

WEST CRESTON COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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West Creston Hall Society AGM:

The AGM for the West Creston Hall Society will be held on **Wednesday, March 30th – 7:30pm**. It would be appreciated if you would attend to show your support for the Hall and tell us how you think we are doing. We do have one of the nicest halls in the valley, please come and give your input.

The hall committee is continuing to upgrade the lighting system to reduce power consumption with the aid of an RDCK 'green' grant.

See you March 30th!

Columbia Basin Trust Grant Application:

The application deadline for submitting grant applications for Columbia Basin Trust funding is March 18, 2010. This year Area C has been allotted approximately \$20,000 for distribution. Application forms can be downloaded from the RDCK website at www.rdck.bc.ca or call Karen Armstrong at the RDCK office at 1-800-268-7325.

Area C Town Hall Meeting:

Larry Binks, Area C Director will be hosting a Town Hall meeting, **Monday, March 8 at 7:00pm**. This is your opportunity to hear up-to-date information on Area C and valley issues.

Annual Community Garage Sale:

The West Creston Fire Protection Society will be holding a community garage sale this year. The date will be the end of May/early June. Funds raised from this event go towards the operating and maintenance costs associated with having a volunteer fire response service. This is an opportunity to set aside "treasures" no longer useful to you but may be just what your neighbour might be "needing or wanting". Further information will be available closer to the date.

Food Safe Course:

If you are interested in taking a Food Safe Course, these are the dates scheduled at the College:
Sat. Mar 6th
Sat. Apr. 24th
8:30a.m.-4:30pm 1/2 hr. lunch
Register by calling 250-428-5332 or bmccaull@cotr.bc.ca.

West Creston Fire Protection Society:

The West Creston Fire Protection Society (W.C.F.P.S.) will be starting up for the 2010 fire season, on March 1st. With a very low snow pack, forest fires could be a real threat to our community this year.

It is important for residents of West Creston to be aware of fire restrictions rules, as they come into effect. Last year the B.C. Government was imposing fines for infractions, so when in doubt on the regulations, check out our website for the latest up dates. www.westcrestonfires.info

The Fire Protection Society's mandate is to help protect the community in the event of a wild fire. We are not trained nor do we have the proper equipment to fight structure fires. As volunteers, we will make every effort possible to prevent a structure fire from spreading and endangering the rest of our Community.

The call out service for W. C. F. P. S. will also come into effect on March 1st for **EMERGENCY FIRE RESPONSE** call **250-402-9779**.

Highway Information:

For those residents who might have problems with snow removal and/or ice conditions, the YRB phone number is 250-428-0619.