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No bears allowed!

Group could keep the hairy brutes out of our back yards

By Steve Thornton

Discussions taking place this week in Nelson could lead to a major new effort to reduce conflict between bears and humans. About 30 people are meeting to consider forming a "Nelson and Area Bear Management Steering Committee," which could lobby governments and inform citizens in ways that would serve to keep bears in the woods, and out of people's backyards.

Nelson Bear Aware co-ordinator Debra Haas asked Nelson City Council last week to keep bears in mind when forming policies around garbage pickup and other matters that affect the animals. Speaking at a Committee of the Whole meeting at city hall, Haas gave council a wrap-up of the work done by Bear Aware this past summer. Her term as co-ordinator was already finished by then, but she was tidying up a few last details.

Haas said a meeting would be held in Nelson on Dec. 6 to propose "a long-term planning committee for bear-human conflict." About 30 agencies and individuals were invited to sit in at this initial meeting, she said, including City police and RCMP, Selkirk College, the chamber of commerce, the Rod & Gun Club, West

Kootenay Power, and the Central Kootenay Regional District.

If there's enough interest, a committee will be formed that could work in practical ways to reduce bear-human encounters.

Speaking after the meeting, Haas described several things the group might "hope to accomplish." Fund-raising for the Bear Aware program, exchanging City dumpsters for bear-proof containers, persuading the City to enact a curbside garbage by-law that would make it illegal to leave garbage at the curb overnight, "continuing to work with the Ministry of Highways — they have made a commitment to change over to bear-proof containers in their rest stops," working with the Regional District to put electric fences around landfills sites, and increased public education — these are goals the new committee could pursue.

Haas said the idea of a steering committee was put to her by a regional enforcement officer with the Conservation Officer Service, Richard Daloise, when she began working with Bear Aware several months ago. The idea is not new — it's based on a committee that's already work-



Puss in Boots stars Sally Johnston as the Fairy Queen, Dawn Scott as Puss, and Brad Ferguson as the Demon King. The Capitol Theatre production of the popular children's story plays December 7, 8, and 9 at 7:30 p.m. with Saturday and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m.

ing in Revelstoke — and many of the things it would work for are already in place in other municipalities. "Right now, municipalities in BC that have undertaken this (curbside garbage by-laws) include Revelstoke, Kimberley, Kamloops, Prince George, Whistler, and one out of province is Canmore, Alberta."

Haas told council that some progress had been made in Nelson already. She said the environmental group Earth Matters had cleaned up 84 fruit trees, picking some 3,500 pounds of fruit, and she said a fund-raising effort to buy two bear-proof containers for Gyro Park had been successful. The new containers "will be delivered this winter," she said.

Councillor John Murray and others thanked Haas for speaking and Murray noted that bear attractants, like dropped fruit, are responsible for many problems with

bears. "As long as there are attractants in town, the bears will be attracted to them, and that's the problem that we all need to focus on, I think," Haas agreed.

Business case ready by Valentine's Day

NELSON — The Nelson and Area Health Council said the "business case" for a health campus should be ready by Feb. 14, 2001 "for presentation to the Ministry of Health."

"We are and have been consulting with our hospital staff, community health groups, health authorities throughout the region and consultants to ensure that our project will meet the needs of the community, and provide new and better ways to deliver health care," the health council said in a press release.

The "business case" is a document that must be prepared before the provincial government will spend large amounts of cash on new buildings.

It basically says the health campus idea will work.

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Dog owners and their pets paraded through Nelson's downtown streets Friday after City Council announced by-law changes that will restrict access to park and playing field areas. Not everyone in Nelson, it appears, feels that dogs are a nuisance.

City feels lash of leash bylaw

NELSON – City Councillor Gord McAdams feels it's a "win-win" situation, but some dog owners in Nelson say council is about to hobble their freedom, and their hackles are up over the matter.

A crowd that local veterinarian Dr. Andrew Jones estimated at 300 people and more than 100 dogs marched on City Hall Friday afternoon to complain about by-law amendments that would require dogs to be leashed when on the City's new waterfront pathway and that makes the lakeside soccer fields off-limits to dogs altogether.

Jones said the by-law amendment is a "last straw"

for a constituency that already felt city council does not fairly represent pet owners.

He said the marchers were a "mix of people," including seniors and professionals, which represented a "balanced" segment of society.

They want the proposed by-law amendment stopped in its tracks, he said.

Council should "look toward the creation of a dog park" where people can walk their dogs at any time, he said.

Councillor McAdams faced the dog owners and listened to their complaints Friday at lunch time. He admitted that city council

has got itself "in the dog house" over this, but said later that it's a challenge council can meet. "We don't play win-lose," he said, somewhat wistfully talking about the council table. "We play win-win."

McAdams said he'd like council to put the amendment on hold while council looks for ways to satisfy all the residents of Nelson.

The amendment comes back to council on Dec. 11. "We can prove that we can listen to all sides," McAdams said.

Seniors' Xmas party Dec. 14

The Christmas party for Branch #51 Senior Citizens' Association members will be held Dec. 14.

Members will gather at the Hume Room in the Heritage Hotel for a traditional Christmas dinner. Entertainment will be provided by Henny and Helga and other local musicians.

Door prizes are donated for this event by local merchants.

Bosun's Corner to be fixed

NELSON – A sharp curve along Highway 6 between Silverton and New Denver will be improved for cyclists and pedestrians, Nelson-Creston MLA Corky Evans said recently.

"Work will be done this winter to increase shoulder width as well as improve sight lines and drainage on Bosun's Corner," said Evans. "Cyclist and pedestrian traffic on Highway 6 is increasing. This project will address safety concerns raised by the villages of Silverton and New Denver. It is the first phase of some planned long-term improvements."

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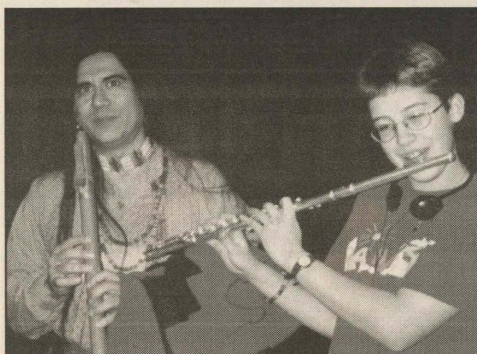
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Actor Uzziel Martinez with student at Trafalgar Junior High School, where the Native American performed a one-act play describing Comanche history.

Peace through art and education

by Rita Smith

On Wednesday, Nov. 22, over 799 students and faculty of Trafalgar Junior High School attended an assembly sponsored by the Michael Jordan Educational Foundation.

Uzziel Martinez, a stage and film actor and high school teacher from Los Angeles, performed a one-act play entitled, "Tasura, A Comanche Remembers."

This fascinating 20-minute piece by San Antonio playwright and director Ric Slocum chronicles the fall of the Comanches and one American Indian's memories of his family and life.

Martinez's performance was powerful, provocative, and informative. He presents a professional performance that envelops his audience and holds them spellbound for the duration of the play.

There was a question and answer period after the play, followed by a reception held by the Aboriginal Studies students. This gave students and opportunity to learn more about Native American history. The play was also performed the previous day to about 100 senior students at L.V. Rogers High School.

Martinez plans to return in the spring to perform at a venue accessible to the whole Nelson community.

Golfing for lung health

BC Lung Association

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District's Aboriginal students excel

by Pat Cattermole, Board chair

Kootenay Lake School District received a letter in September from the deputy minister of education, Charles Ungerleider, commending us for closing the gap on the educational achievement between aboriginal students and non-aboriginal students. Shortly after, we received another letter from Gordon Comeau, the president of the British Columbia Trustees Association, congratulating us on our results.

Kootenay Lake School District can be proud of our aboriginal students. Their retention rate of 75 per cent is 16 per cent higher than the provincial average, and their 58 per cent graduation rate is 20 per cent higher than the provincial average. Our recent Foundation Skills Assessment results for Grades 4, 7, and 10 confirmed that in all but one area our aboriginal students are equal or close to the average for non-aboriginal students in the province.

Our positive relationship with the Lower Kootenay Band has played a major role in these successes. The Band pro-

vides strong aboriginal role models and support from their community. They participate on committees, provide cultural awareness for staff and students and host a Homework Club four evenings a week. We work together to ensure that the school and the Lower Kootenay Band Homework Club use a consistent approach and have compatible computers and software.

Robert Louie, the Education Society president of the Lower Kootenay Band in Creston, commends our efforts and acknowledges the significant improvement for aboriginal students over the past six years. He attributes this to the accessibility of our early intervention programs, which are critical to the educational development of First Nations students.

Through a coordinated approach with the Ministry for Children and Families, Health, the Lower Kootenay Band Education Society and the School District we have developed programs for early preschool assessment, phonological awareness, and other speech and language services.

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Arts funding announced for Columbia Basin

The Columbia Kootenay Cultural Alliance (the Alliance), in partnership with the Columbia Basin Trust, has approved \$200,000 in funding for artists, arts and cultural projects throughout the Canadian Columbia Basin for the 2000-2001 funding year.

Seventeen arts councils from the Basin have each received a minimum of \$5,000 to distribute to projects in their community. The total spent on Funding Support to Communities Through Community Arts Councils is \$90,000.

Community Arts Councils include Nelson, Salmo, Slocan Valley, Trail, Castlegar, and others in the region.

Other projects include \$10,350 in Capital Funding for Argenta, Arrow Lakes, Silvertown and Fernie.

Proposals that comprised Arts & Heritage Mentoring/Master Classes were approved for projects throughout the Basin for \$10,000.

Eleven groups consisting of dance, music, visual arts and theatre proposing tours to communities around the Basin received a total of \$20,000.

The Alliance is also coordinating the Basin Best: Visual Art Tour, a touring art show that will visit 17 communities with a selection of juried pieces from basin artists.

Net income up for Columbia Basin Power

CASTLEGAR - Columbia Basin Power Company has released interim financial statements which show net income of \$1,730,974 for the six months ended Sept. 30, 2000.

Net income in the corresponding period of the previous fiscal year was \$1,220,880.

Columbia Basin Power Company is a joint venture of CBT Power Corp., a subsidiary of the Columbia Basin Trust, and Columbia Power Corporation, a provincial Crown corporation.

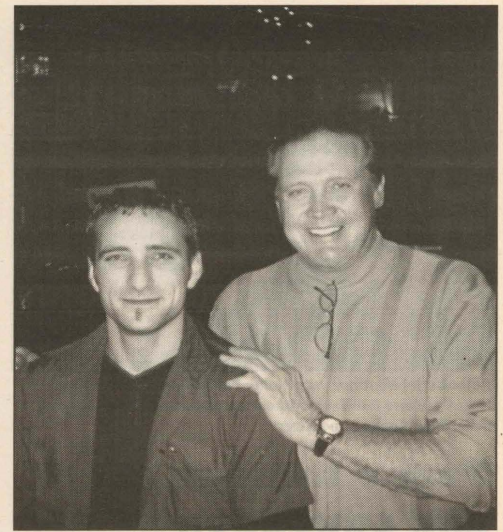
The company owns the Brilliant dam and sells the electricity produced at the dam to West Kootenay Power Ltd., which also manages the facility for the owners.

The income earned from this power project investment is shared equally by the joint venture partners.

The company is undertaking a multi-year capital program which will enhance the value of its investment in the dam.

During the quarter ended Sept. 30, the company began to sell electricity from the first turbine upgrade at Brilliant, which was complete on Aug. 4.

The second of four turbine upgrades is scheduled to begin in March, 2001.



"Out Cold" star Lee Majors, looking fit and happy, shares a moment with Tim Tate, owner of the Elephant Mountain Bar and Grill at the Prestige Inn in Nelson.

Hydro commits to recovery of white sturgeon

BC Hydro has committed \$1.2 million over the next two years to the Upper Columbia River White Sturgeon Recovery Project to help restore the white sturgeon population on British Columbia's portion of the Columbia River.

The program is a partnership between BC Hydro and the B.C. Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks, BC Fisheries, and Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO).

BC Hydro will provide project funding, the provincial agencies will administer the fish recovery process, and DFO will ensure the work meets federal regulations.

"The white sturgeon population on the Upper Columbia River has been decreasing steadily over the last decade, and even

though they are spawning according to their natural cycle, their young often fail to reach juvenile age," said BC Hydro Environmental Resources manager Hugh Smith.

"This program will help determine why the fish don't survive, and identify ways to solve the problem, while giving Hydro an opportunity to continually improve our environmental performance."

In the project's early stages, the Columbia Basin Fish & Wildlife Compensation Program's Hill Creek Hatchery will be converted to accommodate rearing of juvenile sturgeon for research purposes. Hatchery stock will be tested to more accurately assess what specific factors can help juvenile sturgeon survive.

Film crew welcomed by Salmo as Out Cold swells local population

SALMO - "The town has been amazing," said publicist Lee Anne Muldoon last week as the Touchstone Pictures production "Out Cold" was filmed here.

"They've been wonderful," Muldoon said. "They rolled out the red carpet. We travelled in with our trailers late, late, late Friday night, and they found out about 30 drivers were coming in, and they made them a nice stew at the local Legion."

Most of the film's workers are staying in Nelson, but some are staying in Salmo, Muldoon said. About 120 crew members rolled into town from Vancouver, where Sugar Mountain Productions, the company that is making the film for Touchstone

Pictures, is based. The film is about snowboarding, but Lee Majors, the most well-known actor in the production, plays a skier, and the owner of a resort.

Muldoon said about 20 local people were hired to work on the film, in security, locations, construction and other jobs, and about 50 extras will have on-camera roles.

The film is being shot entirely on location in British Columbia, and is a "mid-level" budget film, said Muldoon.

The plot? Well, life is fine for the local snowboarders until Papa Muntz dies and his son decides to sell the mountain to Lee Majors. Then, trouble.

Amnesty International items on sale

The Nelson Chapter of Amnesty International will sell Amnesty International items, such as cards, calendars, and tote bags, during the next few weeks, in recognition of International

Human Rights Day on Dec. 10.

You'll find these items on sale at the Nelson United Church on Dec. 10 from 11 a.m. to noon, and at the Trading Company Mall on

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Money announced for special needs services

NELSON – Children six and under with special needs and their families in the Kootenays will have access to more services and support with \$285,000 in government funding.

MLAs Corky Evans, Jim Doyle, and Ed Conroy made the announcement on Nov. 30, on behalf of Children and Families Minister Edward John.

“This government is committed to making sure children with special needs and their families have increased access to the services they need,” said Evans, MLA for Nelson-Creston.

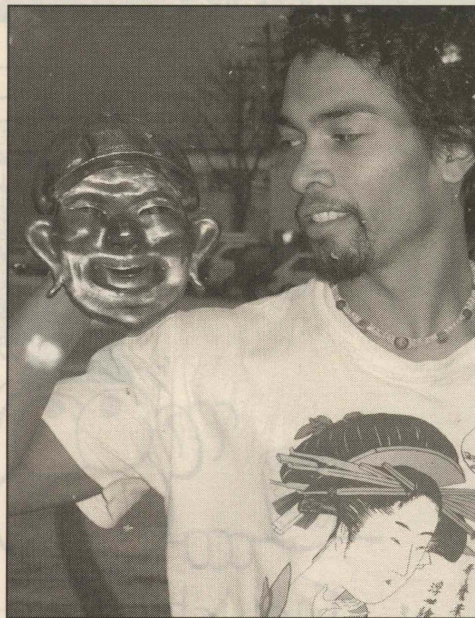
“This funding is one step to ensuring all those services are in place.”

“Parents want the best possible services for their children with special needs,” said Doyle, MLA for Columbia River-Revelstoke. “This funding will help them get it.”

Providers can use this funding to increase services in infant development, supported child care, occupational and physiotherapy, and speech language therapy.

“It’s important children with special needs have services and supports close to home,” said Conroy, MLA for Rossland-Trail. “With this funding, families have more services in their own communities.”

The \$6 million expansion of services for children with special needs and their families is part of the government’s previously announced \$9-million investment in support of early childhood health and development.



Rommel Habon stands in the snow to show his latest creation, Buddha Dude, one of the fine artworks on display at the KSA metal program show (see story at right).

Metal class displays talents in show of bronze artworks

For the third year running, students in the Kootenay School of the Arts metal department will treat fellow artists and the community to a display of design in bronze.

This year’s show opens on Friday, Dec. 8 at 7 p.m. in the KSA Gallery, 510 Hall St. Refreshments will be served and prospective purchasers as well as interested viewers are encouraged to attend.

Pieces in the show will include relief and three-dimensional cast work created by the seven members of the second-year metal class, as well as several contributions from third-year students. The diverse background and inspiration of the artists is reflected in the variety of design ideas behind their work, and while there were specific requirements to be met within the context of KSA’s metal program curriculum, each individual has dealt with the themes in a distinctive manner.

Before embarking on their bronze casting projects, most students complete their first year in the metal department, which includes pattern-making and aluminum sand casting, as well as welding and blacksmithing components. By the time they reach second year, these prospective bronze casters are well-prepared for the attention to detail and precise technical processes that are required to create work in bronze.

The show will run from Dec. 8 to Dec. 14. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekends, and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays. Raffle tickets will be sold at the door.

Information Highway may speed up in West Kootenay

The Kootenay Association for Science and Technology will develop a business and strategic plan to set up a high-speed telecommunications network in the West Kootenay-Boundary Region with \$25,000 from the Community Enterprise Program, says a BC government press release.

Nelson-Creston MLA Corky Evans

made the announcement recently on behalf of Jenny Kwan, Minister of Community Development.

The “business and strategic plan” is part of a larger project, supported in part by the Columbia Basin Trust, to set up a high-speed telecommunications network here.

The Kootenay Association for

Science and Technology is coordinating the project and heading a committee of community members who understand the telecommunications needs of the region.

The Community Enterprise Program provides support to communities to set up local economic and development plans.

First Nations artists may establish co-op for Kootenays

NELSON-A meeting of First Nations artists will be held Sunday, Dec. 10 at 6 p.m. to share in a potluck meal and to establish a cooperative.

The objective will be to discover the needs of First Nations artists in the Kootenays and to find ways of supporting them, said Jeannette Wilding, a Kootenay School of the Arts student who created the idea.

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Another chance to be heard

The city of Nelson is asking your opinion. In the centre of this newspaper, there is a survey asking your opinion about some issues facing this city in the coming years. This is not a vote, but a questionnaire, a survey of those who choose to respond. The more people who answer, the more the survey will be an honest indicator of the leanings of our community. Just as it is important for you to vote, it is also important for you to participate in this effort by our council to take our communal temperature.

You do get to vote, but generally, you cast your ballot for a person, or a party. No one asks you for an opinion specifically on the issues. They ask who you think will best represent you. Of course, your elected representatives' doors and mailboxes are always open. You can contact them at any time. But the reality is most of us don't call on them, or write letters, or make phone calls to them. How can they represent us if they don't know what we think?

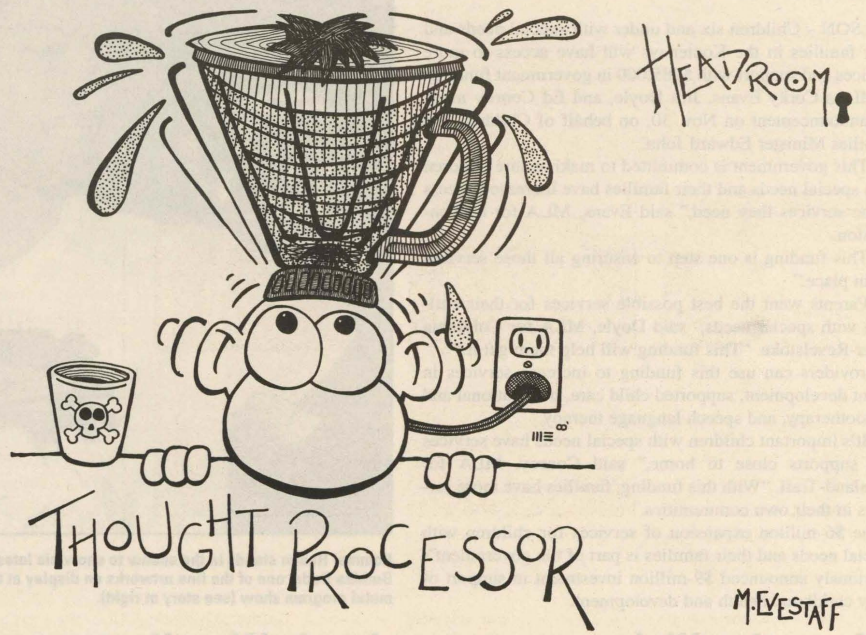
It has been this newspaper's opinion that we should have questions of opinion at every election. They don't have to be binding referenda, but asking questions at election time would help to guide our representatives in their work. Perhaps we could look at today's survey as a first step toward more public participation in decision-making.

Let your voice be heard. If there is not enough space on the survey form itself, then use additional paper. If you have an opinion on a topic that is not covered by the survey, let the city know.

We hope that the city will make information available to the community on the results of this survey. We will publicize your opinion. It is as important for our servants to know what we think as it is for each of us to know what each other is thinking.

This survey is not only an opportunity to voice an opinion, but it is also an opportunity to offer constructive solutions to the problems facing us. Our city mothers and fathers are not gods.

They need direction, help, and ideas. And that's your job.



The Editor's Mailbag

Nelson sidewalks going to the dogs

Dear Editor,
 I just finished reading the front of the Express (Nov. 22/00) and I'm laughing! This town really is backwards!

It's a hilarious balance having the dog bylaw amendment on the same page as the shovelling amendment. I can't understand how the city can spend so much money and energy on people's family pets and then say, "Sorry folks! We don't have the

budget to keep you safe and deal with sidewalk shovelling."

Soccer fields are an unnecessary luxury! Maybe this town can't afford them if it can't even afford to keep people safe in the winter.

This town is built on steep hills. It's dangerous for anybody on the nicest days in the winter. I am having knee surgery and will spend this winter on crutches. If my sidewalk isn't clear I

won't be able to leave the house to go to the store and get to school.

What about other injured, less mobile, disabled or elderly people?

What about the safety of all people in Nelson? I suppose some dogs on the new soccer field turf is more important to city council. I was surprised that this city even put in soccer fields, especially ones that are so fancy.

Don't we need safety, an

improved library, a better hospital, more inclusive public transportation and a place for people to relax with their pets after a long day of work more than a few new soccer fields and people to enforce the bylaws that surround them?

Maybe the Animal Bylaw guy could help enforce shovelling if he wasn't so busy worrying about grass.
Kyd Campbell
 Nelson

Dogs are people too – but not in Nelson

Dear Editor,
 Rarely do Nelson politicians seem so ardent in "by-law-making" as when it comes to making the canine a marginalized creature. Coming from a Middle European country myself, I have grown up with dogs being an integral part of family and society. Dogs pay half price on buses and trains, like children do. They all, with hardly an exception, sit patiently beside their owners and, with an "I've seen it all" expression, wait for their stop.

One sees dogs patiently waiting in

department stores, snoozing under a table in a restaurant. Children and dogs grow up together; for many people the dog is firstly a personality, secondly an animal. So why isn't the place awash with dog excrement and why aren't children being delivered to hospitals by the hundreds, after having been knocked over by an illegally free running dog while innocently playing soccer on their soccer field?

Because most of the dogs are well-trained and very used to the busy life of cities. And because people pay fairly high dog taxes. They in turn pay a

crew of street cleaners, whose job, amongst others, is to clean the streets.

Even though I'm not a dog owner myself, I'm down at Lakeside Park a lot with my two young children. They love watching the dogs catching Frisbees in mid-air. As far as I can see, everybody cleans up after their pet. A lot of tax dollars went into this park and a lot of tax payers are also dog owner. Simultaneously, I am wondering what the next by-law on Baker Street will be?

Sabine Fleschütz
 Nelson

Letters to the Editor guidelines:

We encourage our readers to write to us. Letters are a way for you to speak to your community, to give new information, participate in a discussion or express an opinion.

Please address letters meant for publication to the Editor. We do not accept open letters or poetry of any kind. Letters must be short (200 words maximum) and to the point. We reserve the right to edit letters, and the decision to publish or not to publish is completely at the discretion of the Editor and Publisher.

Commentaries can be longer (500 words maximum) and are more in-depth than letters. Commentaries usually

require some research, and should offer new information as well as an opinion.

If you wish to write a commentary, please contact the Editor.

All letters and commentaries must be signed and include your name, address and phone number. We will not print "name withheld" letters, or letters or commentaries that have appeared in other publications or contain personal attacks, derogatory comments or promote violence, racism or sexism. Opinions in the Express are not necessarily those of the publisher or the Express advertisers.

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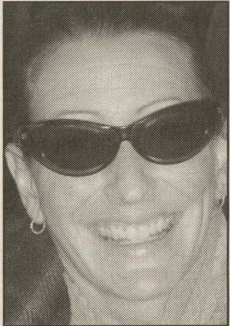
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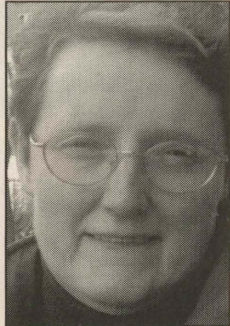
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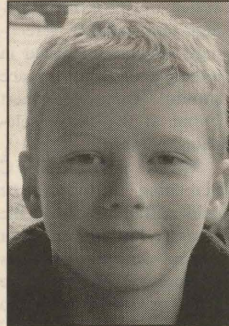
I'm asking Santa for a stable, fat, stupendous snowfall.

Kathryn Jones Nelson



Peace, health and happiness for everybody.

Pat Sylvester Nelson



A scooter, they look like fun!

Matthew Graham Nelson

GOOD NEIGHBOUR OF THE WEEK



Gina Maciborski

Age: 35

Lives in: Nelson Born in: Wetaskiwin, AB

Occupation: Multitasker, Bookkeeper, Chai Brewer, Alexander Technique Teacher

Favorite leisure activity: Hiking, wherever I am

Favorite non-profit community group: Kootenay Barter, because it's a great concept, the exchange of goods for services

Words to Live By: Think with good intention!

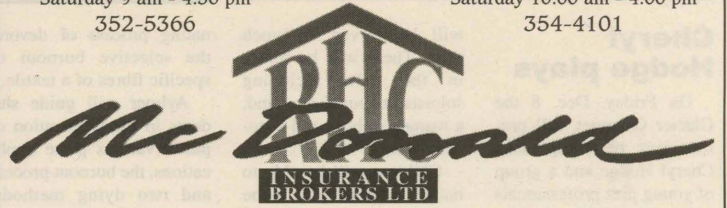
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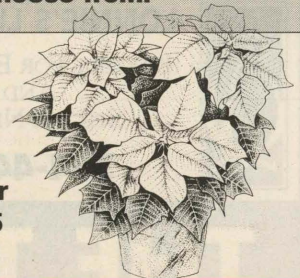
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Cheryl Hodge plays

On Friday, Dec. 8 the Glacier Gourmet will present jazz recording artist Cheryl Hodge and a group of young jazz professionals from the Selkirk College Music Program.

Joining Cheryl will be Joel Schwartz on guitar, Robin Sittig on drums, and Chris Chatten on acoustic bass.

They'll perform Hodge's original compositions and some popular jazz standards, from 8 to 10:30 p.m. There is no cover charge.

Xmas Faire

Waldorf School
352-6919

The Nelson Waldorf School holds their annual Christmas Faire on Saturday, Dec. 9.

The Christmas cafe opens at 10 a.m. in the main school hall. Refreshments will be available, and chili with buns

will be served at lunch time. There will be music in the cafe, including soloists, a four-piece band, a women's choir, and a students' choir.

Children will be able to make Christmas gifts in the Children's Activity Room, and there will be candle decorating, soapstone carving, wand decorating and gnome carving.

There will also be theatre sports for older kids.

Kindergarten classes will host a "magical cookie kingdom" for younger kids, and there will be a puppet play, Rumpelstiltskin.

Admission for children is free, and adults pay one dollar. The fair runs from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Fibre artist workshop

Kootenay Gallery
365-337

The Kootenay Gallery will offer a two-day workshop by fibre artist Rosalind Aylmer, introducing participants to the fasci-

nating process of devore, the selective burnout of specific fibres of a textile.

Aylmer will guide students in the preparation of paste, various paste applications, the burnout process and two dyeing methods. Along with many samples, students will create a beautiful silk velvet devore scarf.

Aylmer's work is on display at the gallery until Jan. 21.

The workshop will take place at the Kootenay Gallery on January 13 and 14 from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. The fee for the weekend workshop is \$90 for gallery members, \$100 for non-members. A list of supplies will be given when registering.

Local film group active

Film & Video Co-op
229-2209

The Kootenay Film & Video Cooperative recently had a general meeting and added three new members

to their Board of Directors. The KFVC now has 33 members, including the 11 directors.

The group is currently in search of space for meetings and monthly screenings. Anyone interested in joining or in donating space should contact Robert Irving at the above telephone number.

The next KFVC Screening Night will be held at Taffy Jacks in the Heritage Inn on Dec. 13 at 7 p.m. Anyone who has produced or helped to make a film or video is invited to get in touch with the KFVC and have it shown at a screening night.

Kids can make music

Kootenay Gallery
365-3337

Local musician and music teacher/therapist Gwen Lush will lead children through the process of constructing their very own "Sonic Bang-Bang" and will help them find their



Mystery of Irma Vep

Nelson actor Michael Graham rehearses as Lady Enid for the Livingroom Theatres production of *The Mystery of Irma Vep*. The second production for Livingroom Theatre, this is a high-camp comedy featuring David Edgington as Lord Edgar. Graham and Edgington also play the story's remaining four characters. *Irma Vep* opens Friday, Dec. 8. For information call 354-2092.

rhythm, in a workshop on Dec. 16 at the Kootenay Gallery.

Youngsters will learn and perform percussion arrangements to popular Christmas carols. The

workshop is suitable for children aged eight to 12, and runs from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 16.

To register, or for more information, contact the gallery.

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- We still have a few bearded gentlemen looking for families to spend Christmas with this year. They are really no trouble at all and eat only milk and cookies. They have regular, seasonal employment and are guaranteed to be a cheery addition to any family gathering...ho...ho...ho! Christmas begins at Redfern House.



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Put a book under the tree

Project Literacy
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With Christmas approaching, many of us will be looking for special gifts for the children in our lives. This year, Project Literacy West Kootenay sponsors an idea called "A Book under Every Tree," and urges you to consider giving books at Christmas.

Children love to be read to and a book makes a wonderful gift, often one that is treasured for the rest of a person's life. A Christmas gift in the form of a book provides a perfect chance to cuddle up and read together. And children who have been read to are better prepared for school.

In addition to giving children their own books, parents and other family and friends can give a gift by letting children see them read ... and write. Children will learn from this that reading is something to be done for fun and to get jobs done.

Nelson Family Literacy Project offers programs which focus on the power of the parents as role models and coaches in strengthening children's language and literacy skills. Thanks to funding from various literacy organizations, and the Columbia Basin Trust, Nelson and area parents can now participate in two different free programs.

The Parent Child Mother Goose program is based on oral tradition. It teaches songs, rhymes and stories to parents and children from birth to two years old. Another program, called, "Reading Time-Family Time," allows parents and kids aged two to four to enjoy books, rhymes, songs, and story extensions together.

Located in a community centre or neighbourhood school, it shows parents ways to encourage and enjoy reading in the home.

Any details of upcoming 2001 sessions of these programs can be obtained by calling Joanne Harris, at 352-9630.

Radio dollars

Kootenay Co-op Radio
352-9600

Kootenay Co-op Radio presents an evening of exquisite Middle Eastern cuisine, performance and distraction on Saturday, Dec. 9 starting at 7 p.m. at the Rod and Gun Club in Nelson.

This special event will celebrate the one-month anniversary of Kootenay Co-op Radio's broadcast launch, while raising funds for the Kootenays' newest community media resource.

The menu features spiced Middle Eastern appetisers and fare, and entertainment by belly-dancers and musicians.

Tickets are \$20 for members and \$25 for non-members and are available at Oliver's Books, the Nelson New Deli, and at the radio station.

See Kung Fu

The Nelson Kung Fu Team will perform some of their award-winning routines, including Dragon Style, Fighting Sets, Speak and Sword, on Thursday, Dec. 14, at the Tai Chi Centre, 444 Baker St.

More talents join Kootenay Carol for Christmas celebration in Kaslo

A number of entertainers have agreed to participate in the Kootenay Carol at Kaslo's Langham Theatre, starting at 7 p.m. on Dec. 9. The list includes Metis drum circle Onistah, a seven-piece traditional group that promotes aboriginal cultural awareness, and Kaslo poet David Herreshoff, who will compose a poem for the event.

The Kootenay Carol is a benefit to aid the Kaslo Food Bank Christmas Hamper Program.

The Kaslo Inter-Church Choir, a group composed of singers from all of Kaslo's churches, will open the evening with a round of caroling, and The Village Girls, a band made up of members of the Herbison family from Meadow Creek, will help to liven up the evening.

Concert organizer Will Webster says preparations are going well for the event, which is drawing wide support from the community.

"We've been inundated with generosity and good cheer," says Webster.

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Youth Centre turns three, invites public to drop in for tour and refreshments

NDYC 352-5656

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It's an opportunity to check out the new renovations that NDYC has received since opening.

There's a dark room, an art room, recreation facilities, and other additions to the NDYC environment.

Cake and refreshments are free, starting at 8 p.m. at 608 Lake Street.

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LOCAL ARTIST FEATURED live at The Queen's Hotel. Starts 9pm. Backed up "Handley Page Band". Every Wednesday.

TAI CHI & QI GONG CLASS, 7-8pm (Mon/Wed). Relaxing, gentle exercise. Tai Chi Centre, 444 Baker, Nelson. 352-3714, 352-2468.

ASHTANGA YOGA with Mary-Jo at Tai Chi Center. Beginner and experienced. Call 229-2288 to register.

INTERMEDIATE BELLYDANCE classes. Drop-in or pre-register. 7:45-9:15. Nov 1-Dec 6 at the Playspace. Phone Amanda, 505-1186.

YOGA CLASSES in Queensbay. Awaken body/mind/spirit. All welcome. 8-10am. Phone Carol Erickson, 229-4793.

KOOTENAY LAKE CHORUS. Sweet Adelines practice 7pm, 5th & Elwyn. Joey, 352-3393; Dorothy, 352-7199.

KOOTENAY KILTIE PIPE BAND. 7-9pm Wednesdays. Nelson Legion. 825-9225 or 352-7110.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS. 7:30pm. 601 Front Street, Rear entrance, bsmt door. 352-7318.

SWOOSH, SWIRL, SWAY, SWEAT ecstatic dance practice with James Wood. 11:30-1:00 at the Aerobic Room. Aquatic Centre. 352-7869

PLANNED PARENTHOOD CLINIC 5:30 to 8pm. Contraception /STD/pregnancy. Female MD. 333 Victoria St. 354-1322.

NELSON SHOTOKAN KARATE CLUB. St. Joseph's School. Mon/Wed. 5-7pm. 352-7905.

BLUE GRASS SLOWPITCH JAM, every other Wed. at the Boy Scout Hall 7pm. Eva DeFoor 505-5233

HIV TESTING every wed. evening at 333 Victoria St. Nelson. Planned Parenthood Clinic.

Thurs. Dec 7

CENTRAL SCHOOL evening computer classes. General user skills course. Tues/Thurs, 7-9pm. Nov 9-Dec 5. 352-9686.

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PARENT SUPPORT GROUP, 10-noon, 312 Silica. Daycare available. For more information call 825-9234.

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PUBLIC SITTING MEDITATION every Thursday, 7-8pm at Kootenay Shambhala Meditation Centre, 444 Baker St. 352-1714.

JAM NITE. All musicians, singers, artists welcome. Starts 9pm til 1pm. Queen's Hotel every Thursday.

ROAD HOCKEY at Nelson & District Youth Centre. 7pm. Come down and play hockey in the street. Brand new equipment. 352-5656.

YOGA CLASSES. Energizing and relaxing practice. Beginners welcome. Nelson Rod & Gun Club. 5:30-7:00pm. Carol Erickson, 229-4793.

AIR CADETS! Flying, gliding, wilderness survival. 6:30pm. S. Nelson School. Ages 12-18. James 352-2771, Deanna Lammle 352-9116.

MOM'S GROUP? Baby massage with Joanne Emily, public health nurse 1-3pm, Nelson home Support 905 Gordon Rd. 352-2911. Free including childcare.

ALS SUPPORT GROUP MEETING, 12:30pm. For location and information call: Bette-Lou Askew at 825-0020 or ALSBC at 1-800-708-3228.

Fri. Dec 8

DO YOU HAVE A PROBLEM WITH FOOD? Overeaters Anonymous. 1:00 pm. 817 Vernon St, 2nd floor. 352-7755.

PREGNANCY YOGA. Yoga, relaxation, breathwork 3:30-5pm, bring blanket, \$10. Playspace, Nelson. Call Nikki 229-2321.

KOOTENAY GALLERY'S FESTIVE Treasures 2000. Enjoy at historic station museum downtown Castlegar. Opening reception Dec.1, ends Dec. 9.

KSA BRONZE SHOW opening Friday Dec.8th at 7pm. KSA Gallery 510 Halli St. Refreshments served.

LIVE JAZZ IN THE PLAYPEN at Glacier Gourmet, with Cheryl Hodge Quartet from 8-10:30.

Sat. Dec 9

5 RHYTHMS ECSTATIC DANCE. Practice w/James, 3-5pm at the Aquatic Centre in the Aerobic Room. 352-7869.

CAR WASH noon to 4pm. at The Nelson & District Youth Centre

MINDFULNESS MEDITATION RETREAT. Free! Information and registration call Paul Erickson (250)229-4793.

KOOTENAY BARTER HOLIDAY FAIRE, Nelson United Church noon to 5pm. Trade, cash, barter bucks accepted. 354-1909.

FETE DE NOEL, au Robson Community Hall, 3067 rue Waldie Robson, a partir de 16 heures, repas a 18 heures. Info et reservations: 352-3516

WALDORF SCHOOL CHRISTMAS FAIRE 10am to 1pm. Features puppet shows, cafe, store.

Sun Dec 10

DROP IN YOGA CLASSES in Winlaw at 10am. 6045 Cedar Creek Road. Details, 226-7871. April on om.

PUBLIC SITTING MEDITATION most Sundays 9am-noon at Kootenay Shambhala Meditation Centre, 444 Baker St. 352-1714.

DROP IN YOGA CLASSES at 3253 South Slocan Village Road, above Wee Ones. 4:30pm. Everyone welcome. 226-7871.

SOUL SISTER SUNDAY-every Sunday at the Avalon nightclub. 354-4823 for info.

JAZZ NIGHT at the Rice Bowl, 6-9pm.

GOSPEL ROCK MUSIC 10:30am, Central School gym. 352-7700 Kootenay Christian Fellowship.

UNITY CENTRE of the Kootenays 11:30am. Senior Citizen's Lounge 717 Vernon St. Info:352-3715. Everyone welcome.

FIRST NATION'S ARTIST COOPERATIVE Meeting 6pm, potluck. For more information contact Jeannette 354-0231.

HAVE BREAKFAST WITH SANTA and bid on the best gift ideas in the Kootenays. Awesome draws, Christmas tree sale and live festive music with 2DM. Appledale Children's Center Santa breakfast and silent auction, 10am to 2pm, Appledale Hall. 355-2673.

Mon Dec 11

DANCE IMPROVISATION at Playspace. 10am-12. \$8. Drop-in. Guided by Lynn Frederick. Info, 352-1964.

ASHTANGA YOGA with Mary-Jo at Tai Chi Center. Beginner and experienced. Call 229-2288 to register.

TABLE TENNIS CLUB when school is open, Blewett School. 6:30pm to 9:00pm. 352-6755, Peter. 352-5739, Karl.

DO YOU HAVE A PROBLEM WITH FOOD? Overeaters Anonymous. 7:15 Hospital Room 406. Call Heather, 352-6813.

AIKIDO THE ART OF PEACE. Mon/Wed/Fri. adults 6-7:30pm, Wed/Fri. children 7-9 yrs 4-5pm, Wed/Fri. children, 10-12 yrs 5-6pm. Rod & Gun Club. 353-7482.

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

Tues. Dec 12

NELSON WOMEN'S CENTRE free store. Open Tues to Thurs, noon-4pm. Info, 352-9916.

DROP-IN QIGONG CLASSES with Marianna Heringa. 5:30-7pm, \$10. Everyone welcome! Tai Chi Centre, 444 Baker, Nelson. 352-3714.

BREEMA BODYWORK CLASS. 7:00-9:00pm. Moving meditation through bodywork. Fully clothed on padded floor. 352-8449.

CHILDRENS' KUNG FU CLASS, 3-4pm (Tues/Thurs). Confidence, focus, co-ordination. Tai Chi Centre, 444 Baker, Nelson. Phone 352-3714, 352-2468.

FUND RAISER FOR HAYDEN BAIRD. Nelson Leafs vs. Castlegar rebels 7:30pm, Nelson Civic Center 825-4474

Tues. Dec 12

YOGA CLASSES. Relax & renew. Experienced students welcome. Nelson Rod & Gun Club. 5:30-7pm. Carol Erickson, 229-4793.

YOUTH ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP meets Tuesdays, 1:30, EcoCentre. Come on out.

YOGA CLASSES - Relax - renew. Nelson Rod & Gun Club. 5:30-7pm. To register phone Carol Erickson 229-4793.

OPEN ART NIGHTS at The Nelson and District Youth Center at 7pm. Create anything with free art and craft supplies.

Wed. Dec 13

NELSON WOMEN'S CENTRE free store. Open Tues to Thurs, noon-4pm. Info, 352-9916.

LOCAL ARTIST FEATURED live at The Queen's Hotel. Starts 9pm. Backed by "Handley Page Band". Every Wednesday.

ASHTANGA YOGA with Mary-Jo at Tai Chi Center. Beginner and experienced. Call 229-2288 to register.

KOOTENAY LAKE CHORUS. Sweet Adelines practice 7pm, 5th & Elwyn. Joey, 352-3393; Dorothy, 352-7199.

TAI CHI & QI GONG CLASS, 7-8pm (Mon/Wed). Relaxing, gentle exercise. Tai Chi Centre, 444 Baker, Nelson. 352-3714, 352-2468.

YOGA CLASSES in Queensbay. Awaken body/mind/spirit. All welcome. 8-10am. Phone Carol Erickson, 229-4793.

KOOTENAY KILTIE PIPE BAND. 7-9pm Wednesdays. Nelson Legion. 825-9225 or 352-7110.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS. 7:30pm. 601 Front Street, Rear entrance, bsmt door. 352-7318.

SWOOSH, SWIRL, SWAY, SWEAT ecstatic dance practice with James Wood. 11:30-1:00 at the Aerobic Room. Aquatic Centre. 352-7869

PLANNED PARENTHOOD CLINIC 5:30 to 8pm. Contraception /STD/pregnancy. Female MD. 333 Victoria St. 354-1322.

NELSON SHOTOKAN KARATE CLUB. St. Joseph's School. Mon/Wed. 5-7pm. 352-7905.

HIV TESTING every wed. evening at 333 Victoria St. Nelson. Planned Parenthood Clinic.


BLUE GRASS SLOWPITCH JAM, every other Wed. at the Boy Scout Hall 7pm. Eva DeFoor 505-5233

REMEMBERING MONTREAL MAS-SACRE. Share how violence against women has affected our lives. United church 12pm.

SENIOR CITIZEN'S ASSOC. BR.#51 monthly meeting, 1:30pm. Seniors lounge 717 Vernon St. Nelson. All seniors welcome.

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2001 - 2005 City of Nelson Financial Plan and Survey

INTRODUCTION

The City of Nelson has prepared the 2001 – 2005 Financial Plan according to the requirements of the Local Government Act. This is the second year the City has prepared a Five Year Financial Plan.

The Financial plan is divided into three parts:

- 1) *General Operating* budget includes all those items normally associated with the operation of the Municipality, such as police and fire protection, snow removal, street maintenance, parks and recreation operations, and associated operations which are not part of the utilities. The main funding sources are Property Taxation, User Fees and Nelson Hydro dividends.
- 2) *Utilities* budget which includes all operations and revenues associated with Sanitary Sewer, Water, Nelson Hydro and Transit. The operations of the

Water, Sewer and Nelson Hydro are completely funded by the user rates. Nelson Hydro has a significant dividend which is used to assist in financing City General Operations. Transit operations are subsidized by the Provincial Government and with City Taxation.

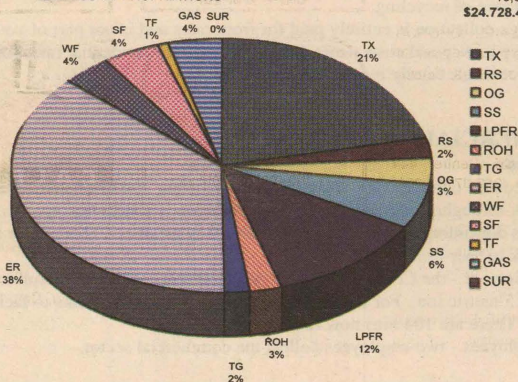
- 3) *General Capital* budget is all items of a capital nature not associated with the above Utilities.

The expenditures outlined in the Five Year Plan are based on known costs. The projections for years subsequent to 2001 are shown in 2001 dollars with no inflationary allowances unless the costs are known, such as the rates for wholesale power purchases.

Operations 2001 Consolidated

Sources of Funds

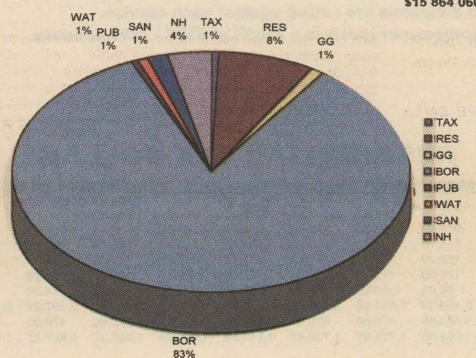
TX	TAXES	\$5,280,705
RS	REVENUE SHARING GRANTS	610,000
OG	ALL OTHER GRANTS : FED & PROV	841,109
SS	SALES OF SERVICES	1,414,212
LPFR	LICENCES, PERMITS, FINES & RENTALS	3,038,835
ROH	RECOVERY OF OVERHEADS AND OTHER	641,172
TG	TRANSIT GRANT	489,543
ER	ELECTRICAL RATES & SERVICES	9,116,780
WF	WATER FEES & SERVICES	990,100
SF	SEWER FEES & SERVICES	1,063,260
TF	TRANSIT FEES & SERVICES	237,753
GAS	GAS FRANCHISE FEES & SERVICES	990,000
SUR	SURPLUS APPROPRIATIONS	15,000
		\$24,728,469



2001 Capital Program

Source of Funds

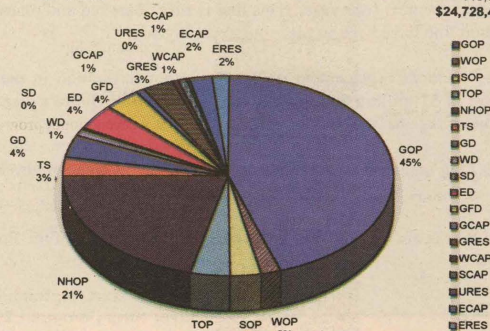
TAX	TAXATION & RENTAL INCOME	\$90,000
RES	RESERVE FUNDS	1,234,890
GG	GOVERNMENT GRANTS	188,000
BOR	BORROWING	13,280,000
PUB	PUBLIC FUND RAISING	90,000
WAT	WATER UTILITY OPER. FUNDS	154,185
SAN	SANITARY SEWER OPER FUNDS	236,276
NH	NELSON HYDRO OPERATING FUNDS	590,709
		\$15,864,060



Operations 2001 Consolidated

Application of Funds

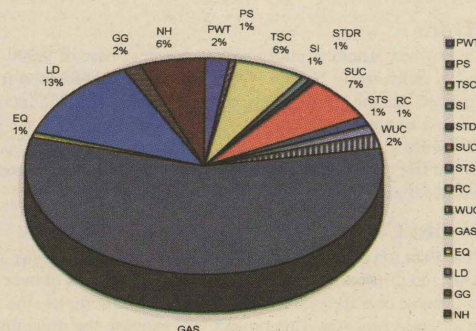
GOP	GENERAL OPERATIONS	\$10,994,261
WOP	WATER UTILITY OPERATIONS	482,670
SOP	SEWER UTILITY OPERATIONS	756,194
TOP	TRANSIT UTILITY OPERATIONS	898,573
NHOP	NELSON HYDRO OPERATIONS	5,204,146
TS	TRANSFERS FOR SERVICES	752,841
GD	GENERAL DEBT PAYMENT	770,018
WD	WATER DEBT PAYMENT	324,881
SD	SEWER DEBT PAYMENT	59,527
ED	ELECTRICAL DEBT PAYMENT	1,033,541
GFD	GAS FRANCHISE DEBT PAYMENT	872,950
GCAP	TRANSFER TO GENERAL CAPITAL	180,000
GRES	TRANSFER TO GENERAL RESERVES	733,925
WCAP	TRANSFER TO WATER CAPITAL	154,185
SCAP	TRANSFER TO SEWER CAPITAL	236,276
URES	TRANSFER TO UTILITY RESERVES	16,000
ECAP	TRANSFER TO ELECTRICAL CAPITAL	590,709
ERES	TRANSFER TO ELECTRICAL RESERVES	391,000
GFRES	GAS FRANCHISE BENEFIT RESERVE	57,050
SUR	SURPLUS	119,722
		\$24,728,469



2001 Capital Program

Application of Funds

PWT	OTHER PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSIT	\$352,600
PS	PROTECTIVE SERVICES	101,250
TSC	TENTH STREET CAMPUS	1,020,000
SI	SIDEWALKS	105,450
STDR	STORM DRAINS	117,000
SUC	SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL	1,036,276
STS	STREETS	226,340
RC	RECREATION & CULTURAL	227,250
WUC	WATER UTILITY CAPITAL	354,185
GAS	GAS FRANCHISE	9,000,000
EQ	EQUIPMENT	155,000
LD	LAND DEVELOPMENT	2,000,000
GG	GENERAL GOVERNMENT	242,000
NH	NELSON HYDRO CAPITAL	926,709
		15,864,060



2001 - 2005 GENERAL OPERATING BUDGET

Breakdown of Municipal Property taxes for average homeowner by service.
Based on a home assessed at \$133,000.

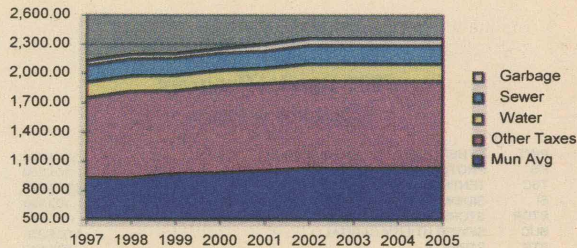
	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Legislative Services	22.68	15.89	15.89	15.89	15.89
Corporate Services	43.80	49.55	49.55	49.55	49.55
Administrative Services	27.79	29.83	29.83	29.83	29.83
Financial Services	33.17	40.51	40.51	40.51	40.51
Planning	9.20	8.57	8.57	8.57	8.57
Purchasing	21.98	22.92	22.92	22.92	22.92
Police Services	199.12	196.59	196.59	196.59	196.59
Emergency Services	1.08	1.09	1.09	1.09	1.09
Victim Services	1.14	1.16	1.16	1.16	1.16
Animal Control	6.54	6.58	6.58	6.58	6.58
Building Inspection	6.12	5.94	5.94	5.94	5.94
Fire Services	105.37	108.32	108.32	108.32	108.32
Public Works	182.52	182.83	182.83	182.83	182.83
Cemetery	7.13	7.24	7.24	7.24	7.24
Parks	64.97	65.50	65.50	65.50	65.50
Civic Centre	28.24	27.90	27.90	27.90	27.90
Cultural Services	19.18	17.67	17.67	17.67	17.67
Library Grant	38.43	40.42	40.42	40.42	40.42
Youth Centre	11.41	11.88	11.88	11.88	11.88
Visitors Centre	15.40	15.40	15.40	15.40	15.40
Reserves & Transfers	47.98	58.12	58.12	58.12	58.12
Debt	96.61	102.28	102.28	102.28	102.28
Storm Sewer Parcel Tax	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
Total	1,004.86	1,031.19	1,031.19	1,031.19	1,031.19

Nelson Hydro dividends are netted against each service.
An average homeowner receives a credit of \$355 - \$400 annually.

RESIDENTIAL TAX DOLLARS

Taxes based on an average residential assessment of \$133,000.

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Mun Avg	930.02	928.30	972.55	981.71	1,004.86	1,031.19	1,031.19	1,031.19	1,031.19
Other Taxes	815.38	884.24	846.92	889.52	889.81	890.08	890.08	890.08	890.08
Water	158.40	158.40	158.40	158.40	158.40	174.00	174.00	174.00	174.00
Sewer	171.00	171.00	171.00	171.00	171.00	188.00	188.00	188.00	188.00
Garbage	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	74.00	74.00	74.00	74.00	74.00
Total Avg	2,124.80	2,191.95	2,198.87	2,250.64	2,298.08	2,357.27	2,357.27	2,357.27	2,357.27
Deduct HOG	470.00	470.00	470.00	470.00	470.00	470.00	470.00	470.00	470.00
Total Avg Net	1,654.80	1,721.95	1,728.87	1,780.64	1,828.08	1,887.27	1,887.27	1,887.27	1,887.27



NELSON REFUSE COLLECTION

The City of Nelson provides both Residential and Commercial garbage collection.

RESIDENTIAL

Collection:

- I. Schedule - the City is divided into four areas and each area is collected one day per week, 52 weeks per year. We collect from a total of 3,443 households, an average of 860 households per day. The amount of garbage collected averages 23 metric tons per week for a yearly total of 1,196 metric ton.
- II. Equipment - the Residential truck is a Shupak side loader with a full load capacity of 6.7 metric ton. The average weight per collection day is 5.75 metric ton.
- III. Employees - two employees collect the above refuse.

Year	Disposal
1999	52 weeks x 23 metric ton @ \$23.90 mt = \$28,580.00
2000	37 weeks x 23 metric ton @ \$23.90mt = \$20,340.00 *15 weeks x 23 metric ton @ \$50.00mt = \$37,590.00 *rate increase
2001	52 weeks x 23 metric ton @ \$65.00 mt = \$77,740.00

Collection		
1999	2000	2001
\$165,351	\$181,981	\$180,300

Collection costs for 2001 is \$180,300/year or \$52.37 per household and disposal costs are a total of \$77,740 per year or \$22.58 per household.

Cost \$74.95 per household

The cost of garbage disposal has increased significantly which emphasizes the importance of recycling.

Garbage collection is entirely paid for from rates and is not part of your taxes. The increase in disposal costs necessitate an increase in residential rates for \$74 per year per single family residence.

COMMERCIAL

Collection:

- I. Schedule - commercial garbage is collected from 500 businesses, four days per week throughout the year. Business collection is scheduled on a "as required" basis depending on the amount of refuse they produce. This ranges from once a week to four times a week.
- II. Equipment - the Commercial truck is a Heil rear loader with a full load capacity of 8.5 metric ton. For larger businesses, we rent garbage bins to facilitate pickup. There are 104 bins now rented.
- III. Employees - two employees collect the commercial sector.

Costs:

The City's cost will be \$65 per metric ton. Commercial disposal is 30 metric ton per week for a total of \$101,400 per year.

Collection		
1999	2000	2001
\$170,000	\$160,000	\$173,000
Collection		
\$40,000	\$47,000	\$101,000

Nelson Hydro

Nelson Hydro

This is a City owned electrical utility with a customer base of 9,000. About 45% of the total energy delivered to Nelson Hydro customers is purchased from other utilities. It is expected that the price of Nelson's purchased power will increase by 5% per year for the next five years. Nelson Hydro's rate increases over the next five years will range between 1.5% and 2.0% to recover these increased power costs. Nelson Hydro's current rates are competitive with BC Hydro and West Kootenay Power and are expected to compare favourably in the future.

Nelson Hydro Capital

The Five Year Plan for Nelson Hydro proposes to continue with the Voltage conversion to convert the distribution system to 25KV. Expenditures of over \$300 thousand per year are planned over the next five years. This would complete the conversion that was started several years ago. This project will increase the reliability of the distribution system and reduce the electrical losses which is wasted energy.

The old Transmission line from the Nelson Hydro plant to town is scheduled for replacement over the next four years. This line is fifty years old and plans to replace the transmission line have been in place for several years.

Nelson Hydro includes replacement of the Rosemont Substation in the Five Year Plan. At a cost of \$1 million this upgrade is part of Nelson Hydro's plan to convert all distribution voltage to 25KV.

The Five Year Plan includes the complete automation of G4 at the Hydro Plant in the year 2005.

Other Capital Works are for new customers and the continuation of the Pole replacement program.



2001 - 2005 City of Nelson Financial Plan and Survey PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SURVEY

Purpose:

This survey seeks input from the public on levels of service, property taxation and user fees levied to provide core municipal services within the community. Please take a few moments to complete the survey and deliver or mail to City Hall at 502 Vernon Street, Nelson, B. C. V1L 4E8. **Your participation in the survey is greatly appreciated.**

1. STREETS & SIDEWALKS:

The City has 66 km of asphalt pavement, 4 km of gravel street and 53 km of sidewalk. To maintain these the City has allocated the following annual employee hours and amounts to these activities:

(Check One of these Columns)

Activity	Unit	Amount Allocated	Maintain Present	Decrease Service	Increase Service	Suggested Amount of Increase or Decrease
Minor Pavement Repairs	1,344 hrs.	\$75,000				
Paving	25,000 sq m	\$376,000				
Crack Sealing	5,000 sq m	\$8,000				
Grade Gravel Roads	162 hrs.	\$25,700				
Sidewalks	2,800 hrs.	\$115,200				
Snow - Plow/Sand & Removal	6,100 hrs.	\$433,700				
Winter Sand Pickup	969 hrs.	\$150,000				
Flush, Sweeping & Dust Control	1,137 hrs.	\$101,500				
Signs, line marking, traffic signals	442 hrs.	\$49,500				
Street and Decorative Lighting	614 hrs.	\$105,000				

2. RESIDENTIAL GARBAGE COLLECTION & DISPOSAL

The City is divided into four areas and each area has collection once weekly. There are 3,443 residential customers who produce 23 metric tons of garbage weekly for disposal. 2000 user fees for collection and disposal was \$50 per household. Until August 31, 2000, the Regional District charged by volume for disposal at a rate that calculated to \$24 per metric ton. Effective September of this year, the disposal fee changed and is now charged by weight at the rate of \$50 per ton and effective January 1, 2001 the Regional District plans to increase this fee to \$65 per metric ton.

**Presently, the City spends the following on Residential Garbage:
Collection \$180,300 Disposal \$77,700**

Please check one choice:

- Reduce the collection and disposal service to one bag once every two weeks to maintain the present annual charge of \$50.
- Maintain the present level of service and increase the annual charge by \$2 per month to recover the increased disposal fee charges.
- Implement a door to door recycling program at a maximum monthly cost of \$_____ per household.

3. POLICE SERVICES

The overall operation of the police services function is very labour intensive. Approximately 82% of the annual budget relates to personnel costs.

Based on the present strength of 17 sworn police members (including the Chief and Inspector) and 5 civilian staff at an annual total cost of \$2.2 million, would you like us to:

Please check one choice:

- Maintain the present level of service.
- Increase the level of service by increasing personnel.
- Reduce the level of service by decreasing personnel.

4. FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES

The overall operation of the fire and rescue function is very labour intensive. Approximately 83% of the annual budget relates to personnel cost.

Based on the present strength of 12 firefighters (including the Chief and Assistant Chief), plus one half time secretary at an annual total cost of \$1.13million, would you like us to:

Please check one choice:

- Maintain the present level of service.
- Increase the level of service by increasing personnel.
- Reduce the level of service by decreasing personnel.

5. CEMETERY: Burials and Grounds Maintenance

From March to November two full-time employees care for the grounds, mowing, trimming, turf maintenance, tree maintenance, grave regrading, horticulture, headstone cleaning and maintenance, sprinkler maintenance and leaf removal. On average 35 full burials and 65 cremations are done annually. From December to March, employees look after snow removal and burials.

**Present burial fees are: Full Burial \$800, non resident add \$135
Cremation \$200, non resident add \$135**

Plot sales, burial and cremation fees generate \$27,000 and the perpetual care fund provides an income of \$12,000 to go to maintenance costs. Annually the City spends 3,084 hours at a total cost of \$123,000, do you think we should:

Please check one choice:

- Maintain the present level of service and maintain the existing user fees for burials & cremations.
- Increase the level of service and increase the user fees for burials & cremations.
- Reduce the level of service by decreasing user fees for burials & cremations.

6. GRANTS AND TRANSFERS

The City provides grants, transfers funds and allocates employee hours and equipment for other City and Community services.

The following is a partial list of these expenses:		Capitol Theatre	\$57,900
Streetfest Society	\$32,700	Youth Centre	\$40,000
Street Car Society	\$ 2,000	Various other	
Nelson Museum	\$45,150	Groups	\$17,000 and
Farmer's Market	\$ 1,080	tax exemptions to other non profit organizations.	
DTUC Library	\$ 6,000		

Please check one choice:

- Continue to provide these grants
- Decrease grants over the next ___ years
- Eliminate all grants
- Eliminate some grants - provide details

7. CIVIC CENTRE

This facility was constructed in 1935. It includes two ice surfaces, refrigeration plant, recreation hall, small gymnasium, meeting rooms, movie theatre, senior citizen's lounge and offices. The winter operation is from September to March and is generally staffed for 19 hours/day. Summer operations from April to August is devoted to general maintenance of the ice plant. This facility is badly in need of major upgrades to meet current building standards and operational needs. Activities in the facility are charged user fees. The total annual user fee recovery is \$194,000. The annual theatre lease rental is \$21,000.

Presently, the City allocates 9,880 hours to the operation and maintenance of the civic centre facility at an annual cost of \$472,000, would you like the City to:

Please check one choice:

- Increase the user fees to keep the centre functioning at the present level
- Reduce the level of service and maintain the present user fee structure
- Keep the Civic Theatre
- Recover market value lease fees for the Theatre

8. SEWER SYSTEM

The budget covers the operations, maintenance and capital improvements to the system including the Sewage Treatment Plant and serves 3400 customers. Sewage is collected through 78.6 km of distribution mains that flow by gravity to four pumping stations which then pump to the Treatment Plant. The distribution system and the plant require continuous maintenance and upgrades to keep the system infrastructure in reasonable functioning condition. The funding source is from user fees. Since 1997, the user fees for the Single Family Residential dwelling has remained at \$190. For the years 2002 through 2005, the user fees required to maintain and operate the system at its present capacity is proposed to be \$209 annually.

The operation and maintenance of the sewer utility system has an annual allocation of 14,785 hours with a total cost of \$1.3 million, would you like the City to:

Please check one choice:

- Increase the user fees to keep the system functioning at the present level
- Reduce the level of service and maintain the present user fees

Your participation in the survey is greatly appreciated.

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9. WATER SYSTEM

The budget covers the operations, maintenance and capital improvements to the system to serve 3,400 customers. Five Mile Creek, Anderson Creek and Selous Creek supply raw water which is chlorinated and distributed through 73.6 km of distribution mains. There are 252 hydrants in the system. In 2001, 900 metres of watermain are scheduled to be replaced with 6" ductile iron and mountain station reservoir will be upgraded with a new chlorine contact chamber. The funding source is from user fees. Since 1997, the user fees for a Single Family Residential dwelling has remained at \$176. For the years from 2002 to 2005, the user fees required to operate and maintain the water system is proposed to be \$194 annually.

The operation and maintenance of the water utility system has an annual allocation of 9,880 hours with a total cost of \$1.1 million, would you like the City to:

Please check one choice:

- Increase the user fees to keep the system functioning at the present level
- Reduce the level of service and maintain the present user fees

10. NELSON HYDRO

This is a City owned electrical utility with a customer base of 9,000. About 45% of the total energy delivered to Nelson Hydro customers is purchased from other utilities. It is expected that the price of Nelson's purchased power will increase by 5% per year for the next five years. Nelson Hydro's rate increases over the next five years will range between 1.5% and 2.0% to recover these increased power purchase costs. Nelson Hydro's current rates are competitive with BC Hydro and West Kootenay Power and are expected to compare favourably in the future.

As the electricity industry moves toward competition, would you prefer that:

Please check one choice:

- Nelson Hydro continue to make bulk electricity purchases for its customers and spread the price risks equally among customers or
- Customers have the ability to purchase electricity from other parties and take all price risks individually.

11. DEBT STRUCTURE

- The debt balance supported by property taxes at the end of 1999 was \$1,810,226. The annual payments are \$361,000. The majority of this debt will be paid by the year 2006.
- Rate supported debt relative to the sewer system is \$226,414; the water system is \$445,585 and Nelson Hydro is \$6,672,695.
- Future property tax supported debt is proposed for the Community Complex. Lakeside playing field debt will be supported in part by Columbia Basin Trust funds and regional property taxation.

Comments:

12. PROPERTY TAXATION

Property tax increases are created by expenditure increases the City is unable to absorb through reduction in personnel costs (through retirements or terminations), decreases in government grants and surpluses and reserves available from the previous years. Wages, salaries and benefits make up 60% of the City's costs. The City's total wage and benefit package averages \$9.4 million and is expected to average \$10.4 million during the next four years. Other costs which have direct impact on taxes are insurance premiums, equipment and fuel costs and increases in services provided, such as the addition of the new Lakeside Playing Fields. Over the past few years, the City had seen increased construction and development that resulted in an increase in assessment values. New assessments provide new sources of revenue and the City is able to keep the property taxes at reasonable levels. The proposed increase in property tax for the year 2001 is expected to be \$128,300.

Comments:

Funding for women's program

NELSON – The Nelson and area community health council will receive \$9,665 to develop better ways to meet women's health-care needs, Health Minister Corky Evans announced on Friday.

"This funding allows the health council to develop a care model designed from a woman's perspective," said Evans, who is also MLA for Nelson-Creston. "Women's health-care needs are different from men's, and women's needs are not always met in the health-care system. This program helps identify those needs so health authorities can begin filling the gaps."

The health council will use the grant funding to research, identify and develop a profile of women's health-care needs specific to the area. The profile will help the health council develop programs that meet those needs.

"Programs like these are an investment that benefits all British Columbians," Women's Equality Minister Evelyn Gillespie said. "Because most women must look after their families as well as themselves, their health is an asset to be protected."

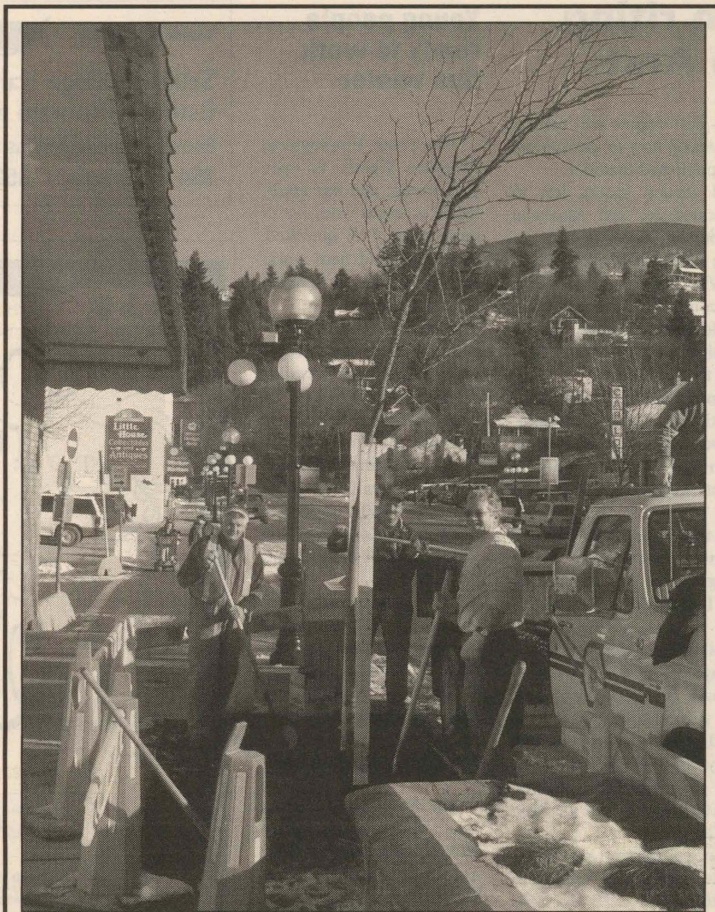
While biology plays a role in the differences between women and men's health, social conditions like lower incomes, violence in relationships and caregiving for children, spouses and aging parents also have an impact. Comparatively less is known about women's health and about the most appropriate ways to address women's unique needs within the health-care system.

The Nelson and area community health council was one of 10 health authorities throughout the province to receive funding. The Health Association of B.C. will administer the funds.

Exchange program

The ANKORS needle exchange mobile unit will be in Nelson at the ANKORS parking lot on Baker Street on Dec. 13 from 4 to 6 p.m. and Dec. 20 from 3 to 5:30 p.m.

The needle exchange program helps to reduce the spread of disease in our community.



City workers plant young trees along Baker Street after removing some older, overgrown trees. Saplings are placed in special baskets that protect the sidewalk from the new tree's growing roots.

Local musicians play Argenta Hall

Well-known local musician Pauline Lamb will perform with special guest Aylie Sparkes at the Argenta Hall on Dec. 15, starting at 7 p.m. This is a concert of Pauline's original work.

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see reviews at www.kbs.fm

Movies at the Civic Theatre

Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas Showing Friday, Dec. 1 through Wednesday, Dec. 14 Friday & Saturday 7 & 9 p.m., Sunday through Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

The Grinch (Jim Carrey), whose heart is two sizes too small, sneaks into Whoville disguised as Santa Claus and steals their toys. Why would he do such a thing? The movie explains it, and adds a new story.

Merry Christmas

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Nelson and District Housing Society is accepting applications for FAMILY RENTAL APARTMENTS AND TOWNHOUSES at COPPER MOUNTAIN COURT in Rosemont. Applicants accepted based on family size and income. The following market rents apply:

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Apply now for February 1, 2001 move-in by calling 352-1608 and requesting an application. If you have submitted an application, you need not apply again.

All applicants will be contacted.

Wintur a gud tiem to lurn riting at Kootinay Scool of the Arst

In time for the arrival of the icy white stuff, the Kootenay School of the Arts in Nelson is offering new courses in introductory creative writing, introductory desktop publishing, and how to effectively utilize photography in desktop publishing.

"At this season people like to get outside and enjoy the snow, but we find winter semester is a time when people like to express themselves indoors, too," said KSA writing program co-ordinator Verna Relkoff.

"So starting the week of January 8, we're launching three new courses, as well as reminding people that there are spaces left in certain second-semester courses."

WR 101, an introductory course to increase people's skills at poetry, scripts, fiction, and creative non-fiction (memoir, personal and community history, nature and travel writing) will be held Monday evenings from 6 to 9 p.m.

In-class exercises, readings, critiques and group discussions help class participants sharpen their ability to communicate effectively with words, Relkoff said.

Getting underway the same weeks is WR 225, a beginners' course in desktop publishing, which will run Wednesday nights from 6 to 9 p.m., starting Jan. 10.

Taught by Kathy Verigin, the course offers an overview of design and production processes in a Macintosh production lab. Some basic computer skills are required.

A second new desktop publishing course, WR 326, focuses on how to utilize photography in desktop publishing projects.

Taught by local photography professional Greg Osadchuk, the course will be held Wednesday evenings from 6 to 9 p.m. starting Jan. 10. Basic desktop publishing skills

are a prerequisite. Participants will learn a variety of techniques on how to incorporate photography into published material.

There are still several spaces left in introductory, intermediate, and advanced creative writing courses already underway.

To enroll in the second half of the introductory year, WR 102, new students already will have completed a semester of a basic seminar-style writing course (KSA's WR 101 or equivalent). WR 102 runs Thursdays from 6 to 9 p.m.

To sign up for intermediate creative writing, WR 202, participants will have completed a year (two semesters) of a basic seminar-style writing course, plus a semester of an intermediate seminar-style writing course.

Two different times for WR 202 are offered this winter: Section A meets Monday mornings, nine to noon, and Section B meets Tuesday evenings, six to nine.

Spaces are similarly available for KSA's advanced writing course, WR 302. Participants will have completed two years of a seminar-style writing course, as well as a semester of an advanced-level course. WR 302 meets Tuesdays from 6 to 9 p.m.

And there are openings for a second semester introductory course in desktop publishing, WR 226.

This course is for people who have completed one semester's worth of training in desktop publishing. WR 226 is held Wednesdays from 1 to 4 p.m.

All courses are held at KSA's studio building at 513 Front St. in Nelson. You can register at KSA's main office, 606 Victoria Street in Nelson.

Young people ready to work this winter

The Youth Employment Resource Centre is open year round, and has established a casual work list of more than 145 qualified, motivated, and hard-working young people looking for employment.

With the winter snow coming, there are people ready to shovel walks. Wages start at \$7.40 an hour and the youth centre is available to post any full time or part time positions.

You can call 352-5656, fax 352-1960, or go to www.kics.bc.ca/~yerc on your computer to post your job notice.

The Nelson branch of Human Development Resource Canada and the City of Nelson fund the Youth Employment Resource Centre.

Defend yourself!

The Nelson and District Youth Employment Centre will sponsor another free Young Women's Self Defence Class on Jan. 27.

The class starts at 10 a.m. and runs to noon, and is available to all interested young women.

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Hospice tree of remembrance

Nelson Hospice's Eighth Annual Tree of Remembrance will be at the Chahko-Mika Mall from Dec. 9 to 17. The Tree provides the community with an opportunity during the holiday season to commemorate the death of a friend or family member.

Coping with loss becomes even more difficult during holidays, which traditionally are times for friends and family to be together. Cards are provided by Hospice to hang on the tree. A second card is given to take home to hang on the family tree.

Nelson Hospice volunteers staff the Tree to provide information and support if requested. Literature is available with suggestions on coping with the holidays, and on supporting children and others who are grieving. A Tree is also provided by Kaslo Area Hospice at the Kootenay Savings Credit Union in Kaslo from Dec. 1 to 8.

Nelson and District Hospice volunteers provide

practical and emotional support for people who are terminally ill and for the bereaved.

Donations towards the

work of Hospice are tax deductible. For further information about Hospice services, call the office at 352-2337.

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Thanks to Rachel Farquharson, Dan Miles and class, Comfort & Joy and Simone Varey for their contributions.



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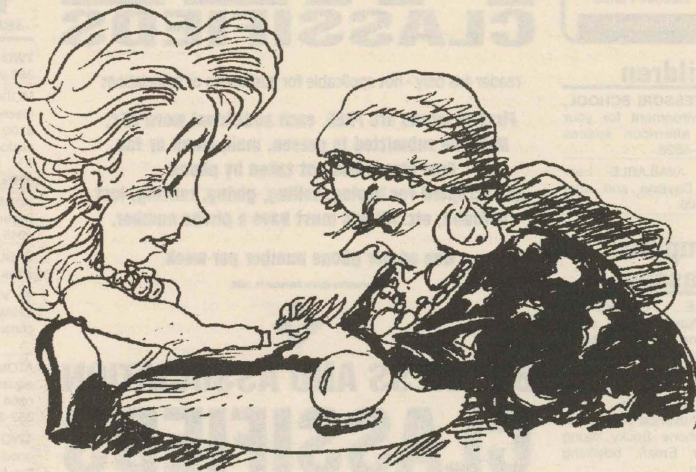
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Weekly Horoscope With Khoji & Roshani Lang

1961-2012 - THE 52-YEAR JOURNEY INTO A NEW DIMENSION
PART ONE

On April 12, 1961, the first human being experienced outer space. Since then we know Earth as a miraculous globe - an organic unity. It is since 1961 that a new awareness has started growing on this planet. 1961 signifies the beginning of the last 52 years before 2012, when the Mayan calendar comes to an end - establishing a fresh evolution cycle.

Yuri Gagarin's flight through outer space made the first human being encounter weightlessness. According to the Hundreth Monkey Theory, this single man's experience opened the collective gateway, so everybody could share his experience. Besides experiencing weightlessness he saw Earth with his human eyes. We all know the beautiful pictures of Earth. Photos have the potential to create magic links. The visual is our strongest sense. Photos can act as gates - making us travel time and space! Pictures of Blue Earth have helped us greatly to align with her frequency. James Lovelock, an English scientist, comes to the conclusion that Earth is a conscious being, he calls her Gaia. Earth is a jewel, fully alive, sparkling. Continually the energies are moving - creation is at work. Complex beauty and dynamic balance are generated . A great speciality of this planet are the huge amounts of water . Vast oceans are covering 71% of Earth's surface. As far as we know this is extremely rare. What has kept the water from getting lost into outer space is Earth's atmosphere. This thin layer is a highly refined mixture of various gases. It not only provides resources of oxygen and carbon-dioxide for animate nature to breathe, it also protects its beings from high energy emanations which are coming from all directions, originating from stars, galaxies, black holes, neutron-stars and many more yet unknown sources. Earth is a huge living being - a spaceship.

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Assigned Lot 25 (see F1015) Block 67, District Lot 95, Kootenay District Plan 9500 (601 Vernon Street) (hereinafter called "the subject property")

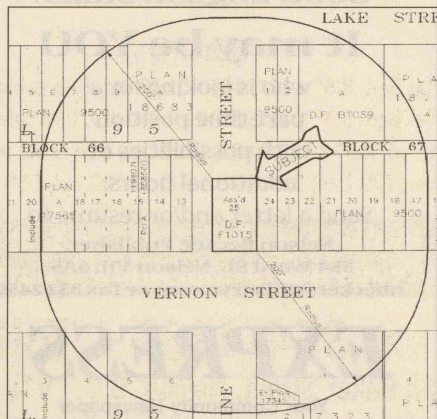
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TAKE NOTICE that the City Council will hold a public hearing thereon on Monday December 11, 2000 at 6:00 p.m., for the proposed amendment to the Land Use Regulation By-Law, in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 502 Vernon Street, Nelson, B.C. at which time and place all persons who deem their interest in property affected by the proposed amending by-law may be heard on matters contained therein.

City Clerk, Dated at Nelson, B.C., this 21st day of November, 2000



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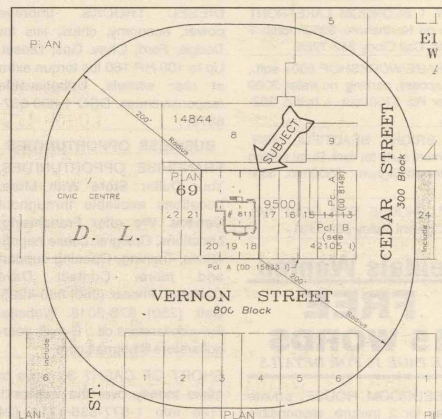
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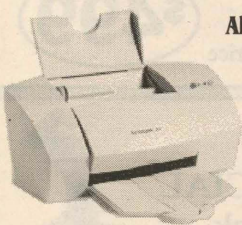
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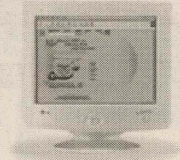
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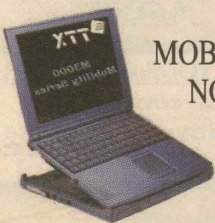
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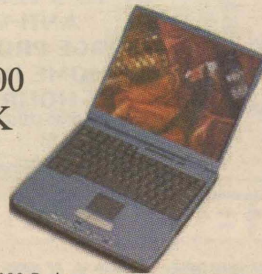


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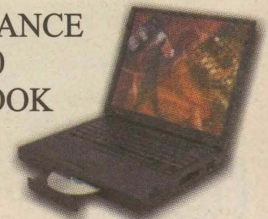
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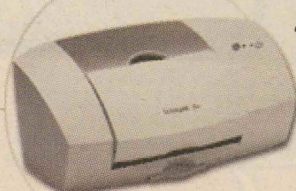
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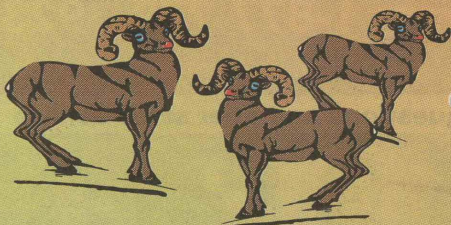
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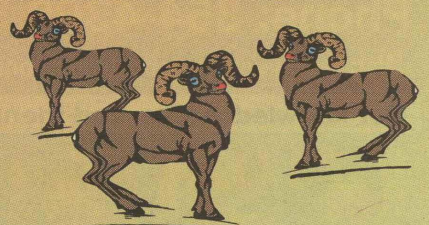
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