

Fruitvale & Area 'A' News



Your Community Newsletter

COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

FEBRUARY 2016

JL CROWE GRAD 2016 VALENTINE'S DINNER, DANCE AND FUN NIGHT

The annual JL Crowe Grad Valentine's Dinner, Dance and Fun Night will be held on Saturday February 13th at the Cominco Gym in Trail. Tickets are \$40 each and are available at Trail Pharmasave. Get your ticket early as there are only 350 tickets available and are not sold at the door. The evening starts with cocktails at 6:00 pm, dinner at 7:00 pm and dance at 9:00 pm. There will also be horse races, 50/50 draws, silent auction, cupid card and lots of fun! Dinner catered by 'Just As You Like It Catering' and live music by Renegade. Bring your friends and support the JL Crowe 2016 Grads.



BEAVER VALLEY BLOOMING SOCIETY



The BV Blooming Society is holding their AGM on Thursday March 10th at 7:00 pm in the Village of Fruitvale Council Chambers. Volunteers are needed - please plan to attend if you can spare a couple hours a week to keep our Village *blooming*.

SPECIAL EVENT SKATING AT BV ARENA



Fruitvale Elementary School PAC is hosting a Family Glow Skate with free admission for all FES students and their families on **Sunday February 14th** from 2:45-4:45 pm. Glow sticks will be available for purchase. Skate rentals are \$2. If you are not with FES, regular public skating is still being held and regular admission applies.

On **Saturday February 20th** from 2:45-4:00 pm is a Glow Skate. Come skating and find the main lights turned off with coloured lights & lasers guiding you on the ice. Glow sticks will be available for purchase.

BEAVER VALLEY MAY DAYS

The organization for BV May Days 2016 has begun. We have a great roster of events; fun for all the family. Our AGM will take place on Thursday February 11th at 7:00 pm in the Fruitvale Memorial Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend. We have vacancies for new directors, so if you are interested join us at the AGM to see what is involved. We also have many positions open for volunteers. If you would like to get involved call us at 250-367-6549 or go to our website at www.beavervalleymaydays.com



RDKB AREA 'A' TOWN HALL MEETING



RDKB Electoral Area 'A' Director Ali Grieve and Staff invite all Electoral Area 'A' residents, taxpayers and interested parties to a Town Hall Meeting to learn about Regional Districts in general, the services the RDKB provides and the proposed 2016 Budget and 2016-2020 Five-Year Financial Plan. RDKB staff will provide information regarding how Regional Districts operate, the governing legislation, the overall Regional services and specific Electoral Area 'A' services that are provided and how much taxpayers pay.

Come out and share your comments and views on the 2016 Budget and on what kinds of local government services you wish to have in your Electoral Area 'A' community on **Thursday February 4th, 2016 at 6:30 pm** in the Fruitvale Elementary School gym.

LIBERTY FOODS COMMUNITY REWARDS MONTH

Are you involved with a local youth sports team, charity or non-profit organization looking to raise money this spring? May is Community Rewards month at Liberty Foods in Fruitvale and they are looking for groups willing to volunteer time on the weekends in May, host a BBQ at Liberty, and most importantly - raise money. If your group is interested in participating, please send an email to libertyfoods@telus.net or contact Jacquie at (250) 367-9911 no later than **Friday February 26th**. Please include the name of your organization, contact name and number, and list the weekends your group is available to host. Groups selected will be contacted by Friday March 11th, 2016.

SNOWBUSTERS PROGRAM

Are you a Snowbuster? You are if you grab your shovel and snow blower and lend a hand in your community!



From the first snowfall there are residents in the Village that find it a challenge keeping their driveways and sidewalks free of snow and ice, particularly seniors or a disabled neighbour. Perform 'Random Acts of Kindness' and help out; be a **Snowbuster** this winter.

Are you the recipient of a 'Random Act of Kindness' by a Snowbuster (someone who regularly clears snow and ice from your sidewalk)? If so, we want to hear from you. Submit a letter or email explaining why you would like to nominate your Snowbuster (the Village Office has nomination forms as well). At the end of the season your Snowbuster will be eligible to win a gift certificate from a local business.



VILLAGE OF FRUITVALE CONTACT INFORMATION

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REGIONAL DISTRICT OF KOOTENAY BOUNDARY CONTACT INFORMATION

202 - 843 Rossland Avenue, Trail, BC V1R 4S8
Trail Administration Office Phone: 250-368-9148
Email: RDKB email addresses are most often 1st initial, last name
@rdkb.com (For example Joe Smith would be jsmith@rdkb.com)
Web: www.rdkb.com
Electoral Area A Director Ali Grieve Email: aligrieve@telus.net

BV RECREATION PROGRAMS

Zumba - Mondays at the Fruitvale Hall & Thursdays at the Montrose Hall from 6:45-7:45 pm, no class Feb. 8 & 29

T-Ball - Tuesdays at FES gym from 5:00-5:45 pm, starting Feb. 9

Kids Soccer - Mondays at FES gym from 4:30-5:00 pm (ages 3-4) and 5:00-5:30 pm (ages 5-6), starting Feb. 15

Chito-Ryu Karate - Mon/Wed at FES Gym from 6:00 - 7:15 pm and Saturdays at the Fruitvale Hall from 10:30-noon, no class Feb. 8

Zumba Gold - Tuesdays from 6:10-7:10 pm at the Montrose Hall

Home Alone - Wednesday, March 9 from 3:00-6:00 pm at FES Library

Low Impact Aerobics - Tue/Thurs at the Montrose Hall from 9:30-10:30am

Chair Boxing Fitness Class - Wednesdays at Montrose Hall from 5:15-6:15 pm

Tiny Tot Skating - Tue/Thurs at the BV Arena from 1:40-2:10 pm, Feb.2-25

Line Dance - Fridays from 10:00-11:00 am at the Fruitvale Hall

Cooking without Mom JR. (ages 7-8) - Mondays from 5:00-6:00 pm at Fruitvale Hall, starting Feb.22

Cooking without Mom (ages 9-14) - Tuesdays from 2:45 -4:45 pm at Fruitvale Hall, starting Feb.23

Hot Shots Hockey - Tuesdays from 4:30-5:00 pm at BV Arena

Kids Time with Sticks & Pucks are for children aged 3-8 to get some practice with their own stick. Nets and pucks are provided. Helmet is required. Toonie drop in. Time is 6:00-6:45 pm on Feb.19 (before Friday Nitehawk game) and 6:30-7:30 pm on Sundays Feb. 14, 21, 28

Birthday Parties can be booked during any public skating session for \$50. Cost includes up to 12 kids (\$2.50 for each additional child), skate rentals, birthday party room and insurance.

Skating Punch Passes - are now available for youth (\$20), adult (\$28) and family (\$72)

Call Kelly for more information or to register for any of the above programs, 250-367-9319.

FRUITVALE COUNCIL NEWS

We would like to remind the public that all regular Council and Committee of the Whole meetings are open to the public.

Upcoming meeting dates:

Wednesday Feb. 3 @ 6:30 pm - Regular Council Meeting

Monday Feb. 15 @ 6:30 pm - Committee of the Whole

Agendas and minutes from Council meetings can be found on our website at www.village.fruitvale.bc.ca

WELCOME 'FABSOLUTE FLOOR CARE'

On behalf of the Village of Fruitvale Council, we would like to welcome Tammy and Cory Ehl and their business, "Fabsolute Floor Care" to our list of local businesses. Tammy and Cory recently moved to Fruitvale from Castlegar where they have serviced the Kootenays for over 4 years with a powerful truck mount carpet/tile cleaner. They are WCB insured, available for commercial and/or residential cleaning, pay attention to detail and look forward to continue serving the Kootenays from Fruitvale. Give Tammy or Cory a call at 250-687-4962.

VILLAGE NEWS

GARBAGE & RECYCLING CALENDARS

Garbage calendars will be sent out with utility bills, however, garbage and recycling will continue to be collected on a bi-weekly basis.



UTILITY BILLS

The 2016 water, sewer and garbage bills will be sent out mid-February. A 5% discount will be offered until March 31st on utilities and extra packages of bags.

The package of garbage bags which is given out with the utility billing will be available for pick-up after the bills have been sent out, mid-February. Prior to then, should you require bags you must purchase them at the Village Office.

SNOW PLOWING

With the recent snow falls, we remind residents that public safety is the number one concern for the Public Works Department. A priority list is followed when plowing Village streets.



The downside of snow plowing is that snow will be deposited in driveways and around vehicles with the exception of the downtown core where the snow is windrowed and then hauled away. Unfortunately, the budget does not allow for windrowing all streets. We realize the wet snow is heavy to shovel, however that is beyond our control. The widening of streets and intersections will take place as time permits.

If it's snowing on your garbage or recycling day, please move your bins back from the edge of the road to avoid them being hit or filled with snow by the plow.

Residents are asked to please be patient during snow plowing. We really are doing our best. Thank you.

RDKB NEWS

Upcoming Meeting Dates:

Tuesday, February 9, 2016 @ 4:30 pm - East End Services Committee in the Trail Boardroom

Tuesday, February 9, 2016 @ 6:00 pm - Beaver Valley Recreation Committee in the Trail Boardroom

Wednesday, February 10, 2016 @ 6:00 pm - Committee of the Whole meeting in the Grand Forks Boardroom

Thursday, February 11, 2016 @ 5:00 pm - Electoral Area Service Committee in the Grand Forks Boardroom

Thursday, February 25, 2016 @ 6:00 pm - Board of Directors in the Trail Boardroom

OFFICE & PUBLIC WORKS CLOSURE FOR BC FAMILY DAY - FEBRUARY 8

This holiday celebrates the importance of families and family life to people and their communities. Family Day is observed in Alberta, Ontario and Saskatchewan on the 3rd Monday in February and in BC on the 2nd Monday in February.

The Village of Fruitvale Office and Public Works and the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary Office will be closed Monday, February 8th.

For Village of Fruitvale public works emergencies, please call 250-367-6162 for our emergency line.