



Recruitment Updates

The Kananaskis Improvement District (KID) to welcome Susan Billington, QC as an Alberta-at-Large representative on Council as well as **Craig Halifax as the new Fire Chief.**

Susan Billington presents a 25 year legal career with particular expertise in public policy and government relations. Serving as Policy and Program Counsel with the Law Society of Alberta since 1994, Ms. Billington has worked on numerous committees comprised of diverse regulatory, government and industry stakeholders. An accredited professional facilitator, she has an understanding of board governance as well as experience working with varied groups to address complex and sensitive issues.

Ms. Billington's professional career is supplemented by a record of volunteer involvement with community associations and the University of Calgary. She has enjoyed recreational activities in Kananaskis Country since her youth, and expresses a strong interest in working to ensure the sustainable development and enjoyment of the region for generations of Albertans to come.

Chief Halifax will be leading the emergency services programs at the Kananaskis Emergency Services Centre and we are very pleased to have him join our team.

Craig has spent 13+ years in emergency services based mainly within municipal Fire and EMS with both the Yellowknife Fire Dept. and Rocky View County Fire Services. Most recently he has worked on contract for the NWT Fire Marshal's Office conducting fire department assessments and inspections. Further he has a very strong focus in the area of in house training and contract instructing/evaluating for Fire etc. in Vermilion.

Craig has said that he is excited for the new challenge of working with Kananaskis Emergency Services and the Government of Alberta. He can be contacted through the Kananaskis Emergency Services Centre at (403) 591-7755 or through email at Craig.Halifax@gov.ab.ca.

Kananaskis Emergency Services

STATISTICS

September 2012

Parks/Dispatch Calls	422
EMS Transport Calls	3
EMS Non-Transport	13
Fire Response Calls	33

August 2012

Parks/Dispatch Calls	810
EMS Transport Calls	9
EMS Non-Transport	9
Fire Response Calls	35

The Kananaskis Improvement District is a proud member of E911.

To report an emergency:

- Fire
- Ambulance
- Police
- Mountain Rescue

Dial 911

MAKE YOUR PENNIES COUNT

for those affected with muscular dystrophy

**The Canadian government recently announced the penny will be eliminated from the nation's coinage. Here's your chance to collect those coins and put them to good use!
Drop them off at the Kananaskis Emergency Centre**



Kananaskis Lakes Cabin Association News

The Kananaskis Lake Cabin Association (KLA) held their Annual General Meeting on Saturday August 25, 2012 at the William Watson Lodge. The executive was pleased to announce that the website for KLA members is up and running. Members can find helpful information on the site such as contact information for KLA members, KID, SRD, the Land Use Order and a weather web cam.

Our KID representative, Arn Hoffman, presented highlights from the year. Frankie Kerr, SRD Forest Technician and Shawn Polley, KID Chief Administrative Officer, were on hand to answer questions and provide information on our stewardship of the Kananaskis area. We were also joined by Bear Awareness- Jay Honeyman and Randy Ramsden, RCMP officer- Wilson Yee. Trans Alta representatives Lori Brennan and John Olson provided construction updates to the Pocaterra Penstock Project.

Winners of the Annual Fishing Derby were:

Girls: Kayla Hnatiuk - 16" cutthroat

Boys: Austin Leitch - 22" bull trout

Womens: Ardyth Wagner - 27" bull trout

This year a new award was created for the Men's category in recognition of three former fabulous fishermen ; John Hnatiak, Gordie Morrin and Jim Wagman:
HMW Award: Owen Hnatiak - 29" bull trout

In case of a fire . . . do you have two ways out?

This year's theme for Fire Prevention Week was *Have 2 ways out*. Fire Prevention Week is an important public safety campaign designed to raise awareness of fire safety. This year the focus was on ensuring you and your family have two ways out of every room.

Ensure everyone in your home knows what to do if the alarm sounds or if there is smoke or fire. Follow these simple tips to help keep you and your family safe:

- Get out quickly if there is a fire. Fire moves extremely fast. You may have only three minutes or less before the toxic smoke overtakes you.
- Teach children to never hide in closets or under beds.
- Choose two ways out of every room. If heat or smoke blocks the usual fire exit (door), then use the second way out (another door or a window).
- If you live in an apartment building and the smoke alarm goes off, never use an elevator.
- Choose a family meeting spot, a safe distance away from the home.
- Practice, practice, practice.
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"By taking the time to develop a plan and practice it, everyone in your home will have the knowledge and confidence they need in the event of a fire," said Trent West, Alberta Fire Commissioner. "I encourage all Albertans to talk about fire safety and have two ways out."

To learn more about how to prevent, detect and escape from fires visit www.3minutedrill.alberta.ca, an interactive website and a one-stop source for fire safety information.

Do you occupy a trailer in Mt Kidd Loop?

With the cold weather sneaking up fast, don't forget to plug in your heat tapes/trace to ensure your water lines and meters don't freeze!

You can now pay your utilities by Debit or Credit Card!

The KID municipal office is now able to process utility payments by debit or credit card. Be sure to call ahead to ensure staff are available (403 591 7774).