

High hopes for youth home

By Paula Wilson NELSON -The \$1.1 million project for an at-risk youth residence at 608 Lake Street will break ground in

The facility will provide warm, clean, affordable accommodation that will be ready for residency by the end of the year. "It's been a long process since the question of what to do with local young people who can't go home was first discussed six years ago," said Lena Horswill, executive director of the Nelson Community Service Centre (NCSC).

Horswill and Joyce Dahms-Whiffen have each invested several years into understanding and improving the status and needs of youth in Nelson. NCSC has been an active

NCSC has been an active agency for more than 25 years and Dahms-Whiffen has served as youth coordinator for nine years. Both women have seen what happens to young people when they're given a second chance.

"It's almost as if you become a surrogate parent," said Dahms-Whiffen, who is currently working on a regular basis with more than a dozen young people.

The youth residence, a heritage-style building that will sit where a parking lot is now located, is intended to take a preventative approach to the homeless situation. Anyone between the ages of 17 and 21 who is in school and employed or actively looking for work will be eligible to be accepted into the program and move into the residence.

"When kids move away from their homes, they are forced to cope with a world that isn't always easy," said Dahms-Whiffen. "This home will be a place for them to go to help them through the transition."

The residence will not be a crisis "crash" centre or a hostel for transients. There will be three on-site workers and a live-in supervisor to make sure the clean, safe environment is respected.

A screening process will determine who moves in, and once accepted all residents will be required to follow some basic rules, including no smoking or drugs. They must also participate in a weekly life skills training program where basic shopping, cooking, budgeting and nutrition skills are taught.

"We will develop a plan with the tennants and actively work on it," said Dahms-Whiffen.

An interactive monitoring system will ensure that the participants are managing successfully.

The weekly meetings that Dahms-Whiffen is currently facilitating are centered around a dinner for which one youth is responsible. She hopes the family feeling from these dinners car ries over to the residence.

"Overall, the feelings have been really positive," she said.



CASTLEGAR - West Kootenay-Okanagan Reform MP Jim Gouk said Canadian taxpayers, and not the Liberal government, should be taking credit for Ottawa's first balanced budget in 30 years.

"All the government has done is collect the taxes; over 60 percent of deficit reduction has come from revenue increases -- mostly taxes from Canadians lucky enough to be employed," Gouk said after the federal budget was brought down last week.

"The Liberals were promising a suprlus and that some of the surplus would be used for tax relief and debt reduction. This budget contains no real tax relief. When the Liberals took office in 1993, Canadians were paying \$125 billion a year in taxes. After five Liberal budgets, we are now paying \$162 million a year, including the lastest hike in the Canada Pension Plan.

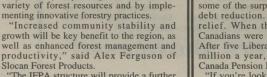
"If you're looking for tax relief and debt reduction, it's just not going to happen. The Liberals are 100 percent committed to new spending, and you and I are going to have to pay for it."

now upstairs in

Futon furniture is affordable

the Nelson Trading Co.





"The IFPA structure will provide a further opportunity for the public and community to provide input into the way the Arrow Timber Supply Area forests and ecosystems will be managed."

Area would provide a vehicle to increase

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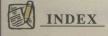
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Bundle of joy ...

In keeping with a long-standing Dutch tradition, Andre and Susan Bosveld of Nelson Ave. celebrated the recent arrival of their first child, Savannah Jacqueline, with a giant wooden stork carrying a doll amid an array of baby clothes in the front yard. Savannah tipped the scales at 7 lbs., 13 ounces, and mom and baby are doing great!

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Foresters want pilot project

NELSON - Five major forest licensees in the Arrow Timber Supply Area have submitted a proposal to enter into a pilot Innovative Forest Practices Agreement (IFPA) in the Nelson forest region.

Slocan Forest Products, Atco Lumber, Riverside Forest Products, Kalesnikoff Lumber Co. and Bell Pole Co. jointly submitted the proposal to the Ministry of Forests last week.

One IFPA will be awarded in the Nelson forest region. IFPA pilots are meant to test innovative approaches in forest management to maximize the future yield. An IFPA for the Arrow Timber Supply



Donation to the librarv

Nelson Municipal Library last week received a generous donation of books and periodicals on parenting, Waldorf education and understanding child development from a parent's point of view. Nelson's Waldorf School received a contribution from a parent who requested the money go to the library to help promote community awareness. Pictured (from the left) are Waldorf board member Lisa DeHann, chief librarian Deb Thomas and Waldorf teacher Donna Switzer. The parent who made the donation requested anonymity.

Heritage Inn celebrates a century of hospitality

NELSON - Talk about a party!

The Heritage Inn is celeits 100th ity on St. brating Anniversary Patrick's Day, Tuesday, March 17.

Originally named The Hume Hotel, the Heritage opened her doors on March 17, 1898 under the ownership of J. Fred Hume.

A descendent of Irish parents, Hume purposely opened the beautiful new building in celebration of St. Patrick's Day, and the tradition continues with the hotel's 100th birthday.

"We've been celebrating our anniversary every year on that day," said Heritage Inn manager Cameron Bond. "But the party we're planning this year will obviously be something special.

"This is a milestone moment for all of us. It's very rare that you get to be a part of something this special in your lifetime. We plan on having a five-day celebration beginning on Friday, March 13, with the big finale the following Tuesday. We've even sent a letter to City Council and

asked to have March 18 declared a civic holiday so everyone can recover," joked Bond.

To kick off the event, the hotel is hosting the first ever Heritage Fest O'Ale. Several of British Columbia's finest microbreweries will be offering product samples in the Hume Room from noon to 6 p.m. on March 14, and all proceeds raised from the event will be donated to the Nelson Hospice Society.

"The Nelson Hospice Society has been our charity of choice for a few years now, and every bit that we can do to help is our pleasure," said Bond.

"Confirmations for the event have been received from the Nelson Brewing Company, Tin Whistle & Wildhorse Breweries from Penticton, Okanagan Springs from Vernon, Bear Brewing from Kamloops, Mount Begbie from Revelstoke, Columbia Breweries from Creston & a few others that we are still waiting to finalize," he said.

Following the Fest O'Ale will be a Spirit & Cigar Soiree.

"Paddy Glenny from the even made a special trip to Cuba just to pick up the cigars," said Bond.

The evening will be semi-formal and will feature hors

d'oeuvres and other specialties. Tickets are available at the Heritage Inn and the Nelson Brewing Company. Live entertainment is

planned for Mike's Place Pub, featuring the Okanagan-based Celtic group Kinship appearing for four nights.

An added bonus is that the Inn's monthly Yuk Yuk's On Tour comedy show just happens to fall on St. Patrick's Day. In preparing for the cele-bration the Heritage Inn

staff has been busy behind the scenes.

"We've been implementing changes that we feel are improving the hotel and its services to our guests," said Bond.

"We installed a new point of sale system this past year, added a Website, and just recently introduced new restaurant menus. The building may be 100 years old, but the warmth and character the hotel exudes is priceless.

We are very fortunate to have a proficient team of employees that keep the

The Heritage Inn has been owned and operated under the leadership of Dave and since

Nelson Brewing Company, hotel looking its best.

Sheila Martin February 1980.

Student writers showcased

NELSON - The public will get a chance to hear the authors of tomorrow and the people who teach them at a series of public readings March 6-7 at Nelson Municipal Library

Hosted by the writing studio of the Kootenay School of the Arts, the weekend seminar will bring together student writ-ers from Eastern Washington University, Okanagan University College, Selkirk col-"The students will attend readings and

workshops, as well as give readings them-selves," said KSA writing studio co-head

Verna Relkoff.

"A big part of the event is the social aspect -- a chance for new writers who are studying in different places to compare notes with each other on techniques, authors they admire, good places to publish, and much more.

Among the guest authors featured in the public readings will be the Slocan Valley's Rita Moir (Survival Gear), R.W. Sandford (The Book of Banff) and poet John Lent (Monet's Garden).

Admission to the public readings is \$5. Contact KSA for a complete schedule.

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You are Invited . . .



Baker St. Inn wins

The recently remodeled Baker Street Inn/Best Western received the City of Nelson's 1997 award for Heritage Building of the Year.

"The project was quite an endeavor, but we took the bull by the horns and got the job done," said general manager Cathy Hansen.

Although the building is not a traditional "her-itage" building, City Council wanted to recognize Best Western's effort to make the design harmonious with the vision of the downtown core.

Previous winners of the award include Kootenay School of the Arts, Lord Nelson Hotel, and the Central School

Grant approved

Festival Nelson is preparing for its 1998 event, scheduled for April 17-18.

The Festival's goal has been to encourage musical arts by providing a high quality educational experience for students in the community. However, cutbacks in education funding have put this objective at risk

In order to help cover their costs, Festival Nelson approached City Council for a grant-in-aid of \$400 and the request was approved. Matching funding from RDCK will also be ensured by the City.

Expansion denied

The voice of the community prevailed when the rezoning application that would have expanded the Anderson Street Chevron to a 24-hour facility was denied by council last week.

After weeks of discussion and debate, the issue came to a climax at the final public hearing where more than 50 people expressed their opposition to the proposed convenience store and gas pump service. "I love it that this town

engenders that type of passion," said councillor Judy Gayton.



'Heart To Heart' di nner

Heart To Heart charity foundation chairman Ernie Diotte (right) and steering com-mittee member Jim French, president of Local 10 of the B.C. Government Employees Union, flank Gardeli's Restaurant hostess Marissa Oglow in the kitchen of the Lord Nelson Hotel. The hotel has donated its dining facilities for Heart To Heart's March 19 free Community Dinner for individuals and families who are unem-ployed or on social assistance. The menu, featuring both vegetarian and non-vegetarian dishes, will be prepared by cooking students from Selkirk College who have donated their time and expertise. "The date of March 19 was specifically selected because it falls during one of the five-week periods between social assistance cheques, when some members of our community really feel the pinch," said Diotte. "We're especially grateful to the Lord Nelson Hotel and the Selkirk cooking stu-dents for making this community meal or reality." The dimension state at 420 m and dents for making this community meal a reality." The dinner starts at 4:30 p.m., and Diotte said Heart To Heart expects to feed upwards of 300 guests.

Ski school benefit will help Williams

By Paula Wilson

NELSON - With the recent snowfall the mountains are primed, and on Sunday you

have more of a reason to hit the slopes On March 8, Whitewater Ski Area is sponsoring a Jan Williams Ski School Benefit, with all proceeds from snowboard, ski and telemark lessons donated to the Jan Williams Fund.

Group sessions for adult, youth, and juniors begin at 9:30 and 11:15 and private lessons run all day.

Williams is a 13-year-old Nelson resident currently undergoing treatment for acute lymphatic leukemia at the Children's Hospital in Vancouver.

"Although he misses his friends, his school and his hockey, Jan is in good spirits," said Emily Beauchamp, one of the organizers of the fund-raising campaign.

The Williams Family Benefit Fund at CIBC will be used to help the Williams family with the costs of travel and accommodation in Vancouver.

The fund will also provide emergency assistance for other Nelson families faced with similar situations.



Jan Williams has his dog to comfort him in his battle against leukemia at Children's Hospital in Vancouver.

Neville says goo

By Paula Wilson NELSON - After working with city council for 20 years, John Neville bade a fond farewell last week prior to moving with his wife Heather to the Gulf Islands.

At an emotional council meeting, Neville read his letter of resignation, which included a thankful message for the citizens of Nelson.

"I should like to say a very special thank you to the citi-zens of Nelson," Neville reflected, "I am truly grateful to have had the opportunity to have been a fully-participating member of the community for so many years

"You have voted for me, offered advice, criticized me

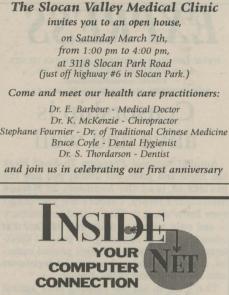
when necessary, and sometimes expressed your appreciation.'

Neville will return on May 13 for an honorary roast. "We haven't always agreed, but I have a tremendous

amount of respect for the years John has given to public service," said councillor Marianne Bond, who replaces Neville as the senior member of council.

The vacant council chair will be filled after a byelection on May 23.

Candidates for the position must file an application with City Hall between April 7-17.





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Censorship is alive and well

Another national Freedom To Read Week has come and gone, but unless you saw the posters or read the handouts at Nelson Municipal Library, chances are you didn't even know about it. That's a sad commentary -- and only serves to underline the fact that when it comes to curtailing the public's unfettered access to books and other printed material, it's our federal and provincial legislators who are doing most of the damage.

That's not to say the existing laws against promoting hatred, distribution of pornography or incitement to criminal activity should be trampled in the name of "intellectual freedom." Those laws provide the safety net that allows intellectual freedom to flourish.

But censorship is another matter. Right here in Nelson, plainclothes police officers acting on a citizen's complaint recently seized some "alternate lifestyle" publications at a downtown shop. The publications were later returned, but the fact they could be seized in the first place is a chilling reminder that ours is hardly a free and open society -- at least when it comes to printed material.

Books and magazines are not the only targets of censorship zealots. In response to the Internet's burgeoning into the largest and most complex communications system in history, it's not surprising that the issue of control over what is communicated via the 'Net is now a matter of concern to those who would impose their particular brand of censorship. As recently as last summer, an NDP Member of Parliament introduced a bill that would require all Internet service providers to be licensed by the federal government.

Government's assault on the right of Canadians to read what we want when we want has been subtle, but steady. Ottawa continues to apply the GST to books and routinely chops cultural funding, affecting the continued existence of smaller publishing houses and bookstores. On the provincial and municipal levels, budgets for school books and libraries have steadily declined. Add to this the implications of looming new international trade agreements that threaten Canada's ability to protect our cultural industries, and it has to be said that our right to free access to print materials is on shaky ground at best.

The best way to fight it is to take an active role. Read a banned book, download a "controversial" web page, but above all don't let complacency allow censorship to flourish.

What sort of message sent? **Dear Editor:**

I recently sat in on proceedings at the Nelson Court House. I had gone there because of my interest in one particular case, that of a young driver who struck and seriously injured two children as they walked home from school last June. A class of about two dozen high school students were also in the courtroom on the day I attended.

I was shocked when the only charge brought forth was one of "driving without due care and attention." On the day following the accident, a newspaper headline read "Two kids hit by speeding car," and a police officer was quoted as saying "Speed was definitely a factor.

Why was the driver not charged with speeding?

I can't help but wonder what sort of message this sends to other young drivers. It appears that the charges were minimal, despite the fact two children came very close to losing their lives.

It must be made clear that driving in a reckless, irresponsible manner will not be tolerated or condoned. Simonne LeBlanc

Nelson

We want less government! Dear Editor:

Another note on shifting parking from one side of the street to the other, every second day.

the Nelson Now Ratepayers suggest we keep it up all spring as well, in order to clear sand from the streets. This comes right after Hollywood film company told me I couldn't park in front of my house for a week -- and produced a city permit to prove it.

What else is going to come up.?

Nelson City Council has yet to come to the realization that the rest of this country has: We want less government in our lives. Leave us alone! We do not want to be herded around like sheep, especially when somebody says it's for our own good.

Are the people in charge of bylaws and permits in this city working on commission?

Editor's mailbag The only thing that

satisifes me is that I'm sure I'll get a tax break for not being allowed to park in front of my own house.

opinion

Booth Caldwell Nelson

Water users not represented **Dear Editor:**

I attended a Perry Ridge Local Resource Use Plan meeting at Winlaw School on Feb. 9. I came as an observer to hear Dwavne Boyer, an engineer from Ministry the Environment, give a talk about the risk of landslides and other such earth movements

Attending this meeting officially were eight forestry and logging representatives, two Ministry of Environment representatives and one small business representative.

Not represented were the majority of water users on Perry Ridge. These water users have withdrawn because they see these LRUP meetings as a whitewash to enable the government to pretend that there is local input while they continue to plan logging and build roads without the proper studies being done.

Mr. Boyer described the various types of moving earth disasters and how some of them are caused by excess water. The part of his talk that perked me up was when he said that extensive studies have shown that when about 20 percent (in some cases less) of the timber is removed from the watershed, there is significant change to the water flow of that drainage. He said more studies would need to be done to more accurately determine just how much that percentage would be. One of the loggers asked, if in certain instances it would be possible to take out 40 percent. Mr. Boyer said no.

After having farmed here at Perry Siding for 35 years and having paid close attention to our creek, none of this is news to me. Our family learned that fact when our watershed was burned off in 1910 and the creek dried up every summer until the forest grew

> Frank Nixon Perry Siding

Still waiting for an answer **Dear Editor:**

On Dec. 1, 1997, the Perry Ridge Water Users' Ridge Association wrote to Forest Minister David Zirnhelt to inform him of our decision not to participate in the Local Resource Use Planning process, and requesting that this process be suspended pending the completion of extensive terrain stability studies. The reasons for our non-

participation are included in that letter, but briefly they are that the Supreme Court has overturned the injunction and called the existence of the road into question; government and independent scientists have recommended that no logging or road builidng take place until extensive terrain stability studies take place; and the lack of a cost/benefits analysis to determine the economic feasibility of logging people's water supplies. We have yet to have the courtesy of a reply from Mr. Zirnhelt

Since that letter, the Supreme Court has upheld the initial decision to overtun the injunction, and Mr. Boyer (Ministry Environment) and Mr. Vandine (independent con-sultant) have reiterated their recommendations that no development occur on Perry Ridge until further studies are completed. They called for a scientific panel to make recommendations regarding these studies.

Why does the Ministry of Forests insist on proceeding with a planning process that is inconsistent with scientific and judicial realities? We are still awaiting a

response.

Don Warthe, Chairperson. Perry Ridge Water Users Association

PM should take tip from Cherry Dear Editor:

Prime Minister Jean Chretien was way offside when he recently whined about how he makes less money than the worst player in the National Hockey League.

Factually, he was right -but so what? A more relevant comparison the Prime Minister might consider is that most Canadian taxpayers make less money than

the worst-performing MP in the House of Commons.

And what about the gold-plated MP pension? Comparing that to what's available to ordinary Canadians is like comparing a pee wee hockey team to the Stanley Cup champions.

That's why all this recent moaning from some MPs on how underpaid they are is so hard to stomach. Let's face it, the average backbench MP is little more than a benchwarmer for his/her political party. On important legislative matters, MPs act as sales reps for their party, as well as being local ombudsmen on less contentious issues.

For this, MPs are more than adequately compensated. Their real salary of over \$100,000 per year puts them in the top 10 percent of Canadian households.

Maybe the Prime Minister should spend less time feeling sorry for himself and more time trying to reform Parliament so that MPs can actually earn their high salaries.

In the mean time, Mr. Chretien should leave hockey commentary to Don Cherry

Steven Harper National Citizens Coalition Toronto

Truant senators take heed! **Dear Editor:**

Last fall Canadians became angry over Senator Andrew Thompson's absence from work. From January to October of last year, he had attended only two of 99 Senate sittings. Last month this record cost Mr. Thompson his job.

The trouble, however, is that Thompson has not been the only senator absent from work. Last year, 27 senators missed 40 percent or more of designated sittings.

Canadians should ask, what would happen if we were absent half the time from our place of work?

Watchdog Newsletter has a list of all the truant senators and their mailing address. Tell them what you think! The list is available by fax to 506-454-8245

> David Murrell, Watchdog Newsletter, Fredericton, NB

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WE ASKED: "Who is your personal hero?"



"Hailey Wickenheiser, (Canada's national

women's hockey team),

because I want to be in

'My mom, for all the things she has done for me. If I was female, I would want to be her."

> Garrett Mosher Nelson

the Olympics." Lisa Nixon Nelson

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"Alexander Mogilny of the Vancouver Canucks. because I love hockey and he's good."

Patrick McKinnon Nelson



Martha Blumer

"I have a bad habit," explains 88-year-old Martha Blumer, "I can't say no." "I have a bad habit," explains 88-year-old Martha Blumer, "I can't say no." Martha divides her time between making breakfast for friends, shopping for neighbors, grafting trees, recycling tuna cans into pin cushions, making crafts for fund-raisers, and donating haircuts. And she never asks for anything in return for her volunteer services. Mary Audia, Day Center Coordinator for Broader Horizons, has worked with Martha for ten years and witnessed her good work first-hand. "She is the essence of Nelson in terms of helping people," says Audia, "Martha is very modest and spiritual ... a model for solid citizenship."

The EXPRESS is proud to recognize local Good Neighbors in this space each week. If you know of someone who qualifies as a Good Neighbor, drop us a line at 554 Ward St., or fax to 352-5075.

Early registration for SATs at Selkirk

The regular deadline is March 26.

CASTLEGAR - The next sitting of the SAT test at Selkirk College is May 2, but the early registration deadline is March 4. The SAT is the standardized test required for admission to U.S. universities. Anyone interested in taking the exam can acquire registration info at any Selkirk campus.

Kokanee Creek Park offers camp for kids

NELSON - If you're looking for a fun and creative environment for your kids to enjoy during the upcoming spring break from school, head to Kokanee Creek Provincial Park.

Park naturalists have organized a funfilled week of indoor and outdoor activities, exploring this special "right-inyour-own-backyard" environment. Each day will focus on a different theme, from animal antics and mini safaris to "water wonders.

"It's a great way for kids to have fun, meet new friends and learn about the great outdoors," says Kokanee Park

spokesperson Nancie Dohan. The Spring Break Day Camp will run daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., March 16 through March 20.

Youngsters between the ages of five and 12 can sign up for the entire week, or for as many days or half-days as they wish. The cost is \$25 per day for the first child in a family, and \$22 per day for each addtional child.

Space is limited, and pre-registration by March 10 is required.

For more information or to pre-register for the Spring Break Day Camp, call Nancie Dohan at 354-4723.

Landfilled Garabage Goes Way Down in '97

The fact that recycling improved 33% in 1997 was great news; even better news was a 31% reduction in garbage sent to the landfill.

Garbage in the Central Subregion of is collected at transfer stations in

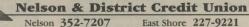
of waste was transferred to the landfill. This compares to 9,199 tons in 1996.

The greatest reduction occurred at the transfer station at the Canex landfill where a 63% drop in the amount of garbage was registered. This transfer station was used by many people who lived outside the Salmo and Area G region. These people took advantage of free dumping writi the event for for events

until the user fees for waste disposal were imposed on March 1, 1997. When these good news!

Michael Jessen

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people had to pay, they went back to using their landfill in the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary. After March 1, gates were placed on

all transfer stations and hours of operation were restricted. This was undoubtedly one Balfour, Nelson and Ymir, as well as a station at the Canex landfill. In 1997, approximately 6,318 tons Ihree Rs

The Balfour transfer station sent 33% less garbage to the landfill and the Nelson transfer station recorded a 25% drop in garbage.

Whatever the reason, 1997 saw a big drop in landfilled garbage. This extends the life of the existing landfill and delays the expensive procedure of searching for a new



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"KATHLEEN SHANNON: ON FILM, Feminism and Other Dreams" video worth seeing! Women's Centre 7 p.m. 352-9916. WILD WEDNESDAY at the Outer Clove. Buffalo Gals. All women's bluegrass band. Tapas & Drink specials. 7-9 p.m.

REGGAE NIGHT at Utopia FAMILY DROP-IN PLANNING PROJECT well underway Community input essential. Meetings Wednesday 10-12 Women's Center. 352-7668

POSTPARTUM DEPRESSION SUPPORT GROUP. 10-11:30am For info call Judith, 352-2911 Sponsored by Nelson & District Home Support.

IS OVEREATING A PROBLEM? Overeaters Anonymous meetings Overeaters Anonymous meetings every Wednesday at 7pm. Slocan Valley. Call Debbie at 226-7609. All calls confidential.

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PLANNED PARENTHOOD CLIN-IC: 6:30 to 9pm. Drop-in. Birth con trol, pregnancy and STD testing. 333 Victoria St. 354-1322.

SENIORS BRANCH #51, Drop in Tue to Fri, 1-4pm for a visit, cards pool, shuffleboard. 717 Vernon

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS. 7:30pm, 601 Front St., Nelson Rear basement entrance. Info, 352-7318

AIKIDO THE ART OF PEACE. Mon/Wed/Fri. Children, 4-5pm. Adults 6-7:30pm. Rod & Gun Club. Call 353-7482 for info.

Thurs. March 5

MOM'S GROUP Baby Massage A hands on session with Joann Emily Public Health Nurse. 1-3 p.m. Nelson Home Support. 905 Gordon Rd. 352-2911. Free including babysitting

DISCOTEQUE with DJ Hula Hoop at Utopia THE REFUGEES at the Civic.

HOT LIVE JAZZ in the playpen at Glacier Gourmet tonight. 8-10pm. Darcy Hepner with Laura Lans berg. Admission by donation.

SEX & LOVE ADDICTS ANONY-MOUS. A safe place to share your experience. 7:00-8:30pm, Nelson. 354-4352.

NELSON TABLE TENNIS CLUB. 6:30-9:00, Mon/Thurs, except school holidays & closures. At Blewett School. 352-6755.

SENIORS BRANCH #51. Drop-in 7-10pm. Tue & Fri. 717 Vernon St., **NELSON YOUTH COUNCIL meets**

Thursdays, 4pm at Nelson & District Youth Centre. Call Nicole Brunton, 352-9109.

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Thurs. March 5

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS 7:30pm. St. David's Anglican Church 614 Christina Place r. Toll free help line 1-800-342-7439

AIR CADETS! Flying, gliding, wildemess survival. 6:30pm. South Nelson School. Ages 12-18. Darrin 354-1157 or Janine 357-9486

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AlKIDO at the Rod and Gun Club 6pm: Mon., Wed., & Fri. Children at 3:30pm Mon. and Fri. Also in Kaslo. Call 353-7482.

Fri. March 6

BRICKHOUSE -- rockin' blues at the Royal WORLD DAY OF PRAYER. Nelson United Church 602 Silica St. Nelson 1:30 p.m. Theme

Madagascar STRESS LESS CLINIC open aromatherapy, accupuncture and naturopathic treatments. 577 Baker St., 3-5 p.m. 354-1998. KOOTENAY GALLERY hosts pub lic reception celebrating new exhibit "skin and bones" uncom mon sculpture by Amy Swartz. 7

KOOTENAY JEWISH CULTURAL ASSOCIATION potluck Shabbat dinner. Bring dish, \$3 per "family" 6 p.m. 810 Silica St. RSVP 352-5150.

STRUGGLAH at Utopia. Reggae. OFF THE WALL fundraising exhib it until April 2 at the Kootenay Gallery features work of local artists and craftspeople. AKIDO INTRODUCTORY COURSE for adults: April 3-June 5, 5-6 p.m. \$50. Call 353-7482. HOT JAZZ LIVE in the PLAYPEN at Glacier Gourmet. 8-10:30pm Darcy Hepner with Gary Edahoffer. Admission by donation. AIKIDO THE ART OF PEACE Mon/Wed/Fri. Children, 4-5pm. Adults 6-7:30pm. Rod & Gun Club. Call 353-7482 for info. PARENT SUPPORT GROUP, 10-12, 312 Silica. Daycare available. For more information call 825-9234 or 354-4665.

Sat. March 7 BRICKHOUSE rocks the Royal

FOURTH ANNUAL BIG LIP SYNC CONTEST, 7:30 p.m. Capitol Theatre. Tickets \$6/\$8.

STRUGGLAH plays reggae at Utopia

HOT LIVE JAZZ in the playpen at Glacier Gourmet tonight. 8-10:30 p.m. Darcy Hepner & Friends. W.K. DAMBUSTERS SCUBA CLUB meeting downstairs at Cafe Neon, Castlegar. Slide presenta-tion: diving in the Maldives Information: 354-3963.

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY POTLUCK and multicultural cele bration 5:30 p.m. Trinity United. Come and sharel Everyone welcome 352-9916

COACHES CERTIFICATION NCCP Level one theory. March 7 & 8. CIC Nelson 229-4401 to prereg-ister. (Sat & Sun)

WEEKLY MARTIAL ARTS applications seminar. Qi-gong rooting drills, locks and throws. All levels. noon-3pm, 533 Baker St. NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS. 7:30pm, 601 Front St., Nelson. Rear basement entrance. Info: 352-7318. Closed meeting.

Sun. March 8 INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S

Sun. March 8

"TEN DAYS" hunger supper. Saint Savior's Anglican Cathedral. 5:30 p.m. SAHAJ MARG MEDITATION

introductory talk. 11 a.m.-1 p.m. 601 Front St. Emporium Building upstairs. Information 354-4509. **OPEN HOUSE at Nelson**

Museum for streets of Nelson historical exhibition 2-4 p.m. Everyone welcome UNITY FELLOWSHIP STUDY GROUP. 12pm. Nelson Library, Victoria Str entrance. Info: 354-4343. Everyone wel-

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS. 7:30pm. St. Andrew's Anglican Church, Trail. 1347 Pine St., Trail. 1-800-342-7439.

Mon. March 9

LA LECHE LEAGUE MEETING Mother to Mother breastfeeding support 7-9 p.m. Kootenai Plac 333 Victoria St.

MOM'S GROUP: Exploring Ourselves as Mothers - ongoing discussion about roles, communication, self-esteem, 10 a.m. to noon. Nelson Home Support Services. 905 Gordon Rd. Free including babysitting. 352-2911

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Rear basement entrance. Information, 352-7318. OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS.

Rm 47, Kootenay Lake District Hospital. 7:15 to 8:30pm. Info: Heather, 352-6813.

SEA CADETS. Upstairs at the Nelson Legion. 7pm. For youths 12-18. 352-3128.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS. 7:30pm, 801 Conners Rd., Castlegar.Toll free 1-800-342-7439

NAVY LEAGUE. Upstairs at the Legion, Nelson. 7pm. For youths ages 10 - 13. 352-3128. NINE BALL POOL TOURNAMENT at the Royal Blues Pub & Grill. Every Monday night. SHAMBHALA CENTRE Oper

House 444 Baker Street. Buddhist/Shambhala meditation instruction at 7pm; talk 8pm,

Tues. March 10

NELSON NATURALISTS meet at Selkirk College 7:30 p.m. Everyone welco

DAISY DEBOLT at the Capitol. JAZZ red light night at Utopia. TEENS NIGHT OUT. Billiards, music, group games & discussions. Sr. High: 7:15-10p.m.; Jr. High: 6:30-9p.m. 611 5th St., Baptist Church. 352-9115.

RELAXATION PRACTICE. Cheryll Willin, Nelson Jubilee Manor, Sally Pearson Room, 501 W. Beasley,

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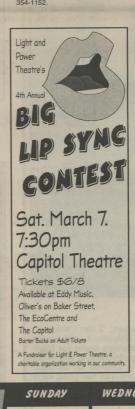
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SWEET ADELINES PRACTICE at Trail Pentecostal Church. 7pm. Anyone interested call Shari at 357-2637.

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THE NELSON CHESS CLUB meets Tuesday nights at 7pm @ The Net Cafe. All levels welcome



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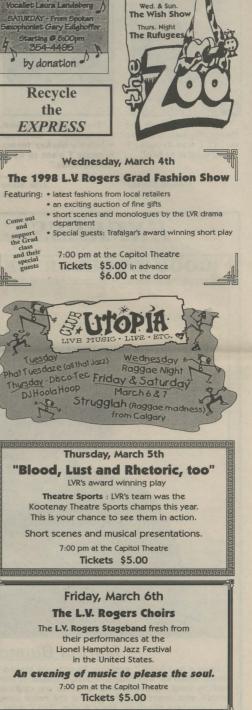
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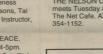
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Recycle









Arts & Entertainment



Musicians from the Caribbean, Africa and Canada have come together in Calgary to form Strugglah – a reggae band on a mission! You can soak up their sunny, Jamaican groove at Club Utopia on March 6 and 7.

Yes, that's right, the Light **By PAULA** WILSON

and Power Theatre's Great Lip Sync Contest is back for another night of unbridled musical passion at the Capitol Theatre on March 7

"Everyone gets decked out. It's just such a zany gig!' said Suzy Hamilton, long-time participant. Prizes go to the best adult, kids, solo and group performance, and then the audience gets to pick its favorite. Noisemakers are welcome!

Light and Power Theatre recommends you buy tickets early because it's been a sell-out show in previous years. Advance tickets are available at Eddy's Music, Nelson EcoCentre, Oliver's Books and the Capitol Theatre. Call 352-1696 for more information.

Brickhouse kicks it up

Kickin', screamin', hard-stompin' blues hits the Royal Blues Pub & Grill March 6-7.

Brickhouse puts on a show you don't want to miss. Five tough and talented guys from the depths of Vancouver put everything they've got into their ferocious performances. Ripping guitar, wailing harmonica and sweet saxophone solos make it all come together and will leave you wanting more. These aren't blues you will to cry to -- these are the blues that get you out on the dance floor shakin' your booty all night long!

Daisy blossoms as a star

Primarily a vocalist, Daisy DeBolt is not afraid to explore any place her sultry and sublime voice carries her. Mostly it's to mountain tops, but that's another story.

Lately, DeBolt has been described as "a beat singer" in honor of the jazz and poetry swing she's taking these days. DeBolt has been collaborating with poets all over Canada,

and that influence trickles through her music like fine

gold lace Her musical style includes elements of blues, folk, gospel, rock, polka, country and jazz, and her voice has been described as nothing less than angelic. The Sudbury Star went a step further in describing DeBolt's sound as: An avenging angel voice that hits like a sonic gut-punch."

DeBolt will be showcase her highly personal and eccen-tric "mountain opera" at the Capitol Theatre on Tuesday, March 10, but plans to be here early and stay late.

"I played in Nelson last fall and I absolutely love the place!" recalled DeBolt.

James Pett, a classical guitar player whose jazzy style was influenced by none other than Frank Zappa, will join DeBolt who accompanies herself on mandolin, guitar, accordion and piano.

Meltdown at Glacier Gourmet

Beware! Local favorite Darcy Hepner is dusting off his organ for the Heavy Hidden Hammond Weekend, March 5-7 at the Glacier Gourmet. Admission by donation.

The Gourmet will be overflowing with energy on Thursday night as Hepner and his Hammond welcome to the stage Paul Landsberg on guitar and Steven J. Parish on drums. Laura Landsberg will bless the crew with her heavenly voice on Friday night, and Saturday features sax-ophone player **Gary Edighoffer**, also known as the "Mafia Don of the Spokane jazz scene." Edighoffer has been a regular at the Kaslo Festival.

that funky, bluesy organ scene" said Hepner.

"The music is not too deep, groove-oriented and a lot of fun.'

y unveils two new exhibits CASTLEGAR - The Kootenay Galley will unveil two new exhibits on March 6, and the public is invited to

attend the opening reception. Off The Wall, a collection of unusual and/or three-dimen-

sional works by West Kootenay artists and craftspeople will be up for bid at the Gallery's fund-raising aucition in April. The other exhibit, titled Skin and Bones, features innovative mixed media sculpture by Amy Swartz Both exhibits run from March 6 until April 22.

Swartz said her unorthodox and daring sculptures first took shape "after a bowl of my grandmother's chicken matza ball soup, which requires a quantity of chicken bones.

Swartz collected, cleaned and dried the bones, then cate-

gorized them by shape and size. The other element in her sculpture, glycerine soap, also became an element of her art in a roundabout, everyday way -- after Swartz used it to wash her hands!

By combing the ubiquitous with an artist's insight and imagination, she has created an exhibit that allows viewers to see the potential, the fascination and beauty the resides all around us

Off The Wall is equally eccentric, showcasing, among others, the work of Graeme Allemeersch, Andrew Raney, John McKinnon, John Richards, George Koochin, Dar McDowell and Sandra donahue.

For more information on the exhibits or the Gallery's April 25 fund-raiser, call 365-3337.



1998 KOOTENAY LAKE FOREST DISTRICT SILVICULTURE CONTRACTOR ELIGIBILITY LIST

The Ministry of Forest, Kootenay Lake District, is inviting applications from Contractors to form Eligibility Lists for the 1998 Silviculture Contract Viewings.

Interested Contractors who wish to participate in the following contract types : Tree Planting, Pruning, Juvenile Spacing, Surveys, Brushing, Mechanical Site Preparation, Mechanical Pop-up Spacing and Danger Tree Snag Falling must request an application package from Lorie Dosenberger of the Kootenay Lake Forest District Office, R.R. 1, S-22, C-27, Nelson, B.C. V1L 5P4, telephone (250) 825-1100, fax (250) 354-6290

The return portion of the package must be received by the Kootenay Lake Forest District Office by March 16, 1998. Responses will be evaluated for potential inclusion on the Eligibility List. Late submissions will be evaluated for the potential inclusion on the May 15, 1998 update of the Eligibility List. Only those pre-qualified to the Eligibility List will be invited to participate in the subsequent tender calls. Submission of an application does not guarantee inclusion on the Eligibility List. This solicitation is subject to Chapter 5 of the Agreement on Internal Trade. Funding for some of the projects will be provided by Forest Renewal British Columbia



By Paula Wilson

NELSON - Five Canadian women -- including three from Nelson -- are counting down the days to the sea adventure of a lifetime. In May they will immerse

their kayaks into the turbulent waters of the Pacific Ocean at the southern tip of Alaska, and they won't return to civilization for another four months, when they paddle into Vancouver's inner harbour. they into

This voyage, appropriately named El Nina Expedition, will tackle the exposed 3000-km route along the western side of Vancouver Island, which has never

been completed by an allfemale team.

"I'm really looking forward to being out in the wilderness with a core group of women, said team member Alice Weber.

"The mental, physical and spiritual growth is going to be incredible."

When they're not being physically challenged by the elements, the women plan to spend their time creating. Music, painting, writing and carving are all on the agenda.

"The ocean is so dynamic. It lends itself to creativity,' said Jody Simmons, who has a National Art Award as well as outdoor instruction and 54 weeks of expeditioning to her name.

Robyn Irvine, a wildlife biologist and naturalist from Thunder Bay, echoes Simmons' sentiments.

'To me, it's all about the exploration of possibili-ties," said Irvine. "It will be a time of introspection and development.'

It's evident, however, that personal growth isn't the only pledge these women have made.

They've joined forces with the B.C. Forest Service and Leave No Trace and plan to conduct environmental assessments. restore

impacted beaches, and educate coastal communites

along the way. "We were thinking of paddling across Canada, but decided to choose less distance so that we could get to know and understand the

area we are travelling through," said Weber.

Kristin Maddox from Nelson and Buffy Lundine, who is currently guiding sea kayaks in Baja, complete the crew.

The public will have a

chance to meet and support these ambitious sailors on Thursday, March 12 at Club Utopia.

The evening will include door prizes, NBC specials, and music on stage by Eddy Shaw and the Wolf Gang.



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(right) and two other women in paddling 3,000 km from Alaska to Vancouver.





International Women's Day

By Paula Wilson

NELSON - March 8 is a day for women to come together, celebrate, analyze and contemplate their place in the world.

International Women's Day commemorates the first major women's demonstration in North America, which took place in New York City in 1857, when women in the needle trades demanded better working conditions and the right to vote.

Although the issues have changed dramatically, women still have much to fight for. Women who work full-time, year round earn only 73 cents for every dollar that men earn, and although women make up over half of university graduates, they are still under-represented in top executive positions of government, post-secondary institutions, and corporations. On the positive side, International

Women's Day is a time for the world to celebrate the innumerable achievements women have made. A local event on March 7 is intended to do just that: celebrate

At 6 p.m. in the basement of Trinity United Church, all women are invited to an international potluck and multicultural celebration. It will be an evening full of food, diversity, and information on topical issues to women today. For more information call 352-9916.

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Arrow Reservoir a top priority for fisheries projects

NELSON The Columbia Basin Fish & Wildlife Compensation Program is targeting half its 1998-99 fisheries budget and projects at restoring fish populations in the Arrow Reservoir. The Program has

approved 11 fisheries projects worthy nearly \$1 milion, which will begin in the new fiscal year starting

April 1. "We realize there are other fisheries projects throughout the Columbia Basin that are a priority as well," said Compensation Program n Maureen DeHaan. manager

"We had approved 32 projects for this year, but we only have funding for 22 at this time.

The Arrow Reservoir, which accounts for 11 of those 22 projects, is our top priority and we want to address the situation as quickly and completely as possible."

Other highlights of the approved project funding include: * A total of 33 wildlife

and habitat enhancement projects, worth nearly \$2 million.

* Projects addressing the

Jewish cultural group meets

NELSON The Kootenay Jewish Cultural Association has been reborn, and its' first words are, "Shalom, Nelson!"

The newest member of the Nelson spiritual community has been in gestation since early last summer, when a small group of people met to try to draw out the Jews they knew were "living in the woodwork" all over the Kootenays.

Judaism is different from other religions in that it is a culture as well as a religion, so the challenge for the group is offering something of interest to Jews of all orientations -- from the purely secular to the highly spiritual.

On March 6 the KJCA is inviting all those interested to its first event, a potluck community Shabbat dinner, starting at 6 p.m. at 810 Silica St.

Drop by for good food, songs, stories, "general schmoozing" and a chance to make new friends.

For more information about this event or the KJCA, call 352-5150.

needs of a total of 16 endangered and ulnerable species

* An increase in publiclyinitiated projects reflecting the growth of local community support and involvement in the Compensation Program's fish and wildlife projects.

"Our partnership with Columbia Basin Trust means we are delivering more fish and wildlife projects, with more partners, than ever before," said DeHaan.

To keep communities informed on project activi-ties and provide opportunities for public feedback, representatives of the Compensation Program will be appearing live on Shaw Cable (community Channel 10) throughout the West Kootenay on March 10, starting at 7:30 p.m.

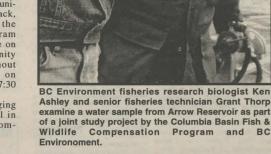
DeHaan is encouraging area residents to call in with questions or comments.

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The Ministry is interested in establishing an ongoing mailing list of qualified service providers for the purpose of distributing Requests for Proposals as they become available. Services the ministry may require:

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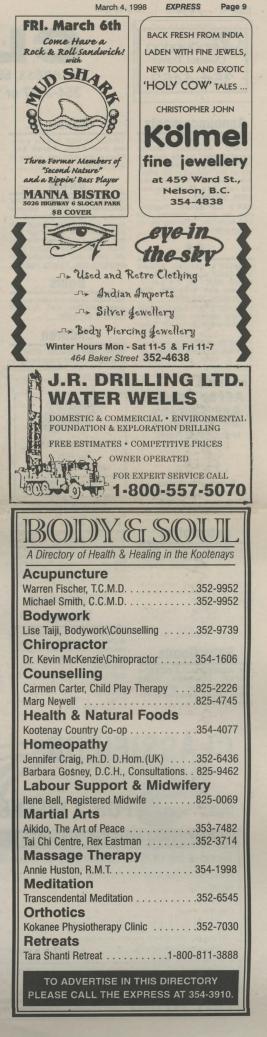
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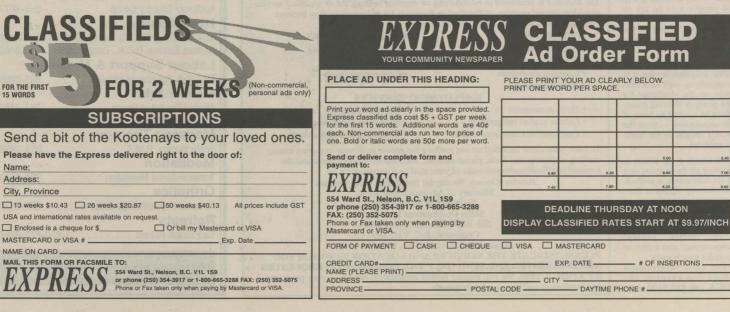


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Gail Merritt (left) and Chris Booth, local coordinators of the Kidney Foundation of Canada's door-to-door campaign, show off one of the blue T-shirts that identify Kidney Foundation canvassers. If you can help canvass, call 354-0108 or 505-5515.

Canvassers needed to volunteer for kidney campaign

NELSON - March is Kidney Month across Canada, and local volunteers will be canvassing door-to-door to raise badly needed funds for medical research, patient services and organ donation awareness.

"All of our canvassers will carry proper identification and they will all have receipt books in order to issue receipts on the spot," said local co-coordinator Gail Merritt.

"If anyone who is approached for a donation wishes to verify the validity of the canvasser, we're asking them to call us.

Chris Booth, who's also coordinating the Nelson fundraising effort, said more volunteer canvassers are urgently needed in order for the campaign to succeed.

We want to get as many people as possible going doorto-door," said Booth. "Public awareness is a very big factor in this campaign, and the more people know about, the more we're able to accomplish."

Donation boxes will also be available at local chartered banks, the government liquor store and Overwaitea Foods in Chahko Mika Mall.

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Health Council reassures service clients

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NELSON - The Nelson and Area Health Council has responded to concerns about the provision of services through the Nelson Community Services Centre.

"Recently the Ministry for Children and Families awarded the contracts dealing with the provision of services to children, youth and families to Nelson Community Services," said Helath Council CEO George Gillies.

"This change in the provider of these services has created considerable concern among clients who are dependent on them. The health council wishes to reassure clients that every effort is being made to ensure there will be no disruption in the level of services provided."

Gillies said the council is collaborating with the NCSC to ensure the continuity of services. Discussions have taken place regarding the programs and services, and the impact of the change in service provider. "Unfortunately, there's

"Unfortunately, there's been some erroneous information publicized, indicating drastic cutbacks and deletion of programs and services," said Gillies. "Discussions with officials from the Ministry

cials from the Ministry and Nelson Community Services have reassured us that the level of services will be retained and maintained. In fact, we anticipate no change in the level of services, although there may be changes in the methodology of service delivery."

Gillies said the Health Council is committed to its motto of "Better Health in the Kootenays," and will collaborate with Community Services "to ensure that clients receive the services they need."

For more information, conact the Ministry for Children and Families or the Nelson Community Services Centre.

Fashions showcased by grads

NELSON - L.V. Rogers high school is sponsoring a fashion show and auction March 4 at the Capitol Theatre, with all proceeds going to this year's graduating class.

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