

West Creston Community NEWSLETTER

Important Dates to Note:

June 4 – Grad Dinner

**June 9 – Community
- Garage Sale**

June 19 – Hall Meeting

June 24 – Fire Practice

2007 Grad Celebration

This year the West Creston Community celebrates 6 graduating students: **Silver Barter, Brandon Quirk, John Daniel Ryckman, Jordan Ryckman, Claire Schadeli and Zachary Teague.**

A Community Pot Luck Dinner will be held in their honour on **Monday, June 4th**, starting at 6:00 p.m. at the Hall. Bring a dish and enjoy a companionable meal as we celebrate their achievement. The 2007 Hall Bursary will be presented to the winner at this time. If you are able to assist with this event, please contact Maura at 428-3555.

3rd Annual Community Garage Sale

The W.C. Fire Protection Society is hosting the 3rd Annual Garage Sale on **Saturday, June 9th** from **9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** at the Hall. If you have any items that you would like to donate, please drop them off at the Hall on Friday, June 8th from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

All items are welcome with the exception of large appliances (fridges, stoves, etc.) and computer items. If you would like to have your donated items picked up, call Brian or Cathy at 402-6576. There will also be a refreshment area so come and socialize while you shop!

Hall Society News

The 2007 Annual General Meeting of the Hall was held on April 17th. The Board of Directors for 2007/08 was elected as follows:

President: Allen McLaren
Vice President: Jerry Pirie
Treasurer: Karen Evans
Secretary: Linda Teague
Hall Rentals: Maura Schadeli
J Jackie Ryckman
Corn Crickers Picnic: Ted Yarema
Public Relations: Cathy Robinson
Maintenance: Bill Ryckman

Many thanks and heartfelt appreciation to outgoing Board Member Brenda Bruns. Brenda served on the Board for several years both as Secretary and most recently as Treasurer. Her tireless energy and dedication will be truly missed.

The next regular meeting of the Hall Society will be Tuesday, June 19th at 7:30 p.m. All community members are welcome to attend.

C.B.T. Grants Awarded

The Community vote on April 12th resulted in the following grants being awarded:
\$3,424 -Manual Fire Equipment;
\$1,600 - Upgrading outdoor washrooms at the Hall;

\$700 - Refinish the Hall floors; and
\$866 - Community Events Board.
Thank you to all who took the time to attend the meeting and cast your vote and to Tom Mann and the R.D.C.K. for the grant process.

Fire Season Alert

With the wet, cool spring, it is hard to think of fire season. However, just a couple of dry, hot days can turn things around. Already this season, the Fire Society has been called out to deal with intentionally lit grass fires along Nick's Island Road. An unwatched fire can spread rapidly and become a major event very quickly.

Please burn responsibly.

The West Creston Fire Protection Society has been working hard since it's incorporation just 3 years ago. They currently have 18 members who have taken the S-100 Basic Fire Suppression and Safety course. Through fund raising and grant monies, the W.C.F.P.S. has been able to purchase basic fire fighting equipment, receive training and establish a call out system that will allow volunteers to attend a fire situation as quickly as possible.

To report a fire and activate the call-out system call **402-9779 – state your name; phone # and exact location of the fire.**
The B.C. Forestry Wildland Fire Reporting number is 1-800-663-5555.