



Community Information & Volunteer Centre

Calendar of Fundraisers, Volunteer Opportunities and National Awareness Topics: March – May 2009

MARCH		Kidney Foundation Awareness Month
		National Epilepsy Month
		National Nutrition Month
		Help Fight Liver Disease Month
		Juvenile Arthritis Month
		Easter Seals Month
		Fraud Prevention Month
		Polio Awareness Month
		National Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month
		Red Cross Month
	2-6	National Social Work Week
	2-8	BC Education Week
	6	26th Annual Okanagan College Spaghetti Bridge Building Contest
	7	World Health Day
	7	A Taste of Home, 2041 Harvey Ave. call Doreen @ 250.763.8008 Ext. 29 for more info
	7-14	Research Week. Go to http://www.celebrateresearch.ubc.ca/ to view call 250.8150 Raina.
	8	International Women's Day
	8-14	International Women's Week
	11-17	Canadian Agricultural Safety Week
	12	Dining Out for Life 2009 For participating restaurants go to www..diningoutforlive.com and click on Okanagan region. Karen, 250.862.2437 www.livingpositive.ca
	13	World Kidney Day
	13-15	Travelling World Film Festival supporting the Kelowna @ UBCO contact keelyk@telus.net
	14	Seedy Saturday, Rutland Centennial Hall, 10 am – 3 pm
	15	Crisis Line Awareness Week
	15-21	National Francophonie Week
	20	International Francophonie Day
	21	International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination same day every year
	22	World Water Day same day every year
	24	World Tuberculosis Day
	29	Campus to Campus Half Marathon - www.okanagan.bc.ca
	29	Taste of Kelowna – Kelowna Curling Club www.bcrfa.com
APRIL		Daffodil Month, Canadian Cancer Society
		Community Clean-up Month
		National Parkinson Month
		Autism Awareness Month
		Earth Month – environmental awareness to encourage respect for the environment and participate in its preservation
	1	Community 20 Minute Makeover; sign up by March 5th at 250.469.6250 recycle@cord.bc.ca

	2-4	Daffodil Days Canadian Cancer Society
	2-25	Kiwanis Music Festival www.kelownakiwanisfestival.com 250.860.5033
	3	National Autism Day
	3-4	30-Hour Famine (annual fundraising to combat hunger world wide)
	4	Composter Sale for more info www.regionaldistrict.com
	5	Family Environmental Day, EECO 11am – 3pm
	5-11	National Wildlife Week
	6	Swinging with the Stars Central Okanagan Hospice Society gala event
	7	World Health Day same day every year
	7	Unpaid Work Day raise awareness of the social and economical value of unpaid work – also known as invisible work and of the need to include it in the calculation of our national wealth.
	11	Cancer Society, Gala of Hope 250.762-6381, Theresa
	12-18	National Victims of Crime Awareness Week
	12-18	National Soil Conservation Week second complete week in Apr
	16-18	Heritage Linen and China Sale , St. Paul's Church 250-762-5511
	17	Equality Day (Canada) same day every year
	17	International Hemophilia Day
	18-19	16th Annual Kelowna Yacht Club Boat & Leisure Show
	19	Environmental Mind Grind School Challenge
	19	Ski to Sea Race www.ski2sea.ca
	19	6th Annual Strong Bones Walk, Grand Promenade, Water Street Senior Centre 861-6880, Candace Cameron
	19-25	National Immunization Awareness Week
	19-25	National Volunteer Week
	20-22	Global Youth Service Days
	20-26	BC Arts and Culture
	20-26	International TV Turn-off Week http://www.unplugyourkids.com/2007/08/31/national-tv-turn-off-week-dates/
	20-27	National Organ Donor Awareness Week
	20-28	Prevention of Violence Against Women Week
	21	Holocaust memorial Day
	21	Kelowna Farmers & Crafters Easter Market @ Dilworth & Springfield 878-5029 Bob
	22	Earth Day call Canadian Earthcare Society for local events 250.861.4788
	23	World Book and Copyright Day same day every year
	25	Okanagan Festival Singers "Light from Light" at 1 st Lutheran Church for more info www.ofsingers.com or call 250.764.5188
	25	Beans N' Jeans www.kelownahospice.com Fundraiser 763-5511
	25	Ducks Unlimited Banquet , call Manda 1.800.665.3825 ext 226
	25	JCI Okanagan presents Urban Adventure Challenge www.urbanadventurechallenge.com
	26	The Scotia Bank MS Walk **in BC for next 2 yrs. (Scotia is provincial sponsor) (formerly called Super Cities Walk for MS)
	27-May 3	International Astronomy Week

	28	National Mourning Day (workplace deaths) same day every year
	29	International Make a Wish Day
	30	Jeans Day, BC Children's Hospital
	30-May 2	Big Bike, Heart and Stroke Lindsay 250.860.6275
	30-May 9	Okanagan Spring Wine Festival http://www.owfs.com/
MAY		Speech and Hearing Awareness Month
		National Hepatitis C Month
		Cystic Fibrosis Month
		Huntington's Disease Awareness Month
		Medic Alert Awareness Month
		International Doula Month
		Leave a Legacy Month
		Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Month
		Asian Heritage Month
		Kelowna Farmers and Crafters Market – April to Oct
		International Motorcycle Safety Month
	1	International Labour Day same day every year
	1-7	National Summer Safety Week
	2	International Astronomy Day
	3	Kiwanis Gala Concert, 7pm 1375 Water St. www.kelownakiwanisfestival.com
	3	8 th Annual Hike for Hospice
	3	Walk for Kids Help Phone www.bellwalkforkids.ca
	3	Hike for Hospice (H4H) Mission Creek Greenway 250.763.5511
	3-9	International Composting Awareness Week
	3-9	National Hospice Palliative Care Week
	3-9	North American Occupational Safety and Health Week
	3-9	Emergency Preparedness Week
	3-9	National Elizabeth Fry Week (week preceding Mothers day)
	4-10	Mental Health Week
	5	World Asthma Day 1 st Tues in May
	6	International No Diet Day
	8	World Red Cross Day same day every year
	8-9	MS Carnation Campaign
	9	Raise the Flag Day
	9	Black Mountain Rodeo
	10	Mother's Day
	10-14	5 th World Environmental Education Congress
	10-16	National Police Week Community Policing Services
	10-16	National Allergy Awareness Week
	10-16	Central Okanagan Bike to Work/School Week www.i-go.ca
	11-17	National Nursing Week
	12	International Nurses Day same day every year
	12	Canada Health Day same day every year
	12	International Fibromyalgia Awareness Day
	12-18	National Road Safety Week
	13-14	Variety Children's Radiothon with B103 1-800-381-2040
	15	International Day of Families

	15-18	Knox Mountain Hill Climb
	16-18	Rutland May Days, Family oriented events, parade, sports & games, Rutland Ball Park and Arena
	17	International Day Against Homophobia
	17-23	Intergenerational Week
	18	Rutland May Days Parade
	18	International Museums Day same day every year
	19	Kids Day International same day every year
	19-22	Aboriginal Awareness Week the 4 days following Victoria Day long weekend
	21	World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development
	22	International Day for Biological Diversity
	23	Annual Wish Trail Ride Carol at 250.765.6552
	24	1st Annual Poker Run - Kelowna & District Safety Council Tania, 250.765.3163
	25	National Missing Child Day same day every year
	25	Schizophrenia Walk of Hope
	25	National Multiple Births Awareness Day
	29	Mayor's Environmental Expo @ Mission Creek Regional Park
	29	International Day of United Nation Peacekeepers
	30	Walk for Muscular Dystrophy at Waterfront Park
	31	Great Strides Walk, Cystic Fibrosis at Parkinson Rec Centre
	31	Family Fun Day at Parkinson Rec Centre – Free Transit
	31	World No-Tobacco Day
	31	World Partnership Walk to raise public awareness of intl devel activities and collects funds to fight world poverty; www.worldpartnershipwalk.com
	31-June 6	Canadian Environment Week

The listing of an event in the Calendar of Events does not indicate endorsement and the exclusion of an event does not imply any disapproval by Kelowna Community Resources. If you have a fundraising event and need volunteers please contact Community Information and Volunteer Centre for inclusion in the Calendar of Events 250.763.8008 Ext 24.