

News and Information

May 1, 2013

24 Hour Drumathon

Kelowna, B.C. – On Friday, May 3rd, 2013, the Mount Boucherie Secondary (MBSS) Aboriginal Leadership class is planning a walk and canoe trip to raise awareness for water quality on and off reserves in B.C. The plan is to leave at 3:30 pm, on foot, from MBSS to the W.R. Bennett Bridge. From there, the group will see off a canoe (weather dependant with clarification at 3:30) who will then meet a drum group at IR #9 beach (Boucherie Rd and Carrall Road intersection) in West Kelowna. The plan is to meet at the beach at approximately 7:00 pm.

Upon arrival, at the IR #9 beach, there will be a fire and BBQ with singing and drumming until 10:00 pm. After 10:00 pm, the Aboriginal Leadership crew will keep a light drumming (so as not to disturb the neighbors) going through the night. The goal is to raise awareness to protect our water and improve drinking water on and off reserve.

This Drumathon will be led by 22 Aboriginal Leadership students from MBSS. An invitation is extended to all Okanagan residents as water quality is a matter which concerns everyone. The group is walking and canoeing to save water in BC, as they consider themselves lucky to live in such a beautiful province, and want to keep it that way.

The theme this year also has a hashtag on Twitter and Facebook, #PaddleTogether. This simply means that we are all in the same canoe and we need to work together to make a positive future for all people.

The media and public are invited to attend.

Friday May 3rd

3:30 pm	Departure from MBSS
5:30 pm	Arrive at W.R. Bennett Bridge (Paddlers only)
6:00-7:00 pm	Arrive at WFN Band Beach IR9
	BBQ dinner

Saturday, May 4th

7:30 am	Breakfast
8:00 am	Stick game Tournament
10:00 am	Kids crafts
12:00 pm	Lunch
3:00 pm	Gather around the big drum
3:30 pm	End off with co-ed song

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