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Treaty cost nears \$7M

PUBLIC RELATIONS and associated costs surrounding the Nisga'a treaty will top more than \$7 million by the end of February, indicates information released by the provincial government.

Nearly \$6.8 million was spent from June 1 to the end of 1998.

And \$768,000 has been put aside over the next two months as the date nears for the treaty to be voted upon in the provincial legislature.

But the true cost is actually higher as salaries of people borrowed from various government ministries to work on what's called the Nisga'a Treaty Implementation Project aren't counted in figures that were released.

"A lot of the staff costs come from across government where ministries were asked to contribute," said project official Clay Suddaby.

People were also borrowed from provincial crown corporations, added Suddaby who is

otherwise employed by B.C. Ferries Corporation.

Just over \$5 million was spent on advertising in newspapers, on radio and on television.

Public education and community meetings consumed \$1.16 million.

That amount included production of a 17-minute video on the Nisga'a land claim question.

Just over \$120,000 of the public education money was spent maintaining a 1-800 public information line which drew more than 17,000 calls.

More than 160,000 visits were paid to the Nisga'a treaty internet site.

On one project alone, the visit to Victoria by 200 Nisga'a the week the legislature opened in November to begin debate on the treaty, \$100,000 was spent on travel, accommodation, meals and travel within the city.

But \$30,000 of that was covered by the federal government, said Suddaby.

In addition to those costs, the week-long Victoria ceremonies cost another \$99,000 for receptions, ceremonies, visits to area schools and the like, he added.

More than 25 people were either hired for project work or taken from other government ministries and crown corporations, said Suddaby.

That number will fall to 10 for January and February, he said.

"Assuming everything goes according to plan, we're staying with the project until the legislation is passed," said Suddaby.

Of the amount set aside for the next two months, \$358,000 has been budgeted for possible advertising and \$178,000 has been earmarked for ceremonies and events connected to the planned passage of the treaty in the legislature.

Readers can have their say

IT'S CALLED a free vote and it will be the most important one in the provincial legislature of this century.

The vote, to be withheld within weeks, concerns acceptance or rejection of the Nisga'a treaty. Unlike normal votes on legislation, Members of the Provincial Legislature can vote as they see fit and won't be tied to party politics.

The *Terrace Standard* is offering its readers the chance to let their MLA know how they think. On Page A7 of today's paper, you'll find a coupon. Indicate 'In favour', 'Opposed' or 'Undecided'.

You can mail it to us, fax it, drop it off or send us an e-mail. We do ask for a name and phone number for verification only. It will not be used for any other purpose. The deadline is noon Jan. 15. We'll publish the results in our Jan. 20 issue.



Get rid of that tree

HERE'S ONE WAY to dispose of your Christmas tree. Brothers Eric Anderson, left, and Richard Anderson, from the 8th Terrace Beavers and Cubs, will be among those out about Jan. 9 and

Jan. 16. They'll be knocking on doors and, for a donation, will flag your tree and take it to the foot of your driveway. A little while later, the flagged trees will be picked up and taken to the dump.

SCI wants more tax relief

SKEENA CELLULOSE has asked the provincial job protection to give it another break on paying municipal taxes.

The company had worked out a deal last year to defer 1997 outstanding taxes and to begin making regular payments on that amount beginning the first month of 1999.

It has since sent a letter to the city saying it has asked the job protection commission for approval to defer that payment schedule for another year.

City treasurer Keith Norman estimated the outstanding 1997 amount at approximately \$850,000, not including interest.

"The plan worked out was to begin making monthly installments over four years," said Norman.

Skeena Cellulose had, however, been keeping current with another commitment which was to pay its 1998 in regular installments from July to December of last year,

said Norman.

Skeena Cellulose worked out a number of payment schedules through the provincial job protection commission since it came out of creditor protection a year ago.

This is the second one in a month in which the company has asked for a change in how it's been doing business since its rescue by the provincial government.

The first commitment, to pay suppliers and contractors cash on the barrel head right away, has since been extended to two-week terms.

Prince Rupert is the hardest hit municipality when it comes to Skeena Cellulose being delinquent on taxes.

It had not been keeping current for years and now owes that city \$12 million.

As a result, Prince Rupert has had to borrow money to buffer the missing tax revenues.

December's snowfall not close to a record

THAT DUMP of snow Dec. 30 seemed like a lot but it, combined with other snowfalls last month, didn't come close to a record.

Just under 23cm of snow fell overnight Dec. 30, helping make the monthly total of 161.5cm, says Environment Canada climate services superintendent Gary Myers.

"It was well above average, but certainly not a record," said Myers.

That distinction goes to December 1957 when 256.5cm of snow fell. On average, the month of December comes in with 92.6cm of snow. Locals may have forgotten what winter can mean as last December, just 83.4cm of snow fell.

And in case you're wondering about what January might bring, the all time monthly record took place that month in 1989 when 272.6cm of snow fell.

The private road and bridge maintenance company found itself busy trying to keep highways clear last month.

"The cycle we've been going through is the toughest kind with continual precipitation," said Peter Landsdowne of Nechako Northcoast.

"We never seem to have the opportunity to get the roads cleared to bare and wet. And that's frustrating."

One troubling section of Hwy16 is at the

eastern edge of Nechako Northcoast's area, near what is known as the old potato farm this side of Kitwanga.

The highway there and leading into the next maintenance company's area seems to be more icy and dangerous than other places.

"There's a bit of a weather change there. It could be shape of the valley and cold air coming from the Seven Sisters," said Landsdowne.

One relative piece of good news is that the road into the Nass Valley is in better shape than in recent years.

Heavy truck traffic has tended to turn a snow covering left by road crews to protect sealcoat into a glaze of ice.

But with fewer larger trucks on the road because of reduced logging, that glazing hasn't occurred as much, said Landsdowne.

"We've been able to keep the compact surface in better shape, but I'm sure we'd all like to see a better economy with more trucks working regardless," he said.

Acting district highways manager Marion Lee said she's been happy with the performance of Nechako Northcoast this winter season.

"They have things well in hand," said Lee.



STRONG BACKS were needed around the area last week when a heavy night of snow Dec. 30 made getting vehicles out of driveways and parking lots a bit of a challenge. And there's still lots of winter left.

Get it for free

DIAL ONE of those 1-900 numbers in the phone book for crucial winter road information and you're told it'll cost 75 cents a minute and will be added to your phone bill.

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Paying for road information has been in place for several years but the provincial government practice still bothers people.

Yet there are several ways to find it for free.

For those with Internet access, try www.bchighways.com and follow instructions.

The Weather Channel also carries road information supplied by the provincial government. Radio stations also carry bulletins.

Locals can even call the local highways office during working hours.

Acting highways district manager Marion Lee says the office will give out reports for the area from Prince Rupert to Prince George.

The highways ministry's Terrace-based radio room takes in, collates and distributes road reports from around the region, said Lee.

Police renew call for help on murder

ALMOST four weeks after Linda Lefranc was murdered in her Terrace townhouse Dec. 9, RCMP officers are still asking for public assistance.

"Somebody out there may know something," said Staff Sgt. Bob Solvason Dec. 30.

He said nothing new had been discovered in the case even though all of Terrace's four general investigation officers have been assigned to the case.

The officers, he said, are interviewing people and waiting for forensic test results from various items sent to a central crime lab.

He could not comment on what exactly was being tested at the lab.

But the results could be the break officers here have been waiting for after four weeks of painstaking investigation that has seen up to eight officers from surrounding detachments make Terrace their temporary home.

The officers, who went

home for a Christmas break, are scheduled to return after the holidays.

But Solvason wasn't sure how long the officers will be available.

"We can't keep these guys here from Prince George here forever," he said. He added that the officers have their own investigations and court appearances to worry about.

Saying the process can be frustrating, Solvason said there is nothing he'd like better than to find the murderer.

"Some of these things just take time," he said.

Linda Lefranc was stabbed to death early Dec. 9 in her Braun Street townhouse. Her body was



Linda Lefranc

found by her seven-year-old daughter who reported the incident to neighbours who then called the RCMP.

Lefranc, 37, was a single mother and office administration student at Northwest Community College.

Accident on Walsh

RCMP arrested and charged a man for impaired driving after a vehicle went through a stop sign and hit another vehicle at the corner of Eby and Walsh Avenue Dec. 30.

RCMP say it appears a driver lost control of a pick up and it then proceeded through the intersection at around 10 p.m. that night, striking a northbound truck. Both drivers sustained minor injuries and the vehicles were damaged.

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New northern judge expected to reduce court list overload

PROVINCIAL COURT waiting lists could get shorter here next summer with the appointment of a new judge to the northcoast.

Steven Point, a Masters of Law program student at the University of B.C., will be headquartered in Prince Rupert after being trained in Port Coquitlam.

He is also expected to handle cases in Terrace and Kitimat.

"There are few judges in a very large territory," said Chief Justice Robert Metzger of the need to for more northwest judges.

Point was named in December as one of five new judges hired to cut the backlog of cases waiting to be heard in the provincial court system. The hiring was a part of Chief Justice Metzger's recommendations in a report last spring.

Three of the other four new judges will stay in Port Coquitlam where the loss of a judge to retirement contributed to an already heavy backlog.

The last new judge will handle cases in downtown Vancouver's Robson Square.

Point was a partner of the law firm Point and Shirley where he practiced criminal and native law with the local bands of the Sto:lo Nation south of Chilliwack.

He is a Skowkale First Nations Chief and a tribal chairman of the Sto:lo Nation.

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Hamper requests top 550

Army reaches donation goal

THE SALVATION ARMY met its goal of raising \$60,000 last month for its Christmas food hampers and for on-going family assistance.

Going into Christmas week, the Army was \$20,000 short of its goal but a surge of donations helped meet its target, said Captain Norm Hamelin.

"We needed \$45,000 to be at the bare minimum but I budgeted for \$60,000 and we got it," said Hamelin.

"We'll be able to run our family services (program) for the next year."

In addition to God, Hamelin attributed the success of the December drive to a community spirit which came from all quarters.

"It didn't come from any one place. It was spread throughout the community," he said.

Private donations totalled \$14,000, corporate donations \$26,000 and kettles added \$18,000, Hamelin noted.

"Students at Clarence Michiel, for instance, had a fundraiser and raised \$1,250 and from B.C. Tel we got \$5,000, which was the biggest single donation. That one really gave us a boost," he said.

The donations helped meet a demand for more than 550 Christmas hampers, 100 more than the year previous.

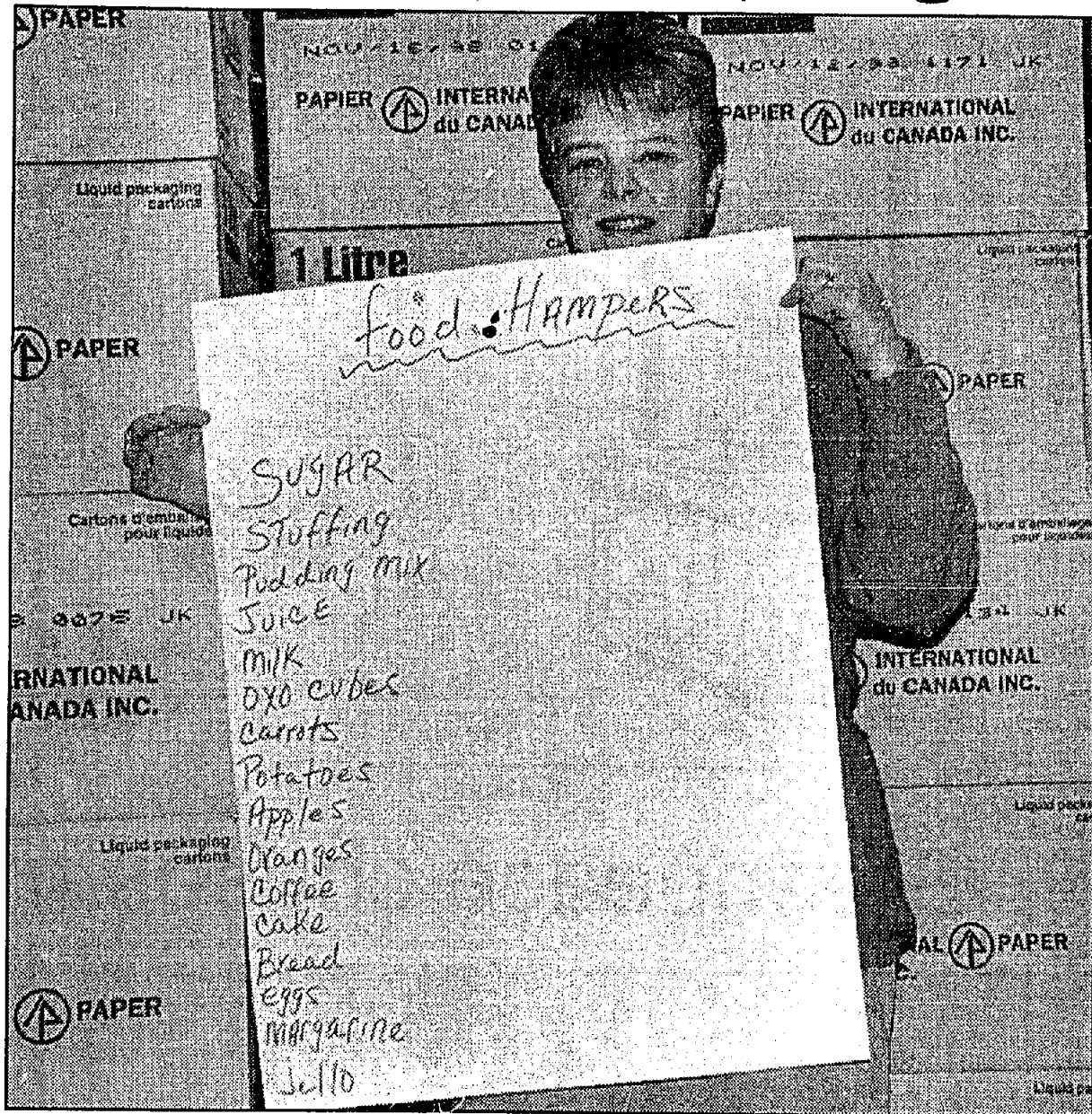
Hamelin said hamper organizers spent several days after the official distribution period in making up additional ones for people.

The Army encountered new kinds of recipients this year, including those caught in between employment insurance and social assistance.

"Some people didn't have enough hours for employment insurance and were waiting for social assistance," said Hamelin.

"This year we were seeing more of the working poor who are just finding it economically difficult," he said.

Christine Simmons, the Army's family services coordinator in Terrace, said 450 hamper applications



DONATIONS OF money and food helped the Salvation Army meet requests for more than 550 Christmas food hampers. That's Army family services co-

ordinator Christine Simmons with a list of what went into each hamper. They also included toys for children. The goal for December was \$60,000.

Food bank gets ready

were received by the deadline date but that 110 more were put together for those who missed registering.

One sign of lean economic times was the low number of people who registered but did not pick up hampers, she said.

"Only eight people didn't pick up hampers. That was way less than in previous years," Simmons added.

Approximately 30 volunteers assisted in preparing the hampers.

The Army also did well in collecting food and Hamelin estimates it has enough to help people with emergency shortages well into late spring before having to dip into its cash reserves.

CHRISTMAS DONATIONS of food and money mean the Terrace Churches Food Bank is well equipped to handle its next distribution period of Jan. 11-14, says organizer Kathy Miller.

"People were very generous through the month of December. We had a lot of community support," said Miller.

"The Nisga'a Tribal Council, for instance, was generous and we had a big donation from the Legion," added Miller.

Another contributor was Shames Mountain which had a free-ski day while encouraging skiers to bring a non-perishable item.

The food bank is gearing up to prepare 600 bags of food for distribution this month, an increase over last year.

Miller estimates the 600 bags will be used by 1,200 people.

It's a big shopping list and we're grateful for the community support," she said.

The food bank is run by area churches and operates one week a month during the late fall and winter with the exception of December as that's when the Salvation Army does its Christmas hamper program.

The Jan. 11 date is for people with last names from A-H, Jan. 12 is for those with last names from I-R, Jan. 13 is for S-Z and Jan. 14 is for those who missed the first three days.

Distribution takes place from the hall at 4634 Walsh and people are asked to bring identification for themselves and for their dependents.

Contributions to the food bank are welcome by mail to The Terrace Churches Food Bank, c/o 4012 Anderson St., Terrace, B.C. V8G 2T2. They can also be made through local churches.

News In Brief

No thank you

UNIONIZED WORKERS at Skeena Broadcasters have turned down a proposal which would have seen some of them go on a work sharing program supplemented by employment insurance.

The proposal would have affected the radio/television station's Terrace newsroom and people in its client services department by cutting the work week to four days and one day on employment insurance.

But Communication, Energy and Paperworkers union official Art Simmonds said it's not convinced the company is in any economic hardship.

"Our view is that the company is profitable, maybe not as profitable as previous years, but it is profitable," said Simmonds. "We see no need to take advantage of taxpayer dollars."

Simmonds said staffing levels are dangerously low as it is and the company is having trouble meeting its broadcasting commitments.

Slight licence drop

THERE WAS a four per cent drop in the number of business licences sold by the city last year.

Statistics provided indicate there were 1,291 to start off January 1998, dropping to 1240 at year's end. That made for 51 fewer licences overall.

Those statistics also show 200 licences lapsed but that 126 new ones were issued and there were 23 renewals.

The number of licences dropped the most in the early part of 1998, with a small recovery beginning in June.

At the peak of the drop, at the end of April, there were 85 fewer active licences than existed at the start of the year.

Building values way off

THE DOLLAR value of building permits barely cracked the \$8 million mark in 1998, making the year one of the smallest in recent times.

By comparison, 1997 featured \$21 million in permit values while 1996 clocked out at \$25.8 million.

One of the biggest affected areas was residential construction with just 23 permits issued for a value of \$3,237 million.

There was not a lot of commercial or industrial activity either with \$1 million in commercial renovations recorded and \$1.473 million for new industrial buildings.

Calling all quitters

THE B.C. LUNG Association has a free Quit Tips booklet for people who made a New Year's resolution to butt out.

Call 1-800-665-5864, toll-free, to order one or try the association's website at www.bc.lung.ca/quittips.html

Murder trial date set

A ROSEDALE, B.C. man will face murder charges in a courtroom here on June 7, 1999 for the murder of Daniel Fagan.

Wilfred Kilgren allegedly shot Fagan, who was 34 when he died, on the Copper River Forestry Road on Aug. 14, 1997.

Kilgren faces two charges of second degree murder. He has been in custody since he was arrested on Sept. 4, 1997 in Rockglen, Saskatchewan.

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STRAIGHT TALK ABOUT THE PRICE OF NATURAL GAS
THE PRICE OF NATURAL GAS IS INCREASING ACROSS NORTH AMERICA

How are Natural Gas Rates Determined?
Natural gas rates consist of a delivery charge and a gas commodity charge. The delivery charge is the fee for delivering natural gas to the customer through the PNG distribution system. The commodity charge is what PNG pays for natural gas. As with other commodities, natural gas prices are set by market conditions, not by the local distribution company. The cost of gas that has been negotiated with producers is passed through directly to customers without mark-up. When market prices increase, the utility pays more for gas and as a result the consumer pays more. When prices are lower the utility pays less and the consumer pays less. Natural gas rates are approved by the British Columbia Utilities Commission.

Key Factors Affecting the Commodity Price of Natural Gas in BC
Over the past year, several key economic and business factors have had an impact on PNG and other natural gas utilities throughout North America. The major impact is that gas commodity prices are rising and will result in higher natural gas rates. The following market fundamentals are contributing to higher gas commodity prices:

- Demand growth has been an important factor. Continent wide supply and demand dynamics affect prices that all North American consumers pay. While BC's economic growth is slowing, demand for natural gas still remains relatively strong within the province, and remains strong in many parts of the robust US economy. This strong gas demand has placed upward pressure on prices.
- Supply of natural gas has tightened across North America. New gas wells in some producing regions have not produced to the extent expected and weak oil prices have caused many energy companies to cut back on the number of wells drilled this year.
- Weather also plays an important factor. Last year we had a warmer than normal winter and this helped to keep last year's winter commodity prices low.
- The price of natural gas exports is increasing as Canadian producers benefit from operating within a continental gas market. The price gap between Canadian based and US based natural gas has tightened as more capacity for natural gas exports is put in place this winter.

Total Annual Energy Comparison Based on 132 GJ Residential

Energy Source	Annual Cost
Propane 65% Efficient	\$1,998
Electric 100% Efficient	\$1,782
Oil 83% Efficient	\$1,471
Natural Gas 65% Efficient	\$1,025
Natural Gas 75% Efficient	\$907
Natural Gas 89% Efficient	\$779

HOW THESE FACTORS WILL AFFECT ANNUAL NATURAL GAS COSTS IN 1999.
Impact on Residential and Small Commercial Customers
The residential and small commercial rates will increase by approximately 8%. About 6% of the increase is directly attributed to increased natural gas prices and 2% is a result of increased costs of operation.

HISTORY IS ON THE SIDE OF NATURAL GAS
If you've been thinking about switching to natural gas to save money, but don't know what the future holds for natural gas prices, consider this:
• Over the last 17 years, prices for natural gas have been considerably lower than electricity, oil and propane;
• Even with the 1999 price increases, natural gas still remains more economical for household heating than other fuel sources;
• Though it is impossible to predict future prices, the past performance of natural gas and other energy prices suggests that it is reasonable to anticipate a similar price gap in the foreseeable future.

Natural gas prices are now determined by market forces because natural gas is a commodity that is traded in the same way as other commodities such as canola or coffee.

As the market price of natural gas changes, PNG may approach the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) for natural gas rates to change. When the cost of natural gas increases, rate increases may be requested. When the price of natural gas decreases, there is an opportunity for natural gas rates to decrease. In fact there were rate decreases in 1994, 1996 and 1998 for most customers.

As the price comparison chart shows, throughout the past 17 years, natural gas has been the most economical choice and, though there are no certainties in the commodities market, it is expected to remain the most economical choice well into the future.

Historical Comparison
(Residential Annual Costs)
1999 Cost
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All for one

PEOPLE LIVING outside of the lower mainland have known this for years — there are two British Columbias. But now it's official, according to provincial government statisticians.

Population figures released last week show an alarming amount of people are crossing the Rockies for the more vibrant economies of the Prairies. If not for international immigration, there would have been a net population loss in B.C.

And this is where the reality of the two British Columbias comes into play. Most of the population loss comes from the regions where resource industries have collectively taken massive hits, forcing people to move out. To be sure, there has been economic diversification in the regions since the last economic downturn of the early 1980s but not to the point where new economies can replace the loss of primary resource jobs.

The lower mainland isn't so much affected as it is the prime target for immigrants so they tend to balance off any bad economic factors there. As well, industries such as movies, television shows, high tech and tourism, which are removed from the up-down cycle of resource extraction, have become major players in the lower mainland.

Years from now, with the luxury of time passed, a reasoned analysis may well point to the last years of the 20th century as the end of the old logging and mining British Columbia and the beginning of a new one.

Yet the reality of today provides little comfort for those who are victim to massive economic shifts over which they have no control. If we are to become leaner, then so be it. But at the same time we cannot become meaner. For to do that would deny the essential element of community which will enable us to survive and to overcome.

Best wishes

ONE OF the more popular sections of *The Terrace Standard* is its letters to the editor section. We're particularly blessed with readers who regularly and strongly give their opinions and comments on any number of topics weekly through the mail, by fax, by hand delivery and by e-mail.

People curious about the pulse of the community have only to read what other readers write in order to find out what is going on. Politicians, community and business leaders are remiss in their duties if they do not regularly read letters to the editor as they offer a very real indication of what is on the mind of residents.

One of the challenges is to print as many letters as we can. Available space often works against newspapers as there never seems to be enough to give full value to letter writers. Yet we appreciate those letters as part of our job of letting the community know what people think.

So to those who have written us in the past, we wish you the best in 1999. And to those who will write us over the next year, we look forward to your contributions.



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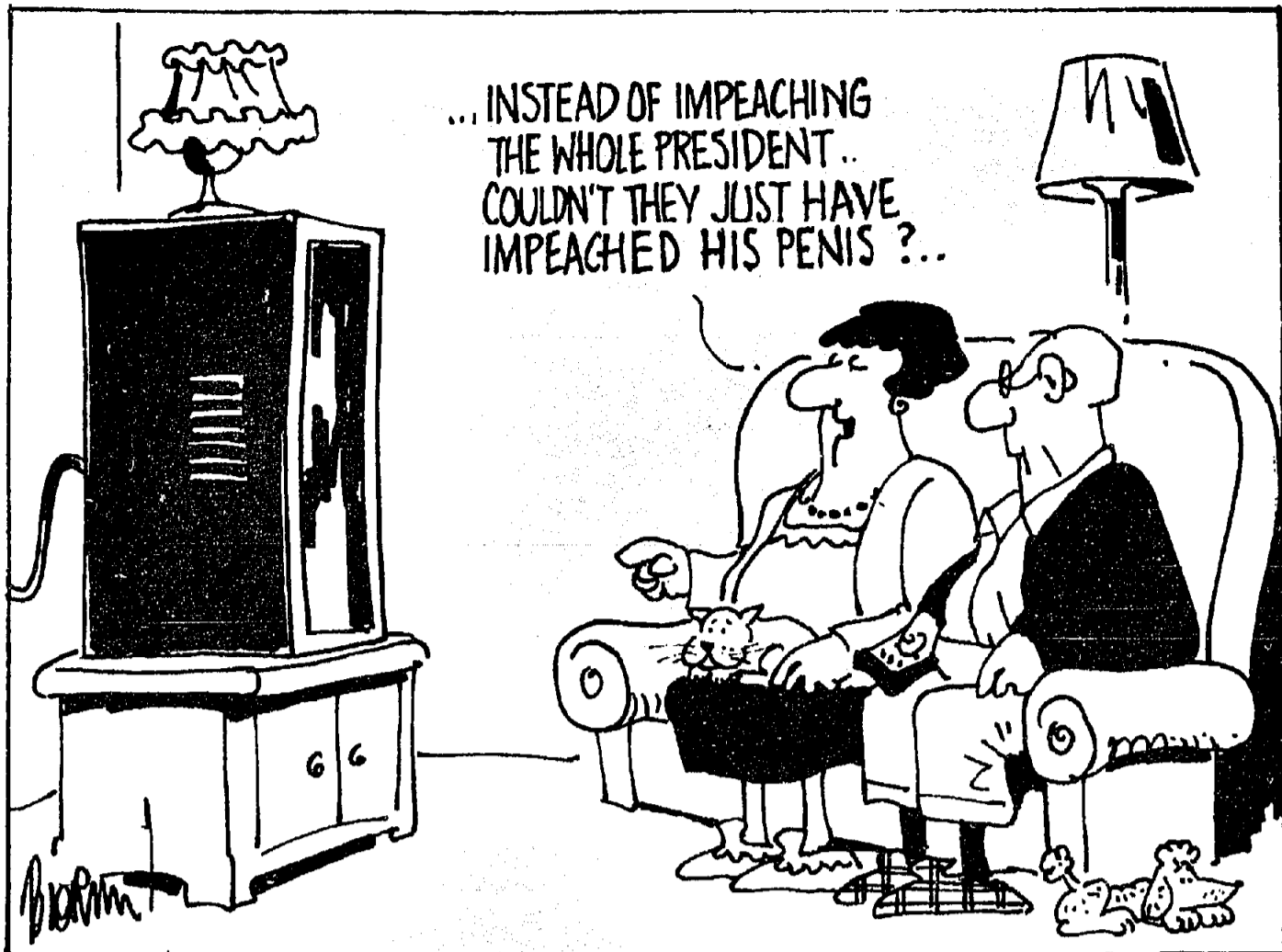
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Greenpeace chases money

VICTORIA — Just when I thought I had heard and seen it all, I find out that Greenpeace and MacMillan Bloedel, along with a Native band, are going into the logging business in Clayoquot Sound, of all places.

Clayoquot Sound, you will recall, was the battle ground a few summers ago, between the environmentalists and forestry giant MacBlo. Hundreds of people were arrested. Many were thrown in jail.

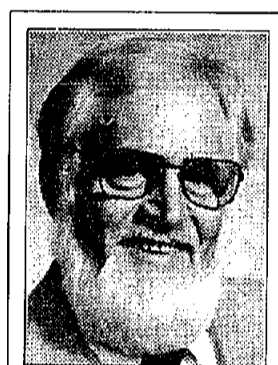
But it seems that the two former adversaries have kissed and made up.

The plan is to log parts of Clayoquot Sound selectively, very selectively, according to Greenpeace. Never mind that special harvesting requirements for MacBlo's operations in Clayoquot Sound were in place before. But that didn't stop Greenpeace and other environmental hit squads from creating the show-down.

Now, a reasonable person might see this new partnership of former enemies as a good thing. Co-operation beats confrontation any time, right? It does, as long as neither of the partners have a hidden agenda.

And I believe that's precisely the case with Greenpeace.

I might even have believed that Greenpeace has suddenly realized it's O.K. to cut down the odd tree, if it hadn't been



FROM THE CAPITAL
 HUBERT BEYER

for another one of the environmental organization's major offensives against British Columbia in the U.S.

The same week the extraordinary partnership to log with love was announced, Greenpeace, along with several other environmental groups, bought a full-page ad in the New York Times decrying logging in old-growth forests along B.C.'s coast.

The ad lists 27 major U.S. companies that are doing without old-growth forest products and seven others that have not made such a commitment.

The aim of the ad is, of course, to create consumer pressure on companies that comply with Greenpeace's demands.

It should be mentioned that the firms subscribing to the no-old-growth-lumber edict such as cosmetics manufacturer Estee Lauder aren't exactly using a lot of timber.

The ad is very effective because of its common-sense and reasonableness.

You're led to believe that Greenpeace will have no further demands if logging in old-growth forests is stopped.

Well, that isn't the Greenpeace I have come to know. Nothing will ever make Greenpeace happy. The battle between Greenpeace and British Columbia's forest companies has been the international environmental organization's biggest cash cow. And they're not about to put that cow out to pasture.

Last summer, I visited Germany for a week. I was amazed at the reverie in which Greenpeace is held. I was also amazed at the misconceptions in the public's mind about British Columbia forest practices. I wonder who planted them there.

So why would Greenpeace want to go into the logging business with MacMillan Bloedel? I believe the answer is very simple: to be able to prove that the organization isn't against logging at all.

Once the operation gets

going, Greenpeace can honestly say they're all for logging. Why, they even do it themselves.

It's an ingenious plan and it will probably work like a charm. Even Premier Glen Clark will have to think twice before again calling Greenpeace and enemy of British Columbia.

I'm not the only one who has misgivings about the partnership.

Significantly, the Friends of Clayoquot Sound, an environmental group whose concerns and interests aren't global as those of Greenpeace, aren't buying into the deal.

Publicly, the group says it's concerned and will keep a close watch on the operation. Privately, some members have told me they're horrified and believe Greenpeace has sold out to the enemy.

Well, from where the Friends of Clayoquot Sound stand, the deal may well be a sell-out. But then, an international organization has different needs than a small band of concerned citizens. And the need to keep money flowing into the coffers may just be greater than the need to be principled.

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A womb's work is overdone

AS IF the world isn't well populated already, women routinely treated for infertility are rivaling Mme. Dionne, giving birth to as many as eight babies in a single pregnancy.

Do fertility doctors think they're in animal husbandry, treating rabbits?

Fertility doctors take the Bible too literally. Go forth and multiply doesn't mean every female should hatch a clutch. Doctors need to divide their efforts between adding and multiplying to achieve a healthier balance. Barren women who yearn to give birth don't wish to end up living in a shoe.

Or is GST at the bottom of this cheaper-by-the-dozen trend? Six babies at once cost less than one, like buying muffins or doughnuts?

That wide-eyed grin a mother displays for the media is most likely a combination of



THROUGH BIFOCALS
 CLAUDETTE SANDECKI

shock and gas, plus the cold realization she's cloned a baseball team.

At bathtimes, mealtimes, and diaper-changing sessions, the commotion and din will imitate Grey Cup half time. Where's the joy in lining up six babies and feeding them with the tender attention of a harried short order cook slapping together BLT sandwiches

to feed a tour bus crowd?

Parents have no time to coo, coax, or chuck the wee ones under the chin. And the kids will forgo the one-to-one attention youngsters thrive on; they'll do like the youngest girl in a family of eleven who, late one night, crept out of bed and padded into the living room to climb in to her mother's lap. "Because you never have time to talk to me during the day," she said, pouting.

Now that's sad, to have to queue for a cuddle with Mom.

Economists estimate raising one average, normal child to age 18 costs a family \$180,000. An underdeveloped premature baby costs about that in specialized medical care per week. For months.

Few of these multiple birth babies have millionaire fathers. The family will be dependent upon social assistance, corporate donations, and the goodwill of friends, neighbours, and

relatives. God may provide, all right, but He's apt to expect hard work from Mom and Dad as a show of good faith.

In Ontario, so much of the province's health care dollars and medical facilities are being claimed by premature babies that mothers having difficulty with single births are being flown about the province like Mary and Joseph in search of a hospital with a bed to take them in.

Most fertility-assisted multiple birth babies need prolonged, expensive medical care to survive until they achieve normal birth weight.

If fertility doctors rationed the number of embryos they implant to a realistic count we wouldn't bankrupt our health care system staffing and outfitting neonatal hospital units with pricey medical experts and high tech equipment to do a womb's work.



The Second Half

THE YEAR IN REVIEW 1998

July

TWO KINCOLITH natives went ahead with a court challenge to the Nisga'a treaty.

A **KITIMAT** man's wife died at the Kitimat airport after ambulance dispatchers based in Kamloops sent the ambulance to the Kitimat-Terrace airport by mistake.

THE PROVINCE backed off plans to close more than half of the forest service's 1,400 forest recreation sites.

ANGRY SPORTS fishermen said federal officials were cutting off fishing here earlier than what's really necessary to protect endangered coho. They said restrictions on sport fishing were more about appeasing the commercial fleet.

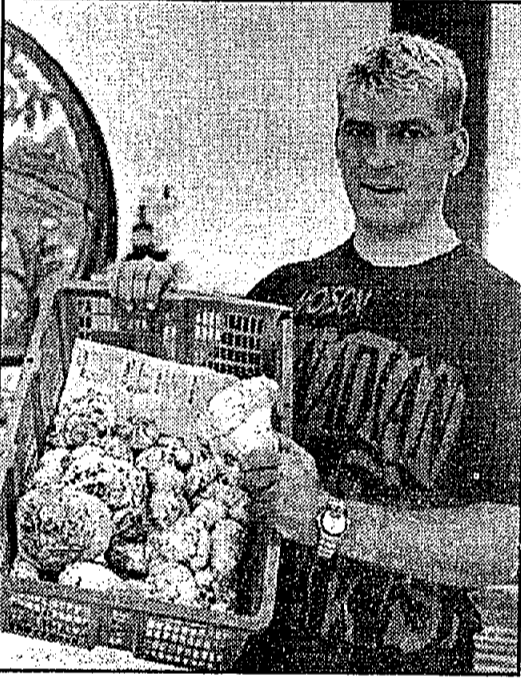
LOMAK truck drivers were on strike in support of laid-off drivers in Prince George. Represented by the Teamsters, the drivers said Lomak was steering all its business to a subsidiary organized by the lower-paid Christian Labour Association of Canada.

REFORM MP Mike Scott once again turned down a chance at a \$1 million pension after the Liberals adjusted the rules on MP's pensions.

GIANT forest fires burning near Telegraph Creek led about 40 residents to flee the haze-shrouded town.

NATIVE COMMERCIAL fishermen staged a rally in the park, vowing to resist drastic fishing restrictions imposed by the DFO.

AN EFFICIENCY team identified \$2.3 million worth of potential savings for the school board to consider. The team's report also criticized infighting within the district, using terms like "dysfunctional conditions" and "siege-like mentality" to describe conditions.



MUSHROOM PICKERS and buyers such as Tony Charlton were out about for the annual late summer/early fall harvesting season.

TSIMSHIAN NATIVES said they want a chunk of the Skeena recreational sport fishery as part of their treaty settlement.

SALMON FISHING talks with Alaska collapsed once again and lodge owners here expressed frustration that fishing would be restricted here while the Alaskans continue to intercept Skeena- and Nass-bound stocks.

THE PROVINCE abandoned efforts to force social service agencies to merge together to cut costs.

TERRACE'S needle exchange needs to be in a more addict-friendly location, said staff members who run the program at the Skeena Health Unit.

WAY MORE people are moving out of town than coming in, said local moving companies. While construction stats in town were way down, some analysts said the economy wasn't really as bad as local people thought.

SCHOOL TRUSTEES ended months of haggling and slashed \$1.45 million worth of music programs, supplies and administration in an attempt to balance the school district's budget.

WEST FRASER Timber lost money in the second quarter for the first time ever, and said money losses in this area were the biggest factor in the poor performance.

STATS showed Terrace is now far less dependent on the forest industry than it was back in the early 1980s, when it last suffered a recession.

JOHN BACKHOUSE, the former mayor of Prince George, was named northern development commissioner.

THE NISGA'A TREATY was completed after 22 years of negotiations. Provisions included the widely-expected \$190 million, 1,930 square kilometres of land, self government, resource control, and guaranteed shares of Nass valley fish and wildlife. A final deal closer was the province's pledge to pave the Nisga'a Highway all the way to Greenville at an estimated cost of \$40 million.

A \$2.3 million public relations campaign geared up to start selling the treaty. By year's end, the campaign had also covered the ceremonial travel to Vancouver of 100 Nisga'a, and the total cost reached \$6.8 million.

PAC RIM LNG halted plans to build a \$1.1 billion liquid natural gas plant in Kitimat, citing the Asian downturn.

SKEENA MP MIKE SCOTT, B.C. Liberal leader Gordon Campbell and Reform president Bill Vander Zalm called for a referendum on the Nisga'a treaty. Campbell also threatened to go to court to force a referendum.

A **CHOKING** five-week-old baby girl and her parents waited eight minutes while a misdirected ambulance sat lost July 3.

A **RUSH** of new drivers lined up to get driver's licences and beat new more complex regulations.

August

NISGA'A leaders, provincial and federal officials initiated the just-completed Nisga'a treaty that promised the Nisga'a 2,000 square kilometres of land, \$190 million, self-government, resource control and fishing and hunting rights.

BUSINESSES reported fewer tourists here this year and attributed the change to restrictions in the sportfishing industry.

AN AMBULANCE called to aid a choking baby was sent in the wrong direction because of a map-reading error and because local firefighters weren't notified, said B.C. ambulance service officials.

B.C. TEL faced charges in connection with a 4,000-litre spill of diesel fuel near Meziadin Lake in 1997.

THE RETIREMENT package for retiring schools superintendent Frank Hamilton cost \$220,000.

CANADIAN AIRLINES pulled Boeing 737 jets off the Terrace run, replacing the bigger jets with the smaller Fokker F-28 jet.

CENTRAL MOUNTAIN Air pulled out of Terrace and other northern airports in a second major change to regional air service.

SKEENA CELLULOSE said its planned \$170 million modernization of the Prince Rupert pulp mill was on hold until pulp prices rise.

A **SERIES** of natural gas leaks resulted after excavating machinery dug up gas lines. An investigation was launched.

CITY OFFICIALS remained at odds with Farmer's Market organizers, saying the present site would not be wise use of the land as a long-term location. The city wanted the market to look at potential other sites.

BIOLOGISTS suspected warm ocean water might be the cause of the lower numbers and poorer quality of returning pink, coho and sockeye salmon.

TERRACE MAYOR Jack Talstra came out in support of the Nisga'a treaty and against a referendum on it. He criticized southern politicians for playing politics with the treaty, which he said was too important to be used in such a way.

MOST city councillors joined the mayor in supporting the Nisga'a treaty. Two-thirds of councillors also said they oppose a referendum on the deal.

PINE MUSHROOMS and depots were popping up, but prices were expected to be low because of the recession in Japan and Asian economic crisis.

September

SKEENA SAWMILL workers say yes to a federal work-sharing program for 26 weeks that would give the company's 150 unionized workers smaller pay cheques but would avert layoffs.

SKEENA CELLULOSE stops logging for three weeks blaming poor market conditions and high operational costs.

BUSY PHONE LINES meant people trying to call ambulances couldn't get through. The phone system overload was the result of cheap flat-rate long-distance calling plans introduced by B.C. Tel and other phone companies. Network improvements in later weeks eased the problem.

FORMER CO-OP bakers John Wiebenga and Markus Klein open Cookie Jar Bakery Sept. 3.

LOCAL STACEY Kennedy, 28, saves neighbor Peter Ruygrok, 76, from a Holstein bull that was attacking him.

FARMERS' MARKET vendors haggle with the city over a new location for the market. City officials say the current market site is prime real estate and is being underutilized. Vendors don't want to move.

THE PROVINCE and federal government begins formal talks with the Gitksan, aimed at self-government and resource and land comanagement rather than a treaty.

CONSERVATION OFFICERS shoot more bears (46 were killed in Terrace by conservation officers, RCMP and residents) instead of relocating them due to budget cuts.

LOCAL BIOLOGIST, Dionys De Leeuw writes a controversial report that says environmentalists should be allowed to join the lottery system of hunting rights. He says the government should sell two types of tags, kill tags for hunters and protector tags for those who oppose hunting. That way, there

would be competition for far fewer licenses.

MLA Helmut Giesbrecht rejected accusations that his supporters did anything wrong in defending him in the recall campaign of a year ago. Elections B.C. named forensic investigator Ron Parks to look into the allegations.

October

DAVID BLACK, owner of numerous weekly and daily newspapers in the province, including *The Terrace Standard*, announces that editorials in his newspapers will oppose the Nisga'a treaty. Black found himself refuting confusion that his order prohibited all pro-treaty commentary, and published columns on the treaty by all major B.C. political leaders.

THE CITY unveiled a conceptual design for a multiplex that would include a second arena, double gymnasium, drama theatre and a range of other components for an estimated \$11.5 million.

WEST FRASER lays off 15 management workers to save about \$1 million to offset poor market conditions, high logging costs and low tree prices.

LOCAL JULIANNA White wins her court case against Constable Tom Kallis, after the RCMP officer gave her a \$100-ticket for honking her car horn at him. She won because the officer netted at least two complaints of the noise to be able to issue a ticket.

HUNTERS ARE asked to register their guns by Dec. 31, 2002. Possession of an unregistered gun will be a criminal offence by Jan 1, 2003.

FISHERIES RENEWAL B.C. gives \$500,000 to restore salmon-growing streams in the Skeena and Kitsumkalum watersheds.

SCHOOL BOARD chairman Roger Leclerc resigned and both he and Gary Turner took themselves out of ongoing budget deliberations after accusations of conflict of interest because their wives work for the school district.

NISGA'A PEOPLE vote to send agreement to a referendum. The vote in Greenville (Lakalzap) ended with 431 of those present in favour of a referendum and 60 opposed.

LOCAL NURSES SAY they're being overworked and underpaid and prepare for job action.

November

NISGA'A PEOPLE vote 61 per cent in favour of accepting the land claims treaty initiated in August with the federal and provincial governments.

BCTV tours Northwest and does a live show at Heritage Park.

COAST MOUNTAIN school district 82 gets \$178,000 from Ministry of Education for a drop in enrollment. The district has to cut almost \$1 million to balance its deficit budget.

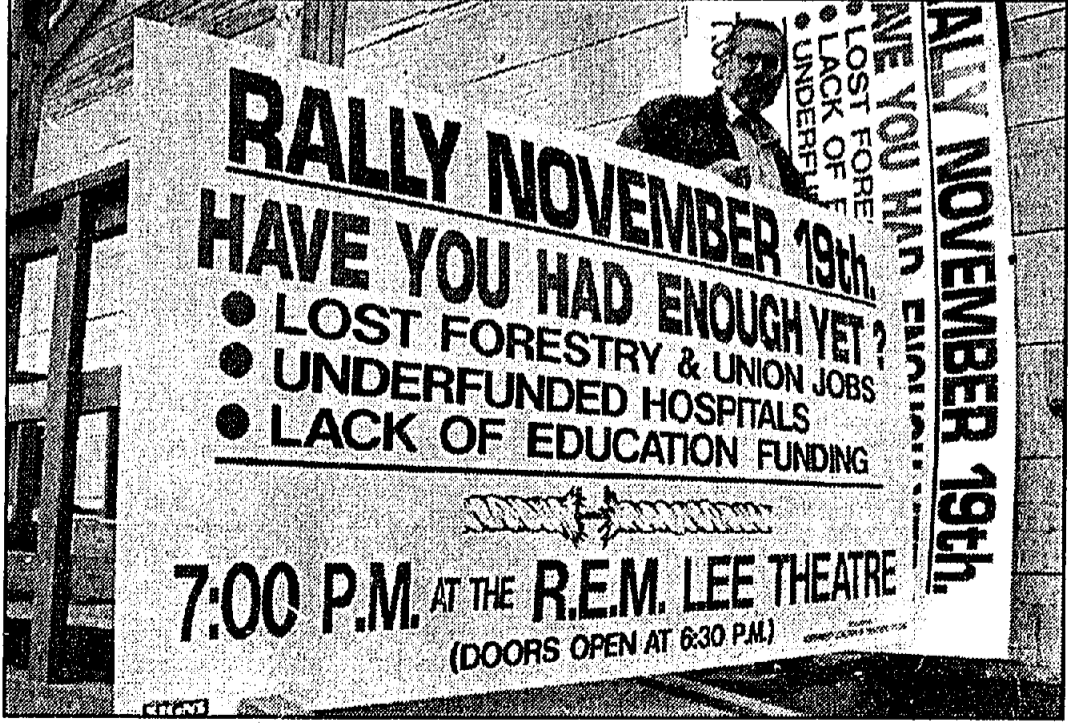
UNITE THE RIGHT rally at R.E.M. Lee Theatre attracts 600 people who attack the Clark government and urge Liberals and Reformers to join together.

PHASE ONE of the salmon license retirement program ended Nov. 30. Fishermen wait to hear about how next year's closures will affect them.

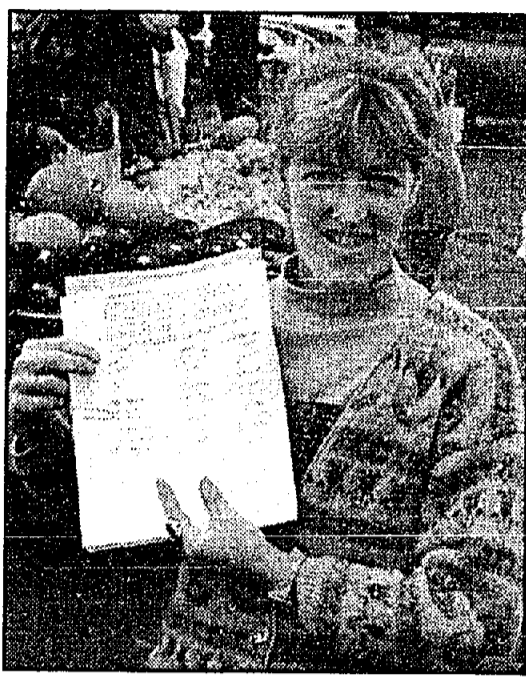
B.C. PARKS will increasingly have to pay for themselves, said consultants who predicted user fees, the selling of firewood, a lottery and land development could make parks more sustainable.

CITY OFFICIALS said everything from liquor sales to food would be considered to help finance the planned \$11.4 million multiplex.

SCI TRIES to find ways to hush the noisy chipper in its log yard. Residents complain that the chipper keeps them awake at night. Hay bales and logs are stacked between the chipper and the highway to muffle the noise. The company pledges to try other measures to further reduce the noise.



NOVEMBER 19 saw a healthy crowd file into the R.E.M. Lee Theatre for a 'Unite the Right' rally under the theme of 'Have You Had Enough?' That's rally organizer Steve Cook with a sign publicizing the event. The rally was responsible, in part, for local provincial Reformers to contemplate a coalition with Liberals to put forward a joint candidate for the next provincial election.



FEARS THAT the city wanted the farmers' market to vacate its traditional spot across Park from Lower Little Park caused market organizer Lynne Christiansen and others to circulate a petition opposing any such attempt.

December

LINDA GERALDINE LeFranc is found stabbed to death in her Braun St. townhouse. RCMP have yet to arrest anyone.

COUNCIL OF FOREST INDUSTRIES recommends that NDP government cuts taxes, red tape and costs to save ailing forest industry.

MILLS MEMORIAL hospital is far from balancing its budget by March 99. It's sliding deeper into debt with a \$90,000 deficit. The health ministry refuses to give the hospital more money, saying it still isn't doing all it can to cut costs and maintain services.

A **NEW SKEENA** school, serving Grades 8-10 could be in construction works by summer. Construction of a new elementary school on the bench could begin by summer, too.

TERRACE'S first official skatepark will be built beside the arena next summer costing \$225,000. The money for the park has been mostly donated or is being raised by the Terrace Youth Action Society.

TERRACE RCMP are short-staffed six officers due to federal budget constraints despite the fact the feds are giving the RCMP E division in B.C. (major crimes division) a one-time \$10 million grant to cover a budget deficit.

NISGA'A LEADERS are trying to create the framework so that non-Nisga'a residents of the Nass can become Nisga'a citizens, giving them the right to participate in government and elections.

THE SALVATION Army gave out a record number of Christmas food hampers (more than 550) this season, which is about 100 more than last year.

CITY COUNCIL is allowing the farmers' market to stay where it is on Davis Ave. for at least a couple of years — as long as market vendors form a registered society. That way the city can deal with a legal entity and ensure proper insurance is in place to protect the city from liability.

FEDERAL WORKSHARING for 136 mill workers at West Fraser could be extended until mid-June. General manager Lou Poulin wants to wait for lumber market prices to strengthen. The program was scheduled to run out March 20.

THE HEALTH MINISTRY says Terrace is the logical site for the region's two orthopedic surgeons, instead of Kitimat and Prince Rupert. Both orthopedic surgeon positions are now vacant.

COUNCILLOR David Hull says the City of Terrace must take an official position on the Nisga'a treaty.

DESPITE extremely tight regulations to protect endangered coho stocks, salmon returns to the Skeena River in 1998 were only slightly improved and generally far below long-term averages.

SPORTS YEAR IN REVIEW 1998



HEAD OUT ON THE HIGHWAY: Highway 16 took centre stage in August for the Riverboat Days Drag Races. This year's competitors faced speed restrictions but still drew record crowds.

July

TWO YOUTH Soccer teams went south to Richmond to attend the 1998 Challenge Cup. The under 12 boys beat Nechacko Lake 3-1, Bulkley Valley 1-0 and Kitimat 5-0 at the Northern Interior Playdowns and the under 13 boys beat Williams Lake 6-2, Kitimat 8-0 and Quesnel 5-0.

THE SKEENA Valley Golf Club hosted the 12-hole Texas Scramble for Multiple Sclerosis.

COPPER Mountains residents witnessed 17 bikers trek up the mountain in the Copper Mountain Hill Bike Climb.

TERRACE athletes flew south to participate in the B.C. Summer Games. Local athletes competed in eight events including track and field.

EMILY ARNDT and J.J. Duben were asked to try out for provincial soccer teams this spring after impressive performances at the B.C. Summer Games.

August

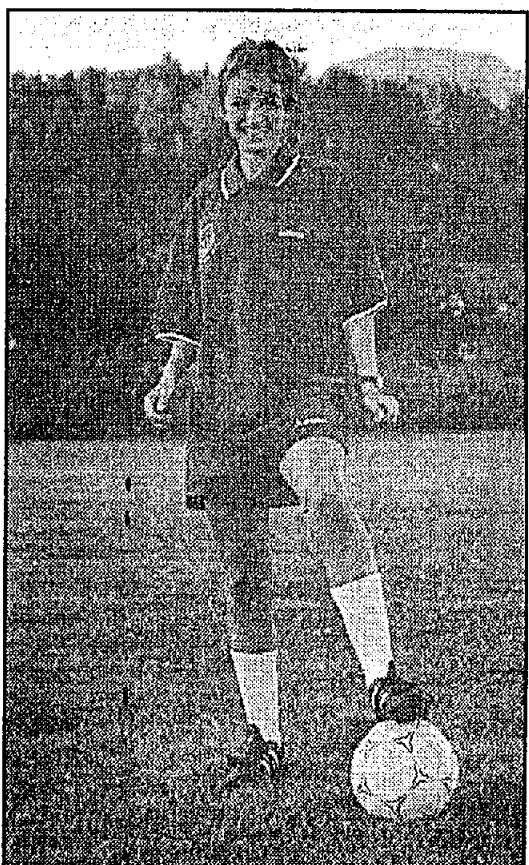
RICHARD HARRISON won Terrace's King of the Mountain Run during Riverboat Days. Danielle Thompson was the first woman across the line.

DRAG RACES, tennis, a senior's mile, softball and soccer packed a hectic Riverboat days weekend.

POWER WEIGHTLIFTER Eric Milhomms squatted 551 pounds at the Canadian Powerlifting Championships in Alberta to tie the Canadian record.

PETER KRAUSE, James Smids and Mike Christiansen came in first, second and third in the 100-mile century bike race from Prince Rupert to Terrace.

SENIORS swept swimming and track event at the B.C. Senior Games in Port Alberni.



WAY TO GO: Emily Arndt was one of two Terrace soccer players to qualify for the provincial tryouts after they caught the attention of scouts at the B.C. Summer Games.

September

THE POOL closed for \$400,000 in renovations in August and September much to the chagrin of enthusiastic Blueback swimmers who couldn't wait to get in the water.

LOGGERS sports took over the Thornhill Community grounds with Brad Laughlin taking over top spot at 28 points.

GORDON RUSSELL, Susan Farwig and Darryl were named as Shame's Mountain's 1998-1999 season managers.

WESTERN PACIFIC beat Home Hardware in a tough men's soccer season final.

October

MORE MUD, more mud, the Terrace Speedway's annual season ender demolition derby and bag race garnered tons of spectators with Dusty Koiler driving the beast.

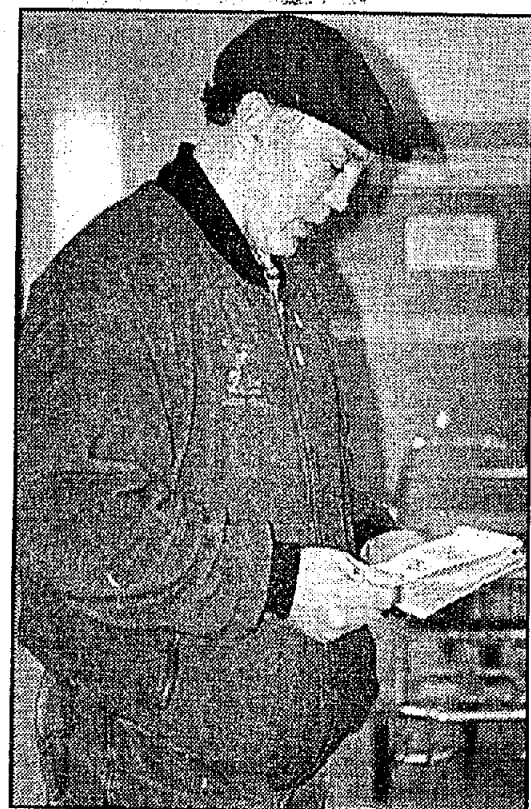
YOUTH soccer wound down after a great season with teams from Ikon, Overwaitea and Shoppers winning top spots in their age groups.

HIGH SCHOOL volleyball, soccer, and track teams from Skeena Junior and Caledonia senior started off their school years in tough tournaments here and in New Aiyansh.

WINNERS of the Skeena Valley Runners club eighteenth annual half marathon run at the college were Ray Leonard, Dave Cater and Chris Steenhof. The top woman across the line was Danielle Thompson who placed tenth overall.

November

TERRACE'S CURLING Club held their Cash Bonspiel Nov. 13-15. Sixteen teams from Terrace, Kitimat, Prince Rupert and Smithers took part. The Gord Judzents rink from Smithers walked away with first prize at \$1,500.



TOUGH GUY Tiger Williams signed autographs at the Kitimat Terrace Airport in November when the Oldtimers Challenge finally came to Kitimat after a two-week delay.

THE TERRACE badminton club held playdowns for the B.C. Winter Games through their annual doubles tournament Nov. 21 and singles tourney Nov. 28.

TERRACE'S JASON Haldane captained the Canada's Volleyball team at the World Volleyball Championships in Japan. The team placed eleventh.

BLUEBACK swimmers Jenine Barton, Thomas Demetzer and Kyle Narzt made Canada's top-50 list of swimmers for their age groups.

TIGER WILLIAMS was among a team of NHL greats that beat Kitimat's All Star team 11-0 at the Tamitik Arena Nov. 27.

December

TERRACE rinks won the Kitimat Ladies Open title in Kitimat.

Terrace Selects recreational hockey team beat the RCMP All Stars 3-2 after a quick-paced game at the arena.

A JU JITSU tournament was held at E.T. Kenney school with 65 participants competing. Ju jitsu is one of a handful of northwest sports not going to Prince Rupert's Northern B.C. Winter Games in February.

CALEDONIA'S Kermode basketball team hosted their first tournament of the year, only to have Prince Rupert walk away with top prize.



The staff at the Terrace Co-op Association would like to thank you for your patronage and support in 1998.

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YOU BE THE JUDGE

I didn't mean to resign!

BY CLAIRE BERNSTEIN

Brenda and Shelley were walking up the stairs at the Madison County School Board.

"What's the new supervisor like?" Shelley was curious.

Brenda shrugged. "You're in for a rough ride, Shelley. As secretary-treasurer to the Board, you report directly to him. This guy eats babies for breakfast."

Shelley tossed her hair back and smiled. "He doesn't bother me. I'm in solid with the Board. I've been here 15 years. If I wasn't competent, they would never have promoted me to secretary-treasurer."

Brenda turned to Shelley as they walked into the boardroom.

"Wish you luck, Shelley."

Two months later, Shelley was standing nervously in front of Mr. Markham, the supervisor. The happy-go-lucky woman had turned into an anxious, stressed-out wreck.

"Um, Mr. Markham? Could I have the figures for the new building construction? I need them to prepare for the School Board Meeting."

Mr. Markham barely looked up. "Sorry, Shelley. They're confidential. Available only to key players here at the Board."

Shelley's stomach tightened. She struggled for her words.

"Mr. Markham, I... I don't understand. I've always had access to these figures. I need them for the—"

Mr. Markham coldly cut in. "I've spoken. Now please leave, Shelley. I have more important things to do than haggle with you."

At the meeting, the expected happened.

"Shelley, please give the Board your analysis of the building construction costs."

Shelley started trembling.

"I don't have it."

A dead silence spread over the room.

Shelley almost fainted from anxiety.

"If...if you want me to resign, here's my

notice." She ran out of the room in tears.

Mr. Markham spoke up.

"We'll give her 24 hours. If she doesn't withdraw her resignation within that time, we'll accept it."

24 hours came and went. No answer from Shelley.

The board sent Shelley a letter.

"We accept your resignation."

Shelley was astonished. She ran to the Board.

"But I never meant to resign. I only offered my resignation in the heat of the moment. Surely you can't take it seriously."

But the Board refused to change its mind.

"This is outrageous!" cried Shelley. "I'm suing the School Board for wrongful dismissal."

In court, Shelley looked tired and pale.

"Your Honour, the Board never said they were giving me 24 hours to explain my position."

After 15 years of working with the School District, don't I deserve the benefit of the doubt? I only offered my resignation because I was very upset. Make them pay me damages."

The School Board was unmoved. "Your Honour, Shelley cannot deny that she offered us her resignation. We took her offer seriously. She had sufficient time to reconsider. If she cared about this job, she would have told us she still wanted it," the officials huffed.

"We owe her nothing."

Should Shelley receive damages? You'll Be the Judge. Then look below for the decision.



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YOU BE THE JUDGE - DECISION

"Shelley, you win," the Judge ruled. "Since your resignation was not truly voluntary in the circumstances, you get damages for wrongful dismissal." YOU BE THE JUDGE is based on actual court cases. Today's decision is based on the facts of the case and the law of the province of British Columbia. If you have a similar problem, please consult Lindsey & Grueger, Claire Bernstein is a Montreal lawyer and nationally syndicated columnist. Copyright 1997 Halke Enterprises, 814-3

CORRESPONDENCE FOR THE TERRACE STANDARD

The Mail Bag

Doctors need to be involved in medical decision making

Dear Sir:
Mr. Giesbrecht was quoted in your paper ("Crunch time for Mills?", Dec. 16, 1998) stating, "the doctors are unhappy and not co-operating." I'd like to clarify this general and somewhat ambiguous statement.

The medical community is unhappy with and refuses to cooperate with any decisions that endanger patient safety.

The Terrace and Area Health Council is currently operating in violation of its by-laws. These by-laws state a physician should be a voting member of the council. There has not been a voting physician on council since early this year. The reason is that the NDP government in Victoria, has not appointed one.

If the council respected its medical community and their expertise, I would think they would appoint someone, temporarily, until the government made a decision. Wouldn't it be better to be in conflict of the by-laws with medical input than without? Does it make sense to try and run a hospital without any physician contribution? This is currently what is happening.

The public lambasting of Dr. Jim Dunfield for audaciously suggesting that Terrace be considered an alternative site for orthopedics if Prince Rupert and Kitimat are unable to attract a physician angers me.

This suggestion was made on behalf of the entire Terrace physician community. It was based on common sense. The northwest needs orthopedic services. Just recently, a young man waited nine hours before being shipped out to Prince George to have a fracture repaired. It should, by now, be obvious that we cannot maintain physicians in the north by coercion but must do it by attraction.

We have a better chance of keeping orthopedics, and other specialties, if the physicians involved are allowed a say in their location. Does it make any sense to deprive the area of an orthoped because he may wish to live and work out of Terrace?

Why is this idea so threatening to Prince Rupert Health Council that they require a public apology?

L. T. Almas, M.D., Terrace, B.C.
(received via email)

Here's the darker side of 1998

Dear Sir:
The year of 1998 is gone. The media is full of the events of the year, the media versions. Let's have some fun with the versions from the dark side.

The great west coast fish crisis. This is where Premier Glen Clark takes the position that the salmon fishing treaty between the U.S. and Canada must be signed off and everyone must respect the quotas assigned.

The Americans refuse. David Anderson, federal fisheries minister, lets American fishers take B.C. coho, and then closes all coho seasons in Canadian waters. Canadian fishers must throw back any coho they catch. The industry is devastated.

The press takes Anderson's side and he becomes the hero. But as late as last week, reporters were castigating Clark for the lack of fishing opportunities on this coast.

At the Union of B.C. Municipalities convention in Penticton, Gordon Campbell, leader of the opposition, said "Hordes of people are leaving B.C.". He obviously did not know how many people are in a horde, for the Province newspaper's headline next morning was "4 Million People in B.C. now. B.C. growing at 2 per cent a year."

Clark, the Premier, speaking at the B.C. Federation of Labour, says the press is biased, and is trying to undermine his government's programs and legislation. The press cries "no way." The next morning's news was that a certain David Black, owner of 40 papers in B.C., has threatened to fire any of his editors that prints anything favourable about the recently negotiated (and backed by Clark) Nisga'a treaty. But, says the press, no bias.

Rafe Mair, hot line host, takes two days a week to boost his call for a referendum on the Nisga'a treaty, and carries this on for four months. He then, on the air, takes a poll of his listeners asking, "do you want a referendum?" The answer, from the brainwashed is obvious. 70 per cent say 'yes'. Talk about jury tampering, a legal term Mair should know.

Gordon Campbell, leader of the opposition, constantly calls for a referendum he knows Clark can't do, because of the ratification clause in the Nisga'a AIP and in the Nisga'a final treaty (neither put in by Clark).

Campbell says every British Columbian deserves a vote on the Nisga'a treaty. Mark my words, in the next election Campbell will describe Clark as "the man who wouldn't give you a vote on the Nisga'a treaty." The press, of course, accuses Clark of using the Nisga'a treaty for political purposes. But not Campbell.

The legislature resumes sitting to debate the Nisga'a agreement and the press accuses the premier of using the debates to inflate his popularity. The press, our source of information, then boycotts the house sittings that debate the Nisga'a treaty. This, the unbiased B.C. press.

The Province paper produces a poll (like Rafe Mair's?) that puts Clark's popularity at 11 per cent and makes the comment in an editorial, that Clark believes that his popularity won't go lower. The editor then says, and I quote, "Just watch us." This of course — in B.C. — is unbiased.

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What's with this new tax?

Dear Sir:
There's an ugly rumour going around on a new royalty tax on all CDs and audio tapes. It's true — unless public protest causes Ottawa to have second thoughts.

A friend of mine who buys audio tapes to record church sermons and choirs at 50 cents each for redistribution among the congregation has just had his operating budget quadrupled.

Money taken from consumers will supposedly go to the artist whose CD you buy; but money taken from recording tapes will be split between the company and the government. Everybody wants to be a bank pirate.

Some school districts have banded their various music

departments to produce school concert CDs, which only cost about \$1 to produce as a fund raising charge to the consumer.

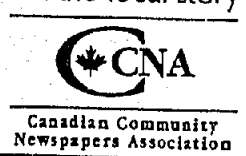
Now, who gets the tax? If Herman Humpback and The Salmon River Boys produce their own album independently who gets the royalty tax benefits?

If you thought the GST was a headache to work out for both business and government what does this so-called royalty tax create for the only growth industry left in the nation — Revenue Canada?

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HANDING OUT THE SCHOLARSHIPS: Malcolm Smith, Sterling Electrical Services' Kevin Janas, Greg Porter, Canadian Tire's Glenn Condran, Dalen Wiebe, Jamie Birch, Birch and Sons Mechanical Ltd.' Gordon Birch and Jim Dodd at the Skills and Training

Centre. Malcolm Smith, Northwest Apprenticeship Coordinator and Jim Dodd, Apprenticeship Counselor gave three Caledonia students \$1,000 scholarships to help them through their apprenticeship training. Not shown is their high school advisor, Cam MacKay.

Apprentice trio is on track for productive working life

NOT MANY youth today can say they'll finish college three years out of high school with no debt load and a guaranteed job.

But thanks to the province's Secondary School Apprenticeship Training Program, Caledonia's Greg Porter, Jamie Birch and Dalen Wiebe are already on their way.

The boys were selected for the four-year apprenticeship program by a seven-member advisory board based on their high school attendance, attitude and ability to maintain a C+ average.

They were then matched to three employers — Sterling Electrical Services, Birch and Sons Mechanical Ltd. and Canadian Tire where they worked part-time after school and on weekends. They received entry-level wages and earned credit toward their high school graduation.

After about a year of work they'll take their level one technical training at a college before returning to their employers here to complete their apprenticeship.

On Thursday, Dec. 31 the trio received a \$1,000 graduation scholarship each from the apprenticeship program counselor Jim Dodd.

All three said they'd probably spend the money on tools

and living expenses like rent and food when they do their six-month technical training courses at college.

Jamie Birch who worked with his dad and Birch and Sons Mechanical Ltd. will have his plumbing and sprinkler ticket by the time he's finished the program.

He said the apprenticeship program "made working a more real" even though he's known for a while that he wanted to go into plumbing with his dad.

But to Greg Porter the program has really helped him narrow down exactly which aspect of mechanics he wanted to go into. He's decided to go into mechanical engineering after finishing the program.

His boss, Kevin Janas at Sterling Electrical Services, says that even though training is an investment, the program pays off in the last two years when the apprentice becomes a loyal professional.

Dalen Wiebe has worked part time in Canadian Tire's auto-mechanic department for a year now. He'll go to the College of New Caledonia in Prince George in January.

Glenn Condran, Canadian Tire's service manager says the sky's the limit for Dalen. "I'd never have had a chance to hire him otherwise," said Condran.

Mystery levy on tape and CDs means an increase in prices

THERE'S MORE than a bit of confusion out there concerning a new levy on blank audio tape and recordable CDs.

Although the levy came into effect Jan. 1, how much it will be and on what products it will apply to haven't been decided.

And that won't likely happen until the fall.

But since the levy will be retroactive to Jan. 1, some suppliers are charging more right away to cover themselves once the amount has been decided.

The levy is wanted by music writers, musicians, singers and performers who regularly see their income cut through home recordings or for the bootleg

market. The growth of compact disc technology allowing for studio-like reproduction of performances is regarded as one of the reasons for the levy's introduction.

The federal Copyright Board, which will decide on what products the levy will apply and how much, won't be holding public hearings until the end of May, says its legal counsel, Mario Bouchard.

"We've already received some objections (to the levy)," said Bouchard adding any decision won't likely come until the fall.

As to why the levy is in force as of Jan. 1 when it hasn't been decided yet and is retroactive, "that's the

way the law was drafted," said Bouchard.

"It's an argument you can have with your MPs and cabinet ministers who passed the legislation," he added.

Should the Copyright Board adopt the maximum levy wanted by musicians, writers and performers, the amount will be \$2.50 on

each recordable CD.

For blank audio tape, the requested levy is 25 cents for each 15 minutes of tape.

Although the federal government will collect the levy, it will be passed to the Society of Composers, Authors and Music Publishers for distribution to composers, lyricists, performers and producers.

Stumpage cut

FOREST COMPANIES have a bit of good news to start the new year — a slight reduction in the stumpage paid on wood cut in the coastal region.

The new stumpage rate as of Jan. 1 is \$25.16 per cubic metre, a reduction of \$2.61 from the last time the rate was adjusted on Oct. 1, 1998.

Stumpage is the price paid to the provincial government for timber logged on crown lands.

The rate did rise on interior logging, up 96 cents per cubic metre to \$26.48. The pulp log rate remains at 25 cents per cubic metre.

Stumpage is adjusted every quarter, reflecting changes in value of different species and grades of logs on the coast.

Average coastal stumpage has dropped 30 per cent over the past year and 24 per cent in the interior.

Forests ministry spokesman Andrew Little said the impact on provincial revenues won't be known until the quarter has passed.

But he did note quarterly adjustments in the past year cut the amount collected by \$250 million and that a special policy change in mid-June 1998 resulted in a further \$200 million reduction.

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LOCAL SNOWMOBILE RIDERS HOST ANNUAL FUNDRAISER

It's a sure sign snowmobile season has arrived. Snow is falling. Vehicles are pulling trailers with snowmobiles. And riders have begun collecting pledges for Snowarama, the annual provincial fundraising event for children with disabilities in B.C.

Snowarama is one of the most successful fundraisers for The B.C. Lions Society for Children with Disabilities due to the commitment of snowmobilers and the generosity of local residents. Members of the Skeena Valley Snowmobile Club are currently planning this year's Snowarama, scheduled for Feb. 14, 1999. Their club's goal is to surpass last year's fundraising total of \$6000.00.

"We have a strong tradition of giving in our community," explains local Snowarama Chairperson, Jayne McKenzie. "Our Snowarama is a fun-filled family event. We have a full day of activities planned for youngsters, grandparents and everyone in between. Members of the public are also welcome to join us and possibly ride with one of our members on a snowmobile."

Snowmobile clubs throughout B.C. compete for Snowarama prizes provided by local businesses, provincial corporate sponsors, and the Lions Society of BC. Snowarama donors who pledge \$20 have a chance to win a trip for four to Disneyland.

All Snowarama funds collected by the Skeena Valley Club members stay in B.C. to benefit children with disabilities. One of the Lions Society programs, Easter Seal House, is Snowarama's primary focus. Easter Seal House, located in Vancouver and Prince George, act as a "home away from home" for family members whose children require medical treatment in specialized hospitals.

For further information on Snowarama, contact Jayne McKenzie at 635-5232.

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Group out to boost coho runs

ENOUGH is enough.

That's what a group of concerned associations are saying about the northwest coho crisis.

It's time to do something about it.

So they formed the Terrace and Kitimat Partners for Salmonids (TKPS) last spring which set priorities for salmon spawning grounds in the south Kalum Forest District.

The group already has the province's approval when fisheries minister Dennis Streifel came here to announce \$500,000 in Fisheries Renewal B.C. money in the fall.

The group expects another \$1.5 million in the next two years.

It's made up of 10 agencies including the 16/37 Com-

munity Futures Development Corporation, Terrace Salmonid Enhancement Society, Kitsumkalum Band Council, Kitimaat Village Council, Northwest Watershed Enhancement Society, Northwest Community College, The Steelhead Society, the Sierra Club, the Kitselas Band Council and Skeena Cellulose.

And they've already started working on 12 projects near Kitimat and Terrace, including rehabilitating a Spring Creek landslide, just off Dairy Avenue in Terrace, which was a joint TKPS project with Fisheries and Oceans Canada and Triton Environmental Consultants.

Other group efforts include two projects that measure the number of juvenile and adult spawning coho in key

streams and provides training to Kitsumkalum band members.

A similar project started on the Douglas and Devastation Channels and Gardner Canal where the Kitimaat Village Council has been counting adult and juvenile salmonids by boat. The group is also looking at stocking Jesse Lake through fish passages.

The Kitsumkalum Band Council and the DFO also started an enhancement project on the Kalum River where a 1950s log drive destroyed valuable habitat.

And sediment is being tested on the Lakelse River near the Mink Creek slide.



Dennis Streifel

Court Report

Hall rezone approved

CITY COUNCIL will rezone the former Oddfellows Hall at 3222 Munroe St. to make way for a planned physiotherapy clinic.

Council introduced bylaws to rezone the land from P1 public and institutional to C5 local commercial.

Also changing is the Official Community Plan designation from community and public use to service commercial.

The request came at the request of Cedar River Physiotherapy, which plans to buy the property from the Full Gospel Christian Fellowship, which is no longer using the building as a church.

Park Ave. resident Rose Marie Fleming opposed the rezoning, fearing the change could allow other unknown businesses to locate there in the future.

"Putting a permanent commercial zone in the midst of a residential area does not seem appropriate when we have so many other varied areas already zoned appropriately," she said.

"It's not a use that is going to conflict with the neighbourhood," city planner David Trawin responded, noting physiotherapists are already allowed as home-based businesses in residential zones.

The zoning would allow things like convenience stores, personal service shops and clinics to locate there.

Trawin said the site wouldn't have been his first choice for such a zone in the west side of the horseshoe, but with an application before him he saw no grounds to oppose it.

Councillor Val George said there will probably be less impact on the surrounding neighbours than with the existing zoning.

Fireworks fizzle

A SECOND attempt by a fireworks seller to get council to allow more frequent fireworks sales has fizzled.

Gorilla Fireworks' Tom Wade said the frequency of fireworks related injuries — council's main concern — actually goes down when they're more widely available and less of a novelty.

He also argued that with sales restricted to just 10 days prior to Hallowe'en, local fireworks enthusiasts respond by stocking up then for events at other times of the year.

"I've probably sold \$10,000 worth that's sitting in people's closets right now waiting for New Year's," Wade said.

He had wanted fireworks sales expanded to include Victoria Day, Canada Day, B.C. Day and New Year's.

Councillor Olga Power wondered whether some flexibility should be allowed for New Year's Day in 1999 as the turn of the millennium is sure to be a cause of some celebrations.

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SCI secret deal is over

A SECRET deal in which the province would give Skeena Cellulose money if it was unable to invoke money-saving provisions at its Prince Rupert pulp mill is no longer in effect.

The deal was to provide Skeena Cellulose \$27 million a year if the company wasn't able to implement full job flexibility and contracting out.

When the Skeena Cellulose restructuring was signed, pulp mill workers agreed to a "me too" clause that would see full flexibility extended here if it was won in provincial bargaining at Fletcher Challenge pulp mills.

That happened early in 1998, and after making one payment to the company, said government spokesman Don Zadavec, the province was no longer bound by the deal.

"Some money did flow in a range of \$4 to 5 million," he said. "But once the agreements kicked in that were agreed to by other mills those payments have subsequently stopped."

But although the company could now invoke full flexibility it has chosen not to.

Company president Bill Steele, in his only public appearance in Terrace this spring, said it wasn't a priority.

Skeena Cellulose spokesman Don McDonald said the company stands by that decision, adding that rather than reopen the contract now with the PPWC, they've elected to hold off until the contract is next up for negotiation in a couple of years.

"I don't think it's something that we're pursuing and I don't think it's something the mill's pursuing," McDonald said.

He said he's not aware of any other pulp mills choosing to reopen contracts to invoke the change.

"Nobody seems to be opening up their contracts as a result of the Fletcher Challenge deal."

"The last thing you want to enter into is any kind of labour negotiations," he said, adding the company remains focussed on trying to minimize costs and get the most value for its product.

To some local contractors, however, the deal is evidence that the province had extra money earmarked for Skeena Cellulose that it could have provided to contractors or used for capital expenditures.



■ Moving mountains

MOUNTAINS APPEARED around the area last week in the form of piled up snow as people dug themselves and their vehicles out of the heaviest snowfall of the year. City work crews and others were busy not only removing and piling up the snow but trucking it to places where it would no longer get in the way. And that made for the silence of early morning hours broken only by the 'beep beep' of safety sound devices on heavy equipment. The snow made for tricky and challenging road conditions, leading the police, ICBC and highways ministry officials advising care and attention while out driving. One tip is to give yourself plenty of time to get to your destination and to slow down by adapting to varying road conditions.

Federal grant is targeting youngsters

NEW FEDERAL grant money will help improve the lives of children by creating a better environment for them, says Carol Sabo, a coordinator for the Terrace Women's Resource Centre.

Health Canada has given the Women's Resource Centre and the First Nations Council of Women a \$76,000 grant through the Community Action Program for Children (CAPC) to create a program that will create a healthier community for youngsters.

The project will focus on children from ages 0-6 because studies show the first few years of a child's life are the most important and impressionable.

Sabo said the money will pay two people to look at the community through a child's eyes to determine what's needed for them to grow up to become healthy adults.

"It takes preventative measures to make a healthy community," she said.

She said the project isn't a bandage and will determine what's needed for children at age zero rather than finding solutions to problems for teenagers.

"The money will bring us into the new century (until March 31, 2000) with new programs and workshops helping children," Sabo said.

She explained the two workers will go to the community and ask people what they think is needed to help children grow.

Public meetings, workshops and kitchen table discussions will take place to get everyone's opinions the subject.

"It's going to reflect the whole community," she said.

Sabo said she hopes the workers will be the eyes and ears of the city's advisory social planning commission which reports to council on social issues.

"It's going to be a blueprint for the community," she said.

Health plan taken over by Nisga'a

THE NISGA'A are taking over control of their own health benefits insurance system in a transfer described as the first of its kind in Canada.

The move shifts control of the old Non-Insured Health Benefits Program — and the money to pay for it — from Health Canada in Ottawa to the Nisga'a Valley Health Board.

The health board has in turn contracted Great-West Life to manage the program.

The company will handle pharmacy claims and dental programs for Nisga'a people who aren't covered by other insurance programs.

They'll be issued a new Nisga'a Health Card for identification and claims.

It's a coup for Great West Life, which was up against a number of other bidders for the work.

"It's a huge deal in terms of business," says senior account manager Brent Delveaux. "This is the first of its kind. They are the first to get some funding from the government to handle it themselves."

He said the Nisga'a want

Great West Life to tailor the program to more precisely meet their needs — something that wasn't possible under the control of Health Canada.

Delveaux said it's expected inefficiencies from the larger scope program can be eliminated, freeing up more money to provide improved benefits.

"For the money the government's spending on them they feel they can provide something better," he said.

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NOTICE TO MEMBERSHIP ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

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A notice to the membership of the Skeena Valley Golf & Country Club, an Annual General Meeting will take place

**Sunday, January 17
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YOUR HEALTH

by Bryan Hunt

Is Our Health #1

We're 43rd in the world in life expectancy and our problems are not just in length of life but also in quality of life. A quick look at the following statistics illustrates that North Americans are going in reverse.

- 12 Million Diabetics (Diabetes Society) Try looking through your cupboard sometime. I'll wager you won't be able to find a single product that doesn't contain sugar in some form.
- 20 Million experience migraine or cluster headaches regularly.
- 20% of North Americans battle their allergies (USA Today)
- 58 Million North Americans have high blood pressure (NY Times)
- \$35 Billion spent on prescription drugs in 1989 (Consumers Report) You don't want to know the current figures.
- 60% of adults substantially overweight.
- 25% of adults smoke.
- Less than 1/2 of Junior High School kids can do 1 chin-up.
- Less than 10% of adults have ongoing exercise programs.

So Bryan, why are you telling us this? Well, last time I looked I realized that health is the most important thing in this life. Friends, Family, Money, Having Fun...they're all compromised if you suffer with health problems. Of course, health problems are often a precursor to the end of our existence here on earth and we all know you can't take your \$ or anything else with you when you go. So think about it. You may wish to begin educating yourself about preventative health before you join the growing number of statistics on preventable health problems like cancer, heart disease, stroke, diabetes, etc. The ball is in your court. So here's to...your health.

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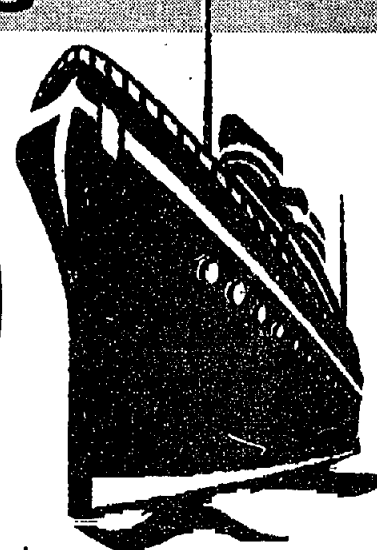
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Pub plan proceeds

A NEIGHBOURHOOD pub on Hwy16 West is one step closer to final approval, says owner Sulakhan Hundial. He also owns the Evergreen Inn and is shown here with a sign at the pub site which is next to the motel. Hundial wants to break ground as soon as conditions permit and hopes for an early summer opening. The Evergreen Pub will have a railroad station theme, contain 65 seats inside and 20 outside on a covered patio. There will also be meeting rooms. Offsales will be halted at 6 p.m. each night.

Nurses urging a 'no'

LOCAL NURSES will learn more next week about a mediator's proposal to end a contract dispute with the provincial government.

Officials of the B.C. Nurses' Union are coming here Jan. 13 to explain a package suggested last month.

It's already been rejected by the bargaining committee, for the nurses and BCNU members are being urged to vote against the package.

"They'll go over the mediator's package in detail," said local BCNU shop steward Penny Henderson.

She said Lecanne Malthus, BCNU chair for the northwest region, is coming here so that nurses will understand all the issues in the mediator's package before they vote to accept or reject the proposals Jan. 26.

Henderson said she thinks many nurses at Mills will reject the package.

"I haven't found one member that's happy with the package," she said. "They feel the increase in on-call pay is a slap in the face."

Union president Cathy Ferguson says the report is an inadequate solution to the workload crisis and to the nursing shortage confronting B.C.'s health care system.

The proposal recommends benefit improvements and for the province to spend \$50 million over 18 months to hire more than 1,000 new nurses to ease the workload.

While Ferguson said while mediator Brian Foley "took a fair approach" to workload issues, he didn't address monetary issues.

Ferguson said Foley's recommendation for the premium nurses receive for being on call and being in charge of wards are insulting.

He's suggesting the premium increase from \$1 an hour to \$1.25 an hour for being on call and to \$1.50 an hour after 72 on-call hours in a month. Foley also suggests nurses in charge of a ward received \$1.25 an hour, up from 90 cents.

The Health Employers Association's 437 members, who manage about 700 health care facilities across B.C., will also vote on the package. The results of the employer's vote won't be released until Jan. 27.

Local conditions ignored in provincial garbage report

A REPORT on garbage disposal and recycling doesn't take into account economic pressures and private recycling initiatives, says the district manager of works and services. "A lot of things aren't in this," says Roger Tooms about a report on municipal waste using information gathered in 1996 and released late last year.

The report — prepared for the environment ministry by the Recycling Council of B.C. — measures the amount of garbage disposed per capita by regional district.

It says the Kitimat-Stikine generated .70 tonnes of garbage per person. Only two per cent of that waste is recycled. British Columbians on average create .93 tonnes of garbage per person but recycle 38 per cent of that.

Those percentages were determined through a survey that each district was asked to complete. The problem, said Brian Grant, a senior environment ministry officer, is that not all districts have standardized landfills.

The Kitimat-Stikine, for example, is one of several districts without weigh scales to measure the precise amount of garbage recycled.

So weights here had to be estimated based on quantity and ministry-provided guidelines.

Grant admitted that estimates could affect the accuracy of the numbers.

And he admitted the more populated a district was the more accurate the reporting tended to be because bigger centres usually had newer landfills.

Grant said that the Kitimat-Stikine's two per cent recycling rate only means that a lot more could be done.

Of course, he said, in rural districts what can be done is subject to available markets.

"We don't force regional districts to recycle regardless of cost," said Brian Grant a senior pollution prevention officer in Victoria.

He said where costs are a factor the hope is that districts would concentrate on reducing waste by composting and reusing their waste before it gets to the landfill.

And that, said Tooms, is just what the district is doing.

Used waste oils, air filters, tires and batteries are all pulled out of the garbage before it gets to the landfill, he said.

He said private recyclers and salvagers in Kitimat and Hazelton as well as landfill reuse piles of things like bikes and lawnmower parts could easily bring the recycling percentage to 10 per cent without drawing on the district's budget.

"We'll assist wherever we can to reduce waste entering the landfill, but we have to do what's affordable within the regional district," Tooms said.

Health care needs supporters

IT'S TO TIME to fight for northern health care, says the chair of the regional district.

Joanne Monaghan is asking the Union of B.C. Municipalities (UBCM) to fight for doctors, air ambulance service and the construction of a new health care facility in Kitimat.

"They could bring awareness that things are being eroded in the north," she said.

Monaghan says the government silenced criticism on health issues when it appointed regional health boards and community health councils since July 1997.

"While appointees may have the best intentions, as government appointees, they are not in a position to critically evaluate Ministry of Health policy and decisions," said Monaghan in a letter to the executive of the Union of B.C. Municipalities (UBCM) which represents municipalities within the province.

Terrace's Community Health Council is completely ap-

pointed by the health minister's office, said Judy Tracy who manages health projects for the regional district.

The hope, she said, is that UBCM will act as a three-party lobby group in the struggle for healthcare dollars.

The group should be similar to what Mayor Jack Talstra tried to set up three months ago with an independent municipal task force on northwest health issues.

But the idea failed when some areas decided not to join, said Terrace's economic development officer Ken Veldman.

Several city councillors — including Rich McDaniel, David Hull, Ron Vanderlee and Olga Power — applied for positions on the Terrace Community Health Council in October but were not chosen by the health minister.

The city and regional district have criticized appointees at the health council saying some of them have ties to the government and that prevents them from tackling health care decisions made by the provincial government.

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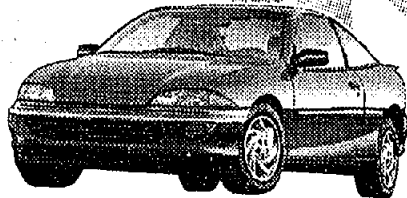
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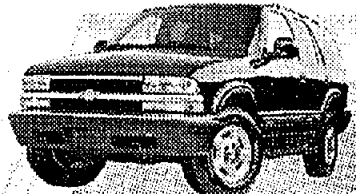
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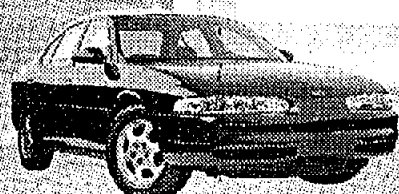
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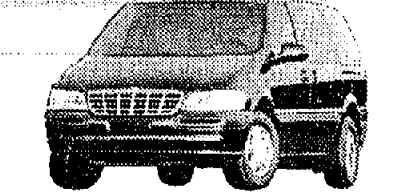
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SPEAKING OUT

SARAH de LEEUW

New Year's wish list

January is finally here. After this, the next new year is the turn the millennium.

Soon the holiday bills will come rolling in, Christmas trees will be shedding needles all over our living room floors, and the kitchen will have lost the lingering smell of gravy and cranberry jelly.

The boxes that were more fun than the toys inside them are starting to rip and sag, and believe it or not, the days are finally getting longer.

Those January resolutions should be in full swing. This time of year we all resolve things for the future, even if our resolution is just to never make another one again.

Often our resolutions revolve mostly around ourselves or our immediate family.

But with only one year before the new millennium, why not resolve to listen a little more closely to some very powerful wishes coming from the people who will make the future: young people who will soon be shaping this city, the country, even the world?

At Cassie Hall School, Kids for Saving Earth is an active and concerned group of young people ranging from Grade 4 to Grade 6. When they were asked what their wishes for the future were, this is what they said.

"I wish we could all live in harmony and that there'd be no more wars or anything and that I could do something to stop child labour," said Nadia Ouellet, a 10 year old in Grade 5.

Another 10 year old in Grade 5, Jessica Sinjur, said "I wish that everyone would have a house and not have to sleep on the street."

"I wish people would stop poaching animals like elephants just for their tusks when they don't even have to eat them," said Grade 5 student Kyla O'Donnell.

Stacey Lopushinsky, also 10 and in grade 5, wished "that there'd be no more violence."

Three Kids for Saving Earth participants are nine years old in Grade 4. Santannah Morgan and Augusta Morrison made their wish together.

"We wish there was no more violence like robbing or killing or guns," they said in unison when asked for their dreams of the future.

"I wish people would plant more trees and not cut down so many trees," said Louis Van Koughnett, a class mate of Santannah and Augusta's.

Leaha Broome and Chida Heury, both 10 and in Grade 5, both had wishes about learning.

"I wish every kid could go to school," said Leaha, while Chida wished "that all the kids could get the education they needed."

Lots of girls, all in Grade 5 and all 10 years old, had a thing or two to say about the new year and things they would like to see.

"For New Year's I wish everyone would have enough food on their table to eat and that there was more food banks in every town," said Kaare-Ann Borgen.

Along those same lines, Samantha Kirkaldy, who is 11 and in Grade 6, wished "there wasn't no more homeless kids and people."

Other Grade 5 girls had wishes about animals and the environment.

"I wish people would stop poaching animals like elephants just for their tusks when they don't even have to eat them," said Kyla O'Donnell.

Sarah Normandeau wished "that people would stop mistreating cats and dogs and their pets."

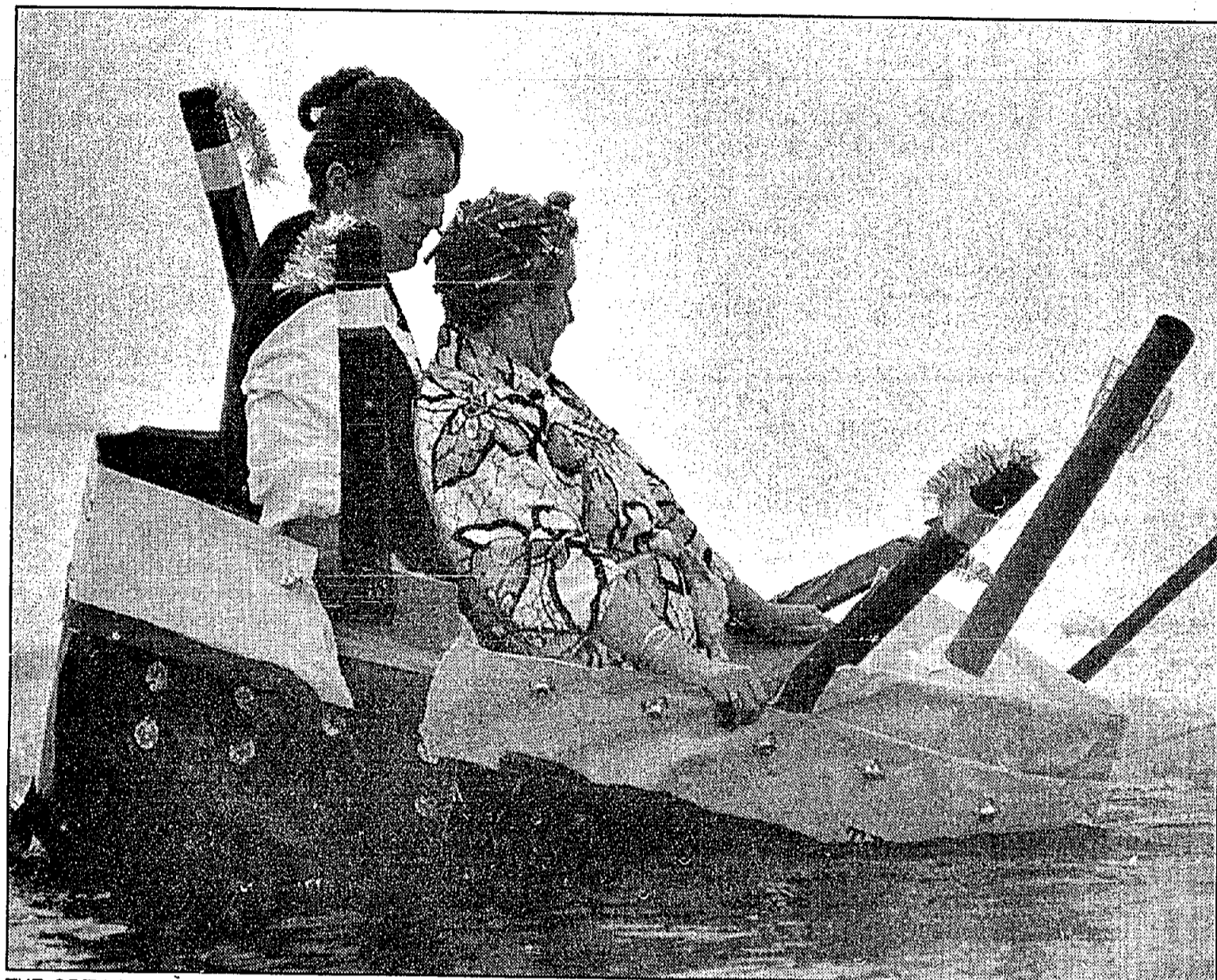
Alyssa Carson hoped "there wouldn't be as much pollution that would kill people and animals because in the year 2000 there'll be too much pollution," while Leanne Whyte's wish was "that there'd be more garbage cans around and less litter on the streets because garbage is sad."

The only two boys in the groups, a quiet lot who sat close to the back, also had thoughts on their future.

"I wish that there was no need for money so that poor people could always get food," said 10 year old Aryk Joachim, a Grade 5 student.

Gabriel Munson, an eleven year old in Grade 6, had one of the most global hopes, wishing that "there was no need for police and no need for passports to go anywhere and no armies to conquer anyone."

Keeping these profound thoughts in mind, The Terrace Women's Resource Centre wishes everyone all the best in the New Year.



THE GREY SHIP WENT DOWN: Margaret Christenson and her daughter Terry Zilkie took the plunge in the "Titanic." The boat sank in the water but mother and daughter were safe. Celine Dion wasn't singing in the background when the ship sunk.

Local residents plunge into icy Lakelse Lake

WHAT STARTED out as a dare many years ago, has now become a tradition for one local resident.

For the past six years, Dale Lufkin (representing Overwaitea) has donned his swim trunks on New Year's Day to dunk his body in the frigid lake for the Kinsmen and Kinette Club's annual Kermodei Bear Swim.

Dressed up as the New Year's Baby, Lufkin emerged from the icy waters of Lakelse Lake as pink as a popsicle.

Kinsmen cut through three and a half inches of ice to carve a hole for jumpers, who dunked into chest-height frigid water.

Twenty seven other crazed locals took the mighty plunge into the icy lake.

A mother-daughter team of Margaret Christenson and Terry Zilkie took the dip in a cardboard Titanic replica that took six hours to make. The vessel split seconds after hitting the water.

The Titanic hit an iceberg and there we were in the icy water, said Zilkie who was dressed as a first-class passenger.

Her mother — dressed as one of the lower class steerage passengers — laughed and said it was a good way to celebrate the holiday even though she was hoping the event would be canceled at the last minute.

Afterwards most swimmers said the water was warmer than they'd expected.

"I'd definitely do it again," said first time jumper Oleepeka Roches.

All proceeds from the swim are going to the Kinsmen Rehabilitation Fund. This is a non-profit organization providing services and technology to paraplegics and quadriplegics.

Swim organizer Patrick McIntyre said \$2,522 was raised in pledges, which is way up from last year's \$1000.

The most money raised in pledges (\$350) was by Jim Checkly.



CHILLED: Dale Lufkin went to the eighth annual Kermodei Bear Swim dressed as the New Year's baby.



PROUD MOM: Kira Febril gave birth to Kehaya-Squo Febril Jan. 1 at 10:23 a.m. at Mills Memorial Hospital. The baby girl is Terrace's first baby of 1999.

New Year's baby a blessing, says mom

Kira Febril is thankful for all the gifts she has received for her New Year's baby.

TERRACE COUPLE Kira and Terrance Febril had good reason to celebrate the New Year.

Their second daughter Kehaya-Squo (a Cree word meaning Eagle Woman) was born Jan. 1, 1999 at 10:23 a.m.

Delivered naturally, Kabaya-Squo weighed 7 pounds, and was 51.5 cm tall on her birthday.

"She's doing great," Febril said. "She's sleeping a lot."

As for her own recovery, Febril said she felt great.

"I feel very fit and healthy," she said. "I'm in absolutely no pain whatsoever."

Febril said it was a big surprise when she went into labour Dec. 31 since the baby wasn't due until January 14.

After almost 24 hours in labour, she said she was thankful when the birth was finally over.

"To bring in the New Year with a new baby is a very special occasion," Febril said. "It brings people together."

She explained that strangers have been visiting her and the baby to wish them luck.

She said many people have given her gifts, including her doctor, Mariette De Bruin, who gave her a car seat.

"People just want to see the New Year's baby," Febril said. "It's truly been a blessing having her."

Febril added that both her daughters were born on special days.

"My first daughter was born on Father's Day!"

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ART GALLERY

▲The Terrace Art Gallery presents: **QUILTS 1999**: a variety of quilts made by local quilters will be on display in the upper Art Gallery.
LAND ESCAPES: Oil paintings by artist Judith Lapadat from Prince George will be on display from Jan. 8-31. Opening night reception is on Friday, Jan. 8 at 7 p.m.

CONCERT SOCIETY

▲The Terrace Concert Society presents



Winnipeg folk music artists **WYRD SISTERS** Saturday, January 9 at 8 p.m. at the R.E.M. Lee Theatre. Tickets cost \$23.50 and are available at Erwin's in the Skeena Mall.
Coming up Jan 22 is the Chilean-Canadian guitarist Oscar Lopez. His "flaming fingers" will wow audiences, as will his sensuous latin rhythms.

MAGIC

▲The Terrace Little Theatre presents a cabaret-style show of magic, mentalism and illusion featuring stand up comedian and magical entertainer John Paterson and illusionist Lon Madrake. The show takes place at the Best Western Inn January 15th and 16th at 8 p.m. Tickets are available at Uniglobe Courtesy Travel.

THEATRE

▲Coming up is Norm Foster's play *The Motor Trade*, directed by Gordon Oates. The adult comedy is set in the showroom of a car dealership on a stormy winter day. The play runs from Jan. 28-20 and Feb. 4-6 and Feb. 11-13.

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THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST MUSIC FESTIVAL would like to remind all teachers and students that the entry deadline is Jan. 15. For more info call Kelly at 635-1579.

Monday, January 11
EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATORS of B.C. invites all members and other child care providers to their annual general meeting at 7 p.m. at Kids At Play child care centre (Terrace Pentecostal Assembly) at 3511 Eby St. Please use the back entrance. For more info call The Family Place at 638-1863. Everyone welcome.

THE TERRACE CHURCHES FOOD BANK will open its doors for distribution January 11-14. The distribution centre is located on 4634 Walsh Ave. It is important to bring ID for you and your dependents. The food bank is open from 1-3 p.m. On January 11, food will be distributed to people with last names that begin with letters A-H. January 12 will distribute to those with lastnames I-R. January 13 to those with lastnames S-Z and January 14 distribution will be for anyone who was missed.

Tuesday, January 12
THE FAMILY PLACE is offering "Parenting Young Children", a 6 week course filled with tips on getting children to cooperate and boost their self esteem. Course starts Jan 12 9:15-11:45 a.m. Childcare available. Limited space. To pre-register call 638-1863. Course is free.

CALEDONIA DRY GRAD meeting will focus on choosing committee heads. All parents of students graduating this year are most welcome. Meeting is at 7:30 p.m. in the Caledonia School Library. Phone Marion at 635-3380 for more info.

Wednesday, January 13
PARENTING AFTER SEPARATION workshop will be held in the Terrace public library at 7 p.m. Pre-registration is required (toll free at 1-888-456-2876 or 847-2876.) Another workshop will take place Feb. 24 at 7 p.m. at the library.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST MUSIC festival committee meeting takes place at 3639 Krumm Road at 8 p.m. For more information call Kelly at 635-1579 or visit our website at www.kermode.net/musicfest98. All new members welcome.

Saturday, January 16
Registration for winter programs for children at the Terrace Public Library will begin at 10 a.m. IN PERSON ONLY at the library. Programs include Preschool story time, Tales for Two's, Toddler Time, Babytime, and Tinkles & Tales. For more info on program dates and times, please pick up a brochure at the library.

Monday, January 18
TERRACE WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTRE is hosting a

women and smoking workshop. Come and talk with a public health nurse to discuss why women continue to smoke when they know it's bad for them. Do women smoke for different reasons than men? Is it more difficult for women to quit? The workshop is free, but pre-registration is appreciated. Call 638-0228 for more info.

Tuesday, January 19
GET CONNECTED! Computer classes for children 5-10 years old will begin the week of January 19 at the Terrace Public Library. Classes will introduce children to word processing, packages, math and science CD-ROMS, and the Internet. Classes are free and will run for 6 weeks. Registration is required. Please call the Library to register. For more information on class schedules, please pick a brochure at the Library or call 638-8177.

Thursday, January 21
FAMILY SUPPORT INSTITUTE has no Dec. meeting. The next meeting is Jan. 21 at 7:30 p.m. Do you have a child with a disability, so do we. Come and talk to other parents who understand. Child-minding available at the Child Development Centre.

WEEKLY MEETINGS

SATURDAYS
FAMILY HISTORY CENTRE (genealogy) at the Church of Jesus Christ Latter Day Saints is open Saturdays from 9-1 p.m. and Wednesdays from 7-10 p.m.

SUNDAYS
CHALKY'S BILLIARDS pool tournament held Sundays at 2 p.m. starting Sept. 27. There is a \$10 entry fee. Address: 4662 Lakelse Ave.

TERRACE BAHA'I community offers weekly classes in spiritual education for children. For more info call 635-4595.

TERRACE HORSESHOE CLUB meets Sundays at 1 p.m. and Wednesdays at 7 p.m. to pitch horseshoes. You don't need to bring your own set to play. They meet at the Horseshoe pitch at North Sparks and Halliwell (beside Heritage Village and the Kin Hut). Beginners and all ages welcome.

MONDAYS
AL-ANON: Fellowship of relatives and friends of alcoholics who share their experience, strength, and hope, in order to solve their common problems. There are two meetings held each week. Monday at Mills Memorial Hospital, conference room in psychiatric unit at 7:30 p.m. and Thursday at the Terrace Womens' Resource Centre. For more info call 638-8643.

SKEENA VALLEY FAIRS ASSOCIATION meets every second Monday of the month at 8 p.m. at the Clubhouse at the main entrance.

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 635-4043.

TERRACE ADULT CHOIR meets Monday evenings until further notice from 7-8:30 p.m. at the Skeena Jr. High band room. Everyone welcome to join amateur singing group. For more info call 635-1951.

TERRACE YOUTH ACTION Society meets the second Monday of each month at the Skeena health unit at 7:30 p.m. If you're interested in supporting youth projects and the skateboard park, please attend. For more information call Maureen at 638-0263.

SKEENA SQUARES — Join them for square dancing Mondays at 7:30-9:30 p.m. at the Carpenter's Hall 3312 Sparks St. Beginners welcome. For info call Jim at 635-6724.

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

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS meets

Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. at 4542 Park. For more info call 1-888-706-1780.

TERRACE DOWNTOWN LIONS meet the first and third Monday of each month. New members welcome. For more info call Ray at 635-3589 or Les at 635-9405.

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.

BIRTHRIGHT volunteers meet the first Monday of the month in members' homes on an alternating basis. For information or to volunteer call Linda at 635-6849 or Michele at 635-3087. Birthrite offers free, confidential pregnancy services and is located above the Tillicum Theatre, suite #201. Office hours are 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday to Friday. Call 635-3907 or call the 24-hour hotline at 1-800-550-4900.

ARE YOU HAVING trouble seeing your grandchildren? Call Marge at 635-7421 for info.

MILLS MEMORIAL Hospital Auxil-

ary meets the third Monday of each month in the education room at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

TUESDAYS
PLANNED PARENTHOOD Clinic is open every Tuesday night from 7-9 p.m. Information and counselling on birth control and birth control supplies at reasonable cost. Drop in. They're at the rear of the health unit on Kalum, so go to the back door. For more info or to volunteer call 638-2027.

TWIN'S CLUB PLAYTIME is the first Tuesday of every month from 10:30-noon at the Family Place. Call 635-9669.

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 those events for which there is no admission charge. Items will run two weeks before each event.

We ask that items be submitted by 5 p.m. on the Thursday before the issue in which it is to appear. Submissions should be typed or printed neatly.

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RARE BIRDS SPOTTED: This blue jay was seen on count day (Dec. 27) at Lakelse Lake by Mike Reid. This is the first time a blue jay has been spotted in the annual Christmas bird count.

Bird count successful

TERRACE'S BIRD watchers reported some rare winter bird sightings during this year's Christmas bird count.

Seventeen locals grabbed their binoculars Dec. 27 to join hundreds of other volunteers across the continent for an annual wildlife survey.

The National Audubon Society in Washington, D.C., compiles results and tracks trends in North America's bird population once all the counts are in.

Diane Weismiller, organizer of Terrace's bird count, said more unusual birds were spotted this year, like a blue jay, an anna hummingbird, a

towhee, and a house finch.

Weismiller couldn't say why these birds were still in Terrace instead of in warmer skies further south.

"It could be because of the mild weather earlier on this winter," she said, "but it's hard to say."

On count day, 12 locals surveyed a designated circle of land 15 miles in diameter. The group tried to cover as much ground as possible within a 24-hour period.

Another five people watched their feeders from their homes.

Weismiller said clear and sunny skies allowed for a successful bird

count this Christmas.

Last year, cold temperatures and a nasty windchill kept people in their cars on count day, resulting in fewer birds seen (about 2000).

This year, about 2,300 birds were spotted, Weismiller said, including 48 different species.

On count day, bird watchers saw 84 robins, 91 varied thrush and 89 swans (77 at Lakelse Lake and 12 at Kalum Lake).

Although scientists agree the bird count is a very low-tech survey, it is an inexpensive way to gather reliable information.



Betty Campbell gave Chris Hansen, Laurie Lindstrom and Allison Johansen poinsettias to recognize their work for the Greater Terrace Beautification Society.

Keeping Terrace beautiful



HERE 'N THERE
YVONNE MOEN

CHRIS HANSEN, Betty Campbell, Laurie Lindstrom and Allison Johansen are four very dedicated volunteers who work hard all year long to improve the look of Terrace.

Their projects have certainly made the city more beautiful.

Once a year, members of

the Greater Terrace Beautification Society treat themselves to a Christmas dinner to celebrate the volunteers who make a difference in the city.

At this dinner, on behalf of our society, Betty Campbell presented Chris Hansen, Laurie Lindstrom and Allison Johansen with lovely poinsettias to thank them for their hard work.

I would like to invite anyone who is interested to join

the Greater Terrace Beautification Society.

Our first meeting in 1999 will be held Thursday, Jan. 7 at 7 p.m. at City Hall in the council room. For more information call Betty Campbell at 635-5221.

If anyone would like to share a story with me or has a celebration coming up, please phone me, Yvonne, at 638-0423.

A very happy New Year to all.

TERRACE CONCERT SOCIETY

Wyrd Sisters kick start the year

THE NAME OF their group may be weird, but their music certainly isn't.

The Wyrd Sisters' unique blend of folk music is coming to the R.E.M. Lee Theatre Jan. 9.

While the Winnipeg trio's harmonies are gentle, sensitive and seduc-

tive, their thoughtful lyrics can strike audiences with hard-hitting political and social messages.

Sometimes called a feminist band, because of the feminist bent of some of their songs, the Sisters don't shy away from women's issues.

They have written songs

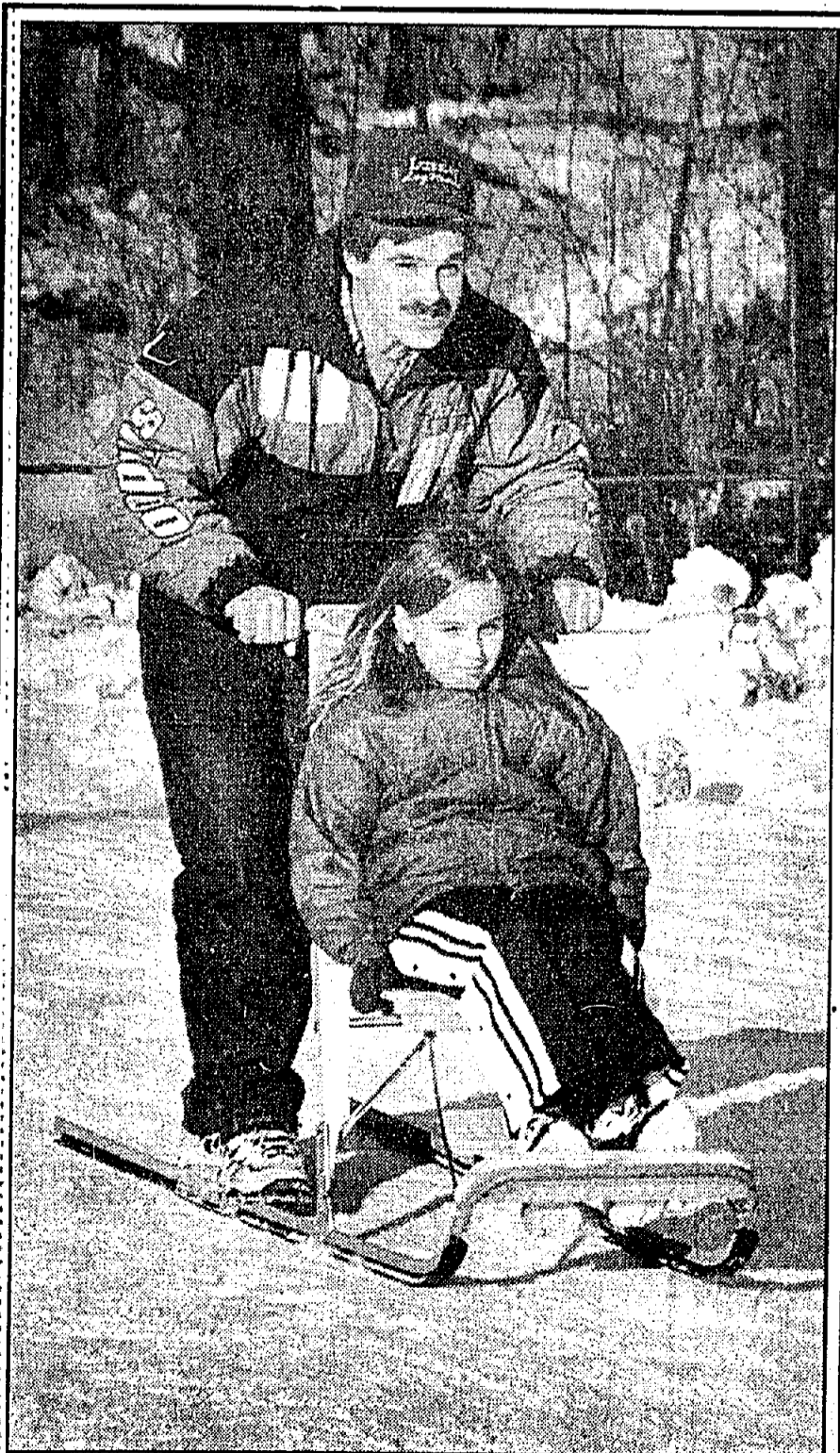
about the 1989 massacre of the 14 women killed in Montreal, AIDS, stalking, and about clear-cutting old-growth forests.

According to band members the word wyrd comes from a reference to an ancient goddess who represented the circle of life and the phases of the

moon.

The Sisters have three independent recordings: Leave A Little Light (1993), Inside The Dreaming (1995), and Raw Voice, released in (1997).

Tickets cost \$23.50 and are available at Erwin's in the Skeena Mall.



Slip sliding away!

PIERRE LUSSIER and his daughter, Claire, 10, zoomed down the hill on Tuck Ave on their Finnish luge. They were the fastest sled on the street.



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Please return your Community Capacity Assessment Survey to

4628 Park Avenue or call

635-4631

to arrange a time for them to be picked up. TAPGS would also like to thank everyone who has participated in the survey.

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Baby's Name: Steven James Arthur Date & Time of Birth: December 16, 1998 at 9:57 p.m. Weight: 5 lbs. Sex: Male Parents: Terry Llewellyn & Karen Arthur	Baby's Name: Connor David Cote Date & Time of Birth: December 25, 1998 at 8:18 a.m. Weight: 7 lbs 13 oz. Sex: Male Parents: David Cote & Tina Stenzel
Baby's Name: Dayton Bell Date & Time of Birth: December 22, 1998 at 11:01 a.m. Weight: 7 lbs 7 oz. Sex: Male Parents: Fred Johnson & Laverne Bell	Baby's Name: Sabrina Taylor Jade Stevens Date & Time of Birth: December 26, 1998 at 2:30 a.m. Weight: 8 lbs 2 oz. Sex: Female Parents: John Stevens & Paul Clayton

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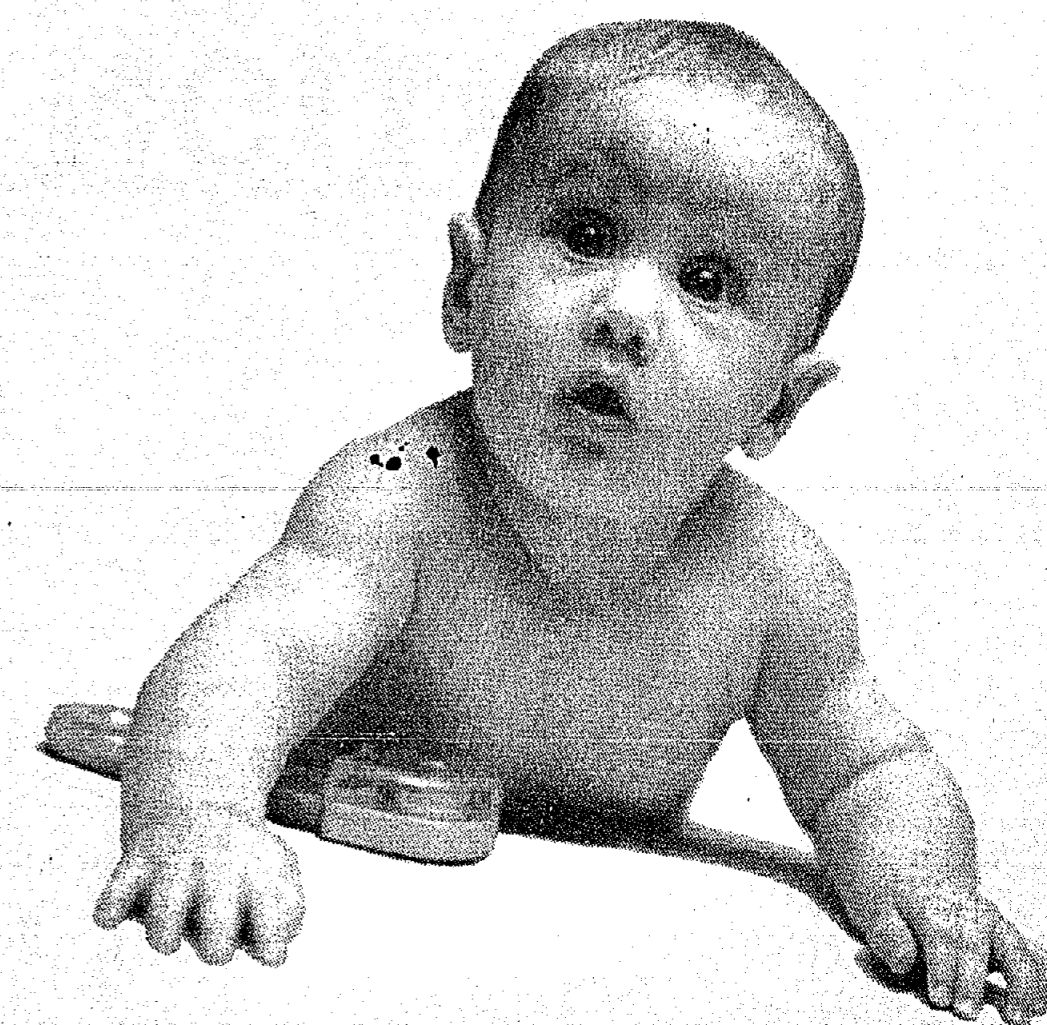
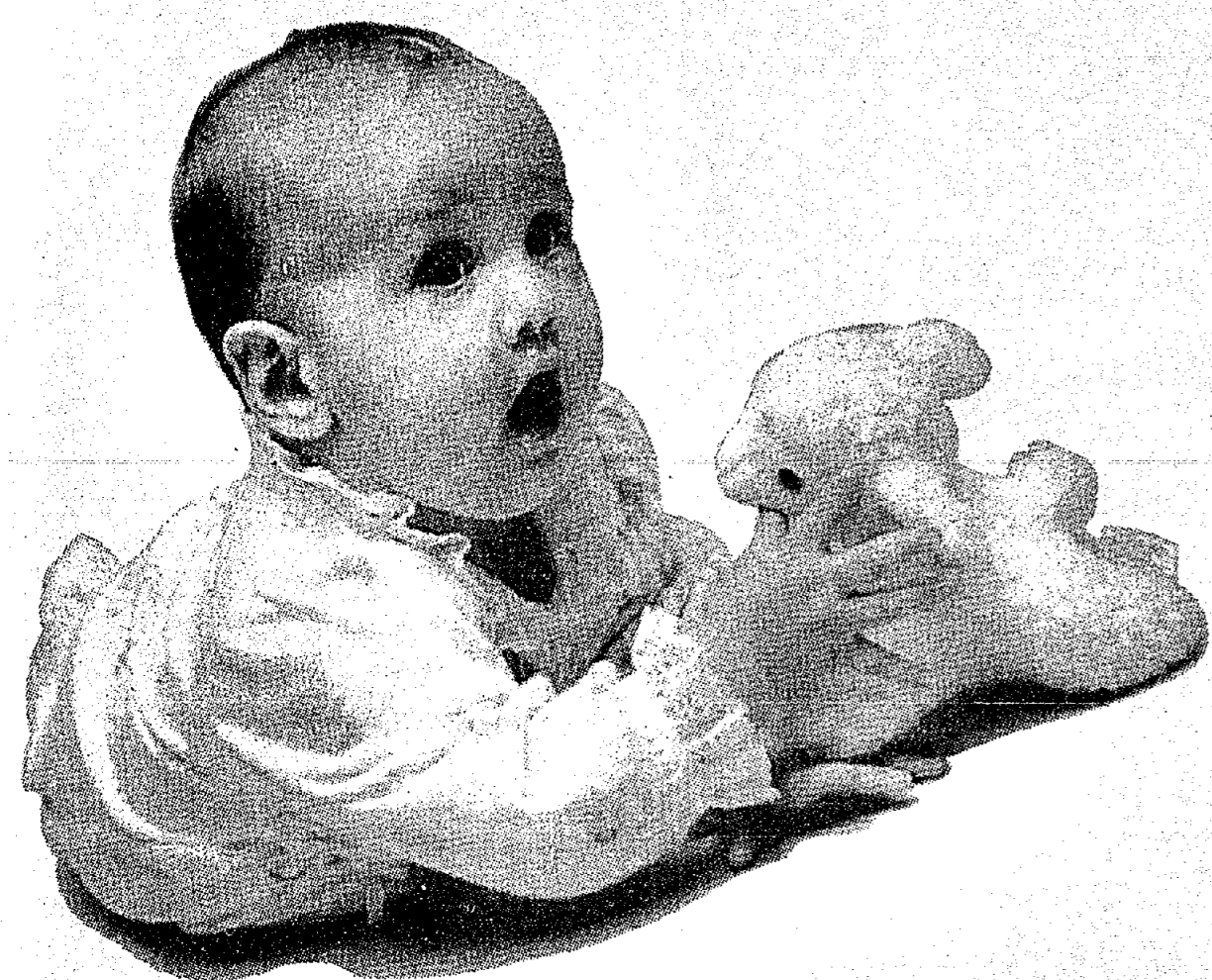
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Best Wishes for First Baby of 1999

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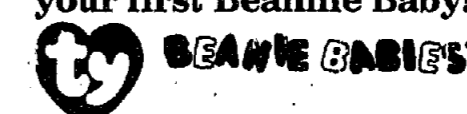
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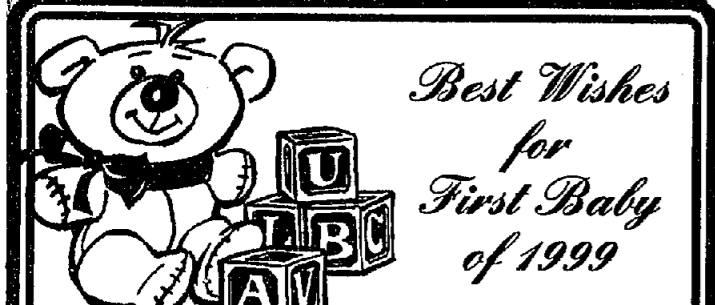
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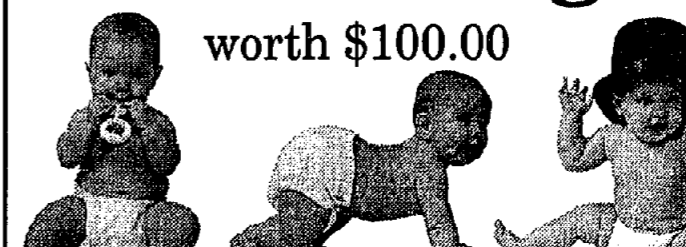
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ONE BEDROOM apartment on site management, no pets, ref's required. Call 635-7429.

QUIET, CLEAN 2 bdr apt. close to school and town. Security entrance. Laundry facility. Ref reqd. 635-5653.

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If you have moved to Terrace or have just had a new baby, are getting married, or starting a new business, just give me a call.
WELCOME WAGON
SINCE 1930

30. FOR RENT

1 AND 2 bdr apts avail immed. On site management. 635-3594 or 635-5136 or 635-6428.

1 BASEMENT suite for single working person. Also 1 Condo apt., no pets. 635-5893.

1 BDR duplex with F/S in town. No pets. 635-5464.

1, 2, 3, bdr apt. Avail immed. On site management. Ref reqd. 635-6428, 635-2424 or 638-7737.

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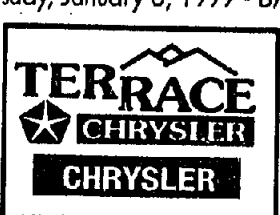
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Please direct all inquiries to: Gary Roper, Manager of Finance and Administration, North West Community Health Services Society, 3412 Kalum Street, Terrace, B.C. V8G 4T2. Tel: (250) 638-2220; Fax: (250) 638-2251; E-mail: gary.ropar@nwhc.hnet.bc.ca

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Date: Friday, January 15, 1999
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Locations: Department of Fisheries & Oceans Offices 555 West Hastings Street - Room 455 Vancouver, B.C.

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THE APPLICATIONS
On November 4, 1998 PNG (N.E.) - Dawson Creek Division and Centra FSJ filed their 1998 Cost of Service Allocation/Rate Design Study.

On December 1, 1998 PNG (N.E.) and Centra FSJ applied to the Commission for approval to increase rates on an interim and final basis, effective January 1, 1999.

PNH has requested that the Applications be dealt with through the B.C. Utilities Commission's Negotiated Settlement Process.

THE REGULATORY PROCESS
The Commission will hold a Pre-Hearing Conference in Vancouver, Terrace and Dawson Creek via video conferencing facilities, on Friday, January 15, 1999, to discuss procedural matters which will include, but not be limited to, the following:

- scheduling;
- completeness of the Application;
- identification of principal issues;
- process (workshops, information requests, settlement negotiations or public hearing);
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PUBLIC INSPECTION OF THE APPLICATION
Pacific Northern Gas Ltd.
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An Executive Summary of the Applications is available to Interested Parties upon request from the Applicants at no charge.

British Columbia Utilities Commission: Sixth Floor, 900 Howe Street, Vancouver, B.C. V6Z 2N3.

INTERVENTIONS
Intervenor and Interested Parties should inform the Commission in writing, by January 8, 1999, of their intention to become Intervenor or Interested Parties, and/or attend the Pre-Hearing Conference.

Registered Intervenor who actively participate in the review process will receive copies of the Commission's decision and correspondence and filed documentation. Interested Parties who register with the Commission will receive a copy of the Application's Executive Summary, all Orders issued, as well as the Commission's Decision.

PARTICIPANT ASSISTANCE
All parties intending to apply for Participant Assistance must submit a budget estimate by January 22, 1999 consistent with the Commission's Participant Assistance/Cost Award Guidelines as outlined in Order No. G-97-98. Copies of these Guidelines are available upon request.

FURTHER INFORMATION
For further information, please contact Mr. Robert J. Pellat, Commission Secretary, or Mr. Barry McKinlay, Manager, Rates and Finance as follows:
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BY ORDER
Robert J. Pellat

Kermodes up for a strong season

TERRACE'S senior boys basketball team may just be this year's team to beat if coach Cam MacKay has anything to do with it.

He sees the always competitive Prince Rupert teams as favourites but knows that with work his team can beat the size and strength of Charles Hays and consistency of Prince Rupert Senior Secondary's Rainmakers.

He said Hazelton could be the zone rival because of their size and skill.

"If all their players play well they could be a dark horse," said MacKay.

But Terrace will have to improve over their performance in Ketchikan, Alaska in late December.

"We weren't ready to play," said Kermode coach Cam MacKay. "We lacked discipline."

He said the team was hard to settle down because of the size of the Ketchikan gym and energetic crowd. American style ball is also played in eight-minute quarters with a running shot clock.

His team lost to Charles Hays 67-56 and had trouble stopping Hays player, Steve Kaluski who scored 28 points.

Their first game of the tournament the boys played Houston in a 66-54 match. Terrace's Kevin Braam and Mike Hovanes pulled their weight with 27 and 18 points each.

In their second game, Terrace played Kitimat's Mount Elizabeth who were missing a few of their larger players. MacKay said Terrace could have won by a lot more than the 64-41 score revealed.

In their final game of the tournament the Kermodes played Ketchikan's Kay-High team.

The score after the first quarter was all Kay-High in a 25-7 game. But by the end of the first half Terrace cut the lead down to 33-27.

The third quarter featured a 10-10 run in four minutes that saw John Simmons and Kevin Gillanders place tricky shots and practice good defence to come out 43-37 Ketchikan.

In the fourth quarter Kay-High scored three quick hoops only to have the Kermodes return three shots. From there, MacKay said both teams missed easy marks.

At two and a half minutes left in the game the score was 46-43 and Kay-High played defence running the clock down to a 50-44 final.

Three Terrace boys, John Simmons, Mike Hovanes and Kevin Braam were named to the All Star team.

Two weeks prior in Terrace's Kermode Classic, the boys played well, considering the team's lack of practice time.

The Kermodes finished fourth behind D.P. Todd, Prince Rupert Senior Secondary and Reynolds.

Terrace's Kevin Braam was named to the first All-Star team.

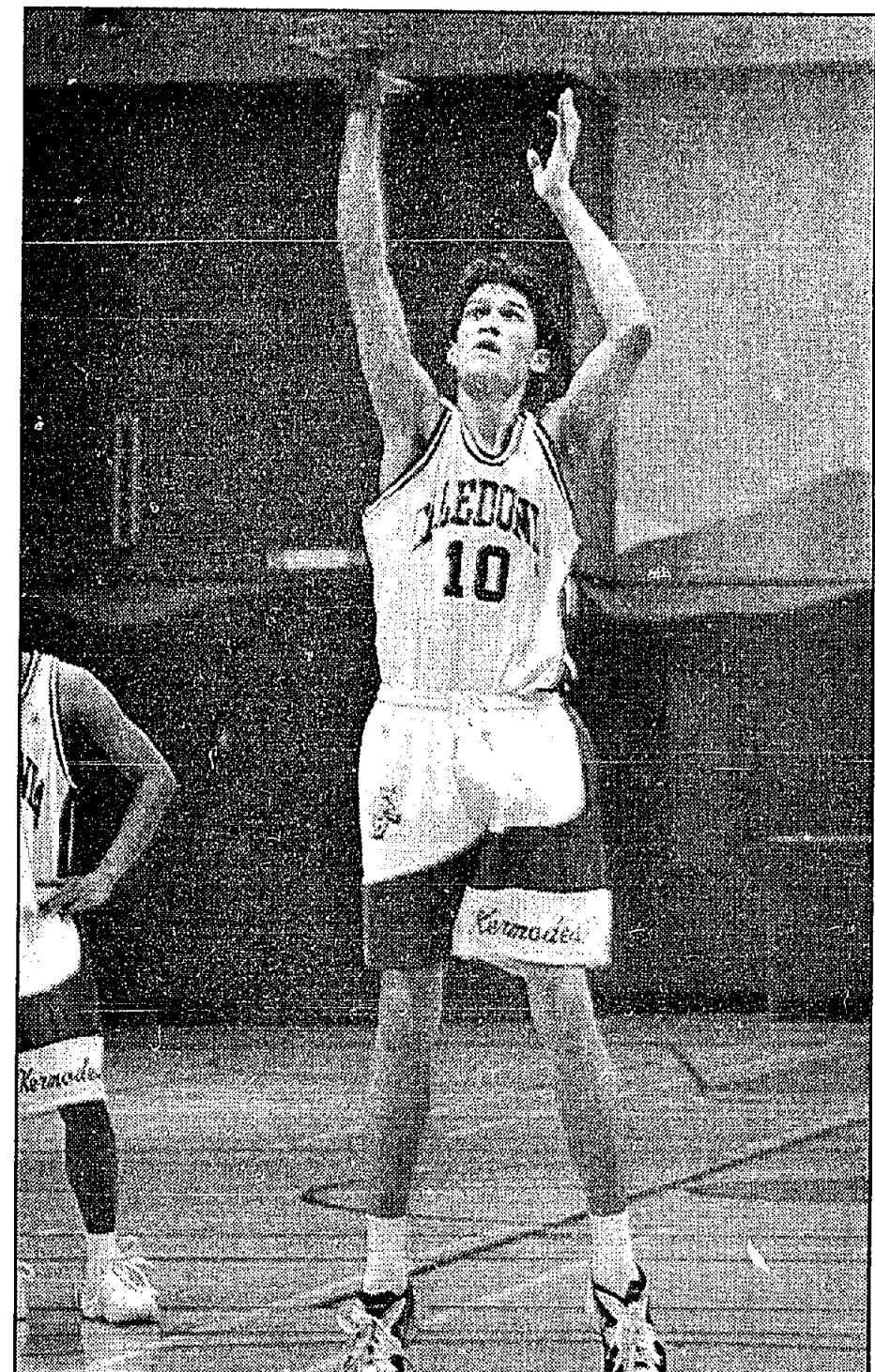
Mens' team sweeps basketball tournament

THEY WERE determined not to make this year's Prince Rupert Mens' Christmas basketball tournament a remake of last year's second place finish.

And they didn't. Terrace's senior men's basketball team finished the tournament with a 61-53 win against Prince Rupert's

Dylans team — the same team they lost to last year. But the game didn't look so promising at the half when the rainy city's host team was up by five.

With three minutes left in the game Terrace pulled ahead with solid defense and a few key hoops down the stretch to win the game.



NICE SHOT: Mike Hovanes takes a shot at the Kermode Classic in December. He was named to the All Star team at a recent tournament in Ketchikan.

Juniors go north

THE SKEENA junior boys basketball team began their five-day road trip to Ketchikan, Alaska with a 69-15 loss to Prince Rupert rivals, Charles Hays.

The series saw the Wildcats come out nervous in their first two encounters losing by 20 in both matchups.

But by the third game Skeena rebounded to win by eight points.

Ketchikan then took a closely battled fourth game by six than Skeena finished the tourney with a well-deserved 25 point victory in the final game to finish the tournament with two wins and three losses.

Coach Scott Stewart says the Wildcats have shown considerable improvement in the defensive end and has been especially pleased with his Grade 9 players.

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It's the second day of 1999. My fishing log says I was standing in the Kalum at the place I call Beaver Flats a year ago. There was almost no snow and only a breath of wind; so warm that, for the first time in any January I can remember, I fished without gloves.

Beaver flats is below Digger's Pool and above Deep Creek. It's not a destination run, but the kind of water you fish on your way out if the angling has been poor on the Snake, the Stumble Run or at MacDonald's. Once, late in the year, Richard Eckert and I found the place crowded with dolly varden char and whitefish; another time Webb and I found some shiny new coho there and in the riffles below it; and one time, years ago, with the river unusually high for December, I made the kind of wade one should only attempt with a buddy. Beaver Flats fishes only from river left because the eponymous rodents have dropped most of the alders on river right. I don't attempt this kind of bravado any more. In the days when I made that macho wade I was so focused on fishing that I painted myself into tight corners on more occasions than I like to admit.

As I stopped and caught my breath on the far side, after nearly being swept away a couple of times I should have pondered the fact that if the river had carried me off, and I'd avoided the sweepers below, I would probably have died of hypothermia anyway. I didn't just as I hadn't considered the fact that a return wade was mandatory.

As soon as I'd caught my breath, I strode past the slow section of the run where the still fishers like to soak bait, and began casting. Beaver Flats is not the kind of run where you'd expect newly arrived steelhead, but some hovered in the tail of the glide that day. They were ferocious. I lost two because I couldn't follow them across the riffle turned rapid and around the sprawling log jam below that, but I did beach two others. They were muscular and shaped like footballs, and uniquely coloured like Kalum winter steelhead often are.

All of this activity quickly ate away the remainder of the short winter afternoon. A curtain of fog was descending and it was getting awfully dark. My hands were cold. The sweat I'd worked up wrestling fish was now cooling. I had to go, and go quickly. I grabbed up my rod and loped up the bank. If the wade over had been tough, the wade back would be tougher. I knew it would be better to start high, so I made my way upstream, clambering over black logs as slippery as oiled buckskin. I grabbed a beaver gnawed limb, slipped the rod into the back pocket of my vest, then slid into the water.

The current grabbed my legs and attempted to pull them out from under me. I leaned hard on the stick, grabbing it with both hands. I pushed a foot forward, jammed the pole into the substrate, then repeated the process. Log jams, water-filled waders, these and other morbid images elbowed their way into my mind; I forced them out riveting my attention to each step, each thrust with the pole, and the contour of the bottom until my universe consisted of the water a foot in front of me, and the roar of the river.

As the river pulled harder and the wade became more difficult, I slowed down. A couple of minutes passed in an hour. I made the far bank then made my way down river and scrambled up the bank to the trail. Next to the river it was dark. In the bush it was black. I turned onto what I was sure was the path to the slough, and proceeded to get lost. It was a regulation hour before a beacon in the form of a truck engine's roar helped me find the road.

The day after last New Year's Day was less dramatic. I didn't catch any steelhead, but I did catch a cutthroat. It was an unexpected fish: a harvest trout long after the harvest; against the winter backdrop it seemed out of context. Now, two days into 1999 I'm back to see if I can find another. Today the skis stick to the snow. The sky is close to the ground in the form of mist that wraps the drooping trees like gauze. In the distance there is the insect whine of snow machines. I don't like the sound, but I appreciate their trails.

Packing a rod gives a person direction; it defines the pathways. Because I have my single hander, I'm forced to look for trout. This has me looking for eagles, because eagles stand sentinel over the last of the red cohoes, still spawning and dying in the Kalum in January. And, where there are ripened salmon there will be wolf tracks on the banks and trout or char or whitefish, or possibly all three nearby.

I spot a solitary bird atop of an old hemlock presiding over part of the side channel that flows through Beaver Flats, and, sure enough, there are coho in the dark water below the tree. A floating line with an Improved Partridge and Orange I developed this winter — and I wish Finlay were alive to appreciate — are all that is needed for the slow cold flows. I spend 20 minutes on the probe before I catch a beautiful little 12-inch cutthroat that proves last year's is no anomaly. It's a fine way to begin a year.



■ Happy New Year!

NOW THAT'S AN ANNIVERSARY: Ten years after the first soccer in the snow on Terrace's fields, local players pose during a half-time break (above). This year's game was 2-1 at the half with players plowing through knee-deep snow on Skeena Junior's fields. Martin Sterner, who played in the first New Year's game, lands in a snow drift after fighting for the ball (right).



SCORE! Kitimat Bantam rep player scores a goal at 16:01 in the third period of a final game here on New Year's Eve. Kitimat and Terrace battled for first and second spots in the tournament.

MINOR HOCKEY

Lions beat Bantams in year-end tourney

IF TERRACE'S Bantam rep coaches have one hope for the new year, it might be to beat Kitimat.

They'd consider it payback for the whipping their team picked up in the championship game of the Bantam tournament held here Dec. 31.

After 20 minutes of the game, Terrace Inland Kenworth was down by one goal after the Kitimat Lion's Doug Higginson scored twice in the first period.

Terrace's Josh Murray then scored a goal on a pass from Ryan Beaulieu and Jess Bone with six and a half minutes left in the first period.

Terrace tied the game

quickly in the second period when Gary Kerbratz scored after one minute and 43 seconds of play on a pass from Jordan Kostelnik.

Eight minutes later Kitimat came in with a tie-breaker with 11:20 left in the second period. Then Tyler Daum scored two goals within two minutes of each other to make the game 5-2 Kitimat after 40 minutes of ice time.

Terrace just couldn't find its strength in the third period and Kitimat made the game an 8-2 final.

Tension erupted into flying fists in the last 15 seconds of the game when Kitimat's Justin Bogart and Terrace's Ryan Hallam

dropped their sticks and started slugging.

Both players were handed game misconduct penalties.

Terrace's teams played well against Kitimat which usually stands in a class of their own — a fact many Terrace coaches and minor hockey organizers credit to their second sheet of ice.

The tournament featured four Bantam rep teams from Prince Rupert, Terrace, Smithers and Kitimat. Terrace's Pee-wee B team also joined in the tournament and posted some good first-period scores.

Whitehorse was to have played in the tournament but canceled close to the tournament date.



Sports Scope

Youth soccer

IMPROVE YOUR skills and get ready for the 1999 outdoor soccer season by heading to Centennial Christian School.

Organizers will host four-hour indoor skill building sessions and games for youth 8-13 years old on Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. beginning Jan. 9. and ending Feb. 27.

The courses will be taught by long-time Terrace coach, Nick Kolas who recently finished his level one, two and three teaching licence.

Interested youth must have been registered with the Terrace Youth Soccer during the 1998 season to be eligible. The cost is \$15 per month, payable when youth register at the arena office. No refunds will be given. For more information call Nick at 635-9231.

Lake race

SKIING enthusiasts will appreciate the 10 centimetres of fresh white powder dumped on Onion Lake's ski trails this Christmas.

The trails should be fast and firm for the Kitimat Open race this Saturday, Jan. 9.

Racers will ski on a solid 20-centimetre base and organizers say that blue wax and waxless skis are working great.

Skiing at the Creek

HIRSH Creek Golf and Winter Club's trails are set and raring to go.

The trails are open all day and night owl's will appreciate the club's three kilometres of lit trails that stay lit until about 10 p.m.

Snowmobile season

UPCOMING Skeena Valley Snowmobile Club events include a January Avalanche course and a family fun day at Sterling Mountain on Jan. 24.

Valentine's day brings the club's annual Snowarama, a money-maker for disabled children. And then watch out because on Saturday and Sunday March 6-7 the club hosts it's annual Shames Mountain Mogul Blaster Hill Climb.