

## SLOCAN COMMUNITY LIBRARY

- \* The library will stay open throughout Spring Break and the Easter long weekend!
- \* We will keep our regular hours:  
Saturday & Sunday 11 - 3, Thursday 1-5, Friday 7-9



The Slokan Community Library Society will hold its **Annual General Meeting**, in person at the library on **Wednesday, April 24, 2024 at 7 p.m.** We value your input. Please come out and vote. We are located at: 710 Harold St. Slokan, BC  
PHONE: 250-355-2355



Search our catalog online at: [www.slocanlibrary.ca](http://www.slocanlibrary.ca)

SLOCAN COMMUNITY  
Library



## W.E. Graham Community School



There are many options for parents in the Slokan Valley for schooling. So, we want to tell you about our school. Our school is amazing! Our students are great communicators and are willing and able to deal with issues and solve problems when they arise. We are particularly proud of how the school works to develop our students not only academically, but socially with their peers and others in the community. Small schools face many challenges but also offer unique opportunities. Our school embraces outdoor activities and experiential learning. Our students have opportunities to develop skills at every level. Our primary and intermediate classes take swimming lessons, which are essential when living near lakes and rivers. The entire school has the opportunity to go to the ski-hill in the winter! Our Grade 7/8 class camps, hikes, bikes, climbs and canoes. We are exceedingly proud of the Valhalla Wilderness Program (Grade 9/10) which has achieved an international reputation for excellence. Mr. Marechal won the Prime Ministers Award for Teaching Excellence this year.

Our school is an integral part of the community of Slokan. W.E. Graham serves the Slokan Valley by opening our doors to events held by the Community Library, the Heritage Society, Counselling, and Family Mediation. We host many community groups in our gym during the evenings. Jiu Jitsu, Volleyball, Pickleball, a climbing room, youth soccer, music lessons, badminton, first aid training. Our Valhalla Wilderness students build, maintain and ride many of the world class biking trails in the area. Our school is small in population, but mighty in spirit! You could say a reflection of our community! Our classes are multi-grade and small in numbers.

This is just a little snapshot of our school. We could go on and on. We are proud and pleased to offer W.E. Graham as your local, rural community school in Slokan for your children. When you choose W.E. Graham, you are also choosing Slokan! So, let's remember the vital importance of supporting our local communities and work together to create a vibrant place to call home. Please call the school if you would like a tour and find out what we are all about!

Check out our website at: <https://weg.sd8.bc.ca/> Tel: 250-355-2212.  
Registration for the 2024/2025 school year is ongoing now.



## THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF SLOCAN

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### FEBRUARY/MARCH 2024 - NEWSLETTER

#### 2024 Council Meeting Schedule

January 15	May 13	September 9
February 12	June 10	October 15 (Tues.)
March 11	July 8	November 12 (Tues)
April 8	August 12	December 9

(Council Meetings start at 7:00 pm in Village Chambers.)



**OFFICE HOURS:**  
Monday to Thursday from  
**9:00am to 4:00pm**  
(Closed from 12 noon to  
1:00pm for lunch)  
Closed on Fridays.

Missed the last meeting? No problem! Agendas and minutes are available on the Village website:

[www.slocanvillage.com/council](http://www.slocanvillage.com/council)

The next Regular Council Meeting will be held on April 8th 2024 at 7:00pm

To attend a public meeting, please use the following link to attend virtually, or by telephone:

<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/322545565> or dial in by phone: 1-647-497-9391 Access Code 322-545-565

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION  
SLOCAN VALLEY BRANCH 276  
502 Harold St. Slokan



### 'VEGAS' NIGHT Spring Fling! April 20th, 2024

Doors open 5:30pm, 6pm Casino starts  
7pm (sharp) Amazing  
\*Buffet by Pat & Peggy!  
Live entertainment too!



**ADVANCE TICKETS \$25 at**

**The Legion (Friday or Sunday evenings)**  
**Or at Mountain Valley Station in Slokan**  
**Or phone 355-2672 to reserve**  
Gambling chips \$.50 each

\*Baron of Beef, Yangtze Chicken & Broccoli,  
Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Rice, Assorted Pickles,  
Meat Platter, Cheese Platter, Seafood Platter,  
Caesar Salad, Mekong Noodle Salad, Red Potato Salad,  
Watermelon & Feta Salad, Coleslaw, Buns/Butter,  
Fruit Platter, Decorated Cake

**Banquet worth the money even if you don't gamble!!**  
No minors please (gambling happening)

## SLOCAN ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

Saturday March 30<sup>th</sup>  
11:00am SHARP!  
Expo Park - Rain or Shine!

Children 10 and younger may participate in the hunt  
Please bring a non-perishable donation for the food bank



Our Easter Egg Hunt was made possible by a generous donation from:



### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### APPLICATION FOR PATRON PARTICIPATION ENDORSEMENT

Dated this 11<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2024

The Lobby Grill, located on the ground floor of the Slokan Hotel, at 501 Harold Street in the Village of Slokan, has applied for a *Patron Participation Entertainment Endorsement* on their existing Food Primary Liquor Licence.

Food Primary Liquor Licenses regulated by the Liquor & Cannabis Regulation Branch currently do not allow for patron participation without the endorsement – which is described as any form of entertainment that entails the active involvement of patrons or results in patrons leaving their seats, including but not limited to: sing-along, karaoke, dancing, or performance.

As part of the application process, the Licensing Branch is seeking approval from the Village of Slokan. Prior to considering approval of this licence amendment application, Slokan Council wishes to seek comments from the public. Feedback can include impact on your residence or the community as a whole.

Details of the licence application are available for review at the Village Office during regular business hours. Anyone wishing to comment on this application must do so **in writing by 4pm on Wednesday, APRIL 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024** to appear on the agenda of Council. Comments must be **in writing** to be accepted. Unsigned submissions will be rejected.

Council will consider this application at its  
**Regular Meeting of April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 7:00pm.**



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## VILLAGE OF SLOCAN MEETING NOTES

### February 12, 2024 – Regular Meeting

- Council will attend the Association of Kootenay Boundary Local Gov'ts Annual Conference on April 19-21, in Kimberley.
- The ReDi Grant Public Input Meeting will be held on April 15<sup>th</sup> at 5pm. Deliberations will take place on April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6pm.
- Council will contribute \$3,000 from the RDCK Community Development Fund, to the Office Backup Generator Project.
- Council awarded \$150 from the RDCK Discretionary Grant Fund to the 2024 Easter Egg Hunt.
- Council approved, in principle, the request from the Slocan Valley Historical Society, to investigate installing a heat pump in the upper level of the Village Officer for the archives.
- Council will set aside \$379 from the RDCK Discretionary Grant Fund, to participate in the Sue Big Oil campaign, representing \$1 for every Slocan resident.
- Staff will contact the Central Kootenay Invasive Species Society to promote and encourage invasive mussel education and awareness in Slocan.
- Staff were directed to investigate a privacy fence for site #21 in the campground, where trees along Giffin Ave were removed.
- The Village will investigate potential sites for an Okanagan Nation Alliance's "Hatchery in a Box" Program.

### March 11, 2024 – Regular Meeting

- The Patron Participation Endorsement Application for the Lobby Grill was received. The public may submit written comment on the application prior to April 8<sup>th</sup>.
- Council approved the request from Treehugger Retreats & Events, to host Harmony Festival on the beach on July 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>.
- Council approved the request from Christina Knight, to host the Saturday Market at Expo Park during the summer. Council awarded \$2,000 from the RDCK Community Development Fund in support of the event.
- Council gave first three readings to the "Village of Slocan Growing Communities Reserve Fund Bylaw".
- Council approved the request to consider amending the Zoning Bylaw to allow for long-term residential use at 801 Harold Street, for the survival of the existing structure or until ownership changes, with the following conditions: all fire inspection deficiencies rectified, including removal of all combustible and waste materials in and around buildings and annual testing and maintenance of portable fire extinguishers; that the site be cleared of all uninsured vehicles and vehicle parts, and other miscellaneous debris; and that the owner advise tenants that automotive business use is not permitted on the property and to ensure that this is enforced. The bylaw amendment will be subject to public consultation by way of a Public Hearing.

**Next Meeting: Monday April 8<sup>th</sup> 2024 – 7:00pm**



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### NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING



#### ReDi Grant Program - PUBLIC INPUT MEETING

The Council of the Village of Slocan will be holding a  
Special Meeting at the Village Office, Council Chambers,

**on MONDAY, APRIL 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm**

ReDi Grant Program applicants will be invited to give a brief  
5-minute presentation on their proposals.

Virtual Attendance:  
<https://meet.scto.com/280077389>  
Call-In Attendance:  
1-647-497-9373  
Access Code: 280-077-389

Funding Allocations will be deliberated by Council  
at a special meeting on April 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 6pm



### UTILITIES (WATER/GARBAGE)

Please be advised that all 2024 Utility Bills with an outstanding  
balance after **MARCH 31<sup>st</sup>**  
**WILL RECEIVE A 10% PENALTY.**  
For any assistance with electronic payments, feel free  
to contact the Village Office: **250-355-2277**

### SLOCAN HEALTH & WELLNESS CENTRE

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri
Cailea Davis Massage	Cailea Davis Massage	Jody Forsyth- Oversby Homeopathy	Brendan Murray-Nellis R.Ac. Acupuncture	Brendan Murray-Nellis R.Ac. Acupuncture
	Jody Forsyth- Oversby Homeopathy	Brendan Murray-Nellis R.Ac. Acupuncture (New Denver)	Peter LaMarre Massage	Peter LaMarre Massage

For full hours and to book online visit  
[www.ravenacupuncture.com](http://www.ravenacupuncture.com)  
or call 250-355-2279  
By appointment only. Add yourself to the online waitlist  
or call for last minute appointments.

[www.slocancity.com/wellness-centre](http://www.slocancity.com/wellness-centre)  
Phone: 250-355-2279

## W.E. GRAHAM COMMUNITY SCHOOL REGISTRATION ----- 2024/2025 -----



W.E. Graham  
Community School



Great things are happening at W.E.Graham Community School. We are now accepting registrations for all students in grades Kindergarten through 10 including applications for the Valhalla Wilderness Program for Grades 9 & 10. W.E. Graham endeavours to engage students through a wide variety of outdoor and experiential opportunities.

**Primary Outdoor Program (POP):** spends at least two afternoons a week exploring the local environment and is actively involved in the use of an outdoor classroom area on the Slocan River.

You may have seen them out in the community with their fancy backpacks! It's time to register for Kindergarten now!

**Our Intermediate Class (WILD):** is a multi-aged community focused classroom that is based on character and leadership development. This class calls themselves **WILD** (Wilderness Intermediate Leadership Development)!

**Outdoor Environmental Leadership Program (OELP):** Grades 7 -8's have the opportunity in which to combine experiential activities, and core academics to create a program that fosters leadership, resilience, self-confidence, and awareness of the outdoors. The program offers, cooking, photography, technology, robotics, art, and many day trips and a few overnight trips.

**The Valhalla Wilderness Program (VWP)** is a one of a kind junior (Grade 9 and 10 only) wilderness program that has achieved an international reputation for excellence. This program focuses on creating a learning experience which involves backcountry skiing, mountain biking, hiking and canoeing. Students receive certificates in avalanche awareness as well as first aid. This program involves 5 to 6 extended out trips as well as day trips every Friday. In conjunction with the outdoor experience, the students are also in class for a regular selection of academic classes and integrated curriculum experiences. Spaces in this program are limited and an application process is required in addition to a regular registration form. If you are not in the W.E. Graham catchment area, it is important that you complete a school transfer very soon. We will be hosting a **Kindergarten Orientation** in June. Check in with the school for date. If you have any question regarding our school or the programs, please contact principal, **Mike Hurley** at: **250-355-2212** or [mike.hurley@sd8.bc.ca](mailto:mike.hurley@sd8.bc.ca).

Check our website at [weg.sd8.bc.ca](http://weg.sd8.bc.ca) and you can find more information and registration and transfer forms there.



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*Cause to come back*

### SOCKEYE FRY RELEASE CEREMONIES

As part of our commitment as  
sux\*txtem, we will be hosting  
prayers and ceremonial releases  
of Okanagan Sockeye fry.

The Syilx Nation invites you to  
join us to give prayers for the  
release of Okanagan Sockeye fry  
throughout the Syilx Territory!

DATES SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE  
TO WATER TEMPERATURES

**akt xwumina?, Shingle Creek**  
May 2, 2024 - 10:00 am

**Lower Vernon Creek**  
May 7, 2024 - 10:00 am

**nxw\*aqwa?stn, Mission Creek**  
May 8, 2024 - 10:00 am

**Six Mile Creek**  
May 9, 2024 - 10:00 am

**snluxwqnm, Castlegar**  
May 13, 2024 - 10:00 am

**takli'iaickst, Slocan Lake**  
May 13, 2024 - 2:00 pm

**snkxykntn, Revelstoke**  
May 14, 2024 - 10:00 am

For more information contact:  
Event Planner  
[events@syilx.org](mailto:events@syilx.org) or 250 707 0095  
[www.okanaganation.com](http://www.okanaganation.com)

Please Note: There may be additional ceremonies  
and releases taking place that are happening for kt  
peik stim. Please attend ceremonies at your own risk  
due to high water and safety concerns.

## SLOCAN CENTRE PASSES

### One-Month Pass

Passes purchased during  
the 1<sup>st</sup> -15<sup>th</sup> of the month:

**\$25.00 +  
GST**

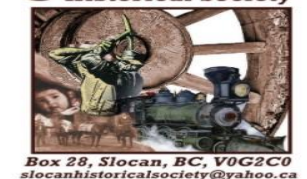
### Half-Month Pass

Passes purchased during  
the 16<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> of the month:

**\$12.50 +  
GST**

\*Half-Month  
passes are only  
valid for purchase  
during 16<sup>th</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup>  
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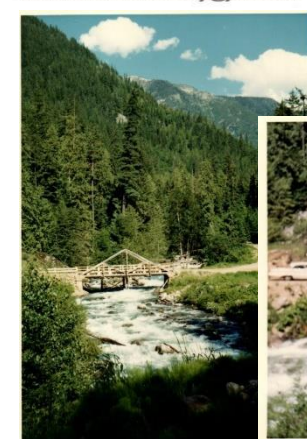
### Slocan Valley Historical Society



Box 28, Slocan, BC, V0G2C0  
[slocanhistoricalsociety@yahoo.ca](mailto:slocanhistoricalsociety@yahoo.ca)

The Slocan Valley Historical Society  
has a collection of pictures that have  
not been digitized, many are  
unidentified and we would like the  
public's input.

If anyone knows where this bridge  
is, please email us at:  
[slocanhistoricalsociety@yahoo.ca](mailto:slocanhistoricalsociety@yahoo.ca).



Keep up to date on Village business by attending regular Council meetings, or by visiting our website or Facebook page:

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**REMINDER:** ITEMS SUBMITTED FOR INCLUSION ON THE COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN 12-NOON,  
7 DAYS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING. LATE ITEMS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AND WILL BE INCLUDED ON THE NEXT MEETING AGENDA.