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MOVIE NIGHT

MOVIE NIGHT - FRIDAY, November 18th. McBride Secondary will be hosting a **MOVIE NIGHT** on Friday, November 18th. Admission is \$5.00 at the door. A concession is available. The 4:30 pm movie is **Mr. Popper's Penguins**. In this family comedy, **Jim Carrey** is Mr. Popper, a driven businessman who is clueless when it comes to the important things in life - until he inherits six penguins. Popper's penguins turn his swank New York apartment into a snowy winter wonderland - and the rest of his life upside-down. Filmed on a refrigerated soundstage with real Emperor Penguins, Mr. Popper's Penguins is a contemporary adaptation of the classic book. PG, 1 hr. 34 min. The 7:00pm movie is **Rise of the Planet of the Apes**. A single act of both compassion and arrogance leads to a war unlike any other - and to the Rise of the Planet of the Apes. The Oscar-winning visual effects team that brought to life the worlds of Avatar and Lord of the Rings is breaking new ground, creating a CGI ape that delivers a dramatic performance of unprecedented emotion and intelligence, and epic battles on which rest the upended destinies of man and primate. PG-13, 2 hr.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pea Wees are playing games this weekend in McBride Sat., Nov. 5 against Hinton. Start times are 10:30 and 3:00. Come and Cheer us on!

The **Thrift Store** will be closed for one day, Friday, November 11. Open regular hours on November 15 onward.

MCBRIDE BIG COUNTRY SNOWMOBILE CLUB next monthly meeting will be held Wednesday, November 2nd at 7:00 pm at the Heartland Restaurant Meeting Room. Everyone Welcome.

"Tracks Through the Valley" - Fraser Basin Council - Juried Art Exhibit. An exhibition of local art & artisans, courtesy of the Robson Valley Arts & Culture Council. Plus Rock paintings by Tovi Thiel & wood track carvings by Brian Thair. On exhibit until Nov. 30, 2011 at the Museum/Library Building, 241 Dominion Street, McBride.
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O.A.P.O. NEWS

Caterer wanted for our Christmas Dinner on December 7th. Approx. 100 people. Send bids to box 346 c/o O.A.P.O. Bring an exchange gift of about \$10.00. Men bring for Men & Ladies for Ladies. Royal Purple catered the October Meal. The Candidates for Mayor & two of the Regional Candidates informed us of their desires in running for the up coming elections at our meeting. Our group was successful in obtaining a grant from the Community Foundation to help us in completing the 2010 Grad bench which Adam Roth is making for us. Our 40th Anniversary is in 2012 so lets think of ways to celebrate. Bus Trip to Kamloops on December 17 & 18 has 7 seats remaining. Call Dawna @ 569-3210 if you would like to go. Birthday tea is November 16th and next meeting is a Potluck on Nov. 30th. Submitted by Dawna Hickerty (Sec.)

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VILLAGE OF MCBRIDE

The Village of McBride office will not be processing ICBC or Motor Vehicle transactions on Advance Voting Day, November 9, 2011.

The Village of McBride office will be closing at 3:00pm. on November 18, 2011 in order to prepare for the November 19, 2011 municipal election.

Sorry for the inconvenience.

VILLAGE OF MCBRIDE
NOTICE

Since November 11, 2011
Remembrance Day Stat Holiday
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GRAND OPENING

Grand Opening of Peregrine Helicopters! The first 24 people to call Shannon at 569-7901 and sign up will get to go for a free helicopter ride *** Weather permitting*** 10:30 am Saturday, November 5th at the Peregrine hangar at the Airport. Juice Coffee and Goodies as well. Seat Sale for people that don't make the 24 list...See you there!

CURLING NEWS

McBride Curling Club Ice Breaker mixed-open Bonspiel. November 25, 26, 27 - CASHspiel. Contact Kevin Taphorn 250-569-7434 by November 23rd to register.

BIRTHDAY WISHES NOV. 2-8

Marg Johnson, Delmar Engelhardt, Nolan Frazier, Jana Hunter, Richard Howard, Rozina Shaw, Brady Quam, Evan Carrott, Lily Whitehead, Morgan Matwick, Rose Anne Forster, Trevor Jones, Fred Wall, and to anyone else we missed. Happy Birthday.

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CHURCH NEWS N' THINGS

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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:glines3@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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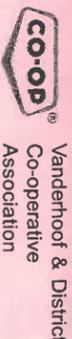
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COMING EVENTS

SONGBIRDS TRAVELLING MUSIC SCHOOL is coming to the Valley! SONGBIRDS is a wandering music school that focuses on inspiring the human spirit through creative and musical skill-sharing. SONGBIRDS has a rotating staff of musicians. Current staff include: Joanna Chapman-Smith (Voice), Katheryn Petersen (Accordion) and Mat Martin (Claw-Hammer Banjo, Guitar). Joanna Chapman-Smith is an award-winning*** Canadian Singer-Songwriter who has travelled the world over (Canada, US and Europe) performing her technique for many years. Joanna has a lot of experience and knowledge to share, and is interested in creating a focused and fun atmosphere to do it. Mat Martin is first and foremost a professional musician. This is his trade and he is a master of the form. What differentiates Mat from many other musicians and teachers is his holistic approach to teaching and his philosophy of learning an instrument. He teaches from the person out, rather than the more external technicalities of an instrument. Mat allows the individual to express themselves through the instrument, rather than someone else's idea of form and function. As a professional accordionist, Katheryn Petersen is a contemporary game changer. She has developed a fluency with the instrument, particularly with jazz harmonics and soloing that is unique. She enjoys teaching a range of students and is an active board member of the Accordion Noir Society of Vancouver. Workshops will be offered for all levels and ages at flexible times with enough interest over the 3 days of November 15-17 at the Dunster Fine Arts School. Workshops offered include: Vocal Ease, Music Improv, Songwriting, Basic Accordion, Soling Accordion, 5 String Banjo, Old Time Banjo, Fretted Strings. Anyone interested in attending any workshops, or for more information, please contact Shara at 250-968-4411 or email at shara_rockets@yahoo.ca. Deadline for signing up for workshops is November 5!!!! Don't miss the first concert of our "Dunster Schoolhouse Concert Series" on Thursday, November 17, by these incredible performers at 7:30pm. \$15 at the door. \$5 of ticket price will go to the School. There will also be goodies for sale with all proceeds going to the School.

SCHOOL DISTRICT

School District Trustee Candidates Meet and Greet Monday, November 7 from 3pm-5pm upstairs at the McBride Fire Hall. Come and meet the candidates, learn about their platforms, and express your views on our rural schools. For more info contact Jen Quam 250-569-0150.

Chamber of Commerce News

Municipal, Regional District and School Board elections are Scheduled for Nov. 19th 2011. Thank you to all whose names will appear on the ballots. The fact that you are passionate enough about our community to commit the next four years to this type of public service speaks volumes for your dedication to the Robson Valley. We appreciate this. Your Chamber of Commerce is hosting a Meet and Greet social on Thurs., Nov. 3rd 7:00 to 9:00 PM at the Elks Hall. We have invited all the municipal and Regional Candidates to join us to meet with the people they hope to represent over the next 3 years and to share with them their passion for the community. This will be an opportunity to ask questions and share ideas. An informed electorate makes informed choices. With 17 names on the Municipal and Regional District ballots it is important that every eligible voter exercises their right to vote. Let us set a provincial record for voter turn out. McBride & District Chamber of Commerce.

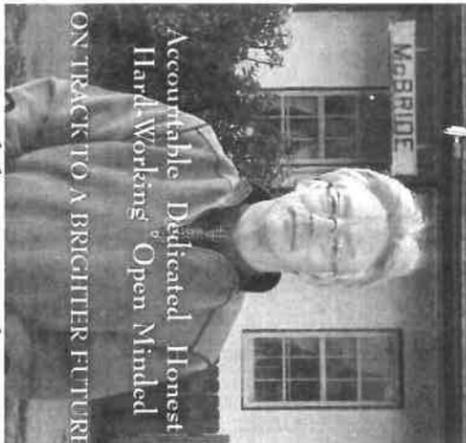
SCHOOL NEWS

McBride Secondary 2012 Graduation Dinner Needed! This year's graduation class will be holding their grad on Saturday, June 23rd at the Robson Valley Recreation Centre. We are looking for a caterer for approx. 300 - 500 people. Bid to include menu plan, copy of Caterer's License and references to be submitted to the McBride Secondary School by Friday, December 9, 2011. If you have any questions, please call the school at 250-569-2295

2012 Dry Grad Trip Fund-raisers: Firewood \$110 / Cord. Contact Sarah Taylor 569-3358. Designated drivers \$100 / Driver / evening. Need help with yard clean-up or any other odd job? Hire a Grad. Contact Sarah Harstad at 569-0144 or Dawn Hickery at 569-3410. Community Points Card at Husky - ask to swipe "Dry Grad 2012" with any purchase at Husky. Coming soon Poinsettia Sales, Halloween Haunted House, Fun Night and Talent Show. The 2012 Grads thank you in advance for your support!!

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released two solo CD's to date, and has studied/practiced vocal technique for many years. Joanna has a lot of experience and knowledge to share, and is interested in creating a focused and fun atmosphere to do it. Mat Martin is first and foremost a professional musician. This is his trade and he is a master of the form. What differentiates Mat from many other musicians and teachers is his holistic approach to teaching and his philosophy of learning an instrument. He teaches from the person out, rather than the more external technicalities of an instrument. Mat allows the individual to express themselves through the instrument, rather than someone else's idea of form and function. As a professional accordionist, Katheryn Petersen is a contemporary game changer. She has developed a fluency with the instrument, particularly with jazz harmonics and soloing that is unique. She enjoys teaching a range of students and is an active board member of the Accordion Noir Society of Vancouver. Workshops will be offered for all levels and ages at flexible times with enough interest over the 3 days of November 15-17 at the Dunster Fine Arts School. Workshops offered include: Vocal Ease, Music Improv, Songwriting, Basic Accordion, Soling Accordion, 5 String Banjo, Old Time Banjo, Fretted Strings. Anyone interested in attending any workshops, or for more information, please contact Shara at 250-968-4411 or email at shara_rockets@yahoo.ca. Deadline for signing up for workshops is November 5!!!! Don't miss the first concert of our "Dunster Schoolhouse Concert Series" on Thursday, November 17, by these incredible performers at 7:30pm. \$15 at the door. \$5 of ticket price will go to the School. There will also be goodies for sale with all proceeds going to the School.

To the Village of McBride residents- " Food For Thought"

I would like to focus on two of the candidates that are running for mayor. Al Birnie and Lorraine Martin are seeking the position and giving you all the reasons why they are the right person for the position. While AL Birney lists the many groups that he volunteers for as credentials for the job, these are not job credentials. As a volunteer all you have to do is show up and do the job assigned. He also states, "that he was on the board of directors of McBride Community Forest Corporation (MCFC) for several years", he actually sat on that board for only 25 months. Doesn't sound as good as several years, Does it? What I find most interesting is, both Al Birnie and Lorraine Martin failed to include that they were responsible for the start up of Take Back Our Forest (TBOF). Why did they omit that or is it a secret?

Lorraine Martin holding a seat as a village councilor , also sat on the M.C.F.C. board of directors for only 2 months. During that time it became apparent to the M.C.F.C. board of directors and Village council that there were confidentiality issues that needed to be addressed, that ALL MEMEBERS NEEDED TO SIGN A CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT. At that time, AL Birnie and Lorraine Martin and one other director displayed an unwillingness to acknowledge a director's responsibility with regards to the "B.C. Corporation Act", regarding a directors responsibility to act in the best interest of shareholders, to conform to conflict of interest guidelines and respect the freedom of information requirement .They made a decision not to sign a Confidentiality Agreement while on that board and were removed. I bring this up as, they both are selling you on how they will bring transparency and openness to the Village council if they are elected. What I want to know is, will they have a problem signing a confidentiality agreement now, should they be elected? If they agree to sign, What has changed? Can these people be trusted to do what is right for you? Or do they have their own agenda's?

I would like to remind everyone, that after they left the M.C.F.C. board of directors they were responsible for starting up a group they called, Take Back Our Forest and their mandate was to gain control of Village council, get rid of the M.C.F.C. board of directors and re-structure M.C.F.C. Was this not a conflict of interest for Lorraine Martin as a village councilor? In my opinion, they were rude and nasty in this attack on the Village and M.C.F.C. and showed a complete lack of professionalism in the way they conducted themselves. In my opinion, their actions resulted in a fracturing the village rather than uniting it. I also believe this group was established for the sole purpose of creating a platform so they could make a run for Village council. TBOF made many allegations and unsubstantiated claims about the mismanagement of MCF. None of these allegations have ever proven to be true. What happened to TBOF? Where did they go?Underground? If so, where's the openness and transparency in that? It's worth noting that TBOF was mostly made up of people not in the village foot print. Who exactly are Lorraine Martin and Al Birnie going to be representing should one of them be elected? Village of McBride taxpayers or friends of TBOF?

Lastly, and most importantly by TBOF financial accountability records, they collected \$427.80 in donations from the public yet, they spent \$533.37 for the meeting and flyers. That means that they were \$105.37 in the hole by their own admission and over spent by nearly 25%. Now, if you can't manage a \$427.80 budget how on earth will you manage the Village budget? Especially, if you plan to liquidate M.C.F.C., the most valuable village asset and form a non- profit society. Where will the money come from that will support the services and non- profit societies that the village currently supports?

Dee Ellingham -McBride

Brenda **HOOKER**, CGA for School District 57 Trustee

"I am running for School Board Trustee because
I believe strongly that EDUCATION MATTERS."

Key strengths I could bring to the Board are a CGA designation and municipal government experience having served a term on council in McBride.

Issues facing our District are:

- Declining enrollment and how to maintain services with per-student funding
- High school graduation rates that need improving
- Urban schools that are overcapacity
- Education delivery for rural students
- Rising costs for busing
- The effect the global economic downturn will have on our budget
- Teacher contract negotiations and the Ministry's NetZero funding policy
- Balancing the needs of the many against the needs of the few

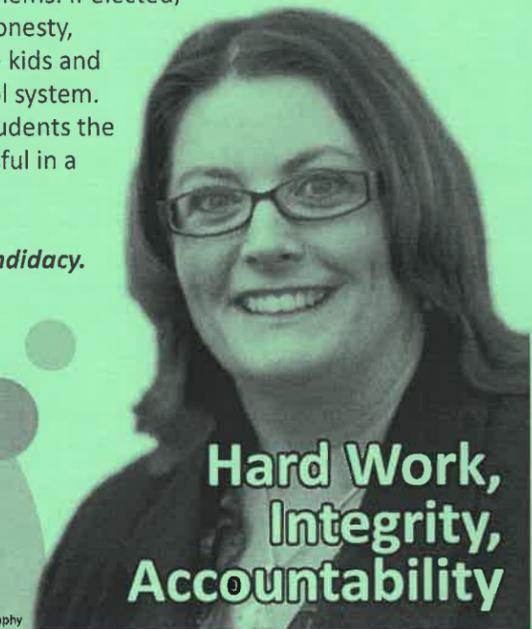
My financial skills will be useful in addressing many of the above issues. I also advocate increasing meaningful public consultation and would research innovative solutions to other problems. If elected, I would conduct my duties with honesty, integrity, and hard work to ensure kids and parents stay engaged in the school system. Our common goal is to provide students the best possible toolkit to be successful in a global economy.

Thank you for considering my candidacy.

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Integrity,
Accountability**