



# THE HIGHLANDER

Spring/Summer 2011

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

**Purpose of HDCA:** is "to foster community in the District of Highlands and engage all Highlands residents and property owners in the process."  
**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, meet your neighbours and participate. Support YOUR community volunteer organizations.

**Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup>**  
**6:00 - 9:30 PM**



### 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Spring Potluck Dinner and Country Dance

**Potluck Dinner (BYOB) 6:00 PM    Dancing 7:30 - 9:30 PM**

Please join us for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Spring Potluck Dinner and Country Dance. Although there is no charge, please contact Bob to reserve your space and bring a delectable dish to share for dinner.

Music by Mary Ross. Bob Anderson will guide us through the steps.

For info and to reserve space phone Bob @ 250-478-4403 or email bobmcminn@shaw.ca

**April 20<sup>th</sup>**  
**7:00 PM**

**Caleb Pike House**  
**1589 Millstream Road**



## HDCA Annual General Meeting

The HDCA will welcome new members and (briefly) hold its Annual General Meeting on Tuesday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. All are invited.

Immediately followed by the Feature Presentation:



### "Sharing our Backyards:



### Highlands Wildlife from the Big to the Small"



**by Darren Copley**



Darren may be known to you for his work at Goldstream Nature House. He is President of the Victoria Natural History Society. He will introduce us to the varied species that we share space with here in the Highlands and focus on some of the delights and responsibilities of 'co-housing' with non-humans!

Join us April 20<sup>th</sup> for a stimulating presentation on all of the varied species we share this space with!

**Refreshments will be available.**

*For more information contact: Scott Richardson @ 250-478-2526*

**Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
**1:00 - 4:00 PM**



**School House,**  
**1589 Millstream Road**

## **Food Production & Security**

### **Community Discussion**

95% of our food is imported to Vancouver Island! With marked increases to the cost of food and the energy necessary to grow it and get it to your table, there is increased interest in alternatives.

This event will be 'seeded' by a short film leading into an open forum for discussing what works here. Do you have questions on what food is available locally or what grows well in the Highlands? Are you interested in connecting with others on this subject? If you answered "yes" to any of these questions you will want to drop by.

For more information contact: Warren by email [wglee@telus.net](mailto:wglee@telus.net)

**Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup>**  
**11:00 AM**



## **Highlands Annual Easter Egg Hunt**

**All Highlanders Welcome**

Caleb Pike House, 1589 Millstream Rd.

Please bring "nut-free" treats to hide, or, finger food to share.

Beverages provided. Everyone is welcome! Rain or shine.

*Organized by the HDCA - For additional info. Contact Marcie @ 250-474-4725*

**Saturday May 7<sup>th</sup>**  
**9:00 AM - 1:00 PM**



## **HDCA Community Clean Up of Highlands**

### **Public Land and Main Road Sides**

Volunteer clean up of garbage, tossed metal, tires, & miscellaneous items from **main road sides & municipal parks**. Garbage bags provided. To reserve a section of a main road prior to the Saturday or, for more info, please call Marcie @ (250) 474-4725.

Join in a "pot luck" breakfast from 9:00 to 9:30 AM at the Pike House, 1589 Millstream Rd.

There you may select a section of main road, get some garbage bags, a pair of rubber gloves, have breakfast and meet your neighbours and friends.

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 Sat. afternoon.

**Thanks for your care!**

Main roads are Millstream; Finlayson Arm; Millstream Lake; Munn and Ross-Durance.  
Organized by HDCA.

**Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup>**  
**Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup>**  
**Caleb Pike House - 7:30 PM**  
**1589 Millstream Road**



... and continuing again in the Fall!

## Highlands Folk Music

Highlands Folk Music has been featured the 2<sup>nd</sup>. Saturday of every month for 13 years now! Every evening begins with an open stage.

### Featured performers:

- May 14<sup>th</sup>: Redmond O'Colonies - a very funny troubadour, musician, and story teller
- June 11<sup>th</sup>: Mufaro Marimba - a fun and lively poly-rhythmic ensemble.

**\$5.00/person (free for open stage performers and those 16 and under) - coffee, tea, and goodies provided.**

*For more info. on who is playing or if you would like to perform please contact: music in [highlands@shaw.ca](mailto:highlands@shaw.ca) or (250) 474-5831*

**Sunday, May 29<sup>th</sup>**  
**10:00 AM - 1:00 PM**



... and the last Sunday of every Month

## Highlands MARKET!!!

**Caleb Pike House Grounds**

Come check out the best kept secret in the West Shore. Our very own Highlands market has been offering locally grown food, produce and local crafts for 25 years.

Runs the last Sunday of every month from May through September.

*To request a table or further info contact: Leslie Wagner 250 474-3453*

## What do you keep in your Emergency Kit?



... and Who ya' gonna call?

**The answer is:**

... **H.E.L.P.!**

## How Do You Spell... H.E.L.P.?

Recent catastrophic earthquakes in Japan and Haiti serve as a sobering reminder of our vulnerability to a similar event here.

**THIS IS THE TIME** to review the contents of your family emergency supplies kit and your plans in the event of a catastrophic emergency.

In the Highlands we have established neighbourhood regions known as Highland Emergency Local Preparedness (HELP) Groups, on the understanding that the greatest source of support in a catastrophic emergency will be neighbour to neighbour.

We have established HELP Groups in a number of areas, but we still need to organize groups in the following locations:

River Rd; Hannington Estates; Finlayson Arm Rd; Taylor Way; Davies Rd; Lorimer & Blacktail Rds; Millstream (middle)/Emma Dixon; Caleb Pike (South); Highlands Estates (North & South); Emma Dixon Rd; Hazlett Creek / Old Mossy; Munn Rd (Lower)/Rolla Pl; Woodridge/Blue Valley/ Eagles Lake; Westridge PL; Compton Rd./Bukin Dr. West; and Bukin Pl.

If you are able to assist with leading a group in one of these areas please contact Val Fletcher (250) 479-1725 or [vfletcher@highlands.ca](mailto:vfletcher@highlands.ca)



## Volunteers & Ideas Needed!

April 27<sup>th</sup> 7:30 PM Pike House  
**Highlands Fling!**



## HIGHLANDS FLING 2011

Want to be part of the biggest community celebration of the year? Want to contribute to some good old country fair style family fun, where we meet neighbours and learn about the Highlands? If so, we want to hear from you.

We could use a little extra energy and some new ideas as we look ahead to this year's Fling.

Please join us at the Caleb Pike House **April 27<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 PM** for a short brainstorming session.

If you are willing to help out for as little as an hour or two in advance or on the day of the event please contact: Sheila @ (250)474-1685

**Thursday, May 12<sup>th</sup>**



## Highland Heritage Park Society Annual General Meeting

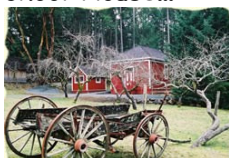
**7:00 PM Caleb Pike House, 1589 Millstream Rd.**

*For more information contact: Eric 250-652-1466*

**The Pike House...**



**Highland Heritage School House...**



**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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For more on Highlands District Community Association see: [http://www.highlands.bc.ca/volunteer\\_orgs/hdca/](http://www.highlands.bc.ca/volunteer_orgs/hdca/)

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