



FRUITVALE & AREA 'A' NEWS

APRIL 2019

Keeping the Community Informed

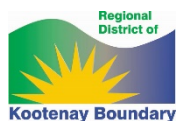
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FRUITVALE FIRE FIGHTERS ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

The Fruitvale Fire Fighters Society is hosting the 10th annual Beaver Valley Easter Egg Hunt being held at Haines Park in Fruitvale on Friday April 19 at 11:00am.

There will be over 10,000 chocolate eggs covering three fields for three different age categories: 0-3, 4-7, and 8-12. There will be allergy friendly chocolate eggs for hunters who can exchange their gathered eggs for peanut free chocolate and treats at one of the designated fire trucks.

Thank you to Liberty Foods, Kootenay Savings Credit Union, and BV Recreation for their continued support of this event. Check out their Facebook page, "Fruitvale Fire Fighters Non-Profit Society" for more details and information.

BEAVER TALES PUB NIGHT

Senior's Branch 44 will be holding its second Pub Night on Thursday, April 18, from 7:00 to 9:30. All activities take place in the recreation room in the B. V, Manor. People who attended the first night very much enjoyed their evening which featured games, music, trivia, prizes, surprises and concession goodies.

The theme for this April evening will be "Country and Western." If you've got jeans and country attire, make sure to wear it when you come.

There will be even more games and activities to entertain all those who attend. Shuffleboard, dominoes, darts, card games, dice games, Scrabble and trivia will challenge your skills and abilities but mostly the fun side of you.

Beaver Tales Pub Night is for any adult. You don't have to be a member of Branch 44 but you're welcome to join if you're old enough (at least 55). Admission is a Toonie, but it is only a Loonie if you are a member of any BC Senior's group. If you're looking for friendly competition, laughter and good times, we encourage you to attend this fun-filled evening.

FRUITVALE COMMUNITY CHEST

Fruitvale Community Chest would like to give a HUGE thank you to Charles "Chuck" Lecomte for his 45 years of Community Service!

Since 1974, Chuck has been President, Vice President and a Board member of the Community Chest. His dedication to the door to door canvassing, Breakfast with Santa and help to assemble and distribute the Christmas Hampers has benefitted so many people in our community.

Chuck has decided to step down as a Board Member and would like to see new volunteers come forward with fresh new ideas!

If you want to help the community and become a member of the Fruitvale Community Chest, please attend the upcoming meeting on **April 16 at 7:00pm** at the Fruitvale Memorial Centre. The future of the Community Chest will be discussed.

We need new Board members and a Secretary-Treasurer, and we need six more Chucks! Without members and volunteers, the Fruitvale Community Chest will have to disband. Please, help your community.

BEAVER VALLEY CITIZEN OF THE YEAR 2019

Nominations are being accepted for the 2019 Beaver Valley Citizen of the Year. Nomination forms may be picked up at the Village Offices in Fruitvale and Montrose. Completed forms may be returned to either office. **Deadline for nominations is April 12.**



UPCOMING COMMUNITY MEETINGS AND EVENTS

**FRUITVALE
COMMUNITY CHEST
MEETING**
Tuesday, April 16
7:00pm
Fruitvale Memorial Hal

FRUITVALE FIRE FIGHTERS' SOCIETY EASTER EGG HUNT

Easter Egg
Treasure Hunt



Friday, April 19
11:00 am
Haines Park

TRAIL HARMONY CHOIR
Under the direction of Audrey Bisset

invites you to our annual
SPRING CONCERT

Featuring:
Trail Harmony Choir
Koochewey Women's Ensemble
Rays Dance Academy
St. Andrew's Band

Soloists:
Sarah Currie & Angela Chioconello
Caleb Hane & Ben Sinclair
Dawson Zentil - vocalist

Saturday, April 27, 2019
7:00 PM
The Bailey Theatre

Tickets \$19.00 at the Box Office
Or online at www.thebailey.ca

Harmony Choir website:
www.trailharmonychoir.ca
Phone Donna @ 250-368-8300

BEAVER VALLEY COFFEE HOUSE

April 14th brings us another fabulous lineup of entertainers at the Montrose Hall, doors open at 6:30pm. Headlining the evening is Samantha Smith, a fantastic singer from Alberta. Hope to see you there.

TRAIL HARMONY CHOIR SPRING CONCERT



The Trail Harmony Choir under the direction of Audrey Bisset invites you to their annual Spring Concert on Saturday, April 27 at 7:00 pm at the Bailey Theater in Trail. Tickets are \$19.00 at the Box Office or online at www.thebailey.ca. For more information, visit the Harmony Choir website at www.trailharmonychoir.ca or call Donna at 250-368-8300.

BEAVER VALLEY YOUTH CLUB



The Beaver Valley Youth Club, open to all Beaver Valley youth ages 12-18, has the following events scheduled for April:

Saturday, April 27 – CBT Regional Youth Action Network Day in Salmo – Only 10 spots available -must register with Tammy

Sunday, April 28 – Leadership Journey #4 @ FMC, 6:00-7:00pm

For more information on the above events and to register, contact Tammy, BV Youth Coordinator at beavervalleyyouthclub@gmail.com and check out Facebook at Beaver Valley Youth Club for all the program details and updates.

BEAVER VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY PROGRAMS

Parent and Tots Drop-in

Wednesdays 10:00-11:00am

April 24 – May 29

Ages: 0-3

After-School Craft Hour

Wednesdays 2:30-3:30pm

April 10 – May 29

Ages: 6-12



Youth Tech Drop-in

Wednesdays 6:00-7:00pm

April 17, May 8, May 22

Ages: 6-12

Please call the Library at (250) 367-7114 to register for the After-School Craft hour.

BEAVER VALLEY RECREATION PROGRAMS

Kids N' Rents Cupcakes - Saturday, 1:00-3:00pm, \$47.25, Montrose Hall, April 13 (register with Selkirk College 364-5770)

Flower Baskets - Sundays, 2:00-4:00pm, \$21.00, Nipkows Green House, April 28 or May 5 (register with Selkirk College 364-5770)

Fairy Garden - Saturday, 2:00-3:30pm, \$31.50, Nipkows Green House, May 4 (register with Selkirk College 364-5770)

Home Alone - Friday, Apr. 26, 3:30 - 8:00pm, \$40, Ages 9+, Montrose Hall

Babysitting Course - Saturday, Apr. 27, 9:00am - 5:00pm, \$65, Ages 11+, Montrose Hall

Boating Basics - Sunday, June 2, 9am - 4:30pm, \$60 for one person with a manual and \$40 for second family member without a manual, Montrose Hall

Kids Soccer - Mondays, Apr. 29 - May 27 (omit May 20), 4:30 - 5:00pm, \$20, Ages 3-4, Haines Park

T-ball - Dates and time not available at time of print, Ages 4-6, call the Arena to show your interest

Zumba Kids Jr. & Zumba Kids - Mondays, 3:05-3:35pm (ages 4-6) and 3:45-4:30pm (ages 7-11), \$30 for Kids Jr. and \$36 for Kids, Fruitvale Hall, April 1 - May 13 (omit April 22)

Zumba - Mondays at Fruitvale Hall and Thursdays at Montrose Hall, 6:45 -7:45pm, \$50 5x pass, \$92 10x pass, \$172 20x pass, \$11 drop in, omit April 18 & 22

Power Yoga - Mondays, 6:00-7:00pm, \$75 for 6x punch card or \$14 drop in, Montrose Hall, omit April 22

Restorative Massage Yoga - Mondays, 7:15-8:15pm, \$75 for 6x punch card or \$14 drop in, Montrose Hall, omit April 22

Box Kick Strength - Sundays, 9:30-10:30am, \$52.50 for 6 classes, Tae Kwon Do Gym, March 10 - April 14 and May 5 - June 16 (omit May 19)

UPCOMING COMMUNITY MEETINGS AND EVENTS

TRASH TO TREASURE DAY



Saturday April 20
All Communities in the
Regional District of
Kootenay Boundary

SPRING CLEAN-UP



**Friday, April 26 &
Monday, April 29**
in Village of Fruitvale

VILLAGE OF FRUITVALE OPEN BURNING



Open Burning
(including burning in a
barrel) within Village of
Fruitvale boundaries is
prohibited.

Small backyard
campfires in a 0.5m x
0.5m fire pit/ring
burning dry, seasoned
firewood is permissible.
**Burning of household
garbage or recycling
items in a campfire or
burning barrel is
prohibited.**

Personal Training – April Arnot is offering 1 on 1, pairs and small groups of 3-4 people at the TaeKwon Do Gym. Seniors 65+ receive 5% off. If you have any questions, please contact April at (250) 231-5919

Sit & Tone Fitness Class - Tuesdays, 9:30-10:30am, Montrose Hall, running until Apr. 23

Cardio Mix - Thursdays, 9:30-10:30am, Montrose Hall, running until Apr. 25

Community Garage Sale is Saturday, April 27 at the Fruitvale Hall from 8:00-11:00am. Come sell your household items, tools, sporting equipment, electronics, clothes, toys, baby and children items, books, baking and furniture. Book your spot (\$10) by April 19.

To register for any of the above programs, please call Kelly at 367-9319.

BEAVER VALLEY MAY DAYS

2018 Beaver Valley May Days was a huge success and as a bonus we had beautiful weather, we are anticipating 2019 will chalk up to be a gorgeous day as well.

Beaver Valley May Days Society is looking forward to providing another entertaining and enjoyable event for the residents of Beaver Valley in 2019. The purpose of Beaver Valley May Days is to thank the community for its support of volunteer organizations and activities throughout the year, as we could not succeed without the many people and groups that donate their time and energy to the event.

The May Days parade starts at noon in downtown Fruitvale Saturday, May 25, 2019 and are looking forward to seeing everyone attend to kick off the event.

For further information on Beaver Valley May Days please contact Randi Derald at 250-367-2129 or by email lladred.rd@gmail.com or Catherine Ellison at 250-231-3608 or by email catherine.ellison12@gmail.com

Mark your calendars for Beaver Valley May Days: May 24, 25 and 26.

Village of Fruitvale News

MAYOR MORISSETTE'S MESSAGE

March provided another busy month for council including a Town Hall meeting on the budget that saw two dozen attendees, followed by more council meetings focused on utility fees and budget. You now will have received your annual utility bill for Village sewer, garbage and Regional District operated water. You will notice an increase in the fees: \$8.53 increase on water (set by the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary), \$29.25 increase on sewer, and \$2.00 increase on garbage. These increases are required to meet the cost of providing these services to residents. This month Council will continue to focus on the rest of our budget as we must have it completed by early May.

The monthly Mayor's coffee will be held Monday April 15 @ 10:00am in the Village Office meeting room downstairs. This is a casual meeting with no agenda where residents can drop in to talk, make suggestions, and ask questions.

The Councillor spotlight this month is on Councillor Lindsay Kenny. Lindsay is a first time councillor that is very engaged and energetic. Lindsay is the Village's appointment/liaison to the following: Village of Fruitvale Special Events Committee, Youth Engagement Committee, Public Works Committee, Public Safety Committee, Heritage, Culture, and Arts Committee, BV May Days Committee, Lower Columbia Community Development Team, RCMP and Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure. Lindsay is quickly gaining a lot of experience and becoming a valuable team member.

WATER, SEWER & GARBAGE UTILITY BILLS

The 2019 water, sewer and garbage bills have been sent out and are due by April 30 in order to take advantage of the 5% discount. If you did not receive a bill, please contact the Village Office ASAP, at 250-367-7551. All packages of garbage bags are also discounted 5% if purchased before April 30.

Accepted forms of payment are debit, cash, cheque, internet banking, and post-dated cheque. The Village of Fruitvale has a preauthorized prepayment plan for utilities and property taxes for next year's fees. For more information and details on the preauthorized prepayment plan, please contact the Village Office.

**UPCOMING
LOCAL
GOVERNMENT
MEETINGS**

**VILLAGE OF
FRUITVALE
COUNCIL**



Regular Council
Monday, April 8
@ 6:00 pm

Monday, May 13
@ 6:00 pm



**Committee
of the Whole**
Monday, April 29
@ 4:00 pm

Monday, May 27
@ 4:00 pm

**Above meetings
held in Council
Chambers**

GARBAGE AND RECYCLING CALENDAR FOR APRIL

APRIL 2019

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|------------------------|---|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|--|---|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 7 | 8 | 9 South Side Garbage | 10 North Side Garbage | 11 South Side Recycling | 12 North Side Recycling | 13 |
| 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 Good Friday Village Office & Public Works Closed | 20 Trash to Treasure Day  |
| 21 Easter Sunday | 22 Earth Day  Easter Monday Village Office & Public Works Closed | 23 South Side Garbage | 24 North Side Garbage | 25 South Side Recycling | 26 North Side Recycling Spring Cleanup | 27 |
| 28 | 29 Spring Cleanup | 30 | | | | |

SPRING CLEAN-UP

Mark your calendars for Spring Clean-up on **Friday, April 26 and Monday, April 29. ONLY ORGANIC MATERIALS WILL BE COLLECTED.** Tree cuttings must be tied in bundles no longer than 4 feet and must be piled at your usual garbage collection location. All other **ORGANIC** material must be bagged in **CLEAR BAGS (do not use your Village of Fruitvale garbage bags)** and placed at your usual garbage collection area early; collections will begin at 7:00 am. **PLEASE NOTE: RECYCLABLE AND HOUSEHOLD MATERIALS, ROCKS, AND CARDBOARD WILL NOT BE PICKED UP.**

FRUITVALE CREEK RESIDENTS

Residents living along Fruitvale Creek are reminded to keep all grass clippings, tree clippings and other debris out of Fruitvale Creek as these items plug the grizzlies (grates) and cause the creek to flood.

CATCH BASINS, STORM SEWERS & STREETS

During the month of April, the Public Works Department will be busy cleaning catch basins and storm sewers throughout the Village and the street sweeper will be cleaning the streets. Please be patient during the street cleaning process – all streets will be done. We ask that property owners do not pile sand from their boulevards onto the streets. This causes damage to the sweeper brooms. Please be aware of the men and equipment on the roads and exercise caution at all times. **Thank you for your cooperation.**

SOLID WASTE TREATMENT PLANT

There has been a 10x volume increase noticed at the solid waste (sewer) treatment plant. This is attributed to the infiltration/cross connection of storm sewer being discharged into the sanitary sewer system. Residents are reminded to discharge their storm water onto their property and not into the sanitary sewer system.

We would also like to remind residents that just because an item says it's flushable, does not mean it should be flushed into the sanitary sewer system. All non-flushable and most "flushable" items clog the screens at the treatment plant, must be removed manually and can clog pipes.

Please, for the sake of our employees and equipment, flush **only toilet paper** with your "bodily waste".



CREEKSIDE RV PARK

Creekside RV Park will officially open for the season on Monday May 6, 2019. Cost per site is \$25/night. Each site is equipped with water, sewer and electricity connections, a picnic table and a fire pit. Rules are posted on the bulletin board. Site registration forms are available on the post by the bulletin board. The sani-dump is located at the rear of the Fruitvale Memorial Hall. There is no charge to use the sani-dump.

TEMPORARY VEHICLE SHELTERS

Residents with temporary vehicle shelters in their front yard are reminded that these portable garages must be removed by **Monday, April 15** as per the Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 863.

ANIMAL CONTROL

Now is the time to purchase your dog license (tag) if you haven't already done so. Cost is \$25 for an altered dog or \$75 for an unaltered dog.

Dog Owners: Please pick up your dog's feces from your yards and boulevards. If you are on a walk, please use the doggie-doo stations, located at Mazzochi Park, alongside the sidewalk at the bridge on Columbia Gardens Road, at the sidewalk on Main Street, at the Columbia Gardens Road entrance to Haines Park, on the corner of Hillcrest Avenue and First Street and in the Vale Park to keep our community's sidewalks and parks clean.

Cat Owners: Please do not allow your cat to roam their neighbourhood and use your neighbours' gardens as their litter boxes. Keep your cat(s) in your own yard or house.

Keep the pet population down by spaying or neutering your pets. Thank you for being responsible pet owners!

STREET LIGHTS

If you notice any street lights not working properly, please make note of the number and/or location of the pole and what the defect is then report it to the Village Office at 250-367-7551. Staff will determine if the pole is located within the Village of Fruitvale boundaries then report it to FortisBC.

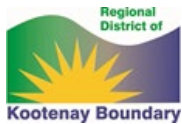
Regional District of Kootenay Boundary News

BV RECREATION UPDATE



UPCOMING LOCAL GOVERNMENT MEETINGS

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF KOOTENAY BOUNDARY



BV Recreation Committee

Tuesday, April 9
12 Noon
RDKB Trail
Committee Room

East End Services Committee

Tuesday, April 16
3:30 pm
RDKB Trail
Board Room

Board of Directors

Wednesday, April 10
6:00 pm
RDKB Trail
Board Room

Electoral Area Services Committee

Thursday, April 11
4:30 pm
RDKB Grand Forks
Board Room

Board of Directors

Wednesday, April 24
6:00 pm
RDKB Grand Forks
Board Room

RDKB LAUNCHES NEW EMERGENCY ALERTING SYSTEM

– Residents can register for emergency alerts delivered by smartphone app, email and voice or text to landline or cell.

View on the RDKB website: <https://rdkb.com/newsreleases.aspx>

The Regional District of Kootenay Boundary has launched a new emergency alerting system powered by **Voyent Alert!** — a Canada-based notification service designed specifically for small to medium sized municipalities and regional governments. Residents and visitors who register for alerts will receive critical information about floods, wildfires or other emergencies in the region.

“Our new emergency alerting system is a great addition to our Emergency Operations Centre and will allow EOC staff to provide critical life-safety information to anyone who registers. The emergency alerting system is another way for people to be personally prepared for emergencies and complements a **grab and go kit, 72-hour kit, and a household preparedness plan.**” said Mark Stephens, Interim Emergency Program Manager at the RDKB.

Anyone who registers for the RDKB Emergency Alerting System will receive information such as the distance and direction from an incident, and preferred evacuation routes from locations the subscriber chooses. The service also allows registrants to create and set multiple locations such as “Kids’ School” or “Mom’s House.” Communication about life-safety events related to those locations will then be sent to registrants through the Voyent Alert! smartphone app or whatever communication method they select in the system.

Those who don’t use the smartphone app can receive emergency alerts by text/SMS, email or phone call to cell or landline. The system’s smart alerting capabilities ensure that registrants will only get notified when information is relevant to them or to one of the locations they have set when they register.

Registration for the service is free, straightforward and anonymous. Residents can cancel their registration or change their settings at any time. The RDKB will also continue to use hand-delivered paper notifications for evacuation orders and for some evacuation alerts.

“We know fast and effective communication is one of the greatest challenges in emergency response, and our new emergency alerting system is one more step the RDKB is taking to be responsive to the needs of our residents and businesses during emergencies, but, it can’t help you unless you sign yourself up, so please find two minutes in your day and register!” said Roly Russell, RDKB Board Chair.

Mobile app users can download and install the Voyent Alert! app from the Apple App or Google Play stores. Email, SMS or voice dial users can register online to receive email, voice or text-based alerts at <https://register.voyent-alert.com>.

HOLIDAY OFFICE CLOSURE

The Village of Fruitvale Office and Public Works will be closed for the Easter holiday on Friday, April 19 and Monday, April 22, 2019.

For emergency matters needing immediate attention during the holiday closure, please call 250-367-6162.

The emergency answering service will answer your call and relay your emergency to the Village’s on-call personnel.

The Regional District of Kootenay Boundary office will be closed on Friday, April 19 and Monday, April 22, 2019.

Have a Safe and Happy Easter.