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Canadian Federal Election 2015

Wow, don't you just love democracy. Candidates and political party's are accountable to citizens. In Monday's Federal election, the people spoke loud and clear. They did not share Stephen Harper's vision of the future.

At least Harper's acknowledgment of the election outcome and his stepping down as leader shows that he accepts a democratic vote.

In many places around the world, the outcome would have been far different, messier and probably more violent.

This election should also be awake up call for all elected officials, whether they are local, regional, provincial or federal. When citizens get peeved and disillusioned by political leaders, they will make change. Fortunately, we still have that right and its usually a peaceful process.

The excitement and anticipation of Justin Trudeau's election has garnered comparisons to Barack Obama winning

the US Presidency in 2008. Obama's win was followed by a national outpouring of relief and expectation that political and economic things would change in the US. They didn't, at least not to the extent that people thought they would.

Canadian pundits point to Obama's failure to change the US political or economic landscape as something that will happen too Trudeau. They are already speculating he won't be able to meet expectations.

That may be the case, but there is one very large difference between the Canadian and USA political systems. In the US, the separation of powers between the Presidency, House of Representatives and Senate means that one party can control the White House and the other party control the House and the Senate. In this situation, one Obama finds himself in now, makes it almost impossible to pass legislation especially that which would fundamentally change the political system.

In Canada's parliamentary government, the Party with the majority of seats in the House of Commons runs the show. The Liberal Party majority means they control the House



and legislative agenda. Trudeau can pretty much do what he wants, make new

laws, repeal old laws and generally change whatever he wants. Unlike Obama, Trudeau doesn't have to worry about the opposition thwarting his plans.

I never thought I'd see the day when another Trudeau became Prime Minister of Canada. Also, I never thought I'd see the Progressive Conservative Party of Alberta swept from power and replaced by the NDP.

2015, what a year in Canadian politics.
by Nowell Berg

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FOLLOWING THE TRAILS OF

Yesterday

By Judy McPhee

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Dale Tagg Reminisces

Meeting My Future Wife! Rea

One cold winter day, Floyd invited me to go with him to a furniture store in Calgary. He took his daughter, Arlene who brought a friend, Rea Butler. On the ride home it got colder and so did the girls feet! I volunteered to rub them and ended up rubbing Rea's feet the most. That was the start of a beautiful romance and courtship. That Christmas, I gave Rea a cedar chest.

We would go somewhere almost every night just to be together. On Sunday's I would spend all day with Rea and her family. We often drove to Waterton or Glacier National Park for picnics. In the winter we made homemade ice cream using snow for ice.

We saved the change from our dates (in a bottle) for a year and eventually bought a 2nd hand upright piano from Sterling Low for \$400.00. It has been passed on to family members.

Each morning at 6:30 a.m. we met for dance rehearsals in the Social Centre. Rea's Uncle Scott and Aunt Gladys Forsyth trained the dancers. We travelled to towns in Alberta to put on floor shows at Green and Gold Balls.

When we decided to get married, my grandpa Salway offered us a building lot beside their lot in Cardston if we would build on it. He offered it to each of his children but none of them took advantage of the offer. We started to build a two room house on the lot on November 2nd, 1950 and built as weather permitted.

We were married April 12th, 1950 in the Cardston Temple.

We had to wait two weeks for windows to arrive so we rented two rooms at the home of Rea's friends parents until we moved into our new home. We tacked cardboard between the studs for insulation and we would lay in bed and watch the moon shining through the knot holes. I bought a roll of linoleum home on my bike and

laid it on the kitchen floor. We had an outhouse at the end of the garden and a coal shed behind the house and we were happy and content.

On March 13th, 1951 our first child Corey Dale was born. My father, Robert Tagg was called on a mission to England for the Mormon Church between January 1952 to 1954. I took over the shoe repair shop and worked hard to support my family and my mother who still had children at home. We bought our first car, a little two door green Minor.

Our second child, Mona Rea was born May 21st, 1954. Dad came home in the spring of 1954 and mom went to Salt Lake City to meet him.

I started selling Rena Ware with my father-in-law, Clive Butler. We travelled all over Southern Alberta, Saskatchewan and B.C. We then bought a two door Ford.

In October I started selling Fuller Brushes in the Cardston, Raymond, Magrath and West Bonita areas. We owned a 1954 Chevrolet car and in February 1957, we were driving to Calgary and ran into a snow plow. The car was wrecked and both of us broke our jaws.

We were in the hospital in Calgary for a week and I was off work for 6 weeks before I could return to work and Rea started teaching again.

In September 1957, I started working at Buy More Foods in Cardston. Our third child Robert Clive was born March 5th, 1958 and we added onto our home.

I then became manager of IGA. The Horne and Pitfield group had incentives for their managers. They set a budget for the store, total sales per week in the grocery, meat and produce departments, wage scale and gross profits for all departments. If all was met, they sent the managers and their wives on trips throughout the world.

I qualified to go to Portugal in 1972, and to Hawaii in 1973, the Canary Islands in 1974 and Hawaii again in 1975. We also

went to Cuba in 1976, to Rome, Paris and London in 1977, to Florida in 1978, to Mexico in 1980 and to Australia in 1981. All expenses were paid by the Horne and Pitfield Company and we really enjoyed the trips.

Our fourth child, Darcy Boyce was born September 13th, 1960 and our fifth child, Tamara Joyce was born on January 29th, 1963.

We holidayed every summer at Wasa and bought our lot on September 1st, 1979 at the corner of Wasa Lake Park Drive and Aspen Road. We moved our motor home on the lot and set up camp with a screen tent and a picnic table. We had electricity installed on a post, dug a well and planted a garden. Our friends and family came to visit us and enjoyed Wasa with us. We spent every weekend we could afford the gas, travelling to Wasa for fun. Our sons Bob and Darcy built our log home in 1984 / 1985.

I retired for the second time in 1997 and Rea retired from teaching piano, theory and organ lessons.

We finally moved permanently to Wasa in 1997 and in 1998, we had the solarium built onto the house.

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Hints From Vi

By Vi Cockell

*Hello, what a great fall we are having,
even the Pussy Willows are out!*



1. Home made carpet cleaner:

1 cup baking powder ½ cup cornstarch
1 tsp cloves 4 to 5 crushed bay leaves

Add all ingredients to a container with holes in the lid and sprinkle on carpet. Leave 10 to 15 minutes then vacuum.

2. To remove juice stains instantly, using ordinary shaving cream will do the trick. Squirt just a dab of shaving cream into your hand then spread it over the stain. Let it sit for a few minutes then dampen a sponge with water and dab the shaving cream with it. Repeat if necessary, but take care to use as little of the shaving cream as possible with each use.

3. To clean bugs from a windshield: Mix dish soap and warm water, spray or pour onto the windshield to soften things up. Next take a couple of onion bags (mesh type) and scrub the windshield. Dry the windshield with a clean cloth. The mesh onion bags provide enough edge to scrub off the bugs but won't damage the windshield.

4. How to tell how tall your child will be when they grow up. Just double their height when they are 2 years old.

Until next time and Happy Halloween! Vi

EATMORE LOG

½ cup margarine 1 cup peanuts or almonds
1 cup chocolate chips 2 cups Rice Krispie cereal
6 cups mini marshmallows 2 cups chow mein noodles
2 Tbsp cocoa 1 tsp vanilla

Melt together margarine, chocolate chips, marshmallows, cocoa and vanilla. Add nuts, cereal and noodles and mix together. Form into a log with greased hands or press into a pan. Chill, slice and enjoy.

Fanny's Favorites

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Name, Family
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By Laurie Kay

NEW OFFICE LOCATION

Those who have attended board meetings in the past will be aware that our office, shared with the Wasa Recreation Society, was located in the southwestern corner of the basement of the Community Hall. We are happy to say that we have moved to another part of the hall next to the Library. Our new office is lighter and brighter and we have spent many hours sorting and organizing old files. Our thanks to the Recreation Society for their hard work preparing the new office for us. Your effort is much appreciated.

SECTION 9 APPLICATION PENDING

In response to residents' requests that the WLLID take action to deal with the milfoil in Wasa Lake, trustees voted unanimously to work towards that goal. The first step in the process was to submit a "Section 9" application to government requesting permission to perform work in a water body. Trustees submitted the application September 26th and are currently awaiting the government response. The proposal calls to manually remove milfoil from an approximately 200 square metre section of the lake. Work will be completed in cooperation with the East Kootenay Invasive Plant Council (who would provide

the necessary equipment) and the help of a work party of property owners.

TAXES

Tax notices were mailed to all property owners within the WLLID boundary in mid-September. Many people have taken advantage of our new ability to accept payment online through Interac eTransfer. Please remember that the deadline for tax payment is November 30th, after which an interest charge (in accordance with guidelines provided by the Ministry of Community, Sports, and Cultural Development) will be applied. Contact us if you are experiencing financial hardship and need to negotiate a payment plan.

A 50 year old cabin used by OLD BUD was demolished in about 2 hours. Photos before, during and after provided by Naomi Miller.



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Where do you take... YOUR BUZZ?



Darlene and Joyce Davis remembered to bring the Buzz on a recent trip to Shediac, New Brunswick to visit friends Mikey and Tosh. Great friends, great food, great sights and good times pretty much summed up their vacation.

There is only one month left to enter our contest and a chance to win a \$50.00 gift certificate from an advertiser of your choice. December will be the last month for entries. Send me your photo with the Buzz at trivillagebuzz@gmail.com

NOTICE OF A MAINTENANCE POWER OUTAGE SKOOKUMCHUCK

BC Hydro requires a 30 minute planned outage affecting 829 customers in Skookumchuk and the surrounding area. The outage is required for workers to safely complete improvements at the Skookumchuk Substation.

The outage area includes: Skookumchuk, Wasa Lake, Sheep Creek, Wolf Creek, Lazy Lake, Premier Lake, Island Pond, Paper Excellence Pulp Mill and Torrent Road area West of Woods Corner, LD Ranch Road.

The proposed date for this planned outage is

Tuesday, November 17th,
6:00 a.m. – 6:30 a.m. MST.

Work will begin at 6:00 a.m. and power will be restored safely and as quickly as possible.

Thank You

The Maine family would like to extend a very big thank you to everyone that stopped by on Saturday, October 17th to celebrate Leroy's life. Also, much love and thanks to Gary and Kelly Novokowski (neighbours), Peanuts and Roxie Blundell, Bob Webb and Patti King; for all your help we received on Sunday when Lee passed away.

Much thanks to the Wasa Pub and Grill for all the support. Thank you to everyone that brought food, flowers and their condolences. A special thanks to Den.

All of your help and support in our time of need will not be forgotten, thanks to everyone - much too many to mention.



LEROY MAINE

June 26, 1959
Oct. 11, 2015

Continued from Page 2 Following the Trails of Yesterday Dale Tagg Reminisces

We attended the Mormon Church in Kimberley for five years and then the Cranbrook First Ward. In 2006, we were called to serve as a couple at the Fairmont Branch and enjoyed that responsibility for three years. We were released in 2009.

In 2008, we went on a trip to American Samoa the place where Rea was born while her young parents served a mission from 1928 to 1931. Rea was only 2½ when they brought her back to Canada speaking fluid Samoan. Rea had not been back since and we were delighted by the tropical terrain and mountains. We were asked why we were there and we told them Rea was born in Pago Pago Tutuila, American Samoa and they all said "Welcome Home!"

We showed pictures and talked about our visit at "The Armchair Traveller" on February 12th, 2009. In 2010, we travelled to Hawaii for the 11th and the last time.

Both Rea and I enjoyed helping the Historical Society plan the "Kootenay Ripples". We are also volunteers at the Wasa Library and we love the people in Wasa. We also enjoy participating in the Wasa Community Church and the Wasa Lions Club events. We became members of the Happy Gang Seniors Club which has brought fun times and many friends into our lives. We worked a long time to be able to move to Wasa permanently and we have enjoyed every experience at Wasa Lake and in the community.

When I was 75 years old, I went Hang Gliding in Puerto Vallarto and Shalom Skiing on Wasa Lake. I have also hiked up to "Top of The World Park" 11 times with various members of our family.

We love the beauty of Gods creation and the peace of our area. The people here are kind, loving and supportive. Our family has grown to include 19 grandchildren and 32 great grandchildren with another expected in October.

Rea and I celebrated our 65th wedding anniversary in April 2015 and we both hope to celebrate many more.

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
Lorraine Colton 250.422.3640
- 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 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!

8:00 am to 9:00 a.m. on
Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays
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

WASA COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Hours: Tues. 11 am - 1 pm & Wed. 6:30 pm - 8 pm

Submitted by Judy McPhee

Daily exercise

Wood to burn

Family and friends to visit

Books to read

...an excellent recipe for an enriched 1015/16 winter



We welcome Lin Trach to our library staff this year to join Marg, Brenda, Rose, Rea and her husband, Dale Tagg.

This month, head librarian, Marg Burrin would like to feature the "Irish Medical Doctor." Patrick Taylor's series on life in an Irish village, his home life with housekeeper, Kinky and his colleague, Barry Laverty. Patrick's and Barry's daily life attending patients in the office and at their homes and helping the people in the village is sprinkled with wisdom, wit, humour and laughter as you follow the delightful characters in the seven book series which Marg has purchased.

The seven book series is available for loan: An Irish Country Doctor, An Irish Country Village, An Irish Country Girl, An Irish Country Courtship, An Irish Country Wedding and An Irish Doctor in Peace and War. Patrick Taylor resides on Salt Spring Island.

As Shakespeare said, "I note you in my book of memory"
Enjoy reading this winter.

Wasa Lions Trail

The Wasa Lions Trail is an 8 km trail around Wasa Lake and was built in 1997 in cooperation with the Wasa Lions and the Provincial Government. Locals, visitors from Cranbrook, Kimberley and tourists throughout the world use this trail. The trail is beginning to show its age and needs some TLC. Funding is not as easy to obtain as it once was which is why we are looking for public and corporate donations. Help us keep our trail beautiful.

Please contact Hugh Campbell, Wasa Lions Member at 250-422-3773 for information on how you can help.

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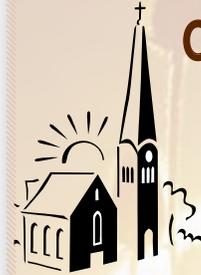


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Wasa Community Church



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Worship Service
3:00 p.m.

For approximately 6 weeks
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at Wasa Community Church
at 3:00 p.m.
instead of the usual 10:30 a.m.
EVERYONE WELCOME!

Thanks

A big thank you to
Wasa TOPS, Wasa Gym and
the Wasa Community Library
for the generous donations to
the Wasa Community Hall.
Your generosity is very much
appreciated.



How to Always Make a Good Decision

No matter what life situation you are in, it is obvious that, one way or another, you put yourself into it. Everything you have thought, said or done in the past has led you to exactly where you are now in time and space. There's no need to argue against this! You may like or dislike your position in life right now, but everything that enters in contact with you is in fact telling you something about yourself. Pause, observe attentively, and you will learn so much!

You should consider your life as a chess game, where every move is the carrier of what you will soon experience. So, what will be your next move to achieve your next goal? Are you game enough to become an Awakened Life Player? There are many paths leading to the top of a mountain. You should choose your next move, your next decision in life, with great care. There is always the short path, the long path and the only Right Path, the Perfectly Right Decision to make. If you want to achieve perfection in life, you should consider that the multiple choice option does not exist; there is only the perfect choice to be made.

For any decision you want to make, whether it is important or without consequence, you must be ready to accept its outcome. Making the perfect decision at every moment of one's life is one of the most captivating practices in Yoga Sadhana because it demands a great deal of observation, clarity of mind and awareness of one's own inner atmosphere. If you are not calm, pragmatic enough, or if you are under the influence of an emotional eruption, then you can be sure that no matter what kind of decision you make, it will be a disaster.

First of all, to make a good decision, you need to observe the facts beyond your preferences. It's not about what you would like to be or get anymore; it is: "what are the facts?" Stick to the facts! If it is to choose a new job or to solve a complex relationship with someone, try to see the facts as they are. Write down a precise description of the elements that concern you and how you feel about the situation at this moment; try to be as neutral as possible. To make a good decision, you need to aspire to make the good decision. Keep this noble aspiration in mind while observing the pure facts and surrender the situation.

Secondly, treat any decision you have to make as if you were advising your best friend. A personal decision must be treated as if it concerned someone else. The first thing you would say to your best friend would be to calm down, to breathe and to remove all sensations of being rushed. Refuse to make any decision based on an explosion of emotion. An emotion, no matter its nature, tends to deform the facts. Get rid of the dangerous habit of dramatizing what is. What is should be accepted as it is and then improved through a rational decision.

Thirdly, reflect upon what result you expect from the decision you have to make. A good decision should bring you immediate peace, and make you and all the people involved very happy. No matter what kind of decision you have to

make, it should always be because you want to be happier and make others happier.

There are decisions that concern only you, and others that involve other people's lives. If you are talking about eating cookies, for example, it concerns mostly you. But if you are talking about getting married or divorced, then it concerns your partner and your family, and this is where the art of gathering the right conditions to make a good decision is capital.

The more you seek to make a harmonious decision for the benefit of as many people as possible, and the more you cease seeking only for your own satisfaction, the more you will experience that making a choice, even in the most adverse situation, can bring you a feeling of freedom and fulfillment.

If it is easy to make small, inconsequential decisions, you can be sure that life will put you in delicate situations where you will have to excel in the Art of Deciding Wisely.

No matter what kind of big or small decision you have to make, remember that nothing lasts forever and that 10 years from now your problem will be resolved and you will have to live with the consequence of your present choices.

The best indication of a perfect decision is that it always brings you a feeling of Liberation, Love and Harmony as soon as you know what to do without any doubt.

I hope that this Yogic Advice given to me by my own spiritual Master, H. H the Lord Hamsah Manarah, will be useful in your own life.

With love and blessings to each of you.
Warmly yours on the Path of Life.

OM OM OM

Venerable Gurudev Hamsah Nandatha

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Venerable Gurudev Hamsah Nandatha published a book entitled, In the Presence of Truth. Discovering the Being Within, which is a roadmap to Self-Realization. To learn more about this wonderful book and its author, visit: www.inthepresenceoftruth.com.

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Wasa Lions Annual

Christmas Dinner and Dance

Saturday, December 5th, 2015

Doors open at 5:30 p.m.

Dinner at 7:00 p.m.

DJ by Ray's Music

Appetizers

Turkey Dinner & Pork Loin

Cash Bar



Tickets on sale Saturday, November 14th

at Wasa Community Hall from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

\$32.00 each (advance tickets only)



- check out the amazing silent auction prizes
- support the Wasa Lions
- bring an item for the Food Bank
- visit with friends and neighbours
- dance the night away



CHIMNEY SAFETY



The facts about chimney fires

- Your chimney adds architectural interest to your home, but its real function is to carry dangerous flue gases from your fireplace, wood stove or furnace safely out of your home. Dirty chimneys can cause chimney fires, which damage structures, destroy homes and injure or kill people.
- Chimney fires can burn explosively. Flames or dense smoke may shoot from the top of the chimney.
- Fireplaces and wood stoves safely contain wood-fuel fires. They force substances like smoke, water vapor, gases, unburned wood particles, hydrocarbon, tar fog and assorted minerals up the chimney. Condensation can occur during this process, leaving a residue behind in the chimney called creosote.
- Creosote can be black or brown in appearance. It can be flaky, tar-like, sticky, shiny or hardened. It is highly combustible and if it builds up in sufficient quantities and the internal flue temperature is high enough the result could be a chimney fire.
- Restricted air supply, unseasoned wood and cooler than normal chimney temperatures are all factors that can accelerate the buildup of creosote on chimney flue walls.

PREVENTION EQUALS PROPER MAINTENANCE

Clean chimneys don't catch fire. Make sure a Certified Chimney Sweep inspects your solid fuel venting system annually, and cleans and repairs it whenever needed.

WHAT TO DO IF YOU HAVE A CHIMNEY FIRE?

Indications of a chimney fire have been described as a loud cracking and popping noise, which can often sound like a train chugging; a lot of dense smoke; and an intense, hot smell with sparks escaping the chimney. If you suspect you've got a chimney fire, close the stove door and draft control right away. If the heater is reasonably airtight, suffocation will subdue a chimney fire in its early stages.

For more information visit http://www.csia.org/homeowner-resources/the_facts_about_chimney_fires.aspx#sthash.QIYhIqVw.dpufnd

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. Call Bev Rauch at 250.422.3335 for information

Wasa Memorial Garden

the Armchair Traveller

Anyone interested in hosting "The Armchair Traveller" please contact Kathy McCauley at: **250-422-3759**

Wasa Lions Medical Equipment Loan Cupboard

Have you had a recent Injury? or Have plans for Surgery?

The Lions may be able to assist with a 3-month loan of Medical Equipment.

For loan information or equipment donations to the Cupboard Contact: **Sharon 250-422-3227 or Val 250-422-3499**

ANSWERS

Sorry, no Crossword answers

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Differences: 1. horses's bridle 2. missing stirrup 3. hanging halter 4. brush out of box 5. cat stripes 6. girl's hair 7. girl's helmet 8. stall name sign 9. horse in stall wearing halter 10. polo wraps on horse's legs 11. pitchfork and broom 12. manure 13. breastplate on horse 14. horse's name 15. girl's boot

Help Bats For Halloween

As Halloween approaches, images of scary, blood-sucking bats become common place. Since the goal of the Kootenay Community Bat Project (KCBP) is to promote bat conservation, this is the perfect time of year to counter these bat myths and do something to help bats.

"The conservation of bats in BC has always been important since over half the species in this province are considered at risk" says Juliet Craig, Coordinating Biologist for the KCBP. "However, since the introduction of White Nose Syndrome, a disease that is devastating bat populations where it has spread, bat conservation is more important than ever."

White Nose Syndrome (WNS) is a disease caused by an introduced fungus that was first detected in a cave in New York in 2006. Since it was discovered, it has spread to 26 states and 5 provinces in North America, decimating bat populations along the way. An estimated six million bats have died from this disease so far and the number continues to climb.

"Luckily White Nose Syndrome is not yet in BC" continues Craig, "But we are preparing for its arrival by raising awareness about bats, working with landowners who have bats in buildings, enhancing bat habitat, and monitoring populations."

Building bat-houses is one way to encourage healthy bat populations. With the decline of large trees and undisturbed rock features, some bat species have adapted to using human-made structures, such as bat-houses. These small boxes have several crevices inside that provide a safe, dry habitat where bats can roost during summer months.

"Bat-houses are particularly important for maternity colonies where groups of female bats roost together to have their pup during the summer" states Craig. "A well-designed bat-house installed in a good location can provide a home for hundreds of bats."

Funded by the Columbia Basin Trust, Columbia Valley Local Conservation Fund, Habitat Stewardship Program, and the Public Conservation Assistance Fund, the KCBP provides educational programs on bats, conducts site visits to landowners with bats in buildings, and offers a program called "Building Homes for Bats" where they reimburse the cost of materials to residents who build and install two bat-houses on their property.

To find out more about the Building Homes for Bats reimbursement program or to download plans for a bat-house, visit www.kootenaybats.com.



Local resident, Saxon Bowick, builds a bat-house for his property. Photo courtesy of Erica Konrad.

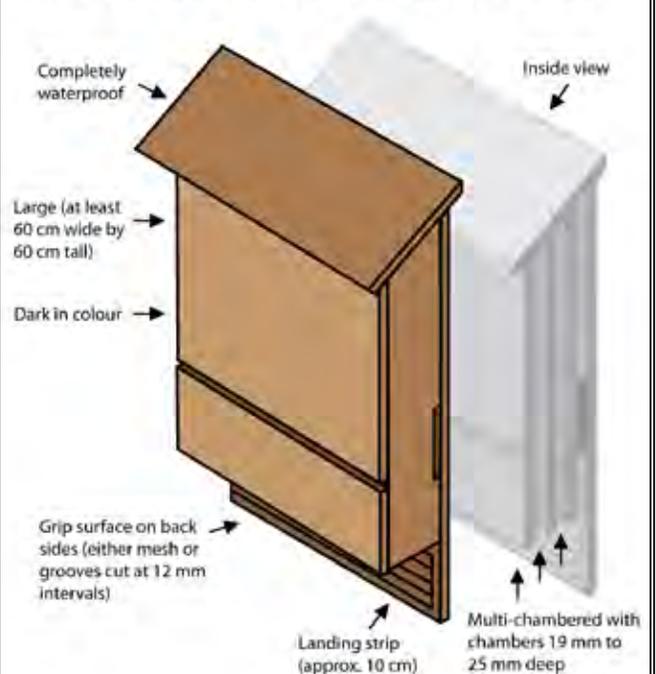


University students from the Redfish School of Change build bat-houses.



Local resident, Marlene Hebert, builds and installs bat-houses as part of the Building Homes for Bats program.

KEY FEATURES OF A BAT HOUSE



Thank you!

A very special thank you to all my wonderful family and friends who were so very helpful during Bills illness.

We were so blessed to have spent the last 23 years in such a wonderful community.

Also, I wish to thank Dr. Kilfoil and Dr. Schemann as well as all the special ladies with Interior Health.

We were so very fortunate to have them in our times of need.

I too, wish to thank Dean Buchignani and everyone for their prayers, cards, letters and kind blessings.

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RDEK NEWS
BDEK VEMZ



By Area E Director Jane Walter

Wasa Lions Trail

Two months ago I announced that the RDEK would be providing the Lion's Club with funding for the Wasa Lions Trail. Unfortunately, the UBCM Committee has since stated that they will no longer provide funding for routine trail maintenance. They will however, continue funding allocated to repair severe trail damage, similar to the trail damage caused by the flooding we experience in the past. Currently, there are several areas of the trail that the Lion's will be able to obtain this funding for, but unfortunately will need to look for other funding sources for regular trail maintenance.

Special Event Licensing

A Special Event License through the RDEK is required for groups holding events larger than 500 people and the cost has been \$10.00. The fee has now been increased to \$90.00 to offset RDEK staff time required to process the applications.

Wasa and Area Official Community Plan (OCP) update for Environmentally Sensitive Area (ESA) Development Permit Guidelines

During the OCP process the RDEK heard that residents wanted protection of the environment within the OCP Area. The RDEK has included an Environmentally Sensitive Development Permit Area around the Wasa Lake area, but could not include surrounding areas until Environmentally Sensitive Area mapping and information was obtained through the Ministry of Environment.

A Bylaw to implement the ESA Development Permit Guidelines will be considered by the RDEK Board on December 4, 2015. If the Bylaw is advanced, there will be a Public Hearing where residents can provide feedback. For more information on the ESA Development Permit Guidelines please visit www.rdek.bc.ca/departments/planning/plans/wasa_and_area_official_community_plan or call Kris Belanger at 250-489-6903

I hope everyone has a safe and happy month.
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Pal

PET'S PLACE

Beyond The Rainbow (Author Unknown)



As much as I loved the life we had and all the times we played,
 I was so very tired and knew my time on earth would fade.
 I saw a wondrous image then, of a place that's trouble-free
 Where all of us can meet again to spend eternity.
 I saw the most beautiful Rainbow, and on the other side
 Were meadows rich and beautiful - lush and green and wide!
 And running through the meadows as far as the eye could see
 Were animals of every sort as healthy as could be!

My own tired, failing body was fresh and healed and new
 And I wanted to go run with them, but I had something left to do.

I needed to reach out to you, to tell you I'm alright
 That this place is truly wonderful, then a bright Glow pierced the night.
 'Twas the Glow of many Candles shining bright and strong and bold
 And I knew then that it held your love in its brilliant shades of gold.

For although we may not be together in the way we used to be,
 We are still connected by a cord no eye can see.
 So whenever you need to find me, we're never far apart
 If you look beyond the Rainbow and listen with your heart.

In
 Memory of
 our little
 Pal
 May 2000
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 Aug 2010

The Lions Den

Submitted by Kathy Miles-Boue

Zone Thanksmas

On Saturday, October 17th, 50 or so members of the Lions groups in our Zone attended a Thanksmas dinner and dance. This event was hosted by the Lake Windermere District Lions Club who did a great job of organizing it. The dinner was delicious, the ice-breaker games were a fun way to get to know the other clubs members and the door prizes and contests added to the festive atmosphere. Thank you to the Lake Windermere Club for such a great way for our clubs to get together. The Wasa Lions Club looks forward to next year's Thanksmas.

Annual Lions Christmas Dinner & Dance

This annual event takes place on Saturday, December 5th. The next few weeks will be very busy for the Lions members, getting everything ready. Tickets will go on sale bright and early Saturday, November 14th at the Wasa Hall (reminder notices will be posted around the community). This is a fun night with great food and great prizes, a night that we all look forward to. Don't forget to help out the Kimberley Helping Hands Food Bank by bringing an item for the food bank donation bin.

Annual Christmas Light Up Contest

The contest will take place in mid-December. The judges will be doing a tour of the area and will determine the winners of this annual contest. The three winners will be announced in the February edition of the Tri-Village Buzz (there is no Tri-Village Buzz in January). First prize is \$100, second prize is \$60 and third prize is \$40. It is always so nice to drive around and see all the beautiful ways people have decorated the outside of their homes and yards to show us their Christmas Spirit. Watch the December edition of the Buzz for the confirmed date of the light-up (tentatively December 20th but this may change).

New Year's Winterfest Event

Plans are also underway for the **New Year's Winterfest Event** at the Wasa Lions Grounds & Rink. Last year's event was so much fun – family, friends, neighbours all meeting up at the bonfire, watching the kids skate, enjoying bannock, snacks, hot chocolates, coffee. We can't wait to do it again! Watch for details in December's edition of the Buzz and for posters placed around the community). upcoming edition of the Buzz.

New Member

The Wasa & District Lions Club are delighted to announce that we have a new member. At our October 6th dinner meeting, District Governor Bob Yeoman did an induction ceremony and the Club welcomed **Dwayne Marcus!** Our Lions Club is excited about the opportunity for Dwayne to assist us in all that we do and we look forward to working with him. Welcome Dwayne!

The Wasa & District Lions Club can be contacted at:

P.O. Box 10, Wasa, B.C. V0B 2K0

or by e-mail at: wasalions@gmail.com.

The Columbia Basin Community Initiatives Fund representing Wasa, Ta Ta Creek and Skookumchuck

All reasonable requests will be considered. Applications for these funds are available at Slim Pickens.

Representatives for the Wasa and area are:

Marilyn Bowen, Kathy Miles-Boue and June Clubley.

For questions or inquiries please contact:

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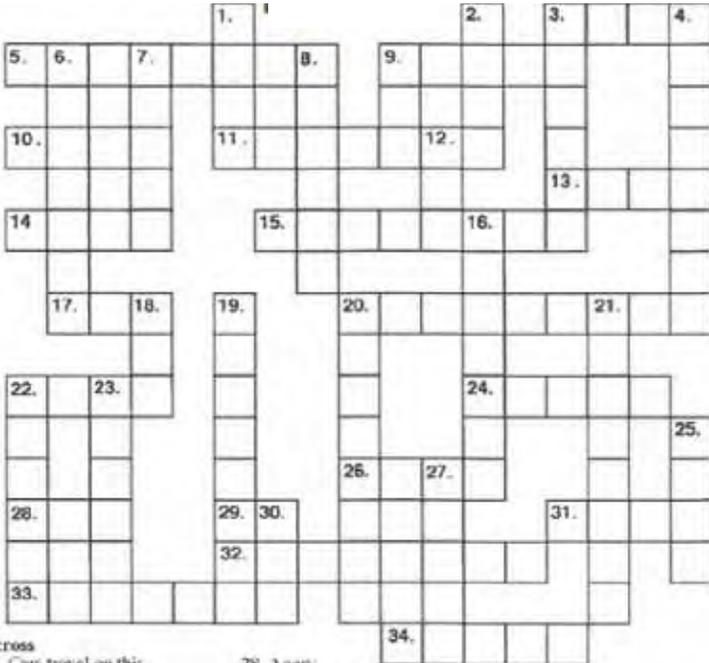
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Crossword



- Across**
- 3. Cars travel on this
 - 5. Woolien garments
 - 9. Plural of goose
 - 10. An angel has this
 - 11. To make smooth
 - 13. Things aren't always as they _____
 - 14. Who, what, where, ____?
 - 15. Vegetables with many eyes?
 - 17. Maple leaves often turn this colour
 - 20. The first month of Autumn
 - 22. Cautious
 - 24. A tree with white, papery bark
 - 26. To raise children
 - 28. Angry
 - 29. Opposite of out
 - 31. Another name for Autumn
 - 32. Autumn month
 - 33. Gather a crop
 - 34. Ripe fruit or vegetables
- Down**
- 1. Grows on a tree
 - 2. _____ager
 - 3. Playtime in school
 - 4. Last month of Autumn
 - 6. Sunny, cold, rain, eg.
 - 7. The nut from an Oak tree
 - 8. Spring, summer, fall, winter eg.
 - 9. Fetch
 - 12. "_____ your supper."
 - 16. Autumn month
 - 18. Opposite of night
 - 19. Large orange fruits which grow on a vine
 - 20. Nut housing animal
 - 21. Used to carry school books
 - 22. What you get from a fireplace
 - 23. One who reads
 - 25. Opposite of hot
 - 27. Brownish yellow colour
 - 30. "He is _____ here right now."

Autumn

Find and circle all of the Autumn words that are hidden in the grid. The remaining letters spell a secret message - an Albert Camus quotation.

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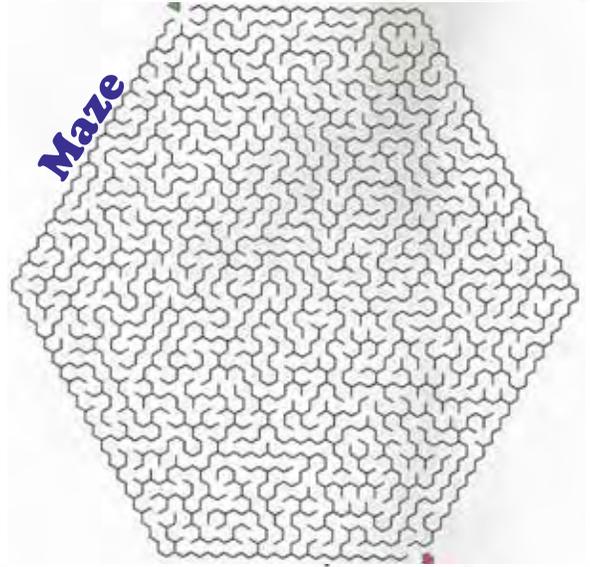
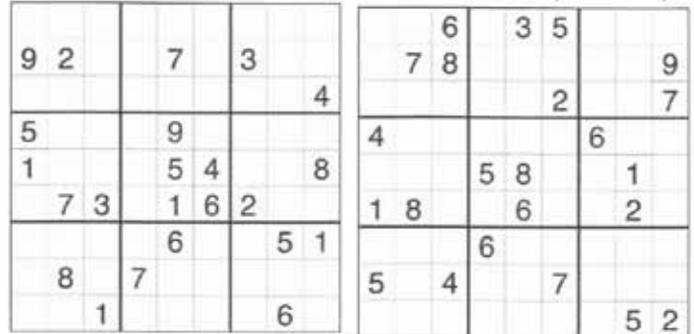
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| BLOWING LEAVES | FEAST | PTE | SWEET POTATOES |
| BLUSTERY DAY | FROST | PUMPKIN | THANKSGIVING |
| CANNING | HALLOWEEN | RAKE | TURKEY |
| CHESTNUTS | HARVEST | RED LEAVES | WINDY |
| CHILLY | HAYSTACK | SCARECROW | YELLOW LEAVES |
| COLD | HICKORY NUTS | SCHOOL | |
| CROPS | LONGER NIGHTS | SEASON | |



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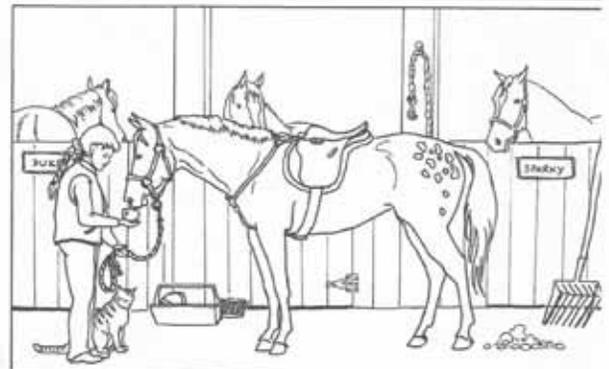
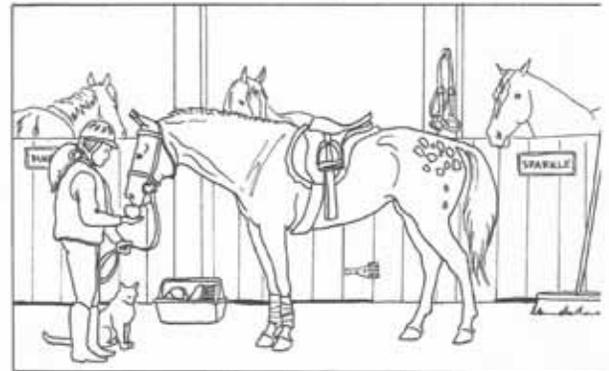
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Sudoku



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Heat Energy: Electricity, Wood

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HISTORY BYTES

BY NAOMI MILLER



PIONEER DOCTOR KOZO SHIMOTAKAHARA

Kozo was born December 27, 1885 in northern Japan. An older brother was sent to USA to study medicine but succumbed to tuberculosis. Kozo resolved to fulfill his brother's dream so at age fourteen he sailed from his home with destination Vancouver, BC. He began life in a dormitory for Japanese immigrants. Ministers of the Japanese Church made arrangements for him to attend Strathcona School and become a houseboy for an elderly couple. Staff at Strathcona tailored a program for him to learn to speak English. Next he attended Britannia High School. During the summer he found work on fish boats. One frequently drunk Japanese owner of a fishing boat thoroughly appreciated the meals that Kozo prepared and shared the summer profits with the aspiring student. For the final year there he was a houseboy living in Shaughnessy Heights at the home of R.B. Malkin. This very Christian household made it possible for Kozo to switch, as his mother predicted, from Buddhism to Christianity. Next he studied at Columbia College in New Westminster.

During his college years, because of his bilingualism, he worked at the immigration department. Many friends thought he might stay there but between 1911- 1915 he studied at the University of Chicago's School of Medicine. In Chicago he supported himself by working as a waiter in a Chinese restaurant, a cook for a wealthy family, then as houseboy for a bachelor millionaire. During the summer he became a red cap train porter. Due to his late hours of work he sometimes fell asleep in class so a professor insisted he sit in the front of class. After graduating he went to Seattle to sit exams applying for permission to practice in Washington State, British Columbia or Japan. He passed all three. Before moving to Vancouver he visited Dr. Obayashi, Minister of the Seattle Japanese Church and was introduced to Miss Shin Kosama. Rev. Akagawa in Vancouver invited Miss Kosama to his home to become better acquainted with Kozo. They fell in love. Shin went back to Seattle where she worked at a Doctor's office to learn those duties. The couple courted by mail in ENGLISH! They married June 5, 1916, took a ferry to Victoria for a honeymoon and arrived back in Vancouver with only \$2 .00.

Dr. Kozo Shimotakahara used a room at the Japanese United Church as his office but soon had more patients than the space would allow. He then rented a building at Powell and Main Streets for \$30. per month. Kozo and Shin lived in one room in that building. He even arranged to care for convalescents overnight. Dr. Shimo volunteered for the army WW I and was told that the practice he had started was more helpful to the country. The 1918 Flu Epidemic hit Vancouver very hard. Every bed in Vancouver General Hospital was full, schools were closed and Strathcona School was commandeered for Japanese patients. Army cots were set up and nursing care given by volunteers under the leadership of Mrs. Akagawa RN. Three other Japanese doctors volunteered time during the epidemic but only Dr. Shimotakahara could write prescriptions in this era. By setting up this temporary hospital most patients were assured recovery and other citizens were spared contagion. Strathcona School had helped two generations of students and now this large flow of patients. As a "Thank you" it was decided that the principal should visit Japan. Dr. Shimo led a fund raiser to make this worthwhile trip take place.

Kozo's practice grew and prospered. He purchased the building at Powell and Main, built a nice family home near the Japanese Methodist Church. Frequently he invited students or visiting clergy to go out for Chinese food after service. (Some students admitted that they grew to enjoy the church because of those meals with a delightful host) Rev. K. Shimizu of the Japanese Church observed in 1932 that there was an increasing number of unemployed Issei or Nissei who needed some medical attention. Dr. Shimotakahara agreed and recruited three other Japanese physicians, plus many ladies to volunteer in the office. This free clinic opened once a week with a large thrust to prevent or care for TB. The doctors soon realized that using Literature in English was not working so Dr. Shimotakahara devised slide shows with Japanese commentary. He travelled widely to clusters of Japanese farmers with Ruth Akagawa R.N. and nephew Tetsue Kamitakahara who ran the slide projector. The free clinic had to be shut down at the start of WW II. Then came Pearl Harbour and the orders to move Japanese people en masse

from the Pacific coast. The Commission offered to collect payments owed to Doc Shimo but he declined to turn over records. After all, those debtors were also stripped of homes and businesses. He visited at Hastings Park then was sent to Kaslo with the earliest batch of internees. There he was given a nice house, a car and \$100 per month. A clinic was set up in the Masonic Hall initially for Japanese internees but when Kaslo's resident physician was recalled by the US Army "Doc Shimo" cheerfully administered to all.

Once the war was over Kozo went to upgrade his knowledge of Pathology at McGill University, returned to Kaslo, built a new home and served a primarily Caucasian population. He became famous for treating arthritis. Sufferers from Alberta, Washington State or West Kootenay Doukhobors made appointments with this physician. Throughout his practicing years he made a point of advising, encouraging and sometimes lending/donating money to young people to train for their aspired vocation. He was a personal friend to my parents and a respected/loved citizen of Kaslo. In January 1951 his car slid off an icy road leaving him bruised and in shock. He refused to stop making home visits so his wife went with him to carry his bag. In April his nephew, Dr. Hiroshi Kamatakahara, who was to succeed him in Kaslo, died. Kozo took an enforced eight week holiday with family in Montreal and New York. He returned to practice in Kaslo, bright and cheerful again. After doing two tonsillectomies on November 30th he collapsed, was put to bed, but died late that evening. Stores closed on the day of his funeral. Doc Shimo was given a grateful farewell by citizens of Kaslo His name is honored in the Woodward Medical Library at the University of British Columbia next to that of W. F. Green of Cranbrook.

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- Church Service 3 p.m.
- Gym (M,W,F 8-9 a.m.) & Wed 6:30 p.m. -8:00 p.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 Wed 6:30 p.m.
- Quilters Tues. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Special Events and Days Down the Road

- **PLAN TO CLEAN YOUR CHIMNEY**
- Last month for "Where Do You Bring Your Buzz" Contest
- Saturday, December 5th
Wasa Lions Christmas Dinner and Dance
- **WATCH FOR WINTERFEST DETAILS**
- **NO NEWSLETTER IN JANUARY**

UBOT` s (Useless Bits of Trivia)

- A dime has 118 ridges around the edge.
- A cat has 32 muscles in each ear.
- A crocodile cannot stick out its tongue.
- A dragonfly has a life span of 24 hours.

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