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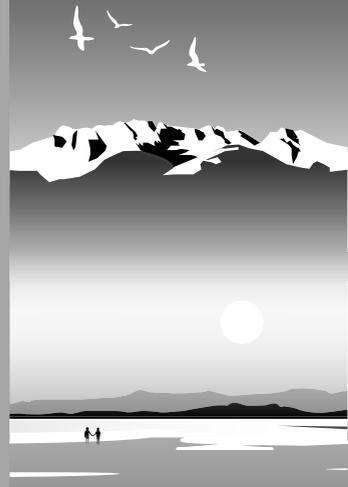
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Veteran Remembrance Banners

Through November, colourful commemorative banners to honour local veterans who gave their lives in World War I and World War II, will be displayed along Highway 19A between McMillan Street and McVickers Street. There are sixty names on the Parksville Cenotaph from the two world wars and through extensive research we have been able to obtain images and information for thirty-one veterans.

Although our research has presented some incredible findings, it has also posed many challenges. Our experienced researcher, Valda Stefani, has been pleased to pursue the veterans' stories even though archives worldwide were closed for months due to the pandemic. She established relationships with military museums and other researchers and conducted interviews to ensure we were able to put faces to as many names as possible. Many of the local young men who enlisted, especially in World War I, had recently arrived from places as far away as the United Kingdom and Australia and were too young to have started families, adding to the challenge of finding photographs.

Over the next year, we will continue the research and as the program evolves, will share photographs and stories on our website. We are still looking for information on many of the veterans and have posted a list on our website [City Hall/Veteran Remembrance Banners]. If you can help, contact Deb Tardiff (250 954-3073; dtardiff@parksville.ca)



[Photo: Mayor Ed Mayne, Valda Stefani, Project Research and Ken Griffith, President, Royal Canadian Legion, Br. #49 – Mt Arrowsmith]

BC ShakeOut - October 15 at 10.15 am

As we adapt to living and working during the COVID-19 pandemic and while we are doing a great job in adjusting to these new challenges, earthquakes, storms, forest fires and other natural disasters continue to occur. One of the ways to be prepared is to practice how to be safe during an earthquake. Although the 2020 Shakeout drill may look a little different this year, residents are encouraged to find ways to ShakeOut on October 15 at 10.15 am.



We encourage you to participate; register at Shakeoutbc.ca to be counted in the drill and for resources and information. Intended to create public awareness of earthquake hazards and encourage personal preparedness, participants Drop, Cover and Hold On for two minutes in response to a simulated earthquake event. There's an emergency preparedness guidebook on the EMO website to help you organize or refresh your emergency supply kits as well as general preparedness information. [emergencycoastside.ca/get-prepared]

Parksville Fire Food Drive 2020

Due to the pandemic, this year's fire department food drive will look very different. Firefighters will not be going door-to-door in neighbourhoods this year but will be collecting at locations throughout Parksville on Saturday, November 14 and Sunday, November 15. Parksville Fire will also have trucks driving through neighbourhoods. Donations of cash and food stuff to the Salvation Army food bank and toys for the Society of Organized Services are extremely important to providing for less fortunate in our community. There will be opportunities to donate and we will provide details on our website, social media and advertising. Parksvillefirerescue.ca

Reminder - Leaves on Streets

Leaf control is the responsibility of property owners. Fall street sweeping by the City is intended to remove leaves which fall onto the streets and may result in blocked catch basins and safety hazards for cyclists. Leaves must not be raked or blown from lawns onto the street in anticipation of the sweeper truck. Doing so overwhelms the capacity of the sweeper and when blown across sidewalks, leaves may compromise pedestrian safety. Blowing or raking leaves into the gutter is illegal and subject to a fine of \$75 (Traffic Bylaw 1436).

Things we'd like you to know

Utility notices are due October 30. If you did not receive your notice in the mail, contact the finance department at 250 248-6144. Finance is open Monday to Friday, 9 am to noon and 1 pm to 3 pm.

City in-person services during COVID are limited to payments and purchase of bus passes, tickets/licence fees with all other City business by appointment and no walk-in services. To book an appointment, call 250 248-6144 or refer to website contact info.

We are sorting through the many great photos submitted to our **#StayandPlayParksville** photo contest and will soon be announcing the two winners on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.

Stage 1 water restrictions for October allow for watering of lawns between 7 pm and 7 am, any day of the week. There are no watering restrictions from November 1 to March 31.

The Regional District of Nanaimo's new automated **curbside collection** is now in place. Should you have questions, contact 1 877 607-4111, ext 6501.

A special Council meeting will be held on November 4 at 3 pm to discuss the **2020 amended budget**. Due to COVID-19, we are limited to just six members of the public in the Forum. The meeting will be livestreamed as well as archived on our website. Should you wish to comment, please email council@parksville.ca. Reminder to residents that Council meetings during October through March will be held at 3 pm.

The Royal Canadian Legion, Mt Arrowsmith Branch No. 49, **Remembrance Day ceremony** will be scaled back considerably this year. On November 11, there will be a small ceremony at the Parksville Cenotaph and there will be no parade. Wreaths will be in place before the ceremony begins and a much smaller Colour Party. Those attending must practice physical distancing.

City Dates

October 15	BC ShakeOut
October 19	Public Hearing (115 McMillan St S)
October 19	Council Meeting
November 2	Council Meeting
November 4	Budget meeting
November 11	Remembrance Day (offices closed)
November 14-15	Parksville Fire Department Food Drive
November 16	Council Meeting
December 7	Council Meeting

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