GCPS Progress Report October, 2016

- Ole has been doing some amazing work with our website. If you haven't seen it lately, please make sure you check it out: http://granitecreekbc.ca/ Thank you Ole for all your hard work on this!
- Bob Coyne stopped by to talk with us. He is in support of us reopening the Cemetery but said this could take some time to get done. He is in touch with our RDOS liaison to make sure she is still working on it for us. Last week Bob (Sterne) received an email from Ben asking if the GCPS would like to apply as Leaseholder of the Cemetery. He stated it would be a very long process if the RDOS does this so he thought we might like to go ahead and do it ourselves. Bob emailed him back to say we would discuss it at this meeting. If you wish us to go ahead, Bob will give him the okay to proceed.
- Todd took in three more bags of recyclables for us. Thanks again Todd!!
- We were sent 8 new photos of Granite Creek from 1976. They were taken by Edwin Lawrence Fisher and he has given us permission to use them on the website. They are really great photos! Thank you Edwin for your generous contribution! I've sent Ole the photos to be added to the website.
- We received a very nice email from a man named Allen regarding the Cemetery. He wrote: Diane, came across your info and the F.A.G. pages that you made for Granite Creek Cemetery. Very interesting indeed. I was up there today; riding the KVR and a relative showed me the cemetery. Nice map and listings and everything, right there on site; very well done, whoever did that. Your FAG pages and photos of that cemetery are excellent. Good job.

Ps: I do a lot of photos and data work for Findagrave; mainly here in Penticton for Lakeview Cemetery. I'm always interested in old cemeteries though and when I visited Granite Creek today, I never thought for a moment that someone would have already documented it into FAG pages. It's a very nice area; especially via the KVR.

Allan, F.A.G. member, Penticton

Allan also provided us with some information about Asbjorn Hagen who is buried at the Cemetery. I have added it to his Find-A-Grave biography and our records. Thank you Allan!

- A man related to the Ramsay family buried at the Cemetery has contacted me looking for genealogy information. The Ramsay's are related to Walt Smart and I just happen to have his family tree. I passed on the information to him and he was extremely grateful.
- George put together some information for our grant application. It was longer than the one paragraph requested but it was so comprehensive I didn't want to shorten it. I have copies for everyone here and I have passed the information to RDOS. Thank you George for your hard work on this. It is excellent!! Thanks also for the feedback I received from the Executive regarding what needed to be included. I had forgotten some very important items. Rob has been working with our RDOS liaison regarding what would be needed for the wifi, etc.

- We received a copy of the Fall Newsletter for the Friends of the Penticton Museum. In it they mention their visit to Granite Creek and the Cemetery. I forwarded a copy of the Newsletter to those who had not yet seen it. It was very well written. Thank you to Gary for sending it to us!
- I emailed FamilySearch.org which is a free genealogy site run by the Latter-Day Saints. I gave them links to our information on the Granite Creek Cemetery as I felt it might be useful for people searching their family tree. I noticed the only link they had for the Cemetery was the old records done in the 1970's by Maureen and Ron Hyde. These are incomplete and require a payment.