



FRUITVALE & AREA 'A' NEWS

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Keeping the Community Informed

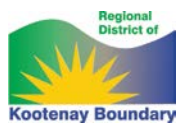
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FRUITVALE FIRE FIGHTERS ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

The Fruitvale Fire Fighters Non-Profit Society is hosting the 9th annual Beaver Valley Easter Egg Hunt at Haines Park on **Friday March 30th at 11:00 am**. There will be over **8,000** eggs covering the field for three different age categories: 0-3, 4-7, and 8-12. There will be allergy-friendly chocolate eggs for hunters to exchange their gathered eggs for peanut-free chocolate and treats at one of the fire trucks.

BEAVER VALLEY CITIZEN OF THE YEAR 2018



Nominations are being accepted for the 2018 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 10th.**

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX PROGRAM (CVITP)

CVITP volunteers are available every Thursday morning from 9:00-11:00am at the Beaver Valley Manor from March 1 to April 26. Volunteers from this program assist **ELIGIBLE** taxpayers who have low income and simple tax situations to prepare their income tax and benefit return. **ELIGIBLE** taxpayers may include low-income individuals and social assistance recipients, newcomers to Canada, seniors and students. Eligibility for low-income is determined as follows: Single - up to \$30,000; Couple - up to \$40,000, plus \$2,500 for each child; Single Parent with one child - up to \$35,000, plus \$2,500 for each additional child.

Situations that volunteers may NOT assist with include returns for deceased persons; individuals who file for bankruptcy; self-employed individuals; individuals who report capital gains or losses; individuals who report employment expenses, or business or rental income and expenses; or individuals with greater than \$1,000 investment income. For more information, contact Stan @ 250-364-2808 or stngrnwd@gmail.com

A.E.D. LEARNING SESSION

An Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) is used to check heart rhythm and it can send an electric shock to the heart to restore normal rhythm. Anyone can safely use an AED without training if the user can read the AED's text and follow its voice prompt instructions. Still, most people are reluctant to use an AED if they are not at least a little knowledgeable about it.

The Beaver Valley Manor Society is hosting an AED education session on **Saturday, April 14, at 10:00am** in the recreation room at the Beaver Valley Manor. This session will last about one hour.

You are invited and encouraged to attend this session to learn more about using an AED and feel more comfortable about using it in a life-saving situation. We hope you will see the value of attending. This is your opportunity to learn more and see how you could possibly save someone's life.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY MEETINGS AND EVENTS

FRUITVALE FIRE FIGHTERS' SOCIETY EASTER EGG HUNT

Easter Egg
Treasure Hunt



Friday, March 30
11:00 am
Haines Park

ST. RITA'S CHURCH SPRING TEA



Saturday, April 7
1:00-3:00pm
St. Rita's Church Hall

BV YOUTH CLUB GLOW SKATE

Friday, April 13
8:00-10:00pm
BV Arena

AED TRAINING SESSION

Saturday, April 14
10:00am
Beaver Valley Manor

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 21**. 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.

FRUITVALE THRIFT SHOP

Beginning April 10, the Fruitvale Thrift Shop will be featuring spring and summer clothing. In order to allow volunteers to "change over" from winter to spring, the Thrift Shop will be closed from April 3-7, 2018. Thrift Shop hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays 10:00am - 4:00pm; Saturdays 10:00am - 1:00pm.

UNITED CHURCH SPRING TEA

The Fruitvale United Church will be hosting "An Afternoon Tea Party" at the United Church in Fruitvale on Saturday, April 28 from 1:00-3:00pm.

ST. RITA'S CHURCH SPRING TEA

St. Rita's Church will be hosting their annual Strawberry Tea & Bake Sale on Saturday, April 7 from 1:00-3:00pm at the St. Rita's Catholic Church, 1935 Eastview Street, Fruitvale, BC.

BEAVER VALLEY CLINIC WELCOMES NEW PHYSICIAN

The Beaver Valley Clinic is very happy to announce the arrival of our new family physician, Dr. Chiara Pretto. Dr. Pretto is taking new patients from the Beaver Valley and surrounding areas. To make an appointment with Dr. Pretto, call the BV Clinic at 250-367-9211. On behalf of the Council and staff at the Village of Fruitvale, welcome to Fruitvale Dr. Pretto!

BV MAY DAYS MARKET

Vendors are wanted for the annual Beaver Valley May Days Market that is being held on Saturday, May 26, 2018. For information or for an application form please contact Grace at 250-367-9498 or Jamie at 250-367-7428.

UNITED CHURCH FOOD BANK

The United Church Food Bank volunteers would like to give a huge thanks to the Fruitvale Community Chest for their generous donation to the food bank. It is because of the generosity from the community that the food bank is successful.

BEAVER VALLEY YOUTH CLUB



Beaver Valley Youth Club will be hosting a **Glow Skate on Friday, April 13** at the Beaver Valley Arena from 8:00-10:00pm. Leadership will be held on Sunday, April 29 at the Fruitvale Memorial Hall.

There are a number of fun activities as well as volunteer and learning opportunities for youth aged 12-18. Check out their [Facebook](#) page at [Beaver Valley Youth Club](#) and/or email Tammy Gallamore, BV Youth Club Co-ordinator at beavervalleyyouthclub@gmail.com for more information or questions.

BEAVER VALLEY RECREATION PROGRAMS

Morning Zen – Mondays, 9:30-10:30am, \$75 for 6x punch card or \$14 drop-in, Montrose Hall

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

UPCOMING COMMUNITY MEETINGS AND EVENTS

**BV MAY DAYS
MEETING**
Thursday, April 19
7:00 pm
Fruitvale Christian
Fellowship

FRUITVALE UNITED CHURCH "AN AFTERNOON TEA PARTY"



Saturday, April 28
1:00-3:00pm
United Church Hall

TRASH TO TREASURE DAY



Saturday April 21
All Communities in the
Regional District of
Kootenay Boundary

SPRING CLEAN-UP



**Friday, April 20 &
Monday, April 23**
in Village of Fruitvale

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

Vinyasa Flow Yoga – Fridays, 9:30-10:30am, \$75 for 6x punch card or \$14 drop-in, Montrose Hall

Gentle Hatha Yoga – Saturdays, 10:00-11:00am, \$75 for 6x punch card or \$14 drop-in, Montrose Hall

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 (no class April 2, 19, 26, 30, May 3)

Box Kick Strength - Sundays, 9:30-10:30am, \$52.50 for 6 classes, Tae Kwon Do Gym

Cardio Fit – Tuesdays & Thursdays, running until Apr. 26, 9:30-10:30am, \$80 for 10x punch pass or \$10 drop in, Montrose Hall

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

Kids Soccer – Tuesdays, Apr. 24 – May 22, 4:00–4:30pm or 4:30 – 5pm, \$25, Ages 3-4, Haines Park

T-ball – Thursdays, Apr. 26 – May 24, 4:00–4:45pm, \$30, Ages 4-6, Haines Park

Foodsafe – Friday, May 11, 9:00am–4:00pm, \$115.00, BV Arena Meeting Room

Home Alone – Friday, Apr. 27, 3:00-6:00pm, \$30, Ages 8+, Montrose Hall

Babysitting Course – Saturday, Apr. 28, 9am - 5pm, \$65, Ages 11+, Montrose Hall

Spanish for Travelers Level 1 – Mondays, April 9-30, 6:30–7:30pm, \$52.50, BV Arena Meeting Room

Boating Basics – Sunday, May 13, 9:00am–4:30pm, \$60 for one person with a manual and \$40 for second family member without a manual, Montrose Hall

Community Garage Sale is Saturday, June 2 at the Fruitvale Hall from 8:00-11:00am. Come and sell your household items, tools, sporting equipment, electronics, clothes, toys, baby and children items, books, baking and furniture. Book your spot (\$10) by May 25.

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

BEAVER VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY PROGRAMS

Preschool Class

Tuesdays – April 10 – June 5

10:00–11:00am

Ages: 3-5 yrs



After School Craft Hour

Wednesdays – April 11 – June 6

2:30–3:30pm

Ages: 6-12 yrs

Mother Goose

Wednesdays – April 4 – May 30

10:00–11:00am

Ages: 0-3 yrs

Please call the Beaver Valley Public Library at 250-367-7114 to sign up.

BEAVER VALLEY COFFEE HOUSE

Due to the Easter long weekend and hall availability, the April 1st Coffee House has been cancelled. For the last show of the season, on May 6, 2018, we have a fantastic list of performers to entertain you. See you in May!

UPCOMING LOCAL GOVERNMENT MEETINGS

VILLAGE OF FRUITVALE COUNCIL



Regular Council
April 9 - **Cancelled**

Special Council
Meeting
Monday, April 9
@ 6:30 pm

Committee
of the Whole
Monday, April 16
@ 6:30 pm

Above meetings held
in Council Chambers

BEAVER VALLEY MAY DAYS

Planning for May Days 2018 is well under way. All your favorite events are returning with the possibility of some new ones. Check out our website at www.beavervalleymaydays.com or visit Beaver Valley May Days on Facebook.

More volunteers are welcome, both individuals and organizations. If you have two hours to spare over May Days weekend we would love to hear from you. For more information email bvmaydays@gmail.com or call 250-367-2129.

Our next meeting will be on **Thursday, April 19** at 7:00pm at the Fruitvale Christian Fellowship, 1878 Columbia Gardens Road. Everyone is welcome to attend – hope to see you there!

Mark your calendars for Beaver Valley May Days: May 25, 26 and 27, 2018.

Village of Fruitvale News

The Village of Fruitvale Council and Staff would like to take this opportunity to say good-bye to two of our staff members:



Congratulations to our public works member Howard Fitzpatrick, who, as of March 21, 2018, retired after 30 years with the Village of Fruitvale. Thank you Howard for your dedication to the Village of Fruitvale over the past 30 years. We wish you a long and happy retirement!

Good luck to our finance specialist Jacquie McLarry, who, as of March 23, 2018, resigned from the Village of Fruitvale to take a position in Edmonton, Alberta to be closer to her family. Thank you Jacquie for your dedication to the Village of Fruitvale over the past 2.5 years. We wish you good luck with your future endeavours.

100th BIRTHDAY



On behalf of Mayor Patricia Cecchini, Council members, staff and the residents of Fruitvale, we would like to wish Mountain Side Village resident **Iona McQuary** a very **Happy 100th Birthday!** There will be a birthday celebration for Iona at the Montrose Hall on Wednesday, April 11 from 1:00-3:00pm. We hope you have a wonderful celebration Iona!

SPRING CLEAN-UP

Mark your calendars for Spring Clean-up on **Friday, April 20 and Monday, April 23. 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.

PARKS

Be please advised that the parks in the Village are still closed to the public. For safety reasons, please refrain from using the parks until they are officially open.

Weather permitting the Vale Subdivision Park and Haines Park are scheduled to open April 15th; McInnis and Lewis Parks are scheduled to open May 1st. Unfortunately, with the amount of snow in the park and the probability of flooding, Creekside Community Park will remain closed until further notice. **The Public Works Department appreciates your cooperation.**

REMINDER TO DOG OWNERS IN THE VILLAGE OF FRUITVALE AND THE REGIONAL DISTRICT OF KOOTENAY

2018 DOG TAGS



Residents of Fruitvale – Purchase tags at the Village Office

Residents of Area A Purchase at the RDKB Office in Trail or at the SPCA

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.**

OPEN BURNING



Residents are reminded **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.**

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 when outside. 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.

There is NO poop fairy!
Please pick up after your dog.



Thank you for being responsible pet owners!

Regional District of Kootenay Boundary News

NEWS RELEASE

Trail, BC

March 22, 2018

11:00 a.m. PT

RDKB offers most comprehensive curbside waste collection in rural BC Interior

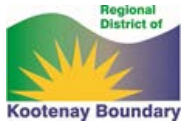
The Regional District of Kootenay Boundary (RDKB) is a leader among BC interior local governments when it comes to curbside waste collection.

Well over 14,000 homes receive curbside waste collection across a vast rural region that stretches from east of Fruitvale all the way to Big White. Over 90 per cent of RDKB residents now receive curbside pickup services for both garbage and recycling and just over 40 per cent will receive Green Bin organics (kitchen scraps) collection in 2018. The RDKB is the only jurisdiction in the BC Interior to provide a Green Bin collection program for kitchen scraps. That number is expected to increase as the RDKB expands its composting systems.

In January 2018 Recycle BC expanded its service to include a further 500 residents in Brown Creek (Granby River) and Bridesville/Anarchist Summit. These rural residents now receive full curbside waste collection services like many urban areas of BC.

**UPCOMING
LOCAL
GOVERNMENT
MEETINGS**

**REGIONAL
DISTRICT OF
KOOTENAY
BOUNDARY**



**BV Recreation
Committee**
Tuesday, April 10
12 Noon
RDKB Trail
Committee Room

**East End Services
Committee**
Tuesday, April 10
4:30 pm
RDKB Trail
Board Room

Board of Directors
Wednesday, April 11
6:00 pm
RDKB Trail
Board Room

**Electoral Area
Services Committee**
Thursday, April 12
4:30 pm
RDKB Trail
Board Room

Board of Directors
Thursday, April 26
6:00 pm
RDKB Grand Forks
Board Room

"I am proud of our leadership in curbside waste collection and I really applaud our staff for their progressive approach to solid waste management in general," said Grace McGregor, Environmental Services Committee Liaison and electoral area director for Area C/Christina Lake. "We enjoy great relationships with many stewardship programs and we continue to advocate on behalf of our residents for access to recycling."

Recycle BC is a non-profit organization responsible for residential packaging and paper product recycling throughout British Columbia. The RDKB collects garbage and Green Bin organic matter, and hosts Recycle BC depots at District landfill sites at Rock Creek, Greenwood, Grand Forks, Christina Lake and McKelvey Creek in Trail.

"We know that some residents who live along more remote roads and at Big White do not yet receive curbside services. We are also working to expand Green Bin services to more residents in the near future," said Tim Dueck, Solid Waste Coordinator for the RDKB. "Our focus has been on curbside collection because it is the most effective and convenient way to divert household waste and recyclables from the landfill."

The RDKB is working with dozens of stewardship programs in addition to Recycle BC so people have improved access to recycling facilities for appliances, paint, batteries and other recyclable items.

The RDKB serves more than 31,000 residents in eight incorporated municipalities and five unincorporated electoral areas. The RDKB stretches across 8,200 square kilometers from Champion Lakes in the east all the way to Big White in the west. Our services include recreation and culture, planning, building inspection, environmental programs, economic development and public safety services for fire and other emergencies.

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HOLIDAY OFFICE CLOSURE



The Village of Fruitvale Office and Public Works will be closed for the Easter holiday on Friday, March 30 and Monday, April 2, 2018.

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, March 30 and Monday, April 2, 2018.