Businesses

Celebrating Kaslo & Area Business

40 Shades of Green
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The Green Green Grass of Kaslo

General gardening care: mowing, trimming, weeding, foliage and garbage removal. House watch services for absentee homeowners. Includes mail pickup, monthly email updates, snow removal and winterization as needed and spring clean up if desired.

Business owner Thomas Berry, born in Ireland, came to Canada and worked as a tree planter for many years. It is only natural that his love for working in the outdoors has extended into this business venture.

40 Shades of Green began as a small gardening company that served only a few clients in Kaslo. Today, through word of mouth from clients about the flexible, friendly and efficient service, the company serves many households in Kaslo.

40 Shades of Green began house watch services in 2008.

Meleana Terlingen, Thomas Berry’s wife, does all the phoning, booking and managing of clients. Tieghan Terlingen-Berry, the couple’s 5 year old son, is rapidly showing a keen interest in gardening, planting and building rock walls like his Dada!

40 Shades of Green is now accepting new clients for upcoming spring and summer season. Phone now to book an appointment to discuss your gardening needs and for a free estimate.

Meleana will arrange a time and day that works for you so that you can look forward to getting the weekly lawn and garden services you require, when it’s convenient for you.

“The best part of my job is working in the outdoors, working hard and meeting the wonderful characters of our town. I think that the thing my customers like best is that I come on a pre-arranged weekly basis and, before they know it their lawn and gardens are all spiffed up! My Irish accent may also help…”

Thomas Berry

Digging Kaslo

Excavation, Tree Services, Septic Services

Machines have always been a passion of mine ever since I acquired my first Tonka truck.

I acquired the [excavation equipment in the spring of 2009] because the opportunity came up. I knew I wanted to try to become self employed to see if I was cut out for it. Working around the forest industry in previous years taught me about equipment and trees. It has been an extreme learning curve going from an employee to entrepreneur. Acquiring the tree service equipment and training for my septic certification has allowed Brenton Industries to become more diversified.

I am currently training for my class one driver’s licence in Castlegar. I will have this licence by mid-April.

I derive the most satisfaction in my business from a job well done and, most importantly, a satisfied customer.”

Sean Brenton

“...my work ethic and efforts to accommodate their needs.”

Thomas Berry

Hometown Businesses
The Route to Good Health

Trina Jezik has always had a natural curiosity surrounding alternative healing techniques, which led her to massage therapy. She completed a three year program at the West Coast College of Massage Therapy in New Westminster, graduating as a Registered Massage Therapist in 2005.

While in Vancouver, Trina met her husband, Rhys. Soon after her graduation, they moved to Meadow Creek and now live with their dogs on a hobby farm. They are avid flower and vegetable gardeners. Their family has recently increased with the birth of two little lambs.

Trina’s practice includes rehabilitation and relaxation massage for everyone from young children (even babies!) to seniors. She welcomes interesting and challenging cases. Trina keeps up to date with current modalities by continuously taking more courses. In the spring of 2011, she has plans to open a home-studio two days a week in Meadow Creek.

Trina derives the most satisfaction from her business by being able to help people feel better. Her clients often tell her that they wish they had come to her sooner. “I love giving someone a massage and they leave the office forgetting their shoes because they are so relaxed!”

Trina Jezik

Healing Routes
Massage Therapy
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Trina Jezik, RMT, Owner/Operator

The Web is the World...

I began my business in 2006 from my home office, offering web and graphic design, along with some client tutorial services. Many of my customers were asking me if I still did computer repair. I had previously done that while working as a technician with a different company. Seizing the opportunity, I started to offer computer repair service and, at the same time expanding, by stocking some basic computer parts.

My business has evolved over the years. Systems and resources for repair and web development have been upgraded. I now include a local development server and off-site client web hosting. I added wired and wireless networking services, custom PCs and web development with content management systems in 2008.

My clients say that they appreciate my knowledge, reasonable prices, reliability, professionalism and determination to find solutions to their problems.

They rely on my ability to complete a job well and on time.

The best part of this business is learning something new every day and seeing people excited about their new website or computer, or doing something they couldn’t do before. It gives me a sense of accomplishment. To make a difference in people’s lives, although minor, is very humbling.

My plans for 2011 include a new website, bigger stock and a stronger business presence in the area. I also intend to further my education in web development and networking to be an even more valuable resource for my clients.

Michael Rogers
Kaslo Sourdough Bakery

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A Taste of The Past

Kaslo Sourdough Bakery (KSB) has been baking traditional sourdough breads for Kootenay residents since 1993. The bakery started with an outdoor brick oven in downtown Kaslo, in which I baked from April until September for two seasons, experimenting and formulating my sourdough skills. A relentless search for perfection resulted in an all year around demand of these delicious world class breads and made the hobby into a full time business career with a renowned reputation.

My wife, Gabi, joined in the year-round baking and we’ve been baking together ever since! We raised three kids, Stefan, Heike and Heidi, happily kneading dough and baking bread. Stefan has, since graduating in 2004, mastered the craft and is now a second generation sourdough baker.

Between wheat, rye, spelt, with or without seeds, KSB currently produces twenty varieties of bread. Some are available sliced and all are made with the primal ingredient of the sourdough starter culture. The bread has since become a jewel and identity of the Kootenays, famous for its uniqueness and ‘Taste of the Past’ throughout Western Canada and beyond.

Caution: “Don’t try it,” because once you do you’ll know what real bread should taste like and you’ll be hooked for life. Many pictures and extensive in-depth knowledge about KSB and its philosophy can be viewed online at www.microsour.com.

Silvio Lettrari

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Working and Living in Kaslo

I was born and raised here and my family roots in the Kaslo area date back to 1916. As a young adult, I moved away to experience the world. During my time away I gained the knowledge and experience that allowed me to return to my hometown with my family in 2005. My wife, Heather and my daughters, Tasha and Elise, have become very involved via the school and volunteering in the community. It is great to be able to operate a business in Kaslo and to be part of the fabric of the community as a whole. Kaslo is a great community to live and raise children in!

I have 24 years experience in the investment industry, 17 years as a Certified Financial Planner. I joined LeeDe Financial in 2003. One thing that drew me to this particular investment firm is that it is western-based, with offices in Vancouver, Victoria, Kamloops, Calgary and Kaslo. Westerners working with westerners.

I offer investment advice and financial planning services that suit the individual. My customers have commented that they enjoy my personalized service — no cold office towers here! I visit clients in their homes and learn about their lives. I look forward to many years of serving my clients and building my business in the Kaslo area. Mountains, lakes, great people.... I get to operate a business and live in Kaslo! How could it get any better?

Rick Hewat
Just a Little Help!

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Professional organizing and help with...just about anything!

What did a girl from Kansas with a degree in art history, three grown kids, past professions that include publishing, sales, counseling, and a stint as Edmonton’s Female Entrepreneur of the Year do when she suddenly moved to Kaslo?

Well, the first thing Janet Mayfield did was take a gander at the stars blinking in a clear-as-crystal night sky over Kootenay Lake and breathe a deep, contented sigh.

Later she established Just a Little Help, a unique one-woman business designed to help hassled people un-hassle themselves. “Think of Just a Little Help as a sort of concierge-butler service,” Janet laughs. “I’ve always been ridiculously well-organized; I love to get things done, I’m non-judgmental and eternally optimistic. I just decided to turn my attention to helping people change their lives, tackling one onerous “I’ll never get around to it” chore at a time!

When asked what, exactly, Just a Little Help does, she laughs again and says, “Well, here’s a list of things I’ve helped my clients from Castlegar to Kaslo with in the last month: I’ve braided hair, given a haircut, updated a wardrobe, painted a living room, reorganized a kitchen, hemmed some pants, altered a shirt, cleaned a house, fixed an old coat, set up an office, and opened three months of neglected mail. Next week I’m dry mounting some posters, babysitting a dog, de-cluttering a basement, and altering a basketful of clothes. I just love helping people feel better about their lives,” she concludes. 

Janet Mayfield

AuthorCloud

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“This is such an impressive project you’re launching!”
Rebecca Maclean, NYC

“This is a great concept!” Kris Swanson, Portland, OR

In 1977, Canadian publisher Mel Hurtig plucked Randy Morse off a peak in Norway and made him GM of Hurtig Publishers. “I was working on a PhD and bored to tears,” Morse reports. “Publishing was exciting, I loved it.” He went on to found several publishing companies of his own, working with authors in Canada and around the world. He was President of the Alberta Publishers Association and helped guide the Association of Canadian Publishers.

Then he moved to Kaslo.

“All the talent I found in the Kootenays spurred me to create a new web-based book publishing venture – AuthorCloud. I want to help writers here and across the Pacific Northwest create books (and ebooks and audiobooks) they’ll be proud of.

“I’m an author, too (The Mountains of Canada, etc.) so I know what it feels like on both sides of the desk. We have some terrific editors and designers, so our authors won’t have to hide their heads when their books are released.

“AuthorCloud will also publish a beautifully designed annual, The Sasquatch, featuring work from first-time and established writers based in or writing about the Northwest. I hope there’ll be plenty of Kootenay content in its first edition. I expect everyone who contributes to the Pennywise and Valley Voice to step up! Information about The Sasquatch and our general publishing program is available at www.authorcloud.com,” Morse concludes.

Janet changed our lives and we are forever grateful to her. Her kind, gentle and respectful manner eased us to a new way of living. She is amazing.” Colleen Driscoll and Robin Cherbo
Hamill Creek Timber Homes

Owners: Dwight & Debbie Smith
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Building Dreams around the World

In 1989, we started operating our company in the backyard of our home by Hamill Creek. We built our own timber frame house in the first year with one employee and small power tools and hand chisels to join the wood. Building our home led to our first client, which led to the next home and so on.

In 2003 we relocated to our present 22 acre site, complete with our own sawmill, kilns and over 20,000 sq ft of heated space. We employ 45 full-time staff as well as hiring many subcontractors at peak times.

We design and manufacture timber frame homes and we have a full custom woodworking shop for designing and building staircases, railings, interior trim and any other type of custom woodwork. We own and operate a sawmill and kilns and custom cut timbers, siding, paneling and various other wood products. We complete between 20-25 projects annually; right here and as far away as the Virgin Islands, Hawaii, Alaska and Japan.

Our work is quite labour intensive and we’re very much a value-added producer of wood. For instance, one load of logs delivered to our facility, sawn into timber and lumber, then manufactured into timber frames and other wood products, keeps one local worker at our operation employed for 12 months.

I always take great pleasure when I hear from many different clients how much they appreciate working with our staff and how

Hamill Creek Timber Homes exceeded their expectations in designing and building their dream home. For us, it’s always very rewarding and fun to participate in bringing clients’ dreams to reality and building long-lasting relationships.

Dwight Smith

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Johnson’s Landing Retreat Center

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Invest In Yourself to Help Change the World

In 1996, shortly before my mother died, I had the honour of spending time with her. During her final days I came to the realization that during my life I had the choice of collect toys... then die - or - I could make the world a better place, so I decided to be of service.

In the spring of 1997, while going for a hike up Kootenay Joe, I drove onto a property thinking I was driving up the mountain. I came to a stop in front of a country lodge that was for sale. I got a rush... and a voice inside me said “This is it.”

Eventually the property was purchased and the Retreat Center readied to receive guests. We are now into our thirteenth season offering a wide variety of workshops and accommodations. Participants and instructors come from all around the Pacific NorthWest and lots from the Kootenays!

The Retreat Center is walking distance from the Fry Creek Canyon trail head and an easy drive from anywhere in the Kootenays. The Centre is a ‘Kootenay Mountain Grown Certified’ farm, using organic growing methods in our gardens. We are also working towards sustainability by experimenting with solar panels, a wind turbine, methane generators and a solar powered shower unit in our campground.

If you are thinking of a local holiday right here in this gorgeous part of the world check out our website:

www.JohnsonsLandingRetreat.bc.ca or call us
Toll Free at 1-877-366-4402

Richard Ortega
In the beginning, it was a small two-day festival. We had a houseboat tied to a small stage and featured a few lesser known bands. Over the years it has grown to a three-day world class event, headlining bands such as Jim Byrnes, Blue Rodeo, Jesse Cook, Bruce Cockburn, Spearhead, Colin James and Jeff Healy, to name a few. Most people hear the name of the festival and think the music is all jazz, when in fact, half of our programming is jazz and the other half is a mix of blues, funk, latin, soul and world, which we have coined, “Etc.”

We provide a venue for good times, great memories, a place to meet new friends and enjoy the company of old friends, a place to dance off the lunch/dinner that you have enjoyed from the variety of wonderful food vendors, retail therapy while perusing the craft/import vendors, and free workshops. All this surrounded by a great view and fabulous music!

Volunteers are the backbone of the festival and we can’t do it without them. Whether they are billeting a band, going on poster runs, setting up before the festival or are one of the 300 who volunteer during the festival we appreciate their efforts and to show what the community means to us we award sponsorships, bursaries and giveaways throughout the year.

We are very excited about this year’s festival. It will be our 20th! We have a great line-up featuring Dan Mangan, Delhi 2 Dublin and the Crackling on the Friday night. Saturday and Sunday is full of great bands such as David Gogo, Mark Hummel and the Blues Survivors, Paul Peress and many more!

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I feel privileged to be able to keep busy working and raising a family in Kaslo. My partner, Jessica, and I were so excited to give my step-daughter, Madigan a new brother, Kavan, in December 2010. Kaslo is such a great place to raise a family! The housing in Kaslo is so diverse. There is everything from new construction to turn-of-the-century homes. I get a lot of satisfaction when dealing with unknowns and problem solving. I enjoy seeing plumbing that works while defying gravity. I’ve seen a few installations that baffle me, but they’ve worked longer than I’ve been alive! I like trying new things and believe the best way to learn is by doing.

Kate Remple, Owner/Operator
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Corner store, sunny side of the street

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I’ve worked very hard to understand my business, how to market it, track buying trends and stay current without being too trendy.

Kate Remple
Kaslo Building Supplies
(1990 Ltd.)

Helping to Build Kaslo!

Jeff and Monica Davie, Owners/Operators
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We are the Davie family, Jeff, Monica, Ben, Spencer and Jo. Monica and I met at college in Lethbridge where we both graduated with a diploma in Recreation Management. Monica is also a practising paramedic in Kaslo.

In 1990 Kaslo Building Supplies changed hands from Monica’s parents Fred & Elaine Richinger, to us! Over the years the entire family has worked in the store. Ben, Spencer and Jo have done everything in the Building Supplies yard from loading customers’ goods, unloading trucks, assembling barbecues and wheelbarrows, to serving popcorn and riding on May Day floats. Ben is currently attending Thompson River University in Kamloops and will be working the summer in Yellowknife, NWT. Spencer is finishing his first year at the University of Victoria and will be returning home for the summer. Jo is currently in grade 10 and playing hockey in Penticton and will work in the Building Supplies yard again this summer.

Our product selection, staffing and sales have grown every year. We have tried to do our part in going green and have cut down on paper tremendously. We offer as many green products as our suppliers handle. In the future, we will continue to grow our Garden Centre and expand our Feed Department. We are a recycling depot for paint as well as fluorescent tubes.

The best part of owning and operating Kaslo Building Supplies is the wonderful people we work with and the terrific relationships we have built with our customer base. Our long serving staff include Lesa, Shad, Tammy, Bob, Mike, Maggie, Henry, Art, Carmen, Ellie, Taylor, Pat and Stewart. Our staff is the thing our customers like most. They are local, friendly and always willing to learn. We all consider it our honour to serve the great people of our community!

Jeff and most members of his staff

Boards by George Lumber Inc.
Meadow Creek, BC • George Brinkman, Owner
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Home is where the Heart is

George has lived in the Lardeau Valley for over 35 years, and has been operating Boards By George Lumber Inc. for over 33. After planting a million trees in his youth, he decided it was okay to start up a sawmill as a viable home-based business.

George and his wife Irene raised their three daughters in Meadow Creek and plan to retire there as well. Home is where the heart is; and their hearts are definitely a big part of this North Kootenay Lake community. Whether it’s donating wood for the current Lakehead & Beyond greenhouse project, or mugs and hats for school fundraisers, Boards by George (BBG) is happy to support local initiatives.

George is also proud to be one of the steady employers in the valley, offering 9 local residents a reliable source of income, year after year. It’s a group effort at BBG and as most employers know, when you have a strong and dedicated team working for you, it improves your bottom line as well as your golf game!

This spring BBG plans on having a huge inventory sale, so keep your eyes open for some great deals on lumber, siding, timbers and trim.

Visit www.boardsbygeorge.ca for more information.

Jeff & Monica
**Bruce Machholz - Stone Mason**

Bruce Machholz • Meadow Creek  
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Bruce Machholz has the natural talent to make stone harmonize with its surroundings. Since 1990, he has been applying his talents to projects ranging from retaining walls to stone murals to home and fireplace fascia for condo complexes, resorts and high end homes.

Over the years and through his experience, Bruce has developed a deep sense of harmony in what he does. For him, no challenge is too great. He makes a point of listening to and getting to know his clients so that he can fulfill the client’s vision. Sometimes people have a clear idea of what they want but a budget that won’t allow it all to be done in one year. Bruce will break the larger vision down into smaller projects. He then works project by project to complete his client’s overall vision within their budget. He believes there is a harmony in the completed project if the same stoneworker is used for all.

Bruce has the luxury of doing a job that he loves and provides an exceptional level of customer service.

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**Kaslo Front Street Market**

Rick Wiltse, Owner/Operator  
Ryan Haynes, Co-Owner  
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I was 15 years old when I started working in my first grocery store. For quite a few years, I continued to work in various supermarkets. Ryan Haynes and I met many years ago while working in a grocery store in Kitimat and have been friends ever since. In 2007, I was managing a grocery store in Radium when Ryan approached me about purchasing the market from the Walkers. We decided it was a great opportunity to combine our grocery experience and became partners in Kaslo Front Street Market.

There is a misconception out there that Kaslo Front Street Market is a corporate store. We’re not. We’re a locally owned and operated market. We simply follow the Bigway flyer program.

My wife, Robin and I met while attending art school in Nelson in 1995. We have lived many places between then and now, but it has been so nice to be able to move back to the Kootenays with our girls, Rowan and Fyfe. Kaslo is a great place to raise kids! Robin has a studio on the top floor of the Langham where she pursues her love of felting. Rowan takes after me, playing hockey. Fyfe has a more artistic side and is in the Suzuki guitar program.

The family is very involved in the community. I sit on the Jazz Fest board and Robin sits on the Langham board. I love hockey and play for the After Burners when I’m not playing for the Ice Kings. I like the people who come into the store and enjoy getting to know lots of the customers. We employ 22 people and the staff are like an extended family. Without their outgoing, friendly attitudes, we would be nothing! My customers tell me that they appreciate the things I bring in when they make special requests. They also love the contests and are glad to see that someone actually does win the big prizes! They enjoy the staff, the variety of products and the ethnic foods we have.

Robin and I love Kaslo and appreciate the support of the local people!
Looking for a way to live in Kaslo, I started Kaslo Automotive in 1990. We do auto and light truck repair. In 1995, I added the car wash. We are a BC designated inspection facility. Beginning in June, 2011, we will be offering air conditioning service.

In the future, I plan a major re-fit and rejuvenation to the shop. I will be adding a second hoist, automotive air conditioning repair capabilities, improvements to our high-tech diagnostic equipment and hiring a third mechanic.

Joe Chomitz will be joining us in June. He has just finished all his apprenticeship schooling and is right up to date on modern computerized engine systems. He grew up in Kaslo (son of Peter Chomitz) and wants to stay here. He has been apprenticing with Downtown Automotive in Nelson, a busy modern shop. That has given him a wealth of experience.

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We are both third generation residents of the Lardeau Valley and have been involved in the farming, construction and forestry industries for the last 25 years.

Duncan was born in 1966. Two years later the Duncan River dam was completed. ‘Urban’ legend has it that the new lake was named after Duncan. Now our mail comes addressed to Duncan Lake ‘The Man’.

After exploring BC we returned home with our young family to work on the family woodlot. With completion of our current woodlot obligations, the timing was perfect for us to explore our lifelong interest in new technology. A contract to install groundloops in a geo-exchange system sparked an interest in both of us, and we became IGSHPA accredited geo-exchange designers. Our focus has expanded to include indoor air quality, so that we can provide balanced systems. Geo-exchange is the way to go in terms of heating your home, accessing solar energy year round. Indoor air quality of homes is improved by adding a heat recovery ventilator (HRV). This device adds fresh air to the home. Thus the air balance in your home is maintained, while you recover some 60–80% of the heat energy that would otherwise be expelled from your home.

Yvonne has established herself as one of the premier face and body painting artists in North America and is regularly seen at festivals and events with Duncan, daughter Andrea and son Dannon, operating the portable climbing wall. The fun continues into the ski season. We all love the powder!

We continue to explore new, alternate energy technology and how to make people’s living spaces more healthy and environmentally sustainable. Practical, environmentally sensitive and healthy economic living is what it’s all about. - Duncan
Greetings from Ian and Tamara. We have lived in Kaslo for over 25 years and have both crafted fine silver jewellery during all of that time. We use heritage and modern tools but continue to craft each piece individually from start to finish, without high-tech shortcuts. Tamara’s earrings and necklaces and Ian’s rings are iconic Kootenaiana, widely enjoyed throughout our region and beyond.

Our obsession with books also goes back to our youth. We love them, we buy them, we sell them and we trade them. We guarantee that our family-run store has the Kootenays’ best selection of vintage and collectible books, Kootenay and Western Canadian history, travel, adventure, mountaineering and lovingly aged books.

Or if you like old magazines, vintage postcards, collector vinyl, comics or unique art cards, we are the folks. We have some of those bestselling books of the minute, too. Everyone finds a read here! We have sold rare and collectible books to the world online for over a decade and are pleased that 1896 Books and Silver makes our silver mining heritage and our own books and silver easily accessible to all our Kootenay friends and visitors.

If you’re a reader, heritage buff, a handcrafted silver jewellery fan or just curious, please come in and introduce yourself. Welcome all!

Bruce and Tammy

1896 Books & Silver
Tamara Koenig Fraser and Ian Fraser, Co-owners/Operators
On Front Street across from the SS Moyie, Kaslo

However it is that you come to find yourself in Kaslo, it’s rare that you don’t ever come back! Few understand what it is about a ‘small town’ that is so desirable until you experience it for yourself. As a teenager growing up here, I couldn’t wait to leave, however, only months after leaving it was apparent that there was no place out there like it! For myself, I returned as soon as I was able. Tammy, however, fell in love with Kaslo while driving through on a whim in early 1990 and immediately chose to stay, not uncommon for many travelers passing by. When we originally purchased the True Blue Lodge in 2008, it was simply to make it a home. The house itself was originally built in the 1920s by Kaslo’s co-founder Mr. David Kane. The character of the house, its floor plan and its unique interior design, made it irresistible. It was like owning a piece of the heritage that is so much a part of Kaslo and of us.

It wasn’t until a year later that we realized the potential of the property and its uniqueness that could be shared with others. So with a little TLC and a lot of help from local contractors and friends, ‘the Lodge’ as it was originally referred to, became the ‘True Blue Lodge’. The weathered old cabins transformed into little ‘homes away from homes’ with modest personal touches like heated floors, hardwood, full kitchens, laundry, HDTV and wireless internet. True Blue Lodge became an extension of our home; anyone is welcome, including pets!

The best part since opening the cabins to travelers, is hearing guests speak so highly of Kaslo, the distinctive heritage they feel as they walk the streets or trails and of course its beauty.

We’ve been many places in the world, but Kaslo is and always will be home. True Blue Lodge, to us, is not just another place to stay. It’s your home and we hope that you enjoy your stay!

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