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SENIOR'S CHRISTMAS DINNER
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-Signed Scotiabank and Valley Seniors.

McBride and Area Active Living Guide

The McBride Healthy Communities Committee is a partnership between the Village of McBride and the McBride and District Hospital. This committee was established in 2014 through a grant from Northern Health. The purpose of the committee is to work collaboratively with community residents and stakeholders, to create and live in a community that fosters health and wellness. With that in mind, the McBride Healthy Communities Committee is planning on developing a 'McBride and Area Active Living Guide'. The purpose of the guide will be to promote, in one convenient publication, the many activities, events and groups that make McBride and area a healthy place to live. The intent is to produce a Fall and Winter Guide and a Spring and Summer Guide. The publications will include dates and venues for ongoing community events, contact information for the many groups that support healthy living and activities and will provide residents and visitors with handy information regarding things to do while in McBride. The Fall and Winter Guide will include events and activities that are scheduled to occur in November through April. Although the first printing may be late November or early December, we still want to list your events from that time period. There are so many active groups in McBride and area and we want to help everyone to promote the great work that is done by all. The committee will gather relevant information over the next few weeks. We can only make this a success with your help. If you organize, or are involved in any group that promotes healthy living in McBride and area, then please send an e-mail to Rick Thompson at mcbride.active.living@gmail.com or call Rick Thompson at 250-569-7620 with your group information or to schedule a discussion. Thanks in advance for helping with this initiative. McBride Healthy Communities Committee.

COMING EVENTS

The McBride Figure Skating Club presents...our annual Christmas Skating Show on Wednesday, December 6, starting at 6pm in the Robson Valley Recreation Centre. Come on out and see our Cankaters, Jr. Stars and Star Skaters. Admission by Food Bank donation. Everyone Welcome!

Tomorrow Night: Thursday, December 7, 2017: McBride E-Free Church Annual Ladies Christmas Tea. Doors open at 6:00p.m., Refreshments and Door Prizes at 6:30p.m., Program at 7:30p.m. Come out and enjoy an evening of Good Food, Christmas Songs, and Celebration. All Ladies Welcome.

"Holiday Songs That Don't Suck Too Bad" Chili & Music Fundraiser. Live music with Samson's Delilah Trio featuring Scott Duncan on fiddle, Chili, bun, fixings and hot drinks. Desserts by donation! Wear your favorite "ugly" Christmas sweater for a free dessert. Friday, December 8th @ Dunster Schoolhouse. Doors @ 6:00 pm. \$20/Adult, 6-13 years \$10, Under 6 Free. Babysitting will be available! Proceeds going to RVMF and Dominica Hurricane Relief.

The Robson Valley Fiddlesticks & String Ensemble will be presenting a Christmas Concert Sunday, DECEMBER 10, at 4:30 pm in the E-Free Church with refreshments to follow.

Sunday, December 10. Come join Mountain Chapel at our annual Christmas Concert. 7pm at the church, 3rd and Main Street. Everyone welcome.

Blue Christmas: A sacred time of Music, Prayer, Silence & Reflection. December 20 at 6:00 pm, McBride Anglican United Church. This special service is offered to those who may find this season of lights & decorations, of Christmas parties & festive music, of memories and traditions overwhelming and challenging for different reasons. As we move towards the Longest Night, we gather in community to support one another in our shared pain, loss, and sorrow.

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## Soup & Bake

at Beaverview, Wednesday, December 13th from 12-1pm. Come enjoy a hot bowl with neighbours! Bring a friend! By donation. Hosted by the Better at Home program and the Community Literacy Task Group.

## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mandala Art at Christmas. The Robson Valley Arts and Culture Council and the Community Literacy Task Group invite you to create Christmas tree ornaments for the giant tree in the library. We have all the materials for painted mandala ornaments but if you have other ideas for the tree, please bring them along. Tuesday, December 5th from 1:30 to 3:30 at the Library Annex And Tuesday, December 12th from 10:00 to 12:00 at the Beaverview Lodge. Everyone is welcome! Contact Nancy Taylor: 250-968-4358 nancy@dunsmuiry.ca  
**December 17, Sunday.** McBride Christmas Bird Count. The Bird Count will be glad for your help in reporting birds seen in this area (Beaver/Holmes in the east to McIntosh in the west). Feeder birds can best be counted by spending 10 mins. outside to get an idea how many individuals are being seen. (Chickadees are the hardest!). If you would enjoy driving/skiing/walking in some area other than your yard, let us know your interest. Your tally can be phoned to Elsie Stanley 250-569-2596 or Elaine Gillette 250-569-2643. Thanks!  
**Down Town Thrift Store** - We will be open until Tuesday, December 19th, then we will be closed until after the New Year. To open again on January 2, 2018, 1-3. Thank you everyone who has supported us in different ways. We wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year with your family and friends.  
- McBride Ang. United Church.

## SCHOOL NEWS

**McBride Centennial Elementary** School Christmas Concert - Emmet Otter's Jug-Band Christmas. Tuesday, December 12 at 6:00 p.m. (Please note the time change.) Wednesday, December 13 at 1:00 p.m. Please phone the school at 250-569-2721 to reserve your seating as each concert has limited seating.

**Kids' Christmas Shopping Day Sale** - To all who made donations to the sale - Thank you so much for your generosity! The sale generated over \$500 for the school's swim programme. The priceless part was all of the students' smiles and their joy while shopping!

Due to reindeer being out of shape, Santa's sleigh crashes on a remote island inhabited by pirates. Will the pirates help Santa finish his Christmas deliveries, keel haul him, or make him walk the plank? Find out Thursday, December 14 at 5:30 pm at the Roundhouse Theatre. Christmas Pirates of the Bermuda Triangle, by Burton Bungarner, will be performed by the McBride Secondary junior drama class. Starring: Tristin Alspaugh, Zaina Barrett, Destiny Desfosses, Gabrielle Godin, Gunnar Goodkey, Onawa Gustafson, Gillian Hooker, Gage Hughes-Lewis, Amelia Jones, Daniel Lin, Levi Littlechild, Bryona Mazereeuw, Bradley McFarland, Liam McFarland, Tyler Peterson, Connor Quam, Seiret Sandhu, Sawyer Sicotte, Wyatt Taphorn, Donavan Whelpton, and Owen Williamson.

## COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS

**COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS DAY DINNER....NINETEEN MORE SLEEPS!!!** Alone for Christmas? Single, couples, or families who have no-one else to share Christmas Day with are invited to join us on December 25 at 4pm. in the Evangelical Free Church for a FREE Turkey Dinner. No reservations necessary!!! Volunteer help and cooks appreciated. If you would like to donate food, please call Betty (250-569-3386). Need a ride? Shut in? Senior at home needing dinner delivered? Call Jennifer (250-569-3158) and we'll pick you up or bring you a meal.

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Please contact **The Little McBride Paper** with all coming events, news, trivia, comments, anything!! 250-569-3110, Fax:250-569-0220, 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 inform the public about it! Scott & Susan Glines (Oscar & Broom)  
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# LIBRARY NEWS

**Christmas Storytime.** Tuesday, December 19th at 10:30am. Join us for stories and songs of the season!  
**Christmas Lego with Tim.** Tuesday, December 19th at 1:00pm. Make Lego decorations, build stuff & have fun! Ages 6 and under, please come with a caregiver.  
**Kids' Christmas Craftroom.** Wednesday, December 20th, from 1-3pm. All welcome to get creative with seasonal crafts! Aimed at ages 6-12.  
**The Library will close** at 4pm on Thursday, December 21st for a staff gathering. We will also be closed on December 26th.  
**Monthly Book Discussion** meets: Thursday, December 21 at 1:30pm. This month's topic is "Time in the Title". All welcome to bring a book to share over coffee & tea. Drop by the library to pick one up.  
**Christmas Carols** on the Harp with Doreen Beck. Saturday, December 16th at 2:30pm at the Library.

## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

To celebrate the season, a Community Christmas Tree is now up in the Library at 241 Dominion Street. The tree will showcase a collection of community ornaments that we will keep from year to year. We are hoping you can donate an ornament to the Library/Museum collection to commemorate something in your own family (births, graduation, a new business, or a pasting). When you bring in your ornament we will affix a tag to it that will tell its story and it will become part of the collection that is displayed each Christmas. This natural tree is the centerpiece of the Library's festivities. Take your place in the growing record of community celebration. Contact the library at 250-569-2411 for more info.

# THANK YOU

A huge thank you to the community for supporting our 2017 Hospital Auxiliary Extravaganza. A bouquet of flowers to all who baked cakes for the cake walk. You never disappoint me even after all these years of begging for cakes. All donations were greatly appreciated. Our raffle winners were Johanna Layton 1st Prize of gigantic food hamper, 2nd prize Ruby Hornek of a Turkey. Our Angel Tree remains at the bank for anyone who wishes to remember their loved ones this way. Also our Community Christmas Card is up beside Home Hardware. Money can be given to Pat. Remember all our fundraising dollars go directly to the McBride & District Hospital! -Thanks again.  
**Robson Valley Support Society** Anti-Violence Team appreciated the OAPA for allowing us to present the Annual National Day of Remembrance with a candle light

vigil, and thank you to the community members and McBride Village staff who attended, supported and provided safety measures on our Awareness Walk.

## McBride Hotel News

The McBride Hotel sponsored another very successful Grey Cup Party & Pool Tournament on Sunday, November 26, 2017. 22 pool enthusiasts participated including several ladies) in this 6 hour special tourney, which has become another very popular yearly event at the Hotel. It was great fun and very exciting to watch all the skilled players. First Place was won by Stacey Schock after a very close match with Tom Ryan who placed second. Third Place was won by Wes Chorney, also after some very close matches. The Last Lady Standing was Shelley Ryan and the first knockout was Lance Brown (last years winner). It is really funny how the scores can change so rapidly - that's the game of pool for sure. Cash and prizes were awarded to the winners. Snacks and goodies were served free to everyone all day - a tournament tradition. And of course the famous "Chili and Buns" prepared by Hal Camont also served all day to participants and guests alike. Thanks a lot, Hal, for another culinary caper. Thank you to those who participated and to everyone who attended. A good time was had by all. A special "thank you" to Chrissy Hughes and Tina Carter for a job well done keeping all of our patrons happy with their excellent service and attention. A very "special thank you" to Howard and Val Logan, our excellent "stats couple" for keeping the scores in perfect order. The next pool tournament to be sponsored by the McBride Hotel will be held on Superbowl Sunday 2018. The Hotel offers "free pool" Sundays and Wednesdays. So come out to practice and play. Bye for now and see you soon...S.C.

## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Improving the look of your business! The Village of McBride is looking to gauge interest in the Business Facade Improvement Program for 2018. If you have a home-based business and are interested in support for a way-finding sign in your yard you may qualify for up to \$500! If you run a store-front business in McBride and would like to make facade improvements to your building you may qualify for up to \$5000! Call Karen at 250-569-2229 or email edo@mcbride.ca to let me know if you are interested for 2018.  
**PHYSIOTHERAPY AT THE GYM:** Northern Health, Healthier Communities and Robson Valley Physiotherapy have launched a FREE program. For anyone with a disability, joint replacement, arthritis, and other physical conditions. Open to those who do not have extended medical coverage. Sessions are Thursdays at the Fit Pit, 9:00 to 11:00 am, and at the Valenmount Rec Centre on Wednesdays from 9:00 to 11:00 am. Please call Michelle Read at 250-569-0053 for more details and to see if you qualify, or ask your doctor about the program.

## COMMUNITY SERVICES

McBride Community Services - Flu Season is coming upon

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us. December and into the New Year will be by appointments which can be made at 250-569-2026. You may be eligible for FREE Influenza Immunization... Influenza vaccine is recommended for everybody greater than 6 month of age. In BC, the influenza vaccine is provided free to the following of people: •People 65 years and older and their caregivers/household contacts. •People of any age in residential care facilities. •Children and adults with chronic health conditions and their household contacts. •Children & adolescents (6 months to 18 years) with conditions treated for long periods of time with Acetylsalicylic Acid (ASA) and their household contacts. •Children & Adults who are morbidly obese (adult BMI>40; child BMI assessed as >95th percentile adjusted for age and sex. •Aboriginal people (on and off reserve). •All healthy children 6-59 months of age. •Household contacts and caregivers of infants and children 0-59 months of age. •Pregnant women at any stage of pregnancy during the influenza season and their household contacts. •Inmates or provincial correctional institutions. •People who work with live poultry. •Health care and other care providers in facilities and community settings who are capable of transmitting influenza disease to those at high risk of influenza complications. •Visitors to health care facilities and other patient care locations. •Individuals who provide care or service in potential outbreak settings housing high risk persons (e.g., crew on ships). •People who provide essential community services (first responders, corrections officers). If you do not meet any of the criteria for publicly funded vaccine, the vaccine can be purchased through some community vaccine providers such as physicians and pharmacists. For more information visit: <http://www.northerhealth.ca/YourHealth/PublicHealth/influenza/information.aspx> <http://www.bccdc.ca/imm-vac/VaccinesBC/Influenza/default.htm> [www.immunizebc.ca](http://www.immunizebc.ca)  
**CHURCH NEWS N' THINGS**  
**Anglican United Church - Downtown Thrift Store** on Dominion Street. Clothes and Household Goods. Open: Tues. 1:00-3:00 & Fri. 1:00-3:00 •Dorcas open Tues. 1-3. Ph: 250-569-2479 Terri, 250-569-2527 Esther •Foodbank contact number is 569-3186 •Seventh-day Adventist Church-Meet Saturdays at 9:30 & 11am. and Wednesdays at 7pm. Phone: Ph: 569-3370 •Memorite Church-Meet Sundays 11am and 7:30pm & Wednesdays at 7:45pm Ph: 569-7297 •Mountain Chapel (PAOC)-Sunday School & Adult Classes-10am, Services-11:10am. Ph: 569-3350 •Anglican United Church-441 Dominion Street. 1st and 2nd Sundays in the month - Worship 9:00 am, 3rd and 4th Sundays Worship 11:30 am. Youth Group Wednesdays 3:00 to 4:30 pm. Contact Student Minister Kim McNaughton, phone 250-968-4467 or leave message at 250-569-3206. •Evangelical Free Church-Worship Gathering at 10:30am. Ph: 569-2378 •St. Patrick's Catholic Church-Meets Sundays at 11:00am. Ph: 569-2606. Call to Confirm.



The McBride Community Forest Corporation (MCFC) is establishing a Select List of prequalified Contractors and Suppliers specializing in all service areas (ie: Logging, Road Construction, Grading, Road Maintenance and Deactivation, Tree Planting, Regen Surveys, Brushing), who may be invited to participate in subsequent direct invitation or select invitation solicitations on upcoming contracts and/or projects. Only prequalified contractors will be invited to participate on these contract solicitations.

The purpose of this pre-qualification is to establish a Select List of eligible contractors who are most suitable and available to compete, at a later date, on the described project or activities. The Select List is being established for use on more than one contract competition, so the MCFC reserves the right to select contractors to compete on a rotational basis.

New contractors may be added to the Select List at any time throughout the year and will be evaluated in the same manner as contractors already on the list. The MCFC does not guarantee evaluation and resulting short-listing of contractors wishing to compete on issued tenders.

Submission of a response does not guarantee inclusion on a resulting select list of prequalified contractors. The MCFC reserves the right to limit the number of prequalified contractors invited to compete on a subsequent contract. Contractors submitting responses will receive fair and uniform treatment and submissions will be given due consideration.

Contractors interested in being evaluated for inclusion on the Select List are invited to submit a response with the Desirable Criteria:

1. **Resume containing education, relevant employment history, skills, designations and references, show that Locally based, Demonstrate/outline Service Area Expertise**
2. **Hourly fee rate(s)**
3. **Limited Liability Insurance (with Forest Fire Endorsement of \$5,000,000 and MCFC as additional insured), Worksafe BC, SAFE Certified (or demonstrate that can be obtained if needed).**

Please note that this advertisement and the information provided is for viewing purposes only and is not an Official Invitation to Tender. **Submissions for this process will be accepted up to Friday, December 15, 2017 at 4pm local time.** Paper format, fax or email submissions are acceptable.

For any questions on the advertisement contact:

Eugene (Gene) P. Runtz, General Manager, 250-569-0262/7644 – Email: [gm@mcbridecommunityforest.com](mailto:gm@mcbridecommunityforest.com)



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| <b>Christmas Special 35lbs \$315</b>                                                            |        |       |
| 6lbs steak, 10lbs roast, 10lbs lean burger, 3lbs stir-fry, 3lbs pepperoni & 3lbs garlic sausage |        |       |
| <b>Order now for December delivery!</b>                                                         |        |       |
| <b>Acres Choice Pack</b>                                                                        | 50 lbs | \$400 |
| 12lbs steak, 12lbs roasts, 16lbs lean burger, 5lbs stew, and 5lbs stir fry.                     |        |       |
| <b>BBQ Pack</b>                                                                                 | 35 lbs | \$315 |
| 10lbs steak, 6lbs roasts, 14lbs lean burger, 5lbs braising ribs                                 |        |       |
| <b>Classic Pack</b>                                                                             | 25 lbs | \$240 |
| 5lbs steak, 10lbs roast, 5lbs burger, 5lbs stew                                                 |        |       |
| <b>Variety Pack</b>                                                                             | 18 lbs | \$180 |
| 3lbs steak, 4lbs roast, 4lbs lean burger, 2lbs stew, 2lbs stir fry and 3lbs braising ribs       |        |       |
| <b>The Sampler</b>                                                                              | 9 lbs  | \$ 99 |
| 2lbs steak, 3lb roast, 4lbs lean burger                                                         |        |       |
| <b>Lean Burger</b>                                                                              | 25 lbs | \$150 |



**Gift Certificates**

Do you have someone on your Christmas list that is hard to shop for, has everything or needs nothing?  
Why not give them a R3 Acres gift certificate and let them customize their own package.  
Certificates are available in \$50 and \$100 amounts.

**Sides of Beef**

Do you have a large family or group to feed next year? If so, consider buying a side of beef.  
We have grain fed beef ready to be custom cut to your specifications.  
\$4.65 lb (hanging weight) delivered to you cut, wrapped and frozen.

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**WHITE RIBBON DAY**



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REMEMBRANCE SITE SIXTH TEN VIOLENCE WOMEN

**Market Day at RVJA**

**When:** 12:30-1:30 on December 11. **Where:** McBride SDA church on Lammie Pit Rd. The students of Robson Valley Jr. Academy are learning entrepreneurship by operating their own businesses at school. You are invited to come do some Christmas shopping while supporting the students. Money raised goes toward the technology fund for the school.  
**RVJA Christmas Banquet/Concert.** **When:** December 14: 6:00pm banquet - 7:00 pm concert. **Where:** McBride SDA Church, Robson Valley Jr. Academy invites you to our Christmas banquet and concert. The banquet is a fundraiser for a mission trip to Fiji this spring. The concert will feature an adaptation of The Christmas Miracle of Jonathan Toomey.

**McBride Elks and Royal Purple**

**X-Mas Hampers -** We need your help! Each year with the help of the community and their donations, we supply approx. 20-25 families and individuals in need with a hamper and some small Christmas presents. This year at the Senior's Christmas Dinner (December 6th) we will have a Toy Drop Box and a donation jar. It would be greatly appreciated if you have a new or gently used toy you would like to donate. All cash donations will go towards providing families in need with enough food for a nice Christmas dinner. If you know of a family or individual(s) in need, please call Dawna Hickerty at 250-569-3210 by December 10th.

**FUNDRAISERS**

**Bottle Drive Fundraiser** now until the end of December for the Senior Boys Basketball Team. GO MUSTANGS!!! Proceeds go toward entry fees and costs for tournaments in the season. Drop off recyclables #15 Mountainview Trailer Park, McBride. Can pick up within town and can arrange for out of town pickup. Contact Lonnie 250-569-7657 call/text.  
**Firewood Fundraiser -** Support the McBride Secondary School Basketball Teams. \$150 per pickup load. Dry Hemlock. Delivery included. Stacking negotiable. Call Jody Keim 250-569-7764.