

# Township of La Vallee

## Newsletter

February 19, 2009

### **Taxes**

Just a reminder that Interim Taxes are due on Friday, February 27, 2009. Office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. that day.

### **Reminder**

Just a reminder to residents that driveways will not be plowed before the township roads. Driveways will be plowed the next day.

### **Fire Department News**

Please be advised that the Township is now contracting Fire Chief Services through the Town of Fort Frances. This change has come about because of the legislative requirements becoming too cumbersome for our volunteer fire department.

### **History Book**

The second history book, "Further Connections" is available at the municipal office. The cost is \$50.00 with cheques payable to the Township of La Vallee. The first history book "Connections" is also still available at a cost of \$50.00.

### **Pitch in Canada Week**

The week of April 20-26, 2009 is Pitch-in Canada Week. Clean up and beautify your community. To find out how you can support existing programs or encourage or spearhead a new "Clean and Green" campaign in your community contact Misha Cook at [misha@pitch-in.ca](mailto:misha@pitch-in.ca).

### **Victim Services**

The Rainy River District Victim Services Program (RRDVSP) is a new service available to Community Members in the Rainy River District. RRDVSP is a not-for-profit organization that partners with emergency services in the community to provide immediate emotional and practical support to victims of crime and other tragic circumstances twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. You can access these services by asking Emergency Responders (EMS, Fire, Police) to call a team of volunteers for assistance 24/7 or you can drop by the office located at 334 Scott St. or contact the office by calling 274-5687.

### **After a Flood**

Flood water can be heavily contaminated with sewage and other pollutants, and pose a serious health hazard. If through taste, colour or odour you suspect that your drinking water has been contaminated, purify it before drinking either by boiling it for at least 10 minutes or adding purifications tablets. If you choose to chlorinate your water with a non-perfumed bleaching compound, add one drop per litre of water, or three drops per litre of cloudy water, and allow it to stand for at least 30 minutes before consuming.

Household items that have been flood-damaged will have to be bagged, tagged and discarded according to local regulations.

### **Water and Ice Rescue (questions and answers)**

What is the difference between a personal flotation device (PFD) and a life jacket? A life jacket is designed to float a person with their face up if they are unconscious.

What safety feature should all water and ice rescue PFD's have? Brake away/quick release harness.

This will allow the rescuer to free himself/herself from their safety line should the need arise (dynamic