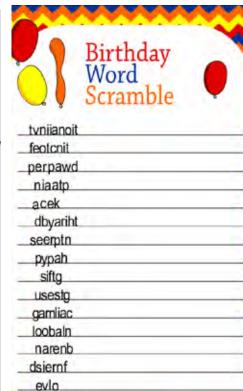
For Gym Schedule Please Contact: Sonia Blackwell at 250-422-9201 or Rod at 250-422-3253

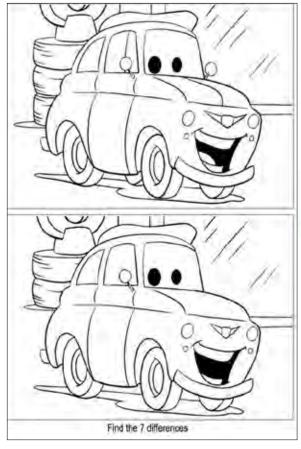
SpringFind and circle all of the words that are hidden in the grid. The remaining letters spell a message about Spring.



MARIO'S FUN PAGE

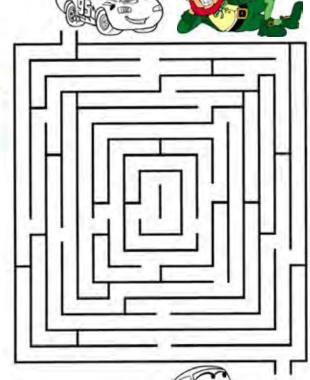
ALLERGIES APRII	Т	L	Ε	М	W	0	Ν	S	S	S	Α	R	G	L	Α
BASEBALL BEES	G	С	Υ	С	L	Α	М	Е	Ν	S	А	L	1	L	Ρ
CROCUSES CYCLAMENS	G	Ν	G	R	0	W	Т	Н	R	L	L	L	L	R	S
DAFFODILS DANDELIONS	0	Υ	I	I	D	L	S	Α	R	Α	I	Ε	S	Ν	Ν
EASTER EQUINOX	L	Α	L	Ν	K	Α	I	Ε	В	Е	R	R	0	Н	Е
FLOWERS FROGS GOLF	F	М	L	0	Α	Ν	F	Ε	S	G	М	Ι	Ρ	W	W
GRASS GREEN	E	Ν	А	Е	Ε	Е	S	F	Ι	U	L	R	R	Α	L
GROWTH IRISES LILIES MARCH	I	0	В	Q	R	Α	L	Ε	0	Ε	С	S	Α	В	Е
	R	S	Τ	U	В	Ε	S	С	D	D	F	0	S	W	Α
MAY NEW LEAVES	I	Α	F	I	G	R	Ν	Ν	G	L	I	Ν	R	Н	٧
PLANTING RAIN RENEWAL	S	Ε	0	Ν	Ν	R	А	Ε	0	Ν	I	L	С	С	Е
ROBINS SEASON	Ε	S	S	0	Ι	D	Ε	W	W	В	I	R	S	В	S
SNOWMELT SOFTBALL	S	1	Ν	Χ	R	G	Ε	Ε	0	Α	А	R	М	Ε	G
SPRING BREAK SPRING CLEANING	Α	Υ	F	L	Ρ	R	0	R	Ν	М	L	W	Ρ	Е	0
TULIPS WARMER	Е	Т	Е	W	S	S	Ρ	Ι	L	U	Т	R	S	S	R
WET	R	Ε	Τ	S	Α	Е	Ρ	L	Α	Ν	Τ		Ν	G	F











From the Ashram

Words of Wisdom



Spiritual Heroes live among us: The Bodhisattva's Path

In the last article, we talked about how, for sure, we are all going to survive this life and experience a stunning afterlife. We also tried to emphasize the difference between those among us who are karmically obliged to come back into this world through different incarnations and those who return to this earthly life freely in order to liberate as many beings as possible from the ignorance that leads to suffering. The questions were: are we here because we cannot do otherwise or are we here because we have freed ourselves from attachment to this limited world, and are willing to awaken human beings from this relative reality?

These questions become even more interesting when you understand that there are millions of very special and exceptional souls among us who have overcome the limitations of their minds and have entered into a higher level of Existence, all the while living among us and looking exactly like us. They have reached such an accomplishment through many lives dedicated to Self-Liberation and Self-Realization. So, they look like any other human but, in truth, because of their high vibratory presence, they belong to another category of beings... those composing the Hierarchy of Light, who are in charge of helping humankind and all sentient beings to evolve and progress toward an always attainable higher level of Consciousness.

These extraordinary Beings are also known and referred to as Bodhisattvas. They are advanced Aspirants to Buddhahood. Having freed themselves from ignorance, delusion and suffering while considering the entire creation as a part of them, they dedicate their entire incarnation to the spiritual liberation and awakening of all sentient beings through "Seva", the selfless service to others. While it is relatively easy to recognize someone as a Saint through the miracles they have performed, it is more difficult to recognize the secret and very efficient Presence of a true Bodhisattva. A Bodhisattva does not belong to any one religion, although he respects them all, as he or she is only a Disciple of Ultimate Truth. Bodhisattvas are free from the illusion of being an isolated, egoistic and egocentric personality. For them, nothing is ever personal; everything is just happening, and their purpose is to serve the necessities of the world while provoking a subtle yet assured awakening within anyone entering into contact with them.

The word Bodhisattva can be understood as Budhi, meaning pure Consciousness beyond any mind activity, and Sattva, perfectly balanced and established in the state of oneness and truthfulness. So a Bodhisattva is someone established in the purest state of Consciousness in a natural manner, an inner state in which everything can be seen as it is, without any distortions coming from the mind and past memories. The Bodhisattva, as a pure awakened Consciousness, naturally experiences that he is not at all his physical body or his mind; he knows that he is only using them to manifest his presence in this world. He is conscious of not being limited to this world,...that he is visiting it for the benefit of as many people as possible. In this sense, a Bodhisattva is a true Selfless Servant of Humanity and of all kingdoms of nature - minerals, plants, and animals.

Bodhisattvas do not consider themselves as perfect beings, as they still spiritually strive to achieve Buddhahood (Oneness beyond time, space, matter and causality). They continue their efforts to attain the Ultimate Awakening of a Buddha and ceaselessly aim to ignite the interest of everyone toward the true goal of existence: Self-Realization, Spiritual Liberation.

An accomplished Bodhisattva doesn't wish to be praised and worshipped. On the contrary, a Bodhisattva often works secretly and in disguise. He could be anyone around you: child, woman, man, beggar, doctor, guru, teacher, salesman, poor or rich. He can also appear as a scholar, a researcher, a scientist, a soldier, a simple worker, a judge, an attorney, a monk, a nun, a father, a mother, a priest, a politician, an actor, a paraplegic, a cowboy, a dancer, a singer, a musician, etc. or even having no qualifications at all. Almost everyone has already met a true Bodhisattva, as they are everywhere where they are needed. But no matter the location or the situation of a Bodhisattva, he or she always assumes full responsibility for their incarnation in order to fulfill their oath to free as many people as possible from karma and suffering by trying to remove the veils of ignorance created by the human mind. A Bodhisattva practices withdrawal from all egoistic senses. He is also an expert at remaining only in the true reality of the present moment. Past and future have no reality in his Consciousness since the entire Ultimate Reality is only the expression of a constant Present where past and future have no place.

If you have not yet achieved the inner state of Pure Consciousness beyond your mind, like a true Bodhisattva, you can still aspire to become one and, by your serious commitment, you may join the ranks of this very renowned Universal Brotherhood of Light that expresses itself on so many inhabited planets in Creation. Now, if you decide to act like a Bodhisattva, then you must also develop all the great spiritual powers of such Beings. These special practices can be experienced by anyone who aspires to exit from suffering and free others from delusions and ignorance. These inescapable practices that allow one to develop extraordinary spiritual powers are called "Paramitas". They will be the topic of the next article as we go deeper into how to become a conscious and willing Bodhisattva.

May all that is good for your Happiness and your Evolution be always granted to you and those who are dear to you.

With blessing and love.

Venerable Gurudev Hamsah Nandatha Adi Vajra Shambhasalem Ashram, Wasa, BC Canada

If you like these articles by the Venerable Gurudev Hamsah Nandatha, you can re-read them in the book *Words of Wisdom*, a collection of the articles published in this column from 2008 to 2015. This book is available at the Ashram and at the Wasa Lake Gas and Food Store.

Since Venerable Gurudev Hamsah Nandatha is in a more intense Yogic life retreat, he will be less visible and accessible to the world. Therefore, he will only be giving a public Dharma teaching and meditation class once every two months. The next class will be on **Thursday, April 19, 2018 at 6 p.m.**

To contact the Ashram, please call (250) 422-9327

Wasa and District Historical Association&MemorialGardenGroup

submitted by - Sherry Shields

The cost for a plague in the Memorial Garden is \$300.00.

Columbarium Niche prices contact Pat Walkey @ 250-422-3530.

We still have copies of the Kootenay Ripples Historical book -Contact Pat Walkey.

Each month I make a trek to the garden for a visit. As I gaze around, I wonder how many others have come by for a visit remembering a fond memory, sharing grief of a loved one passed or just enjoying the peaceful setting.



Share a Memory – Do you have a memory you would like to share? Contact Sherry Shields at trivillagebuzz@gmail.com

"Perhaps one day we will meet again as characters in a different story, maybe we'll share a lifetime then."

~pavana~

Tri Village Kids 🛂 Club**`**🕙

Submitted by Trudy Sigfusson

Greetings from the Tri-Village Kids Club! We had our second event FebFest! Our goal for the event was to offer an activity for the youth

during the Family Day weekend! And we delivered. TVKC offered activities and lunch! We had a great turn out of youngsters ready to play and socialize. Local children and residents came down to enjoy the afternoon of events as well as have a bite to eat. It was great to see the community come out and enjoy themselves, by bouncing in the castle or having a conversation over a bowl of chili. Coming together as a community is a fundamental goal of TVKC.

Our next event will be held Sunday April 1st, 2018 at the Wasa Community Hall! Rumor has it the Easter Bunny has caught wind of our group and will be leaving eggs and treats for the children of the Tri-Village Area! Not only will there be an Easter Egg Hunt but also a Pancake Breakfast from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. TVKC invites everyone to come down for a plate of pancakes, eggs and sausage!

Spring is right around the corner and with spring comes Mother's Day. TVKC is inviting the Tri-Village residents to celebrate their role models! Tickets for the event will be \$5 per Mom and can be purchased in advance at trivillagekidsclub@yahoo.ca.

If you are interested in joining the board or volunteering with the Tri-Village Kids Club contact us at trivillagekidsclub@yahoo.ca or find us on Facebook at facebook.com/trivillagekidsclub/. Join our Facebook page to keep up to date with all the exciting events coming up!

Trudy Sigfusson President, Tri-Village Kids Club

HAY FOR SALE

Good quality horse and livestock feed



by volume

Price varies | Local delivery available

Check us out on facebook at: www.facebook.com/lantzfarms

Please text or call Mike at 250-420-1660

Spring Cleaning is in the Air!

Gently used items accepted for the:

Wasa Lions Garage Sale

Saturday, **June 16, 2018**



Contact: Val 250 422-3499 or Sharon 250 417-7654

POS n QO

Point of Sale

Small merchants love us!

- Designed for shops, restaurants & salons
- No Secur, hidden fees No setup, cancel or
- Flexible, low-cost hardware options
- Always free software updates and support
- Track sales, inventory, customers & gift cards
- Integrated credit & debit payment terminal



Unlimited



Only need a payment terminal? Save big with cost+ pricing. No contract. Rent or buy.

posngo.com

sales@posngo.com





- MEDIA RELEASE -

PROTECTING ONE OF CANADA'S RAREST HERITAGE ASSETS

Columbia Basin Trust provides \$113,000 for Kaslo's sternwheeler, the SS Moyie

(Columbia Basin) – The SS Moyie is truly one of a kind. The oldest intact passenger sternwheeler ship in the world built in 1898, the Moyie ended its service on Kootenay Lake in 1959. Unlike most sternwheelers that plied inland waters in BC and the Yukon that were either scrapped or burnt at the end of their working lives, the SS Moyie has survived and thrived in Kaslo – lovingly preserved by the community and now a busy, vibrant museum during the spring and summer.

Protecting one of Canada's rarest heritage assets is an ongoing job. Like any ship, particularly a wooden one, fire is the greatest risk to the Moyie, and it is fire protection that is at the heart of a current project to preserve the 120-year-old vessel, with the Trust providing \$113,000.

"Heritage assets like the SS Moyie are precious resources in the Basin; that's why protecting these assets is one of our strategic priorities," said Wayne Lundeberg, Columbia Basin Trust. "We are very happy to support the ongoing efforts of the Village of Kaslo and the Kootenay Lake Historical Society to preserve and celebrate this irreplaceable asset now and into the future."

The current fire suppression is made up of a system of water pipes pressurized by compressed air. During winter, while the ship is unheated, condensation occurs creating internal corrosion. Over the last 25 years, these pipes have begun to rust and break-down. The project currently underway will see the installation of a new system of pipes that will be pressurized with nitrogen gas, mitigating against condensation. The project will also allow the extension of the piping system to cover an increased area in the ship.

"The Kootenay Lake Historical Society has obtained generous grant support from Parks Canada and Columbia Basin Trust, as well as smaller donations

from individuals," said Bill Yeo, lead for the Kootenay Lake Historical Society's curatorial committee. "Together we can give this historic treasure a more secure future."

The SS Moyie is the property of the Village of Kaslo and protected and managed by the Kootenay Lake Historical Society.

"Kaslo is rich in heritage resources and an integral part of that history is the SS Moyie which is one of our two National Historic

Kaslo's SS Moyie is the oldest intact passenger sternwheeler in the world. With funding from Columbia Basin Trust, the ship's fire suppression system is being replaced to ensure this rare heritage asset is protected for future generations.

Sites," said Kaslo Mayor Suzan Hewat. "The Historical Society volunteers have done an incredible job of maintaining and restoring her to her former glory. The most recent challenge of updating an aging fire suppression system did not deter them. It is thanks to hard work, donations from the public and a generous grant from the Trust that this important safety component is being replaced."

The fire suppression project is slated for completion in March; the SS Moyie will open for the 2018 season on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 13. Learn more about the SS Moyie at klhs.bc.ca.

Columbia Basin Trust supports the ideas and efforts of the people in the Columbia Basin. To learn more about the Trust's programs and initiatives, and how it helps deliver social, economic and environmental benefits to the Basin, visit ourtrust.org or call 1.800.505.8998.

NEW INTERNSHIP PROGRAM HELPS EMPLOYERS HIRE POST-SECONDARY GRADS

Columbia Basin Trust program creates and retains jobs in the Basin

(Columbia Basin) – Now more than ever businesses and organizations need qualified employees and post-secondary graduates need a kick start to their careers. Enter the new Career Internship Program from Columbia Basin Trust. This program is now accepting applications on a first-come, first-served basis.

"This program supports our strategic priority of economic development in the region," said Lisa Kilpatrick, Columbia Basin Trust Senior Manager, Economic. "It helps create jobs and increases employment opportunities for recent college and university graduates, a workforce that is essential when it comes to meeting the Basin's current and future business needs. This will help Basin businesses and organizations grow and become more sustainable over the long term."

The program provides wage funding for employers to hire college and university graduates in permanent, career-focused positions. By attracting skilled, emerging professionals at a reduced cost to the organization, they can expand their teams and build capacity. The funding is up to 50 per cent of the new employee's wage over the first seven to 12 months, to a maximum of \$25,000. The intern position must include a training plan that provides structured learning to the new employee and transitions to full-time, permanent employment at the end of the internship. Learn more and apply at ourtrust.org/internship.

The Trust also supports workforce needs by helping businesses hire students, including apprentices, through its two wage subsidy programs, Summer Works and School Works. Basin residents can also receive the training they need to secure immediate employment through its Training Fee Support program. These are just some of the ways the Trust is helping to create a diverse and resilient Basin economy. Learn more at ourtrust.org/economic.

VIDEO: Career Internship Program video.

Miracle Soup (Spring Cleanse)

Fanny's Favorítes

13

1 lb lean ground beef 1-2 green peppers

2-3 large onions 2 envelopes onion soup mix

1 can tomatoes (28 oz) 2 stalks of celery 1 medium cabbage 4 carrots

(optional 1 clove garlic, 1-1/2 tsp savory, 1 Tbsp soya sauce)

Cut vegetables in pieces, cover with water and boil for an hour. Whenever you feel hungry just eat as much as possible. This soup produces no calories and the more you eat the faster you loose weight! Following the Hospital Soup Diet you can loose 10 - 17 pounds in a week and feel good without feeling weak or sick.

For complete instructions on the 7 day Hospital Soup Diet email: trivillagebuzz@gmail.com

Issue 206 March 2018 Tri-Village Buzz

March 2018

		IVI	<u>aich 20 i</u>	0		
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
		Buzz Newsletter reserve the ri length, good taste or discrimii		Armchair Traveller 7:30 p.m. Africa	RDEK Board Mtg	
4 Church 10:30 a.m.	5	Wasa Lions Meeting 7 p.m. Wasa Hall	7	8	9	10
11 Church 10:30 a.m Daylight Savings Begins	12	BINGO 6:30 Early Bird 6:45 Regular	14	Armchair Traveller 7:30 p.m. America Southwest	16	17 St Patricks Constitution of the Moon
1.8 Church 10:30 a.m.	19	20 Wasa Lions Mtg 7 p.m. Wasa Hall	Public Open House OCP ESA Dev Permit Area 7 to 9 p.m. Wasa Hall	22	23	24
25 Church 10:30 a.m.	26	27	28	29	30	31
			Rec Society Mtg 7 p.m.			• Full Moon

• Church 10:30 a.m.

• BINGO 6:30 p.m.

- Rec Society 7:00 p.m.
- Lions 7:00 p.m.
- Quilters Tues. 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
- Library Tues. 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
- TOPS Fri 8:30 a.m. Weigh in & Mtg. 9 a.m. 10 a.m.

Special Events and Days Down the Road.



- Thursday, April 19, 2018
 Ashram Teaching at 6 p.m.
- Thursday, April 26th, 2018
 WLLID Annual General Meeting
- June 9th & 10th 2018 Wasa Triathlon
- Saturday, June 16th, 2018
 Wasa Lions Garage Sale

The Tri Village Buzz (and back issues to 2011) is available at www.wasalake.com

Also available on the homepage of the Wasa Lake Land Improvement District at www.wasalake.ca

NUMBERS AT A GLANCE

	NUMBERS AT A GLANCE
	Ashram Meditation & Yoga250.422.9327
I	Bruno's Plumbing250.342.5105
	Catamount Contracting250.422.3694
	Cory's Dog Grooming250.427.2311
ı	Cranbrook/Kimberley Hospice250.417.2019
	Econobuilt250.421.7813
ı	Hi Heat Insulating250.422.3457
ı	HD Railings250.422.3457
	Kootenay Kwik Print250.489.4213
ı	Kootenay Monument Installations422.3414
ı	Lantz Farms (Hay)250.420.1660
	Pos n Gosales@posngo.com
1	Rascal Dock Systems250.421.1746
	TOPS250.422.3510/422.3686
	Wasa Country Pub & Grill250.422.3381
ı	Wasa Lake Gas & Food250.422.9271
•	Wasa Hall250.422.3514/422.3795
	Wasa Hardware & Building Ctr250.422.3123
ı	Wasa Lions Med Equip422.3227/422.3499
•	Wasa Lions Trail Donations250.422.3773
	Wasa Memorial Garden (Pat Walkey).422.3530
l	Wasa Post Office250.422.3122