

# ***South of Town Events***

*October, 2019*

## ***From the Area C Director....***

Now that the final days of September are upon us things are starting to get back to normal after the excitement of summer. The kids are back in school and routines have been re-established, for the most part, at least. That wasn't really the case at the Regional District in September – a few changes were made to the schedule to accommodate the Union of BC Municipalities conference that the directors and the CAO attended last week. Stretching over five days, the UBCM conference is an excellent opportunity for attendees to learn about changes in policies, hear about new issues that are arising, meet with government ministers to discuss problems closer to home, and to network with local government officials from across the province. Networking with colleagues is oftentimes the most important part of the conference as you get to hear what other communities have done to tackle problems that we may have in common. The meetings we had with ministers were quite interesting – their willingness to sit down with us, the interest they showed in the issues that we presented to them, and the local knowledge they possessed was quite impressive. One of the issues that we spoke to Claire Trevena (Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure) about was the lack of a bus service from Powell River to Vancouver. This apparently was a common concern with a number of rural communities, so hopefully someone can come up with a solution to this issue.

There weren't a lot of items on the agenda for this month's board meeting that were of particular interest to Area C, but we did vote to support the Powell River Creative Economy and Innovation Initiative ([www.prinnovationhub.com](http://www.prinnovationhub.com)) with a grant of \$5,000 that will go towards the establishment of a co-working space and entrepreneurial development program. This project has been largely funded by the Island Coast Economic Trust and the Powell River Community Forest, with the city contributing the same as the Regional District. The idea behind the project is to give local entrepreneurs a place to go to work and to collaborate in order to provide them with an environment that encourages success. Building our local economy will be done through initiatives such as this one that support individuals versus large corporations, because while we don't have a lot of big companies moving to the area, we do have residents and newcomers that are creative and live here because of what Powell River has to offer. We need to make sure that we do what we can to keep them here.

To close this out, I want to congratulate all of the new graduates and award winners that were recognized at the annual Malaspina Volunteer Fire Department awards dinner that I attended. The whole community appreciates the hard work and dedication that is required of all of those involved – keep up the good work!

***Clay Brander, qathet Regional District***

**Lang Bay Hall:**

Tuesdays, 10:30-12:00	Lang Bay Friends - an informal weekly community drop in. Connect with the community through a variety of programs & discussion. Contact Laural 604-487-1895
Thursdays, 7:00 pm sharp	Weekly crib - \$2.00 p/p. Contact Rob 604-578-8465
Oct. – Dates TBA	Flu Clinic
Tuesday, Oct. 15, 6:00 pm	Stillwater Waterworks District Board Meeting. Everyone welcome to attend.
Monday, Oct. 21	Federal Election.
Sat., Oct.26 10:00 am -1:00 pm	Lang Bay Community Club Christmas Craft Fair.
Sun., Oct 27 11:00 am.-2:00 pm	Lang Bay Community Club Christmas Craft Fair

**Rent Lang Bay Hall!** Lang Bay Hall seats 72 and rents for \$20.00/hr. or \$100.00/day. Contact Judy 604 487 4499 for more info.

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**Kelly Creek Community School Association:**

Girl Guides and Pathfinders - Wednesdays from 5:30-7:00 in the Community House  
Bizzy Bodies after school arts & play – Tues. & Thurs. 2:30-4:45 – 604-487-9925 to register  
Sweat Shop after school games & fun – Tues. – Thurs. 2:30-4:00 – 604-487-9225 to register  
Wellspring South Choir - Thursdays from 7-8:30 pm.

Begins anew Oct. 3rd in the Kelly Creek Community House.  
 Ten weeks--\$65 or \$10 drop-in...first trial is always free.  
 Contact Annabelle at [bringitsingitatbpr@gmail.com](mailto:bringitsingitatbpr@gmail.com)

Yoga - Classes begin Monday, Oct. 7th in the Community House.  
 \$60 for six classes or \$15 per individual visit... initial trial is free.  
 A yoga mat, comfy clothes and a sturdy blanket all come in handy.  
 Feel free to contact Keely at [keely.spengler@sd47.bc.ca](mailto:keely.spengler@sd47.bc.ca)

Pickle Ball - Drop-in each Tuesday & Thursday in the gym from 4-5:30pm.

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**Kelly Creek Community Church:**

Pastor: Mike Martinig Office: 604-414-4827 Email: [kellyck@telus.net](mailto:kellyck@telus.net)  
 Sunday service: 10:00 a.m. - Community, Care, and Connections  
 Knitters' Cafe: Thursdays 12:00-3:00  
 Sparks and Brownies meet every Wednesday from 5:30-6:30

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