Hills Garlic Festival a huge hit despite rainy weather

by Art Joyce

Although rainy weather dampened the enthusiasm of some, this year’s Hills Garlic Festival remained a star attraction for the area. Paid attendance was 4,400 – down from about 1,600 from last year – plus about 1,000 kids and vendors, for a total of about 5,400 people on the grounds throughout the day.

It doesn’t hurt that the festival was recently named among the world’s top 10 garlic festivals by VirtualTourist.com, alongside such exotic locales as Ferrara, Italy; Arles, France; and Isle of Wight, UK, as reported in the Vancouver Sun and Calgary Sun.

Festival coordinator Ellen Kinsel says the weather didn’t deter people from coming, but prevented them from staying. “Normally people do their shopping and then hang out to take in the music and the ambiance. I think it probably hurt the vendors more than it hurt us.” Some vendors have emailed to say sales were down but they’re still happy. “Nobody said this was rotten, I’m never coming again.” Kinsel will be following up with vendors for more detailed feedback.

The festival boasts about an 80 percent return rate on vendors, with 30 new outlets this year, and more garlic vendors than ever before. The waiting list closes in mid-March but email requests from vendors keep pouring in. “We’re not quite there, but we’re getting more vendors that are committed to coming every year.” The festival is holding steady at 165 vendors and has no plans for further expansion. Kinsel says that’s about all they can manage with the number of volunteers that are available.

Speaking of volunteers, Kinsel says the festival had two “exceedingly competent” volunteer coordinators this year, who call up the same volunteer list from year to year. It takes about 50 volunteers to run the festival smoothly. Volunteers do everything from working at the site to the more hidden but especially vital behind-the-scenes jobs such as selling ‘early bird’ tickets at the Friday Market in New Denver. There are only 500 advance tickets printed so for next year attendees are advised to get them early. They’re usually sold out by lunchtime on the last Friday Market before the festival.

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CBC Radio contacted Kinsel the Friday before the festival and did an interview, which was broadcast shortly afterward. “I said, no we don’t want any more advertising! That’s the problem, you’re the victim of your own success.”

The festival currently advertises only through media partnerships, and it’s exploring ways of ‘greening up’ its food service implements. The possibility is being discussed of festivals pooling resources to bulk buy biodegradable service implements. The festival is also trying to find ways to deal better with the waste issues generated by festivals. An Environmental Initiatives grant from CBT is funding the project and paid for a consultant to assess how the festivals can improve their environmental footprint.

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A patron entrance/exit. Chris and Anastasia Love took advantage of the Hills Garlic Festival to buy some groceries.
BC tour of Water on the Table premiers in Kaslo

by Jan McMurray

“There is a mighty struggling taking place in the world between those who see water as a commodity to be put on the open market like running shoes or Coca-Cola and sold to the highest bidder, and those who say no, it’s part of our common heritage; it’s a public trust, it belongs to other species; and it belongs to future generations as much as it belongs to this one.”

This quote by Maude Barlow, famous Canadian activist known as the “international water warrior,” comes from a film called Water on the Table by Liz Marshall, a Canadian filmmaker with a strong commitment to social justice.

Marshall is currently taking the film on a world tour, and held the premiere BC screening at the Langham in Kaslo on September 16. Marshall attended the screening along with MLA Michelle Mungall and Raelyn Gibson of the West Kootenay EcoSociety.

In MLA Mungall’s introductory remarks at the screening, she congratulated Marshall, as Water on the Table has been nominated for a Gemini Award for best social, political documentary. “Liz calls it ‘the little film that could’ because she is up against films with much more resources, “said Mungall. “And I was thinking that was like Kaslo – the little town that could stop a large multinational corporation from coming here and taking our water. I have no doubt that we will see Glacier Creek running from the top down to the Duncan Reservoir without obstruction, and that’s because of the great energy in Kaslo and the region.”

While working on the film, Liz Marshall and her team came to the West Kootenay to do some filming on the Glacier/Howser independent power project. Although the Glacier/Howser story did not make it into Water on the Table, Marshall created a special mini-feature entitled, ‘British Columbia and the privatization of Hydro: The Glacier/Howser story’ and included it on the DVD.

The special feature on Glacier/Howser was screened at the Langham event. It includes interviews with Les Ann Ungar of the West Kootenay EcoSociety, MLA Mungall, and Neil Murphy of Purcell Green Power, and shows footage of a ceremony held at Glacier Creek by local people Eloise Charet and Mick and Storm Grabowsky.

The footage of the Glacier Creek ceremony is also shown at the end of Water on the Table while the credits are running, and much of the imagery in the film is from the West Kootenay. “One of the richest water images you saw throughout the film was shot here,” commented Marshall at the Langham screening.

The inspiration for Water on the Table goes back to 2003, when Marshall read Maude Barlow’s first book about the global water crisis, Blue Gold. Maude Barlow is the national chairperson of the Council of Canadians and earned her reputation as ‘international water warrior’ through her tireless work to have water declared a human right. The film focuses on Barlow’s life in 2008-2009, and highlights three important ‘water’ stories.

One of the stories is about the successful fight to stop construction of a dump site on an aquifer in Simcoe County, Ontario. Another is about the Alberta tar sands. Barlow says in the film that every barrel of oil extracted from the tar sands destroys four barrels of water. “Alberta will be a water-have not province soon – no one can believe it, but it’s true,” she says. In the film, people from the First Nations community of Fort Chipewyan near the tar sands speak about their now polluted water and the rise in cancer in the community.

The third story is about Barlow’s crusade to have water declared a human right during her term as Senior Advisor on Water to the 53rd president of the UN General Assembly. Her efforts have garnered some success. Since the film was made, in July this year, the UN General Assembly recognized the human right to water and sanitation. Of the 192 member countries represented in the vote, 122 voted yes and 41 abstained, including Canada.

Marshall explained during the discussion after the film that all the rich countries abstained from the UN vote because they are interested in the market model for water. The market model side of the story is also explored in Water on the Table, in interviews with policy and economic experts who argue in favour of the privatization of water and the bulk export of water.

The Water on the Table DVD, including the special feature on Glacier/Howser, will be released in stores Canada-wide on October 19. The DVD can be ordered online at www.wateronthetable.com – go to the ‘shop’ button. The website is full of information about the film, about Maude Barlow, and about the issues.

Government sets HST referendum for next September submitted

There will be a province-wide referendum on the HST in September 2011. The all-party Select Standing Committee on Legislative Initiatives has opted to give all British Columbians a ‘double majority’ threshold for the referendum, one of the two options available to the committee under the Recall and Initiative Act.

The Premier has maintained, the question for the committee has always been which of the available options is the most appropriate way to give British Columbians a say on this issue,” says Kamloops-North Thompson MLA Terry Lake, chair of the legislative committee. “The committee has now reflected on that and determined that most British Columbians want a direct say on this matter. A referendum will ensure all British Columbians will have their voices heard.”

In keeping with the law, the committee has now referred the petition and draft legislation to the Chief Electoral Officer, who will work with the government to ensure the referendum is conducted in a way that ensures public confidence in the process.

Further, Premier Gordon Campbell has stated while the law has a specific ‘double majority’ threshold for the referendum to pass, the government will feel obliged to honour the peoples’ will based on a simple majority of votes cast.

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NOTICE:

TAX SALE

The following described property and improvements thereon shall be offered for “Sale by Public Auction” at the Village of Slocan Municipal Office on Monday, September 27th, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. unless Delinquent Taxes are sooner paid:

Property:

Lots 1 & 2, Block 7, Plan 496, Kootenay Land District
807 Delany Avenue, Slocan

Property:

Lot 11, Block 54, Plan 496, Kootenay Land District
520 Springer Street, Slocan

Highest tender or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Located at 307 Kildare Street, New Denver, B.C. V0G 1S0 prior to 4:00 p.m. on Friday, October 22, 2010.

Village Office, 115 Slocan Avenue, P.O. Box 40, New Denver, B.C., prior to delivery of the deed to the purchaser. Sealed tenders to be paid into the Trust account of the Village’s solicitor, a certified cheque for 10% of the total bid submitted. The balance to be paid into the Trust account of the Village’s solicitor, prior to delivery of the deed to the purchaser.

The completion date of the conveyance shall be the 30th day prior to delivery of the deed to the purchaser. All conveyance documents will be prepared by the Village’s Administrator. All conveyance documents will be prepared by the Village’s Administrator.

The Corporation of the Village of Slocan, P.O. Box 50, Slocan, B.C., V0G 2C0 in consideration of the sums of money of $475,000,000 being hereinafter advanced to the Village, do hereby sell, assign, transfer and convey to the highest tender or any tender not necessarily accepted, the following described lot:

Lot B N. Needles Road, Edgewater $475,000
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The Corporation of the Village of New Denver offers for sale by public tender, subject to conditions, the following described lot:

Lot 3, Block G, Plan 4177, District Lot 549, Kootenay Land District, PID-015-068-552. Dimension: 50 ft x 135 ft. Zoned: R1 “Single and Two Family Residential”. Located at 307 Kildare Street, New Denver, B.C., 2011. The all-party Select Standing Committee on Legislative Initiatives has opted to allow all British Columbians a ‘double majority’ threshold for the referendum to pass, the government will feel obliged to honour the peoples’ will based on a simple majority of votes cast.
Slocan Valley South to vote on library service October 16

submitted by Cathy Scott-May

After 10 months of consultation and discussions, residents in South Area H (South Slocan to Enterprise Creek) will soon be making their decision. Do they want to contribute to the local libraries and receive unrestricted access and new services that meet the needs of the rural communities?

On October 16, residents of Areas E, F and south H will vote on BC Hydro unloads Arrow Lakes water systems in referenda

by Jan McMurray

The Arrow Lakes communities of Burton, Edgewood, Faquaier and West Robson have agreed to transfer ownership of their water systems from BC Hydro to the RDCK. In referenda held September 11, all four communities voted in favour of the transfer of ownership. As a result, most residents in those communities will get free water, courtesy of BC Hydro.

“I am happy to see all the communities supported the RDCK to take over the systems because that will keep somewhere between $100,000 and $150,000 in their pockets every year instead of sending it to BC Hydro,” commented Area K Director Paul Peterson.

Edgewood was most overwhelmingly in favour, with 62 votes for the transfer, four votes against, and one spoiled ballot. Of the 67 votes, 98.9% were in favour. Voter turnout was 69.1%.

Next was West Robson, with 86.7% of votes in favour. Burton came out with 30 ‘yes’ votes, four ‘no’ votes and two spoiled ballots. Of the 36 votes, 88.2% were in favour. Voter turnout was 46.1%. Faquaier was not as enthusiastically in favour. There were 45 ‘yes’ notes, 27 ‘no’ votes, and two spoiled votes. Voter turnout was highest in Faquaier at 69.2%, and only 62.5% of votes cast were ‘yes’ votes—a much smaller majority than in the other communities.

BC Hydro will now pay the water bills of all property owners in these four communities who have registered with BC Hydro’s Water System Administrator and brought their accounts into good standing. BC Hydro will pay the residents’ water bills until their properties transfer ownership.

If the majority votes yes, residents will no longer have to purchase a membership to either the Nelson or Castlegar Libraries. All residents will have equal access to library services. There will be satellite service in the Slocan Valley and up Kootenay Lake, and improved hours and service at the Nelson and Castlegar Library locations. There will also be an improved and expanded collection of materials to use and borrow. A shut-in service for people who cannot leave their homes will be available. If all three Electoral Areas vote yes, then new and improved services can be implemented to support youth. Area H residents will have representation on the boards of trustees for both the Nelson and Castlegar Libraries.

As the Slocan Valley is served by both the Nelson and Castlegar Libraries, the boards of trustees for each library met in July 2010 to work out an agreement on how to best support residents in accessing library services from both libraries. Valley residents will choose one library to be their home library. Using the BC One card, residents can still access the other library, as well as all other libraries in the province of BC.

If residents vote no, the library will be unable to offer the services designed to meet the needs of rural communities. No decision has been made as to what the library will be like, but if residents want the library service we negotiated. My job now is to get the residents out to vote on the proposed library service and ensure they have the information they need to make an informed decision on October 16.”

Information about the proposed new services, who is eligible to vote, as well as when and where to vote is available at http://rdck.bc.ca/publicinfo/news.html, www.nelsonlibrary.ca and http://castlegar.bc.ca. Residents can receive the information directly to their email address and/or ask questions by sending an email to libraryinfo@rdck.bc.ca. The Nelson Library is also on Facebook.

Community organizations who would like someone to attend one of their meetings to answer questions about the referenda can call the Regional District at 250-352-6665 or the Nelson Library at 250-352-6333. Residents are also welcome to stop in at the Nelson or Castlegar Libraries to pick up information and ask questions, or attend the upcoming Nelson Library Open House on October 1.

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Serving the Arrow and Slocan Lakes

Congratulations to Ed and Katrine Conroy, whose bull was named Supreme Champion Bull of all breeds at the Interior Provincial Exhibition in Armstrong on September 4. The bull also won Grand Champion Hereford Bull at the event. The bull will now be competing in the Canadian National Finals in Regina at the end of November. Ed and Katrine, Kootenay West MLA, own a ranch in Pass Creek.

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Drugs and chaos reign in Slocan

Drugs and chaos seem to reign in the Village of Slocan.

Bylaws can’t be enforced because there is no ticketing bylaw which would allow people to be fined for infractions. Dog owners who let their dogs roam, loose or walk them without a leash will not be fined. Instead, the dogs are punished by being caught and impounded. If the owners don’t have the money, they can say they don’t want them back and the dog is then put down at the cost of the taxpayers. A person can make their yards and boulevards into dumps or junkyards if they wish.

Council won’t or can’t enforce anything in the village. I have to assume that they don’t care.

Groceries are abundant in the homes and surrounding area. Actually I think the number of people who smoke dope or have grow-ops probably out-number the number of people who don’t. The RCMP hardly ever are seen in this community. The taxpayers seem to be too scared to say anything or have given up.

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Slocan

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Dismayed with destruction of trees along New Denver lakefront

Although I live just outside the Village boundary, I was born in New Denver, and it has been my home for many years. I was very dismayed when I heard of the recent tree vandalism along Bellevue and the Mori Lakeside Trail. I used to walk these paths as a child and loved to walk in the village. But when factually saw these beautiful trees, some as large as a tree and a half in diameter, all destroyed, I made me very angry. The trees are not only a source of beauty and contribute to the environment, but also provide a place for people to relax and enjoy nature.

Many people, residents many years. I was very dismayed when Denver, and it has been my home for construction of trees along New Denver lakefront.

The Valley Voice

A war with Iran

The internet is ripe with reports, some from sources close to the Israeli Government such as informed journalist Jeffrey Goldberg, published in The New York Times, that Iran has sufficient uranium enrichment facilities to maintain a nuclear weapon. The US government has been pressuring Iran to loosen restrictions on its nuclear program. The US and its allies have imposed sanctions on Iran, and the European Union has also imposed economic sanctions. The International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) has been monitoring Iran's nuclear activities.

The Revolutionary Guard, the Iranian armed forces, are on high alert and have already moved forces to the Iraqi border. Iran has also stationed a fleet of rocket-equipped high-speed vessels in the Gulf of Hormuz. The Iranian defense forces have a fleet of rocket-equipped high-speed vessels that will certainly attack US and other NATO military vessels in the Gulf in proximity to Iranian waters. The US is equipped with medium-range missiles and has made direct threats against Israel. Iran has been a beneficiary of the international community's support for the resolution of the nuclear issue.

The UN Resolution 1929 requires that Iran be subjected to inspections and that US and allies impose economic sanctions on Iran. The US and its allies have already imposed economic sanctions on Iran. Iran is equipped with medium-range missiles and has made direct threats against Israel. Iran has been a beneficiary of the international community's support for the resolution of the nuclear issue.

Some of the failures are his own. He is so very rational. Too much so - he wants to compromise with, include and understand all the elements of American life without their consent, and he will not go down to the root (Latin roots) of causes that would make him truly radical in solving America's many social, political and economic problems, and the other explanation is not just Obama's flawed political methods or inclinations. It is in the fact that elections put presidents into power but only elections themselves give them a mandate, and elections are counted. Too many American elites are part of the process to the 'change' and the 'hope' that Obama promised the masses.

If the popular mobilization that put Obama in power would continue day by day, then his true strength and base of power of the people would manifest itself and be effective. But people cannot live politics that intensely on a daily basis; only during a brief period around the election are elections focused, and after the votes are counted. Too many American elites are part of the process to the 'change' and the 'hope' that Obama promised the masses.

If only they would come out in person to say anything that until they have what Obama promised them, America's masses could have the justice they have said they want. But that of course is a spurious definition of a revolution, and that is not on the USA's horizon. The American people, a people so unalterably indoctrinated with the ideology of their unique blessedness and liberty, will never be revolutionarily. They believe themselves to be the envy of the world. Their 'culture' ensures they cannot act collectively for long.

And in case Canadians think they are quite different from Americans in regard to our political intelligence, we need only recall that Prime Minister Harper is proving adept at playing on our apathy, ignorance, lack of engagement, and general disgust with politics. Falling voter participation and the collapse of critical independent news services here are indicators of our malaise too.

The intense hatreds unleashed by elections put presidents into power but only elections themselves give them a mandate, and elections are counted. Too many American elites are part of the process to the 'change' and the 'hope' that Obama promised the masses.

I am very glad the Village council printed a notice that the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Lands had written a letter to the Village of New Denver confirming that an herbicide poison had been used to kill trees and vegetation all across this very same area. Poisoning with herbicide as done in the past, or tree girdling as done in this time, are sly, sneaky, selfish and dishonest ways for someone to get what they want while ignoring that these are public trees and belong to the whole community; that there is a Village bylaw against tree vandalism; and that we live in a democracy that has elected a Village council.

I have heard it claimed that property owners on Bellevue pay higher taxes because of their views and that some owners believe it is therefore their right to have completely unimpeded views, demanding that Villagers cut down the trees from the boulevard all the way down to the lake.

However, through the BC Assessment Authority, I have learned that a property owner on Bellevue that might have properties that have a higher assessed market value is not at all the size of their views, but their physical proximity to the waterfront. This is made clear by the fact that all the lots along Bellevue - regardless of whether they have wide open views or a view of water glimpsed through trees – have an equal rate of assessed value directly due to their proximity and ease of access to the lakefront. The only difference in land value between these lots is the result of their lot size.

The claim "I pay for a view!" is simply not true.

The BC Assessors state that property buyers represent a very diverse range of opinions as to what people find attractive in land. A lot that has a view without trees will not be attractive to buyers who prefer to have trees, as it may be a windbreak and shelter from the sun.

I am very glad the Village council has taken the stand they have on this issue. I have seen one home robbed of its trees but of its taxpayer's funds because they are now a hazard.

Some one has been getting away with taking the law into their own hands in this village for a long time. (In cities like Vancouver this wanton destruction of trees is punished with fines ranging from $5000 to $10,000 per tree.) I hope the RCPM work diligently to investigate and put a stop to this vandalism once and for all.

Don Currie

Slocan
Slocan council, September 13: Mayor makes statement on the arrest of her husband and sons

by Jan McMurray

Before calling the meeting to order, Mayor Madeline Pernen made the following statement to the many members of public in attendance:

“The last Valley Voice reported on the arrest of my husband and two sons. I had no knowledge of the action prior to their arrest.

“No charges have been laid so far, but this is a private matter, and as a family we are ready to face the consequences and accept the outcome of the situation.

“I informed my council and the staff and have received their support. I would like to thank all the people from the community who came to reaffirm their trust in me. I want to reassure everybody of my commitment to the Village.

“This private matter involves my family and should not reflect poorly on the rest of council.

“If anyone feels I should reconsider my position as your mayor, please contact me personally. I need to hear your feelings.

“We are in council chambers and this is the place to take care of Village business. I ask you to respect that. Please restrict any comments, good or bad, relating to my family situation.

“You know for hearing me, and I would like to proceed with the purpose of this meeting – taking care of Village business.

“Following a request from the Slocan Village Rate Payers and Business Licensees Association for a municipal ticketing bylaw at the last council meeting, the staff provided council with two reports on bylaw enforcement, forwarded to the Village by the Young, Anderson law firm. The reports outline different ways a municipality can enforce bylaws, including Municipal Ticket Information (MITI) systems and other alternatives.

“The staff report on this item states that “... Municipal Ticketing can be an effective means of enforcement, but only when a specific set of circumstances exist. Given the potential costs of the litigation required for enforcement to be effective, there are substantive drawbacks to such an option. This is especially true when there are alternatives which, if actively employed, may prove to be just as effective in practice.”

“Council followed staff’s recommendation to receive the information only. Other actions council could have taken include directing staff to draft a ticketing bylaw or to draft a policy for pursuing other legal means of bylaw enforcement.

“The bylaw will have a vehicle clean-up day, probably during the second week of October. Residents will have to ensure the vehicles disposed of at no charge. CAO Shana Paivarinta reported that a salvage company had agreed to provide the service to the Village for free. “Salvage” tickets will be given to residents to place on the dash of all vehicles they would like to dispose of. All vehicles parked on the boulevards with this ticket on the dash will be picked up.

“The intent of the vehicle clean-up is to help with “Vehicle beautification,” which has been a priority, and to clear the boulevards in preparation for winter snow clearing.

“The library stairs are in need of repairs that will cost approximately $2,000 to $2,500. The Village will ask the Municipal Insurance Authority (MIA) if the $1,517 grant available to Slocan this year can be used towards the project. The remaining $500 will come from the Wellness Centre capital reserve.

“Council received a report on dog control, and passed a motion to encourage the public to provide constructive feedback that would help council improve the Dog and Animal Control Bylaw 483.

“Since August 2, when the Village began actively enforcing the bylaw, there have been eight impoundments, four overnight impoundments in Nelson, two dogs surrendered to the SPCA and 265 collected and returned.

“There has also been a marked increase in the number of dog licences purchased. There have been 29 tags purchased for a total of $582 this year. Last year, there were 15 tags purchased for a total of $370.

“The Village has incurred costs of about $712 this year in enforcing the bylaw – much less than the costs incurred by Slocan in the past few years to hire third party bylaw enforcement. The staff report states that fees collected in 2010 will probably not quite cover the costs and “it looks as though in a best-case scenario the Village will break even” on enforcing the bylaw this year.

“The report points out that the enforcement has led to a much higher level of compliance with the bylaw. It also notes that the Village office has received numerous complaints about enforcement as well as more complaints about dog behaviour since August 2.

“An update on the Slocan Holdings request for a new and developed Fitz Avenue was provided by staff.

“On August 25 and 26, Slocan Holdings work crew began falling trees and removing vegetation on Fitz Avenue without authorization. The Village obtained a court order to stop the work. On August 10, the Village sent Slocan Holdings a letter, outlining two different ways the Fitz Avenue work could be paid for. No response had been received. During public time, Eunice Ludlow of Slocan Holdings said that she had sent a request to the mayor, but probably too late for this meeting. She said the letter requested a meeting with council.

“A landscaping project will be complete by mid-September. The landscaping is designed to be energy efficient and to require minimal maintenance. The project is expected to cost about $10,000 and will be paid for with Village Office Energy Improvement Grant funds.

“There will be about $40,000 left of the grant funding once this project is completed. Staff reported that they are working on a plan to spend the rest of the grant by the end of March 2011.

“A letter from the owner of Fullabeans raises concerns about the increase in her business licence fee from $250 to $330 this year. The business, the misspelling of her business name on the highway sign, and her water shut-off. Council will meet with her to discuss the situation.

“As a result of her letter, staff prepared an amendment to the bylaw that sets the water rates. Currently, Fullabeans fits into the ‘restaurants, coffee shops, cafes at retail level’ category. The bylaw amendment creates a ‘coffee stand’ category, with an annual rate of $24. Council gave the amendment bylaw third readings.

“Council received a letter from Laili Matsubayashi, a former resident of the Japanese-Canadian internment camp in Slocan City during World War II. She is helping to organize a reunion for former internees at the Slocan City, Bay Farm and Popoff camps. The reunion will be held Oct 9.

“Council was very happy to grant her requests. The Village will provide a letter from the mayor, as well as T-shirts, pins and hats for door prizes at the event. However, only candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.

“Council received a letter from P.O. Box 50, 503 Slocan Street, Slocan BC, V0G 2C0.

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New Denver councillor’s report on proposed Lucerne Greenhouse Learning Centre
by Kevin Murphy

As community support for a greenhouse project in the New Denver area was shown in three recent public processes, the Village of New Denver and School District No. 10 decided to collaborate on a grant application to create the Lucerne Greenhouse Learning Centre.

The application to the Community Connections grant program through the Union of BC Municipalities and the BC School Trustees’ Association was successful. Although funding has been acquired, the Lucerne Greenhouse Learning Centre project is still in the proposal stage. School and community consultation will take place in the next few months.

The three recent public processes that resulted in support for a greenhouse project in the New Denver area include the Healthy Housing Society’s ‘Building a Healthy Economy’ project, the Village of New Denver’s Resilience Action Plan, and the Lucerne School’s April 2010 community meeting.

In February 2010 the Healthy Housing Society initiated a study funded by Columbia Basin Trust, and hosted a series of forums on ‘Building A Healthy Economy in the North Slocan Valley.’ Of the many potential projects identified during that process, a greenhouse project was deemed most likely to succeed.

Consequently, the society is currently conducting a feasibility study related to greenhouses in the North Slocan Valley. The study will be completed next month.

The Village of New Denver recently completed a comprehensive Resilience Action Plan to determine the best options for community resilience in the face of peak oil, climate change and related trends. The plan called for the encouragement of individual and community gardening.

Lucerne Elementary Secondary School held a community meeting in April 2010 and identified food security and farming as key elements for sustainability for the school and community.

The proposed greenhouse at Lucerne School would function as a neighbourhood learning centre, offering to community members hands-on workshops, consultation with professionals, and continuing education in greenhouse growing options.

The greenhouse would be located on the school’s south field. This is an ideal location – it is central, sunny and secure. This placement ensures that the field can still be used for recreation. This location also ensures that all members of the community that would have access to the facility. One quarter of the garden space would be dedicated to seniors, and would have a wheelchair-friendly surface. Raised beds are planned to enable seniors and disabled people to participate in gardening at the greenhouse learning centre.

Voluntary student participation in the assembly and development process is anticipated. There is the potential for a horticultural course offering in the future.

Due to the misinformation that has been spread about the project, development will be moderated until the school and community are apprised of the facts about the project. Meanwhile, estimates have been gathered and are being considered.

For Regional Electoral Area H:

Bylaw No 2160, being the “Electoral Area F Library Financial Contribution Service Establishment Bylaw 2160, 2010.”

For Regional Electoral Area F:

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For Regional Electoral Area G:

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For Regional Electoral Area A:

Bylaw No 2160, being the “Electoral Area A Library Financial Contribution Service Establishment Bylaw 2160, 2010.”

For Regional Electoral Area E:

Bylaw No 2160, being the “Electoral Area E Library Financial Contribution Service Establishment Bylaw 2160, 2010.”

FOR ADVANCE VOTING OPPORTUNITY

The Advance Voting Opportunity shall be held on October, Wednesday, 6 2010 between the hours of 8:00 am and 8:00 pm at:

For Electoral Area E:

Balfour Community Hall 6435 Bust St. Balfour, BC
Regional District of Central Kootenay Office 202 Lakeside Drive, Nelson, BC

For Electoral Area F:

Regional District of Central Kootenay Office 202 Lakeside Drive, Nelson, BC

For Regional Electoral Area H:

Winlaw Community Club 5879 Highway 6 Heden and Liberty Rd., Winlaw, BC
Regional District of Central Kootenay Office 202 Lakeside Drive, Nelson, BC

A recent change in provincial legislation now allows a qualified elector to vote on Advance Voting Day.

ELIGIBLE ELECTORS

The Local Government Act sets out the qualifications for electors entitled to vote at Local Government Voting and if you qualify, you may register at the time of voting by completing the required application form available at the voting place. To register you must meet the following qualifications:

Qualifications for a Resident Elector:

Must meet all of the following requirements:

(a) on General Voting Day you must be eighteen years of age or older;
(b) you must be a Canadian citizen;
(c) you must have resided in British Columbia in accordance with Section 52 of the Local Government Act for at least six months immediately preceding the day of registration;
(d) you must have resided within the area in which the vote is taking place in accordance with Section 52 of the Local Government Act for at least 30 days immediately preceding the day of registration;
(e) you must not be disqualified by the Local Government Act or any other enactment from voting on General Voting Day or be otherwise disqualified by law.

Resident electors not on the Voters List and wishing to register on voting day will be required to produce 2 pieces of identification (at least one with a signature) to prove identity.

The RDCK has recently enacted a bylaw which authorizes voting by mail ballot and establishes the procedures therefore. The only electors who may vote by mail ballot are the following:

(a) persons who have a physical disability, illness or injury that affects their ability to vote at an other voting opportunity; and
(b) persons who expect to be absent from the Regional District of Central Kootena;

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NOTICE OF OTHER VOTING (REFERENDUM)

ELECTORAL AREA E, ELECTORAL AREA F

AND ELECTORAL AREA H LIBRARY FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION SERVICE ESTABLISHMENT

For Regional Electoral Area H:

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For Regional Electoral Area G:

Bylaw No 2160, being the “Electoral Area G Library Financial Contribution Service Establishment Bylaw 2160, 2010.”

For Regional Electoral Area A:

Bylaw No 2160, being the “Electoral Area A Library Financial Contribution Service Establishment Bylaw 2160, 2010.”

Non-Resident electors not on the Voters List and wishing to register on voting day will be required to produce the following:

(a) a signature on the official register of electors in the legal voting area for that registration with a last name ending in a digit or a number 1 (at least one with a signature) to prove identity.

The questions to be asked to obtain the assent of the electors shall be the following:

1) Authorizes the Establishment of the Electoral Area E Library Financial Contribution Service with the annual requisition for at least $88,000?

2) Authorizes the Establishment of the Electoral Area F Library Financial Contribution Service with the annual requisition for at least $88,000?

3) Authorizes the Establishment of the Electoral Area G Library Financial Contribution Service with the annual requisition for at least $88,000?

4) Authorizes the Establishment of the Electoral Area H Library Financial Contribution Service with the annual requisition for at least $88,000?

TAKEN NOTICE that the above mentioned Bylaws may be inspected at the following location:

Regional District of Central Kootena
202 Lakeside Drive, Nelson, BC, during normal working hours, or is available for viewing on the RDCK website at www.rdck.bc.ca

Randy Matheson, Chief Elections Officer
Filmmakers from Burton and Nakusp both won awards in the Kootenay Express Summer Shorts Film Festival in Nelson in August. Joanne Alaric of Burton, and Rory Case, who grew up in Nakusp and now lives in Nelson, both graduated from the Selkirk College film program this past April. They both entered the Kootenay Express Summer Shorts Film Festival with films they made during the Selkirk College program.

The Express newspaper produces the festival in cooperation with Watershed Productions. All films screened during the festival at Lakeside Park every August are made by people from this region and are under 20 minutes long. Awards are given in three categories: documentary, drama, and sports and adventure.

“This film festival gives support to our local creators and helps to hold our community together because a lot of the movies are about ourselves,” said Nelson Becker, publisher of the Express.

This statement is very true of both Alaric and Case’s documentary films. Alaric’s film, Our Bus, is about the school bus ride from Edgewood to Nakusp, and Case’s film, The Box Lake Bowyer, is about Nakusp’s Clark Denill and his amazing bow making.

Alaric’s film won Best Documentary and Best in the Festival. It was a 12-minute film in the next month to the students at Nakusp Secondary School who ride the bus. She also has intentions of showing the film in Burton before Christmas, so watch for details.

Nakusp artist participating in national touring exhibition submitted

Nakusp visual artist Don Mabie, also known as Chuck Mabie, is participating in a national touring exhibition entitled Traffic: Conceptual Art in Canada c. 1965 to 1980. The exhibition is currently on display in Toronto, from September 10-November 28 in a number of venues across the city. Mabie/Stake is exhibiting some of his early Chuck Stake Enterprises correspondence mail art produced between 1973 and 1979. Correspondence art is a network of artists who mail art to one another around the world, a kind of creative commons for cross-fertilizing creativity. There are international exhibitions of the art, often comprising artists from 250 artists from 20 countries or more. A recent show called Imagine, a homage to John Lennon, attracted artists from 35 countries. Typically it employs drawings and collage, but could be from any media, including computer generated art. Between 5,000 and 15,000 artists will participate. Mabie has been involved in mail art since 1972.

“Some people even say it was a bit of a precursor to the internet,” says Mabie. “For example, you could send out a call for images of old tractors and people would send you that.” He says in its heyday it was exciting to receive a half-dozen envelopes in the mail and find material from as far afield as South America and Eastern European countries. In some cases, people in South America could be jailed for putting on mail art exhibitions. The network of correspondents then rallied to their defense with campaigns to free them. Mabie maintains correspondence with 50-70 mail art artists.

The exhibition will travel from Halifax to Montreal to Vancouver, where it will be installed at the Vancouver Art Gallery in 2012. The show is the first major account of development of Conceptual Art in Canada from the mid 1960s to the early 1980s. Considered by some art critics to be one of the most important and long-lasting art movements of the 20th century, Conceptual Art originated within the social and political turmoil of the 1960s – from feminism and gay liberation to anti-racism and anti-war movements – and presented a profound challenge to the institution of art.

Mabie is also involved in artist trading cards, and attended the first exhibition in Zurich, Switzerland in 1997, where it originated. He brought the idea back to Calgary and it has since occupied much of his time as an artist. A monthly trading session is held in Nakusp and this year will be the sixth anniversary of the event.

Mabie, who worked as an art instructor, has retired to Nakusp from Calgary with his wife Wendy Torgood. The couple built a small studio and a gallery known as Museum of Ephemerata (MOE), where there will be an exhibition of artist trading cards and mail art postcards from October 1-3. The gallery is located at 312 3rd Ave NW and will be open from 1 to 5 pm.

“I have a huge collection of stuff I’ve collected since 1972 so the idea is to go through the collection and show it from time to time.” For further information contact Mabie at toogoodsteluxes.net.
New Denver council, September 14: Petition against school greenhouse presented
by Michael Dorsey

*Resident Wanda Palmer presented council with a petition stating: “The undersigned DO NOT want a greenhouse built on the Upper or Lower fields of New Denver’s Schools.”

The petition was signed by 91 New Denver residents, and 26 others from Hills, Silverton, Rosebery and Three Forks. Palmer spoke against the school greenhouse project, re-addressing issues from her letter that was published in the September 8 Valley Voice and also sent to council.

Mayor thanked Palmer, and received for information the petition and her letter. Mayor Wright thanked Councillor Murphy for the “wise and professional way” he is dealing with this. Murphy commented that he had received several phone calls from petition signers, and “I believe the truth was stretched and misrepresented.”

* Mayor Wright noted that in spite of several attempts to contact the RCMP for an update on the tree vandalism along Bellevue, there has been no response. Wright will invite them to attend an October council meeting.

* Council instructed staff to write a letter of support for the aim and purposes of the New Denver-Silverton Trail Society, represented by Caitlin Perry.

* Administrator Gordon confirmed with council that Arbor Day would be on October 25.

* Councillor Greenwood reported that Public Works is cleaning the pumphouses, and that the new stainless steel pump has been ordered. Crews are catching up on brushing, signage, and regular duties. She complimented the crew for their brushing work at the end of 6th Street.

* Council decided to give the West Kootenay Float and Fly model airplane club a chance to use Centennial Park for the third day for their fall fly-off, as requested. Because most of the model aircraft are electric powered, noise should not be an issue. Council will ask the group to limit their flying time to two hours in the afternoon and two hours in the evening.

* In response to a query from Councillor Campbell about campground statistics, Administrator Gordon noted that as of July 31, attendance was down. She commented that it had been an “up and down” season, and a “tough year all around.”

* Mayor Wright reported that he would attend the CBT Symposium in Revelstoke October 22-24. Council then moved to send a councillor to attend, as well.

* Mayor Wright reported on several RDCK issues. A general Regional Parks Bylaw is being developed, with special sections for individual parks. The bylaw has received first reading. This establishes a full-time position for a District Fire Chief, who will have power to direct the local fire chiefs.

* Council then resolved to apply for the funding allocated to New Denver for 2010 from the RDCK’s Community Development Program.

* Councillor Murphy reported from the Building Design and Review Committee that the Royce’s Plan for 306 6th Avenue has been approved.

* Murphy also noted that Recreation Commission #6 will meet November 16, at which time the fall grant applications will be adjudicated. All applications must be submitted by November 12. Forms are available from the Village offices.

* Murphy reported that the summer swimming program was fully subscribed and very successful. He then reported that several signs (stop signs, No Camping on Beach signs, etc.) were “taken” from Biglow Bay. These will be replaced.

* It was reported that the Chamber of Commerce was working on a website redesign, and that Jeff Bustard will remain as manager till the end of April 2011. At that time, two staffers will be hired: one for the Visitor’s Centre, and the other for regular Chamber business.

* A request from Vern and Janice Gustafson for tree removal behind their property at 518 6th Avenue was granted, as long as the trees are clearly marked. The Village Crew will oversee the work.

* Councillor Murphy noted that Gustafson would “take care of everything” and there would be no cost to the Village.

* An application from Kahakutz-Farley of Calgary to use the Kohan Gardens for an August 20, 2011 wedding was approved. Administrator Gordon noted that they would be donating $100 to the garden. Council then voted to amend the rental rate in the Garden Use Policy from $30 to $100.

* Administrator Gordon was authorized to attend the West Kootenay-Boundary Local Government Management Association Fall Chapter meeting in Kaslo October 7-8.

* Council gave three readings to Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 652, 2010. This bylaw exempts Turner Memorial United Church, St. Anthony’s Catholic Church, St. Stephen’s Anglican Church and the Pentecostal Church from taxation.

* The September 28 council meeting was cancelled, as most council members will be at the Union of BC Municipalities conference.

* Accounts Payable of $78,893.28 (General) and $5,104.62 (Water) were approved.

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Evergreen Natural Foods celebrates 20 years of healthy business

by Art Joyce

Twenty years ago this October, Dave and Kit Mason bought the "dusty old fruit stand" in Crescent Valley owned by the Klassen family. The Little House Fruit Stand had been a fixture on the local scene since 1984. It was torn down by the Masons in 1994 to make way for a deli kitchen, was built in 1992 at 3,500 square feet. In 2001, the size of the store was doubled to 7,000 square feet and in 2005, the size of the store was reduced to 7,000 square feet. Evergreen is also 'green' conscious. The Masons invite their customers to celebrate their 20th anniversary on October 2.

"If the Klassens hadn’t started it, we wouldn’t have been able to continue the dream," says Dave. "A lot of people have told us they moved here partly because they knew ‘they’ be able to get the foods they needed at our store. Food is very social and it’s important to the health of the community."

The first expansion, complete with deli kitchen, was built in 1992 at 3,500 square feet. In 2001, the size of the store was doubled to 7,000 square feet and in both cases local builders were used. The Everbean Café was added in 2006. The broccoli is organic, fair trade coffee from Kootenay Organics and whenever possible, gluten-free products are offered. Kit says the gluten-free products are popular and people seem to like them.

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For the 20th anniversary celebration, local suppliers will be invited to offer demos of their products so customers can enjoy free samples. There will also be free draws for food baskets, “That way our customers can get to know the faces behind the products they love,” says Kit. “Also it’s a way to promote the hundred mile diet.”

The Valentine's Day celebration will be held at the Mason's store on October 2nd. The Valentine’s Day celebration will be held at the Mason's store on October 2nd.

"There will also be a short walk along the river on Rails to Trails. The event is a tribute to the importance of the clean headwater areas that descend into the valley and feed the Slocan River, one of the last free flowing rivers in the Columbia River drainage."

Evergreen sources its seafood primarily from Oceanwises products, to avoid selling seafood at risk of extinction. Their meat is non-hormone and non-biotic fed and they avoid suppliers who rely on animal by-products to fatten up livestock. Kit and Dave say they have picked up several local meat suppliers since Legendary Meats has down-sized.

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The Nakusp and Area Community Foundation raised $2,500 in this year’s fun-filled Jail & Bail event. This lot was by far the worst. Rachel Wiebe, ambassador; Morgann Black, first ambassador; Shaely Gresiuk, second ambassador, Erin McLeod and Amanda Talor. Erin took Amanda as hostage and they both ended up in the slammer!

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Sharon Montgomery at the Nakusp Museum display at the Nakusp Fall Fair.
Slocan Lake Arena Society

Update on the rink: The roof has been completed, the boards are up, new pipes are in place and today the concrete floor is being poured at the rink in Silverton so things are proceeding great towards having the rink up and running this fall. All we need are the lights, so we are asking for donations. The Arena Society is presently selling raffle tickets on 3 Les Weisbrich paintings which you can purchase at most businesses in New Denver and Silverton Building Supplies. Draw is November 12th, 2010.

Lucerne Association for Community Education (LACE)

Community Education (LACE) Request for Proposals

LACE is seeking bids to do the renovation project on the façade of the Bosun Hall. The work involves removing the current stucco and façade, pour a recessed entrance way, minor electrical changes, insulate front wall, cover the front exterior wall with Hardie board, paint, add portico overhang over the sidewalk, install new fire doors, and drywall interior surfaces of the renovation area as suggested by the following pictures.

The prospective bidders can obtain more detailed information from roblaske@telus.net. Viewing of the property and plans will be arranged at that time. Bidders should have full insurance coverage and WCB. Preference given to bids which could complete the project by the end of October.

The lowest bid will not necessarily be accepted.
by Jan McMurray

• Fire Chief Larry Badry and Area D Director Andy Shadrack gave an update on the work of the Long Term Fire Service Committee. The committee has recommended that a new fire service be formed that would be shared between the Village of Kaslo, the RDCK and a local fire department. A RDCK fire chief, and that a new fire hall be built in Kaslo with satellite halls in Ainsworth/Woodbury and Schroeder Creek. The RDCK and the Village are seeking “in principle” approval for a feasibility study that will look at the committee’s recommendations in detail and make sure they are feasible. The goal is to finalize construction on the new halls in spring 2012.

In the meantime, residents of Schroeder Creek, Ainsworth and Woodbury have the opportunity to join the existing contractual service for the year 2011. Currently, Kaslo provides fire service to residents as far south as Fletcher Creek and as far north as Shuswap Bay. If 50% of residents representing 50% of property values in Schroeder Creek, Ainsworth and Woodbury sign a petition, they can have the same fire service as Kaslo residents. Andy Shadrack reported that 47% of property owners representing 66% of property values in the three communities had signed the petition within just four signatures short. He said the petition is ongoing and a decision will be made at the September 23 RDCK board meeting. In 2011, the intent is for Area D residents to contribute the same dollar amount towards the contractual service as Kaslo residents.

• Bernie Penner of Kaslo Bay Estates updated council on his triplex project. As of mid-July, he owned 35 signatures and was working on obtaining the last four signatures short. He said the petition is ongoing and a decision will be made at the September 23 RDCK board meeting. In 2011, the intent is for Area D residents to contribute the same dollar amount to this work as Kaslo residents.

Kaslo Trailblazers

A milestone has been reached by the Kaslo Trailblazers Society, thanks to the generosity of Kaslo residents and visitors: 100 bridge plaques on the future Fifth Street suspension bridge have been sponsored.

In celebration, a name was randomly drawn from the first 100 sponsors, and four signatures were required from each donor. Council was also informed that the Kaslo Trailblazers plaque sponsorship program a success and that Invest Kootenay has expanded to include the East Kootenays. The program is proving more successful for larger centres than for small municipalities. He said 50 investors had expressed interest in Kaslo via the Invest Kootenay website, but there are no businesses for sale at the moment in Kaslo. He would like to see a better system for tracking grants. Mayor Lay reported that Invest Kootenay is concerned about Rainer Muenter’s willingness to settle outside of court. He said the lawyers involved have expressed a willingness to settle outside of court. He said he has the draft works and services agreement with the Village lawyer for his portion of Rainbow Drive, but he is not in a hurry to sign it. One small piece of land at the end of the road is expected to pose a problem, requiring the same 35 signatures that he already had to get in this ongoing process to dedicate Rainbow Road.

Penner explained that the works and services agreement outlines what the Village requires for upgrading the road, as he will rip up a small portion of it for his water line. However, he said the water line for the six triplex buildings can come down McDonald Creek instead of Rainbow.

The next step will be to pour a foundation beneath the pavements of the sidewalks so he can level off the site.

• A new Water Street Community will be formed, not totally predicated on Local Motion grant partners, and new Terms of Reference will be available for the next regular Development Services Committee meeting October 7. Public comments on the future committee will be accepted prior to October 7.

• The Village will proceed with the proposed boundary extension proposal to include the Kaslo airport property. Staff was authorized to develop, sign and submit the proposal to the provincial government.

• A letter from Erika Bird regarding plaque sponsorship program a success.

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RDCK to consider mass gatherings bylaw in attempt to regulate raves

by Jan McMurray

RDCK staff is drafting a ‘mass gatherings’ bylaw after the Village of Kaslo asked the RDCK board for help in controlling ‘raves.’

These dance parties are being held more and more frequently in the rural area surrounding Kaslo, and have generated much discussion around the Kaslo council. Leland Pub and PINE POLES WANTED TO BUY:

Raves were held just outside Kaslo on both the May and August long weekends. On these weekends, Kaslo hosts large events within the municipality – May Days and Jazz Fest. Kaslo council has concerns about the strain on the village’s emergency services when two large events are happening at the same time in the Kaslo area. Council also has concerns about safety and security at these raves. It is well known that underage drinking and the use of illegal drugs occurs at these events.

The RDCK board considered Kaslo’s request at its July meeting, and decided to ask staff to draft a mass gatherings bylaw in consultation with the RCMP and IHA, even though the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) of the RDCK recommended against it. The earliest the draft bylaw is expected to be presented to the board is its October 28 meeting.

The notion of regulating these events may improve public safety. There are many such events in our region and regulating such events will require significant staff time. Currently, the Regional District does not regulate such events but in many Regional Districts, there is a regulatory bylaw in place.

In an interview, RDCK Chair Gary Wright said, “Any bylaw would have to be worded carefully, because the intent is not to require a permit for someone’s wedding or neighbourhood barbecue. The philosophical question is: should large groups of people be able to get together without a legal permit?”

Wright said the argument in favour of the bylaw is that it gives the RCMP one more tool to find out about the event beforehand and to staff adequately, and to enforce conduct at the event. The flip side, he said, is the considerable cost of administration and enforcement at the Regional District level when the RCMP and IHA already have tools to deal with illegal behaviour.

RCMP Staff Sergeant Dan Seibel of the Kootenay Boundary regional detachment explained that police are limited when events are held on private property. Police have authority to enter private property when invited by the property owner, through a 911 call, and through the Criminal Code. Also, police will sometimes accompany a health authority representative on an inspection of private property where an event is being held to make sure potable water and washrooms are provided, for example.

He said law enforcement is most likely to occur through road checks on roadways leading to and from the rave, rather than on the private property where the rave is taking place.

Seibel believes that a community awareness campaign is the best way to deal with the issue. “The first area of responsibility is that of the parents and the youth themselves,” he said. “We feel that there is a responsibility for education and awareness, and certainly the police and the community can assist by letting parents and youth know that these raves are commonly known for underage drinking and the selling and use of illegal drugs.”

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The three subsequent incidents.

During the Waneta Mall incident, culprits entered the KSCU ATM box, and then broke into a secure room containing the safe for the night deposit box. They attempted to break into the safe, but were not successful.

RCMP officers are making progress in the ‘Bassfest’ case, they said. There were no emergency calls to ‘Loki.’

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RCMP detachment or more information call Staff Sergeant Dan Seibel at 250-354-5152.

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Silverton ice rink upgrades nearing completion

The Silverton rink may re-open this fall after being closed since 2006 for renovations.

All rinks are complete except for the lighting. The Silverton Lake Arena Society is soliciting donations and selling raffle tickets for three Les Weisbrich paintings in return for the lights in and the door open for curling and skating this season.

Last fall, the Village of Silverton in conjunction with the arena society received a Recreation Infrastructure Grant under Canada’s Action Plan to complete the roof and floor. The arena society had already fixed up the walls. New roof trusses were installed, allowing for the removal of the support beams that ran down the middle of the rink, separating the two sheets of ice.

Now, the rink is one open area.

The floor was laid with new piping and styrofoam insulation, and covered with cement. The new floor will allow for more efficient ice making. Opening the floor up makes for a more inviting rink for skating, and also allows the building to be used for events during the off season.

The roof and floor upgrades cost around $500,000, and as part of the arena society, the Village of Silverton and the federal government.

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Grand under Canada’s Action Plan to in conjunction with the arena society, the Village of Silverton and the federal government.

Then on Thursday, October 14, University of Utah anthropologist Mark Jeffreys will speak on the topic The Evolution of Storytelling. More details will follow in the next issue of the Valley View.

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COMMUNITY

Local health-care auxiliaries host annual conference in Nakusp

Submitted

More than 125 people met in Nakusp on September 17 for the 2010 Kootenay Boundary Area Conference of the BC Association of Health-Care Auxiliaries.

The conference, hosted by the Nakusp, New Denver and Kaslo auxiliaries, was a chance to celebrate last year’s successes and look to new ideas for the future.

The theme was “teamwork.”

Sharon Jones, president of the Arrow Lakes Hospital Auxiliary, welcomed everyone and acknowledged the teamwork of the three local auxiliaries that organized the conference.

Mayor Karen Hamling brought greetings from the Village of Nakusp and spoke of Bosun Hall acquiring funding to proceed with facelift submitted by Rob Plaskett

The long-awaited facelift for New Denver’s Bosun Hall is set to begin. Funding has been obtained and the project is going ahead this fall.

The renovation of the façade is part of a multi-phase renovation of the building that LACE board of directors has undertaken, under the guidance of Carol Bell and Bev Casley.

The Bosun Hall was originally built in 1898 by JC Harris using profits from the sale of the Bosun Mine. Currently the hall is used for town meetings, celebrations, dances, entertainment, theatre, seniors’ meetings, celebrations, dances, weddings, funerals, bingo, Queen’s Pageants, Girl Guides, concerts, and many other community events. It has a long history of being an integral part of the Slocan Valley, and the historical archives of New Denver are filled with images of 100 years of celebrations, entertainment, and milestones in the evolution of the area at the hall.

The Bosun Hall fell into a state of disrepair over the years and at one point unsuccessful attempts to get the floor replaced and fundraising, LACE was able to raise funds for the bursaries they had made a beautiful quilt to be raffled off at the event, quilts, Dunwets, sheets, pillows, best prices on bedding in the Kootenays guaranteed! 10% Off all in store until Oct. 1

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September 22, 2010

Woodward returns to the Kootenays with new novel

In Caroline Woodward's new novel, Penny Loves Wade, Wade Loves Penny (Oleander Books, 2010), the author returns to her Peace River roots. In launching her novel in this neck of the woods, Woodward also returns to her Peace River roots.

Woodward has lived in Nelson, Winlaw, and New Denver, where she and her partner, Jeff George, ran Motherdawg Books for eight years. She will read from Penny Loves Wade, Wade Loves Penny at the Nakusp Library on October 12 at 7 pm in New Denver at Bosun Hall; October 13 at 7:30 pm; at the Vichan Whole on Thursday, October 14 at 7 pm; and in Nelson Friday, October 15 at 7:30 pm, in partnership with the Nelson Library.

In New Denver, Mayor Gary Wright will auction off a chance to participate in Woodward's novella for young readers. The Village of Many Hats, with funds raised to benefit the New Denver Reading Centre. Successful bidders might have their names used in the novel in new characters.

BC/DC to play New Denver’s Bosun Hall and Kaslo Hotel

‘Bon’ Johnscottton paying respects to both AC/DC’s famous frontmen. It’s about a maniac lead guitarist who occasionally enjoys wearing a cow suit, and a frontman from the back alley, born to be a rock ‘n roll singer. It’s working. It’s the gift that keeps on giving.

BC/DC cooked up and small business success story. Hell, they may be eligible for some type of entrepreneurial award. The band’s cumulative business savvy is obvious in spot-on pitch. With annual website visits in the millions (www.bcdc.ca), and worldwide merchandise sales doing well, the unmistakable, yet double-take BC/DC wordmark adorns the T-shirts of many fans. It’s emblazoned on the Zamboni of the Calgary Flames. The band’s timeless raunch with such epic 'riffs. Attendance records. Ringing ears. Remember the first time you heard of some BC/DC. They were born of bush party bashes of Ymir, to the star-studded weddings of the BC/DC. They are editing a book of his songs and CD trilogy with Jude DeGrace said that, “Woodward’s crisp, earthy writing cuts to the chase of what it is to be human.”

Currently, Woodward and her partner keep the Lennard Island Lightstation near Tofino. She is looking forward to a return to her old stomping grounds.

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101-6th Avenue, New Denver, BC
Water front store location

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10 am to 6 pm

The third annual Blake Parker Road Show comes to town

The annual Blake Parker Road Show is an evening to celebrate creativity and improvisation in mixed media: spoken word, image, dance and music. The third annual event will be held on Parker’s birthday at the Valcan Whole Community Centre on Saturday, September 25. Door and drinks at 7 pm and the show at 7:30 pm.

Blake Parker was an inspired performance poet who improvised and collaborated with many other artists, musicians and dancers. His love of collaboration and experimentation with multi-media artists led to the creation of numerous recordings, videos, and performances. Some of his most notable works were with Toronto dancer Joanne Dow (now DeSouza), Jude Davison and Laura Landberg with the multi-media production of Slow Reurrection: The Life and Times of Leland Frank; the Terminal City CD trilogy with Jude Davison; Confessions of a Cyborg and the Wireless Bodies project with Ruby Trudy; Stella: Black and White with John Mills-Cockell; and improvisations with the 3 Poets with Paul Lansberg and Steven Parish.

The evening will be hosted by Parker’s wife, Monica Carpendale and Will Parker. Carpendale is the Executive Director of the Kutenai Art Therapy Institute. Parker was also a professor at the Institute for many years. The evening will celebrate some of his work but focus on many of the people he collaborated with, those he has inspired and other upcoming performance poets and improvisational multi-media artists.

Parker lived and worked in Nelson for 13 years. When he died in January 2007 he left an incredible legacy and proceeds from the Road Show will be used to bring more of his work onto a public format. Current projects are editing a book of his songs and producing his final project, The Princess and the Kid, as a two CD set.

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You can contact the production team at 250.265.2141 or email the station at tunein@thearrow107.com.

This series is funded by a grant from the Community Radio Foundation of Canada.