

City of Parksville Proclamations for May 2012

The City of Parksville is pleased to accept requests from charitable organizations to proclaim "months" or "days" in our municipality. This is an opportunity to bring public awareness and recognition to the role these organizations play in our community. To date, the Mayor Burger has proclaimed the following for May 2012.

Youth Week - May 1-7

Youth Week is a provincial celebration of youth held annually during the first week of May and an opportunity for the City to acknowledge and celebrate the contributions made by young people in their communities and to celebrate the valuable work youth and youth organizations do year round. For the second year, Parksville Council is providing youth with an opportunity to speak their minds during the *Mayor for a Day* contest. The author of the winning essay, to be chosen by Parksville Council, will attend the Council meeting on May 7 in an honorary capacity. www.bcyouthweek.com

Emergency Preparedness Week - May 6-12

Emergency Preparedness Week emphasizes the importance of taking steps to improve preparedness levels. During EP Week, we will provide information on how to prepare before, during and after an emergency, what to include in an emergency kit, why a family emergency plan is important and what can be expected after a disaster. We encourage residents to drop by the Atrium in the Parksville Civic and Technology Centre from 9 am to 3 pm, May 8-10. <u>http://www.parksville.ca/cms.asp?wplD=166#emergweek</u>

Local Government Awareness Week and National Public Works Week - May 20-26

Local Government Awareness Week is a partnership between UBCM, CivicInfo BC, Local Government Management Association and Cultural Development, Ministry of Education, Public Works Association and BC School Trustees Association. The goal for the week is to generate awareness and education the public about the roles and responsibilities of local government and encourage the public to participate in the local government processes, including voting in local elections. www.lgaw.bc.ca

National Public Works Week calls attention to the importance of public works in community life and seeks to acknowledge the people who provide and maintain civic infrastructure and services known as public works. The City will recognize Public Works Week with an open house on May 24 from 10 am to 2 pm in the Community Park. <u>http://www.parksville.ca/cms.asp?wpID=166#pwopen</u>

Parksville-Qualicum Fish and Game Association Month

In recognition of the 100th anniversary of the Parksville-Qualicum Fish and Game Association, the City has declared May as PQFG Month in Parksville. PQFG has a proud history of conservation, habitat preservation and outdoor recreation education. Today, PQFG operates a fish hatchery, participates in water quality monitoring, offers shooting and fishing programs for seniors and the physically challenged and archery programs for adults and juniors. PQFG will celebrate their 100th anniversary throughout the year with many events occurring during the week of May 21-27. www.pqfg.com

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