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Fire Prevention and Suppression

By Nowell Berg



Photo: Nowell Berg

WVFPSC Committee - Lyle Zaksauskas (left), Mike Gall, Kathy McCauley, Bill Walkley. Not present Jane Walter, Sharon Prinz and Debbie Waterer.

Last year was a turning point in preparing for structure fires and wildfire. After two homes burnt down in May 2017 and the extensive wildfire season around Wasa, several local residents started looking into possible fire suppression strategies.

According to Kathy McCauley, Secretary Treasurer for Wasa Volunteer Fire Prevention and Suppression Committee (WVFPSC), soon to be a Society, "It started to feel it was time to get something done for Wasa."

Other local residents on the Committee include: Bill Walkley, Chair, Directors, Mike Gall, Lyle Zaksauskas

and Sharon Prinz. Also on the committee are RDEK Area E Director Jane Walters and Debbie Waterer.

It all started with a visit to the St. Mary Valley fire suppression group who have been operational for several years. The Wasa group learned a lot about what to do and what not to do in setting up equipment and people for fire suppression.

"Director Walters knew of our interest and encouraged us to apply for funding from the RDEK Columbia Basin Trust (CBT) Community Initiatives program", said McCauley.

Taking inspiration from the St. Mary

group and the possibility of funding, a Wasa committee was formed and an application prepared requesting \$10,000 "to build two community owned water trailers for Wasa. The Wasa Lake Land Improvement District (WLLID) agreed to be the project proponent, submit the WVFPSC prepared application and take responsibility for administering funds," said McCauley.

After submitting the application, the WVFPSC held several information sessions at Wasa community events (spaghetti dinners and pancake breakfasts) to inform residents about the fire suppression initiative and to gauge local support.

"Most people were interested and supportive," said McCauley. Although she had several people say they "[didn't] really care if their house burns down." McCauley explained the purpose behind fire suppression, "this project is not about saving one house from burning, it's about preventing the community from burning. If fire spreads and wipes out the community, not only will property values be worthless but the community will dissolve."

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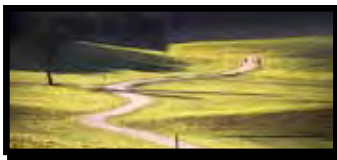


Dragon Boat Races at Wasa!

The Abreast in the Rockies Dragon Boat Team is thrilled to be welcoming and competing with 9 Dragon Boat teams from across BC in the 55+ Games at Wasa on **Thursday, September 13th and Friday, September 14th from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm**. The 2018 55+ BC Games are being hosted by Kimberley and Cranbrook from September 11th to September 15th, 2018. There are 25 sports and over 2,500 participants aged 55+ from across BC that are expected to compete.

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FOLLOWING THE TRAILS OF

Yesterday

By Judy McPhee

PETER WINDFELDT "CHICKEN PETE"

When he was an old man, Peter Windfeldt, of Wasa, better known from Golden to Cranbrook as "Chicken Pete" wished his life story to be written down. He asked Stuart Cameron of Creston, pen-name Will Stuart; "could you write my life story?"

All the people featured in this column have been able to communicate their life stories. For this article, I was fortunate to come across Peter's life story in the book "Some We Have Met And Stories They Have Told" by Will Stuart of Creston for the 1967 Centennial.

The following is a summary of "Chicken Pete's" life. I have heard people around here talk of "Chicken Pete" for years.

As related by Peter, Chicken Pete was a 21 year old youth in the Danish army during the war of 1856 when Prussia invaded Denmark, forcibly grabbing the states of Holstein and Schleswig.

After the invasion, Peter's father, a drover (a herder of cattle) and farmer, determined to circumvent the Prussian's. With friends, he built a tunnel connecting the stockyards from the occupied part of Denmark to their area, north of it. It worked for a time and unfortunately the Prussian's became suspicious when too many hogs and cattle were discovered on his farm for its size. They investigated and found the tunnel.

For Peter's safety, his father ordered him to leave the country at once. Peter landed in Boston in the 1860's, just in time to join a caravan of covered wagons with a herd of cattle and horses - all going to California. The criteria for him to be able to join the caravan was: possession of a mule, a saddle, a musket and help to drive the herd to California. From 1864 to 1879, the natives fought for their land which kept them vigilant, day and night. They were constantly in danger.

Stopped in Montana

They arrived in Montana in 1864 and he thought he had gone far enough. It was time to seek opportunity in this new territory which had just become a State land he had learned enough English on the trail to get along.

His skill as a drover and butcher in Denmark led him, in a small way, to buy, herd, butcher and deliver meat to camps near by. He opened several butcher shops. Buying, herding, delivering to his butcher shops and working in them kept him extremely busy. Profits enabled him to buy a good sized farm.

Peter was a colourful character, determined,

independent and sometimes cantankerous. He had fine points as well as failings.

He invested heavily and successfully in livestock and grain farming. He bought a self-binder to cut his crop and made good money cutting neighbours crops. His endeavours paid off and he was able to hire drovers and buyers to do all his work. He was the big boss, but as he explained, in the 1920's, "he got a swelled head". Up to this time, he was a hard worker, busy planner, frugal and temperate.

Poker to Poor

Now he finally had time to relax and enjoy the money that rolled in. He was invited to join in poker games and believed he was an expert player. He soon acquired gambler's fever and never lost his desire to gamble. The shark's cleaned him out. He went back for more games, trying to recoup his losses and in a few years lost his butcher stores, the farm, his money and all that his frugal life had acquired.

To Canada, He Came

In the 1890's, he decided to go north to the Kootenay area to rebuild his fortune. He knew he could build a business of supplying meat to the miners and the people in the Kootenay's.

He acquired land at Wasa, built a cabin and outbuildings, planted an apple orchard and grew vegetables and other fruit to peddle around the area. Before the railway came, he rode around or drove through the area, buying young cattle, calves and chickens.

How Did He Get The Name "Chicken Pete"

With pack horses, he would come down from the scattered farms, with sacks full of chickens hanging from his pack saddles, driving his cattle purchases ahead of him to dispose of them at the various camps and the general stores he passed.

Peter told this story to the man who recorded his story: The incident which he received the name "Chicken Pete" occurred one day when he was coming home from the Invermere area with his pack ponies, well-laden with live chickens. He attempted to cross the Kootenay River at a well known ford. The river was an extra foot or so in depth. He also believed the ford had shifted. Crossing on his saddle horse, accompanied by his pack ponies, they were suddenly swept downstream. His chickens started to drown. A group of natives came to their rescue. They saved him, his horse, his ponies and some of his chickens. The humour of the situation struck the natives. Peter seemed more concerned about his

chickens than himself. From this time on, he was known as "Chicken Pete".

Peter's Downfall Again...Poker

Whatever success he achieved in Wasa, was thrown away playing poker. He was addicted.

The old Wasa Hotel under Nels Hanson was the scene of many card games in the days before the Kootenay Central Railway. At the time, "Al Doyle Stages" carried adventurous wealthy men and titled Britishers to the hotel.

Nels was a genial host, a shrewd store-keeper, business man and the king pin of the Wasa district. He also had a thriving sawmill and logging company.

It was said that two days after Hanson paid his staff, he had his money back from his store and bar as well as the poker games played at his hotel. He indeed was a shrewd man.

Peter lost his money, again, at poker, and had to gain it back. He decided he had to earn \$100.00 to go to Invermere. He received a contract from a man called Col. Pollen and his manager, to slash bush on about 100 acres of partly logged

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Fire Prevention and Suppression

In mid-June, WVPSC received \$4,500 in funding from Community Initiatives. They also received, in conjunction with Newgate and Grasmere, \$13,000 from the CBT Wildfire Mitigation Program for prevention and education programming.

"In July, we successfully bid on a Nortruck water trailer used by Parks Canada in Radium," said McCauley. It cost \$2,380 and was "declared in good shape" by local resident Mike Reimer.

The trailer did not have a pump, so WVPSC bought a new Honda water pump at a cost of \$1,000.

Larry Gould donated a nozzle and Bruce Walkey donated a 50 foot hose.



Water Trailer

Jack Walkley loaned the WVPSC additional hoses until more can be purchased. Dale Leask loaned a water and pump trailer unit for demonstrations at Saturday morning pancake breakfasts.

Local residents have also come forward offering to donate money.

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Mike Gall demos fire hose water spray

A public meeting scheduled for Saturday, October 6th at the Wasa Community Hall will be a chance for residents to hear from the WVPSC. Included in the evening will be a FireSmart program delivered by Alan Westhaver as part of the Wildfire Mitigation grant.

The next steps for WVPSC is to apply for Society status with the Provincial government that will allow them to accept donations, establish a communication network to alert residents of a house or wild fire and set up procedures along with safety protocols to coordinate fire suppression and volunteers.

If you are interested in being part of the fire suppression team or just want to learn more about FireSmart, then circle 6 October on the calendar. More details will be announced as they become available.

PETER WINDFELDT "CHICKEN PETE" *Continued from Page 2*

land. Although getting on in years, he worked desperately and very hard and completed the job in minimal time.

The stage coach took three days to deliver the money from Col. pollen's office. He wanted to go to Windermere right away and did not want to wait three days for his money to come. Nels received assurance of payment from Col. Pollen who hired him and lent Peter ten, ten dollar bills, plus he gave him room and meals as his guest. Peter had dreams of turning the \$100.00 into \$200.00 in Windermere, relying on his wisdom of buying and selling. He became restless. His genial host said "have a drink, kill time by playing a game of poker."

When the game was over, Nels had his \$100.00 back, poor Peter had nothing! Peter realized, too late, he was wrong to gamble his life's work away- not once but twice playing poker.

A bachelor always, he remained at his one room cabin taking care of his fruit trees and vegetables and peddling the crops to a few customers with his faithful old horse and democrat. He made satisfactory, wholesome meals for his visitors on

his worn-out wood stove and became relaxed in his care of himself and home.

During the winters of the last few years of his life, he lived at the St. Eugene Hospital in Cranbrook and loved the nurses. He believed the nurses were making eyes at him while they were sitting with him.

One story I heard years ago about "Chicken Pete" was the time he walked to Kimberley with his wheel barrel and walked back to his place with a wheel barrel full of chicken feed and a sack of chicken feed over his shoulder.

His last summer at Wasa was spent in his 99th year.

"Chicken Pete" passed away just before his 100th birthday. *To dream is free!*



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.

Dragon Boats Wasa *Continued Cover*

This is an annual five-day, province wide, multi-sport event hosted by a different community each year. The BC Seniors Games Society is the parent organization that is responsible for the overall governance of the Games. Its mission is to improve the health, lifestyle and image of British Columbia's 55+ population.

The Sport Directorate of Kimberley and Cranbrook have been working tirelessly to bring about an amazing 2018 55+ Games! **Come to Wasa lake on Thursday, Sept. 13th and Friday, Sept. 14th and listen for the captivating sound of drum beats on the Dragon Boats.** Cheer on the men and women paddlers as they race on Wasa Lake!

Check out the "Games at a Glance" to see other Sports events that would welcome a cheering crowd. "Paddles Up"!

Below is the Kimberley/Cranbrook 2018 55+ BC Games at a glance. The schedule is subject to change. Check the website 55plusgames.ca or 55+ BC Games on Facebook.

Boat owners are asked to please respect the Dragon Boat racing on Thursday and Friday as the course will need to be cleared for the dragon boats and safety boats involved. Hope everyone enjoys the races!



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GAMES AT A GLANCE - Kimberley Cranbrook 2018 55+ BC Games - Sept 11 - 15, 2018

TUESDAY, SEPT 11 DAY 1 VENUE LOCATIONS	WEDNESDAY - SEPT 12 DAY 2 SPORTS	THURSDAY - SEPT 13 DAY 3 SPORTS	FRIDAY - SEPT 14 DAY 4 SPORTS	SATURDAY - SEPT 15 DAY 5 SPORTS
Cran = Cranbrook Kim = Kimberley RDEK = Regional District Marys = Marysville Wasa = Wasa Lake Wycliffe = Wycliffe Exhibition Grounds <i>last updated: June 18/18</i>	Badminton (Cran) Darts (Kim) Equestrian (Wycliffe) Five Pin Bowling (Cran) Ice Curling (Cran) Ice Hockey (Kim & Cran) Pickleball (Cran) Slo-Pitch (Cran) Soccer (Marysville) Tennis (Kim & Cran) Track & Field (Cran) GAMES VILLAGE 9:00 am - 6:00 pm Kimberley Conference Centre Plaza - Alpine PARTICIPANT ACCREDITATION 10:00 am - 5:00 pm Kimberley Conference Centre - Alpine Resort OPENING CEREMONY 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Western Financial Place Cranbrook	Archery (RDEK) Badminton (Cran) Bocce (Kim) Bridge (Cran) Cribbage (Kim) Cycling (TT) (Kim) Darts (Kim) Dragon Boat (Wasa) Equestrian (Wycliffe) Five Pin Bowling (Cran) Floor Curling (Kim) Golf (Kim & Cran) Ice Curling (Cran) Ice Hockey (Kim & Cran) Lawn Bowling (Kim) Mountain Bike (Marys) Pickleball (Cran) Slo-Pitch (Cran) Soccer (Marysville) Swimming (Cran) Tennis (Kim & Cran) Track & Field (Cran) Whist (Kim) SPECIAL EVENTS 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM 1. Cranbrook Rotary Party 2. Party in the Platzl - Kimberley	Archery (RDEK) Badminton (Cran) Bocce (Kim) Bridge (Cran) Cribbage (Kim) Cycling (RR) (RDEK) Darts (Kim) Dragon Boat (Wasa) Five Pin Bowling (Cran) Floor Curling (Kim) Golf (Kim & Cran) Ice Curling (Cran) Ice Hockey (Kim & Cran) Lawn Bowling (Kim) Mountain Bike (Marys) Pickleball (Cran) Slo-Pitch (Cran) Soccer (Marysville) Swimming (Cran) Tennis (Kim & Cran) Track & Field (Cran) Whist (Kim) SPECIAL EVENTS 7:00 PM - 11:00 PM 1. Casino Night & Dance - Kimberley Conference Centre - Alpine Resort 2. Cocktail Reception - Prestige Rocky Mountain Resort - Cranbrook	Archery (RDEK) Badminton (Cran) Bocce (Kim) Bridge (Cran) Cycling (HC) (RDEK) Darts (Kim) Five Pin Bowling (Cran) Ice Curling (Cran) Ice Hockey (Kim & Cran) Pickleball (Cran) Slo-Pitch (Cran) Soccer (Marysville) Swimming (Cran) Tennis (Kim & Cran) Track & Field (Cran) T & F Road Race (Cran) CLOSING CEREMONY 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM Kimberley Conference Centre - Alpine Resort VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION EVENT 2:30 PM - 7:00 PM Kimberley Conference Centre - Alpine Resort

Got bats in your belfry?

Are you noticing more bats around your house or property? You are not alone! Mid-summer is the time when landowners typically notice more bat activity, may have bats flying into their house and occasionally find a bat on the ground or roosting in unusual locations.



An adult Californian Myotis rests on a building.
Photo: Sunshine Coast Wildlife Project

infection, but any risk of transmission should not be treated lightly. Contact a doctor or veterinarian if a person or pet could have come into direct contact (bitten, scratched etc.) with a bat.

Landowners can visit the Got Bats? BC Community Bat Program's website (www.bcbats.ca) for information on safely moving a bat if necessary and to report bat sightings. The Kootenay Community Bat Project also has a 1-800 number (1-855-9BC-BATS ext 14) for further advice. The Program is currently seeking reports of mortalities at bat colonies in houses, barns, or bat houses. The BC Community Bat Program and their support with batty matters is funded by the Habitat Conservation Trust Foundation, the Forest Enhancement Society of BC, and the Government of BC.

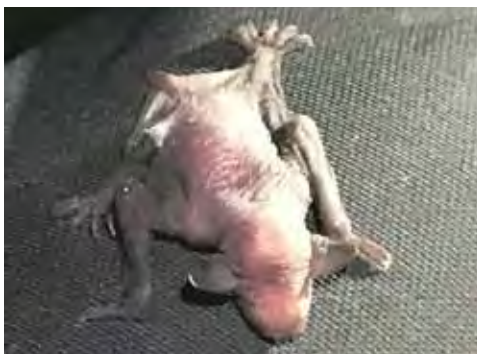
Female bats gather in maternity colonies in early summer, where they will remain until the pups are ready to fly. Some species of bats have adapted to live in human structures, and colonies may be found under roofs or siding, or in attics, barns, or other buildings. Having bats is viewed as a benefit by some landowners, who appreciate the insect control. Others may prefer to exclude the bats. Under the BC Wildlife Act it is illegal to exterminate or harm bats, and exclusion can only be done in the fall and winter after it is determined that the bats are no longer in the building. Again, the Kootenay Community Bat Project, can offer advice and support.

To find out more, download the "Managing Bats in Buildings" booklet, or contact your local Community Bat Program, visit www.bcbats.ca or call 1-855-9BC-BATS.

These surprise visitors are usually the young pups. "In July and August, pups are learning to fly, and their early efforts may land them in locations where they are more likely to come in contact with humans", says Mandy Kellner, biologist and coordinator with the BC Community Bat Program.

If you find a bat, alive or dead, never touch it with your bare hands. Bats in BC have very low levels of rabies

infection, but any risk of transmission should not be treated lightly. Contact a doctor or veterinarian if a person or pet could have come into direct contact (bitten, scratched etc.) with a bat.



Baby bats, called pups, are born hairless, but soon grow fur, begin to fly, and may land in surprising places Photo: J Hansen

NEWS RELEASE

WAGE SUBSIDY BOOSTS BASIN STUDENT JOB OPPORTUNITIES

School Works provides funding for apprenticeships and career-related positions

(Columbia Basin) - A program to support Basin employers is evolving to better meet their long-term workforce needs and to support Basin high school and post-secondary students and trades apprentices to gain local career-related work experience.

Columbia Basin Trust's School Works program now provides wage subsidies for level 1 and 2 apprentices in 17 different types of trades. The program will continue to create part-time job opportunities for students during the school year with a new focus on career-related work experience. And, under new guidelines launching in September, the program will also offer expanded support for employers to hire post-secondary students full-time for Co-op work placements.

"We recognized that there were enhancements that could be made to the program to increase benefits to businesses, students and the trades, and create a greater impact for the region," said Lisa Kilpatrick, Economic Senior Manager at the Trust. "This program helps support meaningful work experiences that build the skills of our younger workforce."

Ryan White, owner of Big Horn Auto in Revelstoke, can speak to the value of bringing students into the trades. When he decided he wanted a local student to be part of his growing business, he hired first-year automotive apprentice Larado Riesen with a School Works wage subsidy.

"The benefit of having an apprentice is that I'm able to give Larado tasks that give her experience and that allows me more time to focus on other aspects of

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By Area E Director Jane Walter

Wasa Volunteer Fire Prevention and Suppression Group

This Group has successfully received a Grant in Aid from Area E for \$1,000 and also a larger grant from Columbia Basin Trust. With these funds they have hired Alan Westhaver with Forest Wise Environment Consulting Ltd.

Alan will be working with property owners to Fire Smart their properties. The Group will be holding an information meeting on Saturday, October 6th. (Thanksgiving weekend).

I am hoping everyone will work on their properties..

Pancake Breakfast

Thank you to Bonnie and Val for organizing the Pancake Breakfasts. Also, thank you to all of the other people that volunteered during the breakfasts and thank you to everyone that came out and enjoyed the breakfasts.

BC Wildfire Service

Currently Area E has two wildfires of concern. The Lost Dog Complex and the Meachen Creek Fire.

Residents that live within the Lost Dog Area are still on an Evacuation Alert and residents on St. Mary Lake Road have been evacuated.

Thank you to the BC Wildfire Service, the RCMP, the RDEK staff, the volunteers that are working at the Emergency Social Services and the Search and Rescue volunteers.

I also want to thank Loree and her group for the daily updates.

If you are not getting the updates please call the RDEK 1-888-478-7335 and ask them to add you to their list.

Local Government Elections Saturday, October 20th

I will be running for the Area E Director again and I have held the position for the last seven years.

During this time I have met many residents and have tried to help everyone that came to me with concerns which often included speaking with Provincial Ministries (Ministry of Transportation, BC Parks and Ministry of Mines) for information and on various complaints. I have also worked with many associations throughout Area E to help find funding through available grants.

I have really enjoyed meeting and helping the residents of Area E. I hope you have good month. If you have any questions or concerns Please call me or email me.

Thank you

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Helpful Hints

In Memory of Vi Cockell

By Sherry Shields



1. The DREADED Oven Rack Cleaning

An effortless way to clean your oven racks is to line your bathtub with dryer sheets. Lay the oven racks on top of the sheets, fill the tub with just enough warm water to cover the racks and add a half-cup of dish soap. Allow everything to sit overnight. Drain the tub in the morning and use the soaked dryer sheets to wipe the racks clean. The power of the antistatic in the dryer sheets helps to separate the food from the racks by diluting the bond, while the fabric softening agents soften the baked-on food. Because this method happens in the bathtub, cleanup after you take care of the oven racks is easy. I did my oven racks in a large garbage bag outside using this method. Unbelievable how clean the racks come out.

2. Storing Pumpkins/Squash

If you want to store these for a while, they'll need to develop a tougher skin, so once you've harvested them leave them out in a dry, sunny spot for 10 days and then pop them into storage.

3. Zucchini

I LOVE zucchini bread SO I shred lots, measure the correct amount for my favorite recipe and then freeze in separate freezer bags. Just imagine fresh baked zucchini bread on a cold winters day!

Chocolate Wave Zucchini Bread

Ingredients

1/3 cup shortening	1 2/3 cups all-purpose flour
1 1/3 cups white sugar	1/2 teaspoon salt
2 eggs	1/4 teaspoon baking powder
1 1/2 cups grated zucchini	1 teaspoon pumpkin pie spice
1/3 cup water	1/3 cup chopped walnuts
1 teaspoon vanilla extract	1 teaspoon baking soda
3 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa powder	
1/3 cup mini semi-sweet chocolate chips	

Directions

Preheat oven to 350° F (175° C). Grease one 9 x 5 inch loaf pan.

In a large bowl, cream shortening and sugar together. Mix in eggs. Add zucchini, water, and vanilla; stir.

Blend in flour, baking soda, salt, baking powder and pumpkin pie spice.

Stir in nuts.

Divide batter in half, and add cocoa powder and chocolate chips to one of the halves. Pour plain batter into bottom of the loaf pan. Pour chocolate batter on top of plain batter.

Bake until wooden pick inserted into center comes out clean, about 1 hour.

Cool 10 minutes, and remove from pan. Store in refrigerator.

~ "It was a great comfort while it lasted. But the worst of imagining things is the time comes when you have to stop." — Anne Shirley



Bears in September

The fall is a season of great importance for all bears, but this holds most true for pregnant bears. September represents their last chance to fatten themselves up before retreating to the den where they will bear their young in a matter of months. A pregnant female in the autumn months may consume as much as 90 pounds of food each day, and she can eat more than 200,000 berries in a 24-hour period.

The pregnant female has no choice but to indulge in an eating frenzy at this early stage of autumn, if she wants her pregnancy to

continue. Bears experience delayed implantation after mating, which means the fertilized egg will not implant on the uterus wall until the female goes into hibernation. If she has not gained enough weight to allow her to safely begin hibernating by November, the pregnancy will terminate.

source: <https://animals.howstuffworks.com/mammals/bears-throughout-year8.htm>

Columbia Basin Trust Wage Subsidy

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my business," said Ryan. "What does Larado gain from this? At a young age, she's getting real world work experience and a feel for the type of work for which she's signing up. Speaking for the automotive industry, anything that interests and pulls new faces into the trades is helpful."

School Works is open to business, non-profit, First Nation and public sector organizations located in the Basin. This program is delivered by the College of the Rockies on behalf of the Trust.

Applications for part-time student wage subsidies and apprentice wage subsidies open on August 16, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. PT / 2:00 p.m. MT. The co-op wage subsidy application will launch in September.

Program Guides outlining eligibility requirements and program details are available online now at ourtrust.org/schoolworks. Online applications and instructions will be posted when the program opens. Applications are accepted on a first-received, first-served basis.

For more information about the School Works program, visit ourtrust.org/schoolworks. To view the Trust's economic development strategic framework visit ourtrust.org/economic.



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I have quizzed many people over the past few months to see what authors and books they have enjoyed over the years. My comprehensive list is too large to include today. I will mention a few in some categories and continue next month.

Books "Oldies" Remember From Their Youth for the youth in our community.

The Bobbsey Twins; Little House on the Prairie Series; Just Mary; Anne of Green Gable Series;

More Just Mary; A Wrinkle In Time by Madelaine L'Engle; Trixie Belden; Dahl Books;

The Hardy Boy Series; Harry Potter Books; Nancy Drew.

Choose Your Own Adventure Books(1980) a making choice book.

Zane Grey; Heidi; Secret Garden; Robinson Crusoe; Animal Books.

Fiction Books 1940's How Green Was My Valley; Louis L'Amour books; James Harriott; Diary Books: of Anne Frank; of Lady Simcoe. The Journals of Anne Langton- "a gentlewoman in Upper Canada" The Journal's of Mary O'Brien-1828-1838; The Ivington Diaries by Monty Don; Elizabeth Grant- memories of her life from 1797.

More recommendations: The Girl With 7 Names; The Making of the British Landscape; Authors Recommended: Anne De Grace-4 novels set in Nfld; Ursula Le Guin--"No Time to Spare"

An 89 year old thoughts. She died shortly after writing this book. Margaret Atwood Vanessa Farnsworth-"Rain on a Distant Roof" Beware of Lyme Disease! A book on Lyme Disease and the havoc it causes. Her personal struggles for years after getting bit by a tic and contacting Lyme Disease.

Kirstin Hannah; Irene Hannon Books by these two authors are excellent, based on topics excellent plots and character development with lots of wisdom wrapped in sustenance. Available at our library and Kimberley and Cranbrook libraries.

Mystery Books Great reads by many of our patrons and others. Favorite Authors: James Patterson, Clive Cussler, Sidney Sheldon, J.P. Robb, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle (Sherlock Holmes) Also, Icelandic Detective books by Arnaldur?

Canadian Authors

Terry Fallis, a brilliant, funny novelist, wrote at least 7 books and is a two time winner of The Stephen Leacock Award. "Up and Down" is hilarious. Anne De Grace wrote four novels, all set in Nfld. Margaret Atwood, Alice Munro.

More about people's favorites next month. We have more than enough books to appeal to your taste and interests.

REMEMBER - We open Tuesday, September 4th at 11:00 a.m.

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.

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!

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.



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by Liz

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Swadharma: Fulfilling the Goal of your Life

Life is an extraordinary adventure, filled with hope, aspiration, expectations, and uncertainties. As we move along in our own process of evolution, we start developing the demands and necessities to attain a complete state of serenity and happiness. For each of us, life is mostly the discovery of what we need to achieve a total state of accomplishment.

You have certainly noticed that what you wanted so much when you were a child was completely different from what you now want after decades of life. Your demands and expectations grow with your experience in life. The more we understand what we need, the clearer the realization of our ultimate desire for Freedom and Oneness becomes.

Remember the time when you knew what you wanted, when that goal was very clear in your mind. For instance, when you were aspiring to find your true love or when you were hoping to succeed in your final exam at school or at the University. You had a goal and you focused on that goal until you could clearly assert: "That's it, it's done!" What a relief you felt as you looked at your accomplishment. After all these efforts, you could now enjoy their benefit and joyfully relax. It was as if all the pressure that was within you was rightfully rewarded and you felt that everything was well and in perfect order, finally granting you a moment of true satisfaction.

When you have a precise goal in life, you live with a joyous excitement about the upcoming higher levels of balance and harmony that will be the direct fruit of your own efforts. After months of hope and discomfort, a new mother experiences the joyful peace of holding her baby safely in her arms for the first time. Despite the fatigue of all those months of pregnancy, the goal is now achieved; it is done... the baby is here; it's now time to enjoy its presence.

In the same way, we can assert that there is nothing more fulfilling and invigorating than having a clear goal ahead us. But we must remember that beyond the realization of any goal exists the aspiration to reach a higher and constant level of happiness where we can be free from the burdens of opposition and contradiction.

If you could obtain anything you want, what you would it be right now? What would make you totally fulfilled at this moment of your life? If you can answer these questions, then it's interesting to reflect upon what you would really gain from this accomplishment? In answering these questions, you'll quickly realize that the true gain of all of your efforts is always a higher level of freedom, until you reach a state where desires are no longer needed because you are complete... immersed into a pure state of felicity, called "Ananda" in Sanskrit.

To aim toward such a constant level of happiness and well-being is in fact to aim toward the very nature of your Soul. We all run after what we are, deep within. If we didn't already know happiness, why would we run after it? We run after happiness because we are made of happiness... because we need it and it is missing in our lives.

But to be perfectly happy, in a state where there is no longer a need for external desires, also means to realize our supra-physical and supra-mental reality, which goes with the fact that in the end, we are not the body, nor the mind, nor the personality. We are the eternal and immortal Self, the true Consciousness, which is the origin and the very cause of our present life on earth.

Isn't the goal of our life, I mean the True Goal, to simply realize our true nature? What are we looking for through everything we do if not something that we feel should already be within us? It's not what is happening out there that makes you happy. It's only how you involve yourself with the intention of happiness that makes you happy. We often mistake outer events or objects as the pretexts for our happiness, but isn't it because we project happiness onto these events and objects that we end up being happy with them?

No matter your goal in this life, it is only your ability to project your expected joy onto it that can make you happy with its accomplishment. It is easy to understand that the goal of your life is to fulfill your destiny as a happy being. Reaching the state of pure happiness and felicity is the very goal of your life. It doesn't come from any outer circumstances; it must be found and cultivated from the inside of your heart, making it a complete part of your life. Do not waste any more time before fulfilling your destiny. Happiness is not something that can be created or invented, it's only something that you can become by finding the very core of your Self called the Atman. Keep having this great Goal ahead of you, and never give up on it!

May Aspiration toward your true Self be always with you.

With love and Blessings

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Membership Drive

Lions members will be pursuing new members by making personal contact, sharing the value of Lionism and Service both locally and beyond.

New members bring fresh ideas to service projects, fundraising and enjoyment. If you are not approached and are interested contact either of the following. Secretary Lion Sharon 250 417-7654; Vice President Laurie Kay 250 422-3288.

Outdoor Rink Management

Changes in rink management are needed if the facility is to be made available this winter. We thank all the Lions and helpers for their enormous help in past years but the future operation will depend on more volunteers and Lions members working together. A possible system could be head operators and a helper of choice taking on the operation for 7-10 days. Zamboni maintenance and operation would be organized. Other suggestions could be considered. A meeting of those interested would be called well before freeze up.

Safety Netting

Chain link netting for public safety will be erected between the Rink and the Basketball area by the end of September. Our thanks to Columbia Basin Trust for the financial assistance.

Firewood

No more wood is needed at the Rink. We have enough for two seasons.

Pickle ball Courts

The Lions were pleased to have local pickle ball enthusiasts paint 4 courts on the rink. It is a growing sport. The possibility of a lock box with equipment made available for players was discussed. Call James Swansberg for information 250 427-5040.

We Serve

Lions will be manning the local food and drink booth for the upcoming Gran Fondo and parking for the Dragon Boat Races for the BC Senior Winter Games in September. Several Lions will be helping at the Tri Village Kids Club Fun Event Saturday, September 22nd at the Lions grounds.

The Lions Grounds and High Pressure pump system will be made available to the newly formed **Wasa Volunteer Fire Prevention and Suppression Group** if needed.

The **Lions Garage Sale** raised \$2400.00 with some items still for sale. This year the **Lions Bottle, Can Recycling Program** have raised \$1300.00 towards the Scholarship fund. Thanks for all the donations and to Lion Val Dmytriw and husband Jerry for their endless help. Drop off at the Lions grounds.

New Executive 2018-2019 President: Lion Stan Kneller, Vice President: Lion Laurie Kay, Secretary: Lion Sharon Prinz, Past President: Terry Marvel, Directors: Lions Gail Lamb, Linda Gold and Julie Kneller.

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| ¼ cup white sugar | ¼ cup walnuts |
| ¼ cup boiling water | ½ tsp ground cinnamon |
| 1½ cups graham cracker crumbs | ¼ cup cold butter or margarine |
| ¼ cup flour | |

Place apples in a greased 9 x 13 baking pan. Sprinkle with white sugar. Pour boiling water over apples. In a bowl, combine the graham cracker crumbs, flour, brown sugar, walnuts and cinnamon; cut in butter until crumbly. Bake uncovered at 325° for 30 minutes or until apples are tender.

Did you know: A ripe apple is one of the easiest vegetable substances for the stomach to deal with, the whole process of its digestion being completed in eighty-five minutes.

Fanny's Favorites

Wasa and District Historical Association & Memorial Garden Group

submitted by - Sherry Shields

MORE Exciting happenings at our garden! The new additional Columbarium with 108, all family sized niches, has been installed. With the first Columbarium almost sold out, the new Columbarium provides more upper niches which are preferred locations. Local families are fortunate to have this option right here in the beautiful and peaceful Wasa Memorial Garden.

For at-need or estate planning purposes, it is anticipated that these niches will be reserved relatively quickly as was the case with our first Columbarium. For information or reservations, contact Pat Walkey at 250-422-3530 or pwalkey@shaw.ca

Our application to the RDEK for an additional grant-in-aid was successful. Thank you to our Area E Director Jane Walters and her committee.

Side note regarding grants: Without the initiative and volunteered time involved with applying for and following up on applications we would not receive these grants. A special thank you to the volunteers involved.

The updated interment license has been approved. Thank you Harry Stienwand for your time and knowledge.

2018 REVISED Columbarium Niche & Plaque Costs

UNIT 1 Columbarium

Upper levels: \$1000.00 + engraving

Bottom row: \$ 900.00 + engraving

UNIT 2 Columbarium (new)

Niche cost: \$1100.00 + engraving

Niche Engraving: \$275.00

Memorial Plaque: \$300.00

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

Tri-Village Kids Club Summer Festival

POSTPONED

We would like to inform you that the **Tri-Village Summer Festival has been postponed to Saturday, September 22nd, 2018 which was previously planned for Saturday, August 25th, 2018.**

This was not a decision made lightly, however due to poor air quality concerns the TVKC has decided it is in the best interest of the group and its participants for health and safety reasons to postpone the event.

We apologize for any inconvenience, but we are looking forward to hosting the event at a later date!

If you have any questions, concerns or would like more information, please do not hesitate to contact us at trivillagekidsclub@yahoo.com

Please note we are still looking for volunteers, participants and vendors!

Events to sign up for include:

- Vendors Market
- Bocci Tournament
- Wasa's Got Talent talent show

Sign up at: trivillagekidsclub@yahoo.com The festival will run from 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm on Saturday, September 22nd at the Wasa Lions Grounds. Plenty of fun for all ages so mark your calendars!

- The Tri-Village Kids Club

« People are like Potatoes! »

Some people never seem motivated to participate, but are content to watch others... they are called "Speck Tators."



Some people are always looking to cause problems and really get under your skin... they are called "Aggie Tators."

There are those who are always saying they will, but somehow, they never get around to doing... we call them "Hessie Tators."

Some folks spent a lot of time sitting and peering into their garden... they are called "Medi Tators."

There are those that try to maximize their crop yields while reducing expenses... we call them "Compu Tators."

Wasa Community Church



Okay, so I went up Mount Fisher, and I feel like there's a good illustration in there, so I'm going to use it.

Some people can get to the top and back easily and some people are in better shape than I am.

Within the first fifteen minutes I was ready to throw up.

Although I must say, I still think it was a great idea for Fisher to be the first mountain I climbed out here. The thing is, it was tough! It was really hard on me. However, I never once thought I wasn't going to make it up. I was never going to give up. I wanted to see the top... not from Fort Steel hill. You can see the top from there and it looks nice. No, I wanted to see the top from the very top. I wanted to be able to see it going down Fort Steel hill and say, "I've been way up there." So as tough as it was to get up there, I wasn't going to stop. So the connection I'm making with climbing up Fisher is that it's like life. It's not easy for anybody, but some people definitely have it a lot easier than others. We face a lot of hardships, uncertainties and sometimes even tragedies, but as tough as this life is on us, we shouldn't give up.

My mind automatically goes to the Christians around the world who don't have the same kind of freedoms as we do out here. The ones who are persecuted and sometimes killed because of their faith.

Their lives consist of so much difficulty, yet they find it worth it. They don't recant or give in because they know that, at the end of it, they will reach the heavens. They know that the Savior they believed in, the One who died for their sins and rose again, is with them, and at the end of their lives, will still be with them forever. They climb a difficult mountain, but they know that it will be worth it once they finally get to the top. They live difficult lives, but they know that it will be worth it once they finally reach heaven, due to their faith in Christ.

I guess there is a little bit of a difference in this illustration though. After spending about forty minutes on the very top of Fisher Peak, I had to come back down (which was also very difficult). However, for those who enter heaven, there is no coming back down! There is no more difficulty. There is no more pain. There is no more sorrow. Everything is as it should be. Forever.

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2 Church 10:30 a.m.	3 	4 Wasa Lions Meeting 7 p.m. Wasa Hall	5	6	7	8
9 Church 10:30 a.m.	10	11 <div>BINGO 6:30 Early Bird 6:45 Regular</div>	12	13	14	15
• New Moon <div> <div>Kimberley/Cranbrook 2018 55+ BC Games See Page 4 for Schedule of Events</div> <div>Dragon Boat Races in Wasa Lake</div> </div>						
16 Church 10:30 a.m.	17	18 Wasa Lions Mtg 7 p.m. Wasa Hall	19	20	21	22 TRI VILLAGE Kids Club Summer Festival 10 am to 5 pm
23 Church 10:30 a.m. <div> <div>30</div> <div>Full Moon</div> </div>	24	25	26 Rec Society Mtg 7 p.m.	27	28	29

LEGEND

- Church 10:30 a.m.
- Rec Society 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.
- BINGO 6:30 p.m.
- Lions 7:00 p.m.

Special Events and Days Down the Road

- Saturday, October 6th, 2018
FireSmart Presentation
- October 20th 2018 - Local
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- Sunday, November 4th, 2018
Daylight Savings ends
- December 2018 Wendy Davis
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