

Telkwa Newsletter September 2011

Where the Rivers Meet and Friends Gather



If you were born in September, your birth flower is Gladiolus and your birthstone is sapphire

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Municipal Office
Hours:
Monday to Friday
8:30 am to 4:30 pm
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Closed all Stat
Holidays

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Phone: 846-9144

Telkwa Fire Dept. Emergency
846-5555

Telkwa School
846-5851

Reading Centre
846-9286

Telkwa Post Office
846-5676

Transfer Station
846-6805
Monday to Friday
8:00 am to 6:00 pm
Sat. & Sun.
10:00 am to 6:00 pm

Bylaw Officer
250-846-5928

Council Meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month. Statutory Holidays excluded. Members of the public are welcome to attend. The next Council meeting is September 12, 2011 at 7:00 pm. The agenda may be viewed at the Village Office or on our Website

www.telkwa.com

AUTOMATED GARBAGE COLLECTION PROGRAM TO BEGIN OCTOBER 1, 2011

On June 13, 2011, Council adopted the new Regulation, Collection and Disposal of Garbage Bylaw No. 605. The purpose of the Bylaw is to initiate a new automated waste collection service within the Village that will make waste collection easier, cleaner, greener and more cost efficient. The new automated system will use wheeled carts (as shown here) designed to be emptied using a mechanical arm on the garbage truck. There are three sizes of carts available; a standard sized (135 litre) cart holds the equivalent of two regular sized garbage bags. Carts can be purchased and picked up at the Village Office from **9:00 am to 4:00 pm September 12-17, 2011 (Monday to Saturday)**. The amount you pay on your annual taxes for garbage pick up will now vary depending on the size of cart you use. The costs to purchase a cart and pick up fees for the year are as follows:



This cart is similar to the type you will receive.



	Price of Cart	Annual Garbage pick up fees
⇒135 litre cart	\$ 80.00	\$ 78.45
⇒240 litre cart	\$ 90.00	\$106.80
⇒360 litre cart	\$100.00	\$139.20

***Samples of the 135 and 240 litre carts can be seen at the Village Office during regular business hours.*

If there are times when you have more garbage than will fit in the cart, extra, specially marked, garbage bags can be purchased from the Village Office at a cost of \$2.00 each.

Using your Carts:

- ◆ Carts must be placed at the curb at the end of your driveway.
- ◆ All garbage must fit in the carts, so the lid can be closed. No extra materials (other than the extra garbage bags purchased from the Village) will be picked up. The carts are for regular household garbage only. No liquids, hot ashes, construction waste, motor oil, paint, chemicals, batteries, pesticides, or yard/garden waste can be put into the carts. We urge you to recycle as much as you can.
- ◆ You do not have to use garbage bags inside the carts.
- ◆ Garbage pick-up days will remain the same.

PILOT RECYCLING PROGRAM TO BEGIN OCTOBER 1, 2011

To coincide with the new automated garbage collection service, the Village will also be initiating a pilot recycling program designed to reduce waste. The Village will issue special recycling bags to those residents wishing to participate in the program. Recycling will be picked up every second week with your regular garbage pick up. If you want to participate in the program, please request your bags when picking up your garbage cart. You must use a separate bag for each type of recycle material. Materials accepted for recycling are as follows:

* White stationery paper	* Newsprint	* Cans (no return \$ given)
* Glossy or "magazine" paper	* Cardboard	* Glass (no return \$ given)
		* #2 plastic and milk jugs

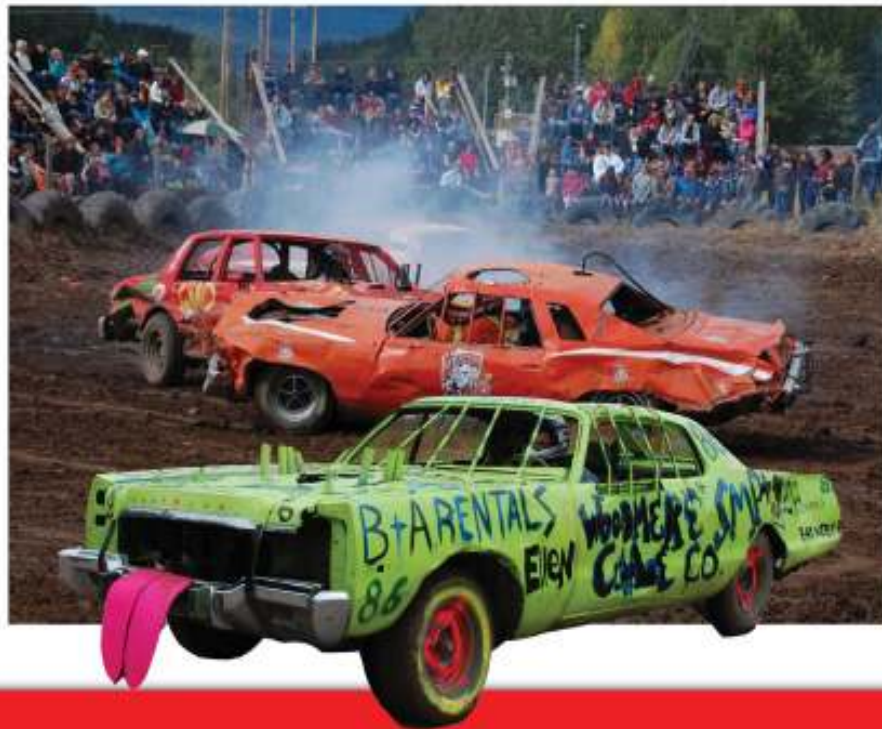
Please contact the Village office for further information on the new automated garbage collection or pilot recycling programs.



TD Friends of the Environment Foundation

The Village of Telkwa pilot recycling program is sponsored by a grant from the TD Bank Friends of the Environment Foundation.

BULKLEY VALLEY KINSMEN PRESENT THE 99TH ANNUAL TELKWA BBQ AND DEMO DERBY



Bring the Whole Family

Saturday September 3th - 8:00 am

- Ball toumey
- Kitchen Opens - Breakfast Burgers

Sunday September 4th - 8:00 am

- Kitchen Opens - Breakfast Burgers
- Ball Toumey 8 am
- Ball skills competition approximately 5pm
- Demo Starting 11:30
- Balloon toss between heats
- Remote control car racing between heats
- Dance to live music from Audio Riot
- 9:00 - 1:00 Tickets \$10.00 no minors
- Tickets available at BBQ grounds and Midway Services

Monday September 5th- 8:00 am

- Kitchen open
- Ball toumey 8 am Finals Approximately at 3:30 pm
- Derby starts 11 am Main event final approximately 1 pm
- Kids games starting at noon
- Frog races at 1pm Bring your own frog
- Remote control car racing between heats
- Balloon toss
- 11:30 Beef comes out of pit
- Chicken poop bingo between heats

Tickets

- \$6.00 Adults \$3.00 Seniors \$2.00 Children
- \$20.00 Family Day Pass (2 adults and up to 4 children)

**SEPTEMBER 3, 4 & 5, 2011
TELKWA BC**



The Great British Columbia ShakeOut Province-wide Earthquake Drill

At 10:20 am on October 20, 2011, thousands of British Columbians will "Drop, Cover, and Hold On" in *The Great British Columbia ShakeOut*, the largest earthquake drill in BC history! Everyone is encouraged to participate in the drill wherever you are at 10:20 a.m. on 10/20. For details on how to participate, go to www.shakeoutbc.ca.

PUBLIC AWARENESS CAMPAIGN FOR 9-1-1

The Regional District of Bulkley Nechako and Telkwa Fire Department are hosting a public meeting to provide information for the 9-1-1 system plan for the region. The meeting will take place on:
September 13, 2011 @ 7 pm at the Telkwa Seniors Centre

Village of Telkwa E-Newsletter



To sign up to receive your monthly e-newsletter, please go to our website. Don't forget to follow us on Facebook and Twitter!





Back to School

Mayor, Council and Staff wish all students heading back to school a productive and fun year!



*"Happily we bask in this warm September sun,
Which illuminates all creatures..."*
- Henry David Thoreau

 **Nomination packages are now available for the 2011 Municipal Elections and can be picked up at the Village office.** 



Join the Telkwa Volunteer Fire Department

We are looking for men and women to join our team. We are your neighbours from all walks of life, united for a common cause.

By volunteering with the Telkwa Fire Department, you will gain much more than skills and experience. You will gain memories, friendship, and the knowledge that you are actively helping your community. There are many ways to become involved.

Please call us today and ask our Volunteer Coordinator how you can help!
We are looking forward to meeting you!

CONTACT

Corey Kortmeyer, Fire Chief
778-210-0263

chief@telkwafire.com

or

Randy Cunningham, Deputy Chief
778-210-0264

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WHAT WE DO

- Fire suppression to save lives and property
- Engage, extinguish and prevent fires
- Provide assistance at motor vehicle incidents
- Provide assistance in emergency medical situations
- Water pump operations in a multitude of situations
- Community events coordination
- Public education
- Interface fire
- Fundraising
- Fire Education
- We hold an annual Telkwa Firefighter v. RCMP hockey game fundraiser to raise money and awareness for Muscular Dystrophy

A firefighter is courageous, passionate, reliable and accountable. He/She serves to protect the lives and property of friends and neighbours. A firefighter's service to his/her community is one of the most rewarding experiences they will ever have.

By caring and contributing to change, volunteers decrease suffering and disparity, while they gain skills, self-esteem and change their lives. People work to improve the lives of their neighbours and, in return, enhance their own. *(from Volunteer/Benevoles Canada).*





CHURCH WORSHIP
Everyone Welcome



TELKWA MUSEUM SOCIETY
Contributed by Janet McDivitt



TELKWA READING CENTRE
Contributed by Christine Tessier



Telkwa Christian Reformed Church (1348 Hwy. 16) welcomes you to our 9:30 am and 11:00 am services. Refreshments are served between services at 10:30 am. Don't forget to follow us on Facebook!

Faith Reformed Church of Telkwa (846-9710) Sunday 10 am & 2:30 pm.
Mt. Zion Lutheran Congregation at St. Stephen's (847-3364) Sundays 10:00 am, **except** every second Sunday when services will start at 7:00 p.m.

OUT AND ABOUT

Local Harvest Dinner

Harvest time is fast approaching. The annual Local Harvest Dinner is at Round Lake Hall, 6:00 pm, October 1, 2011. Bring a locally made dish for a celebration dinner and meet our local farmers and food producers. Bulkley Valley Local Food Directories will be available after dinner. For more information visit www.roundlakebc.com or call Jen at 250-846-5475.

THREE WEEKS OF ARCTIC EXPLORATION
Powerpoint Presentation by
Arctica Cunningham

In the summer of 2010, Arctica Cunningham spent three weeks in the Canadian Arctic learning about the effects of climate change, sovereignty issues, Inuit culture and other aspects of Arctic life.

Join us to hear about Arctica's fascinating experience and share her new found insight as she describes her life changing experience with *Students on Ice*.

September 16, 2011 @ 7:00 pm
French press Café-Cointe Inn, Telkwa

Our open season is coming to an end and the Museum will be closing after Labour Day weekend. Come and check out a couple of new displays!

If you wish to visit us 'off season' give one of our members listed below a call and we'll do our best to accommodate you.

Overall the Museum experienced a good summer!

The winners of our Fundraiser Raffle were: 1st prize (ticket #515) - LeRoy Dekens, Telkwa, 2nd prize (ticket #217) - Tom Mitchell, Telkwa, 3rd prize (ticket #1001) - Emily Buenten, Telkwa.

We appreciate all the folks who brought tickets and we were pleased to be able to offer prizes that supported our local business community. Special thanks to Mayor Graf for drawing the winners. Telkwa was on a winning streak! Museum members and friends will be assisting with gate duty at the Kinsmen's Labour Day Weekend BBQ/Derby. See you there!

Next Meeting - Wednesday, September 28th
at 7:00 pm
New members—\$5 for the year.

At a cost of \$100 for a full day, St Stephens Heritage Church is available year round for that special occasion. The back room of the Church can be rented for a meeting area, 20-25 persons is comfortable. There is a small modern kitchen with fridge, stove, microwave and an up-to-date washroom. Cost for an evening session is \$20. For info/bookings call 846-9093.

For information regarding the Museum/Church please call Janet G @ 846-5282, John or Janet at 846-9093, or Doug B. 846-9642
Museum during open hours 846-9656

Book of the Month

The Countess by *Rebecca Johns*.

This novel is based on the story of the Countess Bathory who had a reputation for being a murderess. Bathory is writing to her son about her life as she awaits death locked up in a tower. This story is a fascinating tale describing the class system in Hungary, the difference between the nobility and their workers. The ways the Countess justifies her actions and her thoughts on the way things should be made for a very interesting story. Great historical fiction.

See you at the Library!

HEALTH TIPS FOR SENIORS

Abridged from an article by
Rasmi Cherian at
lifemojo.com

To live a healthy senior lifestyle, it is essential to take care of one's diet, and physical and mental fitness to slow down the aging process. It is never too late to improve the quality of your life. To remain healthy and happy in your senior years, follow these simple remedies:

Good nutrition: Visit with a nutritionist or your doctor to get advice on the best nutritional plan for your age, weight and lifestyle.

Hydration: Proper hydration will keep your body functioning efficiently and aid in digestion. Drink lots of water or water-based beverages like soup, fruit juice, tea and coffee, or eat water-based foods such as grapes, cucumbers, onions, etc.

Extra calcium: Due to a continuous loss of bone calcium after the age of 50, you should add calcium-rich foods to your diet, or take a supplement.

Regular exercise: As we age, our muscle mass tends to diminish. Incorporation of daily exercise into your life is the best health tip for old age. It can reduce your risk for heart disease, arthritis, diabetes, and other life-threatening disease. Weight bearing exercise is excellent to stave off osteoporosis.

Mental exercise: Taking a night class, volunteering, teaching others, reading, writing your memoirs, are a few of the ways to keep your brain sharp and improve memory. Engage yourself in social activities like community service, clubbing, or pursuing a hobby.

Think Positive! Remind yourself on a daily basis of the many blessings in your life. Don't dwell on the negative.



TELKWA SENIOR HOUSING SOCIETY

Telkwa House is an 8-unit complex located on the bench on First Ave in Telkwa. This is low income housing for Seniors 55+ and persons with disabilities.

Units are now filled, but we are accepting application for a waiting list. Inquiries:

Telkwa House
PO Box 46
Telkwa, BC, V0J 2X0



For general information call Janet McDivitt at 846-9093.

CINEMA POLITICA
ADDICTED TO PLASTIC

A toxic legacy, and the men and women dedicated to cleaning it up.

Ian Connacher/CA/2008/85 min/English
For better and for worse, no ecosystem or segment of human activity has escaped the shrink-wrapped grasp of plastic.

Addicted to Plastic is a global journey to investigate what we really know about the material of a thousand uses and why there's so darn much of it.

September 16, 2011 @ 8:00 pm
French Press Café-Cointe Inn, Telkwa
(Free admission)

Presented by Cinema Politica Smithers
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