

# WEST CRESTON COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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## West Creston Hall Society AGM:

The AGM for the West Creston Hall Society was held on Tuesday, April 8th – 7:00pm.

### **2014 Slate of Officers:**

President – Don Turner  
Vice-President – Bill Ryckman  
Treasurer - Karen Evans  
Secretary – Linda Teague  
Director Newsletters  
- Marge Kennedy  
Director Hall Rental  
- Leona Vondrasek  
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- Maura Schadeli  
Director Building Maintenance  
- Marcel Vondrasek  
Director Grounds Maintenance  
- Larry Evans  
Director Membership  
- Karen Fischer  
Director At Large  
- Jackie Ryckman

A special thank you to Pete Schloss and Allan McLaren for their dedicated service as previous President and Vice President of the WC Hall Society. We appreciate their efforts for the betterment of our community.

## West Creston Community Clean-Up:

Dash for Trash - Looking for volunteers for the 4th Annual Community Clean Up Day on **Saturday, May 10th - 9 to noon**. We will meet at the Hall at 9 am. Volunteers will be designated to specific areas to

clean up. Pickups will be required to pick up accumulated trash around noon. Safety vests & garbage bags will be supplied, please bring gloves. Food will be provided. For more information, please contact Don at 250 435-1492.

## Grad Dinner for West Creston 2014 Grads:

A Potluck dinner will be held at the Hall on **Wednesday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 6.00 pm**. Please bring your favourite potluck dish to share and join in congratulating our 2014 Grads.

## West Creston Fire Society:

BE CAREFUL WITH YOUR SPRING BURNING. The Conservation office has fined people who are burning during poor venting times and Forestry is ticketing people who do not get the proper burning permits for large burns. If your fire gets away from you and goes into Crown land or onto First Nations Property and Forestry has to respond, you will be financially responsible for the fire fighting costs.

FOR INFORMATION ON VENTING, check the Castlegar - Cranbrook information at: <http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/epd/epdpa/venting/venting.html>

FOR BURNING PERMITS information, go to [www.westcrestonfires.info](http://www.westcrestonfires.info) - and click on fire awareness for contacts. It does not cost anything, but you do need a permit number.  
**BURN RESPONSIBLY**

## Next Town Hall Meeting – Area C:

The next Town Hall Meeting, hosted by Area C Director Larry Binks, will be held **Monday, June 23rd at 7:00 pm** at the West Creston Hall. This meeting is an open agenda plus there will be an update on the Interpretive Centre.

## Upcoming Herbal Conference at West Creston Hall:

The Kootenay Herb Conference will take place from **July 11th - 14th** at the West Creston Hall, and the theme is “Herbs: The medicine of the people.” This exciting event will celebrate the centuries-old tradition of herbs and indigenous plants in food and medicine.

A wide range of presenters from the UK, USA and Canada will be sharing their knowledge of health and wellness, and ways to use herbs and wild plants medicinally and for food. In addition to the workshops there will be vendors, a Kids Zone, evening entertainment and Monday there will be a full-day intensive sessions in which participants can sign up to spend the day with one of our experts and learn more about either wild food foraging or creating client-based herbal treatment plans.

Day rates as well as full weekend registration packages are available. For more information, visit <http://rachelkhc.wix.com/kootenayherbconf>, call the College of the Rockies at (250) 428-5332 or email [khccontact@gmail.com](mailto:khccontact@gmail.com).