



# Tri-Village Buzz



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### NOTICE

This year will mark my 8<sup>th</sup> year as "volunteer" Editor of the Tri-Village Buzz Newsletter. The December 2018 issue will be my last. If you know anyone or if you're interested in taking over, please let me know.

The software I've been using is Adobe InDesign but Microsoft Publisher or any page layout software can do the job.

I hope somebody steps up, it will be a shame to see the newsletter fold.

Wendy Davis

## Building Friendship and Community One Pound at a Time

By Nowell Berg



The Wasa chapter of TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) is part of TOPS Club Inc, a "nonprofit, noncommercial network of weight-loss support groups and wellness education organizations." The Wasa group started almost 19 years ago. They celebrate 20 years in 2019.

The local TOPS group values privacy and confidentiality regarding membership and weight-loss.

"Nobody knows how much I weigh, nobody knows how much I've lost or how much I've gained so there's no pressure with that but there is so much encouragement. Please come to a meeting and see what we're doing and make up your own mind," said a member.

The group meets every Friday at the Wasa Community Hall. Weigh-in starts at 8:30 am and the meeting runs from 9 to 10. Membership fee is only \$44 per year. Yes, per year. "We're a friendly group. We have a lot of fun here," said one member.

The groups approach is holistic, it's not just about weight-loss. The group promotes healthy eating, a healthy lifestyle, different kinds of exercise and most importantly they "encourage each other".

As one member said, "We teach each other, learn from each other about different ways of losing weight, eating and keeping ourselves healthy." They even post recipes, and other information, on the bulletin board in the lower level of the hall.

"For me its working on a healthy lifestyle, exercising, eating and watching everything so we can live as long as we can and be healthy," said another member.

The newest TOPS member really likes the fun and friendship that's part of the Wasa group. "We have so much fun, that's a big difference from every weight group I've belonged to. You realize when you come hear it's not something that can be a drag, it's something that can be fun," they said. The Wasa group meets 50 weeks per year. In the summer they are less formal with a weigh-in and maybe a walk around the lake. Women, men and teens are welcome to join. The group wants to stress that your privacy is respected and your weight, loses and gains, are confidential. Not even the people in the group know those numbers, only the weight recorder.

If you're looking for a fun way to Take Off Pounds Sensibly along with enjoying friendship and community, contact group President Wilma Harding, 250-427-1767.

"Sometimes it's hard to maintain weight lose without the support group."

## Preparing For A Future With Wildfire

By Kathy McAuley

No one has forgotten the wildfires of the summer of 2017, nor that it was one year ago on May 6<sup>th</sup> that fire destroyed two homes in Wasa. The likelihood of another hot summer fraught with wildfires is not remote, nor is the possibility of house fires occurring again.

A small committee has continued to meet and plan for a volunteer fire suppression strategy for the Wasa/Wolf Creek area that is designed to prevent fire from spreading through the community.

The proposed strategy is based on 4 components:

1. A community plan to prevent and deal with fire when it occurs
2. At least two community-owned portable fire units; ie, water tanks on trailers equipped with gas powered high pressure pumps. These units, along with supplies and small equipment, will be cooperatively funded and managed.

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# FOLLOWING THE TRAILS OF

# Yesterday

By Judy McPhee

*"Man should watch himself hourly to detect if his motive for action is fear or faith."*

From the book "The Game of Life and How to Play It" by Florence S. Shinn

## **SALUTE TO A PIONEER BENJAMIN McALLISTER RAUCH (BENNY)**

This month I am revisiting an article submitted by Bev Rauch on the life of his father, Benny Rauch. The meat of the story was written by his friend Lister Canning for the "Kootenay Ripples History Book" (page 182), and published 16 years ago. Additional information is included here from an interview with Bev and put together by me.

You will find about 641 articles and about 729 pictures and data as you follow the "Trails of Yesterday" in our history book. A great deal for the cost and the hundreds of hours by the committee putting it together. Pat Walkey (250-422-3530) is selling copies in support of our Memorial Garden. For those of you who do not have a history book, the life story of BENNY RAUCH...

Game Warden and guardian of the wilderness, 1932-1961, a man with an odd sense of humour, an infectious laugh, a family man, a man intimate with the wildlife and the lonely corners of our part of our wilderness domain, avid hunter, fisherman, cougar hunter, and gardener; a man who was committed to his job, wife and children. Liked by all who knew him.

Benny was born in Decatur, Iowa on April 13, 1896 to John Charles and Martha Almeda Rauch.

At two years of age his family moved to Golden, B.C. where his father ranched and hauled freight.

In 1923, Benny married Hazel Ella Reid, a school teacher from McMurdo, B.C. They had seven children including Bev.

In the early years he worked in Golden at the CPR pump house and later at the Hamilton Garage. In those days his hobbies included: baseball, hockey, playing the mandolin and riding horses.

### **Game Warden**

On February 7th, 1932, Benny joined the B.C. Game Commission as a Game Warden in Golden. Later that year, he transferred to the Cranbrook District. His territory as Game Warden was extensive. It went from Yack in the South, north to Canal Flats and Fernie to the East.

Benny's job was a challenge. By truck on bad roads with limited plowing in winter and by truck and horseback the rest of the year, Benny

patrolled his territory with courage, steadfastness and committed thoroughness.

His government vehicle, a 1928 Chevy Sedan was his dependable friend. In 1940, he was issued a "better" vehicle. It proved unsatisfactory, too low to the ground and poorly distributed. This caused him a lot of trouble in the back country. No four wheel drives in those days! There was no limit to the hours on the job, Benny worked most of the time.

### **Hunting Season**

Benny would leave Cranbrook early in the morning, driving to one area of his territory, checking in at various ranches, saw mills and places along the way. This was a great way to find out what was happening, game seen in the area, how many people they saw going into the backcountry to hunt, fish or explore. He probably listened to his still, small voice of intuition as he travelled around. Benny must have had many, many interesting experiences including many encounters with bears and grizzlies.

Benny kept a saddle horse and saddle at the Canning Ranch at Sheep Creek and at the Steven's Ranch at Rock Lake (now Lazy Lake) as well as a few ranches in the south and east of his territory.

After he chatted with the ranchers and people he saw, Benny would saddle up, borrow a pack horse and go out on patrol. All types of weather, mosquitoes, flies, wild life and terrain were his constant companions. Camping along the way was his home away from home. Neither he nor his family knew when he would be back. He would try to visit each hunting guide two times in a season. Benny rode many a mile on a horse following poor trails and checking for many things.

### **Snow Shoes in the Winter**

Wintertime Benny would check on the trappers, the coming and going of game and the backcountry snow conditions. Many of the trappers spent all year in the bush and others spent all winter in their camps.

Going by snowshoes to the Upper White River, (above White Swan Lake) which was in a Game Reserve in those days, Benny patrolled that area as well.

South of Cranbrook, he branched out from the Blackfoot Reserve. and he also helped the border patrol check for poachers and people smuggling items across the border.

### **Summer Patrol**

When trapping was over, the fishing season began. Benny patrolled the lakes, streams and backcountry looking for people, animals and checking the surroundings. In the early days Game Wardens were responsible for stocking the lakes and streams, checking for fishing licences and making sure limits were adhered to.

In the late 1930's, Benny, Charlie West and Ralph Beday packed minnows onto pack horses and went up Skookumchuck Creek to the mouth of Buhl Creek to stock it. There were no fish above the falls at Upper Sheep Creek (Lucier) and Lister Canning was his helper stocking the streams. Blue Lake, Findley Creek and other lakes and streams were also stocked by Benny and his helpers. The minnows were brought from the fish hatchery in Cranbrook.

When Bev was a boy, he and his two brothers, Bob and Gordie helped their father milk the fish with a wool sock (rubbing the fish down with the sock toward the tail to abstract the eggs.) They put the eggs in a water solution and took them to the fish hatchery in Cranbrook to be fertilized. The minnows were relocated back to the streams and lakes and the cycle began again.

### **A Big Responsibility -**

#### **Game Warden and Family Man**

In Benny's day, the Game Warden's were responsible for recommending the length of the seasons for hunting and fishing, the limits allowed and predator control. They spent an inordinate amount of time talking to guides, loggers,

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**WASA LAKE LAND IMPROVEMENT  
DISTRICT (WLLID)**

By Clifford Youngs

As the spring melt continues one is reminded that the snowpack this year is about 120% of normal. Depending on the temperatures and amount of rainfall during the coming months there may be higher than normal levels of water in the rivers and lakes. One can reduce the chance of damage to property by ensuring that ditches and culverts are not obstructed, and that downspouts are directing water away from your home. Sandbags are available from the RDEK if required. For more information, please contact the RDEK.

A recent study of aquifers in the East Kootenay area has concluded that the aquifer under the Wasa area is classified as A-1. The aquifer encompasses an area of 10.6 square kilometres.

An aquifer classified as A-1 is very shallow and thus vulnerable to external factors operating at ground level. Factors such as run off, excess nutrients and others can easily influence the water quality in the area. The study identifies the aquifer as "highly vulnerable to pollution".

For further information on the study and ways that one may use to reduce the risk to the aquifer, please contact the WLLID at admin@wasalake.ca.

**Salute to a Pioneer - Benny Rauch** *Continued from Page 2*

trappers, ranchers and hunters as to their views of how the rules should be for game hunting and fishing. Their views were passed on to the B.C. Game Commission. Good management originated from the Commission. Benny was dedicated to his job. It is hard to imagine life as a Game Warden travelling the backcountry on horseback, subsisting on your own wits and talents.

As well, his job required extensive hours away from home. Benny and his wife Hazel raised seven children: Bob, Hazel, Bev, Norma, Gordon, Betty and Ardith. All of the Rauch children as adults took an active part in the valley. Benny helped people whenever he could. As an example, he helped the ranchers roof their barns, shoe their horses, doctor a cow or bull, etc. etc. He helped with whatever needed help and when time permitted. Benny was probably the only man who killed a pack rat in the middle of the night in the backcountry cabin he was in with a friend and with the same bullet put a neat hole in the truck outside.

Benny worked in the Cranbrook District from 1932-1952. He was transferred to the Creston District where he worked until he retired in 1961. Benny spent 29 years of his life working in this very much appreciated and important job. He was a dedicated employee and scrupulously fair. He was the most popular and efficient Game Warden on the force and even his victims had a good word for him. "The old --- cost me a hundred bucks but I would be glad to buy him a beer anytime". Benny made it a point never to engender animosity and was scrupulous and fair.

Benny was honoured in Cranbrook with a party when he left and again honoured when he retired with a banquet and party attended by many Commission members from all over B.C. Benny strived to preserve the backcountry and fauna. We appreciate his efforts to protect our backcountry for future generations to enjoy.

**Hobbies**

One of Benny's hobbies was cougar hunting with Martin Morigeau, one of the greatest cougar hunters at that time. They had excellent cougar dogs which made up for the poor roads. Transportation was by snowshoes in winter.

Growing iris', roses and a big garden occupied him when Benny was home. Lots of children to weed when he was away!

Watching sports was enjoyable for him. Hazel loved to entertain and there was always a big gathering for the Rose Bowl Games.

When Benny retired, he had time to watch his favourite sports. He was a spare guard at the police station and he hunted, fished and worked in his garden.

Benny passed away December 1973 as a result of an accident where he was hit by a car in a crosswalk. Hazel moved from Creston to her daughter, Norma's home at Wasa where she resided until her death in 1987.

We have been most fortunate to have their son, Bev and wife, Brenda in Wasa since 1969. They, like Bev's father have contributed substantially to the life of our community since their arrival.



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# DOUG CLOVECHOK, MLA COLUMBIA RIVER - REVELSTOKE

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## SOME EVENTS & MEETINGS IN THE RIDING - ATTENDED

- Attended Columbia Valley Community Investment Co-op Session
- Met with Northern Silica, MOTI and CSRD re: Road Access
- Met with Paper Excellence, around Forestry Issues
- Met with MOTI (road concerns and contractor obligations)
- Met with Columbia Valley Realtors
- Met with the Golden Rod & Gun Club
- Attended discussion with BC Heart & Stroke Foundation Presentation
- Met with Cdn. Assoc. of Medical Cannabis Dispensaries
- Met with front line health care workers regarding opioid use in the riding
- Opening Ceremony for Pee Wee Hockey Championships
- Revelstoke Snowmobile Club's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Banquet
- Attended KIJHL CV Rockies vs. Dynamiters game
- Discussion with RDEK and Broadband
- Met with RDEK regarding Agriculture Land Commission

## FROM THE LEGISLATURE

The first part of 2018 has been very busy. I've been travelling between Revelstoke, Golden, Invermere and Kimberley to meet with Constituents and Community groups. As always I am grateful to hear from you; some of the best insight comes directly from those of you who are on the front-line in our communities.

Trans Mountain Pipeline: This is an extremely polarizing topic in our Province and in our Nation. Thank you to those of you who have already voiced your opinion; I am always eager to hear from my Constituents.

I remain steadfast in supporting this project, for several reasons.

1) This project was approved by the previous Provincial Government and the Federal Government. We must respect due process; it is the foundation of our democracy. Kinder Morgan (KM) has met all 5 of the stringent conditions to protect British Columbians these were laid out by the Provincial and Federal Governments. Approval for projects of this magnitude are not taken lightly; these approvals were issued after years of research and consultation.

2) BC has worked hard for a reputation of stability. The hard-earned success of our Province has been attained by thoughtful consideration, consultation, and adhering to Provincial and Federal laws.

3) We need this project for a strong economy. The recent actions of our Government are scaring off investors. 'Affordability' is the buzzword for this BCNDP Government, but without investments like this, how can we grow our economy?

4) To be pro-pipeline does not mean you are against a clean environment. The pipeline is a more environmentally friendly option for rural BC. Moving the oil by train will result in increased rail traffic which travels over our and next to our rivers and land throughout Columbia River-Revelstoke.

5) Highway safety is one of the biggest concerns in the Columbia River - Revelstoke. Increased pressure on the railway translates into overflow freight being diverted on our highways. More semi-trailers on our highways is not what BC voted for.

The winter session started in February with the introduction of the BCNDP Budget, at which time the Minister of Finance announced a "more affordable life for us and our families". This was the headline right before the Government introduced us to \$5.5 billion in increased or new taxes.

Carbon Tax: This tax was raised on April 1, 2018 and will continue to increase into 2021. We have immediately felt its effects by paying more at the pump. Of note, these additional monies were previously revenue neutral (the carbon tax went to projects associated with our environment under the BC Liberal Government). This has now been changed, the extra carbon tax is no longer revenue neutral, meaning

that the Government can divert this tax into general revenue. These funds can now be used for any project that the Government chooses (ie: maintaining lower mainland bridges). Yet again, rural BC is paying more with no promise of any local benefit.

Speculation Tax: This new tax was introduced by the BCNDP to curb the speculation buying in the Lower Mainland. Our constituency offices have heard from hundreds of homeowners from across BC and Canada; they have expressed a decreased confidence in doing business in our riding. Largely because of the way this tax has been introduced. Large projects have been put on hold in our communities; many of these projects had construction-related jobs supporting families in our communities, now these jobs are at risk. I have been a vocal opponent of this tax towards the Minister of Finance, and will continue to speak up against it. Canadians should be able to invest in Canada. Even though this tax has not been introduced in our constituency yet, we are still feeling the negative effects of the uncertainty that it has caused.



When the Hwy 1 gets shut down, Revelstoke is at a standstill due to hours of grid lock. How can we alleviate this?

**Employers Health Tax:** We can all agree that the reduction of MSP Premiums by 50% is a great development. Under the BC Liberal Government, this reduction was to be funded by the provincial surplus that had been created from the strongest economy in Canada. Unfortunately this is not the case with our current Government- they have created another tax to pay for this reduction, based on a percentage of a company's payroll. We know that the size of the payroll does not reflect the margin of profit for businesses or organizations. This punitive tax approach has caused a lot of concern for small businesses, charities, not-for-profits and school districts. One business here in the Columbia Valley called me to report that this new tax will cost him an additional \$22,000 per year. This cost will be impossible to absorb without laying off some workers.

**Capital Regional District Fuel Tax:** This is another tax that is driving up the price of fuel. We used to pay 3.5 cents per litre to this tax, but it's being raised to 5.5 cents per litre.

**Other Tax Increases:** Tobacco and alcohol taxes have also increased, and property transfer taxes have increased in several areas of the province.

**Childcare Plan:** We continue to hear from our constituents about several issues that were part of the 2017 BCNDP Campaign, including the whereabouts of the \$10/day Daycare promise. We've now learned the \$10/day plan will take 10 years to deliver. Instead the Government has introduced the Childcare Fee Reduction Initiative. The initiative is to help reduce the daycare fees for parents whose children are in licensed daycare centres. Unfortunately, the initiative was rolled out in such an incomplete way that only 23% of BC Childcare Providers opted-in to this initiative, to date. Daycares have a number of critical issues, shortage of staff being one of their largest concerns. This childcare plan could have been streamlined with less confusion had there been some meaningful consultation with front-line childcare workers and daycares.

## BACK HOME IN COLUMBIA RIVER - REVELSTOKE



MOTI staff meeting with Kimberley/Wasa constituents to address concerns & expectations

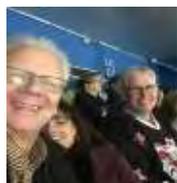
I've been continuing to push for answers regarding the state of our highways. The Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure has promised to address some questions that I have raised in the House. I've been told that a pilot project to install safety netting in the Three Valley Gap area will begin this summer. This week I am meeting with Hon. Claire Trevena (Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure 'MOTI'), and Mark McKee (Mayor of Revelstoke) about the Trans-Canada Highway. We will continue to apply pressure to this Government until the TCH is upgraded to a level of safety that we deserve.

## IN THE CONSTITUENCY OFFICES

Our Kimberley office is open 5 days/week, and the Revelstoke office is open 4 days/week. The role of our offices is to assist constituents with Provincial matters. Here are some of the issues that you've been bringing to our attention:

**Entire Region:** Pipeline Expansion, Speculation Tax, Payroll Tax, Realtor Dual Agency changes, Raising Minimum Wage, Highway Conditions, Abolishing the Time Change, Landlord Tenancy Act changes, Class 'E' Slaughter Licenses

- **Kimberley:** Assisted Living, Ungulate Population, Highway debris removal
- **Columbia Valley:** Variance Applications, Co-Housing Funding, Speed Limits
- **Golden:** Boundary Expansions, Land Designation application, ICBC Online Booking
- **Revelstoke:** Access to Heritage Site, Homecare worker shortage, WorkSafe BC issues



Enjoying a great game with one of our riding's many talented KIJHL teams, the Kimberley Dynamiters!



Celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Revelstoke Snowmobile Club

WOW!



We can't beat the views in this unique riding of Columbia River – Revelstoke. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve you.

Trying very hard to drive safe and make it to Golden's Rod & Gun Club banquet...Mother Nature is nothing to mess with!



Interviewing and catching up with the Columbia Valley Pioneer's, Lorene Keitch

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## Fire Smart

Thank you to the Wasa and Wolf Creek residents that are putting together a couple of units for extinguishing small fires in ditches and small bush fires. The units are not for use on house fires.

I thought that I would review some of the fire smart suggestions to protect your residences:

1. It is important that you keep any combustible material away from buildings and structures.
2. Fuels should be reduced to within 30 meters of structures by thinning and pruning vegetation and trees.
3. Ensure trees are spaced far enough apart so that fire cannot jump from one tree to another. The crown of the trees should be between 3 to 6 meters apart.
4. Remove any ladder fuels such as deadfall and thick shrubs.
5. Mow your grass and clean up the pine needles on your property and take them to the transfer station. Dead grass and pine needles are very combustible.

## Unightly Properties

I have been receiving complaints about unightly properties relating to properties throughout Area E. If there is a property that you are concerned about and you want to file a report or make a complaint, contact the RDEK Bylaw Officer at 1-888-478-7335 or by email to: rdek.bc.ca.

The unightly properties that have been brought to my attention contain derelict vehicles, trailers, pieces of metal and piles of garbage. These properties can not only impact neighbouring property values, but they also cause safety concerns and are fire risks.

## Mosquito Control

The Mosquito Control Program will be taking place again this spring. Please make sure you check your property(s) and remove any items that can store water and contribute to mosquito breeding.

## Wasa Transfer Station

I thought I would share pictures of the mess left at the transfer station. I realize that residents within the Wasa area are not necessarily the people creating this mess, but this situation is costing all of the Central Area tax payers. **So please report anyone you see dumping in non designated areas, by taking photos or videos and recording their licence plate numbers. Report any incidents to the RCMP or RDEK and please do not approach the offender.**



## Wasa Lion's and Kimberley Refugee Resettlement Group Spaghetti Supper

I want to thank Wilma Harding for organizing the spaghetti supper. Orlena's spaghetti was delicious!

I want to also give three cheers to the Tri Village Kids club who came out and volunteered and thank you to Cory Munro who came out and set up tables and chairs in the morning and then came back and helped with the clean up of the hall!

## Emergency Numbers - 1-800-663-5555 (\*5555)

If you experience or witness disasters such as flooding, avalanches or landslides, please call 1-800-663-5555 (\*5555). You will get help faster by phoning this number.

After all of the snow we had this past winter, we could face flooding in the area and we have to hope that we get a slow melt and not a lot of rain.

I hope everyone has a good month. Please call me if you have any concerns or questions.

Jane Walter, Area E Director

email: s.janewalter@gmail.com or phone 250-427-2577



## Spring Cleaning is in the Air!

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## Wasa Lions Garage Sale

### Saturday, June 16, 2018



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# TRI VILLAGE Kids Club



We had an amazing day with a great turnout for our

Easter Pancake Breakfast. Lots of fun was had by so many. Was great seeing all the kids having fun searching for eggs, playing games, dancing and getting glitter tattoos.

A big thank you to our many volunteers without your help it would have been a lot harder for us to put this great event on. Thank you to in house Master Chef Ged Kelly who kept the pancakes inside coming while we waited for Master Chefs Shawn Ferguson and Sharon Prinz at the outside kitchen flipping out pancakes in the cold outdoor kitchen and bringing them into the hall. A big huge shout out to Corey Munro who went above and beyond and helped from the beginning during setup and running pancakes into the hall to the very end including clean up. If we need something done we can certainly rely on him to get it done right away. Jane Walter the Master of scrambled eggs who made sure that the eggs were mixed, scrambled, hot

and fresh. Elisa Jordan grilled up lots of yummy sausages and then hopped on over to help get food on plates. Sandy Jensen made sure that the food got on the plates and delivered to hungry patrons with a smile. Julie Kneller our fantastic front door greeter and cashier who got the food tickets filled out so that everyone got fed. Fran Ross our great 50/50 seller who made sure that even the adults had fun by having a chance to win some pocket change. 50/50 sales totaled \$179.00 and the big winner was local resident Ursula Kaufmann. Fabienne Groen the great Glitter Tattoo Artist, was kept very busy by lines of children (and even some adults) who choose their design and then applied them with not even a tear being shed. Our Bunnies Azaria Jensen, Makayla Munro and Abby Carmichael had their hands full as kids chased them around and even as they sweated it out they danced and made sure all Easter Egg Hunters were rewarded with goodies from the Easter Bunny Boss. When all was said and done and clean up time was upon us we had some strong muscles to help put chairs and tables away and pushed some brooms around. A big thanks to Gerry Jensen, Dan Carmichael and Mack Carmichael you made clean up

get done fast so we could all go home. A big huge thank you to all who came out for some family fun and supported our group. We enjoyed seeing all the smiling faces.

Our next event is coming very soon. We have planned a **Mothers Day Tea (Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at the Wasa Hall)** to honour the special women in our lives. Tea and desserts will be served from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Cost is \$5.00 and includes your chance to win some door prizes donated by local businesses. Make a special craft for your Mom and join in on the Cake Walk. Bring a Cake and once all cakes have arrived numbers will be drawn and you will get to pick a different cake to take home and enjoy with your family. We are requesting that you pre-register for the cake walk so that we can have an idea of how many entries we will have. You can register via email: [trivillagekidsclub@yahoo.com](mailto:trivillagekidsclub@yahoo.com) or message us on our Facebook page. We hope that once again we can make this day a very special day and many come out.

Yours Truly,  
The Tri-Village Kids Club  
Tanya Yost-Munro, President  
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*In Memory of*

☞ **Clare Trach** ☞

September 17, 1941 -  
November 7, 2017

A Memorial will be held on  
Saturday, June 9<sup>th</sup>  
from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
at 4134 Cale Road  
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## KOOTENAY MONUMENT INSTALLATIONS

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The **Wasa Recreation Society's** main objective is to generate funds to keep the Wasa Hall running. Wasa Recreation Society members meet in the basement of the Wasa Hall in the Quilters Room on the last Tuesday of each month. Everyone is invited to attend. Listed below are some of the user groups and contacts:

- Hall Rentals and Information  
Karen Markus 250.422.3514  
Bonnie Meena 250.422.3795
  - Gym Sonia Blackwell 250.422.9201  
Rod 250-422-3253
  - TOPS Susan 250.422.3510
  - Library Judy McPhee 250.422.3766
- In addition, BINGO's are held on the **2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month** at the Wasa Hall. Early bird starts at 6:30 pm and regular at 6:45 pm.

# HIGHWAY CLEAN-UP



The Wasa and District Lions Club are having a highway cleanup on Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>. We are looking for volunteers to help out. Must be 12 years of age or older.

Meet at the Wasa Lions grounds at 10:00 a.m.

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Have you had a recent Injury?  
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### Safety guidelines and things you need to know:

- Minimum of 2 people in the Gym at all times
- All users must sign in with date and time
- All users must sign a Wasa Recreation Programs User Waiver located at the sign-in desk
- All users are required to wear "gym shoes" - no street shoes permitted
- All users must use the safety key on the Walking Machines
- Cost is a loonie or twoonie
- Have fun and be safe!

*We're open to suggestions, give us a call if you know 2 or more people that would like to attend at a time not indicated.*



**For Gym Schedule Please Contact:  
Sonia Blackwell at 250-422-9201 or  
Rod at 250-422-3253**

**GYM HOURS AND INFO**





## The Difference Between 'You' and Your Soul

For most of us, it seems obvious that when we say "Me" or "I", we're referring to the very core of ourselves. But if we reflect a bit on this, we realize that what we call "Me" is in fact the agglomeration of two separate aspects of ourselves. We believe that Name (Namah) + Body (Rupa) = Me. Our name summarizes our entire memory covering our past since we were born, and our body personifies that which we have identified ourselves with. Therefore, what we call "Me" is nothing more than the fusion of our name and our physical shape.

The mind is nothing but a bioelectric computer creating a representation of us by recording all past memories concerning our name and our body. If your name is Christine or George, then you are not like any other Christines or Georges. You have become a unique and never-before-seen Christine or George. No matter whether your name and body are actually unique and different from any others, the point is that you still believe that you are only the past, containing your name and the identification with your physical body.

It is from here that when you think about yourself, you visualize past memories related to your name and the way the world perceives you through your physical appearance. In the world, when someone calls you, he calls you by your name and body, and this has become the way you conceive of yourself. Knowing that over time, your name will be forgotten and your body will disappear, if you believe that these two elements are what composes you, you'll have many reasons to be afraid of dying and falling into oblivion. But at the same time, something within you says that you should live forever and never disappear, and you harbor a natural and deep feeling that knows you are going to survive this life, even though your Cartesian mind has no proof of it.

So, are you 100% sure that what you think is "you" is really you, or entirely you? What if the greatest part of you didn't yet have the means to express itself because of your intellectual and egoistic certainty of being only your body and your name?

The wisdom contained in the Universal Spirituality tells us that we are nothing but a Soul, an intense Presence, a Pure Consciousness expressing itself through a physical body that receives a name at birth, and that, by taking a new appearance in a new life, we develop new memories and a new personality. But when the body and mind collapse, there remains only the core of yourself, often called the Soul or Consciousness.

Your true Consciousness, the true "You" or your Soul, is present behind the veil of ignorance composed of your mind and your body, but is never restrained by their limitations.

In order to experience the extensive vastness and abilities of the true Soul, the true Consciousness, one needs to become the witness of one's mind and body. Through the identification with your body and name, you have developed certain tendencies to please a "you" that is the product of an uncontrolled imagination. You are not what you think you are; you are what you don't think you are. This means that what your personality wants often has nothing to do with what your Soul or your core Consciousness wants.

The only way to experience the difference between what you think you are and what you truly are is through a deep aspiration to

discover your true nature rather than continuing to fear the loss of what in fact you are not.

At the ashram, following the Adi Dharma Teaching, or Teaching of Primordial Wisdom, we develop this art of extracting our consciousness from the false identification to the body and mind by becoming an increasingly quiet witness who is able to distinguish between what he is and what he is not. This practice is called "meditation" on the Present Presence within oneself. This practice is often called meditation, but the attitude is also maintained during our daily activities, so we try to continuously express ourselves through the core of our Soul rather than through the layers enveloping it. Through your name, you speak your past and through your body, you express your fears. This is not the correct way to perceive the world or engage with it.

The Center of your True Self (Atman) is Divine and in this center, there is no "you" as a name and body. There is only a "You" that is Pure Love and Pure Awareness. This process of unification of yourself is called "Yoga Sadhana" and this will be the topic of our next article.

May all of you develop the constant aspiration to experience your True Nature, your True Soul, your Pure Divine Consciousness.

With blessing and love on the path of life.

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## Wasa Lion Club - Mike Hrabachuck Memorial Scholarship

Mike Hrabachuck was a wonderful Wasa Lion in the 1980's and 90's.

Mike was the Treasurer for many of those years and after his death his family donated funds to establish the initial Wasa Lions Mike Hrabachuck Memorial Scholarship.

The Wasa Lions have provided funding to continue the scholarship in Mike's name for the past 25 years.

The Information below outlines criteria for the Scholarship.

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A university, technical college, trade or business school scholarship is available to a Grade 12 student who is a resident of the Wasa, Ta Ta Creek, Skookumchuck rural area, graduating from Selkirk Secondary, Kimberley; Mount Baker Secondary, Cranbrook; a private school or is home schooled.

Non-Kimberley Selkirk Secondary School graduates who meet the criteria must contact Wasa Lions Scholarship Committee member Laurie Kay 250-422-3288 before May 19<sup>th</sup> 2018.

Applicants must provide evidence of acceptance in a course of studies to receive funding.

The scholarship can be deferred for two (2) years.

Note: \$750 first year and \$750 second year if eligible to continue.

## About Curlews

Hello Tri-Village people. The most notable bird species on Skookumchuck Prairie IBA is the Long-billed Curlew (*Numenius americanus*). It is North America's largest shorebird, standing around 35 cm (14 in) tall. The bill averages 17 cm (6.7 in) long – pretty long for a bird! It's wing span is around 89 cm (35 in) – the same as a Mallard but bigger than a grouse. The female is bigger than the male; she has to be to lay 4 eggs with a combined weight a quarter of her own (758 g, 1.7 lb)!



Adult Long-billed Curlew on Skookumchuck Prairie. Helga Knotte photo

They're an overall mottled light brown colour with cinnamon under the wings seen when they fly. And that crazy long bill sticks out in front! Another crazy thing about them is that they nest on the dry grasslands! Yes, out on the "bald" Prairie, or in hay fields. Nowhere near the shore!

The adults arrive on The Prairie the beginning of April. Penny Ohanjanian recorded 22 territories one year, so 44 or more birds could be around. They're quite visible when out feeding on Lantz's fields or when sorting out who is going to pair up with whom, and where. There's lots of flying about and "curlewing" at each other and at possible threats like ravens, eagles, hawks, coyotes, mink, people.

By the beginning of May, the larger fields on The Prairie have been divided up for their summer homes and they can get down to the real family business. During incubating their eggs, the birds get quieter and sneaky, not wanting to reveal the location of their precious efforts.

After the chicks hatch, there is even more excited curlewing the parents challenge any possible threat to their little offspring running around the fields.

What I am really excited to tell you about is that last year, 2017, some researchers came up from Vancouver and Idaho to put satellite transmitters on 7 birds. I am thrilled I got to help a bit and that some of you were able to view the birds up close! The transmitter is part of a little back pack with strong light-weight straps that go around the bird's shoulders. It has a little solar panel to recharge the battery. It transmits a signal every day or two to satellites. Now we can follow the birds online!

Catching them is done at their nest, which takes, 1st, a permit; 2nd, much time and coordination to

locate a nest; 3rd, more coordination combined with knowledge of bird behaviour to actually catch a bird; and 4th, professional and respectful treatment of the birds and their nest. They are well camouflaged and hold very still while sitting on the nest but biologists have a few tricks up their sleeves. PS "Don't try this at home, folks". If you stumble upon a nest, please note the location but leave the area immediately – the ravens are always watching. And please report.

We manage to place all 7 transmitters on birds. Unfortunately, 2 of the birds died soon after. The first, named Equina, was likely hit by a vehicle near Ford Road. If you saw me scouring the highway in July, that is what I was doing: looking for the bird and transmitter. The transmitter was still working – they run on a solar powered battery – but the satellite signal showed it was stuck in one place. The first thing found was a pile of breast feathers about 2 m off the highway, on the trajectory expected if a Curlew-sized bird was slammed into the grass after a hard impact from a fast moving vehicle. The remains of Kimberley, the 2nd bird lost, was eventually located by a group of Rocky Mountain Naturalists off Moan road. It looks like she was taken by a Great-Horned Owl to feed to its young. The fledged owlets had been seen close by, previously.



Eggs and 1st chick hatched of female curlew "Kimberley". June 2017. Bird Studies Canada, Cayla Nauman photo.

Also, a third bird, Mildred, has been lost in central California. She was named in honour of Mildred White, a long-time naturalist in the area. Her transmitter has quit but there is a slim chance it was faulty or has fallen off and covered up so cannot recharge from sunlight. Mildred may yet be spotted somewhere and identified by her unique "leg flag" which is white with black letters "AA" on it. The remaining four birds, all males, also have a unique leg flag. Please report if you see them.

Now, we can answer some questions like: where do "our" birds go in the winter? Is it a different place than birds from Wyoming and Idaho? Or do they mix and mingle down there in California and Mexico? How long does it take for them to get there? Is it true, as for other shorebirds, that the female leaves first, leaving the male to look after the chicks? And, as we are all waiting to see now, will these birds come back here? Or go somewhere else? And when, when, when will they come back! I can hardly wait!

## Skookumchuck Prairie IBA



Links:

Real-time Map tracking Curlews banded in BC:  
<http://birdscanada.org/research/speciesatrisk/index.jsp?targetpg=lbcu>  
 Real-time Map tracking Curlews banded in western US:  
[https://schall11.github.io/curlew\\_vision/#](https://schall11.github.io/curlew_vision/#)  
 Skookumchuck Prairie on eBird:  
[https://ebird.org/canada/barchart?byr=1900&eyr=2018&bmo=1&emo=12&r=CA-BC\\_258](https://ebird.org/canada/barchart?byr=1900&eyr=2018&bmo=1&emo=12&r=CA-BC_258)  
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# Helpful Hints

In Memory of Vi Cockell

By Sherry Shields



## Spring Time is Garden Time

### 1. Re Use

Don't throw away neglected, old garden tools found at the back of the shed during a clear out; given a little care they can be reclaimed and may well prove more durable than brand new ones.

### 2. Care of Garden Tools

If the head of a spade, fork, rake or hoe is caked with dirt, wash off the mud and debris in a bucket of warm water with a little washing-up liquid, using a stiff brush, then allow to dry thoroughly.

### 3. TLC for wooden handles

If an old handle is scruffy but otherwise sound, rub it smooth with sandpaper, then paint it generously with linseed oil. Stand it in an empty tin can to collect any drips, allowing several days for the oil to soak in, then wipe with a soft rag before storing.

*"We pay a price for everything we get or take in this world; and although ambitions are well worth having, they are not to be cheaply won, but exact their dues of work and self denial, anxiety and discouragement."* L.M. Montgomery, Anne of Green Gables

## Wasa Country Pancake Breakfast

The Wasa Country Pancake Breakfasts will take place again this summer beginning Saturday, June 30<sup>th</sup> and every Saturday until September 1<sup>st</sup>.

Come out and enjoy a great breakfast with friends and neighbours. If you have any questions contact a committee member; Bonnie Meena, Val Dmytriw, or Orlena Campbell.



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## Preparing For A Future With Wildfire *Continued from Cover*

3. A number of privately-owned portable fire units, of similar design and purpose as the community-owned units. Privately-owned units and equipment will be funded and managed by their owners. Both community-owned and private units must have compatible fittings and pumps so they can be used together. When a fire threatens the community, all units will be called into action through an organized phone tree.

4. Residences equipped with their own stationary water cubes with gas powered pumps, plus small equipment, ready to protect their property

This is a long-term plan that requires community support and participation to succeed, and we are just in the beginning stages. Here are the answers to a few of the questions that have come up:

### Q. Where did this idea come from?

A. The reason for creating a strategy to deal with fire stems from necessity; wildfires are expected to become increasingly prevalent throughout North America and we currently

have no plan in place. The model we hope to emulate comes from the St Mary's River Valley where residents have developed and successfully used the portable water tank system since 2012.

### Q. Will my residence be protected?

A. We do not have the resources nor the know-how to fight structural fires. We are not protecting houses; we are protecting the community by preventing fire from spreading. We hope, however, to be able to save homes from burning through fast and appropriate action. The proposed service area includes the approximately 400 lots within the WLLID boundary and about 2 km up Wolf Creek Road to the end of Ford's subdivision. However, any fire in the area is a potential threat to us all, so common sense dictates that any fire in the vicinity would be addressed.

### Q. How will the strategy be funded?

A. Funding for the community-owned units will come from grants, and we will be seeking donations of money, expertise, supplies, equipment, and time from residents. Home-

owners will be asked to provide, at the very least, a stationary water cube with small gas powered pump to protect their own property. (See Component #4 above) The greater the number of homeowners who go the extra mile and set up their own portable water units ready to take to a fire at another location, the greater our chances of success in protecting the whole community. We are depending upon having a number of portable units able to action the fire, and also to top up the community-owned units.

Volunteers will be at the May 19th Pancake Breakfast to inform and demonstrate with a portable trailer unit and water cubes. A public meeting is tentatively planned for June.

Contact any member of the planning committee for further information and come see us at the Pancake Breakfast May 19th. Sharon Prinz prinzsharon@gmail.com; Bill Walkley larchrd@shaw.ca; Lyle Zaksauskas zaksauskasl@shaw.ca; Jane Walter s.janewalter@gmail.com; Mike Gall mikejohngall@gmail.com; Kathy McCauley kathyemccauley@gmail.com

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## Margaret "Peggie" Annabelle Pusztay

1930 - 2018



On the evening of Sunday, January 21, 2018, surrounded by her loved ones, Margaret "Peggie" Annabelle Pusztay passed away at the East Kootenay Regional Hospital at the age of 87½ years young.

Peggie was born in Edmonton, Alberta on May 10, 1930, the eldest daughter of three girls.

She married her beloved husband Emmery Pusztay and they were blessed with four children. She lived in many places throughout her life – Alberta, B.C. and Honduras, Central America. Peggie became a resident of Ta Ta Creek in August of 1998 and owned the Ta Ta Creek Store. She also volunteered folding the Tri Village Buzz in the early 2000's.

She was a wonderfully devoted wife, mother, Granni, auntie and friend. She was loved dearly by all of us. Mom had a magnetism that drew people to her, both young and old. Her gift was loving and accepting people as they were and they in turn loved her back. Her legacy is an inspiration to us all and it lives on in her family.

Peggie loved the opera and live theatre and truly enjoyed playing the piano. She had many other hobbies that included playing cards (double solitaire, rummy), scrabble and crib and doing crossword puzzles, embroidery and knitting.

Left to mourn her passing are her children; Chris (Daysi), Maggie (Rob) and Clair (George). She also leaves her much loved grandchildren; Clair (Josh), Vanessa (Justin), Ellen, Cesar (Gaby), Jeff, Britt and her great grandchildren; Ceci and Ariel. Peggie was predeceased by her son, Emmery (Jim) (1974); her husband Emmery (1999); her twin sisters Ailene (2016) and Eilene (2017) as well as her special cousin, Freddy (1983). Peggie is survived by her brother-in-law Ed and numerous nieces and nephews throughout the world. She also leaves behind her adopted grandchildren; Dartanion, Jayson, Phiefer, Rumour and Talon.

**A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 120-7<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, Cranbrook BC V1C 2J4 (Evolution Tae Kwon-Do Club Hall) from 1:00 to 5:00 pm. Mom/Granni/Peggie loved bright colours, so please feel free if you wish, in wearing them to her Celebration of Life!**

In lieu of flowers, you may make a memorial donation to the Palliative Care Unit of the East Kootenay Regional Hospital (<https://ekfh.ca/donate/>). As well, condolences may be left for the family at [www.markmemorial.com](http://www.markmemorial.com). We are grateful for the love and friendship you all gave to Mom in life and for all your love and support during her passing. Thank you and God bless you all.



Submitted by Terry Marvel

Hello community. The Wasa Lions Club is always looking for new members and in an attempt to draw more members from the community we have initiated a group called The Healthy Club. This was formed to improve the way we operate and to make our Club more attractive to prospective new members as well as our regular membership. We strive to improve our club at all times but sadly,

we continue to lose members at an alarming rate. We welcome any feedback from the general community in an attempt to build our club back up to where we were at one time. On a positive note, we once again are organizing our annual Highway Cleanup campaign which will be held May 5, 2018. We meet at the Lion's grounds at 10:00 Saturday, where we receive safety vests and garbage bags. The community is welcome to help out. There's always lots of garbage in the ditches following the winter's snows. Who knows? One might even find a treasure or two! You are urged to wear sensible shoes and gloves and appropriate clothing. Hope to see you there!

The Lion's will also be holding our annual Family Event Sunday, June 16<sup>th</sup>, Father's Day weekend. There will be the giant garage sale as well as beautiful planters to be won on a draw basis. We hope to see the community there. It's a great way to meet all our neighbors and have a visit and find that little something that you have been looking for forever. The garage sale committee is always looking for gently used items that are just in your way that might be useful to someone else.

Have a great spring and hope to see everyone at our events!

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## Wasa and District Historical Association & Memorial Garden Group

submitted by - Sherry Shields

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Columbarium Niche prices contact Pat Walkey 250-422-3530

Copies of the Kootenay Ripples Historical book are available at the Wasa Country Pub & Grill or contact Pat Walkey.

### Update from Sandy Kay: Our lady of dedication and passion.

Sandy has applied for funds from the Columbia Basin Trust Foundation to offset the cost of the second Columbarium planned for the Memorial Garden. These funds are part of the Grants available for the 2018/2019 Columbia Basin Trust Foundation. Fingers crossed that Sandy's February letter combined with the April 4th meeting where she defended the application will be successful for the Garden.

Columbia Basin Broadband Corporation tower upgrade has been completed. Through their upgrade process two of the Gardens transplanted blue spruce had to be removed. The Broadband Corp has agreed to replace the trees. Thank you Sandy for keeping them accountable.

Each time I visit the garden I notice little splashes of color, this past winter touches of red and green with spring in the air a welcome wreath of yellow & green. Thank you Sandy, visitors to the garden appreciate your little splashes of color.



**SPRING clean up for the garden will be Tuesday, May 1st @ 10:00 a.m.**

Thank you to the volunteers for their time. Many hands make for LIGHT work. Our garden reflects the pride we have in our community.

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Submitted by Judy McPhee

*"Without self-knowledge action has very little significance"*

P.D.

### FIREWATER

By Harold R. Johnson

Shortlisted for a Governor General's Award, a Canada Read Book full of wisdom, knowledge and quick to read. It is written to his people, the Cree, by Harold from the Wood Land Cree Tribe. He is a Crown Persecutor, L.L.B. Graduate from U.of SK. and Masters from Harvard University.

He was tired of seeing his people before him in court, time and time again and burying his relatives and friends from the impacts of alcohol consumption. He wrote this eye-opener book. He could not keep quiet anymore. The author wanted to do something to change the story. He writes only to his people. *"If you here my words and you use them, take them, otherwise, leave them here."* Life is a choice. The theme of this book is *"Everything is a story, you are a story, I am a story, the universe is a story, the earth is a story. God is a story, right down to the smallest thing. Alcohol is a story too."*

*"We each have our own understanding of our place in the universe, each one of us can change our story."*

A thought- provoking book, full of sadness for many of his people and life as it is. Life is a complex experience.

### CANOE COUNTRY The Making of Canada By Roy MacGregor

*"The canoe is an aboriginal gift to our country."*-- Roy

In a CBC's morning show "Sounds of Canada" over 1 million submissions came in for a national wonder. The canoe won! NO CANOE, no exploration, no fur trade, no dugout, no birchbark canoe, no kayak, no umiak, and perhaps no survival for various indigenous people.

As a matter of interest - the canoe took Wasa's Susanne Ashmore on a mapping and exploration trip on the French River in Ontario in 1976 or 1977 for two months where she was hired by a French Tourist Business. You may see her this summer on the lake canoeing in her unique way.

Canada exists because of the canoe. U.S.A. because of the horse. An interesting story in the book is about why the loon is on the loonie and not the canoe, besides the fact that a "canoeie" sounds ridiculous.

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<b>6</b> Church 10:30 a.m.	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> BINGO 6:30 Early Bird 6:45 Regular	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b> Church 10:30 a.m. <i>Mother's Day</i> Tri Village Kids Mother's Day Tea	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> ● New Moon Wasa Lions Mtg 7 p.m. Wasa Hall	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>  Pancake Breakfast
<b>20</b> Church 10:30 a.m.	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b> Church 10:30 a.m.	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> ○ Full Moon	<b>30</b> Rec Society Mtg 7 p.m.	<b>31</b>	We the volunteers of the Tri-Village Buzz Newsletter reserve the right to refuse to print submissions due to legality, length, good taste or discriminating beliefs.	

## LEGEND

- Church 10:30 a.m.
- Rec Society 7:00 p.m.
- Quilters Tues. 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
- Library Tues. 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
- TOPS Fri 8:30 a.m. Weigh in & Mtg. 9 a.m. - 10 a.m.
- BINGO 6:30 p.m.
- Lions 7:00 p.m.

## Special Events and Days Down the Road

- Saturday, June 9th Memorial - Clare Trach
- June 9th & 10th 2018 Wasa Triathlon
- Saturday, June 16th, 2018 Wasa Lions Garage Sale / Family Day Event
- Saturday, June 30th Pancake Breakfasts begin
- No Newsletter in JULY



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Cellular Dial - #7277

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## NUMBERS AT A GLANCE

Ashram Meditation & Yoga.....	250.422.9327
Bruno's Plumbing.....	250.342.5105
Catamount Contracting.....	250.422.3694
Cory's Dog Grooming.....	250.427.2311
Cranbrook/Kimberley Hospice...	250.417.2019
Econobuilt.....	250.421.7813
<b>EMERGENCY.....</b>	<b>1-800-663-5555 (*5555)</b>
Hi Heat Insulating.....	250.422.3457
HD Railings.....	250.422.3457
Kootenay Kwik Print.....	250.489.4213
Kootenay Monument Installations....	422.3414
Lantz Farms (Hay).....	250.420.1660
Pos n Go.....	1.888.342.8882
Rascal Dock Systems.....	250.421.1746
TOPS.....	250.422.3510/422.3686
Wasa Lake Gas & Food.....	250.422.9271
Wasa Hall.....	250.422.3514/422.3795
Wasa Hardware & Building Ctr...	250.422.3123
Wasa Lions Med Equip....	422.3227/422.3499
Wasa Lions Trail Donations.....	250.422.3773
Wasa Memorial Garden (Pat Walkey).	422.3530
Wasa Post Office.....	250.422.3122