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Cops, city wrangle over numbers

Uneasy peace in RCMP cost debate **By JEFF NAGEL**

A BATTLE of city and RCMP number-crunchers ended in an uneasy truce Friday in which they agreed to look for ways to reduce the city's share of policing costs.

That happened after city reps reassured senior RCMP officers they aren't seeking to eliminate police positions here - but might be forced to do that if they can't make the provincial government to pay more.

"We're not arguing that we don't need more people," said city administrator Ron Poole. "The city seems to be paying a high proportion of costs."

In addition to rocketing natural gas couver - faced off costs, the city faces a \$310,000 increase in RCMP expenses for 2001.

Much of that is due to salary increases that when added to equipment and training costs have pushed the total cost per officer to around \$102,000 per year.

Without budget cuts in other city departments, the extra \$310,000 would translate into about a four per cent increase in local property taxes, mayor Jack Talstra said.

"We may not be able to absorb that \$310,000 and there may have to be cuts," Talstra told the RCMP contingent. "If you have any ideas to deal with that, we're all ears."

Six RCMP reps - three from this detachment and three more from Van-

against senior city administrative staff and five council members Jan. 19.

The officers largely rejected arguments the City of Terrace is paying too much.

But RCMP Inspector Doug Wheler agreed his staff would try to determine what portion of support

staff hours now paid by the city are used by provincially financed RCMP officers, such as those in highway patrol.

Wheler

Officers warned it likely won't amount to much, but the city may be



Talstra

support staff costs. The olive branch

came after city officials asked RCMP to consider how much extra it would cost the province to create a new detachment in Thornhill if the city formed its

own police force and didn't cover the rural area.

Officers said it would cost a lot particularly to set up a detachment able to provide 24-hour coverage seven days a week - but they also noted it would cost the city more as

able to use those well. findings to argue for a reformulation of

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Councillor David Hull suggested the largest extra costs would be to the province, and that's an indication the cost-sharing split right now isn't fair. Terrace RCMP Staff Sgt. Darcy

Gollan noted a stand-alone Terrace police force would also face surprise costs from time to time.

A murder here two years ago saw RCMP flood Terrace with officers at no cost to the city.

If Terrace had a separate force, he said, a situation like that would see the city billed for every hour worked by RCMP officers called in.

"The city of Terrace is getting a great benefit from those resources,

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Indy schools shine in test results here

By JENNIFER LANG TERRACE'S independent Terrace schools, which schools outperformed their public school counterparts in a province-wide snapshot that looked at reading, writing and numeracy skills.

Except in Grade 4, Veritas School and Centennial Christian School had the

That's in line with other generally performed better than the assessment's district average for all three basic skills, but are lower than the average performance of all students tested in the province.

The gap between independent schools and the



HARVEST TIME: RCMP officer Cst. Trent Johnson displays marijuana seized Jan. 12 when 23 police officers swooped down on three houses in Thornhill. The raids were the culmination of a three-year investigation.

Thornhill drug raids snared 1e By SARAH A. ZIMMERMAN

NINE PEOPLE face numerous drug-related

charges, possession of stolen property and firearms charges after RCMP raided three homes in Thornhill.

Shortly before 9 a.m. Jan. 12 RCMP executed search warrants at two homes in the 3800 block of Pine Ave. and at a third residence on the 3500 block of King St.

Police say they confiscated undisclosed

amounts of cocaine, marijuana, and firearms as well as stolen property.

They also discovered a marijuana grow operation in one of the home's basements.

"It was a true hydroponic operation," said investigating officer Cst. Trent Johnson.

Twenty-three RCMP officers including three Emergency Response Team members were involved in the raids, said Johnson. ERT officers were there because of the sus-

pected presence of firearms in the homes. The operation was a result of three years of

investigation, Johnson said.

"These people have been the subject of investigation in the past," he said.

The suspects have been released from custody pending their first appearances in court.

Names were not released pending formal charges. The investigation continues and police anticipate further arrests.

Exchamsiks may close to avoid chainsaw massacre

By JEFF NAGEL

B.C. PARKS may close Exchamsiks Provincial Park to camping in a bid to protect a stand of old-growth trees there.

No final decision has been made on the possible closure of the 20-site campground 55 kilometres west of Terrace, said parks area supervisor John Trewhitt.

A camping ban there is being considered because the towering Sitka, cedar and hemlock trees pose a danger to campers and park operators should they fall.

The parks branch's hazard tree management program routinely

Teetering trees, campers are a threat to each other, says B.C. Parks

eased trees in parks that are a threat.

It requires that high-use areas where such trees can fall must be made off-limits or else the trees must be cut down.

That's in line with the Workers Compensation Board's workplace safety guidelines, and it also protects B.C. Parks from lawsuits if campers are injured or their vehicles are damaged, Trewhitt noted. "If we determine the tree is a potential risk, we have to do

Identifies rotten, leaning or dis- something," he said. "We have to close a site down or take a tree

down." More than 1,000 trees deemed hazardous have been removed from Lakelse Lake Provincial Park over the park's lifetime, Trewhitt estimates.

But doing the same thing at Exchamsiks isn't a good option because it could see the removal of much of the 18-hectare forest surrounding the campground.

The forest is an important example of red-listed or endangered

old growth forests in this area, he added. "Most of it is being logged off along the Skeena River corridor," he said.

It's difficult to close sites rather than cut trees there, Trewhitt added, because many of the trees are so tall they could cover the entire campground.

The trees and salmonberry undergrowth are also being damaged by campers who scrounge firewood, break off limbs and trample sensitive vegetation, he said.

A number of options are being contemplated, ranging from complete closure to a combination of

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highest number of students meeting or exceeding standards for their grade level in Terrace, according to individual school results from last spring's Foundation Skills Assessment 2000.

Grade 4 students at Uplands Elementary School had the best scores for reading, writing and numeracy, surpassing all other Terrace schools, including Veritas and Centennial Christian.

Uplands also beat the provincial averages for their grade in reading, writing and numeracy in Grade 4.

By Grade 7, Uplands was still leading Terrace's public elementary schools in the assessment, better than the district average, but lower than the B.C. average.

B.C. and district average is particularly evident at the Grade 10 level, according to the results.

Just four per cent of Centennial Christian School's Grade 10s didn't meet reading expectations. Just nine per cent didn't meet writing standards. All students assessed met numeracy expectations.

That's much higher than the provincial average, and the average for B.C.'s independent schools.

Grade 7 students at Veritas performed better than the provincial average for reading comprehension, with 15 per cent reading below expectations, 74 per cent meeting and 11 per cent exceeding provincial standards.

In writing and numeracy Continued Pg. A14



Our eye on Survivor BRIAN MARLEAU got the right breaks - from high school at Caledonia to a stint at CFTK television. Now he's behind the camera on TV's hottest show. Complete story Page B1.

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ICBC to pay out dividends

By SARAH A. ZIMMERMAN NINETY-TWO per cent of ICBC policy holders will get money back starting next month.

The provincial insurance corporation is issuing dividend cheques, totalling \$209 million, to policy holders starting in mid-February.

The money is coming from the corporation's profits. from its investment portfolio, said Geoff Butler, ICBC's operations manager in Terrace.

The portfolio generated \$177 million more income than anticipated last year and ICBC's surplus is projected to hit \$350 million. "We also had a lower than expected increase in claims last year," Butler said.

Drivers who have had four years of claims-free driving can expect a cheque for \$100 in the mail.

The crown corporation estimates that 1.3 million policyholders will receive the \$100 cheques.

An additional 225,000 policyholders will receive dividend cheques for \$50. These are the people who were at the 30 per cent discount level or less when they renewed their insurance in 2000.

"All cheques will be distributed by the end of March," said Butler.

ICBC will give other policy holders, including those insured for less than the full year, pro-rated amounts.

ICBC also announced it will be freezing insurance rates for the sixth consecutive year.

The rate freeze is due in part to lower claims last; year, but also because of increased public awareness in road safety issues, says Butler,

From front City eyeing idea of its own police force

Gollan said. Officers also noted the highway patrol section would be relocated, and wouldn't provide the backup it now does to regular Terrace-based officers.

Poole said the city intends to continue pursuing the idea of its own force, or perhaps a regional one in partnership with Kitimat and Prince Rupert.

It's paying \$2,500 for a workshop here next weekend with a consultant who's an expert in policing options.

"If it sounds favourable we'll probably press on," Talstra said. "We owe it to our taxpayers to see what's our best bang for the buck. If there's a way where a different approach results in less money being paid and the same level of service, then yeah, we're interested in looking at that."

Much debate Friday centred on police use of statistics on where crimes are committed in determining whether costs are to be paid for by the city or province.

Sgt. Craig Duffin said the city pays 79 per cent of support staff costs here because that's the ratio of cases that happen in Terrace, as opposed to outlying areas.

Of the 32 regular-duty officers at the detachment, the city pays for 25 and the province pays for seven.

City officials presented statistics comparing Terrace to similar sized cities and suggested it shows the province should pay for more and the city for less.

Terrace pays the highest policing costs per taxpayer of 17 similar sized communities, those stats show.

But RCMP officers said situations vary from place to place. "It's difficult to look at these statistics and make these sorts of comparisons," Duffin said.

Another facet of the issue is whether the city should be paying all of the cost of support staff at the detachment - as it is now - or only a 70 per cent share. The policing contract for Terrace indicates both

RCMP reps admitted they're not sure how to interpret the contract language. "To be 100 per cent up front, this is a question we want the province to answer," said Inspector Gordon Ford. "The contract is with the province."



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phoned at home and told she'd won a brand new Ford Escape as part of Canada Safeway's Home for Holiday Sweepstakes, she had to come down to the store to hear the news in person. And here she is with local Canada Safeway manager Steve Hogeweide and an Escape. Scanning your Safeway Club Card has never been more rewarding.





If the city only paid 70 per cent of present support staff costs, taxpayers would save nearly \$200,000 a year. "If I were you I'd be asking them that," Ford said.

Terrace Crime Stoppers are asking for your assistance in solving a break, enter and theft that occurred at a residence on Weber Ave. in Terrace, BC.

Sometime between 9am and 11pm on January 14, 2001, unknown culprit(s) attended the residence located at 4628 Weber Ave., Terrace, B.C., where they proceeded to force their way in to the house. Once inside, the culprit(s) proceeded to steat from the residence numerous items of electronic equipment, jewelry and numerous miscellaneous items, including photograph albums.

Among the items stolen are:

Television, Stereo Speakers, Answering Machine, Women's Clothing, Women's Shoes, Bread Maker, Food Items Sanyo cordless telephone and call display unit and a large collection of old Canadian (and some new American) dollars and coins - some dating back to the 1800's - contained in a grey 'old looking' metal box. The value of the theft is believed to be upwards of \$10000.00

If you have any information about this or any other similar incidents, or if you know the identity of the person or persons responsible for this, (or any other), crime, Crime Stoppers would like to hear from you.

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\$2.3 million for seniors complex

Gov't approves housing

A CEREMONY today on vacant land beside Terraceview Lodge marked the official beginnings of a \$2.3 million provincial government project to build 22 units of supportive housing.

Construction of the twostorey complex is to begin in August by B.C. Housing, the provincial agency which provides social and other types of housing in B.C.

Skeena NDP MLA Helmut Giesbrecht said B.C. Housing will also provide rental subsidies to those who need them and will provide an annual maintenance grant.

When finished, the housing project will be managed by the Terrace and Area Health Council which also runs Terraceview Lodge.

"This project is called supportive housing and the idea is that Terraceview can provide services such as Meals on Wheels and cleaning for residents who while they can live independently, need a certain level of assistance," said Giesbrecht.

He also anticipates that some of the units could be occupied by people who have spouses at Terraceview.

"This way, if getting to Terraceview Lodge is a problem for a spouse, they can live right next door," said Giesbrecht.

A covered walkway will connect the two structures.

Two of the 22 units will have two bedrooms and all will be wheelchair accessible.

Giesbrecht said some detail work in terms of approvals needs to be done but doesn't anticipate any problems.

The approval marks the end of more than 10 years of effort by various groups to build supportive housing for seniors on that particular location.

A private group last year came very close when it received a comTERRACE & AREA HEALTH CO WIEGRATED HEALTH CARE SERVICES

EMPTY FOR now but not for long is this piece of land beside Terraceview Lodge on the bench. Construction of a seniors housing complex is to start by

mitment of \$746,000 over Union. 25 years from B.C. Hous-Although that project failed, getting B.C. Housing to help subsidize eight ing involved then helped rental units out of a planconvince it to take on this ned 22-unit project. The new venture in its entirety remaining units would have been sold. when the health council But the project, called

surfaced as a new sponsor, said Giesbrecht. Terrace Mountain Manor, He also paid tribute to couldn't sell enough units the groups and people who up front to satisfy finanhad worked on various earcing requirements by the Northern Savings Credit lier efforts dating back to years. A ceremony took place at the location today.

the late 1980s. "This will be a really nice addition to housing

here," said Giesbrecht. "The last project, the past public project, for seniors was the Willows in 1973-1974 and that was when the first NDP goverament was in power."

> Giesbrecht added that the next social housing who passed away recently.

project after Willows was Phase I of the Skeena-Kalum affordable housing complex in 1995.

No name has been chosen for the project but several are being considered.

One suggestion is to called it McConnell House after long time community activist Walter McConnell

Schools next on construction list

TENDERS FOR the construction of a \$12.45 million replacement for Skeena Junior Secondary School should be ready to go out July 1, says Skeena NDP MLA Helmut Giesbrecht.

Speaking last week, Giesbrecht said plans are now being converted into detailed drawings so that contractors can make their construction estimates.

The actual construction is estimated to cost \$11.3 million and the planning for it is \$1.1 million, he said. A replacement for aging Skeena Junior has been wan-

ted for years.

Opposition to various proposals, including one to move it to the bench and another to locate it beside Caledonia Senior Secondary, were said by critics to have able, said Giesbrecht.

One other proposal would have seen the replacement constructed behind the current school on the location of the running track.

August. Planning began in the late 1980s and has

gone through various concepts and ideas over the

It will now be built just north of the current location and front on to Munroe.

At the same time, Giesbrecht progress is being made on a construction start to a new elementary school on the bench at an estimated cost of \$3.7 million.

There was a hang up over servicing costs but a deal is underway between the city, the school district and a developer with land in the area.

A date for when tenders would go out is not yet avail-

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News In Brief

Terrace firefighters take on Kitsumkalum village

AS THE Kitsumkalum volunteer fire department takes some time to revitalize itself, the Terrace fire department is providing temporary service to the village.

The department is providing the fire protection free of charge for a three month temporary term ending at the end of February.

"We're trying to provide them with as many options as possible," said fire chief Randy Smith. "We're hoping to start acting on formulating a plan here this month."

If the band decides not to revamp its volunteer force after the temporary term is over, it will have the option to buy into Terrace's fire protection services.

Low snow levels a worry

FLOODING appears unlikely this year but the threat of forest fires could be higher because of reduced snow accumulations so far this winter.

The province's River Forecast Centre has warned snow packs province-wide are lower than usual.

In the northwest, the blanket of snow covering the mountains is 20 to 30 per cent thinner than normal, the centre says.

Overall, the readings are the lowest in 12 to 15 years.

Snow packs affect water levels in salmon spawning streams, and the amount of water in reservoirs for power generation. Low levels in the Nechako watershed triggered Alcan's recent dispute with B.C. Hydro over fulfilling power delivery contracts.

February and March measurements are expected to give a better indication of how serious a problem the low water levels may be.

Land-use deadline shifts

THE DEADLINE has been moved forward for comments in the public review of the Kalum Land and Resource Management Plan.

Public comments will be taken up until Feb. 12, say organizers. Originally, the deadline was set for Feb. 16.

Meanwhile, the provincial government announced its target of preserving 12 per cent of the B.C. land base has been passed with the approval of the Okanagan-Shuswap LRMP.

That plan adds 49 protected areas totalling 122,963 hectares. Completed land use plans now cover more than three-quarters of the province.

Equipment stolen

SEVERAL pieces of multimedia equipment were stolen from a Thornhill service building sometime between Jan: 13414. and Don and

Stolen are a Multisync multimedia projector, a Motorola pager, a Radio Shack scanner and a VCR. If you have information about this break and enter please call the Terrace RCMP at 638-7400.

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A copy of the Pesticide Use Permit application and maps may be viewed at BC Hydro offices in Prince George, Terrace, Smithers and Burns Lake. For additional information, contact Al Leake, Vegetation Maintenance Manager in Prince George at 250-561-4984 or John Emery, Vegetation Management Biologist in Surrey at 604-543-4153.

A person wishing to contribute information about the site for the evaluation of this application for a use permit must send written copies of this information to both the applicant and the Deputy Administrator, Pesticide Control Act, 1011 4th Avenue, Prince George, BC V2L 3H9, Phone: 250-565-6945 or Fax: 250-565-6629 within 30 days of the publication of this notice.

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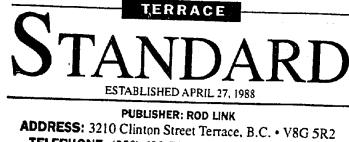
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Keep RCMP

UNHAPPY WITH what it's paying for the RCMP and suspecting that it is paying more than its fair share, council is spending upwards of \$3,000 to bring up a consultant to conduct a workshop on setting up a separate police force.

Yes, another consultant - the modern form of a mercenary in the way a world works today.

Council wants to use its workshop as a bargaining chip for an upcoming session with RCMP beancounters. The idea is to show the RCMP that the city just may consider dumping the federal police force and create its own.

That's all very fine and dandy, but there's a few things the city should keep in mind. First is that the city does not pay the full whack to have the RCMP police its streets. That will only happen once the city passes the 15,000 population mark. Barring a massive economic upswing or the unlikely event of merging with Thornhill, this isn't going to take place anytime soon.

Second is that, on average, RCMP salaries are less than what they are for municipal police forces. That means the city might just face a higher per-officer cost if it sets off on its own. We're not sure that this would be a good thing simply to satisfy the city's ego.

Thirdly is the vague sense of unease when considering the idea of a municipal police force beholden to a local, elected body which would have absolute and total control of everything the department does.

This is not to suggest a city council would treat a city police force as its own private army. But there is a lot to be said in having a police force which while working closely with the city, is also ultimately removed from its political and financial control. There's nothing wrong with a bit of separation in this circumstance.

Fourthly is the RCMP itself. Sure, it's not perfect, but what is? The force has recreated itself from a strict, military-style law enforcement agency to one in which it strives to be more involved with the community under the premise that prevention is more effective and cheaper than enforcement in the long run.



Beware of politicians and gifts

VICTORIA - In the old days, you could tell that an election was in the air when W.A.C. Bennett ordered highways paved and potholes filled throughout British Columbia.

Coupled with a generous dose of Ottawa-bashing and a few dire warnings that the socialist hordes, speak New Democratic Party, are at the gate, the scheme worked like a charm, getting the Old Man re-elected, time and again.

These days, the politicians are even more blatant. They try to buy your vote with cool cash.

The government's announcement that motorists will get a share of the surplus the Insurance Corporation of B.C. has amassed this past year is the most barefaced attempt at luring disillusioned voters back into the NDP fold. 10953 It's like telling voters: "Here's a hundred bucks, please remember us on election day."

Of course, Ujjal Dosanjh, the Premier, says the cashback scheme has nothing to do with the election to be called this spring. It's just a way of paying dividends to the shareholders, namely the province's drivers who have no choice but to in-



HUBERT BEYER

sure their vehicles with the government-operated company. I also find it cute that the government is trying to bribe me with money it took out of my pocket in the first place. Well, that may not be entirely true. Some of the surplus was generated by good investment. There will be other cash inducements for voters. Expect some form of relief for homeowners who've been hit with enormous increases in the price of natural gas. In fairness, however, this is less of a bribe than the automobile in-

CBC that his wife's entire pension income went towards heating their home.

At temperatures of minus 25 degrees and colder for much of the winter, I can believe it, and some form of assistance is definitely called for. Still, it can't hurt a government staring a hostile electorate in the face.

The question is: will it do the NDP any good? Are voters likely to be swayed by such generosity?

I expect not. Voters made up their minds a long time ago. This is a government that was condemned to death two years ago and is simply waiting for the execution date.

The reason for the voters, foul mood is two-fold. Fast ferries and budget lies. And both are the legacy of Glen Clark, the former premier.

I personally never considered the fast-ferry fiasco as monumental a blunder as many other British Columbians do. The losses pale before the overruns incurred in the construction of the Coquihalla Highway some 15 years ago.

It is the fudged budget affair

only to announce shortly after the election that there is a hefty deficit instead, voters demand retribution.

Most people would not throw a government out of office because it hasn't balanced the budget, but they will do so when they've been lied to.

The bottom line is that no matter how much money the government will throw at voters between now and the election, it won't make one bit of difference.

The NDP will not be reelected. To paraphrase an old saying, voters will beware of politicians bearing gifts.

And now for something completely different: I had a call from Mike de Jong, the Liberal MLA from Matsqui, to whom recently I referred to as a "professional heckler," who should try to keep some the nastiness out of his public utterances.

Mike laughed and said he is proudly wearing the professional heckler label. Now, there's a guy who can not only dish it out but take it as well. Which is why is also called him "otherwise nice guy." Beyer can be reached at: E-mail: hubert@coolcom.com; Tel (250) 381-6900; Web http://www.hubertbeyer.com

Critics would argue that a local police force would be more responsive to the local community in which it operates. Perhaps. But the RCMP brings a broad view of the world beyond the borders of Terrace.

On the grand scale of things, \$3,000 doesn't sound like a lot of money. But it's the rough equivalent of the tax payments of two modern homes. So think of council's show of force as costing what yourself and your neighbour forward to the city each year.

By all means have city council rattle the chains of the RCMP. But is it worth spending \$3,000 in this day and age to prove something which ultimately may be suspect?



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surance refund. The hikes in natural gas have left many British Columbians, particularly in northern B.C. destitute. One Fort Nelson resident recently told the

that turned British Columbians off the NDP, and rightly so.

When a premier (Clark) says before an election that the current budget is balanced,

Student records divulge

AN AD January issue of Oprah Magazine showing three bookcarrying teenagers caught my attention with its caption: "The more your business cares about how we do in school the more we will."

The full-page ad is paid for by 12 educational organizations including the American Federation of Teachers, National Association of Secondary School Principals, U.S. Department of Education and U.S. Chamber of Commerce.

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"Thousands of businesses are already requesting records," claims the ad. "When you ask, you'll be

sending a powerful message to how many days I'd been abstudents: 'How you do in school can help determine what kind of job you'll get, how much you'll earn, even how far you'll go."

"What does your business gain?" asks the ad. "Better students make better entry level workers; they have lower failure rates and require less skills training."

As a rule, graduates especi-ally those with high marks have learned to listen well to instructions, prioritize their workload, ask for help if they need it, stick to a task until it's done, and know the satis-

faction of doing their best. Says the ad, "You can learn a lot about a student from a school record: grades, courses taken attendance, and extracurricular activities."

I haven't seen a B.C. high school record for 15 years. My Saskatchewan record divulged sent, and how often I had been late. A high school student who skips school or arrives at first recess is unlikely to come to work every day, on time.

B.C. Chambers of Commerce often urge educators to make daily classes more relevant to the workaday world. As a result, schools devote precious time to teaching courses better suited to the outside world defensive driving, budget balancing, banking

Businesses might gain better qualified entry level staff if employers reinforced to students the value of their classroom achievements when it comes time to find a job. Schools would be left with more hours to teach basic reading writing, arithmetic, spelling, and grammar.

The Oprah Magazine ad sums up, "Make asking for student records business as usual."



Overwaitea union deal despicable

Dear Sir:

I have been a member of a union for the past 50 years. I have recently retired.

My wife and I are covered by a medical, dental, and life insurance plans, administered by my union. If anything should happen to me, my wife will inherit 100 per cent of my pension as long as she lives

The above conditions came about after a long and bitter struggle by men and women in the 1920s and 30s. Some had worked underground in mines when they were nine years old. Many did not live long enough to see the gains the future would bring.

Many of these gains are now being wiped out with the stroke of a pen by incompetent union representatives who are possibly in the pockets of corporate multinationals.

Who has ever heard of a union that would agree to lay off employees in 'reverse order of seniority', throwing away hard-earned benefits it took so many years to gain?

Yes they have succeeded in keeping the flow of union dues into their coffers.

Evidently this has happened at the Overwaitea store in Terrace, through the United Food and Commercial Workers Union. Long time faithful employees have been edged out with little thought for their future welfare. Will Safeway be next?

If something like this were to happen in our union, we would certainly take up the banner to rid ourselves of incompetent representatives.

Failing that we could decertify and have a union installed that would represent us properly, rather than work under the badge of slavery.

> **Fred** Glover Terrace B.C.

Conflict query answers already in, trustee says Dear Sir:

I read with interest the article in the Wednesday January 17, 2001 edition of The Terrace

Standard entitled "Conflict advice sought." I was disappointed that it was necessary to explain again at a Coast Mountain School Board meeting that the legal opinion obtained from the B.C. School Trustees Association in September was that I could continue as a trustee in Coast

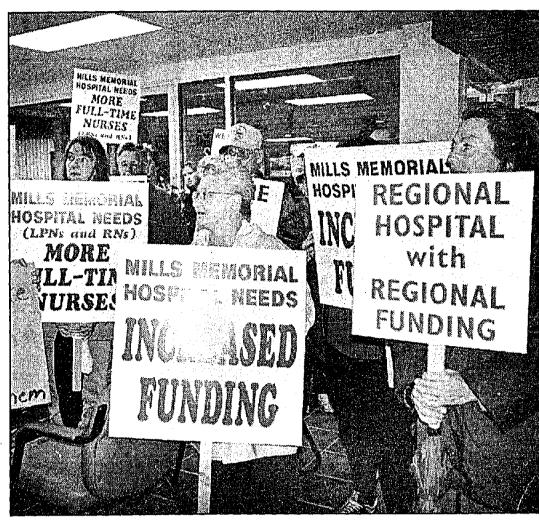
Mountain while being employed as a principal in another public school district. In fact, it is quite a common practice around the province for a teacher or principal to work in one district and serve as a trustee in another. the School Act requirement for attendance at board

meetings is one every three months. I believe, Terrace and District Teachers', Union president Frank Rowe only raised the question of my eligibility because of his concern that the

question had been posed by him at a previous meeting and neither the question nor my response had apparently been recorded in the minutes of that particular meeting.

In actual fact, Coast Moun-

CORRESPONDENCE FOR THE TERRACE STANDARD The Mail Bag



ANGER over health care - which spawned a series of rallies here last fall - is just the latest symptom of problems that began in Victoria, says one letter writer.

Our Utopia has crumbled

Dear Sir:

Thanks to Ida Mohler and others who try to drive home the message that we are disgusted with the rhetoric from our government representatives in blaming others for the disgraceful decline of health care issues in Terrace and other regions of B.C.

The government must dissolve the present health councils and allow provincial regions to locally elect hospital board members to hire qualified persons in administration jobs.

Blame may be somewhat warranted in Canadian and worldwide downtowns in avenues of economy services and supply, but our B.C. gov-

sighted", The Terrace Standard, Jan. 10, 2001) in which it states that it is my opinion that the switch from old growth logging to second growth is not necessarily a good thing, I would like to add a few clarifying comments.

1. Decreasing old-growth logging is a food thing and should be commended.

2. Focusing on the already-cut tree farm lands is a step long overdue.

3. The focus needs to be directed at rehabilitating and re-establishing complete forest sys-

ernment is mostly at fault for mishandling our raw resources, industries, health care, tax monies, and other services.

Other provinces in Canada are doing a better job than B.C. and this province was the Utopia of Canada a few years ago.

Let's hope that the citizens of Terrace and B.C. will answer against the NDP politicians in the next election.

It's a shame and sad time for Terraceites to

in the past, but I have also seen many improve-

level of education of those who would openly

criticize the manner in which the forests are

(and quantity) time walking on something other

than concrete and carpet to appreciate what is

Other than a few experimental and trial areas,

A person would have to spend some quality

What I don't see is an improvement in is the

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actually happening in the real world.

being managed.

lose our brilliant internist Dr Kenyon and others, because of work conditions in Terrace. Edna Jensen

Terrace B.C.

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MLA refutes charge he's anti-socialist

Dear Sir:

It is becoming difficult to carry on a rational discussion about complex topics in this forum but let me comment on two letters in the Jan. 10th Terrace Standard.

Shelley Fisher implies that she is being taxed to death, among other things. The fact is that British Columbians have the second lowest taxes in the country for anyone making less than \$80,000 per year.

She also objects to the government taking credit for how well the oil and gas industry is doing.

I'm not sure where she heard this comment but some years ago the government improved the incentives for oil and gas exploration in the Peace River area and this has had a positive effect on the industry.

The CBC recently did a piece on why gas prices were so high and they credited such things as "supply and demand", Brian Mulroney's deregulation of the oil and gas industry and Free Trade as the primary culprits.

Since there has been a great public outcry for balanced budgets, it seems odd that before the end of the fiscal year and when the indications are that a surplus is in the works, everyone now lines up for more spending. That's fine and I hope there is some relief coming but let's just stay with the facts.

On the one hand I'm being accused of being too friendly with unions and then I read Don Philpot's letter.

To suggest I have not supported a labour-oriented social agenda based on one vote is a real stretch.

I remember the criticism I received about supporting B.C.'s Labour Code, Fair Wage Legislation, the Health Labour Accord and increases in the minimum wage just to name a few.

Every worker-friendly piece of legislation has received "both barrels" of opposition from the Liberals.

Some of the nasty mail I have received would make you cringe. I recall the public sector unions agreeing to 0-0-2 and except for back-to-work legislation once for Vancouver teachers and once for CUPE workers, free collective bargaining has taken place for a past decade and unions have agreed to the terms and conditions of settlements.

I'm not sure you can hold me accountable for "public sector wages not keeping pace with inflation" although I fully appreciate there was a desire to work within the limits of government finances.

Yes, I supported the "CUPE bill" for reasons I don't have space for here. To suggest I have not supported a labour-oriented social agenda based on one vote is a real stretch.

Don is also critical of my position to support taking a second look at the Offshore Oil and Gas Moratorium.

A very cautious process is in place. A design committee will meet to determine how we should undertake this review.

B.C. may come to the decision not to proceed but the public will be coming to the decision with all the information available.

Environmentalists should not be afraid of taking a second look after more than 20 years.

One thing a review will facilitate is a discus-

tain provides more information in minutes than most boards.

I have no idea what prompted trustee Peter King to pursue the conflict motion.

He is a veteran trustee who prides himself on "knowing the rules".

I am shocked to think that he would have allowed me to continue for five months if there had been the slightest possibility of "conflict of interest."

Hal

Stedham

I will repeat what I was quoted as saying in the article: "I enjoy being a trustee and I feel I make a valuable contribution. Also, I am proud of the job I have done."

I would like to thank my current employer Stikine School District for allowing me release time to physically be present at Coast Mountain board meetings.

Finally, if you have ever made the twelvehour drive from Lower Post to Terrace you know it can be quite a challenge any time of the year. Hal Stedham, trustee

Coast Mountain School District

More on forestry

Dear Sir:

In regards to the photo and caption above my letter ("Forest growth optimism irrationally short-

tems with old growth systems as the goal.

4. Selective harvesting methods would help to re-establish multi-generational forests for the future.

5. The present clear cut plan for second growth stands serves to depreciate these already critically simple forests, reduce the labour force, and further the myth of sustainable forest management that has become a model for a depleted public forest.

Rob Mercereau Terrace B.C.

Sick of eco-simplified debate about forestry Dear Sir:

In response to the letter from Mr. Mercereau, (The Terrace Standard, Jan. 10, 2001), it becomes increasingly difficult to read and listen to the "environmentalist" perspective of what goes on in our forests without offering some response from those of us who found themselves somewhere in between the forest harvesting industry and the forest-harvesting-slamming industry.

Having worked in silviculture for many years, I have found myself, at times, exasperated with both views.

Yes, there have been many problems associated with the way our forests have been managed

the second growth forest is far from being heavily manipulated. If it was, those of us in the silviculture sector would be the first to know about it.

On the contrary, I have seen numerous occasions where the "manipulation" of the forest was desperately needed in order to establish and maintain a sustainable yield.

There is nothing simplified about the forest that exists in the tree farms. If it was simple, we'd let the armchair critics take care of it.

As for the health of the conifers, I've looked, and yep, what we've managed looks healthy to me, and yep, the biomass is still there, and yep, the insects are definitely still there, and nope, the nutrients aren't gone.

As for the fibre quality degradation of the resultant second or third growth harvests, I think that view should be backed up with information other that an opinion formed from sources unknown.

Look, it's good that we have people concerned about the state of our forests, we all need that.

But let's not have the efforts of those of us that are involved in achieving sound management of a resource that is available to all the people undermined by those woefully undereducated few that would consider themselves 'environmentalists".

Casey Eys Terrace B.C. sion of the cost of continuing the moratorium.

Then perhaps the public will understand that there is a sacrifice necessary to protect the delicate ecological balance of the B.C. coast.

Then perhaps we won't always be hearing how we in B.C. should be more like Alberta with its massive oil and gas revenue and lower taxes.

And Alberta still asks for more money for health care and they also have their own healthcare horror stories.

Nowhere in my comments to the reporter did I refer to "all trade unionists". If the union leadership doesn't recognize that their membership is all over the political map in many cases then the leadership shouldn't be surprised if they wake up one morning and their job of looking after their members gets that much more difficult.

Every old veteran of the trade union movement understands this.

> Helmut Giesbrecht MLA for Skeena

About the Mail Bag

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Here's why the Miligit should be protected

Dear Sir:

On Dec. 6, you printed an article on the land use plan agreed to by the members of the Kalum Land and Resource Management Planning table. You discussed the proposal that would provide protected area status for the Miligit Valley located in the Upper Zymoetz (Copper) River Valley.

You went on to say why mining interests at the table did not support the proposal but little was said as to why the Miligit should be protected.

As the member and representative from the tourism industry who proposed the protected area status for the Miligit watershed, it is important for me to shed a little light on why.

The Zymoetz river watershed, including its largest tributary the Clore River, covers more that 160,000 hectares of land in the Kalum Forest District. It is a huge and I might add a very beautiful watershed.

The river is very special because it

is home to a large population of summer'steelhead, a species growing increasingly rare.

It is also home to all five species of Pacific salmon, cutthroat and rainbow trout, Dolly Varden char, bulltrout, Rocky Mountain whitefish and a variety of coarse fish.

The Miligit Valley is a gem. It is particularly scenic with three stunning mountain peaks and a waterfall that could be the highest in the Terrace area.

The watershed is blessed with other wildlife, including many mountain goats, moose, timber wolves, grizzly and black bear. Along with its variety of fish and mammals, are the extraordinary rugged scenic attributes.

Even with all this diversity and spe-

cial qualities, not one hectare of it has been set aside for protection.

The Miligit Valley is a gem. It is particularly scenic with three stunning mountain peaks, a waterfall that could be the highest in the Terrace area cascading over a precipice that is more than a 100-metre drop. The lower valley has a wetland about 50 hectares in size, which is quite unique for the Zymoetz watershed.

The valley behind the waterfall is steep and rugged, with a glacier and snowfield on the south west side. Entering the Upper Copper Valley along the North Copper Forest road and looking south across the large logging setting along Nogold creek, the bowl, mountain peaks and the waterfall are a spectacular calendar setting.

The mining industry currently is able to explore the entire Zymoetz watershed. I have asked for the 2,200hectare Miligit Creek Valley to be set aside as a representative wildlife viewing area for today's British Columbians and tourists, but in particular for future generations who will have fewer and fewer wild places to see and walk through.

In an effort to reach a consensus, I

modified my position and expressed a willingness to consider protection for the bowl area only that encompasses the waterfall and wetland area. This would reduce the proposed protected area from the 2,200 hectares to less that a 1,000 hectares.

In addition, I agreed to a forest access road being constructed through the lower section of the valley. Unfortunately even my willingness to find a more palatable solution was turned down by the mining interests and some other table members.

As was noted in the article on Dec. 6 the table agreed to set aside an extra 0.35 per cent of the total plan area.

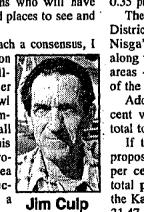
The existing protected areas in the District - the Kitlope, Gitnadoix and Nisga'a Memorial Lava Bed Park, along with the other smaller protected, areas - currently total 18.27 per cent of the entire Kalum Forest District.

Adding the Miligit to the 0.35 per cent would bring the table set aside total to about 0.5 per cent.

If the Giltoyees and Foch Lagoon proposed protected areas totals of 2.85 per cent were added to the mix, the total percentage of protected areas in the Kalum Forest District would rise to 21.47 per cent of the land base.

It is now up to the public to decide if an additional 3.35 per cent of special and wild land within the Kalum Forest District land base is worth saving for future generations.

Jim Culp Terrace B.C.





New company to invest \$11 million

Cable system sale nears

THE PENDING sale of Skeena Cablevision to sion's cable operations in Terrace, Prince Ru- tions, and movies plus, which includes Super-Medicine Hat-based Monarch Cable Systems West Inc. is one step closer.

Monarch submitted a request for approval of the sale to the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission in mid December.

The CRTC must give approval for the sale before the deal can be finalised.

"An agreement has been reached for the sale. The commission will either approve or deny and at present we have no reason to believe that the application will not be approved," said Monarch vice-president and general manager Jan Pisko.

In the meantime Monarch is already making its presence felt in Terrace.

Monarch representatives have visited Terrace to scope out possible new building locations. "We are looking at different locations and checking out some facilities to see if there is a place better suited for our 'dish farm'," Pisko said.

However that decision has yet to be made. The purchase will include Skeena Cablevi-

pert, Kitimat, Stewart, Hazelton, Smithers and Houston.

It will also include those cable operations owned by Okanagan Skeena Group's southeastern B.C. cable system Kootenay cable.

Monarch plans to invest \$11,000,000 into the new B.C. operations.

So, as far as staffing is concerned Pisko is optimistic that jobs will not be cut once the sale is approved by the CRTC

"We have no intention at present to make changes to staffing. We are looking at upgrades in services, which means we need people in place to deal with the changes," she said.

The company, in conjunction with Skeena Cablevision has also began offering lower rates to subscribers.

As of Jan. 1 full premium cable service costs dropped \$9.88 to \$49.95 plus tax per month in Monarch and Skeena's "Get it all" package.

Premium service includes basic cable, "E-Max", which includes both extended cable opchannel and Movie Max.

According to Pisko the package was successfully introduced in Alberta last year so they have brought it to the B.C. markets as well.

However, the price drop is partly in response to many customers opting for satellite service.

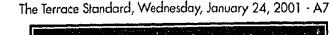
Thus far, no reduced rates are being offered to basic cable subscribers or subscribers with extended cable.

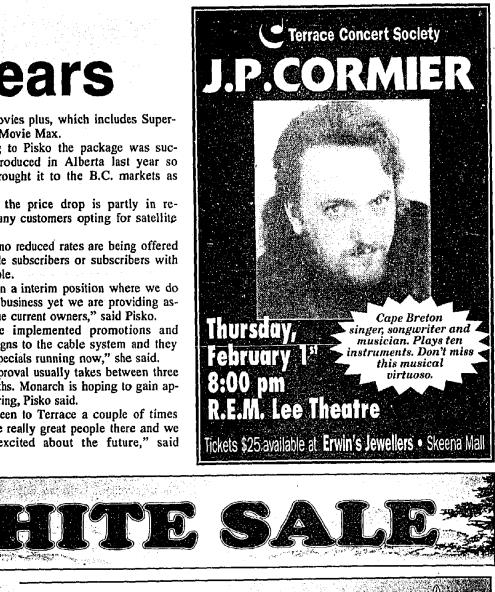
"We are in a interim position where we do not own the business yet we are providing assistance to the current owners," said Pisko.

"We have implemented promotions and sales campaigns to the cable system and they have some specials running now," she said.

CRTC approval usually takes between three and six months. Monarch is hoping to gain approval by spring, Pisko said.

"We've been to Terrace a couple of times and there are really great people there and we are really excited about the future," said Pisko.









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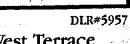
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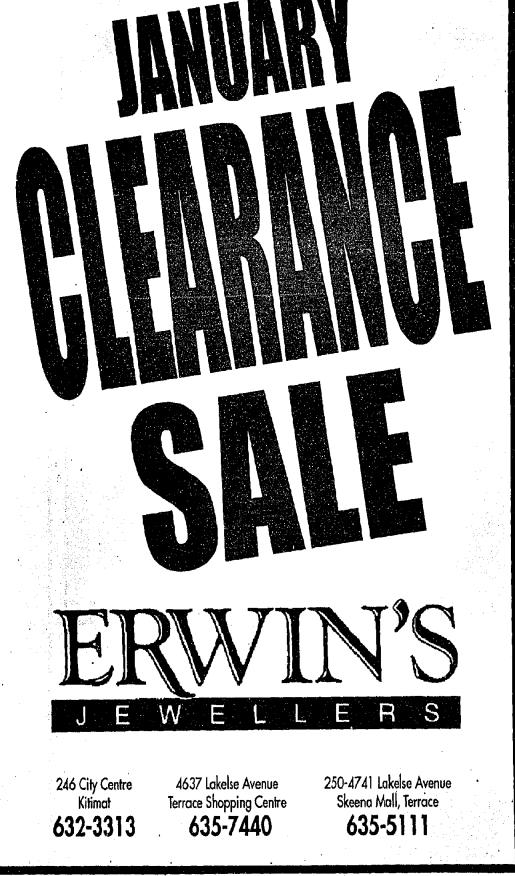
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Medical Briefs

New medical chief

UROLOGIST DR. Francis Osei-Tutu is the hospital's new chief of medical staff. He replaces surgeon Dr. Jim Dunfield who resigned the end of 2000 after six years in that capacity.

The chief of medical staff position carries a small salary and is a part time administrative position. The chief of medical staff provides advice on 'medical staffing matters.

Osei-Tutu is a long time specialist in the northwest and is based here in Terrace.

Wants privileges

A REQUEST BY local podiatrist Dr. Michael Feist for medical privileges at Mills has been put on hold for the moment.

The hospital's by-laws relating to privileges don't include podiatrists on the list of those who could be granted privileges and those by-laws must be amended first, said Dieter Kuntz of the health council.

No dialysis word yet

WHILE LOCAL health officials wait for word on whether Mills Memorial Hospital will ever get a kidney dialysis unit, Victoria and area residents got their good news last week.

The province announced an \$8 million kidney treatment facility to triple the existing 19-dialysis station unit at Royal Jubilee Hospital.

The new 60-space centre should be completed by 2002 and is part of a five-floor, \$115 million centre going up at the hospital.

Provincial officials say the demand for kidney treatment is growing by 16 per cent a year.

That may be, but Skeena NDP MLA Helmut Giesbrecht says he's having trouble getting some answers out of Victoria.

"I know we were on the list for an expansion and that was based on issues such as access and distance," he said.

The closest dialysis treatment centre is in Prince George, meaning that people from here who need treatment often have to move to that city.

Northern docs wanted

UBC AND the University of Northern British Columbia want to train more doctors in the north, provided they get the money to do so.

The plan, announced last week in Prince George, is to have 15-20 students register each year at the UBC medical school who would complete about half of their education in Prince George.

UBC would also expand its medical residency program to include Prince George.

By 2006, the two universities predict, the size of UBC's medical school could grow from 128 to 200 students.

All of this does require money and there's no indication yet from where they will come. UNBC also wants to ensure there is preferential admission for northern students.

College plugs away in bid for a nursing program here

NORTHWEST COMMUNITY College continues to assemble its plan to bring in a two-year licensed practical nursing course which, if things go the right way, could start as early as this fall.

College official Barb Sheridan says it is preparing information on college facilities, instructors and locations where students would get practical experience.

All of this then goes to the College of Licensed Practical Nurses which must approve of the program.

The college has to make a visit to examine its facilities and to see the places where the students would get their practical experience, said Sheridan.

"We need to show a commitment from the community. We already have upwards of 20 letters of support from health councils and professionals," she added.

Pending government financing, Sheridan said the program could be in place for this fall or by next January.

When the college will hear if it has the money isn't yet known.

An official of the advanced education ministry, which finances colleges, said that might not be until the spring.

Flint Bondurant said his ministry is still working through allocations based on the December announcement that there would be more nurses training seats across the province.

Much is also the same for plans by the college to offer the first two years of a Bachelor of Science in Nursing program in partnership with UNBC in Prince George.

The university would offer the final two years of the degree program after which graduates could apply for registered nurse status.

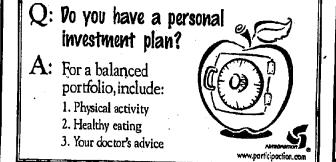
UNBC official Rob Van Adrichem said it must wait until it knows if it has the money to offer the final two years.

A number of additional registered nursing seats have already been approved based on the December announcement but UNBC wasn't included in that round.

UNBC already has a two-year and two-year partnership with the College of New Caledonia.

What will probably be announced soon is a refresher program at the college for existing registered nurses.

Bondurant said an announcement on refresher programs offered at various places around the province is expected in the next few weeks.



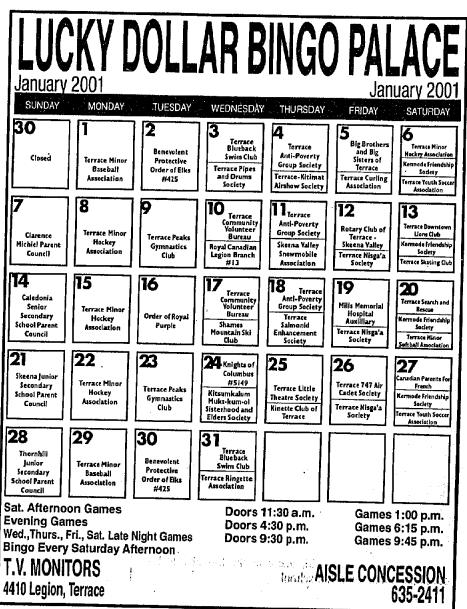
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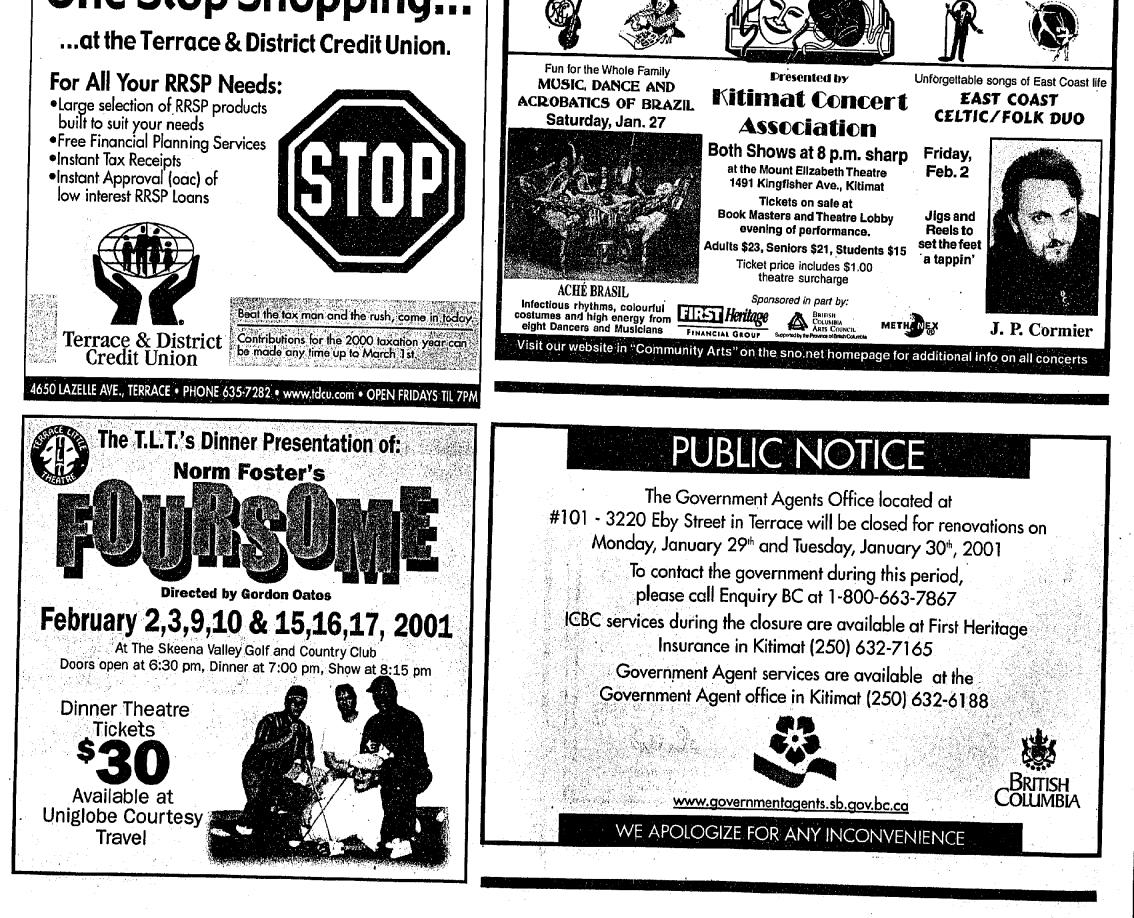
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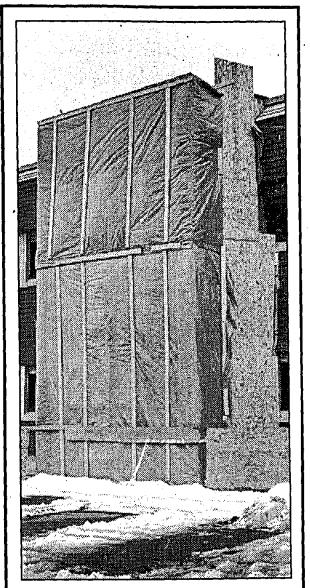
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Keeping the rain out THE NORTHWEST Community Health Services building on Kalum Avenue is getting a new coat of paint. The siding on the southern side of the building is being repaired.

Subdivision planned

A BIG new residential subdivision will be developed on the bench this year just north of the site of a new elementary school.

The B.C. Assets and Land Corporation, the province's land-holding division, will map out up to 52 new residential lots south of Soucie Ave. between Marshall and Bailey Streets.

The new neighbourhood will likely include two cul de sacs, said project manager Jim Senka.

But he stressed the corporation doesn't plan to sell off all the lots right away, adding that will likely be done in phases to avoid flooding the market. "We're not going to dump 52 lots on the market," he said. "Obviously it's not good for developers."

A feasibility study is underway to determine how and whether to proceed with the project, he said.

If all goes well, he said, many of the lots should be developed along with the school.



Heating help possible

A LITTLE used government program here to help seniors with rents could ease the burden of extra heating costs.

Only 14 people in the Terrace area are signed up for the provincial government's Shelter Aid for Elderly Renters (SAFER) program.

While SAFER does not apply to all seniors, it should not be overlooked in the bid to cope with rising costs of natural gas, say government officials.

SAFER is a rent subsidy program which could help as long as a senior citizen's heating costs are included in the rent, says Michelle Neilly of B.C. Housing, the agency responsible for provincial social housing programs.

"If the rent goes up and it is because of heating, then SAFER could help," she said.

SAFER may not apply to all senior citizens, Neilly warns, but those interested should apply to determine their eligibility.

"If a person already receives B.C. Benefits, they aren't eligible," she notes. In the first place, a senior must be

renting and cannot own his or her home. ing 1

And if renting, it must be a private residence. A senior cannot be living in accommodations which are already subsidized by a government program.

At the same time, the rental payment must be in excess of 30 per cent of the senior's income.

And SAFER does not apply to seniors who have income levels above the program's limits.

For those who are eligible, SAFER will reimburse part of the different between 30 per cent of total income and a senior's rent.

For singles, the maximum rent level is \$520 a month.

That means, for example, a subsidy of \$116 a month if rent is \$650 a month and income is \$1,200 a month, says Neilly.

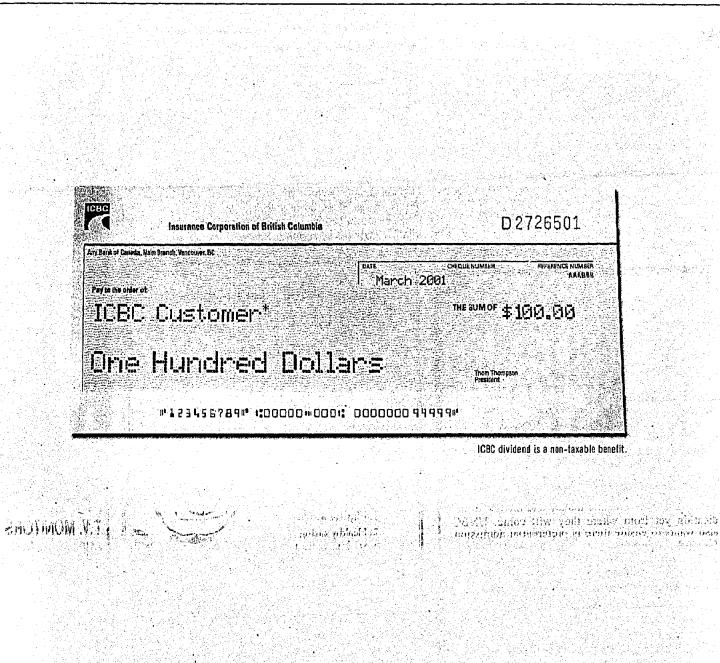
Overall, Neilly says there are approximately 13,000 seniors using SAFER at an annual cost of \$21 million.

It's been in existence for 20 years and was introduced to help seniors living on fixed incomes.

More information is available by calling 1-800-257-7756, which is toll-free.



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Good news from ICBC. It's been a good year for ICBC and we want to share it with you. We've been managing our business more efficiently and our financial investments performed even better than we expected. Our road safety programs helped reduce the number of accidents around the province, and claims costs were less than planned. So we ended the year with a surplus which we're sharing with over 2 million of our customers. And we're keeping insurance rates frozen, for the sixth year in a row. Look for your dividend cheque in the mail.

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A10 - The Terrace Standard, Wednesday, January 24, 2001 ear awareness on its way

NO NEW conservation officer positions will be creas a result of extra money per cent, said conservation pumped into the environ- officer Adrian Juch, one of ment ministry late last year.

In October the region got a \$114,000 increase. part of a province-wide hike of \$4.9 million in the ministry budget.

It has now been decided where that money is going to be spent - \$15,000 will go to a Bear Aware program in the Terrace-Kitimat area.

Bear Aware is a program designed by the B.C. Conservation Fund to educate people on how to store their garbage properly and take measures to avoid attracting bears.

Steps that can be taken also include pruning back bushes and removing undergrowth where bears can hide.

Regional enforcement manager Wayne Campbell said Terrace and Kitimat were chosen because of the number of bear complaints each community receives during the summer months.

The Skeena West region - a huge area extending from Kitimat north to Atlin and as far west as the Queen Charlottes - received 1,041 bear complaints (both grizzlies and black bears) last year.

Terrace-based conservation officers handled 962 ated in the Skeena region of those calls, or about 92 three COs working out of the Terrace office.

Juch emphasized that Bear Aware will help reduce the number of bear complaints his office receives.

The expectation is that once Bear Aware has been implemented, it may encourage municipal governments to get on board.

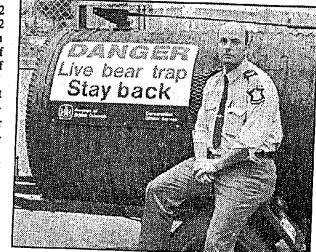
The program details still need to be finalized, but Campbell anticipates Bear Aware will be ready by May provided his ministry gets more money.

That first \$15,000 will be used to hire a program co-ordinator, possibly the wages of a couple of additional staff members, and production costs for educational materials.

Once the start-up costs have been covered, the money left will go toward getting the program underway,

The \$15,000 is part of the budget for the fiscal year which ends March 31.

The remainder of the \$114,000 is being spent on a study of marbled murrelet on the Queen Charlottes, upgrading the region's air quality hotline, an assessment of the environmental impacts of



CONSERVATION OFFICERS such as Adrian Juch, pictured above with a bear trap, will have another tool this year to cope with bears. On its way is an educational program to help people avoid having problems with bears in the first place

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Web-based method to check out fees

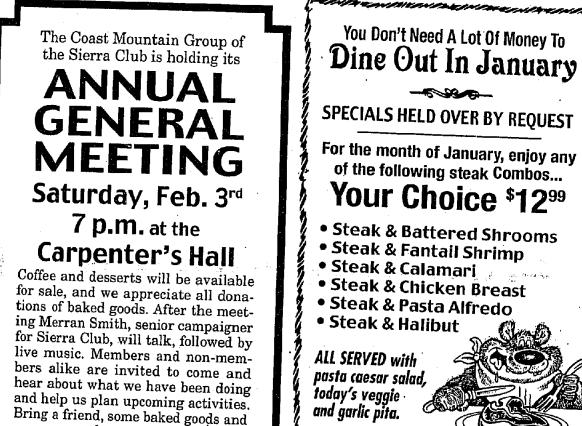
THERE'S A NEW web-based way to work out fees related to investments such as mutal funds.

It's called the Mutual Fund Impact Calculator and is the product of securities regulators across the country.

"What at first can seem life a small difference in the feel level can have a large impact on an investment's returns over time," sayus Doug Hyndman, chair of the B.C. Securities Commission.

There are typically four kinds of fees - management, loading, transfer and administrative. Some mutual funds do not charge all of these fees.

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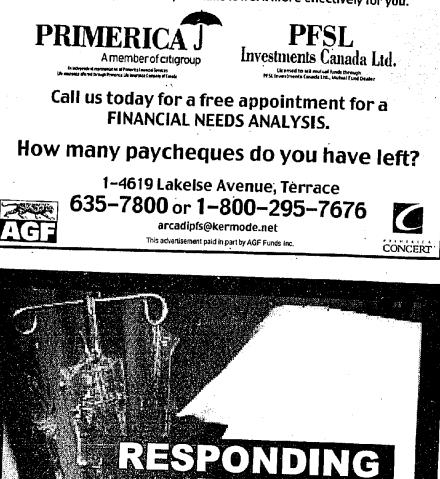






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Terrace and Kitimat Partners for Salmonids (TKPS) is this community's partner group. It was formed, at the request of FsRBC, in the spring of 1998 to establish goals and priorities for our area, to evaluate proposals, and to award Fisheries Renewal dollars to deserving projects. Through Fisheries Renewal BC just over \$220,000.00 has been spent in watersheds from the Kitimat, Lakelse, Kalum, Nass, and Stewart areas in the past two years.

The goals of TKPS are to rebuild fish stocks, to find ways to create, maintain and enhance employment, to share the benefits of the program in a fair and equitable manner, and to foster cooperation between groups with similar goals. Proposals for projects are submitted by non-profit groups and are evaluated on technical merit, on feasibility, and on whether or not they address the goals of TKPS

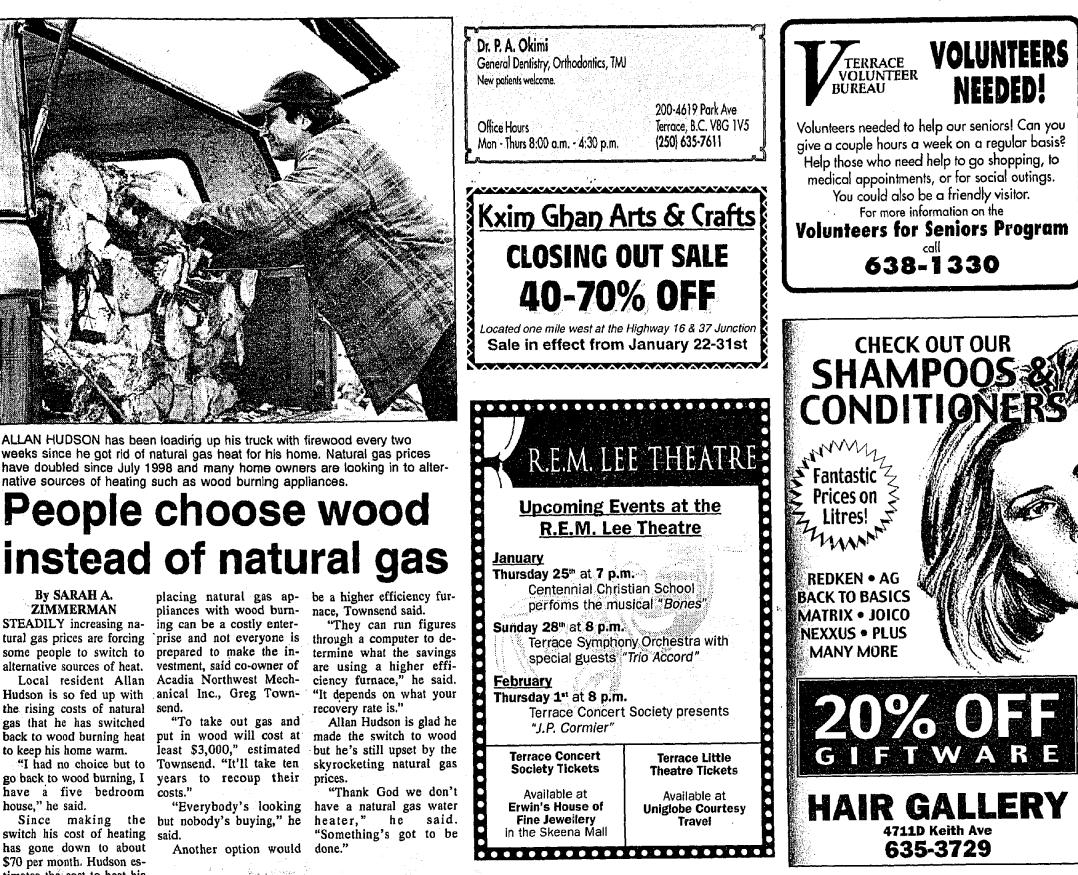
Our community and our fish populations benefit from FsRBC's investment in the community, from the jobs that investment creates and from the fish habitat that is restored and protected. Local professionals, technicians, and labourers have completed projects in and around our rivers and streams that have created side channel habitat for juvenile fish, promoted stewardship of our rivers, and enhanced rearing ponds among other projects.

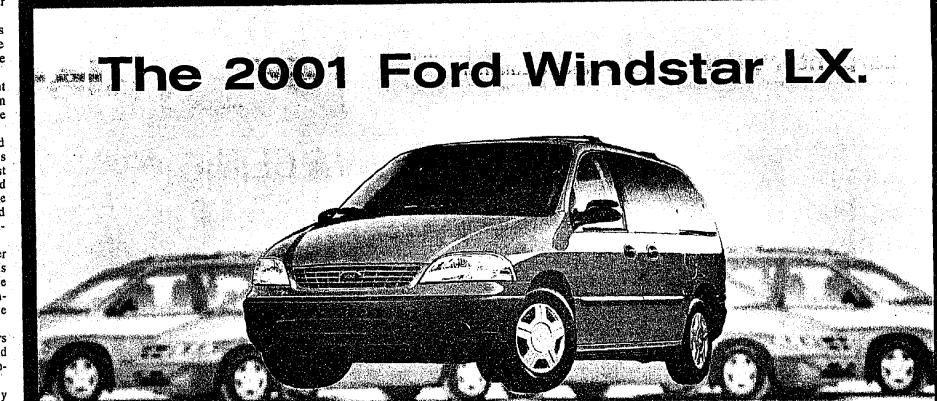
Over the next five weeks, look here to read about five local FsRBC funded projects that have been completed or are underway.

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back to wood burning heat to keep his home warm.

house," he said. has gone down to about \$70 per month. Hudson estimates the cost to heat his house with natural gas would be roughly \$200 per

month at the current rates. He's been getting his wood from the Terrace Correctional Centre since he made the switch.

"Since the prices went up I have to drive down here every two weeks," he said.

The amount of wood sold at the institution is not much higher than last year, but employee Fred Sturby blames the average

sales on the type of wood they had early in the season.

"If we'd had a better quality of firewood this year, the sales would have been booming, guaran-teed," he said. "We've had a lot of inquiries."

The Terrace Builders Do-It Center has also had a steady stream of customers.

"There has definitely been an increase in the sales of wood stoves," said store employee Rocky Gray. "You're looking at a 35 to 40 per cent increase."

A couple customers have already installed their wood burning stoves, he said.

"These people are really angry," said Gray. However, the cost of re-

Rupert pushes for steel enterprise

THE PRINCE RUPERT Chamber of Commerce has started a letter writing campaign in support of a planned steel mill.

The chamber is trying to convince the provincial government to help subsidize a company called Pacific Iron and Steel Products.

That company says it is working on a commitment for money from a steel company in Korea but also needs government help.

The company says it could provide up to 33 permanent jobs after the mill is built and 1,200 jobs during a 16-18 month construction period.

It says the project is worth an estimated \$810 million.

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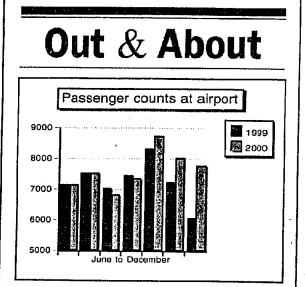
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Airport ends the year up

A SURGE in air travellers in the final three months of the year put the Terrace-Kitimat airport well ahead of last year's numbers.

The airport recorded 88,880 passengers, up more than 2,600 from the 86,218 in 1999.

The numbers point to increased interest in flying after homegrown airline Hawkair Aviation started offering cheaper tickets in September.

Up until the end of September, the passenger count for 2000 had been down about 170 from 1999.

But 2,833 more people flew in the final three months of the year - 10 per cent more than the same months of 1999. That produced a year-end increase of three per cent.

"You can obviously see the result of competition here," said airport manager Rick Reed. "It's excellent for the community."

"We feel very positive about

the numbers and hope they'll keep up," added airport society chairman Frank Hamilton.

eral approval of a big project this year - the resurfacing of the main runway.

95 per cent of the cost of the \$2.2 million project.

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'Pure economics' Hardware store will close

TERRACE will soon be without its Home Hardware store.

Owner Henry Stiksma says he plans to shut down the seven-yearold store.

A closing-out sale is in progress, but he hasn't yet said when the doors will close.

We've made the decision to close down so we have to sell off the inventory," Stiksma explained.

The closure means layoffs for three full-time and two part-time workers, he said.

"It's been a tough decision," Stiksma added.

The economic downturn of recent years in the northwest is the biggest of a number of reasons for the store's difficulties, he said.

But he said the arrival of Canadian Tire in Terrace three years ago was also a major factor.

"It's economics - pure and simple," he said.

Canadian Tire's opening was also cited as a factor in the closing of a local auto parts store and the Terrace Co-op's department store.

Home Hardware has been the only remaining local hardware store that has faced competition from Canadian Tire in all its de-



HENRY STIKSMA has told his five employees he plans to close his seven-year-old Home Hardware store. Stiksma has served on the Chamber of Commerce executive and the store has won awards at the Chamber's annual Trade Show.

partments.

Other stores in town also sell lumber and building supplies that the big box doesn't stock.

Meanwhile, Terrace Co-op general manager Allan Cote said rumours that the Co-op's Molitor

St. home centre is about to close are false.

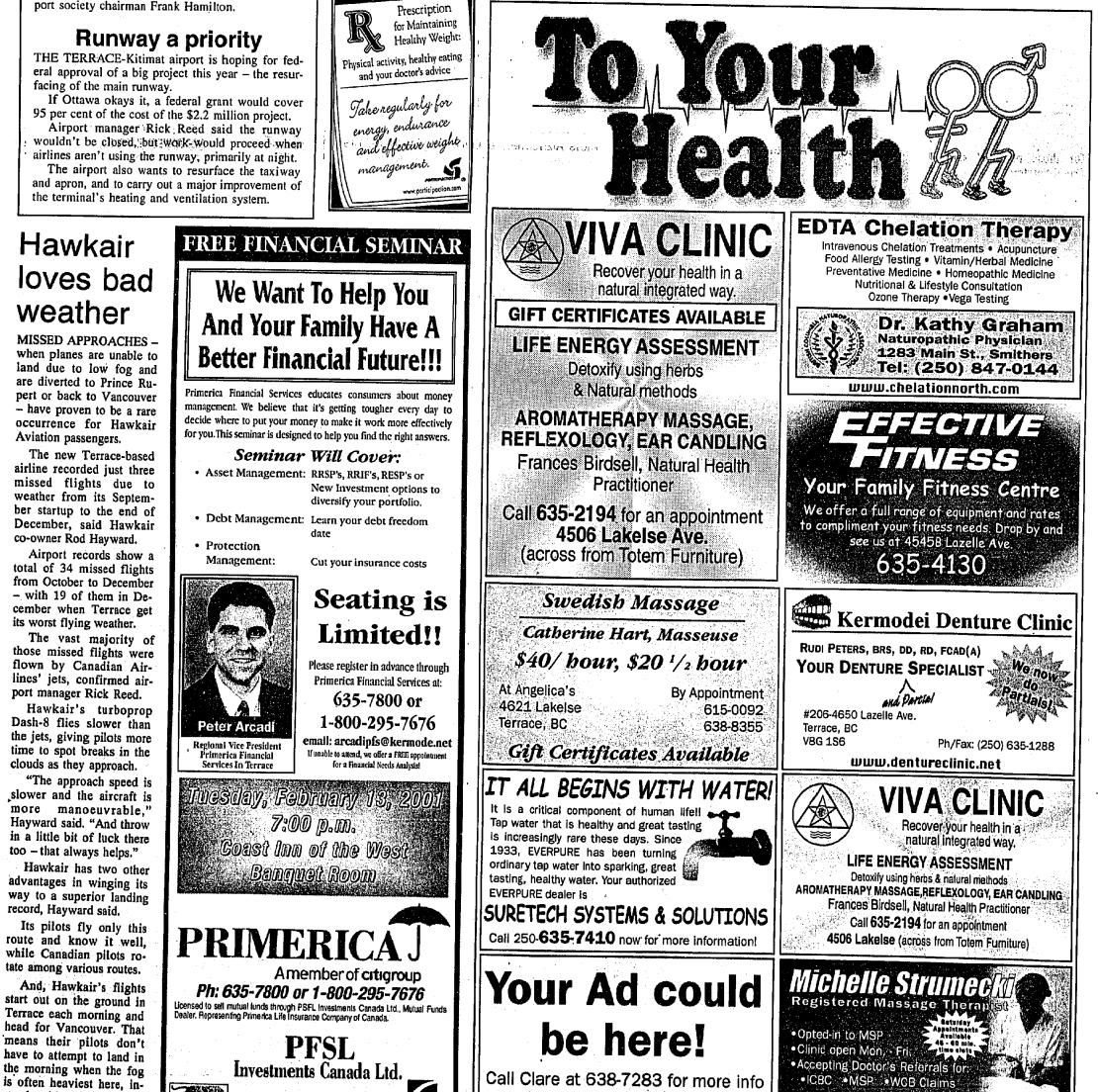
People are calling asking if the Co-op building supply centre is still open, he said.

"We are not closing," he emphasized.

The owners of the property

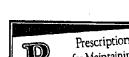
have put it up for sale, Cote said. But all that's expected to mean is that the Co-op - which leases the location - will at some point end up with a new landlord.

Cote said customers may have been comfused by the Home Hardware closure.



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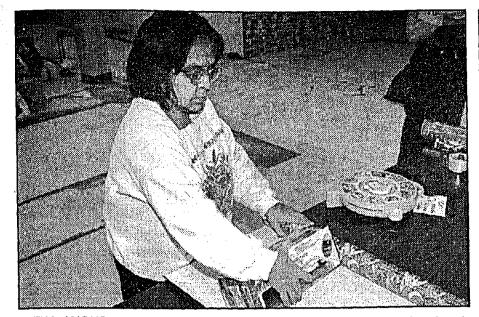
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LYDIA ANGUS was one of the volunteers assisting with the Salvation Army's Christmas hamper program. Volunteers logged more than 500 hours in the annual effort. Demand for help rose by 400 people over last year. The Army is now considering various ways of assisting local poor people such as money management classes, life skill sessions and job preparation classes.

Army looks at ways to assist local poor

THE NUMBER of people people are worth about turning to the Salvation \$51, Sessford said. Army over Christmas continued to climb this holiday season, leading the organization to consider value of toys donated to some long-term solutions the Salvation Army for to help curtail poverty in distribution this Christmas Terrace.

The Army's Christmas hamper campaign ensured a total of 1,605 adults and children living in the Terrace area had enough to eat in December.

That's nearly 400 more people than just four years ago, when 1,213 people here were aided through the campaign.

The number of families receiving the Army's Christmas hampers has also kept pace with the increase, rising to 568 families in December 2000.

Meanwhile, the number of single people receiving a food hamper dropped slightly from the previous year.

"This change may be, and hopefully is, due to increased job opportunities for those people," said David Sessford, director of community and family services for the Salvation Army for Terrace and Kitimat.

"Unfortunately, this also shows that there are more families with children who are in need then

is about \$13,000.

The campaign also re-

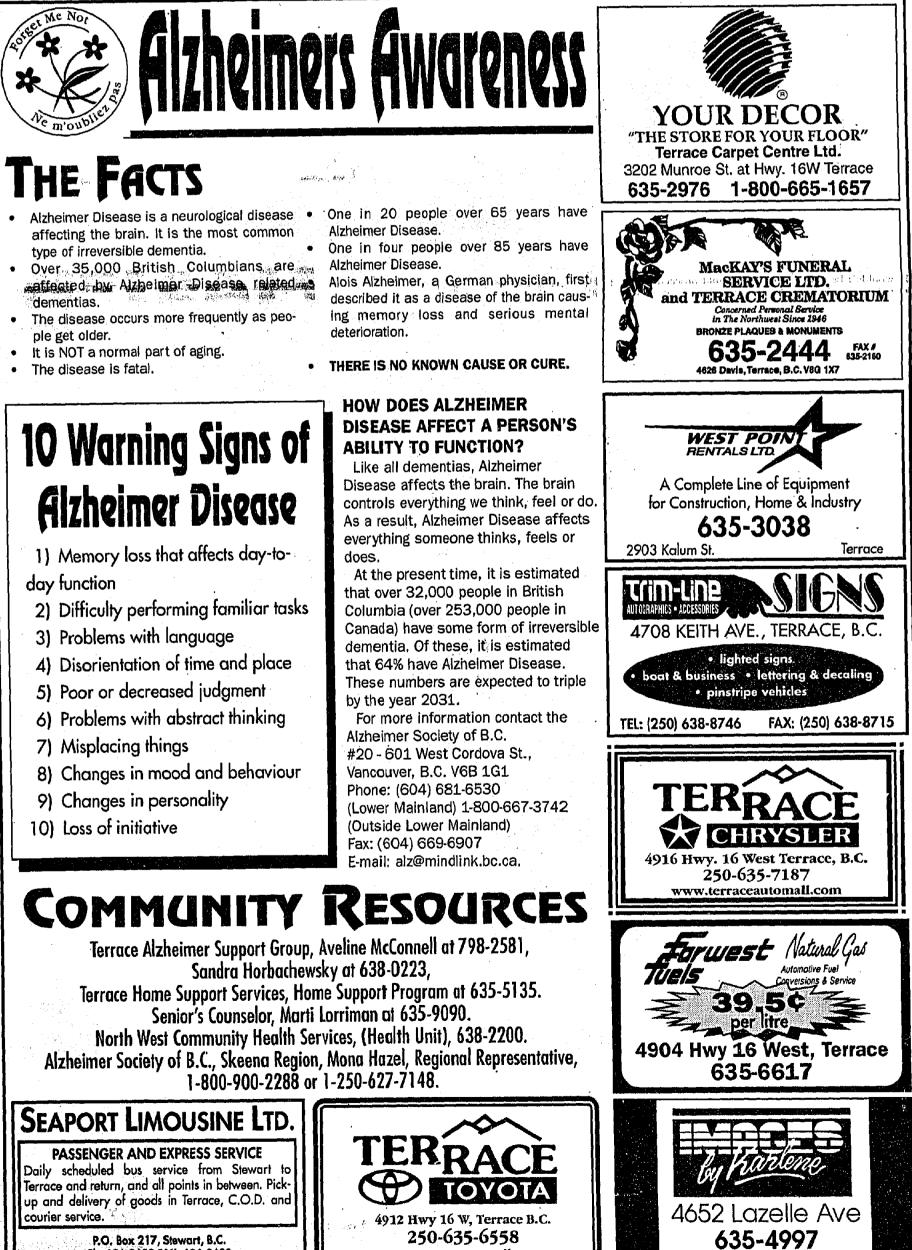
lies on a team of dedica-

ted volunteers who sort.

package and distribute the hampers. This year volunteers logged in excess of The hampers also con-500 hours during the camtain toys and gifts for children. The approximate paign.

Donations are tax deductible and can, be mailed to the Salvation Army Church at 4643 Walsh, Terrace, B.C., V8G 4H3. Or they can be dropped off at the Thrift Store.





there have been in the last few years," Sessford said.

Right now, the Salvation Army is considering other ways of getting people back on their feet and help them look for alternatives to assistance.

"Our goal is to start whittling down this number through money management, life skills, and job preparation classes offered to these people," he said. "We are striving for more than a temporary solution to the ongoing problem of poverty in this city."

At this point, it's not known if the Salvation Army would offer these courses or would work with other agencies as sponsors.

Donations to this year's campaign, although steady, failed to meet the fundraising target, leaving the Salvation Army about 15 percent short, Sessford said.

"We were short last year, too," he added.

Hampers distributed to single people and couples contain \$29 worth of food for the Christmas period. Hampers for three to five people are worth \$43, and those distributed to families with six or more

Equipment damaged

SOMETIME overnight Jan. 15-16 several items were damaged and stolen from two pieces of logging machinery parked on Thunderbird Road.

Approximately \$1,500 of tools, lights, fuel and a battery were stolen from the machines, say RCMP. Fuses were removed and lights were smashed.

Police are asking anyone with information to contact the RCMP at 638-7400 or Crimestoppers at 635-8477:

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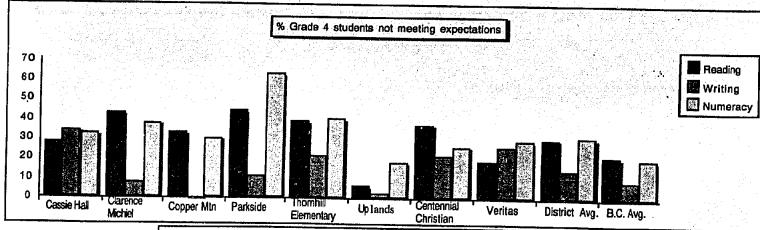
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% Grade 7s not meeting expectations

From front **Students** lag B.C. average

skills, Grade 4s and 7s at Veritas are in line with other independent schools and the provincial average.

Principals at both Veritas and Centennial point out the results are just one tool schools use to evaluate students and program success.

In the public schools, one-quarter to one-third of Terrace and Thornhill students tested are not meeting provincial reading standards in Grades 4, 7 and 10.

In some cases the percentage of students not

From front

meeting expectations is higher, particularly in writing and numeracy skills.

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For example, 63 per cent of Grade 4 students at Parkside Elementary didn't meet expectations in numeracy skills.

But just 11 per cent didn't meet writing expec- nores local factors that tations, a fact that under-

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school officials caution it can be misleading to rank schools or districts based on their performance on the assessment That's because it ig-

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Copper Mountain's Grade 4s met writing expectations, while more than 30 per cent failed to meet reading or numeracy expectations, figures that can be explained by the presence of additional students for those components.

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Grade 4 Copper Mountain

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Numeracy

Assessment 2000 was conducted in all public schools and provincially funded independent schools in the province during the first two weeks of May 2000.

signed to provide a snapshot of how well students are doing in relation to provincial averages.

throughout the year.

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It's meant to complement other information collected in the district, school or classroom

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Trees, campers aren't a good mix

increased public educa- an extra \$12,000 subsidy. tion, reduced use and selective tree removal.

If the campground is closed, it won't be this year, he said, and there would likely still be a dayuse area with trails.

Trewhitt said the parks might also develop a new campground along that stretch of the highway in a less sensitive location.

"We're not sure what we need to replace it with," Trewhitt added. "Exchamsiks has pretty low use in the summer season. And it costs a lot of money to run that area."

B.C. Parks tops up the contractor's earnings with

"We're not sure if that's a park we can afford to operate at the level we

have," Trewhitt said. Greg McDonald, a former operator of the campground at Exchamsiks, supports the idea of closing the area to camping.

"I think we have to recognize that there are areas that are sensitive and contain things we want to preserve," he said. "This one is a unique area. It has one of the last accessible stands in this area of first growth Sitka, hemlock and cedar."

Keeping it open but being forced to cut down

many of the trees would be ridiculous, he added.

"It's silly to have a park we're protecting and trying to preserve and have to take 60 per cent of the trees out."

鐵腦罐 Exchamsiks also faces a nearly \$6,000 bill to get

started this year after a bad bout of fall vandalism. Trewhitt said vandals in a 4x4 pushed through the

gate and ran amok inside the campground. "They knocked over

outhouses, they lit up and burnt one of the pit toilets down," he said. "They knocked our well over and broke it.

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INDEPENDENT REVIEW

Region of the Ministry For Children and Families. The review team is interested in soliciting the viewpoints of service providers, foster families, current and past employees of the Ministry on a confidential basis. Focus group workshops will be held in the following locations:

PRINCE GEORGE	January 18th and 19th
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TERRACE	January 24th, 25th and 26th
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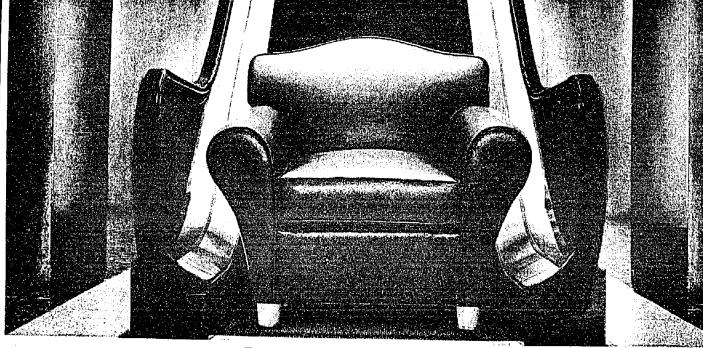
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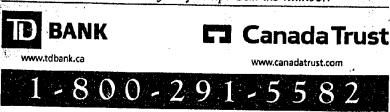
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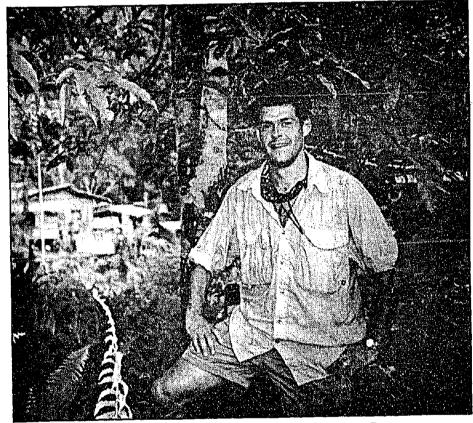
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FOLLOWING THE ACTION: Brian Marleau dons a wetsuit while shooting a segment on artificial reefs off the coast of Miami for the Discovery Channel.



Dateline Survivor

From northwestern B.C. to the Australian Outback, it's just a matter of timing for cameraman Brian Marleau

SO, HOW DOES a guy from Terrace end up working on the biggest TV show on the planet?

That's a question Brian Marleau asked himself this fall, when he arrived in the rugged Australian outback to work on Survivor two.

Marleau, a 38-year-old veteran news, documentary and adventure TV camerman, quickly found himself working alongside some of the best people in the business - in a production unit the size of a small

"When I got onto the set I thought, 'What's a boy from Terrace doing here?'"

What indeed.

"Survivor is totally different from anything that I've ever shot in the past. Just the sheer size of the production, it sort of blows me away. You're in the middle of nowhere in this little city."

Details about the much-anticipated second edition of the realitybased TV show are scant; anyone involved with the production are on strict orders from CBS to keep quiet.

"I can't even talk about the weather," Marleau said from his home in Toronto Jan. 9.

The series begins Jan. 28, following the Super Bowl, and expectations are high.

Whatever happens with the ratings, it's clear lightning has already struck twice for Marleau, who actually turned down a chance to work on the original Survivor last spring.

That's when Mark Burnett, the producer and creator of the Discovery Channel's Eco-Challenge shows, asked him if he wanted to spend two south China seas to tape a reality

volcanic slime - all for the chance to win a cool \$1 million.

While the cameras rolled, every candid, unrehearsed moment was captured. Hours of raw footage were then edited down into an addictive TV package.

We watched as tempers flared, alliances were struck and backstabbing schemes were hatched.

Best of all, each week, someone got booted off the island, in a cheesy, ritual humilliation-style vote.

It was irrisistible TV. A phenomenon was born.

So, how does a guy from Terrace end up working on a big show like Survivor?

By working his way up, and being in the right place at the right time at least, that's how he sees it.

Marleau got his first big break right here in Terrace at CFTK, the local broadcast station.

He'd taken a course called Educational TV at Caledonia; hooked, the high school student pitched a proposal to work at CFTK part time.

There, producer Peter Reynolds-Long (who just passed away last year) took the budding cameraman under his wing.

Marleau cites Reynolds-Long as a major influence in a career that's taken him to the top of his craft.

Marleau left Terrace in 1985 for Australia, where he spent a year at Channel 7 in Brisbane. By 1986, he'd landed a job at CKPG in Prince George, but he "wasn't too crazy about Prince George," so later that year he joined a new station in Winnipeg.

He hit the big leagues in 1989, months on a desert island in the when CTV hired him as an editor and sound man at its national news

The experience was to forge a lasting, awful memory: the sight of six dead Jesuit priests, a housekeeper and her daughter, who'd been murdered by the government an hour before.

"That's probably the thing that's left the biggest impression on me."

But the lure of the camera lens soon brought him back to Winnipeg, this time at CBC, making documentaries for the news, honing his visual storytelling skills.

"Since then, I've stayed in the same groove."

In 1995 he joined the Discovery Channel, traveling the world as a field cameraman and producer for the channel's documentaries, the show At Discovery.ca, Canada's nightly science program, and the annual Eco-Challenge specials.

Marleau's "follow the puck" lens was in the right place at the right time when a medical emergency forced a Calgary woman to drop out of Eco-Challenge 1999 in remote Patagonia.

Her amazing rescue by helicopter just happened to be witnessed by the show's producer, Mark Burnett.

"That sequence ended up being a major portion of the show."

A year later, Burnett told him he could pick his own crew for Survi-

Marleau's dodged bullets and Molotov cocktails in the line of duty; he's also seen space shuttle and Russian space station launches.

But he's counting his work on the second edition of Survivor as a career highlight.

"I was really proud of my crew, and I think the producers were impressed by our footage."

ECO-CHALLENGE 2000 took him to this village in Malaysian Borneo.

show called Survivor. Marleau said no.

"I didn't know anything about the show," Marleau recalled. "It was a couple of weeks after our daughter, Hayley, was born, so I stayed home. And then," he said wistfully, "I watched the ratings..."

The original Survivor was a summer smash hit, as millions tuned in each week to catch the latest intrigues on Palua Tiga, where 16 aggressive Americans ate bugs, roasted rats, even slathered themselves in bureau in Winnipeg. "It was a wild year."

Assigned to Washington, he hadn't even checked into the hotel when he got a note telling him to get on a plane to El Salvador, where a civil war was raging.

He arrived, long john clad, to sweltering 100 degree Farenheit heat and a country mired in political turmoil.

"We came under fire a couple of times. It was really rough. There was a lot of fighting going on."

Now back home in Toronto, with his wife Dorothy and daughter Hayley, he sounds content as he contemplates the road ahead.

"There are two places I've always said I'd never live in. One was Prince George. The other was Toron-

His job's taken him to both.

"Now, I'm saying I never want to live in Hawaiil"

Hawaii. Now that would be a Hollywood ending for the story of a guy from Terrace.

Rescued cat to remain with Stella family

Owner wants adoptive family to keep 'Tigger'

A CALICO cat found clinging to life in a Terrace storm drain before' Christmas has been reunited with her original owner.

But now that he's seen how much the Stella family loves her, Greg Townsend says he just doesn't have the heart to take his cat home again.

"I came this close, but I can't take her back. I can't do it," he said, adding the Stella children are particularly close to the cat they've now named 'Tigger'.

'She's so content," Townsend said.

Tigger has been living with the Stellas since Christmas, a few days after she had been rescued from inside a storm drain on Hamer Street. She had been hanging by a paw that had frozen to the metal drain cover.

Her rescuer, firefighter Lawrence Stella, brought the cat home so she wouldn't be lonely over the holidays. Stella had tried to locate the cat's owners, to no avail.

Tigger's limb, injured in the mishap, was later amputated. She's now recovering comfortably at the Stella's home.

Townsend, meanwhile, had given up hope of ever solving the mystery behind the baffling disappearance of his eight-year-old calico cat, named Calli for her distinctive markings.

She'd gone missing Easter weekend, nearly nine months ago, and he'd checked with the animal shelters but there was no trace of her.

"It's always been a mystery," Townsend said.

But the puzzle was solved a few weeks ago, when he saw a photograph of Calli - and her rescuer - in the newspaper.

"I feel so much better," said Townsend, who visited his former cat Jan. 8.

"To survive and come through it like she did. It just boggles the mind. I can't get over it. T'm so grateful."

He has an enormous amount of praise for the Stella family. "People like that make it worthwhile living here."

It's a bittersweet ending for Townsend, but he's just glad to find out what happened to his cat. Still, there are no easy answers

about Calli/Tigger's whereabouts for the past nine months.

The Townsends used to live in the Horseshoe area of Terrace until two years ago, when they moved to Thornhill.

Townsend suspects someone may have deliberately trapped his cat and eventually set her free far from her Thornhill home. She would have found the Stella's neighbourhood familiar.

"I think it's a hell of a cruel situation," he said.



GREG TOWNSEND with the photo that solved the mystery.

Cat owners who are concerned about their pets' welfare are advised to always keep them indoors, according to Thornhill's animal control officer, who cautions there's no evidence that someone's trapping cats maliciously.

Unlike dogs, or even farm ani-

mals, there are no bylaws controlling or protecting cats.

Clashes between cat owners and their neighbours can occur, Andgela Vanderboon said.

"Lots of people take things into their own hands," Vanderboon said, adding it's difficult to trace wrongdoing.

Thank You

TSO grateful for cooperation and support

Dear Sir:

A community project takes a great deal of cooperation and support from both the participants and the community.

Terrace should be very proud that this kind of cooperation not only exists, but thrives.

In December, the Terrace Symphony Orchestra together with Vox Polaris, our community choir, and Prince Rupert's Rotary Choir put on a performance of Handel's Messiah. This involved about 100 people on stage, but in fact at least double that behind the scenes.

The TSO could not have taken on such a project without local sponsors. We would like to thank everyone who helped make the event such a success. Their support is immensely appreciated.

The conductors of each each group also deserve special mention. Their leadership and enthusiasm was extraordinary.

To involve Prince Rupert people was also exciting, and it is hoped that we can do more of this again in the future. It is said that the strength of a society can be measured by its support of the arts. Based upon that, it seems that Terrace is indeed very strong and everyone involved hopes that it continues to thrive and grow.

Thank you again to all those who braved the snowstorm to come and listen to Handel's glorious music.

> Bonnie Juniper, President Terrace Symphony Orchestra

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Every Wednesday is games night and Thursday is still the best ladies night in Terrace.

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HANKY PANKY'S is your weekend party destination, the northwest's largest dance night club. No cover. Join us Friday and Saturday nights for great times. Karaoke on Sunday and Monday nights.

MUSIC

JUST ANNOUNCED: Terrace Musicians Association Sound River Coffeehouse presents John T. Smith and the Frolicking Simpledites, and Dizzy Strings, at a Coffeehouse Jan. 27, starting at 8 p.m. at the Carpenters Hall, 3312 Sparks SL There will also be an open mic session. Doors open at 7:30p.m.

Trio Accord, the fine string trio that performed in Terrace in the fall, returns with the Terrace Symphony Orchestra in concert, Sunday, Jan. 28, at the R.E.M. Lee Theatre. Featuring pianist/accompanist Allen Stiles. Concert starts at 8 p.m. Tickets at Sight and Sound or at the door. Trio Accord members



J. P. Cormier

are also offering violin, viola, cello, bass and piano lessons on Monday and Tuesday during the day. Call Bonnie at 635-9649 if you're interested.

J.P. Cormier is a multi-faceted singer-songwriter (he also plays 10 instruments) who hails from Cape Breton. His music incorporates his Cettic roots, as well as classic blue grass, while his passionate lyrics are described as subtle, but expressively poetic. Cormier has toured England, Scotland and North America, and has released six albums. He's also won awards for guitar, banjo and the fiddle. J.P. Cormier appears at the R.E.M. Lee Theatre Feb. 1 at 8 p.m. Presented by the Terrace Concert Society.

The Terrace Community Band presents a benefit concert Feb. 17 at the R.E.M. Lee Theatre featuring guest pianist, Montreal's Beniot Turcotte, and local guests: Northwest Singers, Caledonia Choir, and Vox Polaris choir. Proceeds to the Dare to Dream Foundation in support of the Grade 7 band program. Tickets at Sight and Sound at the Skeena Mall.

Vox Polaris Community Choir is beginning a new season of song. If you sing soprano, alto, tenor or bass, the choir wants you! For more information call Kelly Kline at 798-2535 or Henry Stiksma at 638-1404.

THEATRE

The Terrace Little Theatre presents dinner theatre at the Terrace Golf and Country Club. Norm Foster's Foursome is a farcical romp through a golf course as four college graduates reunite after 15 years. Directed by Gordon Oates, the play will run Feb. 2, 3, 9, 10, 15, 16 and 17. Doors open at 6 p.m., dinner is at 7 p.m. and the play begins at 8:15 p.m. Tickets are available at Uniglobe Travel.

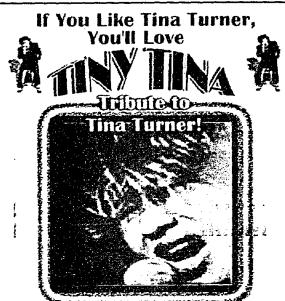
VISUAL ARTS

Northwest Juried Art Show, Jan. 12 to Feb. 25. Artwork displayed is from Terrace, Prince Rupert, Smithers, Kitimat, Greenville and New Alyansh.

Make the SCENE: Call 638-7283 or fax to 638-8432.







Amazing One Woman Show! One Night Only! Thur, Jan 25 Tix:\$5.00adv. \$7.00@door

THURSDAY, JAN. 25

Looking for something fun to do as a family? Need a night out? Come out to BONES. This musical for young voices, based on Ezekiel's Visions, will be performed by Centennial Christian School on Thursday, January 25th at the R E M Lee Theatre. Pick up your free ticket at the Centennial Christian School office, 3608 Sparks St.

Terrace Antl-Racism Committee meets at 6 p.m. at the Family Place, 4553 Park Ave. Had experiences? Want change? Challenging attitudes. Planning for International Day to Eliminate Racism March 21, Call 638-1863 for info.

SATURDAY, JAN. 27

All are welcome to the Knox United Church and Terrace Scottish Country Dancers' Eighth Annual Burns' Potluck Supper and Entertainment, at 6 p.m. Wholesome food and entertainment for the entire family, in celebration of Robert Burns (1759-1796). Admission is by donation plus your favourite dish. Please bring your own plates and cutlery. For info call 635-7763. <u>SUNDAY, JAN. 28</u> Lakelse Community Association General Meeting. At 2 p.m. at Mount Layton Hot Springs Resort. For information call Shirley at 635-7134, ext. 250. nance to shovelling snow from your walk, call the Terrace Volunteer Bureau at 638-1330.

Residential School Outreach Program sponsored by the Northwest Band Social Workers Association group/support circle every Tuesday from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at 1581 Kulspai in Terrace (Kitselas reserve.) For info phone 638-0744, ask for Louisa.

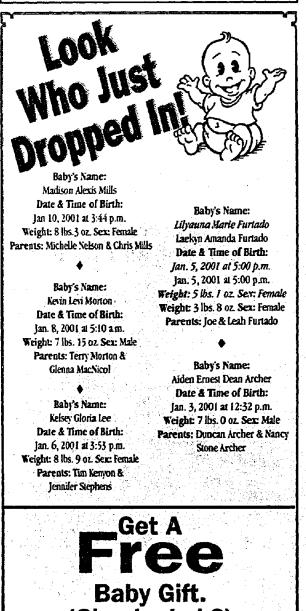
Parent-Child Mother Goose Program starting Feb. 7 for 10 weeks at the Northwest Health Unit from 1-2 p.m. Simple rhymes and action songs for babies and toddlers (newborn to 2 and a half years.) Free, but please register by calling Pat at 638-2233.

Registration for children's programs at the Terrace Public Library is now taking place. Winter programs include: Tickles & Tales, Toddler Time, Tales for Two's, and Preschool Storytime. Programs are free, but registration is required. Call the Library to register or for more information at 638-8177.



available at the Best Western Terrace Inn 250-635-0083 also appearing ... TRIXXX







TUESDAY, JAN. 30

A workshop for women on stress. Learn to Identify and deal with everyday stress in a comfortable, safe environment. From 1:30-3:30 p.m. at the health unit auditorium. Research shows women and men are stressed by different things and deal with it in different ways. Free, but please register in advance by calling the Terrace Women's Resource Centre at 638-0228.

TUESDAY, FEB. 6

Terrace Breastfeeding Support Group meets in the education room at Mills Memorial Hospital at 7:30 p.m. Topic: Billing's Ovulation Method of Natural Family Planning – a natural way of understanding your cycle of fertility and intertility even while breast leeding. For info, call Cathy at 635-7397 or Nancy at 635-5607.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Family Place is offering How to Talk So Kids Will Listen and Listen So Kids Will Talk, a six-week course for parents of children 6-12 who want to be more effective and happier in their relationship with their children. Wednesdays from 7-9:30 p.m. Jan. 31 to March 7, Limited space. Register by calling 638-1863 or drop by 4553 Park Ave.

Regular meetings of the Pacific Northwest Music Festival held the second Tuesday of the month, 8 p.m, in the lower level of the Terrace Public Library, 4610 Park Ave. Everyone welcomel Call Kim at 638-0131 for information.

Starting Feb. 1, the Mills Memorial Hospital Auxiliary Thrift Shop will now be open from 10 a.m. Tuesday to Saturday. We're located at 4544 Lazelle Ave. For info, call 635-3512.

Volunteers needed to help our seniors! The Volunteer for Seniors Program at the Terrace Volunteer Bureau assists those needing help shopping, keeping medical appointments, or social outings, or friendly visits. You must be able to volunteer a couple of hours a week on a regular basis. Call 638-1330.

Seniors and persons with disabilities: do you need help? For minor home repairs and mainte-

Emergency Shelter Winter Drop-In. Get out of the cold and come for a snack – daily from 2-4 p.m. at 2814 Hall St. (the big white house behind Totem Ford). Men and couples are invited, but we are not set up for children. Drop in for coffee, conversation, card games, the odd video or plain old conversation. Call 635-5890.

Play, Paint and Playdough drop-in for under 5-year-olds and their adults. Dress for mess! At the Family Place, 4553 Park Ave., Jan. 29 and Feb. 5. From 1-3:30 p.m. Call 638-1863.

The Kermode Friendship Soclety invites you to come in for a cup of coffee and see what's happening at the centre. We will offer a strong correspondence program with a tutor available in the new year. A computer room (computers will have Internet access in January 2001) is available to the public. You must schedule hours. Pregnancy and parenting programs available. Call today at 635-4906.

Free tutoring available for all grades at the Kermode Friendship Society from 2-5 p.m. Monday, from 4:30-6 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays and from 2-6 p.m. on Thursdays. For info, contact Corinna at 635-4906.

Can you spare some time to help others? Why not join the Revenue Canada volunteer team? Revenue Canada offers training sessions on how to prepare straightforward income tax returns to community organizations and people interested in helping others. For details, contact the Terrace Volunteer Bureau at 638-1330.

All mothers are welcome to attend Mother's Time Off at Knox United Church Monday, Wednesday, Thursday or Friday for coffee and conversation. Guest speakers. Learn about the joys of parenting. Sponsored by TCDSS. Phone 635-4147.

Alateen, a program for young people affected by someone else's drinking, meets every Thursday night at 7:30 p.m. at the Terrace Women's Centre, 4542 Park Ave. Open to all ages. For info, call Wanda at 635-1449.

The Terrace Standard offers the community calendar as a public service to its readers and community organizations.

This column is intended for non-profit organizations and events without an admission charge. Space permitting, items will run two weeks before each event. Submission deadline is 5 p.m. on the Thursday before the issue in which an item is to appear. Submissions should be typed or printed neatly. Your website/email address could be here! Contact us at 638-7283



Red Clover

For most of us, red clover is a familiar road-side weed. To animal owners, it's a nutritious pasture crop. It's valued for its ability to improve the soil, and as a rich nectar source for honey bees. Did you guess it's a most useful herb also?

Perhaps some of the usefulness can be attributed to a deep root system. By this means it draws upon a wealth of minerals in the subsoil. It's a dependable source of nutrition, full of vitamins and minerals.

Scientists have discovered that red clover blossoms contain a trace element, Molybdenum. This is becoming known as an important nutrient in very small quantities, playing a role in cleansing, lactation, and the formation of both hemoglobin and antibodies.

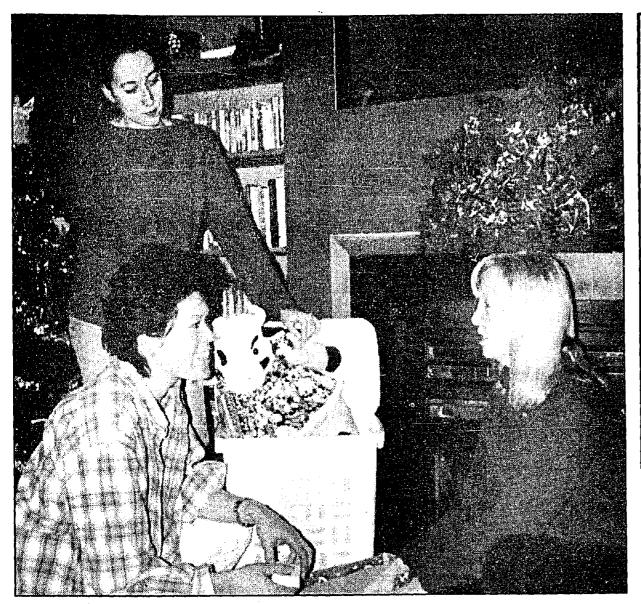
The herb is quite sweet, and is considered excellent for cleansing the blood. Some antibiotic action is associated, and it's often suggested for skin eruptions and degenerative diseases. It is said to activate the liver and stimulate the gall bladder, with a slight laxative effect.

Applications include acne, bladder infections, blood cleansing, boils, bronchilis, cancer, gout, leukemia, liver disorders, nervous conditions, psoriasis, skin ailments, spasms, tuberculosis and tumors. It's been used as a sedative for whooping cough, with expectorant qualities.

A red clover formulation was used by Dr. Hoxsey in his Mexican cancer clinic, with famed results. Use it either as a liquid extract or encapsulated, in combination with licorice root, sarsaparilla, prickly ash, burdock, buckthorn and kelp. Red clover is regarded as a safe herb lor all ages, with

no known toxicity. However you choose to use your red clover, we don't recommend you harvest it from the road-sides which may have undesirable toxins, such as lead residue from fuel exhaust.





DEBBIE SCARBOROUGH, Terrace Transition House executive director (front left), and Dawn Garner (right) from Preceptor Gamma Omicron, unpack gifts. The organization donates to items each year at Christmas.

When women can't go home for the holidays

THIS DECEMBER a handful of women and their children spent Christmas Eve and Christmas morning at the Terrace Transition House.

That's unusual, says executive director Debbie Scarborough.

The facility offers safe refuge for women and children fleeing abuse.

It's more often the case, Scarborough notes, that battered spouses tend to remain at home over the holidays in an effort to keep the family intact at this time of year.

"This year has been different," she says.

Fortunately for those who need it, the Transition house is staffed 365 days a

year, even on Christmas. The staff prepare a traditional Christmas dinner on Dec. 25 that's available to anyone dropping by for a visit, or because they're in crisis.

Scarborough has also noticed an increase in the number of people coming to the transition house who don't have enough food to eat. "This year, more and more people are hungry." Scarborough, However, is grateful for the fact that the community can be counted on for its support

for the facility. The refuge operates through government grants, but relies on donations from the general public for the so-called "extras" that help make the transition house seem more like a

home - anything from furniture and kitchen appliances to light fixtures and shampoo. For several years now,

the members of Preceptor Gamma Omicron, a Beta Sigma Phi chapter, have been delivering timely "Christmas" presents' to the transition house. The women's organization, whose motto is Life,

Learning and Friendship, has established a Christmas tradition in recent vears.

Members collect items throughout the year, and donate them as gifts to the transition house in time for the holidays.

This year member Dawn Garner dropped off two large baskets filled with shampoos, soaps and toiletries - essentials the women and children staying there need, because often they arrive with just "the clothes on their backs."

This year's donation also included toys for children.

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BC Hydro - Transmission and Distribution Maintenance - 8475 128th Street, Surrey, BC, V3W 0G1, Phone: 604-543-4153 is currently applying for Pesticide Use Permit: 105-959-01/03. The following wood preservatives are proposed for use under this permit: Impel Rods (boron) - 6550 poles or Post and Pole Fume (metam sodium), and/or either Cobra Wrap (copper naphthenate) or Cop-r-plastic (copper naphthenate, sodium fluoride), -65495 poles. These products are proposed for use to preserve transmission and distribution woodpoles, ensuring worker and customer safety and a reliable supply of electricity.

Applications are made by bandage, or drill and inject between April 1st 2001 and December 31st 2003.

Treatments are planned in various locations throughout the northern region from (and including) 70 Mile House to Fort Nelson and west to the coast, including Terrace and Prince Rupert.

A copy of the permit application and maps may be viewed at BC Hydro, 8475 128th Street, Surrey, BC V3W 0G1, or in Prince George at BC Hydro, 3333 - 22nd Avenue, Prince George, BC V2N 1B4, or contact John Emery at 604-543-4153 or Mike Maser in Prince George at 250-565-4872.

A person wishing to contribute information about the site for the evaluation of this application for a use permit must send written copies of this information within 30 days of the publication of this notice to both the applicant and:

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Angler management

ecause of its setting and the ferocity of its fish, the Dean River is the premier steelhead river in BC. For arena sports crowds are desirable, for fine

angling they are anathema. Worried by crowding, the Fish and Wildlife Branch undertook a study of the angling use on the Dean ten years ago. The study revealed that anglers from outside Canada were growing faster than other groups of Dean River anglers. To stem this growth the Branch established a lottery system, and devised a policy that gave guides rod day allocations. This brought form, substance, and control to the guiding industry.

The program worked. Dean River guides are fully subscribed, and crowding has not been a problem until recently. In Skeena a lucrative guiding business developed on classified rivers as a result of the same initiative.

The demand for good steelheading has continued to grow to the point where the original classified waters regime is no longer adequate to preserve fine angling. The government assembled an interagency review team and charged to deal with the problem. In their earnest desire to be hip and current, the leaders of the review team hired a facilitator, then invited all sorts of hoary heads to a series of touchyfeely sessions intended to map out a strategy to deal with crowd control.

The result of these deliberations is purportedly captured in a work entitled a Discussion Paper re: Angling Guide Management System and Classified Waters (AGMS &CW) Review. Because it is written in the language of processprocessed language, replete with "stakeholders, concensus-based, transparent processes," "inputs" and twisted syntax-reading the document is like solving a cryptogram. The first two thirds of this paper says almost nothing and can be ignored. When its authors finally decide to get down to business they are disingenuous. Three options are put forward. The first, to abandon all regulation, is not an option at all. The second option is to build upon and modify the existing system, but later in the paper it becomes clear that its authors favour a third option, which suggests that rod day allocations to guides should be phased out, and that residents should be allotted a fixed amount of fishing time. The former suggestion has provoked an aggressive reaction from guides. "A guide has tenured rights to special water, just like a logger has tenured rights to timber," says Terrace guide, Noel Gyger. "The logger is assured timber which allows him to plan for the future, and enables him to invest thousands of dollars in infrastructure. Guides are granted time on special water so they can hire assistants, run their lodges, and run their equipment. Now the government is backing an option that would take that tenure away."

Wildcats hungry to win

THE SKEENA boys basketball team has gone through some serious changes this year.

With only four boys returning from last year's roster, the team has had to work hard to come together as a unit. But the players have

been working dilligently under the guidance of new coach, Terry Monture. Monture has coached

body builders and individual athletes for 16 years, and he is excited about taking on the job of coaching a team sport. "I'm a real fan of con-

ditioning," says Monture. And it shows in how the boys play. Their 10 wins and 0 loss

record against other junior secondary teams has ranked this team at 15th in the province as of December 22.



Terry Monture

Monture is all in physical fitness.

"I have a lot of different. ideas about training," he says. "We don't realise how hard they can work." And work hard they cer-

tainly do. A typical practice not only includes drills and scrimmages, it includes a lot of cardio vascular training - something that is proving to give these boys an edge. "In the second half we

least stay the same while the other team might be slowing down," said Monture.

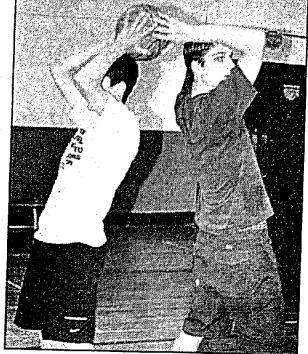
The boys' conditioning also helps them play more of a running game which helps comensate for the lack of height on their team.

The tallest player stands an even six feet with all the others standing between 5'7" and 5'11".

The Wildcats will be playing at a 16 team tournament hosted by D.P. Todd in Prince George in early February.

If the team does well they will have an even better idea of where they stand provincially.

"Our goal is to go down there and win that tournament. I'm a firm believer that you have to set your goals so they're attainable but you can still set them The secret, says coach can pick up the pace or at high," said Monture.



JAMES VICKERS and assistant Derrick Matthews pass the ball to one another during a drill at ont of the Wildcats' practices.

Bluebacks host invitational meet

KYLE NARTZ won't be competing at the Blueback watch is long distance Invitational swim meet swimmer Chris Morris. here this weekend.

cided to put swimming on 1500 metre freestyle in hold to focus on his studies.

said Blueback coach Mike Carlysle. Nartz was

one of the club's strongest swimmers but he is taking some time

Another Blueback to

Morris needed to take 7 The 17-year-old has de- seconds off his time in the

order to qualify for the B.C. senior provincial championships. He came through with flying colours

easily qualify-

ing with 35

seconds under

Both Morris

and Barton



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To get your game, event or meeting added to the Terrace Standard Sports Menu or Sports Scope, fax us at 638-8432, or you can e-mail us at standard@kermode.net

Jan. 24

∎Men's Day at Shames. Every Wednesday is men's day, bring a friend and they get their lift ticket for half price.

Jan. 25

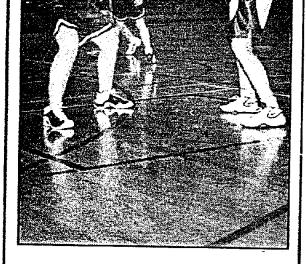
"Deregulating the guiding industry," says Dean River Guide, Rob Stewart, "would result in a proliferation of guides on blue ribbon waters. Most of those guides would be part timers who would be writing off their expensive equipment against a small seasonal income. They would be paying virtually no taxes compared to the present assistant angling guides who have a fairly high, stable income with almost no tax write-offs."

Reaction from the B.C. Drift Fishers, the B.C. Federation of Fly Fishers, and the B.C. Wildlife Federation to the suggestion that the access of residents to special waters be restricted was unequivocal. In a joint letter to the Minister of Agriculture the three organizations said they believe resident anglers have undisputed priority angling access to public waters, that they expect residents to be the last class of angler restricted, and that such restrictions should only occur after all other classes of angler have left the water.

To avoid this mess government should have taken the sensible approach of making adjustments to the system already in force, then given that task to the Ministry of the Environment fisheries staff, in particular those who helped construct the original policies, and those who have been involved with their administration.

This group could then have presented their proposals for public perusal in much the same way the Ministry of Forests does with their public planning process. After soliciting the public's comments, the team could then make the modifications they deemed appropriate and forward their recommendations to government.

Had the problem been dealt with that way, I have no doubt rod day allocations would have been maintained in the form of daily quotas for special rivers. Electronic licensing would have been adopted. Per-mitting systems, like the Dean River Lottery would have been instituted on rivers where such a system does not already exist. And pilot programs to test such concepts as requiring non-resident aliens to hire. guides would have be tried on selected rivers. In the end a lot of money could have been saved and a lot. of angst avoided.



Not on my court!

CALEDONIA Kermodes captain Kelly Haugland keeps a Smithers Gryphon at bay in game one of the Kermodes EXtreme tournament Jan. 19-21. The Kermodes won 55-36. Gillian Gook led the scoring with 17 points.

out to prepare for university in the fall.

Kyle Nartz However. the rest of the

Bluebacks will be taking to the pool to compete in a regional meet Iza. 26-28

Teams from Kitimat, Smithers, Prince Rupert and Masset will be here.

The level of kids in the senior girls' age group is quite strong coming from Kitimat and Rupert," says Cartysle.

That means that 15year-old Jenine Barton will have some good competition on her hands.

Stephanie Nichols from Prince Rupert, Jen Horwood and Megan Allen both from Kitimat, will all be solid competition for ber.

have qualified for the provincials. Another highlight of the meet will be the use of the new score board at the aquatic centre.

Spectators will be able to see the swimmers' split times as well as their final times.

Distance events will be Friday at 7:30 p.m. - 9 p.m. Saturday the younger swimmers will compete in the morning with the senior girls and boys swimming in the afternoon.

Events run 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Various events will be held Sunday from 8:30 a.m. and ends with awards

ceremony at 1:30 p.m.

Jan. 26-28 Terrace Legion Open Bonspiel takes place at the Terrace Curling Rink.

Jan. 26-27

Caledonia Kermodes host Prince Rupert for a double header. Games 6:15 p.m. Friday and 10:30 a.m. Saturday.

Jan. 27

Terrace Bluebacks host a regional Invitational swim meet at the Terrace Aquatic Centre.

Jan. 28

Snow Valley Nordic Ski Club hosts Men's Day. A full day of skill building, food and fun with the guys at Onion Lakes. Women's Day has been rescheduled for today. Register at Source for Sports.

Feb. 2-3

Caledonia Kermodes boys basketball team host White Rock Christian. Games Fri. 7:30 pm and noon Sat.

Feb. 3-4

Terrace Curling Club hosts the Juvenile zone playdown. Winners go to provincial playdowns.

Feb. 4

Application deadline for coaches, assistant coaches and managers for Terrace Youth Soccer Association, Call George at 635-3719 for details.

1992 avalanche tragedy marked by snowmobilers

By SARAH A. ZIMMERMAN IT'S BEEN nine years since two local snowmobilers were killed in an

avalanche on Thornhill mountain. The avalanche claimed the lives of Perrie Turner, 33, and Peter Dobler, 25 on Jan. 3, 1992.

The anniversary is marked by the Skeena Valley Snowmobilers' Association with a memorial ride every January, said current club president Adolf Lubke. This year's ride drew 90 participants.

It's a fun ride but you remember them too," said Lubke, who was part of the rescue team who searched for the two men nine years ago.

As a result of the tragic accident the association also holds an avalanche awareness course every year.

"We try to put as much information in the day as possible," said Lobke.

The avalanche awareness course was attended by 18 snowmobilers, many of whom were learning about avalanche safety for the first time.

"An avalanche awareness program for anyone spending time in the backcountry is a day well spent," said Lubke.

Fifteen people have died in avalanches in North America so far this winter. Eight of those people were snowmobiling.

Those numbers are higher than average, says Rod Gee, avalanche coordinator for CN.

But they hit home in the wake of three deaths involving snowmobilers near Prince George in the last month.

Two Albertan snowmobilers died near Powder King Dec. 29 and another man was killed in an avalanche in the McGregor Range Jan.

Gee was brought in to teach the avalanche awareness course to the snowmobilers.

"You need to educate yourself about how avalanches work," said Gee. "It's your own actions and knowledge that keep you out of

Anyone travelling in the backcountry should carry and know how to operate the appropriate rescue equipment as well, said Gee.

A beacon, probe and shovel are the essentials.

However, he cautioned that just because you have the proper equipment doesn't mean you are guaranteed to escape an avalanche should one occur.

In the avalanche Jan. 6, the victim was located within 15 minutes using his beacon but rescuers could not revive him, said Gee.

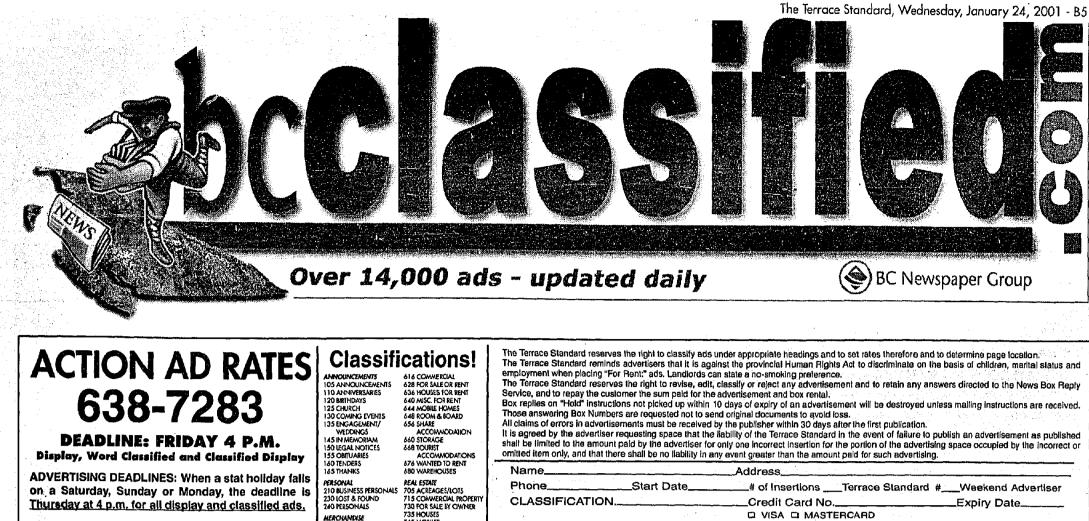
Though beacons can indeed save a life it is no guarantee, he said.

Another misconception some snowmobilers may have is that they can outrun an avalanche. However, avalanches can travel faster than some might first think.

"People sometimes think they can outrun an avalanche on a snowmobile, but there is no way you can outrun them," said Gee.

the 19 minute 40 second cutofi time.

Ladies' Day at Shames. Lessons, lift tickets, lunch and vino with your ski pro. Call 635-3773 for details.



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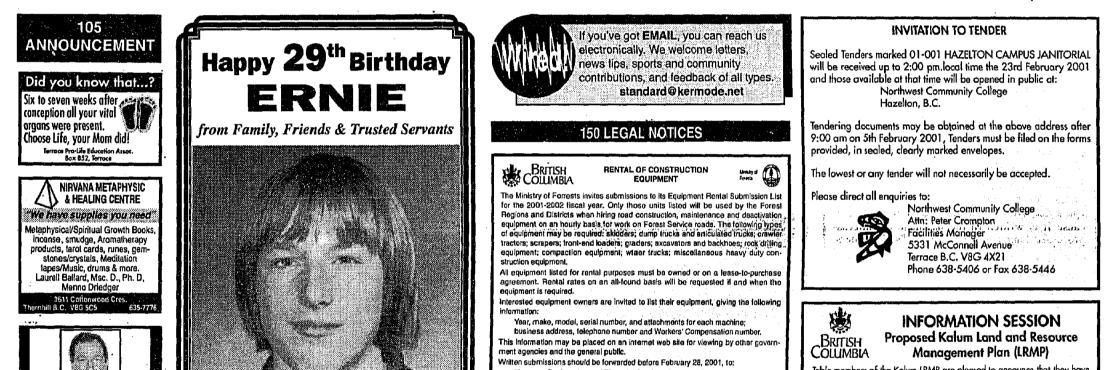
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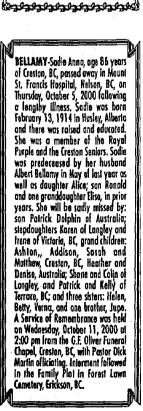
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Manager, Engineering and Financial Services Resource Tenures and Engineering Branch Ministry of Forests PO Box 9510 Sin Prov Govt Victoria, British Columbi V6W 9C2

Prince Rupert Golf Club Application for Tender - Kitchen Contractor

The Prince Rupert Golf Club is requesting all interested parties to submit a proposal for operating the Golf Club's Kitchen.

All applicants must have the appropriate Serving It Right and FoodSafe Certificates

•previous experience in a short order cook and catering environment

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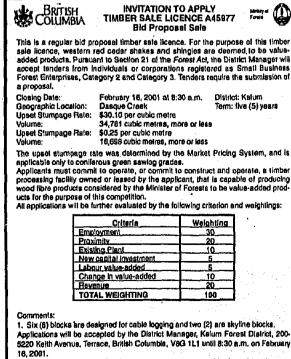
The successful applicant will be required to: provide catering to all golf course functions •operate a short order kitchen, providing quality food services to the members

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Submit all applications to:

Prince Rupert Golf Club 523 9th Avenue West Prince Rupert, B.C. V8J 2S9

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There is additional muterial which the applicants must consider in their applic This material, application forms and any other information about the Small Business Program can be obtained from the above Forest District Office. Specify Triber Sale Licence A45977. reached consensus on a package of the land use recommendations for the Kalum area.

The LRMP area encompasses the southern portion of the Kalum Forest District including the Kitsumkalum, Kitimat, and Copper River watersheds and reaches south including the Kitlope Heritage Conservancy protected area. The communities of Terrace, Kitimat, and Kitimaat Village lie within the LRMP.

Information and Table members will be available for discussion at the following locations and times:

Kitimat Mall, January 26, 2001 • 3 p.m. - 8 p.m. Skeena Mall, January 27, 2001 • 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Ministry of Forests, Terrace, January 29, 2001 • 3 p.m. - 8 p.m. Riverlodge Community Centre, Kitimat, January 30, 2001 • 3 p.m. - 8 p.m. Kitimaal Village, January 31, 2001 • 4 p.m. - 8 p.m. • Community School Gitanyaw, February 1, 2001 • 3 p.m. • 6 p.m. • Gitanyaw Community School

The planning table's land use recommendations are available for review to the information session and can be obtained from:

Earnon O'Donoghue, Process Coordinator Ministry of Forests Room 200-5220 Keith Avenue Terrace, B.C. VBG 111 Phone: (250) 638-5115 Fax: (250) 638-5176

All public comments must be received no later than February 12th, 2001.

Ministry of Transportation and Highways Skeena District **Hired Equipment Registration**

The Skeena District of the Ministry of Transportation and Highways is creating its lists of registered Equipment for Hire for the fiscal year 2001/2002, which begins April 1,2001.

If you have construction equipment to register, or if your equipment is currently registered and you have acquired new equipment or made changes to your previously registered equipment, please contact the District Office for registration forms. Current address, telephone and WCB numbers are also required.

All owners of dump trucks or belly dump trucks must provide a current weigh scale slip. (This is used for the purpose of calculating hourly rates.)

Registration forms are available at:

- **Skeena District Office**
- Ministry of Transportation and Highways 4825 Keith Avenue

Terrace, BC, V8G 1K7

Phone: (250) 638-6402 or 1 (800) 663-9910 Fax: (250) 638-6414

The deadline for registration is March 16, 2001. Registrations received after March 16, 2001 will be recorded on a late registration list and consequently may not receive a share of the available work.

Don Ramsay **District Highways Manager**



Ministry of Transportation and Highways



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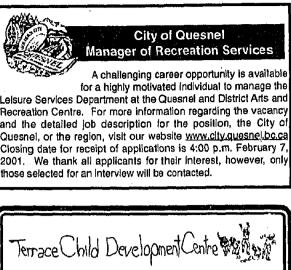
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Responsibilities:

Under the direction of, and reporting to the band Manager, the Housing Coordinator is responsible for: •Managing the Kitselas Social housing program,

- Managing the Kitselas Band housing Program,
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- Promoting and increasing understanding of the Kitselas housing policy and Procedures,
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Qualifications:

- The following qualifications would be desirable:
- Post secondary education in Business Administration or Commerce with a minimum of three years experience in Housing Coordination and Management on Indian Reserves is desirable,
- A good knowledge of the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation and Indian and Northern Affairs Canada programs, regulations and procedures as they relate to funding arrangements with the Kitselas Band,
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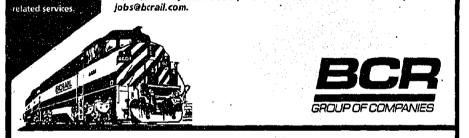
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Duties:

- Meet with the WWN Advisory Committee, Village Governments, and other Nass Valley institutions to determine appropriate programming in all WWN Nass Valley locations.
- Design technical and vocational programs
- · Develop Implementations strategles and time lines.
- Seek funding to support the technical and vocational program.

Qualificationa:

- Preference will be given to candidates in possession of a university masters' degree in Natural Resource Management or working towards such a degree.
- Familiar with Nisga'a Language and Culture.
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- Resident in the Nass Valley or willing to relocate to the Nass Valley.
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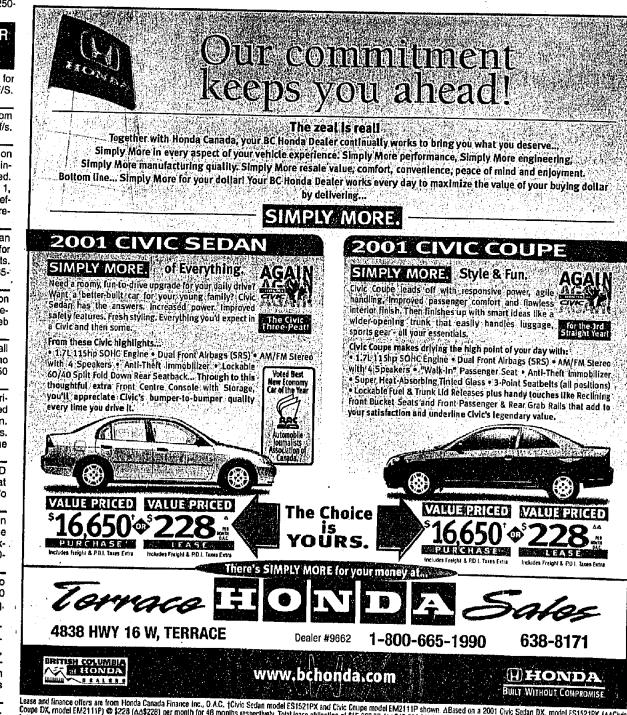
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Rep hockey teams are back in action

TERRACE'S rep teams were back in action Jan. 12-13, coming off a twoweek break for the Christmas Holidays.

The Skeena Cellulose Peewee Reps actually had a three-week break due to a pair of games in Smithers being postponed Dec. 16-17 as a result of bad road conditions.

Nevertheless, the team was in Prince Rupert Jan. 12-13, hungry to get back on the ice and improve their Skeena Valley League record of 4 wins, 5 losses, and 1 tie.

In the Friday night game Prince Rupert would strike first at the 11:28 mark of the opening period. Dustin Hystad tied it up for Terrace with 4:50 left, after being set up by Stephen Simons and Ken Molitor.

Prince Rupert took the lead in the second at the 14:30 mark. Terrace was outplaying the Prince Rupert team however, and it looked to be like this would be quite a hockey game, but the Terrace team was unable to solve Prince Rupert goaltender Micah Pyde.

Terrace had chance after chance but couldn't come up with a goal.

Things then got worse for Terrace at the 6:10

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mark, as Prince Rupert scored a power play marker to give the home team a 3-1 lead entering the second period ice clean.

In the third, Terrace continued to play strong, but nothing seemed to work against this Prince Rupert team.

Prince Rupert went up 4-1 at the 7:09 mark, to put the game out of reach for Terrace. Tanner Noble added another for Terrace in the final minute, but it wouldn't be enough.

Prince Rupert defeated Terrace by a score of 4-2. The Saturday morning game proved to be much

like the game the night before. Terrace fell again, this time by a score of 6-2.

Taylor Quinn and Dustin Hystad scored the goals for Terrace, while Jason Adam, Nik Redpath, Stephen Simons, and Kyle Wilcox picked up an assist

Meanwhile, back in Terrace, the Totem Ford Midget Reps were taking on Smithers for a pair of games. In the Friday night match-up, it looked like Terrace would squeak out a close one, but Smithers tied it up with 2 minutes left on the clock.

The Inland Kenworth Bantam Reps were also in action on the weekend. playing a total of 5 games at the Prince George AAA Bantam Rep Tournament. Terrace lost the opening

game 6-3 to Fort St. John, but responded with better results against South Delta. Terrace squeaked out a 3-2 victory, with Sean Mahoney scoring the winning goal for Terrace with a mere 13.5 seconds left.

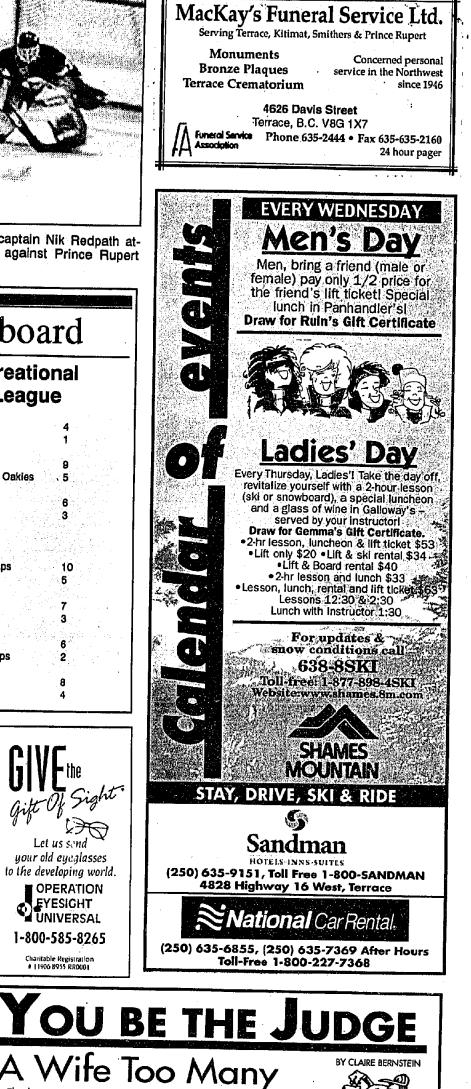
Their third game was against host team Prince George, and Terrace took this one by a score of 4-1. Congratulations to

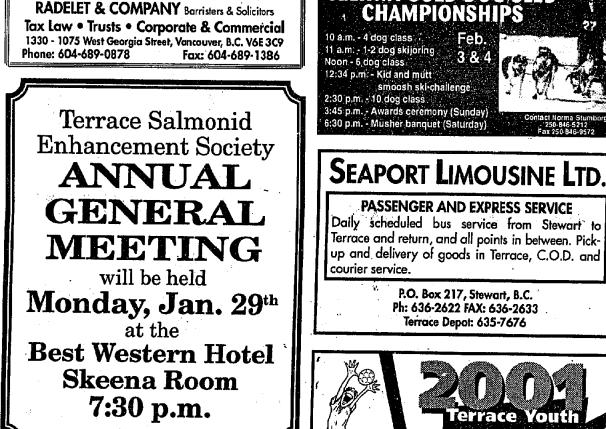
David Redpath, who posted a hat trick in this one.However, Terrace lost their final pair of games, by scores of 3-2 to Skeena Valley rival Smithers, and 10-0 to Quesnel.

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each.

This game ended in a 5-5 draw. Smithers took the Saturday morning game 6-

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(0)(0)(0)(0)Terrace Minor Baseball Association REGISTRATION Terrace Arena Banquet Room Friday, Jan. 26 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 27 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Friday, Feb. 2 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. <u>Saturday, Feb. 3</u> <u>10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.</u> Ages: 5-18 years - Cut off date is 5 years as of Aug. 1st. Fees: Range \$30-\$45 FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL Norma or Chris at 635-1511

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The three account executives were sitting in the caleteria at the advertising agency, gossiping as

"Hey girls, look whos a couple."

Sandy casually swept the room. "All I see is

Sandy casually swept the room. All tool. Amy and Danica sharing a dessert." Melanie grinned. "Exactly." Sandy stared in disbelief. "You mean theyre..." "Get out of the dark ages." Adriana speared an olive from her plate. "Ever hear of Ellen Decorrets Amy and Danica are a lesbian cou-DeGeneres? Amy and Danica are a lesbian cou-ple. No big deal." Sandy shushed everyone up. "Theyre walking

The executives concentrated on their greek salads,

"Can we join you?" Amy asked. Sandy broke into a big smile. "Oh hil We didnt notice you. Have a seat."

"Guess what?" Amy was bubbling. "Im buying a house and Danica and I are moving in together, its only natural since wave been friends for so

long." The executives tried to look cool. "Congratulations!" Melanie whispered to Adriana. "Such a shame

to ruin a nice relationship with domesticity!" A few years later, Amy and Danica came up with another announcement.

"Were leaving the agency and starting our own business at home," "Congratulations!"

"Congratulations!" Adriana whispered to Melanie. "Mixing busi-ness and a relationship! Can you say disaster?" After a hopeful start, Amy and Danica were soon struggling with their new business. Danica sat in their home office, sulking. "Weve lost another client. I cant take this." She ran to the

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kitchen to calm herself with an herbal tea. Amy called after her. "Youd be a lot calmer if ou got on the phone to round up some more business. Like I'm doing!" The situation continued to worsen

Amy cursed as she read the moil. "Its a law-yers letter from one of our suppliers. Weren't you

Supposed to negatiate a payment schedule?" Danica pouted. "You blame me for everything. I'm doing my best." "Well its not good enough!" Amy exploded. "I

put all my money into the house and the busi-ness, and youre barely lifting a finger. And now ne creditors are hounding us." Danica walked out in a huff. The next week, Amy got another lawyers let-

ter. "Great. Another angry creditor. Wait a min-ute...its from Danical Shes suing me far spousal support? Well, she can forget it!"

in court, Danica was nervous. "Your Honour, the law provides for support where a couple has been together for over three years. In entitled to support considering the work and effort that I

support constaering the work and choir that have contributed." Amy starmed to her feet. "Your Honour, that law also states that a couple means a man and a woman. Had the legislator wanted same sex couples to be treated in the same manner, she would have said so."

Should Danica get support? YOU! Be The Judge. Then, look below for the decision.

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