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## Kalum plan okayed

Victoria puts more parks into land-use plan for this region

By JEFF NAGEL

THE PROVINCE has sided with local environmentalists' demands for more protected areas in giving final approval to the Kalum land-use plan.

The decision by cabinet preserves an extra 60,000 hectares, or close to three per cent of the 2.1 million hectare area around Terrace and Kitimat.

The extra protected areas are the Foch and Giltoyes watersheds, which connect the Douglas Channel to the upper reaches of the Gitnadoix River.

The increase means the total area protected in the Kalum Forest District

will be boosted from the present 18.6 per cent to just over 22 per cent.

That's well above the goal of preserving 12 per cent of all of B.C.

Kalum Land and Resource Management Plan participants were only able to agree on an increase of about 0.36 per cent, to around 19 per cent.

Industry reps said large areas already preserved in parks such as the Kitlope and the Gitnadoix made it difficult to protect much more.

Local conservationists disagreed, arguing the Foch and Giltoyes watersheds should also be protected.

They said more significant sized

areas had to be preserved because most of the 20 protected areas in the plan are small scenic marine anchorages along the Douglas Channel, and add up to barely 7,600 hectares.

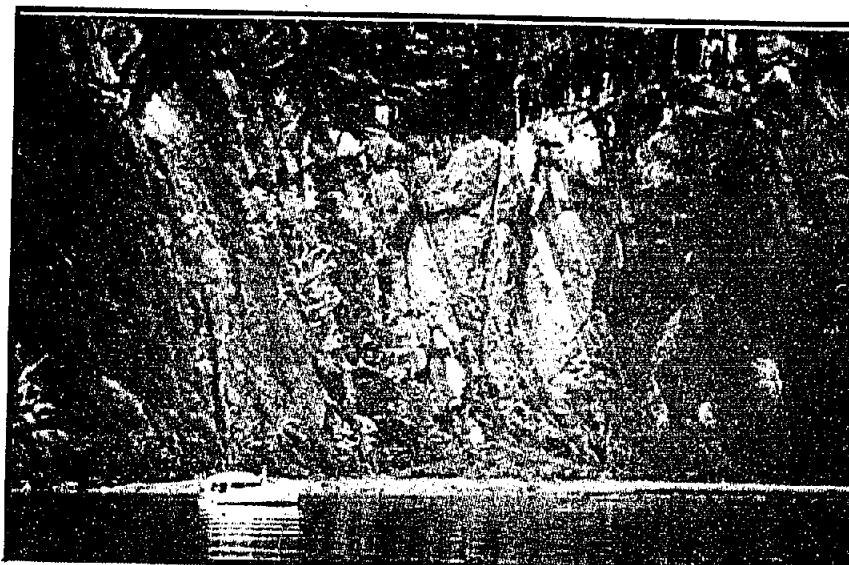
The two sides agreed to disagree in December and sent the plan out for public comment, but local reaction was also divided.

That sent the final decision on the unresolved areas to Victoria.

Not everything went as local environmental groups had wished.

Some locals had also wanted the

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FOCH ESTUARY, down the Douglas Channel, is one of the marine parks created in the Kalum land-use plan. The larger watershed behind the anchorage has also been added to the plan's protected areas.

## He has eyes only for Vincent

By SARAH A. ZIMMERMAN  
LIKE MOST two-year-olds, Hayden loves to play. With his beautiful black hair and big brown eyes, strangers are drawn to him.

But unlike other two-year-olds, Hayden has a very important job.

Hayden is a black lab and he is Vincent Cooke's seeing eye dog. And when Hayden's wearing his harness he's on duty and that means no petting.

"People can stop and talk to me but don't touch the dog," says Cooke. "It's the same as a two or three-year-old kid; he'll get distracted."

Three years ago, at the age of 64, Cooke lost his sight due to diabetes. Going blind after a lifetime of being able to see required some transition but the long-time Terrace resident has taken everything in stride.

"You just bear and grin it," says Cooke nonchalantly. "If you have to go through it, you have to go through it."

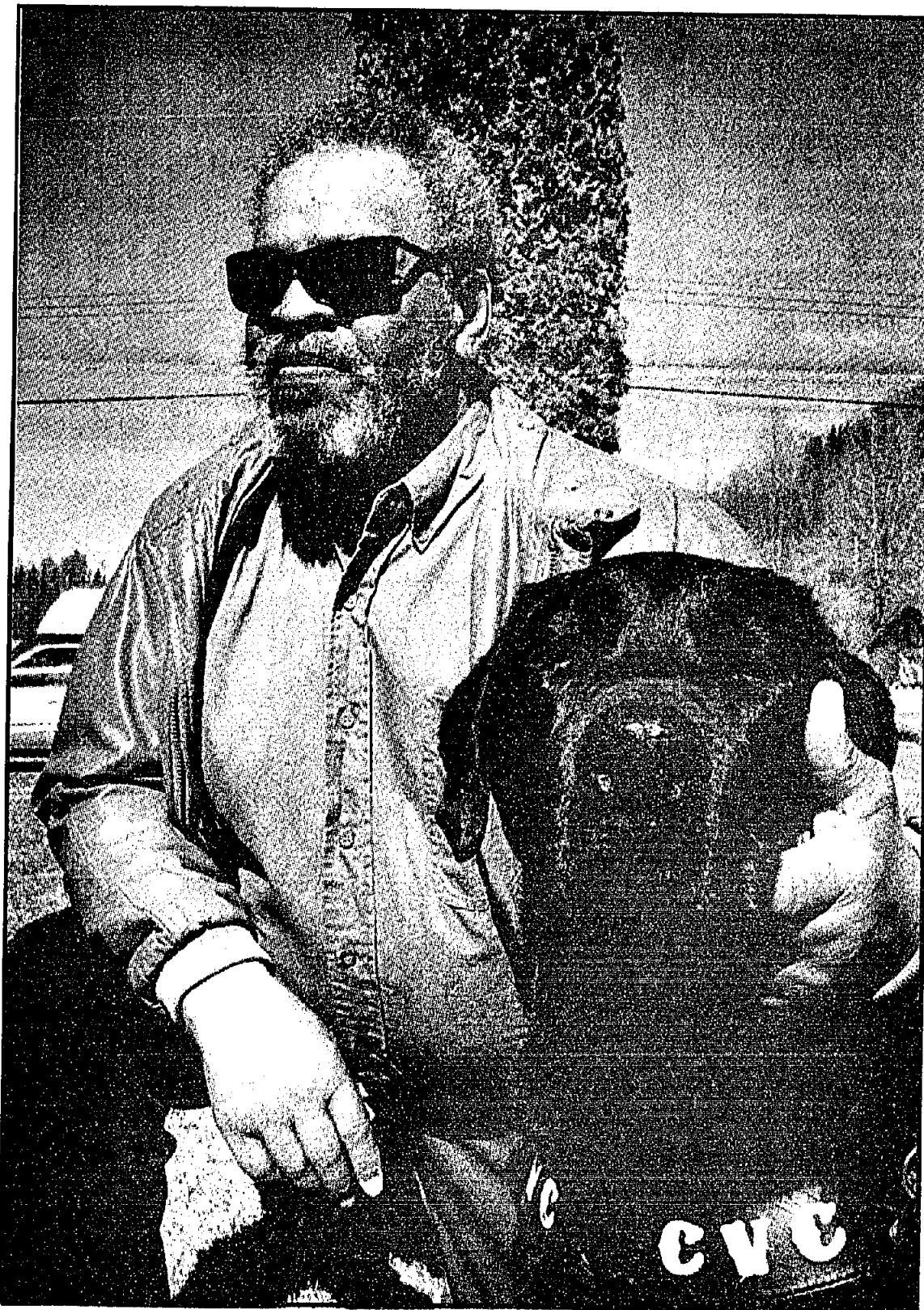
Almost immediately Cooke put his name on a waiting list for a seeing eye dog.

After two years of waiting Cooke finally got word that a dog was available to him through an organization called Canine Vision Canada.

Cooke flew to Oakville, Ontario, where he spent a month at a special training school with Hayden.

It's been almost two months since Hayden and Cooke paired up and so far so good.

As Terrace's only seeing eye dog Hayden attracts a lot of attention. And the only problem Cooke has had has been with people who



HAYDEN is a seeing eye dog for Terrace resident Vincent Cooke. While the two-year-old black lab loves to play, it sometimes makes it difficult for the pooch to concentrate on his job.

can't resist petting the black lab. "If someone starts playing with the dog that's just taking his mind off the job," said Cooke.

Hayden is more than just a guide for Cooke; he is also quickly becoming a friend. "He's good company. When I

go for a walk I'm with somebody," says Cooke. "He gets me there safe and keeps me walking in a straight line."

## Unions nix SCI export

Job commissioner backs plan

By JEFF NAGEL

A DEAL to let Skeena Cellulose export raw logs is unravelling because of opposition from its unionized workers.

Four unions representing workers at SCI's Prince Rupert pulp mill and sawmills in Terrace, Carnaby and Smithers say they oppose exporting raw logs.

"Export of unprocessed resources provides no economic benefit to our members or our communities," said a letter last week to the premier from the IWA, PPWC, and the Communications, Energy and Paperworkers.

The economic plan crafted by job protection commissioner Eric van Soeren would let Skeena Cellulose export 10 per cent of the wood it cuts this year, and up to 15 per cent over five years.

That would cut SCI's logging costs and let it operate more than otherwise possible while markets are poor.

Van Soeren said the forests ministry is ready to sign and he has agreement-in-principle from Port Edward and Prince Rupert town councils, which would agree to on-going property tax deferrals.

But he said those municipalities are now under pressure from the unions to withdraw support.

"Now they're being lobbied to reconsider," he said. The jobs commissioner backs limited log exports as a way to keep people working although unions believe exporting logs equates to exporting jobs.

Logs exported overseas fetch much higher prices.

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## Return of school boss uncertain

THERE'S STILL no word on when Herb Fader will return to his superintendent's post at the Coast Mountains School District.

Fader has been on sick leave since February, and no one's saying how long he'll be off the job.

"All we know is, he's away," said acting superintendent Randy Smallbrugge.

It's not even known if Fader will be able to return before the end of the school year.

"We don't know," Smallbrugge said. "We're prepared to move ahead, and we're prepared to do what we have to do in case he comes back here. We're all kind of in a holding pattern."

Fader, hired just last year and who came with a reputation as a person who could reconcile diverse groups of people, was living in a small trailer. It has since been removed.

No permanent plans have been made to deal with Fader's absence.

"We can't because the guy's away ill and we have to assume he'll be back," Smallbrugge said.

In the meantime, administrators have had to shuffle into temporary po-



Herb Fader

sitions to ensure work gets done.

Hazelton Secondary School principal Vic Dikaitis has been named temporary director of instruction, a position that involves some of Smallbrugge's regular duties.

Dikaitis has taught all grades in both small and large schools, board chair Linda Campbell said.

He has extensive experience as a principal and superintendent of schools in both B.C. and Alberta, she added.

Instructor Scott Stewart has been named acting Hazelton principal. An on-call teacher is filling in for him in the classroom.

## Landing system looks good

ILS would slash number of missed flights at airport

NAV CANADA has indicated it's very close to approving an instrument landing system (ILS) for the Terrace airport.

The word came in the form of a letter in which the not-for-profit air navigation agency concludes a precision approach using instruments is possible here.

"This is a major step forward and very good news for us," airport manager Rick Reed said.

An instrument landing system is expected to eliminate 75 per cent of missed approaches to this airport in inclement weather.

The project involves moving the existing

localizer beacon so it's in line with the runway, and installation of a glide path indicator.

Reed said Nav Canada still has to ensure the localizer will still have the same signal strength from its new location.

After that, it depends on how quickly the project - which could cost from \$500,000 to \$1 million - is put into Nav Canada's budget.

Reed's hopeful it could be finished for next winter.

"We won't count on it until we see the cement being poured," he added.

The airport has been lobbying strongly since



Rick Reed

last summer for an ILS here.

Reed said Transport Canada and Nav Canada both called soon after Skeena MP Andy Burton raised the issue in the House of Commons and asked transport minister David Collette to act.

Putting in the ILS will also mean some tree cutting on the west side of the runway and on Punk Rock, a knob on Little Herman Mountain. He said the airport will also be required to upgrade its runway approach lighting if it gets an ILS.

That will cost the airport an estimated \$350,000, but 95 per cent of the bill will be covered by a Transport Canada grant.

## Election In Brief

### Familiar haunt

THEY JUST can't stay away. For the third election in a row, the NDP is setting up shop for Helmut Giesbrecht's campaign on Lazelle Ave. in office space on the first floor of the Tillicum Twin Theatre building.

That's where Larry Guno had his offices in last year's federal campaign and it was where Isaac Sobol worked out of in the federal campaign of 1997.

And it's not far from where Helmut Giesbrecht ran his 1996 provincial re-election campaign. The offices were in the small structure now containing the Big Brothers and Big Sisters offices right beside the theatre building.

Roger Harris and the Liberals are in the old Co-op building and have been there since January. Their office was officially opened when opposition leader Gordon Campbell paid a visit to Terrace.

### Rolling right along

BOB ERB is spending this week ensuring he gets the right paperwork together in order to be the B.C. Marijuana Party's candidate in the election.

The Terrace resident said he has the required number of signatures and it's now a matter of getting them approved.

In advance of that, Erb is playing host this weekend to Marc Emery, the president of the marijuana party and its leader, Brian Taylor.

All three will be at public drop in April 22 at the Carpenters Hall on Sparks between 2 and 5 p.m.

## Writer claims top award

THE TERRACE STANDARD's senior reporter has received the top honour for newswriting in 2000 from parent company Cariboo Press.

Jeff Nagel took first place in the newswriting category in awards presented April 7 in Williams Lake for a body of work published last year.

Nagel broke the story of controversial plans to build a new road route across northern B.C. to access the Kemess gold mine and covered an around-the-world roadster rally's passage through the region.

But it was his story of the naming of the Great Bear Rainforest and how it was used to market the preservation of B.C.'s central coast that clinched the award.

"His story on how environmentalists have renamed a vast area of wilderness to boost donations for their cause has international appeal and demonstrates a knack for skepticism and exposing the story behind the story," the judges said.

Although published last year, the article is as relevant as ever now that the province plans to create the Spirit Bear Protected Area on the central coast as a preserve for Kermode bears.

You can read Nagel's article on-line at [www.terracestandard.com](http://www.terracestandard.com)

Cariboo Press is the parent company of *The Terrace Standard*. It has 26 newspapers throughout the north, in the Cariboo, in the north Okanagan and down into the Kootenays.

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## From front SCI exports opposed

Therefore one log exported can reduce SCI's cost of logging nine more logs that it would cut in its mills.

That, says van Soeren, helps those mills and logging operations keep running and avoid shutdowns.

He also pointed out SCI is often an importer of logs from Alaska.

"The only time I've been at the Terrace mill they were busy cutting wood that had come in from Alaska," he said. "To me it's a little bit illogical to be working on logs that have been imported but at the same time say you can't export any."

Van Soeren said the government likely won't approve a plan that doesn't have the support of workers.

"If the unions simply will not accept exports, I don't have any other rabbits up my sleeve," he said.

Five other economic plans - four allowing raw log exports - have been approved for other companies in this region with non-union workers, van Soeren said.

The plans allowing raw log exports stem from the creation by the government of a northwest forest strategy last December that approved special aid for this region.

Without a break in the union impasse SCI may be one of the only companies in the region that won't be able to take advantage of it.

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National Volunteer Week is quickly gaining recognition as an essential civic and community event that is celebrated by all sectors of society.

National Volunteer Week is significant because the work of volunteers impacts virtually every aspect of society, including health, education, social services, youth, culture, sports and recreation, the arts, and the environment.

This week is also important because it helps many agencies recruit new volunteers and retain those who are already involved.

The objective of National Volunteer Week are two-fold:  
 • Raise awareness about the vital contribution volunteers make and continue to make to Canadian communities and to society as a whole.  
 • To thank and honour Canada's past and present volunteers.

To raise awareness of the contributions volunteers make in the community, the Terrace Volunteer Bureau will be in the Trade Show from April 27th - 29th. Drop by to say hi.

This year National Volunteer Week 2001 celebrates the spirit and energy of youth volunteers. This special week also marks the launch of the Canadian International Year of Volunteers (IYV) 2001 youth campaign - that makes twice the excitement to youth volunteers and the agencies that serve them.

Young people represent the future of volunteerism in Canada. Young people between the ages of 15 and 24 are the fastest growing sector of volunteers. Their volunteer participation rate almost doubled from 1987 to 1997. Canadian youth recognize that volunteering offers them an opportunity to develop work-place skills and explore career interests. Young people see volunteering as a great way to improve job opportunities.

During National Volunteer Week 2001 all Canadians can celebrate the commitment of our youth volunteers. Make time in the week of April 22nd to 28th to recognize and thank the young people who touch the lives of so many. Thank them for their willingness to learn, the fresh perspective they bring to tasks, their exuberance and their compassion.

Listen to their reasons for volunteering. Celebrate the value of each young person's contribution and the combined efforts of over 7.5 million Canadian volunteers. As a focal point of International Year of Volunteers 2001, National Volunteer Week helps all Canadians appreciate

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Steve Shaver takes passion, commitment to Comox

# Eye specialist leaves town

ON STEVE Shaver's last day in the operating room at Mills Memorial Hospital, he did eight eye operations. Then he had pizza and cake.

The food came courtesy of the operating room nurses in recognition of the ophthalmologist's short stay in Terrace.

Shaver, who took over Dr. Tom Nagy's practice last summer when Nagy temporarily moved to Edmonton to work, left late last week to join another ophthalmologist in the Comox-Courtenay area of Vancouver Island.

Fresh from 18 years of post secondary education in Ottawa, which included a PhD and training at teaching hospitals, Shaver and his family arrived in Terrace last summer for his first real job.

Speaking before his departure, Shaver said he and his family relished the idea of practising ophthalmology in the northwest.

"This is the kind of area in which we wanted to be," said Shaver. "We love the people here."

Shaver signed a restrictive covenant requiring Nagy's approval to stay and practice once Nagy returned.

Shaver didn't want to talk about why he's going. "Let's just say it wasn't an option for me to stay," he said.

Nagy, who resumed his practice here yesterday, confirmed the details of the restrictive covenant which is a common enough business practice.

But he doubts if the restriction could ever be enforced. In any event Nagy adds, Shaver never broached the idea of him staying.

"He never approached me about staying here - to make that happen," says Nagy.

Regardless of how the two specialists feel about the details of their business relationship, they

both agree there is a need for two ophthalmologists in the northwest.

"There is enough business, but not enough resources," said Nagy referring to budgets and operating room time.

"This is something that would require [health] ministry approval," said Shaver.

Shaver's arrival last summer did raise hopes there could be two eye specialists practising in the northwest, an area that's regarded as underserved in this specialty.

Up until the middle part of the last decade, ophthalmology was offered on a limited scale at Wrinch Memorial Hospital in Hazelton.

When that service closed, an agreement was reached to transfer it to Terrace and it took root when Tom Nagy came here.

Faced with antiquated equipment, Nagy rallied support from service clubs and other organizations around the northwest and soon, up-to-date equipment was on hand.

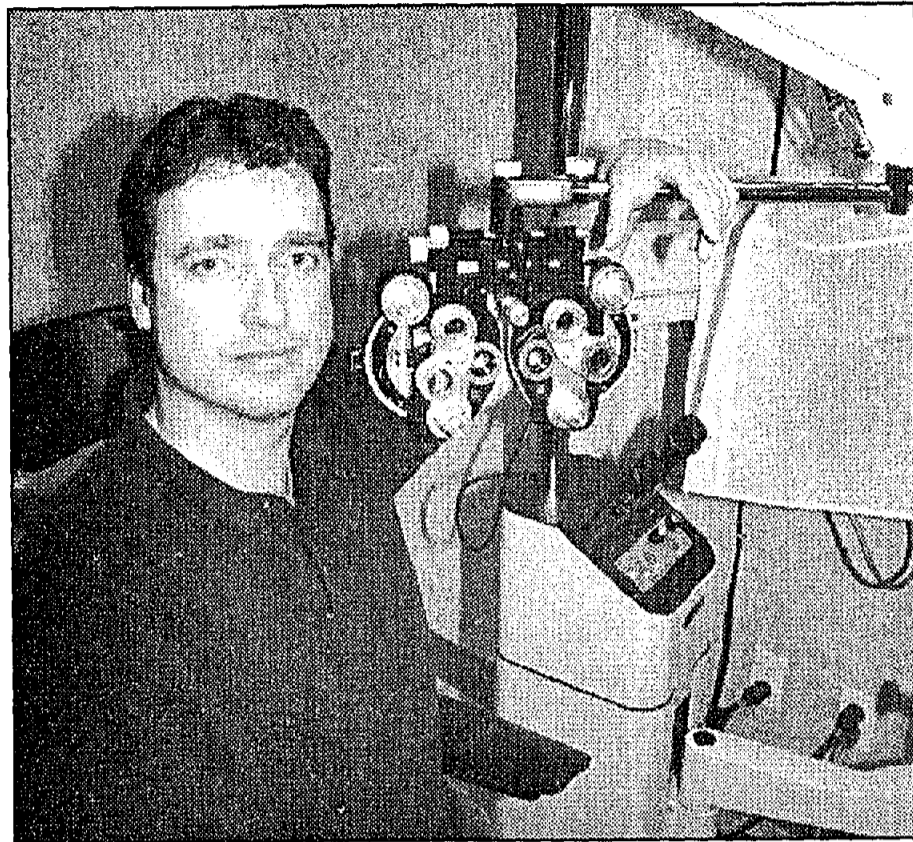
That still left the matter of an adequate operating room budget and operating room time at Mills Memorial.

And it was here that Shaver met his first test on literally his first day in town last summer.

The test came in the form of a memo from Mills indicating that due to budget restrictions, the number of eye procedures would have to be trimmed during each operating room session. If that didn't happen, eye surgery money would run out by late December.

The memo spurred Shaver into action and he organized support for more eye surgery time and money.

Terrace Health Watch and others took up the cause as an example of lack of financing for a spe-



DR. STEVE Shaver wrapped up a short stay as the region's only ophthalmologist last week. He and his family are relocating to the Comox area of Vancouver Island. Although only here a short while, Shaver became known as a very public advocate of increased medical services for rural and remote areas.

cialty medical service in the northwest.

Shaver quickly became one of the more recognizable and passionate local physicians in the campaign for more services.

He spoke at several rallies, including the massive one at the R.E.M. Lee Theatre last fall where the crowd overflowed the building and spilled outside.

Shaver also broke ranks with the traditional secrecy that cloaks the politics of medicine. He felt other surgeons here wanted more operating room time for themselves at the expense of ophthalmology.

With surgeons on one side of him and the hospital on the other, Shaver said he felt like the "piggy in the middle."

He later qualified his position by saying the larger issue was the overall lack of money to provide for sufficient operating

room time for all surgical specialties.

Ophthalmology surgery did receive more money in the hospital's last budget and there's been more time given allocated, at least for now, because of cancellations by other surgical specialists.

"I still believe ophthalmology receives less than a fair share of the OR time, but since January, it has improved," Shaver said last week.

"The wait list has gone down to an acceptable level and I must say I have zero complaints."

Again, while the two eye surgeons may disagree on some fronts, Nagy concurs with Shaver's assessment of how operating room time is handled.

Shaver readily admits to being naive when he moved here last year.

Since then, he says he's learned much about the

politics surrounding medicine and of the difficulties of finding and keeping physicians and nurses.

"All those calls and letters from people do help. They really mean something. I know people such as Health Watch wonder if they're doing any good, but they do," he said.

"People in this area really care. There's a spirit here."

Shaver hopes to find that kind of spirit in Comox.

He expects to continue his interest in promoting medical services in more rural and isolated areas by offering competitive and equal salaries for physicians and nurses.

"What offends me is that I hear over and over again that physicians don't want to live in rural areas. That's poo-poo. That's poo-poo."

## News In Brief

### Nurse course shelved

NORTHWEST COMMUNITY College has had to cancel plans to offer a registered nurse refresher course here.

Not enough interest was shown in Terrace or in the northwest, says college official Barb Sheridan. "We needed a minimum of eight people and we might have squeezed by with six, but the most that we got willing to apply was three," she said.

The provincial government late last year put aside money for registered nurse refresher programs as part of its massive Health Action Plan.

Refresher programs are intended for nurses who haven't worked in a clinical setting for between five and 15 years.

They're regarded as one way to quickly put more nurses back to work and to fill vacant positions and relieve workplace stress.

Nurses do independent and classroom study followed by placements in health care institutions to bring their skills up to date for a re-entry into the workforce.

If this program had gone ahead, Northwest Community College would have run it under the auspices of Malaspina University College in Nanaimo which has the required accreditation.

An official from the advanced education ministry, which finances colleges, said the refresher spaces which had been allocated here will now go to refresher programs elsewhere.

"There was dedicated money in the Health Action Plan for nurses and it can't be used for anything else," said Nikki McCallum.

### Money for youth

DISADVANTAGED youth in the Terrace area are getting programs to help them through a \$50,000 from the provincial government for employment training.

The program provides youth between 15 and 29 with training in communication, time management, safe food handling, interview skills and other tools to better equip them to find work, says a press release from the community development ministry.

The money is earmarked to provide 100 local youth with the one-year training, counselling and mentoring program.

The non-profit society training agency called InterConnect will provide the program.

### Tech money coming to friendship centres

ABORIGINAL friendship centres around the province will get a total of \$850,000 from Victoria to hook up to the Internet.

The Raven youth technology program is to create up to 24 full-time jobs and help develop hi tech skills for aboriginal youth.

The students would get on-the-job training and certification in systems and computer applications in each of the centres.

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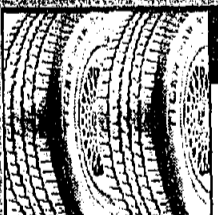
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
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## Revive Gimpy

HE WAS a fixture for years along the Kalum Lake Road leading north of Terrace. He was recognizable, not only because he was a Kermode bear but, because of some injury, he had a limp.

That limp brought about his nickname, Gimpy. Gimpy came to a tragic end, the victim of a person with a rifle who shot him in a case of mistaken identity.

Yet Gimpy lives on. He was stuffed and mounted and for the longest time was on display in the environment ministry section of the provincial government access centre on Eby.

Gimpy has since been moved to a back area, away from public viewing. It's now time to bring back Gimpy into the limelight.

Given that the provincial government has now created a protected area for Gimpy's antecedents, interest in the Kermode bear has grown tremendously. And given that Terrace abounds with images of the Kermode and given that the name is used frequently by businesses and other organizations, it is just and fitting that Gimpy himself is once again placed before the public.

He would make a suitable ambassador for the area, a symbol that would quickly be taken up by visitors. What tourist wouldn't want his or her picture taken with Gimpy?

This raises the question of a proper place for Gimpy. We suggest the Terrace and District Chamber of Commerce's tourist information centre on Hwy16. It is already the place where visitors go for assistance and information. Having Gimpy there would only add to the mix.

## Talk it out

SURE, WE beat them in the War of 1812. Heck, we even sacked and burned Washington, D.C. But that's not likely to happen again.

Which leaves litigation or negotiations as two routes to ensure Canadian softwood access into the United States.

Litigation is expensive and time-consuming. Besides, we've already tried that several times over softwood. And even though Canada was successful in the past, the Americans kept rewriting the rules. There's no guarantee that won't happen again.

That leaves negotiations. One of our strengths as a country is that we're good talkers. We're also good at making friends. Combine these and we're bound to make inroads. We need to keep arguing that if trade between Canada and the United States is supposed to be free, a tariff on our softwood is wrong.

More importantly, we need to make friends with American consumers. Americans, like anybody, hate to pay more for something if they don't have to. A tariff on our softwood would do just that.



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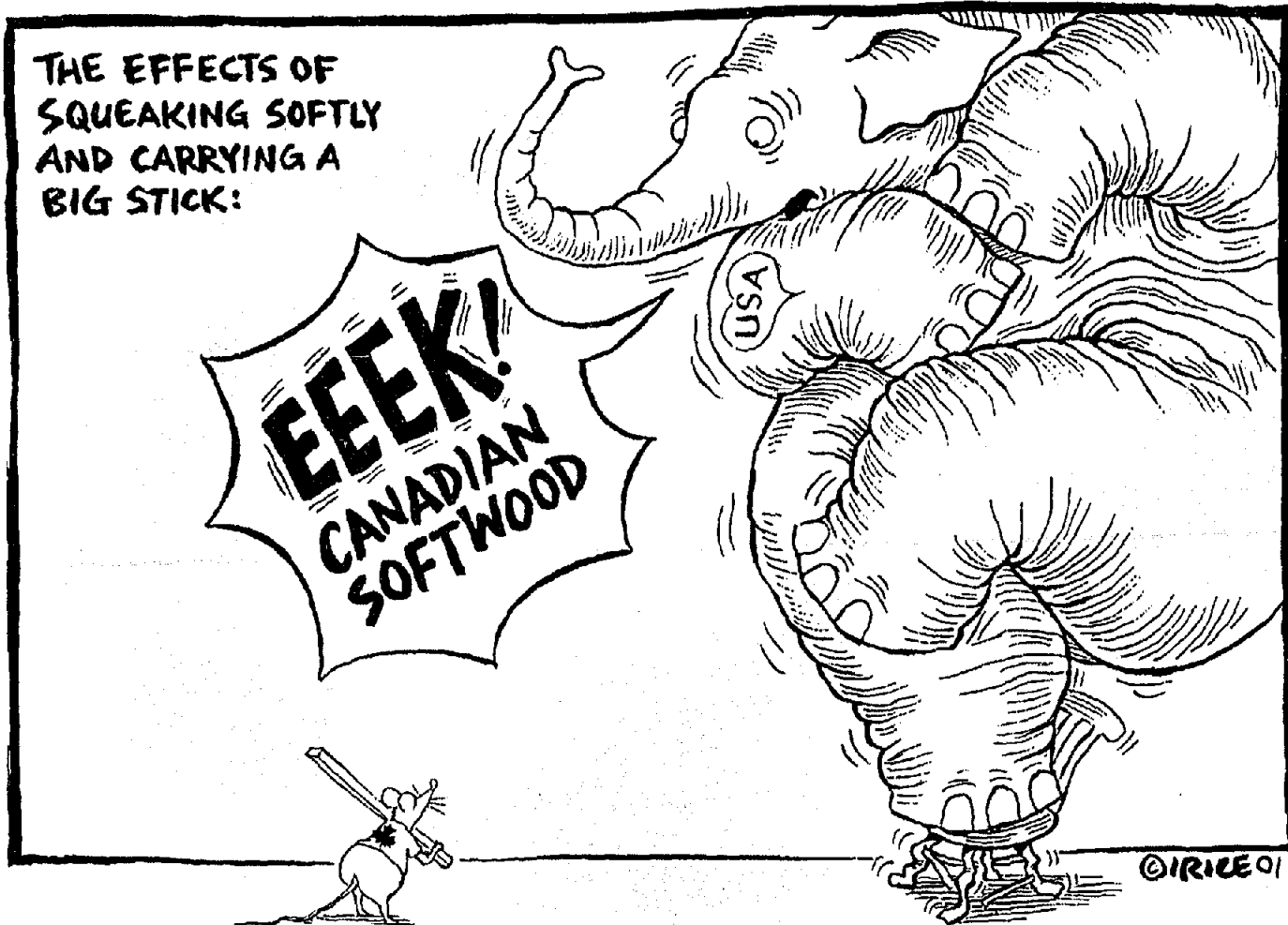
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## Mural removal simply unfounded

VICTORIA - The vandals are preparing to storm the B.C. Legislature, armed not with battle axes, swords, bows and burning arrows, but with their wretched handbooks of political correctness and revisionism.

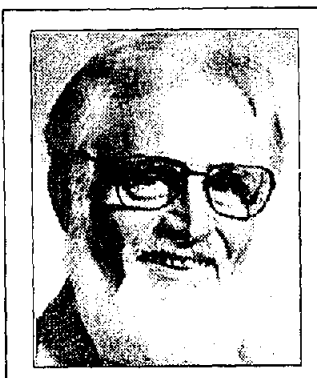
The object of the revisionists, wrath is a four-panel mural in the rotunda of the B.C. Legislative Building depicting natives working on the construction of Fort Victoria.

The most controversial of the panels shows aboriginal men and women, the latter bare-breasted. The mural came first under fire some years back. That time, it was mostly the bare breasts that were deemed offensive. This time, the mural is said to depict natives as slaves.

The current hot potato landed in the NDP government's lap a while back. Not wanting to make a decision one way or another, the government appointed an advisory panel of art and history experts, as well as native representation, to look into the matter and make a recommendation as to the mural's future.

Now the "experts" have recommended that the mural be removed. There have been timid suggestions that the mural be removed intact, if possible, and displayed elsewhere.

The mural was painted by George Southwell in the 1930s. Southwell trained as



FROM THE CAPITAL  
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an artist in London, England, specializing in historical paintings, landscapes and portraits.

In 1932, provincial secretary S. L. Howe commissioned Southwell to paint the mural as a personal gift to be paid for by Howe.

The advisory panel says the subjects of the mural are poorly researched.

There is no proof that native women ever went topless.

"But regardless of its accuracy or lack thereof, the people's house for all British Columbians ought not to be the location for works of art that cause offence and shame to any part of the people of the province," says the panel's report.

Is it possible, these guys came back just in time for their report from advising a certain mullah on what to do with the Buddha statues that were so offensive to the Taliban?

Art appreciation is more

often than not subjective. What appeals to some leaves others cold. I am not trained to say whether the mural is good or bad art, but art it is and it has been part of the province's history for nearly 70 years.

I have seen the mural almost daily for the past 18 years, but after the panel's report, I looked at it again, this time closely.

Any suggestion that the natives are depicted as slaves is ludicrous. They are shown working, no more, no less.

The very suggestion that a work of art be removed because it no longer represents the social fabric of the day is highly offensive and dangerous.

If this criterion were applied the world's art would be ransacked.

We may as well give middle east nations the go ahead to demolish Christian churches and shrines that serve as reminders of the crusades, not the most glorious chapter in Christianity's history.

"We couldn't see it in our hearts to perpetuate pain and suffering," said Victoria-based aboriginal artist Art Thompson, a member of the advisory panel.

"How would you feel if I said I'm going to take your daughter today and paint her naked and hang that in a public place? How would you feel about that?" he said.

Pain and suffering? Really now. The women depicted in

the mural existed only in the imagination of the artist who painted them more than half a century after Fort Victoria was built. They weren't Thompson's or anyone else's daughters.

No controversy is complete without an academic or two weighing in. In this case, Bill Zuk, a University of Victoria professor who specializes in art in public places, says public art should evolve to reflect current values.

"Times have changed. People are more sensitive to multi-cultural issues of the day and we have to honour and respect that," he says.

To that end, I have a suggestion. There is another display in which loggers take great pride in cutting down huge first-growth trees. That's no longer the flavour of the day. Let's get rid of that, too.

And I believe I have also seen paintings of whale hunts in museums. Burn 'em, I say.

The whole idea of removing the mural is reprehensible. And by the way, the cost of doing so is estimated at \$280,000.

But if the legislative management committee, comprising MLAs from both sides of the House, does decide to get rid of the mural, I'm sure the mullah can spare a demolition crew.

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## Keeping track is a huge job

YOU MAY be the world's best filing clerk, but when it comes to your keeping a one-of-a-category item, and I'll bet you can't find it on the first try six months later

In our house, filing has always fallen to me, for several reasons. For years I made my living as a secretary; filing was part of the job description. Be default, paying bills and all that entails has been my bailiwick. Mainly, I like knowing exactly where to find things and as the expression goes, if you want something done right, you've got to do it your self.

For most things, I can file with the best. Need a phone bill from 1993? Want to compare this month's natural gas bill with a propane bill from eight years ago? I can even reach for a vacuum cleaner bag at a moment of need.

But where, or where, did I



THROUGH BIFOCALS  
 CLAUDETTE SANDECKI

put the tea leaf basket we bought in October? Or the box of 500 window envelopes printed on standby?

Most of my problem comes from deciding how best to categorize an item. For instance, the tea leaf basket. If I store it in the teapot, will I look for it there supposing I want to brew a single cup? Should it go in the

drawer with the cookie cutters and rolling pin?

Or should I snuggle it in between the coffee mugs and trust it won't roll off and bounce from the counter to the floor?

In my younger days, I would have bought a replacement tea leaf basket, and ordered another 500 envelopes. Now I try to invent better methods for keeping track.

I could use ways that work for keeping track of inventory in the shop: content lists on the inside of cupboard doors, on the ends of shelves, and under tables. Or a file folder with notes on items, their amounts, and their hiding places.

My prime rule is never change the location of anything. Once a filing spot has been selected, stick with it, no matter how incongruous others deem it.

This worry about losing track of unusual items paralyzes me at income tax time. Here I am, my desk littered with papers, cash register slips, handwritten notes, reminders, government supplied labels, rows of tallied figures. If I lose any part of it, I'll be in tears and arrears.

At the end of each working session I corral every scrap in an oversized envelope boldly labelled as though for someone visually impaired.

After that, I circle the room like a returning jewel thief searching for that one loose brick.

This year our granddaughters opted for gift certificates for craft supplies rather than chocolates. Heaven help me if I lost track of them. After sorting through associations, I clipped the certificates in the chequebook. Surely I'll find them there ... in time.



THE 2001 PACIFIC Northwest Music Festival, held in Terrace March 26 to April 7, has wrapped up for another year.

The festival is one of the largest performing arts festivals in the province, attracting more than 2,000 performers from the region.

As a community service, we are providing a list of award winners. Results may also be viewed at the festival's website: [www.kermode.net/musicfest2001/](http://www.kermode.net/musicfest2001/)

Congratulations to all the entrants, and to the many committed volunteers, businesses and individuals who supported the festival.

# Performers shine at Music Festival

Events draw more than 2,000 participants to Terrace

## Piano awards

Highest Mark Junior Pianoforte, under 12, Marilyn Davies Trophy: **Tamlyn Tabata and Andrea Pedro**

Highest Mark Senior Pianoforte, 12 and over, Carlyle Shepherd & Co. Award - \$100: **Kat-Yi Pang**

Highest mark Bach, Grades 1-6, Frank Froese Memorial Award - \$50: **Sarah Barber**

Highest Mark Bach, Grades 7 - Open, Eugene H. Thomas Award - \$75: **Marlee Emery**

Highest Mark Baroque Composers, Grades 1 - 4 Ronald McDonald Pianoforte Award - \$50: **Indra Egan**

Highest Mark Baroque Composers, Grades 5 - Open, Noteworthy Piano Service Award - \$75: **Amanda Chan**

Highest Mark Mozart & Haydn, Grades 1-4, Dairyworld Foods Trophy: **Rachel Barber**

Highest Mark Mozart & Haydn, Grades 5 - Open, Wightman & Smith Award - \$75: **Caitlin Keenan**

Highest Mark German Romantics, Warner Bandstra Brown Award - \$100: **Jamie Norton**

Highest Mark Romantics, other than German, J. Coosemans Award - \$75: **Pamela Vandeveld**

Highest Mark Beethoven, Prince Rupert Rotary Club Award - \$75: **Tamlyn Tabata**

Highest Mark Chopin, Dr. H. Murphy Award - \$75: **Jamie Norton**

Highest Mark Sonatinas, Grades 1-4, Terrace Rotary Club Award - \$50: **Jill Haworth**

Highest Mark Sonatinas, Grades 5, Open, Emerson Clinic Award - \$75: **Katherine Punnet**

Highest Mark French Impressionists, Pizza Hut Award - \$75: **Caitlin Keenan**

Highest Mark 20th Century Composers, Grades 1-3, Terrace Kinetite Club Trophy: **Brian Payne**

Highest Mark 20th Century Composers, Grades 4-6, Terrace Kinsmen Award - \$50: **Jocelyn de Walle**

Highest Mark 20th Century Composers, Dr. W. Redpath Award - \$75: **Marlee Emery**

Highest Mark Canadian Composers, Grades 1-3, All Seasons Sporting Goods Trophy: **Della Orrey**

Highest Mark Canadian Composers, Grades 4-Open, Allan Dubeau Award - \$100: **Sarah Wyatt**

Highest Mark Conservatory, Introductory - Grade 2, Janet Felber Trophy: **David Norton**

Highest Mark Conservatory, Grades 3-6, Royal Canadian Legion Award - \$50: **Nadia Ouellet**

Highest Mark Conservatory, Grades 7 - Open, Norton Family Award - \$75: **Heather Carlos**

Highest Mark Older Beginners, R. Lowrie Award - \$75: **Marie-Isabelle Claveau**

Highest Mark Sonata, Concerto and Concert Group, Elan Travel (Kitimat) Award - \$100: **Alana Butler**

Highest Mark Piano Duets, L. Farber Memorial Award - \$150: **Pamela Vandeveld/Erin Fisher**

**Vocal Awards**  
Highest Mark Vocal Solo, Junior, Ronald McDonald Vocal Award - \$50: **Sarah Smaha**

Highest Mark Vocal Solo, Intermediate, Ginny Lowrie Vocal Award - \$75, Vocal Conservatory Classes, Telus Award - \$100, Music Theatre, 14 to Open, the Davidson Family Award - \$100: **Pamela Bahr**

Highest Mark Vocal Solo, Senior, Totem Furniture and Appliances Award - \$100: **Jamie Uyesugi**

Highest Mark Sacred and Oratorio, Lindsey Mediation & Law Office Award - \$75, Music Theatre, 13 and Under, Steve's Salvage Award, \$75: **Melissa Bahr**

Highest Mark Music Theatre-Duets, Trios or Ensembles, Lyshaug Vocal Award-\$150: **Katrina O'Byrne & Adam Kerby**

**Choral Awards (Adjudicators' Choice)**  
Senior & open Choirs, Prince Rupert Rotary Club Award - \$100: **Northwest Singers**

Elementary School Choir, Brian Mitchell Memorial Trophy: **Annunciation School Glee Club**

Secondary School Choir, Bank of Montreal Trophy: **Caledonia Vocal Jazz**

**Speech Arts Awards**  
Highest Mark Choral Speaking, Kindergarten-Grade 3, Michael Strymecki Memorial Trophy: **Veritas School, Grade 3**

Highest Mark Choral Speaking, Grade 4-6, Royal Bank Trophy: **Centennial Christian School, Gr. 6**

Highest Mark Spoken Poetry (Dramatic), 5-8 years, Terrace Rotary Club Trophy: **Shane Bodie**

Highest Mark Spoken Poetry (Dramatic), 9-12 years, Dr. M.R. Kenyon Award - \$75, Vesta Douglas Award \$100, (Prose): **Kirsten Pereira**

Highest Mark Spoken Poetry (Dramatic), 13 years-Open, A&W Speech Award - \$100, Spoken Poetry (Lyric), 13-to Open, Mike and Joan Brady Award \$100: **Jennifer MacKay/Naila Manji**

Highest Mark Spoken Poetry (Lyric), 5-8 years, Robin McColl Memorial Trophy: **Rebecca Essau**

Highest Mark Spoken Poetry (Lyric), 9-12 years, Misty River Books Award (Books): **Leah McKay**

Highest Mark Canadian Poetry, National Car Rentals Trophy: **Briana Pellegrino**

Highest Mark Bible Reading, Terrace Ministerial Association Award (Bible): **Tianna Pedro**

Highest Mark Dramatic Scene, Terrace Little Theatre Trophy; Highest Mark in Storytelling, Kitimat Concert Association Award - \$100: **Naila Manji**



LIGHT ON HER FEET: Intermediate scholarship winner dancer Kristine Michiel took part in the Gala Performance and Awards Night April 7.

Highest Mark Public Speaking-11 years and Under, The Eila and Glenys George Trophy & Award - \$50: **Alison McCleary**

Highest Mark Public Speaking-12 years to Open, Comfort Award - \$75: **Ken Adair**

Highest Mark Dramatic Poetry Duos or Trios, Crampton Personal Law Corp. Award - \$100: **Lenay Smith & Leigh Haworth**

**Instrumental Awards**  
Highest Mark Classical Guitar Solo, Junior, T. Tchernousoff Trophy: **Harjog Mattu**

Highest Mark Classical Guitar Solo, Intermediate, Anne Hill Trophy: **Kevin Perras**

Highest Mark Classical Guitar Conservatory, Dr. & Mrs. Appleton award - \$50: **Harjog Mattu and Kevin Perras**

Strings Solo, Grade 1-4, Carters Jewellers Trophy: **Dylan Powell**

Highest Mark Guitar Duets, Trios or Ensembles, Jamie Norton Wayne Braid (Notary Public) award - \$100: **Taylor Haynes/Justin Murray Nash Park and Graeme Austin**

Highest Mark Strings Solo, Grades 5 - Open, Royal Canadian Legion (Ladies Auxiliary) Award-\$125; Strongs Conservatory Classes, Omineca Medical Laboratories Award \$75: **Jamie Norton**

Highest Mark Strings Duet, Trios or Ensembles, The Terrace Symphony Award - \$100: **Brinn Powell/Elizabeth Greenwood**

Highest Mark Brass Solo, Junior and Intermediate, Adam Engineering Award - \$50: **Melissa Bahr**

Highest Mark Brass Solo, Senior and Open, Elan Travel (Terrace) Award-\$100: **Darren Bohle**

Highest Mark Brass Conservatory Classes, Terrace Rotary Award-\$75: **Katrina O'Byrne**

Highest Mark Brass Duets, Trios or Ensembles, Dr. G. Linton Award-\$100: **Thornhill Junior Secondary Brass Quintet**

Highest Mark Woodwind Solo, Junior & Intermediate, Bank of Montreal Award - \$50: **Stacey Zorn**

Highest Mark Woodwind Solo, Senior and Open, Dr. B.L. Phillips Award - \$100; Woodwind Conservatory, Acadia Northwest Mechanical Inc. Award-\$100: **Pamela Sharma**

Highest Mark Woodwind Duets, Trios or Ensembles, Terrace Concert Society Award - \$100: **Jessica Hovanes/Pamela Sharma**

Highest Mark Sonata, Concert Group or Concerto, Prince Rupert Rotary Club Award - \$100: **Tracey Kumpolt**

Highest Mark Concert Ensemble Group, Copperside Foods Award-\$100: **Terrace Flute Quintet**

**Band Awards (Adjudicators' Choice)**  
Grade 7 or 8 Band with the most enthusiasm and musicality, The Terrace Community Band Trophy: **Skeena Grade 8 Concert Band**

Level B200 and B300, The McDonalds Trophy: **Thornhill Junior Secondary Concert Band**

Level B400, The Alcan Trophy: **Skeena Grade 9/10 Concert Band**

Level B500 and B600, The XI Beta Mu Trophy: **Caledonia Concert Band**

Junior Stage Band, The McDaniel Trophy: **Thornhill Junior Secondary School Jazz Band**

Senior Stage Band, Dr. R.E.M. Lee Award - \$100: **Prince Rupert Senior Jazz Ensemble**

**Dance Awards**  
Highest Mark Classical Ballet Solo, 9 years and Under, Prince Rupert Community Arts Council Trophy: **Racheal Lamb-Yorski**

Highest Mark Classical Ballet Solo, 10-12 years, Northern Conservatory of Dance Award - \$75: **Alyssa Repole**

Highest Mark Classical Ballet Solo, 13 years to Open, The Woodd Family Award - \$100: **Laura Drea**

Highest Mark Classical Ballet Duets, Trios or Groups, Eleanor O'Boyle Award - \$100: **Company N.C.D. - "Dracula"**

Highest Mark Tap & Jazz Dance Solo, 10 years and Under, Dr. & Mrs. Appleton (\$50): **Shayna Scott**

Intermediate Tap and Jazz Dance Solo, 11-13 years, Central Flowers Award - \$75: **Kristine Michiel**

Highest Mark, Northern Conservatory of Dance Award, Bl Steak and Seafood Grill

Award; Modern Dance Solo Student Choreography, Terpsichore's Trophy-\$100: **Hans Seidemann**

Highest Mark Variety Dance Solo, Northern Conservatory of Dance Award - \$75: **Marco Arimare**

Highest Mark Stage Dance Duets & Trios, 13 & Under, Spectrum City Dance Award - \$75: **Joel Carlson and Kendall Segin**

Highest Mark Stage Dance Groups, Junior Rotary Club of Terrace Trophy: **E-Motion "Hot Lunch"**

Highest Mark Stage Dance Groups, Intermediate, Canadian Tire Award-\$100: **Matrix "Check It Out"**

Highest Mark Stage Dance Groups, Senior, Lindsey Mediation & Law Office Award - \$150: **E-Motion "Zappa"**

Highest Mark Song & Dance or Music Theatre Dance Solo, Prince Rupert Rotary Club Award - \$75: **Kelly Grainger/Hannah Kantola**

Highest Mark Music Theatre Dance Duets, Trios & Trios, Theatre Alive Society Award - \$100: **E-Motion "Jesus Christ Superstar Medley"**

Highest Mark Musical Interpretation, Northern Conservatory of Dance Award - \$75: **Kelly Grainger**

Highest Mark Song & Dance Duets, Trios & Groups, Dance Academy of Prince Rupert - \$100: **Matrix "All That Jazz"**

**Scholarship Awards**  
Terrace Water Polo Association-\$250 Junior Category: **Marlee Emery**

Knights of Columbus-\$500. Intermediate Category: **Kristine Michiel**

Northern Drugs-\$1,000. Senior Category: **Katrina O'Byrne**

**Awards of Excellence**  
These awards go to the Most Promising Students in each category.

**Dance**  
Flynn Classical Ballet Award-\$100 **Joel Carlson**

Northern Conservatory of Dance Award - \$150: **Giselle Liu**

Jazz Productions Award - \$250: **Hans Seidemann**

**Vocal**  
Spotless Cleaners Award - \$100: **Sarah Smaha**

Medical Clinic Award - \$150: **Pamela Bahr**

**Speech**  
Emerson Clinic Award - \$100: **Kirsten Perreira**

Dr. J.D. Zucchiatti Award - \$150: **Naila Manji**

**Piano**  
Terrace Academy of Music Award-\$100: **Della Orrey**

Terrace Freightliner Award - \$150: **Jamie Norton**

Tim Hortons Award - \$100, Al Lehman Award - \$100: **Michael Bell**

**Instrumental**  
Park Avenue Dental Clinic Award - \$300: **Thornhill Brass Quintet**

Progressive Ventures Award - \$150: **Cayley Western**

Terrace Community Band Award - \$100: **Stacey Zorn**

Terrace Rotary Club Award - \$150: **Melissa Bahr**

Alice Chen-wing Memorial Award - \$200: **Pamela Sharma**

Order of the Royal Purple, Lodge 216 Award - \$200: **Darren Bohle**

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**Recommendations to the BC Festival of the Arts:**  
Jennifer McKay, Junior Speech Arts, Naila Manji, Intermediate Speech Arts; Jamie Norton, Junior Piano; Katrina O'Byrne, Junior/Intermediate Brass; Jessica Hovanes, Intermediate Woodwind; Pamela Sharma, Senior Woodwind; Pamela Bahr, Intermediate Voice; Janine Uyesugi, Senior Voice; Joel Carlson, Junior Stage Dance; Kristine Michiel, Intermediate Stage Dance; Hans Seidemann, Senior Stage Dance; Northwest Singers, Choral (City of Lincoln Trophy).

**Bands who received invitations to MusicFest Canada:**  
Caledonia Concert Band  
Caledonia Jazz Band  
Prince Rupert Senior Jazz Ensemble  
Skeena Grade 8 Concert Band  
Skeena Grade 9/10 Concert Band  
Skeena Junior Secondary Jazz Band  
Terrace Community Band  
Thornhill Junior Secondary Concert Band  
Thornhill Junior Secondary Jazz Band



CLASSICAL GUITARIST Jessica Smith, a Grade 6 student at Thornhill Elementary School, was one of the performers appearing at a special concert at the school ending the festival, and Education Week, with a song.

# 'Spirit bear' reports give wrong info for the southerners

Dear Sir:

At high noon on April 4 BCTV made a massive contribution to their stock of misinformation, news distortion, sedition, lies and editing to suit their agenda.

CORRESPONDENCE FOR THE TERRACE STANDARD

## The Mail Bag

Their report of the "spirit bear" and the central coast protected areas resembles the truth like rain resembles snow. They should know better. They do, really, but they have no desire to give us the truth because it interferes with their agenda.

First, they say that 500,000 hectares of land in the south coast will be protected. The fact is that 13 per cent of the south coast is being considered as protected area. And that is not all that is being considered for protected status. It amounts to 96,458 hectares, not 500,000 hectares.

This is not simply bad arithmetic on their part, this is a deliberate lie.

BCTV goes on to say there will be another 600,000 hectares on the coast to be protected. Where the hell would that be?

There will be another 11 per cent of the south coast that will have more work done by the South Coast LRMP to ascertain what is the best use of that land. All of which means that 75 per cent of the land mass will be business as usual.

BCTV also show their complete ignorance of the Kermode bear, and perpetuate the myth that this bear is somehow a religious token. They continually state the white bear is endangered.

Anyone here that is at all interested in the flora and fauna knows that the subspecies Ursus Kermode is a black bear that has a recessive gene.

This gene periodically emerges and produces a white Kermode. The range of the Kermode is from Princess Royal Island to Hazelton and the Nass Valley.

This is a land mass of 500,000 hectares, yet BCTV claims there are only 400 of the endangered Kermodes left. Hell, man, there are 400 of them on the Princess Royal, 100 more on Gribble Island, some in the Dala River, 400 in the Kitimat Valley, 600 in the Kalum Valley, and 400 in the Nass Valley. Or I'll eat them, every one, the hair and all. All of these bears are not white, But they can, at any time, produce white offspring.

This agreement, and that's all it is, has come from the workings of the South Coast LRMP, and this agreement will still be negotiated by the working groups in that LRMP.

BCTV portrays this agreement as some big hairy monster that has suddenly fallen from the sky.

The fact is this is a product of two years of work by the LRMP, and that the LRMP doesn't have the balls to protect their own interest. Don't feel sorry for them. But the enviros need a kick upside the head for all the lies they have told.

That crew at BCTV is a negative, self serving bunch of lying maggots, and the damage they have done to B.C. is immense. The sooner they are given the deep six, the better off the province will be.

Oh, but save Squire Barnes.

Les Watmough,  
Terrace, B.C.

## This isn't justice

Dear Sir:

A couple days ago I saw an commercial for BCTV and one part of it was about the murder of Heather Thomas.

It got me thinking of how unjust our justice system is. A lot of murders in Canada only get twelve years with a few years of parole. That, to me, is just outrageous.

If you want to take a life you should have to spend the rest of your life in jail trying, in vain, to repay the hurt that you have caused the victim's family and your own family.

And I ask why do they only give them a slap on the hand for the horrendous crime that they have committed?

We need harder punishments that maybe will make people think a little before they commit a crime.

Jenny Bowsher, 13,  
Terrace, B.C.

## A crisis

Dear Sir:

This is in response to Marianne Brorup Weston's letter (April 4, 2001). We do, in fact, have a crisis in "health care", not "disease care".

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"First Nations themselves are demanding greater accountability, more transparency, and vehicles for redress. These are the priorities of First Nations - and they are my priorities."

"Consultation is extremely important with First Nations leadership and communities, but the way we consult is the way we did it 50 years ago - it's time we came up with some solutions using the Internet, telecommunications, video-conferencing, TV and the print media to work with each other to come to some understanding of what First Nations governance legislation will look like."

"Economic development, hand-in-hand with good governance, are two key components of our efforts to extend opportunity across this country."

Minister Robert Nault

Informal talks have begun about how to reach you and ask you to share your thoughts on how you would like to see your community run. Details will follow shortly about this consultation process, which will include face-to-face discussions, the telephone and Web site.

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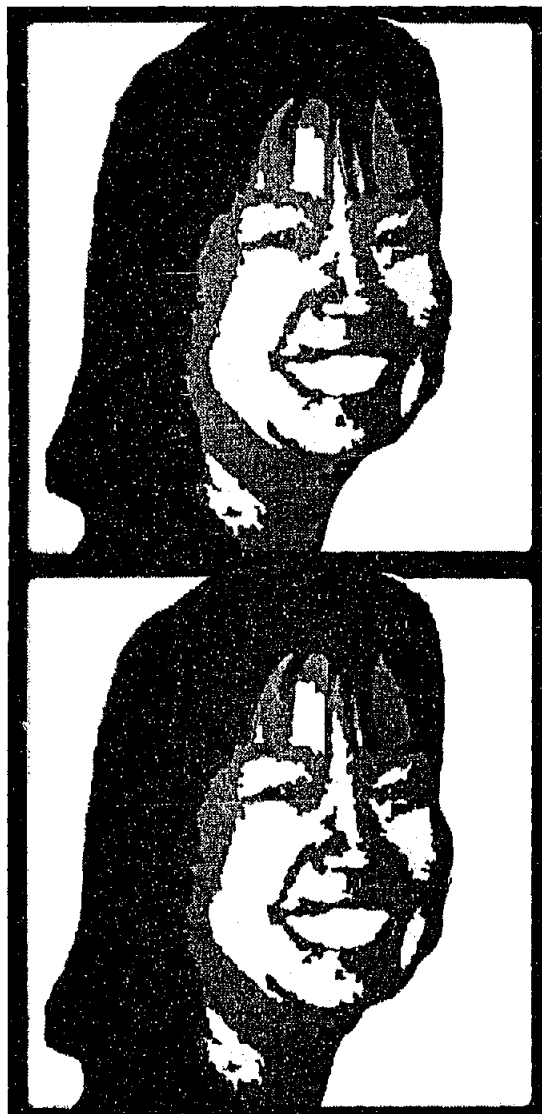
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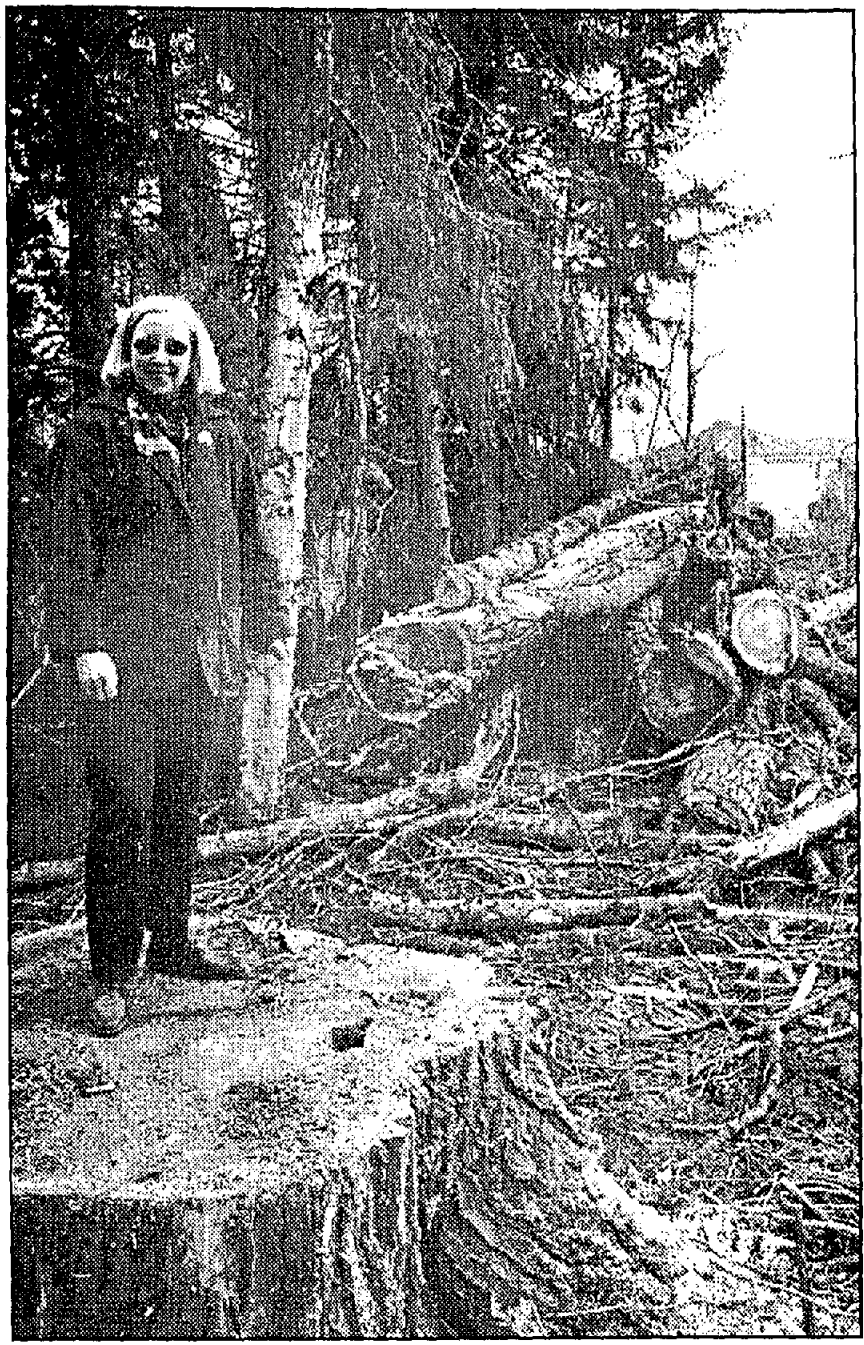
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### Timber!

LESLIE KING stands on the stump of a felled Cottonwood tree on the Howe Creek trail. Three large trees were downed by order of the city on April 5. Steve Scott, parks superintendent, said the trees were becoming a danger after several large limbs had fallen from them. "We have a responsibility to keep it safe," he said. Some residents near the trail are sad to see the trees go and are wondering when the city is going to clean up the debris left behind nearly two weeks ago. "There will be some clean up," said Scott, though he did not specify when. The city is considering planting conifers in the clearing where the trees once stood.

### College budget goes up

NORTHWEST COMMUNITY College here will likely be the home this fall of a native public administration program.

And the college's budget is being boosted an extra \$950,000 increase from the provincial government.

The increase is enough for 70 more student spaces and they'll be spread throughout the college's region, says college official Barb Sheridan.

"It's really needed. There's been lots of interest," she said of the native public management program.

Also new, and taking place in Kitimat, are pharmacology courses for licensed practical nurses there.

Sheridan said the college was expecting some sort of budget increase, but had no idea it would amount to 70 student spaces.

"It's completely welcome and was a total surprise," she said.

An exact breakdown of how the 70 spaces will be divided up has yet to be made.

The \$950,000 brings the college's operating budget for this year to \$13.2 million.

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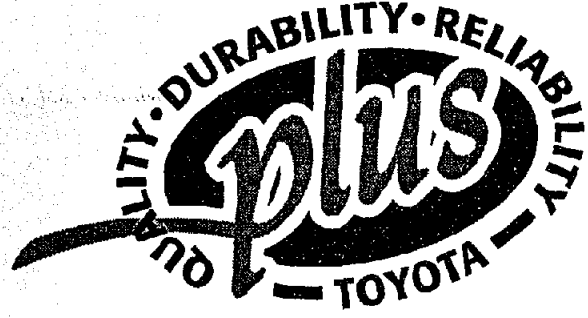
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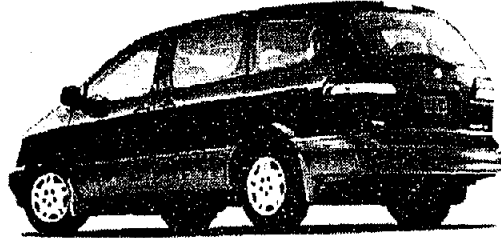
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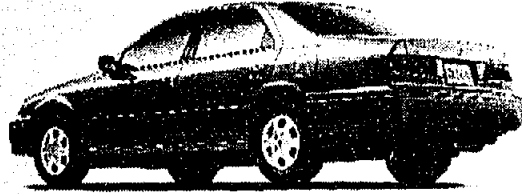
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# Local hire mandatory for Kincolith road

THE PROVINCIAL government wants at least 35 per cent of the workers who'll be employed on the Kincolith road project to be from the Nass Valley and area.

Contract language reflecting that has been worked on over the past several weeks and is to be formalized in a signing ceremony expected later this week.

"It's realistic and achievable," said highways ministry official Dave St. Thomas of the 35 per cent figure.

Contractor Brentwood Enterprises of Kamloops has already said locals can be hired to clear and grub the 29km road, to construct the grade, to transport workers back and forth, to do different kinds of testing, to work in the project's business office, to offer first aid and to be involved in camp services, added St. Thomas.

"Brentwood has committed itself to training and skills development," he said.

Speculation about the amount of local hire and equipment there'll be in the Nass has abounded since plans for the road were announced in the middle part of the last decade.

At least one Nisga'a corporation, a joint effort of the villages of Kincolith and Greenville, is worried residents won't

get their fair share.

St. Thomas said Brentwood, which is a union company, has committed itself to paying union wages to the people it hires from the Nass and area.

"I know they've talked with the operating engineers union, the construction union and the teamsters union," said St. Thomas.

There will be some jobs that local people won't be able to do initially because of the highly specialized nature of roadbuilding, he added.


Mobilizing of construction equipment is to take place in May and a Dec. 2002 completion date has been scheduled.

The road to connect Greenville, where the Nisga'a Highway now ends, to Kincolith at the mouth of the Nass River, has been a longstanding dream of the Nisga'a.

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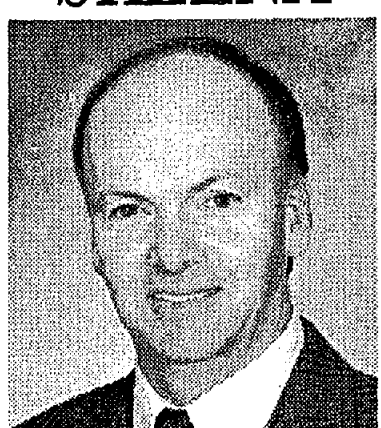
## Roger Harris

will be speaking at the Chamber of Commerce Luncheon

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**Roger Harris**

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## Road cost goes up

THE COST of building a road from Greenville to Kincolith in the Nass Valley has crept from \$30 million to \$34 million.

Although various government officials for years have said the cost would never rise above \$30 million, things changed when actual design work began.

"That \$30 million was an initial cost estimate. Once we got a much better look at it, we knew the cost would rise," said Dave St. Thomas, the project manager for the highways ministry.

The cost increase has also changed the amount of money the Nisga'a Lisims government, the federal government and the provincial government will pay.

At \$30 million, the federal government was in for \$10 million and the provincial government was in for \$15 million.

The Nisga'a added about \$5 million, most of which were contributions in kind. Nearly \$2 million was added to the Nisga'a amount from interest earned from the federal contribution.

A revised payment schedule will see both the provincial and federal governments add another \$500,000 each with the Nisga'a making up the rest, says an official from the B.C. Transportation Financing Authority, the provincial crown corporation which is paying for the provincial portion.

Some of what the Nisga'a will contribute will come from additional interest on the initial federal payment of \$10 million, said Frank Blasetti.

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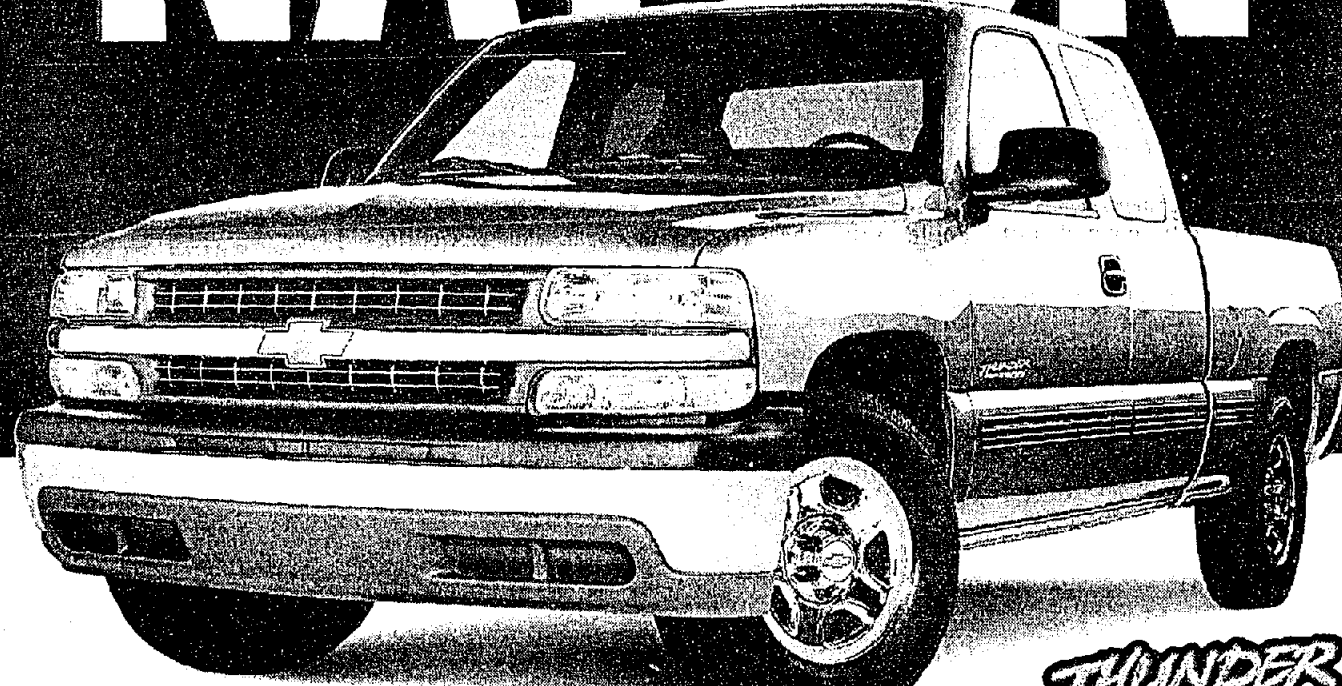
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# BUSINESS REVIEW

## Getting the goods

THE REGION'S top industrial bosses will tell locals what's really going on at a second annual business summit in two weeks.

The May 1st Business Outlook 2001 summit will feature West Fraser president Hank Ketcham, Skeena Cellulose woodlands vice-president Dan Tuomi, Alcan vice-president Louis Delage, Prince Rupert port spokesman Shaun Stevenson, Prince Rupert Grain general manager Jeff Burghardt, and possibly the president of Methanex Corp.

"It has a lot of value," says organizer Ken Veldman of the Terrace Economic Development Authority. "A lot of small businesses view it as a chance to cut through this rumour and that rumour and get something from the horse's mouth."

The breakfast summit runs from 8 to 11 a.m. at the Skeena Valley Golf and Country Club. Registration is \$15 through the TEDA office.



## On the line

PACIFIC NORTHERN Gas has actually increased its workforce here in recent months despite layoffs elsewhere in setting up a call centre in Terrace. Margaret Durando is one of 11 customer service reps who together answer up to 400 calls a day in the call centre. PNG's move to close regular customer service offices was just one of the steps the company took to cut costs after Methanex, the region's biggest gas user, shut down last summer.

## Room tax eyed again

CITY councillors are once again saying a hotel room tax may be the best way to generate money to promote tourism here.

"I think it may have to come," councillor Lynne Christiansen said last week, adding more money must be put into tourism promotion but the city has little to spare.

Mayor Jack Talstra noted Smithers and Prince Rupert both have the room tax.

A two per cent tax would raise at least \$50,000 from hotel guests, who generally aren't local taxpayers.

## Tourism promotion needs more money, councillor says

But hotel operators loathe the idea, particularly if it resulted in a tax at Terrace hotels and no tax at ones just outside city limits.

"It's been mentioned twice and it fell flat twice," said Maria McGowan, the Terrace Tourism Council's coordinator.

McGowan and tourism council members appeared before city council last week to reinforce the work of the council and its plans for this year.

"We are at a crossroads where we are not keeping up at a competitive level with surrounding communities in the northwest and British Columbia," she said.

The city in the fall rejected their requests for increased city grants, citing big increases in RCMP and natural gas costs.

City administrator Ron Poole said the group shouldn't bank on the idea that city contributions will increase in the next for-

seeable future.

Christiansen conceded the city can't afford more right now, but said tourism promotion should be increased.

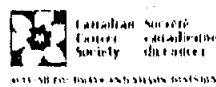
"We're giving the bare minimum to tourism now and I wouldn't want to see it cut," she said. "If we expect to get something out of tourism, we have to have some commitment to tourism."

City council kept its contribution to the tourism council frozen at \$35,000 this year, and rejected the Terrace Tourism Council's request for a significant increase.

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From front

# Firm says Kalum land use plan won't hit jobs

Miligt Creek area in the Upper Copper preserved, but it's instead to be handled as a special management zone, along with a number of other sensitive areas.

In all special management zones take in 24 per cent of the region. The largest such zones are the Upper Copper River, the Upper Kitsumkalum and the Kowesas valley.

Logging is also to be restricted in the rest of the to protect grizzly bears and mountain goats.

"This plan provides land-use certainty by addressing the environmental and international concerns associated with the managing of a temperate rainforest," said Skeena MLA Helmut Giesbrecht.

**"This agreement as far as we're concerned is not going to have a real significant impact on our logging operations."**

A few protected areas under the plan are close to Terrace.

They include Sleeping Beauty Mountain, Lakelse Lake wetlands, Kitsumkalum Lake North, and the Hai Lake-Mount Herman area.

An impact study concluded the plan's provisions won't reduce forest industry jobs - at least for the short term - but could stunt industry growth in the future.

Although relatively little new land has been protected under the Kalum plan, West Fraser officials point out their company already made a huge contribution.

In 1995 West Fraser voluntarily surrendered cutting rights to the Kitlope

Valley southeast of Kema-no, which was then described as the largest unlogged temperate rainforest in the world.

The Kitlope - at 317,000 hectares - represents more than 68 per cent of the land now protected in this region.

"West Fraser has made the most significant contribution to the protection of coastal temperate rainforest of any forest company in Canada," chief forester Bruce MacNicol said.

He estimated the inclusion of the Foch and Gilttoyes watersheds will trim the company's annual timber cut by up to five per cent.

MacNicol said workers for West Fraser shouldn't fear the effects of the plan.

"This agreement as far as we're concerned is not going to have a real significant impact on our logging operations," he said. "And it's going to have zero impact on our pulp mill in Kitimat or our sawmill in Terrace."

An area of lingering uncertainty is the company's agreement with environmental groups to continue to defer logging in 11 pristine watersheds south of Kitimat for up to two years while all parties attempt to craft new rules called ecosystem-based management.

MacNicol admits they don't know exactly what rules will result from that process.

West Fraser's agreement on that front is the apparent reason environmental groups have drop-



Wayne Clogg

ped international market campaigns against the company and Interfor.

Any suggestion West Fraser sold out workers here for environmental peace is wrong, said vice-president Wayne Clogg.

"West Fraser could very, very easily have made a deal with the environmental groups a year ago," Clogg said.

Doing so then would have preserved interior operations at the expense of ones here, he said.

"We felt that we had an obligation to the people that were participating in the Kalum LRMP to allow that process, to proceed and to abide by the recommendations of that LRMP," Clogg said.

"Our decision to do that resulted in a very significant market campaign against our company over the past year," he said, adding that damaged the company's reputation and was very time-consuming for staff.

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RCMP SPECIALISTS spent April 9 recreating an accident involving a police vehicle and a pedestrian.

The Feb. 3 late night collision occurred when Harvey Wells tried to run across Hwy16 at the Grand Trunk Pathway.

Cst. Mike L'Italien, who was responding to a bar fight at the time, drove off the highway in an unsuccessful attempt to avoid Wells.

Now, police are trying to determine how fast L'Italien was going at the moment of impact.

But in the process of recreating the accident much of the grass has been dug up and will need to be reseeded.

That bill could add up to \$1,000, which the RCMP will have to pay, said McBeath.

The results from the testing are being sent to an engineering firm in Vancouver who will analyze the data and hopefully determine the speed at which the police vehicle hit Wells, said McBeath.

Wells suffered serious injuries as a result of the collision.

"His face struck the windshield or the pillar on the corner of the door," said McBeath. "So, lots of facial injuries."

Neither L'Italien or the police dog in the vehicle were injured as a result of the collision. But, L'Italien did take a week's leave after the accident occurred.

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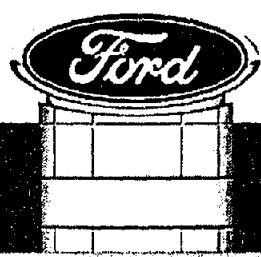
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## Woman gets her money

A NINE months pregnant woman on welfare took to the streets two weeks ago in an effort to get \$726.42 owed to her by a local landlord.

Natalie Petit had given the landlord, Roger Bal, a cheque for social assistance for a damage deposit and first month's rent for a house at 4606 Scott Ave.

She looked at the house on her own and told Bal she would take it provided repairs were made.

But after realizing how much work was required, she decided it was unsafe for her two other children and chose not to move in.

"I told her to go look at the house before taking it," Bal said. "She said she wanted it."

No lease had been signed and Bal didn't do an inspection with Petit to discuss rental conditions.

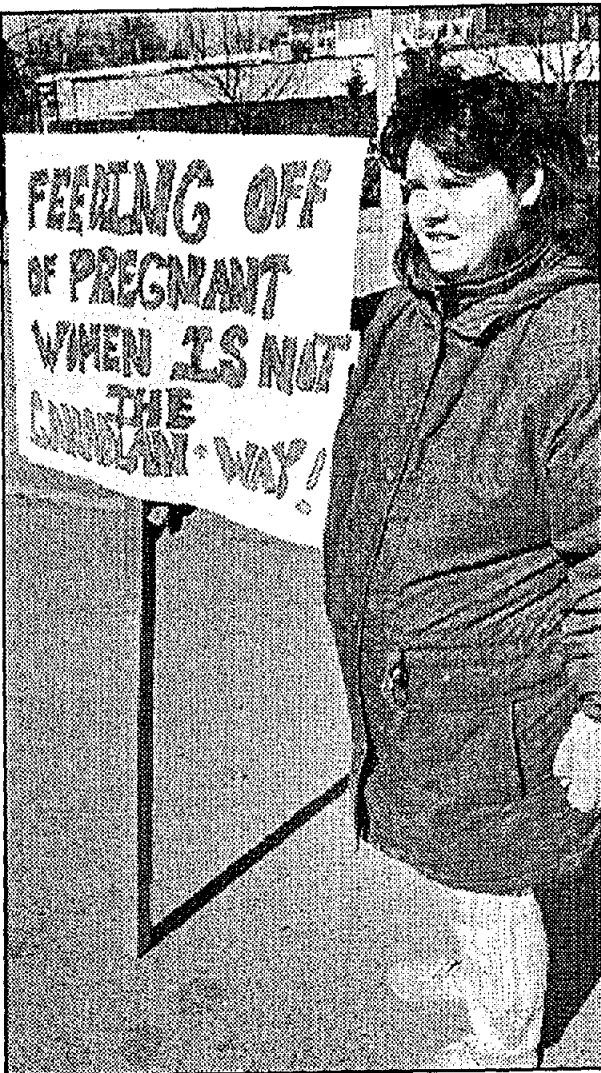
She asked for her money back but after a month and a half Bal hadn't returned it.

"He was supposed to pay on the 31 of March," said Petit. "I'm nine months pregnant, I don't have time to wait for money. I need to buy formula and diapers."

By Tuesday, April 3, Petit hadn't received her refund and that's when she picked up her picket sign and started marching in front of Bal's workplace.

Within 20 minutes of standing on the street with her placard the money had been paid to the local social assistance office which covers the living expenses of welfare recipients.

Bal said he had every intention of returning the money to the pregnant woman but had to wait until money from other business interests came in at the end of the month.



NATALIE PETIT resorted to picketing the workplace of a local landlord who owed her money. Within 20 minutes of picking up the sign and marching on the sidewalk the local woman's money was refunded.

## Kemano burning begins

A SECOND training session for provincial firefighters at Alcan's Kemano townsite is set to run for two months starting April 23.

Forty houses and the community's school will be burned down by nearly 500 firefighters.

The tiny community was closed down by Alcan last year as a cost saving measure. Workers who maintain Alcan's Kemano hydroelectric generators will rotate in and out by living in a camp at the site.

People from Terrace and throughout the province have donated household furnishings to help make the burns as realistic as possible.

The RCMP is also involved by using houses as practice locations for their emergency response teams.

Data from the fires will also be used by the national research council of Canada to determine the effectiveness of fire alarms and sprinklers.

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## Merger Update #6

# An important message for TD Bank and Canada Trust customers in British Columbia.

### Building A Better Bank For You

This is the sixth update I've provided TD Bank and Canada Trust customers about the important changes they can expect as we integrate the retail banking operations of TD Bank and Canada Trust into *TD Canada Trust*. For over a year now, we've been working hard to build a better bank. That experience will soon become available to you.

Following the completion of our transition to *TD Canada Trust*, all our branches will open on May 22nd as *TD Canada Trust*, with a new look both inside and out. Our new name will appear on all cheques, statements, and correspondence. In fact, as of March, TD Bank customers have already encountered our new name on their statements and while banking on the telephone with *TD Canada Trust EasyLine™* and on the Internet with *TD Canada Trust EasyWeb™* at [www.tdcanadatrust.com](http://www.tdcanadatrust.com). **Although you may have noticed a few changes to these services, such as a new voice and a modified menu, mainly it has been business as usual.** We thank you for your patience as we make the transition to the new *TD Canada Trust*.

After the integration process is complete, all our customers will experience the same integrated services and a unified array of retail banking products. Our ABMs will offer a full range of banking services under the name *Green Machine™*. What will not change are our hours of operation – except to be extended, our people inside the branches, and our commitment to building a better bank for you.

### Canada Trust Branches Will Be Closed On The May 19th Weekend

In order to complete the integration to our new *TD Canada Trust* systems, all Canada Trust branches will close over the weekend of May 19th in Alberta, British Columbia, Yukon and Northwest Territories. However, **our ABMs will be open 24 hours a day so you can withdraw funds.** And while you'll be unable to access Internet banking over the weekend, **you will still be able to bank by phone 24 hours a day.**

### Communicating With You

If you're a Canada Trust customer, **you will be sent an Accounts & Services Guide approximately 30 days in advance detailing changes you will experience** as a result of our integration. In addition, **you'll receive a new *TD Canada Trust* Access Card closer to the time of integration.** If you're a Private Investment Counsel client, you'll also be sent a separate mailing approximately 30 days before this business is unified.

We will also keep you informed about our integration progress through regular reports in our branches, on the Internet, and in updates such as this in Canada's newspapers.

### Integration In Your Area Follows Successful Atlantic Integration

Atlantic Canadians were the first to experience the integration of TD Bank and Canada Trust into *TD Canada Trust*.

The integration process over the weekend of March 24th was a great success. A total of 63 TD Bank and Canada Trust branches now carry the new *TD Canada Trust* name. We've begun to deliver on our promise of building a better bank. We will continue to fulfill that promise as we roll out the integration across Canada.

Next month, the second wave of our nation-wide integration begins when 202 TD Bank branches and 118 Canada Trust branches integrate in your area.

### Nationwide Integration Complete By August

By the end of August we will have combined our retail banking operations into *TD Canada Trust* all across Canada.

We've already integrated our discount brokerage operations and mutual fund arms, simplified our chequing and savings accounts packages, and integrated the Estates & Trusts Services operations of our two organizations into one. And on May 31st, our Private Investment Counsel and Private Investment Management businesses will also be combined.

### Some Branches Will Be Consolidated

Many people have asked if we'll be consolidating any of our branches or re-locating them. Yes, we will. In your area, this will begin as early as July. Retail bank customers who are affected will be given at least 120 days notification. We are working hard to minimize the impact the consolidation has on our customers and employees. For example, when two branches with different operating hours consolidate, the new branch will adopt the longer hours of operation. We are committed to opening new branches; this year we plan to open at least 10 new individual branches, plus 40 new branches in retail outlets across the country.

### Travelling Inside Or Outside Canada Soon?

If you are travelling *outside* Canada during the next few months, it will be important to have your mail forwarded so you can receive notices about your accounts and ensure your banking is uninterrupted. If you are travelling *inside* Canada to areas that haven't yet been integrated, it will be business as usual when you bank. And if you're travelling to Atlantic Canada, rest assured that you can do your banking at any *TD Canada Trust* branch in that region.

### Our Goal Is To Build A Better Bank For You

Bringing together two of Canada's largest financial service organizations is anything but simple. We will make mistakes. But we will move to correct any errors quickly, completely – and cheerfully. If you have any questions, or if you feel we are not meeting your expectations, simply call our *TD Canada Trust* Customer Information Line at 1-888-572-8924.

Let me close by saying how much we appreciate that *TD Canada Trust* is your bank. No matter how you choose to bank with us – in person, at an ABM, on the telephone, or over the Internet – you will receive high quality service and the ongoing commitment of our employees to build a better bank for you. That's why we are working hard to offer you the best possible banking experience in Canada.

Thank you.



Ed Clark  
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# Council attacks gov't for park

PLANS to turn big chunks of B.C.'s central coast into parkland are being denounced as the NDP's latest attempt to shore up its green vote by city councillors.

Terrace city councillor Val George says a major drive by the B.C. Green Party to win seats this election has the NDP government on the run and ready to do anything to curry favour with environmentalists.

That, he said, is behind the two-week-old central coast agreement to preserve more than 600,000 hectares of land and subject future logging to much more stringent "ecosystem-based" management.

"It's an attempt to save some of those votes that are otherwise going to go to the Green Party," George said. "It's a panic decision."

"They know the Green Party is poised to take a huge number of votes from them."

Councillors noted there are Terrace-based loggers and contractors who work in the area affected by the tentative land-use plan for the central coast.

The city is writing letters to the government objecting to the lack of input into the decision given towns in this area.

"The community generally is extremely unhappy with the decision that has been made," said George.

Making such a huge decision in such a huge area in the dying days of the government's mandate is reprehensible, councillor David Hull added.

He questioned the forest companies' motives in succumbing to what he called the "blackmail" of environmental groups.

"They haven't really sold their soul," Hull said. "They've sold our own economic soul."

He said the whole process runs counter to the idea that the Crown land and forests of B.C. belong to the people of B.C., not to international environmental groups and companies to divide up behind closed doors.

"It's our land, we should decide how it's used," Hull said.

He expressed shock at how an 18-month "campaign of economic terror" culminated so quickly in the coast - which has been dubbed the Great Bear Rainforest - "all of a sudden having its own name and our mascot bear."

Hull also predicted the campaign of preservation in B.C. won't end with the central coast.

That's because the environmental movement is a multi-million dollar international business that has found B.C. too lucrative to resist, he said.

"Today it's the Great Bear Rainforest and the Spirit Bear," he said. "Tomorrow I imagine the great spotted burrowing something or other around Quesnel will need protecting and that will be the next spot."

Skeena Liberal candidate Roger Harris also attacked the deal as one crafted in haste for political gain with too many unknowns.

In particular, he pointed to the companies' pledge to practice "ecosystem-based management" rather than conventional logging.

"It's dangerous to do agreements that define a type of logging that nobody knows what it is," Harris said. "To me that's a blank cheque. We're signing something we haven't even defined."



**KERMODE KISS:** Mayor Jack Talstra gives a stuffed Kermode at city hall a smooch after the city was urged to use the bear's new fame to attract tourists.

## Turn bears into bucks, city told

OUR BELOVED Kermode bear's sudden vault to fame has locals wondering whether to be proud, angry or opportunistic.

The white bear that graces the city's logo and the names of many businesses is the star of a land-use deal to create vast new protected areas on the central coast.

A planned Spirit Bear Protected Area would protect much of Princess Royal Island for the Kermodes, which activists have consistently portrayed as endangered.

"We've had this bear here forever," said mayor Jack Talstra, who like others admitted surprise at the turn of events which may end up costing logging jobs in the region.

"They're trying to put it out that Princess Royal is the last remaining refuge of

the Kermode Bear, which it isn't," added councillor Val George. "These bears range all up the coast around here."

But the best revenge for the theft of the city's mascot may be to capitalize on its new profile.

"This is an opportunity to make a positive out of what some locals would see as a negative situation," Terrace Tourism Council coordinator Maria McGowan said. "This creature is native to this area and is gaining worldwide attention."

There are already stuffed Kermode bear toys, T-shirts and postcards, and McGowan said more use of the bear as the city's marketing mascot is being planned.

"We have to be careful not to portray the assumption that these bears freely roam the streets," she cautioned.

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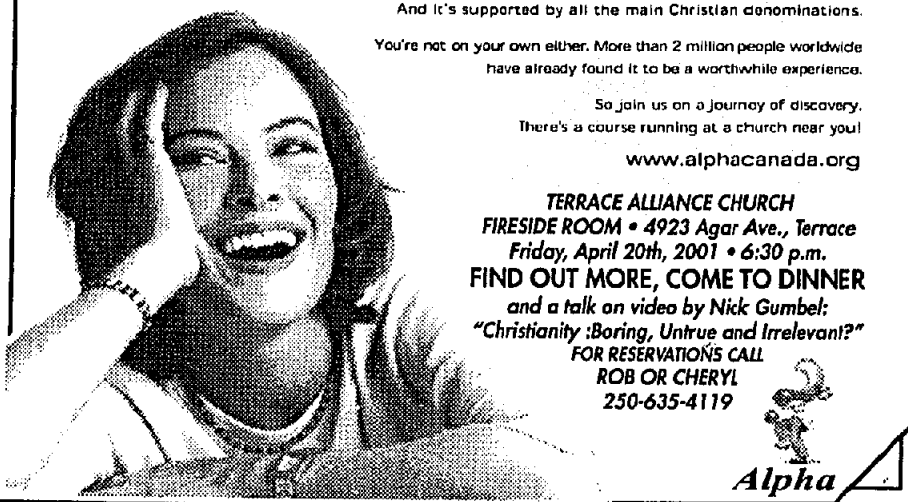
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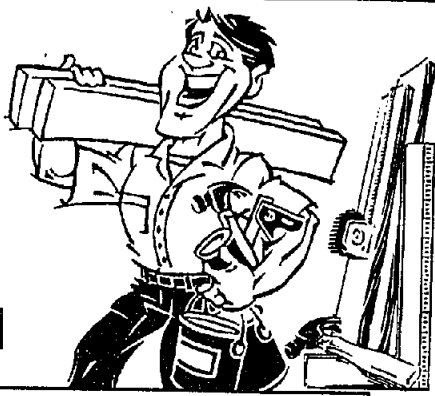
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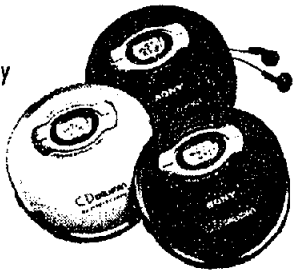


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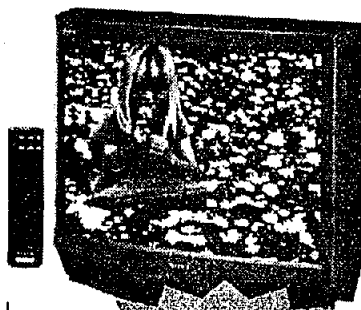
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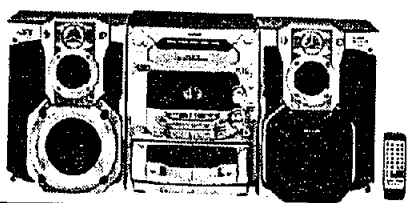
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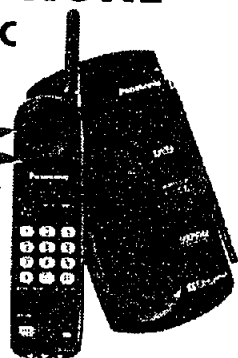
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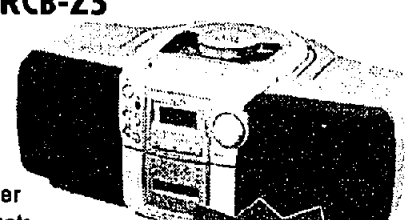
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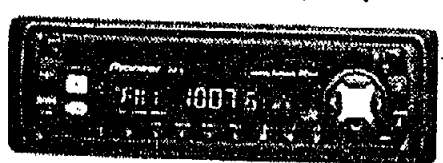
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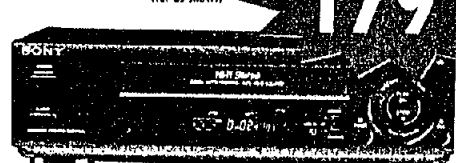
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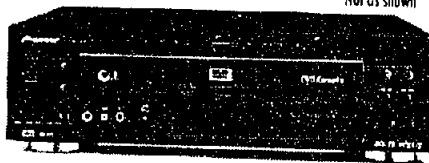
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MY POINT OF VIEW

ARON STRUMECKI

## So Canadian

WHEN I HEAR about all the troubles we're having, whether it's signing the softwood lumber agreement, Quebec separation, or negotiating against a nursing strike, I wonder how we've managed to survive as long as we have. Everyone seems insistent at going at each other's throats.

The whole world's a stage, but instead of a play, we're all playing a big game of Survivor. It just goes to show you, we really haven't evolved much further than a bunch of gibbering chimps.

Somewhere, somehow, the voice of the many became drowned out in favor of the few. People to forget that our civilization was made by working to build something together, not by tearing each other down.

Politicians want to be seen as tough to get more votes. Businessmen want to cut costs as much as possible to make more money. Unions want to get as much money as possible so the people paying their dues don't tell them to kiss off.

Everyone's got their own angle. No-one wants to work together. The only catch is, just like Survivor, in order to win, you've got to work together.

It's a simple lesson that we seem to have forgotten.

In the beginning, humanity was nothing more than a collection of naked apes huddling together in their dark, unlight caves. Life was hard. Life was tough. Since humans weren't blessed with fur, tooth, and claw like some of their fellow mammals, the world around them was full of potential threats, and threatened a quick and brutal death.

The game of life back then, like now, was simple, adapt or die.

Individually no-one stood a chance, in order to survive, you had to work with others. Humans, individually compared to the animals all around them, were weak, defenseless bags of flesh. But viewed as a group, as one big animal, humans became a significant threat. It's our primary evolutionary advantage.

One guy with a sharp stick isn't going to frighten much at all, but 10 would be able to scare off even the most determined predator.

After the caves came the first farms. Instead of hunting for meat and gathering nuts, humans decided it would be a good idea to settle down, cultivate plants, and raise animals. Of course this wasn't an enterprise that could be accomplished alone, and required extensive co-operation to accomplish daring endeavors such as irrigation. Co-operation led to abundance, and not long after, the first cities started popping up.

The cities, quite the marvel all in themselves, also brought with them some other extravagant inventions of their own such as writing and law. The abundance brought by the increasingly efficient work of the farmers allowed people to pursue other things. Of course the first thing that people did with their spare time was to go out and conquer their neighbours or colonize new land in pursuit of the next great human invention, the empire.

While the first few empires were small at first, they quickly became models of co-operation and efficiency. They had to, otherwise they'd quickly fall apart. Well, that and the king would chop off your head. But even the most callous king realized he was only one person, all his greatness was really subject to the co-operation of others. If he didn't figure this out quickly enough, he was the one who to lose his head. Consequently, many of civilizations important discoveries, such as plumbing, running water, and roads, benefited the people as much as the ruler.

After the empire, came the nation-state. Rather more stable by means of considerable social reform, more power was indeed handed to the people, little by little, and populations soon blossomed out of control. Even more co-operation was needed to keep the trains running on time. Coincidentally, both were major inventions around this time, along with handy things like the newspaper and the dictionary.

Today, we're facing a time when these nation-states are getting together to form global trading blocks. The latest rage are handy little things like the TV, the telephone, and the Internet. These have all proven quite helpful in helping us understand each other, and help us get along.

As you can see, it was co-operation, not fighting like cats and dogs, that got us here today. Fighting and strife may have brought us together, but it certainly didn't keep us that way. Maybe that's something we need to keep in mind.

Maybe it's just the Canadian way.

Email comments to [astrumeci@hotmail.com](mailto:astrumeci@hotmail.com)

## Memorial will commemorate the lives of those who died on the job

### Workers observe a minute of silence

A WORKER'S memorial and a moment of silence are two ways Terrace residents will mark the Day of Mourning in remembrance of workers who have been killed or injured on the job.

Labour and business representatives have been invited to take part in the dedication of a memorial at George Little Park near the arena to honour the memory of workers who have lost their lives to occupational accidents or disease.

The dedication ceremony takes place at 11 a.m. April 28.

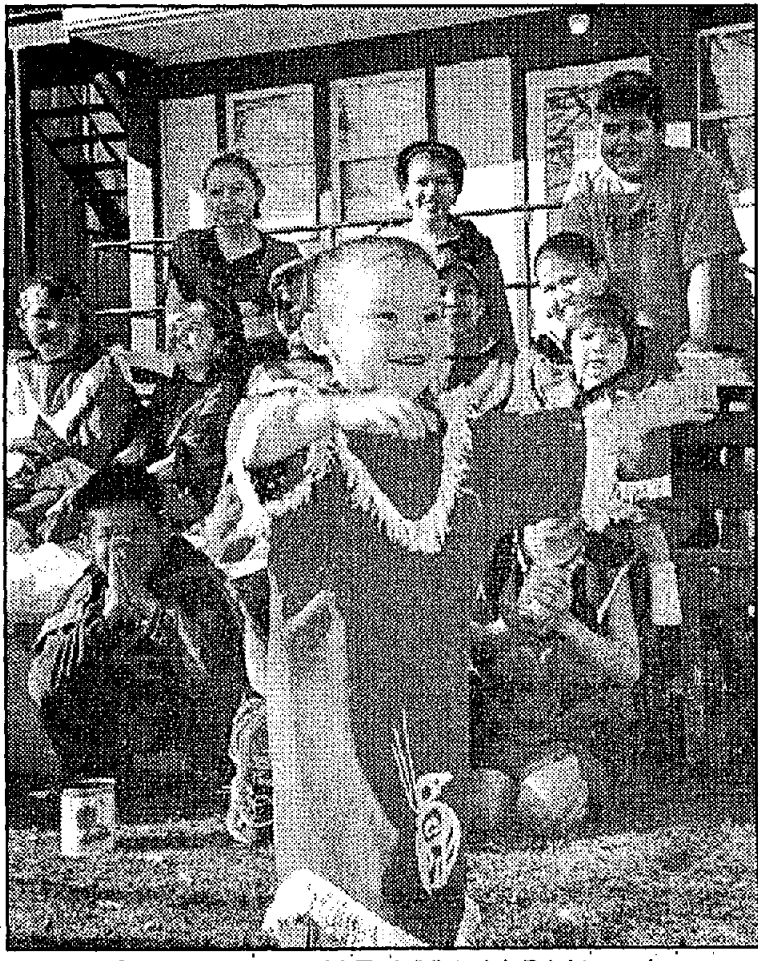
If you can't attend, the Kitimat-Terrace and District Labour Council asks workers to observe a minute of silence at the same time.

Terrace is one of 39 communities where the Workers' Compensation Board, the B.C. Federation of Labour and the Business Council of B.C. are establishing perma-

nent memorials with the assistance of local governments.

The memorial will remind the public about occupational health and safety issues, says Steve Scott, the city's director of parks and recreation.

The memorial will consist of a bronze plaque on a large boulder placed in the park.



ALL EYES are on 4-year-old Tori (Victoria) Bright as she moves like a Killerwhale, one of four Nisga'a clans in her dance group.

## Dancers declare: 'Hats off' to you

IT'S WONDERFUL to see people helping others, says a group of young Nisga'a dancers who collected hundreds of non-perishable items for the food bank.

Terrace's Youth of the Dance group is part of the 120-strong Nisga'a Unified in Terrace dance group, or Gillaxdax Sayt K'ilim Goothl Nisga'a.

The dancers, young and old, will represent Terrace on the international stage this August at this year's First People's Festival in Victoria.

Meanwhile, the group's busily raising money in preparation for their summer travels.

The First People's Festival draws aboriginal cultural groups from as far away as Australia and New Zealand, dance leader Keane Tait says.

The Youth of the Dance group have been out door-to-door canvassing in support of their bottle and loonie/toonie drives, asking for donations to the food bank

along the way, says Cindy Tait.

Individuals and local businesses alike have also been generous to the group's various fundraising activities.

"Our hats off to the people of Terrace," Tait says.

The group donated four huge crates crammed full of non-perishable food items to the food bank last week.

The Gillaxdax Sayt K'ilim Goothl Nisga'a Cultural Dancers celebrated their fourth anniversary in February.

That makes them the youngest Nisga'a cultural dance group and the third Nisga'a dance group in Terrace.

Look for the group at a number of upcoming local events, including the National Aboriginal Day celebrations in June, Prince Rupert's Sea Fest, and Riverboat Days here in Terrace.

They're also performing at the Terrace Trade Show, taking place at the arena April 27, 28 and 29.

## Hundreds will run Sunday

WHEN YOU consider 279 women and 180 children found refuge at the Terrace Transition House last year, you start to understand why it takes a whole community to support it, says Debbie Scarborough.

On Sunday, Scarborough expects one-quarter of Terrace's population to turn out for the Run Peace, a 4-km walk, run or jog that will kick-start the fundraising drive to build a new transition house.

"Truthfully? I think we'll get 5,000," smiles Scarborough, executive director of the Terrace Transition House, a Ksan House Society facility that can't be renovated to make it wheelchair accessible.

Narrow doorways and several flights of stairs at the transition house means some women fleeing abuse are forced to go somewhere else for help when they're in crisis.

The run, starting and ending at Northwest Community College, also kicks off a host of free public workshops presented by Northwest Community College aimed at raising awareness about violence against women.

Scarborough is buoyed



READY TO RUN: Shelly Haynes-Marrelli (left) and Debbie Scarborough of Terrace's Transition House.

by the wellspring of support for the Run for Peace.

Community associates include the city of Terrace, the college, the Ministry for Children and Families, local merchants - and the RCMP, who have already collected a stack of pledges for the run, and are even selling T-shirts promoting the event.

While plans for a school run for children have not panned out (school board approval came too late), some schools will include a run, walk, or jog component in gym classes that same

week to raise awareness.

There's still time to participate in the Run For Peace or show your support.

Pledge forms are available by calling Lana at 635-6447.

T-shirts are also being sold to raise money for the cause.

Registration is by donation.

The run starts at 3 p.m. April 22 at the college.

There will be short cuts for those who can't complete the full 4-km route.

Participants meet back at the college for a barbecue starting at 3:30 p.m.

## Health and safety are top priorities in 30-hour famine

THIS MONTH teens in Terrace will voluntarily go without solid food for 30 hours in a bid to raise awareness to fight hunger in developing countries around the globe as part of World Vision's 30 Hour Famine.

Last week, Flo Sheppard, a community nutritionist, outlined a number of serious health concerns related to fasting (April 11, page B1, "Not So Fast"). This week, World Vision Canada responds.

World Vision says the events are overseen and designed by a team of nutrition-

ists and doctors.

"When the 30 Hour Famine guidelines are followed, there is no nutritional risk for healthy well-nourished individuals," says Dr. Carolyn MacDonald, nutrition team leader for World Vision Canada.

"Adult supervision, attention to health and safety, and an emphasis on the enjoyment of food to celebrate the end of the 'famine' all contribute to a positive, enriching experience for event participants," says World Vision's Toronto-based spokesperson Kimberley Suderman.



CHRIS HANSEN and Tyler Carriere in front of a tree planted by distance education staff in 1997 in memory of teachers June Smit and Jo Falconer.

## Garbage duty

TYLER CARRIERE thinks the Terrace Beautification Society is pretty neat.

At 9 years of age, the Grade 4 home-schooled student is probably the youngest fan and supporter the society has earned.

"I just kinda like the work they do," the two-time veteran of the society's annual spring clean-up, the Garbathon, explained.

On Sunday, April 22, Carriere will participate in the Garbathon along with hundreds of other people who will be taking time out of their weekend to help clean up Terrace.

The event, now in its 17th year, gets underway at 1 p.m. at the McDonald's parking lot, and continues until 3 p.m.

That week, schools in Terrace will be vying for

the Beautification Society's cleanest school yard award.

Carriere recently wrote the society asking how he can become a member.

"My mom and I really enjoy the work your group does to keep Terrace clean and beautiful," he writes.

"I am interested in finding out more about your group and wonder how old you need to be to join."

Society president Chris Hansen is delighted to see someone so young interested in the beautification society.

He's welcome to attend the group's monthly meetings, held the third Thursday of the month at city hall between 7 and 9 p.m.

Anyone who wants to take part can call 638-1049 for more information.

# CITY SCENE

## BAR SCENE

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Theatre at 8 p.m. Tickets at Elan Travel in Terrace, Kitimat and Prince Rupert, or at the door. No late seating, mature content For more information, call Marianne at 635-2942. Skeena River Players is a member of Theatre BC and acknowledges the support of the Canada Council for the Arts and Skeena Native Development Society.

Terrace hosts the 2001 Skeena Zone Drama Festival May 23-26 at the R.E.M. Lee Theatre. Four plays representing three communities are competing: Terrace Little Theatre's *How I Learned to Drive*, and Skeena River Players' *The Rez Sisters*, Prince Rupert's Harbour Theatre's *Jesus 2001*, and Kitimat's On Cue Players' *The Dining Room*. Tickets at Uniglobe Courtesy Travel. Vote for your favourite actor, actress, production and set.

## FAMILY FUN

The Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 13, in Terrace, invites you to its upcoming Spring Family Tea and Bazaar. It's all happening on May 27, at the legion. Crafts, baked goods, door prizes and there will be a fish pond for the kids. Table rentals are still available. Please call Erla after 6 p.m. at 635-5940 for more information.

## VISUAL ARTS

*Spirit Journey... Expressions by Women* is a multimedia art collaboration exploring how we integrate spirit into our lives. View works by local female artists. The show continues to April 29 at the Terrace Art Gallery.

## THEATRE

**Fashion 2001.** Choreography by Carole Anderson at CJ Dance Studio. All proceeds support the Caledonia Dry Grad event. April 24 at the R.E.M. Lee Theatre at 7:30 p.m. Open seating, doors open at 7 p.m. Tickets available at Ruby Red in the Skeena Mall.

la, this is the story of a woman who learns the rules of the road - and life - from behind the wheel. Directed by Daniel Barnswell. Running May 3-5, 10-12, and from 17-19 at the McCall Playhouse. Tickets at Uniglobe Courtesy Travel. Warning: mature subject matter.

Terrace Little Theatre presents its season finale, Paula Vogel's Pulitzer Prize winning play, *How I Learned to Drive*. Inspired by the classic tale of *Lolita*, this is the story of a woman who learns the rules of the road - and life - from behind the wheel. Directed by Daniel Barnswell. Running May 3-5, 10-12, and from 17-19 at the McCall Playhouse. Tickets at Uniglobe Courtesy Travel. Warning: mature subject matter. Skeena River Players presents Tomson Highway's award-winning play about *The Biggest Bingo In The World: The Rez Sisters* May 3 at the R.E.M. Lee

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**Your Health**  
by Claudia Perry  
**What are Parasites?**  
By definition, parasites are living organisms living in or on another body, at the expense of the host. Sizes, depending on species, range from microscopic amoebas to worms of several feet long. They are often in competition for food consumed by the host. As a result of their functions, the host is injured to some extent by the relationship. Several types of parasites can infect a body at the same time.  
Few of us realize the impact of parasites on human health. On a worldwide scale, parasites that cause diarrhoea are the largest sole reason of sickness and death. Even in the United States, diarrhoea from intestinal parasites is the third leading cause of illness. It's clear that parasites remain prevalent in this country despite our many sanitary conveniences.  
These foreign invaders have the ability to exude toxins into our bodies. A chronic infection could be overlooked as the levels of toxins produced was insidiously slow, but posed a variety of health problems over time.  
Parasites can multiply at an alarming rate, sometimes laying thousands of eggs daily. It's been documented that many of them can live in our bodies for as many as 30 years, increasing and producing waste within us. With this understanding it's hard to deny that they cause illness of one type or another.  
In light of the information about parasites, we might be wondering why everyone doesn't have them. Many health practitioners have come to believe that most people do, in fact, have at least one type of parasite. In the interest of their own survival, many parasites have evolved ways to escape detection. Symptoms may be subtle, long-standing and unrecognized for what they are.  
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- WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18**  
Northwest B.C. Metis Association monthly meeting, 7 p.m. at Interconnect, room 205. For info, call Kathleen at 638-8039.
- THURSDAY, APRIL 19**  
Cathleen Kneen, project manager for Action for Food Security, speaks between 2 and 4 p.m. at Building Healthier Babies, 4665 Park Ave. Does it worry you that some people in this community don't have enough food? Come to a meeting to discuss ways to ensure long-term food security in Terrace. Learn ways to link farmers and food producers with food businesses, the food bank and other self-help food projects. Confirm attendance by calling Jeanie: 635-1830.
- SATURDAY, APRIL 21**  
Centennial Christian School Spring Fundraising Auction at the school gymnasium. Silent auction and browsing 7 to 8 p.m., live auction at 8 p.m. Services and items donated by local businesses and school society members. For more information call 635-6173.
- SUNDAY, APRIL 22**  
The Terrace Drag Race Association holds its monthly meeting at 1 p.m. at the Coast Inn of the West. Everyone is welcome.  
The Greater Terrace Beautification Society is asking you to pitch in and help clean up. The 16th Annual Garbathon takes place from 1 to 3 p.m. Meet at the McDonald's parking lot. Everyone is encouraged to come and lend a hand.  
Run For Peace, a 4-km community run, walk or jog. At 3 p.m. at Northwest Community College. Help kick off the fundraising effort to build a new transition house. Pledge forms available by calling Lana at 635-6447. Register at the campus.

the Nisga'a. Hear an insider's viewpoint on B.C.'s first modern-day treaty.

- SATURDAY, APRIL 28**  
Day of Mourning. The Kitimat/Terrace and District Labour Council is calling on all workers to take one minute at 11 a.m. to remember workers killed or injured on their jobs. A worker's memorial sponsored by the Workers' Compensation Board, the City of Terrace, the B.C. Federation of Labour and the Business Council of B.C. will be dedicated at 11 a.m. on arena hill.

- WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25**  
All delegates to the Kitimat-Terrace and District Labour Council are encouraged to attend a meeting at 7 p.m. at the Best Western Terrace Inn.

- TUESDAY, MAY 1**  
Submission deadline for the first book of 20th Century Anecdotes of the Terrace Area. For more information, or to submit your story, contact the society at P.O. Box 246, Terrace, B.C. V8G 4A6.

- MAY 4-6**  
Catholic Charismatic Diocesan Conference at Sacred Heart parish. Guest speaker will be Fr. Peter Sanders, Orat. of California. Impressively qualified and gifted, Fr. Peter's talks will centre on Healing Prayer, Intercessory Prayer, Spiritual Warfare and Putting on God's Armour. The theme of the Conference is taken from Ephesians 6:10, Grow strong in the Lord. For further information or to register, phone Della 638-0858, Daryl at 635-3329 or Marlene at 798-2532.

- MONDAY, MAY 7**  
Terrace Model Airplane Club meets at the Blackstone Restaurant at 7 p.m. All interested in RC welcome. For more info call George at 638-0787.

- TUESDAY, MAY 15**  
Family Support Group for Mental Illness, sponsored by the B.C. Schizophrenia Society, meets the third Tuesday of every month. Meetings are held at the Stepping Stone Clubhouse, at the corner of Sparks St. and Park Ave., at 7:30 p.m. Call 635-3820 for more information.

- PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
The Salvation Army Red Shield Campaign is the month of May. We are looking for canvassers. Please phone Lt. Spears at 635-5446.

- April is Cancer Awareness Month. Watch for canvassers coming door-to-door. Canvassers can pick their kits up at the Cancer Resource Centre, at 301-4722 Lakelse Ave., between 10-3 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

- Women's Drop-in Group meets every Thursday afternoon from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Ksan House Society at 4724 Lakelse Ave. Invitation open to all women (adult, or living an independent adult lifestyle) who would like to have a place to join and share, listen, or talk about relationships. Safe place to talk, learn or listen. For info call Andrea or Jocelyn at 635-2373.

- Terrace Churches Food Bank April distribution takes place April 16 to 19 at 4647 Lazelle Ave., rear entrance (look for the sign). Bring ID for you and your dependents. Easter Monday April 16 A-H, April 17 I-R, April 18 S-Z, April 19 anyone missed. Donations can be made at the bargain Shop or Safeway. Buy BC Sharing coupons at Safeway and Overwaitea. Donations can be mailed c/o 4012 Anderson St., Terrace, B.C. V8G 2T2.

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**Date & Time of Birth:** April 4, 2001 at 9:12 a.m.  
**Weight:** 7 lbs. 10 oz. **Sex:** Male  
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Entertaining the troops

# Africa was an eye-opener

By JENNIFER LANG  
FOR THE THREE "prairie chicks" who form the pop-country trio Farmer's Daughter, performing for Canada's Peacekeepers in Eritrea earlier this month was a mind-blower.

Angela Kelman, Jake Leiske and ShaunaRae Samograd will be bringing Farmer's Daughter's trademark three-part harmony sound to the R.E.M. Lee April 22.

Just 12 days earlier, they arrived back from Eritrea, says North Vancouver based Kelman, nursing a case of jet lag that's kept her up to 4:30 a.m. answering emails.

In Africa they rode in army vehicles along roads that were hundreds of years old past small plots of farm land, where people walk 30 kms to market - in searing 60 degree heat - to buy a bag of rice that will last their families a week.

"I saw 115-pound women carrying 110-pound sacks," Kelman says. "It was pretty eye-opening and overwhelming. We got to see things most Western hemisphere people will never see."

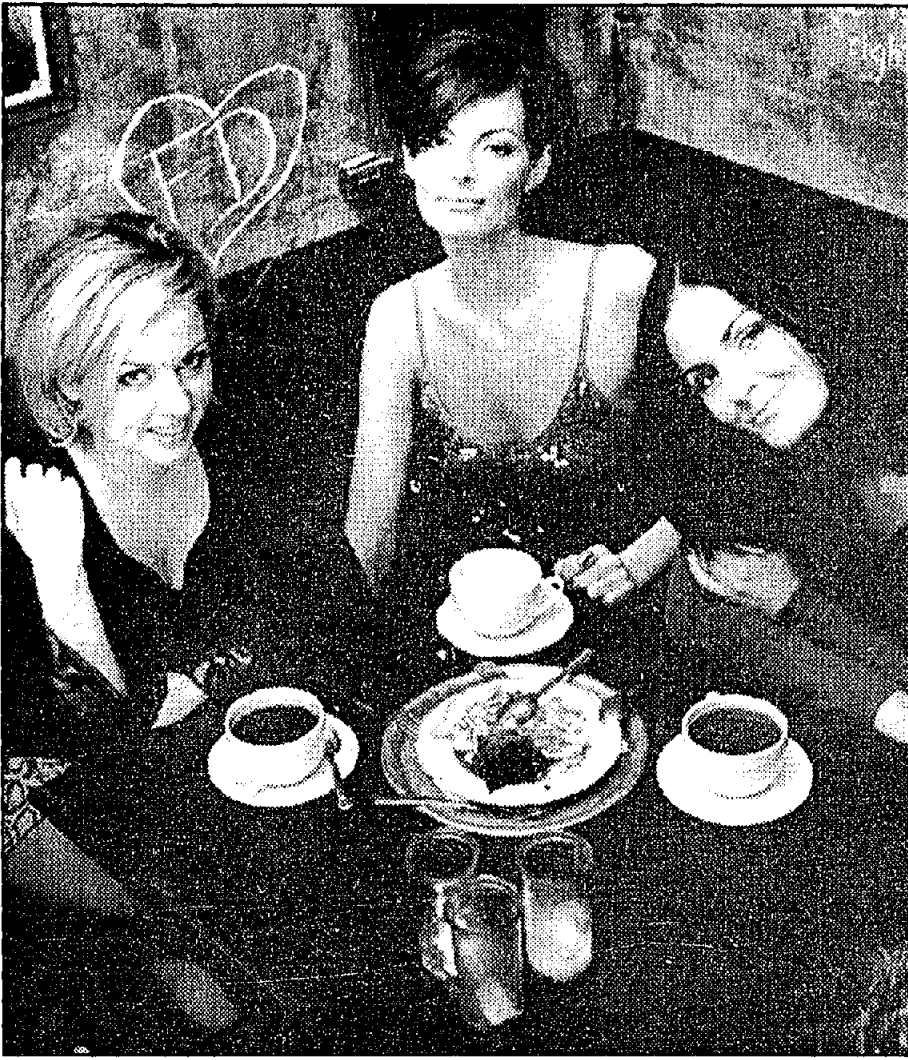
The experience left her feeling grateful to be a Canadian, admits Kelman, who explains why our peacekeepers are needed in the north African country.

A cease-fire six months ago ended a civil war with Ethiopia that had raged for 30 years.

Canadian peacekeepers arrived over Christmas and will spend six months sweeping land minds and clearing roads.

While the band finds performing for the troops a welcome privilege, Kelman finds connecting with the peacekeepers before and after the show even more rewarding.

She talks fondly about meeting up with a young peacekeeper in Eritrea who'd gone to her high



school in Brandon, Manitoba.

"Oh my God, we grew up in the same place," she recalls thinking. "These are little moments these guys hold on to for their tour of duty."

After eight and a half years of touring, the band has just taken five months off and will spend the next six months touring the country.

Little wonder they can relate to troops spending so much time away from home.

The band arrives in Terrace following dates in Kamloops, Grand Prairie, Alberta, Peace River. When they arrive here, their zebra-striped tour bus should easily stand out among the 4x4s and pickups.

Last time out our way

their bus broke down just outside of Prince George, so they drove a van rest of the way to Terrace.

"It might have been Smithers or Terrace, but we got nabbed by the RCMP because we got caught for speeding." After explaining their plight and signing some autographs, the officer let them go.

Despite a string of hits, a stack of awards, and dozens of music industry nominations, Farmer's Daughter remains true to the fans. Kelman promises a spontaneous playlist of familiar tunes and a couple of classic Canadian covers thrown in.

And look for Angela Jake and ShaunaRae signing autographs and meeting audience members here after the show.

If you do say 'Hi,' you

might get a pitch for the Canadian music industry, a cause Kelman calls her personal crusade.

"It's really important to support Canadian artists. Buy the music. Go to shows."

The band has made a conscious decision to only play communities that make them money on tour.

Since a breakthrough in the lucrative U.S. market continues to elude many Canadian artists, including Farmer's Daughter, she stresses it's crucial to have that support.

"We do it because we love it," she explains. "We're not doing it because we're making a fortune. We want people to support Canadian music as much as they can, otherwise it's going to become a dying art."

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## Schedule of Upcoming Events

Spring Fling Dessert Concert	<b>Terrace Community Band</b>	April 28
Spirit Journey: Expressions by Women	<b>Terrace Art Association</b>	ends April 29
Coffee House	<b>Terrace Musicians' Association</b>	April 28
How I Learned to Drive	<b>Terrace Little Theatre</b>	April 26, 27, 28
Banff Rocky Mountain Festival	<b>Skeena Parents for Music</b>	May 3, 4, 5
National Music Festival, Ottawa	<b>Skeena Parents for Music</b>	April 29-30
The Rez Sisters	<b>Skeena River Players</b>	May 24-28
Arts & Crafts Sale	<b>Terrace Art Association</b>	May 3
Skeena Zone Drama Festival	<b>Hosted by TLT</b>	May 5
Annual Dessert Concert	<b>Northwest Singers</b>	May 23-26
Seafest	<b>Terrace Pipes &amp; Drums</b>	May 12
Year-End Concert with Trio Accord	<b>Terrace Symphony Orchestra</b>	June 9
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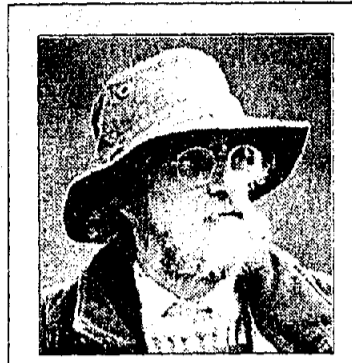
The Terrace Arts Council is joining scores of arts and cultural organizations and schools across British Columbia in demonstrating the important contribution of cultural activity to our communities by participating in Arts and Culture Week, Apr. 23-29. Arts and Culture Week is a province-wide initiative of the British Columbia Arts Council.



## SPORTS

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## Herman's Point: A Plea

If you scan a map of the lower Skeena you will notice that the mouths of its affluents have the designation "I.R." for Indian Reserve - that is if your charts are old and yellowed like mine. Apparently these lands were set aside as a result of the efforts of some patronizing, but kind hearted, governors who recognized that these fish rich locations had been intensively used by First Nations for millennia and were central to aboriginal culture.

Many of these sites are the holdings of Tsimshian from the coast, who paddled up the Skeena and set up summer camps on rivers like the Gitnadoix, Exstew, and Lakelse to take advantage of abundant natural riches there.

Mike Whelpley tells me that archaeologists he has ferried into the Gitnadoix in recent years have found the remains of fishing camps on the lower section of the river as well as evidence of First Nations' activities at a site on Alastair Lake, which may date back thousands of years.

There's plenty of evidence that the Lakelse had great appeal to native peoples too. There's a clearing just below the canyon - a place known as the Ball Park to veteran steelheaders - that looks suspiciously like it was cleared then turned into a fishing camp by adze wielding Tsimshian. Adding weight to this speculation is a long trail that winds through old growth to that site passes more than a dozen old cedars that have been peeled long ago for use in the manufacture of baskets, nets, and other First Nations' tools.

The places where lakes turn into rivers are the richest parts of our river valleys. On the Lakelse, that rich place is Herman's Point. According to the maps, it belongs to the Tsimshian from Port Simpson, who almost certainly cleared the area just below Herman Creek in order to exploit the fish and game there.

Appreciative of the magic and importance of such places, the First Nations treated them with respect bordering on reverence. I wish the same could be said for my Second Nations brethren.

The natural beauty of Herman's Point has not deterred people from driving trucks and all terrain vehicles to the rivers edge; it has not stopped others from hacking at, and whacking down, the riparian vegetation in search of fire wood (even a memorial sign erected by Reg Sieben's grieving family was cut, quartered and burned by some insensitive cretin on a quest for fire); and it has not prevented others from leaving all manner of trash strewn along the stream bank.

And it is not only the landscape that takes a beating at Herman's. This is the place where a large proportion of the small run of Lakelse River steelhead lie, awaiting a biological spur to spawn. The fish that arrive at Herman's every year are survivors of an arduous journey begun in the ocean a year earlier. After their ocean career, the fish enter the narrow confines of the Skeena, move into the even narrower confines of the Lakelse, and ultimately crowd into the small pool at Herman's, where they attempt to rest, some as long as eight months, ripening in preparation for their most important task.

In most years, these steelhead get little rest. This winter an increasing number of fishermen bent on dragging steelhead around by the lips have worn down the path into Herman's. Exposed as they are, you'd think the fish would be skittish and reluctant to bite - no such luck. Steelhead react aggressively to interlopers. It's their nature. Any glittering bauble of feather, fur and tinsel will provoke them. The sport is in finding an individual in a species of fish that is never really abundant, not in provoking it to strike, which is almost always an easy task.

Knowing this, ethical steelheaders do not fish for vulnerable dark steelhead holed up in low water waiting to spawn: it's simply too easy to catch them and, for that reason, unsporting. Moreover, inflicting additional stress on such fish after they've spent such a long time in the river increases the possibility of mortality.

Concern for these steelhead prompted Doug Webb to erect a sign on the trail to Herman's years ago. The message is clear, yet every year more fishermen choose to ignore it.

These fishermen are apparently unaware that the upper Skeena is closed to fishing to protect steelhead in similar circumstances. By harassing these animals, they risk provoking a similar closure on the upper Lakelse and with it the consequent loss of a fine cutthroat trout fishery.

To prevent this sad eventuality, anglers who want to keep fishing the upper Lakelse in the spring have to treat it with respect and encourage others to do the same. This can be done by using a floating line, a small fly, and a delicate tippet that will part in the unlikely (but not inconceivable) possibility that a black steelhead should grab it.

## Hebert nabs triple crown



NORM HEBERT is already teaching his two-and-a-half-year-old son, Damon, the tricks of the trade.

By SARAH A. ZIMMERMAN

NORM HEBERT is positively beaming. And no wonder.

In the past 10 weeks he watched the birth of his second child, he's gotten engaged and he's been re-crowned King of the Hill at the Mecca of snowmobile hill climbs in Jackson Hole, Wyoming.

It's a warm, sunny spring day and Hebert is cleaning out the pick-up truck he's been living out of for three weeks.

Coffee cups, wrappers and napkins tell the story of a man who's been spending a lot of time behind the wheel.

His trademark red Polaris sled sits noiselessly on the gravel driveway.

"It's been a crazy season this year," said Hebert.

The 24-year-old spent most of this winter traveling around the province competing in B.C. Snowmobile Federation (BCSF) sanctioned hill climbs.

But the highlight of the season came in Jackson Hole March 25.

The yearly competition is considered the major event for hill climbers

across Canada and the U.S. and is known as "the greatest show on snow."

Hebert was cool as a cucumber as he screamed his way to the top of the ski hill's Exhibition run, said to be the steepest ski run in North America.

His time of 1:04 beat out the other nine qualifiers in the final and earned him the title of King of the Hill for Improved Stock.

This is Hebert's third King of the Hill. He won the king stock title in 1995 and the trail modified title in 1997.

Hebert continues cleaning out the pick-up and keeps a watchful eye on his older son, Damon, as the tyke teeters around the backyard in the sun.

Being away from his family so much in the winter hasn't been easy, he says.

"I talk to Jen and Damon on the phone all the time, but it's not the same," he says.

And now with baby Seth around leaving home to compete is even harder.

"Jen has been great," he says of his soon-to-be wife. It's apparent that his family is the real crowning glory in his life.

With only a short, four-day stop-over in Terrace before heading down to Penticton and Kamloops to compete in the last two BCSF sanctioned hill climbs of the year, time with his family is precious.

And when he can't be in Terrace the hill climbing circuit becomes his home away from home.

"All the guys I go out and race with are pretty much like family to me."

High up on the list is friend Rocky Turcotte from Clearwater who accompanied Hebert to Jackson Hole as his mechanic.

While Turcotte kept Hebert's sleds in peak condition Hebert got a chance to study the course.

His strategy: keep an eye on the veterans.

"Those are the guys to watch," says Hebert. Their years of experience generates astute route finding skills that prove valuable when it comes courses on the steep slopes.

Norm Hebert may think he has many more hills to climb before he calls himself a veteran, but with three King of the Hill titles under his belt he's already joined the ranks of royalty.

## Sports Scope

## Ultimate challenge

IT'S LONG been said that winning isn't everything, it's how you play the game that counts. And the old cliché couldn't hold more true than for a sport called Ultimate.

The spirit of the game is at the heart Terrace's Ultimate club. The team game combines skills from football, basketball and frisbee.

The season is about to kick off and the club is on the look-out for new members. Beginners are always welcome.

To register or for more information phone Richard or Kelly Klein at 635-6636 or David Jones at 615-0215.

## Extreme wrestling comes to Kitsumkalum

WITH names like Count Monsterod, Disco Fury and Adam Firestorm, this year's presentation of Extremely Canadian Championship wrestling is bound to be a good one.

The wrestlers are making an appearance at the Kitsumkalum recreation centre April 20 as part of their Northern Hell tour.

This year's event features native wrestler Dream Warrior who will take on the 6'5" Juggernaut in the ECCW Hardcore title match. And a ladies event will see Miss Deer Heaven battle it out with Roxy Monoxide.

Tickets are available at Sonny's Collectibles and Comic Encounters in Terrace. Ringside seats are \$12 and general admission is \$10. Doors open at 7 p.m. and the action starts at 8 p.m. For more information call (604) 685-3229.

## Saddle up

THE FIRST clinic of the year was extremely successful for the Terrace Totem Saddle club April 6th.

The club is hoping to see a turn-out just as good at their next clinic April 20-23. The clinic will be conducted by Gennie Cash. For more information call Cathy Jackson at 635-1907.

Also mark your calendars for the Spring Mini-horse show. It will include dressage, jumping and reining. Proceeds will go to the indoor arena fund. For information call Cathy Gavronsky at 638-1439.

## Rugby returns

AFTER TWO years of declining rugby activity in the northwest the spring of 2001 will see a resurgence of the sport in Terrace and the northwest.

The Terrace Northmen Rugby Football Club, est. 1970, the oldest club in the North Coast Rugby Union had been in recession the last two seasons as competition from Prince Rupert and Smithers had ebbed and eventually ceased.

But this year all three cities are looking forward to developing the sport and getting back in the game.

The Terrace Northmen Rugby Football League is holding an organizational meeting for all club members, alumni, supporters and interested players. Anyone interested in taking part in rugby this season is invited to come.

The meeting takes place at the Oasis Sport Club on the Northwest Community College campus April 18 at 7:30 p.m.

For more information call David D. Hull, club secretary at 638-1327 or 638-7320.

## B.C. champ heads to the nationals

LUCK GAVE Judy Green the winning edge at the provincials during her final round, when she skunked her opponent twice.

"It was just unbelievable when those cards changed, I'll tell ya," says Green, bound for the Royal Canadian Legion's Dominion Cribbage Championships in Nova Scotia.

Green learned strategy from mom. "She taught me every trick in the book," Green says. "She stole points from me and I caught on real quick!"



JUDY GREEN holds the perfect cribbage hand that she hopes will come her way at the Legion's Dominion cribbage championships April 27-29.



## What a view!

PHIL ASLIN takes in the view 30 metres off the ground. He was one of many climbers who took advantage of the sunny skies last week to get in a few routes on the face of Copper Mountain. From the top of the first pitch of Houdini climbers can see all 18 holes of the golf course, the entire city of Terrace and mountain ranges that seem to stretch on forever.











