

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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# City of Parksville Proclamations for May and June 2016

Mayor Marc Lefebvre has proclaimed the following for the City of Parksville in May and June.

### National Public Works Week - May 15 to May 21

May 15 to May 21 has been proclaimed as National Public Works Week in the City; recognizing the importance of public works in community life and acknowledging the efforts of thousands who provide and maintain civic infrastructure and services known as public works.

Public works infrastructure, facilities and services are vital to the health, safety and well-being of the residents of Parksville and such facilities and services could not be provided without the dedicated efforts of public works professionals, engineers and administrators who are responsible for building, operating and maintaining the public works systems that serve our citizens. This year's theme is "Public Works – Always There".

www.pwabc.ca/events/public-works-week/

#### Parachute Safe Kids Week - May 30 to June 5

May 30 to June 5 marks the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration of Parachute Safe Kids Week, bringing attention to predictable and preventable injuries in children.

Since 1996, Canada has enjoyed a decreasing trend in death and hospitalizations from preventable injuries. Safe Kids Week 2016 will focus on the top injury issues that affect children at home, play and on the road. This initiative is intended to raise awareness for predictable and preventable injuries to children and families across Canada and help to keep children active and safe from harm.

http://parachutecanada.org/safekidsweek

### Access Awareness Day - June 4

June 4 marks SPARC BC's (Social Planning and Research Council of BC) 19<sup>th</sup> annual Access Awareness Day which provides an opportunity to look at our communities and ways that they can become more accessible and inclusive for everyone. The theme for 2016 is "Building Accessibility/Creating Community". The goal of Access Awareness Day is to demonstrate the many different ways that communities have been successful in building accessibility.

In partnership with the Access Oceanside Association (AOA), the City of Parksville consistently strives to improve accessibility and foster a sense of inclusion for all community members. The AOA is dedicated to advocating for accessibility issues and working towards a community of inclusion for all to live, work and play in a barrier-free community.

June 4 will draw attention to the needs of individuals with health and activity limitations living in our communities and highlight the different ways that we can all work together to ensure that our communities are as accessible and inclusive as possible.

www.sparc.bc.ca/access-awareness-day

## Legion Week - June 24 to June 30

June 24 to June 30 has been proclaimed as Legion Week in the City of Parksville. This week will acknowledge the years of service and remembrance provided by Mount Arrowsmith Branch #49 Legion.

2016 marks the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Royal Canadian Legion organization across Canada. During Legion Week, branches across Canada will open their doors to the community, welcoming citizens to the branch and to learn more about the Legion's work.

www.legionbcyukon.ca/content/mt-arrowsmith-49

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