

### THE HIGHLANDER Spring/Summer 2008

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

Purpose of HDCA: is "to determine democratically the wishes of the property owners and permanent residents of the Highland Land District of the Province of British Columbia, and accordingly take appropriate action to preserve or improve the amenities of the Highland Land District." Purpose of the HHPS: is the preservation and ongoing care and maintenance of the Caleb Pike Homestead and Heritage Orchard.

#### COMING EVENTS

Come out to the events, and meet your neighbours. Consider supporting YOUR community volunteer organizations (with your time or resources).

#### February 20th, 7:30 PM



#### HDCA - Speaker Series

#### "Children's Connection to the Natural World"

An evening with respected Royal Roads University educator Rick Kool

February 20, 2008, 7:30pm Caleb Pike House

Join Rick for his timely and stimulating presentation

The Pike House 1589 Millstream Rd. For more information contact Eric @ 474-5252

#### Recognition of Community Research Scientists!



Cathy Reader & Warren Lee

On December 19th, 2007 the HDCA took great pleasure in recognizing two of our community members for their contribution to the international study of the Science of Global Climate Change. Although they were not specifically recognized in the awarding of the Nobel Peace Prize to the UN's IPCC Panel; Highland residents Warren Lee and Cathy Reader contributed to the science and were key contributors to the IPCC's forecast modelling that was instrumental in advancing scientific understanding of the effects of Global Climate Change. The HDCA presented Cathy and Warren with a framed picture of the Highlands.

Congratulations Cathy and Warren! HDCA is indebted to Heritage Office Furnishings and Janet Hughes for their sponsorship

#### Weather Stations in the Highlands!



Check out the Highlands' weather stations at:

http://victoriaweather.ca/station.php?id=99 (East Fire Hall)

http://victoriaweather.ca/station.php?id=100 (District Office)

http://victoriaweather.ca/station.php?id=101(West Fire Hall)

http://victoriaweather.ca/station.php?id=71 (North Highlands)

sponsored by: the Highlands Stewardship Foundation and Longview Consulting

#### Fridays\* 6:30 - 8:30 PM

\*Until May 2<sup>nd</sup> Except Feb. 29, Mar. 14, 21





#### March 13th, 7:30 PM



Sunday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> 11:00 AM



#### Saturday, April 19





#### Sunday, April 27



#### Highlands Youth Program Come & Join The Fun! Meet at: Old School House Basement

Everyone Welcome!

In partnership with JDF, activities are available Fridays until May 2<sup>nd</sup>, except Feb 29<sup>th</sup> and during Spring break.

> Note: On Feb 27 (ice skating), Apr 4 (movie night) and Apr 25 (swim night) kids leave the Pike House early @5:30 PM.

> > School House 1589 Millstream Rd. Contact Bob @ 478-4403

#### Highland Heritage Park Society Annual General Meeting

Everyone Welcome!

Featuring a slide show - "Rebuilding the Old School House". Pike House 1589 Millstream Rd.

#### Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Please bring "nut-free" treats to hide, or finger food to share. Beverages provided. Everyone is welcome! Rain or shine.

Organized by the Highland District Community Association Pike House 1589 Millstream Rd. Contact Marcie @ 474-4725

#### BROOM BASH

Meet at 9:30am Pike House.

Broom is our most common invasive species and it is high time to cut back the broom again.

One or more locations will be tackled. Bring your brush or small chain saw and loppers. Lots of pickups will be needed for transport to Highwest.

> Call Bob 478-4403 or Marcie 474-4725 sponsored by Highlands Stewardship Foundation and HDCA

#### SPRING FLOWERS IN THE HIGHLANDS

meet at Pike House 10 am

Hike to glorious Highlands Spring flower meadows, choosing either a 4 hr hike on the Gowlland Range (bring lunch) or a 2 hr hike up Lone Tree.

More information Marcie 474-4725 or Bob 478-4403 sponsored by Trails Club and HDCA

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the Month



April 30<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 PM Pike House

## Food Security & Organic Gardening



Saturday May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM



Past Issues



### Highlands' Coffee House

Pike House - 7:30 PM

Highlands' Coffee House organized by Brian and Zhinoos Armstrong since 1998, celebrated its 10<sup>th</sup> year anniversary in January 2008. This monthly arts and entertainment strives to bring families, young and old, neighbours and friends together, so that bonds of kinship, friendship and mutual understanding grows in our beautiful Highlands community.

### HDCA AGM

#### Everyone Welcome!

Come on out and attend The Highland District Community
Association Annual General Meeting. This is an opportunity to take
out a membership and support your Community Association in
making things happen in the Highlands and protecting that which
we most care for.

Following the AGM we are pleased to present Carolyn Herriott

#### "Food Security for the Future"

Are you concerned about food security? Carolyn Herriot provides you with an invitation to join the "grow your own food movement". She will walk you through the steps of attaining greater self-sufficiency and health by growing more food locally, whether in a rural or urban setting.

The Pike House 1589 Millstream Rd.
Information: Scott Richardson 478-2526

### HDCA Community Clean Up of Highlands <u>Public</u> Land and <u>Main</u> Road Sides

Volunteer clean up of garbage, tossed metal, tires, & miscellaneous items from main road sides & municipal parks.

Join in a "pot luck" breakfast from 9:00 to 9:30 AM at the Pike House, beverages provided. There you may select a section of main road, get some garbage bags, have breakfast and meet your neighbours.

If you cannot bring your collected garbage back to the Pike House, then please leave it on a main roadside location where it can be safely retrieved by 1:00 PM May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Thanks for your care.

To reserve a section of main road and for more information, contact Marcie @ 474.4725. Main roads are Millstream; Finlayson Arm; Millstream Lake; Munn and Ross-Durance.

#### The Highlander

Past issues of the Highlander and historical articles about the highlands are available on the Highland District website: <a href="www.highlands.bc.ca">www.highlands.bc.ca</a> Look for: "The Highlander".

#### Sunday, June 08



#### August 17<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM



The Pike House...



Highland Heritage School House...



#### Kids Nature Hike

Location to be Announced later.

Contact: (Marcie 474-4725 or Warren 478-7317)

#### Anniversary Celebration

Hot on the heels of our celebration of our Province's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, join us to celebrate the:

- 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Caleb Pike Homestead, and
- 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Pike House Restoration by the Highland Heritage Park Society.

Contact Eric @ 652-1466 for more info or to join in with the organizing

Available for Rental...

### The Highland Heritage School House And 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 474-7601.

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