



The Edge

Community Newsletter
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2009 At A Glance

January— *The Edge* received a donation of 20 computers from the Okanagan University College; a special thank you to Perry Jones for facilitating this project. The first Internet Training Session was held on January 15th and the Photo Cyber Camp was held later on.

February— Jean Bassett, our Network Coordinator attended the annual PCNA Summit event in Vancouver on February 20th. Our Society was recognized by Iain Black, Minister of Labour and Citizens' Services, as a community champion for Inonoaklin Edgewood Broadband Internet in his opening remarks.

March— The Edgewood Community Internet Society was successful in recognizing key skills and capacities within our community to make a resourceful team of individuals. Three Computers were raffled off this month in celebration of completion of the Municipal Rural Infrastructure Fund Phase 2 at the Whatshan Lake Retreat in March.

April— Under the inspirational speech of being a community champion, the staff of *The Edge* continued to work hard and strive towards our proposal to expand broadband. A special thank you to Microsoft for their generous donations of software.

May— The Fishing Derby was held on May 30-31st at Whatshan Lake. Ella Michiels joins our team here at *The Edge*.

June— Courtney Burke was the Youth Intern for summer employment at *The Edge*. We were visited by representatives of the Sinixt Tribe this month. Present were Nathan Goodale (Professor of Archaeology, Hamilton College, NY, USA) and Marilyn James (Spokesperson and Aboriginal Coordinator for Selkirk College) just to name a few. Drew Harris was there as our local representative. The ECIS sent out applications to the Western Economic Diversity, the McLean Foundation, and the RealEstate Foundation of British Columbia.

July— Emerson hosted an astronomy meeting at *The Edge* on July 8th. A three day Cyber Camp for the kids was held this month. They learned how to use the computer and the internet. In addition they became more talented with the technological aspects of the computer. The ECIS made an application to the Carthy Foundation and to BC Hydro. We published the Columbia River's Edge Legacy DVD.

August— August was both a progressive and challenging month for us because of the renovations that occurred in the latter part of the month. For the first part we were still providing free internet access to all members of the community.

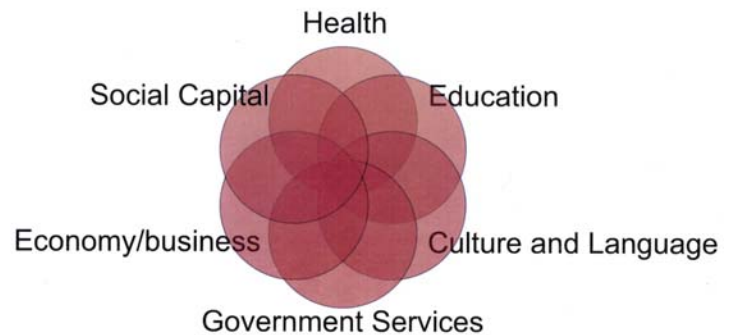
September— Solvé Jorgeson and Jessica Harper join *The Edge* as the new Youth Intern and Regional Youth Coordinator for the KootenArrow Networks. Jessica is managing 13 Youth Interns of the 38 CAP sites in our region. Margaret Driscoll from Outreach Employment Services and Tana Wethal from the Employer Wage Subsidy Program were at *The Edge* September 10th to talk about employment needs and concerns.

October— The Ukrainian Canadian Commemorative Consecration Ceremony took place at the entrance of the Donselaar Memorial Park. The event consisted of the singing of O Canada, the unveiling and consecration of the plaque, laying wreaths, and the Ukrainian anthem. This was all followed by lunch at the Legion which included entertaining performances and several speeches. We received a contribution agreement from Industry Canada for the Community Access Program for the 38 CAP sites in our region.

November— This month we celebrated the starting point of a new daily cyber camp for the kids of Edgewood that started with a bang. It is a typing cyber camp called Success Keyboarding Kudos! We were visited by CBT Liaison Linda Lafleur and discussed certain projects. We also completed and submitted the Connecting Citizens proposal to expand our existing broadband.

December— We attended the annual Christmas Craft Fair at the Legion and sold the wonderful compilation slideshow of the heritage pictures in the Columbia River's Edge Legacy DVD. It is a lasting historical social record which is unique to our community. It has received rave reviews from many in the academic community.

Each factor influences the others



For information about any of our events or projects, please feel free to call *The Edge* or drop by. We are interested in discussing ideas of the community and there is always tea and coffee on.

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The Edge's Registered Charity #86745 45 RR0001. We welcome regular givers.

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