



Where Rivers Meet and Friends Gather

February 2015



Newsletter

Recycle pickup dates: February 3 & 17
Council Meetings February 10 & 23

Thank you!

Our new Village Council would like to extend a huge thank you to past Mayor Carman Graf, Councillors Rimas Zitkauskas, Rick Fuerst and John McDivitt and Brad Layton, for all their hard work and dedication over the past years.

Temporary Chlorine Level Increase

On January 17, 2015 residents complained of a strong odor of chlorine in their water. Treatment Plant operators responded and noted that a small gear in the chlorine analyzer pump was partially stripped. This caused the pump for the chlorine analyzer to intermittently stop turning, thus causing the computer system to interpret that the pump was low on chlorine. The treatment plant operators did sample testing for chlorine levels. Northern Health was provided with the samples and determined that the chlorine levels did not pose a risk to the public. The analyzer pump has since been replaced and the system is functioning normally once again. There may be small pockets of chlorine in the water for a few days after such an event, so feedback from the public can be of assistance to staff in purging the system of residual over chlorinated water in specific locations.

Small Communities Fund

The Village of Telkwa will be applying in February to the Building Canada, Small Communities Fund for the construction of a second water tower off of the Tower Neighbourhood. This grant is 1/3 Provincial, 1/3 Federal and 1/3 Municipal. The project is estimated to be \$2.3 million. The municipal funds are budgeted in current reserves and future Federal Gas Tax transfers. The project is necessary to support current peak demands, to ensure adequate fire flows throughout the distribution system, to allow for future and current growth as well as to ensure emergency supply to the East side of Telkwa – the Tower and downtown neighbourhoods. This project has been researched since 2000 and discussed in detail at open council meetings. This grant application was approved by council in 2014 and an open meeting dedicated to the project was held January 22. For info contact Mayor Repen at 250-846-9590 or email: darcyrepen@gmail.com.

2015 DOG LICENCES

A REMINDER TO PICK UP YOUR 2015 DOG TAGS. THE PRICE IS \$15.00 FOR NEUTERED/SPAYED DOGS, \$20.00 FOR UNNEUTERED/UNSPAYED DOGS.

Telkwa Elementary Annual Bingo and Cake Auction

February 13, 2015

Doors open at 5:30 pm Bingo at 6:00 pm Auction at 7:00 pm

Bingo tickets are \$5 per person/\$10 per family

It's that time of year again!! Come out and support the Telkwa PAC with our annual Bingo and Cake Auction. All proceeds go to providing our students with resources, field trips, and school equipment!! Donations of cakes are appreciated and **needed!** You can drop them off at the school during the day on the 13th.

We are thrilled to announce that we are also selling raffle tickets for two return trips to Vancouver courtesy of **Hawkair!** Tickets are \$5 each and can be purchased at the office or through any PAC member. The winner will be announced at the auction.

Prizes for the bingo are amazing as always so see you there!

For more information on what's happening in Telkwa, please go to our website.



www.telkwa.com

You can also follow us on Facebook and Twitter!



CHURCH WORSHIP

Telkwa Christian Reformed Church

9:15 and 10:30 am

Mt. Zion Lutheran Church

Congregation at St. Stephen's Heritage Church (across from the Museum). Sundays 10:00 am.

Faith Reformed Church of Telkwa

(846-9710) Regular services Sunday 10 am & 2:30 pm.

OUT AND ABOUT

Quick 4-H Club

The Quick Community 4-H Club will be having a General Meeting on February 6. The Quick Community Club will have Beef, Horse, Swine, Sheep, Leather, Poultry and possibly Clover Buds this year. The Beef meeting will start at 6:00 on Feb. 6 at the Round Lake Hall. For more information on all the other projects, come out to the General Meeting at 7:00 pm at the Round Lake Hall. We will have elections and an overview on what 4-H is all about and we will go over public speaking and demonstrations. We plan to have our club public speaking and demonstration competition on February 19. You're welcome to come out and watch. For more information on 4-H, call Paula Dieleman at 250-846-5305.

TELKWA READING CENTRE

Contributed by Christine Tessier

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"The Winter Guest" by Pam Jenoff—this story takes place in Poland in 1940. The Germans have not quite taken over this small town where Helena and Ruth, twins, are taking care of their three younger siblings. They live in a tiny cabin apart from the politics of war. Their father is dead and their mother is critically ill. While coming home from visiting her mother, Helena stumbles across an injured soldier hiding from the German army. The consequences of that discovery is what makes up this story. Poland's treatment by the Germans is always at the back of the story but the main focus is on Helena and the hard decisions she must make knowing the danger she is bringing to her family.

Another recommendation is the "Miss Julia..." books by Ann Ross. If you are looking for a simple story with a lot of humour, try this series.

See you at the library!

"Get Ready to Rock!" A drop in playgroup for tots (ages 0-5) and their caregivers. Join us as we explore music, dance, and play! Each week will feature live music! Mondays at 10-11:30am at the Telkwa Christian Reformed Church (across from the One Stop). This program runs for 6 weeks from Jan. 19-Feb. 23 and is generously funded by: Most for Children.

Brown Bag Lunch Health Talk at noon on Thursday, February 5th at the Smithers Healthy Living Centre features Adbhuta Ananda, RMT speaking about Quantum Touch helping when facing a personal or family health challenge or illness. There is no charge. For more information, call 250.877.4424.

TELKWA & DISTRICT SENIORS' SOCIETY

(Young at Heart Club)

Contributed by Janet McDivitt

Activities for February 2015

Feb. 3, Tuesday General Meeting 1 pm
Feb. 4, Wednesday Bingo 7 pm
Feb. 7, Saturday Pancake Breakfast 8 to 10 am
Feb. 20, Friday Pot Luck Supper 6 pm
Mondays - Carpet Bowling - 1 to 3:30 pm
Monday Evenings - Exercise Class 7:30 pm
Wednesdays - Sip & Stitch/Painters - 11 am to 4 pm

And something new—We are offering DARTS on Thursday each month. February dates are 5, 12, 19 and 26 - mornings 10 am to 12 (noon).

There will be only one Bingo night this month—first Wednesday.

During Jan./Feb./Mar., Janet Harris is offering an 8 week course, 2 days a week (Tues. & Thurs.) on Simple Movement Exercises designed for Seniors.

Dates - Tues. (beginning Jan. 20) until Thurs. March 12

Times - 10 to 11:15 am and Thurs. 1:30 to 2:45 pm

Cost - \$2.00 activity fee for each session - \$10.00 membership fee for non-members (one time payment) This is a 'drop in' activity (attend as often as you wish) open to all Seniors!

It's time to renew memberships - \$10.00 for the year. Always looking for new folks, why not consider joining us! (Ages 50 and up).

Seniors Centre phone number: 250-846-9570

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Municipal Office Hours:
Monday to Friday
8:30 am to 4:30 pm
Closed 12:30-1:30 pm
Closed all Stat Holidays

Maintenance Shop & After Hours
Emergencies : 250-846-9144
Bylaw Enforcement: 250-846-5212
Fire Dept. Emergencies—911

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 regular meetings are February 10 and 23 at 7 pm. Agendas may be viewed at the Village Office or on our Website www.telkwa.com