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- · For Applications press 1
- · applications@makola.bc.ca
- · For Repairs press 2
- For Rent Review press 3
- · rentreview@makola.bc.ca
- For Rent Collections press 4
- · rentcollections@makola.bc.ca

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B.C Day	Aug. 7th
Labour Day	Sep. 4th
National Day for	
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Tenant Newsletter

Summer is a beautiful time throughout B.C. and we hope this edition of the M'akola Newsletter will help you make the most of it! As August is usually the warmest month of the year we have some sun safety tips, a Summer movie watch list, and fun Summer recipes. As always, you can find some great resources and a fun craft too! Be sure to check out the wordsearch contest to try and win a prize.

Sun Safety Tips

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This summer has been a hot one, below are some tips to keep safe and cool.

Tips for Babies

- Keep babies under one year out of direct sunlight to prevent skin damage and dehydration. Never let them play or sleep in the sun.
- Keep babies in the shade, under a tree, an umbrella, or a canopy. Never leave children in a parked vehicle.
- Remember, sunscreen will protect against the sun's harmful UV rays, but will not protect children from the heat.
- Give lots of cool liquids.

Tips for Children

- Follow the UV index readings each day to plan outdoor activities.
- The sun's UVB rays are strongest between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. and it is also usually the hottest time of day. Unless the child is protected, keep them out of the sun during these hours.
- In strong sunlight, have children wear a rimmed, breathable sun hat and sunglasses, and cover their skin with clothes or sunscreen.

- Get your children used to wearing sunscreen lotion early on. Pay close attention to the areas that are most exposed, like their face, lips, ears, neck, shoulders, back, knees, and the tops of their feet.
- Don't forget to reapply sunscreen regularly (round every hour)

Tips for Teens

- Give teenagers sunscreen lotion if they are going to be outdoors for extended periods. Make sure they understand the importance of using it.
- Teach teens about sun safety, how to understand the UV Index, and the symptoms of sunburns and heat illness.
- Warn teenagers to avoid using tanning equipment.



BC Education Resources

The Government of BC website offers lots of supports and resources for the upcoming school year for both

children and adults

Kindergarten to Grade 12:

Everyone, at different stages, can use support regarding the educational system. You can find a comprehensive list of supports, including Children & Youth in Care, Career Programs, Transcript Services, Classroom Alternatives, Inclusive Education and more on the Government of BC website:

www2.gov.bc.ca > Education and Training > Kindergarten to Grade 12 > Supports

Post-secondary Education

BC has many great education options after high school. From upgrading your skills to training for a career you can find lots of great information including:

- Indigenous Post-Secondary Education & Training
- Paying for School: There are different options like Grants & Scholarships (the website has a link to search for these), Student Loans, Tuition Waivers
- Adult Upgrading Grant : Non-repayable grants are available for eligible low-income students who are taking English as

a Second Language, Adult Basic Education or Adult Special Education programs at public post-secondary institutions.

www2.gov.bc.ca > Education and Training > Post-secondary Education

Adult Education

Whether you are a mature student looking to graduate high school or looking for a change in your career there is some great information including:

- Adult Graduation Diploma Program for persons 18 years of age and older can take courses to achieve their adult high school diploma
- If you are looking for supports in starting your career or thinking of something new, there are resources for training and apprenticeships.

www2.gov.bc.ca > Education and Training > Adult education

www2.gov.bc.ca > Education and Training > Job and career training



Summer Movie's Must Watch

For the days where its too hot or nights when you feel like staying in and getting cozy on the couch with some snacks we have a list of some movie suggestions! with a touch of summer feeling to check out for both child and adults!

Summer Movies that Feel Like a Mini Vacation



Movies for the Kids

- Luca
- The Parent Trap
- Toy Story 3
- The Goonies
- The Secret Life of Pets
- Finding Nemo
- Karate Kid (2010)
- Hotel Transylvania 3: Summer Vacation
- Cars
- Rio
- Moana

- Holes
- A Goofy Movie
- Pirates of the Caribbean Series

Movies for the Teens

- Finding 'Ohana
- Sisterhood of the Travelling Pants
- Stand By Me
- The Way, Way Back
- Aquamarine
- Flipped
- Addams Family Values
- BEANS

- Moonrise Kingdom
 - Grease
- National Lampoon's
- Clueless
- Ferris Buellers Day Off
- Blue Crush
- Mamma Mia 1 & 2
- 500 days of Summer

Create a Virtual Watch Party!

You don't need to be in the same place as your friends or family to watch a movie together! Try some watch services included in streaming platforms like Amazon or Disney+. You can also use Zoom to share your screen and enjoy a movie together. If you're on you computer some Google extensions like "Teleparty" can let you watch with others!

Craft: Anytime Wreath

Wreaths are a great way to jazz up your home and can be made to suit any season!

What You Need:

- 2 (ish) yards of fabric
- 12-inch wire wreath frame
- Scissors and / or pinking shears

For the fabric, you can get creative and use just about anything. Here are some ideas for you to get that imagination going for your own Rag Wreath.

- Old T-shirts or flannel shirts
- Flowered sheets and pillowcases
- Used curtains
- Thrift store fabric scraps
- Cheap bandanas
- Upcycled old cloth napkins
- Canvas and burlap
- Soft denim
- Lace and ribbon scraps



What To Do:

- Cut the fabric into strips about 9 inches long and an inch or so side. No need to be precise . You can also use pinking shears to create different textures with the fabric
- You will end up with piles of fabric "rags" to make your wreath with. You can go with all one color, three or four solid colors, or mix and match patterns
- To get started, turn the wreath frame so the "curved" side is facing you. This will be your "fluffy" side, and the curve will help give the rag wreath a fuller look. Take the first fabric strip and tie it in an even double knot around the center two wires
- Repeat this double knot process on the outside two wires, then the inside two wires, then back to the middle.
- After every 5 or 6 knots that you tie, slide the knots down onto each other. This creates that full wreath that you are after. Repeat this process until filled
- To hang, cut a length of matching fabric or twine as long as you would like. Loop it through the wire frame and secure with a knot. If you see any rag pieces that are too long, just snip them off to shape the wreath how you like it

Fun Easy Summer Dishes

Dishes that can be made for you and your family whatever size it may be, or brought to any gathering. The below recipes are shareable and seasonal dishes with minimal ingredients that you can make to your own tastes!

Cheeseburger Pizza

Ingredients:

- Cornmeal, for dusting
- All purpose flour for dusting
- 1lb refrigerated pizza dough at room temperature
- 8oz. of lean ground beef
- 1/2 cups of BBQ sauce
- 1/2 cups of extra sharp cheddar or cheese of your choosing, grated
- 1 head of lettuce of your choosing
- 1/2 pint of cherry tomatoes quartered
- 1/2 small red onion, thinly sliced
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- Salt and pepper



Instructions:

- Heat oven to 425°F. Dust baking sheet with cornmeal. On lightly floured surface, shape pizza dough into 14- to 16-inch oval and place on prepared baking sheet.
- Meanwhile, heat large skillet on medium. Add beef and cook, breaking up with spoon, until no longer pink, about 5 minutes. Remove from heat and stir in barbecue sauce.
- 3. Spoon beef mixture over pizza dough and sprinkle with Cheddar. Bake until crust is golden brown and crisp, 20 to 25 minutes.
- Meanwhile, in large bowl, toss lettuce, tomatoes, onion, oil, and 1/4 teaspoon each salt and pepper. Top pizza with salad and serve immediately.

Strawberry Shortcake Ice Cream Bars

Ingredients:

- 3 cups canned coconut milk or heavy cream
- jar (12-16 ounce) strawberry jam
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 6 ounces white chocolate, chopped
- 1 tablespoon coconut oil
- 2 cups freeze dried strawberries
- 1 cup rice crispies



Instructions:

- In a bowl or a blender, blend together the coconut milk or heavy cream, strawberry jam, and vanilla.
- 2. Evenly divide the mix between 8 popsicles molds or use paper dixie cups.
- To make the magic shell. Melt the white chocolate and coconut oil together in the microwave. Cook on intervals, stirring every 30 seconds until smooth. Let cool for around 10 minutes.
- Add the dried strawberries and rice crispies to a blender or ziplock bag. Crush into fine crumbs, then place into a shallow bowl or pie plate.
- 5.Remove the pops from the freezers and cover in white chocolate, then roll through the strawberry crumbs. Eat or keep in the freezer until ready to eat!

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Provincial Resources

The following resources may be great supports for your household for health and wellness.

HealthLinkBC: 8-1-1

8-1-1 is a free-of-charge provincial health information and advice phone line. By calling 8-1-1 you can be connected to a registered nurse, a registered dietitian, a qualified exercise professional, or a pharmacist. Any one of these healthcare professionals will help you get the information you need to manage your health concerns, or those of your

family Call toll-free: 8-1-1

healthlinkbc.ca

Crisis Support & Suicide Prevention

Anywhere in BC 1-800-SUICIDE: <u>1-800-784-2433</u> Mental Health Support Line: <u>310-6789</u> Online Chat Service for Youth: <u>www.YouthInBC.com (Noon to 1am)</u> Online Chat Service for Adults: <u>www.CrisisCentreChat.ca (Noon to 1am)</u> <u>1am)</u>

IndigiFund

\$500.00 bursary for Indigenous youth age 15 to 30 needing financial assistance in the areas of sport, education, and culture. <u>www.indigifund.com</u>

Opportunity for Indigenous Women

\$500 bursary plus a \$100 Cheekbone Beauty gift card For women age 15-30 continuing full time studies in the fall Apply here www.indigifund.com Deadline to apply is August 31st



Terrace Resources

The following resources and events are available in your area and may be able to support your family!

Address: 3430 Sparks Street

Phone: 250-638-6394

The First Nations Resource Centre

Email: fnrc-t@cmsd.bc.ca

The First Nations Resource Centre Terrace is housed at Suwilaawks Community School. Our library has an extensive collection of resources by and about Aboriginal people. First Nations Role Models are available to enrich your les-

sons by request.

fnrc-terrace.cmsd.bc.ca

Terrace Church's Food Bank

3236 Kalum St 250-635-5446

Food is distributed to users via alphabetical order. Please bring proof of address and government issued ID for yourself and dependents. Various time but usually between the hours of 9:30am to 1pm on scheduled days. Be sure to

arrive early.

BC Hydro: Energy Conservation Assistance Program

BC Hydro Energy Conservation Assistance Program aims to help households across BC have a more energy efficient household. Households within the income range noted on their website could be eligible for free upgrades to help improve the comfort and efficiency of your home. For more information and apply go to the BC Hydro website:

bchydro.com > Energy savings > Residential > Rebates & free programs

Kermode Friendship Society Website & Facebook Page

Address: 3313 Kalum St & 4714 Park Ave

Phone: 250-635-4906

Kermode Friendship Society is working to offer supports to their clients during COVID-19. For regular updates check their Facebook page titled 'Kermode

Friendship Society'

kermodefriendship.ca

Skeena Diversity Society

4617 Lazelle Avenue 250-635-6530 Provides information about the community, support with application forms, employment supports, community connections and more. skeenadiversity.com

Food Share Program – 'Ksan Society

101-2812 Hall Street 250-635-2654 ksanplace@ksansociety.ca Free groceries available for pickup every Friday 12 - 12:30 pm. <u>ksansociety.com/food-share</u>

Word Search

Participate in this summer themed word search, submit your entries and be entered in a draw for a \$25.00 Amazon gift card. Submit entries to info@makola.bc.ca by August 31st!

