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A Newsletter from the District of Summerland

October 2016

WATER SHUTOFF 7pm Friday, March 3rd, 2017 to 7am Monday, March 6th, 2017

### **Information Meeting**

Tuesday, October 25th at 7pm at Centre Stage Theatre, 9518 Main Street Thursday, October 27th at 7pm at Centre Stage Theatre, 9518 Main Street (same presentation each evening)



Everyone is invited to attend the information meeting. District staff will provide full details about the water shutoff and tips and suggestions for residents and businesses.

The District of Summerland recognizes the significant impact on everyone in Summerland of being without running water for a weekend. It is important to the District to have information available about the upcoming water shutoff and give residents and businesses time to plan for the outage. The District is committed to working with residents and businesses to minimize the impact of the shutoff. Over the next five months details of the shutoff and ideas on how to store water will be presented at information sessions, interactive open houses, in future newsletters and on the District's website and Facebook page. Please do not hesitate to call Devon van der Meulen, Manager of Utilities at 250-404-4075 or email dvandermeulen@summerland.ca with any questions or concerns.

A separate detailed Q & A sheet is being sent out this month and will be posted on our website. More information will follow.



### Reduce Your Wasteline

The District of Summerland is proud to recognize Waste Reduction Week in Canada (Oct. 17 - 23) and to affirm our commitment to reducing waste, conserving resources, and educating our community about sustainable living.

Right now, our community sends over 11,000 tonnes of material to the landfill annually – that's almost 1,000 kg of trash for every single resident! Solid waste is a large source of methane, a powerful greenhouse gas (GHG) that is particularly impactful in the short-term, and which represents almost 18% of our total GHG emissions in Summerland. More trash being landfilled means more costs to you, the taxpayer.

It's easy to reduce your waste and leave a cleaner world for future generations. Here's what you can do to take action today:

Use a Clear Bag for Recycling – only clear blue or clear bags must be used. Accepted recyclable items should be placed loosely in the clear blue or clear bags. Grocery bags are not accepted in your curbside recycling - they must be dropped at the landfill.

Recycle Right – be sure that only accepted materials go in your curbside recycling bag. Incorrectly sorted items can cause an entire batch of otherwise recyclable materials to be landfilled, and contaminated batches cause costs to rise. If in doubt, leave it out!

**Recycle More** – items that <u>cannot</u> go in your clear recycling bag but can be dropped at the landfill for FREE include: glass bottles & jars, plastic foam packaging, plastic bags (grocery, dry cleaning, etc.), overwrap, plastic films, appliances, e-waste, household hazardous waste (paints, pesticides, solvents, aerosols, etc.), batteries, fluorescent light tubes, wood waste, propane tanks, oil, oil containers, oil filters and more. Please visit www.summerland.ca for more details.

Close the Loop – look for products that are made from recycled or post-consumer materials, and ask the retailers that you shop at to stock items with recycled content and minimal packaging.

Become a Precycler – prevent waste before it's created! Buy only what you need, compost when you can, and think about how items can be repaired, donated, or reused rather than thrown away or recycled.

Every Bit Counts - zero waste is possible! By considering each item before throwing it away, you can dramatically reduce your waste and preserve our precious natural resources. Here are some easy ways to reduce your impact:

- bring reusable bags and containers when shopping, travelling, or packing lunches or leftovers
- stop receiving flyers & other 'junk' by contacting Canada Post to opt out of receiving unwanted mail
- purchase items such as dish soap and laundry detergents in concentrate forms
- say no to straws, disposable cutlery, unneeded copies of receipts, and other short-use products
- use rechargeable batteries or solar chargers for electronics





## Remembrance Banner Program—A Tribute to our Soldiers

It is with pride that the District of Summerland displays the Remembrance Banners that will be adorning the streets of Summerland from November 1 until mid November. This worthwhile project was initiated to honour Summerland's fallen soldiers from World Wars I and II. Actual photos of all the WWII soldiers and half of the WWI photos have been collected by historian David Gregory and are printed on the banners (he is still in search of 23 WWI photos). Efforts are made to make the locations to hang the banners meaningful and near the soldier's place of work or family residence.



### Fire Prevention Week October 9 - 15, 2016

This year's Fire Prevention Week campaign, "Don't Wait – Check the Date! Replace Smoke Alarms Every 10 Years."

### Jones Flat and Garnet Valley Water System Separation Project Update

This exciting project is still on schedule to start in late October! The tender has now closed and the successful contractor will be announced next week. The District and the contractor will then hold an open house to give residents a chance to view the construction plans and work schedule. Staff and the contractor will be available to discuss the traffic access management plan and answer questions from the public. Advertising for this event will be out shortly so please watch for this information.

HALLOWEEN HAUNT
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29th
6:30pm - 8:30pm
Presold tickets are \$5.00
Lots of Spooky Fun Activities!

Visit or call the Rec. Dept. 250 494-0447 for details and tickets. Volunteers are needed for this event.



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### Sister City Delegation Visits Toyokoro, Japan

A delegation from Summerland, including Councillors Barkwill and Peake, Summerland Royalty, members of the Sister City Committee and others participated in a recent trip to Toyokoro, Japan. The Sister City relationship has been active for over 20 years now and provides an excellent cultural exchange that brings opportunities to our youth, businesses and community.

Irrigation turn off will begin
Tuesday, October 11, 2016. Visit the Works and
Utilities Dept. if you require an extension.

### **Public Hearing**

Council will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, October 11th at 7pm in Council Chambers at Municipal Hall regarding a Zoning Bylaw Amendment (Water Zoning Regulations) Bylaw No. 2016-028.

The purpose of this bylaw is to consider adding water zoning regulations to the zoning bylaw to control land use along the foreshore and out to the municipal boundary in Okanagan Lake. This will regulate docks, mooring buoys and use of the lake for recreational purposes.



#### Free Run

From October until the end of April dogs are allowed to be off their leashes on the grassed area at Peach Orchard Park. Dogs must remain on the leash on the walkway or playground. Please continue to be considerate of others by watching and picking up after your pets.

### Do the Ride Thing. Carpool Week Oct. 17th -21st

Every day in Canada, there are over 30 million empty seats in vehicles travelling to work. Carpooling can save you money, make your commute less stressful, help protect the environment, and keep you safe (drivers tend to drive more cautiously when there's a passenger in their vehicle!). Check out carpool.ca to find out how you can get started carpooling today and register for a chance to win some great

prizes during Carpool Week.