



# THE HIGHLANDER Spring / Summer 2017

Newsletter of the Highlands District Community Association (HDCA) & the Highland Heritage Park Society (HHPS)

## COMING EVENTS

Come out to the events, meet your neighbours and participate. Support YOUR community volunteer organizations.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday Monthly Oct. - July

Caleb Pike House, 1589 Millstream Rd.

\$5.00 /person - tea/coffee & goodies included. Under the age of 15: free.

**For more info:**

[www.highlands.bc.ca/323/Highlands-Folk-Coffee-House](http://www.highlands.bc.ca/323/Highlands-Folk-Coffee-House)

### The Highlands Coffee House

Doors Open at 7:00 PM - Music starts at 7:30

A great family neighbourhood outing

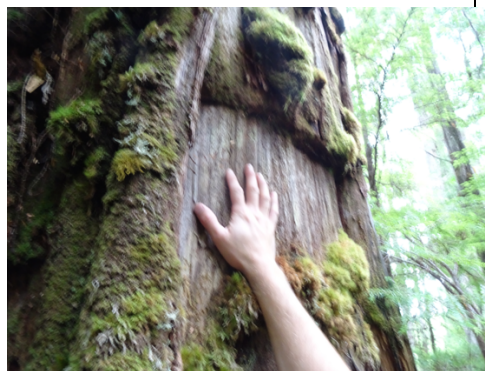
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| • April 8 | Bowker Creek             |
| • May 14  | John Gogo                |
| • June 10 | Ken Williams and Friends |
| • July 8  | Mufaro Marimba           |

Wednesday, April 12<sup>th</sup>

7:00-9:00 PM

Caleb Pike House

1589 Millstream Rd.



Square Cut

### Highlands District Community Association (HDCA)

Annual General Meeting

Speaker: **Nancy Turner**

### **"Learning from the Earth"**

*Recognizing Indigenous Environmental  
Knowledge in Land and Resource Management*

**Everyone Welcome!** Tea served

Contact: Scott Richardson @ (250) 478-2526 [scott.richardson@shaw.ca](mailto:scott.richardson@shaw.ca)

Sunday, April 16<sup>th</sup>  
11:00 AM



Rain or shine.

### Highlands Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Caleb Pike House, 1589 Millstream Rd.

*All Highlanders and guests are welcome.*

Please bring "nut-free" treats to hide.  
Beverages provided.

**For information contact: Marcie at 250-474-4725**

*An HDCA Event*

Wednesday, April 26<sup>th</sup>,  
7:30pm

Highlands Community  
Museum  
1589 Millstream Rd.

Tea and homemade baking  
will be served.

*For more information  
contact: Sally Gose*  
[sgose@telus.net](mailto:sgose@telus.net) or 250-  
474-3403

## Highland Heritage Park Society

### Annual General Meeting

**Special Event:** Panel discussion about living in the  
Highlands. Long-time Highlanders will share stories  
about:

- What drew them to the Highlands?
- Changes since they first arrived
- Stories and memories about people and places
- Favorite trails and landscapes
- Stories about the roads, weather, or forest fires
- Community activities they enjoyed

Join in the discussion or listen in.

Everyone welcome!

Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup>  
1772 Millstream Road  
12 - 5 PM



Join us lakeside to hear the voices of support for the future "Mary Lake Nature Park". A sanctuary protecting a watershed, pristine forest and many species while creating a new link for a 25 km hiking trail loop.

**Featuring:** The Vancouver Island Caledonia Pipe Band  
**Remarks by:**

For more info:

<http://www.marylakeconnections.ca/special-gathering--fundraiser.html>

12 pm: Gates Open

1 pm: Festivities kick off

3 - 5 pm: - "Spirit of Nature" streamside walks  
- "Why Mary Lake?" slide show in house

• Tom Sampson - Tsartlip Elder	• Elizabeth May - Federal Green Party Leader
• Ken Williams - Highlands Mayor	• Alistair MacGregor - Federal NDP MP
• Lisa Helps - Mayor of Victoria	• Jill Robinson - Habitat Acquisition Trust
• Van City - Community Real Estate Rep.	• Frances Litman - Creatively United for the Planet

• Koi Neah - Director Guardians of Mary lake

**Admission:** Free with membership or \$10.00

*Wild fire or earthquake; when the 'big-one' comes the Highlands will likely be isolated, without power, food or fuel, and a low priority for rescue agencies.*



*We need to be able to help ourselves.*

## Highlands Emergency Local Preparedness

# 'HELP'

At the request of the Highlands Emergency Planning Committee the HDCA will be rejuvenating our HELP network, in which every Highlands neighbourhood was encouraged to form a "Help" group prepared to assist neighbours in time of crisis.

In May, the HDCA will be holding a meeting of former HELP group leaders while urgently seeking new volunteers to begin this task.

Please contact Scott Richardson @250-478-2526 for more information.



## Community Bulletin Boards

The HDCA (aided by funds from the District of Highlands) plans to erect more Bulletin Boards next to Community Mail Boxes this summer. Bulletin Boards are for posting notices for upcoming events, local businesses, etc.

If you would like one, please let the HDCA know by contacting:  
**Bob McMinn** at 250-478-4403 or [bobmcminn@shaw.ca](mailto:bobmcminn@shaw.ca)

**Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup>**  
**"Cut Broom in Bloom"**  
**9 AM - 4 PM**



**Let's work together!**

## Highlands Community Broom Cut

In collaboration with TLC please help clear broom from our community! Our roadsides, and parks need attention. Please bring your energy and loppers, if you have them, to Caleb Pike House 9:00 am, Sunday April 30<sup>th</sup> so that we can coordinate the focus areas. Volunteers with trucks are needed to pick up broom piles and transport to the new Community Hall on Finlayson Arm Rd, where it will later be chipped and composted.

If you want to cut broom in your own area and have it picked up, borrow loppers, or wish further information please contact:

**Bob McMinn** 250-478-4403 [bobmcminn@shaw.ca](mailto:bobmcminn@shaw.ca)

**Torrey Archer** [Covenants@conservancy.bc.ca](mailto:Covenants@conservancy.bc.ca)

**Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup>**  
**9:00 AM - 1:00 PM**



## **HDCA Highlands Community Clean Up**

Join in the annual clean up of litter, tossed metal, tires & miscellaneous items from main roadsides & municipal parks.

To reserve a section of a main road prior to that Saturday, or for more information, please contact Marcie @ 250-474-4725.

If you have not confirmed before Saturday the 6<sup>th</sup>, please come to the Pike House, 1589 Millstream Rd between 9:00-9:30 am. There you may select a section of a main road, and get some garbage bags and rubber gloves.

*Beverages will be provided.*

If you cannot bring your collected garbage back to the Pike House, please leave it on the shoulder of a main road where it can be safely retrieved by 1 PM on Saturday May 6<sup>th</sup>. Highlands main roads are: Millstream, Finlayson Arm, Millstream Lake, Munn, Ross-Durrance.

*Thanks for your care!*

Mark Your Calendars:

**Saturday**  
**September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

## **Highlands Family Fling**

If you have ideas of what you'd like to see at the Fling, or are willing to volunteer on the day, please contact Scott @ 250-478-2526

**Note:** we are looking for an experienced Highland face painter.





## *Hear Ye, Hear Ye, Hear Ye...*

# Highlands Community Garden

### ... is on the Way

With Council approval of a community garden at the Community Hall site, initial work on the garden by a dedicated team of volunteers has begun. The previously disturbed site is being transformed into a mix of communal orchard, food forest and allotment beds.

We'd love to have **more volunteers** join the project and take part in upcoming work parties.

For information contact: Marlene [marlene@jmmca.ca](mailto:marlene@jmmca.ca) or Libby [libbymcminn@shaw.ca](mailto:libbymcminn@shaw.ca)

### The Pike House...



### Highland Heritage School House...



## Available for Rental...

### The Highland Heritage School House & Pike House

Are you or someone you know looking for a character venue for a personal or community event? The Pike House and the Highland Heritage School House are available for rental for birthday parties, weddings, or other private celebrations.

***For rental rates and bookings, please phone 250-474-7601.***

Please consider purchasing or renewing your membership in one or both of the sponsoring organizations for this publication.

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**Caretakers:** Ed and Gwenn Ouellet

**Pike House Ph. #** 250-474-7601

Purpose of HDCA is "to foster community in the District of the Highlands and engage all Highlands residents and property owners in the process."

Purposes of the HHPS are the development and maintenance of Caleb Pike Park, and preservation of Highlands heritage.

**For more on Highlands District Community Association see:**

<http://www.highlands.bc.ca/227/Highland-District-Community-Association>

**For more on Highland Heritage Park Society see:** <http://www.calebpikheritagepark.ca>