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Then...join us again on **Friday, December 15th at Safeway** for our wrap up party. Let's make sure that **City Transfer's** 36 ft trailer is stuffed with donations for the **Powell River Action Food Bank!**

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POWELL RIVER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUSINESS AWARDS

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NOMINATION FORM

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES OF THE YEAR

This accredited business must exemplify innovation, professionalism and integrity. This category is limited to the professional company, not the individual employee or contractor.

BUSINESS NAME

OWNER/MANAGER/CONTACT NAME

HOME-BASED BUSINESS AWARD

A home-operated business that consistently shows excellence and quality in service and/or merchandise.

BUSINESS NAME

OWNER/MANAGER/CONTACT NAME

CUSTOMER SERVICE - RETAIL

A retail business that provides its customers with consistent excellence in service that goes beyond customer expectations. It also encourages its staff to meet the changing customer needs and stands behind its products or service with minimum customer inconvenience.

BUSINESS NAME

OWNER/MANAGER/CONTACT NAME

NEW BUSINESS OF THE YEAR

A business operating for not less than 1 year and not more than 2 years that has gained an expanding positive reputation.

BUSINESS NAME

OWNER/MANAGER/CONTACT NAME

SMALL BUSINESS OF THE YEAR

A business with under 10 employees that has demonstrated superior quality in all aspects of business operation and shows a commitment to the community through its involvement.

BUSINESS NAME

OWNER/MANAGER/CONTACT NAME

CUSTOMER SERVICE - HOSPITALITY

A hospitality business that has consistently provided its customers with excellent service that goes beyond customer expectations. It also encourages its staff to meet the changing customer needs and stands behind its product or service with minimum customer inconvenience.

BUSINESS NAME

OWNER/MANAGER/CONTACT NAME

LARGE BUSINESS OF THE YEAR

A business with over 10 employees that has demonstrated superior quality in all aspects of business operation and shows a commitment to the community through its involvement.

BUSINESS NAME

OWNER/MANAGER/CONTACT NAME

ENTREPRENEUR(S) OF THE YEAR

A person(s) who has the unique skills and exceptional initiative to assume the risk of establishing a business, which has been open for at least 12 months. Submissions for this award should be for one person or a maximum of two equal partners.

BUSINESS NAME

OWNER/MANAGER/CONTACT NAME

AGRICULTURAL AWARD

This business has distinguished itself and shown leadership by promoting the betterment of agriculture in our city. This award will be presented to an agriculture-related business who has made outstanding contributions in the advancement of agriculture.

BUSINESS NAME

OWNER/MANAGER/CONTACT NAME

TOURISM AWARD

This business has demonstrated a superior ability to satisfy visitors' expectations through their services and/or products. This business provides and promotes an outstanding visitor experience and actively encourages the growth of Powell River & Area as a destination.

BUSINESS NAME

OWNER/MANAGER/CONTACT NAME

ABORIGINAL BUSINESS OF THE YEAR

This award goes to a business that is Aboriginal owned and operated in the Powell River region. The business shows leadership and dedication to the preservation of its cultural values and identity and creates positive growth within the community.

BUSINESS NAME

OWNER/MANAGER/CONTACT NAME

NOT FOR PROFIT EXCELLENCE AWARD

A not-for-profit organization that has recognized a need within our community and who through community responsibility, innovation, growth, sound business practices and community partnerships has served our community with vision and integrity.

BUSINESS NAME

OWNER/MANAGER/CONTACT NAME

FORESTRY SECTOR AWARD

A large or small business that shows excellence in communications and/or innovation in forestry, forest management or a forest-related industry.

BUSINESS NAME

OWNER/MANAGER/CONTACT NAME

EMPLOYER OF THE YEAR

A business owner or manager who creates a positive, fair, and supportive environment for all employees, while maintaining and even exceeding employment standards and safety policies. This employer models integrity and excellent communication skills. **(Nominations must be accompanied by comments as to why this employer deserves this award.)**

BUSINESS NAME

OWNER/MANAGER/CONTACT NAME

BUSINESS OF THE YEAR

A business that has been in operation for more than 5 years and has consistently offered outstanding service and/or product to its customers, and displays a strong commitment to community involvement. A business that contributes to the social, recreational, cultural and overall well-being of the community. **(Nominations must be accompanied by comments as to why this business deserves this award.)**

BUSINESS NAME

OWNER/MANAGER/CONTACT NAME

Enter only one business per category. Duplicate nomination forms for the same business are not necessary. All entries will be submitted to a **judging panel** for final decision. **Deadline for nominations is Friday Jan 19, 2018.** All businesses must have been operating for a minimum of 12 months to be considered for a nomination. Mail or drop off your completed nomination form to Powell River Chamber of Commerce 6807 Wharf Street, V8A 1T9. Or enter online at powellriverchamber.com

Your name:

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Common Raven

The Common Raven (*Corvus corax*) is quite large, up to 69 centimetres in length.

This black bird has a thick bill, a thickly feathered puffy throat area and a wedge shaped tail.

I love to listen to their voices, which range from hoarse croaking, to soft hollow knocking sounds. They have also been known to learn human words and speak very clearly.

Their habitat varies immensely including deserts, mountains, boreal forests and Pacific Coast beaches. Believed to mate for life, the pair raises four to seven green spotted eggs in a large, loose nest of sticks, bones and soft materials. We have a pair that bring their young to our place in the late Spring.

- Rod Innes 



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ON THE COVER

"The Story of Irma," by Catnip. Acrylic and oil on canvas, 52"x37". Catnip painted this during 2017's hurricane and fire season. "This is a prayer for our realm of fire, storm, process, harmony, upheaval, blaze, blaze, blazing light," he says. Find Catnip on Facebook and Instagram.



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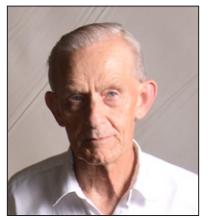
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CATNIP is a local Powell River artist who paints colourful works of "galactic dreamtime intention." Whether it's murals, canvases, story-books or sketchbooks, Catnip has built a career on making art for the people. He is always looking for new projects to become a part of, here on Planet Earth.



Although **JACK VLUG** loves and teaches Scottish Country Dancing, he is not Scottish and has no claim to being Scottish at all. Jack moved to Powell River at the age of 10 and when he retired from the mill in 2002, began teaching dance at schools. He still teaches some 800-1000 students every year!



EUN YOUNG SEO was born in Korea. She has owned the Island View Lodge since 2014. She loves life in Powell River because of the nature, friendly community, and relaxed lifestyle.



After recently retiring as Manager of the Hospital **LU WUTHRICH** has taken up her newly acquired spare time with volunteering in several community groups. She is currently President of the Naturalist Club, President of the Catholic Women's League and Chair of the Committee to Build a Clinic in South India. She also loves to hike, garden, read and travel.



KIRK SOMERS is a writer. He writes children's books and novels. You may also see him working at Coles in the Town Centre Mall. Having recently made the move from Vancouver, he lives in Westview with his family.



PUBLISHER'S MESSAGE

Help yourself by helping others: start here



"Service to others is the rent you pay for your room here on earth."

I've always liked this quote by Muhammad Ali because it sums up what many of us believe while gently reminding us that we have responsibilities to help others.

Others. That's what the third annual "Helping Issue" of *Powell River Living* magazine is all about. The theme is constant throughout and shows you lots of ways to help. Some projects are larger and will take longer to come to fruition (like raising \$100,000 to build a health clinic in India), see story on Page 15, while some are smaller, like donating money or non-perishable food

to the Powell River Action Food Bank, see Page 2, but all are equally important.

Helping others is what we do. It's what our community is good at and it's part of Powell River's fabric.

I was humbled by Kirk Somer's story that talks about the kindness of two volunteers who have both received help and are now helping others. As children we're taught that it is more important to give than to receive and although that message is difficult to comprehend when we are young, it becomes clear as we mature.

When you help others you help yourself because you open yourself up to new experiences. Both Annette Behan and Holly Kliagua have been helped by others and now they are helping others, (see story called "Give Back" starting on Page 6.)

Sometimes people want to help but don't know how or where to begin so we've created a list of charities that fundraise during the holidays beginning on Page 8. Events that help others can be found throughout this issue ranging from Operation Christmas Child to the Gingerbread Contest, a fundraiser for the Fire-fighter's Burn Fund.

And finally, to all those who have served their country we say thank you on Remembrance Day for all they have done so that we may be free. And to those who paid the ultimate price with their lives, thank you. We will never forget.

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And you can learn a lot from being helped.

For PRL's third annual "Helping Issue," two women who have been on both sides of Powell River's charity scene share how gratifying it is to help others. *In their own words, as told to Kirk Somers.*

Annette Behan

I was born here. My dad was born here on Powell Lake.

I used to live up in the bushes in the winter, off Powell Lake because I knew that area. I grew up there.

I had a friend who escaped from Riverview [mental health facility, in Coquitlam] so we were living together in the bush through the winter with no tent. That was really something. We had a van and stuff. He actually got taken back to Riverview, but he took off again. Then we were living on the Coquitlam River and then we moved to Stanley Park and we were living at Stanley Park the year they had the great big storm. It rained for three weeks once.

I came back to Powell River and my boyfriend went back to Riverview. I had a lot of people coming to my house that were from here and they said they were cli-

"My friend forced me twice a week to come [to yoga]. It prepared me, healed me. ...Now I teach yoga..."

ents and addicts. I was still using stuff. I was just living down the street, so they all came to my house every day.

A lady told me about the Community Resource Centre, a friend of mine. She told me to come in here.

This place has changed a lot. There used to be a lot of different crowds, they were alcoholics; I was never really a violent person, but there were a lot of violent people; every day there used to be a fight. Right now it's just a beautiful hang out clubhouse and there are all kinds of opportunities here for everybody.

I just came here to hang out, have coffee and check it out. And it used to be quite tense and nerve wracking because there was a crowd that was more rough. And I was asked if I wanted to wash dishes back here, so I said, yeah, I will try it.



DISH DIVA: Annette Behan teaches yoga at the Community Resource Centre. She also washes piles and piles of dishes there. Above, she helps new volunteers pitch in.

I was in really bad shape when I came here too, like I was a broken down alcoholic. I couldn't move very much, I was sick every morning, burnt out, and I didn't really want to go to yoga. But my friend forced me twice a week to come. It prepared me, healed me, not 100 per cent, but it got me going.

Now I teach yoga here and I wash dishes. I feel glad about doing it, very happy to have this opportunity, and I love being around the people in the kitchen. They're all really nice and really intelligent.

I had a real lifestyle change. I was alcoholic; I drank everyday; I smoked every day.

I am quite a changed person. I don't drink anymore but I had lots of trauma in my life. I lost my children to the ministry and stuff like that. This place has given me a place to straighten out.

I really am an artist. I have done a lot of photography and painting. If anybody wants to call me for doing Christmas painting for windows, I am open to anything.

I wish they had these kind of things when I was growing up with my babies in this town. They never had anything like this. [PRL](#)





12 POUNDS OF POTATO SALAD: That's what Holly Kliagua (above) makes on Thursdays for the 130 souls who come to eat at the Community Resource Centre.

Holly Kliagua

I was born and raised in Powell River. I left Powell River when I was 21 and I worked on the Island in the kennels for 12 years. Then I went to New Westminster and I bought a dog groom shop. I was there for 17 years.

Things weren't going well, because it was too much hassle back there; the drug scene and all that. I didn't like that.

So I moved back to Powell River because my mom needed help, which turned out to be a tragedy because me and my mom, we didn't get along. But I still helped her out and stayed for awhile and I bought an RV and moved to the trailer park. My dad died, and then my mom died not much later.

Meanwhile I started hanging out here at the Community Resource Centre, but I was getting bored here because I wanted to work. I would help clean once in awhile. Then it turned into full time.

I wanted to work in the kitchen by myself because I don't like to communicate with people. I have been in the kitchen by myself now three years on Thursdays.

I started out doing the dishes; we didn't get paid at the time, now they get

paid. When I did it I didn't care, it was a job, and honestly I hate doing dishes but I did them.

It's sort of family here now and I wouldn't know what I'd do if they weren't here. My coworkers, we have a good time. We have good dinners here and at my house and preparing everything, so it's like a family thing.

I really don't have family anymore, so I use it for family. We all lean on each other, you know; they are great people.

I don't know where I would be if I wasn't here. I would probably be hang-

"They open the door in the morning, and I've got the kitchen to myself, the radio full blast. I love it... We need this place, people need us."

ing out in the mall and drinking from a bottle out there. I would probably be drinking in a bush somewhere. I come in here and we know each other and everybody leans on each other.

I like coming here; you know they open the door in the morning, and I've got the kitchen to myself, the radio full blast. I love it; I hope this place never leaves. We need this place, people need us.

I feel at home, I feel comfortable here. I like being the kitchen boss on Thursdays. I know we have helped a few people be successful.

I got my driver's licence and my passport through this place and I went to Vegas. I wanted three things: a trip, a home and a vehicle and I got all three and I am happy. This place is like family. 



Five facts every Powell River holiday retailer should know:

1. Late December is yours!

Two thirds of Canadians are still buying gifts in the week before Christmas.

2. Get ready for them...

December 23 is the busiest shopping day of the year.

3. Amazon is over

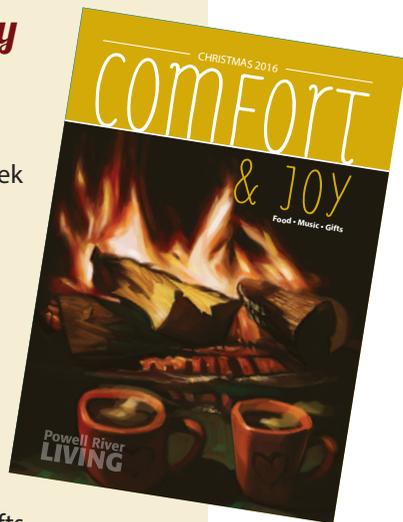
By December 15, most online shopping will be done. And, in 2015, just 10 percent of December retail sales were online.

4. They've got wads of cash

Each adult spends an average of \$766 on Christmas gifts.

5. It's not just gifts

Families spend about \$1,400 on non-gift holiday stuff, such as decor, liquor, dining out, and other things.



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How you can help this season

Charities that fundraise during the holidays

Community Resource Centre

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How the CRC serves the people of Powell River: Nutritious food, laundry, tax help, legal assistance, advocacy, help filling out government applications, and access to the Internet, phone, printing, fax, job skills training and counseling

How many people the CRC serves in a year: Approximately 19,200 interactions. Obviously, some people come many times over the year.

Holiday fundraising goal: \$15,000

How you can help: donations of packaged food, cash and gift cards.

The Salvation Army

salvationarmypr.ca

How the Salvation Army serves the people of Powell River: Food, emergency assistance (housing, transportation, addiction recovery, etc) pastoral care, and more.

How many people the Salvation Army in Powell River serves in a year: 9,674

Your most gratifying moment from last year's campaign: It was the first year

one woman came to receive a Christmas Hamper. She came in very humble, not expecting all that she received. She was shocked when there was ground beef, cheese, carrots and more, on top of the non-perishable food. She was so grateful in the end that she was crying and gave Captain Krista a big hug of gratitude.

Fundraising goal: \$80,000

How Powell Riverites can help: Volunteer! Kettle Season is coming up. We always need people to stand at our kettles. There is the Thrift Store that needs volunteers to help sort clothes etc. We also need volunteer cooks, servers, sandwich makers for our Community Lunch Program that runs every Wednesday from September to June.

Friends of Powell River

powellriverfriends@gmail.com or Facebook Friends of Powell River

How the Friends serve the people of Powell River: Powell River is home to a few hundred kids that don't get their basic needs for food and clothing met. This group aims to connect help with the needs of these kids when they are noticed by teachers and other professionals who work with them. It might be food, clothing, supplies and recreation.

How many kids the Friends helps: We help 300 kids each year.

Fundraising goal: Getting kids access to food outside school hours. Unfettered access to recreation no matter their circumstances.

How you can help: Powell Riverites can help by joining the Friends of Powell River Facebook group to see posts for specific donations. All donations are made directly to the child or school at the request of professionals who really know the need, or can be dropped off at River City Coffee.

Assumption Community Soup Kitchen

604-483-6895 cnbehan@gmail.com
Facebook Assumption Soup kitchen

How the soup kitchen helps: Free Lunch every Friday from noon to 1:00

How many people the project helps: Approx 3,000 meals per year.

How you can help: Looking for people to help in the clean up crew - schedule is once every three to five weeks depending on how many volunteers we get.

Inclusion Powell River Society

www.inclusionpr.ca

How Inclusion serves the people of Powell River: One-on-one community inclusion and employment supports,

group homes, consulting services for families with infants at risk or with developmental support, Supported Apartments, Cranberry Pre-School, Community Connector, Better at Home for Seniors

How many people you serve in a year: 550 plus.

Your goal for this season's fundraising: \$5000

How you can help: Support our Christmas Card Fundraiser and Purdy's Chocolate Fundraiser for our Wish Fund Program

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How the OES serves the people of Powell River: This year we're supporting a special project: Honour House (honourhouse.ca) - a place for first responders & their families who need medical assistance away from home. We give out a \$500 scholarship to a graduating Brooks student and donate to the PR Oncology Department and to Grace House.

How you can help: Our "Bazaar & Luncheon" Nov. 18 is one of our main fundraisers so that we can meet our financial commitments for the coming year. Come see what we have to offer at our Bazaar and sit down to a tasty turkey soup and bunwich luncheon.

Holidays fundraising projects & events

Help the Food Bank

Event details: Friday, Dec. 1 is the official kickoff of the second annual Powell River Action Food Bank Drive. Presented by 95.7 Coast FM and supported by Safeway and City Transfer, this year's event is going to be even bigger and better than the inaugural one, said Kim Wall, operations manager for Coast FM. This year's drive gets underway at 4:30 pm at the Kings game on Dec. 1 with a barbecue (by donation). "Gitta May Nielsen and her new band plus Denis and The Menaces, are going to rock our socks off," says Kim. "It will be a fantastic party! Both bands are kindly donating their time for this important cause."

The City Transfer trailer will be parked at the Complex, said Kim. "It's 36 feet long so we are going to need lots of help to fill it! Everyone is asked to bring money or non-perishable food to the Kings game that night.

A wrap-up party will be held on Friday, Dec. 15 at Safeway. Everyone is invited to bring food and cash.

This year's goal: Last year, \$36,000 in food and cash was raised and that kept the food bank going until the summer. "We have every confidence that we will absolutely be beating our \$36,000 milestone of last year."

The Powell River and District Christmas Cheer Committee

www.pr-christmas-cheer.com

How you serve the people of Powell River: Provide hampers at Christmastime to low income families in Powell River and check with Churches, Salvation Army and other organizations to prevent duplication of hampers.

How many people you serve in a year: Our Christmas Cheer Committee was able to provide 285 hampers last Christmas; as well, we were able to supply 295 children and teens with toys and gifts.

Your most gratifying moment from last year's campaign: To see the happy faces of our families as they pick up their hampers and know that, at Christmastime, our families will have a good Christmas.

How Powell Riverites can help: Encourage all families you know who might be struggling, to apply for a hamper. Or, volunteer your time for filling the hampers. Donate food, toys and money or adopt one of our families to get the same satisfaction as we do by providing a much-needed hamper at a difficult time of year.

Poppy campaign

Run by: Royal Canadian Legion Branch 164 Powell River

How the Legion serves the people of Powell River: We give assistance to veterans or widows of veterans as needed. We donate to local charities, youth groups and seniors.

Your most gratifying moment from last year's campaign: To see Dwight Hall and the Veterans' Park full of people.

Your goal for this season: November 11

is our Remembrance Day event to raise money for our Poppy Fund. Last year, we raised \$18,400.

How Powell Riverites can help: Come down to the parades & Services at the Dwight Hall and the Cenotaph on Nov. 11. Powell Riverites are welcome to join our branch; you do not have to have any military background.

Therapeutic Riding - Christmas Open House

Event details: Dec. 2, 11 am til 3pm at 4356 Myrtle Avenue. Hay is for Horses Fundraiser, Pictures with Santa and a horse, Huge Bake Sale and Silent Auction.

Santa Train

When: Dec. 9 & 10, 5 to 8 pm
Run by: Powell River Forestry Society

Raising funds for: The Salvation Army's Kettle Campaign. Entrance fee will be by donation: non-perishable food items, unwrapped new toys or cash. ►



Should I list my home during the winter?

Because there are fewer homes on the market, you can get a good price in winter months. But this year in particular, there are plenty of motivated buyers. This is partly because **mortgage rules change January 1**, and some buyers are looking to make a purchase before the new rules are put in place. Now is a great time to list your home.

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Run by: Powell River & District United Way. The Hygiene Cupboard Project launches Nov. 28 as a part of the Healthy Families program, working with a variety of community partners, organizations and businesses. Once built and fully stocked, the Hygiene Cupboard will be located at the Community Resource Centre.

How Powell Riverites can help: Stop by with donations to the Hygiene Cupboard on Giving Tuesday, Nov. 28. Toothbrushes • toothpaste • dental floss • deodorant/antiperspirant • lice treatment • tampons • pads/diva cups • razors • bar soap • shampoo/conditioner • nail clippers • hair brushes/combs. Donation will be also be accepted at *Powell River Living* at 7053E Glacier Street.

Jingle Jog 2017

Facebook Powell River 2017 Jingle Jog

When: Dec. 17

Run by: Brooks' PE class / Tony Rice

How you serve Powell River: An annual 5km Walk / Fun Run to raise funds for the Powell River Food Bank.

Your goal for this season: \$2,000

How Powell Riverites can help: Participate or donate!

Mystery/comedy Dessert Theatre and Fundraiser

When: Nov. 30 & Dec. 1 (at 7pm) and Dec. 2 (earlier at 6:30 pm so Powell River patrons can return home on the 9pm ferry). Gillies Bay Hall.

Run by: The Rock Island Players. A benefit for the Texada Food Bank.

How you can help: Admission by (cash) donation. A foggy night, an aging cruise ship, a wacky cast of eccentric characters, a murder ... then, dessert! More information at 604 486-7670.

Gingerbread Contest

When: Entries should be brought to the Town Centre Hotel December 1 – 3. Creations are on display until December 26.

Run by: Town Centre Hotel

Raising funds for: The Professional Firefighters Burn Fund.



Buy a t-shirt, help build a clinic in India

Students from Brooks and Assumption schools are jumping at the chance to fundraise for the clinic in Southern India (see story, on Page 15).

How you can help: Buy a Christmas tree from us this holiday season. Stay tuned for details. Also, the local store THICK has produced a T-shirt for the project, available for \$25 by contacting india.clinic.pr@gmail.com. All proceeds will go towards the effort.

Charitable donations can be made at Church of the Assumption Rectory, 7109 Glacier Street. Have other questions? Call Lu Wuthrich at 604 483-4587.

How to help: Participate! The contest is open to everyone in the community: Amateurs bakers, professional bakers, adults and kids to age 12. Entries can be any type of gingerbread structure or object. Entry should be edible. Or, donate! Judge the contest by filling out a ballot. Each ballot requires a minimum \$2 donation.

Operation Christmas Child

What: An international campaign sends boxes of toys and school supplies to children in the developing world and areas of crisis and conflict. Boxes and info are available from The Dollar Store With More, local churches and Valley Building Supplies.

When: Drop your boxes off Nov. 13-19.

Santa Parade

When: December 3 at 3pm

Run by: The Lion's Club and the Marine Avenue Business Association.

How to participate: Bring coins to the parade, and donate them into boxes as the parade passes by on Marine Avenue.

Say cheese Rover!

What: Get your pet's photo taken with Santa Claus at Mother Nature. Photos are by donation, with a minimum \$5 per sitting. Proceeds go to the SPCA, West Coast ACCESS, and Powell River Therapeutic Riding Association. Pet photos as well as family photos are encouraged. Hot chocolate and goodies will be available while you wait and photos will be developed and printed for pick up first week of December.

When: Saturday, Nov. 25 and Sunday, Nov. 26 between 11 am and 4 pm.

Goal: Last year \$2200 was raised. \$3000.

Texada Food Bank

How many people you serve: In 2016 we served 239 households, total of 347 people.

Most gratifying moment from last year's campaign: We acquired a building, had it moved from Blubber Bay (quarry lunch room) to Van Anda in the Royal Canadian Legion Lot. Everything was donated, including the building, the move, upgrade supplies including electrical, the land on which the building stands and all labour. All of our donations are

from the generosity of business', PRRD grant-in-aid and the public on Texada. We have a volunteer team of 13.

New library fundraiser

Do you curl up with cookbooks when the weather turns cool? Have a holiday gift giving conundrum? The library has what you need! *Water & Wood: Recipes From a Coastal Community* will be released in early November; presales have already started from the library website. This book brings together Powell River's current food scene, food producers and the history of this community through stories, photos and recipes. The project was dreamed up by Teen Services Coordinator Megan Cole and Library Trustee Charlotte Gill as a fundraiser for the new library space, but has grown into something that marks this moment in time.

When: Join us for the launch of the book, and celebrate some of the most wonderful parts of Powell River. Saturday, Nov. 18, at the library from 6:30-9pm.

Movember: grow staches!

Powell River Fire Rescue, Malaspina and Van Anda Fire Departments, Catalyst Paper's Emergency Response Team and the RCMP are among those who have joined the Powell River & Area Emergency Response Movember Team! They'll growing their staches and raise funds this month for men's health and the Movember movement.

Hot dog sales are set for at Safeway on Nov. 12, and at Quality Foods on Nov. 18. Calendars, which sell for \$10, will be at those events and at Townsite Brewing, Fruits & Roots Juice Bar, #1 Firehall on Courtenay Street, and from any member of any emergency services group.

A Movember kick-off party at McKinney's Pub on Nov. 1 starts at 6 pm with a burger and beer special for \$15. Krystal Thompson of The Little Barber will offer old-fashioned shaves for a \$20 donation. Men begin November clean shaven. They grow their staches all month while raising funds for the Movember movement. There will be Movember wrap up party at McKinney's on Wednesday Nov. 29 starting at 6 pm with an all-you-can-eat taco buffet, a silent auction, games and prizes.

- By Firefighter Darryl Jackson of Powell River Fire Rescue

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Meet **Aileen O'Keefe**
Vice-President, CUPE 476

How long have you worked for the School District?

I was recruited as a Library Technician in 1994 but due to cutbacks and restructuring, I've mostly worked as an Educational Assistant for the last 15 years.

What did you do before?

I worked in a Law office library for 10 years.

Why did you get involved in the union?

I didn't grow up union. But with my law background, I'm a big advocate of contracts. I want to know what the contract is, how it rolls out and how it applies to the job site. I want to make sure I'm upholding my part of the contract. And I want to know how my union dues are being used to support the work we do.

How has the understanding of unions changed lately?

This used to be a strong union mill town. Parents and spouses of CUPE workers were all union workers. That's not the case anymore. Now there seems to be more of a disconnect, and people aren't sure what the union can do for them.



Another example is the support we give people who are going off work or returning to work from sick leave for, say, a surgery or something. We have an agency that helps organize a return to work schedule and access benefits. That can take a lot of stress off the worker.

Who are CUPE 476 members?

Members work in every support role within the public school system. This includes bus drivers, healthcare and educational assistants, StrongStart facilitators, theatre technician, clerical workers (such as payroll, accounting, secretarial in schools and the district office) and custodial and maintenance workers.

What does the union do?

The majority of workers in CUPE 476 are parents, grandparents, uncles and aunts. We're all trying to make kids' lives better. That's what we want to do - provide for our families and do good work.

We represent 175 workers, 115 of whom have positions right now with the School District.

For example, one of the things that comes up a lot is start-end times. Each site understandably wants flexibility. It's empowering to be able to say, "I'll be flexible, but I don't have to change my life for a four-hour-a-day job." We're not trying to ram an agenda, but we do try to create equity across the district.

What misconceptions do you think people have about CUPE?

People think we, Public School Workers, get the summers and holidays off, but many of the CUPE 476 membership only work part-time and are paid only when kids are in session. Those in maintenance and many in custodial are the exception, working through the summer, depending on the projects underway.

What makes you proud of Local 476?

We're not big enough to have full-time paid positions (staffing the union), so I'm proud of how much time people put in to have a say and to be represented. Our members put in a lot of volunteer time.

What's on your plate now?

In 2019, there will be collective bargaining, so we're preparing for that and getting input. We're also trying to get more professional development. Right now, we get one day. The rest of the time, we mostly get laid off on Pro-D days. I know that's a cost savings for the District, but we're pushing to get EAs included in Pro-D days and more collaboration. It's better for the kids if we're all on the same page.



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Powell River's service clubs give back all year

Powell River has several service clubs that raise money for local and international projects, and provide thousands of volunteer hours.

The Kiwanis Club of Powell River runs two apartment buildings, the Kiwanis Village and the Kiwanis Garden Manor. Both buildings are full and have waiting lists. The Kiwanis Club is well known for its Soap Box Derby, a free event for kids seven years and up. They raise money throughout the year and recently helped Kendra McLeod with expenses while she was at the cancer clinic in Vancouver. They also helped fund the new playground at James Thomson School this year. Powell River has two Rotary Clubs, a morn-

ing and an evening club. With the motto of "Service Above Self," both clubs work hard to fund local and international projects annually and support Brooks Rotary Interact student endeavors.

The Powell River Knights of Columbus is a Roman Catholic men's service organization. Charities include Habitat for Humanity, Coats for Kids, Special Olympics and the March for Life.

The Order of the Eastern Star is part of the Masonic family. Locally, it raises funds for cancer and for scholarships, among many other endeavors.

The following photos show some of the work service clubs do in Powell River. **RRL**



Photo 1: Knights of Columbus

Father Christmas visits a Children's Christmas Party last December.

Photo 2: Rotary Club of Powell River

Annual Bike Rodeo at the Town Centre.

Photo 3: Rotary Club of Powell River Sunrise

Mac Fraser gets dunked for charity at Logger Sports 2017

Photo 4: Rotary Club of Powell River

Ross Cooper on the grill at a hot dog fundraiser

Photo 5: Knights of Columbus

Larry Wuthrich, Bruno Canil, Gerry Anderson and Travis McDonough on hot dog duty at the March for Life.

Photo 6: Rotary Club of Powell River Sunrise

Kids' fishing fundraiser at Blackberry Fest

Photo 7: Kiwanis Club

The annual Soapbox Derby

Photo 8: Order of the Eastern Star

Sister Pat Krell cuts used stamps to raise funds for cancer research.

Photo 9: Kiwanis Club

Supported the new playground equipment at James Thomson Elementary



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Where: Electoral Areas A, B, and C within the PRRD - approximately from Saltery Bay to Lund.

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Wednesday, Nov. 22
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Community Survey

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A FOUR-HOUR DRIVE TO THE NEAREST HOSPITAL: Powell River's Dr. Stephen Burns brought his sons to Southern India recently to volunteer.

Powell River goal: \$100,000 to build a health clinic in Father Dass' hometown

BY LU WUTHRICH

A Powell River coincidence started the dream of building a Health Clinic in Irudayampattu, a village of 60,000 people in south-east India.

Local physician Dr. Stephen Burns had worked with a resident doctor from India. That inspired him to travel to India and possibly work. So, Stephen contacted Assumption Parish's Father Dass, who was born in India.

In May 2016, they both traveled to India where Father Dass facilitated visits to hospitals and clinics for Dr. Stephen Burns and his two sons, who were travelling with him. After the site visits, Stephen had an opportunity to visit Father Dass's home village. Stephen was immediately struck by the fact that they had no medical services whatsoever despite urgent need. A plan was born.

Stephen set up a makeshift out-patient clinic and, with the help of his two sons, provided medical care to many villagers over a few days during the trip. It was



SNAKE BITE: Powell River's Dr. Stephen Burns found snake bites are common among farm families in Irudayampattu. A clinic will mean they're no longer a death-sentence.

"What should have been a very treatable injury resulted in maiming, permanent disability and even death. [It] caused endless grief to those who depended on them."

apparent immediately that a range of easily treated diseases and injuries were causing extreme hardship to the villagers. Malaria, leprosy, diabetes and other chronic diseases went untreated.

He saw young men working in the fields being bitten by snakes; what should have been a very treatable ►

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► injury resulted in maiming, permanent disability and even death. These young men were wage earners for families and their removal from the work force caused endless grief to those who depended on them.

Stephen was also very impressed with the villagers who had a variety of skills, a great work ethic and who would be enthusiastic partners to a Canadian effort.

Father Dass and many locals have been providing some help to his home village since 2013, in small, successful ways such as providing a village well and farm animals to local farmers. The village is four hours away from the nearest local hospital on very poor roads, few villagers have cars or any other mode of transport.

When Stephen and Father Dass returned to Canada, a few committed people started to investigate needs and develop a plan for this worthwhile cause.

Powell River now has a Committee of local volunteers that is working, with their sister committee in India, toward making the dream a reality. The dream starts with the purchase of an ambulance and hiring of a part-time driver to enable villagers to get to the closest hospital for treatment. Early planning for a clinic and a simple residence for visiting medical professionals is complete and blue prints have arrived from India.

A small clinic will be constructed which will provide triage, first aid, education and public health services, such as immunization, to the village. The clinic will be furnished, have an annual budget and have at least one professional staff. There will be an operational plan, spanning the first three to five years of the clinic, aimed at supporting the clinic until it reaches its goal of self-sufficiency.



BROOKS & ASSUMPTION & ADULTS: Above, local youth Mathias Burns, Avary Reid, Daniel Zroback (crouching), Noemi Mazurek, Lucy Dalpiaz, Alivia Massullo, plus Father Dass are working to raise money for the clinic. \$11,000 of \$100,000 has been raised so far. Here, the adult working group includes Father Dass, Peggy Lacourciere, Dr. Stephen Burns, Mathias Burns, Sean Murphy, Warren Behan, Lu Wuthrich and Andrea Massullo. The sister committee in India includes six volunteer village residents with a variety of experience and professional backgrounds, eager to work with Canadians on a shared vision.

Want to help build the clinic?

Powell River residents have always been generous to local health institutions as evidenced by the wonderful work of the Hospital Auxiliary and the Foundation in ensuring our hospital and residential care units have the state of the art equipment they need. There has already been a continuation of that generosity and over \$11,000 of our goal of \$100,000 has been donated to this cause.

We all understand how important funda-

mental health care is to our lives, as we have all spent time in those clinic waiting rooms. How wonderful to see that simple privilege afforded to 60,000 of our neighbors in India.

Want to help? We have charitable status and donations can be made at Church of the Assumption Rectory, 7109 Glacier. Or call Lu Wuthrich: 604 483 4587.

Or, see the T-Shirt project on Page 10.

The Legion and you

The Royal Canadian Legion is committed to advocating for those who serve and for veterans and their families. Did you know the Powell River Legion is a great place to visit with friends, watch sports or play games? We have one big screen HDTVs showing sports games, we offer a full bar, munches, coffee, tea, and non-alcoholic drinks. Be entertained and take in special events!

Come out for Friday night dinners; the Legion is family friendly on meals nights. Enjoy playing pool on three tables, throwing darts on eight boards, playing on the shuffleboard table and card games.

"The Legion is a non-profit community club where members and their guests come for entertainment or to visit," says a member of the executive. "Many thanks to all our volunteers and patron supporters."

Weekly activities

Monday: Cinch, Carpet Bowling and Darts

Tuesday: Stroke Club meeting, Darts

Wednesday: Crib, Pool

Thursday: Pub Darts

Friday: Dinner & Draw

"Members of Branch 164 are a social group and like to give back a relaxing environment for a get together," adds treasurer Rose. Individual volunteer talents are greatly appreciated.

"We support local Charity organizations on a continuous basis," say Bill and Rose. "Our charity donation was \$29,200, down slightly." We raise money through meat draws every Saturday and Sunday afternoon. Drop by and join us as member or sign in as guest. This Legion mainly supports the Powell River Stroke Recovery Program, PR Academy of Music's Youth Choir, Powell River Soccer & PR Boxing, PR Paddling for Life, Powell River Air, Navy, Army; Powell River Therapeutic Riding, Clansmen Pipe band, PR Forestry, two Powell River Scholarships, PR Christmas Cheer Hampers, PR Food Bank, Salvation Army, and 4 Pillar Early Learning. Provincially we support Special Olympics, War Amps, BC Children's Hospital, BC Lung Association, Spinal Cord Injury, BC Diabetic Association, ASL Association, and more.

The Ladies Auxiliary works tirelessly to raise

funds by catering events. "Last year they raised \$6,520," noted Legion executive members Karen Crashley.

A candlelight ceremony is held in May for deceased veterans at local cemeteries. A veteran's service is held on Remembrance Day.

The poppy fund raises about \$18,400 a year. Money is used for bursaries. It's also used to help veterans and their widows who have hardships. "We can help with dentures, hearing aids and wheelchairs," noted Bill Demkiw.

"The school poster/literacy contest keeps the meaning of Remembrance Day alive with the younger generation," says Bill and Karen.

The Legion on Alexander Street has a full bar and is open seven days a week. It's run primarily by volunteers. The local branch has its roots in the aftermath of the First World War when veterans formed a loosely knit group and then the Ex-Servicemen's Association. The Legion was chartered in 1940 and meetings were held in Dwight Hall until the Alexander Street property was purchased in 1946.



Who can join?

Membership open to All Canadian Citizens over the age of 19, for only \$65 a year. **No military background needed.** You can enjoy the benefits of membership and the community.

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"Our mandate is to support veterans but the majority of our members are not veterans," said Bill.

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Wildwood's ancient bell tones

1,000-year-old Italian foundry a destination for local history buffs



BY ISABELLE SOUTHCOTT
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Whenever Charlene Lockstead hears the St. Gerard's Catholic Church bell ring in Wildwood, she thinks of her grandfather, Armando Bombardir.

After he passed away in 1971, his widow Mary wanted to do something special. So she ordered a bell for the church in Wildwood. Because her hometown of Bagnoli, Italy is not far from the Marinelli Bell Factory in Agnone, she ordered the bell from there.

Armando's brother Amedo, a priest who lived in Torlano, brought the bell over to Powell River in 1972 and the family installed it.

"It was very heavy," says Charlene who estimated that it weighs around 500 pounds. "All four Bombardir brothers and their son installed the bell."

That bell was made in a 1,000-year-old Italian found-



ORANGES AND LEMONS: Top, in 1972, the Bombardir brothers installed a Marinelli-made bell in St. Gerard's Catholic Church in memory of their father. Above, in summer 2017, several Powell Riverites visited the foundry in Agnone, Italy, to see where the Powell River bell was made - along with many other famous artisan bells.

ry, the second oldest family business in the world.

Bells from the Marinelli Bell Foundry in Agnone have filled churches around the world. Famous Marinelli bells hang in the Leaning Tower of Pisa, and the United Nations building in New York City, among many others. The artisan foundry makes only 50 bells a year.

This past summer, Charlene and her husband Craig vacationed in Italy where they met up with friends and Rotarian Dan Devita and his wife Marian, Maggie Hathaway and Shelley Stephen, in Bagnoli.

Coincidentally, the Rotary International Foundation commissioned a Marinelli bell for its centennial celebrations in Atlanta this year and the foundry's owner Armando Marinelli is also a Rotarian.

Wanting to see where the St. Gerard's bell and the Rotary International bell were made, the group of Powell Riverites rented a large van and drove to Agnone, a mere 29 kilometres away from Bagnoli.

"I got goose bumps as we were going there," said Charlene.

Armando and his brother Pasquale Marinelli are the 26th generation to run the foundry. They took the Powell River guests on a tour and visited the foundry's ►

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► museum. Artifacts and bells, lots of bells, including ones that have been struck by lightning can be found in the museum, says Dan. So are displays about the foundry's unique projects, such as a 1999 Bell of Peace, made from bullet casings collected by Albanian children in the 1990's. It's one of dozens of peace bells around the world.

Dan was fascinated by the fact that at one time there were 26 bell factories in Italy and their bells were shipped all over the world. Now, just four remain.

The Marinelli foundry is one of the few remaining in the world that produces bells by hand and the Powell River visitors were shown just what is involved in making a bell – the same process used today would have made the one that hangs in St. Gerard's.

Craftsmen decide what note they want to create, calculating the bell's diameter, height and thickness. Then they make

a false bell, using wood and wax over a form of bricks, wood, clay and hemp. This process makes a relief of the bell's surfaces. Molten bronze, at 1,200 degrees Celcius, gets poured into the mould to make the actual bell.

Some foundries use computers, but at Marinelli Bell Foundry, everything is done by hand. Bells take from two months to a year to make.

"These people are artisans," says Dan. "They still use the old system."

At the end of the tour, the visitors heard a demonstration of the bells' rich and varied sounds, as they played tunes from Ava Maria to Jingle Bells.

For Dan with his Rotary connection, it was a heartwarming visit. Not only was he thrilled to see the bell factory and meet a fellow Rotarian, but he was equally excited to learn that this was where the bell that hangs in the Wildwood Church was made all those years ago. 

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The way forward

This photo essay shows the steaming process used for the Hehewšun (The Way Forward) Reconciliation Canoe. Steam is used to soften the cedar so it is more flexible, allowing the middle of the canoe to gain an extra six inches in width. The purpose of the steaming is to help with stability on the water

Under the guidance of canoe builder Joe Martin, who comes from Tla-o-qui-aht First Nation, this Carving project has promoted many conversations between the non-indigenous and indigenous communities at Willingdon Beach over the last several weeks.

The “Canada C3 – Coast to Coast to Coast Expedition” video (www.facebook.com/CanadaC3/videos/437485829982923) released late last month, reveals the origins of the reconciliation canoe project.

“When you take, you give. And if you just remember that in your dealings with Indigenous peoples, we can’t go wrong. Because they’re used to us coming and taking, and not giving. So I see this as an opportunity for the non-indigenous community to give,” says Phil Russell, one of the carvers, who is leading this project with Tla’amin’s Cyndi Pallen and John Louie.

Christmas Cheer Hampers

Applications for Christmas Cheer Hampers are available at:

- ▷ The Town Centre Mall office
- ▷ Community Resource Centre
- ▷ Youth & Family Services (former Oceanview School)
- ▷ Cranberry Child Development Centre (Artaban Street)
- ▷ BOND Centre (above Bank of Montreal).

Deadline to submit applications is **Thursday, December 7th**, however we would appreciate receiving the applications much sooner as this will assist us in helping as many families as possible. Our goal is to help all families have a bright and food-filled Christmas.

Organizations, companies, families and individuals who would like to donate funds or participate in our Adopt-A-Family program are asked to phone Lesley Ford 604 485-6682 or Sandra Carmen 604 485-2142 for further information.

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Hēhewš̓in PRESENTATION

What: After months of preparation and carving, the reconciliation canoe is complete. The team will present the canoe to Tla'amin Nation in a ceremony and celebration. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

When: Saturday, November 18. 9 am for the blessing of the canoe and maiden voyage at Willingdon Beach. 12:30 pm everyone welcome for a celebratory luncheon at the Salish Centre.

Hēhewš̓in was developed in partnership with the residents of the upper Sunshine Coast and Tla'amin Nation. It aims to create a meaningful symbol of reconciliation. Because it is located at Willingdon Beach, community members have stopped by and talked to the carvers and helped carve the two cedar canoes.

The canoe will be presented to the Tla'amin Nation at Willingdon Beach on November the 18 starting at 9 am, and followed by a lunch at 12:30 at the Salish Centre. Everyone is welcome at both events.

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30 ROOMS WITH A VIEW: In the heart of Townsite, the Island View Lodge Motel has been purchased by Eun Young and Si Chul. This is the third in a series of partnership articles between PRL and Powell River Immigrant Services.

Originally from South Korea, Eun Young and her husband Si Chul have been in Canada for more than a decade. They moved here this year after they bought Townsite's Island View Lodge Motel.

Where are you from?

Eun Young • I'm from South Korea. I was born in Daegu City, which is the third largest city after Seoul and Busan. The population of Daegu is about 2.455 million. The city is surrounded by large mountains such as "Pal-Gong Mountain". Especially in summer, the temperature in Daegu is higher than in other cities in Korea. Daegu is famous for producing delicious apples, also for making some high quality fabrics.

Which business did you purchase in Powell River?

Eun Young • My husband and I started a hotel business for the first time. We bought the Island View Lodge Motel, located in the Townsite. Our motel has

thirty rooms and is open all year round. We are accommodating lots of sports teams such as hockey teams, logger sports teams, but also tourists, workers, etc. Before we moved to Powell River, we owned a sushi restaurant in Harrison Hot Springs.

Why did you choose Powell River?

Eun Young • We didn't know anything about Powell River. We were looking for a motel and my brother, who has hotels on Vancouver Island, found this one online and recommended it to us. We moved here in 2014 because of our business at first, but we really like living in such a quiet and peaceful place. Also, people in Powell River are kind and friendly.

Why did you decide to move to Canada?

Eun Young • One of our main motivations was that I wanted to give my two children a great educational experience. Since English is one of the universal lan-

guages, I thought it would be great for our children to study in a country where it's the first language. Also, the education system is different from Korea. Children here are encouraged to develop their natural ability and skills. They have no pressure to get a good score, so they do not compete with their classmates as much as in Korea.

What do you like about life in Canada?

Eun Young • I love the nature of Canada; the air is so clean and fresh. I used to live intensely and had a busy life. However, here I feel more relaxed and enjoy my free time walking at the beach or hiking the trails. I think Canadians are very kind and have an open mind to foreign people. I was amazed about Canadians' friendliness. For example, I can feel that they are respecting one's identity. ▶

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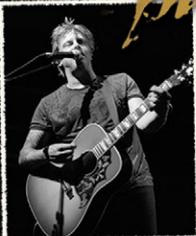
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“Having an interest in local events is a good way to learn about the [language and] culture. Be involved in your community. There are lots of good opportunities to meet Canadians who are willing to help.”

– Eun Young

► **What are some challenges you have faced starting and running a business in Canada?**

Eun Young • The language barrier is the biggest hurdle. Even though it has been 13 years since I first came to Canada, I still have difficulties communicating in English. It is hard to learn a different language at a later age, and I don't feel comfortable speaking in English. However, thanks to the volunteer tutors at Immigrant Services, I've improved my English skills, and I am getting used to Canadian culture as well. We had to put in a lot of money and effort to upgrade our motel, and dealing with plumbers, electricians and other workmen became a big problem because of the language. The different Canadian rules and regulations were also hard to understand because of the language difficulties.

It takes a lot of courage and motivation to move to a new country. What helped you succeed?

Eun Young • In the beginning, it was definitely challenging for me to live in Canada as I was not able to speak in English well. I used to feel discouraged and frustrated when things did not go well. However, I prayed and believed in myself that I could overcome the adversities that I faced by working hard and trying to understand the situation I had. I have never given up hope to live better.

Do you have any advice for business owners who are new to Canada?

Eun Young • First of all, they need to learn English or upgrade their language skills. Secondly, it is advisable to learn about Canadian culture to succeed in business in Canada. Understanding people's lifestyle and what people like is part of being successful, and having an interest in local events is a good way to learn about the culture as well. Also, be involved in your community. There are lots of good opportunities to meet Canadians who are willing to help. It is true that adapting oneself to new circumstances is a difficult task. However, even if you fail in business in the first attempt, never give up and learn from it. **PRL**

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A full circle: from Townsite to Townsite

Peter and Julie Dalby spent the last 40 years living in the South Cariboo. They were both self-employed; Peter in the building trades industry and Julie in the natural health-care field, the last 17 years as a Homeopath. They have two children and helped raise many more as a constant stream of children and then teens, flowed through their doors.

They enjoyed the wonderful wilderness world the Cariboo offered and spent time cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, hiking, biking, camping, and gardening. Julie's love of horses meant there were always at least two of these graceful creatures grazing on their small acreage. Peter continues to build furniture in his spare time.

Why did you choose to move to Powell River?

Peter & Julie • It was time for a change in our lives and the coastal climate was appealing. We also had some connection to Powell River.

Tell us more about that connection:

Peter • In 1956, I moved here with my two sisters to live with our aunt and uncle, Frank and Lillian Dickson, and their children while Mom finished her teaching degree at UBC. My aunt and uncle lived at 5651 Maple Avenue. Frank was a scientist at the mill and Lillian was a piano teacher. I remember hiking up the power line and Valentine Mountain as a child. Henderson School was pretty new back then and I went there from Kindergarten through to Grade 3. I still remember my teachers! I went to cubs at Edgehill Elementary and I got my first bicycle here. Biking is still a passion of mine. My mom, Barbara Redgrave, taught at Max Cameron and Brooks after she finished

her degree. We moved to Chilliwack after Grade 3 and then to Peace River Country. So I've come a full circle. We're loving the serenity of Powell River. Oh, my older sister, Jan Sanderson, moved back to Powell River with her husband three years ago!

When? Where from?

Peter & Julie • Summer of 2016. The 108-Mile Ranch in the South Cariboo.

What surprised you about Powell River once you moved here?

Peter & Julie • The level of activity in the real estate market and how friendly everyone was. Winters weren't as dreary as some had said and summers are bright and hotter than expected.

What made you decide to move to Powell River?

Peter & Julie • The proximity to the ocean, the size of the community, the value of real estate, and its remote nature.

Where is your favourite place in Powell River?

Julie • Our place in Townsite. We live at 5562 Maple Avenue, a block and a half away from where I lived as a child. I used to walk by the house we now live in on my way to school every day.

How did you first hear about Powell River?

Julie • Peter lived here as a child from 1956 to 1962 and we returned for visits with Uncle Frank and Aunt Lillian Dickson.

What would make Powell River a nicer community?

Peter & Julie • A more even economy so that more can share the Powell River



TOODALOO TO THE CARIBOO: Peter and Julie Dalby on the stoop of their Townsite home - steps away from Julie's childhood home.

dream.

What aspect of your previous community do you think would benefit Powell River?

Peter & Julie • Wider shoulders on the road from Westview to Lund for biking!

What challenges did you face in trying to make a life for yourself here?

Peter & Julie • Being self-employed, it was fitting into the local economy before the last hurrah at retirement.

If you were mayor of Powell River what would you do?

Peter & Julie • Extend the seawall from Grief Point to Townsite Brewery (haha) and beyond!

What are Powell River's best assets?

Peter & Julie • The ocean, the sunsets,

the mountain-view and the community's remoteness.

What is your greatest extravagance?

Peter & Julie • MMM....living on this earth with the freedom of choice.

Which talent or superpower would you most like to have?

Peter • Time travel – living history to understand the make-up of current circumstance and visiting the future to see the implication of current activity.

Julie • "Beam me up Scotty," so I can easily see my children and grandchildren more often!

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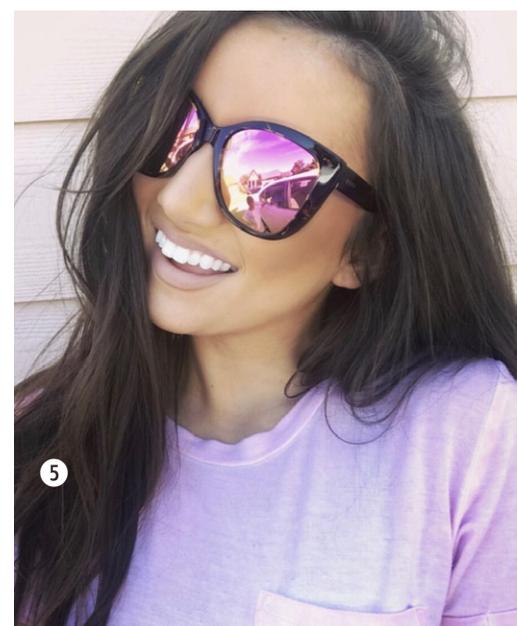
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1. Norco bike

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2. Alpaca Scarf

These chemical-free, alpaca scarves are hypoallergenic and biodegradable. We feature them in last year's Lust List, too, and they sold out completely, so get yours quickly this year at Fits to a T.

3. Riding helmet

The new CKX Titan helmet looks great, but also has practical features your rider will love. Set up for winter weather or summer back country riding. Drop the removable muzzle when you're stopped so you can take a drink, breathe freely and chat with your buddies without having to take your helmet off. The 210-degree goggles provide an unparalleled field of view. With the muzzle and nose guard in place, the goggles create a tight seal to keep out water, dirt and dust.

4. Viking jacket

The safety of your loved ones is important, and so is their comfort. You can help with both by shopping Thunder Bay Saw Shop's selection of high-vis wear, including shirts, hoodies and this warm, dry 3-in-1 Viking jacket.

5. DIFF sunglasses

For every pair of DIFF eyewear sold, the company gives an eye exam and pair of reading glasses to a person in need. These are the hot trend for 2018, with celebrities snapping them up. A polarized pair costs \$129. Simply Bronze has many styles from which to choose.

6. Makita wheelbarrow

Make things a little easier on someone's back with the power-assisted wheelbarrow from Makita. Complete with disc brakes and headlights, the unit comes with two 5-amp batteries and a dual charger. The traditional steel bucket can be swapped for a steel tube flat bed. List price is \$1,696.72 but Valley Building Supplies is selling one for \$1,450. If that's a little more than you need for your home projects, Valley also carries Makita drill and driver sets, and there's a \$50 rebate on selected sets while supplies last.

7. Haws watering can

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10. Forest stocking stuffers

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8. Jellyfish

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9. Massage oil

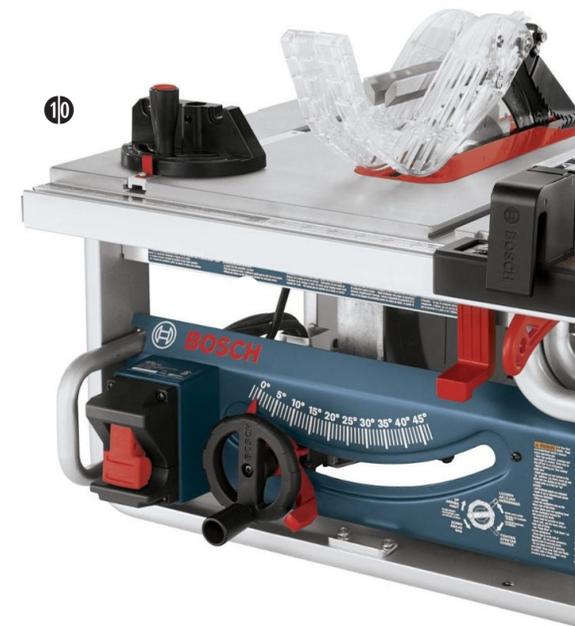
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Your hometown in 10 objects: Best lists

In October's *PRL*, we ran a contest asking readers to send in 10 items that represent their lives in Powell River. Here are a few favourites. Congratulations to **Corinne**

Murray for winning the contest with a list accompanied by photographs! She took home two tickets to see God is a Scottish Drag Queen at the Max Cameron. Because

we ran the wrong dates on the contest page (groan), we have selected another winner: **Linn Rairie**, who sent in her answers by snail mail. That's dedication! *PRL*

Corinne Murray

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- Something from West Coast Thick
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Nina Markham

- Reusable coffee cup
- Dish cloth
- PR Living Magazine
- Chef's knife
- Deer
- Sea lion
- CRC
- Source Club
- Reusable shopping bags
- Black bear

Bridgette Harris

- Sheet music
- Swimsuit
- Wool
- Blackberries
- Wood stove
- Black bear
- Wedding ring
- Mason jar
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- Radio tuned to CBC

Winnie Ferrier

- Douglas Fir
- Hiking boots
- Kayak
- Townsite beer
- Pollen sweater
- Blackberries
- Tla'amin flag
- Sunsets
- Eagles
- Reusable shopping bag

Linn Rairie

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I am very concerned about the side effects of some of the painkillers that the pharmacologists and the big corporations promote the use of, as opposed to marijuana, from which they so far gain no financial benefit.

David Babich

Dear Editor,

I have been using a cannabis salve on my legs for about six months; as a result I have no pain. Before I started with the salve, I had stabbing pain 24 hours, around the clock for years. Nobody could help me.

Then my friend made the salve and I started rubbing on my legs nightly and the pain stopped within a week. It returns about once a month, so I rub some more on

them. The salve is now in my system so the pain is just about gone ...hopefully forever.

Using the salve has not affected my brain or use of limbs. I have several friends who now use it with the same results.

Using the salve and drinking alcohol are as far apart as night and day.

Lois Rohe, Texada



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There's a new pizza place south of town. **Salt 'n' Peppers Pizzeria** opened last month in the Lang Bay Store. Owners **Darren and Laurie Dixon** are excited about their new venture and invite folks to try their pizza and say hello. The brother/sister

team have started out by serving pizza only but plan to expand the menu in the near future. "Right now we have seven choices of pizza," said Laurie "but we will have more items to follow." Salt 'n' Peppers is currently open Wednesday to Sunday from 3 to 8 pm but they will expand hours, with plans to offer a lunch menu soon. They offer eat in or take out. Call 604 487-1440 to place your order.

Stuart Clark is the new executive director of **PREP** (Powell River Employment Program). Clark took over the helm from long-time leader **Lyn Adamson** in September. PREP is an umbrella organization for several community based programs including Career Link, Powell River Immigrant Services, Powell River Diversity, BOND, Literacy Outreach, CALL, Family Place and the CRC. Stuart brings with him an extensive background in working with non profit organizations.

Beth Zroback will be Powell River's new **Success by 6** Coordinator, taking over from **Nancy Van Zyl**. "We are excited to see how Beth's strengths will contribute to Success by 6, as we aim to continuously build and support better relationships within the Early Years community of Powell River," said Nancy.

The Bite Club took over the concession at the Recreation Complex in September. Owner **Nick Sherris**, who has worked in the food industry for 26 years, employs seven people to help run The Bite Club. The concession has a totally different menu than was offered there in the past and Nick says he is interested in providing healthy options for complex users. "We source locally and make fresh food daily," said Nick.

VisitPowellRiver.ca is a new private tourism website geared at visitors and residents alike. The website, which is a project of **Catfish Creative**, keeps viewers updated on events happening in and around town as well as information on festivals, sporting events and

local attractions. Become a subscriber and read new stories as they are published. Visitors to the site are from Canada, the US, and Europe. Publisher/editor **Julie Burden** can be reached at 604-578-8523.

Castaways Art and Gift Emporium recently moved from Marine Avenue to Crossroads Village, next to River City Coffee. The store carries locally made, one-of-a-kind items including ceramics, hats, art and much more. For more info call 604 578-0069 or email castawayinpowellriver@gmail.com.

A Powell River shrimp fishing boat has a new owner. **Shane Reid** has formed **Double Odds Fishing Ltd.** "I am proud to say that after 20 years as a deckhand with 19 of them on the *CFV Double Odds*, Shane has formed his own fishing company and is the new official owner of the *CFV Double Odds*," said Shane's wife Aaron. "I am happy to support my husband in his dream for the past 20 years to be captain of his own boat." Shane and Aaron would both like to wish **Randy and Deb Phalen** all the best in their retirement from fishing and thank Coach (Randy) for his years of mentorship and friendship on the *Double Odds*. Although the local area is not open for shrimping this season, Shane will be offering sidestripe shrimp sales again this fall and winter. Visit Double Odds Fishing on Facebook.

Powell River Public Library's chief librarian is retiring. **Terry Noreault**, who has held the position for the past three years and successfully led the transition of the library from its old digs on Duncan Street to its current home in Crossroads Village, will be replaced by **Rebecca Burbank**, the library's assistant chief librarian.

Sunshine Coast Fuels has moved its office and warehouse to the former home of Guy's Cycle at 4473 Franklin Avenue, beside the car wash. Call **Curtis or Kristine Hollinshead** at 604 414-5850.

The pub at the Texada Island Inn in Van Anda opened last month under new owners. The century-old Inn was closed after it was heavily damaged by a fire in May of last year. The 15-room hotel had been owned by **Dan and Marian Devita** for many years. **Cymry Morris**, who co-owns the Inn now, was the bartender there for more than 25 years.

The Powell River Yacht Club moved into the tall,



SHRIMPY BUSINESS: Shane Reid (right) bought retirees Randy and Deb Phalen's boat and business. Now he owns Double Odds Fishing Ltd.

white cliff-side building on the seawall, in August. **Commodore Blake Hoffert** said the club is leasing the two bottom floors and plans to use the location to greet transient boaters during the summer. As well, they will use the space to run Learn to Sail courses, for club events, for storage, for social meet and greets, as a place to teach educational boating courses and to organize the start of their weekly Saturday morning races.

A new art gallery on Texada Island will give local artists a permanent location to display and sell their works. **Gallery on Dogwood**, located at 4844 Dogwood Street, Gillies Bay is open weekends from 11:30 am to 4 pm and at other times by appointment by calling 604 223-2588. The gallery will include a mixture of established and emerging artists including **Doby Doborostansky (owner), Alfred Muma, Bruce Thurston, Bill Kristofferson and Cindy Babyn**. Prints of original paintings can be purchased online and shipped anywhere in the world. Go to www.goDogwood.com.

In an October ad, *Powell River Living* inadvertently identified Cory Carr as the vice-president of the Chamber of Commerce. He is, of course, the organization's current president. We apologize for the error. **RL**

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War Art
Tla'amin Language

NOV 10 TO 13
WEEKEND



Remembrance Day & Stat
Guitar workshop
The Big Lebowski
Northern Pikes

NOV 17 TO 19
WEEKEND



Zoo Crew Reunion
Grant Lawrence
Water & Wood launch
Celebration of Cultural Diversity

NOV 24 TO 26
WEEKEND



Extreme Craft Fairs
Midsummer Night's Dream
Poetry Slam
Pet photos with Santa

DEC 1 TO 3
WEEKEND



Texada Mystery fundraiser
Art Gallery soft opening
Santa Parade
Kids' Christmas Bird Count

There's MUCH more happening on the weekends and mid-week. See pages 32 to 43 for full listings.

5 November Events

spectacles to liven up fall's rainy nights

1. Motus O Dance

The innovative Ontario-based dance company is back, this time with One Hit Wonders, a collection of outstanding works from throughout the company's history. They'll perform at the Max Cameron November 3, alongside four local dance students.

2. Northern Pikes

Has it really been 30 years since Saskatchewan's premier rockers released Big Blue Sky? Thanks to Lund newbie and music promoter Paul Mercks, they're playing here November 10 at the Max Cameron.

3. Grant Lawrence

This award-winning CBC musician and author is dropping by the Library November 17 for a literary and musical evening. If you haven't read his *Adventures in Solitude* - about his family's colourful vacations in Desolation Sound - now is your moment.

4. Midsummer Night's Dream

Brooks' theatre department brings Shakespeare's highly-entertaining comedy to life November 23 to 25. Four young Athenian lovers and a group of six amateur actors are not entirely in control - thanks to a gaggle of misbehaving fairies.

5. Mystery/Comedy night

Texada's Rock Island Players will treat you to a performance November 30 to December 2 - and on the last night, will even get you back home on the last ferry. The by-donation event raises money for the Texada Food Bank. [PRL](#)

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Plan your November Big November dates

November 5 Daylight Savings Time ends	November 13 Remembrance Day Stat
November 11 Remembrance Day See Page 39 for a full schedule of the day's events.	November 24 Black Friday 7 am to 7 pm, Town Centre Mall.

Film

November 1 & 2 The Midwife The Patricia, 7 pm. Nightly & 1:30 pm Thursday matinee. French, with English subtitles.	November 10 Schreurs Cinema presents: The Big Lebowski The Patricia 9:45 pm
November 3 - 7 Victoria & Abdul The Patricia, 7 pm. Nightly.	November 10 - 16 Only the Brave The Patricia, 7 pm nightly. There may be a brief intermission.
November 8 & 9 The End of the Road The Patricia, 7 pm. Nightly & 1:30 pm Thursday matinee	November 17 - 23 A Bad Moms Christmas The Patricia, 7 pm nightly.

Live Music

November 2 Melanie Krueger, soprano & Angus Kellett, piano 7:30 pm, James Hall. Admission \$20 - Students 18 & under free with student ticket voucher	November 12 Guitar Workshop 1 pm, Cran Hall. With Juno Award winning songwriter Bill Bourne. Admission \$15.
November 10 Northern Pikes Big Blue Sky 30th anniversary tour. 7:30 pm at the Max Cameron. Tickets available direct from brownpapertickets.com	November 16 Pierre Beaudry, guitar 7:30 pm, James Hall. Admission \$20 - Students 18 & under free with student ticket voucher
November 11 Bison, Haggatha, Tremblers of Sevens, Cleft 8:30 pm, \$10 at the door, McKinney's.	November 18 Zoo Crew Reunion 10 pm, The Westview. Denis and the Menaces with special guests. \$5 cover.
	November 19 Cranberry Hall Song Circle 7 pm, by donation.

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A CAST AND CREW OF THOUSANDS: Well, dozens, anyway. Make sure you support these students by coming to see some Shakespeare this month!

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A Midsummer Night's Dream Team

How many people does it take to put on a school and community production?

A lot more than you think, says Brenda Laycock, Brooks Secondary School drama teacher who is also the director/producer of this year's senior high production of *A Midsummer Night's Dream*.

"We have close to 80 students and adults working together on this production," said Brenda.

There are teams who do sets, costumes, make up, props, tickets, advertising, posters, lights, sound and pyrotechnics, front of house and concession as well as dance, music, and directing, says Brenda.

For instance, students in Darren Bennett and Kris Heukroth's classes will compete for the poster prize.

This year, artist/actor Blake Drezet has donated his haunted forest for use in the play. Blake's talent, experience and eyes will transform a stage into a magical ferry forest dreamscape, with huge trees and magical lights, boughs, and flowers that heighten our experience of a favourite Shakespearean love story.

With the help of design students Quinn Luscombe and Jaxyn Oele and parents such as Pam George, Blake's

MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM

What: Brooks Secondary production of the Shakespeare classic.

When: November 23 to 25, 7 pm nightly.

Where: Max Cameron Theatre - at the high school.

Tickets: \$10.

team, which also includes Ian McKendrick and Andy Payne, will make the magic sets happen.

Loretta Cameron, Powell River's costume lady, uses her special talents to organize, visualize and materialize each character in costume from crown to toe, says Brenda. Makeup artist Suzanne Barclay is imagining the beards, hairdos and magical masks of the ferry King and Queen.

Roy Carson and Ace Harry are busy locating the right music for the period, setting and tone and creating the audio mood for scene changes, and nonverbal moments like the ferry dance.

"It's an honour to work with these students and all the volunteers," said Brenda. "They are such a joy and

we are grateful for every parent who steps up to help."

Lists of props used must be created and props need to be borrowed, built or bought.

Program write ups and pictures must come together and be produced and then printed off and tickets must be sold. (Thank you secretarial staff).

Theatre manager Jacquie Dawson and technician Jason Leane do bookings, lights, sound and pyrotechnics and patiently teach the new students vying for job training that they someday some might choose.

Administrators greet parents and community at show time while PAC parents help promote events. And when it is all over, custodians clean up.

But still, an audience is needed to perform for, says Brenda.

"It is crucial that the citizens of Powell River make these events more meaningful by supporting us with your attendance," she added.

"It takes us all, from parents, students, teachers, artists, volunteer ushers, directors and audience, to bring these great events to you. Please get your tickets early to let the community know that you are in support. **PR**

Arts & Performance

November 2

The Wisdom of Trees

Nov-Jan group show, VIU foyer, reception.

November 3

**Motus O Dance Theatre:
One Hit Wonders**

7:30 pm, Max Cameron. Nine shows in one! The best of Motus O's productions woven together into a single performance of quirky, high-impact, contemporary movement and physical theatre. Adults \$24, Student \$12.

Art Talk on War Art

7 pm at Texada's Gallery on Dogwood. The lecture will include discussions on war art from Mesopotamia, Egypt, Japan, Europe and The Americas. Tickets are \$10 and seats must be reserved at godogwood.com

November 6 & 20

The Reel of the 51st Highland

In recognition of Remembrance Day, the Powell River Scottish Country Dancing Society will dance "The Reel of the 51st Highland" at the Nov 6 and Nov 20 dances.

November 17

**A literary and musical evening with
Grant Lawrence**

7 pm Library. Award winning author, singer and CBC personality Grant Lawrence presents *Dirty Windshields: The Best and Worst of the Smugglers Tour Diaries*. Local musician Tom Holliston will also be performing.

November 18

Water & Wood cookbook launch

6:30 pm at the library. Come and celebrate the launch

of *Water & Wood: Recipes from a Coastal Community*. A Project of the Powell River Public Library.

November 22

**420 Story Contest
winner announcement & reading**

6 pm at the Library.

November 23, 24, 25

A Midsummer Night's Dream

7 pm at the Max Cameron Theatre at Brooks Secondary School.

November 25

Poetry Slam

Join the fray on Saturday, Nov 25 at the Powell River Public Library, 7-9 pm. Doors at 6:30. \$5 suggested donation. To compete, bring three poems.

November 30 to December 2

**Mystery/comedy
Dessert Theatre and Fundraiser**

Nov 30 & Dec 1 (at 7 pm) and Dec 2 (earlier at 6:30 pm so Powell River patrons can return home on the 9 pm ferry). Gillies Bay Hall. By the The Rock Island Players to raise money for the Texada Island Food Bank. Admission by (cash) donation. A foggy night, an aging cruise ship, a wacky cast of eccentric characters, a murder ...then, dessert! More information at 604 486 7670.

December 1&2

Future Forest and Parts per Million

The Art Centre, free



Growing in three languages

When Jasmin Marshman took over as Principal at James Thomson Elementary School seven years ago there were 100 students. Today, they have 280.

“We’re growing,” says Jasmin, who attributes much of that growth to the fact that School District 47’s French Immersion program is located at the school.

“Having French Immersion literally brought a second school into the building.”

But there are other reasons besides French Immersion why families are choosing James Thomson.

Not only does it date back to 1914 when James Thomson himself camped out on the Vancouver courthouse steps to make sure he received a land grant (the school, which opened in 1923, is situated on part of that grant), but it is the only trilingual school in the District where English, French and Tla’amin are spoken.

“Some families are deliberately choosing James Thomson or choosing to come back to James Thomson,” says Jasmin. “We have kids who live in Black Point that come here.”

Since the School District did away with catchment areas years ago, families can choose from all the schools in the District. This means that students looking for an outdoor experience, for example, might go to Kelly Creek Community School because of its outdoor program.

“Families shop for schools before moving to Powell River,” said Jasmin. “They

tell us they’ve looked at our school online before moving here.”

Many people are choosing Wildwood for the rural lifestyle it offers. “We have more Wildwood kids now than we did in the past with families moving back to Wildwood and people who grew up here inheriting the family home or building on the family property,” she said.

This all helps build community. “It’s nice to see how many families are walking and biking to school and after school families come back to play here in the evening.”

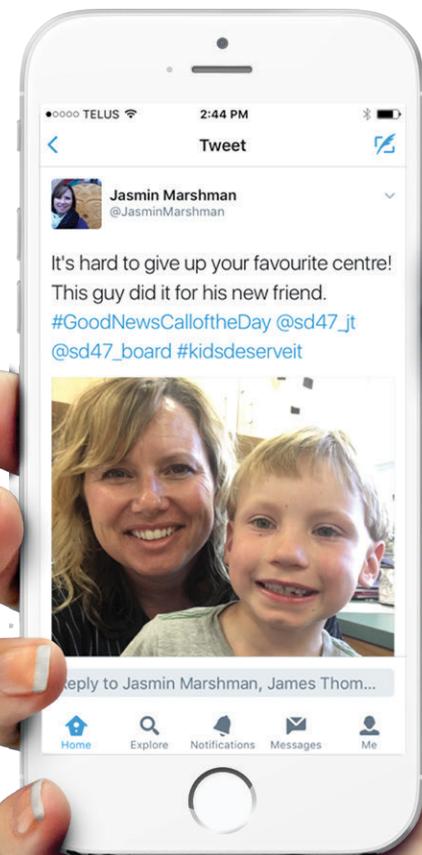
James Thomson may be one of the few schools in the District to experience growing pains but it’s a problem that Jasmin is happy to have.

“We added two new divisions this year – one on the English side and one on the French side. It relieved some of the pressure on our intermediate classes. We now have 22 students in our 6/7 which is down from 29.”

Brand new portable classrooms are scheduled to be installed very soon. “These are beautiful portables,” she stressed. “They’re much different than the old campers that we used to have.”

On the support side, Frank Radcliffe is having some remarkable success in his work at James Thomson, using programs such as Mind Up, Restitution, Second Step and Positive Behaviour Support (PBS).

“Frank has done this work for years at Henderson so we’re jumping on their coattails,” said Jasmin.



#GoodNewsCallOftheDay: Last year James Thomson Principal Jasmin Marshman initiated a good news call of the day on Twitter. “When I see something that students have done that is above and beyond or good things that they are working on, I recognize it.” She does this by calling home and telling the student’s parents what their son or daughter has done. For instance, she might say, “Your son helped me clean up all the balls at recess today,” or something like that. She then takes a selfie of her and the student, tweets it out, sends a copy home with the student and posts one on the bulletin board. “It’s probably my favourite time of the day,” she admits.



Happy Birthday books: Every child is special and unique and Jasmin believes it is important to let children know just how special they are. “This year we have birthday books. Every child, on their birthday, gets to choose a book from the cupboard to have for their very own.”

Tell us about a project you’re working on:

Lylee Tom: Grade 7 English student and May Day Ambassador

“We’re doing coding with Lego right now. My team finished our robot (named Beckula) and now we’re doing challenges. Our teacher made a road on the ground with tape that we will program our robot to follow.”

Eli Hueston: Grade 7 French Immersion student and May Day Ambassador

“We’re working on the Halloween Carnival right now and we’re doing Lord of the Rings. I’m going to be Merry – he’s a hobbit – and I’m working on my costume.”



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Learn something new

November 4

Tla'amin language sounds and symbols
2 to 3:30 pm at the Library. Elder Betty Wilson will explain how to read and pronounce the Tla'amin language.

Nov. 7, 14, 21, 18 & Dec. 5

What is reconciliation: a series of community conversations
5:30 to 7:30 pm, Powell River Library. The first conversation (Nov 7) will be an introduction to the background process and work of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission. The following four will be exploring the question, "What does reconciliation look like in Powell River?"

November 8

Louis Riel: Let Justice be Done
7 pm library. Local historian David Doyle will present his new book on Canadian historical icon Louis Riel.

November 18

Celebration of Cultural Diversity
10 am til 3 pm, Recreation Complex. International food, performances, demonstrations, info displays, children's corner. Free.

Həhəwšun: The Way Forward canoe presentation

9 am at Willingdon Beach for the ceremony, 12:30 pm at the Salish Centre for the luncheon. Everyone welcome. See Page 19 for more.

November 22

Community Open House: PRRD Drainage meeting
4 to 8 pm, Town Centre Hotel – Malaspina Room



Cultural Diversity Celebration

The Seventh Annual Celebration of Cultural Diversity is happening Saturday November 18 (see left).

A highlight is always the chance to sample foods from 10 different countries while watching a variety of cultural entertainment on the main stage. Make sure you enter the Cultural Passport Draw. The Grand Prize this year is a spectacular

Helicopter tour of Powell River provided by Oceanview Helicopters Ltd. New this year are ethnic food demonstrations, games played around the world and the premiere showing of a local film, "The Button Blanket Story." Family Place will provide "Children's Corner" activities. Please join us to share and celebrate diversity and different cultures.

Do good in the world

November 2

Recycle your pumpkin
9 am to 4:30 pm. The PRRD is collecting pumpkins at Town Centre Recycling Depot, for use in animal feed.

November 4

Kiwanis Giant Book Sale
10 til 1, 4943 Kiwanis Ave. Money goes towards the Kiwanis Christmas Cheer adopt-a-family program.

November 12

Concert for Syrian Refugees
7 pm, St. David St. Paul. One Day I Walk. Bruce Cockburn songs performed by local musicians. By donation. Funds will support a new Syrian family arriving in early 2018.

November 18

Salvation Army Kettle Campaign
Donate through December 24.

November 19 to 23

Operation Christmas Child wrap-up
Boxes and info are available from The Dollar Store With More, local churches and Valley Building.

November 23

PRRD drainage survey closing date
4:30 pm. Find the survey online at powellriverrd.bc.ca. Paper copies available for pick up at PRRD

November 25 & 26

Pet photos with Santa

Mother Nature, 11 am to 4 pm. All photos are by donation, with a minimum \$5 per sitting. See Page 9 for more.

November 28

Purple for Polio dinner
6:30 pm, at the ARC. \$50 a ticket. See ad Page 12.

Giving Tuesday

Powell River & District United Way is launching the Hygiene Cupboard Project as a part of our Healthy Families program. See Page 10 for details.

November 29

November wrap-up
6 pm, at McKinneys. All-you-can-eat taco buffet. The Little Barber will be on-hand for grooming.

December 1

Kickoff of the Powell River Food Drive.
At the Hap Parker Arena before the Kings game. See Page 2 for more.

December 1 to 3

Gingerbread Contest drop off
Entries should be brought to the Town Centre Hotel.

December 2

Powell River Therapeutic Riding Christmas Open House
11-3 at 4356 Myrtle Avenue. Pictures with Santa and a horse, huge bake sale, silent auction and more.
Christmas Bird Count for Kids
10 am Willingdon Beach. Organized by the Young Naturalists. Call Austen for more: 604 487-4001

It's November. Be bear aware

Many residents in Powell River have commented that "this year hasn't been so bad for bears in town". While it is true we had a typical lull between the spring and fall conflict seasons, due to an amazing blackberry crop, we have had our fair share of human-bear conflicts for 2017.

We have had several bears break into houses and sheds attempting to access food and garbage. Unfortunately, this behaviour is a result of bears gaining too much access to human food sources (fruit and nut trees, garbage, compost, urban chickens, bird feeders, pet food) and they are now food conditioned and know where to find an easy meal. Conservation Officers and WildSafeBC are working on public education about attractant management and hope that residents can take extra measures to reduce attracting bears.

Conservation Officers explain that many urban bears were likely raised in town by food conditioned sows. They have learned bad habits from a very young age and have very small home ranges. These bears are not salmon bears and likely will not go out into the wilderness to live the life of a wild bear.

Powell River is taking steps to become a Bear Smart Community in order to address the root cause of human-bear conflicts. Working together toward cooperative and innovative solutions for attractant management, we can strive to keep wildlife wild and communities safe.

For more info go to www.wildsafebc.com and for local wildlife updates visit WildSafeBC District of Powell River on Facebook.

- Francine Ulmer, Powell River's Wild-SafeBC Community Coordinator

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HOOKING UP: Need motivation to finally complete that craft project? Rev. Mary White has just the group for you, 2 pm Tuesday afternoons at the United Church.

Your unfinished crafts

BY ISABELLE SOUTHCOTT
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Do you have an unfinished craft sitting in your closet collecting dust? Something you started a long time ago? Something that was going to be amazing but now, every time you think about it, you feel incredibly guilty? Do you feel like you've failed in some way because you abandoned your project?

I have something to confess; I'm not particularly crafty. Don't get me wrong, I love crafts. I've tried my hand at a few over the years but most of them looked like a five-year-old made them. The toilet paper rolls covered in tin foil with bits of macaroni stuck to them are my pride and joy. And I didn't even do the bulk of the work; I assisted my youngest son with this project when he was three.

But still, I persevered.

When my kids were little, my friend Carma invited me for a craft night.

I remember being really excited at the prospect of making a pinecone wreath. I knew it would be beautiful. I'd hang it on our front door and everyone who visited would admire my homemade pinecone wreath.

But sometimes the fantasy is better than reality. One November evening some 15 years ago, Carma and I arrived at a friend of a friend's house for a special craft night. We'd all kicked in money to pay for supplies so there was a round wire wreath frame waiting to be adorned. Our hostess demonstrated what we were to do. It looked easy.

I opened up my brand new glue gun and read the instructions. I'd never used a glue gun before but really? How hard could it be? I instantly regretted buying the cheap, lightweight variety once I got a look at the heavy-duty kind used by experienced crafters. Mine squirted out feeble bits of hot, sticky glue that kept missing its intended target.

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I dove in and enthusiastically glued pinecones to the frame. We talked, and drank wine while we crafted. I felt very Martha Stewartish. But there was a problem. My pinecones weren't doing what they were supposed to do. They were somewhat lopsided. And they didn't seem to stick really well. But still, I thought they looked pretty good by the time I glued a bunch of beads, baubles and other glittery stuff on them and added a festive ribbon.

When we were finished the rest of the crafters held their wreaths up to be admired and the pinecones stayed where they were supposed to stay. When I picked up mine, all the pinecones parted from the wire frame and fell to the floor.

"I felt very Martha Stewartish. But there was a problem. My pinecones weren't doing what they were supposed to do."

I couldn't believe it! My masterpiece lay in a pinecone puddle at my feet.

"It must have been the glue gun," said one crafter kindly.

Many years have passed, but I still haven't forgiven my glue gun and to this day, I've never picked it up again. Carma laughed when I phoned her the other day to ask her if she remembered that night. "Of course I do," she said. "I still can't believe that all your pinecones fell off!"

After the incident with the pinecones and the glue gun, I decided the world would be a better place if I left the making of crafts to others and instead, supported gifted crafters by purchasing what they've made. So this month, you'll likely see me at one of the many Powell River craft fairs listed in this issue of Powell River Living or on our Facebook page.

But that's me and I know there are many talented crafters out there who have unfinished crafts hiding in their closets, waiting for a nudge. So here's that nudge. Get rid of that guilt and bring yourself and your unfinished craft to the Creators Café in the basement of the United

Church at 2 pm Tuesday afternoons.

You may find, like I did one Tuesday in October, half a dozen women working away on a variety of different projects. People knitting, writing, quilting, cross-stitching and painting

Twenty-four years ago, Marilyn Davis began working on a child's quilt. It's a lovely quilt, brightly coloured with images of happy animals heading for an arc. But like so many projects people begin, that quilt was set aside and forgotten.

But today Marilyn is busy working on that child's quilt once again thanks to Rev. Mary White's new group. "Get your PHD at the Creators Café," says Mary, explaining that PHD stands for projects half done.

"You can stay for a bit, leave if you like, have some fun, and chat with others."

The group is about friendship and support. Rosemary Hawkins, who didn't bring a craft this week, says the best thing about this group is getting to know the others better.

The coffee's always on and the ladies make sure there are plenty of home baked goodies on hand.

Your Unfinished Craft workshop is an opportunity to get out and do something different, Mary explained.

Sheila Chesney is knitting a sweater while Trish Norris is painting ladybugs and other things on rocks she collected on the beach.

Mary is working on a scarf she started three years ago and noticing how her knitting has improved row by row.

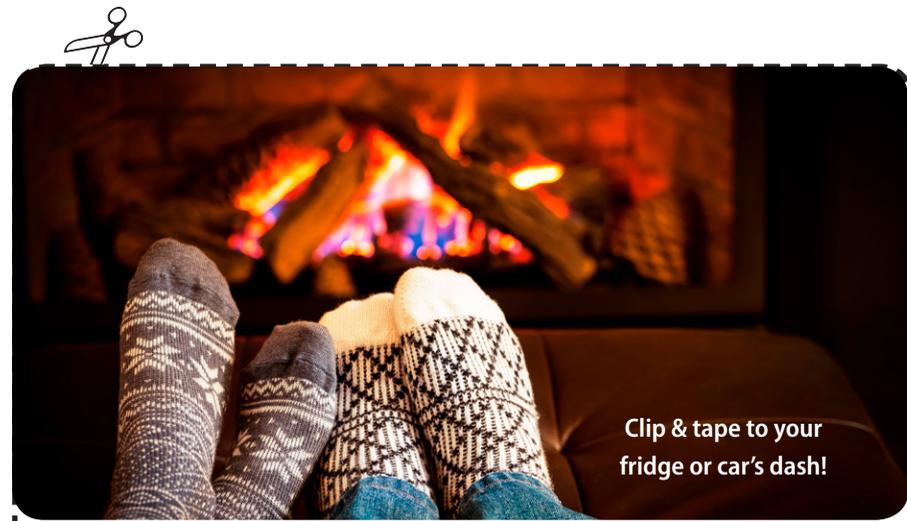
People are encouraged to bring their crafts along or not. "You don't have to do anything if you don't want to," Marilyn explained. "Just come for coffee or tea."

When asked whom she will give her 24-year-old quilt to once it is finished, Marilyn wouldn't answer. "I won't be specific about it," she said. "But it will not be on the Christmas list this year."

Many stories are told while the crafters work away. "We talk about anything from hemorrhoids to grandchildren," said Mary.

Creators Café is open to everyone. "If there are people out there with things in their closet, or under their beds collecting dust, bring them in," says Mary.

So get rid of your guilt, dig out that old craft and join the ladies at the Creator's Café. Who knows, you just might earn your PhD! 



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Holiday craft fair season!

We're not sure if 2017 breaks a record, but we do know two things about the gargantuan craft fair season in Powell River.

First, there are at least two totally new events: the Lang Bay Hall fair on

the 25 & 26, and the Homesteaders Craft Fair December 1 & 2.

Second, the weekend of November 25 is epic, with six major craft fairs in one weekend, stretching from Lang Bay to Wildwood.

November 3 & 4

Powell River's Own Craft Fair

Friday night 5 to 9pm, Saturday 11 to 4pm, at the Recreation Complex. 55+ vendors help kick off the season.

November 4

Bazaar and Tea

Noon til 2 pm, St. David & St. Paul Anglican Church in Townsite

Christmas Bake Sale

11 am til 2 pm, at the United Church

November 14 & 15

Texada Christmas Artisan Market

At the Mary Mary Cafe. 1-7 pm both days. Original, handmade items and gifts.

November 18

Bake Sale and Bazaar

2 pm to 3:30 pm, Extended Care Unit. The Evergreen Care Unit & The Stroke Club are hosting their annual Christmas craft sale. Crafts, Baking, Stained Glass, Local Artisans, 'Collectibles', Draws, etc. Please no early birds.

Order of the Eastern Star Christmas Bazaar

11-2, United Church Trinity Hall. Baking, crafts, attic treasures, books, raffles. Proceeds to cancer research and Brooks scholarship.

November 18 & 19

Raincoast Craft Fair

10 til 4 on Saturday and 10 til 3 on Sunday, Dwight Hall. See Facebook for more.

November 25

Lund Christmas Market

10 am til 4 pm at the Italian Club in Wildwood. Come for the crafts, stay for lunch!

Assumption Bazaar

11 am til 2 pm, Dwight Hall. Home Baking, Delicatessen, Knitting for Children and Adults, Sewing, Crafts and the always popular Lucky 7. For the young people we have the Fish Pond and Nail Painting. Tea room.

November 25 & 26

Fourth annual Cranberry Crafts

10 to 4 Saturday and 11 to 3 Sunday, Cranberry Seniors Centre. 6792 Cranberry St. 20 vendors selling jewelry, quilted items, soaps, wooden items, knitted items. Cottage Creek baking.

Lang Bay Hall Christmas Craft Fair

10 am til 2 pm both days, Lang Bay Hall

November 24, 25, 26

Powell River Fine Arts Sale

At Timberlane, next to the Rancho's sale. Friday 3 pm to 8 pm, Saturday 10 am to 4 pm, and Sunday 11 am to 3 pm.

Christmas Craft Fair at the Rancho

Friday 3 to 8 pm, Saturday 10 am to 4 pm, and Sunday 11 am to 3 pm

December 1 & 2

New!! Homesteaders Craft Fair

Friday 5 to 8:30 pm; Saturday 10 to 4 pm. Townsite Anglican Church / Sycamore Commons (basement hall). The purpose of this event is to provide an outlet for people producing local crafts and garden/farm products from their own property, with a Winter Holiday theme.

December 2

Ornament-Making and Carols

5 pm, United Church.

Christmas Open House

11 to 3 pm at Powell River Therapeutic Riding - 4356 Myrtle Avenue. Hay is for Horses Fundraiser, Pictures with Santa and a horse, Huge Bake Sale and Silent Auction. Everyone Welcome!

December 9

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Brush with battle

Doby Dobrostanski's "Victory at Vimy Ridge" hangs in the Canadian Museum of Flight

BY O.C. (DOBY) DOBROSTANSKI

In the spring of 1917, the Canadian Army Corps was assigned to take Vimy Ridge, near the town of Arras in France. It was a natural escarpment being held by the German Imperial Army for two years.

The main part of the engagement took place from April 9 to 12. 170,000 British and Canadian troops were assigned to the action. The Canadians were assigned difficult positions. Supporting them was a relatively healthy force of 365 British military planes.

It was an especially significant battle for the Canadians, and it was there and then that Canada was finally recognized for its contribution to winning the war and as a nation, not just another British Colony.

Much of the directing of artillery fire was carried out by scouts in the flimsy, slow flying motorized "kites" (as the airmen themselves called the rickety planes) flown by both sides of the line! These men, flying the flammable wood framed envelopes of cotton and wires were thus incredibly vulnerable. Bearing this out is the shocking statistic that the average expected life expectancy for each of these valiant young pilots was two and-a-half days once they were deployed.

At the battle's commencement, the German Army had fewer planes, but within a few days they whittled down the Allied numbers to just about one half of their number at the start of the Vimy battle.

Death in the air was not always the case with a few Canadians. A fair number became aces. Some with more than five victories!

One significant example was Joe Fall, a young, six foot five strapping young fellow from Cobble Hill, British Columbia. At a young age, he wanted to be a pilot after being exposed to a visiting aircraft he saw near his father's dairy farm. He tried to join the army, but was rejected due to an old head injury, and he decided on other means to join.

Determined, he travelled all the way to Montreal to train as a pilot, but the company still did not have an airplane. He ended up training in Dayton, Ohio. After some training, He was accepted into the Royal Navy Air Service. He was further trained and went to the front with an advantage of more flying hours than most other young pilots.

ART TALK ON WAR ART

What: A lecture on war art from Mesopotamia, Egypt, Japan, Europe and The Americas.

When: November 3, 7 pm.

Where: Gallery on Dogwood (4844 Dogwood, Gilles Bay), on Texada Island.

Tickets: \$10 and seats must be reserved.
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He was sent to France and took part in several air operations before ending up at Vimy, where he entered the realm of the Fighter Ace at merely 21 years of age. He was victorious 36 times within nine months of flying. He was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross (DSC) three times for gallantry in the face of the enemy. He is the only pilot in history to ever have been awarded the DSC with two bars. Joe Fall spent the last few months of the war training other pilots.▶



Remember

HELP IDENTIFY THESE VETERANS!

For the past several months, Karen Crashley has been trying to complete a nearly 90-year-old project: officially mark the graves of veterans in the Cranberry cemetery. The Powell River Legion Secretary needs your help.

There are six WWI veterans that Karen doesn't have enough information for to be able to order an official marker. If you know anything about any of these veterans, will you contact Karen? Call her at 604-485-5176 or email ckcrash@shaw.ca

The names are: Dan Anderson; John Christianson; Walter Dawson; Alexander King; J. Parkin and William H. Smith.

Karen has already found enough information for the following WWI and WWII veterans, and their grave markers are currently on order: Louis Anderson; Frederick Barfield; Frederick Bogden; Joseph Chisholm; Robert Craig; Robert Dunn; Harold Ferris; Thomas Flynn, John Fraser; James Gilchrist; Harry Harris; Eric Johnson; Frederick Lang; Henry Lang and Leslie Moss.

The following WWII veterans already have markers: H.R.P. 'Ray' Cormier; Phyllis Gobbee; Alfred McCullough; Ian McCullough; Ralph Shemming and Albert Shillito. 



Honour vets, make peace

November 6 & 20

The Reel of the 51st Highland

6:35pm, Westview School gym. In recognition of Remembrance Day, the Powell River Scottish Country Dancing Society will dance "The Reel of the 51st Highland" at the Nov 6 and Nov 20 dances.

November 11

Free breakfast at the Legion

7am, pancakes, eggs, ham, sausage. Sponsored by Save-On-Foods. Everyone welcome.

Parade at Cenotaph

9:30 at the Cenotaph

Remembrance Day Service

10am, at Dwight Hall and at the Cenotaph

Free lunch at the Legion

Noon. Lasagna, salad, bread. Sponsored by Save-On-Foods. Everyone welcome.

November 13

Remembrance Day stat holiday



►In early 2017, Dave Arnold, the vice-president of the Canadian Museum of Flight mentioned to me that the Museum was assembling two Sopwith Pups as part of the Vimy Flight. This group of WW I replica aircraft from British Columbia (and one from Washington State) were to fly over the Vimy Memorial on the day of the battle's centenary. One of the aircraft was to be painted in the colours of the Royal Navy Air Service N6205: Joe Fall's aircraft.

Soon after, I offered to do a painting of that Sopwith Pup in battle over the front lines. I used the description of the battle written by Joe Fall from a presentation by one of his sons, Mike Fall, to inspire an image.

A numbered, limited edition series of giclee prints became a vehicle to generate funds for the project and to help main-

tain the aircraft for some time.

References and models of the plane were collected for accurate detail to be painted. Military records, history books and maps were researched to use in setting the background. Many photos of ground equipment and colour schemes as used by both German and Allied forces were available from a variety of sources.

Neither of the two Sopwith pups at the museum were assembled at the time, so the individual parts were photographed as detail references. Several sketches were completed and finally, one was chosen to be the foundation for the actual painting.

At the painting's official unveiling at the Canadian Museum of Flight on April 9th, 2017, Joe Fall's family members attended and a presentation was made. Three of Joe Fall's surviving children and his grandson Joseph signed the first ten prints. 

100 YEARS SINCE VIMY RIDGE: The deadly battle on French soil was fought in part by young Canadian flying aces such as Cobble Hill's Joe Fall, immortalized here by Texada painter and gallery owner Doby Dobrostanski. Prints are available at the Gallery on Dogwood.



Dancing Remembrance

A local tribute to the 51st Scottish Highlanders who protected the Allied troops at Dunkirk



Jack Vlug leads a rehearsal for the performances.

BY JACK VLUG

In recognition of Remembrance Day, November 11, the Powell River Scottish Country Dancing Society will dance “The Reel of the 51st Highland.” To the left, you see an image of a rehearsal.

We thought it was fitting to pay tribute to the sacrifice of the 10,000 soldiers of the Scottish 51st Highland Division who were ordered to cover the evacuation of 300,000 allied troops at Dunkirk, which included the Canadian Hastings and Prince Edward Regiment (see photos, above). Germany ordered that the 51st Highland Division was to “either be killed, be wounded or be made a prisoner of war.”

The evacuation of the Allied troops took three days. Lacking heavy artillery, on June 12, 1940, the 10,000 men were overrun at the Battle of Valery by Rommel’s tanks and taken prisoner.

The Reel of the 51st, also known as The St. Valery Reel, was composed by Lieutenant Jimmy Atkinson on the 1,100-mile forced starvation march to Laufen Castle near Salzburg. It was first performed by survivors of the march on Halloween night, 1941.

German military intelligence immediately suspected that the dance contained a secret code and expended about a year of vital resources to crack its secrets. Thanks to the

THE REEL OF THE 51ST

What: A dance performance in memory of the 10,000 Scottish troops who covered the evacuation of 300,000 Allied troops at Dunkirk, 1940

When: November 6 & 20, 6:45 pm.

Where: Westview School Gym.

Why: The Powell River Scottish Country Dancing Society is pleased to offer these free open houses to anyone interested in re-connecting with this important part of the Canadian Scottish heritage.

51st’s resourcefulness, by November 1942 the dance had made its way to the British Isles and it was being danced by the populace, as well as Princesses Elizabeth and Margaret.

Whenever the 51st Highland Reel is danced at a ‘Fancy Dress Ball’, only the men participate the first time through, to honour the soldiers of the 51st Highland Division. The ladies join in to dance the 51st Highland Reel when the dance is repeated.

The Powell River Scottish Country Dancers wanted to do something for the “Canada 150” (one of the 150 is “dancing”), so when the movie “Dunkirk” was released, the idea to highlight the direct connection of Scottish Country Dancing to World War II, and in particular to the Dunkirk battle, all came together. [PRL](#)

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Sometimes the honey is contaminated with pesticides from agriculture. Sometimes beekeepers are forced to treat their colonies with antibiotics and fungicides to keep them from dying. Sometimes they just die. Like our human population, honeybees are stressed by modern lifestyles.

Many other types of bees and insects pollinate the plants that give our world beauty and food. Many bees live in the ground or in stumps and crevices, and many live alone. Certain modern trends are detrimental to bees. Our habits have pushed them from thriving among us to getting by on the sidelines. Helping bees is so easy. By planting native bee-loving wildflowers and carefully placing bee nesting materials, the loss of habitat and resources that may be affecting our native bees can be mitigated.

And what about that honeybee?

Honeybees are the most studied of the bee population. They live in colonies and organize themselves around common tasks of rearing their young and providing food and nourishment. Work is segregated



BEE SOUNDS: Donna Lytle's 'parts per million' invites viewers to listen to audio recordings of bees in their colonies.

among the many. Like humans, they live in societies and communicate with one another.

Donna Lytle has been listening to bees in their colonies and recording their activities. From the drone of winter clusters to the revving of spring swarms there is a discernible variety of patterned behavior. Along

THE ART CENTRE SOFT OPENING

What: Future Forest and Parts per Million art installations.

When: December 1 & 2

Where: The Art Centre, Powell River Public Art Gallery: above the library at 215-6975 Alberni Street

What new art gallery?: It's in the process of becoming a central exhibition, presentation and education space for the arts in the Powell River region. The gallery is approximately 1250 sq ft and the studio/program room is 312 sq ft. The art centre has been supported through volunteers and funding from the City of Powell River, Powell River Community Forest, Rossander Film Festival and Malaspina Art Society and is registered with the Powell River Council for Art and Culture.

Questions: theartcentrepr@gmail.com

with Tom Decker they have designed a giant chunk of honeycomb embedded with five channels of amplified sound that allows us access to this parallel universe, with sound patterns and influences like our own world.

'Parts per million' is an audio installation that takes us into a deep listening experience with honey bees. This installation will be part of the inaugural show at the new Powell River Public Art Gallery located on the second floor of the new library building. The grand opening for this gallery will take place December 1st and includes two installation sound pieces, 'parts per million' and Future Forests, both works concentrating on our precious and precarious natural resources. [PRL](#)

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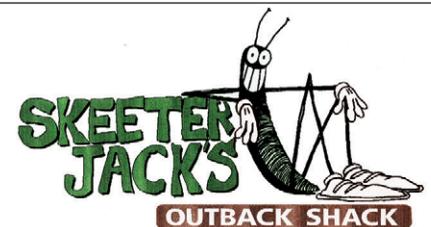
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Powell River Tarot: a community reading, by Teresa Harwood-Lynn

Teresa is available for individual readings, parties and special events. You can contact her directly at 604-485-5620 or by email at teresaann@telus.net

Last month, while thinking about how nice it would be to have my parents closer, I ran into a friend and casually asked about houses for sale in her neighbourhood; this month my parents move to Powell River.

From thought to deed in about four weeks. "No point wasting time" my mother said. "When things get rolling they roll very quickly," my friend quipped. A wishful thought about moving to Powell River quickly changed into reality. This is how it is with the Eight of Wands. Quick and clear, speed and action.

This card is one of only eight cards in the deck that has no people on it. The sky is cloudless and the landscape sparse. The wands themselves appear to be hurling through the sky. Given the slight downward direction of the wands we know that they are coming in for a landing.

Everything about this card is swift and indicates few delays. It could pertain to exciting news coming your way, answers to problems or thoughts progressing to reality. There is wind in your sails and adrenalin is high.

On a positive note, when the eight of wands appears it signals that now is the time to take action! There will be little that stands in your way. On



the negative side we are asked to consider whether or not you are creating a false sense of urgency that is forcing you to cut corners or make snap decisions.

In a reading, the Eight of Wands is an indication that everything is full speed ahead, but the real impact of what could happen depends on what other cards show up in the reading.

Let's look, for example, at the Eight of Wands pairing up with the Seven of Wands. We know from a past reading that the Seven of Wands is about victory and success. When combined with this month's card it would suggest that victory and success are close at hand. It might even happen sooner than expected.

When teamed up with the Ten of Swords, a card about a streak of bad luck or a series of bad events, it could reveal that the "last shoe has dropped." The end to all the unpleasantness is imminent.

There is a cautionary tone to a reading however when the Eight of Wands is in company with the tower. Slow down and pay attention or things may end in disaster. Don't push till it breaks and question this sense of urgency.

Next month, let's pull two cards and see what happens. **R.L.**

Eight of Wands

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- SNAP DECISIONS
- EXCITING NEWS
- IMMINENT DISASTER
- ADRENALIN.

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- 2) Helpful hangout with resources (abbr)
- 5) Laundry holder, or grocery helper
- 7) Christmas Carol hero, or miser
- 8) Club turns on service
- 9) Give money
- 11) Jingle Jog organizer
- 15) Wood's library recipe companion
- 16) Therapy astride
- 18) Of the circular table, or Columbus
- 21) Volunteer dishwasher at resource centre
- 22) Within the whole
- 24) If you're empty at one, other fills you up
- 26) Bells or Jog
- 27) Paradise rail runner, or to teach
- 28) Deliverance
- 30) Photos with Santa always fuzzy
- 31) Found in grocers, restaurants & gardens
- 33) Place for parents and kids
- 34) Kitchen staple

Down

- 1) Pricey winter food, or to make
- 3) Shout encouragement
- 4) Christmas Carol era
- 6) Texada, Dwayne, Island actors
- 7) Hero, gaseous body
- 10) You've got one in me, lots in PR
- 12) Parade's star, elf boss
- 13) Movember's starting point
- 14) Bell-ringing campaign
- 17) Fund raising, donut lowering
- 19) Low-down toothy problem in rural India
- 20) Potato salad maker, wreath plant
- 22) Irudayampattu country
- 23) Combined way
- 24) Hot gingerbread cause
- 25) Mother Hubbard's is bare
- 27) Few under tree for poor kids
- 29) Organized force for war
- 30) Buy flower, help veteran
- 32) JT playground supporting club

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Solution for last month's puzzle:
What's Brewing?

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Census 2016:

25 compelling stats about the people who live in the Powell River region

These are based on the recently-released Statistics Canada Census 2016 numbers for the Powell River Regional District (including the city), and their equivalent Census-generated statistics in 2011 and 2006. In late November, the federal agency will release another set of Census stats on education, labour, journey to work, language of work, and mobility and migration.

Two immediate take-aways from what's been released so far: Powell River is getting older, and wow, a lot of locals live on very little money.

Do you have thoughts about the changing face of Powell River, as revealed by the Census? Let us know! pieta@prliving.ca.

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Population

1. Between 2011 and 2016, the population grew by 164 people, from 19,906 to 20,070. Note: many residents also died or moved out of town - so the numbers of new Powell Riverites will be much higher than 164. We'll find out Nov. 29 (the next Census info release date) how many people have moved here since 2011.
2. From 2011 to 2016, the population here grew by just under one percent; BC's grew by almost six percent.
3. About one in three of us are over 65 - higher than the provincial average. In BC, one in five is over 65.
4. Median age here: 53.5. Median age in BC: a decade younger, at 43.
5. The median age here is up three years since 2011, and six years since 2006 (when it was 47.5 years).
6. Powell River has lost 380 under-18s in just five years.
7. The region has gained 680 seniors over the same time.
8. More than one third of Powell River families with kids are headed by single parents: 590 women, 205 men.
9. The number of single adults who have never married is way down over 10 years - from 4,330 in 2006 to 3,590 in 2016. Still, there's nearly 7,000 singles here - including those who are separated, divorced, or widowed. With that much choice, you'd think finding a honey would be easy!

Language

10. 100 locals have an Aboriginal language as a mother tongue.
11. There are more people who speak German as a first language here (295) than Italian (220)
12. French is the mother tongue for 490 locals; English 19,365, and just 20 people grew up speaking both English and French.

13. At home, 340 people speak a non-official language. The most common are Italian and Chinese (Cantonese and Mandarin).

14. Far fewer people living in Powell River have a mother tongue that's not English or French than a decade ago. In 2006, 2,085 people learned to speak a different language at home. In 2016, just 1,575 did. Perhaps this change represents deaths among the generations who immigrated here after the World Wars?

Money

15. Median individual income among those aged 15 and up was \$29,296. In BC, it was \$33,012.

16. Just 760 local individuals make over \$100,000 a year.

17. More than 5,000 adults earn less than \$20,000 a year

18. Median household income is \$53,056. That's up slightly in inflation-adjusted dollars; a decade ago, it was \$51,629. Though of course, food, housing and fuel have all increased significantly over inflation during this period.

19. Of the 3,185 people living alone, their median income is \$27,410.

20. As many households earn under \$25,000 as over \$100,000.

21. Divide Powell River households into three income brackets and this is what you get: one-third earning \$0 to \$40,000; one-third earning \$40,000 to \$80,000, and one third earning \$80,000 and up. In other words, if your family earns over \$80,000 a year, you're a 33 percenter. Also, you could be considered "middle class" if your household earns \$40,000 to \$80,000.

22. Single-parents families have a median income of \$40,992.

23. Couple families with children have a median income of \$97,024.

24. One in four families with children are considered low-income.

25. One in six seniors are considered low-income.

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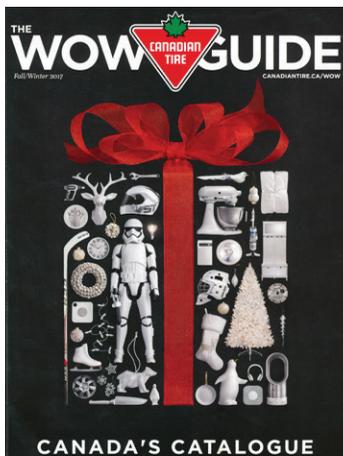
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