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QUARTERLY HYMN SING

Sunday, January 23, 7:30 p.m at the McBride Mennonite Church on Mountainview Road. Everyone Welcome.

PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 2011

Everyone is invited to a service of Christian Unity, this year to be held at St. Patrick's Catholic Church on Wednesday, January 26th at 2:30p.m. This Ecumenical Prayer Service is prepared by the Canadian Council of Churches. The offering that will be taken up will be shared between the Canadian Council of Churches to offset costs of materials, and the local Food Bank. All faith backgrounds are welcome.

CHAMBER NEWS

The McBride & District Chamber of Commerce has been in the Robson valley since 1945. We partner with the Village of McBride and the Regional District in funding and overseeing the management of the Info centre to benefit the business community of the valley. We have hosted anti-fraud seminars, block watch seminars, HST seminars and the Regional District on an expanded parks program. Adventure weekend in conjunction with the Elks Pioneer Days, the Loggers Bonspeil, The Canada Day celebrations and the Festival of Lights are some of our yearly initiatives. As a local Chamber of Commerce and also a member of the B.C Chamber of Commerce, we are encouraged to forward resolutions to the B.C. Chamber, which if accepted, will lobby government for change. We took this avenue this last year regarding the lack of Hydro stability in the Robson Valley to support your Village Council in their long negotiation process with BC Hydro. We are proud to have been able to contribute to recent improvements in stabilizing Hydro to the valley and look forward to continuing our work on the Hydro task force this year. Four main categories of benefits to being a chamber of Commerce member are: Networking, Advertising, Special Services (HYPERLINK "http://www.mcbridebc.info" www.mcbridebc.info) and Financial Benefits
(HYPERLINK "http://www.bcchamber.org" www.bcchamber.org).
Business and non business residents of the valley are invited to attend the AGM Jan. 26th, 2011 at the McBride E. Free Church building on 1st and Lonsdale. Social at 6:00 AGM at 7:00.
McBride & District Chamber of Commerce - working for you

SCHOOL NEWS

LUNCHTIME SPORTS & ACTIVITIES: Could you help support lunchtime sports & activities at McBride Centennial Elementary? The children would benefit from 30 minutes of exercise & fun during the winter months. 12:00-12:30 daily. If you have any questions please contact Geri at 569-7875. If you want to volunteer for 30 minutes at lunch 12:00-12:30 please contact the school at 569-2721.
McBride Secondary will be hosting the Senior Boys North Central Basketball Zones Feb. 24-26. Come and watch as your Mustangs make a run for provincials! If there is anyone who would like to help with this tournament (hosting a team, food preparation, score table, concession, donations, etc...) please call Stan/Jody 569-7553.
The McBride Secondary Community Calendars have arrived and grade 12's will be delivering soon. They should be delivered by February 1st (calendar starts in Feb.). If you do not received your prepaid calendar by that date, please call the school at 250-569-2295. If you did not order a calendar but would like one now if have a limited number available at the school for $10.00 each.
Dry Grad Class 2011 will be fundraising for the Dry Grad Trip, need an odd job done, please contact Brian Taphorn 569-2406.

MOTHER GOOSE PROGRAM

Beginning Monday, January 17, 10:00-11:00 at the Robson Valley Support Society - 942 3rd Avenue. Free Program every MONDAY. *Songs, fingerplays, stories - For more information please call: Elizabeth or Beth at 569-2266.

BIRTHDAY WISHES JAN. 19 - 25

Bill Holmes, Carolyn Thiffault, Gunnar Goodkey, Byron Murin, Clara Appleby, Ida Vecchio, Kelly Douglas LaRochelle, Monica Zieper, Theo Teering, Chris D'Alessandro, Gerald Porrier, Aaron Rothwell, Cathy MacMaster, Kimi Yungen, Aliana Arteago-Pacheco, Andy Keim, Bob Collins, Jamie Lamming, Tiara Rich, and to anyone else we missed, Happy Birthday.

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Please contact **The Little McBride Paper** with all coming events, news, trivia, comments, anything!! Ph:569-3110, Fax:569-0220, email:sglines3@telus.net, P.O. Box 441, McBride, B.C. V0J 2E0 or drop off at 455 King St. If we don't know about it, we can't write about it!! -Scott & Susan Glines - Oscar & Broom

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El-Ja Grooming News - Stop by Sled Den, Husky or Spin Drift Power Sports to enter our Free Draw for a chance to win one of two FREE McBride area Seasons trail passes from El-Ja Grooming! No Purchase Necessary, Draw Date on January 20th, 2011.

Next DIABETES SELF MANAGEMENT GROUP MEETING will be January 27th from 1 - 3 pm in the education room of the hospital. We will have a presentation on blood pressure management. All people with diabetes welcome!

AA - Faced with a Drinking Problem? Perhaps Alcohol Anonymous Can Help - Weekly Meetings open for the Public. Every Tuesday at 8:00p.m. at the Health Unit. Call 250-569-2586 for more information.

McBRIDE HEALTH UNIT

Are you expecting? Are you interested in classes? When: First week of February 2011 Where: Public Health Unit, McBride Time: To be announced Instructor: Jackie Edwards. For more information, call your health unit at 250-569-2251 ext. 226.

CRAFTS FOR WEE ONES

An event bringing together families with 2 year olds for crafts, snacks and activities. Start Date: February 22, 2011 / Place: Health Unit / Times: Choose from 9-10 a.m., 11-12 p.m., or 2-3 p.m. / For more information or to call and book a time. Call the McBride Health Unit at (250)569-2551 ext. 226 • 1 hour of fun with your 2 year old •Small group craft activities to promote fine motor and speech development. •Free bag of exciting craft supplies to take home. • Siblings welcome •Provided by Public Health Nurse, Infant Development Consultant, Speech and Language Pathologist. •4 weeks of craft fun to follow on Thursdays. *Funds Provided by: Children First Community Grant.

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ELKS ROYAL PURPLE NEWS

Elks/Royal Purple Monthly Garage Sale - February 5th (providing Hall isn't rented) 10:00 - 2:00p.m. Elks Hall. Start collecting up any items you would like to sell and book a table for $10.00 each through Odds & Ends by calling 569-2645.

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DRIVER NEEDED

Robson Valley Support Society is needing someone to provide transportation for two trips to Prince George. Travel dates are February 4th and February 6th (both trips to arrive at the Prince George airport at 3:00 pm). Compensation of $400 will be provided. If interested, please contact Jennifer at 250-569-2266 by January 24th.

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ROBSON VALLEY INDUSTRIAL LAND PROFILE

PUBLIC OPEN HOUSES

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Valemount Council Chambers	Wednesday	January 26th, 7 to 9 PM
McBride Council Chambers	Thursday	January 27th, 4 to 7 PM

Following on the recently received Robson Valley-Canoe Economic Opportunities Plan, the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George is compiling an industrial land inventory in the Robson Valley. This inventory will identify lands currently used for industry, and indentify additional lands that may be acceptable for future industrial use.

With the changes in the forest industry, once the mainstay of the area, there is a need to look for other employment opportunities. The agricultural industry has long been a constant in the valley, but it too is struggling to remain viable. Tourism, due to a lot of hard work by Valley residents, is growing, but still has a lot of growth potential.

Ensuring that the current industrial land base remains available and providing some more areas through a pre-clearance process, may allow the Valley to attract new businesses.

Having a catalogue of industrially acceptable lands has proven to be a successful method to attract business. It is not a process which happens quickly, but an inventory has been found to be beneficial when prospective industrial interests are considering whether the Valley is a good place to establish.

Please feel free to come to the open houses and provide your thoughts on industry in the Valley. If you cannot make any of the open houses, please feel free to pass on your comments by letter to Terry McEachen at the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George, 155 George Street, Prince George, BC V2L 1P8, or by email to Gord Simmons at gksimmons@shaw.ca.

Terry McEachen
General Manager of Community and Development Services