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W.C. HALL SOCIETY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting will be held on April 15th, 2008. The membership will vote on whether to lower Membership Fees and will elect new Directors for the coming year. Directors are elected for two-year terms with the following positions being open: Vice President; Public Relations; Special Events and Grants Directors. Public Relations is responsible for producing & circulating this Newsletter and other related duties. Special Events organizes teas and dances and Grants looks after special funding. If you feel you could help with these positions, please contact Allen McLaren at 402-6624.

2008 Hall Grad Bursary

The deadline for this year's bursary is May 12th. To apply, applicants must be attending post-secondary education within one year of graduation, reside in Area C, demonstrate community involvement and be a member of the West Creston Hall Society. Please submit an essay of 100

words or less on why community involvement is important and outline any activities with which you have been involved. You can drop your application off at Mugwumps Country Store, c/o Allen McLaren.

SPIRIT OF B.C.

The Creston Valley's Spirit of BC celebration will be held June 20 & 21st. Each community has been invited to set up a display that showcases their unique history. If you would like to be a part of this creation, have ideas, photos or stories to contribute, please call Allan McLaren at 402-6624 or Jackie Fisher at 428-2781. This promises to be a fun event and a wonderful chance to show off our beautiful corner of the Valley!

Columbia Basis Trust Grant

The actual vote date has not yet been set. It will likely be held near the end of April or early May, so watch for posters and notices in the local newspaper. There is approximately \$15,000 available this year and both the West Creston Hall & Fire Societies have submitted applications for consideration. This voting process is one of those rare opportunities the average citizen has in deciding where this money will go and for what purpose. The only criteria to be able to vote is that you reside in Area C.

REMEMBER – Please burn responsibly and report Wildfires immediately!

4th Annual Community Garage Sale

It is spring cleaning time again! The Community Garage Sale will be held on Saturday, May 24th from 9:00 am to 1 p.m. at the W.C. Community Hall. If you have any items that you would like to donate to fundraising event sponsored by the WC Fire Society, please set them aside. You will be able to drop items off on Friday, May 23rd from 6 p.m. - 9 p.m. All items are gratefully accepted with the exception of large appliances (fridges, stoves, etc.) T.V.'s and computer equipment. Call Cathy at 402-6576 if you have any questions or need to arrange to have your items picked up.

Fire Society Update West Creston Fire #402-9779

Despite old man winter's best efforts to collapse the fire equipment building, volunteers have been able to raise the roof and have temporary re-enforced the sides. The water truck is licenced and ready to roll. Also being added to the Society's fleet, is a water tanker that will hold 1500 gallons of water. This acquisition was made possible by a Grant-In-Aid from the RDCK. Regular fire practices will be held every second Thursday evening at 6:30 p.m. The next practice is scheduled for April 3rd. If you would like to have more information or become involved, please contact Jim at 428-8841 or Gary at 428-6454.