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Parksville Volunteers - A Gift to the Community

PARKSVILLE, BC: At the April 7 meeting, Parksville Council will proclaim April 6 to April 12 as Volunteer Week in the City of Parksville. The City of Parksville honours volunteers and community organizations for their outstanding contribution to our City and recognizes that volunteers are an important partner with government in providing services to citizens.

During this week, communities all across Canada celebrate National Volunteer Week intended to thank and honour people who donate their time to help others by supporting the cause in which they believe. Volunteers donate their time and good old fashioned elbow grease to programs which rely on inspiration. Volunteers are those in our community who see a need and willingly work to overcome that need or hear of an opportunity to share their skills.

Mayor Chris Burger said, "Volunteers contribute significantly to the well-being of our community and without our dedicated volunteers, it would be difficult for us to sustain many of the services we all enjoy and take for granted. The City is pleased to be able to recognize in some small way, their enormous contributions to Parksville."

Volunteer Week heightens public awareness of the vital contribution volunteers make to our municipality, our identity and our values. We hope you will consider thanking some of this community's many volunteers, to acknowledge their work and the richness they bring to our community.

The City has printed bookmarks recognizing this City's volunteer contributions - bookmarks are available from the library, City Hall, Oceanside Place and the Parksville Community and Conference Centre.

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