

FCSS Summer Newsletter

AUGUST, 2017



ABOUT THIS PUBLICATION

This newsletter is a program of Big Lakes Family & Community Support Services.

For submissions to this newsletter: Call LaRetta at 776-3811

Fax to: 776-3821 - Attn: Tabloid.

Email to: lcasavant@biglakescounty.ca

Deadline for submissions is the 24th of each month in order to be included in the next month's newsletter. Submissions may be edited or denied based on content and how they fit the mandate of this publication.



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SUMMER NEWSLETTERS

We regret that there will be no printed hamlet newsletters for this summer!

Our big printer is down and our IT department is getting us set up with some new printing arrangements for fall!

Meanwhile, we'd be happy to email a pdf version of the newsletter out to anyone who wants one!

The newsletter is combined for all the hamlets for the summer.

Have a GREAT summer!

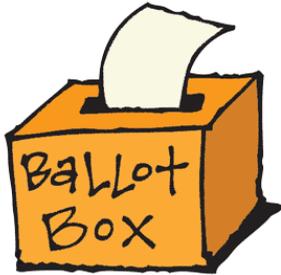
~ All your Big Lakes FCSS Staff

DEPUTY RETURNING OFFICERS

Big Lakes County is seeking Deputy Returning Officers for the upcoming 2017 Municipal & School Board Elections taking place on Monday, October 16, 2017. Deputy Returning Officers help administer the voting and counting process.

Successful applicants will be required to attend a one to two hour training session in September/October 2017. Most training sessions take place during regular business hours.

Interested applicants please submit your name along with contact information to:



Jessica Martinson, Returning Officer
Big Lakes County
Box 239, High Prairie, AB T0G 1E0

PH: 780-523-5955, FAX: 780-523-4227
EMAIL: jmartinson@biglakescounty.ca

Deadline: Friday, August 18, 2017

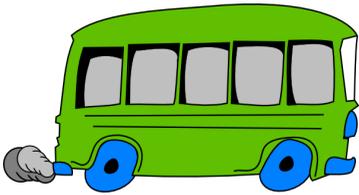
USE OF UPSTAIRS AT FAUST AND GROUARD FIREHALLS

This space is available free for community meetings that are OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. To use it, you must book it and sign a contract with the County (via FCSS) and a deposit may be applicable.

For meetings that are not open to the public, there is a fee for holding a meeting or activity.

Please note: This space is limited in capacity and uses. Alcohol and drugs are ALWAYS prohibited. Users will be required to park at the firehall only in a way that is permitted and activities in the parking area are prohibited. This space is for emergency uses and must be free at all times. Offenders can be ticketed and/or towed.

For more information, contact:
FCSS Director, Louise Myre at 780-776-0008.



HAMLET BUS SERVICE!!

Tuesdays - Picks up in Faust & Kinuso
Thursdays - Picks up in Grouard,
Joussard, Enilda

Once per month - picks up from all hamlets and goes to Grande Prairie.

Must book your seat ahead.

Special trips announced as they are arranged. Check with FCSS and your community notice boards.

Call NANCY at 536-0062 or TORI at 775-3666 to schedule your ride!



Grouard residents:

If you need assistance, please call one of the other FCSS offices for the time being. Phone numbers are on the last page of this newsletter.

Joussard residents:

The FCSS worker will be away the week of August 7 - 11th.

Kinuso residents:

The FCSS worker will be away the week of August 21 - 25th.

Faust residents:

The FCSS worker will be away August 3-4, 2017.

High Prairie & Enilda residents:

The FCSS worker will be away August 28 - Sept. 8, 2017.

BIG LAKES RURAL TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM



AUGUST 2017

 Grouard, Enilda,
Joussard to High
Prairie

 Faust, Kinuso to
Slave Lake

 Grande Prairie

Fees:

\$20.00 - Slave Lake

\$20.00 - High Prairie

\$40.00 - Grande Prairie

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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SEPTEMBER 2017

Book a seat:

Nancy
780-536-0062

Tori
780-775-3666

Wahid
780-536-7362

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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OCTOBER 2017

Seats are booked
on a first come
first served basis.

Medical
appointments
take priority.
Each trip can
accommodate 12
passengers and 2
wheelchairs

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2017 BIG LAKES COUNTY MUNICIPAL GENERAL ELECTION

Are you thinking of running in the 2017 Big Lakes County Municipal General Election for the office of Councillor?

Nomination Day in Big Lakes County will be Monday, September 18, 2017. Nomination Packages will be ready at the beginning of August and can be picked up at the Big Lakes County Administration Office located at 5305-56 Street, High Prairie, AB.

For more information on the election or nomination process, please contact Jessica Martinson, Returning Officer, at the Big Lakes County Administration Office at 780-523-5955 or email: jmartinson@biglakescounty.ca.



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REMINDER

Do not dump grass clippings, leaves, or other yard waste in the ditches. This clogs the culverts and creates many problems!

~Thank you~

2017 HIGH PRAIRIE SCHOOL DIVISION NO. 48 GENERAL ELECTION - WARDS 2 & 3

Are you thinking of running in the 2017 High Prairie
School Division No. 48 General Election?

Nomination Day will be Monday, September 18, 2017.
Nomination Packages will be ready at the beginning
of August and can be picked up at the Big Lakes
County Administration Office located at 5305-56
Street, High Prairie, AB.

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process, please contact Jessica Martinson, Returning
Officer, at the Big Lakes County Administration Office
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*“A perfect summer day is when the sun is
shining, the breeze is blowing, the birds are
singing, and the lawn mower is broken.”*

~James Dent~





The **Native Cultural Arts Museum** Summer 2017 Events!

August 1st ~ Heritage Day 1:30 pm – 6:30 pm

Celebrate Heritage Day with an interpretive tour of the Museum & Historical Church.

Other Events & Info

Museum Summer Hours:

Monday to Friday from 9-4 open over lunch

Saturdays 1:30 pm to 6:30 pm

Arts & Crafts Programming. New craft every day!

Monday to Saturday from 2-3:30. *Children under 5 must be accompanied by an adult.*

For more information, call the museum at: (780)751-3306 or email at:

musem@northernlakescollege.ca. Located at 64 Mission Street inside the main NLC Campus.

Arts & Craft Programming - 2017 Native Cultural Arts Museum

July 10 to August 19, 2017, NLC Campus Room E113

When: July 10 – August 19 Monday to Saturday

What Time: 2:00 – 3:30 pm

Where: NLC Grouard Campus Room E 113

Cost: \$2 per child per day, or \$10 per child for a summer pass

A different craft and prizes to be won at every program!

**Children under 5 must be accompanied by an adult*

For more information, please call the Museum: 780-751-3306

BIG LAKES COUNTY NOTICE OF MEETING CHANGES

Notice is hereby given that the following Regular County Council Meetings have been cancelled and re-scheduled:

Wednesday, August 23, 2017 Regular Council meeting has been cancelled and re-scheduled to **Wednesday, August 30, 2017.**

Wednesday, September 27, 2017 Regular Council meeting has been cancelled and re-scheduled to **Monday, September 25, 2017.**

All meetings are open to the public and are held in the Council Chamber of the Big Lakes County Administration Building.

This constitutes notice to the public in accordance with sections 193 and 195 of the Municipal Government Act.



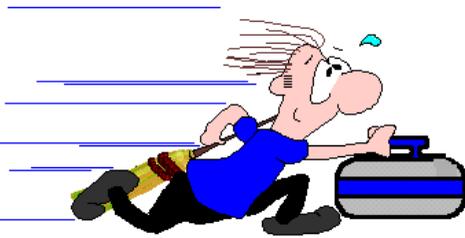
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Screen Test Mobile
Mammography clinic
October, 2017
in High Prairie

Managing Emotional
Eating workshop
November, 2017
in High Prairie

FLOOR CURLERS WANTED AT THE KINUSO SENIOR CENTRE!



Every Monday and Wednesday
1:00pm - 3:30pm
All seniors welcome
Come join us for coffee and snacks
at 2:00pm.

KINUSO FARMER'S MARKET

SATURDAY'S August 12 & August 26
10 AM - 2 PM
KINUSO AG HALL

TO BOOK A TABLE CONTACT
TERRIA AT 780-775-3928



BC FIRES: HOW CAN YOU HELP?



Currently, the province of British Columbia is under a state of emergency. Over 140 fires are actively burning, and 15 communities are in danger. More than 46000 residents have been evacuated, and are very much in need of help. The Red Cross is supporting the province and local authorities in providing assistance to those who have been affected. If you are looking for a way to help, please contact the Red Cross. Your donation will help with immediate needs for things like cots, and blankets, as well as financial assistance for food, clothing, and personal needs, and facilitating family reunification. It may also help once the re-entry process begins and assist in more long term recovery, resiliency and preparedness.

Please visit www.redcross.ca and click on **DONATE**. You can then choose which cause to donate to. For the BC fires, select **British Columbia Fires Appeal**, or call toll free at **1-800-418-1111**.



**Canadian
Red Cross**



Tips for donating carefully:

- Avoid giving cash or using wire transfer services. Cheques should be made out to an organization, not an individual.
- Donations made online should only be done on secure websites.
- When asked for donations (over the phone, through an email or in person), ask the canvasser for identification or printed information about the charity.
- Beware of high-pressure tactics. A legitimate charity will still be there tomorrow. Feel free to take the information and sleep on it.
- Do an internet search for the charity's name and background.
- If you have concerns about the activities of a charitable organization, including its fundraising practices, call the Canada Revenue Agency: 1 877 442-2899

BIG LAKES FCSS OFFICES:

FCSS Director:

Louise Myre
776-0008 Fax 776-3821
Box 103, Jousard, AB T0G 1J0
lmyre@biglakescounty.ca

Enilda

8:15 - 4:30 Wednesdays
523-5925 Fax 523-5933
fcss.nmarquardt@biglakescounty.ca

Faust

8:15 - 4:30 Monday – Friday
355-3896 Fax 355-3000
Box 206, Faust, AB T0G 0X0
fcspat@telus.net

Grouard

751-3806 Fax 751-3807
Box 100, Grouard, AB T0G 1C0

High Prairie

8:15 - 4:30 Mon/Tues/Thurs/Friday
536-0062 Fax 523-4902
Box 179, High Prairie, AB T0G 1E0
fcss.nmarquardt@biglakescounty.ca

Jousard

9 - 5 Monday - Friday
776-3811 Fax 776-3821
Box 103, Jousard, AB T0G 1J0
lcasavant@biglakescounty.ca

Kinuso

8:15 - 4:30 Monday - Friday
775-3666 Fax 775-3571
Box 249, Kinuso, AB T0G 1K0
tdumaresque@biglakescounty.ca

Big Lakes County

780-523-5955

ON CALL 24/7

www.biglakescounty.ca



County Landfills & Transfer Sites SUMMER HOURS

ALL MANNED TRANSFER STATIONS

WEDNESDAYS 10 am - 7 pm
SUNDAYS 10 am - 7 pm

Manned Stations are:

Banana Belt Transfer Site
Faust/Kinuso Transfer Site
Grouard Transfer Site
Heart River Transfer Site
Jousard Transfer Site

Regional Landfill 523-5760

Mon./Thurs./Sat. 10:00 am – 7:00 pm

Enilda Transfer Site

Open 24 hours

Accepts bagged household garbage ONLY

H.P. West/Gilwood

Open 24 hours

Accepts bagged household garbage ONLY

Manned transfer stations may be closed during inclement weather or other conditions that pose a risk to personnel and public! Such closings may occur without any notice

**NO verbal or physical abuse of any kind shall be tolerated by attendants & staff.
Authorities will be contacted immediately.**