

# NEWSLETTER - FEBRUARY 2010

## **RESIDENTS UPSET RE: ARTICLE ON BEHAVIOUR TO WORKS CREW**

Mayor Lindstrom reported at the January 13<sup>th</sup> regular meeting of Council that he had received complaints that the tone of the article in the January newsletter "Resident Behaviour to Works Crew" was offensive as it implied that all residents were at fault. The people who contacted Mayor Lindstrom suggested that the offenders should be contacted personally rather than placing an article in the public newsletter. Mayor Lindstrom requested that this be clarified in the next newsletter.

I never meant to imply that everyone was at fault, I simply wanted to inform the public that this is happening and that it should not be taking place. I am sorry if the wording was not such that it was very clear that this involved only a few individuals.

At the January 13<sup>th</sup> meeting Council passed a resolution, which was modified at the January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2010 Council meeting to enable the administration to deal effectively with the individual offenders. It was resolved "that upon receiving a report from the Assist. Works Foreman or Works Foreman that a member of the public has been verbally or physically abusive to any member of the Works Dept as they perform their duties, the Clerk/Treasurer will immediately inform this resident in writing that this particular service will no

longer be performed for that resident."



## **JOB AND CAREER FAIR**

The Work Zone is holding a Job and Career Fair in Fraser Lake to help create bridges between employers and employees. Job seekers will be able to apply for jobs and learn about careers with attending companies. A variety of employers will be there and are open to answering your questions. Explore your options with the RCMP, West Fraser Sawmill, Fraser Lake Public Library, Firestar Fitness Studio, CNC, CIBC, Chevron Town Pantry, Endako Mines and more.

Come prepared with your current resume and make your first impression a winning one. This may be your time to shine. Make it count.

The Job and Career Fair will take place on Thursday, February 11<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to 12 pm at the Work Zone office located at 298 McMillan Ave (Adult Learning Centre) in Fraser Lake,



## **REGIONAL DISTRICT REFERENDUM**

On Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010 the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako will hold a referendum to determine if the residents/property owners in Electoral Area "D" want a service to contribute to the Road Rescue and Emergency Extrication (Jaws of Life) Service provided by the Fraser Lake Volunteer Fire Department. The Fraser Lake Volunteer Fire department provides road rescue and emergency extrication services in response to vehicle accidents on Highway 16 and other public roads from Willowvale road to the top of Priestly Hill and from East Francois Lake to the north shore of Fraser Lake including logging roads and forestry roads in that area. During 2009 the Fraser Lake Fire dept responded to 24 road rescue calls. The operating and equipment costs for providing road rescue and extrication, after deducting revenues received from the Provincial Emergency Program are about \$10,000 annually. As the vast majority of vehicle accident calls are in the rural area, it is not really fair to expect the Village of Fraser Lake to bear all of the costs. The proposed new service provides for an annual contribution to the Fraser Lake Volunteer Fire Department for a portion of these costs.

Notices regarding time and place for voting will be published in the Omineca Express. If you have any questions, or need further information, please call the Regional District toll-free at 1-800-320-3339.



### **FEBRUARY IS HEART MONTH IN CANADA**

Please take this time to contemplate your own heart health and strive to live a "heart healthy" lifestyle. Exercise, eat right, enjoy your family and friends, laugh a lot – all of these things contribute to a healthy heart.



### **FRASER LAKE PUBLIC LIBRARY AGM**

The Library is looking for new Board members. AGM is being held February 23, 2010 at 7pm at the Fraser Lake Public Library. Anyone who is a resident of Fraser Lake or Area "D" is eligible to be a Board Member. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Audrey at 250-699-8888.

### **1-2-3, KIDS COUNT**

You are invited to Mouse Mountain School on Friday, February 5, 2010 at 12:30 pm for an afternoon of fun with numbers. Age 3 to Grade 3 with prizes for all children, snacks, and lots of learning fun for both parents and children.

To register pre-schoolers, please phone 250-699-6627. Everyone is welcome. Come and enjoy the day and the learning experience.



### **GRANT IN AID POLICY**

Each year the Village of Fraser Lake sets aside \$3,000 in their budget to provide assistance for the purpose of benefitting the community. Grants-in-aid are intended to assist volunteer/non-profit organizations which are not routinely subsidized through municipal operations and who meet the requirements of the Grant-in-Aid Policy. For further information or to obtain an application form contact the Village Office at 210 Carrier Cres. 250-699-6257.

### **ADVERTISING ON INFORMATION KIOSK AT INFO CENTRE**

There are rental spaces available for advertising on the kiosk at the Information Centre/Museum. Rent of \$50 plus taxes is paid to the Village of Fraser Lake yearly for advertising space. Businesses or organizations wishing to advertise must provide their own sign. Fee is charged for installation and space. Contact the Village Office for further details if you are interested.



### **PYROTECHNICS COURSE POSSIBLE IN MAY**

There may be a pyrotechnics (fireworks) course offered in Vancouver in May. Details will be available as they are provided to us. Certification includes successful completion of a course plus the completion of three pyrotechnics displays under the supervision of a certified person. Anyone interested in pursuing this certification, please contact the Village Office. The Village needs certified people for their fireworks displays and is willing to pay travel, accommodation and course fee to interested persons. Please contact the Village Office at 250-699-6257 if you are interested in becoming certified.