

FRUITVALE & AREA 'A' NEWS



Your Community Newsletter

COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

APRIL 2016

DAFFODIL MONTH



Daffodil Month, held every April, is the national fundraising campaign by the Canadian Cancer Society. Canadians are asked to reflect upon the thousands of people who are living with cancer and to remember loved ones lost to cancer.

During Daffodil Month we encourage Canadians to do something special for those living with cancer or to contribute in some way to the fight against this disease. Consider making a donation and wearing a daffodil pin throughout the month to show support for people living with cancer.

Funds raised throughout the month help the Canadian Cancer Society prevent cancer, fund research to outsmart cancer, empower, inform and support Canadians living with cancer and advocate for public policies to improve the health of Canadians.

BEAVER VALLEY UNITED CHURCH FOOD BANK

As of April 1st, 2016, the Beaver Valley United Church Food Bank schedule changes to the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month only. For information or questions, please contact the following organizers:



1st Thursday: Gail, 250-367-6339 and
Jean, 250-367-6533

3rd Thursday: Maureen - 250-367-9829 and
Dorothy - 250-367-9965

BEAVER VALLEY CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

Nominations are being accepted for the 2016 Beaver Valley Citizen of the Year. Nomination forms may be picked up at the Village of Fruitvale and/or the Village of Montrose offices. Completed forms may be returned to either office by April 15th @ 4:30 pm.



NEW FRUITVALE PARK

The new park area between Eastview and the Poleyard (by the railway line) will be under construction for the next month. The Village crew will be working along with Selkirk Paving to create a winding walkway with bump-outs for benches and lounges along the greenway. After the pathway is paved, planting beds will be created in preparation for FortisBC's Community Giving Day on **Saturday April 30th**. FortisBC employees will volunteer their time to plant the beds, install the benches/lounges and in general provide assistance to the Village to create this new community greenspace. In addition to their valuable volunteer labour, FortisBC has donated substantial funds to the project. Our other great donors/sponsors are: Atco Wood Products Ltd. who will be working with us not only in the plantings, but also with a great surprise (stay tuned for future reveals); Selkirk Paving Ltd. will be donating their labour, equipment and paving materials to the project; and Director Ali Grieve of the RDKB provided a grant in aid for the park. What would we do without our great community supporters?!



We have four (4) lounge chairs that are looking for sponsorship – just like the benches which have all been subscribed now. If you would like to sponsor a lounge, or to dedicate it to a loved one in memoriam, contact the Village Office. The cost of the lounge is \$1000.00 plus the cost of the plaque insert.

The new greenway/park will be named by a poll on the Village of Fruitvale Facebook Page. We will have the poll up next week for your choices - Railway Park, Heritage Park or Railway Heritage Park.



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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

COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS CONTINUED

BEAVER VALLEY COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE

Beaver Valley Recreation is holding a Community Garage Sale on Saturday, April 9 from 9:00am - Noon in the Fruitvale Memorial Hall.



With spring cleaning just around the corner, this event is the perfect opportunity to sell your household items, tools, sporting equipment, electronics, clothes, toys, baby and children items, books, baking and furniture. Tables are \$10 each and must be booked through Kelly, 250-367-9319.

SLO-PITCH

The Trail Slo-pitch league is gearing up for another season. Currently one Fruitvale team has joined the league and will play their games out of Haines Park every week. It would be great to get another Fruitvale team together to play their games in Beaver Valley as well.



If you are interested in joining a team or putting a team in, please call Bryan at 250-368-5855.

STRAWBERRY TEA & BAKE SALE

The St. Rita's Parish is holding their annual Strawberry Tea & Bake Sale on Saturday April 30 from 1:00 - 2:30pm in the Parish Hall. We hope to see you, your family, friends and neighbours at this very popular event.



TRASH TO TREASURE DAY

In keeping with the theme of Earth Day and utilizing the "REUSE" of the 3 R's, the Village of Fruitvale, in conjunction with the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary, the Regional District of Central Kootenay, and all the areas in between, will be holding the "Trash to Treasure" event on Saturday, April 16th, 2016. **NOTE: Fruitvale is also having a second T2T day the following Saturday, April 23.** This is an opportunity to "reuse" those items around your house that still have life in them but are not needed anymore. **(does not include broken and/or non-working items)**



Collect your unwanted household items and join the rest of the community in this Trash to Treasure event. **It's FUN and it's FREE.** Participation is easy. Gather reusable items and place them on your property or driveway with a T2T sign. Residents are requested to bring in remaining items by 4:00 pm.

Let's maintain the Earth Day spirit by keeping our environment clean of litter.

BEAVER VALLEY YOUTH CLUB

The Beaver Valley Youth Club is having a Glo-Skate on April 8 from 8-10pm.

All Beaver Valley youth ages 12-16 are welcome to attend. The concession will be open and glow sticks will be available at no cost.



BEAVER VALLEY MAY DAYS

Planning is well underway for the 2016 Beaver Valley May Days. We have a great line-up of returning events, including the Car Show, which was a big hit last year as well as the Bike Show.



The new website, www.beavervalleymaydays.com is up and running courtesy of super volunteer Geoff Fontes. The countdown is on!!

We would welcome more volunteers, both individuals and groups. If you can help or want more information, please call 250-367-6549 or come to our next meeting on **Thursday April 14th** in the Village of Fruitvale Council Chambers at 6:30 pm. The meeting is open to everyone. Mark your calendars for Beaver Valley May Days - May 27, 28 and 29, 2016!

BEAVER VALLEY RECREATION

Kids Soccer – Tuesdays, April 12 – May 17, 4-4:30pm ages 3-4, 4:30-5pm ages 5-6, \$25 at Haines Park

T-Ball – Wednesdays, April 13 – May 18, 5-5:45pm ages 4-6, \$35

Basketball – Wednesdays, May 18 – June 15, 6-7pm ages 9-11, \$15 at Sport Court below FES

Chito-Ryu Karate – Mon/Wed at FES Gym from 6-7:15pm and Saturdays at the Fruitvale Hall from 10:30-noon, no class April 2 & 18

***NEW* Step Aerobics** – Wednesdays, March 30 – June 22, \$90 for 10x pass, \$50 for 5x pass or \$11 drop in, 6:45-7:45 pm at the Montrose Hall. Steps will be provided and March 30 is **FREE!**

***NEW* DIY: Home Renovations** – Wednesdays, April 6 – May 11, \$99, 6:30-8:30pm in Beaver Falls. Focusing on interior and exterior home renovation.

Food Safe – Saturday, April 23 from 9am-4pm in the Beaver Room at the Fruitvale Hall. Cost is \$89. For this program only, please call Selkirk College to register at 364-5770.

Boating Basics – Saturday, April 30 from 9am-5pm at the Montrose Hall. Cost is \$60 for the first family member with a manual and \$40 for the second family member without a manual.

Zumba - Mondays at Fruitvale Hall & Thursdays at the Montrose Hall from 6:45-7:45pm, no class April 7

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

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

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



BEAVER VALLEY LIBRARY EVENTS

Preschool Story Time

Ages 3-5

Tuesdays, Apr 12 - June 7

Theme: Ocean



Mother Goose

Ages 0-3

Wednesdays, Mar 30 -

June 1

After School Hour

Ages 6-12

Wednesdays, Apr 13 -

June 8

Theme: Ocean

Strong Start

Fruitvale Elementary

Every second Monday

Call BV Library for

details

For information on any of the above programs, call the Beaver Valley Public Library at 250-367-7114.

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SPRING CLEAN-UP

Mark your calendars for Spring Clean-up on **Friday, April 22nd and Monday, April 25th, 2016. 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.

OPEN BURNING

You may not think so, but the grass is dry and easily caught on fire this time of year!

Residents are reminded **OPEN BURNING** 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 allowed. **Burning of household garbage or recycling items in a campfire is also prohibited.**

FRUITVALE CREEK RESIDENTS

Residents living along Fruitvale Creek are reminded to keep all grass clippings, tree clippings and the like 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. The street sweeper will also be out cleaning the streets. Please be aware of the men and equipment on the roads and exercise caution at all times.

VILLAGE OF FRUITVALE NEWS CONTINUED

PARKS

Just a reminder, the parks in the Village are still closed to the public. Please refrain from using the parks until they are officially open.

Weather permitting, Creekside Community Park and the Vale Subdivision Park open April 1, Haines Park opens April 15, and McInnis and Lewis Parks open May 1.

Public Works Department appreciates your cooperation.

SNOWBUSTERS

Congratulations to **Fred King**, this year's Snowbuster. Fred was nominated by his neighbour Lynn Russell who stated in her nomination that "My husband had neck surgery and was unable to shovel and Fred was always there to dig us out; he is an angel!"



A big thank you goes out to the other nominees:

Ken deWit	Lorne Smith	Len Toupin
Bob Turtle	Randy Moore	LeRoy Angerilli
Zack Cure	Al Westbury	Robb Margoreeth
Jerry & Janna Rozum		

Thank you to all the Snowbusters in our Village who graciously help their neighbours throughout the winter and the year. Your random acts of kindness do not go unnoticed!

VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING DATES

Meetings held in Council Chambers:

Monday, April 4 @ 6:30 pm - Regular Council Meeting

Monday, April 18 @ 6:30 pm - Committee of the Whole

COMMUNITY GARDEN

The 'Growing Our Roots Community Garden' plots have been assigned for this season and those residents given a plot have been contacted. It was great to see such an overwhelming interest in our garden.



There will be a map of the plots with the names of the gardener assigned to each plot posted on the fence as well as a stake marker will be placed in each plot with the name of the gardener assigned to the plot.

Unfortunately, last year we had some gardeners planting in other gardeners' plots - **Please ensure you are planting in your garden plot only; do not plant in someone else's plot.** If you are unsure of the location of your plot, check the map posted on the fence.


THE GYM

We would like to remind users of the seniors' GYM of the following:

- **Do not lend out or transfer your access card.** Your access card and membership number is assigned to you only. Also, liability waivers must be on file at the Village Office prior to anyone using the gym. If you have not filled out a waiver form, please do not use the gym until you do so.
- **Gym users MUST wear clean shoes.** Do not wear your street shoes into the equipment area.
- Remember to spray and wipe down the equipment after use.
- **If you lose your access card,** report it to the Village Office as soon as possible so it can be deactivated. A new access card can be issued for a fee of \$10.00.
- **If you do not use the gym,** please return your access card to the Village Office so it can be reissued.
- The gym is cleaned by a group of volunteers. Please do your part in helping keep it clean.
- Water is supplied by volunteers. If you notice the water jug getting low or empty, consider replacing it. Jugs can be refilled at Liberty Foods.

BV AGE FRIENDLY SPECIAL EVENT

SENIORS' BUS TOUR

 Details for the upcoming Seniors' Bus Tour have not been finalized. We hope to have the Tour scheduled for sometime in the first two weeks of May. Watch your mailbox for a flyer with the details being sent in the next couple weeks.


BV SENIOR CITIZENS' BRANCH 44

SPRING TEA

The Beaver Valley Senior Citizens' Branch 44 will be holding a Spring Tea on Saturday April 9 from 1:00 - 3:00pm at the Beaver Valley Manor. There will be door prizes and a white elephant table. Admission is by donation with all proceeds being donated to the Fruitvale Food Bank. Everyone is welcome - we hope to see you there!



PHARMACIST TALK

 The Beaver Valley Senior Citizens' Branch 44 has arranged to have local Pharmacist Aaron Hunchak visit the BV Manor on Friday April 15 at 1:30pm to talk to our seniors about medications and to answer your questions. We hope you will join us for this very informative session.



RDKB AREA 'A' NEWS

MARSH CREEK DISK GOLF COURSE

Beaver Valley Recreation is getting ready for the opening of its new Professional Disk Golf Association (PDGA) standard golf course this summer at Beaver Valley Family Park.



The course was designed by Devon Gunn of Grand Forks who is one of the top 15 disk golfers in all of Canada. The course offers some really challenging holes that will make the course competitive even for the seasoned player.



HOLE	PAR	DISTANCE (FEET)
1	3	164
2	3	144
3	3	246
4	3	164
5	3	138
6	3	144
7	3	223
8	3	230
9	3	197
10	4	280
11	3	256
12	3	308
13	4	422
14	3	180
15	3	207
16	3	180
17	3	282
18	3	295

Disc golf is a low impact, outdoor activity with a good amount of walking. It also provides upper and lower body conditioning, sustained exercise, and it promotes a combination of physical and mental abilities that allow very little risk of physical injury.

Concentration skills increase by mastering shots and negotiating obstacles. Players of limited fitness levels can start slowly and gradually increase their level of play as fitness improves. Like traditional golfers, disc golfers quickly find themselves "hooked" – increasing the likelihood of frequent participation.

BEAVER VALLEY TRAILS UPDATE

The first meeting of the Beaver Valley Recreation Trails Committee was held on Wednesday March 23rd at the Montrose Community Hall. They are looking at a few areas for potential trails in 2017.



RDKB MEETING DATES

The following RDKB meetings are open to the public:

Tuesday, April 12 @ 4:30 pm in Trail Boardroom - **East End Services Committee**

Tuesday, April 12 @ 6:00 pm in Trail Boardroom - **Beaver Valley Recreation Committee**

Wednesday, April 13 @ 6:00 pm in Grand Forks Boardroom - **Committee of the Whole**

Thursday, April 14 @ 5:00 pm in Grand Forks Boardroom - **Electoral Area Services Committee**

Thursday, April 21 @ 6:00 pm in Grand Forks Boardroom - **Board of Directors**