

## **Chamber News – December 23, 2010 – Happy Holidays!!!!**

*~Reminder the Business Information Centre and Chamber of Commerce will be closed for the holidays starting 12pm (noon) on December 24<sup>th</sup> and reopening at 8:30am on January 3<sup>rd</sup> ~*

1. **Holiday Hours** – Please find attached a complete spreadsheet list of all holiday hours for restaurants, retail and banks as well as availability of accommodations. The details are found in 3 pages in this attachment. This is to help you direct visitors over the holidays and covers everything from December 24<sup>th</sup> through January 3<sup>rd</sup>.
2. **YEAR END SURVEY** – Please remember to visit this link: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/876SR2G> and take a few minutes to fill out our year end survey. It only takes a couple minutes and we really appreciate your feedback. All questions are optional, however we kindly ask that you complete all questions and provide comments when necessary so we can gather as much input as possible.
3. **FreeSki World Tour** – Reminder that the FreeSkiing World Tour is coming to Revelstoke January 6-10<sup>th</sup>! Attached you will find an up to date, detailed schedule of events in PDF format.
4. **February Spirit Festival** – Planning is underway for the February 4<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>. One event that is being coordinated is an “Amazing Race” style event to take place on February 12<sup>th</sup>. We will be hosting a planning meeting for this particular event on **Monday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4pm at the Last Drop**. Anyone who has ideas on **how your business could participate in hosting an activity** is welcome to submit those ideas to the Chamber AND/OR attend our next meeting!
5. **City of Revelstoke Fee Increase** – *So far we've only had ONE comment from you!* Have you seen this news story? The City of Revelstoke is reviewing its fees and is seeking public feedback. A development variance permit would increase from \$350 to \$1,000. A development permit for a minor sign or facade improvement would jump from \$50 to \$600. An amendment to a zoning bylaw would jump from \$750 to \$2,600. These are just a few examples of the dozens of items listed. Check out this story for more info and let us know your thoughts! [http://www.bclocalnews.com/kootenay\\_rockies/revelstoketimesreview/news/111877109.html](http://www.bclocalnews.com/kootenay_rockies/revelstoketimesreview/news/111877109.html)

6. **January “Safety Meeting”** – Our next after hours (safety meeting) social will be held at the Nickelodeon Museum on **Wednesday, January 12 at 6pm**. Bring your business cards and meet your fellow Chamber members!

**From myself, Greg, Lise and Deborah; Happy Holidays to all our members and friends of the Chamber! Wishing you and your families all the best! See you in 2011!**

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