#### F.O.R.T.

Kootenai County continues to experience population growth and



significant increase in real estate development activity. This growth is putting pressure on the rural nature of the Timberlake/Athol area and has created land-use changes which threaten the rural character.

To preserve these tremendous resources and beauty requires leadership, vision, passion and commitment from the entire Timberlake Community. F.O.R.T. (Friends of Rural Timberlake) was born to provide such leadership to the entire community.

Friends of Rural Timberlake is a (501(c)(3) non-profit citizens group working to foster a sense of rural community in the greater Timberlake area of northern Kootenai County, ID. They seek fair and predictable land use which respects the rural roots and rural values of the area, now and into the future. They also seek to shape policy, guide development, and provide outreach to protect rural character, conserve natural resources, and promote community. Our approach is collaborative. F.O.R.T. aspires to be a resource for local decision makers and developers, and to educate and empower citizens to be involved in the local decision making process.

F.O.R.T. believes in smart and thoughtful growth and development that preserves the rural character of the Timberlake area, conserves the natural resources which make the area unique, and promotes a healthy rural community. To accomplish these goals, they support and promote:

- Responsibility and accountability in our local government and to each other
- Civic engagement and public participation by citizens in the community development process,
- Preservation of our rural communities and stewardship of our local natural resources
- Serving as a free community educational resource for everyone

F.O.R.T. will be taking over for Cedar Mountain Association and bringing together the larger Timberlake Community. There will be more information to come about F.O.R.T. in future Shore Lines issues.

F.O.R.T. website: http://myfortidaho.com/index.php/about-fort/ and Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/Friends-of-Rural-Timberlake-1525307941102165/

#### **May Council Speaker**

Bayview Community Council is honored to have Idah Whisenant, University of Idaho, present her findings from the Pen d'Oreille City Phase II Archaeological Investigations on Saturday May 19, 2018 at 11 a.m. The event is sponsored by the Kootenai County Historic Preservation Commission and the Bayview Community Council.

Artifacts from the survey will be on display and refreshments will be served during a meet and greet before the presentation. The reception and presentation will take place at the Bayview Community Center.

# 2018 Kootenai Electric 80th Annual Meeting & Election

Kootenai Electric Cooperative will hold its 80th Annual Meeting for members of the co-op on Monday April 30 at 6 p.m. at the Lake City Church, 6000 N. Ramsey Rd., Coeur d' Alene. Before the meeting you can vote on candidates seeking Board of Directors positions or you can vote online by April 13.

Each household attending receives a \$20.00 voucher to a restaurant with whom KEC has an arrangement. Also, there's a Grand Prize Raffle for a \$300 bill credit. Be sure to take your ticket to the Prize Booth to get in the raffle.

#### **Get Ready To Vote**

With so many candidates vying for Kootenai County Commissioner in our district, it's important to distinguish each one and find the one you want to vote for in the Primary May 15, 2018 election.

The five Republican candidates are Bob Bingham (incumbent), Leslie Duncan, Russell McLain, Luke Sommer, and Robert Thornton.

Rueban Miranda (Democrat) and Larry Pegg (Libertarian) are also in the running for County Commissioner but they'll go against the Republican pick on the November election.

This month's Shore Lines includes an online supplement. The Republican candidates were asked three questions. Their answers have not been edited or altered. To view all five candidates answers go to: http://bayviewcommunitycouncil.org/Shore Lines.html

Be an informed voter and vote May 15.

### Web Links: Green Mountain Exploratory Drilling Project

Forest: Idaho Panhandle National Forest

District: Sandpoint Ranger District

County: Bonner

Location: Green Mountain

Contact: Courtney Priddy, 208-65-7207

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To Comment: <a href="https://cara.ecosystem-management.org/">https://cara.ecosystem-management.org/</a> Public/CommentInput?Project=52562

#### **Highway Trash Pick Up**

Ray Newcombe, Council's Highway
Clean Up Coordinator, has scheduled
April 20, Friday, for volunteers to meet
at brunches 8 a.m. for breakfast before
heading out to pick up trash along
highway 54. If you don't want breakfast
meet 9 a.m. at Brunches for road
cleanup assignments. Anyone wanting
to pitch in and help contact Ray at ray.n@frontier.com
Many hands make light work so please lend a hand and
volunteer.



#### NEW AND IMPROVED YARD SALE & CRAFT FAIR

The Bayview Community Council announces that the Annual Memorial Day Yard Sale will be held again on Saturday, May 26, with a few variations.

This year, there will be three ways anyone wishing to participate can take part:

- First, have your own sale at your home and it will be advertised by the Council and on the maps provided to public, and that cost will be \$10.
- Second, you can rent one or two of 13 tables at the Community Center and bring your items (used items or crafts) for sale and set up on the table and underneath. The cost for that will be \$25 (for the first, \$15 for the second, which includes the table, advertising and placement on the map.
- Third, you can donate your "quality" used items to the Council, who will have 5 tables at the Center.

Again this year, maps will be available at the Center at 8 am on Saturday, May 26. The Council will be selling donuts and coffee in the morning and hot dogs, brauts and soft drinks for lunch starting at 11.

For more information, please go our website at Bayview Community Council.com or call Susan Meyer 208 683-1986. Sign up sheets will be available at the Post Office or online. The deadline for signing up to be on the map will be May 11.

# Friends Of The Garden – Year Two

by Jan Jones, Genette Gabica

Calling all gardeners and/or weed pullers. You can help with our volunteer group assisting the Bayview Memorial Garden at the Community Center.

Last year we formed a group of volunteers (Friends of The Garden or FOTGs) who adopted sections of the garden to maintain for the season. We will be having an open meeting for those who are interested in participating this year or just want to get more information. The meeting will be on Tuesday, April 12 at 2:00 at the Community Center.

We'll have maps of sections of the garden and information about our FOTG group and will be there to answer your questions. FOTGs from last year can sign up for the same section or change to a different one at the meeting or by calling Jan or Genette if unable to attend the meeting.

FOTG's can get involved in many ways during the months of April – October:

- Adopt a garden section
- Adopt a section with a friend or neighbor or group
- Become a "secret weeder"
- Help out twice a year Garden cleanup 4/19 & 10/18

You'll get to have fun, meet nice local folks, get some exercise and be outdoors.

We are still looking for a Garden Manager for this year. Jenny Prince, who has done an outstanding job as Garden Manager, has moved to California and will only be in Bayview for part of the summer. Anyone interested in this job should contact Jackie Lloyd at the Community Center for more information.

The Garden is the hidden gem of Bayview. Please help us preserve it.

Jan Jones, (208) 561-5063 & Genette Gabica (208) 683-3655 FOTG Volunteer Coordinators

## Cinco de Mayo

The pleasure of your company is requested at the Bayview Community Council Cinco de Mayo celebration May 5, Saturday, 6 p.m. at the Bayview v Community Center. Please bring your favorite fiesta dish to share and BYOB.



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