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WASA LIONS DONATE \$2,000.00 TOWARDS EAST KOOTENAY FOUNDATION FOR HEALTH A Clear View Digital Mammography Campaign



Members of the Wasa District Lions Club pause at their dinner meeting to take a photo with EKFH Executive Director Donna Grainger

Rural community living offers many things including the opportunity to serve. The Wasa District Lions Club (50 members) are doing just that by making a \$2,000 gift to East Kootenay Foundation for Health's mammography fundraiser; becoming one of many organizations who believe in the efforts of early detection for breast cancer.

This past Monday, members of the Wasa District Lions Club opened their arms with a warm welcome and opportunity for East Kootenay Foundation for Health to speak to the Club the "A Clear View – digital mammography campaign". After a scrumptious dinner and time for friendship, EKFH's Donna Grainger and Brian Clifford addressed the group sharing stories about the benefits of this leading-edge technology, the impact the faces of the campaign have had on and other heartfelt stories of past donations.

What is even more empowering is that the Lions made the unanimous decision to support EKFH, even though the Club itself is working on a project to rebuild its outdoor skating rink.

"Every time I attend one of these presentations with Donna, I realize that it isn't just about raising money. The coming together of people and organizations through the A Clear View project is very powerful and meaningful. It is quite remarkable at the support the campaign is receiving," says Brian Clifford, EKFH 2nd Vice Chair.

WASA LIONS COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE



Saturday, May 19, 2012

9:00 am to 1:00 pm

Wasa Lions Grounds

Contact Sharon 250.422.3227

to book a table or booth

If you have items you would like to donate to the Wasa Lions, we are looking for new or gently used, clean, working items!

WASA LIONS Adopt-A-Highway

SATURDAY, APRIL 21ST

9:00 AM

(MEET AT LIONS GROUNDS)

**Lions Members
and
Volunteers Needed
(19 years of age or older)**



GOLF IS A BEAUTIFUL WALK SPOILED BY A WHITE BALL. (MARK TWAIN)

Well its' already April and golf season is quickly approaching. With many of our local courses scheduled to open mid-month, it is important that you stretch those muscles that have been in hibernation over the winter months. (shoulder, back and legs). Before venturing out to your first round of the year, be sure to get some practice swings in a spacious environment. (small living rooms, bathrooms and bedrooms not recommended). When weather permits go outside and slowly swing your clubs. (begin with short irons and work your way up to woods and driver). Next step is getting those leg muscles ready for that beautiful walk. With the many nature trails that adorn our area, there are plenty of options to choose from to tighten up those calves and thighs. Many of us still walk golf courses (yes it's true) and the average distance of a regulation course is approximately 4 miles. Of course the average amateur golfer walks about twice that amount due to many, many wayward shots. So when you are enjoying your stroll on the trails, maybe every now and then you should venture off into the woods to accustom yourself to finding lost golf balls. (I find this exercise most beneficiary as it what I seem to do most on a golf course). Once you have mastered the swing and the walking, you are ready to take on a driving range. A round of golf can be rewarding or challenging as one wants to make it. For the normal amateur player a round of golf with buds (pals and brewskis) is an enjoyable and exciting experience. For us frugal golfers there are many 2 for 1 coupons in newspaper ads as well as The Rotary Club has a savings card valued at \$40.00 (over \$1500.00 in savings) and is available at the East Kootenay Insurance offices or I can get them for you. There is also an East Kootenay Savings Book with many golf course 2 for 1's and is available at the Golf Etc. store in the Rec-Plex. Enjoy your golf season.

CURLING UPDATE

At the recently completed Masters Provincials in Kimberley, the Jim Hill foursome finished the round robin format of the event with a 4-3 record in the 60+ category. They burst out of the starting gate with 3 straight wins before succumbing to some good teams. It was their first taste as a team competing at the provincial level and acquitted themselves admirably. At press time the team is currently playing for the Mens' league title as well as the overall Club Championship. We at the Buzz would like to congratulate the team on an outstanding season. Congrats also goes out to all the volunteers that made the event a huge success. Marnie Henne from Springbrook Resort catered lunches all week and served up an exquisite meal for the wrap-up banquet. Thanks Marnie.

DYNAMITERS DYNAMICS

The Kimberley Dynamiters recently completed their 2011/12 campaign with a disappointing 6-2 loss in game 7 of their playoff series to the Fernie Ghostriders. The Nitros fought hard, twice coming back to tie the series only to have their season come to a halt. Their play over the last year rekindled interest in the community and reminded us of the Dynamiter glory years. Attendance was up and they approach next year with great anticipation. Congrats goes out to players, coaches management and volunteers who made the season an enormous success.

ICE SHAVINGS

The Kootenay Ice have recently completed the 2011/12 regular season and are waiting to take on the Edmonton Oil Kings in the first round of the playoffs. Having solidified a playoff spot with weeks remaining, the team worked hard in games but was not rewarded with many wins. Now they can look to resurrect their season with a deep playoff run. Last year the team was led offensively by Cody Eakin and Max Reinhart as well as the great goal tending of Nathan Lieuwen to reach the Memorial Cup finals. This year's team is very similar with young Sam Reinhart filling in for the departed Eakin. Let's hope for a strong run and let's get out to some games to cheer the boys on. !Go Ice Go!

SOFTBALL UPDATE

The Wasa Slo-Pitch team is currently mentally gearing up for the upcoming season in the Kimberley Slo-Pitch League.

The games start in April and if you wish to play for a well-oiled machine and have limited or all-star skills, the team has a place for YOU. The league plays 6 men and 4 women and all games are at

Wasa Park. To be eligible to play for the team you must be able to have an understanding of the English language, walk, count to three (as in outs) and be able to partake in a cold beverage. THAT'S IT. All newcomers are welcome into the fold and spring training is just around the corner. For further information on joining this prestigious enterprise, please contact Murray Blackburn at: mblackburn@shaw.ca or 250 422-3871.

Remember local sports is our passion.

If you wish to have an article published or have any anecdotes, please contact me at mcarelli@telus.net

See you all next time.



Pictured from left to right: Jim Hill, Mario Carelli, Gord Jenkins, Bryne Blanchard



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Wasa What's It?

**Can you guess what
this item was used for?**



*Thanks to Melinda Howard and
Jack and Jeannette Howard for
providing the image.*

Answer in May Edition



March
Answer:
Hand Drill

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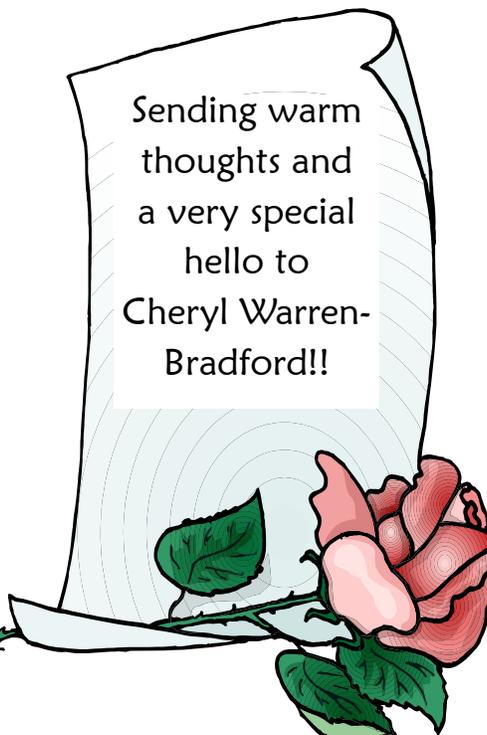
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News from the Pews

By Pastor Gary Semenyna

I love the Easter season! In fact I like it more than Christmas. Why do I like it so much? Well I'm glad you asked... well maybe you didn't ask, but were just wondering.

Please allow me to get "religious" for a few moments of your time. I actually dislike the word "religion" and much prefer "relationship with God," and believe me there is a world of difference! As I reflect on what Easter is all about, you ride an emotional Roller Coaster. We have the high of Palm Sunday with the shouts of praise and worship as Jesus Christ rides into Jerusalem on a donkey, then by Friday, a tragic twist and turn has happened and we have the death of Jesus on the Cross of Calvary. Then for a few days there is the sadness of the grave. Then Easter Sunday comes along and once again there is much rejoicing as we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Without the resurrection, there would be no hope for the future. Without the resurrection, there would be no forgiveness of sin, and that is so very important. If we come to God and ask for forgiveness of our sins and ask Him to be our Lord and Saviour, then we can have eternal life in heaven. We then have that «relationship» with God instead of just having «religion.» Our salvation is not about which Church we attend, or how good a life we live here on this

earth, it rests entirely on what Jesus Christ has done for us by first dying for our sin, being buried and then rising again to conquer sin and death. To know all this is «religion» but to accept it by faith into your life is «relationship,» and again there is a world of difference between the two. With all that in mind, I invite you to come to our Easter Sunday Service on Sunday April 8th. Come and be a part of the celebration of Jesus' resurrection. The service starts at 10:30 a.m.

I also want to tell you about a Marriage/Relationship Seminar called Love and Respect. The seminar will begin Sunday, April 15th, at 1:00 p.m. at the Church, and will run for 5 consecutive weeks. The seminar is a DVD series by Dr. Emerson Eggerichs, so if you want to check what topics will be covered you can go online and find out for yourselves. This seminar will help with the communication aspect of any relationship and Dr. Eggerich is great at presenting the principles that we need in our life.

If you have any questions, give me a call and I would be more than happy to give you more information about Easter, the Love and Respect Seminar or about «religion vs relationship» You can call me at 250 422-3344.

Pastor Gary Semenyna

I would like to thank many people for the care and attention I received when my car went over the embankment and fell over 50 feet downwards on Thursday, March 15th, 2012 when I was on my way to Kimberley. My car is totalled but I received only minor glass cuts and bruises.

Thank you to the Volunteer First Responder from Alberta who saw me go over the embankment and stayed with me until help arrived

Thank you to the paramedics who had to pull me up the embankment and onto the highway, on a sleigh, in knee to waist high snow.

Thank you to my son John, daughter Debbie and friends Vi and Asa and thank you to everybody in Ontario and Michigan who called out of concern for me.

Thank you to my grandson Devon who came from Calgary to see for himself how grandma was doing.

Thank you to my long time friend Rudy Goeders who brought me home from the hospital and who is driving me around everywhere.

Thank you again everyone!!

Sincerely,
Barb Harriott

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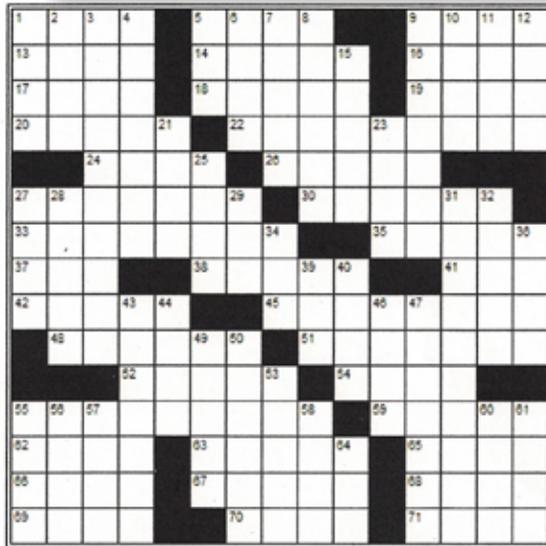
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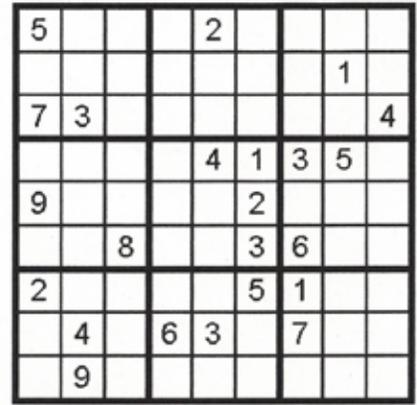
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- 5. Contributes
- 9. Killed
- 13. Not closed
- 14. Considers
- 16. Sweater eater
- 17. Flippant
- 18. Ledger entry
- 19. Chills and fever
- 20. Surpass
- 22. Bungling
- 24. A Freudian stage
- 26. Send, as payment
- 27. Underwear
- 30. Disseminate
- 33. Outside
- 35. Habituate
- 37. 52 in Roman numerals
- 38. Sound from a nest
- 41. Little bit
- 42. Anklebone
- 45. Arduous
- 48. Deadly
- 51. Frosty was one
- 52. Abnormally distended
- 54. Threesome
- 55. Before birth
- 59. Glowing remnant
- 62. Dock at a wharf
- 63. Stripes
- 65. Bog
- 66. Small island
- 67. Mixture of rain and snow
- 68. Distinctive flair
- 69. Accomplishment
- 70. Feudal worker
- 71. A musical pause



DOWN

- 1. Numskull
- 2. Pinnacle
- 3. Profit oriented
- 4. Accord
- 5. Contribute
- 6. Consider
- 7. Prohibit
- 8. Grins
- 9. Spruce up
- 10. Corporate image
- 11. Decorative case
- 12. Sharpen
- 15. Postage
- 21. Den
- 23. Calamitous
- 25. Gave temporarily
- 27. Fur
- 28. Lengthways
- 29. Observed
- 31. Car
- 32. Literary genre
- 34. Permit
- 36. Biblical garden
- 39. Dawn goddess
- 40. Hue
- 43. Spoke
- 44. Cold-shoulder
- 46. Old stories
- 47. Backstroker
- 49. Accumulate
- 50. Small
- 53. Challenges
- 55. Among
- 56. Schnozzola
- 57. Lacquered metalware
- 58. Mortgage
- 60. Historical periods
- 61. Lease
- 64. Consumed food

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Easter

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 Answer:



Eggs

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 Answer:



Can You Spot 12 Differences?



FIND A WORD (GOLF)

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 D R E T T U P T O V I D R I V E R

- ALBATROSS
- APPROACH
- BACK NINE
- BACKSPIN
- BALL
- BIRDIE
- BOGEY
- BUNKER
- CADDIE
- CART
- CHIP
- CLUBHOUSE
- CLUBS
- CONDOR
- COURSE
- DIVOT
- DRIVER
- DRIVING RANGE
- EAGLE
- FAIRWAY
- FLAGSTICK
- FORE
- GREEN
- GRIP
- GROSS SCORE
- HANDICAP
- HOLE IN ONE
- HOLES
- HOOK
- IRON
- NET SCORE
- PAR
- PUTTER
- ROUGH
- RULES
- SHOT
- SLICE
- STROKE
- SWING
- TEE OFF
- TREES
- WATER HAZARD
- WEDGE
- WOOD

Hints From Vi

By Vi Cockell



Hello readers! Where did our good weather go?

1. Hate foggy windshields? Buy a chalkboard eraser and keep it in your vehicles glove box. Rub your windows with the eraser, this works better than wiping with a cloth.
2. Reopen sealed envelopes by placing the envelope in the freezer for 1 to 2 hours. Viola!! The envelope opens easily.
3. The time of year and the skunks are out to get your dog or cat. Here is an easy solution to rid the smell. Mix: 1 litre Hydrogen Peroxide, 1/4 cup Baking Soda, 1 tsp. Dish Soap, mix well. Wet the dog/cat down and apply the mixture, set for 5 minutes and rinse well. This mixture is used by vets.
4. Hidden Battery Power for Cell Phones! When your cell battery is very low, to activate the hidden power press the keys *3370# . Your cell phone will restart with this reserve and will show a 50% increase in the battery life. This reserve will get charged when you next charge your cell phone.
5. Spilled Raspberry juice on clothing pour boiling water over and rinse off.

Till next time keep smiling!

Have you ever wondered why a rabbit has a shiny nose? It's because his Puff is at the other end!

Happy Easter Everyone!

WASA RECREATION SOCIETY

You haven't heard from us since December now spring is in the air, can you believe it?

This is an exciting time for the Recreation Society and for all who use our facility. That pesky septic gas smell is NO MORE, thank goodness! Mike and Laurie finally identified the problem, it was a cracked pipe. Many people, countless hours and a lot of money were spent trying to eliminate what might be the culprit before it was discovered and subsequently fixed. Thank you all!

Karen has submitted a grant to Columbia Basin Trust and Area 'E' to help cover some important upgrades. We will present our case April 11th at the hearing. If we do receive the grant money the plan is to add several inches of insulation to the hall ceiling, fix the exit lights, install new emergency lights and place programmable thermostats on the furnace controls. We hope these improvements will decrease

our overall operating expenses. With rising costs and our wish to do our part environmentally we feel the upgrades are a very good thing.

Jim Hill rewired the electric heat table in the kitchen and with JC's help the identification of the electric panels is almost complete. Thanks guys!

We purchased 25 new tables for the Hall. These tables are much lighter and due to their molded construction there won't be an issue with chipping, splintering or snagging people's clothing. A win for the users and a win for our cleaners! We also sold off the old ones thus helping offset some of the expense.

The hole in the men's bathroom has also been repaired, thanks Lion's Club for dealing with this.

We wish to thank Susan Manahan for looking after the refreshments for the newly formed Friday night Whist Club gathering. She also prepares

the bingo food for which we are eternally grateful. Lorraine Colton is Susan's backup for the preparation and Christa, (from the trailer court) sells the food for us. We sure appreciate our volunteers, thank you!

Sarah and Sharon have been huge help to us as well. Thanks Sarah for your capable management of the bingo during Orlena's absence.

We look forward to the Hall's spring sprucing up. This occurs early as we prepare for the busy season of weddings and family parties. Come and join us everyone will be welcome and there is always room for one more call 250-422-3288 for details.

You are invited to attend our regular Rec. meeting the last Tuesday of each month a 7:00 p.m. in the Quilter's room. REMEMBER IT'S YOUR HALL TOO

Sandy Kay, VICE PRESIDENT

WASA RECREATION SOCIETY



WASA LAKE LAND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (WLLID)

SUBMITTED BY CLAY TIPPETT

The Annual General Meeting of the WLLID will be held at the Wasa Community Hall on April 30th at 7:00 PM. The purpose of the AGM is to update the taxpayers on the condition of our flood control system, present our financials and summarize activities of the board for the last year. In addition, two trustees will be elected, each for a three year term. The meeting is open to the public, but voting rights are restricted to BC resident taxpayers.

Prior to the meeting you can review the audited financial statements from 2010 along with the budget for 2012, the minutes of the board meetings and the AGM minutes from 2011 by visiting: www.wasalake.com and clicking the WLLID tab. Our financials for 2011 are currently being reviewed by the auditors. The audited statements they produce will be available on the website on April 24th.

The WLLID has been measuring

and recording both lake and river levels in the spring and summer since 1996. These measurements are used on a real-time basis for mosquito control and on a historical basis for establishing new lake flood levels, which have turned out to be lower since the flood control structures were put into place.

As there is no public access to the lake gauge, a new manual lake level gauge will be installed near the boat launch ramp on Ponderosa Drive. Early softening of the lake ice has postponed its installation until winter 2012/13. Longer term plans are to acquire electronic gauges for both the lake and river.

So for this year we will get the data the old-fashioned way. We need a volunteer(s) to make a daily hike to the Kootenay River from June through August to read the river gauge. If you can help, please contact Sharon Prinz at 422-3337. We have volunteers to monitor the lake gauge.

At the February board meeting the board agree to transfer \$5,000 of our cash balance to a reserve fund for the maintenance of our flood control structures. Each year a portion of the annual tax revenues will be transferred to the fund to make sure that in future there is money available for repairs and maintenance.

At the March board meeting, a presentation was made by Ron Brooks on behalf of the Aquifer Study Committee. Ron has reviewed some of the many studies that have been done. A comprehensive one he outlined was a ninety-one page study produced by Hodge Hydrogeology which cites studies dating back to the 1960s. Unfortunately none of the studies seem to answer two basic questions: first, how large is the aquifer and how much water can sustainably be extracted from it and second, what needs to be done to insure that the aquifer does not become contaminated. The WLLID will be seeking funding to find these answers and hopefully have these findings incorporated in the yet to be developed Wasa Community Plan.

Wasa Community Church

~ Pastor Gary Semenyra ~
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SUBMITTED BY BRENDA RAUCH

Now that Spring is officially here, we can put away our shovels and snow boots!! Just remember where you have them stored...nothing is for sure.

We recommend the following books for you to read on a rainy day:

THE WINTER PALACE

By Eva Stachniak

"Tells the epic story of Catherine the Great's improbable rise to power as seen through the ever-watchful eyes of an all but invisible servant close to the throne."

BUTTERBOX SURVIVORS

By Robert Hartlen

"...a collection of personal stories told by some of the survivors of the Ideal Maternity Home in Chester, Nova Scotia. The story of this home has become synonymous with illegal adoptions and suspicious baby deaths. Much attention has been given to the neglect of infants at the Home, the exorbitant fees paid by the adoptive parents and the secretive nature of the transactions."

JUST TAKE MY HEART

By Mary Higgins Clark

*"After Natalie Raines is found in her home, dying from a gunshot wound, police immediately suspect her soon-to-be ex husband, Greg Aldrich. No charges are brought against him until two years later, when Jimmy Easton suddenly comes forward to claim that Aldrich had tried to hire him to kill his wife."
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We know you will enjoy the spring season. We will enjoy seeing you in the library!



FANNY'S MEATLOAF

2 cups chopped mushrooms
 1½ cups chopped broccoli florets
 1 cup diced green peppers
 1 cup diced carrots
 ½ cup diced onions
 1 tsp minced garlic
 1 tsp salad oil

½ tsp celery seed
 1 pound ground turkey
 1/3 cup catsup
 3 Tbsp soya sauce
 2 Tbsp dijon mustard
 3 egg whites
 1 cup dried bread crumbs

1. In frying pan, over medium high heat cook until tender crisp: mushrooms, broccoli, peppers, carrots, onions, garlic, oil and celery seed.
2. In large bowl combine vegetable mixture and remaining ingredients. Stir until moist.
3. Pat mixture into 4x8 loaf pan. Bake 375° for 40-45 min or until firm to touch. Let stand 10 minutes before slicing.

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Arla



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If you have a small group
 that is interested in
 singing or playing during
 Wasa Fun Days

COMMUNITY RECREATION PROGRAM

On March 19th I received a call from Bill Bennett, MLA for Kootenay East. He informed me that the Wasa Lion's were selected to be one of the recipients from the This program had been announced last fall by Premier Christy Clark, at that time the Wasa Lion's and the RDEK put in the application for the funding to go towards their new outdoor skating rink.

AGRICULTURAL PLAN TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Board passed the Agricultural Plan Terms of Reference, they also authorized the committee to request for proposals for an Agricultural Consultant If you want to learn more about the Agricultural Plan you can email agricultural@rdek.bc.ca..

ZONING AMENDMENT AND SUBDIVISION APPLICATIONS

During the March Board meeting there were several applications heard from residents of Area E. The Stohl's application to change their zoning from commercial to RR1 was given 3rd and final reading. The Fabro's applied to the Agricultural Land Commission to have a piece of land included in the Agricultural Land Reserve, so they would be allowed to subdivide another piece of property for their son.

Mr. Shostac made an application in the Meadowbrook area to subdivide his house and create a small lot, and rezone 4 acres to Light Industrial which would enable him to build storage sheds and recreation trailer storage. His application received 1st and 2nd readings. The hearing was on March 20th and there were about 25 people in

attendance. No one spoke in favor of the application.

I attended a separate meeting with some Meadowbrook residents where we discussed the Rock Quarry Application at Cherry Creek Falls This has been an ongoing problem as the people in the surrounding areas have many concerns. The Meadowbrook residents are planning to form a Meadowbrook Association, which will provide a possible way of reaching the residents of Meadowbrook. They also asked me to look into creating an Area E Day Use Park so that we may be able to keep the area available for recreational use and protect the land and water.

AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE AND EACC COMMITTEE

Thanks to Barry Minor, Bob Johnstone and Wilma Croisdale for all of the guidance and support they provided while they were members of the Area Planning Committee and the EACC Committee. The members of the committees are Susanne Ashmore, Bob Eccleston, Barry Garland, Wilma Harding, Len Hunt, Douglas Barraclough. Judy McPhee, Ida Cale, Gordon Olsen, Bev Rauch, Virginia West, and Jim Westwood.

RECREATION TRAILERS ON WASA LAKE PROPERTY

The RDEK received many letters regarding the recreation trailer zoning at Wasa and I will be reviewing them with staff. Thank You to everyone that took the time to write or call about this issue.

I hope everyone has a safe and happy month.

Jane Walter

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



the Armchair Traveller

SUBMITTED BY BEV FALKINER

On March 7th Derm Kennedy came out from Kimberley to share his photos and knowledge of Haida Gwaii. Derm calls the Islands "our Gallapogus." He is very knowledgeable, takes beautiful photos, and is an excellent narrator. He and Susanne have contributed regularly to our Armchair Series and always create an enjoyable evening. Our thanks also go out to Judy McPhee, Rhea Tagg, Lorraine Hagen and Howard and Virginia West for donating "Goodies" for after the show.

We have two more presentations. Laurie Kay will entertain us with photos of Australia and Sandy will supply all of the treats. That is on March 21. Sharon and Wendy Prinz will be adding more of the wonderful trip they had last year; this one will feature Egypt, Jordan and Dubai. April 4 is the date for that.

The Armchair Traveller will return next year---that is barring something terrible happens and they have to throw a sheet over us!! We do fit under the ghastly title of "SENIORS" Suggestions for presentations would really help. We would welcome people from Cranbrook and Kimberley and of course locally if they are willing to donate their time.

Come join us for good viewing, coffee or juice, a treat and a visit with your neighbours!



Mar. 21	Australia	Laurie and Sandy Kay
April 4	Egypt, Jordan, and Dubai	Sharon and Wendy Prinz

HISTORY BYTES

BY NAOMI MILLER

THE CAMERON'S ARRIVAL

Bertha Cameron arrived in Wasa in January 1915. Her father Stuart Cameron and uncle Jim Walmsley had arrived on Christmas Day 1914. The two men had purchased property sight unseen before leaving Alberta and arrived in a boxcar with household goods and two horses. They initially settled into a large blacksmith shop on the east side of Wasa Lake. Shortly after the family arrived all were moved across the frozen lake to property on the west side where their first residences were tents. The men cut trees and hauled them across the frozen river to a mill to have lumber made for their flume and homes. The Cameron home was set where the Locke boxcar sits and the Walmsley home was a forerunner of Koochins on Ponderosa Road. The land broken for growing potatoes was where the Drag Strip was created. The two settlers built a flume from Lewis Creek around the North end of the lake- a very time consuming and costly project. Water flowed through that flume for a little over 24 hours----- then it stopped. The Chinese gardener at the Wasa Hotel had drilled a hole to get water for his garden!!! This rushed down washing out hillside and props for the flume so it was impossible to repair. Potatoes at the drag strip were lost. Walmsleys moved back to Calgary and Camerons leased a garden plot from Mr. Barr up the hill on Lazy Lake Road.

Bertha was the eldest in her family. She was taught to saw and chop firewood, to harness the horse and buggy, and run errands. She improvised water wings then taught herself to swim. Her horse was very tall. After stretching to put the bridle on she would ride bareback to get the

mail or small items delivered to the railway station. The first time that a car drove past, the horse spooked and bucked her off, but stayed close as she lay stunned on the ground. One year she drove horse and sleigh to go to a Christmas concert at the Wasa Hotel. She took two young brothers and a tiny sister as both her parents were ill. When it was time to go home she walked with her brothers to the sleigh then back to the hotel for the bundled up baby. The sleigh started moving so she had to dash to catch the reins and chide her brother. Life was a big adventure starting when she was ten years old.

1916 was one of the highest flood levels ever seen. The trains quit running. The bridge in line with the old railway station was above water but access roads were wet for two months. A community gathering was planned for Ta Ta Creek School in August. Arrangements were made to cross the river by boat and be met by Jud Miller's horse and buggy on the other side. When the Cameron family arrived they saw their host's team floundering in deep mud. Other teams came to the rescue and the party was soon enjoyed by all.

Bertha went to Ta Ta Creek School and at age fifteen passed her entrance exams to high school. But the family could not afford to send her immediately to board in Cranbrook as Camerons were moving to Larchwood where her Dad had a contract to cut fire damaged trees for mine props. Slowly a new community grew out of that operation. Camerons had a big house with a front room large enough to host dances. Bertha's mother played piano and usually a fiddler or a one man band accompanied her. No alcohol was permitted but those

popular gatherings were fun!

Bertha did manage to graduate from Cranbrook High School then attend Provincial Normal School in Victoria. In Victoria she was fitted with eyeglasses after years of struggling to see the blackboard. After four years away she applied to teach at Larchwood School and was welcomed home. She taught at Larchwood for three years then married Harry Moore in July 1929. Her sixteen page story in KOOTENAY RIPPLES tells of many events of her family's life before and during the Dirty Thirties. Harry worked in Wardner until the mill burned down. The couple moved to Mud Creek then finished their lives in Edgewater. The Moores bought the saw mill there and were a quiet, hard working couple who were very generous to staff and their families. Bertha died in 2005 a few weeks shy of her 100th Birthday.

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FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENT

The Wasa & District Lions Club has been working on upgrading the rink at the Lions Grounds. We have committed to a large number of volunteer hours and funds that will result in an ice rink with a structured surface and rink boards in place, a facility that can be used year round by the residents. The Lions have been seeking funding from a number of grants and this week, we received word that we have been awarded funding in the amount of \$70,482.00 from the Community Recreation Program Grant, offered by the Ministry of Community, Sport & Culture, one of the provincial grants we applied for. Bill Bennett, MLA for Kootenay East, will be confirming the approval and announcing the amount we have been awarded. The amount will be announced in the next edition of the Buzz.

We are delighted to hear our application was successful and would like to thank everyone for their hard work and assistance.

WASA COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE AND PANCAKE BREAKFAST (SATURDAY, MAY 19, 2012)

Contact Sharon at 250.422.3227 to book a table or booth or for more information on donating items.

LIONS DOG WALK (SUNDAY, MAY 27, 2102)

The annual Lions Dog Walk will be held on Sunday, May 27th, 2012 in Wasa. Funds from this event are used by Lions Clubs International to train Guide Dogs for people who have vision, hearing and other medical or physically limiting disabilities. It is a unique fund raiser as three local clubs (Wasa, Kimberley and Cranbrook) work together in putting it on. Please contact Kathy at 250.422.3345 for more information and pledge sheets.

WASA FUN DAYS - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED (SATURDAY, MAY 26 AND SUNDAY, MAY 27)

Wasa Fun Days is right around the corner and now is the time to think of putting a float in the parade or putting a Bocci team together. **We are looking for volunteer(s) to run the Kids Booth, if you are interested please contact Lion Jane Walter at 250.427.2577 or any Lions member.**

The Wasa Lions are looking for people to help entertain during Wasa Fun Days on Saturday, May 26th. If you have a small group and are willing to play and sing for about 15 minutes please contact Charlie at 250.427.1767.

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- 1) Weather vane reversed
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- 3) Extra egg on path
- 4) Windows on silo
- 5) Design on egg on path is different
- 6) Extra whisker on bunny
- 7) Design on egg near bunny different
- 8) Extra flower near bunny's foot
- 9) Leaves on tree missing
- 10) Extra flower upper right
- 11) Extra clouds in sky
- 12) Barn doors different

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Eggs: bird, omelet, crack, shell, scrambled

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DO YOU MAKE GOOD DECISIONS?

Before you throw yourself into action, ask yourself: "What do I want to obtain?" During the action you might think: "Yes, I'm getting exactly what is needed", but after the action ask yourself: "What did I really get?"

When you make a decision, you must hold on to it no matter what. But remember that you must decide according to the situation and your abilities, and according to the needs of the situation rather than your needs through the situation. Take everything into consideration, including yourself and your inner attitude regarding the situation. As soon as you have resolved not to change your decision, you will feel strong. While your decision is being accomplished, you could decide to do more or to improve your decision but don't change it, because if you do, if you do not accomplish it,

you will lose confidence in yourself.

Don't rush into a decision. If you make a decision but you feel in conflict with the situation, take more time to study the circumstances, even if it means postponing the decision to improve it. A good decision always brings peace, kindness and happiness to you and others. You must also know that, if you are troubled or uncomfortable with your decision, it means that your decision will not bring good fruits. For your decision to be beneficial for you and everyone, be sure that there are as little emotion involved in your decision as possible. Remember that any bad outcome that you could have experienced in the past because of your decisions was only caused by unidentified upsetting emotions which deformed the necessity of the situation.

To avoid any mistake and to

be free to make good decisions, be sure that you are free from personal emotions by being aware of them. When you know something, you become free from it. If you want to make a good decision, be sure that none of your emotions are involved in it and always act according to the necessity of the situation and the happiness of everyone around you.

May all of you make good decisions for everyone to be happy and harmonious around you.

Warmly yours on the Path of Life.
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Note: If you want to be kept informed about our next Friday Teaching and Meditation session, given by Venerable Gurudev Hamsah Nandatha, call our office at 250 422 9327.

One of Our Areas Finest Assets - The ELKS CLUB

This is an invitation to visit the Elks Club of Kimberley, with the thought of becoming a member. Dues are well under \$100.00 a year and the club offers the following:

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- large bar and bar area
- reasonable prices
- darts
- bowling alleys
- two pool tables
- friendly staff and members



Membership is open to both men and women and there are no longer any RITUALS to shy away from. The club is very financially viable and unlike many service organizations, is not struggling. Good work is done in the area and a person can take pride in membership. Meetings take place on the first Wednesday of each month and the club is open from 2:00 pm to 11:00 pm and offers many special events to take advantage of. Remember this is a place to bring your friends and relatives for a fun evening, or to enjoy an evening of Texas Hold'm Poker.

If you are interested please call 250.581.1375 as I go to the club at least once a month, including Wednesdays and would enjoy your company.

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Listed below are some of the user groups and contacts:

- Hall Rentals and Information
Karen Markus 250.422.3514
Sandy Kay 250.422.3288
- Gym
Sonia Blackwell 250.422.9201
- TOPS
Susan 250.422.3510
- Library
Brenda Rauch
250.422.3335

In addition, BINGO's are held on the second Tuesday of each month at the Wasa Hall. Early bird starts at 6:45 pm and regular at 7:00 pm.

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 Waiver located at the sign-in desk
- All users are required to wear "gym shoes" - no street shoes permitted
- All users must use the safety key on the Walking Machines
- Cost is a loonie or twoonie
- Have fun and be safe!

In the morning 7:30 am to 8:30 am...
Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays
10 am to 11 am Mondays and Wednesdays
Contact: Sonia Blackwell 250.422.9201



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.



GYM HOURS AND INFO

April 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 Quilters Library LIONS	4 TOPS Library Armchair Traveller- Egypt, Jordan, Dubai	5 Bible Study	6	7
8 Church Easter Service	9	10 Quilters Library BINGO	11 TOPS Library	12 Bible Study	13	14
15 Church Love & Respect Seminar	16	17 Quilters Library LIONS	18 TOPS Library Cut-off for May Newsletter	19 Bible Study	20	21 Highway Clean Up 9:00 am
22 Church	23	24 Quilters Library	25 TOPS Library	26 Bible Study	27	28
29 Church	30 WLLID Annual General Meeting					

- LEGEND**
- Church Service 10:30 am
 - Gym (M,W,F 7:30-8:30am & 10-11 M,W)
 - BINGO 6:45pm
 - Rec Society 7:00 pm
 - Lions 7:00 pm
 - Library Tues 11am - 1pm
 - Library Wed 6:30pm -8:30 pm
 - Bible Study 7pm
 - TOPS 6:30 pm
 - Quilters 10am-4pm



Special Events and Days Down the Road

- May 19,2012
Wasa Lions Garage Sale and
Pancake Breakfast
- May 26 & 27, 2012
Wasa Fun Days
- Sunday, May 27, 2012
Lions Purina Walk for Dog Guides
- May 31, 2012
Deadline CBT Funding Distribution

NUMBERS AT A GLANCE

- Chase Saddle and Leather.....250.427.5517
- Doug Ross (Property Sale).....250.422.9272
- Elks Kimberley.....250.581.1375
- Girls, Sharon and Sarah.....250.581.0780
- Healing Hands.....250.420.7052
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- Wasa Community Church.....250.422.3344
- Wasa Building Supplies.....250.422.3123
- Wasa Diner & Pizza.....250.422.3366
- Wasa Hall.....250.422.3514 or 422.3288
- Wasa Lions (President).....250.422.3272
- Wasa Lions Ground & Rental Information -
Ernie Kurze.....250.422.3121
- Weiler Property Services.....250.427.4417