



VILLAGE OF TELKWA

JULY 2009

WHERE THE RIVERS MEET & FRIENDS GATHER

From the Municipal Office
- For Your Information -

INFORMATION

Village of Telkwa

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Municipal Office

Hours:

Monday to Friday
8:30 am to 4:30 pm
Closed 12:30-1:30 pm

Maintenance Shop & After Hours

Emergencies

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

WE'RE ON THE WEB!

www.telkwa.com

(watch for a revamped
website coming soon)

Council Meetings are
held on the 2nd and
4th Monday of the
month. Statutory
Holidays excluded.
The public is welcome
to attend.

The next 2 Council
meetings are:
July 13th and 27th
at 7:00 pm. The
Agenda may be
viewed at the Village
Office.

Water Conservation Tips

Remember: LIVE WATER SMART!

Contributed by the Telkwa Community Environmental Sustainability Committee

The Telkwa Community
Environmental Sustainability
Committee had its inaugural
meeting on June 10th, 2009. The
committee members are:

- Councillor Taylor Bachrach
- Colin Macleod
- Brenda Black
- Jennifer Holmes
- Brenda Donas
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The committee will be meeting
once per month to discuss and
work on community environmental
sustainability issues.

For this month, we would like to offer
some **water conservation tips**.

In general, British Columbians use
much more water than they need to.
In Telkwa, we have treated water.
This treated water services all of our
domestic needs (drinking, cooking,
cleaning, sewage, watering lawns
and gardens etc...) By conserving
water this reduces our need and
cost for treated drinking water and
wastewater treatment, as well as
water infrastructure. Water
conservation saves **us** money and
reduces our impact on the
environment.

Here are some easy things you can
do to conserve water:

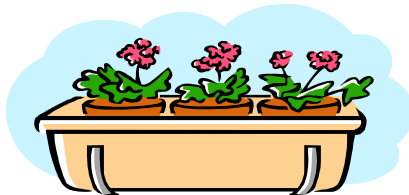
- Abide by the Village of Telkwa's
watering restrictions - each
zone is permitted two watering
days per week.

- Don't water plants and
gardens in the middle of the
day - water in early morning or
in the evenings (the 6 to 10
rule).
- Capture rainwater for watering
the gardens - this can be
done by diverting the water from
the eaves troughs into
buckets
- Fix leaking taps
- Install a low flush toilet
- Install low flow shower heads
- Don't leave the tap running
when brushing your teeth,
cleaning vegetables or rinsing
the dishes
- Only use the dishwasher and
the laundry machine when you
have FULL loads
- Let the grass grow a little bit
longer. This allows the grass
to grow deeper roots which
means the lawn requires
LESS watering.

For further restrictions, contact the
Village Office, 846-5212.

**See Page 3 for Water
Restriction in your area.**

PLANTING DAY IN THE VILLAGE



Jane Matthews contributed the following & we couldn't have said it better!
"Have you seen the park and the planters? It is amazing! On June 14th
volunteers turned out to make Telkwa BEAUTIFUL. They all did their own
thing in each area and it worked very well. Rimas was pruning bushes,
others were weeding and planting the beds in Eddy Park and Riverside
Park, then there were those who worked on the boxes for the church and
the planters around the museum and post office. They all worked together
and chatted and laughed. Help from the gardeners to the non-gardeners
was appreciated. Brenda Groves from Vancouver was visiting and joined
in with the gang. To finish off Eddy Park, Brian Banks went and got his
lawn mower and cut the grass and did a bit of edging to make it manicured.
Joe Wong from Woodmere Nursery had already donated flowers and the
labour to plant all the containers by the museum.

So how do you say "THANKS" to these amazing people:

Brian Banks, Ruth Banks (away but helped with buying the plants and
designing the planting for the planters), Carol Burger, Brenda Cobill, Marj
Coupe, Alvin Domes, Anne Greene, Brenda Groves, Paulie Haines, Jim
Hiltz, Carol Irving, Sue Jones, Jane Matthews, Jerry Mencl, Janet McDivitt,
Karen McKay, Diane Wyllie and, last but not least, Rimas Zitkauskas. If
I've missed anyone, I am so sorry.

We are So Lucky to Live in Telkwa

Garbage Pick-up - Canada Day

Due to the Canada Day holiday on
Wednesday July 1st, the regularly
scheduled garbage pick-up will be
on Tuesday, June 30th. It will be
back to normal on the following
Wednesday.

A HUGE THANK YOU TO ALL OUR VOLUNTEERS

Mayor Graf and Council would like
to thank the many people who took
the time to make our village such a
special place to live. It was very
evident on Sunday, June 14th
where a huge turnout of volunteers
spent the day planting flowers and
had a great time socializing at the
same time. Also, a huge thank you
to our Parks and Recreation
Committee for organizing this
special day.

**TELKWA READING Center
Contributed by Lenore Deagle**

This year the Telkwa Reading Center is sponsoring Summer reading Club for children in cooperation with the BC Library Association and with funding assistance from the BC Ministry of Education.

Summer reading encourages children to read for fun and studies have shown that regular reading over the summer helps them to maintain or even improve their reading and literacy skills. Help your child be ready for school in the fall by encouraging them to read everyday - Summer Reading

Club and your local library can make it fun and interesting!

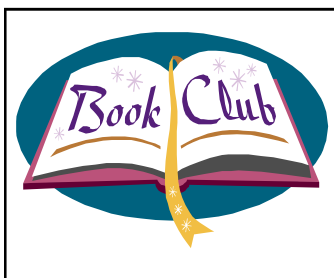
This year, the theme for the Summer Reading Club is called, "Follow the Reader". The program will officially start August 5th and will continue for four weeks. August 5, 12, 19 and 26 from 10:00 am until noon.

Summer Reading Club is a free program at all BC public libraries and we encourage you to bring your child to your local library to participate. When children sign up at the

the library they will receive a free bookmark and reading log in which they can record their reading time and the titles of the books that they read throughout the summer. They will also receive stickers to go with the reading log. Come in August and check out the SRC fun programs, activities and prizes. Summer Reading Club is also online!

Check out the website at www.kidsscr.ca.

Please contact the Telkwa Reading Center at 846-9286 for more information or to pre-register. Please leave a message if no one answers.



**Telkwa Museum Society- contributed by Janet McDivitt
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Museum - An institution devoted to the procurement, care, study and display of lasting interest or value.

This is very evident at the

We welcome our summer student, Janine Vis, a capable young girl who will be happy to serve you.

Our 'gift shop' area has expanded with new items and some display areas changed and relocated. We are beginning to get a fresher, new look.

Note: A change in hours of operation:
Mon. - Fri 9 am - 4 pm
Saturday 10 am - 4 pm
Closed Sunday morning but open in the afternoon 1:30-4:00 pm. Phone:846-9656.

A reminder about events here at the Museum July 1st.

- Cake & Beverage - 12 noon
- Raffle draw -1 pm. (tickets still available)

We are also planning a Silent Auction and Craft Sale from 10 am to 1 pm. Come on out and participate...

We say a big Thank You to Anne Greene for supplying and planting the big flower box in front of the Museum and the flower hangers on the Church gate.

And, finally a "thumbs up" to Bryan Banks for cutting and trimming the Churchyard lawn!



For info please call the museum at 846-9656, Janet G. at 846-5282, John or Janet McD. At 846-9093 or Doug B. at 846-9642.

Next meeting is Wednesday, July 22nd at 7:30 pm. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**Telkwa Seniors' Society (Young at Heart Club)
Contributed by Janet Goheen**

The Telkwa and District Seniors are at a slow time of the year at the hall as this is the time to be outside gardening, holidaying, visiting friends and enjoying the long days of summer.

We will be holding a special Pancake Breakfast in honour of Canada Day on July 1 from 8 - 11 am and we will be having our regular 1st Saturday of the month

Pancake Breakfast on July 4th.

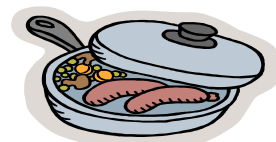
Sorry there will be no BINGO on July 1st due to the busy schedule of the Canada Day activities. We have moved it to a week later at 7:00 pm on July 8th. Hope to see you there.

We will be back to our Center in full swing in September with lots of

entertainment to keep the "Young at Heart" crowd happy, healthy and busy.

The Telkwa and District Seniors would like to wish you a Happy Canada Day and a safe, sunny and fun summertime.

See you at the Canada Day Celebrations!



The Seniors' mouthwatering pancake breakfast is a great way to start your 1st Saturday of the month. It's the best deal in the valley! For a mere \$5.00

2009 PROPERTY TAXES

Just a reminder that your 2009 property taxes must be paid by July 2nd to avoid a 10% penalty. Don't forget to bring your Home Owner's Grant into the office even if you can't pay your taxes yet or if your taxes are paid through your mortgage account. The penalty also applies to outstanding Home Owner's Grants.

VILLAGE DONATES MONEY

Mayor Graf and Council are happy to announce that donations from the Village of Telkwa have been made to the following :

Reading Centre	\$8,000.00
Museum	\$7,500.00
BC Transit	5,000.00
Victims Assistance	\$1,000.00

BICYCLE FOUND

A CCM X-COUNTRY bike was found at the BBQ grounds and was turned into the village on June 15th. If you think this may be your bike and you can give a good description of it, please contact the village office at 250-846-5212 or the maintenance shop at 250-846-9144

CHURCH WORSHIP

Telkwa Christian Reformed Church - 846-5777 - Sunday 10:00 am during summer months only.

Faith Reformed Church of Telkwa
846-9710 Sunday 10 am & 2:30 pm

Mt. Zion Lutheran Congregation at St. Stephens 847-3364 Sunday 10:00 am

Everyone is welcome!

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

No one can make you feel inferior without your consent. Never give it!

AFTER HOURS EMERGENCY NUMBERS

If there is an after-hours emergency and you have to get in touch with Municipal Staff please call:

250-846-9144

The message on the answering machine will give you the phone number of the person on-call.

Telkwa Water Restrictions

STAGE 1

1.1 Flowers/Shrubs/Trees & Vegetables - Any Day

Watering of trees, shrubs, flowers or vegetable using hose-connected or automatic in-ground sprinklers will be limited to the hours of 4 to 10 am and 7 to 10 pm any day of the week.

1.2 Lawns - Twice a Week Watering

Watering of lawns using hose-connected or automatic in-ground sprinklers will be limited to the hours of 4-9 am and 7-10 pm at premises following the zone schedule as follows:

Zone 1

East side of the Bulkley River (Hwy 16 Corridor) - Mon & Thurs

Zone 2

West side of Bulkley River (North of Coalmine Rd) Cottonwood Flats side - Tues & Fri.

Zone 3

West side of Bulkley River, (SE of Coalmine Rd) Woodland side - Wed & Sat.

For more info please call the Village Office at 250-846-5212.

CANADA DAY CELEBRATIONS

Check out page 4 for a complete list of activities planned for Canada Day in Telkwa. This is gearing up to be a fun-filled family day that the kids and adults will not soon forget. What a great way to celebrate our Nation's Birthday!



ANIMAL CONTROL

Don't forget the Bylaw Officer's
Phone Number 250-846-5928

\$100.00 FINE FOR ALL

UNLICENSED DOGS

COST FOR DOG LICENSES

Spayed/Neutered \$15.00

Not Spayed/Neutered \$20.00

Be a responsible pet owner and a good neighbour. Please be in control of your dogs and all pets at all times.

TIPS FOR LIVING WELL - Become a Highly Effective Procrastinator

The dictionary defines procrastination as the act of intentionally putting off something that should be done. Procrastination can destroy our lives. In extreme circumstances, procrastination can cost us our relationships, our jobs and can cause health issues like depression.

Everyone procrastinates to some degree. Some people are mild procrastinators and they put off small tasks. If you are like a lot of people you are an innate procrastinator. Innate procrastinators put off all tasks. We put off everything from paying bills, to calling loved ones, to completing projects at work.

The good news is that once we recognize that we are procrastinators we can use that knowledge to structure our lives to become highly effective at completing tasks and projects.

1. Fill up your time with projects. Innate procrastinators find it easy to push off one or two projects, however, when our schedules are full we tend to keep knocking out each project. Create a list of projects for the next week, the next month, the next 2 months, etc. With your schedule full you won't have time to procrastinate.
2. Make a commitment to start projects. Often starting a project is the most difficult part. Make a commitment to yourself to start a project at a specific time. If that doesn't work try setting a timer. When you find yourself watching TV or playing video games instead of starting a project set a timer for 15 minutes. That's how much "free time" you have until you have to start your project. When the alarm goes off the TV goes off.

**"Nothing is so fatiguing as the eternal hanging on of an uncompleted task."
- William James**



**ON YOUR MARK...
GET SET...**



VBS 2009! STARTS NEXT WEEK

Vacation Bible School held July 6-10

At Faith Reformed Church in Telkwa for age 3-12 from 9:00am until noon. Registration at 8:30a m Mon, July 6. This will be a program with Bible lessons, music, skits, crafts, snack and activities. A closing program will be held for all VBS children, their friends and family on Friday, July 10 at 11:30am, with a luncheon to follow. For more information, contact Verna at 846-5728 or Melanie at 846-5300



PIANO LESSONS

Desiree van der Meulen is offering piano music lessons for ALL ages. Please call 250-846-9109 for further details about available lesson times and days. Lessons will commence in September 2009. All inquiries are welcome.

TELKWA YOUTH IS WINNER OF NATIONAL WRITING CONTEST

Congratulations to Trevor Jang of Telkwa for being the first-prize winner in this year's Aboriginal Writing Challenge. Trevor received a \$2000.00 prize and a trip to Calgary for the Awards Ceremony. **WAY TO GO, TREVOR!**

SATURDAY TRANSIT SERVICE TO FARMER'S MARKET IN SMITHERS

The transit service will be operating to the Farmer's Market in Smithers on Saturdays. The bus leaves Woodland Park at 9:00 am and the Telkwa Post Office at 9:05 am. It will be returning to Telkwa from the Roi Theatre at 1:05 pm and 4:20 pm. Fare: \$2.75/person, \$2.50 for students & seniors. (Exact fare only)

NORTHERN TWILIGHT FARM

Northern Twilight Farm, on Skillhorn Rd. is offering riding lessons, pony rides, birthday party packages and other fun activities throughout the summer. Check out our website for details. www.ntwelsharabfarm.com

TELKWA POTTER'S GUILD

Regular Tuesday night classes are suspended until the Fall. Arrangements for classes can be made by calling Nika at 250-846-9309. Drop-ins are still welcome

Telkwa Caribou Herd

The public is reminded that the Telkwa caribou herd is still in a recovery phase, with numbers currently in decline. To help increase the chances of healthy herd survival, please honour the voluntary access restrictions that are in place for the Recovery Area, as indicated by signage at key access points. Restrictions applied to Hunter's Basin, Webster Lake and Hankin Plateau hiking areas are:

- Access between July 15th and Sept. 30th only
- No dogs, except seeing-eye dogs
- No motorized vehicles of any type
- If you observe any non-compliance, please contact the Ministry of Environment at 250-847-7260

CANADA DAY CELEBRATIONS

OH CANADA! - THE TRUE NORTH STRONG AND FREE

Come on out on July 1st (Canada Day) - Let's honour the joy of being a Canadian and celebrate with family, friends and neighbours.

Starting at the Telkwa Seniors' Hall you can begin your day with a delicious pancake breakfast Then head on over to the Telkwa Museum for a silent auction with lots of awesome items, crafters booth and the official flag raising and cake cutting. Mayor Graf will be there to welcome everyone and give an official Canada Day speech.

Moving on to the Telkwa BBQ Grounds there will be a family picnic - Bring your own food, beverages and 'fun things' ie. baseballs, frisbees, horseshoes, skipping ropes (bet you haven't played double-dutch in awhile), hoola-hoops, yo-yo's or anything else you can think of to make this a fun day. This will also be a great time to meet your volunteer firefighters and get to know them and their families. The Jr. Rangers will also be there to do a demonstration.

The evening will finish off with a family dance at Round Lake Community Hall featuring "Talisker" with dances being called by Ruth Lloyd. Admission is by donation. Some snacks will be provided and you are welcome to bring snacks to share. This is a non-alcohol family dance. It's great entertainment & the kids absolutely love it.



Once again, this celebration is made possible by the many dedicated volunteers we have in Telkwa. Let's turn out at these festivities, get to know your neighbours, spend quality time with friends and family and show your appreciation to all those who make Telkwa "A Village with True Spirit", including the Community Initiatives Society, the Museum Society, the Seniors' Society, the Volunteers Firefighters, the Jr. Rangers and the Round Lake Society.

For more information please contact Rimas at 846-5464 or email him at rimas@citywest.ca

TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION	GROUP
8-11 am	Pancake Breakfast	Seniors' Hall	Seniors' Young At Heart Club
10 am -1 pm	Silent Auction, Crafters Booth	Museum	Museum Society
Noon -1 pm	Flag Raising, Mayor's Speech, Cake	Museum	Museum Society & Community
1 pm - 4 pm	Family Picnic, Games, Demonstrations	BBQ Grounds	Community, Firemen, Jr. Rangers
7 pm - End	Family Dance	Round Lake Hall	Round Lake Community