



# The Edge

Community Newsletter

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## Anti-Bullying Day, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010



Andrew, Mathias, Zoey, Cecily, and Makayla Looking Pretty (and Handsome) in Pink for the BC Wide Anti-Bullying Day

## Water Act Modernization

“The *Water Act* is the principal law for managing the diversion and use of provincial water resources. Established in 1909, B.C.’s *Water Act* is the primary piece of water management legislation and plays a key role in the sustainability of B.C.’s water.

With changes in climate, population, and water use, it is now time to review the Act to address new pressures on water. Modernizing the *Water Act* is not about fixing something that is broken. Instead it is about recognizing that the context and foundation upon which the *Water Act* was built was very different 100 years ago. Our ways of doing business have, and will continue to change to reflect today’s context and play a key role in the future sustainability of B.C.’s water resources.

*Living Water Smart: B.C.’s Water Plan* commits to change the way water is governed and managed in B.C. Through *Living Water Smart*, government committed that by 2010:

- *Water laws will improve the protection of ecological values, provide for more community involvement, and provide incentives to be water efficient;*
- *Legislation will recognize water flow requirements for ecosystems and species;*
- *New approaches to water management will address the impacts from a changing water cycle, increased drought risk and other impacts on water caused by climate change; and,*
- *Government will regulate groundwater use in priority areas and large groundwater withdrawals.”*

- Points taken from <http://www.livingwatersmart.ca/water-act/> but there is a lot more information so if you would like to read more, please go ahead and go to the web site.

## What’s Coming Up...

**Community Futures Workshop:** There will be a business planning workshop given by Kay Ryan-Schweitzer and Wayne Schweitzer on Friday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, at *The Edge* from 1-4 p.m.

Workshop Outline:

- How to Come Up with a Business Idea
- Characteristics of an Entrepreneur
- Rewards & Risks of Self-employment
- Community Futures Programs
- Overview of What Goes Into a Business Plan

Please feel free to come and join us here at *The Edge* for this wonderful opportunity. To register call 250 269-7590

**New Summer Hours at the Edge:** starting May 1st, 2010

*The Edge* will be open:

Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Wednesdays from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

*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. There is always coffee and tea on.*

Registered charities in Canada perform valuable work in our communities, and Canadians support this work in many ways.

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

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