

CITY OF PARKSVILLE PROCLAMATIONS FOR MARCH

The City of Parksville is pleased to proclaim the following in March:

Community Social Services Awareness Month

Throughout March, community social services workers, along with others in our community, will engage in a variety of activities to raise awareness and understanding of the critical role community social services plays in communities. Community social services include child care and infant development programs; employment and housing support for people with developmental disabilities; specialized services for immigrant families and youth at risk; services for First Nations families; support for women dealing with violence, substance abuse and addiction-related services; and assistance to people of all ages, abilities and backgrounds.

www.communitysocialservicesmatter.ca

National Co-operative Education Week

The Association for Co-operative Education BC/Yukon has requested that the City proclaim the week of March 21, 2011, as "Co-op Week". Each year, British Columbia municipalities and local businesses in our community work with post-secondary co-op programs to hire BC post-secondary co-op students. The Association promotes quality co-operative education in BC and the Yukon and ensures that members uphold these standards. Cooperative education programs have in excess of 80,000 students enrolled at over 81 universities and community colleges from coast to coast; including over 12,000 students in BC. www.co-op.bc.ca

Kidney Health Month

The Kidney Foundation of Canada conducts its annual door-to-door campaign across Canada during the month of March. Known as the silent disease, kidney disease is one of the most misunderstood yet life-threatening illnesses affecting society today and there is currently no cure. The number of people diagnosed with kidney disease continues to grow, making the annual campaign crucial to supporting the 145,000 people in BC with the disease. In 2010, more than half a million dollars was raised during March throughout British Columbia. Volunteers will be canvassing in our community during the month of March. www.kidney.bc.ca

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