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Kite Hydrofoil Whiz

by Nowell Berg



Richard Zurrin grew up in Thompson, Manitoba, never thinking he'd be soaring with the birds at Wasa Lake. He moved to Cranbrook in 1991 and currently works as a forestry consultant.

Five years ago, after his brothers took up kite boarding, Zurrin chose a kite hydrofoil board which has an extension on the bottom that allows for faster speeds and higher jumps.

His personal highest jump has been 38 feet.

The hydrofoil board has a built in sensor that records the distance off the waters surface. The hydrofoil reduces the effect of choppy and rough water conditions.

Now Zurrin "follows the wind [where he can] get on the water, ocean and lakes, and see it from a different perspective."

Another reason to chase the wind, Zurrin gets to kite hydrofoil in "some beautiful places in the world" including Cuba, Mexico and Oregon.

One of the great things about kite hydrofoil riding is the "sense of freedom" the sport gives him, and the "good community" of riders he's met from around the world.



The old saying *"Everyone likes progress but dislikes change"*.

Wasa Lake is evolving from a community of permanent residents to a recreational community. The school closed, young families have left, permanent residents are aging and properties have been sold for recreation.

There are many upsides to the newcomers; upgrading of properties which include new homes, removal of old septic systems, increase of young families vacationing around the lake, and local businesses expanding to providing more choices for everyone.

Sometimes it can be difficult for us old timers to remember when our kids were enjoying water sports, biking, and walking trails, and playing with school mates.

We have to remember that this activity on the water and around the lake breathes new life into a community that was struggling.

Growing pains are inevitable but the majority of people on the lake are just enjoying the beauty of our lake.

We need to take lessons from our neighbours to the south. Finding common ground, listening to all opinions and respecting different ideas is what makes our country and our community grow to flourish!

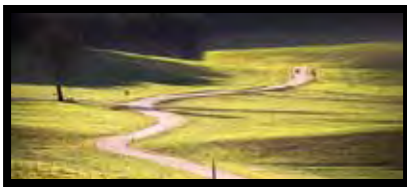
Let's be Canadians and progress together

HAPPY BIRTHDAY CANADA

Alex Jensen

Reminder:

**Time to get
your chimney
cleaned**



FOLLOWING THE TRAILS OF

By Judy McPhee

Yesterday

SEBASTIAN FICHTL

August 4, 1934 - August 25, 2017

*"Never underestimate the power
of a life well-lived"*

And live, Sebastian did, for 83 years. Born in Salzburg, Austria, he had a zest for life from his early years. They were spent playing soccer, exploring his surroundings, climbing mountains and playing his zither from the age of 12 years on. He also helped his family. When he graduated from high school in 1951, he apprenticed in his father's carpentry shop and received a diploma from the government for carpentry.

His early years moulded him. He grew up in his grandfather's home and the home his father built on Fichtl Curve (Kurve) in Salzburg. A very cold creek ran through their property where his grandparents, father - Felix, mother - Maria and brothers Felix and Otto bathed. He experienced his first bath at 14 years of age.

Upon receiving his diploma in carpentry, he set out to see the world. Money was scarce. He biked and hitchhiked, crisscrossing Austria, then he went to Sicily, Northern Europe, Scotland and England. Penniless, and starving, he went to his Aunt Paula's in London, England. She ran the household of Professor Sigmund Freud. Incidentally, Paula received a meritorious award from the Austrian government for 50 years of service to Prof. Freud. Sebastian had the rare honour of living and working in his home. He visited them often over the next 25 years.

Sebastian's sphere was wide. Travel was a huge component of his life. He "set his sails" at an early age to travel, educate himself on foreign places and countries and to visit every continent in the world. At the time of his death, he had visited over 80 countries and every continent, immersing himself in the beauty of the countries and places he saw and delighting in the food and ambience along the way. He weaved together discovery, education and camaraderie with the locals and the tourists whom he met. He personalized his tours with his interest of the day. His beloved zither accompanied him to every continent, heralding his homeland. On each trip he made, he found the barriers of language and culture were bridged through the universal language of music. Sebastian had wit. He had a quick methodical mind. He spoke three languages. He had a joke applicable to most conversations. His smile lit up his face to complement his outgoing personality. Stories galore, locked in his brain were happily shared to entertain his family and friends over the years.

TO CANADA

In 1957, he landed in Vancouver with \$5.00 in his pocket and his zither. He met an Austrian family and



stayed with them until he received a job. He worked in a furniture factory, and his intention was to stay in Canada for only two years.

His plans were thwarted. He met Irma Rempel. Born in Saporoschje, Ukraine. She moved near the Baltic Sea after escaping as a toddler on a one-year wagon trip with her mother and siblings from their homeland. Her father had gone to war and never returned. Irma and her brother and sister came to Canada in 1957, as orphans when her mother passed away in Germany. Their uncle accompanied them by steamship to Pier 21 in Halifax and they made their way to Vancouver. Their uncle took them into his home and continued to raise them.

They married in 1960 and in December of that year, Sebastian started his first business manufacturing furniture with a friend. By 1967 he had ten employees, a home and at that time four lovely girls.

Ironically, several years ago, he saw one of his bureaus in Mr. Johnson's antique store in Cranbrook. He did not buy it back.

In 1967, homesick, he packed up his family and his station wagon and went back to Austria intending to build a house on land inherited on Fichtl Court. He could not get a permit to build, so back to Canada they all came. In the end, it was a wise decision. He always reflected what a wonderful place Canada was to live.

Irma and Sebastian's desire to keep their teens busy and instill good work ethics spurred them to start an import business, bringing traditional gifts from Austria to Canada. At different times over the years, they also owned a specialized candle business, the designing of the candles sparked by the family and a "Take Out Chicken" business.

As the family remembers, in January of 1977, at the age of 42, he took five weeks off and finally could

his travels which he had wanted to do in 1959. He added a few more countries to his list. One of his great accomplishments at that time, was climbing Mount Kilimanjaro in Tanzania. He told of how challenging it was and how he barely managed to crawl to the top at the end. He received a certificate for his accomplishment.

Back in Canada, he intensively played the zither in a folk band he started. "The Tyrolean Boys" were immensely successful, playing in Western Canada and the U.S.A. The year 1973 marked one of the highlights of their career when they appeared on the Gary Moore show "To Tell The Truth" in N.Y. When the band dissolved in 1979, he began his own zither business, Salzburg Enterprises Inc. and played all over North America, from Alaska to Arizona, and including ten Canadian provinces. Hundreds of thousands of people heard his melodious music in his lifetime. He sold over 500,000 records, tapes and C.D.'s. He played at "Expo 86," 8 hours a day for 130 consecutive days. People from around the world heard his music. He played in many different venues including busy tourist spots, public receptions, hotels and on his many trips abroad for a variety of occasions. A solo at "The Vancouver Symphony," the yearly "Johann Strauss Ball" and "The Austrian Trade and Tourist" events, were a few of his highlights.

In 1992, he received a gold medal, "The Austrian Tourist Award," from the Austrian Consulate for his promotion of Austria through his countless performances all over the world and brochures describing the origin of his Alpine Zither from his beloved homeland, Austria.

1993

Sebastian often played his zither at Lake Louise and would pass Wasa on the way there, appreciating the beauty of the area. He noticed a house for sale on the highway one day. A spontaneous person, he knocked on the door and to make a long story short, he bought

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WASA LAKE LAND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (WLLID)

By Kathy McCauley

Drone Survey

On Friday, September 15, the scheduled drone survey took place over Wasa Lake. The purpose of the survey was to collect photos and information in order to determine the extent of underwater foliage, particularly Native Milfoil. VAST Resources, who conducted the survey, will provide maps to form a base-line from which WLLID can monitor the spread and growth of Native Milfoil. A second survey will be conducted in early spring of 2018. The information gathered will help the board to make informed decisions about the next steps to be taken.



Trustee Cliff Youngs and Laurie Kay look on as VAST Resources technicians Claire Crowley and Ben Meunier prepare the drone for take off. Photo by Nowell Berg.

Shoreline Cleanup

Please join us for the second annual Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup on Saturday, October 14 at 1:00. We will meet at the Wasa Community Hall and divide up into groups to work on designated areas. The event will be followed by a pot luck and barbecue, location and details to be announced. All community members are urged to join us, and special invitations have been sent to community organizations. If you are interested, please let us know ahead of time so we can plan the food for the barbecue. Sign up at <http://shorelinecleanup.ca/cleanups/yz005> or contact the secretary at admin@wasalake.ca for further information.



VAST Tech reaches to secure drone on landing. Photo by Nowell Berg.

Hope to see you there...and hope it's a nice sunny day!

Data Logger

Permits have been applied for and received for the installation of the data logger on a new monitoring well. The device will measure and record lake water levels year-round; the information will help identify trends and aid future decision-making.



Drone and control system Photo by Nowell Berg

The next regular meeting of the board will be held Thursday, October 5 at 7:00 PM at the Wasa Community Hall.

If you have questions or comments about any of these news items, contact us at admin@wasalake.ca. Information is also available on our website at www.wasalake.ca and in our monthly electronic newsletter.

- On Sunday September 24th the 5th Annual Ta Ta Creek Golf Tournament took place.
- Eighteen participants played on the fairways of Coy's Par 3 Course in Fairmont. Even after a long, hot and dry summer the course was in a good shape. And the flowers were still blooming.
- Tom Yost was the winner of the trophy with the lowest score (36). After the game we enjoyed a nice dinner. Thanks to the organizer Joseph Bannenberg for another fun day in the Kootenays. Hope to see you all next year.



SEBASTIAN FICHTL

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the house on the spot. He eventually proceeded to buy property on Wild Horse Creek, the "golf course" property and later purchased a few other properties, planted trees and beautified them all.

Sebastian had a dream for Wasa.

He visualized a nine-hole golf course. He had Les Ferber draw up the plans. He dreamed of a clubhouse, banked with flowers and window boxes with flowers trailing down. People sitting on the deck, visiting, having a drink, playing games and viewing the incredible Rocky Mountains in all their glorious colours.

Willie Hannah had a tree farm on his ranch up Wolf Creek Road. Sebastian purchased most of the trees to plant around the perimeter of his proposed "golf course" and his Wasa properties. Irma, Willie and Sebastian planted the trees around the golf course. Today I counted 248 trees! Lindsay Hawley and Diane Lamb planted around 2000 caragana bushes beside the trees to buffer the noise from the highway. Sebastian scattered wild flower seeds along the bank. He cleaned up all the trees, climbing them in his quest for beauty and order.

In 1999, just after all the trees were planted, Irma was diagnosed with cancer. After a valiant fight, she passed away in March of 2003.

Sebastian was lost without Irma. She was his pillar and

the love of his life. He resumed his world travels and visited all his family on many occasions until he died

Highlighting a few of his trips

Looking through my book on Antarctica, he spontaneously decided the Antarctic was the place to go. In three days, his trip was booked. He secured a spot on a Russian supply ship leaving from Ushuaia, Argentina. He received a certificate for stepping onto the Antarctic and after, he decided he wanted another certificate. He jumped into the sea with only his bathing suit on. Hauled out, he asked the Captain, "has anyone died doing this"? "NO" said the Captain, "you are the first one to jump in the sea!!."

While on his Antarctic trip, he took a smaller boat to an iceberg at Brown Bluff and performed an afternoon concert for some of the elegant penguins. Needless to



say, they were quite inquisitive!.

Sebastian was a compelling story teller. He was always ready to tell stories of his trips, adventures and notable

happenings.

He was excited about travelling under the Iguazu Falls, along the Argentina, Brazil border.

On a trip to Cuba, he was enchanted by the beauty, flew home and took all his family there for a holiday.

During one winter in South America, he paddled a tributary of the Amazon River. A harrowing tale of escape from the incoming tide nearly cost him and his partner their lives.

As aforementioned, Sebastian was spontaneous. On the way home from one of his trips at the San Francisco Airport, he saw a poster advertising Bali. He changed his itinerary, hopped on the plane to Bali and ended up spending his winters there for the last six years.

Sand, sea, perfect weather, low living costs and congenial people -- plus being at sea level where it was easier to breathe convinced him, Bali was THE perfect place to spend a winter. No heating costs!!

A few years ago, Sebastian was diagnosed with Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis. It is a lung disease that results in scarring of the lungs for unknown reasons. Sebastian reasoned it was from working with asbestos? He eventually needed oxygen. It was easier to breathe at sea level so he continued to winter in Bali with some of his family joining him over the years for vacations.

His trip home in May this year without the aid of oxygen was painful. He barely made it home. He was admitted to the East Kootenay Regional Hospital in serious condition. He was sent home to live out his life for the next three months surrounded by his family.

Sebastian lived a full life. With incredible adventure he met with his unwavering curiosity. He was fortified by his family whom he dearly loved. He talked to them almost daily and wished they all lived near him. Success--three of his daughters moved to Cranbrook.

He spent a life time collecting things which interested him. Included in his collection were menus from all over the world, dating back 60 plus years. Postcards were another specialty he collected from across the globe. He loved his family, and left his daughter Esther with a plethora of his dear "treasures".

He created beauty wherever he went. He planted around 20,000 trees on his property in the Wild Horse and on his properties at Wasa.

He serenaded thousands of people with his zither, and was rewarded by the happiness that his music brought to people around the world-feeding their souls.

His heart was strong, his body fit, except his lungs. He was sad to leave his family and friends. Many people, worldwide, were so happy he was their friend.

His family called him, "PAPA". He is survived by six children: Esther, Andrea, Susi, Resi, Laura, Martin and their spouses and 14 grandchildren.

He and Irma are buried at "The Fort Steele Cemetery" beside the big rock on the southeast corner.

"He bent over many lives, like heavens over the earth"



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I want to thank all of the volunteers, fire fighters and RDEK staff for all of their assistance during the evacuations and evacuation alerts due to the wildfires. Also, thank you to the RDEK Communication Department for keeping everyone updated. Loree has done an amazing job! I was impressed with how the majority of people obeyed the closures.

Official Community Plan Amendments (OCP)

I have received comments about the OCP and why we are looking at possibly make some amendments.

The Wasa and Area OCP was adopted 2 years ago and at that time we heard from many people that had concerns about protecting the water and the environment. At the Public Hearing we heard concerns about the mapping and the wording for the Environmental Sensitive Area Development Permit. A committee was formed and made up of residents from Wasa and area and new maps were created along with revisions to some of the wording. With regards to the mapping, they will never be exact because each year the water movement changes the shore line. So one of the changes we made was that the land owner could ask an RDEK staff member to come out to check the area to see if they would need a permit.

I believe that we need to protect drinking water for everyone. The Development Permit process ensures that when people are developing within a riparian area that it will be done safely.

I have heard from only one person about the secondary suites. It was suggested that if a person had a secondary suite they should not be allowed to have to recreation trailers on their property. I have heard nothing on the other amendment for Commercial property .

I have also been asked "Why do we have an OCP?".

The Official Community Plan (OCP) helps guide the RDEK Directors and allows them to understand resident concerns and what they want in the area. An OCP is a living agreement and allows for changes by way of a Bylaw Amendment. Residents can apply to change sections of the OCP through the bylaw process or by requesting a variance on a property. All of the requests are heard by the RDEK Board and they always reference the OCP and the guidelines included.

I hope everyone has a good month.

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Helpful Hints

In Memory of Vi Cockell

By Sherry Shields



1. October Gardening:

- It's time to plant your GARLIC.
- When putting your garden to bed for winter grow a cover crop to put nitrogen back in the soil such as rye or clover.

2. Help in the Kitchen

- Let's talk GARLIC - Found a GREAT idea for peeling garlic:
Put garlic bulb to be peeled into a jar, shake as hard as you can for ½ minute. Sound crazy – give it a try and check out your skinless cloves of garlic.

3. Fall Home Maintenance

- Time to check your roof/gutters/downspouts for debris. Clear leaves, dirt, and pine needles from gutters & examine downspouts for damage or loose pieces. Check the flashing around your chimney and any openings in the roof, such as skylights for leaking problems.

I'm so glad I live in a world where there are Octobers.
~Anne of Green Gables~

55+ BC GAMES IN VERNON



Left to right Dona Bannenberg, Karen Ritchie, Ron Corcoran, Mary and James Swansburg.



Submitted by Dona Bannenberg

From September 12th to 16th the 30th 55+ BC Games took place in Vernon with over 3700 participants in 27 sports and 1500 volunteers it was a great event!

Two hundred eighty seven Pickle Ball players in this province wide tournament included five local Pickle Ball players: Mary and James Swansburg from Wasa, Dona Bannenberg from Ta Ta Creek and Karen Ritchie and Ron Corcoran from Kimberley. They represented this area in singles, doubles and mixed doubles playing between 10 and 18 games each over four days.

James Swansburg brought home a bronze medal in the men's single (category 3.5), while Karen Ritchie won gold in the mixed doubles (category 3.5) with a playing partner from Castlegar, Cal Herle.

Karen and I had a chance for a medal after winning all five games in the women's doubles. But unfortunately we lost in the playoffs.

The Kimberley Pickle Ball group has been active for two years and plays twice weekly: Wednesday from 6-8 p.m. and Friday from 5-8 p.m. all games are played at McKim gym in Kimberley. Everyone is welcome. Equipment is provided if needed and outdoor play is also available at the Rotary Drive Tennis Courts where the City recently painted the pickle ball court lines.



Mary and James Swansburg in action.

September 11th to 15th 2018 the 55+ BC Games will be hosted by Cranbrook and Kimberley. Participants and volunteers will be needed. Check out the Facebook page: 55+ BC Games or the website: www.55plusbcgames.org for more information.

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COLUMBIA RIVER - REVELSTOKE



EVENTS IN THE RIDING - ATTENDED

- Mineral Mountain Ziplines Grand Opening
- Bull Busting – volunteered for the dinner and at the shutes
- Valley Appreciation Day - Master of Ceremonies for the logging show that featured the Gagne family
- Jail n' Bail for Summit Youth Centre - participated and raised over \$1,300
- Red Cross Fundraising event for BC Wildfire evacuees - I was honoured to speak just before our Prime Minister Justin Trudeau
- CP Rail Canada 150 Train stop in Revelstoke - speaking engagement
- Transfer Celebration for RCMP Sergeant Grant Simpson
- St. Eugene's Long Table Dinner, attended as the Tourism, Arts and Culture Critic
- Hospice Society of the Columbia Valley - Fundraiser Barn Dance
- Fairmont Hot Springs Community Association meeting
- CP Rail's mock spill disaster response on Windermere Lake (FYI: we are in excellent hands with the CP Rail response team's protocols, as well as the training provided to the local Fire Fighters, Police and Conservation Officers)

CONTACT ME:

Your concerns are important to me. We are working hard to get our Constituency Offices open in Kimberley and Revelstoke, and they will be open later this month. In the meantime, please continue to send your messages to:

Doug.Clovechok.MLA@leg.bc.ca

FROM THE LEGISLATURE

I was in attendance at a Caucus meeting when Premier Christy Clark announced her resignation as Premier and as West Kelowna MLA. Although all Caucus members asked her to reconsider, she felt that her decision was in the best interest of the BC Liberal Party and the province of British Columbia. I cannot personally thank her enough for her many accomplishments that benefitted the people in Columbia River - Revelstoke. Under her leadership our province had the strongest economy in Canada and she should be very proud of her many achievements as our leader and I wish her all the very best.

A leadership race is now underway, and the results of the race will be decided in early February 2018. In the meantime, Rich Coleman is the Interim Leader of the BC Liberal Party.

As a member of the Official Opposition, I have been appointed the Critic for Tourism, Arts and Culture, as well as the Critic for Columbia Basin Trust. I know CBT is a positive force in this region and my primary concern will always be the well-being of our communities.

BC Fires – the worst fire season in the history of BC

I'd like to recognize the efforts of the men and women who are working on the front lines to protect our communities from these wildfires. They continue to work very long hours in smoky, sooty, and dangerous conditions. We are grateful for the sacrifices that they, along with their families, have made and continue to make during this extreme fire season.

Here are some of the ways that I've been working to make a difference:

- Emergency Management BC and BC Wildfire Service conference calls- participate every morning with MLA's whose ridings are affected by fires throughout the province
- Kootenay Backcountry Closure - Along with Kootenay East MLA Tom Shypitka, I lobbied the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development to close the area to all recreational motorized use as well as restricting licenced vehicles to maintained roads. This closure continues to extend from the Elk Valley all the way to Revelstoke inclusive of all areas within those boundaries.
- Regional assessment as Tourism, Arts and Culture Critic - A four-day tour of the Caribou/Chilcotin to assess the wildfire impact on tour operators and their families. The losses amount to millions of dollars. Met with the Canadian Military, as well as Fire Fighters from across the world. Spoke at length with the RCMP about wildfire related crime files, as well as the Conservation Office Service regarding the impact on wildlife.
- Met with the CEO of the Caribou Chilcotin Coastal Tourism Association

As a result of the tour, I have had a phone meeting with and sent two letters to Lisa Beare the Minister of Tourism, Arts, and Culture. The first letter outlines my assessment of wildfire impact on Tourism, along with my recommendations that need to occur. The second letter was a request to the Ministry to provide both the Thompson Okanagan Tourism

Association and the Kootenay Rockies Tourism Association with an immediate \$200,000 each for marketing, in hopes of salvaging the remainder of this year's tourism season. This request mirrors the same amount of money that was given to the Caribou Chilcotin Coastal Tourism Association.

The wildfire season is far from over, and continued vigilance is paramount. Thank you to all community members who have done so much to help prevent person caused fires.

BACK HOME IN COLUMBIA RIVER - REVELSTOKE

Meetings with your locally elected officials:

I'm building great working relationships with the elected officials in our Constituency, and I continually meet with and hear from Mayor Mark McKee of Revelstoke, Mayor Ron Ozust of Golden, Mayor Don McCormick of Kimberley, Mayor Clara Reinhardt of Radium Hot Springs and Chief Barb Cote of Shuswap Indian Band. I have also had the opportunity to meet with RDEK Directors Gerry Wilkie, Jane Walter and Wendy Booth, as well CSRD Director Karen Cathcart. Columbia River-Revelstoke is full of many dedicated and talented people who continue to shape our communities and our province, here

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Submitted by Terry Marvel

The Wasa Lions are hoping everyone had a good summer. Now fall is upon us and it's time to watch for upcoming dates for Lion's events. The Lions dinner and dance will be held on Saturday, December 2nd with a slight change in the menu and serving details. There will be a live band this year so keep watch for dates of ticket sales and locations.

Also, before we know it, it will be time for the Christmas light-up contest closely followed by the

Winterfest on December 31st (New Years Eve) always a popular event.

The Lions have hosted pancake breakfasts of which one of the proceeds go to the Kimberley Food Bank to help with community members that have need for it. We also provide hampers at the Christmas dinner for Food Bank donations which gives every donator a free ticket for the many items up for draw.

We also volunteer to help with the security at the Kimberley Fall Fair and the Triathlon in the early summer. Our medical loans cupboard is well used by community members with disabilities whether long-term or short-term. Our We Care We Serve fund has helped

the community with travel aid for medical reasons and as part of our fire fund.

The Wasa Lions have also spearheaded a new brochure that is now available at local businesses. Kudos to the three main Lions that were responsible for the brochure! Wonderful effort!

Until next month, HEAR US ROAR!



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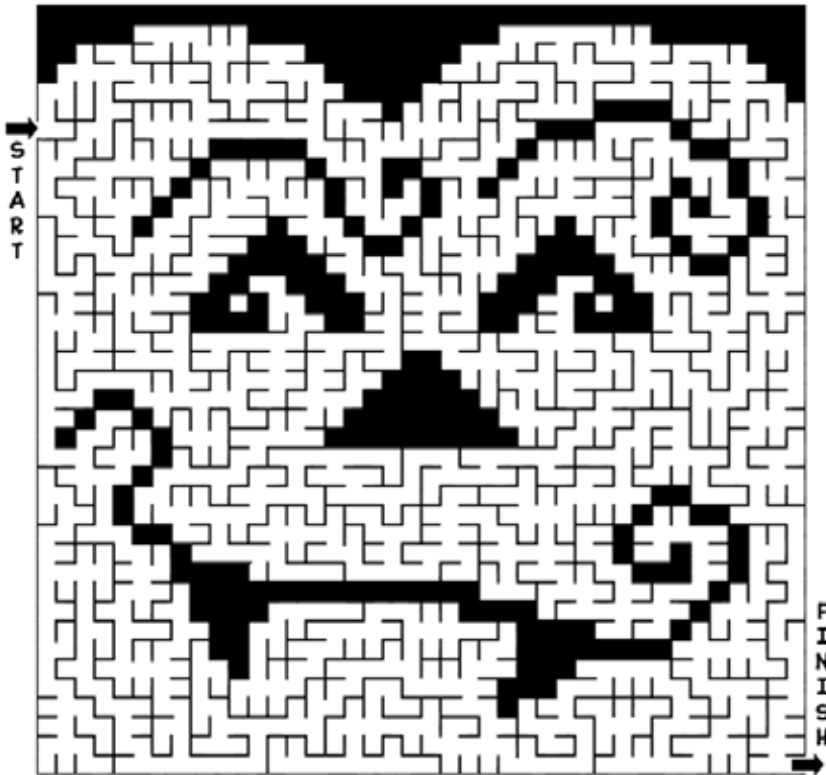
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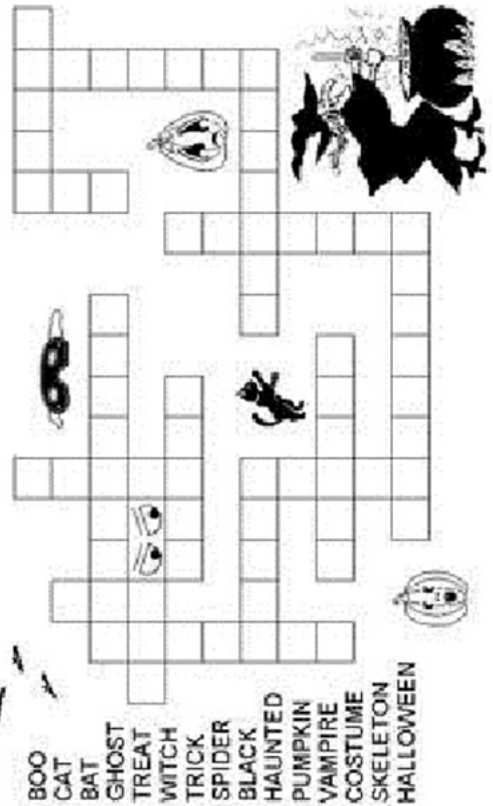
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HALLOWEEN WORD SEARCH

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Halloween Crossword



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HALLOWEEN



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HALLOWEEN

Spot the twelve differences



Wasa Community Church



The congregation is enthused that their newly appointed pastor has arrived to lead Wasa Community Church into the fall season. Pastor Jonathan Malpass is a 22 year old single young man. He received his theological training at the Saskatchewan Miller Memorial Bible College and has completed a very successful 10 month internship at a Village Mission church at Middle Lake, Saskatchewan.

Pastor Jonathan grew up in Alberta and is thus well suited to lead ministry at one of Alberta's favourite playgrounds. He has a keen interest in the Canadian sport of hockey and surprisingly already cheers for the Vancouver Canucks.

The Wasa Community Church was established by Village Missions, an organization designed to provide an inclusive ministry in small towns where there are no other churches. A visitor friendly Sunday church service meets at 10:30 a.m. at the little brown church facing the highway at the south end of Wasa, also serving Fort Steele, Ta Ta Creek and Skookumchuck. Church services include a mix of contemporary and traditional hymns, as well as a time for prayer and praise requests. There is always a Bible based message, and concludes with coffee and visiting.

More information is available by calling Pastor Jonathan Malpass at 403-550-3319.

Submitted by Dave Reeves, Board Chairman, 250-489-2895

Telecommunication Tower for Wasa - Project Notification

Heads up Wasa!

Should CBT Broadband Corporation receive all 4 licences by mid October a 120 foot Communication tower will replace the old 68 foot Knowledge Network structure located just outside the Wasa Memorial Garden. The proposed structure will be part of the rural internet system supplying wireless to areas without any internet and offering options for those in the valley who already do.

Wasa Memorial Garden Group is in favour of communication progress but have an issue with the choice of location next to the Columbarium. There are, after all other property options in or around Wasa better suited to such a tall tower. The plan to change out the tower only just came to our attention and we felt it only right for the residents of Wasa to be made aware. Time is running out to let your voice be heard regarding opposition to CBT Broadband Corp's project moving forward at this location. Contact any or all listed below should you have objections to this particular site.

- Columbia Basin Trust 1-800-505-8998 info@cbt.org
- Wes Eisses, Network Infrastructure Manager, CBBC 778-517-8108 weissess@cbt.org
- Dave Lampron, Chief Operating Officer, CBBC 250-304-1672 dlampron@cbt.org
- RDEK 250-489-2791 info@rdek.bc.ca planningdept@rdek.bc.ca
- Jane Walter, Area E Director 250-427-2577 s.janewalter@gmail.com
- Michele Bates, Planner, RDEK mbates@rdek.bc.ca
- Wayne Stetski, MP Kootenay-Columbia 250-417-2250 wayne.stetski@parl.gc.ca

If we do end up with an ugly big 120 ft tower next to the Memorial Garden, we as CBT Broadband Corp's closest neighbour will find a way to share that space, but in reluctant harmony.

Submitted by Sandy Kay

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Doug Clovechok's Kimberley office 'opening' will be Tuesday, Oct 10th from 2:30 pm to 5:30 pm. Join us for cake and coffee/tea. This is to give Constituents a chance to say hi to Doug, meet me (the full time CA) and to see the new office.

The address is: 362 Wallinger Ave, Kimberley.

Doug can be reached by email:

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Wasa and District Historical Association

The annual Annual General Meeting (AGM) held September 20th, 2017 in the meeting room of the Wasa Community Hall was very productive. There are no changes to the 2016 executive but we are pleased to welcome a new director, Della Boechler. Fourteen long standing members were in attendance. Some of the exciting news was to hear from our Membership Chair, Judy Reimer. She informed us that during her membership drive she was able to sign up 44 new people. Thank you for your hard work Judy. We look forward to updating our information, sharing ideas and energy. More exciting news for you today is to tell you about "Sally's" vision moving forward.

Sally, you would be pleased to hear that your dream has been very successful. So successful in fact that our organization passed a motion today to purchase yet another Columbarium. Yes, we all decided we needed to look to the future, move forward and provide more niche choices because those in the original structure have become limited. In the Spring of 2018 we are planning for the next stage. That means you had better think ahead my friends if you wish to secure your special space. This organization is here right now and plan to be here in the future. Be assured we will forever and always honour your loved ones.

Some long standing Director/Members felt it was time to retire. We understand but you will be really missed. Thank you Lorna Jackson, Don Konschuh, Brenda Rauch, Naomi Miller, Bev Falkiner and Pat Falkiner. We appreciate all you contributed to the goal.

Please note Pat WALKEY is the treasurer and the go to gal for info regarding the plaques and or the Columbarium call her at 250-422-3530.

A special thanks to Bev Rauch for so many years of hard work and dedication. Just think Bev, you can come to the meeting relax and share all your knowledge. Lucky us!

Sherry Shields has agreed to write the submissions pertaining to the Wasa and District Historical Association and Sandy K., from time to time will keep you informed about the Memorial Garden.

Chow for now.



Wasa Memorial Garden has something for every soul who should be remembered or needs a final resting place.

There is a Columbarium with Niches large enough to hold two sets of cremains or the option to purchase a memorial plaque in honor of your loved ones. Check out the space at the end of Schoolhouse Road in Wasa. For Information call Pat Walkey at 250.422.3530

Continued from Page 7 DOUG CLOVECHOK - MLA

of the meetings I had over the summer with community organizations and businesses:

- Kicking Horse Chamber of Commerce: Executive Director, Shelley Wadden
- St. Eugene's Resort: President and CEO, Barry Zueste
- East Kootenay Chamber of Mines: Jason Jacob, et al
- Columbia Basin Trust: President and CEO, Johnny Strilaeff and Board Chair, Rick Jensen
- Columbia Valley Arts: Pat Bavin
- Columbia Valley Tourism and Marketing Committee
- Telecommunications for Kootenay National Park: MP Wayne Stetski, Radium Mayor Clara Reinhardt, Parks Canada, and Columbia Valley community members
- Revelstoke Mountain Home Owners Association
- Revelstoke Mountain Resort: Vice-President Operations, Peter Nielsen
- Copper Point Golf Club: General Manager, Brian Schaal
- Provincial Ombudsperson: Jay Chalke
- Columbia Basin Trust: President and CEO, Johnny Strilaeff, and Board Chair, Rick Jensen
- Emergency Management BC and BC Wildfire Service: Daily Morning Telephone Briefings

IN THE CONSTITUENCY OFFICES

I am so pleased to be hearing from so many of the Constituents. Here are some of the issues that you have brought to the attention of our riding's Constituency Assistants who are working with me to address:

- Entire Region: Air quality monitoring reports and stations; Commercial berry harvesting on crown land; Grizzly bear concerns and trophy hunting ban; Child and Family Service concerns; Road conditions (highway, public, forestry); Water vessel speeds and water access; Adoption support.
- Kimberley: Agriculture land use; Commercial timber harvesting on crown land; Health services for special care Constituents; Homeowner grants; Physician recruitment
- Invermere: Changes to school bus routes; Public Health and housing
- Radium: Crosswalk safety on highways
- Golden: Owner-Builder exam; Provincial Immigration programs; Public road access for residents and businesses; Public transportation; Tenured land applications
- Revelstoke: Available and affordable Housing, health services available to CPP recipients and special care Constituents, Japanese Internment Signage

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The Other Side of Yourself

The most predominant aspect of ourselves essentially concerns our body, our mind and our emotions. Through these means of expression during our lifetime, we become “doers”, “hoppers” and “getters”. We hope and we do, we get or we do, we hope and we still do. We are always acting according to what we hope for and according to whether we get (or don’t get) what we’ve hoped for. For most people life will only be made up of waiting and pretending. We wait for the next thing to do that will fulfill us, pretending that what we are doing in the outer world is going to bear the fruit of a greater or even total fulfillment.

Our entire life is experienced as an external field of reactions followed by actions. The next best thing is always over there, outside of us. Whether it be family, life partners, children, friends, work colleagues, dogs, cats, the house or garden, hobbies or sport activities, vacations or religious centers, career ambitions, theaters, doctors, stores... everything is out there! We hope, we do, we pretend, and we go on hoping because...maybe, one day, at one point, I will find what I am looking for.

This “what I am looking for” is the key to the other side of yourself. Because you can understand that, if there is an “outer you”, then its counterpart, an “inner you”, must also exist. The outer you engages in the “doing”, the “hoping” and the “getting”. Whether it’s getting your groceries, a lover or a better position in life, this only concerns the “outer you”, while the inner you remains invisible. Nonetheless, it is the part of you that possesses the secret meaning of the precious thing you run after at every second, even when you’re not physically moving.

The inner you is omnipresent... behind everything the outer you is doing. Even when you are thinking, the inner you is the one triggering your thought process.

You may continue your life acting and reacting from one thing to do to another thing you hope for or seek to get, but so long as you don’t pay attention to the inner you, you will never know with certainty why you do so much in your outer life. Why have you done everything that you have done? Why do you do everything that you do?

In fact, the most captivating part of you is not the outer you, it is the inner you. The inner you possesses the real meaning of the most important thing that you are seeking through every one of your actions stemming from your smallest of thoughts.

To ask yourself “what am I looking for?”, “what do I really want?” or “what do I need the most in the end?” is to connect your consciousness to the other side of yourself, your inner self.

Remembering this essential knowledge can help you focus more deeply on what you seek rather than doing one thing after another without an almighty goal in mind. Most human beings are the puppets of their desires – and these desires are legions – without realizing that they all lead them in the same futile direction. After a few decades of life, it is easy to realize that, no matter what you’ve done in the past “out there”, it’s not enough to fill the void that exists within your heart. You were not meant to be only an “outer you”. The proof of this is that you are not fulfilled, complete and peaceful within.

No matter what you have done or still plan to do out there, the other side of you, the inner you, is still pushing you towards its

own true state, which is not in the doing, hoping and getting, but in the “Being”. When you understand that the inner you is looking for you to stop being only an outer being, you will realize that you don’t want something or someone to be happy... rather, you first want to “Be happiness”. The other side of yourself, the inner you, is constantly pushing you to experience happiness. Realizing this will help you stop fooling yourself in the external doing. The outer world can only be a mere support of your inner a state of happiness; it cannot be the cause of it.

When the outer you is discontent, yelling and screaming at the outer world, it is because the inner side of yourself has not been taken care of.

I hope this short demonstration will help you to reflect upon the other side of yourself, and that the inner you will grow in your daily life until it becomes the true leader of everything you do in this world. You were born to experience a state of Being, filled with contentment and joy... not to be an unsatisfied “doer” and “getter”. Open your mind to the other side of yourself. Your true Self awaits your cooperation.

With Blessing and Love on the Path of Life.

Warmly with you through our joint Prayers.

Om Om Om

Venerable Gurudev Hamsah Nandatha

Adi Vajra Shambhasalem Ashram, Wasa, BC Canada

If you like these articles by the Venerable Gurudev Hamsah Nandatha, reread 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 General Store.

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Wasa Memorial Garden

Submitted by Sandy Kay



We have good news to share. A little project called "MORE FRIEND'S" has been completed thanks to CBT and RDEK Area E Director, Jane Walter. The financial assistance allowed us to move forward with the new plantings. Please call in and see for yourselves how nice it really is. Read the little plaque to appreciate how we manage to do what we do.

Our Operating Licence is now posted on the garden fence. It also displays the phone number for anyone who might need information regarding either the Memorial Wall or Columbarium. Thank you Steve from Wasa Hardware and Building Supplies for making and donating the frame displaying the licence. Nice job!

Bruce Walkey has been busy building new flower boxes for our use next spring. The original ones were donated many years ago by Andy and Dorothy Verigan and have served us well. We appreciated the support of the Verigan family.

This was certainly a challenging Summer for everyone but as usual our helpers were amazing. Now it's time to put the space to bed for 2017. Let's hope next season will bring clean air, blue skies with enough precipitation to make BC beautiful again. From time to time I'll try to let you know what's up from our space.

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Submitted by Judy McPhee

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THE SHOE BOX

Author Unknown

As a new bride, Aunt Helen moved into the small home on her husbands ranch. She put a shoebox on a shelf in her closet and asked her husband never to touch it.

For 50 years Uncle Allan left the box alone, until Aunt Helen was old and dying. One day when he was putting their affairs in order, he found the box again and thought it might hold something important. Opening it, he found two doilies and \$6,000 in cash. He took the box to her and asked about the contents.

"My mother gave me the box when we were married," she explained. "She told me to make a doily to help ease my frustrations every time I got mad at you." Uncle Allan was very touched that in 50 years she'd only been mad at him twice.

What's the \$6,000 for?" He asked.

"Oh, that's the money I made selling doilies!"

That shoebox is a parallel to some peoples lives. They never know what they are missing because they do not explore or visit libraries, not realizing how exploring and reading benefits their lives. It opens the door to knowledge, entertainment, pleasure and mental health. Uncle Allan did not know what he was missing!!

Books are an important part of a whole life. Some authors are lifelong companions. Some books should not be read in a hurry anymore than friends should be made in a hurry.

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8	9 	10 Doug Clovechok Office Opening 2:30 to 5:30 BINGO 6:30 Early Bird 6:45 Regular	11	12	13	14 Shoreline Cleanup 1 pm
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 Halloween Party at the Pub 8 pm
29	30	31 	We the volunteers of the Tri-Village Buzz Newsletter reserve the right to refuse to print submissions due to legality, length, good taste or discriminating beliefs.			

LEGEND

- Church 10:30 a.m.
- Gym (M,W,F 7:30-8:30 a.m. Mon to Fri 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.)
- BINGO 6:30 p.m.
- Rec Society 7:00 p.m.
- Lions 7:00 p.m.
- Library Tues. 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
- TOPS Fri 8:30 a.m. Weigh in & Meeting 9 a.m. - 10 a.m.
- Quilters Tues. 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Special Events and Days Down the Road

- Sunday, November 5th
Daylight Savings Time ends
- Thursday, November 30, 2017
WLLID Taxes due
- Saturday, December 2nd
Wasa Lions Christmas Dinner & Dance
- Sunday, December 31st
Winterfest

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