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VILLAGE OFFICE**

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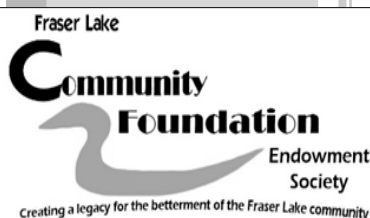
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tion and
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Village News

JUNE 2017

FROM THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Water Consumption

In 2015 we began a conversation around water consumption in our community. This was at a time when our monthly water consumption was 3 to 4 times the national average. Our water system was stressed to the point where heavy water consumption was over running our system's ability to meet demand. This created dangerous circumstances. I am happy to report our community responded positively. Your efforts have resulted in a more conservative use of water. This past winter, our water consumption was reduced by as much as 60 percent. Good work and thank you.

With the arrival of summer weather, it's timely to highlight this issue again. Over the past 18 months, we have installed water meters on Commercial Water Consumers. We've been gathering data to determine the average commercial consumption and to establish a base rate for commercial consumers. This process is more complicated than we first envisioned. Our work continues and I'd like to thank our business owners for their patience and willingness to work with us as

we move this initiative forward.

Bulk Water Sales

During the study of our water system, we learned there are many residents from the surrounding rural area consuming filtered water from our system. To legitimize this access, we've installed a Bulk Water Sales station at the Arena. Persons accessing our water system are asked to come to the Village Office to open an account. You will be provided a PIN. This will provide you with 24/7 access to our potable water system. Persons drawing water from our system, will be billed monthly for their consumption. If everyone pays their share, our water system will be sustainable.

Sprinkling

Residents are reminded of our sprinkling bylaw. The bylaw was created to conserve water. Our community does not have a system that delivers raw lake water to your home for sprinkling. All water from our system is filtered, treated, potable water. Our bylaw requires residents to restrict lawn watering to every other day.

Your civic address determines the day of week you can water; even numbers, even days, odd numbers, odd days. Sprinkling will be limited to the hours of 4:00 am to 9:00 am or 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm.

Canoes

Northern Health has funded the Fraser Lake Canoe project through the Healthy Communities program. This project will provide community members and visitors access to canoes. The Village intends to use these canoes during our summer recreation programming to teach water safety. They will also be available for daily rental at a reasonable rate through Par 3 Sports. I'd also like to thank Fraser Lake Sawmills for their generous donation of the building materials for the canoe shelter at the west end of White Swan Park. If you are over 19 years of age, you will be able to rent a canoe, paddles and PFD's. Canoe rentals will be available after June 15th, 2017. Canoeing is a healthy way to get out on the water to enjoy our lake.

The Fraser Lake Community Foundation Mission:

Working to form partnerships by promoting community involvement and engaging citizens and corporations to make charitable gifts to the Fraser Lake Community Foundation Endowment Society to build community capacity which will enrich the quality of life in Fraser Lake today and tomorrow.

Who Benefits from these Grants?

Eligible groups and organizations, must be located within the benefiting area; The Village of Fraser Lake, and Regional District Bulkley Nechako Area "D". Each year not-for-profit groups may apply to the Community Foundation for grants.

The Fraser Lake Community Foundation will be holding several fundraising events throughout the summer. For more details on the Community Foundation contact Dave Christie at 250-699-6257 or dchristie@fraserlake.ca

FRASER LAKE FIRE RESCUE-BOATING SAFETY TIPS

Everyone doing their part and practicing proper boating etiquette will help to make boating on our lakes safe and fun for all.

No matter how much experience you have, it's always a good idea for everyone to review boating safety rules before heading out on the lake.

Be weather-wise: If you notice darkening clouds, rough changing winds, or sudden temperature drops, play it safe by getting off the water.

Get your Pleasure Craft Operator Card: This is mandatory for anyone operating a pleasure craft with any type of motor and the operator must have the original "on board" at all times. There are many options to get your PCOC. Check online with Transport Canada for a list of approved course providers.

Use common sense: This means operating at a safe speed at all times, especially

in crowded areas. Be alert at all times, watch for any floating debris such as logs. Watch for sea-dogs and water skiers. Be mindful of sudden water depth changes.

Make Proper Use of Lifejackets: Ensure each member onboard the boat has a proper fitting lifejacket prior to departure.

Don't Mix Alcohol and Boating: Just like driving under the influence, boating under the influence of alcohol is an offense under the Criminal Code of Canada. If you are planning to consume alcohol on your boat, then in most provinces you must be anchored and have permanent sleeping, kitchen and toilet facilities on board.

Take a Boating Course: Beginning boaters and experienced

experts alike need to be familiar with boating safety rules of operation. In addition to the mandatory PCOC for any boat operator, it is also important to be educated, aware and prepared for every circumstance that might arise.

Follow a Pre-Departure Checklist: Proper boating safety means being prepared for any possibility on the water. From compliance with fire safety regulations to tips for fueling up, following a pre-departure checklist is the best way to make sure no boating safety rules or precautions have been forgotten. Visit www.discoverboating.ca for a pdf of your pre-departure checklist.

Learn to Swim: If you are going to be in and around the water, proper boating safety means knowing how to swim.

Ambassador Social
For more information contact
Diana Lindstrom

250-699-6964 (h)
250-699-1955 (c)
250-699-6233 (w)
Friday, June 30th
6 pm-8 pm
Fraser Lake
Complex
Tickets can be
purchased at the
Village Office

COMMUNITY MARKET
The Fraser Lake
Community
Market is starting
Friday June 2
for the season.
Stop by every
Friday 12pm –
4pm next to the
Fraser Lake
Arena.

FRASER LAKE VISITOR CENTRE & MUSEUM

Fraser Lake Visitor Centre and Museum
The Visitor Centre and Museum is now **OPEN** for the 2017 summer season. The Historical Society is operating the centre, and are looking for volunteers to help this summer. Stop by the Visitor Centre, or contact Richard Cannon at 250-699-8697 or email vflmuseum@fraserlake.ca

RECREATION

Funsational Summer Program will be mailed out June 14th

Big Bike Ride For Life
June 12 at 6:30
Hop on a heart-pumping, cheer-thumping, crazy big, fun ride! 30 Riders. 20 Minutes. 4 Wheels. 1 Big Bike. To ride or to donate please contact Jennel at the Village Office 250.699.6257.
OAK – Outdoor Adventure Klub
Join us for local hikes

around our community. All ages welcome. Meet at 10 am at the base of the trails. For more information see us on Facebook or contact the Village Office.
June 10th – Black Point, François Lake
June 24th – Cheslatta Falls
Mouse Mountain Days Celebrations
June 30 – July 1st
Friday, June 30th
8 pm Karaoke at the Legion
Midnight – Fireworks at

White Swan Park
Saturday, July 1st
8 am – 11 am - Pancake Breakfast at the Legion
11:30 am - Parade
12 pm – 4 pm - Community Celebrations at the Arena
8 pm - Dance at the Legion

Mouse Mountain Days Slow Pitch Tournament
Contact Sarah Storey for team entry and more information at 250-669-1681.

LOVE FRASER LAKE



Love Fraser Lake would like to remind residents to visit www.lovefraserlake.com. Check out local businesses and see what they have to offer the community.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Chamber is proud to administer Fraser Lake's newest Facebook page – Fraser Lake Community Calendar. This a great page to check out events happening in and around Fraser Lake. Want more information on the Chamber, and the great deals to be had, contact Marilyn Reyden at fraserlakechamber@gmail.com, or Dave Christie at dchristie@fraserlake.ca. **Support Local and Shop Local.**