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City could join in on Alcan suit

Terrace should benefit from hydro power, says mayor

By JEFF NAGEL

TERRACE may go to court to advance its own goals once Kitimat launches its legal challenge to stop Alcan from selling power, Terrace mayor Jack Talstra said.

Kitimat is sending its lawyers to court to try to enforce the original 1950 agreement that limits electricity sales to the "vicinity of the works."

Talstra said if Kitimat's court action asks the judge to define the vicinity of the works as being Kitimat only, Terrace may seek intervenor status and argue against that point.

"We would argue for a broader definition than just Kitimat," Talstra said. "We would argue Terrace be included within that definition."

The rigid Kitimat-only definition would preclude Alcan from selling power to a new industry that might want to set up in Terrace, he said.

"Alcan may think that there's a second plant needed in the area," Talstra said. "They might want to locate on the Onion Lake flats, for example. Or a value-added plant might be needed in the area."

"You don't want to tie Alcan's hands so narrowly," he added.

City council would have to agree for Terrace to enter the legal fray, Talstra noted. And he said Kitimat's lawyers have not yet actually filed the action.

"It's hard to comment until they actually do it," he said. "It might just be a negotiation type of ploy they've put out there. Or maybe they really do mean it."

Kitimat officials said last week they will begin tripartite negotiations with the provincial government and Alcan in parallel with the court case.

They predict the legal filing will come either late this month or early in January.

Many in Kitimat believe the future size of Alcan's smelting operations there and the number of jobs depend on whether Alcan must use all the power it generates or whether it can export as much as it wants.

The idea of a widened definition of the vicinity of the works—that might harness unused Alcan power for other industry

outside of Kitimat—is one that has been advanced by Skeena MLA Roger Harris and vigorously opposed in Kitimat.

Kitimat officials have denounced it as a divide and conquer strategy designed to lure neighbouring towns like Terrace to Alcan's side.

But Kitimat administrator Trafford Hall is this time welcoming Talstra's talk of joining the action.

And he thinks it could make the two towns allies rather than adversaries in court.

"It might be wonderful," Hall said. "We would very much appreciate the City of Terrace joining the District of Kitimat in enforcing and securing the public policy intentions of the Industrial Development Act."

He said it's the first time Kitimat has heard that Terrace council might participate in the court action.

"We must talk to them," Hall said.

"It's an opportunity to join forces."

Hall said the exact definition of the vicinity of the works has never been debated much.

"We've always just presumed it to be Kitimat," he said. "It's only ever been Kitimat."

But he opened the door to discussions to alter that—if doing so brings Terrace on board in forcing Alcan to limit power sales to a defined area.

"I'd much rather see deeply discounted power going to Terrace than

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NORTHWEST COMMUNITY College welding students Myles Sampson and Candice Dignard crafted the stainless steel capsule which will contain items about 2003 Terrace that will be enjoyed by city residents 75 years from now. The capsule will be buried at Heritage Park and its placement there will be among the events taking place at the park Dec. 21 to officially wind up this year's activities marking the city's 75th anniversary. Christmas carols and hot chocolate will also be on hand.

Capsule to preserve history

TERRACE AS it is today is to be buried in Heritage Park to become the history of tomorrow.

A collection of photographs, maps, menus, newspapers, advertising flyers, tax assessment rolls and even a small, stuffed toy kermode bear will be placed into a stainless steel container, sealed and placed into the ground at Heritage Park.

A boulder of at least several tonnes will go on top and a plaque affixed to the boulder stating that the capsule should not be removed and opened until 75 years have past.

The time capsule commemoration event takes place in the afternoon of Dec. 21 at Heritage Park in conjunction with the 75th city anniversary closing ceremonies.

It's the brainchild of Willy Schneider who has been mulling over the concept for the past

five years or so and decided it would fit well with the city's 75th anniversary.

"We want to say to those people 75 years from now this is what your city looked like 75 years ago," said Schneider.

He contacted Northwest Community College welding instructor Peter Haigh who, in turn, contacted Eurocan in Kitimat. It supplied a stainless steel pipe of about 22 inches high and 16 inches wide.

Two of Haigh's welding students, Myles Sampson and Candice Dignard, crafted a bottom plate and a top cover which will bolted on once the capsule is full.

This is Sampson's second interesting community project. He was one of the welding students who last year made the aluminum kermode bear with the number '75' in it that is now attached to the old Skeena bridge.

The boulder comes from Nechako Northcoast Construction.

A group from the city's 75th anniversary committee has been gathering material for the capsule and met last week to sort out what will go inside. When the material has been gathered, the capsule will be taken back up to the college for sealing.

Haigh said either a gasket made out of rubber or a high-quality two-part epoxy will be used to seal the top lid.

He's also going to purge the capsule of oxygen with an inert gas, more than likely argon, to there is no air inside to eat away at organic material such as paper.

Paper items will be wrapped in special paper to keep them from deteriorating, added Schneider.

Group still waiting for school OK

By JENNIFER LANG

A PARENT group that's working on a proposal to turn Mountainview Elementary into a French Immersion school is still waiting for a response from the school board.

In early November, the Terrace chapter of Canadian Parents for French asked the school board to consider taking proposals from the community for Mountainview, a brand-new \$3.2 million elementary school that never opened due to budget constraints.

CPF president Darcie Annesley had asked trustees to set a Dec. 12 deadline for proposals.

Since some of the proposals could involve closing other schools, that would leave plenty of time for public consultation.

On Nov. 5, then-chair Peter King confirmed the school district was considering opening up Mountainview but he didn't elaborate.

Annesley said she did not receive a response from trustees in the weeks following that board meeting, prompting her to issue a reminder in person at the Dec. 3 board meeting.

"It hasn't been decided yet," board chair Lorrie Gowen told Annesley, adding the board planned to discuss reconfiguring schools and new graduation requirements at a closed session later that night.

But as of Dec. 5, Annesley still hadn't heard from the board.

Meanwhile, CPF has developed a detailed proposal that will be submitted to the district this Friday.

"We can't wait for them," she said.

CPF is holding a public meeting tomorrow night at Cassie Hall Elementary to gather input from teachers, principals and parents.

The CPF proposal would see the K-7 French immersion program move from its present home at Kiti K' Shan Primary and Cassie Hall into Mountainview.

Annesley said the move could help ensure the program's survival because it would attract more students. CPF is also working on a plan to introduce a "late" French immersion program that would start in Grade 5 or 6, boosting enrolment.

More inside

Trustees elect new board chair, A9



Union braces for long strike

By JEFF NAGEL

NOBODY WANTS to go on strike—least of all Ron Thyr.

But he and other unionized loggers and mill workers here say they're bracing for a long haul on the picket line now that coastal forest industry talks have collapsed.

"I worked probably two weeks this year—all year," says Thyr, who drew his last paycheque as a marker man for Terrace Timber last January.

"I'm now a fish guide in the summer for a local lodge."

Other loggers on his crew got a few weeks of work in November, when West Fraser ordered a short-lived restart of logging in anticipation it would reopen its sawmill Jan. 5.

But the chances of the mill firing up on

schedule got much more remote with Friday's meltdown in talks between the Industrial Wood and Allied Workers Union and the companies' bargaining agent—Forest Industrial Relations.

It caps what has already been a long, tough year for IWA members here.

West Fraser's sawmill workers have been laid off since June as a side effect of the now-settled strike at the company's Kitimat pulp mill.

Even workers for New Skeena Forest Products, who are now outside the coastal dispute because they agreed to cut their pay by 20 per cent, are still waiting to be recalled to work.

IWA strike captain Tony Taphouse says most union members have seen their employment insurance run out and the few still on EI drop off early in the new year.

"Most of us are pretty desperate," he said. "Our only source of income is strike pay."

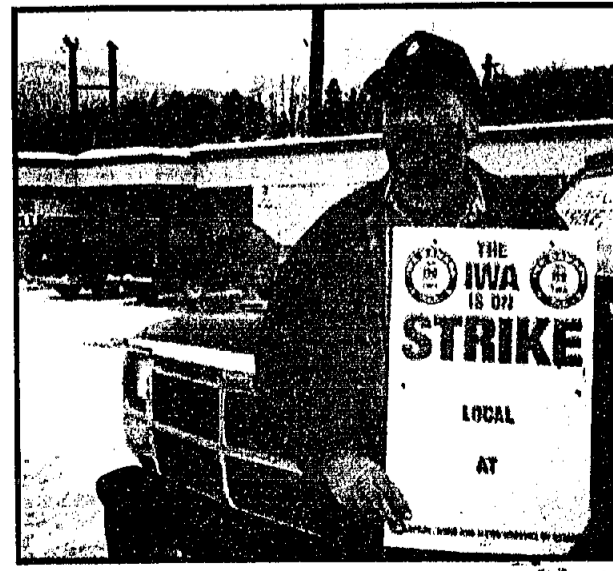
Many are trying to supplement that with any sort of work they can get, he said, from landscaping to tree-topping.

What makes it all more difficult, he says, is listening to local people who don't understand why workers are hoisting picket signs at a time like this.

Taphouse said the union had no choice but to strike once FIR imposed a contract on its members and that move was upheld in an extraordinary decision of the Labour Relations Board.

"It left us with no other choice but to go on strike," he said. "If we had worked under that

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RON THYR, one of the unionized contract loggers for West Fraser, does picket line duty.

Twinkling colour and snow add to annual lights contest

ENTRIES CONTINUE to arrive for the annual Christmas lights contest as the festive season takes hold in the area.

This is the 16th year for the contest, which has become a tradition in the area.

As in past years, there are four categories - best home, best effort, best apartment/mobile and best commercial.

The contest is sponsored by *The Terrace Standard* in conjunction with the B.C. Northern Real Estate Board and the Terrace Beautification Society and local businesses and is an official event of the city's 75th anniversary celebrations.

Locations will be published in the Christmas week issue of *The Terrace Standard* so residents can take a tour over the holiday period.

Winners will receive plaques and an acknowledgment in *The Terrace Standard*. The judging night is Thursday, Dec. 18 and the judges are local realtors and members of

the beautification society.

Send entries to *The Terrace Standard* at 3210 Clinton Ave., Terrace, B.C. V8G 5R2; or fax to 638-8432 or email them to newsroom@terracestandard.com. The deadline is 5 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 16.

And if you see any displays you think others would enjoy, contact *The Terrace Standard* at the above addresses and we'll be glad to publish the location.

Some favourite locations of past year will be lit up once again. The list includes Heritage Park which will take on an added festive atmosphere Dec. 21 as the location for the closing ceremonies marking Terrace's 75th anniversary. Donations of non-perishable food items for the Terrace churches food bank are appreciated at the Dec. 21 event.

And check out the Jim Allen residence at 5134 of Agar. Allen has recreated his home village of Youghal, Ireland and each year decorates it with lights. He's accepting donations for the Canadian Cancer Society.

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'Terracites' appears to take lead

TERRACITES appears to have the lead going into the last week of suggestions by readers about what city residents should call themselves.

The Terrace Standard has been asking what city residents call themselves to help out the Canadian Oxford Dictionary publishers. They need the word so it can be included in the 2004 edition.

One reader, Louise Yorke, has another word, but worries that "Terrarists" would cause too many problems at the border.

"Thousands of 'Terrarists' live in northwest B.C., on CBC tonight. I can hear the outrage now," she writes.

Aside from Terracites, Daniel Beauregard prefers "Terraconian," rhyming it with Babylonian.

"My vote goes to 'Territes,' emailed Caitlin Keenan, saying it sits nicely on the tongue and doesn't sound like

something nasty.

"In fact, a friend of mine from Prince Rupert got shouted down one time for referring to us that way," said Caitlin of "Terracites."

And J. Andre Nabess likes "Terrestrials." Could that mean that someone from outside the city is an "extra-terrestrial?"

As for a nickname for Terrace itself, Samuel Western likes "Terrace Dwellers." One e-mailed suggestion offered up "rip bum."

You can send your favourite term for a Terrace resident and/or nickname for the city itself by email to newsroom@terracestandard.com. You can also fax them to us at 638-8432 or mail them to the Terrace Standard at 3210 Clinton St., Terrace, B.C., V8G 5R2. Hurry, though. The deadline is tomorrow at 5 p.m.

From front

Job security top issue, union says

contract, it would have been implemented and we would have no choice but to work under it for the next three years."

Another factor workers zero in on are the companies' ability to export up to a third of the logs they cut in this region.

"In our opinion West

Fraser has not had a lot of incentive to start this mill up as long as market logging and the raw log exports continues," Taphouse said.

The key issues, the union says, is not money but job security and the potential of increased contracting out by the forest

companies.

"Union busting is right at the top of their list," Thy said.

Other concessions demanded by FIR include an end to travel time, which would cost loggers like Thy up to an hour of pay a day.

Thyr wishes the union

and the companies had worked harder to cut a deal earlier this year.

Now, he says, union leaders have told members they will still be on the picket line come spring.

"The government has to step in," Thy said. "We have to get these sawmills going."

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College finds a treasure

Burning cache of oil produces savings

IT'S NOT exactly the equivalent of the Beverly Hillbillies, but Northwest Community College has struck oil.

Maintenance workers are burning 20,000 gallons of furnace oil long forgotten but subsequently found in two underground tanks.

The oil has likely been there for at least seven years and since it has long been paid for, burning it instead of natural gas is saving the college up to \$1,000 a day, says college facilities manager Cindy Harmel.

"If all that oil is good, we're looking at substantial savings," she said.

"In October the bill for gas was \$25,000 a month and it wasn't even winter yet," said Harmel.

The college has been burning the oil since early November.

First estimates, based on speaking with boiler experts, were that the oil would last well into the new year. But the burn rate is higher than expected, said Harmel.

"I expect we'll now save about \$50,000," she said.

Harmel, who was hired this year, became interested in the tanks after noticing that the heating system, which typically burns natural gas, could also burn oil. She also noticed the underground tanks on college drawings.

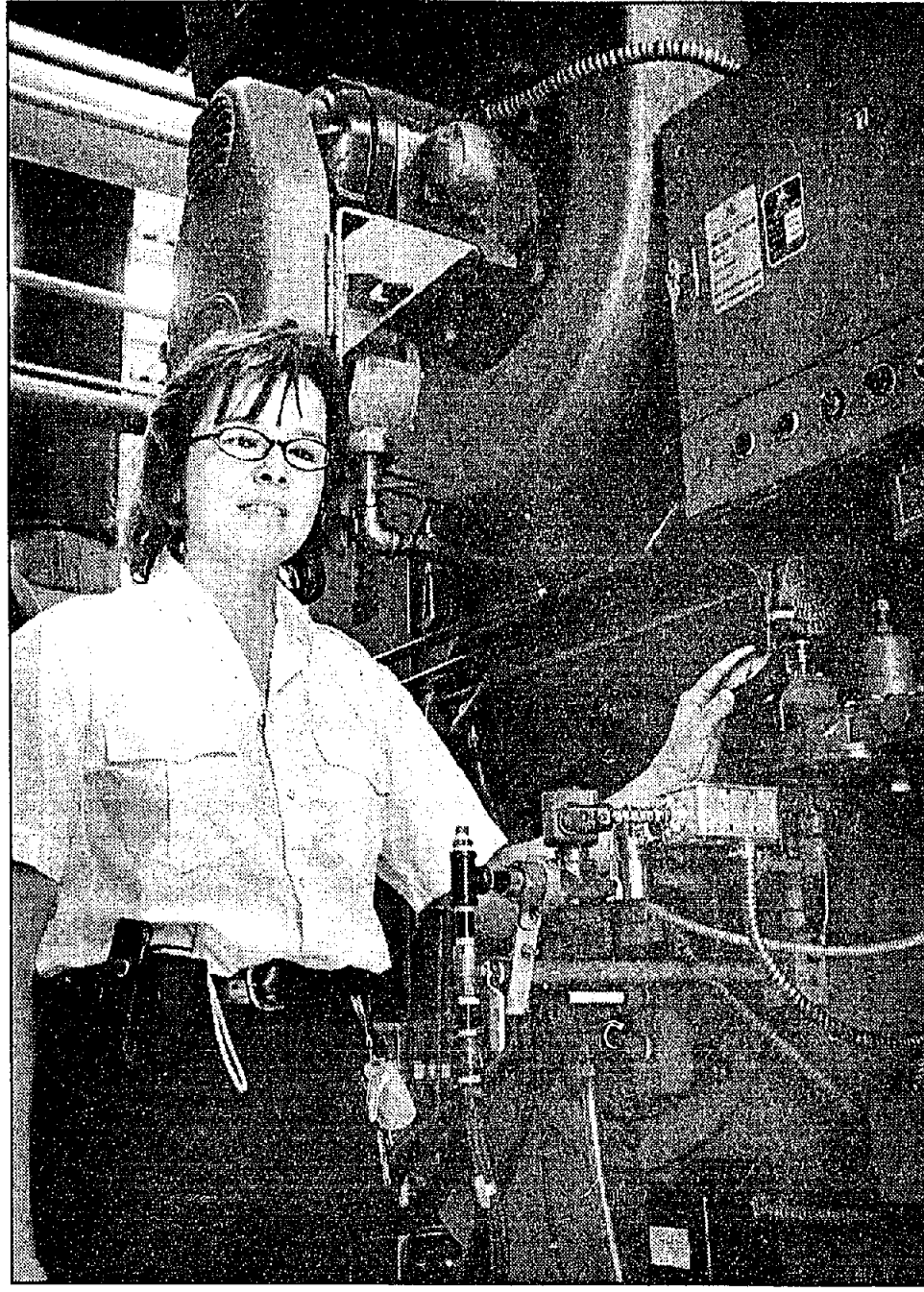
"At first I was approaching it as getting rid of the tanks because of the environmental liability. There was no thought there might be oil in there. But the crew came back and said there was oil in those tanks," she said.

The oil was tested and found, at least on the top layers, to be combustible, Harmel continued.

"Chances are the oil is still all good, but even it isn't, this is a positive thing and it's nice to do a positive thing," she said.

Since the college can burn oil as well as natural gas, Harmel is writing Pacific Northern Gas to request a rate reduction. That's because it now pays a premium rate in return for the gas utility to ensure there is a constant supply. But having a back up fuel source means the college can get off the more expensive rate and pay less.

The tanks will be removed for environmental reasons once they are dry. But Harmel has located a 10,000 litre above-ground tank to hold oil in case it is ever needed.



LARGE BOILERS at Northwest Community College provide heat at the campus here. Facilities manager Cindy Harmel recently discovered two underground tanks full of oil. That oil is now being burned, meaning the college is saving money because it doesn't have to use natural gas.

News In Brief

MBA anyone?

THE UNIVERSITY of Northern British Columbia may introduce a Master's of Business Administration program within a year.

It surveyed regional employers, recent MBA graduates from other institutions and took on-line comments from prospective students and found general acceptance of the idea.

"Our work shows that there is a market in northern B.C. for an MBA - one that would enhance the skills of managers in a variety of occupations, while recognising the particular needs of northerners," says UNBC business professor Charles Schell.

A program would permit part time study, take into account people working full time and consist of face-to-face as well as on-line courses, he said.

UNBC's business school will now refine the curriculum plan and cost before seeking support from the university's senate and board of directors. Depending upon approval, the first courses could begin by late summer of 2004.

Foreign students wanted

SKEENA MLA Roger Harris says he was able to put in a good word for School District 82 when it comes to recruiting foreign students.

Harris, who attended a resource conference in Prince George last month, said he brought the issue up with Canadian businessmen who have direct contacts with school districts in China.

School District 82 is considering recruiting foreign students and exporting local curricula as a way to earn more revenue.

"B.C. has a strong advantage over every other province in Canada," Harris said, explaining it's physically closer to China because it's on the coast, plus it's home to a large population of Chinese immigrants.

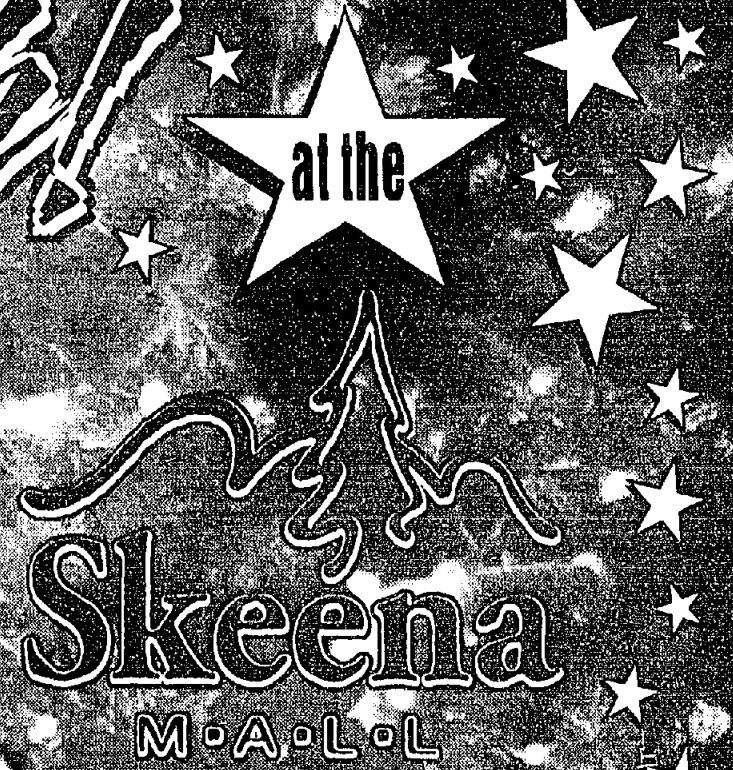
"They view that as a significant factor," Harris said.

The representatives Harris spoke with are with a company that's already working with the Quesnel school district.

China is also welcoming the development of schools that offer a B.C. high school diploma.

"You could set up a school in China," said Harris.

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It's up to us

WITH A capital cost in the neighbourhood of \$60 million, the planned container port at Prince Rupert doesn't rank up there in the history of provincial mega-projects.

It pales next to the ill-fated northeast coal development of the 1980s, is far less than the fast ferry episode of the 1990s and doesn't cut the mustard next to this decade's massive public commitment to bring the 2010 Winter Olympics to Vancouver-Whistler.

What it does do, according to the provincial Liberal government, is take the northwest, now isolated in terms of the global economic landscape, and move it way to the front of the line.

Containers are all the rage in transportation circles. Simply take whatever it is you want to ship, place it inside a container and slam the lid shut. Load the container onto a rail car and take it to what is essentially a large paved parking lot equipped with cranes at port side and load aboard a ship and that's it. No complicated handling.

Given that there already is a rail line in the north and that Prince Rupert is a day and a half closer in sailing time to Asia than other west coast ports and you have the perfect marriage - ease of shipping and proximity to the huge Asian market.

So far so good if you are a large industry someplace else looking for a cheaper and faster way to get a good or product to Asia.

In terms of jobs, there will be railway work and port employment, but not much else of a benefit to the rest of the northwest. Yet the provincial Liberals say there's more. Ease of shipping and proximity to Asia should lead, the Liberals expect, to interest by industrial and business concerns to locate themselves in the northwest.

Compared to other places in North America we have cheap land and cheap housing. We have an airport. We have the basic amenities of education and health care. We have a relatively younger population of working age than other places.

The Liberals are priming the pump by providing seed money from the sale of B.C. Rail for the port and money to the region to attract container-using industry. But basically, in yet another example of the peculiar kind of tough-love the Liberals are exhibiting in the northwest compared to other places, the rest is up to us.

And that's OK. It is far better for the northwest to develop its own methods of success than to rely on somebody else to deliver their plan and expect it to work.

Considering that we have one large industry under yet another round of bankruptcy protection with a dicey future, a municipal council hell-bent on taking on the region's sole remaining large industrial concern (hardly the business-friendly environment the folks in Victoria are trying to project), there's a lot riding on the container port.



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Let's make parks more friendly

VICTORIA - Canada's western national parks are in crisis, the Banff National Park's annual planning forum was told last week.

Among the concerns expressed by the groups taking part in the forum were cracked roads, dilapidated washrooms, and broken picnic tables.

"It is in a state of crisis and it needs upgrading if we are going to remain competitive in international tourism," said Kim Andres, executive director of the Association for Mountain Parks Protection and Enjoyment.

"In some cases, instead of fixing things, they are just shut down, which is a cheap solution but has a big impact on visitors."

Parks officials don't deny that things need fixing, but say they're doing the best they can with the financial resources they have.

Now, I am not sure I would call it a crisis. There's a crisis in Iraq. When it comes to our national and provincial parks, problems might be a better word to describe the situation.

No having visited either Banff, Jasper, Yoho or Kootenay National Park for a while, I can't comment on their state. But I do have some suggestions for the Pacific Rim National Park and our provincial parks.

A few years back, well, a few decades actually, I was quite



FROM THE CAPITAL
HUBERT BEYER

happy to rough it in our national and provincial parks.

"Strict guidelines could be established to regulate the kind of accommodation allowed in provincial parks."

We'd take the kids camping and canoeing, slept in tents, that were invariably erected on rocky ground, ate canned pork and beans, cooked over a camp fire, washed in cold creeks and rivers in the morning and happily explored the wilderness around us.

As your bones get a little creakier, your idea of a wilderness

experience isn't quite the same.

We're not all Pierre Trudeau, who went on gruelling canoe trips at a relative old age. My preference these days involves a nice and comfortable hotel, a hot bath or shower in the morning, restaurants that serve good food, and maybe a well-worn trail of no considerable length.

Alas, try to find these things in our parks. Sure, there's Banff and Jasper, two towns with all amenities smack in the heart of two national parks. But what of our provincial parks?

What's a senior to do with no hotel or restaurant in sight. Arthritis won't let them walk for any length of time. At best, they can enjoy a picnic, and even picnic sites are often difficult to find.

But enough about me. Let's talk about all the other British Columbians and out-of-town, province and country visitors. Many of them are elderly and have problems getting around on foot.

Back in 1970, when the Pacific Rim National Park was established, the powers that be, egged on by the nature purists, did their best to have the Wickaninnish Inn demolished. Fortunately, saner heads prevailed and the luxury resort is still around.

But not everybody can afford a luxury hotel. More affordable accommodation would be welcomed by many tourists.

That doesn't mean we have to allow cheap motels, hamburger joints and tourists traps in our parks. Strict guidelines could be established to regulate the kind of accommodation allowed in provincial parks.

Space would be leased by prospective developers, interested in building a hotel in keeping with the surroundings with restaurant and lounge facilities for those who have left their wilderness exploration years behind.

British Columbia has to do more than rely on its natural beauty to attract visitors. We fret about the decline of the forest and mining industries and do little to pick up the slack by developing the one industry that makes this province a second-to-none destination.

Of course, any government attempting such sacrilege would have to brace for a storm that would make the controversy over the sale of B.C. Rail appear to be mild disapproval.

But hope springs eternal or at least another 15 or 20 years in my case. Someday, we may get a government with guts enough to implement my suggestions.

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Barriers can prevent burns

NATURAL GAS fireplaces can be hazardous to toddlers. In the past year, in one Vancouver hospital alone, 16 toddlers have been treated for severe burns after they rested their tiny palms on the hot door.

The glass door of a gas fed fireplace can reach temperatures of 200 degrees. This is not enough to produce third degree burns over the entire inside of a child's hand in seconds.

Unlike a wood burning fireplace, the fake flames of a gas fireplace don't look that dangerous to a child.

Young ones tend to lean toward the glass and brace their weight against the hot door. Before they can react and pull away, their delicate hands are scarred forever.

In the Global T.V. news story, an 18-month-old girl had undergone numerous surgeries, including having skin from her wee buttocks grafted to the palms and inside of her fingers of both hands.

After weeks (maybe months) of treatment, she still wore gauze bandages enclosing her hands to



THROUGH BIFOCALS
CLAUDETTE SANDECKI

the wrist like boxing gloves.

Aside from the weeks of anguish and excruciating pain to the child, inconvenience and extra work for the family, and the cost in health care, add the child's physical limitations at a time when she should be picking up toys feeding herself, hoisting her juice bottle.

Why are so many children being burned on gas fireplaces?

Besides the deceptively benign look of the fake flames, we no longer live in a single room like Little House on the Prairie homesteaders. Mommy may not always have the child in her line of sight. A few seconds is plenty for a child to approach a fireplace and reach out to feel what it's like.

One of our family has experienced severe burns and it wasn't just to one hand. The pain is excruciating, and goes on for weeks as surgeons remove the dead burned skin and physiotherapists force the fingers to extend to prevent them from becoming claws.

Preserving maximum flexibility and range of motion of a burned hand requires weeks of dedicated, torturous exercise. No one would wish the pain upon an enemy let alone an innocent inquisitive toddler.

With Prince Rupert's gas pipeline interruption, how many preschoolers will be treated for burns as families plug-in electric heaters or bunk with friends who may have heating appliances unfamiliar to the youngsters?

Kids soon learn to avoid stoves and heaters but adjusting takes time. Yelling at them every time they approach a fireplace, even smacking their diaper when they ignore a command will eventually steer them around off limits appliances, but can a family afford the risk of a child being quicker than a parent's eye?

In unfamiliar circumstances, such as Prince Rupert's, kids can forget, and run or wrestle too close to hot surfaces. Once burned all the "Sorry's" in the world won't alleviate the pain and perhaps permanent scarring.

Manufacturers send along safety manuals and warnings with their fireplaces. But as with many warnings, wearing protective glasses while weed whacking, or wearing ear muffs while chain sawing, owners downplay the risks and often make do with a minimum of protection.

Cautious parents, though, set up a barrier in front of their fireplace. Barriers are inexpensive and convenient, compared to third degree burns to a toddler's hands.



Curbing car crashes

The RCMP is using a new database detailing highway accidents since 1996 to help them beef up enforcement when and where drivers are most likely to get into accidents

A special report by Sarah A. Zimmerman

Old Skeena Bridge to Hot springs

Top five factors leading to motor vehicle accidents:

1. Wild animal 19.85%
2. Unsafe speed 19.12%
3. Alcohol 11.76%
4. Driving without due care 8.09%
5. Weather 7.35%

Age and sex of drivers:

1. Male 16-25 17.65%
2. Male 26-35 16.18%
3. Male 36-45 13.97%
4. Female 16-25 12.50%
5. Female 26-35 6.62%
5. Male 46-55 6.62%

Day of Week:

1. Saturday 21.32%
2. Friday 16.91%
3. Sunday 15.44%
4. Wednesday 12.5%
5. Thursday 11.76%

Time of Day:

1. 3 p.m.-6 p.m. 17.65%
2. 6 a.m.-9 a.m. 16.91%
3. 6 p.m.-9 p.m. 16.18%
4. 12 p.m.-3 p.m. 15.44%
5. 9 p.m.-midnight 11.76%

Weather:

1. Clear 36.7%
2. Cloudy 28.68%
3. Raining 16.18%
4. Snowing/sleet 12.5%
5. Fog 2.94%

Road Condition:

1. Dry 48.59%
2. Wet 28.68%
3. Ice 16.91%
4. Snow 5.15%
5. Slush 2.94%

Terrace Weigh Scales to 75 km west on Hwy 16

Top five factors leading to motor vehicle accidents:

1. Failing to yield right-of-way 15.54%
2. Unsafe speed 14.69%
3. Alcohol 11.02%
4. Follow too close 9.32%
5. Wild animal 5.65%

Age and sex of drivers:

1. Male 16-25 17.98%
2. Male 26-35 14.89%
3. Male 36-45 13.48%
4. Female 16-25 8.71%
5. Male 46-55 8.43%

Day of Week:

1. Saturday 19.94%
2. Friday 16.57%
3. Tuesday 14.33%
3. Sunday 14.33%
4. Thursday 12.92%
5. Monday 11.24%

Time of day:

1. 3 p.m.-6 p.m. 20.51%
2. 12 p.m.-3 p.m. 16.85%
3. 6 p.m.-9 p.m. 16.01%
3. 9 a.m.-12 p.m. 16.01%
4. 9 p.m.-midnight 8.99%
5. 6 a.m.-9 a.m. 8.71%

Road Condition:

1. Dry 46.63%
2. Wet 33.15%
3. Ice 9.55%
4. Slush 5.06%
4. Snow 5.06%
5. Muddy 0.56%

Terrace Weigh Scales to 35 km east on Hwy 16

Top five factors leading to motor vehicle accidents:

1. Unsafe speed 15.93%
2. Alcohol 15.04%
3. Driving without due care 9.73%
4. Fell asleep 8.85%
5. Not related 7.96%

Age and sex of driver:

1. Male 26-35 16.67%
2. Male 16-25 15.79%
3. Male 36-45 14.91%
4. Female 16-25 8.77%
5. Male 46-55 7.89%

Day of Week:

1. Friday 21.93%
2. Saturday 18.42%
3. Monday 16.67%
4. Sunday 12.28%
5. Wednesday 11.40%

Time of Day:

1. 12 p.m.-3 p.m. 23.68%
2. 6 p.m.-9 p.m. 14.04%
3. 9 p.m.-midnight 13.16%
4. 3 p.m.-6 p.m. 11.40%
5. 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Road condition:

1. Dry 40.35%
2. Wet 30.70%
3. Ice 20.18%
4. Snow 6.14%
5. Slush 2.63%

A NEW database used by police in Terrace and across the province has the potential to save lives by changing how, when and where highway patrol officers set up road blocks.

The new database compiles accident statistics for every kilometre of highway in the province since 1996. It tells officers where accidents are most likely to happen, when and who will most likely be involved.

Using that information officers can schedule where and when enforcement should be done most effectively.

Since incorporating the program here, members of the RCMP highway patrol who monitor roads from Terrace to the Nass, Stewart and the Queen Charlotte Islands, have changed their shifts in an effort to nab more drunk drivers.

Before the Traffic Management Software Information Tool (TMSIT) was introduced here earlier this year, the highway patrol didn't work as late into the wee hours of the morning as they do now, says Cnst. Gary Swanson.

Before, officers tried to focus on when the greatest number of people would be on the road, whereas now they're targeting late night partiers who might be drinking and driving after leaving the bar.

"We are realigning our shifts so that 50 per cent of our time is spent on an afternoon shift," he says.

That means working from 4 p.m. to 2 a.m. or 5 p.m. to 3 a.m.

The shift change is in part a reflection of an overall change in approach to enforcement by the RCMP.

Information compiled by TMSIT revealed the top three factors leading to people dying in car accidents on highways is because they aren't wearing seat belts, an impaired driver was involved or was a result of aggressive driving, says B.C.'s top highway patrol officer, Inspector Norm Gaumont.

Specific information about the location of accidents, time of day and day of the week can be garnered from the program.

"We can ascertain exactly where the high crash areas are," Insp. Gaumont says. "Plus it tells them, 'I'm working on a Friday night, it's NOVEMBER - where is the best place I can find an impaired driver?'"

The program seems to be working in other parts of the province, he says.

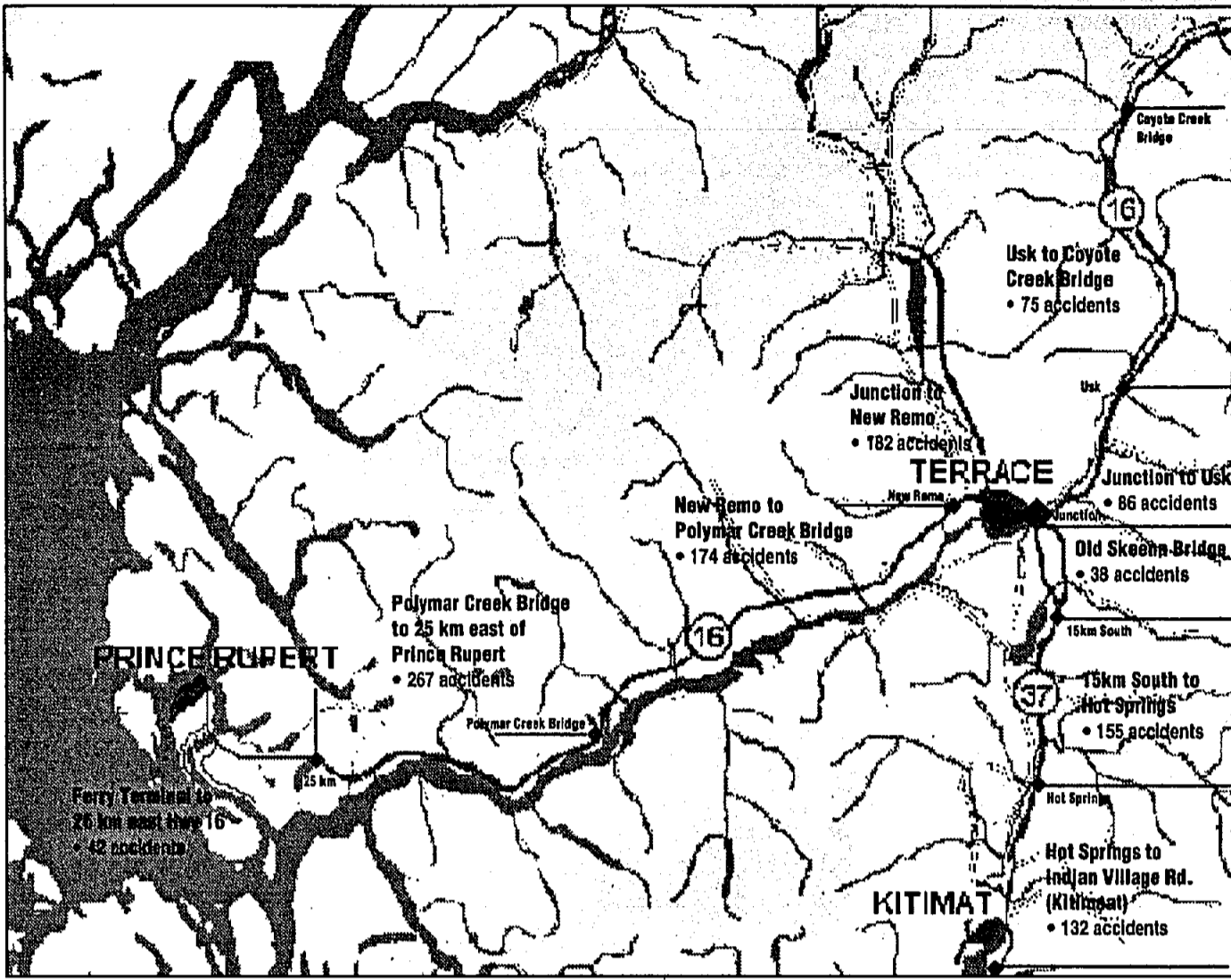
Prior to 1999 the Kootenays averaged 22 fatalities per year. In 2001 the program was piloted by officers there and fatalities went down to 17.

In 2002 15 fatalities occurred and so far this year just 11, Gaumont says.

He's hoping to see those statistics replicated across the province.

The program is a valuable tool particularly to officers working in an area where they've just been posted, says Cnst. Gary Swanson.

But the highway patrol posted unit based in Terrace is unique because of the amount



THIS MAP outlines the number of accidents on highways leading out of Terrace since 1996. The hot spot for crashes appears to be in the areas nearest to town.

of time its members have served here. Between four of the core members there's more than 40 years experience patrolling areas streets and highways.

"When I was asking, 'are there any of these areas that surprise you where we're having these collisions?' - the answer was no," Swanson says.

He thinks that local knowledge is invaluable, and says the TMSIT program confirms many of the observations he's made over the years.

Shifting from targeting speeding drivers to enforcing seat belt use makes sense, Swanson says.

Swanson counts several accidents in the past year between Terrace, Kitimat, Dease Lake and Prince Rupert where six people died - none of which were wearing seat belts.

The most recent being the death of Leona Williams, 59, a Kitimat Village woman who was rear ended Nov. 27 while driving south to Kitimat from Terrace.

The bump caused her to lose control sending her into an oncoming vehicle. She

wasn't wearing a seat belt and died of her injuries.

It also comes as no surprise, he says, that statistics show the vast majority of accidents happen close to Terrace.

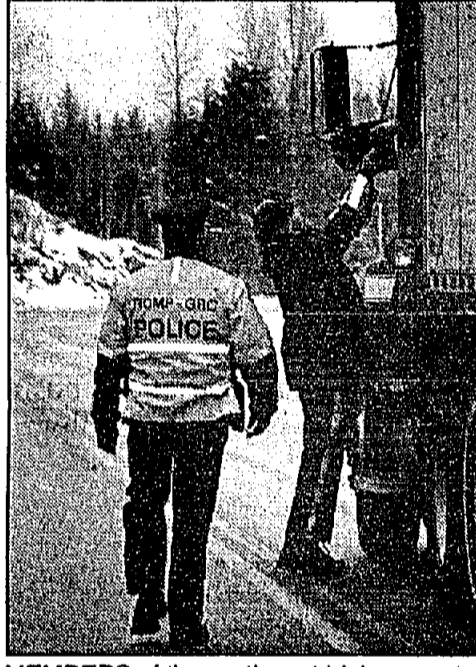
For example, the largest cluster of accidents happening on Hwy 16 west occurred between five and 10 kilometres out of town. Since 1996 there have been 166 accidents at that location.

That's significantly more accidents in a five-kilometre stretch of road than the 100 accidents recorded in the 40-km section that takes in Car Wash Rock and the level rail crossing - an area often referred to as being particularly prone to accidents.

Swanson speculates there are more collisions closer to town because there are more vehicles on the road, more intersections and stop-and-go traffic.

"The biggest population travels that distance every day," says Swanson.

"Any enforcement we do in town might save a person when they're out on the highway."



MEMBERS of the northwest highway patrol do a routine seat belt check on Hwy 16 west of Terrace.

Axing speed limits on northern roads 'appalling'

By SARAH A. ZIMMERMAN

A RECENT study recommending the elimination of speed limits on northern roads could be a recipe for disaster, say some area officials.

"I was appalled to hear that it was being considered - I just think it's totally unreasonable," said ICBC's regional road safety manager, Dave Dickson.

"If speed limits are posted for 100 people are going to go 110 - if we do that I can not see that it's going to cause anything but a lot of injury and heartache in our various communities."

The suggestion is not taking off with Terrace RCMP Cnst. Gary Swanson either.

He's a member of the highway patrol which monitors enforcement on highways from here to the Nass Valley, north to Stewart and Dease Lake, the Queen Charlotte Islands and south to Kitimat.

"It's ridiculous to think that there should be no speed limits," Swanson said of the proposal.

The report, commissioned by the provincial government, suggests the elimination of speed limits on roads such as Hwy 37 north from Kitimat to the Yukon border and route 97 from Fort Nelson to the Yukon border.

It cites crash frequencies as being as low as 1 crash per kilometre every 20 years.

In lieu of posted speed limits, the report recommends erecting signs in remote areas reading, "NOTICE No posted speed limits ahead, drive at a safe and reasonable speed for conditions."

But officials from the highway ministry, road contractors, police and ICBC have been saying for years that many serious accidents happening on winter roads in the north could be avoided if only drivers drove according to

conditions.

"Driving from Prince Rupert to Terrace yesterday, it's snowing like crazy and people are flying pass me," Dickson said last week. "Then we take that and remove speed limits?"

Data provided by the Traffic Management Software; Information Tool (TMSIT) used by the RCMP, shows unsafe speed is among the top two factors leading to motor vehicle accidents on the highways leading out of Terrace.

Unsafe speed doesn't necessarily mean drivers are exceeding the posted speed limit, rather they're not reducing speed to meet the conditions of the road.

Swanson agrees though northern drivers may be familiar with northern roads that doesn't necessarily mean they will adjust their speed to drive according to the road conditions.

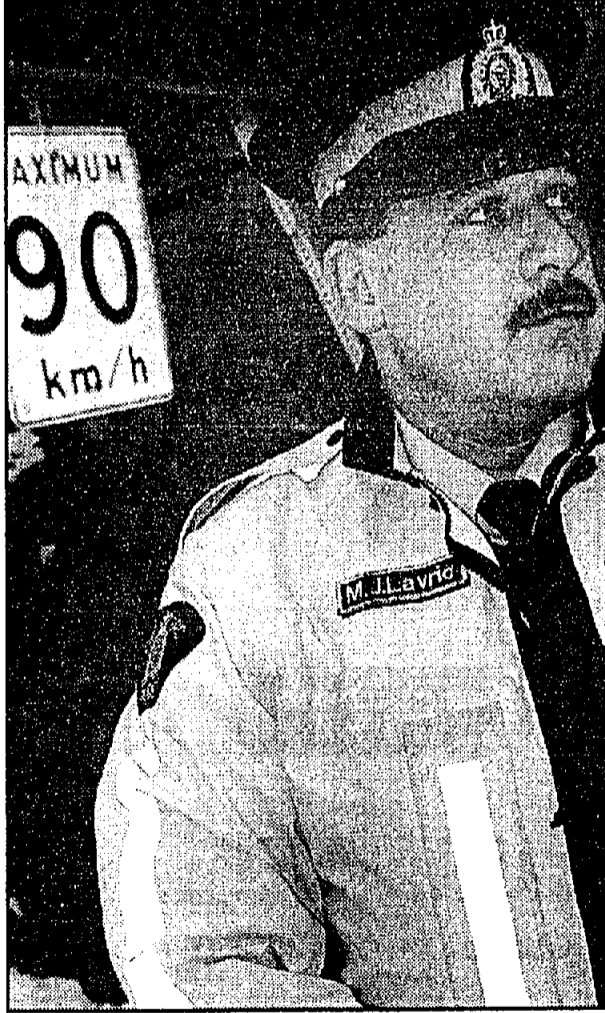
Weather is one of the biggest factors drivers here have to contend with, he says.

He and Dickson agree though inclement weather, road maintenance, vehicle maintenance and numerous other factors may contribute to accidents on highways, it ultimately comes down to the person behind the wheel making smart decisions.

Despite the report's recommendations, minister of transportation Judith Reid says no decision to enact the recommendation has been made, and won't be for some time.

"There's no decision - this is just food for thought," says Reid, adding the report's results must be evaluated by police chiefs, ICBC and drivers to determine if the recommendation is reasonable.

"It really needs local input from the RCMP and people living and driving on those roads." "Safety on the roads is the top priority."



CONSTABLE Mike Lavric stands next to a speed sign that could be a thing of the past if the province decides to eliminate speed limits on some northern roads.

SARAH A. ZIMMERMAN PHOTO

Province wants 100 more officers patrolling dangerous highways

IT COULD be quite a while before the RCMP here learns whether or not it will get more dedicated highway patrol to work dangerous highway sections in the north.

An agreement in the works between the provincial government and ICBC could result in 100 more officers on the street, says Solicitor General Rich Coleman.

How many of those officers might end up patrolling northern roads has yet to be determined.

The extra highway officers would be

paid using money ICBC currently gives to the police for road safety initiatives such as CounterAttack.

That money - about \$13-\$15 million per year - is used mostly to pay off-duty officers to run the road blocks while getting paid time and a half.

"I have never thought that was a very good use of public funds," Coleman told the Standard.

He thinks the money would be better spent paying the salaries of up to 100 new

officers dedicated to road safety in an "integrated" program across the province.

That means the money would be part of a cost sharing project between ICBC, the province and the federal government.

The catch is getting ICBC to sign on to a long-term commitment of money instead of contributing on an annual basis. The province wants a five-year commitment renewable for another five.

The new team would use a computer database of crash statistics on highways

around the province to target the most dangerous sections of road.

Many of those officers still have to go through police training programs, which means it'll take time before they're working.

"I think we'll be able to start rolling this out fairly soon in the new year," Coleman says, adding he's already signed the agreement.

Now it's up to officials at ICBC to sign on, he says. He hopes that will happen by the end of the year.

Alpha isn't about dogma

Dear Sir:
In his letter to the editor of Nov. 21, 2003, Andrew Westerhof stated that he had "found some things that concerned", him regarding the Alpha course. I believe his concerns were created because he found the information on a Catholic website.

This truly saddens me as I find his comments appear to cast aspersions as to the validity of Alpha being used, by Evangelical churches, as a tool to reach those who seek meaning in their lives.

Alpha is a course that takes us back to the very basics and helps to answer questions such as: What is Christianity? Who is Christ? What is in all of this for me? Jesus Christ. His life and teachings are at the very core of Alpha.

The underlying assurance is that Christianity is based totally on love. God's love. "For God so loved the world that he gave His only begotten Son, so that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting

ing life." John 3:16.

In Canada alone, there are 2,500 churches of every denomination running Alpha courses right now with approximately 100,000 people participating.

In my opinion, Alpha's purpose is not to build churches but rather to develop a family of believers.

Alpha's message is simple, true and presented in a loving non-threatening way. It takes us back to the early years of Christianity when the message of salvation was presented with love and joy.

Alpha does not teach religion but spreads the good news which is the very foundation of Christianity.

We share this message by eating together as

Christ ate with his disciples and followers, by facing each other in discussion groups (voicing our concerns, our questions, our thoughts) by laughing together, by building relationships. Alpha does not teach dogma, it teaches Christianity.

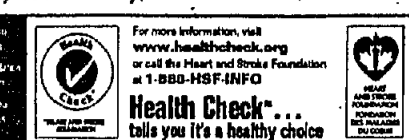
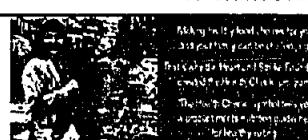
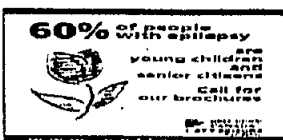
I invite Brother Westerhof to attend an Alpha course, or at the very least, come and see our Pastor, Lyle Anderson, and view the videos which are the basic tools of this course and hope in so doing, his concerns will be eased.

As Zion Baptist Church will be starting the next Alpha course Jan. 15, 2004 here is the perfect opportunity to find out first hand what Alpha is all about.

Lea Smith,
Terrace, B.C.

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The Mail Bag



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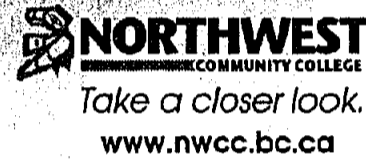
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No exports? No logging

Dear Sir:
Les Watmough's Nov. 26, 2003 letter to the editor rant that log exports hurt us all could not be further from the truth. Log exports are the only hope we have in here of having a wood industry at all.

The costs of building roads, protecting the environment, logging poor quality wood on steep unstable mountainsides quite simply can not be covered by cutting dimension lumber out of the 50 per cent of the wood here that is not pulp. Every log that is pulp and even some of the lower grade sawlogs have to be subsidized to bring them to market.

But for all of Les's rants, it is obvious he just wants to have a public forum. Nobody that has ever come to the northwest,

particularly the forest industry part of the northwest, has been able to screw things up as bad or blow more public money than the fiasco that was created by Les and his buddies when the Socialists tried to put the very policies in place that Les is still calling for. Les, the NDP and all his buddies should hang their heads in shame at the wasted time and money that was Skeena Cellulose.

Les's calls to stop the export of the valuable logs here implemented, would shut the industry down. But maybe that is Les and his buddies' bigger plan the socialists and environmentalists have been bedfellows for years.

Lloyd Hull,
Terrace, B.C.

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Here's how you can help out

WITH THE Christmas holiday season here, we present our annual guide to local charities and campaigns that help people in our own community.

Salvation Army appeal

EACH YEAR, the Salvation Army and its volunteers deliver Christmas hampers to hundreds of local families who might otherwise have little reason to celebrate glad tidings Dec. 25. The hampers are filled with food and gifts.

The annual program coincides with the Salvation Army's Kettle Campaign. When you see the red kettle at Safeway, the Skeena Mall, and the liquor store, please give generously. Money raised supports not only Christmas hampers, but Salvation Army family service work year-round.

Give a gift

YOU CAN pick out a gift for a specific local child or teen through Terrace Anti-Poverty's annual Children's Christmas Campaign, a program that ensures Santa comes to everyone.

Select a gift tag from Christmas trees set up at Zellers, The Bargain Shop, the Saan store and Curves. The tags contain the first name, age, clothing size of a child or youth. Purchase a gift. Volunteers will wrap and distribute the gifts. Deadline is Dec. 13. Donations of gifts, cash, or food can also be dropped off at Terrace Anti-Poverty at 4628 Park Ave. Call 635-4631 for more information.

The Sharing Tree

THE MIX, CJFW, NTV are urging the community to support the Sharing Tree, a campaign in its 32nd year. Donate an unwrapped, brand-new gift suitable for a child, teen, or adult. Gifts for teenagers are always in short supply. Suggestions include gift certificates for clothing, music or activities. Presents are distributed by the Salvation Army along with Christmas Hampers. Drop gifts off at the station office at 4625 Lazelle Ave., or help Totem Ford fill its Sharing Truck with gifts and non-perishable food items.

A special meal

ORGANIZERS OF the Bread of Life Soup Kitchen are once again hosting a party and dinner for families and individuals who would otherwise miss out on a Christmas meal.

Additional volunteers are needed to assist with the Dec. 21 dinner at the Carpenters' Hall - the same location as the Sunday soup kitchen, operated by volunteers from the Seventh Day Adventist Church.

Please call 635-2807. Tax deductible donations should be made to RR3, S-3A C-10, Terrace, B.C. V8G 4R6.

Lighting up the tree

YOU CAN GIVE a gift that lasts all year long by supporting the Terrace Child Development Centre's 17th annual Tree of Lights campaign. Sponsor a red, silver or gold light on the Tree of Lights in the Skeena Mall. Proceeds are used to purchase specialized equipment for children - and support the centre's many programs for special needs children. Those include therapy, education and support, plus prenatal programs for expectant moms and support programs for young parents.

The tree will be displayed to Dec. 15.



Marilyn Davies

Legacy created

MEMBERS of the 75th anniversary committee are keeping mum about where an anticipated \$17,000 surplus will be spent.

The money, left over from the budget for activities throughout the year, is being earmarked for a legacy project.

The committee will announce Dec. 21 what the money will be spent on but they're not giving away any hints in advance. "We're looking at something that will be in the community for time to come," says committee chair Marilyn Davies.

That excludes the possibility that the money be put toward something like a piece of medical equipment, which would eventually break down and have to be replaced, she says.

One suggestion was to use the money to help finish the millennium trail.

But Davies says once the costs of that project are put together the \$17,000 wouldn't make a very big impact.

"It's not going to go very far," says Davies. "It has to be something that is doable as well."

While Davies would not divulge where the money will be spent, she did say it's not likely going to be given to the proposed sportsplex either.

The committee's criteria requires that the project be family oriented, keep on giving, distinctive as a 75th anniversary project, health care related and should involve more than one project.

The money also must be spent on an endeavour that supports education, be located downtown Terrace, involve First nations, have long-term life and visibility and be accessible by the public and visitors.

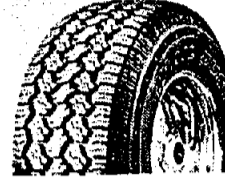
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Thornhill trustee voted to head school board

LORRIE GOWEN says she intends to run a tight ship as school board chair.

The Thornhill trustee, who's marking her first anniversary in office, beat out incumbent Peter King, a long-serving Kitimat trustee, as chair of the Coast Mountains school board.

Gowen, who unseated Thornhill incumbent Gary Turner in last year's school board elections, was nominated by another newcomer to the board, Nicole Bingham, at the inaugural meeting Dec. 3.

She was elected by a majority of votes in a secret ballot.

Bingham, a Terrace trustee first elected November 2002 along with Gowen, will serve as the new vice-chair of the board.

It's the first time since the Kitimat school district amalgamated with the Terrace district in 1995 to create the new Coast Mountains School District (82) that the chair and vice chair are both from Terrace.

Bingham beat out the only other nominee for



Lorrie Gowen



Nicole Bingham

vice chair, two-time Terrace trustee Diana Penner. Bingham was nominated by Hazelton trustee Jessica Mikolayczyk.

The job of vice chair was shared by three trustees - Bingham, Penner and Kitimat trustee Barry Pankhurst - after a three-way tie at last year's election of officers.

Pankhurst, who was uncontested, is the district's new delegate to the B.C. Public Schools Employers' Association, which represents school districts in

contract negotiations with

teachers. His alternate is Peter King. Mikolayczyk, who has emerged as a strong voice on the board for the Hazelton, will represent Coast Mountains trustees on the B.C. School Trustees Association. Her alternate is Hal Stedham, a Terrace trustee serving his second term on the board.

Gowen said as board chair, she will still continue to write, edit and produce *Board News*, the monthly newsletter that's made available to schools and parents.

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School vandalism targeted

THE SCHOOL district is hiring a security company to help crack down on vandalism at Skeena Junior Secondary School.

Terrace's new junior high suffered \$8,000 in broken windows last month, when 12 windows on the west side of the building were broken.

School officials had talked about installing video cameras or motion-sensitive lights the most recent incident.

At the time, school principal Dave Bartley had estimated the damage at \$10,000, money that could be better spent on students.

"Let me put in this way - \$10,000 could provide three full classes with sets of textbooks," Bartley. Cameras or lights would act as a deterrent, he added.

Bartley pointed to the fact that the windows closest to the parking lot and

back entrance weren't touched, possibly because those areas are lit.

"We know schools tend to be targets and a beautiful school like this one is more of a target," he added. Bartley did say students were upset at the damage.

Just after Labour Day, and even before the building was open for business, two windows were broken and graffiti was sprayed on outside walls.

Skeena may currently hold the dubious distinction as the school with the highest rate of vandalism in the district, but schools in other communities are also being hit. The district is also considering a request to improve lighting at Nechako and Kildala schools in Kitimat.

Trustee Barry Pankhurst said Nechako has been hit with \$5,000 in broken window damage.

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Has there been growth in the Mining Sector in the Northwest?

There is reason to be optimistic about the future for mining here in the Northwest. Claims staked has risen from 2500 in 2000 to over 10,500 in 2002.

This provincial government has approved the proposed Tulsquah Chief Mine near Atlin, opening up the potential for \$148 million in investment and 560 jobs.

At Galore Creek a 6000 foot drilling program is being undertaken.

Red Chris is initiating a three machine drilling program at Eskey Creek. Barrick Gold has been keeping 3 explorations drills running on the surface, in addition to underground drills working on zone definition.

At Foremore, Roca Mines Inc is testing the recently discovered volcanogenic massive sulphide occurrences, thought to be the source of high grade glacial boulders.

In the vicinity of Eskey Creek, Heritage Explorations Ltd. has begun drilling with 2 rigs testing a number of sights. Southeast of Stewart, Big Bulk recently completed a 10 hole drilling program and announced a discovery of visible gold-bearing veins on the surface.

The BC Geological Survey discovered a copper showing south of Atlin and drilling is in progress now by Imperial Metals Corp.

There are numerous other projects ongoing and some now wrapping up for the season.

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RETIRED FORESTRY company owner Ike Barber with UBC head librarian Catherine Quinlan were in Terrace recently talking about an ambitious project to open up UBC's vast collection of information to all of B.C.

Millionaire spreads knowledge around

A FORMER FOREST products company owner is using \$20 million of his own money to spread knowledge throughout the province.

Irving "Ike" Barber, who founded Slokan Forest Products, says he wants people in areas such as Terrace to have access to the same amount of information and knowledge available to anybody who lives in Vancouver.

So his \$20 million, matched equally by UBC and the province, is going toward the Irving K. Barber Learning Centre, a building that will encompass the original 1925 main library structure at UBC.

Using leading edge technology, information will be available around the clock anywhere in the province.

The learning centre will also broadcast courses and workshops as well as contain classrooms so people can come to UBC for instruction.

The idea, said Barber who visited Terrace Nov. 28 to explain his concept, is to puncture what he calls "concrete silos" of information at places such as UBC.

"People build walls around themselves for valid reasons. But what we are trying to do is distribute that information around the province," he said.

"We must maintain individualism in places such as the north, but we must find a way for information to flow back and forth. In remote places, you can't maintain the quality of information that is needed. It's too expensive. The economy can't afford it, but you can find a way to make information more available," Barber continued.

He chose UBC as the place for his donation because it is the province's central

repository of information. The UBC library, for example, values its 10 million item collection at \$1.6 billion.

Barber said the plan to have information flow out from UBC is not intended to compete with existing educational institutions outside of the lower mainland.

"UBC will have a supportive role and won't in any way erode what communities already have," he said.

Barber said it is just as important for the learning centre to be a place where people can come for training as it is for a place where information flows outward.

"While we want students to be able to stay at home and have access to information, we want well-rounded citizens. And for that, you have to step into the world. You can't be sheltered," he said.

One phase of construction is to be finished next year with the project scheduled for completion in 2005.

The original 1925 UBC library building will be the core of the learning centre and subsequent wings are being demolished.

"We're preserving that 1925 building and building the 21st century around it," said Barber.

Barber, originally from Edmonton, enrolled at UBC in 1945, graduating in 1950 with a Bachelor of Science in Forestry degree. He became a registered professional forester in 1952 and worked around the province, including the northwest. The Slokan Valley became his eventual base.

In 1978, at the age of 55, Barber founded Slokan Forest Products Ltd., building it into a major player. He retired as chairman in Feb. 2002.

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Owners shield much of stake in New Skeena

By JEFF NAGEL

THE OWNERS of New Skeena Forest Products have injected just \$5.2 million of their own money into the operations — and most of that has now been transferred back to the protection of their parent company.

That's disclosed in more detailed information on New Skeena's financing provided last week to northwest towns by court-appointed monitors.

The \$5.2 million NWBC Timber and Pulp had loaned New Skeena was over and above the \$8 million NWBC paid to buy the operations in April 2002. That \$8 million went to the provincial government, the TD Bank and to pay creditors.

A fresh loan of \$6 million in August from Cellmark — New Skeena's pulp marketing partners — and a \$1.3 million loan from Northern Savings Credit Union to subsidiary Kitwanga Lumber are the only additional outside sources of money, indicates the financial summary circulated by PricewaterhouseCoopers.

Kitwanga Lumber, which had \$3.1 million in cash when the operations changed hands, has generated further profits of \$2.3 million to the end of October.

A further \$19.4 million that has kept New Skeena afloat has come from sales of logs, lumber and other assets, the financial summary indicates.

That consists of \$6 million from the sale of the Smithers mill to West Fraser, \$10.2 million from timber sales, \$2 million from the sale of inventory, and \$1.2 million from the sale of other assets.

The documents show New Skeena's owners have withdrawn \$4.1 million from the company and shifted it to NWBC — out of reach of New Skeena's creditors.

That represents a repayment to NWBC of most of the \$5.2 million it loaned New Skeena.

The latest amount was a transfer to NWBC of \$710,000 on Nov. 12, according to PricewaterhouseCoopers.

"We are advised by New Skeena that

they repaid the secured loans to NWBC on November 12 as a precautionary measure," the monitors say in a letter to the towns.

"That was done as a result of the seizure of the assets by the municipalities, and comments from representatives of the municipalities that all company assets that could be seized would be seized."

The monitors note that NWBC transferred amounts totalling \$240,000 back to New Skeena on Nov. 13 and 14.

Terrace city administrator Ron Poole said the transfer of \$4.1 million out of the company back to the owners means that isn't available to repay other bills.

"They've loaned it out and they're getting paid back," he said. "Some people are getting taken care of."

New Skeena president Dan Veniez told the Standard the \$4.1 million was withdrawn between August and November in response to the towns' moves to sticker assets. Terrace initially stickered equipment here in early September but didn't move until November to seize anything.

He said NWBC then began providing the money New Skeena required a bit at a time as needed.

The financial summary shows the biggest expenses New Skeena has incurred are \$10.9 million in wages and salaries over the 19 months to Oct. 31, 2003.

During that period Veniez drew a salary of \$30,000 and New Skeena paid personal expenses of his totalling \$130,000, according to PricewaterhouseCoopers.

"Daniel Veniez is currently paid no salary," the monitors' letter to the towns says. "No salary amounts were paid to George Petty from New Skeena."

Total expenses for that period total \$30.6 million, including \$4.3 million to contractors, \$3.8 million for insurance, \$2.7 million in advance profit-sharing payments to pulp and sawmill workers, \$2.5 million in utilities and \$4.5 million in other expenses including professional fees.

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Senior shoveller asks for a bit of a break

By JENNIFER LANG
AN, 87-year-old Terrace senior says he spent two hours shovelling his way through a 1.3 metre-high pile of ice left after a highway grader passed the driveway to his farm last week.

Otto Lindstrom normally uses a small bulldozer to clear snow from the driveway so he can reach his farm, located beside Highway 16 at the Zymacord River near New Remo.

But it's down for repairs, leaving him at the mercy of the weather - and passing graders that leave a deep pile of snow at the side of the highway as they clear the roadway.

The Second World War veteran wonders why Nechako Northcoast, the highways maintenance contractor, can't give him a break by lifting the grader blade as it passes his driveway.

That way, he won't have to shovel as much snow.

Lindstrom argues it would only be necessary three or four times this winter.

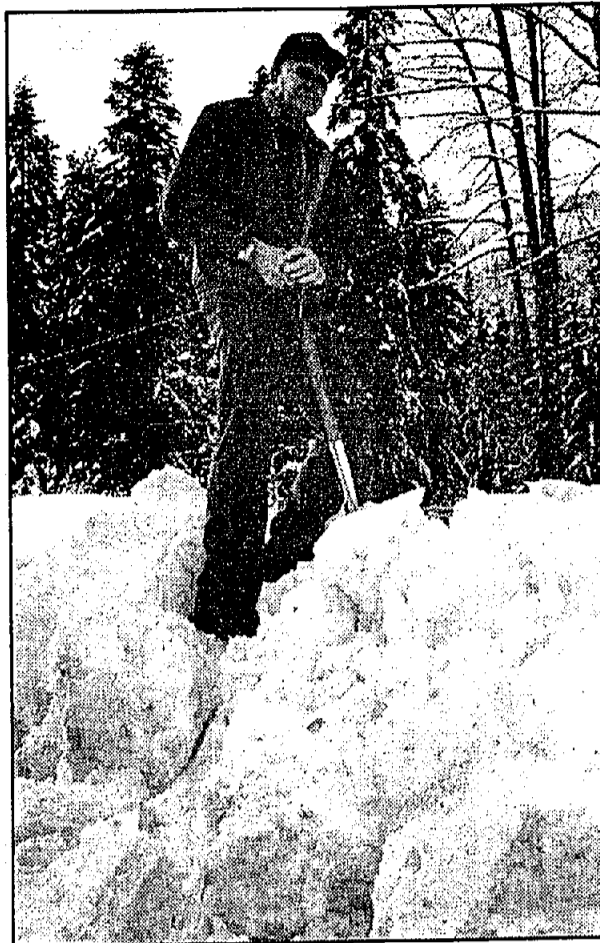
"All they have to do is lift the blade for about 20 feet before they hit the driveway - he wouldn't even have to stop."

It's an argument anyone with a driveway fronting Highway 16 might make.

But Lindstrom says his driveway is a special case and the company should make an exception.

His parents purchased the property, which is adjacent to the west bank of the Zymacord River, back in 1914.

Twenty-seven years later, in 1941, the Lindstroms agreed to hand over five acres of their property so the province could build the highway as part of the



OTTO LINDSTROM with a pile of icy snow that blocked the driveway to his Remo area farm.

war effort.

When the highway was straightened in the 1950s, the Lindstroms sold five acres for the highway right-of-way.

In return, the Lindstroms were promised access to the family farm would be protected.

"We stressed the fact that we have to have access. If that's access," he said, referring to gigantic pile of boulder-sized chunks of snow in his driveway, "I don't know what the word means."

Nechako Northcoast, which does the area's highways maintenance, has been asked if an operator can lift the blade as the grader passes the

Highway 16 driveway.

He's been told it's too much work for the operator.

No one from Nechako Northcoast could be reached for comment Friday.

Lindstrom, who lives at Twin River Estates, heads out to his farm every day to work.

He does a little of everything, he says, from silviculture to operating a sawmill he built himself from used components.

In the wintertime, he and some partners tend a trapline he's worked for 76 years - longer than Terrace has been incorporated.

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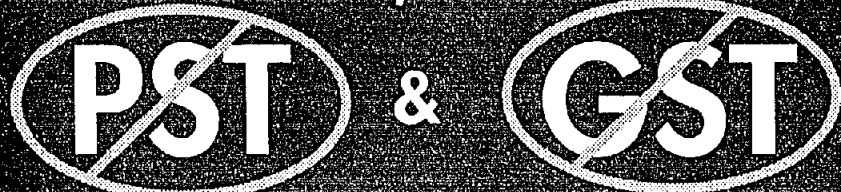
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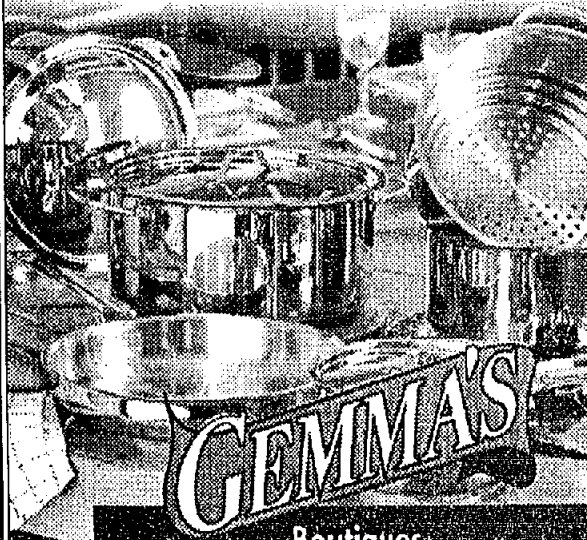
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Birthday card's nice, but clearing driveways is better

IT'S NOT that Betty Demmitt dislikes the birthday cards she and other seniors get each year from the city council.

It's just that she feels the money could be better spent on snow plowing - specifically not having city equipment plug up seniors' driveways while clearing streets.

"There's a lot of people not as agile as I am. I don't know how they make out," said Demmitt last week.

Demmitt, 77, may be agile but removing the snow blocking her driveway last week caused her to strain her right arm.

"If I couldn't throw horseshoes anymore, I'd be really put out," said Demmitt who takes part in horseshoe competitions at annual B.C. Seniors Games events.

The worst snow is the compacted, wet variety because of its weight, she said.

After Demmitt strained her arm, a neighbour came over with a snowblower and cleaned out her driveway.

"When you're younger, it may be OK, but not anymore," said Demmitt who has lived in Terrace for 47 years.

"So that's why I'm doing this. It's for all the seniors, not just myself."

Demmitt and her husband, Gail, owned B and G Grocery for 28 years.

Aside from keeping in shape throwing horseshoes, Demmitt also cycled from the Queen Charlotte Islands to Saskatchewan when she was 65.

The city's snowclearing policy is quite clear when it comes to plugged driveways.

"To ensure timely and cost effective snow plowing on streets, windrows across driveways will not be removed by city crews," states a policy adopted in 1996.



SENIOR BETTY DEMMITT keeps in shape by throwing horseshoes but shovelling her driveway after city crews clear roads is proving too much.

Snow removal tops on schools' to-do list

SCHOOL DISTRICT officials are taking a closer look at the job its snow removal contractors are doing because of possible liability concerns that came to light last week.

The move comes after a local high school teacher showed trustees photographs of the condition of the parking lot at Caledonia Senior Secondary.

"That parking lot is a lawsuit waiting to happen," Caledonia instructor Greer Kaiser told the board, as she distributed photocopies of pictures taken of the staff, student and R.E.M. Lee Theatre parking lot.

A thick layer of slush left over from a recent snowfall

had solidified into a layer of ice.

"That's outrageous," Terrace trustee Hal Stedham said, looking at the pictures. "That's totally unacceptable."

Kaiser said numerous school employees and students had slipped in the parking lots. "Please get our lot properly cleared."

The district will review the standards outlined in the snow removal contract to see if they're being met.

"To me, it's an example of the Liberal government having us contract out," Peter King said. "As contractors, we can't pull them off the job."

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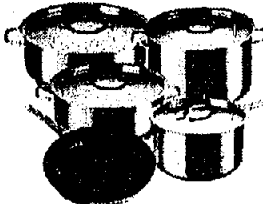
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Cash crop

THE TERRACE RCMP drug squad seized \$24, 320 in cash along with nine pound of marijuana bud, two rifles and some ammunition from a Crescent Drive home last week. That's Cpl. Sean Wadelius with the results of the Dec. 3 Thornhill seizure. A man and a woman were arrested and released pending a first court appearance scheduled for February 2004. SARAH A. ZIMMERMAN PHOTO

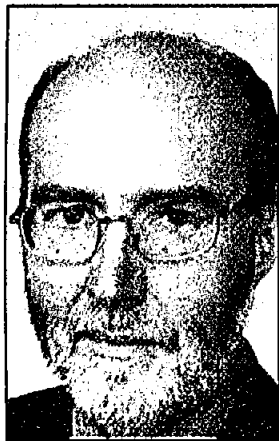
From front Kitimat official happy if Terrace joins suit

to the United States or anywhere else," he said.

Hall said he's not yet sure whether the court case will seek to define the vicinity of the works.

If Alcan wanted to build a new smelter or affiliated plant in Terrace, he added, there's nothing stopping that now.

"If the company wanted to build an aluminum smelter in Terrace, that would then become a definition of the 'works'," he said.

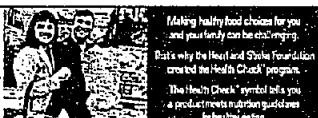


Trafford Hall

Talstra confirmed council has come under pressure from the Terrace chamber of commerce, which wants the city to take a more vigorous stand against Kitimat's planned court case.

"We would never comment on another community's course of action on an issue," Talstra said. "If they choose to take this particular issue to court, that's their business. We haven't advocated one way or another."

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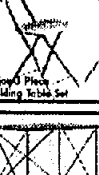
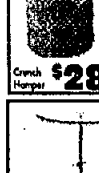








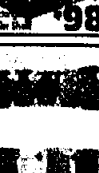
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Around Town



Up, up and away

COLOURFUL HOT AIR balloons made out of tissue paper, like this one floating by Samantha Graziano, rose majestically towards the ceiling at Skeena Junior Secondary last week as Dennisa Cook's math 9 students put their creations to the test, using hair dryers as a heat source.

Acting out

FIND OUT what happens to good Ol' Saint Nick when he decides to take a New Zealand vacation in a performance presented by the Terrace Little Theatre's Youth Troupe.

Santa's Weird Vacation takes the stage at the McColl Playhouse Saturday, Dec. 13. There are two shows planned, a matinee that starts at noon, plus an evening performance starting at 7:30 p.m. Some famous actors are lampooned, as is a rather popular movie trilogy. The show also includes music provided by members of the Thornhill Junior Secondary School band.

The youth troupe is a group of teenaged actors who get together at the playhouse on Friday afternoons. It's a recent off-shoot of the TLT's wildly popular Summer Drama Days program, which offered something for teens for the first time this year.

"It's completely run by the kids," says TLT representative Dawn Marshall, who, along with husband Jason, provides adult supervision to the youth actors.

"They went, 'You know what? We would like something that goes the entire year. All the kids showed up at the [TLT's] executive meeting to let them know they wanted this to happen.'"

The only cost for participants is a \$5 membership in the TLT society.

Speech art workshops

ANYONE who's gearing up for the 2004 Pacific Northwest Music Festival in the discipline of speech arts is invited to workshops with Jennifer Orr Friday at Uplands Elementary.

The first is aimed at students, parents, tutors and teachers. It's on speech arts techniques such as breathing, voice projection, relaxation and body language.

That's followed by an afternoon workshop aimed at teachers on choral speech. Learn more about choral presentations, whether they're for fun or competition.

An evening workshop for students involves an informal group discussion and participation session on individual presentations, choice of material and questions and answers.

For more information or to register for the three speech arts workshops taking place Dec. 12, please call 635-3563 or 635-2721.

Raffle your feathers

THE DARE to Dream Foundation invites you to take flight. The foundation has organized a fall raffle in support of the elementary band program in Terrace and Thornhill.

First prize is a weekend getaway for two - courtesy of Hawkair and Sandman Hotels. Second prize is a 20-minute helicopter flight for five people through Canadian Helicopters. Third and fourth prizes are stunt kites, compliments of Dr. Peter Okimi.

Tickets are available at Misty River Books, the Northern Motor Inn, Sight and Sound and Dr. Okimi's office. The draw takes place Friday, Dec. 19 at 6:15 p.m. on NTV.

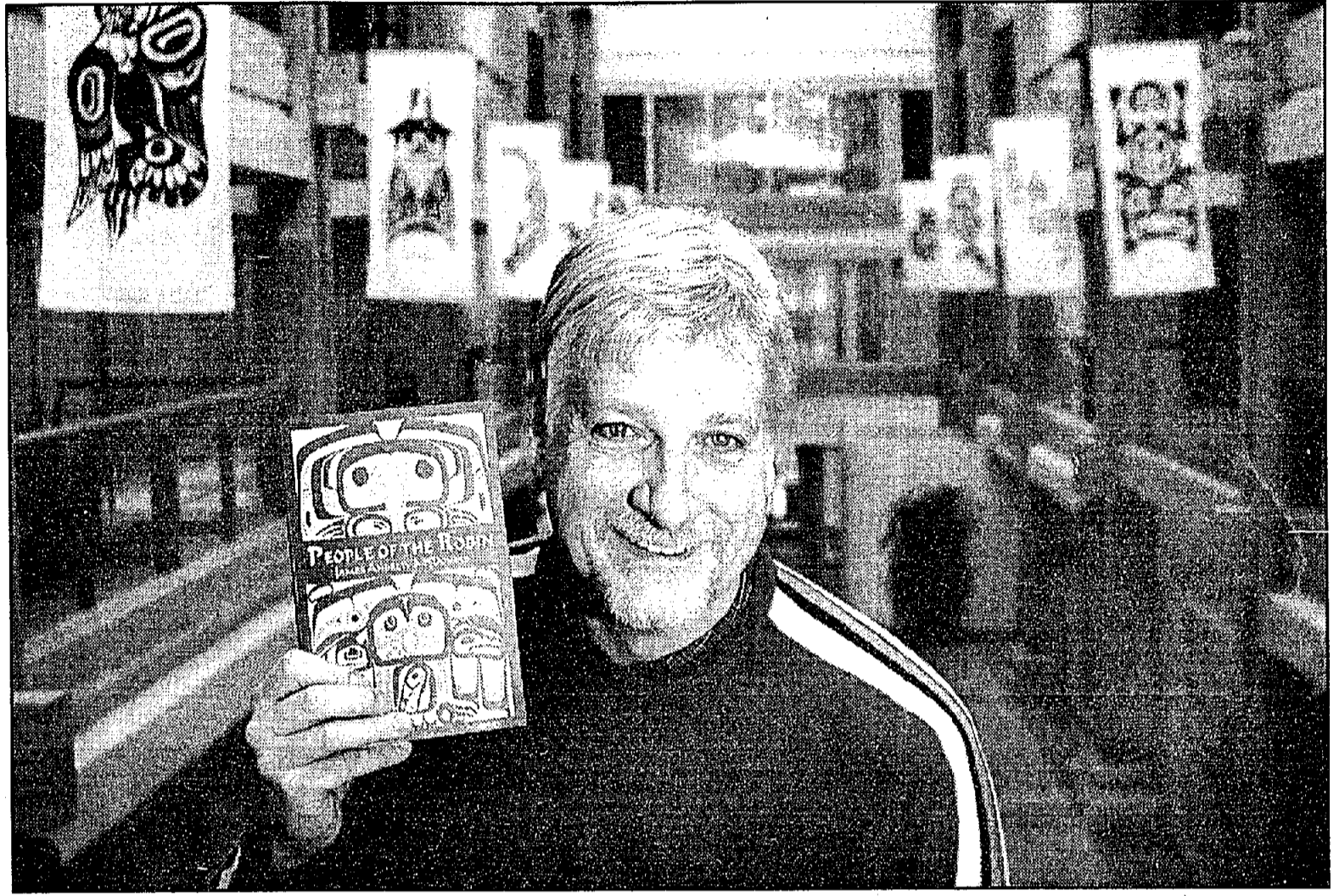
The foundation is looking forward to a busy 2004. Plans include an elementary band retreat in February that culminates in a concert and a possible spring raffle shared with school PACs.

Donations needed

YOU CAN help someone play Santa this year. Businesses are being canvassed for donations or discounts to help support the Kitselas Band Council's annual Christmas party for low income families, says band social worker Winnie Wells.

Organizers are shopping for more than 200 gifts for children. They are also buying items for goodie bags, as well, like candy canes, oranges and chocolates.

To help, please call her at 635-5084.



JAMES McDONALD has written a new book about Kitsumkalum. He teaches First Nations studies at the University of Northern B.C.

People of the Robin

A new book celebrates the rich heritage and culture of Kitsumkalum village

By JEFF NAGEL

SUE SPALDING never met her great-grandmother or knew what she looked like.

But she heard all about the powerful Kitsumkalum woman from her father, who learned the ways of their people at his grandma's feet.

"She taught him about the herbs, about the land and about the foods they eat from the land," Spalding said.

It was a special moment when she opened one of the first copies of the new book *People of the Robin* and saw a photo of Lily Spalding for the first time.

"I was just floored when I saw it," Spalding said. "This woman had a big impact on my dad's life."

The new book documents the rich culture and history of the Kitsumkalum. It has just been printed and was officially launched at a Nov. 22 feast at the village just west of Terrace.

For Spalding, the project has come full circle since she helped get it off the ground five years ago.

Back then she was the coordinator of the First Nations Education Centre.

A comprehensive book on the Kitselas band had just been written by Rocque Berthiaume.

And Spalding wanted to create something similar for her own people to help educate local teachers about the band.

"I felt strongly that when teachers choose to serve in communities where there are First Nations, they need to learn about the histories of the First Nations communities," she said.

If people understand aboriginal culture better, she believes, they will fear it less.

As a girl in school, Spalding still remembers how her non-native friends were never allowed to visit her home, because she lived in

the village.

"For some reason people see villages as scary places to be," she said.

Grant money from the school district got the project started and the book's author, UNBC First Nations studies professor James McDonald, was hired.

He has studied the band for the past 25 years and was a natural choice.

What started as a three-month project ultimately expanded to eighteen months.

And McDonald has emerged with not just a teachers' guide but a book of general interest.

He hasn't written the book as an outsider's view of a people - as so many other academics have before.

Instead, he worked closely with a committee of Kitsumkalum elders to craft a text the entire community can call their own.

People of the Robin

James McDonald
162 pages, CCI Press. \$25

"It represents their own way of thinking about their society, their own social theory of Tsimshian society," McDonald said.

"The main theme is the connection between the culture and the land and how that has sustained the community over the millennia."

The book details the history of the village and its people, how the Kitsumkalum relate to the other six Tsimshian bands, and an expla-



Sue Spalding

nation of the social structure of the village.

It details the chiefs and territories of the Kitsumkalum territories and how the *pteeex* - the raven, eagle, killer whale and wolf clans - function.

Also explained is the nickname "people of the robin". It comes from Robin Town, which was the name of the old capital of the Kitsumkalum further upriver in the canyon of the Kalum River. Many stories that make up the oral history of the Kitsumkalum are also in the 162-page book.

"They help us understand our connection to the land," Spalding said.

There's much confusion about the village's culture and history - even among its own people.

"Our history was denied for whatever reason and we did not learn about who we are," Spalding said. "This is new for my people and myself as well - we are learning about who we are again."

Unlike other northwest aboriginal groups, she added, the Kitsumkalum were only mentioned in passing by the major anthropologists who first documented native culture here.

Spalding said she also hopes the wider community in Terrace and the northwest reads the book.

"I hope it opens eyes in the Terrace community that this is a viable, existing community, that we don't live in museums," she said. "We are alive and we are still here."

People of the Robin will be available at Misty River Books.

Local teens sign up as army cadets

By JENNIFER LANG

A BRAND-NEW ARMY cadet corps is attracting more than 35 youths - many of them girls, no doubt intrigued by the promise of mastering challenging skills like rock repelling, map and compass training, and bush training.

And those are just some of the skills army cadets will be learning, says Officer Cadet Hilda Martin.

The new 1867 Royal Canadian Air Cadet Corps was recently founded by Cpl. Ken MacKenzie and Martin. Both were previously involved with Terrace's existing 747 Air Cadet Squadron.

While a few of the new army cadet members are

former air or RCMP cadets, the majority of the new corps is comprised of newcomers who are driven to find out more about army cadets by sheer curiosity.

"We try to tell them it's a lot of team work," Martin says. "It's a lot of hard work. But you get what you put into it."

Newcomers are encouraged to drop by the meetings to check it out. Meanwhile, non-commissioned members have been speaking with Grade 7 classes in Terrace to help get the word out about the new corps, which meets Tuesdays from 6:30-9 p.m. at the Kitselas Hall.

"You can come out and



CADET Niko Wesley (left), helper/volunteer Jeremy Beaudette and Corporal Devin Cote were just three members of the new army cadet corps taking part in a recent bottle drive.

JEFF NAGEL PHOTO

watch see if it's for you," Martin says. "You don't have to commit."

Uniforms are provided at no cost.

Weekend exercises will be another component of

the program. Foreign exchanges, earning credits towards school and the option a two-week summer camp in Vernon are other possibilities.

The camp is regarded

as summer employment - cadets can earn money through the Department of National Defence.

"It's something for the youth to do," says Martin.

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Concerts

■ **Coffeehouse at Cafenera** featuring Dr. Fishy with Terrace artists Tim Keenan, and introducing Australian singer-songwriter Peter Hains with Brenda Zanting of Smithers in addition to house band Copper Mountain. Presented Dec. 12 at 7 p.m. by the Terrace and District Arts Council and hosted by Terrace/Thornhill Parents for Music Society. MC Paul Sametz. Admission by donation.

■ **A Christmas Carol**, a dramatic reading of the Charles Dickens novel presented by the Terrace and District Arts Council and CBC Radio One. At the R.E.M. Lee Theatre Dec. 13. Tickets at Misty River Books. Featuring Kirstie Hudson and Russell Bowers from CBC Prince Rupert and local celebrity readers. Music by Classical Act and Sweet Adelines. Free cookies and cider in the lobby to follow. Tickets \$10 at Misty River Books or at the door. All proceeds to the Terrace Churches Food Bank.

■ **This Shining Night**, an evening of seasonal music presented by Northwest Singers. Special guests Terrace Symphony Strings and Mella Stephens. Sunday, Dec. 14 at the Evangelical Free Church, starting at 7:30 p.m. Tickets at Misty River Books.

■ **The Spirit of Christmas** Thursday, Dec. 18 at the R.E.M. Lee Theatre at 7:30 p.m. Please join the Community Band, along with the Skeena Grade 9/10 Concert Band and the Sweet Adelines for a wonderful evening of

seasonal music. Admission is a non-perishable food item. Proceeds to the Salvation Army.

Christmas Events

■ **Choices Program's Annual Christmas Banquet**, Friday, Dec. 12 at the Thornhill Community Centre. All ages welcome. Tickets at our offices at 4916 Lazelle Ave. For more information, call Jo at 635-7863.

■ **Terrace Little Theatre presents Yuk Yuks** on tour with comics Danonde Tschritter and Dan Quinn. Friday Dec. 12 at the Elks Hall. Tickets \$16 and available at Uniglobe. Doors open at 8:30 p.m. and show starts at 9 p.m. Cabaret style.

■ **Small Business Christmas Party 2003**, hosted by Terrace Little Theatre Saturday, Dec. 13. Entertainment by Yuk Yuks' on Tour featuring Danonde Tschritter and Dan Quinn. Buffet dinner, door prizes and dancing. At the Elk's Hall. Catering provided by the Royal Purple. Doors open at 6 p.m. and dinner at 7 p.m. Tickets are limited. To book, call Mavis at 635-5170.

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Theatre

■ **Terrace Little Theatre Youth Troupe** presents **Santa's Weird Vacation**, an original play written and performed by local youth aged 13-17. Saturday, Dec. 13 at the McCoil Playhouse. There's a noon matinee and an evening performance starting at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$8 at Uniglobe Courtesy Travel.

Community Calendar

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The Terrace Standard offers the Community Calendar as a public service to its readers and community organizations. This column is intended for non-profit organizations and events without an admission charge. Space permitting, items will run two weeks before each event. Deadline is 5 p.m. Thursdays. Fax your event or PSA to 638-8432. For complete listings, visit www.terracestandard.com

TO ALL RESIDENTS
Please have your dog leashed or fenced-in away from your mail boxes on Wednesdays and Saturdays so your newspaper carrier can deliver your paper.

COMMUNITY EVENTS LISTINGS

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 10

■ **Celebrate A Life**, 7:30 p.m. at the Elk's Lodge at 2822 Tetraut St. The Terrace Hospice Society invites you to join us for a special evening of celebration and remembrance of deceased loved ones. It's a non-denominational event offering friendship and support for those in need at this particular time of year. It will be a special time of remembering with music, readings and a candle lighting ceremony honoring the names of those who have gone before us. Call 635-4811 for more information.

■ **The next distribution of the Good Food Box** is Dec. 10 at 6 p.m. Pick up at prearranged location: the health unit or Skeena Kalum Housing amenities building. Call 638-1863 for info.

THURSDAY, DEC. 11

■ **Cancer Support Group** for family and friends meets Dec. 11 at the Cancer Resource Centre (207-4650 Lazelle Ave.) at 7 p.m. Call Craig at 635-0049 or Rose Marie at 635-6985 for more information.

FRIDAY, DEC. 12

■ **Three Speech Arts Workshops** with Jennifer Orr. For all interested students, parents and teachers. Dec. 12 at Uplands Elementary. For information and registration call 635-3563 or 635-3557 or fax 635-4972.

DECEMBER 12-13

■ **Drive Through Nativity**, Friday, December 12 and Saturday, Dec. 13 from 7-10 p.m. at the Terrace Pentecostal Parking Lot. Come experience seven scenes retelling the birth of Christ!

SATURDAY, DEC. 13

■ **Children's Christmas Party**. Presented by the Northwest B.C. Metis Association at the Happy Gang Centre from 5-9 p.m. Please bring a non perishable item for the food bank. Call Heather at 638-1537.

TUESDAY, DEC. 16

■ **Travel the Information Highway** from 1-3 p.m. at Interconnect, at 4530 Lakelse Ave. A free workshop on using the internet on your job search. Call 635-7995.

THURSDAY, DEC. 18

■ **Mountain View Christian Academy** presents: The Gift of Love. Dec. 18 at 7 p.m. At the Thornhill Community Church. Everyone invited. Fellowship time and refreshments after the performance.

PSAs

Registration forms and the 2004 syllabus of the Pacific Northwest Music Festival are now available at Sight & Sound in the Keith Ave. Mail. You will find many complete changes in this new edition including class numbers, which must be included on your entry forms. Be sure to pick up your new syllabus soon. Festival registration deadline is Jan. 15.

■ **Membership drive:** Terrace and Thornhill Citizens on Patrol (COPS) is a volunteer group that patrols city streets and outlying areas on evenings and weekends, acting as the eyes and ears for the RCMP. Our members receive training and perform business checks, ICBC speed board reading and auto theft prevention, and any other assistance the RCMP may require. We need 100 new volunteers (males or females of legal age) to fulfill our obligations to the community. Call 635-6351 for more information (leave a message) or come to our office in the Skeena Mall next to Clarica Insurance. We'll be open Dec. 21-23 from noon to 6 p.m. for drop ins.

■ **Citizens on Patrol** will be assembling free identification kits for children (aged 5-10) at the Skeena Mall Dec. 21-23. Free from 1-5 p.m.

■ **Register for children's Christmas** programs at the library. Afterschool Christmas stories and crafts (for children aged 5-8 years) from 4-5 p.m. Monday, Dec. 15. Christmas for Twos

(ages 2 years) from 10-11 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 16. Preschool Christmas (ages 3-5) from 10-11 a.m. Dec. 17. Christmas puppet show (ages 3-8) at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 21. All classes are free, but please register in person or by phone at 638-8177.

■ **Anyone is welcome** to drop off a non-perishable food item or new toy at the Sharing Truck at Terrace Totem Ford. Proceeds to the Salvation Army Christmas Drive.

■ **Terrace First Nations Council of Women** is seeking a place to call home. The council has been incorporated seven years as a non-profit society. It's run solely by volunteers who have offered numerous programs in our community throughout the years. Contact us at P.O. Box 1224, Terrace, B.C., V8G 1P7.

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■ **The Terrace Women's Resource Centre** is open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 1:30-4:30 p.m. at 4542 Park Ave. Call Brenda or Darlene at 638-0228.

■ **The Skeena Valley Snowmobile Club** meets on the first Wednesday of the month downstairs at the Sandman Inn at 7:30 p.m. Everyone welcome. For info, call Joyce at 635-7913.

■ **The Kinetite Club of Terrace** meets the second Wednesday of each month at the Kin Hut at 6:30 p.m. We are an energetic group of women serving the community's greatest needs. Call Corinne or Helen at 638-1231 (Eves).

■ **Terrace Toastmasters** meets on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Telemedia Board Room, rear entrance. New members are always welcome. Call Bob at 635-0923 or Rolf at 635-6911 for more information.

■ **TGIF Fun Club** (Thank Gosh it's French). Students in K-12 are invited to the Caledonia Gym every Friday there's no school for fun French activities for all ages. \$10/day. Bring a lunch. From 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Call Gary at 635-6531.

■ **All primary aged children** are invited to No School Days at the Terrace Public Library. The program runs from 10-11 a.m. every Friday when there's no public school. Free, but register.

■ **Does your loved one have a brain disorder** such as schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, depression, panic/anxiety disorder, personality disorder or OCD? For free information and/or support call Northwest B.C. Schizophrenia coordinator in Terrace at 635-8206 or toll free: 1-866-7877 (FAM-SUPP). Or attend the Terrace Support Group on the third Tuesday of the month (except July, August and December) at 7:30 p.m. at #102-4450 Grieg Ave.

■ **Alzheimer's Support and Education Group** meets on the second Wednesday of each month at the conference room at Terraceview Lodge. If Alzheimer's or other geriatric dementias touch your life, you are welcome to attend. For further information, call Aveline at 798-2581 or Doris at 635-0223.

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Christmas trees came to North America in the early 19th century, most likely with German settlers. Some of the changes to the traditions include shifts from smaller, table-top trees, to taller trees that stood on the floor.
Christmas tree farms in BC produce approximately 900 000 trees each year. Approximately 75% are harvested from forests, while some others come from BC Hydro right-of-ways. There are currently about 450 Christmas tree growers in BC who produce several species for use. These include Douglas-Fir, Grand fir, Noble fir, Scotch pine and white pine, and spruce trees. BC Christmas trees are exported to the USA and Mexico, and markets are being explored in Central and South America and Asia.

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It will happen at the Citizens On Patrol office at the Skeena Mall Dec. 21-23 and there's no charge. It's running from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. and it's for children aged five to 10.

Children will be fingerprinted and parents will get an identification kit that includes the fingerprints and other documentation.

It's all designed to aid police in the event a child goes unexpectedly missing.

Citizens on Patrol pre-



Keith Trask

ident Keith Trask said the parents keep all the material - the fingerprints aren't

compiled by the police or anyone else.

"It's strictly confidential," Trask said. "The parents fill out the cards at home."

Parents would give the identification kit to investigators only in the event a child disappears.

"Get your children down," Trask said. "It's a good thing."

Also available at the same time via Child Find British Columbia will be other information and advice to help parents street-proof their children. That covers situations up to and including cyber stalkers on the Internet.

The Citizens On Patrol

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On an equal footing because it's new

who joined army cadets as a youth in Salmon Arm. Years later, as an adult in Terrace, she got involved with the air cadet program.

There are other cadet groups in the northwest; Kitimat has a sea cadet program, for instance, and it's a good fit with the Aluminum City's Douglas Channel location.

Back in Terrace, drill practice is a main focus at meetings for the new army cadet members, who only started meeting in October.

"With us being new, everyone has started off on the same level," she says.

The corps plans to compete in a drill competition in Prince George coming up in the new year.

They participated in recent Remembrance Day ceremonies - even though they didn't have uniforms yet and only had two weeks of drill practice under their belts.



PLENTY OF GIRLS are joining army cadets, including Warrant Officer Meghan Mackenzie, left, Warrant Officer Denise Beaudette and Lance Corporal Elisha Smith, seen at the bottle drive.

The program runs from September to June, following the school calendar and is supported locally through fundraising activities. An ongoing penny drive plan-

ned from now until June is one of the money-raising projects cadets will be taking part in.

Two weekends ago, the army cadets held a bottle drive.

A loonie auction and a dance-a-thon are also in the works.

Cadets will take pledges and then dance the night away in a 12-hour marathon from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m.

Army cadets will also take part in community-driven activities.

For example, on Dec. 13, 18 cadets are spending the day putting together Christmas hampers for the Salvation Army.

Martin, meanwhile, says she is grateful for the support of parent volunteers who are helping to make the new program a reality.

New adult volunteers are welcome.

So are potential cadets. Call 615-0021 for more information, or drop by the meeting.

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Scene makers

BRITTNEY Laird and her older brother J.T. helped construct this wooden shelter that will form the stable in a Drive Through Nativity at the Terrace Pentecostal Assembly parking lot Friday and Saturday. Seven spectacular outdoor sets have been made, such as the inn at Bethlehem and the fabled manger - each featuring live people, including J.T., who will portray a shepherd. It's modelled on a popular annual event at a church in Abbotsford, says Carol Laird, who's organizing the project and has done much of the work, along with husband Jamie. More volunteers are needed. No acting required. Call 615-5508.



Community Calendar

WEEKLY MEETINGS

MONDAYS
MILLS MEMORIAL Hospital Auxiliary meetings are held on the third Monday in the month at 7 p.m. The venue is at the hospital in the training room. New members are very welcome. For information, call Cathy at 635-2230.

SENIORS GET together for Five-Pin Bowling at the Terrace Bowling Alley. Meet at 1 p.m.

SKEENA SQUARES. Square dancing. Beginners welcome. Mondays at 7:30 p.m. at the Carpenters' Hall. For info call 635-6875.

TERRACE DOWNTOWN LIONS CLUB meets at its new clubhouse on the Thornhill Community Grounds every first and third Monday of the month. For more info call Peggy at 635-5887 or Mike at 635-6738.

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS meets Mondays from 7-8 p.m. at the Sacred Heart Parish, at 4830 Straume. Email terracedea@hotmail.com for more information.

ORDER OF THE ROYAL PURPLE meets the 2nd and 4th Monday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at the Elks Hall. Call 635-2415 and 635-9228 for more info.

SKEENA VALLEY MODEL RAILROAD ASSOCIATION meets at 7:30 p.m. Mondays at the railcar in the linear park (Grand Trunk Pathway). New members welcome.

SWEET ADELINES CHOIR meets every Thursday at 7 p.m. at Centennial Christian School in the music room (the portable at the back of the school). For info, call Alfreda at 635-7602.

TOPS BC meets every Thursday evening at Mills Memorial in the basement cafeteria. Weigh in at 6 to 7:15 p.m. Meeting from 7:30-8:15 p.m. Everyone welcome. Call 635-7519.

THE CELIAC SUPPORT GROUP meets each month at the Skeena Health Unit Auditorium (3412 Katum). For info, call Shirley at 635-7568.

PSAs

Mills Memorial Hospital Auxiliary Thrift Shop is located at 4544 Lazelle Ave. Open Tuesday-Saturday from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. A drop box is located in the parking lot for donations made after hours. **The Terrace Public Library** offers computer classes for people of all ages. These hour long one-on-one sessions will cover any topics or questions you may have regarding computers. Call the library at 638-6177 to sign up.

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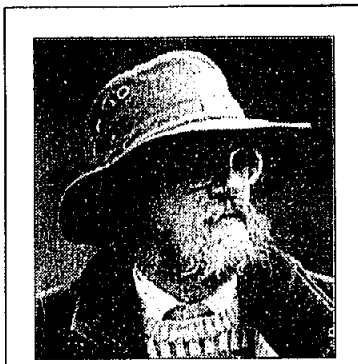
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—Bob Dylan (Talkin' World War Three Blues)

"How ya sleeping?"

"What?" said Bill.

"I was just wondering how you're sleeping now that you're on heart medicine," I said.

"OK, I guess. Why?"

"They've got me on inhibitors, dilators, blockers, thinners — I can't keep track of it. All I know is that since I've been taking the stuff, I've been having dreams, lurid dreams like the ones I used to have back in the seventies."

"There's a sign we're getting older," said Bill. "We used to sit here, after fishing river all morning and talk about tackle and fishing. Now we're talking about our health problems."

"The dream I had last night was about fishing," I said. "I'm sitting on the front porch of this house that looks more like a stable and this guy walks up to me. He's wearing baggy clothing — nondescript, olive coloured. He has a what appear to be hip boots, those cheap kind, the ones that are made in Viet Nam or Indonesia — what's the brand name Prozac or Pro Tac or something like that? And the kind of ball cap bass fishermen like. He has a huge Roman nose. The peak of the cap barely covers it.

"I wanna catch a steelhead," he tells me. "You will guide me."

"He says this with a strong Italian accent, like it's a command...I take offense. 'Take a hike!' I tell him, jerking my thumb in the direction he should go.

"At this his eyes narrow. He reaches inside his coat — one of those long coats that Clint Eastwood made famous in those spaghetti westerns. He fumbles around inside it, pulls out these two metal cylinders, and screws them together. It looks like a telescope, but sinister.

"Is that a gun?" I ask.

"Did you ever have one of those pop guns as a kid? Those ones where you jam a cork in the end then grab the barrel and push the stock to make the cork pops out on a string?"

Bill nodded.

"That's what the Italian did but, instead of a cork, a bullet blasted out and ricocheted off the dusty ground. He looked up, expecting an answer.

"All right," I said. "Relax, I'll take you."

"Next thing I know, I'm driving down these winding back roads to the river in a rental truck with the Italian and two other guys. I assume they're his pals because they have olive skin and have a Latin look. We park and I take them to the river. We fish and somehow Mr. Big Nose and I wind up fishing a pool several hundred yards downstream of his buddies. We haven't caught a thing yet and I can see he's losing patience.

"On the other side we're sure to get a steelhead," I boast as I lead the way across a fast run.

"Half way across he starts to slip. I reach out for him, but just as his hand is within reach I push him off. He falls backward, yelling something in Italian. I watch him, arms, legs, and the gun flailing. He looks like a collapsed umbrella as he's swept down into the rapids.

"Alerted by the commotion, his friends have made an easier crossing upstream. They make for me. I enter the bush a short distance ahead of them. There has been a tremendous hatch of giant stoneflies. The ground is covered with them. They pop under our feet like firecrackers. There are luminescent tailed frogs clinging to the trees and golden salamanders in the mossy swamps. I know the place well. I lead my pursuers into a swamp full of towering devil's club and lose them.

"When I return to the river, I stop to catch my breath. I can hear panic-stricken Italian deep in the woods. *They're lost*, I think. I walk a carpet of salmon corpses to the river and start wading back. My downstream leg bumps something. I stop and nearly jump out of my waders. It's the armed Italian. He's in a bad way, but he's not dead. He gives me an imploring look. He's too weak to speak.

"I lean on my staff and lift my size 12 felt-soled boot out of the current, bring down on his head and push him underwater.

"Next time get a registered guide," I say.

"What do you think it means, Bill?"

Bill swallowed the last off his sandwich and started to pour his coffee.

"We should start charging those foreigners more to fish our rivers," he said.

Testing technique

By SARAH A. ZIMMERMAN

IF YOU ASK Brady Champoux, 10, why he likes Ju Jit Su so much he'll tell you it has to do with balance, movement, rhythm and mobility.

Oh, yeah — it's a lot of fun too.

Champoux, 10, has been involved in the sport for more than four years. He was one of 60 young athletes taking part in last weekend's meet which saw his skills put to the test in grappling, sparring and self defence.

"This is our first year doing self-defence," Champoux said after taking part in what's called a self-defence circle.

That's when one person stands in the centre of the ring and must defend him or herself against three attackers, one at a time. It tests the athlete's reactions, skill, technique and variety of responses to the attack.

It allows them to take techniques they've been working on all year and apply them in a competition setting."

"We're just in it for fun," added Justin Klein, who's also been involved in the sport for four years. "It sort of helps with your balance, flexibility and strength."

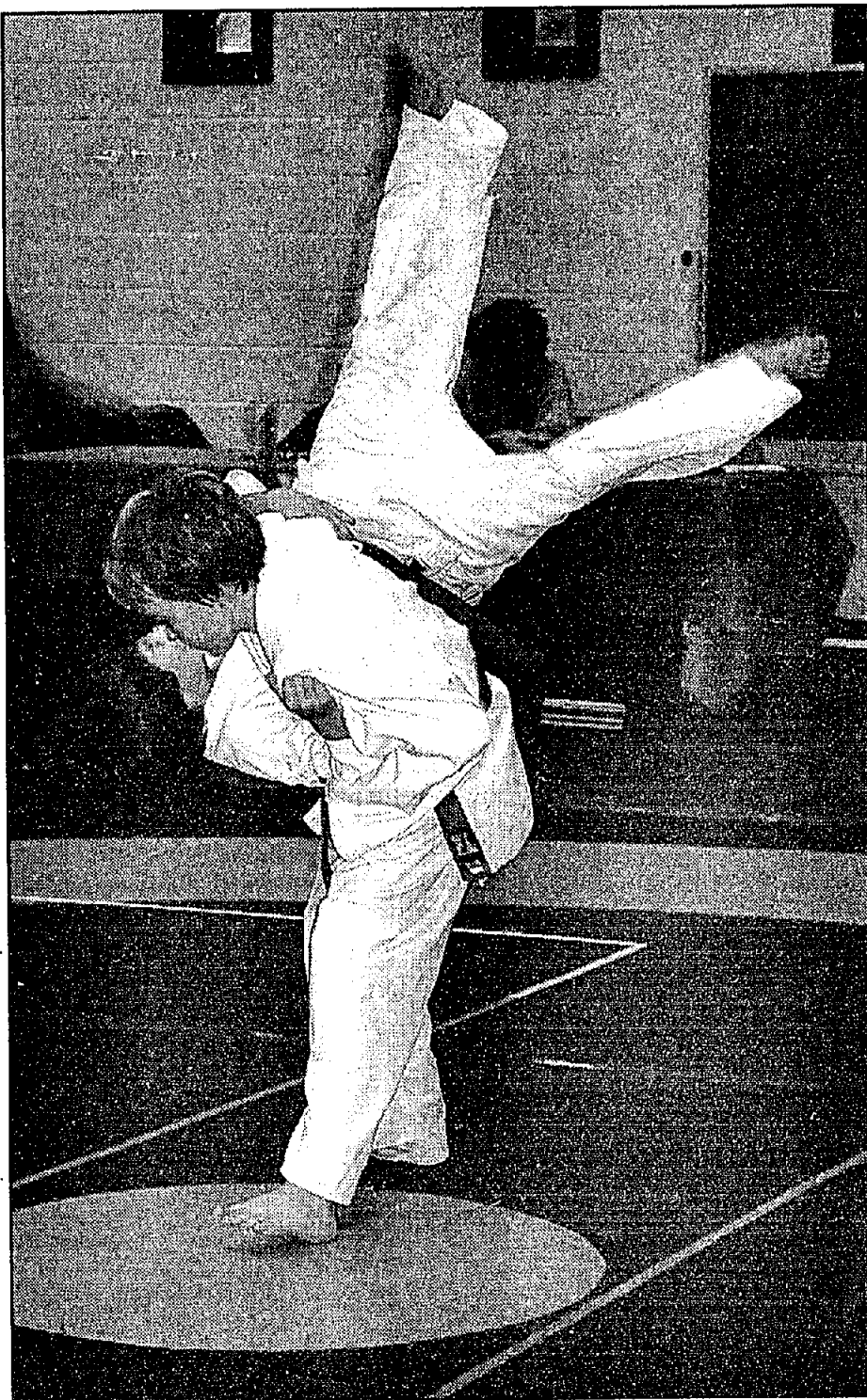
Other students such as Alan and Stuart Marshall are attracted to the sport because they enjoy the self-defence aspect of it.

The weekend competition is one of two yearly tournaments put on by the two local Ju Jit Su clubs run by Shane Pallahicky and Jean Galli.

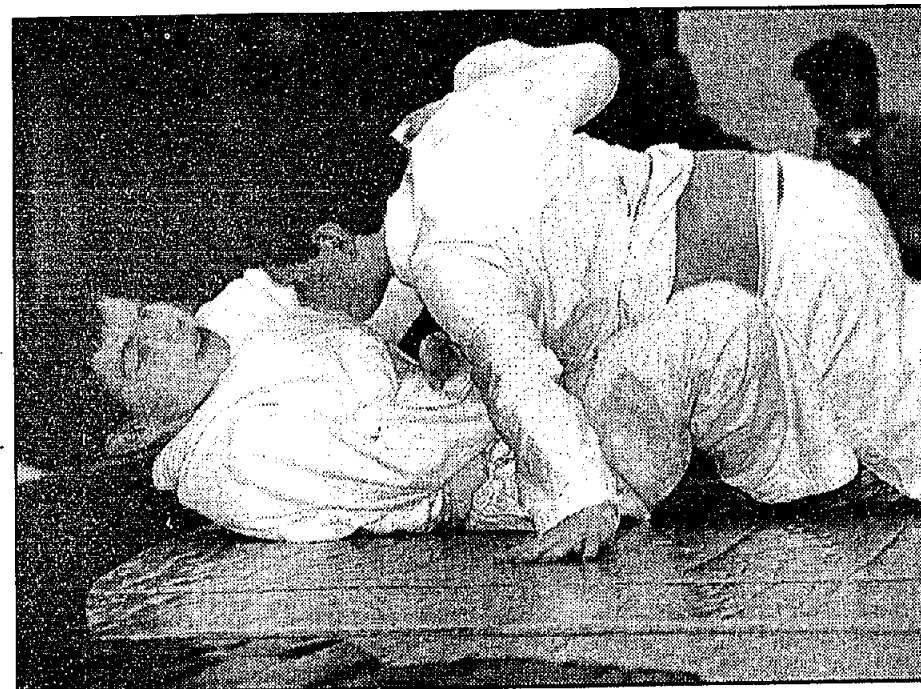
"Competition is good because it challenges the kids," explains Pallahicky.

"It allows them to take techniques they've been working on all year long and apply them in a competition setting."

Some students are preparing for the Tiger Balm martial arts contest in Vancouver in a few months, and the club's will host another meet here in the spring of 2004.



BRADY Champoux flips Justin Klein over his back in the self defence circle (above) and two students do more of the same below left. Jacob Carey grapples with another student (below) at last weekend's Ju Jit Su meet.



Popular terrain park set to expand

By SARAH A. ZIMMERMAN

THE CONSTANT barrage of snow falling recently has many snowboarders counting the days until Rodeo, a popular run at Shamos Mountain, opens up.

That's the run dotted with obstacles such as rails, pipes and large crates called fun boxes, upping the ante for boarders and skiers alike looking for a challenge not offered by natural terrain.

The terrain park opened up last year and saw a constant stream of young snowboarders

hitting the obstacles.

Line-ups in the park could be seen from the chair lift any day of the week.

That popularity has prompted the resort to pump an extra \$2,000 into the park and hire two assistants to work under park designer Tyler Wilson.

"There are eight new features added to the park this year," says Wilson.

"Mostly rails and fun boxes for more advanced riders."

Rodeo's expansion puts it at the top end of

similar terrain parks. Wilson suggests when the work's complete it will rival some of the best parks not only in B.C. but in Canada.

The hill opened Dec. 5 for the weekend but will be closed today and tomorrow, reopening for the season Dec. 12.

There's already a mid-mountain base of 192 cm with 120 cm down at the lodge.

"It's snowing so much up there they're trying to keep up with it," says Wilson.

"The groomers are working overtime up there to get all the runs groomed."



TERRACE and Kitimat's bantam rep teams face off in the second of two games at the Terrace arena last weekend.

Kitimat bantams a powerhouse

KITIMAT'S bantam rep team is a force to be reckoned with this season.

The squad is sitting on top of the Skeena Valley inter-city league so far this year and proving a tough match for teams like Terrace.

Last weekend the two cities went head to head in a pair of games. Terrace lost the Friday night match up 6-3 and suffered a tough 11-3 loss the next morning.

"We expected them to be the toughest team in the zone," says Terrace

head coach John Amos.

He says if the team wants to pick up more wins it'll have to start giving 100 per cent on every shift.

"Some of the kids took some shifts and they weren't giving it as good an effort as they have and it cost us," he said.

Immediately after Saturday morning's game the squad geared up for a two-game road trip to Prince Rupert, playing one game that same night and another the next morning.

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33 Obituaries

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Sorensen, Jens Peder

Born in Hemmet, Denmark, Sept. 18/32 and Passed away peacefully in Terrace on Dec. 2/03

He leaves behind wife Lissi, son Tony (Annette and Josh) and daughter Ivy, (Blake) granddaughters Natasha and Brianna, all of Terrace.

We would like to thank Dr. Fourie and all the staff at Mills Memorial Hospital for their care, given while Peder was in the hospital.

Peder will be missed by all his family and lovingly remembered as a husband, father and Morfar.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to the Palliative Care Unit at Mills Memorial Hospital.

125 Wanted

WANTED: FREEZER burnt meat, fish, and bones for sled-dogs. Will pick up. Please call 250-635-3772 (48p3)

170 Auctions

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205 Furniture

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KESTER



Martin Kester, born November 8, 1921 in Vikartovce, Czechoslovakia. Passed away peacefully, with his wife Shirley by his side, November 20, 2003 in the Cariboo Memorial Hospital in Williams Lake, B.C.

Martin came to Canada when he was nine years old. He lived in New Westminster with his family till he was 15 when he traveled to Williams Lake. He worked at a local Dairy Farm for a year and then moved back to the coast to begin his life on the river and logging at the age of 17. He met his first wife Madeline Hudson at a roller skating rink, where he was known as the Fred Astair on wheels. They married on September 5, 1942. Martin and Madeline had 7 children, 5 boys and 2 girls. They lived in Laidlaw then Silver Creek and the Hope till 1966 when Martin moved his wife and 4 youngest children to Terrace, BC. Martin was known for his passion for the river and log driving. Martin along with brother John started a log drive business on the Fraser River in 1954, called Canyon Log Drive and Booming Company. He had a "Vision" of logs being dumped in the Fraser above Hell's Gate and when the water rose in the spring the logs would float down the river. The old river hands said the Kester Brothers were crazy to even dream about this. Crazy or not, for the first time in history Martin and John Kester Jr. successfully ran logs through Hell's Gate. A movie by CBC was then produced of the KESTER BROTHERS in 1957. Because they were ready to gamble their bankrolls and their lives on their mastery of the river, they acted as midwives in what promised to be the birth of a multi million dollar logging industry on the Upper Fraser River. In 1966 Martin was asked if he thought he could tame the Nass River for logging, with little hesitation of another challenge in his life he was off in a flash. In Hope Martin was known for his dedication to the community, church and family. Some of the titles he held were, partner, co-worker, boss, commissioner, (councilor), volunteer (Lion's Club), and mentor and a compassionate person to many people. Martin was a man who lived by a strong code of ethics and was not afraid of a hard days work. Martin's first wife passed away in 1982. Martin reacquainted his friendship with Shirley Peterson, and they married in 1986. His family grew by another son and daughter along with a very great brother and sister-in-law. The last 17 years Martin and Shirley have had many wonderful times, gardening, golfing, fishing and winters in Palm Desert. Martin touched many people in his life and his memory will live on in each of them. He will be sadly missed by his wife Shirley, daughters - Mary Ann (Frank), Nancy (Glen), sons - Martin Jr. (Linda), Jack (Carol), Bob (Eileen), Don (Debra) and Murray (Petra). Step Daughter Diana (Doug) and step son Wayne (Kathy), 18 Grand children and 13 great-grandchildren, brother John and sisters Mary, Jenny (Vance), Chris (Bob) and sister-in-law Norma (Bill) and many nieces, nephews and in-laws.

Predeceased by: First wife Madeline, father John, mother Mary, grandsons Martin Jr. and David Kester, granddaughter Cheryl, daughter-in-law Sharon and son-in-law Reg Lord. A Celebration of Martins Life was held on November 27, at the Seniors Recreation Centre by his family and friends. In lieu of flowers a donation to a foundation of your choice would be greatly appreciated.

30 In Memoriam



In Loving Memory of our son **Rick Hamilton** who left us too soon.
 April 1, 1959 - Dec. 13/1998
 Remembering you is easy.
 We do it everyday
 Missing you is the heartache
 That never goes away.
 You are forever in our hearts until we meet again.
 Love **Mom & Dad & Laurie**

65 Lost & Found

LOST: MENS gold wedding band. Lost in Safeway parking lot. Nov 27th. Reward offered. Call 250-638-1237 (49P2)

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70 Personals

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210 Garage Sales

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220 Miscellaneous

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The Director of Administration (formerly referred to as the "Band manager") is responsible for:

- Management of the housing, public works utilities, law enforcement, community planning, land registration and office services programs
- Inter-governmental relations with BC, Canada and local and regional governments at the program level
- Human resource development generally and the supervision of staff in the programs for which he/she is responsible

The successful candidate will have:

- Post-secondary education in business administration, public administration, or the equivalent in experience.
- A good knowledge of the programs, funding opportunities, regulations and procedures of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada,
- Knowledge of and experience in the use of computers, good administrative, communication, and organizational skills, good working knowledge of financial accounting principles, a valid provincial driver's license, and the willingness to travel as required

This position is a senior management position in the Kitselas administration. The salary depend on training, education and experience and will be reviewed at the end of a three month probationary period and regularly at each annual anniversary date of commencement of employment.

Please send resumes to Sharon Bennett at the Kitselas Administration Office 4562 Queensway Drive, Terrace, BC V8G 3X6. Interested individuals may also pick up a more detailed job description from Sharon. Applicants will be short listed and only those short listed will be contacted. Closing date is December 19, 2003 at 3:30 p.m.

Terrace-Kitimat Airport Society Board Director

The Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine is one of four members of the Terrace-Kitimat Airport Society. The other three members are the City of Terrace, Terrace & District Chamber of Commerce and Kitimat Chamber of Commerce. The Airport Society is a not-for-profit organization, incorporated under the BC Societies Act, to own and operate the Terrace-Kitimat (Northwest Regional) Airport. The Regional District appoints one Director to the Society Board.

The Regional District is seeking candidates for appointment to the Airport Society Board. This is a volunteer position. Directors do not receive remuneration but may be reimbursed for expenses. The term of this appointment will probably end in the Spring of 2005.

The Airport Society has considerable autonomy and responsibility in managing the affairs of the Terrace-Kitimat Airport. The ideal candidate will have had managerial or professional experience and a history of community involvement. A broad range of skills is represented on the Airport Society Board. At this time, skills in human resources management will be considered an asset.

Persons interested in being considered for this appointment are asked to submit a letter or resumé by January 14, 2004, describing their interest in this appointment, qualifications deemed valuable for the position, knowledge of airport issues and previous volunteer board experience. Elected officials, officers and employees of the Society members, and airport tenants, are not eligible to be Airport Society Directors.

Please send your correspondence to:

Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine
Attention: Andrew Webber, Manager - Development Services
300 - 4545 Lazelle Avenue
Terrace, BC V8G 4E1
Tel: 250-615-6100
Fax: 250-635-9222
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Note: It is hoped that these positions will be extended beyond April pending sufficient CE activity is generated.

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Respond in confidence by submitting a current resume, (including preferred position) and quoting competition # 03.145B to: Human Resources Department, NORTHWEST COMMUNITY COLLEGE, 5331 McConnell Avenue, Terrace, B.C. V8G 4X2, FAX: 250.638.5475, Email: soates@nwcc.bc.ca

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Kitselas Band
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Full-time, Permanent

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Qualifications:

- Current Early Childhood Education certificate
- Child Safe or other approved first aid certificate
- Current criminal records check
- Valid BC Driver's License
- Knowledge of Kitselas culture preferred
- Ability to work with parents, elders, community

Duties include:

- Planning, implementing and assessing activities.
- Prepares and coordinates a daily program schedule.
- Maintains health records and is responsible to administer medications and first aid as directed.
- Ensure compliance with all health and safety licensing requirements.
- Preparing all mandatory narrative reports, reviews to the funding agencies; and Band.
- Keeping financial records.

Please forward resumes to Susan Bevon, Kitselas Administration, 4562 Queensway Drive, Terrace, B.C. V8G 3X6. Applicants will be short listed and will only be contacted.

278 Skilled Trades

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SUMMONS TO PAYMENT HEARING
IN THE PROVINCIAL COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA (SMALL CLAIMS COURT)
Kevin A Fleming D.B.A. Mach I Transport,
3887 A Skinner of Terrace, B.C. V8G 3M2

You have been summoned to a payment hearing in the case between Cedarland Tire Service Ltd., creditor and Kevin Fleming D.B.A. Mach I Transport, debtor.

You are required to attend the Provincial Court of British Columbia on **January 9, 2004 at 1:30 p.m.** or as soon after this time as the court schedule allows at 3408 Kalam Street, Terrace, B.C.

BRITISH COLUMBIA NOTICE INVITING APPLICATION FOR TIMBER SALE LICENCE A53174

Take notice that, pursuant to Section 20 of the Forest Act a Timber Sale Licence is being offered for sale.

Closing Date: December 18, 2003 at 1:30 p.m. local time
Closing Location: Port McNeill Timber Sales Office, Seaward (Tasla) Business Area.
Geographic Location: Kennedy Island (North Coast) Term: Two Years
Volume: 34,315 cubic metres, more or less
Upset Stumpage Rate: \$18.25 per cubic metre

The upset stumpage rate was determined by the market pricing system, and is applicable only to coniferous sawlog grades. This stumpage rate is fixed for the duration of the licence term and for any extension to that term.

Species: Hemlock 37%, Balsam 17%, Cedar 17%, Spruce 13%, Cypress 11%, y-grade (all species) 5% more or less.

Tenders will only be accepted from individuals or corporations registered in the Small Business Forest Enterprise Program, Category: any.

Logging System: Clearcut with reserves, Cable based
Road Obligations: Road use permit required with \$5,000 security deposit. Road permit required for construction of 4.0 km of branch road. Reactivation of 2.2 km of Kennedy mainline is required. Licensee will be responsible for deactivation.

Other:
NOTE: "This licence may be subject to new maximum term limits and extension fee provisions as a result of recent proposed legislative changes associated with Bill 29 - 2003 and Bill 45 - 2003, which may be brought into force at any time. Applicants are advised to carefully consider the impact of these potential changes in formulating their bids."

Applications will be accepted by the Timber Sales Manager, Port McNeill Timber Sales Office, Post Office box 7000, 2217 Mine Road, Port McNeill, British Columbia V0N 2T0, by the above noted date and time.

In respect to this timber sale licence, there is additional material that the applicants must consider in their applications. This material, application forms, and other information about the Small Business Program may be obtained from the above Timber Sales Office, telephone (250) 956-5119, or by accessing the following website at <http://www5.for.gov.bc.ca/licences/inf1.do>

Once you access the website click on the green 'Notices' tab at the top left and select 'List Notices'. Please remember to update your bookmark/favorites.

BRITISH COLUMBIA NOTICE INVITING APPLICATION FOR TIMBER SALE LICENCE A73443

Take notice that, pursuant to Section 20 of the Forest Act, timber sale licence A73443 is being offered for sale by the Skeena Business Area.

Closing Date: December 17, 2003 at 8:30 a.m.
Geographic Location: Helen Lake (Hazelton Field Team Area)
Estimated Volume: 1790 cubic metres, more or less
Term: One (1) year
Logging Method: This timber sale licence has been designed for harvest using a heel boom. The use of other systems may be subject to the Forest Practices Code of British Columbia Act and its regulations.

Upset Stumpage Rate: The upset stumpage rate was determined by the district value index and is applicable only to coniferous green sawlog grades (except Interior Grade 3).

Upset Stumpage Rate/cubic metre for competitive volumes:

Timber Mark	Product	Volume	Rate
73443	Sawlog	1790	\$9.09

Species percent: Balsam 80%, Hemlock 15%, Spruce 5%

This timber sale licence contains 984 m³ of non-competitive volume and is fully developed.

Tenders will only be accepted from individuals or corporations registered as a BC Timber Sales Enterprise in Category Any.

This licence is subject to, among other things, new maximum term limits and extension fee and surrender provisions. Applicants are advised to carefully consider the impact of these changes when formulating their bids. Further information on these changes may be found in Advisory Bulletin 11/04/03.

Applications will be accepted by the Timber Sales Manager, Terrace Timber Sales Office, Skeena Business Area, 200 - 5220 Keith Avenue, Terrace, British Columbia V8G 1L1 until 8:30 a.m. on December 17, 2003.

There is additional material that the applicant must consider in their application. This material which includes application forms and other information about the TSL can be obtained from the above BC Timber Sales Business Area Office.

Tender packages are available at the above address, or by contacting the receptionist at 250-538-5100.

For field enquiries only, contact Steven St. John at 250-842-7665.

An electronic version of this notice is available at: <http://www5.for.gov.bc.ca/notices/inf1.do?>

TL'AZT'EN NATION - TACHE BAND COUNCIL
CONTRACT NO. 409.2.1
LAKE INTAKE UPGRADE
CALL FOR TENDERS

Sealed tenders, enclosed in an envelope and clearly marked "Contract No. 409.2.1, Tl'azt'en Nation - Tache Band Council, Lake Intake Upgrade" will be received by the undersigned in Prince George, B.C., up to 2:00 p.m. local time, Tuesday, January 6, 2004.

This Contract comprises earthwork, mechanical and electrical work. It includes the relocation of the raw water pumps drives enclosure to the water treatment plant building, new circuit breaker, new power inlet and outlet receptacles, new underground ducts, replacement of a submersible pump end, installation of a submersible level transmitter, replacement of a 75mm gate valve, and as detailed in the plans and specifications.

A pre-tender site meeting will be held on December 19, 2003 commencing at 12:30 p.m. at the Tache water treatment plant. Interested tenderers are encouraged to attend and must confirm attendance by calling Dayton & Knight Ltd.'s office in Smithers at 250-847-1913, up to 4:00PM, local time, December 17, 2003.

Tender forms, plans and specifications may be obtained from the Dayton & Knight Ltd. office in Smithers, B.C., for the non-refundable purchase price of \$50.00 after 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 10, 2003. Cheques shall be made payable to Dayton & Knight Ltd.

Tenders will be opened in public immediately after the closing time. The lowest or any Tender will not necessarily be accepted.

Each Tender must be accompanied by a bid bond or certified cheque.

The award of this contract is subject to approval by the Tl'azt'en Nation - Tache Band Council and to the availability of sufficient funds to complete the project.

Enquiries should be directed primarily to Mr. Gerson Neiva, P.Eng., Dayton & Knight Ltd. telephone (250) 847-1913, or, if necessary, to Mr. David Lainchbury, Tl'azt'en Nation, telephone (250) 648-3316.

Mr. David Lainchbury
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Dec. 12-13

■ The Caledonia senior boys basketball team hosts the annual Ker-mode Classic tournament.

Dec. 12

■ Pee Wee reps vs. Smilthers 8 p.m. Bantam reps vs. Kitimat 10 p.m. Terrace arena.

Dec. 13

■ Pee Wee reps vs. Smilthers 10 a.m. Bantam reps vs. Kitimat 12 noon. Terrace arena.

Dec. 17

■ Terrace Skating Club hosts its annual Christmas pop concert at the Terrace arena. 4-6:15 p.m.

Jan. 2-4

■ The Terrace novice house hockey division hosts its annual tournament at the Terrace arena, featuring teams of seven and eight year old teams from around the northwest.

Jan. 3

■ Snow Valley Nordic Ski Club's open house at Onion Lake ski trails. Ski for free 12-4 p.m. Call Brenda Horwood for details (250) 632-2004.

Jan. 16-18

■ Terrace Bluebacks host an all-level meet at the aquatic centre. Featuring a regional development meet on the 17th.

Jan. 16

■ Pee Wee reps take on Kitimat 8 p.m. Midget reps vs. Prince Rupert. 10 p.m. Terrace arena.

Jan. 17

■ Pee Wee reps take on Kitimat 10 a.m. Midget reps vs. Prince Rupert 12 noon. Terrace arena.

Jan. 23

■ Bantam reps take on Prince Rupert 8 p.m. Midget reps vs. Kitimat 10 p.m. Terrace arena.

Jan. 23-25

■ Terrace Curling Club hosts its annual Legion Open. For details call 635-5583.



Christmas time skaters

MEMBERS of the Terrace Skating Club are gearing up for their annual Christmas pop concert. The Dec. 17 skating exhibition features individual and group programs. Those are the pre-junior skaters getting prepped for the big day. The show runs from 4-6 p.m. Donations to the food bank gratefully accepted.

Championship finals mark end to Terrace mini-ball season

IT'S the place many of Terrace's high school basketball players got their start - the Terrace Youth Basketball Association.

Commonly referred to as the mini-ball league, so many youngsters are eager to get a piece of the action a waiting list has become the norm.

After several weeks of regular season play each division played a championship final late last month.

The Rookie division saw the Eagles win top spot over the Timberwolves by a score of 26-22. Third spot went to the Grizzlies and fourth to the

Wildcats.

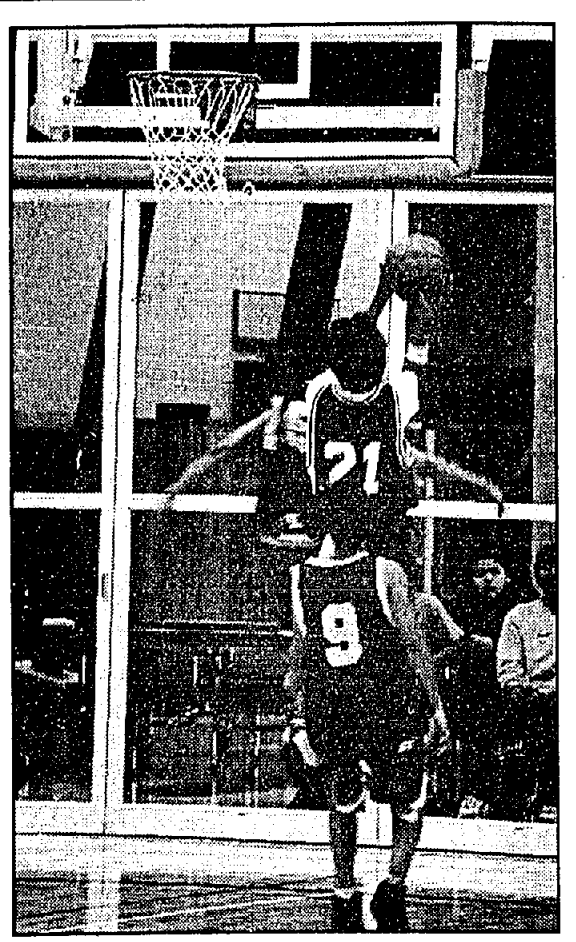
The College division saw the Hoosiers claim first in the league over the Gators. The battle for third and fourth went to the Blue Devils edging out the Tarheels by just one basket.

University division action saw the T-Birds go 46-

32 over the bears to claim first place.

The Vikes placed third followed up by the Clansmen.

And in the Pro Girls division New York defeated Washington 42-33 going 1-2. The Seattle Storm came out fourth behind the L.A. Sparks.



Going up

THE GRADE 8 boys Skeena Wildcats make a basket during an exhibition game against the Prince Rupert Rainmakers Dec. 6. The game was part of the Skeena junior boys basketball tournament hosting teams from Charles Hays, Prince Rupert, Senior Secondary School and Hazelton. SARAH A. ZIMMERMAN PHOTO

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