Burton Busy-Beeline

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Lest we forget ...see Pages 10-12

***Evening sun over Arrow Lakes**—Photo by Rosalie Cranna*

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Buzz Word (Editorial)

Dear Burton,

I owe you a huge apology!

I started something I can no longer continue—meaning, the Burton Busy-Beeline. 25 years ago it would have been easier, but now I'm finding it a challenge and too stressful. Now when I get stressed I become someone I really don't like. I blame it all on this aging thing! ☺

So I regret to say, this is the last issue. I hope the five issues created to date have been of benefit to the community. Maybe someone else would like to carry it on?

Meanwhile, may you find this issue informative, with a bit of fun, and also some deep thought.

Most sincerely
Rosemary ♥

PS So much gratitude goes to all those who have supported and contributed to this venture.

PPS Years ago a wise man once told me he had reached a place in life where he could say, "I have no opinion on that."

I'm definitely not there—but I'm trying!

Fireman's Ball

SOLD OUT – BUT…

It certainly didn't take long for tickets to sell out for the 14th Annual Fireman's Ball on November 6 at the Community Hall. However, Burton's Volunteer Fire Brigade is presenting a new opportunity for supporters to attend – APRES DINNER.

Says fire chief Brian Harrop, **"After 7 p.m. tickets will be available at the door for $5 per person.** Ticket holders will be able to take part in the silent auction, the live auction, enjoy the bar and trip the light fantastic with some dancing."

Main items for the Live Auction include two separate logging truck loads of wood, and one night (for two) at Sutton Place Hotel at Mt. Revelstoke. Some of the silent auction items include two nights at Halcyon Hot springs, ski passes at Mt. Revelstoke, golfing at Kelowna, Vernon, Nakusp, and Fauquier courses, a compound bow, gift certificates from various local businesses and medical professionals, and more. There will also be door prizes.

2026 Fireman's Calendar

This fundraising calendar would not have been possible without the help of Kristina of Ad. Venture Creative, Rachel Elliott, for the donation of her beautiful photography, and all the sponsors. Calendars are available at the Burton Transfer Station, at Hairtenders, and in Nakusp at Dawn Edwards Bookkeeping (in Nakusp Glass building). They are $30 each, by cash and by e-transfer at: burtonfirebrigade@gmail.com.

These make a great Christmas present and help the BVFB keep their doors open!

In *case of FIRE EMERGENCY to call* ***250-265-4348 or 250-265-9952*** *where the response will be much faster than dialing 911.*

A gingerbread man was sitting on the baker's counter, when he lost his balance and fell to the floor. When he landed, he injured one of his legs. After a couple of days of pain, the gingerbread man asked the baker for advice. 'Well,' replied the baker, 'have you tried icing it?'

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Letter to the Community

Burton Community Learning Centre (BCLC)
AGM Wednesday, November 19, 2025, 7 p.m.

The Burton Community Learning Centre is a society with a very broad scope which has been making a difference in our small community for the past 13 years. With its stable financial situation and established rapport with the community and other local organizations, it has tremendous potential to become the driving force behind any initiative supporting the wellbeing of the community. Unfortunately, current Directors have been members of this Board for several terms already and have struggled for many years to recruit new volunteers with a renewed passion for these great opportunities. Since the reopening of the Centre in 2023, we have been holding the space in the hope that a new group of individuals with fresh ideas would take this Society to greater heights. Unfortunately, this has not happened. Therefore, it is time for us to step down and actually create space for someone else to step in, if the community feels that there is still a purpose to BCLC. **At the upcoming AGM on Nov 19th, 2025,** all director positions will become available. If you have been looking for an opportunity to make a difference in the community, this might be your chance. If vacancies are not filled at this AGM, steps will be taken to dissolve the Society. The main positions to be filled are: President; Vice-president; Secretary and; Fitness Centre Coordinator. There is room for as many as 9 directors, however, we have been operating with 4 or 5 directors for several years. The current Treasurer will remain to maintain the books until they are passed on to someone else or to meet the requirements of the Society until dissolution. Our current Technology Centre volunteer who is not a director will continue his work at the Technology Centre. It has been an honour serving the community all these years.

Board of Directors
Burton Community Learning Centre

Keeping fit in Burton

Please check the Burton Community FB page and burtonbc.ca for updated times.

Exercise Room (on the stage)
Mon., Fri. – 8:30 - 10:30 am
Wed. 9—11 am.
Tues. and Thurs. 6 - 8 pm
Cost is $2 for drop-in, or $50 for a yearly membership (which includes access to other BCLC programs). Elementary & secondary students are free of charge, (parent/ designated adult supervision required). Volunteers will be on hand to help participants..

Senior's Exercise—Thursdays from 11:30am – 12:30pm, with instructor Broden McLean. $40 for 10 classes or $5 drop-in. *Info: Broden at 250-265-1957.*

Pickleball—Mondays and Wednesdays in the school gym at 3:45 pm. All ages and skill levels, including beginners, are very welcome. There are loaner paddles if you don't have your own equipment.
For info call: 250-265-8440.

Mindful Yoga—Thurs. 5:30—6:30 pm $10 drop-in. Sponsored by BCLC.
All levels welcome. At the Hall.
With Chelsea Hanet 250-200-2050

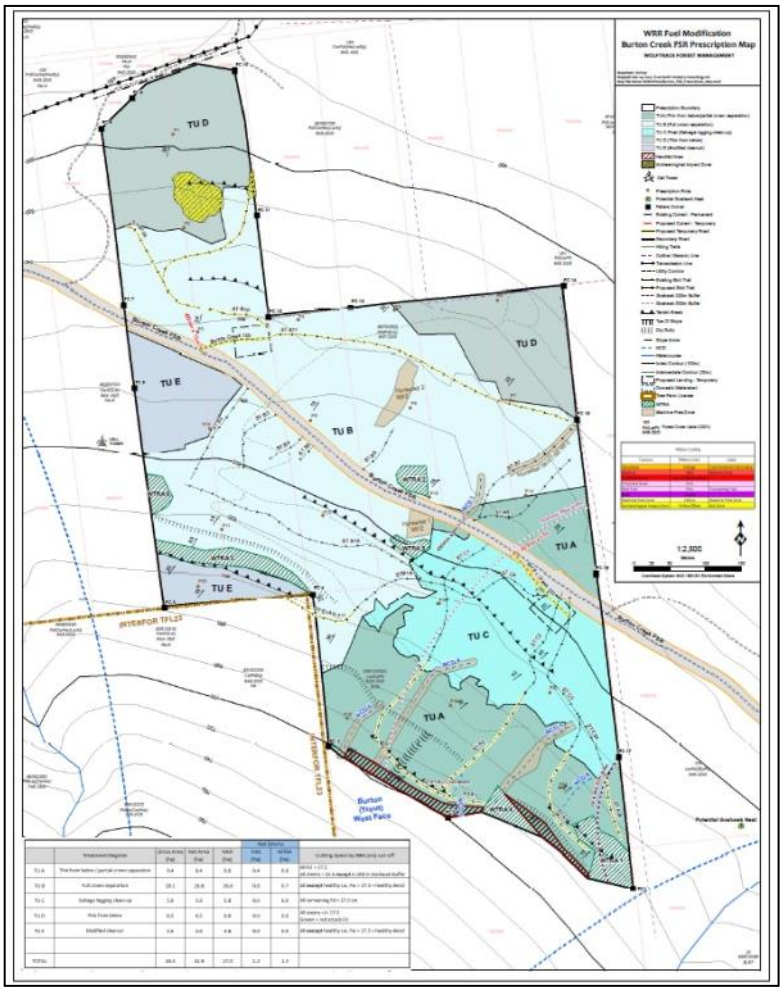
Wildfire Risk Reduction

Update November 2025:
Submitted

The harvest operations are completed in TUB on the north side of Burton FSR. The contractor still needs to complete the additional post-harvest clean-up in TUB to meet Fuel Management Prescription specifications. The contractor will then be starting in TUD and TUA on the north side of Burton FSR. The plan is to get everything north of the FSR completed this fiscal year and then they will start on the south side of the FSR next fiscal year (starting April 1, 2026).

I believe the contractor does have some firewood available to the locals, but they must first have a waste assessment completed. I believe they have a surveyor booked to come complete this survey. I can let Burton know when it is completed and who to contact for firewood. Locals should still stay away while operations are active.

For further information and an update about when firewood will be available contact:
Amber Cooke, RMT, at Amber.Cooke@gov.bc.ca or phone 778-364-0676.



My granddaughter said, 'Grandpa, I just watched somebody do 50 push-ups. Do you think you could do better than that?'
'Oh,' I said, 'I'm pretty sure I could. In fact, I could probably watch somebody do at least 100 push-ups.'

The world *From Sliced Bread by Rosemary Phillips*

Visitors to my apartment would often say, "Your map's hanging upside down."

I often looked at the map, an artistic expression on fabric, and wondered who in the world decided that up was up and down was down, north was north and south was south, and so on. I guess it all depended upon the point of view of the person approaching the planet, the angle of their space craft, and the sector of the universe the approach was made from.

Might everything we believe in with regards to up, down, north, south, east and west, have possibly been created by one solitary person making marks on an ancient papyrus to show a warrior how to get home from some successful battle, or maybe where to pop in for some really good wine and bread? Who knows, maybe when they gave the papyrus to the other person it was accidentally handed over upside down, which will account for why the world has been that way ever since.

Burton Community Association (BCA)

The volunteer board of the BCA met on Monday, November 3, at the Community Hall. In attendance were David Doncaster, Wanda Buerge, Warren Detta, Karey Bilodeau (Chair), Dan Adshead.

Due to nobody stepping up to volunteer as Secretary, to take minutes and deal with correspondence, the board has decided to post a notice to hire a secretary, in a **PAID** position. So if there is anyone in the community interested, please call Karey at 204-923-0026. (Maybe by Beeline publication date that has already been filled?)

For information on meetings visit the **burtonbc.ca** website for minutes and agendas.

VISION—The BCA, as the governing body, works on behalf of the Burton community at large. The Burton Community Centre and Commonly owned grounds are non-profit operated properties that offer long-term collaborative space at an affordable rate to other non-profit organizations, sharing resources and amenities between them, creating practical sustainability which supports social well-being, and inclusion in the community.

VALUES—Inclusive—Community Focused—Cooperative—Practical—Integrity—Sustainability—Diversity—Confidentiality

MISSION—Working Collaboratively with our community towards a healthier environment, connecting people and preserving the community for future generations to come.

New Business in Burton

CM Heavy Duty

From big to small, he can fix them all…

Colin McCauley is making it official – he is providing services as a certified Red Seal Mechanic for Burton and the surrounding area. Whether it's a huge piece of machinery or your family car, Colin can take care of it. In fact, he recently helped the Beeline's editor get two new tires, changed the oil, and fixed a terrible knocking in the dash. Now there's heat in the van. Thank you, Colin.

Originally from Salmon Arm, Colin worked in Kamloops then Vernon, and then EMCON until 2024. Until now he had been working from Kelowna, repairing all the highway construction vehicles and equipment, excavators, dump trucks etc…

Basing himself in Burton, he can do on-call road service. Says Colin, "I can assess the situation and repair the vehicle, and determine whether or not a tow truck is needed.

CM Heavy Duty—call 250-803-2896
E-mail: cmheavyduty@outlook.com

End of Season for WildSafeBC

Submitted

Arrow Slocan Lakes, November 2025 - The bears are almost all denned up for the winter, as is the WildSafeBC *Arrow Slocan Lakes* Program. WildSafeBC's goal is to prevent conflict with wildlife through education, collaboration and community solutions.

Your local coordinator, *Lana Schalow*, has been working with the community to prevent negative outcomes for wildlife and for people by providing wildlife information and conflict-reduction strategies to residents, visitors, and the business community. Education outreach has included attendance at community events, door-to-door canvassing, wildlife awareness and safety presentations, business pledges, and WildSafe Ranger presentations in schools. In September, we held special BC Goes Wild events and the winners are now posted on the website. Please view our year-end report, scheduled to be released in December on our website, to learn more about what we were able to accomplish this year.

While the bears may be soon in their dens, there are many other animals that do not hibernate and we encourage everyone to become more familiar with the wildlife that may be passing through our communities. Please report sightings of bears, wolves or cougars in urban/residential areas, or wildlife in conflict, to the Conservation Officer Service at 1-877-952-7277. Please visit wildsafebc.com and follow our Facebook page for updates, tips, and other information to assist you in keeping wildlife wild and your community safe!

WildSafeBC *Arrow Slocan Lakes* is grateful for the generous support the program receives from its funders including *RDCK, Columbia Basin Trust, Village of Nakusp, Village of New Denver, Village of Silverton, Village of Slocan* , the British Columbia Conservation Foundation and the Province of BC.

Media Contact*: Karly McMullen*
WildSafeBC *Arrow Slocan Lakes* Coordinator
Website: www.wildsafebc.com

Christmas Bird Count 2025

December 27th

On Saturday, December 27, all those interested in birds of the area are invited to join Leanne Mentz and Audubon for the Christmas Bird Count in Burton and area.

Leanne explains, "I'm an active birder, and have been doing the count for the last 20 years. I participated in the count while we lived in Alberta and I joined the local Bird Count when we moved here.

"We meet at the marina, and Gary Davidson will take us around. Anyone from here to Fauquier is included. Gary drives down and counts along the Lake. People can also count in their own backyard, like chickadees at the feeder."

Adds Leanne, "The time will be announced closer to the date, but it's usually around 8:30-9 am. If I know who is counting, I call them for their counts that evening, or the next day."

For more details and to check in, e-mail Leanne at: foxglenlea@msn.com or call 778-206-7108.

Nine out of ten vets say they won't work on a bear without it being heavily sedated. Apparently they believe there is safety in numb bears.

Carols in Burton

On Wednesday, December 17th at 7 pm everyone is invited to the Burton Community Hall for this FREE event—for the whole family. ♫♫

Anyone who would like to perform is asked to contact Brenda Buerge at **250-265-1174** and let her know what you would like to do. There's room for three to four songs for each performer, a skit or poem reading, dance performance, or even stand-up comedy.

This is a family event and it's a wonderful casual way to meet and socialize with all your neighbors!

Everyone is asked to bring a snack as there will be a social following the performances. Coffee and tea will be provided by Burton Seniors.

Come sing and enjoy the spirit of the season! ♫♫

Applegrove Nature School

Applegrove Nature School will be offering a **winter camp** (Dec. 29-31, 10am-3pm, in Fauquier, registration is now open to children in grades 1 through 7, cost is $150 with financial assistance available through our bursary fund) and a **winter session of Nature Sprouts** (January and February, Wednesdays, 10am-noon, for children up to age 5 with a caregiver, cost is $150 for all 6 sessions, dates TBD).

More information can be found on the Applegrove Facebook page (https://www.facebook.com/PlayCreateTakeRisks/) or website (www.ApplegroveNatureSchool.ca), by emailing ApplegroveNatureSchool@hotmail.com or phoning 250-265-1090.

Applegrove is always looking for individuals and businesses who are willing to contribute to their **bursary fund** to make outdoor learning and play opportunities accessible to all children.

Applegrove is grateful for the support from the Burton Community Association for allowing them use of the forest.

Bits and Bobs

WELCOME to Burton!

Inga Ivany and Rosalie Cranna of the Burton Welcome Committee visited two newly arrived couples this month; Kelsey Morton and Chris Miechkota who are developing the property on McCormack Road South, and Joein Hornhardt and Crystal Hornhardt who live north on Highway 6.

If you know of anyone new to the community who would enjoy a Welcome visit, please call Rosalie at **250-265-0161.**

The Medical Bus

to Vernon and Kelowna

The bus is needing major repairs, so it is going to be out of commission at least until Christmas. The repairs are quite extensive and the bus may be out longer. The information is posted on the ASLCS website (aslcs.com) so folks can check online for any updates or info. Or give a call to **250-265-3674**, Ext 200.

Burton Technical Centre Courses

There are a couple of courses being offered FREE of charge at the Burton Community Hall: Google Docs for beginners **Nov 30**, 9:00 am-12:00 pm and Google Sheets for beginners **Jan 11**, 9:00am-12:00pm (noon). To sign up please contact Jerome by e-mail at info@burtonbc.ca.

Burtonbc.ca website update

Jerome Goodman reports that at the moment the Calendar of Events is temporarily missing. It is a top priority, to get it working again. A notice will be posted on FB when it is up and running again. Thank you Jerome for all you do to keep Burton Tech happening.

I used to date a girl, and things were going along great until she discovered I only had four toes on each foot. She broke up with me immediately. I guess she was lack toes intolerant.

Recipes

Winter specials with potatoes and garlic

Potato Kugel

(From the Vegetarian Epicure, Book 2 by Anna Thomas, 1978)

A kugel is a puddinglike dish, best eaten hot or warm. Potato Kugel is generally a side dish, but it could be used as the basis of a light meal, with the addition of a soup or salad, and some fruit.

Ingredients:
4 medium-sized potatoes (about 2 pounds)
1 large yellow onion
2 eggs
1 tsp salt
Pepper to taste, garlic optional
3 Tbs vegetable oil
Garnish
Sour cream

Peel the potatoes and grate them as quickly as possible. Peel and grate the onion, beat the eggs lightly, and stir together the potatoes, onions, eggs, salt, and pepper. If you are using a blender or food processor, cut the peeled potatoes and onions into chunks and process them, 1/2 batch at a time, together with the eggs, until no large pieces are left.
Preheat the oven to 350 degrees, pour the oil into a shallow, medium-sized casserole, and heat it for a few minutes. Pour the kugel mixture into the hot oil in the casserole and bake it for 1 hour (uncovered). The kugel should be puffed up and browned.
Serve hot with sour cream.
Serves 6 to 8.

Burton potatoes right out of the ground.

Cheese and Potato Pie

Ingredients:
Potatoes
Onions
Cheese
Crushed garlic if you wish
Garnish

Peel and cook potatoes in one pot.
Peel and cook onions in another pot.
Grate lots of cheese.
Mash potatoes then add onions and cheese and put in a casserole dish. Add garlic if you wish.
Garnish—with extra cheese on top, and maybe sliced tomato for colour, and fresh or dried parsley.
Bake uncovered in the oven for a while until the cheese on top looks browned a bit.
Serve

Potato Pancakes

This is what you might call a 'whatever-you-have-in-the-fridge-and-cupboard' pancake, with your choice of herbs and spices.

Ingredients:
Potatoes
Eggs and a bit of flour
Zucchini, carrots, squash (whatever you have)
Maybe some garlic, parsley, herbs and spices
A little oil for frying

Peel potatoes and vegetables.
Grate in a processor.
Add a couple of eggs and a touch of flour.
And maybe some herbs and spices to taste.

Fry in a skillet slowly, turning over when crisp.
Serve with sour cream. Delicious.

My wife thought she saw a cockroach in the kitchen. She spent the day spraying, scrubbing, and disinfecting every surface. Tomorrow I'm going to put one in the bathroom.

Lotsa Garlic for Burton

It's end of season for the Bee Happy Garden but first a planting of 600 garlics for next year—in the community beds.

The ground was prepared ahead, and rows of garlic were then planted and fertilized, ready to sit overwinter for harvesting next summer.

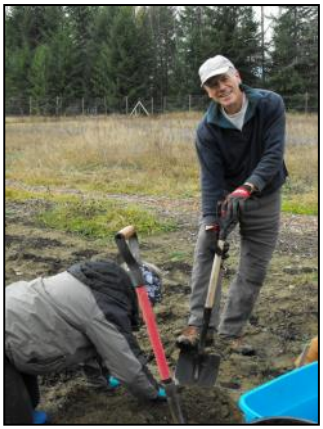
Meanwhile, perishable food has been stored in fridges and freezers for use by the school and community.

Mega thanks go to all the volunteer gardeners who have worked tirelessly these past four years to provide fresh, organic, locally grown food for the community.

Photos by Dawn Grudzinski and Inga Ivany

Potato Harvesting for Burton

Gary Mentz has been digging up potatoes for Burton this summer and fall for the markets and also the community. Here Gary and Bee Happy Garden members do harvesting before the ground freezes.



Lest we Forget...

As the parents of the young soldiers wait in their homes
they have no idea what could happen
to their son or daughter.
It makes them constantly worry
about what could happen on the battlefield.
Lots of families spend their time hoping
for the best.
Sometimes that hope for the best takes
an awful turn
when soldiers don't come home to their families.

And after all that, what's left behind
is silence
where the laughter was,
a future that they'll never find,
a gaping hole without a cause.

The house feels cold,
the rooms too wide,
with memories hanging
in the air.

The grief they feel inside,
a heavy, constant weight to bear.
We see the sorrow in their eyes,
the empty place that used to be,
beneath the vast Canadian skies,
their quiet, lasting legacy.

Written by Io Shaw
Burton Elementary School
November 2025

Images created by children at Burton Elementary School—for Remembrance Day 2025.

The **White Poppy,** introduced in 1933, symbolizes *PEACE* and asks us to remember *ALL* victims of war, to include **civilian** and soldier; brother and sister, mother and father, son and daughter, and children.

Smile of the Month

Mr. Tim Van Brummelen

Principal, Burton & Edgewood Elementary Schools

Upon meeting Mr. Van Brummelen you can't help but be caught by his warm smile, a smile that greets with kindness.

On the day this photo was taken, Mr. Van Brummelen had just finished hosting the school's Remembrance Day Assembly, with guests, parents and students. He was also celebrating the birth of a new grandchild, born the night before.

Remembrance Day is a day of reflection for the Van Brummelens. In Holland, during the German occupation of World War 2, his family aided the Resistance by helping Jewish families escape from the country. "My grandparents had a secret room to hide people. Two of my great-uncles were caught for harbouring Jews. They were sent to Auschwitz and never returned."

Mr. Van Brummelen's parents moved to Canada after the war. He was born in Toronto but the family soon moved to British Columbia.

After a time in Kelowna, he and his wife wanted to move out of the city. "We drew a circle on the real-estate map and thought first of the Shuswap. Then we stayed for a weekend in a roof-top tent in Burton Historical Park, and fell in love with the area."

Coincidental circumstances led to Mr. Van Brummelen taking on the role of administrator for the Childcare Centre in Nakusp. Then - "I had wanted to get back to being a principal, in a small rural school where I can spend more time getting to know everyone personally, and teach. It was all miraculous. I now go back and forth between Edgewood and Burton schools."

His vision for Burton Elementary is to focus on foundational skills, specifically academic goals, with teachers working collaboratively. "The next goal and dream for the school is to start with more enquiry learning, to pursue projects the children are excited about – their own dreams and goals. And for parents to share their dreams, to inspire the children, to see their dreams realized."

Meanwhile Mr. Van Brummelen is working with an editor on a children's book. "I've done a lot of music writing in the past," he added, "and I would love to pick that up again. And a new passion I have is to learn to build things on our five-acre property. I've always had lots of projects and I love learning."

Lest we Forget...

Remember

When greed becomes the creed,
the nation will always be in need,
creating the chaos which makes us bleed.

Scars etched into our souls
as Remembrance took its toll.

I have never been in war
but I can't imagine the gore.
Personally I'm only left with lore.
We will remember them, forever, in our cores.

I've rested my eyes and went to sleep,
but the memories we've shared
are yours to keep.

Gone yet not forgotten. Although we are apart,
your spirits live within us. Forever in our hearts.

Written by Oliver Waters,
Burton Elementary School
November 2025

Finding Heart in Burton ♥

Rosemary's Ramblings

It was during the community meeting about improvements to the park that a resident stated, "Burton has lost it's heart."

While things shut down during Covid, and people now spend more time in front of a screen or on their iPhones, while economics and the cost of basic necessities demand that people spend more time working, there are fewer people volunteering to organize activities and events—anywhere.

Granted events are not the same as ten, twenty, thirty or forty years ago – but then folks were happy with less and didn't expect perfection. Years ago, people had picnic baskets, not concessions. Baseball was played on a field, any field.

What is true is that those who organized events in days gone by are no longer here or are now seniors, many not physically able to do as much. It has been said by several that it's time for younger folk to step in and up to the plate, and to visualize a future of the community as they want it to be .

Meanwhile, there are those who do step forward, to give their talents and time for community. One example is the dedicated group of mostly seniors who have been putting a lot of time, energy and physical grunt work into a community garden that has been providing organic, locally grown produce for many households in the area. In addition, with the reintroduction this year of markets, the group has provided produce at exceptionally affordable prices for residents and visitors – food that is free of chemicals. AND - it's all LOCAL.

There are also dedicated volunteer groups and individuals in Burton who organize healthy activities and events, exercises, programs, trails, concerts, brunches, pot lucks and more. There are volunteers who make decisions and organize improvements for the community assets - the hall, field, playground, and campground in this hamlet of Burton. And not to forget the volunteer fire brigade.

As one resident said about the activities this summer, in particular the pop-up markets and community fridge, "It's like getting community back."

YES - there is heart in Burton! But sometimes it's clouded by negativity, resistance to change and new ideas, by hanging on to the past, and by effects of this very challenging and uncertain world.

YES — there is heart in Burton! Can you feel it?

♥♥♥♥♥♥♥♥♥♥♥♥♥♥

My teacher told me not to worry about spelling because in the future there will be autocorrect. And for that I am eternally grapefruit.

I saw an audiologist today, but I think I'll get a second opinion. Why on earth would I need a heron egg?

Bouquets

A bouquet to all those who volunteer their time, talents and energy, in whatever capacity, for the benefit of Burton and area.

A bouquet to all those who, through simple acts of kindness, help neighbours, friends and family—and strangers.

A bouquet to Jerome for all his challenging work in maintaining **Burtonbc.ca**.

Little Candle

words and music © by Rosemary Phillips

CHORUS
There's a little candle
Glowing in the night
Helping to give some light.
If more little candles
Shone around the world
They'd make the world so bright!

A little girl was lost
One cold winter's night
Couldn't find her way at all.
Then a little candle gave her some light
And led her safely home.

CHORUS

Her family was happy
When she came home
They'd had an awful fright.
They thought they'd never see her again
After that cold dark night.

CHORUS

Now every year when it's really dark
She lights a candle bright
And gives her thanks
for the light she had
That one cold winter's night.

CHORUS

For sheet music, recording and YouTube video visit: quillsquotesandnotes.com
The song was originally written for children for Christmas, but without a religious connotation. It has been performed around the world and was sung on December 9, 2011, as the last of 1000 candles was lit in a stream in Roombeek in the district of Enschede in the Netherlands. 120 children representing four school choirs were accompanied by a small orchestra as they sang "Little Candle" in English.

"Little Candle" chalk drawing to accompany the song.

Receiving is also giving

My grandmother was very ill and found herself dependent upon help from friends, neighbours and family, for errands and for a ride to her church.
It was hard for her to accept, because she was so used to helping others, checking up on her neighbours, watching out for them.
We sat and talked about it for a while, and then there came a realization—that by receiving help from others she was still giving—she was giving them the gift - to give.
Receiving, therefore, must also be giving.

Burton Directory

Emergency

Police **250-265-3677**
Emergency/Ambulance **911**
Fire 250-265-4348 or 250-265-9952
Fire Chief, Brian Harrop 250-265-3492
Wildfire 1-800-663-5555
Arrow Lakes Hospital **250-265-3622**
RDCK Emergency Operations Centre
250-352-7701 or 1-866-522-7701

Services

Community Medical and Community Bus
To and from Vernon and Kelowna
2nd & 4th Wednesdays of the month
Call **250-265-3674 Ext. 200**
The bus is being repaired so service is not available until the end of December or New Year.
BC Transit
Burton to Nakusp & return, every Friday
Book your seat by noon on Thursday
1-855-993-3100 #2
Saddle Mountain Medical **250-265-3694**
Nakusp PharmaChoice **250-265-2228**
Hospital Lab booking **1-844-870-4756**
Thompson Funeral Service **250-265-3020**
Burton Cemetery Board—Margret **250-265-4348**
Interment—Sandy—**250-265-4999**
Canada Post Mail Boxes
1-866-267-1177 or **250-265-3337**
Parcel pick-up—Nakusp Auto Parts **250-265-3131**
Arrow & Slocan Lakes Community Services (ASLCS)
250-265-3674
Nakusp Mental Health & Substance Abuse
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Wildfire Risk Reduction—Amber Cooke *(See pg4)*
Amber.Cooke@gov.bc.ca
778-364-0676
Kootenay Savings Credit Union **250-265-3605**
CIBC Nakusp **250-265-3696**
Columbia Basin Trust **1-800-505-8998**

Community

Burton Community Association
E-mail: bca@burtonbc.ca Karey Bilodeau **204-923-0026**
Burton Community Hall bookings
E-mail: burtonhallrentals@gmail.com
Burton Historical Campground
250-265-4885 Toll-free: **1-844-265-4885**.
Burton Community Learning Centre
Isabelle Bergeron **250-265-8545**
Burton Seniors—**Gale Detta 250-265-3161**
Arrow Lakes School District #10 **250-265-3731**
Burton Elementary—**250-265-3638**
Nakusp Secondary**—250-265-3731**
Welcome Committee
Rosalie Cranna—**250-265-0161**
Inga Ivany **250-265-4771**
Bee Happy Community Garden—Jan **604-345-3757**
Regional District Central Kootenay (RDCK)
Teresa Weatherhead—**250-265-8252**

Main Businesses

Applegrove Nature School **250-265-1090**
Brier's Fires **250-265-1831** brier_dea_maclean@live.ca
Firewood, tree removal, waste clean-up
Burton City Cider **250-265-7044**
Caribou (Auto) Services **250-265-3191**
Catherine Bische Pies **250-803-2414**
CM Heavy Duty—certified Red Seal Mechanic
Also tires and oil change servicing (*see article Pg5)*
Colin McCauley **250-803-2896**
Hair Tenders - Sheena Jackins **250-265-8166**
or Linda Coffin **265-3848**
Handy Andy (McNish) **250-221-1592**
Heritage Nursery (Nakusp) **250-265-8380**
Hub Insurance (Nakusp) **250-265-3631**
Nakusp Auto Parts **250-265-3131**
O Clare Consulting - Carol Boccaccio
780 926 6538
carol@oclaireconsulting.com
Redhaven Homestead **250-265-8760**
Redhaven Healing **250-265-8760**
redhavenhealing@gmail.com
Rewild Farm Stand 734 McCormack
RKD Farm—Kamini Stroyan **604-771-5436**
Simon Bamber Civil Technology
Septic Systems sibamber2@gmail.com
250-265-7229 *(please leave a message)*
Tangled Rose Creations **250-870-3058**

Buzzing Burton (Calendar)

Ongoing

Sundays, 10 am—noon
Technology Centre
With Jerome—at the Hall

Mondays at 7 pm, except on holidays.
Burton Volunteer Fire Brigade
Practice at the Fire Hall.
New volunteers always welcome.

Fitness at the Hall
Mon and Fri. 8:30-10:30 am — Wed 9-11 am
Tues. and Thurs.— 6-8 pm
(*Please check Facebook and* ***burtonbc.ca)***

Pickleball
Mon. and Wed. 3:45 pm at the school

Mindful Yoga
Thurs. 5:30—6:30 pm at the Hall. (see pg11)
With Chelsea Hanet 250-200-2050

Quilting and More at the Hall
Every other Wednesday 11 am—3 pm
$5 Everyone welcome
Info: jeanettebee1965@gmail.com

Nature Sprouts—Applegrove Nature School
Wed. 10 am—noon, Jan & Feb (see pg7)

November 2025

Thursday, Nov. 20, 27, 11:30 am-12:30 pm
Senior's Exercise at the Hall (see pg11)
With Broden McLean: 250-265-1957

Wednesday , November 19, 7 pm,
BCLC AGM (see item pg3)
At the Hall

Sunday, November 23
Christmas Craft Fair at the Hall
For info call Gale Detta 250-265-3161

Sunday, Nov 30, 9 am—12 noon at the Hall
FREE Google Docks course for Beginners
E-mail Jerome: info@burtonbc.ca

December 2025

Monday, December 1, 6:30 pm at the Hall
Burton Community Association Meeting
See ***burtonbc.ca*** *for agenda & minutes*

Wednesday, December 6, 6:30 pm at the Hall
Bee Happy Community Garden Meeting

Saturday, Dec. 6, 5:30 pm at the Hall (see pg2)
Après Dinner for Auction & Dance—7 p.m.
Burton Volunteer Fire Brigade GALA
For info call Brian Harrop 250-265-3492

Thursday, Dec. 4, 11, 18, 11:30 am-12:30 pm
Senior's Exercise
With Broden McLean *(see pg3)*
At the Hall— Info: call 250-265-1957

Wednesday, December 10, 11 am– 3 pm
Quilting and More at the Hall

Wednesday, December 17, 7 pm at the Hall
Carols in Burton, *(see pg7)*
For info call Brenda Buerge, 250-265-1174

Saturday, December 27 (see pg6)
Christmas Bird Count
For info call Leanne Mentz, 778-206-7108

Mon. Dec. 29— Wed. Dec. 31 (see pg7)
Winter Camp—Applegrove Nature School

Wednesday, December 31, 7 pm in the Park
New Years Eve FIREWORKS
For info call Chris Jackins, 250-265-5181

January 2026

Monday, January 5, 6:30 pm at the Hall
Burton Community Association Meeting
See ***burtonbc.ca*** *for agenda*

Wednesday, January 7, 6:30 pm at the Hall
Bee Happy Community Garden Meeting

Sunday January 11, 9 am—12 noon at the Hall
FREE Google Sheets course for beginners
E-mail Jerome: info@burtonbc.ca