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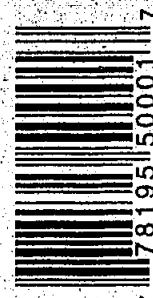
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City boosts Sportsplex build cost

By JEFF NAGEL

THE CITY has quietly jacked up the cost of Terrace's planned sportsplex by \$900,000 to \$4.9 million.

And it is preparing to borrow money to pay for that increase and a possible shortfall in fundraising.

The increase is to convert the existing arena and pool to geothermal heat to tie in with planned geothermal use in the new portion, said city special projects director Paul Gipps.

City council did not disclose the increase two weeks ago when it approved the hiring of an architect and committed the city to proceed.

The city is also contemplating borrowing up to \$1.69 million to pay for the geothermal component of the overall project, according to a Kitimat-Stikine regional district report.

That loan would pay for the extra \$900,000 to upgrade the existing arena and pool, plus up to \$790,000 of geo-

thermal work within the new building area, Gipps said. That \$790,000 is part of the base project cost of \$4 million.

City officials have until now maintained the sportsplex would be built with a \$2 million federal-provincial infrastructure grant and \$2 million being raised in donations — with nothing flowing in from taxpayers.

Council gave the project the green light — even though cash donations, pledges and other promised contributions remain well back of the target at \$700,000 — because construction has to get underway this fall to keep the \$2 million infrastructure grant.

If a surge in donations — or a big contribution from a donor like Alcan — don't make up the gap, council is now poised to use the loan to make up a shortfall of as much as \$800,000.

The matter was before regional district directors, who last weekend approved a plan that will see taxpayers

in Thornhill and other outlying areas pay 30 per cent of the costs of repaying the up to \$1.69 million loan.

That cost-sharing is in line with the local practice of operating expenses for facilities like the pool, arena and library being split 70-30 between Terrace and rural areas.

"We want the regional district to share in that because we have an agreement with them on cost-sharing of operations," mayor Jack Talsira said.

And although the geothermal work is being done up-front at the time of construction, it's being considered an operating cost rather than a capital cost. That's because it will lead to dramatic annual heating savings in the years ahead.

"We consider that operational," Talsira said. "What it does is saves us a pile of money on our operating costs."

Regional district officials said the loan repayments will be treated as annual operating expenses for the sportsplex, and will therefore be subject to cost sharing with Thornhill, Lakelse Lake and rural Terrace.

The regional district board also confirmed its existing cost-sharing agreement will apply to the other annual costs of the sportsplex.

The geothermal part of the project will deliver energy cost savings estimated at \$140,000 a year compared with what the sportsplex would have cost each year with conventional heating, Gipps said.

The existing pool and arena cost the city about \$185,000 per year in energy costs, he said. Adding the second sheet of ice in the new sportsplex area would have driven that up to \$250,000. But geothermal will cut that to around \$111,000.

"It's going to be cheaper to run

three than it is right now to run the two," Gipps said.

Thornhill regional district director Les Watmough said the expectation is the energy savings will offset the annual cost of the loan.

"The way it was explained to us the taxpayers of Thornhill will not be assessed more than they're being assessed now," Watmough said.

Watmough said he's still urging his constituents in Thornhill to get behind the sportsplex fund-raising effort.

That's because the more money is raised the less will go on the loan to be repaid by the city and the rural areas.

"If we don't fund raise you're going to pay for it in your taxes," he says. "Because the city is determined to do it."

Design work is being done by PBK Architects. It's expected construction will go out to tender this summer.



REGISTERED NURSE Elaine Pigeau, top, buys some cool juice from Kara Anderson at the Mills Memorial Hospital picket line April 30. Kara and two friends were not the only ones to set up a juice stand. Alexandra Eyjolfson was also selling cool drinks at her own juice stand. Below, Terraceview Lodge resident Denis Husband was a constant presence last week at that facility's picket line.

Workers hit the bricks

WHAT BEGAN as a labour strike by health care workers escalated into political protest here by late last week as members from other unions began showing up at Mills Memorial Hospital and Terraceview Lodge picket lines.

"You should have seen the teachers," said Doug Lancaster a key member of the Hospital Employees' Union (HEU) as he stood in front of Mills April 30.

"They had a big banner and came over the overpass," he said of approximately 40 teachers.

Also appearing were Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) members, unionized electrical workers, clerical workers, members of the IWA and members of the Canadian Auto Workers, the union which represents Alcan workers.

Terri Williamson and Dave Kawinsky, the president and vice president respectively, of the CUPE local representing city workers were on the line with two other city workers.

"We're here in protest of Gordon Campbell and in support of the HEU," said Kawinsky.

Health care workers at Mills and Terraceview, who began strike action April 26, remained off the job late last week despite being ordered back to work by provincial government legislation. The legislation also cut their wages and benefits. Workers also defied a back-to-work order of the Labour Relations Board that was made April 30.

Several hundred workers at the two facilities, members of the HEU, the British Columbia Government and Service Employees' Union, the International Union of Operating Engineers and the Health Sciences Association, were among more than 43,000 other health care workers across the province who went on strike.

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Northwest revival session next week

SKEENA MLA Roger Harris is hosting a one-day regional development conference here next week aimed at moving the northwest to a different level of economic activity.

The May 11 session is framed around the prospect of a new Alcan aluminum smelter in Kitimat and will address the potential of a planned container port at Prince Rupert and other ways of changing the economic base of the northwest.

But lurking in the background is the Kitimat council suit against Alcan. The council wants a court ruling requiring Alcan to use power surplus to its aluminum smelting needs in the area. It's worried the aluminum giant wants to sell surplus power made available after modernizing its smelting operations outside the region.

"Regardless of court cases and who wins and who loses, the reality is that with technological change and modernization you will lose jobs," said Harris in explaining the purpose of the conference.

"If Alcan builds a 600,000 ton smelter, it means significant job loss of 600 to 800 people," said Harris. "Technology causes erosion."

"What I'm hearing from people is that their values in their homes are dropping and schools are closing. The key to changing that is to broaden the employment base," said Harris.

"What we have to do is get past the thought that a legal solution will fix all of this. It won't," he added.

On tap for the conference is a senior Alcan official whose job is to look at development options for his company. Don Macmillan was coming west already. With him will be a businessman from the

Saguenay, the heartland of Alcan activity in Quebec. Harris has also invited UBC economist Michael Goldberg.

"The Alcan people were coming anyway but for the rest we're passing the hat around," said Harris.

He's also invited regional politicians, chambers of commerce and economic development officers.

"It's time to position ourselves regionally," said Harris. "There's been way too much parochial infighting."

Harris has also been bending the ear of Premier Gordon Campbell, impressing upon him the importance of reversing declining economic trends in the northwest.

"Based on what we hope will come out of the May 11 session, I hope to engage him," said Harris.

"He's said that if something makes sense for the northwest, he's interested."

But Harris said Campbell has also expressed frustration at the Kitimat council suit against Alcan.

"There are all sorts of things happening around us but the Alcan suit does resonate out there and it's not good," said Harris.

Harris, who is also the minister of state for forest operations, is also working on a separate plan aimed at revitalizing the northwest forest industry. That should be ready in a couple of weeks.

Harris is describing it as something similar to a plan announced earlier this year aimed at the pine beetle problem in the interior.

Among other things, that plan calls for new markets for pine-beetle infected wood. It also encourages small operators to develop value-added uses for the wood.

Parents are panning the four-day week

MOST PARENTS TURNING out for public meetings are opposed to the four-day school week, says one local school trustee.

"We're hearing parents say they're not prepared to take that risk [of continuing]," said Diana Penner.

Penner herself was the first trustee to oppose closing schools Friday as one way of easing a school district budget deficit when the plan was brought in last year.

One year on, Penner remains unconvinced about the educational merits of continuing the four-day schedule.

She did research last year on four-day week schedules elsewhere in North America.

"I started to get a sense, and while there was not a lot of information, that there would be problems with at-risk kids in the second and third years of a four-day week," said Penner last week.

But she noted that while some areas dropped the four-day week, others have used it for years.

And while Penner won't say yet if she will vote to continue the four-day week or revert to a five-day week, she says she is listening to parents.

"If the community does not have a significant buy-in and if the basic needs of kids are not being met, I'm hesitant about continuing," she said.

School trustees have been meeting with parents leading up to a mid-May decision on whether or not to keep the four-day week.

Penner and fellow trustee Hal Stedham chaired a public meeting April 28 at Kiti K'shan school. There, 14 of the 17 parents present said they opposed the four-day week on educational grounds.

Several parents said that while one or two of their children were doing fine, their other children were not doing well.

Opinion became more mixed when the option of school closures came into play to cover the cost of returning to five-day schooling.

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From front

Health workers hit bricks

Also out but performing at essential service levels were registered nurses belonging to the B.C. Nurses' Union. Their contract is separate from the others.

The two sides were far apart on attempts to reach new contracts. Workers wanted cost of living increases while health employers wanted wage and benefit cuts.

The imposed two-year contract came into effect April 29 but is retroactive to April 1, the day after previous labour contracts concluded.

This new contract imposes wage cuts of 11 per cent over two years. Combined with an increase in the work week from 36 hours to 37.5, the total cut amounts to 15 per cent.

A licensed practical nurse who made \$23.93 an hour under the old contract, makes \$20.34 under the legislated agreement. Provincial government figures indicate the national average is \$19.30 an hour.

A laundry worker who had made \$18.68 an hour now makes \$15.88. Provincial government figures indicate the national average is \$14.39.

A cleaner who had earned \$18.90 an hour now makes \$16.07, which is more than the national average of \$14.82 an hour.

Provincial labour minister Graham Bruce called the wage and benefit cuts legislation a modified form on what was agreed to by employer and union negotiators last year. Those proposals were, however, rejected by union members in a province-wide vote.

Bruce said the cuts will save \$200 million a year, money he said will go back toward what he termed "patient care."

As of last Friday, April 30, Mills officials had cancelled 183 day surgery and other procedures and 31 in-patient procedures.

Also cancelled were x-rays, mammograms, CT scans and the like.

But still going on were surgical and other procedures for urgent, emergency and cancer-related cases.

The dialysis unit at Mills continued to operate last week.

Although health care workers have the right to strike, they must establish essential service levels in conjunction with health care employers.

At Mills Memorial, essential service levels have been set at 20 beds but when the strike began, hospital admissions were way over that level.

"We were extraordinarily busy for a couple of days at the beginning," said Northern Health Authority admin-

istrator Lorna Ferrari on the weekend. "But we're down now to the essential services level."

Local HEU official Andrea LeBlanc said members were co-operating with health authority officials on matters related to patient safety.

"When the count is over what is to be for essential services, it proves the point we need more health care, not less," she said.

The degree of co-operation between workers and managers even extended to food. On day three of the strike, April 28, Ferrari and Suzanne Johnson, who runs the Northern Health Authority's facilities in the northwest, came to a union-held barbecue held at the trailer from which the unions marshal their members to undertake essential services work.

One health-care project that was completely shut down last week was the construction of the Seven Sisters 20-room psychiatric care facility on the grounds of Mills.

Six people were put out of work, said an official for contractor Wayne Watson Construction.

Up at Terraceview Lodge, health care workers weren't alone on the picket line.

With them was Dennis Husband, a two-year resident of the Lodge. "I support them definitely," the former Queen Charlotte Islands logger and member of the IWA said when interviewed April 27.

With coffee mug in hand and sporting a button with a striker's slogan on his jacket, Husband sat in his wheelchair.

"Solidarity," he said.

He said he knows every worker at the Lodge and that it is a great place to live.

While health care workers down south are being affected by contracting out, that isn't the case in the north.

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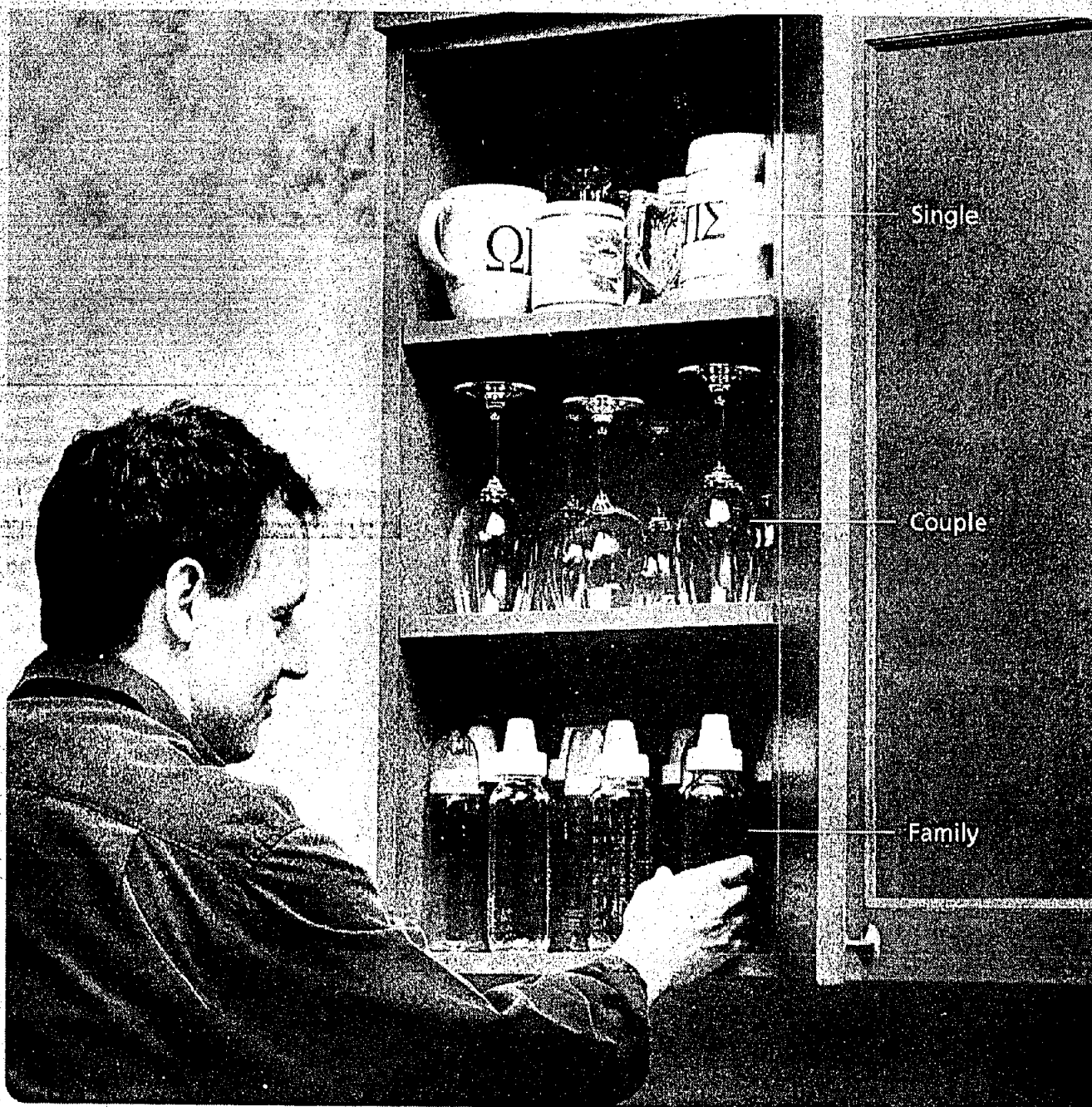
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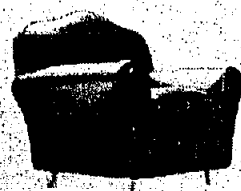
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Big move for Little house

By JEFF NAGEL

THE HISTORIC George Little house settled into place nicely in its new home last week.

It was moved across the railway tracks from its old location on Hall St. onto a newly built foundation at the foot of Kalum St., where it is to anchor the city's downtown tourism zone as Terrace's new railway station.

Work will soon turn to the next stages of the \$870,000 project—landscaping, street work and the interior restoration of the building that was the original home of Terrace's founder.

City project manager Dave Wolfe said the April 26 move went smoothly, noting the building is less than half an inch out of alignment with the foundation.

Six hydraulic jacks precisely lowered the 80-tonne house into place.

"I can't believe how true it is," added Bill Little, grandson of George Little, who watched as the house was lowered onto its foundations. "It is pleasing to see it sitting so well."

He said it was an easy move for the old building, adding his grandfather moved many a house around town by pulling it over cedar logs with a tractor.

Renovations to the interior and exterior of the house should get underway in June, said Brian Baker, executive director of the Terrace Economic Development Authority.

He said the project should be finished by early December.

There's no formal agreement with VIA Rail to use the house, but Baker doesn't expect any problems.

"VIA is good with it as long as it doesn't cost them any more money than it does at their present location," he said.

Terrace's train station, located in a small building right beside a CN building west of downtown, has got a reputation as the worst one in Canada, he added.

Replacing it is key to a strategy to attract cruise ship passengers who could come here on rail excursions, as well as other train traffic that passes through.

"There seems to be a huge growth in rail tourism," Baker said.

Cruise passengers taking train trips out of Prince Rupert so far are going only on short runs just as far as Kwinitsa.

But Baker expects rail excursions to Terrace will come from ships with longer stops in Rupert.

Terrace needs time to get ready in any case, he added, noting the city doesn't yet have much developed activities for cruise passengers.

The Little house may have a coffee shop in the building, and offices could be located upstairs, Baker added.

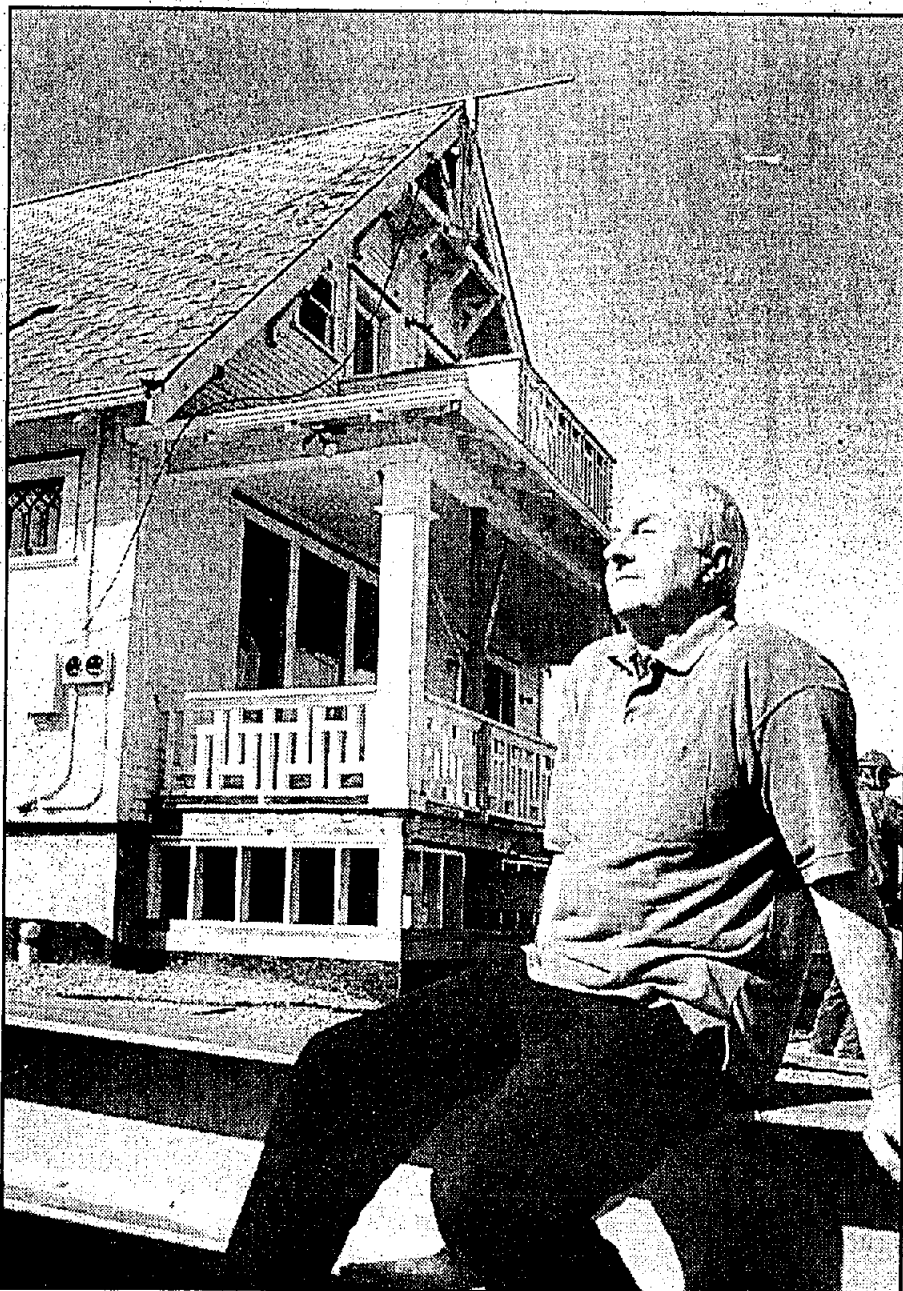
Once the streetscape work, such as landscaping and decorative lighting, is completed, the area will be more attractive to other redevelopment.

The George Little house project is about a long-term vision, he said, adding it won't transform Terrace overnight.

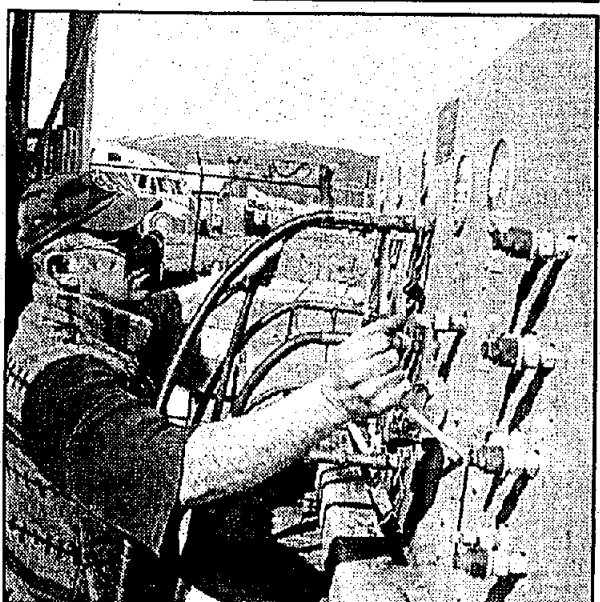
But if three or four tourist-friendly shops or perhaps a saloon-themed watering hole also open, he said, the area will gain momentum.

"All of a sudden you've got Old Town Terrace and you can invite people to visit Old Town Terrace," Baker said. That in turn helps steer highway traffic that passes through into the downtown core.

"This is the anchor," Baker said. "It's the hook that brings people off the main drag into Terrace."



THAT'S BILL LITTLE (top) sitting on a support beam while watching workers set up grandfather George Little's house at its new location on Kalum. It was moved from Hall St. on the southside last week. On the right, Fred Watson of Smithers-based Northern Structural Moving checks the gauges measuring the pressure on the six hydraulic jacks that supported the house while it was being placed on its new foundations.



News In Brief

Bookkeeper sentenced

A LOCAL bookkeeper accused of 17 counts of fraud, theft, forgery, uttering a forged document and false pretences has pled guilty and has been sentenced.

Cerrina Monika Gagnon, 34, was charged with several fraud-related offences from July 2002 through June 2003 at her place of employment, Northwest Hearing Services Ltd.

On Monday April 26 2004, Gagnon appeared in provincial court in Terrace and entered a guilty plea to a single count of fraud over \$5,000.

She was given an 18-month conditional sentence. It includes a curfew, including a curfew amounting to house arrest.

She was further ordered to not engage in any bookkeeping or accounting services during the period of the sentence and must complete 80 hours of community work service.

Gagnon was also ordered to pay restitution in the amount of \$22,548.35 to Northwest Hearing Services Ltd.

Locals get work

THE TRANSPORTATION ministry is managing one road building project here this year by hiring local equipment operators on an hourly or daily basis.

The project involves widening and fixing up the Old Lakelse Lake Road from the area of the Williams Creek bridge to where it connects with Hwy 37. It'll cost approximately \$1 million and is in preparation for paving.

Having the ministry act as its own general contractor and then hiring local equipment operators instead of putting it out to tender is regarded as one way of providing work to those who may not otherwise have employment.

But hiring local equipment on such a basis must also make economic sense, said local transportation ministry official Don Ramsay.

"If we have projects where this will work, we'll do so but not to the point of creating a project just to do that," he said.

Woman harassed

POLICE ARE looking for the public's assistance in solving a suspicious occurrence on April 18, 2004.

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Alcan dilemma

GIVEN THAT the future of Alcan in Kitimat will determine the future of Terrace and of the northwest, it's no wonder that a high-powered group of Terrace business people recently paid a visit to Alcan officials and facilities in Quebec.

Their pitch to Alcan was direct – invest in the northwest. If Alcan commits itself to modernizing its aging Kitimat smelter, the group reasons, it will stimulate other industrial and commercial development.

With New Skeena Forest Products still in its murky bankruptcy protection stage, with the new provincial government policy of turning wood over to small operators in hopes of stimulating a different kind of forest economy here still in its infancy, and with the possibility of either offshore or onshore oil and gas development years away, a revitalized Alcan smelter stands as a real starting point to rejuvenating the northwest economy.

But the trip also escalated the dispute between Kitimat council and Alcan over how the latter wants to use its hydro power. Kitimat council fears that while Alcan may very well modernize its smelter, it will result in excess power the company will then want to sell on the open market, taking jobs away from Kitimat and area.

The situation is further complicated because Alcan so far has not revealed much of its plans for its Kitimat smelter.

So Kitimat council has prepared a legal action which it hopes will result in a ruling requiring Alcan to use its power locally. It's based on the 1950s legislation which permitted Alcan to develop its hydro power facilities.

The prospect of a municipality suing its single largest industry sends an interesting message in a province which has taken strenuous pains to position itself as friendly to business. It can't make the provincial government very happy.

And because the Terrace group went armed with a letter from the Terrace council welcoming new development, the visit also serves to further isolate the Kitimat council.

It's a dangerous situation. Kitimat council, already feeling alone and hemmed in, may decide it has nothing to lose by vigorously pursuing its case. Alcan could invest elsewhere.

Someplace in here there must be common ground. Skeena MLA Roger Harris once mused that Alcan power surplus to its needs could be made available to other users on a sliding cost scale – the further away from Kitimat, the more expensive it gets. Such a system would encourage development in the Kitimat and Terrace area.

It's an intriguing idea, one that should be explored for it represents the beginning of what could be a solution. All this will require political leadership and that's a job for the provincial government.



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Just fuggedaboutit, OK?

VICTORIA – It's just business, Tony Soprano likes to say.

Which is pretty much the way the B.C. government has decided to approach gambling.

Not entirely. The government could make more money with VLTs in bars, for example, but instead relies on Keno, a less addictive, slower way of losing money. (Although you have to wonder about the morality of trying to get people to gamble while they drink.)

And while gambling has been expanding like crazy in B.C., it has still not gone nearly as far as some other provinces.

But the Liberals' basic approach is clear – gambling is just business.

It wasn't always so. The Liberals fought expanded gambling when they were in opposition. And their New Era campaign promise was clear – a Liberal government would halt gambling expansion.

Instead they've done the opposite. By the end of this year the government will have doubled the number of slots in the province and moved them into bingo halls across B.C. The government's current plan calls for it to take \$1 billion from gamblers within four years, double the profits when they were elected.

And the government's plan also calls for BC Lottery Corp.



FROM THE CAPITAL
PAUL WILLCOCKS

to persuade 200,000 more people to become regular gamblers, while getting everyone who buys lottery tickets or goes to casinos to lose more each month.

Solicitor General Rich Coleman, to his credit, has acknowledged that the Liberals have broken their campaign promise. "I'm not going to say that none of this is expanded gaming, because some of it is," he said in the legislature.

"It is by virtue of the fact that we took what was structured gaming and tried to make it so that we gave the corporation the envelope within which to operate in order to actually do its business."

It's just business, in other words, although a business operating within some public interest limits.

But it's risky business. Letting a corporation "do its business" in the gambling world means leaving it to recruit more and more gamblers, while encouraging everyone who already gambles to lose more and more money.

Both goals are part of the BC Lottery Corp.'s business plan. We'll pump more than \$3 billion in to government-run slots in B.C. this year, and the corporation hopes to increase that. It has just bought high tech equipment from a Las Vegas company that will give corporation managers in Kamloops the ability to monitor every bet and every turn of the cards at any B.C. casino.

"With TableLink PT, profit-critical decisions, such as selecting bonus players, are no longer subject to human observation and guesswork," enthuses Mikohn Gaming Corp., the supplier.

Profit-critical decisions are the most important ones in the business world.

But gambling isn't just another business. Governments run gambling not just because they can make a ton of money, but because it involves serious, unavoidable damage to individuals and families.

None of this is a criticism of the BC Lottery Corp., which is just doing its job of trying to recruit more gamblers – in part through marketing campaigns

that pitch gambling as both fun and a solution to your problems.

But the damage done along the way – as the Liberals used to note – is significant.

B.C. has more than 75,000 problem gamblers already; the government's efforts to recruit more gamblers ensures that number will increase every month.

And the next generation of gamblers – and problem gamblers – is already being recruited. A major study released by the McCreary Centre Society found that one-quarter of B.C. youths aged 12 to 17 said they had illegally bought lottery tickets in the last year.

Young buyers are attracted by ads, prominent store displays and the chance of an instant win, according to another study of youth gambling.

The money is good. Gambling is on track to equal the forest industry as a revenue source for government.

But the cost is high – too high to treat gambling as just another business.

Footnote: The money is also good for municipal governments. Williams Lake council has just approved a bid for 120 slot machines in a new bingo hall.

The town's revenue share is estimated at more than \$700,000 a year, the Williams Lake Tribune reports.

They call it the 'wonder' tape

GRAY DUCT tape has far more uses than its inventor ever intended. Tough, waterproof, with a reliable grip on many surfaces, gray tape is the handy choice for odd jobs.

Since Christmas, Graines has been printing readers' uses for this wonder tape. Housewives find it useful removing hairs that cling to scatter rugs even after they've been shaken. A strip of tape along the edge of the underside of carpets holds the threads together and slows unravelling.

An arthritis sufferer claims taping a magnet over her aching joint for weeks at a time eliminates her joint pain. Others save on drugstore expenses using a chunk of tape on warts or calluses on their feet.

Since Graines is a farm paper, many stories deal with livestock. Tape is used to snug the ears of newborn calves to their heads so their ears don't freeze, to splint an animal's broken leg by splicing lengths of ABS pipe around the break, and to waterproof a vet wrap



THROUGH BIFOCALS
CLAUDETTE SANDECKI

applied to a cow's sore foot.

An Arricana, Alberta farmer has a unique application for gray tape in creating what he calls a "Peter Heater".

"In real cold weather" writes David Andrews, "some bulls, especially Brahman bulls, will let their penises hang out. The penis will freeze solid and most of these bulls become non-breeders due to frost damage. I have heard of bulls that have died from this

cause. "Using duct tape I wrap the loose skin and tape over the end to hold the penis in. I leave only a small hole so they can pee."

"Luckily I raise gentle Brahman cattle. I have never had any frost damage since," Andrews sent along a photograph as proof.

Farmers depend on gray tape to seal out moisture and dust from tool kits that ride on field equipment; to patch a bulging tire on a John Deere BA drill to finish seeding the crop before doing a major repair; and to fashion a pickup winterfront on a cold winter morn when a large piece of cardboard was unavailable.

Teenagers find a wrap or two of duct tape can take the place of a missing eyelet on a skater's boot, extend the life of running shoes for a penniless journalism student, and produces a one-of-a-kind Hallloween costume.

For absolute trust, my vote goes to the Terrace couple

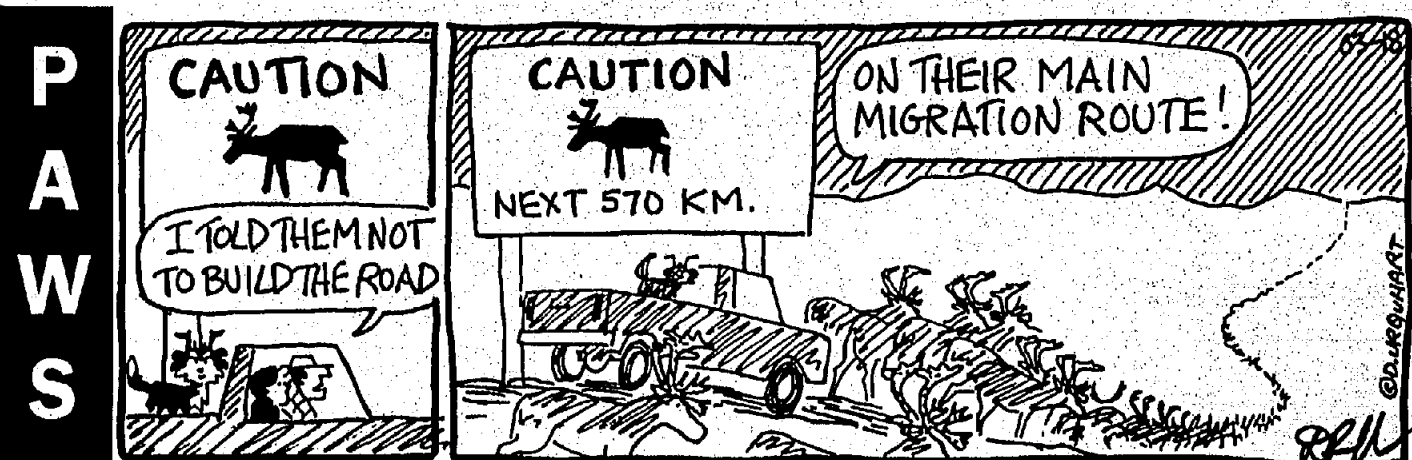
who repaired a gash in their canoe and were able to make it home along the Zymacord.

I depend on duct tape to roast tent caterpillars when they infest our mountain ash. I tape a scrap of fabric to one end of a 20 foot length of aluminum tubing, soak the fabric with alcohol, torch it with a match, and easily guide the flames to crisp the caterpillar nests with minimal damage to the tree.

So I understand the natural inclination of boaters, cyclists, and snowmobilers to bundle their deteriorating seats like Tutankhamen in round upon round of gray tape. Or to hold a ripped boat canvas together until they choose to have it properly repaired.

But think for a minute of the upholsterer who must peel off the tape to get to the repair. Duct tape goo fouls fingers, working surfaces, scissors, and gums up the sewing machine.

Sidestep the duct tape and take that seat or canvas for repairs immediately. Please.



Gov't move on unions is all wrong

Dear Sir:

When the provincial government ordered the striking members of the Hospital Employees' Union (HEU) back to work on Wednesday April 28, 2004 it was one of the saddest days in B.C. labour history and, for that matter, in the history of British Columbia politics.

Rather than our provincial government showing wisdom and compassion for all of the affected parties in reaching an agreement, it decided that it would use the hammer to find a solution.

We all know that the government's motive was to roll back wages by up to 15 per cent and reduce benefits to the hospital workers and contract out some of the services with the savings being redirected back to patient care.

It is difficult to argue against more money going directly to patient care. Unfortunately the way the contract negotiations with the HEU were handled was more akin to a war rather than a government motivated to reach a settlement through leadership, compassion and fair-mindedness for the hospital workers and long term stability for patients and the taxpaying public.

All British Columbians are affected by what is happening and are forced to take sides. Confrontational politics have never been at a higher level in our province. This government continues to blame the previous NDP government for implementing the highest wage costs for hospital workers in Canada.

They are trying to brainwash the public and the news media into believing that it is morally and fiscally wrong to pay B.C. hospital workers the highest wages in the country for hospital cleaning.

The brainwashing by Premier Gordon Campbell, health minister Colin Hansen and other members of the Liberal government portrays the former NDP government of striking a sweetheart deal with the HEU, never mentioning that the biggest cost in that contract settlement was the increase in wages for female hospital workers to bring them on par with the wages paid to their male counterparts.

It is unprecedented to roll back wages by 11 per cent, reduce benefits and lay off over 4,000 workers and contract the work that they previously carried out to private contractors who will pay \$10 and \$11 to their employees with virtually no benefits.

How can we expect such poorly paid worker to care about what they are doing or for the patients that they have to clean up after or to provide services for.

Because of the unfair, imposed contract by the Liberal government, health care in our province will deteriorate even further than the sad state that it is now in. We need a provincial government that brings diversified interests together to search and find solutions that improve public health care in B.C., not the dictatorial attitude that we know best what should be done.

If support from much of the public is going to return and willingness by the HEU to work with the government to find a meaningful and lasting settlement, the imposed legislation containing the contracting out provision must be taken out.

This would allow the hospital workers to go back to work with their heads held high and with some hope that both sides can sit down and try again to hammer out a lasting agreement.

Jim Culp,
Terrace, B.C.

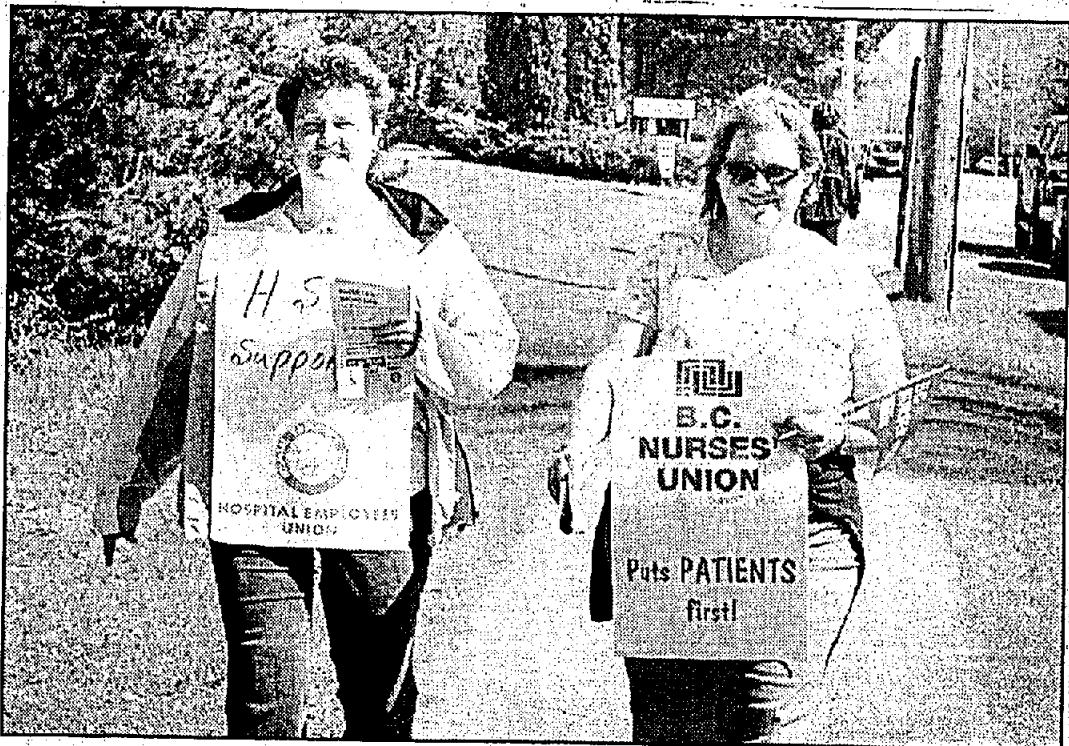
Strike was just stupid

Dear Sir:

I am 75 years old and caught up in the stupid health care walk out.

CORRESPONDENCE FOR THE TERRACE STANDARD

The Mail Bag



PICKETERS OUTSIDE of Mills Memorial Hospital last week. MARGARET SPEIRS PHOTO

I have been waiting four months for bypass at St Paul's and now I don't know how much longer this will put me back, and all because the likes of people like Debra McPherson who are in charge of these unions and want to add one more feathers to her hat.

What happened to the Candy Strippers? You and the unions got rid of them because truth be known, they were working free and not paying union dues.

And you, Colin Hansen. If you are in charge of our health care you should not allow a walk out or strike.

I can't believe either side as both lie. Put in print in the paper what the government says on one page and what the unions say on the other and let the public decide who needs \$ 20 per hour to fold sheets or a mechanic with \$10,000 invested in tools.

It's time that all strikes and lock outs be a thing of the past. We are now in the 21st century. Why can't we have a board set up of about nine people - three from the union, three from the business sector or, in this case, the government and three from the public sector.

The decision of these nine members would be binding for both sides as most strikes and lock out are settled somewhere close to what was proposed to start with.

All all you are doing is inconveniencing the public.

Ernie Fisher,
Terrace B.C.

Four-day costs dodgy

Dear Sir:

The cost savings figures for the four-day week calendar recently released by the school board misrepresent the actual savings by approximately \$700,000.

The board has indicated on two separate estimates, presented at the April 7, 2004 and April 14, 2004 board meetings, that the four day week is saving approximately \$1.4 million. The secretary treasurer supports these figures with actual expenditure figures for a variety of operational services.

While such savings may have been attained, to attribute them all to the four-day week calendar is misleading since approximately half of the savings have been achieved by cuts to services

that can be made on either the four or five day week calendar.

The board must provide the public with a cost savings estimate for the four day week calendar that includes only the savings created by the calendar change.

Such savings would be limited to decreases of approximately 13 per cent in custodial services, bussing costs, noon hour supervision and crossing guards and to a decrease in substitute costs. The cost savings achieved by further reductions to these services, such as reducing the number of noon hour supervisors employed, are not created by the calendar change and should not be included in the four-day week savings estimate.

Cost savings resulting from cuts to maintenance, audio visual technicians, grounds, reading support, home school coordinators and school clerical are not the direct result of the calendar and should also not be included as four-day week savings.

When the savings that can be achieved under either the four or five day calendar are removed from the board's four-day week savings estimates, the actual cost savings of the four-day week will be closer to \$700,000 than \$1.4 million.

Hence, a return to the standard school calendar would only require the adoption of alternative cost savings measures capable of achieving this much smaller cost savings. By verifying that half of the savings currently being attributed to the four-day week have been achieved through operational cuts that can be made on either the four or five day week calendar, and by considering a variety of cost savings measures, the board should be able to avoid the difficult choice between accepting the four-day week or closing up to six schools.

The financial information presented by the board indicates that other alternatives to the above two options do exist. For instance, to save the \$700,000 required, the board could consider a combination of the following without a significant impact on the classroom.

1. Salary costs for other professionals (professional staff at board office).

The projected financial profile included with the draft calendars indicates an increase of \$252,157 or 23 per cent has been provided for other professionals for the upcoming school year. This amount could surely be eliminated since

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staffing in other areas is being reduced.

2. Professional Development and Travel.

In the 2002 - 2003 school year, actual expenditures in this category amounted to \$535,555. For the current school year, the amended budget shows a 46 per cent or \$247,859 increase was awarded to this category.

As the projected financial profile for next year does not deal with travel costs specifically, an estimated reduction can't be determined from the available information. However, a reduction in the order of \$250,000 appears possible.

3. An alternative calendar that reduces instructional days by five to provide a two-week spring break.

Based on realistic estimates of savings from the four-day week calendar, the reduction of five instructional days would save approximately \$140,000 while maintaining a five-day week instructional schedule.

4. School closures that address substantial declines in enrolment or create K-7 elementary schools in Terrace.

The closure of South Hazelton Elementary would address the decreased enrolment in the Hazeltons without exceeding the enrolment capacity of the remaining two schools.

The reconfiguration report from last year estimated savings for this option to be \$220,000.

The closure of E.T. Kenney to create a K-7 elementary school achieves a district goal of providing the K-7 configuration.

While the board has not released savings figures for this closure, savings are likely to be similar to South Hazelton and would be in the order of \$200,000 to \$250,000.

The combined savings of the above options amount to just over \$1 million and represents only a small number of the possible options.

I am sure that, given a chance and adequate financial information, the public could generate several other options that would enable the board to avoid repeating the mistake of the four-day week.

Tanis Pursell,
Terrace, BC

Would you like pay cut?

Dear Sir:

Just when you think Gordon Campbell and his B.C. Liberals can't sink any lower,, they surprise you. Ask yourself how would you like to have your current income arbitrarily decreased by about 15 per cent, have the decrease retroactive so you owe money to your employer, and have a longer work week?

This is how the B.C. Liberal government has treated health care workers, and more importantly, people in our community. Our MLA Roger Harris has not stood up for the people in our community and in fact supports this reprehensible step taken by his government.

I spent some time on the protest line with other members of our community in support of the people being dealt this raw deal, and I was pleased to see support from people in the community passing by.

Roger Harris was elected to speak up for the citizens of our community but chooses instead to rubber stamp Gordon Campbell's draconian legislation.

If you believe this is wrong, please support the people in our community being mistreated by the B.C. Liberals. In the upcoming provincial election, vote against Roger Harris, Gordon Campbell and the B.C. Liberals.

James D. Fraser,
Terrace, B.C.

A festival thank you

Dear Sir:

I would like to thank the hard working North West Music Festival committee for once again producing such an excellent festival. I would also like to thank the participants who made these last two weeks so enjoyable for me and many others.

We are so lucky in this community to have this opportunity every year to show case our many talented students in so many ways.

Elaine Johnson, Terrace, B.C.

Gov't forest reforms roasted at forum

Companies accused of high-grading stands here ahead of timber takeback

By JEFF NAGEL

INTERFOR and West Fraser are being accused of rushing to liquidate the most profitable timber remaining on stands they're slated to give up this year.

IWA member Allan Chesterman told a union-sponsored forestry forum here April 30 he knows workers who are going flat out to plan and carry out the cutting of the best wood before the impending timber takeback takes effect in this region.

"Interfor has this huge rush going on to get the high-value wood out of the areas they're giving up," he said. "The push is on."

West Fraser and Interfor are both surrendering most of their timber holdings along the ocean inlets south of Kitimat as part of the take-back of 20 per cent of timber from major companies. Giving up more than 20 per cent here means they'll keep more wood in other areas where they operate.

Others at the meeting said they've heard West Fraser is also hurrying to take out the most lucrative timber from the parts of its TFL 41 licence that it is giving up.



Darrel Wong

"They're giving up their cut here and they're keeping it in the interior, where they can work with non-union guys," forest worker Norm Blackburn said. "It's just sickening."

"This Liberal government, all they're doing is going around chopping unions. They're making us go on welfare, that's what they're doing."

Chesterman said it's ridiculous that the two companies will be in line for compensation for the timber being taken away. "They're saying 'Pay us \$30 or \$40 million and we'll give you back the stumps,'" he said.

About 20 people attended the forum.

Critics of the government's forest reforms also took aim at Skeena MLA Roger Harris, who is now charged with overseeing the forest transition as minister of state for forestry operations.

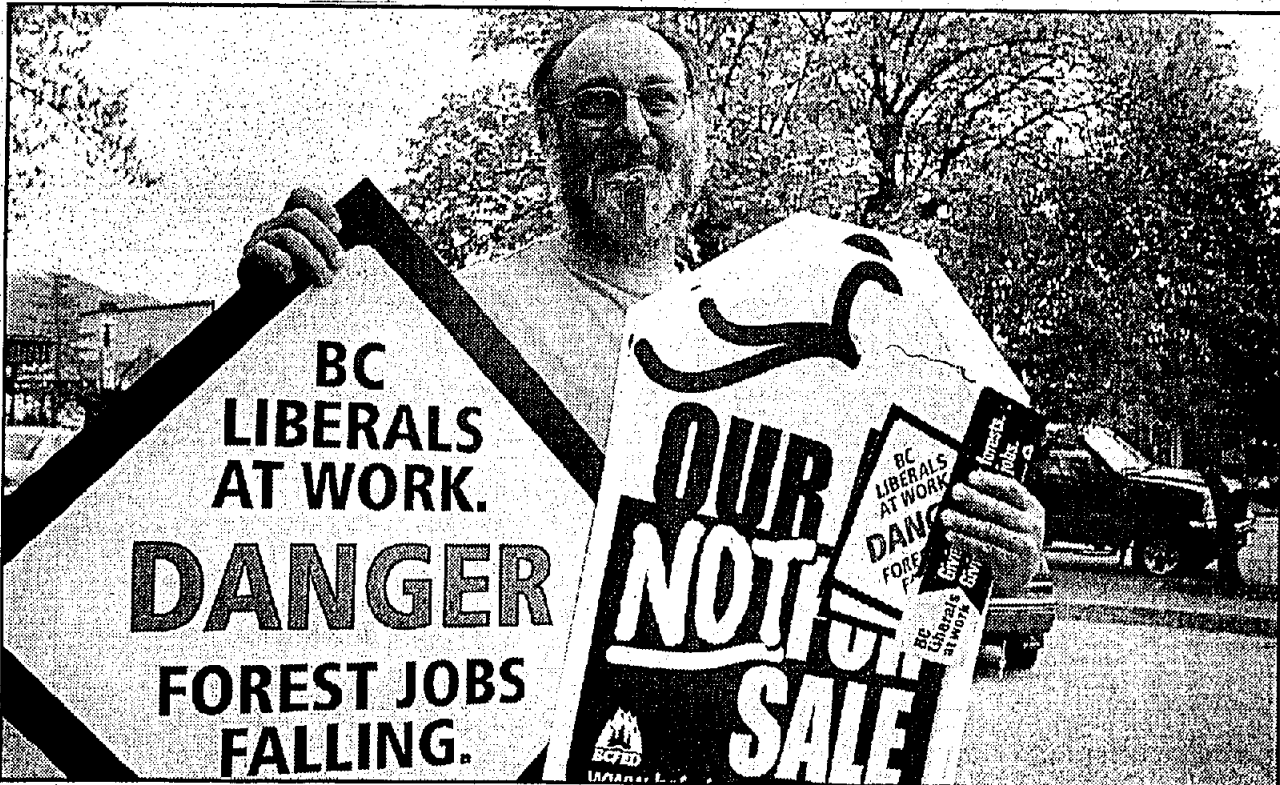
Retired sawmill worker George Chinn said Harris promised prosperity in the woods but hasn't delivered.

"Three years has gone by and what's he showed us?" Chinn demanded. "He's showed us nothing."

"If it was election time he'd probably trip over a spider crossing the street to shake your hand to try to steal a vote. But it's not election time yet."

Chinn said forest workers are in deep distress as months of shutdowns have turned into years, particularly with New Skeena Forest Products.

"They're losing their RSPs, everything. They're down to absolutely nothing," he said. "The devastation in



BILL MIKALOFF takes signs protesting Liberal forest policy out of a forum hosted Friday night by the IWA.

this town is terrible. If it wasn't for the northern people, the native people, this town would be dead."

Other aspects of forest policy change also came up such as the end of rules that used to tie timber to certain mills.

"Anybody from Spuzzum can come up here to bid on a timber sale," said Rene Mikaloff. "What does that do for community stability?"

She said the new B.C. Timber Sales office is solely devoted to generating

as much money as possible for Victoria, not employment in the region.

Darrel Wong, president of IWA local 2171, said the changes put together add up to the elimination of the social contract that once promised jobs and community stability in exchange for extraction of the resource.

"They've actually privatized the forest industry in the province of British Columbia," he said. "They just haven't told anyone that yet."

Wong, who chaired the meeting,

was also pressed to explain why the IWA has backed New Skeena's requests for more time from the courts.

He said the alternative was a liquidation offer for \$18 million that would have dismantled the company as an integrated forest producer.

Wong said he has long called for an end to the company's ability to use raw log exports and says Victoria should have moved long ago to take back all of New Skeena's timber if it won't operate.

From front

Four-day week gets panned

Several parents then said they weren't in favour of closing schools to save money to return to a five-day week.

Parents told Penner and Stedham they weren't providing enough financial information so they could make an informed decision.

Some were also uncomfortable with the notion that a five-day week schedule can only be restored by closing schools as laid out in school district material.

On the tentative closure list are Thornhill Junior Secondary and Parkside Secondary, the district's alternate school in Terrace.

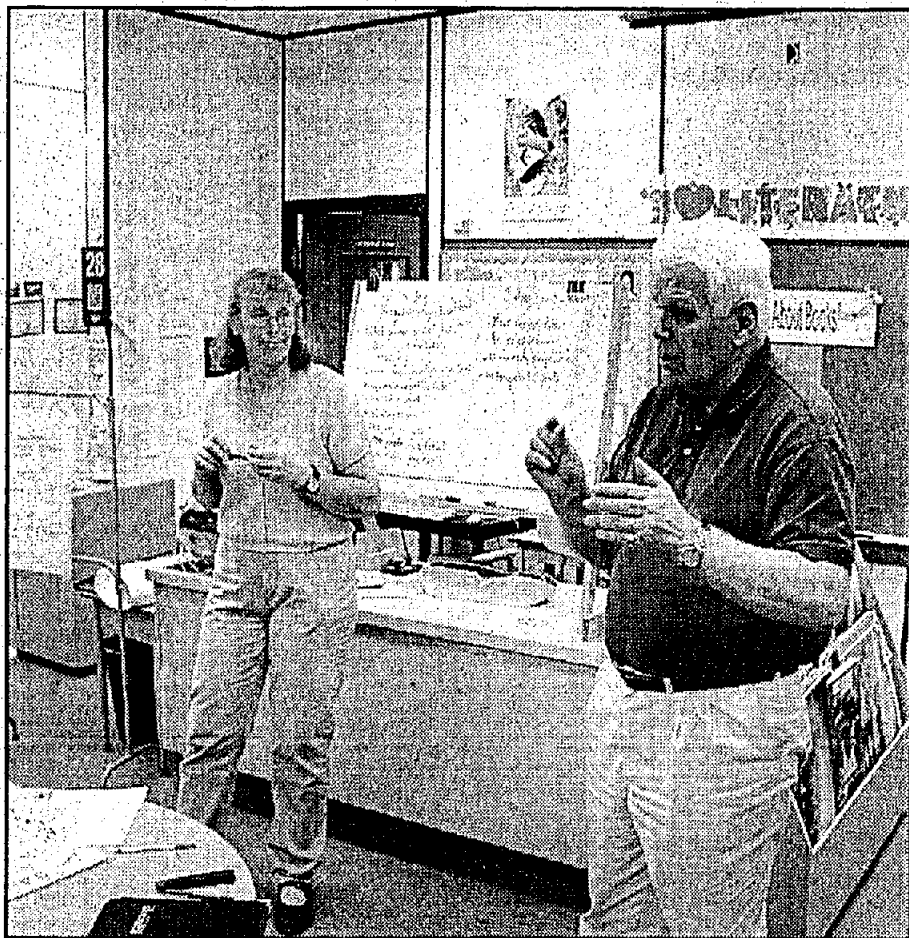
School district officials are forecasting a budget next year of \$47.2 million. That figure already factoring in an expected enrolment drop of 360 students, resulting in 14 fewer teachers and two fewer support staff needed.

Returning to a normal school week would take \$1.8 million more than the anticipated budget while a four-day school week would result in a deficit of \$300,000, school district administrators forecast.

They also say the district could run a surplus as high as \$300,000 this year that could be applied to next year's budget.

Penner said parents should not feel that a return to a five-day week can only be accomplished by closing schools.

But she did say money could be saved by merging the Clarence Michiel Primary school with next-door E.T. Kenney Elementary.



SCHOOL TRUSTEES Diana Penner and Hal Stedham spoke with Kiti K'Shan parents last week on various cost cutting options connected with the four-day week and five-day school weeks. Meetings are taking place at all schools.

tary. Moving E.T. Kenney to Clarence Michiel isn't that troublesome and may be doable," said Penner.

The prospect of closing Thornhill Junior and moving its students to Skeena Junior might work because space is available, but Penner doubted it would be an educationally sound move.

"Parents in Thornhill aren't in favour of that," she said.

Generally speaking, the school district estimates it

could save \$200,000 by closing a school.

Trimming bus service in the Copper Mountain area and upper Thornhill could save in the neighbourhood of \$165,000 a year on a four-day schedule and \$192,000 on a five-day schedule, she said.

Penner said she's also willing to look at school district administration plans to add \$250,000 to the budget to hire more people at the board office and to add almost the same amount for travel

and professional development.

An increase of one student to class sizes would result in the saving of \$250,000, said Penner.

"We could also look at getting rid of some electives in high schools. They tend to be expensive," she added.

Penner also said longer spring breaks, which happen in other school districts, might permit the district here to return to a five-day week.

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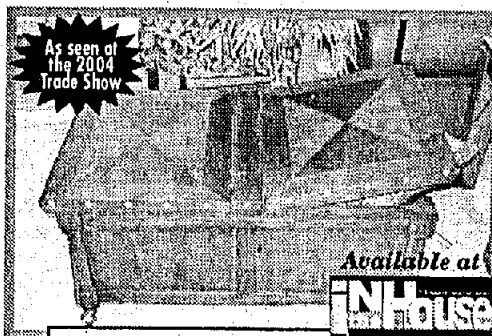
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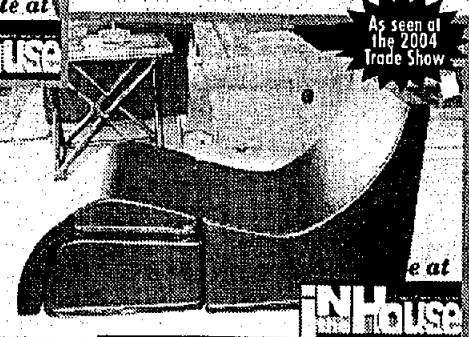
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BUSINESS REVIEW

Offshore oil panel gets green light in Kitimat

KITIMAT favours lifting the moratorium on offshore oil and gas development, a federal panel reviewing the ban heard last month.

Kitimat mayor Rick Wozney stressed oil and gas exploration is critical to a sustainable economic recovery in the northwest.

The decision to lift the moratorium, Wozney said, was a matter of public policy rather than science.

"The science that has been assessed by the federal government science panel and the province, are conclusive - science does not stand in the way of the moratorium being lifted," Wozney told the April 21 hearing in Kitimat.

"Canada, British Columbia and coastal First Nations governments - as environmentally and socio-economically conscious levels of government - have the ability to put into place a state-of-the-art regulatory regime," Wozney said.

He told the panel the question was how regional economic development should occur from offshore oil and gas.

He said there was potential for new industries based on the oil and gas industry, including plastics recycling, to cluster with ones already in Kitimat.

"British Columbia is in a unique position if offshore natural gas reserves are commercially available.

We have the opportunity, through value-added chemical processing to manufacture non-renewable resources into recyclable products," Wozney said.

Carl Whicher, speaking on behalf of the Northwest Communities Coalition, also recommended an end to the offshore drilling moratorium.

Whicher said the benefits of drilling for oil and gas are potentially huge, but often do not benefit the locals bearing the risks.

"If the only result of offshore production is to pipeline raw gas and oil to the United States, and if the increased supply of gas results in lower prices for all gas exported to the U.S. and if we have to invest billions to create only relatively small numbers of permanent jobs, then we would not see this as a good use of capital and resources," Whicher said.

"Unemployment levels on the north coast could be described as criminal, debilitating, crippling, socially unacceptable, wasteful and so on. We need to diversify; obviously,

and adding oil and gas to the menu would help," he added.

And while the Coalition supports lifting the moratorium, he said it would only support offshore drilling if environmental and social risks were minimized and development benefits are maximized for the area.

The three-member panel headed by Roland Priddle, retired chairman of the National Energy Board, stopped in Kitimat as part of an 11-community tour.

Panel manager Scott Gedak acknowledged the Haida leadership boycotted sessions in the Queen Charlottes "but we still had numerous individual presenters with points of view. There were about 144 ballots filed, saying no, basically."

All presentations are being posted to the panel web site, www.moratoriumpublicview.ca.

The current public input round is the second in a three stage process. The first was the Royal Society's review of the science gaps and later there will be an extensive First Nations consultation.

Reports from all three are to be presented to the federal Natural Resources minister in early summer.

In addition to these hearings, people can make written submissions up to May 15.

Equal weight is being given to oral and written submissions.



Rick Wozney

Room tax plan cuts out lodges

By JEFF NAGEL

THE WHEELS have begun to turn to introduce a two per cent hotel room tax in Terrace and Thornhill to finance tourism marketing.

The Kitimat-Stikine regional district gave first readings Saturday to a bylaw asking the province to initiate the tax.

It still depends on getting the support of 51 per cent of area hotels and motels representing 51 per cent of the rooms.

And regional district officials admit they've drawn the boundary for which areas will be taxed deliberately to avoid opponents.

"I guess the word is gerrymandering," said economic development officer Andrew Webber.

Exempt from the tax will be fishing lodges that run up and downstream from Terrace that don't want to charge their clients the extra two per cent.

"There just is not support in the lodges outside the Terrace and Thornhill area," Webber said. "This is the only configuration of geography and agglomeration of establishments where that support was indicated."

Webber said the lodges make a good case that they already market separately to a different clientele and wouldn't benefit nearly as much as the hotels from tourism promotion geared to attract drive-through traffic.

He said an estimated nine out of 15 taxable businesses in Terrace and Thornhill are thought to support the proposal.

If approved, the room tax would generate an estimated \$40,000 to \$45,000 a year, Webber said.

The money would be administered by Terrace Tourism on behalf of the accommodation sector.

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If Terrace registers to take part in the Community Crash Reduction Challenge they will be competing against other

communities with populations between 10,001 to 40,000 to win a \$25,000 road safety grant. Based on statistics from the last five years, ICBC has predicted that there will be 48 crashes involving Terrace residents this year between May 5 and 27. This is 22.8 crashes per 10,000 residents.

Compared to other regions in the province, the North Central Region's crash rate of 27.9 per 10,000 population is the lowest.

Dave Dickson, ICBC Regional Loss Prevention Manager for the North Central region, said the Challenge will bring together communities, the

police, public safety organizations and BC residents to help reduce the frequency and severity of motor vehicle crashes. "In our province, on a typical day, there is a car crash every two minutes and someone is injured every seven minutes," Dickson said. "By raising awareness of local road safety

issues and involving communities and residents, we can create a safer environment for all road users."

Terrace's "competition" for the Challenge is the other like-sized BC urban centres such as Williams Lake, Penticton, Campbell River, Castlegar and White Rock. If Terrace residents go the extra

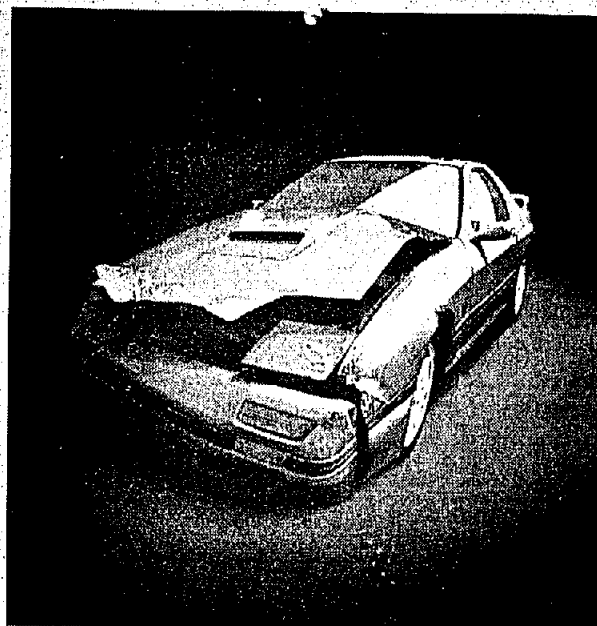
mile to drive, cycle and walk safely during the Challenge period, May 5 to 27, and reduce crashes by the greatest percentage beyond their crash prediction in their category — they will be the Challenge champs.

While the winners in each prize category will be recognized in June when results are tabulated, everyone's a winner when we reduce harm on our roads, points out ICBC President Nick Geer. "ICBC invests in road safety programs that provide a direct benefit through reduced claims costs," Geer adds. "These programs help keep premiums at the lowest rates possible for our customers."

Schools, community groups, businesses, clubs and organizations can get involved by issuing challenges to schools, groups or branch offices in other communities. Individuals also can take a pledge to drive safely — and be eligible for travel, cash prizes and more. Go to www.icbc.com for the full details on how to take part in the Challenge.

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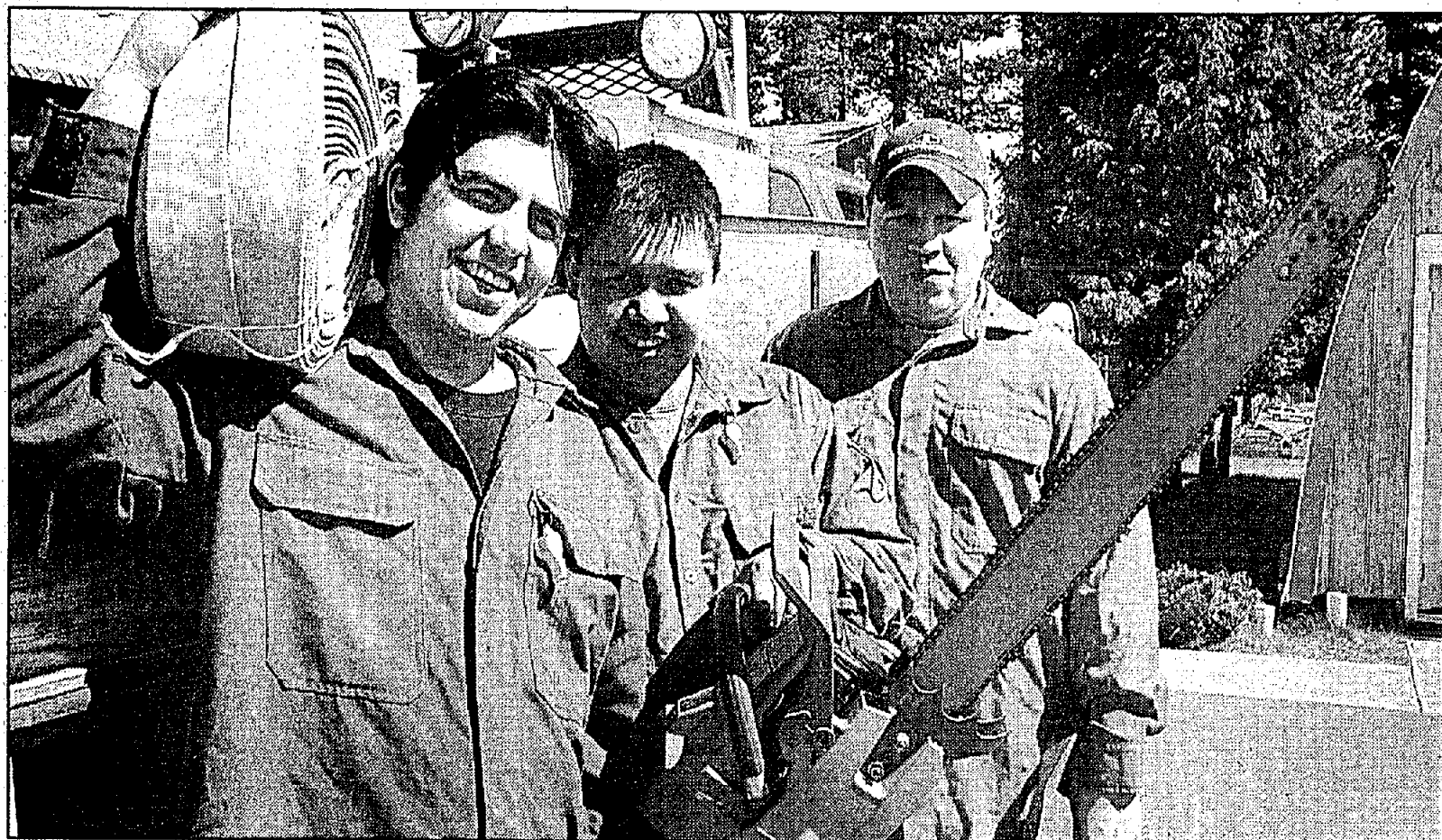
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INITIAL ATTACK crew member Jeremy LaFontaine, left, and Joe Grant and Mike Ridsdale, members of the Kitimat Firebirds, a 20-person crew assigned to large fires, have been spending their time getting ready for another season.

Firefighters gear up for another season

IT'S TOO early to tell what kind of forest fire season awaits the northwest, but forest service officials point to the snow melting earlier than usual and less precipitation than normal.

"Overall, it's drier than normal, but we really won't know the weather pattern until late May or early June," says local forest protection officer Steve Westby who is based at the Northwest Regional Airport.

Westby and others spent April ramping up fire crews and making preparations for whatever awaits them.

It's been years since there has been a significant forest fire in this area, but Westby and the others this year carry the experience gained after they were sent south in response to the large and devastating fires in the Barriere area, in Kelowna and in other areas.

That kind of mobility has become a hallmark of the provincial forest fire protection service.

In past years, local officials have gone to Al-

berta and as far as Ontario.

"It's complete mobility. We go wherever we are needed," said Westby. "It could be down south or in other provinces where we have agreements."

The Filmon report, commissioned after last year's southern fires, recommended hiring more firefighters.

In the north, that's meant adding 10 people to an existing 10-member crew in Houston to make a fully-manned unit crew.

Across the northwest, there's a unit crew in Kitimat called the Firebirds, one in Hazelton called the Rainmakers, one in Telkwa called the Rangers, the new 20-member crew in Houston called the Thunder Dogs and a crew in Burns Lake.

"So from four and a half crews, we've gone up to five," said Westby. That makes for 100 people ready to fight larger fires.

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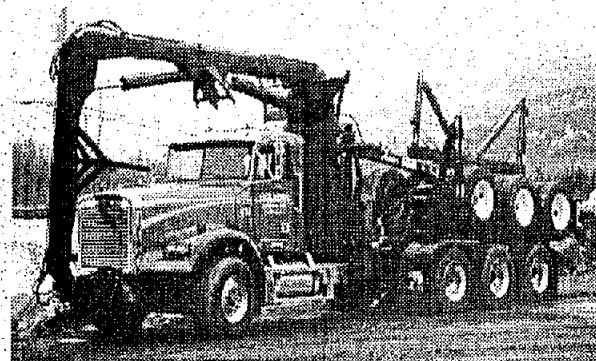
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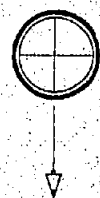
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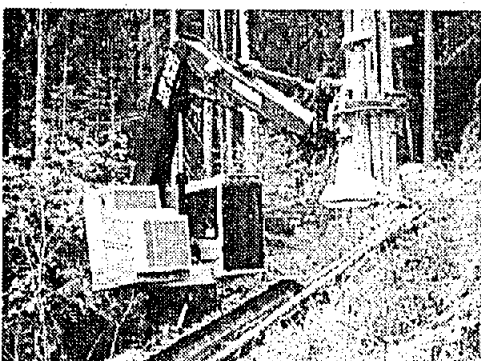
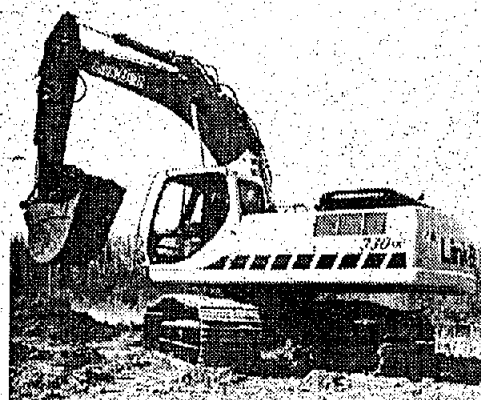


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Forest changes aimed at revitalizing northwest forestry economy

By ROGER HARRIS
Minister of State
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and MLA, Skeena

WITH THE introduction of the forest revitalization plan, our provincial government has quietly put in place the groundwork that creates the special northwest zone that Wes Cheston's report recommended years ago.

Commissioned in 2000, the Wes Cheston report identified that the underlying problems in the northwest were a combination of low value over mature timber along with high operating costs. This mix makes it difficult for any commercial operator to be economically successful on any consistent basis.

The long-term goal of the northwest over time is to change the profile of the fibre basket across the region from one of heavy decadent pulp stands to one of higher value saw logs.

From this perspective the harvesting of these over mature stands is as much forest health issue as well it is a community sustainability issue.

The Cheston Report put forward a number of recommendations in an effort to create a special management zone for the northwest. Some of these recommendations were: the removal of cut control; the removal of appurtenancy (the policy that wood must be processed in the area in which it was cut); the ability to export; flexible operational planning; different timber pricing; tenure re-allocation; and making undercuts available to small business operators.

"Local sawmills are able to work by being able to purchase fibre at rates that allow them to operate."

Our forest revitalization strategy in fact addresses many of these recommendations by allowing the province to structure the application of forest policy in a way that represents our many different regions. We have removed appurtenancy and significantly changed the cut control requirements so that as the limited market for pulp and other species increases, operators across the region can utilize the fibre and harvest accordingly.

The Order-In-Council that we put in place for export speaks specifically to a policy that the northwest needs to be treated differently and opens up the entire world to marketing opportunities. As a result of this move, local sawmills

are able to work by being able to purchase fibre at rates that allow them to operate.

Our new Forest and Range Practices Act moves us away from the prescriptive nature of the Forest Practices Code to one that utilizes the talents of the professionals. It specifically speaks to the issue of finding innovative harvesting techniques that protect environmental values but meets the unique needs of the northwest landscape.

In the northwest today we have been using the variable upset method of calculating timber pricing. This is only being used in the northwest and has resulted in a drop of the upset price of approximately 40 per cent for timber being sold through the B.C. Timber Sales Program.

The re-allocation of timber in the northwest speaks specifically to the need to put the fibre in the hands of smaller community based operators.

The additional fibre that is being re-allocated in the northwest though a larger take back process here will make more fibre available to groups like First Nations, community forest licences, salvage operators, woodlots as well as the B.C. Timber Sales Program, all of whom are community based. They hire, purchase and support local communities.

The re-allocation provides the necessary fibre supply for smaller, lower cost, value added operators with niche markets access to the one product they haven't had - trees. The changes in cut control requirements puts legislation in place to ensure that all under-cuts no longer are retained by licensees but flow into the marketplace.

These changes are the main thrusts of our revitalization plan. They put in place the ground work that creates the specially zone that Wes Cheston spoke of.

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Roger Harris

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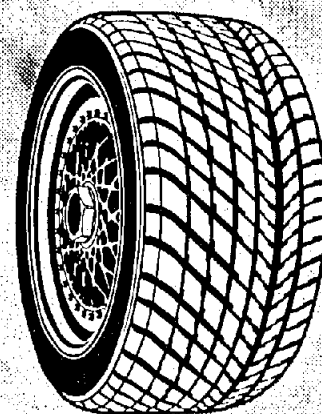


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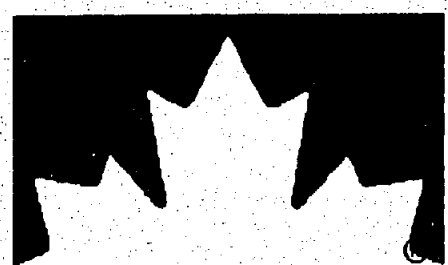
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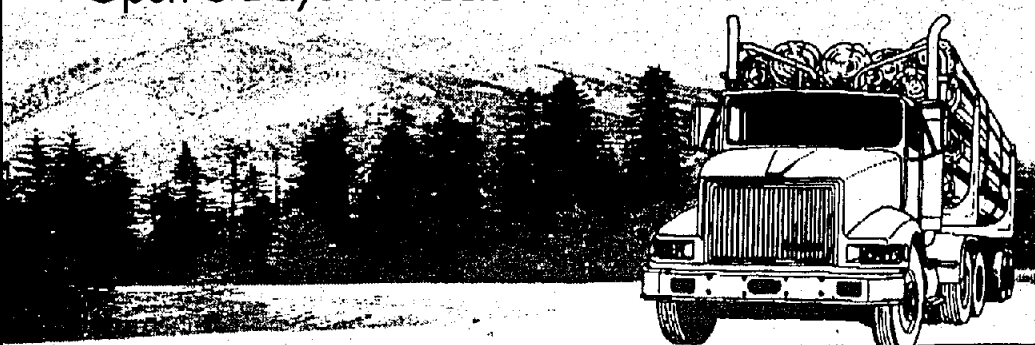
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THE B.C. FOREST Service is building on what it learned from last year's devastating forest fires in the south by publishing pamphlets and offering advice to homeowners who live on the edge of the forested areas.

Two pamphlets highlighting a program called Fire Smart are now available:

They outline practical ways to reduce wild fire hazards, says Steve Westby, the area's forest protection officer.

"It's about lowering the risk," said Westby. "We also hope to work with municipalities and regional districts."

"It could be something as simple as clearing the underbrush away from buildings."

One of the two pamphlets, called the Fire Smart manual, tells homeowners to create fuel-free zones around homes and buildings.

"A good fuel free space gives firefighters a chance to save your home from an advancing fire," reads the manual. "A home without a good fuel free zone around it can make firefighting difficult, if not impossible."

It says that exterior walls made out of stucco,

metal, brick and concrete offer good resistance to wildfire compared to logs and heavy timbers and wood and vinyl siding.

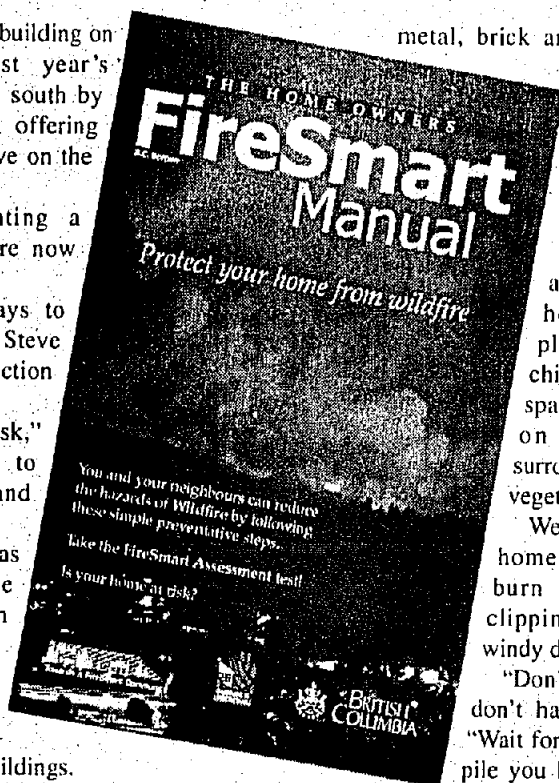
The manual advises homeowners to place mesh over chimneys to prevent sparks from settling on roofs or surrounding vegetation.

Westby also urges homeowners not to burn vegetation or clippings on hot and windy days.

"Don't burn if you don't have to," he said. "Wait for a rainy day. The pile you burn will still be dry, but you won't run the risk of the wind carrying it away."

The pamphlets are available by calling the local forest service fire attack base at 635-9735.

Westby said forest service officials will also visit homeowners to give advice if asked.



Forest life going on display

GRADE FIVE students from six local schools are to get an education about the forest next week thanks to outdoor displays at the Lakelse Lake provincial park campground.

It's a National Forest Week effort but is being held one week later than the official week itself, says forest service official Wendi Knott.

There'll be four display areas in total involving forest service employees and people from forestry companies in the area.

One display will be hosted by forest service firefighters, showing students the tools of the trade and offering tips on what to do if they spot a forest fire.

A second involves a walk down the nearby Twin Spruce Trail network where information will be passed along on the biodiversity of the forest.

"There are old growth and second growth areas so the students will see differences in vegetation," said Knott.

A third display area involves how rings of trees are counted to determine age and things to

look for in a tree's rings which give information about events such as fire and disease which occurred during the tree's life.

"Students will also be able to use a cross cut saw to cut their own little cookie - a piece of the cross-section of a tree," said Knott.

The fourth and final station is meant to pass along information on survival tips should students ever become lost or stranded in the forest.

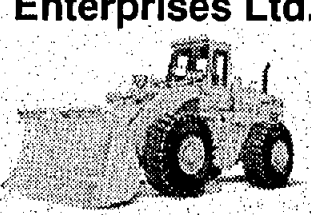
"They'll learn how to make a quick shelter, for instance, and get a list of what to take along with you in the forest, even if you are just out for a short walk," said Knott. They'll also learn the basics of compass readings.

West Fraser, Bell Pole, Interfor and other local forest companies will be represented. Provincial environment employees will also be on hand in addition to forest service workers and people from B.C. Timber Sales. Federal fisheries officials may also be present.

Students will be on site from 10 a.m. to noon each of the four school days next week. Bussing is being provided by the Terrace Rotary Club.


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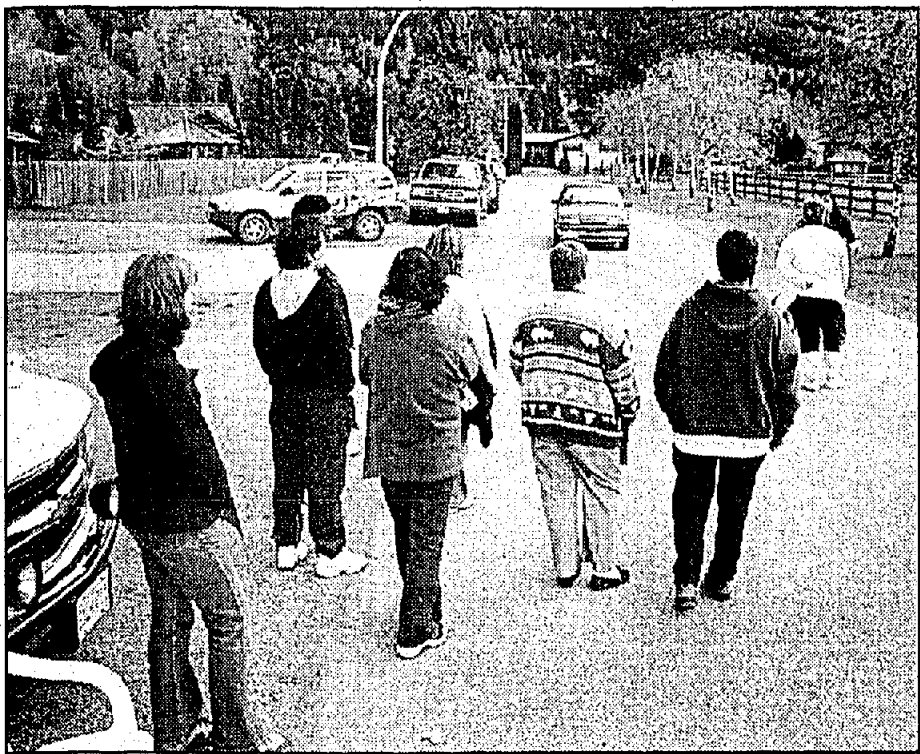
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- Costs are much higher on the coast. Reasons include:
 - higher costs for harvesting on steep ground (with cable harvesting or helicopters)
 - variations in log size and quality
 - water transportation (barging and booming)
 - Road systems must be built to protect the extensive stream systems along the coastline.
- The coastal forest region is one of the few sustainable sources of large sized softwood lumber.



TERRANCEVIEW LODGE workers patrolled picket lines in front of their place of employment last week. Last year they negotiated wage and benefit cuts only to have more of the same legislated into place last week.

Contracting out here won't take place

ONE OF the more controversial issues surrounding last week's hospital workers strike — contracting out — won't affect laundry, housekeeping and food service employees working for the Northern Health Authority.

That's because the authority signed a deal with its workers in these categories in February to cut jobs and lower expenses without contracting out.

"We have no intention of reviving that," said authority official Mark Karjalainen last week of the contracting out option.

The authority did cast around last fall and early this year for companies interested in carrying out the work but discovered it would achieve little, if any, cost savings.

Under the February deal, the authority will cut approximately \$1 million from its budget. Approximately 25 full time equivalent positions will be cut among 400 people working in laundry, housekeeping and food services positions.

The February deal followed attempts by the authority to reach agreements to cut wages and benefits among support workers that would have been effective up until their contracts ran out at the end of March.

An attempt at a wholesale deal across

the north involving all facilities failed. But the health authority did reach wage and benefits cut agreements with workers at individual health care facilities late last year.

The wage and benefit reductions taken by workers at these facilities, including Terranceview Lodge, were about the same as those legislated into place last week.

Under the February deal, workers had their wages and benefits restored to normal levels — only to have them cut again under last week's legislation.

That angered Terranceview Lodge workers who are members of the B.C. Government and Service Employees' Union.

"It's despicable, deplorable and draconian to arbitrarily rollback their wages by 15 per cent," union staff rep Shelley Anderson said last week while doing picket line duty. "They demonstrated a willingness last year to meet with the employer. The NHA (Northern Health Authority) and the health unions did find a way to find efficiencies," she said.

"It was a bitter pill to swallow last year and now they find themselves legislated back with further reductions," Anderson added. "Wait until May 17, 2005. There will be a change," said Anderson of next year's provincial election date.

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Experience crucial in forest fire fighting

"It doesn't sound like a lot of people, but it is. These are highly trained and skilled people," said Westby.

Also on hand are initial attack crews made up of three people each. There are two such crews in Terrace at the airport and six others spread throughout the region.

Initial attack crews are the first responders of the forest fire fighting business. If road access is difficult or non-existent, they'll be taken in by helicopter.

Westby's pleased with the skill and experience level of the unit and initial attack crews.

Nineteen of the 20 Kitimat Firebirds from last year are returning and there was one vacancy from last year among the six initial attack crew members at the airport here.

"It's very good. We have good crews. We feel more comfortable because of their experience if we have to put them out there on a fire," said Westby.

There are also two lookouts, manned when needed if the forest fire threat level increases. One is located half-way to Kitimat above the Kitimat River bridge and the other on the west side of the Kitsum-

kalum Lake above Rosswood.

The forest service here can also call on Prince George-based air tankers when needed. Air tankers are so fast nowadays, they can be on hand within an hour after being called, Westby noted.

He and other forest fire officials also rely on a computer program which matches historical fire events with up to date weather forecasts.

Hot weather on a long weekend, for example, means more people in the woods and preparations increase in case there is a fire, said Westby.

"Generally speaking, people in the north seem more wood-savvy," said Westby. "Perhaps they realize the impact a fire can have."

Yet he says people should be ever vigilant when camping or travelling through the forest during the summer.

Campfires should be well tended and any bans should be obeyed.

The provincial forest fire reporting number is 1-800-663-5555.

If within cellphone range, the number is *5555.

Fire fighting beefed up

MORE RESOURCES are going to fighting forest fires in B.C. thanks to recommendations by former Manitoba premier Gary Filmon.

On April 17, Premier Gordon Campbell announced that all 42 of the recommendations made by Filmon, who investigated last year's devastating fires down south, will be implemented.

Five new 20-person fire crews will be created, two more air tankers are being brought in and \$3 million is being given to municipalities to improve fire management.

The additional 20-person unit crews mean there will be 27 such units across the province. These highly specialized crews can be self-sufficient for up to 72 hours and can work on a fire line for up to 14 days.

The Ministry of Forests has also added two Convair 580 air tankers to its existing fleet. The planes have a 7,955-litre retardant capacity and can fly four hours without refuelling.

"The additional air tankers will make B.C. more self-reliant," said forests minister Michael de Jong.

The province also began a program of burning to reduce fuel loads in the forest. Over the Easter weekend, burns covering 800 hectares were conducted in the Kootenays, near Grasmere and Skookumchuck.

Also being implemented is more co-operation with municipalities to reduce fire hazards at residential developments which are at the edge of the forest.

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Ex-MLA Helmut Giesbrecht says he wants to run again

HELMUT GIESBRECHT says he will seek the NDP nomination in Skeena in next spring's provincial election.

The ex-MLA, defeated by Roger Harris in the B.C. Liberal sweep of 2001, revealed April 30 he's planning a comeback but then attempted to play it down.

"I think I'm going to run for the nomination but I don't know whether I'll get it," he told the *Standard* in an interview following a forestry forum here. "I don't know what the future holds."

Harris has already said he will run for re-election in the vote set for May 17,

2005 under new fixed election dates brought in by the Liberals.

Giesbrecht represented Skeena for two terms in the legislature from 1991-2001.

Giesbrecht also fought off a recall campaign.

He also held cabinet posts in the latter part of his legislative career.

Giesbrecht said staying away from public life has been more difficult than he expected, despite fending off a life-altering bout with cancer.

"I worked steady for a lot of years until my forced retirement," Giesbrecht said. "Once you're in the

game it's hard to let go completely."

"If the party calls, I've got some good years left," he added. "And if they want me to, I'll volunteer my services."

Giesbrecht made the comments following an IWA-organized public forum on forestry April 30.

He'd been asked to attend at the last moment to stand in for NDP leader Carole James, who couldn't make it.

"This wasn't supposed to be about me. This was supposed to be about forestry," Giesbrecht added.

"Now I have to tell Wendy what I've just



Helmut Giesbrecht

done," said Giesbrecht in referring to his wife.

Burton wants to extend income tax breaks

SKEENA MP Andy Burton wants to include the Queen Charlotte Islands on the list of areas qualifying for income tax breaks.

The Northern Living Allowance program provides residents in northern and remote with specific deductions as a way of balancing unusually high living costs.

Those deductions also take into account travel costs to more southern area.

"The Northern Living Allowance has been one of the more vexing issues since I became the Member of Parliament," said Burton last week. "The Northern Living

Allowance is a program administered by the federal government to ameliorate the high costs of association with living in rural and remote areas of Canada. However, the allowances are unfairly distributed across the board," said Burton.

Burton laid out his plan by way of a private member's bill introduced last week in Parliament.

It calls for amendments to the Income Tax Act.

Places such as Dease Lake, Telegraph Creek and Atlin to the north of here, also in the federal Skeena riding qualify for full or partial tax breaks.

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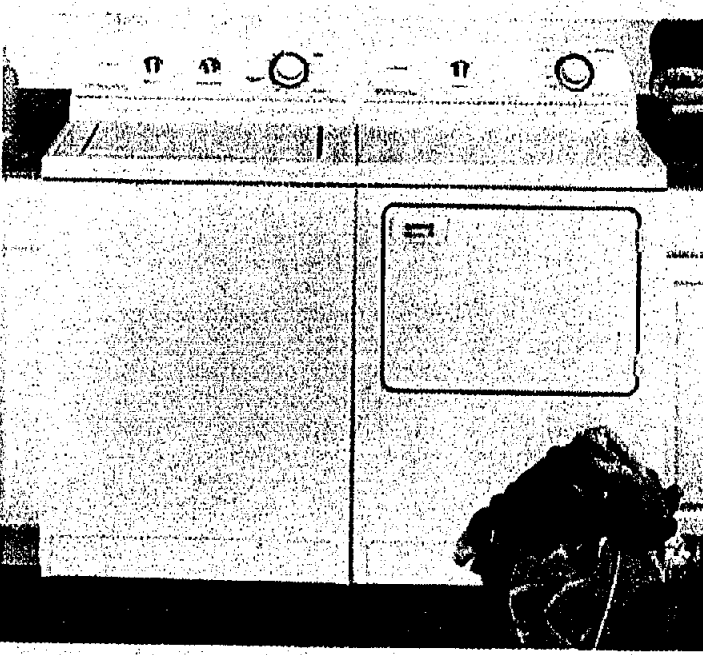
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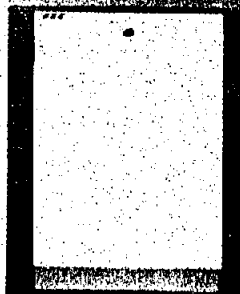
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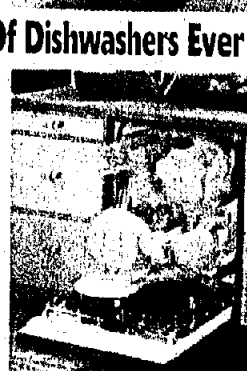
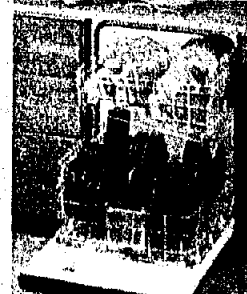
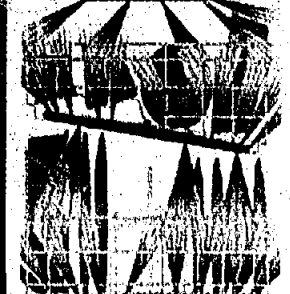
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Eric Wilson

The trick, he found, was to write in plenty of action, and to toss in cliff-hangers to be sure even reluctant readers would keep turning the pages.

There are now 20 books in the series. Wilson, who now lives in Victoria, has sold 2.9 million books in 9 languages. The adventures are set in different places across the country.

His young fans will get a chance to hear him read in person Tuesday night at the Terrace Public Library. Wilson will read from 7-8 p.m.

It's free, but you're asked to register beforehand in person or by calling the library at 638-8177.



EXPLORE the outdoors with the hiking club on Sundays. CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Head for the hills

NOW THAT the Skeena Valley is greening up and the snow is disappearing from higher elevations, local hikers are itching to strap on their boots and go exploring.

Whether you're new to town, or you crave pleasant company, why not head out with the Terrace/Kitimat Hiking Club?

The club has started its spring hiking season. The group meets Sunday mornings at 9 a.m. at Cafenera in Terrace.

Aside from some major hikes this summer, there is no set schedule this year.

Instead, the day's leader will decide where the club will be hiking, based on the weather and the people present.

Note: hikers are responsible for bringing proper hiking boots, clothing, rain gear and a bag lunch. Hiking poles are recommended. For more information, call Chris at 635-5996 or Julie at 635-6150.

Needle time

IS YOUR child starting kindergarten in September? Then it's time for those Kindergarten and pre-Kindergarten immunizations, the Northern Health Authority says.

The Terrace health unit at 3412 Kalum St. is holding a Kindergarten immunization fair May 13, 20 and 21.

You're asked to call 638-2200 to book an appointment.

The clinic operates Wednesday, May 13 from 9-11:30 a.m. and from 1:30-4 p.m.; Thursday, May 20 from 9 to 11:30 a.m., and again on Friday, May 21 from 9-11:30 a.m.

Parents and caregivers are asked to bring the child's B.C. Care Card number, in addition to any record you may have of their previous immunizations.

Children who are already in school but who have missed this immunization are welcome to come to the fair.

If someone other than the parent or legal guardian is bringing the child, please let the public health nurse know when you make the appointment.

Herbs wanted

THE GOOD Food Box program is looking for donated herbs.

They'll be planted in a section of the community garden behind the Skeena-Kalum Housing Society project, says food box program co-ordinator Agatha Jedrzejczyk. Her plans include herbs such as chive and dill.

Those wishing to donate herbs to the program, which buys food in bulk for people on a limited income, can call The Family Place at 638-1863.

The next food box distribution is on May 13.



Wood workers

CARVERS in the First Nations carving program at Northwest Community College are about to start work on carving NWCC's new education pole under the instruction of master carver Heber Reece (top left). The pole will be raised next fall at the college. Meanwhile his students have been learning the ropes carving masks in the college's carpentry lab. Kitsumkalum students Shirley Bolton and Sandra Wesley (below) show their progress to date while student Darryl Wilson (bottom left) concentrates on his work. JEFF NAGEL PHOTOS

Edgy, quirky *Attic* will be
TLT's entry in zone festival

By JENNIFER LANG

SISTERHOOD. While the word conjures up stirring images of empowered women joining together in a spirit of cooperation, everyone knows that picture is wildly optimistic — especially when you're talking about *real* sisters. The sibling kind.

That kind of sisterhood is examined in close detail in *The Attic, The Pearls and Three Fine Girls*, a revealing comedy opening tomorrow night at the McColl Playhouse.

The story revolves around three sisters, Jelly, Jayne and Jo Jo Fine who are back in each other's lives — and their childhood home — after the death of their father. Despite that, "It's not a gloomy play," says director Chris Stone.

The youngest is a flaky artist, the middle sister is a university professor and the eldest is a classic, Type A businesswoman.

"These women are cruel to each other and yet they keep going back for more," Stone says, pointing out the play is funny — an entertainment, as he calls it.

"There's a love," he says, referring to the three sisters, played by Debbie Haynes, who was last seen in *Here on the flight Path*, and newcomers Rebecca McEwan and Janine Hamming. "They're interesting people and they're interesting to watch."

It's edgy humour, says Stone, who's last turn in the director's chair saw him at the helm of last fall's *Cinderella*, an extravaganza

TERRACE LITTLE Theatre actors will take their latest play *The Attic, The Pearls and Three Fine Girls* to the Skeena Zone Drama Festival this year. Debbie Haynes plays Jo Jo, Rebecca McEwan is Jayne, and Janine Hamming plays Jelly.

based on the British pantomime tradition.

The Attic, The Pearls and Three Fine Girls is also somewhat surrealistic, with scenes stepping back and forth in time. The three actresses in the show — aged 29 to 40 in real life — have to play their characters as children as well as adults.

"I thought it would be a difficult one to do," Stone said, adding he'd hung onto the script for quite a while. "It was going to be asking a lot of the actresses."

He planned to direct *Mary's Wedding* instead, but couldn't get the rights for the Terrace Little Theatre to do the production this spring.

So he pulled *The Attic, The Pearls and Three Fine Girls* down from the shelf.

He realized he knew two actresses, who would be right for the roles — and then a third turned up. "It just seemed to mesh. Now they glide along like lubricated machine parts," he says of his actresses, who are rising to meet the challenge of such demanding roles.

"They all take my breath away a little," he says. "They are all very good."

The play, the TLT's entry in this year's Skeena Zone Drama Festival, was written by Jennifer Brewin, Leah Cherniak, Ann-Marie MacDonald, Alisa Palmer and Martha Ross.

It was developed out of a collaboration between Canadian women working from Theatre Columbus in Toronto, using a process that includes improv and writing.

The Attic, The Pearls & Three Fine Girls opens tomorrow night at the McColl Playhouse and continues May 7-8, and May 13-15.



Aileen time

SHE's like the city's pioneer godmother. Aileen Frank, 90, celebrated seven decades in Terrace with a party at the Elks Hall on Thursday. MARGARET SPEIRS PHOTO

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Concerts

■ **Northwest Singers present Takin' A Chance on Love**, a Mother's Day Dessert Concert. May 9 at the Skeena Valley Golf and Country Club at 7:30 p.m. Come and hear glorious music while feasting on scrumptious desserts. Seating is limited. Get your tickets soon at Misty River Books. Call 635-5312 or 635-2101.

■ **Ron Klushmeyer and Sheelah McGill** will sing at Knox United Church on May 9 at 2 p.m. This talented music and arts ministry team use the gifts of music and drama to in-



THE QUEBEC film *La Grande Seduction* plays Terrace May 26.

spire others to explore and share their own faith journeys. Tickets at Misty River Books and at the door.

Theatre

■ **The Attic, the Pearls and Three Fine Girls**, presented by the Terrace Little Theatre May 6 to 8 and May 15-17 at the McColl Playhouse. Tickets at Uniglobe Courtesy Travel. Directed by Chris Stone.

Visual arts

■ **Eye on the Future**, mixed media works by local Terrace youth, opening Saturday May 8

at the Terrace Art Gallery. Reception starts at 7 p.m. Show runs to May 30. Call 638-8884 for further information.

Cinema

■ The Terrace Not Paris Film Festival presents *La Grande Seduction* (Seducing Dr. Lewis), Quebec's answer to Waking Ned Devine. Coming May 26.

Etc.

■ **Rotary Club of Terrace 6th Annual Wine Festival.** More than 70 wines from 18 wineries featured. At the Coast Inn of the West, May 15 starting at 7 p.m. New this year is a Scotch tasting featuring some of the world's finest Scotch whiskies. Due to the high cost of the offerings, a small fee per tasting will be added not covered by wine festival admission. Tickets from Rotary Club of Terrace or the Coast Inn of the West.

Fax 638-8432 to make the SCENE. Deadline is 5 p.m. Thursday. Events will run space permitting.

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May 14 and 15 - Centennial Christian School presents: *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. Come enjoy this rollicking comedy. - 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$10.00. Available at the school or at Misty River Books.

May 16 - Join Sophia's Dance Studio for "Let's Celebrate" an evening of dance. 6:00 p.m. - Tickets \$5.00 available from dance students or at the door.

May 19 - 23 - The Skeena Zone Drama Festival presents plays from around the region. Come and see the best of theatre in the Northwest. Call 635-2101 for details.

May 26 - Caledonia Bands in Concert

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Available at Cook's Jewellers in the Skeena Mall

Terrace Little Theatre Tickets

Available at Uniglobe Courtesy Travel

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

For complete listings, visit www.terracestandard.com

COMMUNITY EVENTS LISTINGS

WEDNESDAY, MAY 5

■ **National Aboriginal Day** meeting for any interested parties to attend to discuss NAD festivities. Wed. May 5 from 1-2 p.m. at the Kermode Friendship Society.

SATURDAY, MAY 8

■ **Perennial Plant Sale** Saturday, May 8 at the City Hall parking lot, starting at 8 a.m. Proceeds to the Greater Terrace Beautification Society. Donations of six-inch pots are needed. Deliver donations to 5242 Soucie or call Chris Hansen at 638-1049 if pick up needed.

THURSDAY, MAY 13

■ **Kindergarten/pre-kindergarten immunizations** take place May 13 at the Terrace Health Unit from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 to 4 p.m. Also running in mornings May 20 and 21. Bring the child's BC Care card number and any record of immunizations. Please phone 638-2200 to make an appointment.

FRIDAY, MAY 14

■ **Edith Fehr, B.C. representative for Operation Christmas Child**, will speak and give a video presentation on her experiences distributing gift-filled shoeboxes to children in Guatemala. Friday, May 14 at 7 p.m. at the Terrace Alliance Church, at 4923 Agar Ave.

SATURDAY, MAY 15

■ **Rotary Club of Terrace 6th Annual Wine Festival.** More than 70 wines from 18 wineries featured. At the Coast Inn of the West, May 15 starting at 7 p.m. New this year is a Scotch tasting featuring some of the world's finest Scotch whiskies. Due to the high cost of the offerings, a small fee per tasting will be added not covered by wine festival admission. Tickets available from Rotary Club of Terrace or by calling the Coast Inn of the West at 638-8141.

TUESDAY, MAY 18

■ **Child Care Clinic in the Park.** Free fun for children, parents, child care providers or grandparents in Elks Park on Agar. Activities, snacks provided, bring your own lunch. Hosted by Skeena Child Care Resource and Referral, The Family Place and ECEBC. Phone 638-1113 for more info.

PSAs

Is your child starting Kindergarten this year? Kindergarten/pre-kindergarten immunizations May 13, 20 and 21 at the Northwest Health Unit at 3412 Kalum St. Call 638-2200 to make an appointment.

Tsimshian Language (Smaiyax) and Culture program Sunday afternoons from 2-4 p.m. at the Kermode Friendship Society (3313 Kalum St. beside Copper Side Foods). Open to anyone interested in learning more on our culture. Free!

Heritage Park Museum is looking for volunteers to help out throughout the year for a number of fun and exciting events. If you are an artist, crafts person, carpenter, handy person, musician, educator, or a person interested in history and community we would love to speak with you about how we can work together. For more information call the museum at 635-4546. Let's work together to make Terrace's museum a great place to be!

Wellness Warriors at the Kermode Friendship Society. Are you tired of hearing about all those fad diets? Do you want to learn more about how to eat healthy? Would you like to exercise with a group that has the same goals? Join us Tuesday nights at 6 p.m. Funded by Northern Health Authority and presented through Health and Education for Aboriginal Learning (HEAL). Call Lisa or Cinamon at 635-4906.

The Terrace/Kitimat Hiking Club is starting their Spring Hiking season. The club meets on Sunday mornings at 9 a.m. at Cafenera in Terrace. Aside from some major hikes this

summer, there will be no set schedule this year. The leader that day will decide where the hike is - based on the weather and the people present. Hikers are responsible for bringing proper hiking boots, clothing, rain gear and a bag lunch. Hiking poles are recommended. For more information, call Chris at 635-5996 or Julie at 635-6150.

Interested in graphic novels? If you are between the ages of 12-16, join us at the Terrace Public Library as Comic Encounters shows us the changes that comics have gone through. Then you can choose a new graphic novel for the library collection. Wednesday, May 7 from 7-8 p.m. Call 638-8177 to register.

Young mystery fans will want to come to the library to hear B.C. author Eric Wilson read from his *Liz and Tom* books. He's at the Terrace Public Library May 11 from 7-8 p.m. Free, but register in person or by calling the library at 638-8177.

Adult computer classes at the Terrace Public Library begin May 4. Weekly, Tuesday to Friday, starting at 7 p.m. Classes range from computer maintenance, word processing and internet usage to web designing and other topics based on demand. Call the library at 638-8177 to find out more and to book your appointment. Lessons are free.

Free program for parents and children under 6 at the child care facility attached to the Thornhill Community Centre. Adult-child drop-in with activities parents and children can enjoy together. Yummy snacks and good company. Wednesdays from 1:30-3:30 p.m. and on Thursdays from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Program ends June 17. Everyone welcome. No need to register. For more information call 638-1863 - the Family Place.

Work Bees for the Greater Terrace Beautification Society are held each Tuesday from 7:9 p.m., starting April 6. Meet at City Hall. Everyone welcome. Contact Chris at 638-1049 for more details.

The 747 Royal Canadian Air Cadet Unicorn Squadron meets Thursday evenings at 7 p.m. at the Terrace airport. Boys and girls aged 12-18 years are invited to enrol. Sign up now! For further information, contact the cadet hall at 635-6747.

The Terrace Public Library presents a Hotmail tutorial for seniors. Get in touch with your family and friends by instant email. Free classes run Monday to Friday from 7-8 p.m. Register in person or by calling 638-8177.

Skeena High grads of 1969 would like to invite all grads from 1967, '68 and '69 to our 35th high school reunion. It will be held July 30-Aug. 1, 2004. If you would like to attend, and/or know where we can locate a grad, please contact one of the following people: Donna Auriat at 638-0661 or Sandy Kirby at 635-5021.

Terrace Parks and Recreation offers a drop-in sports program for 9 to 12-year-olds Fridays from 11 a.m. to noon when school is not in session. This is for anyone who wants to play sports in a non-competitive but fun atmosphere. Cost is \$1. Bring a pair of clean indoor shoes.

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Date & Time of Birth: April 26, 2004 at 3:55 a.m.
Weight: 10 lbs. 2 oz. Sex: Male
Parents: Jon Hills & Trista Leighton
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Baby's Name: Breanna Aaron
Date & Time of Birth: April 19, 2004 at 6:17 p.m.
Weight: 8 lbs. 3 oz. Sex: Female
Parents: Clint Bell & Shelly Lefebvre

Baby's Name: Connor Purchase
Date & Time of Birth: April 27, 2004 at 8:27 a.m.
Weight: 6 lbs. 1 oz. Sex: Male
Parents: Robert & Peggy

Baby's Name: Jayci Regan
Date & Time of Birth: April 26, 2004 at 5:53 p.m.
Weight: 7 lbs. 10 oz. Sex: Female
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Artists wanted

IT'S AN opportunity for artists across the north.

An employment society is looking for artists who are interested in participating in an exhibition at the Atlin terminal building in touristy Cow Bay - just in time for cruise ship season.

The show opens in the Atlin Terminal Ice House May 20, the same day the first big cruise ship of the season arrives in port, and runs to June 25.

But the exhibit is just the start of something much more permanent, says Lucy Pribas of the Hecate Strait Employment Development Society.

It's setting up a new North Coast Artist's Co-operative that will operate a gift shop and artists' space inside Atlin terminal.

"We want to see the traffic coming off the cruise ships," Pribas said. "We've got an amazing space. Passengers are going to be coming through there."

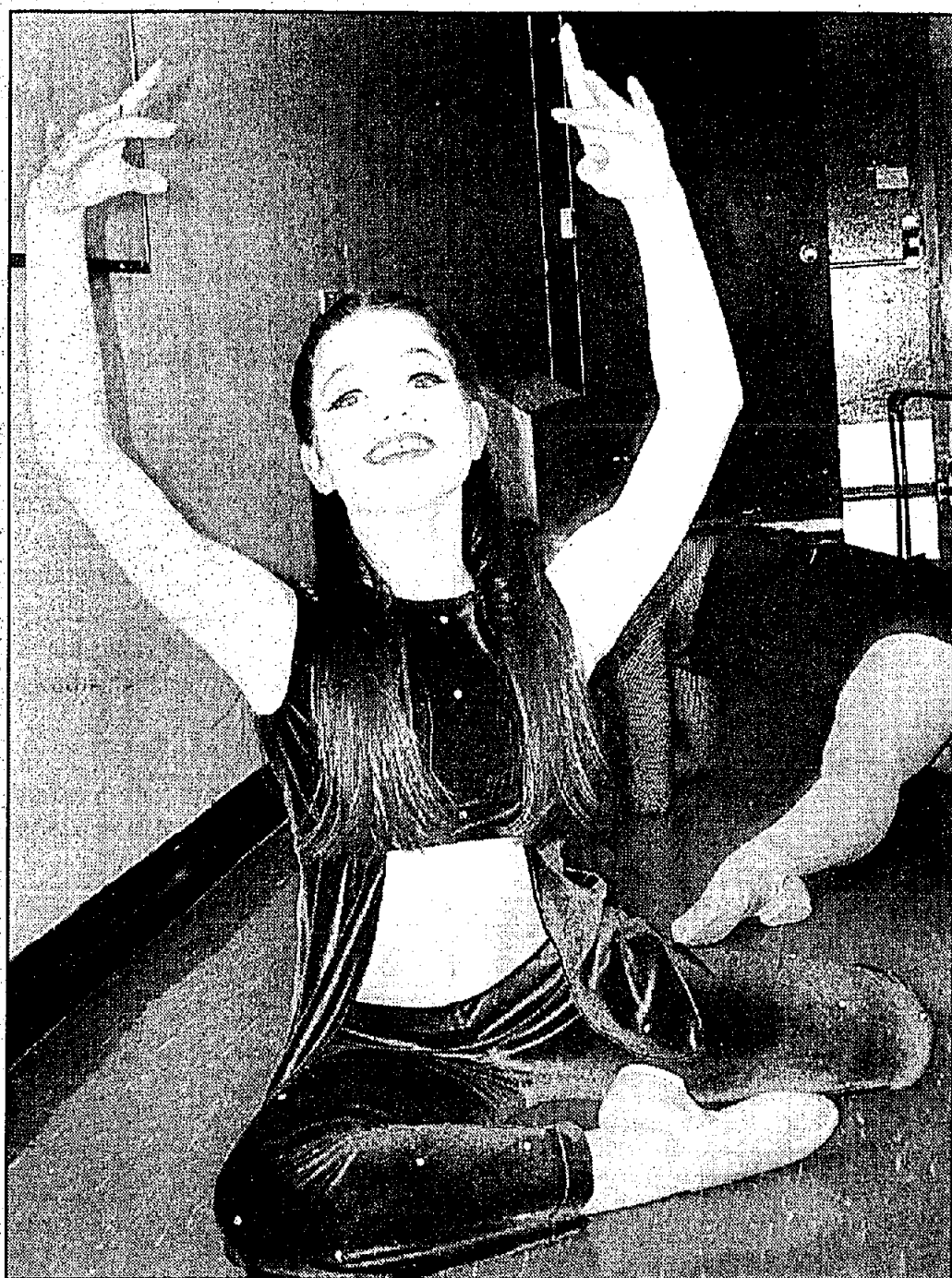
Artists who want to take an active role in a burgeoning art cooperative are asked to get in touch with society, which is creating a region-wide network of artists.

Pribas said the new North Coast Artist's Cooperative will be based in Prince Rupert but is open to artists from Smithers to the Queen Charlotte Islands.

Artists can join as active or associate members, or by volunteering. Annual membership fees cost \$100. Commissions are also charged on art sales.

"We're starting with an exhibit just to give people an idea of what we're doing," Pribas said.

The deadline for submissions from artists is May 14. For more info, contact Lucy Pribas at 250-624-9498 or toll free at 1-888-3988. Email to lpribas@citytel.net



Let's dance

PACIFIC Northwest Music Festival competitor Katherine Trotter, 11, warms up for her lyrical jazz solo. The Terrace dancer trains at the Northern Conservatory of Dance. The festival wrapped up April 30 and May 1 at the R.E.M. Lee Theatre. MARGARET SPEIRS PHOTO

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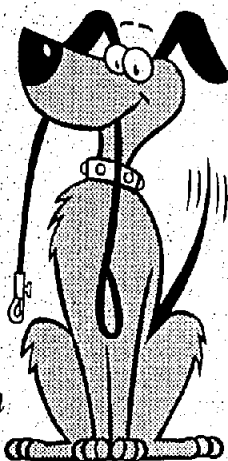
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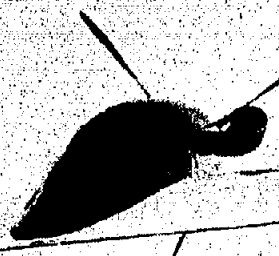
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Bake sale trio

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Thornhill students honoured

THE FOLLOWING students earned recognition at Thornhill Junior Secondary School's third term honour roll.

Outstanding achievement
Grade 10
 Kaare-Ann Borgen, Sean Davidson, Jeff Maturi, John Ottens, Heather Titterton, Stacey Zorn
Grade 9
 April Bedard, Lindsay Godolphin, Amy Martinson, Meagan Moi, Mark Stark, Sarah Wyatt
Grade 8
 Courtney Bogart, Kate Boswell, Raeanne Colville, Brent Eigeard, Miranda Leffler, Allan Marshall, Emily Ottens, Tanis Place, Megan Rogers, Adam Simon, Caitlan

Wolson, Leah Wiffen
Meritorious achievement
Grade 10
 Lorena Beaudette, Caitlyn Eide, Michelle Orosz, Rachelle Papps, Claire Seaton, Kegan Spence, Tammy Therrien
Grade 9
 Andrea Bentham, April Burnip, Kate Dempster, Bert Fawdrey, Jordan Johnson, Trevor Kinney, Jade Lozinski, Devon McCaulley
Grade 8
 Chad Babcock, Kimberly Dignard, Kelton Ramos, Kevin Wiebe, Abby Wiens
Honourable mention
Grade 10
 Laura Barg, Sarah Bax-

ter, Valerie Harris, Amanda Reink, Andrea Sparks, Marissa Wagner
Grade 9
 Sonya Bruneau, Emily Davis, Sarah Flavel, Nathan Froese, Christopher Robins, Carla Seaton
Grade 8
 Ryan Holton, Chelsea Horn, Sarah Kinney, Brooke Perkins, Angela Whatman, Katherine Wolfenden
Work Habits
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 May 30 (Sun) Rainday for WESCAR (if Sat. rained out, race Sunday)
 June 6 (Sun) Kiddies Day
 June 19 (Sat) Street Challenge
 June 20 (Sun) Father's Day Races & Hit-to-Pass
 July 10 (Sat) Races & Hit to Pass
 July 11 (Sun) Memorial Races
 July 31 (Sat) Bomber Invitational
 Aug. 1 (Sun) Bomber Invitational & Kiddies Day
 Aug. 15 (Sun) Last Points Day & Hit-to-Pass
 Sept. 12 (Sun) Demolition Derby

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As ye sow

THE HOLY One looked at the handful of seeds lying in the palm of the tribesman standing before him. Then he sat before the fire, closed his eyes and chanted incantations in the magically charged language handed down from Holy One to Holy One since a time that defied collective memory.

Despite the fact that the song of divination was beyond his comprehension, the tribesman shivered to its cadence and the way it mirrored the complex rhythms of the light reflected on the hide walls of the Holy One's tent.

The Shaman's eyes suddenly popped open. They were wide and bright and did not resemble his own. He spoke in a dark voice with rough edges that sounded as if it came from within a deep cave.

"If you bury those kernels in the fertile womb of the earth mother, as you say you intend to do," the Holy One intoned, "men who move, as we do, will all but disappear, great villages will sprout and spread like the wildest of weeds. The people will live in large huts and mountains of their own making, and plagues will blow through their canyons like foul winds causing unfathomable suffering and death to millions."

As impressed as he was, the tribesman could not overcome insatiable curiosity; he had to try to harness the power of nature. He ignored the oracle and planted the seeds, tended them and ate them. In so doing he became the first farmer and the instigator of the most powerful instrument of change in history.

Apocryphal? Sure. But this scenario could have happened; something much like it must have.

Cultivation enabled exponential population growth and sedentary lifestyles. It begat bureaucrats and administrators and big government. And it led ineluctably to animal husbandry. Those indulging in that practice were exposed to nasty animal diseases like tuberculosis, small pox, and swine flu in much the same way that the Chinese civet cat brokers became exposed to SARS, and African tribesmen ran afoul of simian viruses that evolved into ebola and AIDS.

Its no secret that his army's weapons and the domestication of the horse — both consequent developments of agriculture — were central to Cortez' victory over Atahualpa and the subsequent conquest of the Americas. But it's doubtful if the European forces would have prevailed had they not been vectors of microbes to which the invading forces were resistant and the invaded were not, germs that had made the leap from domesticated animals to Eurasian man shortly after the advent of agriculture.

Profit greed and the need to feed growing populations has led to larger farms and such unsavoury practices as monocropping. Monocropping, the habit of cramming as much of one species into a limited environment, is consistent with economic growth but contrary to diversity, nature's prescription for ecological health.

Monocropping, or monoculture, is the reason the agriculture industry in North America has a fossil fuel dependency and requires massive doses of pesticides to stave off insolvency.

The animal equivalent of monoculture is found in the feed lot and in the pig and poultry farms. The widespread use of antibiotics is but one example of what must be done to keep diseases at bay in weakened uniform populations. And sometimes, as the recent avian flu disaster demonstrated, even drugs and stringent controls don't work.

And now there's fish farming, monoculture aquaculture where large numbers of exotic fish are crammed into small enclosures and dosed with fungicides, dyes, pesticides and hormones rendering them unfit for consumption by anyone concerned for his or her long-term health. To make matters worse the toxic effluent from these lousy installations poison the adjacent marine environment and undermine the health of genetically diverse wild fish stocks beautifully programmed to thrive in and feed their environments.

Now the short-sighted Liberal government of B.C. having, apparently, learned zip from the problems that beset agriculture and its relations, has approved eight aquaculture sites for the approach waters to the Skeena, Canada's second-largest salmon-producing river. They've done this in defiance of the findings of the Pacific Salmon Council, and in spite of opposition from local residents.

How much opposition? The latest poll shows that 71% of Prince Rupert residents oppose the development of fish farming on the North Coast.

Brothers on ice

Sahir and Sameer Gill are two Terrace hockey talents worth watching

By AL LEHMANN

NEARLY EVERY boy who joins a hockey league from PeeWee on up fantasizes about playing in the NHL.

To get there, though, requires both natural talent and discipline. A relative few across Canada make it, and fewer from Terrace. However, that may be about to change.

In the past Terrace has produced players of NHL calibre — Jeff Sharples and Wade Flaherty come to mind. Now there are two other young players on the scene, brothers as it happens, and both have their eye on the big league.

Sameer Gill is currently 18 years old, playing forward for the Midget Rep team, and he's working to find a college route through to the NHL. At the International Development Tournament in Pen-ticton Sam won the Most Sportsmanlike Player award.

Sam also coaches and referees, and finds that these roles provide him with numerous insights into the game that a player might easily miss. As a coach he has become very skilled at mentoring young players.

Meanwhile he is working on a high academic average in Caledonia, and he is considering studying nursing as an entry into a medical faculty somewhere. There's nothing like a considered back-up plan, just in case.

Sam's 11-year-old brother Sahir also dreams of the NHL, although predictably his plans are somewhat less solid at this point. Sahir in particular shows startling promise as a young player.

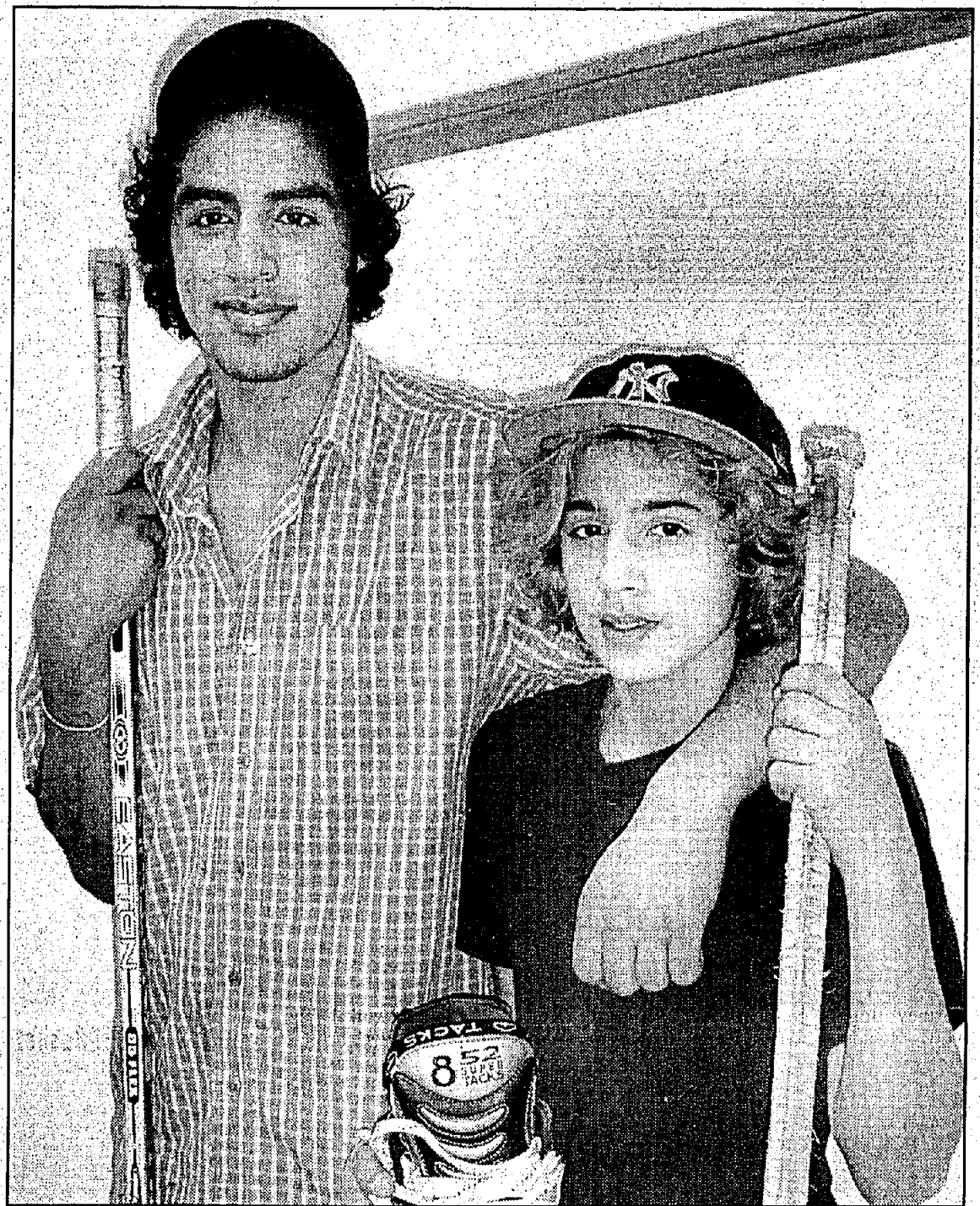
Since he began playing organized hockey at the age of five, Sahir has scored the staggering sum of over 1,000 goals.

During last season as captain of the PeeWee Rep team he amassed 183 points in 41 games.

Aside from playing here in Terrace, Sahir plays spring hockey full time in Vancouver. This will be his fourth season. There he has played on all three Vancouver triple A teams: the B.C. Selects, the Vancouver Pacific Vipers and the Vancouver Selects, where he was captain of the team last year.

He is recognized at his level all over the province as a player who can break open a game or regularly pot a winning goal in overtime.

Despite all this hockey, Sahir maintains a high academic average at school, plays the trumpet, has been a member of Clarence Michiel School's students' council since the fourth grade, and has



SAMEER and Sahir Gill are one of Terrace's most promising set of hockey brothers. The Gill family plans their vacations each year around tournaments. AL LEHMANN PHOTO

a green belt in kick boxing, at which he won a gold medal at the Tiger Balm Competition in Vancouver last year. Sahir plays bas-

ketball, volleyball and soccer, excelling at all of them, and he swims in the Blueback Swim Club.

Sahir is a player who can break open a game or regularly pot a winning goal in overtime.

It is hockey, though, which is central to him and his brother.

Both boys are soft-spoken and unaffected, but are able to point proudly to a veritable forest of hockey trophies and souvenir pucks they have collected through

their achievements at hockey so far.

Both recognize that success in their sport requires discipline and dedication. Aside from their on-ice work, which is less than they would like (due to limited ice time), they train both physically and mentally, working particularly on strength and balance, and reviewing videotapes of games to discuss positional play and strategy.

What does Sahir think of his older brother?

"He taught me a lot," says Sahir. "All my skills come from him."

The boys also enjoy unqualified support from their parents, who have strong athletic backgrounds in their own families.

Mrs. Gill confesses, "My life is the children." When other families might go to Disneyland or some other tourist destination, she explains that going to tournaments with the boys is their family's holidays.

If success and achievement derive from planning, support, discipline and drive, the Gill brothers have a fine start.

They're two to watch for.

Gymnasts earn medals at meet

THE TERRACE Peaks Gymnastics Club scored several top place finishes in a recent competition on April 24.

According to coach Carolyn Anderson, it was also the first competition for many new team members, who finished with remarkable results.

In the Level 1 Argo category, Brooklyn Goddard captured gold medals for her bar routine and floor exercise, and a fifth in vault, giving her gold overall. Paige Burkholder received a fifth place in vault and floor and a silver on bars, giving her a fourth-place finish overall.

Bailey Brown bought home a silver on vault, fifth place on beam and a seventh and eighth on beam and floor, resulting in fifth place overall.

Sarah Lefebvre placed ninth overall with two fourth place finishes in vault and bars.

In Level 1 Tyro, newcomer Taylor Brown placed sixth overall with three fourth place finishes in vault, bars and floor. Janna Olynick won her first gold medals on bars and beam, a silver on floor and fourth place on vault, giving her the gold medal overall.

Jenny Goddard scored 37.80 out of a possible 39.80, giving her the highest score overall for the meet. She received three golds on vault, bars and floor, with a silver on beam, giving her gold overall for the Level 1 novice category.

Ashley Pelletier and Kayla Brinkac, both competing in Level 3 Tyro for the first time,



TERRACE PEAKS Taylor Brown, Brooklyn Goddard, Sarah Lefebvre, Melissa Mailloux, Paige Burkholder, Bailey Brown, Reilly Kluss at a recent competition.

scored first and second place. Ashley won gold overall with three gold medals in vault, beam and floor and a silver on bars. Kayla came second with silvers on beam and floor, third on vault and first on floor.

In Level 2 Tyro, Britt Anderson received gold for her uneven bars performance, silver on floor and vault and placed fourth on beam.

Jessica Ames, competing with no Level 3 Novice competition, scored 34.05 out of a possible 40.0.

Kayla McColl and Nicole Pelletier placed first and second in Level 2 Novice. Kayla received gold on floor and beam, silver on bars and bronze on vault. Nicole placed second on vault and beam and third on bars and floor.

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266 Education

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270 Help Wanted

CAPTAIN REQUIRED, fulltime, May-September, 2004 for 35 passenger, 42' tour boat in Vernon BC. Master minor Waters Certification required. Wage negotiable. E-mail resume: cruiseokanagan@shaw.ca (780) 908-5541

FULLY EXPERIENCED Pool Installer required for the Lower Mainland. Please call 604-826-1771

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RECREATION EXCELLENCE operators of recreation facilities is growing. Positions are available in the Vernon and Langley areas for "Serious About Fun" arena operators. Workers including supervisory opportunities through to entry level operators with a desire to work hard and grow. Please check out our postings at www.recreationexcellence.com (careers page)

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PRODUCTION COORDINATOR wanted. Valid Manufacturing is a progressive company located in Salmon Arm, manufacturing electro/mechanical products. Job requirement includes production support with minimum 5 years experience in production environment, Grade 12 education, valid BC D.L. Preferences given to individuals with Apics education and intermediate skills with Microsoft excel word and access. Forward resumes Attention: Materials Manager, 5320-b, 48th Avenue S.E., Salmon Arm, BC V1E 1X2. Email: hr@validmanufacturing.com Fax: (250) 832-7746

FRONT DESK CLERK

required for shift work including occasional night audit. Knowledge in EXCEL an asset.

COOK

required for restaurant. Mostly fast food preparation and use of Posi Touch Register.

BARTENDER/SERVER

required for Splashdown Lounge.

If interested, drop off resume to

Mount Layton Hot Springs

or fax it to 250-798-2478 to the attention of Dani or Donald.

270 Help Wanted

Automotive Technician

Required in Smithers. Experience in brakes, alignments, exhaust and general repair preferred.

Salary based on experience.

Fax or email resume:

Attn: Manager
All Seasons
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asauto@telus.net
fax: 1-250-847-9504

Welder Burns Lake

Pacific Northern Gas Ltd. delivers natural gas to residential and industrial customers throughout west-central British Columbia. Our transmission pipeline extends 587 km from Summit Lake to the west coast. We pride ourselves on safety, reliability and a commitment to maintaining environmental standards. We currently have an opportunity for a Welder to be based in Burns Lake.

You will weld pipe and fabricate station piping and meter sets/components for natural gas transmission and distribution systems. Requires a minimum of Grade 12; ability to obtain PNG welding tickets to CSA Z662 x-ray standard in uphill and downhill, SMAW and oxy acetylene; ability to obtain PE Fusion Ticket; perform live pipeline work including hot tie-ins; a Class 5 driver's license; pipefitting skills; ability to interpret construction drawings and technical documents; good physical fitness and eyesight; with the ability to work long hours in adverse weather; commitment to applicable safety practices; and strong written/verbal communication skills. Some travel is required throughout the system.

Please send your resume, in confidence, to:

Human Resources
Pacific Northern Gas Ltd.
2900 Kern Street
Terrace, BC V8G 4L9
Fax: 250-635-9758
Email: hr@png.ca

www.pacificnortherngas.com

MANAGER

A local group requires a Manager for their industrial supply division.

The successful applicant will be responsible for the management of the operation, including employee relations, inventory control sales and promotion.

Applicants should have retail management experience. Knowledge of industrial supplies would be an asset. The position requires good management and supervision skills as well as the ability to develop and lead a team to provide excellent customer service and grow the operation.

We offer competitive wages and a benefit package.

Please forward applications by May 14, 2004 to Controller, Northern Management Systems Ltd. 4602 Keith Ave., Terrace, B.C. V8G 4K1, fax 250-635-0987, email nmsltd@telus.net.

We thank all applicants, however only those selected for interviews will be contacted.

270 Help Wanted

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EXPERIENCED CHAMBERMAID for weekend and holiday relief. Apply in person or fax resume to 250-635-0822 (17P3)

EXPERIENCED WHEEL LOADER OPERATOR for handling logs on busy dry land sort. Please send resume to O'Brien & Fuerst Logging Ltd. Box 293, Port Clements, B.C. V0T 1R0 or fax to 250-557-4306 or email obrien@qcl-lands.net

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LOOKING FOR Childcare provider to come into our home or take children into their own home. Two children, references required. Thornhill area preferred. Call 250-635-3867 (18P4)

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CONCRETE FINISHER. Lower Mainland area. Call 604-538-7048 evenings only.

BEAR COUNTRY Inn is now accepting applications for LINE COOK. Experience required: 1-2 years. Apply in person at front desk. (15P3)

CAMP CALEDONIA accepting applications until May 14 for Kitchen Director and/or food purchaser. Kitchen Director to prepare meals for 70 - 75 people, day to day basis. Basic menu prepared, food is purchased and on site. Four volunteers to manage at each camp. Period of employment is June 28, 2004 to July 31, 2004. Box 688, Houston, B.C., V0J 1Z0 (18P3)

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282 Tutoring

EXPERIENCED MATURE tutor qualified in The Orton-Gillingham multi-sensory approach. Will tutor reading writing, and math to children or adults in English or French, Preschool to grade 6 - \$17/hr. Guaranteed results within 3-6 months. Grades 7 to 12 - \$19/hr. Call 250-638-0775 (13P6)

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314 Child Care

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328 Finance/ Mortgage

EQUITY HOME LOANS Need Money? Have equity in your home? We can help! Equity counts, not credit/income. We also finance new purchases at competitive rates. Call Rick Graves & Associates 1-604-306-0691.

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SCREENED TOPSOIL, driveway crush, drain rock, landscape rock, bedding sand. Call 250-638-8477 or 250-635-3936 (12PTFN)

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322 Education/Tutoring

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Carpentry IP Refresher	\$699
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TWO BEDROOM basement suite, fridge, stove, washer, dryer, cable and utilities included. \$550/mo plus damage deposit. Fully furnished or unfurnished. Available immediately. Suitable for adults. Call 250-635-7157 evenings. (17p3)

416 Cabins/Cottages

CHARMING TWO bedroom cottage at Westside Lakelse. Dock, 200 feet water frontage. Newly renovated, serious inquiries only. Available June 1st. Contact raylor@citytel.net or message at 250-624-7595 (15P3)

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The North West Loggers Association is Requesting Proposals from interested and qualified applicants for the position of Project Co-ordinator

The Project duration is from May 2004 to the end of March 2005. The objective is to develop and recommend strategies to enhance community capacity for the diversification of the forest industry and to create employment and self employment opportunities for displaced forestry workers in the Northwest Region.

Some General duties and responsibilities of the Project Co-ordinator are:

- Take direction; prepare and present reports to the steering committee
- Conduct a survey of local sawmills in the Kalam, Kispiox, Cranberry, and Nass areas, identify all stakeholders.
- Explore opportunities in hardwood inventories and processing
- Conduct and oversee GAP analysis of area for forest industry.
- Identify and liaison with new players in the area such as the First Nations and the City of Terrace.
- Pursue the viability of partnerships
- Summarize findings. Prepare final report and prepare a roll out conference.

The successful candidate must be a motivated, self-starter with good communication skills and some knowledge of the local forest industry.

Please submit all resumes either by mail or fax to N.W.L.A. P.O. Box 606 Terrace, BC V8G 4B5 Attention: Bill Sauer Fax: 250-635-3539 Closing date for resumes is May 14, 2004 Only short listed applicants will be contacted.

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424 Condos

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428 Duplex/ Fourplex

LARGE THREE bedroom 1/2 duplex. Available May 1st. Five appliances. Close to schools and walking distance to town. \$700/mo. Phone 250-635-3309 after 5pm. (17P3)

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TWO BEDROOM duplex in quiet area of Central Thornhill. Freshly painted. New laminate in living room. Fridge, stove, electric heat. No pets. \$375/mo. Call 250-635-9530 (18P3)

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440 Houses

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456 Rooms

FURNISHED ROOM for rent in a four bedroom house. \$260.00 a month includes utilities. Share rest of home. Phone 250-635-3126 (18P3)

468 Shared Accommodation

FEMALE UNIVERSITY student looking for shared accommodation for eight month internship beginning in May. Will do my share of dishes. Phone 250-388-7515 (TFN12)

ROOM FOR rent in large, newly renovated house. Share rest of house with owner (female). Internet available. Female, non-smoker, non-drinker preferred. References required. Call 250-635-8266 (17P3)

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488 Wanted to Rent

CAREER PERSON looking for one bedroom apartment in quiet location. Must have appliances. Looking at occupancy the third week of April. Please call 250-479-6073 (TFN12)

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320 ACRES, 18 miles South of Quesnel, 2 creeks, crown land on 3 sides. House, barn, shop, no power. 6000 metres timber. Leave name, number. (250) 991-9099 \$320,000.

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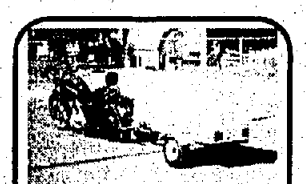
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815 LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND OTHERS
 Re: The estate of **KENNETH MICHAEL BALL**, also known as **KEN MICHAEL BALL**, deceased, formerly of Terrace, British Columbia. Creditors and others having claims against the estate of **KENNETH MICHAEL BALL** are hereby notified that particulars of their claims should be sent to the undersigned Administrator at #200-4630 Lazelle Avenue, Terrace, B.C., V8G 1S6, on or before May 26, 2004, after which date the Administrator will distribute the estate among the parties entitled to it, having regard only to the claims that have then been received.
 Marie Roseland Ball, Administrator
 Warner Bandstra Brown, Solicitors

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND OTHERS
 Re: The estate of **HILDEGARD JOSEFA KRIEGL**, also known as **HILDEGARDE JOSEFA KRIEGL**, also known as **HILDEGARDE JOSEFA KRIEGL**, deceased formerly of Terrace, BC. Creditors and others having claims against the estate of **HILDEGARDE JOSEFA KRIEGL** are hereby notified that particulars of their claims should be sent to the undersigned Executor at #200-4630 Lazelle Avenue, Terrace, B.C., V8G 1S6, on or before May 26, 2004, after which date the Executor will distribute the estate among the parties entitled to it, having regard only to the claims that have then been received.
 Siegfried Rudolf Kriegl, Executor.
 Warner Bandstra Brown, Solicitors

Land Act
Notice of Intention To Apply For A Disposition Of Crown Land
 Take notice that: **Travis George Jobb, Larry John Snodgrass, Percy Michael Gavinsky, Richard Earl Bohn and Mark Esso Lunngh, DBA Kalum Six Sawmill Association of 3915 Thomas Street, Terrace, B.C., V8G 5N3**, occupation Sawmillers intend to make application to the Land and Water British Columbia Inc. (LWBC), Smithers Field Office, for a licence of occupation for the purpose of light industrial (sawmilling), approximately 7 km north of Terrace, south of DL 5835, AS, CD, Point of Commencement: 280m west of SE COR. of PL. 5835. Commencing at post planted then 400 metres in a south direction; then 400 metres in a west direction; then 400 metres in a north direction; then 400 metres in a east direction.
 The land file number that has been established for this application is 6407554.
 Written comments concerning this application should be directed to the Land and Water Officer at Smithers Field Office, PO Box 5000, 3726 Alfred Ave. Smithers, B.C. V0J 2N9. Comments will be received by LWBC until June 11th, 2004. LWBC may not be able to consider comments received after this date.
 Be advised any response to this advertisement will be considered part of the public record. For information, contact the FOI Advisor at Land and Water British Columbia Inc., Field Office.

WAREHOUSEMAN'S LIEN ACT
 Debtor: **Eleanore Erickson**
 Vehicle: 1980 Chevy Citation
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 Debtor: **Dale Morris**
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 Debtor: **James Szabolcsi**
 Vehicle: 1971 Cullas Hardtop
 VIN: 342571M220634
 Debt: abandoned
 Sale will be noon, May 19 / 2004, at Dingle Don's Towing office, 4129 Substation, Terrace, B.C.

BRITISH COLUMBIA CALLING FOR TENDERS
 Sealed Tenders for the following Contracts will be received by the Timber Sales Manager, Terrace Timber Sales Office, Skeena Business Area, 200-5220 Keith Avenue, Terrace, BC V8G 1L1 on the dates shown below, at which time all tenders will be opened in public:
 Contract #: EN2005TSKTE-452 for Engineering Surveys
 Closing Date: May 25, 2004 @ 9:30 am
 Contract #: EN2005TSKTE-453 Stream Surveys and Monitoring
 Closing Date: May 25, 2004 @ 10:00 am
 Tenders must be submitted in accordance with the terms and conditions specified in the tender package. The successful Contractor must meet the eligibility requirements as outlined in the Conditions of Tender. The lowest priced or any tender will not necessarily be accepted. Contract Award is subject to funding being available at the time.
 These contracts are for, small, miscellaneous projects as required during the construction season. Consultants must be available within five (5) days of being notified that their services are required.
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B15 Legal Notices

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND OTHERS
 Re: The estate of **AUDREY LILLIAN McMILLAN**, deceased formerly of Terrace, British Columbia. Creditors and others having claims against the estate of **AUDREY LILLIAN McMILLAN** are hereby notified that particulars of their claims should be sent to the undersigned Administrator at #200-4630 Lazelle Avenue, Terrace, B.C., V8G 1S6, on or before June 23, 2004, after which date the Administrator will distribute the estate among the parties entitled to it, having regard only to the claims that have then been received.
 Maureen Jacqueline Johnson, Administrator.
 Warner Bandstra Brown, Solicitors

BRITISH COLUMBIA CALLING FOR TENDERS STREAM AND RIPARIAN ASSESSMENT CONTRACT NO. SD2005TSKTE-204
 Sealed Tenders for the following Stream and Riparian Assessment contract: SD2005TSKTE-204 will be received by the Timber Sales Manager, Terrace Timber Sales Office, Skeena Business Area, 200-5220 Keith Avenue, Terrace, British Columbia on the dates shown below:
 Contract: SD2005TSKTE-204 located in the Copper/Limonite Area within the Skeena Business Area, for Stream and Riparian Assessment on approximately 12 000 hectares. Deadline for receipt of tenders is May 25th, 2004 @ 9:00 am, at which time all tenders will be opened in public.
 Only those contractors who have successfully completed a contract of like size and kind within the past two (2) years are eligible to bid.
 Tenders must be submitted in accordance with the terms and conditions specified in the tender package. The successful Contractor must meet the eligibility requirements as outlined in the Conditions of Tender. Tenders will not be considered having any qualifying clauses whatsoever and the lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted. The British Columbia Ministry of Forests will administer the work. Contract Award is subject to funding being available at the time.
 Packages are available by contacting the receptionist at (250) 638-5100. An electronic version of this notice and particulars package is available on BC Bid. Further information may be obtained by contacting Christopher D. Lind at (250) 638-5164.

BRITISH COLUMBIA NOTICE INVITING APPLICATION FOR TIMBER SALE LICENCE A49459
 Take notice that, pursuant to Section 20 of the Forest Act, timber sale licence A49459 is being offered for sale by the Skeena Business Area.
 Closing Date: May 20, 2004 @ 10:30 am
 Geographic Location: 8.2 km End Lake FSR
 Estimated Volume: 4 708 cubic metres, more or less. Term: twelve (12) months.
 This timber sale licence has been designed for harvest using a combination of cable and ground based logging methods. The use of other systems may be subject to the Forest Practices Code of British Columbia Act and its regulations.
 The upset stumpage rate is \$12.42/m³ for the competitive volume, approximately 3 835 m³, was determined by the variable cost method and is applicable only to coniferous green sawing grades (except Interior Grade 3). This timber sale licence is not fully developed.
 Species Percent: Balsam 10%, Cedar 5%, Hemlock 80%, Spruce 5%.
 This licence requires the building of approximately 0.3 kilometres of on-block roads and approximately 0.6 kilometres of access roads under an associated Road Permit.
 This licence is subject to, among other things, new maximum term limits and extension fee and surrender provisions. Applicants are advised to carefully consider the impact of these changes when formulating their bids. Further information on these changes may be found in Advisory Bulletin 11/04/03.
 Tenders will be accepted from individuals or corporations registered as a BC timber sales enterprise in Category 1, 2 or 3. Applications will be accepted by the Timber Sales Manager, Terrace Timber Sales Office, Skeena Business Area, 200-5220 Keith Avenue, Terrace, British Columbia V8G 1L1 until 10:30 am May 20, 2004.
 There is additional material that the applicant must consider in their application. This material which includes application forms and other information about the TSL can be obtained from the above BC Timber Sales Office by contacting the receptionist at 250 638-5100. Contact Kelly Houlden at 250 638-5135 for Field enquiry's only.
 Electronic version of this notice & tender pkg is available at: http://www5for.gov.bc.ca/notices/lnit.do?noticeId=995

Invitation to Tender Janitorial Services
04-001 - Hazelton Campus Janitorial
 Northwest Community College is requesting tenders for a 2-year (June 1, 2004 - May 31, 2006) Janitorial Services contract at the Hazelton Campus.
 Tender packages will be available at Northwest Community College, 4815 Swannell Drive, Hazelton, BC beginning April 28, 2004.
 NWCC staff will conduct a mandatory site tour at 10:00 am, Friday, May 7 at the Hazelton Campus.
 Tenders must be submitted with the completed Statement of Qualifications and Janitorial Services Quotation forms in the envelope provided in the Tender package. The envelope must be sealed and marked "04-001 Hazelton Campus Janitorial" and submitted no later than 2 pm, May 14, 2004 to:
 Cindy Harmel
 Manager of Facilities and Maintenance
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BRITISH COLUMBIA PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT ON THE PROPOSED BC TIMBER SALES, SKEENA BUSINESS AREA 1999-2005 FOREST DEVELOPMENT PLAN AMENDMENT # 6
 Notice is hereby given that the BC Timber Sales, Skeena Business Area, proposed 1999-2005 Forest Development Plan (FDP) Amendment # 6 is available for public review and comment. The plan proposes operations in and adjacent to:
Deep Creek and Spring Creek Community Watersheds and Glacier Creek Area
 The proposed FDP shows the location and orderly development of proposed harvesting, road development, maintenance, and deactivation required for the term of this plan. The plan also includes information on the maintenance and protection of other non-timber resource values in the area. It is available for review and comment by resource agencies and the public before the Ministry of Forests puts the plan into effect.
 The proposed plan is made available for review and comment to provide the opportunity to address concerns of the public and resource users. The Forest Development Plan will be available for review at the dates, times and locations listed below:
March 24, 2004 to May 25, 2004 Ministry of Forests - Terrace Timber Sales Office (Monday to Friday, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm) #200-5220 Keith Avenue, Terrace, BC
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 If interested parties are unavailable to review the proposed plans during the above times, arrangements can be made to review the plan at a time convenient for them. If you would like to discuss the proposed plan with a BC Timber Sales representative, please contact the Terrace Timber Sales office to arrange a meeting.
 Please forward any comments, questions or concerns in writing, by no later than May 25, 2004, to David Nicholson, R.P.F. at the Ministry of Forests, #200 - 5220 Keith Avenue, Terrace, BC V8G 1L1.
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Sports Scope

Start your engines

THE TERRACE Stock Car Association is excited to get their season underway, starting Sunday May 9 at 2 p.m.

A new season, new cars and some new classes should get off to an entertaining start so come out and watch the competition tear it up on the track. The Pro Stocks should be very fast, with big engines and fiberglass bodies. The always entertaining Bombers will be back again with lots of new rookie drivers.

New this year are the Thundercars which are replacing the muchly missed Street Stocks. And finishing the day off will be the Hit to Pass cars, which means that each car must hit another car at least once on each lap to count.

For Mother's Day, all mothers in the crowd will receive flowers. Come on out with your mother and check out the racing action this Sunday.

Anyone interested in volunteering with announcing, flagging, sweeping, timing and other race related jobs can call Paul Fleming at 635-6549.

Skateboarding success

THE FIRST annual Ruins Board Shop/Sight and Sound Free Skateboard Contest on April 24 at the Terrace Skate Park during the Tradeshow Convention as a huge success.

Nathan Soucie won the 13-and-under category beating second place finisher Andrew Martel and third place Mitchell Cote.

In the 14 to 16 year old group, Kurtis DaSousa took top spot followed by Graham Schuss in second and Milo Morgan in third place.

The open event saw Babba Muldoe finish first with Darren Christiansen in second place and Bard Boe in third.

Track meet triumphs

SEVERAL TERRACE secondary school students scored top finishes at the Smithers Track Meet on April 26.

In the Senior boys division, Corey George, from Caledonia Senior Secondary School, placed second in javelin and discus and third in the 100m events. Fellow schoolmate Sovin Sihota, finished first in 100m and third in the 400m events.

Skeena Junior Secondary School Junior Girls competitor Robyn Cater won first place in the 100m and 400m, and Danis Bacheck finished first in 80m hurdles and second in the long jump.

Jules Kopeck, from Thornhill Junior Secondary School, finished first in 100m and 400m races in the Junior Boys category.

Centennial Christian School student Robin Kim placed second in the long jump and third in high jump.

Sports menu

May 8-9

■ Terrace Whiskey-Jack Archers host an outdoor shoot in Rosswood.

May 9

■ Terrace Stock Car Association begins their season.

May 17

■ Drop-in co-ed soccer begins starting at 7 p.m. at the Skeena Junior Secondary school field. Games will be every Monday throughout the summer. For more info call Mui at 615-0314.

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