

#### LOCAL1271 UNION EVENTS

# Union BBQ - June 27, 2017



Thank you to everyone who attended the Union BBQ in June. It was a fantastic evening at the Port Kells Community Hall / Hall 7. We had a chance to recognize the amazing work and commitment of our members as well as introduce our recruits from June 2016 and recognize our new Alumni members.









## BC Fallen Fire Fighter Memorial - March 06, 2017

We honoured fourteen Fire Fighters in Victoria at the BC Fallen Fire Fighter Memorial, including three of our own Surrey members, Ernie Dombrowski, Randy Piticco and Kevin Hegarty, who gave their lives serving their community. They will always be remembered and their character will inspire all of us.



#### LOCAL1271 UNION EVENTS AND NEWS

### Hall 7 Restoration update

This legacy building will become the future home of Local 1271's historical trucks, charity trailers, Union functions, social functions and community events. Members are encouraged to be a part of the construction / renovation process by assisting with whatever time you can spare. Please forward your name and relevant skills to Scott Solomon who is compiling a list for construction coordination, email <a href="mailto:solomon341@hotmail.com">ssolomon341@hotmail.com</a> or phone <a href="mailto:604">(604) 312-2327</a>. We will need plenty of help next month with concrete pouring and form stripping.

Over the month of July we had four (4) major working days at Hall 7, with over 120 man hours. Day one was with the wrecking crew (picture below). It was a fantastic day, a 40 yard bin was filled to the top with removed scrap and a large tree was removed thanks to "Wild Bill Hoath" and Joe Radovich. The second work day was an electrical / drywall removal day with a big thanks to the new group of recruits with half the class coming out to help. Nice job on their training Ron Langman!

The 3rd and 4th days were foundation forming days with Ian Jones and Nick Myring who are flying at things full bore.

Big thanks to the following:

Neil Ungless, Ryan Valdes, Reo Jerome 2.0, Deremie Boswell, Jeff Hudson, James Gallello, Mike Essel, Ben Dove, Ward Pervan, Dave Baird, Ian Jones, Nick Myring, Bill Hoath, Owen Miller, Tim Blackburn, Joe Radovich, Rich Ducharme, Tony Dyck, Saverio Lattanzio, Scott Solomon, Cory Eden and Tahvo Laukkanen.

If you have any questions about the overall project contact Saverio, email <a href="mailto:sav@iaff1271.org">sav@iaff1271.org</a> or phone <a href="mailto:778-322-6363">778-322-6363</a>.











#### **CHARITY EVENTS**

# **Bright Nights - December 2016 - REVISED**

Unfortunately the wrong information was reported in the Winter Edition of the Newsletter. Please see below for the correct information.

Another successful year with Local 1271 standing out once again in so many ways. First off a big thanks and shout out to our Bright Nights committee members Bill Hoath, Graham Overland and Scott Sarai for all their hard work and long hours that they contributed down at the park. They stepped up and took charge right away and the Burn Fund thanks you tremendously.

Secondly, Local 1271 brought out the largest attendance of any other Local. A true testament to the time and dedication our members contribute down at the park every year. The committee members were blown away every time Surrey had a shift from the waves of volunteers that would flood in. The only thing more talked about was our new Christmas Display.

Which brings me to the final shout out. Thanks to Marc Fournier, Vic Fisher, Rick Olsen and Sam Harrap and all the other countless volunteers that worked on the display that became the talk of the park. Every volunteer that came down can testify to the attention that it received and it set a whole new bar for the other Locals to live up to. Attached is a list of all the members involved in its build.

The grand total raised this year was \$368,000.

#### **Volunteers for Set Up and Take Down**

Bill Hoath, Nicole Pruden, Adrian Neufeld, Jordi Cook, Jake Stephens, Remi Rudzki, Martin Simpson, Keegan Rankin, Kevin Coplin, Rick Henderson, Ara Burns, Marc Fournier, Graham Overland, Joel Neufeld, Blake Strauts, Josh Bird, Heather Campbell, Ian Wiggins, Pat Sheeley, Reg Savage, Vic Fisher, Dan Amos, Naomi Gunster, Spencer Hansen, Erwin Janzen, Cameron Whitters, Tyler Lietz, Benn Olson, Jordan Wall, Graham Corrin, Corey Walters, Todd Schierling, Aaron Roeck, Natalie Watson, Glen Pencer, Taylor Pencer, Sherri Viera, Ross King, Richard Ducharme, Nathan Olivier, Scott Mckinlay, Jacob Woronuik, Matthew Witt, lan Rankin, Scott Johnson, Harper Johnson, Emmett Preto, Christina Caviglia, Will Coplin, AJ De Vera, Robert Komzak, Bryon Przednouek, Evan Miller, Ainsley Savage, Kyla Savage, Lauren Savage, Rich Bodnark, Jeremy Bartlett, Jacob Kubanski, Greg McRobbie, Brice Evans, Curt Klassen, Doug Low, Jeff Low, Kyle Calvert, Alan Cumiford, Andy Georges, Niles Hayes, Victor McDonald, Ryan Resurreccion, Ryan Dance, Adrian Nash, Chad Gehon, Ward Pervan, Paul Dornian, Steven Skytte, Warren Westman, Alison Westman, Rash Dhillon, Shelley Morris, Kalum Iverson, Jesse Stapleton, Scott Sarai, Guthrie Scott, Mark McRae, Mark Nielsen, Dean Cleave, Norman Gardiner. Joseph Alexis, Sam Scholes, Joel Neufeld, Shaun Hawley, Scott Jow, Michael Krgovich, Daniel Perka, Steven Zecchel, Graham Overland, Spencer Hansen, Christopher Harris, Brice Evans, Jeff Klaassen, Scott Farrell, Edwin Ma, Gordon Minaker, Brian Toxopeus, Calvin Davies, Farah Bertoia, Bryan Wielgasz & Dan Bertoia

gift in your will to SFFCS? (Leave a Legacy)

Have you considered a

If interested, please contact Saverio Lattanzio

#### **Volunteers for Display**

Planning: Victor Fisher, Rick Olson, Sam Harrap, Adrian Neufeld; Engine Build: Rick Olsen, Victor Fisher, Adrian Neufeld, Rory Murphy and Fred Rothengatter; Hall Base: Victor Fisher; Tower / Hall Build: Victor Fisher, Dan Amos and Mike Bulka; Paint Tower / Hall: Dan Amos and Glen Pencer; Wood Work: Philip Schnare and Graham Overland; Signage / Hall vinyl wrap / Enginee: Ryan Smith; Hall Lighting: Adrian Neufeld; Sewing / Décor: Katie Schielber & Nicole Pruden; Mechanics Branch: Technical Support / Rotator; All Hall 10 crews for over a year of patience and assistance during the build.



#### **Thrift Store**

We want to thank all our members who have assisted at the thrift store. Our store volunteers donated over 14000 hours in 2016. A special thank you to Rich Ducharme who coordinates the thrift store van drivers as well as Terry Hunt who coordinates the clothing bins.

Thank you to Tom McDougall and Tony Dyck who have taken clothing bins in for repair after they were damaged due to a break in.



# **Nutritional Snack Program Delivery**

During the February delivery the students at Bothwell Elementary kindly treated our members to an afternoon lunch.

Thank you to Kevin Berdusco and Danny Kehler for all your hard work on the delivery of this program. Thank you to those listed below that helped out this year with the Nutritional Snack Program. We will not allow the children in our schools to go hungry.

Troy Walters, Scott Farrell, Chase Hutfelter, Cameron Whitters, Heather Campbell, Ken Hutchison, Scott Guthrie, Theresa Boles, Jake Stephens and son, Dan Amos , Ken Douglas, Gord Minaker, Allan Martens, Darin Bentley, Joel & Brinley Neufeld, Ryan Cole, Denis Pederson, Augustine Farrell, Cale Colwell, Dan Perka, Duane Foley, Randy Horn, Blake Strauts, Andrew Duncan, Chad Possey, Chris & Sher Fraser, Ed Wells, Lowell Shaw, Nicole Pruden, Brad Richards, Dino Michelin, Jacob Kubanski, Mark Nielsen, Brian Bergen, Jeff Fisher, Brad Rimek, Paul Hebden, Brian Wieglasz, Katie Smart, Naomi and Chris Szostak.





## Surrey Hospital & Outpatient Centre Foundation - Feb 17, 2017

We have completed our \$500,000 pledge to the Surrey Hospital & Outpatient Centre Foundation. Thank you to Tony Dyk, Jeff Klassen, Rick Dietrich, Darin Bentley, Mike McNamara, Mark McRae, Dylan Van Rooyen, Adrian Neufeld, Adam MacEwan and Scott Thiessen for attending the cheque presentation.



#### Pink Shirt Day - Feb 22, 2017

Every year the SFD participates in Pink Shirt day and helps create awareness by wearing our pink shirts and visiting schools.

How did pink shirt day start? In 2007 a high school boy in Nova Scotia was being bullied for wearing a pink shirt. Two teenage friends organized a school protest to wear pink in sympathy for the student. They took a stand against bullying and distributed pink T-shirts to all the boys in their school. The word got out online and hundreds of students showed up in pink, some from head-to-toe, to stand together against bullying. Because of this one act of kindness - Pink Shirt day events are held annually around the globe.

Net proceeds from the official Pink Shirt Day t-shirts, pins and buttons, as well as all donations, go to anti-bullying initiatives that directly help youth in need.



# Annual Slamfest - February 23, 2017



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The Annual Surrey Slamfest Championships featured over 100 of the finest high school wrestlers in Surrey. Thank you to the organizing committee for putting on another successful event.

Organizing Committee: Mark McRae, Bryan Stretch, Amrik Virk, and Chris Szostak.

Volunteers: Rich Bodnark, Greg Georgas, Tony Dyck, Dylan Van Rooyen, Natalie Watson, Ken Douglas and Ryan Cole.

#### **CHARITY EVENTS**

### **Front Room Feedings**

Members and their families kindly assisted with serving food at the Front Room in Surrey throughout the Spring months.

Volunteers: Al Cumiford, Ross King, Arnel Victo JIBC Class 91, Bill Schmitz, Carmella the Super Cook, Cherri (Ross' daughter), Izzy Schmitz & her friend, Sasha Bloom, Ken Douglas and Glen Pencer & family



# Ignite a Dream - April 01, 2017

The event was another huge success this year with over 400 in attendance.

Thank you to everyone who volunteered including Natali Watson, Derek Jung, Scott Thiessen, Benn Olson, Tyler Lietz, Chad Gehon, Josh Stiebel, Jacob Woroniuk, Lloyd Lees, Rick Crowe, Ed Mat, Taylor Pencer, Jim Gallello, Reo Jerome, Dan Switzer, Dave Ramsay, Randy Horn, Tyler Juulsen, Angus Morrision, Blake Strauts, Dave Sherrif, Aaron Gelowitz and girlfriend, Heather Campbell, Katie Smart, Brandon McArthur, Dan Switzer, Nathan Rubuliak, Felipe Zaragoza and Saverio Lattaznio and girlfriend.







## Hike for Hunger - April 08, 2017



Members attended the 22nd annual Scouts & Girl Guides Hike for Hunger collects food for the Surrey Food Bank.

Thank you to Nicole Pruden for organizing the following volunteers: Heather Campbell, Jacob Woronuik and Jordan

## Burnaby Fire Fighters 25th Gala - April 08, 2017

We were proud to support the Burnaby Fire Fighters L323 by attending their 25th anniversary gala which raises money for the Burnaby's Charitable Society.



#### Shredding Event on Earth Day - April 22, 2017

Thank you to Mark Mahjen, Cam Whitters, Saverio Lattanzio, Mike Bulka, Chad Hutfelter, Randy Chong and Ara Burns for attending this great event at Semiahmoo Centre. The SFFCS and Super Save Shredding raised \$4,452 & 510lbs of food for Sources White Rock and the South Surrey Food Bank. To date, these events have raised \$36,976 and 6430lbs. of food for the Sources Food Bank.





### Expanding Horizons - April 28, 2017

Expanding Horizons is a program for grade 5 students at a designated Surrey school to receive two extraordinary field trips per year. The goal is to expand the student's horizons by providing new experiences they may not otherwise have the opportunity to receive. Many of these students will be the first member of their family to attend a post secondary institution.

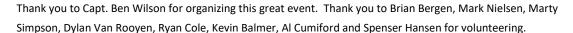
Thank you to Kevin Coplin for organizing one of these field trips to Hall 9 where students got to experience what it would be like to be a fire fighter. Thank you to the following volunteers: Dan Bertoia, Scott Thiessen, Heather Campbell, Andrew Duncan, Mark Bertoia, Aaron Morgan, Josh Bird, Natalie Watson, Tom Stiebel, Rich Ducharme and Kelly Liebich.





## Canucks Autism Network - April 29, 2017

Captain Ben Wilson organized an open house at Fire Hall 17 where we were proud to partner with the Canucks Autism Network to provide children with autism the opportunity to come to the fire hall and interact with fire fighters and build relationships. Off duty members gave the kids a tour of the fire hall, fire trucks and let them try out our equipment.





## Breakfast with the Bank - May 12, 2017



Proud to support the Surrey Food Bank at the annual breakfast with the bank. We donated \$28,000 to help feed 14,000 people a month which includes over 180 babies

Thank you to Mark McRae, Travis Evans, Paul Dornian, Saverio Lattanzio, Dylan Van Rooyen, Aaron Cyr, Scott Solomon, Keith Muller and AJ De Vera for attending this event.

### Hoopfest - May 18, 2017

Thank you to Adam MacEwan for organizing this year's team which included Ed Ma, Justin Sayson, Dave Sheriff, Dan Zacharias and Aaron Gelowitz.



## Big Bike Ride - May 16, 2017

We are always happy to support the Heart and Stroke Foundation in taking part in the Big Bike ride. We were able to raise \$3000 this year. Thank you to Ryan Dance for organizing the following volunteers: Nicole Pruden, Natalie Watson, Chris Taylor, Scott Thiessen, Owen Wilson, Angus Morrison, Heather Campbell, Robert Sze, Jacob Woronuik, Jake Kubanski, Jack Traa, Josh Beattie, Brad Rimek, Blake Strauts, Denis Pederson, Warren Westman, Paul Dornian, AJ De Vera, Kristin Margarit, Brent Davidson, Davi Deol, Katie Smart, Nathan Rubuliak, Neil Ungless, Niem Tran and Jackie Dance.



# BC Children's Hospital Softball - May 27, 2017



Thank you to David Patrick for organizing the team and for all those who participated. We donated \$3000 to the BC Children's Hospital Foundation.

#### **CHARITY EVENTS**

# Child Development Centre Run Walk & Roll - June 04, 2017



We supported this event with a \$20,000 sponsorship. Thank you to Dylan Van Rooyen and Aaron Morgan who sit on the organizing committee representing our charity. We would also like to recognize the 21 members of the new hire group who went out and volunteered.

## Soccer Tournament - June 16, 2017

Thank you to Kevin Coplin for organizing the tournament as well as the following volunteers:
Rich Bodnark, Mark Bertoia, Saverio Lattanzio, Alex Bobsien, Jake Kubanski, Steve Zecchel, Max Gallant,
Ben Walker, Scott Sarai, Joseph Alexi, Josh Bird, Dave Ramsey, Non SFD - Matt Holmes, Patrick Kennedy,
Robbie Fadden, Matt Luongo and Nigel Colclough. Below is Riley McRae showing off his soccer skills





## Golf Tournament - June 22, 2017

This year's golf tournament exceeded expectations and raised over \$70,000 net which makes the tournament our largest self-organized fundraiser. This year's sold out crowd included Mayor Hepnew as well as many city councillors, large business leaders in Surrey and community supporters. A huge thank you to the organizing committee who dedicated over 200+ hours in prep time.

Organizing committee: Dylan Van Rooyen, Matt Corrin, Tony Dyck, John Murphy, Tom McDougall, Spencer Hanse, Eric Pollock and Scott Thiessen

Thank you to the 40+ volunteers who came out to support this very important fundraiser.





# Surrey High School Drag Racing Program - June 28, 2017





We are proud sponsors of the BC Secondary School Motor Sport Association's High School Drag Racing Program. The SFFCS put forward \$4000 total to the four high schools in Surrey to help with the costs associated with their program.

The goal of this program is to encourage high school completion, responsible living and character development by the students' involvement in the motor sport competition. Through the activities of the program, students are taught that auto racing can be done in a safe and responsible manner. Fire Fighters Rich Ducharme, Reg Savage and Randy Chong recently attended the high school finals at Mission raceway on June 28. SFFCS covered the cost of supplies for BBQ'ing up some dogs and burgers for the students.



# Update on the Surrey Fire Fighters' Charitable Society 2016/2017

#### **Endowment Fund:**

⇒ \$5M in our Endowment Fund.

#### Fundraising

⇒ Revenue continues to increase to over \$1.2M last fiscal year

#### **Program Delivery**

⇒We are delivered over \$900,000 back to the community last fiscal year

#### **Thrift Store**

⇒We received \$128K from our partnership with the Hospice

#### Capital Campaigns Outlook = \$1,100,000

⇒\$500,000 - Peace Arch Hospital

⇒\$350,000 – YMCA

⇒\$250 000 – SFU Surrey Mental Health & Addiction research

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## Battle of the Brews - August 19, 2017

Time: 2 to 5pm Location: Surrey City Hall Plaza Tickets: \$60

For more information please contact Kevin Coplin at kevincoplin@yahoo.com



## Golf Classic - September 08, 2017

Where: Surrey Golf Course (scramble or green jacket) Time: 8:30am Shotgun start (7:45am registration)

Cost: \$80 per player (includes golf, power cart, lunch, and prizes)

Contact/Payment: Dave Sherriff (Hall 1) <a href="mailto:dave\_sheriff@hotmail.com">dave\_sheriff@hotmail.com</a> or Scott Jow (Hall 10) <a href="mailto:sjow@outlook.com">sjow@outlook.com</a>



#### **Boot Drive 2017**

Mark your calendars—Boot Drive 2017 is from October 6 to 8 with morning and afternoon times. Watch for the posters.

On behalf of the Surrey Fire Fighters' Executive Board, thank you for all your dedication and energy towards member and public engagement. Having resource support from Surrey Fire Service administration is appreciated and greatly assists us in our outreach programs. It truly makes a difference in our community.

Sincerely,

Local 1271 Executive



#### **Retirees - New Horizons**

Dean Cleave Karen Cook Tim Hickson Daryl Sanderson Gord Deleeuw Eric Scott

Byron Ness Steve Zecchel Brian Green Lyle Vaughan Richard Henderson Chris Bromley