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Princeton - The countdown to Easter weekend has begun. Vermilion Trails Society reviewed plans at the March 15 meeting, and the plans call for a great deal of co-

operation from all groups involved. Five weekend work parties are planned, and any assistance from the community at large would be welcomed. The focus of attention

will be on the downtown area of the trail, between the blue bridge and the tunnel, but people in Coalmont, Tulameen and Osprey Lake areas are encouraged to go out on the trail

and improve it in whatever way seems appropriate.

Those willing to help downtown are asked to contact Princeton Brewing Company owners Jim and Yvette Stolth. They know where the work party action is taking place. Anyone planning to join the work party should bring work gloves, tools, and pick-up trucks will be welcome. A thermos of coffee or a snack might be helpful.

The downtown area will soon have logs donated by Weyerhaeuser to form barriers preventing vehicle traffic on the trail, and to mark where parking is available. Marilyn Lawrence consulted adjacent

landowners and all were in support of the trail and offered complete cooperation in the A & W and Chevron areas. All want to see grass on both sides of the trail, and crush to stop the dust.

Tom Vesak, of Coalmont, will donate a large sign consisting of a map of Canada with the TransCanada Trail outlined on the map. This can be used to attract people to the trail. Vesak showed a smaller version of the sign, placemat size, and a suggestion was made that perhaps sponsors could donate enough money to make up placemats for every restaurant in town.



Myra Brewer (left) receives a special honour from President Ron White. See story page 7.

Manion seeks Liberal nomination

Similkameen - Jim Manion, a local businessman, has declared his intent to seek the Liberal Party nomination for Yale-Lillooet constituency.

Manion was raised on the ranch near Tulameen owned by his grandparents, Bill and Irene Manion. His early experience has made him a lifelong outdoorsman, and very knowledgeable about the geography of the area. He made his living in the logging industry until an accident disabled him. He turned his talents to business, and has been involved in the post and rail business, real estate, and in the tourist industry.

Manion has been involved in most major local community projects, served for several years on Town Council, the Chamber of Commerce, and has been an ardent advocate of Princeton and District Community Skills Centre. He has been active in promoting snowmobile racing, and has supported all sports activities in the local area.

Manion says he has been philosophically aligned with Liberal Party policy for a long time, and believes the Liberal Party is needed now in British Columbia.

RCMP welcome citizen help

Princeton - Mayor Randy McLean admitted Town Council is looking for solutions to crime problems in Princeton. On March 13, he and Councillor Dan Sulentic and Councillor Keith Olsen met with Sgt. Tom Payne of Princeton RCMP detachment and Staff Sgt. Kerry Solinsky of the Kelowna detachment to discuss citizen involvement in crime control.

The first item of discussion was Citizens on Patrol. Fifty local residents have come forward to sign on for patrol duty. Their training ensures they meet the standards set by the Attorney General in order to qualify for liability insurance while doing their job.

Sgt. Solinsky described the citizen action as "citizens take ownership of their town." He said it had worked well in Enderby and Chase, two towns where he had been stationed. In those towns, incidents of vandalism and break and enter had decreased as a result of Citizens on Patrol.

The issue of increased need for RCMP members was raised by Councillor Sulentic, who was told there is a 500 person shortage of officers in B.C. and 800 nationwide. Although the RCMP are still interested in training auxiliary police, the situation in B.C. has no immediate solution. The answer

appears to be in the action of trained citizens.

Mayor McLean expressed interest in the "restorative justice" program. Sgt. Solinsky described as a program available to young offenders with no prior record. The process requires the offender to meet with the victim, if the victim is willing. Police would be present to assure the facts are known. The offender's parents would be present. The group decides together what the punishment should be. The young offender will not have a criminal record if he or she does not offend again.

Court Watch was another topic discussed. Court Watch is a program in which a few local citizens attend court regularly and hear what sentences judges give for which crimes. If the citizens are not satisfied with the sentencing, they inform Town Council, and Council can complain.

Council and RCMP agreed there should be more foot patrols. Sgt. Payne said he had a letter on record from Town Council requesting increased foot patrol by RCMP. They noted the break and enter of CIBC involved an officer on foot who may not have heard the alarm if he had been in his vehicle.

Town Council and RCMP agreed on combining methods of reducing local crime so more citizens are involved.

Exhibition Association looks at future changes

Princeton - A number of changes have taken place at the fair grounds and race track. Princeton Exhibition Association is looking at ways to solve some of the problems and to utilize some of the positive aspects of the changes. More than 20 people attended the March 14 meeting to provide input.

An electrician will examine the electricity situation at the grounds and make recommendations as to how to put more electrical service in some locations.

A letter will be sent to Area H Director Geri Logan requesting the annual Regional District grant.

Members voted in favour of allowing the Fall Fair Association to sponsor Westcoast Amusements on the grounds from April 12 to 16. President George Elliott asked for assurances that all liability insurance would be in place and the company would give a decent percentage for use of the facility.

The new Fall Fair building was discussed and there were differing opinions about where it should be located. This matter is subject to further discussion.

June Hope presented a proposed use of the track for spring training of horses from the coast. She had been advised by a group who would like to rent the big barn, and who would prefer to live in the area. The group would like to come to Princeton in May. Hope received approval in principle, pending more specifics.

The grandstand roof must be replaced and it is the top priority project for the grounds this year. Racing Days Association was asked to provide details on what is needed for the new tower on the roof.

An application by the Kastor/Prevost family to use the grounds for a reunion on the long weekend in May was denied, as the grounds have been booked for that weekend by a travel group. PXA President Elliott suggested the reunion organizers might want to consider a different weekend.

The Kenny McLean family has moved and their home is for sale. It is currently occupied by a tenant, but PXA members discussed what ought to be done if the residence is
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Weather Watch

Princeton area				Keremeos area		
March	High	Low	Precip	High	Low	Precip
13	8.8	-2.8	0.4 mm rain	10	-3	
14	7.7	1.5		13	4	
15	10.3	-6.2	1 mm rain	12	-1	
16	9.9	0.5	trace rain	11	5	
17	6.9	0.2		10	3	
18	13.9	-1.9	trace snow	10	0	
19	7.2	-0.5	trace snow	11	4	

FORECAST:

Wed- Mainly cloudy, 40% chance rain, low 0, high 11

Thurs- Mainly cloudy, low 2, high 12

Fri.- Mainly cloudy, low 0, high 11

Normals: low -1, high 11.

March 24 - Sunrise 5:58 a.m. Sunset: 6:21 p.m.

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**Easter celebration
features pop singer**

Princeton - Plans keep growing for the first official event on the TransCanada Trail in the Tulameen and Similkameen Valley areas. The water carriers will arrive in Tulameen on Good Friday, then move down to Coalmont and to Princeton. Tulameen Community Club has hogtied the Easter Bunny for the day to make sure said rabbit carries out some dignitary duties when the relay arrives.

In Princeton, the plans for the weekend appear to have exploded into a major event. The water carrier will be greeted Friday evening at Cenotaph Park in downtown Princeton. After a good night's sleep, Saturday begins with a pancake breakfast and a walk across Canada. This walk will be at the arena, where booths will be set up for each province and territory. Soil from each province and territory will be spread on the floor, and visitors can walk on Canadian soil from sea to sea to sea, without taking the trail. Each booth will have information about the province, and some students are learning to be the best-informed people in order to serve in the booths.

The water will leave Princeton on horseback after the pancake breakfast, but the fun will not stop. When the water goes to Osprey Lake, the citizens out there have fun planned, including their own little Trans/Canada Trail adventure. Paula Pateman will carry the water the final leg of the journey to Osprey Lake. Meanwhile, back in Princeton, plans are moving forward for a family bike rally on the trail. It will be the first official local trail event following RELAY 2000.

Bobbie Smith, a 13 year old star who has been featured at Merritt Mountain Music Festival, will be in concert in Princeton on Saturday night. People who buy tickets to the concert will have the added opportunity to win two major door prizes.

On Sunday, the great "Run from the Law" mini-marathon will start from Coalmont, ending in Princeton at the arena, where rewards will be given to the winners. Thanks to generous sponsors, \$3,250 in rewards will be handed out.

The Trails Society, Chamber of Commerce, and numerous interested citizens have turned Easter weekend into a major gala event. CHBC will be there to record some of the highlights, and a crew from Ontario will be on hand to record events for a documentary on the Trans/Canada Trail.

**Local man
serves four
months on
gun charge**

Judge Overend ordered a four month probation and 30 hours of community work service for David Costa, a 29 year old Princeton man who pled guilty to unsafe storage of firearms.

Costa appeared in Provincial Court in Princeton on March 16, pleading guilty to the firearms charge and possession of marijuana. Costa's house was searched on May 18, 1999, and police found two shotguns and ammunition in highly accessible locations with nothing to prevent them from being used. Costa's lawyer told the court Costa was an avid outdoorsman who had been planning to go fishing with his grandfather and there had been reports of bears in the area. The presence of the firearms in the house was not unusual, and the Costa children had been trained in handling firearms safely.

In regard to the marijuana, only a small amount was found, and Costa asked for an absolute discharge on the possessions charge so that he could take his children to the United States. Judge Overend granted that request.

Costa had no prior criminal record, and his lawyer told the court he had lost a lot of money because pending charges prevented him from obtaining a liquor license for a sushi bar he was planning to open. His lawyer told of Costa's wife attending nurse's training, finding a job in a hospital in Surrey, and returning home on weekends, describing the couple as "devoted to each other." He spoke of Costa's work as a minor hockey coach and presented a letter from the hockey association to back up his statement.

Although Judge Overend granted a conditional discharge regarding the firearms offense, he ordered the firearms forfeited and destroyed.



John Hall, President of Princeton Light and Power

**PLP lights
the tunnel**

Princeton - John Hall, President of Princeton Light and Power, has made a commitment to provide lighting for the portion of the TransCanada Trail that goes through the tunnel west of Princeton. John Byatt announced the generous gift at the March 16 Vermilion Trails Society meeting. PLP has promised to supply power to the tunnel "in perpetuity."

Society members plan to go to work immediately on removing larger rocks and covering the tunnel floor with crush. K & M trucking is measuring the tunnel for crush.

**PXA looks
at changes**

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moved from the grounds. There were a number of suggestions. Members discussed the possibility of putting in an RV park, but Elliott was firm about putting the grandstand roof first.

Stan Thompson reported there would not likely be a rodeo this year, but there could be other events such as roping.

A group of people who want to use the big barn and track as individuals presented a brief to the PXA. Carol Gilham read the brief, which item-

ized various uses for the facility. After the presentation, members discussed the problems involved regarding insurance and the problems of accountability.

Some of the activities mentioned in the brief are individual riding and training, barn dances, gymkhanas, pet shows, cutting horse events, visitor/tourist boarding (use Town website to advertise), heavy horse pulls, and riding clinics.

Stan Thompson advised those in attendance that the PXA allows user groups to hold events, large and small, because the group is responsible and is insured.

Elliott told the people they would do better as an organized group, and Jack Powell encouraged them to form a club to apply as a user.

The people making the presentation said they would be back.



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Pat Reid celebrates 25 years in her home town.

Reid marks 25 year anniversary

Happy days go fast

Princeton - Patricia Reid can hardly believe 25 years have gone by since she returned to Princeton on March 20, 1975.

Reverend Russell Reid, minister of the United Church, arrived in Princeton in 1962 with his wife and 19 year old daughter, Patricia (her friends call her 'Pat'). He served his congregation from 1962 to 1968, and Pat made Princeton her home town. In 1968, the Reid family moved to Naramata. In 1969, Pat was sent to Tranquille, an institution for developmentally impaired persons, because her parents could no longer care for her.

Reid says she felt she was treated like a number while in Tranquille, instead of an individual person.

After spending three years in Tranquille, Reid went to Avonlea House Rest Home in Kelowna, where she did housekeeping duties for elderly residents.

On March 20 1975, Pat Reid came home to Princeton, thanks to Princeton and District Community Services. She attended the Achievement Centre and lived with Rev. and Max Simmonds, Winona Macmillan and Dave and Marg Caughlin. At the Achievement Centre, Patricia Reid went to school, upgrading her education with the help of teachers.

As time went on, Reid had her own apartment and worked at the Mini Chef Restaurant, first as a

waitress, then as a cook's assistant.

Pat Reid is now 57 years old and retired. She spends four days a week at New Beginnings, and at home, she watches television and knits.

Reid is amazed at how fast 25 years have passed. She has made lots of friends, and glad she came back to Princeton. She feels that her father and mother would be pleased she has found her own place in Princeton. She feels the community at large has treated her with respect.

Reid has seen a lot of changes to the town and lots of new people have come here. Many have become her friends. Reid has been through some difficult times with her health, but feels she has always been treated well. She appreciates Community Services staff and says they have been good to her.

"They are excellent," says Reid. She has no regrets about 25 years in Princeton. It is "her" town.

This week, she will mark the anniversary in her own style.

Victoria offers help to Trail group

Princeton - David Coverly and Brad Drew from Victoria were speakers at the March 15 Vermilion Trails Society meeting. They have responsibility for \$5 million set aside by the Ministry of Transportation and Highways for the Trans/Canada Trail. Millie Mitchell, constituency assistant for Highways Minister Harry Lali, attended the meeting.

Coverly and Drew said they would like to help with the planning for the trail, especially in view of the changes planned for the blue bridge on Highway 3. They will have people to work with local landowners and with the Trails Society to resolve problems.

The two men have had prior experience with developing a trail through an urban area, and emphasized the opportunities of developing links between the trail and the downtown.

Appearances are important. "You want to let people know the town takes the trail seriously," Coverly told members.

He described the "gateway" concept as one in which people can come, enter the trail, leave the trail, and have access to the downtown area. He urged local business people and Vermilion Trails Society members to get together to think of how to put packages together to make the trail more of an attraction.

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by Don Coyle, Museum V-P

Having just compiled some statistics from 1999's operations at the museum, I thought it would be nice to give some of this information to the news media to pass it on to the general public, and they, in turn, could see there are actually things happening at Princeton Museum.

We were fortunate to have had approximately 2,260 visitors pass through our establishment last year! I say approximately, because even though we tried our best to have each visitor sign the guest book, a few did escape without giving us their name and address. Those who did sign gave us an idea of just how famous we are, since we had visitors from over 23 foreign countries as well as most states and provinces in North America, with the exceptions of Mexico, Alaska and Hawaii.

Germany, England and France were very prominent sources of visitors. We also had a large number of visitors from our own area - Hedley, Tulameen, Keremeos and, of course, Princeton. These visitors were very glowing in their praise of our small museum, with comments such as "Great exhibit - excellent guide" and "A wonderful walk through time of this historic place. Thank You" or "Vraiment - tres interressant et diversitre." Other comments were: "Great service and great artifacts, especially the slot machine." "You have a wonderful museum. Good work. Keep it alive." "Very interesting mix of history, geology and anthropology. Good luck in the future." and so on and on.

These glowing comments came to us as a result of many hours of hard work by the many Museum members and volunteers as well as the effort put into the operation of the Museum by our summer student to ensure that these visitors were welcomed to our exhibits. It is difficult to arrive at an exact figure when it comes to volunteer hours, since most are reluctant to time their work and efforts. However, we estimate that there were approximately 1,218 hours spent in preparing exhibits, accessioning and cataloguing donations, preparing and administering grant applications, planning for expansion, flea market, special exhibits for Allison family reunion and Hope-Princeton Highway birthday, archival research, preservation and storage, and normal Museum business (meetings, finances and correspondence).

We are very fortunate in having received the support of the Town of Princeton in our operation and are more cognizant of this now that we are nearing the end of almost a year of planning of our facilities to house the "Pollard Collection" of rocks and fossils. We expect that this addition will be constructed in the very near future and should be occupied during the summer months. There may be some disruption to our usual displays, but we will attempt to keep these disruptions

to a minimum. I must add that we have also received a great deal of support from business and private individuals as well as service clubs in our fundraising drive for the Museum. The Province of B.C., through the Millennium Grant Fund, has also contributed significantly to our plans. We certainly will welcome any contributions anyone would like to make to us and we are sincerely hoping that those of you who haven't visited the Museum will try to get in to see us this year - you are always welcome!

If you have any constructive ideas that will help us improve the Museum, please let us know, or perhaps you might think about joining us as a member. We would welcome some younger members (strong back, strong legs, innovative minds) as well as older members who have the historical interests of the area that they can contribute. We are fortunate in having some very young members who have formed a Fossil Club and who are very active in fossil research. Hopefully, we will be able to entice some of you to help us when we get the extension completed and some of our fossils out of storage, since we anticipate

that, once the news gets out about the wonderful collections we have, we will be inundated with visitors! (We can dream, can't we?)

It is a credit to our Town that visitors will say "Very interesting - we will definitely stop back next time!" "AWESOME!". What is really disturbing though is that we still have residents who admit they have never been inside our Museum and when they do eventually enter are very pleasantly surprised. If you are one of these individuals, please take the time to visit us in the near future and surprise yourself!

It is only fitting that we, as a society, should start to recognize those who have contributed to our Museum expansion plans over the past year:

Marion Marsel, E. and D. Jacobson, Beryl Taylor, Madelon Schouten, Tulameen Community Club, Patricia Reid, Ed and Marguerite Reichert, BPOE Elks, A.G. Savage, H. and G. Glock, Margaret Trehearne, Valley First Credit Union, Weyerhaeuser, Naturalist Society, CIBC and Masonic Lodge. We are thankful for this support.

New support worker helps Princeton students

Princeton - Christine Squakin is a First Nations support worker assigned to all of the schools in Princeton and to Tulameen School. She works part-time, going to classrooms to help with reading and math, and part of her function is to bring First Nations resource people into the school for First Nations cultural activities (with a priority for Okanagan Nation culture).

"I don't single out First Nations children in my work," Squakin says. "I am there to help in the classroom."



Christine Squakin is the new First Nations support worker for Princeton and Tulameen schools.

Squakin is tiny, with a great smile and big dimples. She is the mother of three children, and she resides in Hedley, where she has lived for many years.

Christine Squakin moved to the Similkameen Valley from Mr. Currie in 1980. She went to Okanagan College, where she studied archaeology and has worked with Lorraine Lance in Princeton Museum, going through archival materials.

There are approximately 42 children of First Nations descent in Princeton.

At this time, she is waiting for the new budget so she can plan activities within budget limits.

Youth serves Jubilee Tea

Princeton - On March 4, 2000, St. Peter's Catholic Church opened its doors to the community in fellowship with a Jubilee Tea. The tea was a way for the community to become involved with the Parish in a social setting. All kinds of goodies and sandwiches were provided by parishioners and capably served by the young people of the parish. Entertainment by the youth, from singing of beautiful, heartfelt hymns, to several youth playing instruments, with Father Chris' wonderful voice accompanied by the youth choir, was a lovely way to wind down the afternoon of fellow-

ship. Several of the "coffee ladies" were heard to say the next day that they thought the tea was lovely, it was so nice to have the young people serving tea and coffee, goodies, and chatting with people along the way. They enjoyed the afternoon so much they hoped it would become a tradition, they will look forward to it next year.

This year of Jubilee 2000 is a special year for the Catholic Church and part of this celebration is opening the doors of the church wide to the community. *submitted*



Students at Riverside Intermediate School enjoyed an "international smorgasbord" on March 16. The lunch menu was as varied as the world's cuisine as students and parents presented a potluck meal of ethnic cookery. Students enjoyed Italian, Greek, Hawaiian, Scottish and our own native favourite, frybread. One student describe the food as "Awesome!"

Weyerhaeuser adopts a piece of the trail

Princeton - Weyerhaeuser has adopted the portion of the TransCanada Trail from the blue bridge on Highway 3 to the Castle Resort turn-off on Highway 40. Using a company program called Making Waves, Weyerhaeuser employee Jody Rhodes has found a way to help eight youngsters enjoy a summer

camp adventure at Silver Lake, and maintain the trail. Making Waves is a program honouring the commitment Weyerhaeuser employees have made in their communities by volunteering their time and talents to improve the quality of life. The youngsters will work on the trail and in return, Weyerhaeuser will

pay the \$250 cost per young person to attend Silver Lake Camp this summer. Silver Lake Camp provides a quality outdoor forest education experience for children. Weyerhaeuser and their young volunteers will put up signs along the Weyerhaeuser portion of the trail as well as keeping the trail clean.



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These Princeton Secondary School students did very well in the Skills Canada competition in Kamloops. Left to right: Brent Blank and Orin Wright (welding), Alasdair Reid (video), Darcy Brewer and Amy Pattison (mechanical CAD). Missing from photo: Phillip LePoidevin and Jared McDonald (Internet web design) and Candice Low (video). See story.

PSS students win gold

Princeton - Eight students from Princeton Secondary School travelled to Kamloops for the Regional Skills Canada competition. They did well.

Brent Blank brought home the Bronze and Orin Wright brought home silver in welding.

In the mechanical computer assisted drafting, Darcy Brewer brought

home a silver medal.

Alasdair Reid and Candice Low earned a gold medal in TV and Video Production for their three minute video on recreational opportunities for youth in the Princeton area.

It was an excellent effort by all participants. There was a lot of co-operation between competitors and

everybody came away with something new they learned.

As a result of their gold medal win, Reid and Low qualify for the provincial Skills Canada competition to be held in the Vancouver Trade and Convention Centre on April 14. Rogers Cable is the sponsor for the TV and Video event.

B.C. man survives death UBC and Alaska Highway

Rich Finlay has been empowering people for more than 20 years. His early work as a minister, substitute teacher and youth director in the Kootenays, and his later experience as a senior minister in the Okanagan Valley has given him the broad range of knowledge and skills needed to develop effective presentations and programs. Rich is a skilled leader,

counsellor, trainer, mentor and presenter. As founder of Red Bridge Training and Development, Rich delivers inspiring and engaging keynote addresses, and facilitates workshops and seminars designed to be unique experiential learning adventures. He holds a Bachelor degree in Education, and a Master degree in Leadership and

Management.

Rich grew up in BC's north country. He was eldest in a large family that struggled to survive after the death of their father. As a teen, he won a scholarship to the University of British Columbia, and while working on the Alaska Highway that same year, made a life-transforming decision for faith in God.

This month at Saturday Night ALIVE! we are honoured to have Rich Finlay as our guest speaker on Saturday, March 25, at 7 p.m. If you want to hear more from Rich, then come and meet the man himself and remember: *Everyone is welcome!*

First year was great!

Princeton - Clay Simmons, former Penticton Panther hockey player, won a scholarship to attend Bemidji State University in Minnesota. He left home on August 24, 1999, to start his freshman year, and it proved to be a good year for Simmons, both academically and in hockey.

His first year consisted of recommended liberal arts studies preparing him for a degree in sciences. He said it was hard for him to go back into school after several years away from studies.

In addition to academic work, Simmons played on the university hockey team, the Bemidji State Beavers, and the team finished third in the league. Simmons was personally honoured by being chosen for the freshman all-star team for the league.

In his spare time, and as a great break from his studies and sports, Simmons and friends went fishing and hunting.

"I got my deer," he says with a smile. It was a white-tail and he shot it with a bow and arrow.

The fish in Minnesota are a lot different from what he was accustomed to catching in the Similkameen area. He reeled in northern pike, wall-eye pike (also called pickerel) and Crappie (pronounced croppie), a member of the perch family.

The meat and fish were shared among fellow students.

Simmons plans to go back to Bemidji in the fall. In the meantime, he is looking for a job for when he returns home in mid-May.

Assault brings six months

In Provincial Court in Princeton on March 16, Evelyn Wilsher, of Princeton, pled guilty to assaulting her estranged commonlaw husband on October 15, 1999 while she was living in Vancouver. Wilsher admitted she hit him first, because he had been drinking and had hit her on occasion in their relationship.

Crown Counsel read from the police report that the man had bruising and a fat lip from the assault.

Judge D. Overend ordered Wilsher to serve a six month probation, take anger management if the probation officer so ordered, and do 10 hours of unpaid community work service.

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The kitchen crew was hard at work helping at the Otter Valley Fish and Game banquet. Left to right: David Parolin, Larry Robinson and Noel Ashley.

Annual feast was fabulous

Tulameen - The Otter Valley Fish and Game Association banquet on March 18, was outstanding as always, thanks to Myra Brewer, Gloria Ashley and the rest of the amazing kitchen crew. They received a hearty round of applause, and Myra was honoured for 38 consecutive years of managing the banquet. She received a big bouquet and a pair of boots.

Dinner included sweet and sour moose meat balls, barbecued salmon and trout, mountain goat, cougar, turkey, bear, venison loaf, moose stir fry, two salads, mashed potatoes, veggies, Gail Lindley's home-baked buns, cakes, cookies and pudding. There was plenty left over for snacking during the dance. Guest speakers at the head table

found themselves bidding to be first to sample the fare on the buffet table. President Ron White auctioned off the order of attending the buffet, and OVFGA made over \$150 as tables bid to be first, second, third and fourth.

Gina Hall, President of Tulameen Community Club, wished OVFGA a great year, and called for a round of applause for the Association and the work it does. Tom Either, of the Wildlife Branch, talked of concerns about deer and elk habitat deterioration and loss. He said working with

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Wen Wong, owner of Princeton Pharmasave, is pleased to offer a second bone density clinic to help customers prevent osteoporosis.

Measure your bone density for a long healthy life

Following the success of last year's bone density clinic, Wen Wong, at Princeton Pharmasave, has scheduled another clinic to help his customers learn whether they may be able to save themselves from osteoporosis.

Bone density testing is simple. The customer sticks one foot into a little machine where the foot is immersed in water. The machine then sends ultrasound waves into the foot (this is completely painless) and measures the density of the bone. If the bone is dense, there is no problem. However, if there is an indication of loss of density, that is a warning that the customer needs more calcium.

The \$50 per customer cost covers not only the test, but a one-on-one 30 minute consultation with a pharma-

cist to assess risk and suggest ways to prevent bone loss, and prevent osteoporosis.

People at any age may be at risk of osteoporosis, but the high risk factors include being over 50 years old, having had a hysterectomy, consuming a poor diet with lots of caffeine, smoking, and being post-menopausal.

In last year's clinic, many people learned, to their surprise, that they were likely to develop osteoporosis if corrective measures were not taken.

On April 4, the bone density team will be at Pharmasave and Wen Wong invites his customers to take advantage of this opportunity. Appointments must be booked in advance. Make your appointment at Pharmasave or call 295-3353.

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Forest Development Plan Amendments showing the next five years of timber harvesting and road construction will be available for review and comment between the hours of 12:00 and 5:00 pm.

Evening public information meetings with the Merritt Forest District Manager will include a presentation entitled:

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A question and answer session will follow the presentation. Your attendance and participation at this event is welcomed!

Merritt Civic Centre
Wednesday, March 22
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The Champions, from right to left: Coach Peter Ruocco, #4 Joel Beauchamp, #12 Greyhawk Peone, Rainbow Edward, Cole Marvin, #21 Gurpreet Lidder, Lars Lance, Tyler Erickson, Mark Orrell, Assistant Coach Billy Potash, Managers Dina Dawson and Robin Zeller. Kneeling in front, #5 Jesse Hutchinson and Quentin Basil.

Similkameen champions come home with provincial title

The house was rockin' at a rally at the Similkameen Elementary Secondary School in Keremeos on March 13. Students assembled to cheer the Sim High Sparks Senior 'A' Boys basketball team for their weekend victory - Provincial Basketball Champs.

The team had taken their show on the road, first to the Valley playoffs in Kelowna and then to the Provincial playoffs in Surrey. They proved as unstoppable as the Similkameen River in full flood. In fact, the boys were undefeated in both tournaments and compiled an amazing season record of 31-4 wins having lost only one game to the Osoyoos Rattlers.

With the boisterous victory song "We Are the Champions" (by Queen) belting out over the P.A. the students watched a video showing the last few minutes of the championship game against

Curator Manuel presents slides at Museum dinner

Doreen Smith, President of the South Similkameen Museum Society, extends an invitation to everyone in the community to attend the Annual General Meeting on April 15th at the O.A.P. Centre on Main Street in Keremeos at 6:00 p.m.

The evening starts with potluck dinner to be followed by the meeting! As a special treat well-known Penticton Museum Curator Randy Manuel will be giving an historical slide presentation. Be sure to come and if you are interested in becoming a member (it helps to support the work of the museum) bring \$5.00 and sign up for the year!

Langley Christian. The Sparks, their coaches and managers were then introduced to more applause from the enthusiastic crowd. Another provincial 'A' Championship banner was then unveiled to be hung proudly on the gym wall alongside the schools' three other victory banners. Since the designation of the Single 'A' category in Provincial basketball in 1988, Keremeos is the only school in the public sys-

Nice guys finish first

Head Coach Peter Ruocco, after 19 years of coaching basketball, finally saw his lifelong dream fulfilled when the Sim High Senior Boys captured the B.C. Single 'A' title. Ruocco has coached in Keremeos for 11 years and in eight of those seasons he has taken his senior boys team to the provincials.

In recognition of Ruocco's ability to bring out the best in his students from the native community, Dixon Terbasket, Band Manager for the Lower Similkameen

Boys bring home the "A" hardware!

The boys Single 'A' basketball championship trophy will sit in the Sim High display case for the next year but it will not be alone. Right beside it is the final tournament MVP trophy awarded to Joel Beauchamp who scored a record-breaking forty points in the final victory game.

Along with this individual recognition, both Beauchamp and Rainbow Edward were named to the tournament First All Star Team which reflected their

tem to win the title twice.

The valley is rightly proud of their "little school that could" with an unbeatable combination of talent, grit, determination and excellent coaching.

After a lot of hard work these dedicated coaches may be feeling a little tired, but as Ruocco said, they already have their eyes on the prize for next year and no one doubts they will repeat this performance.

Indian Band, presented him with a very special Pendleton blanket. Receiving one of these native designed blankets is a rare honour.

Along with Assistant Coach, Billy Potash, the two have coached with the true spirit of amateur sport in mind; everyone who showed up for the initial try-outs played during the season.

They molded this team into a group who believed all along that they could win it all and they did.

efforts during the entire season.

Beauchamp will be graduating this year and his future plans are sure to include basketball. Edward will be with the team for his last senior year during which he will have lots of opportunity to further his talents in his quest for a college scholarship.

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Otter Valley banquet

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local groups "goes a long way toward sustaining wildlife." He praised the work of local people involved in the planning for the elk transplant. He went on to talk about the possibility of prescribed burns on deer and elk habitat. The goal of the Wildlife Branch is "to have sustainable and viable herds to provide recreation." This year, there may be junior events in LEH.

Conservation Officer Al Lay, always a popular speaker at OVFGA events, talked about the elk transplant project (see article elsewhere in which Lay is interviewed).

Ron White announced plans for the year including Pike Mountain fishing derby in June, Harmon Lake camp-out in July, and open house at Tulameen in August.

Prizes were awarded to many people who entered fish or game

in the annual contest. White remarked on the low numbers of entries in all divisions in 1999.

Dean Ayers walked away with all the prizes for an adult hunter who bagged a mule deer. Chris Stewart won for the junior hunter division with his first buck ever.

Rod Carlson had the biggest white-tail deer, with Dave Holland second.

Bob Aitchison won the moose division with Bill Ayers second.

Devon Huff placed first for biggest fish in the juniors division, with Dillion Jensen second and Clifford Lindley third.

In the men's fly fishing division, Ron White took first, Paul Adams second and Barrie Wright, described as a "rookie" fly fisherman, placed third.

Top place for rainbow trout went to Neil Jensen, with Ron White second.



World Class black belt will be in Princeton

Princeton's Similkameen Shotokan JKA dojo will welcome Master Yaguchi, Vice-Chief instructor, one of the world's two eighth dan senseis, on March 27 at 38 Kenley Avenue.

This is the first time an instructor of this elevated stature has ever gone to small Interior B.C. clubs. Master Yaguchi is on tour, and Princeton is his first stop.

Members and former members of Similkameen Shotokan dojo are invited to attend and to participate (\$15 fee for participation) as Master Yaguchi, and fifth dan instructor Gary Johnston share their expertise at a seminar from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.



Rod Carlson (left) received first place for white-tail deer from Ron White at the Otter Valley Fish and Game banquet.

BOILERS AND SHAKERS

Our active planet

Welcome to our new column on volcanoes and earthquakes. We live at the edge of the most active area in the world. The Pacific Rim is called the Ring of Fire, as it is a volcano and earthquake area. The Ring of Fire has been boiling over during the past month.

February 25 - a powerful 7.1 quake hit the South Pacific halfway between the island nations of Fiji and Vanuatu, and Australian seismologist said it was likely the quake "broke the ocean floor." No injuries or damage were reported, but a warning of a small tsunami (tidal wave) was issued for the east coast of Australia.

February 26 - Five moderate earthquakes shook the mountains on the Turkey-Iraqi border. The epicenters were in northern Iraq. There was no loss of life. (Quake watchers will note there is a kind of bounce effect - activity in one area of the world seems to be followed by activity in another part of the world.)

February 27 - Mount Hekla in Iceland erupted, sending streams of lava down snowy slopes.

February 28 - Mayon volcano in the Phillipines erupted, sending a column of ash and molten rocks to 7 km in the air. More than 47,000 people were evacuated from nearby villages.

March 1 - Pacaya volcano 40 km. south of Guatemala City erupted. It had erupted earlier this year, on January 16.

March 3 - A 4.3 earthquake hit Waterton Lakes Park on the B.C. - Alberta border and the U.S. border. No damages were reported.

March 7 - A 5.5 quake hit Guadalajara and Puerto Vallarta. No damages or injuries were reported.

March 12 - An earthquake magnitude 6.4 rocked southern Mexico and Guatemala. There were reports of downed power lines in western Guatemala.

March 14 - A volcano on Russia's Kamchatka Peninsula (across the Bering Strait from Alaska) erupted, sending ash up to 5 km. It was expected to continue erupting for two or three days.

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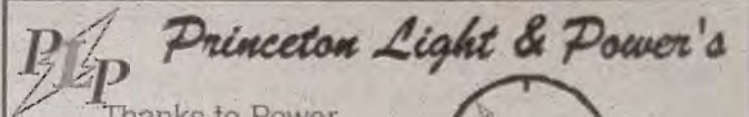
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	WTBS (3)	CHBC (4)	KNOW (5)	KSPS (6)	KHQ (7)	KREM (8)	A&E (9)	KXLY (10)	BCTV (11)	CITY (12)	YTV (13)	TSN (14)	VTV (15)	DISC (16)	FOX (17)	FAM (18)	KTLA (19)	CITY (20)	WGN (21)
6 AM	Little House	News (R)	(Off Air)	Body Elec.	News (R)	News	Night Court	(5:00) News	(5:30) News	(5:00) News	Kitty Cats	Sportsdes k (R)	VTV Breakfast	Discovery.ca (R)	Bullwinkle	Hello	News (ESP)	Maury	Wayans
7 AM	Little House	Dressup	Teletubbs	Dragon	Today	Early Show	Murder, She Wrote	Good Morning America			Fuzzpaws	Sportsdes k (R)		Gardener	Wacky	GummiBr	Morning News (ESP)	Cityline	Knight Rider
8 AM	Mama	Huntley Street	Zoboo	Barney			Magnum, P.I.	Chef Emeril Lagasse	Canada AM (Left in Progress)	100 Huntley Street	Flinstones	Sportsdes k (R)		Wild Discovery	Sister, Sis.	Art Attack		Star Trek: Next Gener.	Matlock
9 AM	Matlock "The Juror"	Martin Short	Moose	Sesame Street (R)	Regis & Kathie	Ainsley Harriott	L.A. Law	Martha Stewart Living		Dinner	Bananas	Off-Record	Regis & Kathie	Design (R)	Paid Prog.	Babar	Sally	News	Hawaii Five-0
10 AM	Hunter	Price Is Right	Readers	Zoboo	Later Today	Price Is Right	Law & Order "Savior"	The View (R)	Movie	Dave Rutherford	Kitty Cats	Fit Kick	The View (R)	Discovery.ca (R)	Forgive or Forget	Billy Cat	Sally (R)	Movie: "Witness" (1985)	News
11 AM	"Kenny Rogers as the Gambler, Part II"	Young and the Restless	World at War "Japan"	Sit-Be Fit Art	People's Court	Young and the Restless	Northern Exposure	Paid Prog. Pt. Charles	Hollywood Change	News	Fuzzpaws	Soccer: UEFA Champion's League	Vicki Gabereau	Beyond 2000	Montel Williams	Otter	Lane	Harrison Ford, Kelly McGillis.	MacGyver
12 PM	Cosby	Movie	Money	20th Century	Days of Our Lives	As the World Turns	Murder, She Wrote	One Life to Live	House	Movie	Bedtime		One Life to Live	Inquiring	Divorce	Clarissa	Coach	News	Bzz!
1 PM	Full House	Coronat'n	Bill's Frock	Quitting	Passions	Guiding Light	Magnum, P.I.	General Hospital	Passions	Nanny			Vicki Gabereau (R)	Wild Discovery	Paid Prog.	Art Attack	Pokemon	Enquirer	Cosby
2 PM	Roseanne	Edillon	Classroom	Mr Rogers	Rosie O'Donnell	Judy	L.A. Law	Hollywood	Martin Short				How'd They Do That?	Magic Bus	Goof Troop	Cartoonie	News	Wayans	
3 PM	Fresh Pr.	Rosie O'Donnell	Mechanics	Zoom (E)	Jeopardy!	Oprah Winfrey	Law & Order "Savior"	Maury	Oprah Winfrey				ER	Discovery.ca	BeastWars	Timon	Pokemon	Seinfeld	Full House
4 PM	Movie: "Nowhere to Land"	Friends	Islam	News-Lehrer	News	News	Investigative Reports	News	News	Party of Five	International Stop Racism	Knicks at Indiana Pacers (Live)	News	Forbidden Places	3rd Rock	Little Lulu	Fresh Pr.	Screen Actors Guild	Movie: "Straight Talk" (1992)
5 PM	Wildlife Adventure	News	Money	National Geographic	Jeopardy!	Seinfeld	Love Chronicles (R)	Carey	Fortune	God, Devil	Concert and Awards	Post-Game	Friends	Pandas-Giants	Star Trek: Voyager	Afraid?	Seinfeld	Awards	News
6 PM	Movie: "Fatal Error"	Movie: "The English Patient"	Westland	Nova (R)	3rd Rock	JAG (R)	Law & Order	Be a Millionaire	Two Guys Norm	NYPD Blue (PA)	Big Wolf Sherwood	Sportsdes k	Be a Millionaire	Discovery.ca (R)	70s Show	Movie: "The Undercover Kid" (1996)	Angel	Movie: "The Brother From Another Planet"	In the Heat of the Night
7 PM	Antonio Sabato Jr.	White Heat (Part 5 of 8)	Frontline (R)	Will-Grace	Will-Grace	Will-Grace	Blography: Cash	Dharma	Will-Grace	Will-Grace	Holmes	WCW Nitro	Exposure	Wild Voices	Party of Five	"Goldrush: A Real-Life"	News (ESP)	Movie: "Hunted" (1952)	Paid Prog.
8 PM	Movie: "The Rat Pack"	National Magazine	Island of Peace	Fawly T. Served	Dateline	Judging Amy	Investigative Reports	NYPD Blue (PA)	West Wing	News	Student		W-Five	Forbidden Places (R)	News				
9 PM	News	Imprint Spalding Gray	Charlie Rose	News	News	Late Show	Love Chronicles (R)	News	GTV News	Married...	Addams	Sportsdes k	News	Pandas-Giants	Enquirer	Gargoyles	Friends	Movie: "Hunted" (1952)	Paid Prog.

MORNING
10:00 am CITY (29) ★★½ "Witness" (1985, Drama) Harrison Ford. A tough cop takes refuge in Amish country when corrupt officers come after the young murder witness in his charge. (E)
11:00 am WTBS (3) ★★½ "Kenny Rogers as the Gambler, Part II - The Adventure Continues" (1983, Western) (Part 2 of 2) Kenny Rogers. Professional gambler Brady Hawkes and a sharp-shooting sidekick close in on the train carrying his captive son.

5:00 pm WGN (33) ★★ "Straight Talk" (1992, Comedy) Dolly Parton. A case of mistaken identity propels a small-town woman into the public eye as a Chicago radio psychologist.
5:05 pm WTBS (3) ★★ "Nowhere to Land" (2000, Suspense) Jack Wagner. Passengers and crew aboard a California-bound airliner discover that a device laden with nerve gas is set to explode.
EVENING
8:00 pm CHBC (4) ★★½ "The English Patient" (1996, Drama) (Part 2 of 2) Ralph Fiennes. Nine

Oscars went to this multilayered tale of a badly burned plane-crash survivor and a tragic love affair.
FAM (23) "The Undercover Kid" (1996, Adventure) Bradley Pierce. A boy takes action when adults refuse to listen to his claim that his pets have discovered a plot to kill the president.
8:05 pm WTBS (3) "Fatal Error" (1999, Suspense) Antonio Sabato Jr. A doctor teams up with a military agent to investigate the link between a computer virus and some gruesome deaths.
9:05 pm CITY (29) ★★½ "The Brother From Another Planet" (1984, Science Fiction) Joe Morton. A gentle extraterrestrial

with mystical healing powers lands in New York Harbor and embarks on an odyssey through Harlem.
9:30 pm FAM (26) ★★ "Goldrush: A Real-Life Alaskan Adventure" (1998, Adventure) Alyssa Milano. An intrepid young woman sets out to find her fortune in Alaska, armed only with a new invention called the typewriter. (In Stereo) (E)
10:05 pm WTBS (3) ★★½ "The Rat Pack" (1993, Drama) Ray Liotta. A candid portrayal of the group of famous entertainers that included Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin and Sammy Davis Jr.
11:05 pm CITY (29) ★★½ "Hunted" (1952, Drama) Dirk Bogarde. An

unusual relationship develops between a fugitive killer and a runaway orphan on an odyssey

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THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 2000

YELLOW ZONES - MOD COST GREEN ZONES - LOW COST

	WTBS (3)	CHBC (4)	KNOW (5)	KSPS (6)	KHQ (7)	KREM (8)	A&E (9)	KXLY (10)	BCTV (11)	CITY (12)	YTV (13)	TSN (14)	VTV (15)	DISC (16)	FOX (17)	FAM (18)	KTLA (19)	CITY (20)	WGN (21)
6 AM	Little House	News	(Off Air)	Body Elec.	News (R)	News	Night Court	5:00 News	5:30 News	5:00 News	Kitty Cats	Sportsdesk (R)	VTV Breakfast	Discovery.ca (R)	Bullwinkle	Hello	News (ESP)	Maury (R)	Wayans
7 AM	Little House	Dressup	Teletubbs	Dragon	Today (R)	Early Show (R)	Murder, She Wrote	Good Morning America			Fuzzpaws	Sportsdesk (R)		Gardener	Wacky	GummiBr	Morning News (ESP)	Cityline Home day	Knight Rider "Big Iron"
8 AM	Mama	Huntley Street	Zoboo	Barney			Magnum, P.I.		Canada AM (Left in Progress)	100 Huntley Street	Flintstones	Sportsdesk (R)		Wild Discovery	Sister, Sis.	Art Attack		Star Trek: Next Gener.	Matlock "The Genius"
9 AM	Matlock "The Revenge"	Martin Short	Moose	Sesame Street (R)	Regis & Kathie	Judy	L.A. Law	Martha Stewart Living		Dinner	Bananas	PGA Golf: The Players	Regis & Kathie	Design (R)	Paid Prog.	Babar (R)	Sally (R)	News (R)	Hawaii Five-0 (R)
10 AM	Hunter	Price is Right	Gregg	Zoboo	Later Today	Price is Right	Law & Order "Switch"	The View (R)	Movie	Dave Rutherford	Kitty Cats	Champion ship -- First	The View (R)	Discovery.ca (R)	Forgive or Forget (R)	Billy Cat	Sally (R)	Movie: "Doctor at Sea"	News (R)
11 AM	Movie: "Tough Guys" (1986) Burt Lancaster.	Young and the Restless	World at War "Pacific"	Sit-Be Fit	People's Court	Young and the Restless	Northern Exposure	Paid Prog.	Hollywood	News (R)	Fuzzpaws	Round, From the Tournament	Vicki Gabereau	Beyond 2000	Montel Williams	Otter	Lane	(1955) Dirk Bogarde.	MacGyver "Runners"
12 PM	Gosby	Movie	Country	Nova (R)	Days of Our Lives	As the World Turns	Murder, She Wrote	One Life to Live	House	Movie	Spot	Course at Sawgrass in Ponte Vedra, Fla. (Live)	Ellen (R)	Forbidden Places (R)	Jerry Springer	Timon	Little House	Cityline Home day (R)	Caroline
1 PM	Gosby	Wallin	Hamilton		Passions	Guiding Light	Magnum, P.I.	General Hospital		Nanny	Country Mouse and City Mouse		Vicki Gabereau (R)	Wild Discovery	Paid Prog.	Art Attack	Pokemon	Enquirer	Cosby
2 PM	Roseanne	Mad	Math Shop	Arthur (R)	Rosie O'Donnell	Oprah Winfrey	L.A. Law	Hollywood	Martin Short		Magic Bus	Off-Record	Dini (R)	How'd They Do That?	Rangers	Aladdin	Batman	News (R)	Wayans
3 PM	Fresh Pr.	Rosie O'Donnell	Mechanics	Zoom (E)	Jeopardy!	News	Law & Order "Switch"	Maury	Oprah Winfrey		Monster	Hockey	ER (R)	Discovery.ca (R)	BeastWars	Timon	Pokemon	Seinfeld	Full House
4 PM	Fresh Pr.	News (R)	B.C. Now (R)	News	News	College Basketball: NCAA Tour.	Biography: Haley Mills	ABC News	Canada	Tonight	Dragon	PGA Golf: The Players	News (R)	Dolphins (R)	Caroline	Doug	Sister, Sis.	Media.	Movie: "The Rocky Horror Picture Show" (1975)
5 PM	Movie: "The Gauntlet" (1977) Clint Eastwood, Sondra Locke.	Friends	Westland	News-Lehrer	News	College Basketball: NCAA	Investigative Reports "Juvies"	Entertain	News	Dawson's Creek (R)	Addams Caulin	Champion ship -- First Round. (R)	News (R)	Future Now	3rd Rock	Honey	Fresh Pr.	Movie: "Joe's Apartment" (1996)	News (R)
6 PM	Movie: "The Enforcer" (1976) Clint Eastwood.	Friends	Imprint Sara Paretsky.	Mystery! "Lady Audley's Secret"	Friends	Tourn.	Law & Order	Who's? Who's?	Power Play (R)	Friends	Student System	Sportsdesk (R)	Who's? Who's?	Discovery.ca (R)	American Comedy Awards	Movie: "Not Quite Human" (1987)	Popular (R)	News (R)	MacGyver "Runners"
7 PM	Movie: "The Gauntlet" (1977) Clint Eastwood, Sondra Locke.	Battery	Islam	Ruth Rendell Mysteries	Battery	Seinfeld	Investigative Reports "Juvies"	You Can't Say	ER "Under Control"	News (R)	Student Caitlin	Be-Player	Buffy Vampire	Future Now	News	"Still Not Quite Human" (R)	News (ESP)	Vengeance "The Genius"	Matlock "Paid Prog."
8 PM	Movie: "The Gauntlet" (1977) Clint Eastwood, Sondra Locke.	News (R)	B.C. Now (R)	Charlie Rose	News (R)	News	News (R)	CTV News	Married... Mad	Addams	Sportsdesk (R)	News (R)	Kingdom of the Bear	Enquirer	Gargoyles	Friends	Movie: "Doctor at Sea"	Computer	
9 PM	Movie: "The Gauntlet" (1977) Clint Eastwood, Sondra Locke.	News (R)	B.C. Now (R)	Charlie Rose	News (R)	News	News (R)	CTV News	Married... Mad	Addams	Sportsdesk (R)	News (R)	Kingdom of the Bear	Enquirer	Gargoyles	Friends	Movie: "Doctor at Sea"	Computer	

Thursday Movies

MORNING
 10:00 am CITY (29) ★★½ "Doctor at Sea" (1955, Comedy) Dirk Bogarde. A young doctor working on a cargo boat to avoid a forced marriage gets involved with a bewitching young French woman.
 11:00 am WTBS (3) ★★½ "Tough Guys" (1986, Comedy) Burt Lancaster. Two small-time criminals unable to adjust to post-prison life return to the line of work they know best -- robbery.

AFTERNOON
 5:00 pm WGN (33) ★★★ "The Rocky Horror Picture Show" (1975, Musical) Tim Curry. Stranded newlyweds fall prey to a mad doctor and his bizarre guests in this send-up of sci-fi films and sexual mores.
 5:05 pm WTBS (3) ★★½ "The Gauntlet" (1977, Drama) Clint Eastwood. A determined detective attempts to survive a setup while delivering an uncooperative key witness to a syndicate trial.

EVENING
 6:00 pm CITY (29) ★★ "Joe's Apartment" (1996, Comedy) Jerry O'Connell. Musically gifted cockroaches band together to help the human whose flat they share win the girl of his dreams.
 7:35 pm WTBS (3) ★★½ "The Enforcer" (1976, Drama) Clint Eastwood. "Dirty" Harry Callahan reluctantly accepts a female partner while tracking the kidnapers of San Francisco's mayor.
 8:00 pm FAM (26) ★★½ "Not Quite Human" (1987, Science Fiction) Alan Thicke. A teen-age android and his creator contend with an evil toymaker who wants to halt their high-school enrollment plans.
 9:05 pm CITY (29) ★★ "Code Name Vengeance" (1999,

Adventure) Robert Ginty. An ex-CIA agent sees a chance for revenge when he is released from prison to rescue an Arab dignitary's kidnapped family.
 9:35 pm FAM (26) ★★½ "Still Not Quite Human" (1992, Science Fiction) Alan Thicke. Chip reprograms his father's robotic replica to help search for the kidnapped scientist. (In Stereo)
 9:40 pm WTBS (3) ★★½ "The Gauntlet" (1977, Drama) Clint Eastwood. A determined detective attempts to survive a setup while delivering an uncooperative key witness to a syndicate trial.
 11:05 pm CITY (29) ★★½ "Doctor at Sea" (1955, Comedy) Dirk Bogarde. A young doctor working on a cargo boat to avoid a forced marriage gets involved with a bewitching young French woman.

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LET'S TALK ABOUT "YOUNG THINGS"

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22, 2000

'YELLOW ZONES' - MOD COST 'GREEN ZONES' - LOW COST

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Wednesday Movies

MORNING

10:00 am CITY 29 ***"The Brother From Another Planet" (1984, Science Fiction) Joe Morton...

AFTERNOON

5:00 pm WGN 38 ***"Alice" (1990, Comedy-Drama) Mia Farrow. A pampered Manhattan housewife embarks upon a mystical odyssey...

EVENING

6:00 pm CITY 29 ***"Primal Fear" (1996, Suspense) Richard Gere. A publicity-craving attorney defends an altar boy who is apparently guilty of murdering a beloved archbishop...

op. (In Stereo) 9:23 pm CITY 29 *1/2"The Boy In Blue" (1986, Biography) Nicolas Cage. An account of 19th-century Canadian oarsman Ned Hanlan's rise from daring bootlegger to international rowing champion...

ARENA EVENTS APRIL 29 LIONS AUCTION AND FLEA MARKET MAY 5 AND 6 TRADE SHOW ICE GOES OUT ON MARCH 28

Arena Schedule Saturday - 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Minor Hockey games 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. - Public Skating Sunday - 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. - Minor Hockey games...

Power by the Hour Contest Ballot Name: Telephone: PLP Account No. Answer to Week

FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 2000

YELLOW ZONES - MOD COST

GREEN ZONES - LOW COST

Table with 20 columns (WTBS, CHBC, KNOW, KSPS, KHQ, KREM, A&E, KXLY, BCTV, CITY, YTV, TSN, VTV, DISC, FOX, FAM, KTLA, CITY, WGN) and 20 rows (6 AM to 11 PM) listing various TV programs and their corresponding channels.

Friday Movies

10:00 am CITY 29 ★½ "Joe's Apartment" (1996, Comedy) Jerry O'Connell. Musically gifted cockroaches band together to help the human whose flat they share win the girl of his dreams.

AFTERNOON

5:05 pm WTBS 3 ★★ "Problem Child 2" (1991, Comedy) John Ritter. A pint-size pest finds an equally mischievous playmate when he and his father descend on an unsuspecting town.

EVENING

6:00 pm CITY 29 "Dogmatic" (1996, Comedy) Michael Riley. An advertising executive's wish to swap bodies with his pet canine leads to a series of hilarious high jinks.

7:20 pm WTBS 3 ★ "Buffy the Vampire Slayer" (1992, Comedy) Kristy Swanson. A high-school cheerleader reluctantly accepts her heritage as the latest in a long line of vampire killers.

8:00 pm FAM 26 ★★ "Man of the House" (1995, Comedy) Chevy Chase. An attorney's well-meaning attempts to establish a rapport

with his girlfriend's young son are met with resistance.

9:00 pm BCTV 11 ★½ "Bulletproof" (1996, Drama) Damon Wayans. Assassins line the path of a cop and a former friend he has been assigned to take to L.A. to turn state's evidence.

9:35 pm WTBS 3 ★★ "Problem Child 2" (1991, Comedy) John Ritter. A pint-size pest finds an equally mischievous playmate when he and his father descend on an unsuspecting town.

11:05 pm CITY 29 ★★ "Fast Times at Ridgemont High" (1982, Comedy) Sean Penn. Students in a Southern California town divide their time between high school and the neighborhood shopping mall.

11:30 pm FAM 26 ★★ "Adam Had Four Sons" (1941, Drama) Ingrid Bergman. A loving housekeeper's return to her former abode is marred by the machinations of her employer's vixenish in-law.

11:35 pm WTBS 3 ★★ "Ghost Story" (1981, Horror) Fred Astaire. Mysterious deaths begin to decimate the ranks of a small circle of elderly men who share a 50-year-old secret.

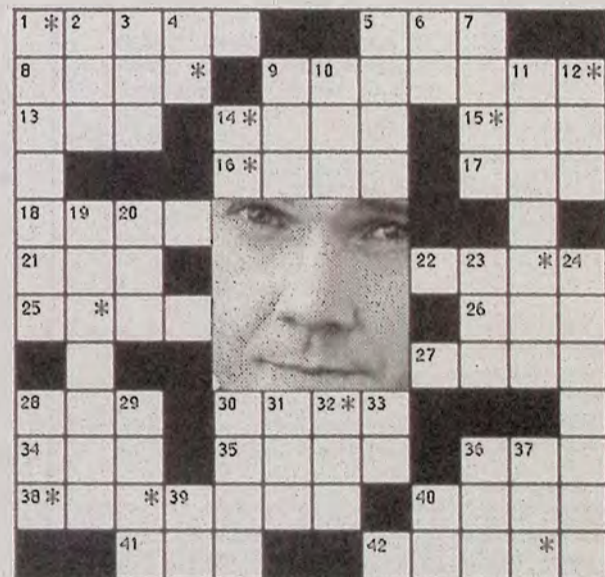
ACROSS

- 1. Whose Line Is It Anyway? personality
5. America; '98-'99 Lorenzo Lamas series
8. Long-running Broadway hit
9. Actor on The West Wing (2)
13. He All the Way; '51 Shelley Winters film
14. The Shriner Show ('49-'56)
15. The Caesar Show ('63-'64)
16. Ben Savage's role
17. Big name in golf
18. Metropolitan problem
21. Fraternity letter
22. Teri Hatcher's role
25. Johnson
26. Like Cosby's boyhood friend Albert
27. Vicki Lawrence's '83-'85 series role
28. Wyo.'s zone
30. Tom Bosley's role on Murder, She Wrote
34. Pablo; '84 Paul Rodriguez sitcom
35. Certain retrievers, for short
36. Montgomery, for one
38. 1966-69 adventure series
40. Dick Van Dyke's role
41. Time period
42. Arthur's portrayer on The King of Queens

DOWN

- 1. Miller of The Drew Carey Show
2. Route planner, familiarly
3. Double-Tin fore-runner
4. Series for Michael Michele
5. Dharma's mother
6. Buddy Ebsen's state of birth; abbr.
7. Role on The Golden Girls ('85-'92)
9. Old Olds
10. Bobby the Brain
11. Conrad or Powell
12. Begley and Begley
13. Actor Gronyn's initials
19. Hargray of Law & Order

TV CROSSWORD



The identity of the featured celebrity is found within the answers in the puzzle. In order to take the TV Challenge, unscramble the letters noted with asterisks within the puzzle.

- 20. Working It ...; '90 Jane Curtin sitcom
23. Man ... Thousand Faces; '57 Cagney film
24. Hutch's partner
28. Stark Flaying ...
29. a Good Look; '59-'61 quiz show
30. Hale or King
31. Spoil
32. Kimono accessory
33. Spacek's monogram
36. The Winds of ...; hit '83 miniseries
37. Go astray
39. How ... Marry a Millionaire
40. Word in the title of Mallick's series

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION MARCH 14



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SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 2000

YELLOW ZONES - MOD COST GREEN ZONES - LOW COST

Grid of TV channels (WTBS, CHBC, KNOW, KSPS, KHQ, KREM, A&E, KXLY, BCTV, CITY, YTV, TSN, VTV, DISC, FOX, FAM, KTLA, CITY, WGN) and their respective programs for Saturday, March 25, 2000.

Saturday Movies

MORNING

7:05 am WTBS (3) ***"In Love and War" (1996, Drama) Sandra Bullock. The biographical account of author Ernest Hemingway's pivotal romance with a Red Cross nurse in World War I Italy.
9:30 am WTBS (3) ***"Kung Fu" (1971, Adventure) David Carradine. A half-American Buddhist monk flees to the 1870s American frontier after he is accused of murder. Pilot for the series.
10:00 am WGN (23) ***"The Jerky Boys" (1995, Comedy) Johnny Brennan. Two telephone pranksters land in hot water with a local crime boss when they pretend to be a pair of fugitive hit men.
11:05 am WTBS (3) ***"Buffy the Vampire Slayer" (1992, Comedy) Kristy Swanson. A high-school cheerleader reluctantly accepts her heritage as the latest in a long line of vampire killers.

AFTERNOON

12:00 pm FAM (25) ***"The Paper Brigade" (1996, Adventure) Robert Englund. A small-town paperboy and his nerdy buddies fight back when a local bully tries to take over their turf. (In Stereo) (CC)
1:00 pm BCTV (11) "Young Ivanhoe" (1995, Drama) Stacy Keach. In medieval England, a Saxon attempts to reclaim his family land and vanquish the lawlessness of an evil Norman count. (In Stereo) (CC)
FOX (25) ***"The Defender" (1994, Action) Jet Li. A body-guard's assignment to safeguard a murder witness is complicated by the growing love between them. (Dubbed)
CITY (29) "Dogmatic" (1996, Comedy) Michael Riley. An advertising executive's wish to swap

bodies with his pet canine leads to a series of hilarious high jinks.
1:05 pm WTBS (3) ***"Nowhere to Land" (2000, Suspense) Jack Wagner. Passengers and crew aboard a California-bound airliner discover that a device laden with nerve gas is set to explode.
5:00 pm CITY (29) ***"Sling Blade" (1996, Drama) Billy Bob Thornton. A released mental patient befriends a fatherless boy whose mother is involved in a relationship with an abusive drunk. (In Stereo) (CC)
WGN (23) ***"3 Ninjas" (1992, Comedy) Victor Wong. Three young siblings use their martial-arts training to help their father nab a criminal kingpin.
5:05 pm WTBS (3) ***"Mars Attacks!" (1996, Comedy) Jack Nicholson. Malevolent martians take delight in incinerating humans in director Tim Burton's sendup of 1950s sci-fi classics.

EVENING

7:20 pm WTBS (3) ***"Mad Max Beyond Thunderdome" (1985, Adventure) Mel Gibson. The third entry in the post-apocalyptic adventure series finds Max at the mercy of a power-hungry shantytown queen.
8:00 pm KSPS (6) ***"Blackboard Jungle" (1955, Drama) Glenn Ford. A dedicated teacher attempts to restore order in an inner-city high school where teen-age lawlessness has taken root.
KXLY (10) ***"Sling Blade" (1996, Drama) Billy Bob Thornton. A released mental patient befriends a fatherless boy whose mother is involved in a relationship with an abusive drunk. (In Stereo) (CC)
FAM (25) "Escape From Wildcat Canyon" (1998, Adventure) Dennis Weaver. A boy and his

grandfather face the ultimate test after a helicopter crash strands them in the wilderness. (In Stereo) (CC)
KTLA (27) ***"Colors" (1988, Drama) Sean Penn. A veteran cop clashes with his rookie partner amid gang violence in Dennis Hopper's portrait of urban warfare.
8:30 pm WGN (23) ***"The Rocky Horror Picture Show" (1975, Musical) Tim Curry. Stranded newlyweds fall prey to a mad doctor and his bizarre guests in this send-up of sci-fi films and sexual mores.
9:30 pm CITY (29) ***"Fast Times at Ridgemoor High" (1982, Comedy) Sean Penn. Students in a Southern California town divide their time between high school and the neighborhood shopping mall.
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9:40 pm FAM (25) ***"She Stood Alone" (1991, Drama) Mare Winningham. An 1830s teacher risks her career and personal safety by admitting black girls to her all-white New England school. (In Stereo) (CC)
10:00 pm KNOW (5) ***"Jesus of Montreal" (1989, Satire) Lothaire Bluteau. Modern-day parallels of New Testament events occur when actors stage an unconventional version of the Passion Play. (Subtitled)
10:30 pm WGN (23) ***"Masters of the Universe" (1987, Fantasy) Dolph Lundgren. He-Man travels to modern-day California to retrieve the Cosmic Key before it falls into the hands of the evil Skeletor.
11:15 pm FAM (25) ***"The Member of the Wedding" (1952, Drama) Ethel Waters.

Horoscopes

March 21 to 28

ARIES - This week marks the beginning of your peak period of the year. Just because you feel great and your worries diminish, don't get the idea you can throw money around. Pay your bills!
TAURUS - You are feeling fine and full of energy. Make sure you use this energy constructively by achieving what needs doing, or you may waste this opportunity on a big ego trip.
GEMINI - Your energy level climbs but so do your worries. Don't worry so hard that you create problems. All that stuff stewing in the back of your mind should motivate constructive planning.
CANCER - It's a good thing your energy levels are higher now, because you really need energy this week. Information flows better, but there is no end to the challenges you face and demands on you.
LEO - Major challenges on the job demand you deal with a variety of issues. Find constructive solutions even though information seems confusing. Double check! Do your income tax return now.
VIRGO - You have a sudden burst of positive energy and it is just what you need to clear the air. Make sure your business affairs and paperwork is up to date. Lay low this weekend and relax.
LIBRA - You are at a low point now in your yearly cycle. The opposition you saw for the past month make take action and you may experience confusion. If you need a loan, the time is right.
SCORPIO - Sudden opposition may surprise and confuse you this week. Family matters are a bother. Wait and watch what happens. Keep flow of communication going.
SAGITTARIUS - Challenges continue but you are now more in tune with what is going on. Your creativity level rises. Opportunities for fun abound, but throw energy into work.
CAPRICORN - You are entering a short period of challenges, but you have a lot going for you and your energy cycle is high. Communications are good and you can achieve a great deal.
AQUARIUS - Family matters can reach a really confusing crisis. What you thought was a safe bet proves unreliable if you are not paying attention. Be very alert! See it before you believe it.
PISCES - Focus shifts now to money, possessions and communication. Stay home this weekend and work on an effective schedule. Tie up loose ends and increase efficiency and effectiveness.

SUNDAY, MARCH 26, 2000

'GREEN ZONES' - LOW COST

Table with 20 columns (WTBS, CHBC, KNOW, KSPS, KHQ, KREM, A&E, KXLY, BCTV, CITY, YTV, TSN, VTV, DISC, FOX, FAM, KTLA, CITY, WGN) and 24 rows (6 AM to 11 PM) listing TV programs and their details.

Sunday Movies

MORNING
6:30 am WTBS 3 ★★½ "The Jerk" (1979, Comedy) Steve Martin. The incredibly stupid white stepson of black sharecroppers makes a fortune with a bizarre invention.
8:30 am WTBS 3 ★½ "Over the Top" (1987, Drama) Sylvester Stallone. A trucker tries to renew his relationship with his estranged son while preparing for an important arm-wrestling contest.
10:00 am WGN 33 ★★ "Superman IV: The Quest for Peace" (1987, Fantasy) Christopher Reeve. Superman's mission to rid Earth of nuclear weapons runs afoul of Lex Luthor and the radiation-spawned Nuclear Man.
10:30 am WTBS 3 ★★ "Mad Max Beyond Thunderdome" (1985, Adventure) Mel Gibson. The third entry in the post-apocalyptic adventure series finds Max at the mercy of a power-hungry shantytown queen.
11:00 am FOX 23 ★★½ "Prelude to a Kiss" (1992, Fantasy) Alec Baldwin. Two newlyweds are transported on a magical journey after a stranger plants a supernatural kiss on the bride.
11:30 am FAM 26 ★★½ "The Boy Who Could Fly" (1985, Drama) Lucy Deakins. Friendship develops between a teen-ager and her neighbor, an autistic boy who seems to live in a world of his own. (In Stereo)
AFTERNOON
12:00 pm CITY 12 ★★ "Captive Heart: The James Mink Story" (1996, Drama) Louis Gossett Jr. In the 1850s, a black businessman and his white wife travel into the American South to rescue their enslaved daughter.
KTLA 27 ★★ "Amadeus" (1984, Drama) F. Murray Abraham. Consumed with jealousy over the brilliance of Mozart, composer Antonio Salieri plots to discredit his young rival.
WGN 33 ★★ "Prefontaine" (1997, Biography) Jared Leto. Based on the life of runner Steve Prefontaine, who became an advocate for athletes' rights before his tragic death.
12:30 pm A&E 9 ★★ "The Searchers" (1956, Western) John Wayne. John Ford's saga of a Civil War soldier's five-year search for his niece, a girl kidnapped by Comanches.
12:45 pm WTBS 3 ★★½ "The Octagon" (1990, Adventure) Chuck Norris. A wealthy young woman hires a retired martial arts champion to protect her from terrorists trained by mysterious ninjas.
1:00 pm FOX 23 ★★ "Prefontaine" (1997, Biography) Jared Leto. Based on the life of runner Steve Prefontaine, who became an advocate for athletes' rights before his tragic death.
CITY 29 "Babylon 5: A Call to Arms" (1999, Science Fiction) Bruce Boxleitner. Sheridan unites a new team, leads the theft of two new battleships and rushes to defend Earth from a surprise attack.
2:00 pm WGN 33 ★★ "The Marrying Man" (1991, Comedy) Alec Baldwin. A playboy gets more than he bargained for when he sets his sights on a gangster's girlfriend in Las Vegas.
3:00 pm WTBS 3 ★★ "Nowhere to Run" (1993, Adventure) Jean-Claude Van Damme. A two-fisted fugitive helps a young widow fight off a corrupt tycoon and his army of mercenaries.
CHBC 4 ★★ "Heavyweights" (1995, Comedy) Tom McGowan. Chubby children descend on a summer camp for the overweight that has just been purchased by a greedy fitness guru.
3:30 pm BCTV 11 ★★½ "Mystery Science Theater 3000: The Movie" (1996, Comedy) Michael J. Nelson. A space traveler and his robot companions are kidnapped by a mad scientist and forced to watch a cinematic turkey.
5:00 pm FOX 23 ★★½ "Missing in Action" (1984, Adventure) Chuck Norris. An American colonel trying to convince the world that MIAs are still imprisoned in Vietnam travels to Ho Chi Minh City.
5:05 pm WTBS 3 ★★½ "Quigley Down Under" (1990, Western) Tom Selleck. An American sharpshooter is abandoned in the Australian Outback after raising the ire of a ruthless cattle baron.
EVENING
6:00 pm CITY 29 ★★½ "Passenger 57" (1992, Drama) Wesley Snipes. An airline security expert takes action when skyjackers seize control of the jet he is traveling on. (In Stereo)
7:05 pm WTBS 3 ★★ "Fire Birds" (1990, Adventure) Nicolas Cage. An Army helicopter pilot undergoes rigorous training for a confrontation with South American drug dealers.
8:00 pm FAM 26 ★★ "Joey" (1997, Drama) Jamie Croft. An Australian youth and an American ambassador's daughter attempt to reunite a baby kangaroo with its kidnapped mother. (In Stereo)
9:00 pm KHQ 7 ★★½ "Bulletproof" (1996, Drama) Damon Wayans. Assassins line the path of a cop and a former friend he has been assigned to take to L.A. to turn state's evidence. (In Stereo)
KREM 8 ★★½ "Passenger 57" (1992, Drama) Wesley Snipes. An airline security expert takes action when skyjackers seize control of the jet he is traveling on. (In Stereo)
9:05 pm WTBS 3 ★★ "A Force of One" (1979, Drama) Jennifer O'Neill. A master of the martial arts embarks on a revenge-motivated search for the killers of his adopted son.
9:40 pm FAM 26 ★★½ "Cheetah" (1989, Adventure) Keith Coogan. A young native assists two California teenagers on a trans-African quest to rescue their pet cheetah from cat-nappers. (In Stereo)
11:05 pm FAM 26 ★★ "Mr. Smith Goes to Washington" (1939, Drama) James Stewart. A country bumpkin faces ridicule and corruption when he takes his idealistic views to the nation's capital.
11:10 pm WTBS 3 ★★ "Caveman" (1981, Comedy) Ringo Starr. A primitive tribesman discovers brains, not brawn, will be the key to his people's survival in this prehistoric spoof.

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	WTBS (3)	CHBC (4)	KNOW (5)	KSPS (6)	KHQ (7)	KREM (8)	A&E (9)	KXLY (10)	BCTV (11)	CITY (12)	YTV (13)	TSN (14)	VTV (22)	DISC (24)	FOX (25)	FAM (26)	KTLC (27)	CITY (29)	WGN (38)
6 AM	Little House	News	(Off Air)	Body Elec.	News	News	Night Court	(5:00) News	(5:30) News	(5:00) News	T.V. & Me	Sportsdesks (R)	VTV Breakfast	Discovery.ca	Bullwinkle	Hello	News (ESP)	Maury	Wayans
7 AM	Little House	Dressup	Teletubbs	Dragon	Today	Early Show	Murder, She Wrote	Good Morning America			Panda	Sportsdesks (R)		Gardener	Wacky	GummiBr	Morning News (ESP)	Cityline	Knight Rider
8 AM	Mama	Huntley Street	Zoboo	Barney			Magnum, P.I.		Canada AM (Left in Progress)	100 Huntley Street	Filstones	Sportsdesks (R)		Wild Discovery	Sister, Sis.	Art Attack		Star Trek: Next Gener.	Matlock
9 AM	Matlock	Martin Short	Moose	Sesame Street (E)	Regis & Kathie	Ainsley Harriott	L.A. Law	Martha Stewart Living		Wealth	Bananas	Off-Record	Regis & Kathie	Design (R)	Paid Prog.	Babar	Sally	News	Hawaii
10 AM	Hunter	Price Is Right	Imprint Sara Paretsky.	Zoboo	Later Today	Price Is Right	Law & Order "D-Girl"	The View	Movie	Days Rutherford	Kitty Cats	Tennis: Ericsson Open - Early Rounds (Live)	The View	Discovery.ca (R)	Forgive or Forget	Billy Cat	Sally (R)	Movie: "Babylon 5: A Call to Arms" (1999)	News
11 AM	"Perry Mason: The Case of the Defiant Daughter"	Young and the Restless	Economic Globalization	Sit-Be Fit	People's Court	Young and the Restless	Northern Exposure	Paid Prog.	Hollywood	News	Panda	Early Rounds (Live)	Vicki Gabereau	Beyond 2000	Montel Williams	Out of Box	Lane	MacGyver	
12 PM	Cosby	Movie	Foodstuff	Wis. Portrait	Days of Our Lives	As the World Turns	Murder, She Wrote	One Life to Live	House	Movie	Batman	NBA	3rd Rock	Forbidden Places (R)	Jerry Springer	Flash	Little House	Cityline (R)	Caroline
1 PM	Cosby	Wallin	Family						Bold & B.	Grace	Country Mouse	Auto Racing: F1 - Brazilian Grand Prix	One Life to Live	Dotto's	Paid Prog.	Franklin	Fam. Mat.		Fam. Mat.
2 PM	Full House	Corona'n	Mathshop	Memories	Passions	Guiding Light	Magnum, P.I.	General Hospital	Passions	Nanny	Rosie O'Donnell	Off-Record	Dini (R)	Wild Discovery	Paid Prog.	Art Attack	Pokemon	Enquirer	Cosby
3 PM	Roseanne	Mad	20 Minutes	Arthur (R)	Judy O'Donnell	Judy	L.A. Law	Hollywood Fam. Feud	Marlin Short	Young and the Restless	Uh Oh!	Sportsdesk		How'd They Do That?	Rangers	Aladdin	Batman		Fresh Pr.
4 PM	Fresh Pr.	Rosie O'Donnell	Mechanics	Zoom (R)	Jeopardy!	Oprah Winfrey	Law & Order "D-Girl"	Maury	Oprah Winfrey	News	Digimon	Boxing: John Bailey vs. Billy Irwin.	News	Wild Discovery	Caroline	Doug	Sister, Sis.	Movie: "The Audrey Hepburn Story" (2000)	Movie: "Green Card" (1990)
5 PM	NBA Basketball: San Antonio Spurs at Seattle SuperSonics.	Friends	Days-Shook the World	News-Lehrer	News	News	Investigative Reports	News	News	'70s Show	Addams	WWF: Raw is War (Live)	News	Champions	3rd Rock	Honey	Fresh Pr.	Jennifer Love Hewitt	Movie: "The Audrey Hepburn Story" (2000)
6 PM	Inside NBA	Hollywood	Family	Antiques Roadshow	Fortune	Friends	City Confidential (R)	Carey	Figure Skating: World	Any Day Now (R)	Freaky		Frasier	Beast of the Amazon	Star Trek: Voyager	Blossom	Friends	Love Hewitt	News
7 PM	Movie: "Mars Attacks!" (1996)	Drop-Beat	HISTORY	Thrills & Chills: American Experience	Freaks and Geeks	King	Law & Order "Breeder"	Movie: "The Audrey Hepburn Story" (2000)	Twenty One	Dharma	Holmes	Sportsdesks (R)	Movie: "The Audrey Hepburn Story" (2000)	Discovery.ca (R)	'70s Show	"Neverending Story II"	7th Heaven (R)	Queer TV	MacGyver
8 PM	Jack Nicholson	Nature of Things	William Faulkner	Twenty One	Raymond	Becker	Biography: King	Ally McBeal	Becker	Raymond	Lassie	WWF: Raw is War (R)	Wild Discovery	Ally McBeal	"Stolen Memories: Secrets"	News	Buffy Vampire	Movie: "Sabrina" (1954)	in the Heat of the Night
9 PM	Wildlife Adventure (R)	National Magazine	Independent Eye IV	Vicar of Dibley	Third Watch (R)	60 Minutes II (ESP)	Investigative Reports	Love Hewitt	Third Watch (R)	News	Student		Champions	Parks	Enquirer	Gargoyles	Friends	Humphrey Bogart	Matlock
10 PM	Movie: "The Bear"	News	Dotto's	Charlie Rose	News	News	City Confidential (R)	News	CTV News	Marrled...	Addams	Sportsdesks (R)	Open Mike	Beast of the Amazon	Bewitched	Afraid?	Caroline	"League"	Paid Prog.
11 PM		Simpsons	Gregg		Tonight	Late Show		Nightline	News	Mad	Beasties								

Monday Movies

10:00 am CITY 29 "Babylon 5: A Call to Arms" (1999, Science Fiction) Bruce Boxleitner. Sheridan unites a new team, leads the theft of two new battleships and rushes to defend Earth from a surprise attack.

11:00 am WTBS 3 ***"Perry Mason: The Case of the Defiant Daughter" (1990, Mystery) Raymond Burr. A 13-year-old girl persuades Mason to defend her father, who has been accused of murdering an unscrupulous gambler.

AFTERNOON

5:00 pm CITY 29 "The Audrey Hepburn Story" (2000, Biography) Jennifer Love Hewitt. Premiere. The elegant actress rises above a traumatic childhood to become an Oscar-winning star and humanitarian. (In Stereo) WGN 23 ***"Green Card" (1990, Comedy) Gerard Depardieu. A woman and the French husband she barely knows get acquainted when immigration officials investigate their marriage.

EVENING

8:00 pm WTBS 3 ***"Mars Attacks!" (1996, Comedy) Jack Nicholson. Malevolent martians take delight in incinerating humans in director Tim Burton's sendup of 1950s sci-fi classics. KXLY 10 VTV 22 "The Audrey Hepburn Story" (2000, Biography) Jennifer Love Hewitt. Premiere. The elegant actress rises above a traumatic childhood to become an Oscar-winning star and humanitarian. (In Stereo) FAM 26 ***"The Neverending Story II: The Next Chapter" (1990, Fantasy) Jonathan Brandis. An adventurous boy returns to Fantasia to help his friends thwart a sorceress's plan

to rule the storybook land.

9:05 pm CITY 29 ***"Sabrina" (1954, Comedy) Humphrey Bogart. The daughter of the family chauffeur is sought after by two wealthy socialite brothers.

9:30 pm FAM 26 ***"Stolen Memories: Secrets From the Rose Garden" (1996, Drama) Mary Tyler Moore. A childlike woman's long-buried trauma resurfaces when her young nephew comes to visit her and her protective sisters.

11:15 pm WTBS 3 ***"The Bear" (1989, Drama) Jack Wallace. An orphaned grizzly cub and a wounded kodiak bear join forces in a struggle for survival in 1885 Canada.

11:30 pm CITY 29 ***"League of Gentlemen" (1960, Mystery) Jack Hawkins. An ex-Army officer recruits a motley band of former military specialists to commit a bank robbery.

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A little story to help you appreciate the complex problems involved in environmental matters

Thanks to Millie Mitchell

A lady from California purchased a piece of timbered land in Oregon. There was a large tree on one of the highest points of land. She wanted to have a good look at her new property, so she started to climb the big tree. As she neared the top of the tree, a spotted owl attacked her.

In her haste to escape the owl, the lady slid down the tree to the ground, and got many splinters in her private parts, causing her considerable pain.

She hurried to the nearest doctor. He listened to her story, then told her to go into the examining room and he would see if he could help her. She sat and waited, and waited, and waited. Finally, three hours later, the doctor came to the examining room.

"What took you so long?" the angry lady demanded.

The doctor said, "I had to get permits from the Environmental Protection Agency, the Forest Service, and the Bureau of Land Management before I could remove old-growth timber from a recreational area."

Community Datebook

- March**
- 23 - HEDLEY tailings reclamation meeting OAP hall 4-7 pm
 - 24 - Darts night Hedley Community Club 8 pm 19+ years old only
 - 25 - Bunchgrass Quilters meet contact 295-6808 or 295-6429
 - 30 - Princeton Town meeting, 7:00 p.m. at Skills Centre
 - 31 - Darts night Hedley Community Hall 8 pm 19+ years old only
- April**
- 1 - Whist and Crib Sr Citizens Hall Princeton 1 pm incl. lunch
 - 2 - DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS
 - 4 - Rodeo Club HERITAGE DINNER Princeton Hotel 6 pm
 - 8 - Rotary/Foundation Spring Gala
 - 12 - 16 - West Coast Amusements Princeton Fair Grounds
 - 21 - Good Friday
- Relay 2000 celebrations in Tulameen, Princeton Osprey Lake all Easter weekend. Look for details in coming news.
- 23 - Easter Sunday
 - 27 - 49th Annual Family Fair 1 pm PSS gym
 - 28 - Princeton OAPO Bake, plant and white elephant sale noon to 3 pm 68 Billiter Ave.
 - 30 - Walk for Wildlife
- May**
- 5/6 - Trade Show Princeton arena Friday evening, Saturday
 - 6 - Whist and Crib Sr Citizens Hall Princeton 1 pm incl. lunch
 - 12 - Hospital Auxiliary Strawberry Tea & Fashion Show
 - 20, 21, 22 - Cathedral Lakes Powwow
- June**
- 3 - Whist and Crib Sr. Citizens Hall Princeton 1 pm incl. lunch
 - 24 - Pike Mountain Fishing Derby 295-7343
- July**
- 1 - Racing Days Canada Day Blakeburn reunion
- ***** If your organization has set an important date, you may have it listed here at no cost.

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Elk dodge trap: better luck next year

Princeton - The elk transplant did not go as planned this winter. The plan was approved, the elk herd was selected, but a change in the weather prompted the elk to avoid the trap.

Early last year, questionnaires were drawn up for local citizens to respond to questions regarding the proposed elk transplant. Citizens returned 261 questionnaires, showing 255 people approved the transplant, four disagreed, and two gave no clear answer. Based on the questionnaire results, the government approved the transplant.

A herd of elk near Dawson Creek was selected as suitable for transplant to the Princeton area. A herd in Elk Island Park had been considered, but they were not the same sub-species and did not migrate, making them unsuitable for the Princeton area. The Dawson Creek herd was an identical sub-species with a migratory instinct.

According to Conservation Officer Al Lay, the trap was set for the elk, who go to a particular area when the temperature drops to the -20C level. Arrangements were made for transporting the animals. All was ready. Then a chinook rolled in, the temperature climbed, and "the elk backed off." "We haven't given up the plan," says Lay. "We'll do it in early January 2001."



The plan to transplant elk to Princeton has not been abandoned.

The plan calls for 50 elk to be transplanted in the Princeton area. The majority (90-95 per cent) will be bred cows, along with a few young and a few spike bulls. No mature bulls will be transplanted.

Local elk are being tracked now to establish their patterns of travel and time of various activities. Thirteen local elk are wearing tracking collars, and Lay anticipates placing collars on a few more this year.

In other wildlife matters for the Princeton area, Lay reports an excellent rapport with the Upper Similkameen Indian Band on conservation matters, and an agreement has been worked out regarding out of area natives hunting in the upper Similkameen Valley.

Lay has done some deer counts, and reports the numbers are up and the deer wintered very well.

There is still an abundance of cougar in the area. Lay reports 25 to 30 cougar shot this winter but the population is still high. At the same time, Lay received only five cougar complaints this winter, down substantially from previous years.

A black bear was seen on Old Hedley Road, indicating bears are out of hibernation now. The customary precautions to prevent conflict with bears should be observed: do not leave food outdoors, even for pets; dispose of kitchen wastes in an airtight container or take it away from your property.



Local artist's first painting hung in Kelowna

Princeton - Jackie Chaston put her first efforts at oil painting into a juried art show, and her work was selected for exhibition. Chaston's painting, called "Rouge Glow", did not win a top prize and will not go on to the provincial competitions in Nelson, but Chaston is pleased the judges chose her work to exhibit.

"I was very pleased to be considered," Chaston says.

Chaston was the only Princeton artist to enter the Okanagan Mainline Regional Arts Council juried art show held in Kelowna March 11 to 25.

Since doing the painting, Chaston has been taking lessons from Linda Anderson of Hedley, a well-known local art instructor. Chaston is a member of Vermilion Artists' Society.

Poison Prevention Week

Could your child take poison at home?

by Pam Rorie, Public Health Nurse, Okanagan Similkameen Health Region

This is Poison Prevention Week. We want to emphasize the importance of keeping poisonous plants and medications out of the reach of children, and to emphasize the importance of knowing what to do if a poisoning occurs. Children are constantly exploring and investigating the world around them and it is our job as parents, grandparents and babysitters to make their world as safe as possible.

Unintentional childhood poisonings account for over 50 per cent of the more than 26,000 poisonings reported annually to the BC Poison Control Centre. Painkillers, cough and cold products, plants and household cleaners are the most common causes of poisonings in children.

Accidental poisonings can be prevented by remembering to return potential poisons to their safe storage place.

• If the telephone or doorbell rings,

take the product or the child with you.

- Clean up after a craft project.
- Empty cocktail glasses immediately after the party.
- Put away cleaning products and try not to use these products in front of children.
- Don't take medicine while they are watching, and remember to replace the child-resistant cap.
- Never refer to medicine as "candy."
- Know the names of your household plants and whether they are poisonous. For a list of poisonous plants, contact the BC Poison Control Centre.

Remember "Children Act FastSo Do Poisons" If a poisoning does occur, call the BC Poison Control Centre immediately at 1-800-567-8911. See the front cover of the telephone book for emergency numbers and the red pages for First Aid information.

For more information on safety and child proofing your home, contact a local Public Health Nurse.



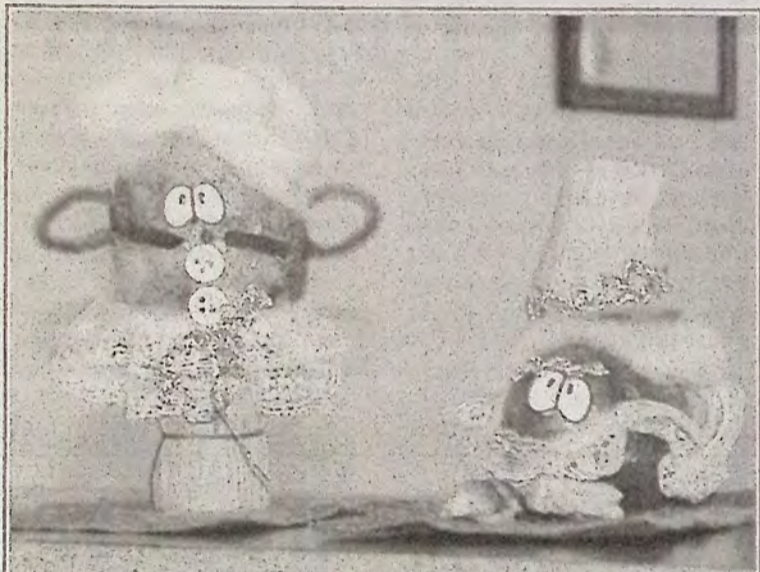
Sarah Van Heeswijk shows the big red ribbon she won when she placed second in the 4-H regional public speaking competition in Kamloops, qualifying her for the provincial competition.

Local 4-H member wins place in speech finals

"Stress" was the subject of Sarah Van Heeswijk's speech that won her second place in the 4-H Regional Public Speaking Competition in Kamloops March 11. She will represent Kamloops-Okanagan Region in Ft. St. John provincial competition April 14-16. Dorian Herman, first place region-

al competition winner, will go to Ft. St. John. His speech is on gender gap. The regional competition

speeches will be given again at the provincial competition, but both speakers will have to give impromptu speeches with just one minute to prepare.



Vermilion Rebekahs created these well-dressed potatoes for St. Patrick's Day fun.

Vermilion Rebekahs go green for St. Patrick

by D. Stenvold

Princeton - St. Patrick would have been pleased to see all our Sisters wearing green - dresses, skirts, blouses, brooches, hair ribbons and even green nail polish were sported.

During an intermission in the business meeting, the Sisters were arranged in groups of three. Each group was given a bag containing a large potato and a container with many assorted items with which they were to "dress" the potato. The results were hilarious!

All participants received a small package of candies. Later, numbers were randomly distributed and those lucky enough to have number 3 received a small gift. Sister Pam Ottas reported a success-

ful sale at the March 10 flea market. Mrs. Lil Parkinson won the draw for the cooler.

As none of our members are able to participate in the Walk for Wildlife, a donation of oranges will be made to be given to the walkers.

Sister Marion Marsel has been recommended to be our District Deputy President in late May. We missed Sister Betty Golovin, who was again the victim of a virus as so many are. Hurry back to health, Betty!

Green was the theme of our lunch table. Balloons, plates, serviettes, jello, sandwich filling and cake! A very happy hour was enjoyed by all. Sister Nancy Holt won the table draw, a lovely picture frame.

Fall Fair looks for help with Carnival

Princeton - Fall Fair Board of Directors is looking for a little help from their friends to run games for Westcoast Amusements from April 12 through 16 at the fair grounds. Westcoast is bringing four or five games, like Crown and Anchor and Pea Pot, to the carnival, and has asked for volunteer organizations to operate the games on a 50/50 share of the proceeds. Fall Fair President Keith Olsen said he will ask Rotary and Lions if they would like a piece of the action, but he will welcome any interested non-profit group. Hours are from 3 p.m. to closing except on Saturday and Sunday, when it will run from noon to closing.

There will be a special meeting on April 10 at 7 pm at Town Hall to organize the volunteers.

At the Fair Board meeting last Thursday, members agreed with Olsen that it is time to start identifying committee members for the various duties around this year's fair. In addition to the regular full plate, this year the fair is headquarters for Princeton's 140th birthday and the fair's own 35th anniversary, as well as part of the provincial Millennium celebration and the Girl Guides fiftieth anniversary. Members were asked to put together lists of people who helped in previous years and can be counted on, and to identify others who would be willing to help this year. The information is to be shared at the next Fair Board meeting when an organizational chart will begin to be developed.

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OUR VIEW

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We rarely think of what we do as advertising for our town, but the impression we give when we are elsewhere, or even when we are here, is a form of advertising. If our mayor makes a big speech about crime in our community, he sends out a message that our community is not the best place to live. That could be true, but it is not the best kind of advertising.

When we have some kind of disaster, like a flood or a forest fire, it is news; and worthy of the attention of the major media, but it is not the best advertising.

When our young people go to competitions and win, whether it is sports, skills or other achievements, we tell the world our community produces winners, and that is great advertising.

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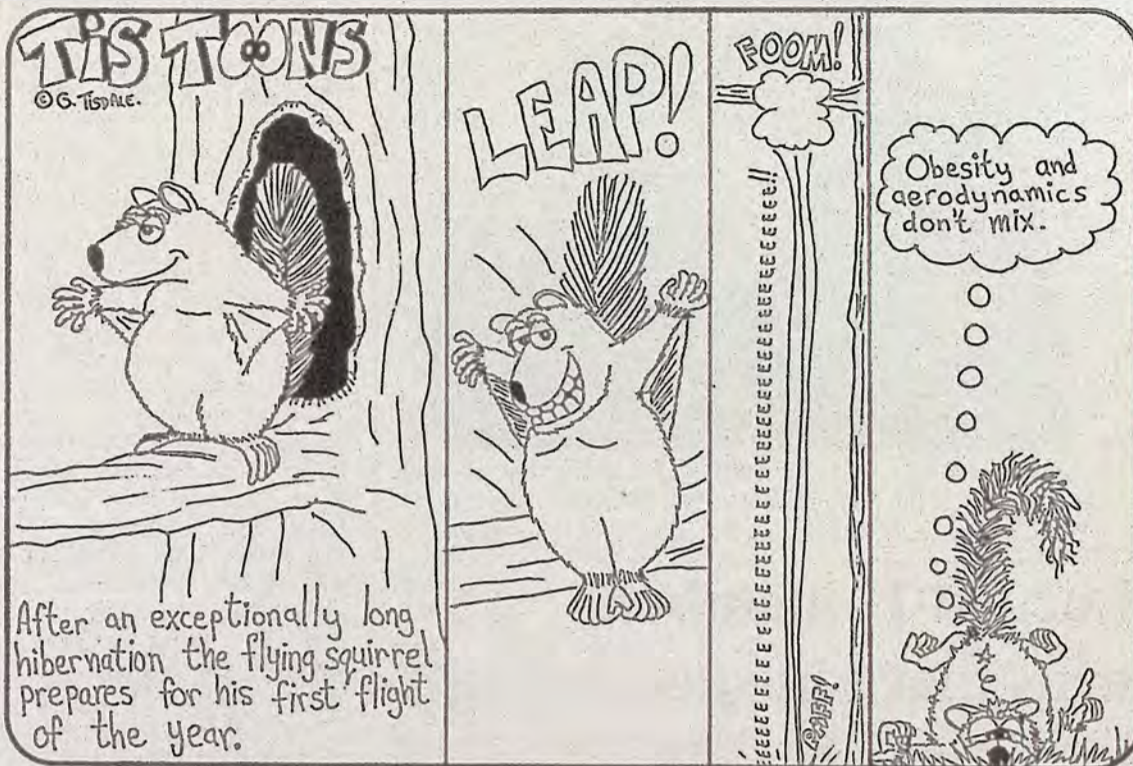
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YOUR VIEW

Open Letter to Leader of the B.C. Liberal Opposition

Dear Mr. Campbell;

You being the official Opposition for the past two terms have done your job well in stressing to the public that the ND Party is incapable of managing public funds, incompetent of running a government and very talented in telling lies and breaking promises.

Perhaps pre-election promises, in writing, by party leaders, is the solution to honest government, with a liability clause of stepping down should they back

down on their word or fail to deliver or impose horrendous costs to the taxpayers without a public referendum. The public could implement such a contract by withholding their ballot if their party of choice failed to produce one.

For example: when Mike Harcourt gave his 1994 budget, he raised the transfer fees at the Motor Vehicle branch offices from \$18 to \$28. He raised the drugstore dispenser fees to seniors by 10 per cent, the cost of

sporting goods store permits for selling rifles and shotguns from \$50 to \$250.

As a goodwill gesture in your platform, you could promise to roll back all of the above to its origin before and perhaps go one better — put it in writing. Any honest, sincere person such as yourself should not have a problem with that and it may even give you an edge on the Green Party.

Yours truly,
Michael Bunn

Fore!! from the Golf Club

Dear Editor;

On behalf of the golf course Executive, I would like to thank all the people and businesses who have contributed so much.

From the clubhouse expansion, to the work on the back nine, the volunteer suppers and all of the fundraisers we have done, we, as a community, have really pulled together to make this a club to be proud of. Without the time and energy put in by volunteers, much of what we have done could not have been accomplished.

It looks like we will be golfing on April 2 (if Mother Nature co-operates) and will enjoy one of our

longest golf seasons ever. The course looks like it has wintered well, except for the bug kill which has killed approximately 80 trees.

We have had five work parties and have cut down and burned all of the trees except the larger ones which will be cut into timbers and used on the course.

On Saturday, April 1, we are planning a work party at the course. Bring a rake or just show up and we will find a job for you to do. We are going to meet at the clubhouse between 9 and 10 a.m. We hope to see you there.

In closing, I encourage all our members, and others

who would like to be part of something great, to get involved. Volunteer some time to a good cause. We can always use your help.

Thank you again for the help in the past and we look forward to seeing you at the golf course.

Sincerely,
Bill Montgomery,
Director,
Princeton Golf Club

Send Letters to the Editor to P.O. Box 295, Princeton, or drop off at the News Leader office, #1, 195 Bridge Street.

DATELINE TULAMEEN

Another adventure in life

by Joe Schwarz, local philosopher and humorist

One day, the keepers of the "Otter Sleep Inn" and the "Otter Wash up" in Tulameen asked me if I'd like to visit the RCMP office in Oliver to retrieve all the furnishings stolen from one of the units. "Sure," I said. "Why not, another adventure in life, so long as they don't put me in the jug." Now, what's the best route to Oliver from Tulameen? I took the road to Pentiction and turned off at Twin Lakes, through part of a desert and lightly treed country acreages (really a different trip if you haven't taken it!). I arrived at an intersection and didn't know which way to go so I pulled into a residence to ask directions. I just hoped the people didn't think this was a home invasion. As I knocked, I heard the growling of a dog and footsteps. Oh, oh, I thought, probably a Pit Bull, I sure hope they fed it. My fears were allayed, however, when an elderly gentleman opened the door and kindly gave me directions. The dog turned out to be a wiener dog, older than he. It could

hardly walk, barely keeping his tummy off the ground. Lucky I inquired, as one road went to Okanagan Falls and the other to Oliver. Once in Oliver, I had to find the Cop Shop. My appointment was at 3:00 p.m. and because of the shortage of police officers they were occupied with other matters besides maintaining the office. As luck would have it, I passed the local grog shop, the BCLCB. What better place to find directions? After all, the cops and the grog peddlars have something in common. The liquor clerk sells his goods to raise taxes to pay the police officers, and the police officers look after some of the problems booze might create. Fortunately, there was a liquor clerk in the parking lot sweeping up the remains of a case of broken beer bottles someone must have dropped. He looked kind of sad, even sniffing. Now, whether it was from the fumes of the beer or its high cost, I don't know. He directed me to the police station where I met the officer who took me out back where, behind an overhead door, was what looked like a flea market with

all kinds of retrieved goodies. We loaded my pick-up with towels, sheets, blankets, wall lamp, desk chairs, night tables, TV stand, television set, coffee maker, cups, ashtrays and a small chesterfield that folded out to a bed and weighed a ton. I asked the officer if he took moving techniques at the Academy. He just sort of grimaced and smiled. I was going to suggest the police could augment their slim income by forming a moving company with a catchy slogan like "Don't worry about the Fuzz, leave your moving to Uz." However, my father once told me "there is a time and place for everything." I figured this was the place, but not the time. The whole return trip took five hours. Did they catch the thieves? I don't know. I'm surprised some young entrepreneur has not come up with wrist protectors. Why, you say? Ask any citizen what criminals get in court and they'll say "a slap on the wrist." The entrepreneur could make a killing (no pun intended).

Current Comment

Nobody is "Flawless" is the right stuff

"Flawless" is the name of a book I have been reading. It's a hoot. It was written by Louis A. Tartaglia, a psychiatrist, and you can borrow it from your local library for a rare kind of entertainment. "Flawless" may not sound like it ought to be a funny book. It is about character flaws, and how to change your attitude to become flawless. It started me chortling to myself as soon as I read the first flaw "addicted to being right." If I had \$10 for every person I met who was addicted to being right, I could retire. These are not funny people to deal with, but they are funny if you stand back

from them and watch them muck up their lives. People addicted to being right are the kind who do not want to be confused by facts, because they have an opinion and it is right, of course. It never occurs to them that the distance between opinion and fact is possibly the same distance between fantasy and truth. Worst of all is their habit of never being wrong about anything, even when it is plain to everyone else. Those people addicted to being right will base their lives on decisions made that may be wrong decisions. They will then pursue this wrong course of action

because they will not admit they made a mistake. It would be like a



coach believing he has a winning team despite the fact they lose every game. "Flawless" says people addicted to being right have a strong need to be an authority and be in control. They are so insecure they suffer feelings of inadequacy and even shame if they need to face being wrong about something. Unlike healthier people, they become stuck simply because they cannot admit to being wrong or making a mistake.

What is so funny is that addicted to being right is the most common character flaw, according to the author. Try to imagine all those people stuck in a problem that could be solved by simply admitting they were wrong and going on with their lives in a different direction. What is so funny is that they are afraid to face facts and change their opinions in order to achieve success. Even funnier is the image they may have when their heads are bloody from beating against a brick wall. They may congratulate themselves for continuing to believe the wall would come down if only they beat on it long enough!

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Heart Food
by Dave Machin
Mercy is an attribute of God's nature that has often been discounted, even scoffed at. Though unsure whether God would move on their behalf, people have held on to the belief that if they cried out to Him for mercy it just might work. Mercy defined could be said in this way: compassion for someone who is in trouble, even if the trouble is his own fault. It is similar to that which a parent feels toward a child who messed up. God's mercy is His attitude toward those who are in distress. This attitude manifests itself in a tremendous feeling of peace in a person's heart. A sense of knowing that regardless of how it looks outwardly, everything is going to be all right. In Psalms 145: 8 - 10, we read "the Lord is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and of great mercy. The Lord is good to all and His tender mercies are over all His works." It could be said this way: God's mercy is the highest motivating factor of His nature. All that God is can be seen in His mercy. He has a full supply and will never run out. Think of this illustration: suppose a friend is in desperate need of \$100 and comes to ask you for a loan. Your heart goes out to him and you sincerely desire to help him (mercy) but at that particular time you do not have the money. Compassion is useless without mercy, for compassion lies within the heart. Mercy is the outward manifestation of that which is felt in the heart. Compassion feels the need and mercy fills the need. God, the Almighty, who loves you, not only feels the need but has the ability to fill that need in your life, whatever it may be. For God is good all the time.
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9 IN MEMORIAM



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And a smile for one and all
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And kiss his tender brow
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And talk with him awhile
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In the hearts of those he touched
For nothing loved is ever lost
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Forever.
Dad & Mom

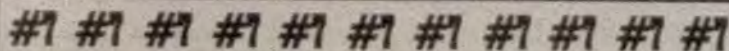
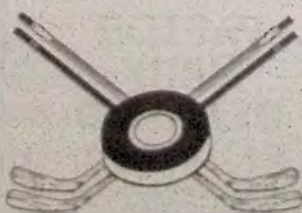
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Though you are two years gone,
I loved you then
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I know I always will
For your huge presence, smile
and love,
Are safe and with me still.
And so Kurt
I'd like to thank you
I feel I'm truly blessed
For the love you've shown me
Our precious son and
Five years of your best.*

*Always and Forever
We love you
LeeAnne & Karen*

*Gone but not forgotten
Always in our prayers
forever in our hearts.*

*Love
The Kellehers*

*We little knew that morning
God was going to call your name.
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In spirit we do the same.
It broke our hearts to lose you,
You did not go alone,
For part of us went with you,
The day God called you home.
You left us beautiful memories,
Your love is still our guide,
And though we cannot see you,
You are always by our side.
Our family chain is broken,
And nothing seems the same,
But as God calls us one by one,
The chain will link again.
Love you Kurt!
Richard & Linnea*



2 OBITUARIES

BECK, Ada Emily

Our dear mother passed away on February 27, 2000 at the Alexander Wing of Vernon Jubilee Hospital. She was predeceased by her loving husband Max in 1995.

Ada was born in 1906 in Brandon, Manitoba. She grew up in Vancouver where she met and married Max in 1940. They lived in Powell River for 2 years then moved to Princeton where they spent most of their lives. They retired to Summerland and then to Vernon in 1986.

Ada was a member of St. Pauls United Church in Princeton and also the Orange Benevolent Lodge.

Ada is survived by her two daughters Marg EYRE (Jim) of Princeton and Helen REGIER (Harvey) of Vernon, five grand children and seven great grandchildren. Ada was a wonderful mother and grandmother. We will all miss her.

Arrangements in care of BETHEL FUNERAL CHAPEL, in Vernon. Cremation is preceding a Graveside Memorial Service, March 24, 2000.

7 APPRECIATION

I would like to thank the unknown lady who stopped and assisted me after my fall outside Valley First Credit Union on Wednesday, March 15. Thank you so much.
Muriel Kofton.

Many thanks to Dr. Adams, Nurses & staff at Princeton General for the care & compassion shown to our parents during their recent stays. Special thanks to Dorothy Westfall & Barb Hilton for taking the time to answer our numerous questions.
The Brewer Family

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LEGALS

**PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
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**INVITATION TO TENDER
 PLANTING IMPLEMENTATION CONTRACT**

PROJECT NUMBER: IM2001DME-0001
 NATURE OF WORK: PLANTING CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION
 LOCATION: PRINCETON AREA
 RECEIPT OF TENDERS WILL CLOSE: 1:30 p.m. on March 29, 2000 at the Merritt
 District Office.
 VIEWING: Office viewing of this project is mandatory. The viewing will take
 place March 23, 2000 at 9:00 a.m. at the Merritt District Office, Hwy 5A &
 Airport Rd, Merritt, B.C.
 TENDER PACKAGE: Documents with envelope, plan specifications, and condi-
 tions of tender can be picked up at the above noted office between the hours of
 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, except holidays or by contacting the
 district office at (250)378-8400.
 ELIGIBILITY: Interested bidders should note that they must meet the following
 eligibility criteria for their tender to be considered.

Relevant Experience
 a) Bidders must demonstrate that they have previously held (within the last
 five years) a minimum of two (2) planting implementation contracts of a
 minimum 250,000 trees each with the Ministry or a Major Forest Licensee,
 one of which must have been in the Southern Interior.
 Quality/Performance
 b) Bidders must have successfully completed all related contracts in the last
 two (2) years; and
 c) Bidders must not have been assessed greater than \$500.00 in fines; and
 d) Bidders must not have had a cancelled contract in the last two (2) years.
 e) Bidders must not have received more than one Notice to Comply on any
 contract in the last two (2) years.

The Tender Conditions contain additional eligibility requirements. Bidders not
 able to meet the above eligibility conditions should not request a tender package.
THE LOWEST OR ANY TENDER NOT NECESSARILY ACCEPTED.

**PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
 MINISTRY OF FORESTS**

TIMBER SALE LICENCE A62337

Pursuant to Section 20(1) of the *Forest Act*, a Timber Sale licence is being
 offered for sale, authorizing the harvest of beetle infested timber.

Closing Date: April 6, 2000 District: Merritt
 Geographic Location: Wolfe-Belgie
 Volume: 3027 cubic metres, more or less
 Upset Stumpage Rate: \$56.64/cubic metre

The upset stumpage rate was determined by the Market Pricing System, and is
 applicable only to coniferous green sawlog grades.
 Term: 3 months
 Tenders will only be accepted from individuals or corporations registered
 as a Small Business Forest Enterprise, category 1.
 Comments:
 1. Species: Lodgepole pine 96%; Douglas fir 4% more or less;
 2. Billing Method: scale based
 3. Logging System: conventional
 4. Logging Season: any except break-up
 5. Access: via Wolfe-Belgie Forest Service Road 35 km to Princeton
 6. This licence requires the building of approximately 0.2 km on block road and
 approximately 0.2 km of access road under an associated Road Permit
 7. The successful applicant will be required to enter into a Road Maintenance
 Agreement with the licence holder of TSL A47998 and TSL A62342.

Applications will be accepted by the District Manager, Merritt Forest District,
 Hwy 5A & Airport Road, P.O. Box 4400, Stn. Main Merritt, B.C., V1K 1B8
 until 2:00 p.m. on April 6, 2000.
 There is additional material which the applicant must consider in their appli-
 cation. This material, application forms, and other information about the Small
 Business Program can be obtained from the above Forest District Office. Specify
 Timber Sale Licence A62337.

**PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
 MINISTRY OF FORESTS**

**INVITATION TO TENDER
 FOR RECREATION SITE MAINTENANCE
 IN THE MERRITT FOREST DISTRICT**

Sealed tenders for the Forest Service Site maintenance services at recreation
 sites located in the Merritt Forest District, for the period of May 1, 2000 to
 October 31, 2000, will be received by the District Manager, Ministry of
 Forests, Merritt Forest District, Hwy. 5A and Airport Road, Box 4400, Station
 Main, Merritt, BC V1K 1B8, until 2:00 p.m. (local time) on April 18, 2000
 and will be opened in public at 2:01 p.m. (local time) on April 18, 2000.

The contracts have been divided into seven zones. They are as follows:
 Zone 1 - Chataway Area - 13 sites
 Zone 2 - Merritt North - 7 sites
 Zone 3 - Merritt West - 17 sites
 Zone 4 - Merritt Central - 11 sites
 Zone 5 - Pike Mountain - 16 sites
 Zone 6 - Merritt - Elkhart - 10 sites
 Zone 7 - Princeton Area - 12 sites

All inquiries should be made to the Ministry of Forests, Lorne Robertson or
 Noelle Kekula, telephone: 250-378-8400 or 1-800-665-1511.
 Tender packages are available free of charge from the Ministry of Forests,
 Merritt District Office at Hwy. 5A & Airport Road, Box 4400, Station Main,
 Merritt, BC V1K 1B8, or the Princeton Field Office, 151 Vermillion Street,
 Box 818, Princeton, BC V0X 1W0 on or after March 23, 2000.
 Bidders must attend a mandatory bidders information meeting to be held at
 the Merritt Forest District Office, Hwy. 5A & Airport Road, on April 6, 2000
 at 9:00 a.m. (local time).
 The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted. Contract will be
 awarded subject to available funding.

Town of Princeton

INVITATION TO TENDER

**Princeton & District Museum & Archives
 POLLARD WING EXPANSION**

The Town of Princeton invites Tenders on the construction of
 the Pollard Wing Expansion of the Princeton Museum.

- Construct 15' x 60' (960 square feet)
- Preparation and moving of Fire Truck shed
- Removal of 16' of display shed and fence

Plans and specifications may be obtained at the Town of
 Princeton office.
 Sealed tenders marked "Pollard Wing Expansion" will be
 received at the Town of Princeton office, 169 Bridge Street,
 before 4:00 pm, Friday April 14, 2000. All tenders received
 after above stated date and time will be returned to the
 Tenderers unopened and will not be considered.
 The Town of Princeton reserves the right not to accept lowest
 or any tender received.



The newest building on Bridge Street is designed to look old, to fit into the old west theme. It is as modern as today on the inside, and utilizes some of the best energy-efficient technology available.

Princeton Light and Power

New replaces old on Bridge Street

Princeton - A new building has been taking shape in downtown Princeton during the winter months and is now open for business. The old building on Bridge

Street, dating back to 1911, was torn down last fall to make way for the new Princeton Light and Power headquarters. The new building was designed to look

old, to fit into PLP's frontier image and conform to the Princeton downtown theme. It is anything but old in its construction. It may be the most energy efficient buildings in the Similkameen Valley.

The design incorporates the introduction of new energy management concepts. Local contractors were trained in the finer points of installing and operating new technologies now available to help use energy more wisely. The number of windows was kept to a minimum, but the design gives maximum lighting. Energy efficient lighting and window fixtures, proper insulation values, and efficient heating/cooling systems which allow maximum use of "off peak" energy to lower the costs of power purchases. PLP committed to the advancement of these energy management technologies through the formation of its PASS Energy Management Division in 1999.

The new customer service area is much larger, allowing room for displays and merchandising of energy efficient products along with vastly improved customer service facilities. This area is fully accessible and equipped for use by handicapped persons.

The upper level of the building includes private office space, a training facility, a staff area, and work areas for engineering, mapping and technical services.

CORRECTION

Princeton - Councillor Dan Sulentic wishes to clarify that he did not reveal any amount for the cost of putting water into the business park. Although the statement was made during his report to Council, Mayor Randy McLean made that statement.

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PROPOSED RANGE USE PLANS

Notice is hereby given that Myra Brewer, of Buckhorn Ranch within the Merritt Forest District, will make available for public viewing a proposed range use plan for the area located in the vicinity of Elliot Creek.

The proposed plan contains the location of the grazing area, proposed levels of use, grazing schedules that detail livestock number, nature and duration of use, location of any proposed range developments and actions required to meet objectives for integrated resource management. The plan is available for review by resource agencies and the public before approval is considered by the Ministry of Forests.

The proposed range use plans will be made available for public viewing until April 19, 2000, at Buckhorn Ranch during the following hours: By appointment. Phone 295-7168.

Your written comments must be made to Myra Brewer at Box 1 A, Comp 5, Tulameen, B.C. V0X 2L0 by the above-noted date to ensure consideration.

PROPOSED RANGE USE PLANS

Notice is hereby given that BJK Investments Ltd. within the Merritt Forest District, will make available for public viewing a proposed range use plan for the area located in the vicinity of McKenzie Creek.

The proposed plan contains the location of the grazing area, proposed levels of use, grazing schedules that detail livestock number, nature and duration of use, location of any proposed range developments and actions required to meet objectives for integrated resource management. The plan is available for review by resource agencies and the public before approval is considered by the Ministry of Forests.

The proposed range use plans will be made available for public viewing until April 19, 2000, at #985 Summers Creek Rd. during the following hours: By appointment. Phone 250-295-3512.

Your written comments must be made to Brad Hope at Box 1629, Princeton, B.C. V0X 1W0 by the above-noted date to ensure consideration.

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Similkameen School

Students see World Champion First Nations dancers

The students of SESS in Keremeos are a very fortunate student body when it comes to experiencing the talent, drama and depth of the native culture. Often throughout the year they have the opportunity to be enter-

tained by some of the world's best dancers and drummers, thanks to top-notch native entertainer and promoter, Jay Begaye. Begaye never misses a chance to share his rich native culture with those of us who live in the South

Similkameen Valley and last Thursday morning he bestowed yet another gift.

In the darkened SESS gym, under a single spot light, three of the "Warriors Dream Dance Troupe" sang, danced and drummed the audience through an hour performance. The leader, Boye Ladd from Regina, who has been dancing for an incredible forty-eight years, shared native myths, danced like an eagle and delighted with his bird calls and warm humour.

The young Cree, Terence Little Tent, danced with hoops making images of butterflies, trees and birds in constant motion. He made it look easy but as Ladd explained, it takes years of hard work and focus to attain the calibre of these dancers. Little Tent is the 1998 World Hoop dancing champion.

The third member of the troupe, Jason Daniels, also a Cree, demonstrated his skill on the native flute as well as several dances in his spectacularly feathered native prairie regalia.

Begaye was in the background accompanying the dancers with his dramatic vocals and drumming. As the performance concluded everyone was invited to participate on the gym floor in a circle dance of friendship and this drew many smiles. Perhaps at the end of this day, the students left with just a little more knowledge and lot more appreciation for the rich native culture that surrounds us - thanks to Jay Begaye.



Dancer Boye Ladd performs the Eagle Dance for students.

THE PRINCETON RODEO CLUB IS HOSTING THE 3RD HERITAGE DINNER

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We invite last years Honourees to come out and support the new Inductees.

Merritt rancher seeks Liberal Party nomination

Princeton - Working close to the land as a BC rancher and businessman for the past 23 years, Dave Chutter has experience first-hand the economic decline of this province under the governance of the NDP. He wants to do something about it. He has declared his intention to seek the nomination as BC Liberal candidate for Yale-Lillooet in the upcoming election.

"It's mainly about change, about getting the job done," says Chutter. He is appalled at the mismanagement of provincial affairs by the NDP government that brought economic disaster to BC while other provinces have flourished.

"Our province offers immense opportunity," Chutter stated. "I want to get involved to ensure, by speaking out regardless of potential repercussions, that change is indeed made and the opportunity to succeed here in BC is realized."

With a family of six children, Chutter, 45, is the manager and principal owner of Chutter ranch Ltd., a property he purchased with his parents in 1977. In addition to an 800 cow/calf operation, Chutter Ranch Ltd. is also involved in gin-seng production and marketing of brand name beef products through a subsidiary company Ranchland Natural Beef.

Chutter graduated from the University of British Columbia in 1977 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture Economics and obtained Professional Agrollogist status in 1980.

Always active in the community, Chutter held the presidency of the

Nicola Stock Breeders Association for four years and was a director for 10 years, a director of BC Cattlemen's Association for four years, helped establish the Nicola Valley Aquatic Centre, was a founding member of the Nicola Watershed Community Round Table, a participant in the Fraser River Greenplan Nicola Corridor Project sits on the Nicola Dam Advisory Committee, and has always been active in his children's school, community sport and 4-H activities.

Chutter became involved with the BC Liberal Party in 1996, serving as Policy and Constitution Chair from 1996-1999 for the Yale-Lillooet Riding Association, and is currently Riding Association Vice-President.

Easter weekend It's time for a rodeo!

It's Chopaka Easter Jackpot Rodeo time and organizer, Nancy Allison, promises there is always something for everyone.

Circle April 23rd, Easter Sunday, on your calendar for the 9:00 a.m. "timed events" start that you do not want to miss.

At high noon the rough stock starts, which means bull riding etc., as well as the cow milking contest which, Nancy says, "isn't for kids!"

Watch this paper for more information as the line-up is confirmed.

Village wants to investigate and fingerprint business owners

After Gary and Valerie Gattrell bought the Onsis Motel in Keremeos recently, they learned they would have to take out a business license issued to the individual not the business. When they applied for the license at the Village office, it was pointed out to them that under the new Business License By-Law No. 591, 1999, Gattrell is required to undergo a Criminal Record check and give permission to be fingerprinted if necessary.

Gattrell was outraged that such an invasion of privacy was passed by last year's Village council and intends to do something about it. To date he has complained to the provincial Human Rights Commission, called Rafe Mair, appeared before the new Village Council and lodged an official complaint with the provincial Privacy Commission. His concerns are under consideration with the Keremeos Village Council.

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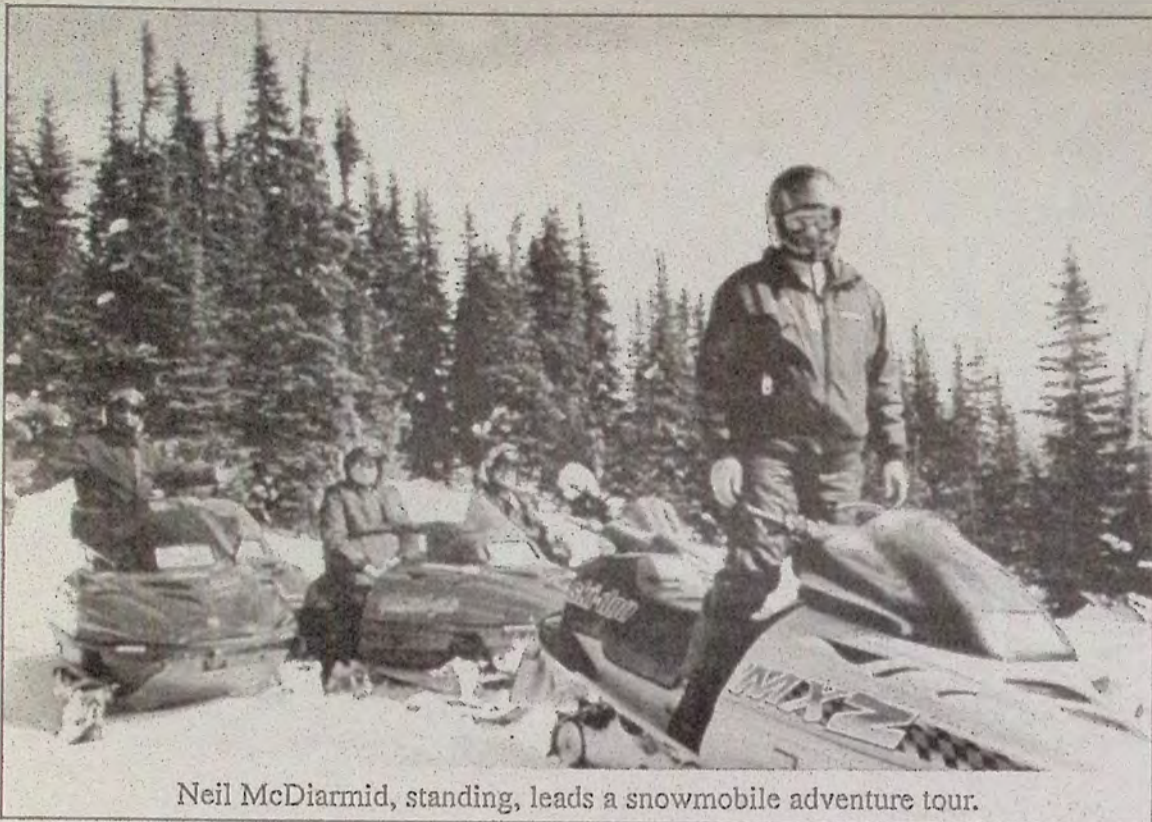
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	Princeton Welcomes Relay 2000:	6pm
April 22	Princetons' Celebration Day:	8am-?
	for details contact Lyle Thomas: 295-7222	
	Princetons' Walk Across Canada:	1pm
	for details contact Lyle Thomas: 295-7222	
	Take a Hike With Us in Osprey Lake:	3pm
	for details contact Joanne Roberts: 295-6607	

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Neil McDiarmid, standing, leads a snowmobile adventure tour.

This is a great time for snowmobiling

Similkameen - This is the prime season for snowmobiling. Temperatures are warmer, the snow is nicely packed and the sun shines often. The snow is at the higher elevations, up in the high plateaus that border the Similkameen and Tulameen Valleys. These plateaus offer great snow trip opportunities along with some of the most spectacular scenery anywhere in the world.

The key to going into the best places is knowledge of the terrain and the access roads. This is where a guide comes in handy, as snow machines must be transported to a suitable location before the trip can begin.

Reichert's Sales and Service and Tulameen Adventure Tours are businesses in Tulameen who specialize in just this sort of snowmobile advice, and can outfit those who do not have their own machines and equipment.

Safety demands that snowmobilers go in a group, or at least two at a time, in case of problems. It is essential that others know the route to be taken and the approximate time of return. If a machine breaks down, or an accident occurs, the lone snowmobiler is at the mercy of the wilderness.

As long as safe snowmobiling is practiced, the adventure is one of those great experiences remembered for a long time. In recent months, some tourists have taken snowmobile trips and were awed by the wonders of the high country. According to reports, the trips are often slow, as first-time snowmobilers stop endlessly to take photographs of the outstanding beauty they see in our mountains and forests.

Golf Club starts new year early

Princeton - A new executive and plans for a new year will keep Princeton Golf Club President Glen Weissbach busy for another season. He is working with Vice-President Ryan O'Neil, Treasurer Susan Later, and Secretary Kay Carpenter, as well as new Directors Barry Montgomery, Larry Stevens Jr. and Dinny Mullin. Directors serving the second year of their term are Sharlene Clifton, Dave Roberts and Bill Montgomery.

Membership dues and green fees have increased 10 per cent this year, and a \$100 surcharge has been levied on all members.

Work parties have removed some 80 trees infested with mountain pine beetle.

"We hadn't anticipated that many trees or that much extra work," Weissbach told the News Leader.

Golfers can expect the course to be ready by April 1, the anticipated official opening date.

Members will continue work on the back nine and hope to have it seeded by mid-May.

A new kitchen staff starts this year. Ina Hartmann has been awarded the kitchen contract.

Rob Fulton will continue as CPGA golf professional.

Weissbach expects the expansion to 18 holes will be very good for Princeton. He notes the club now employs six more people than in the past, and predicts more employees, and more revenue for local business.

Cathedral Lakes celebration

Pow-wow planner drums up sponsors

Similkameen - Jaye Begaye does not know if the annual Cathedral Lakes pow-wow will happen this year. The problem is finding the \$25,000 worth of sponsorships needed to pay drum groups and dance contest prizes.

"Maybe there won't be a pow-wow this year," Begaye told the News Leader.

The Cathedral Lakes pow-wow takes place at the round house along Ashnola Road on Reserve land. It is held on the long weekend in May and is famous for its beautiful setting, and its special atmosphere. It is a celebration of tradition of native people of the Similkameen Valley, but in many ways, it is more. For many people of native descent who do not have Indian status, it has been a place to meet, mingle and touch their roots. The Similkameens are Medicine Wheel people by tradition, and this tradition is shared with most tribal people in North America. In recent years, the Cathedral Lakes pow-wow has become a big event in the Similkameen Valley, drawing people from Europe as well as from B.C. and U.S.A. It was a feature in The National newspaper in

1999, receiving an entire page in that nation-wide publication.

Begaye has organized the Cathedral Lakes pow-wow with his father-in-law John Terbasket for some years, then with the help of his brother, Everitt White, who comes from Arizona for the occasion. In addition to a need for sponsors, Begaye needs a list of volunteers to help with the work. There is always plenty to do, whether it is taking fees at the gate, making frybread in the concession, or working on security.

"People think we make big money with the pow-wow, but that's not the way it is. This is a celebration of who we are and what we have as our traditions. It costs money," Begaye says. "We can't do it without sharing the work and the cost. That's the only way we can make it happen."

Anyone interested in helping out with a sponsorship or with the work is asked to call Jaye at 499-7056. If he sees there is enough support, he will go ahead with organizing the event.

The News Leader and Princeton Printers will be sponsoring the posters.

PRINCETON MIXED SLOW-PITCH MEETING
MONDAY MARCH 27TH
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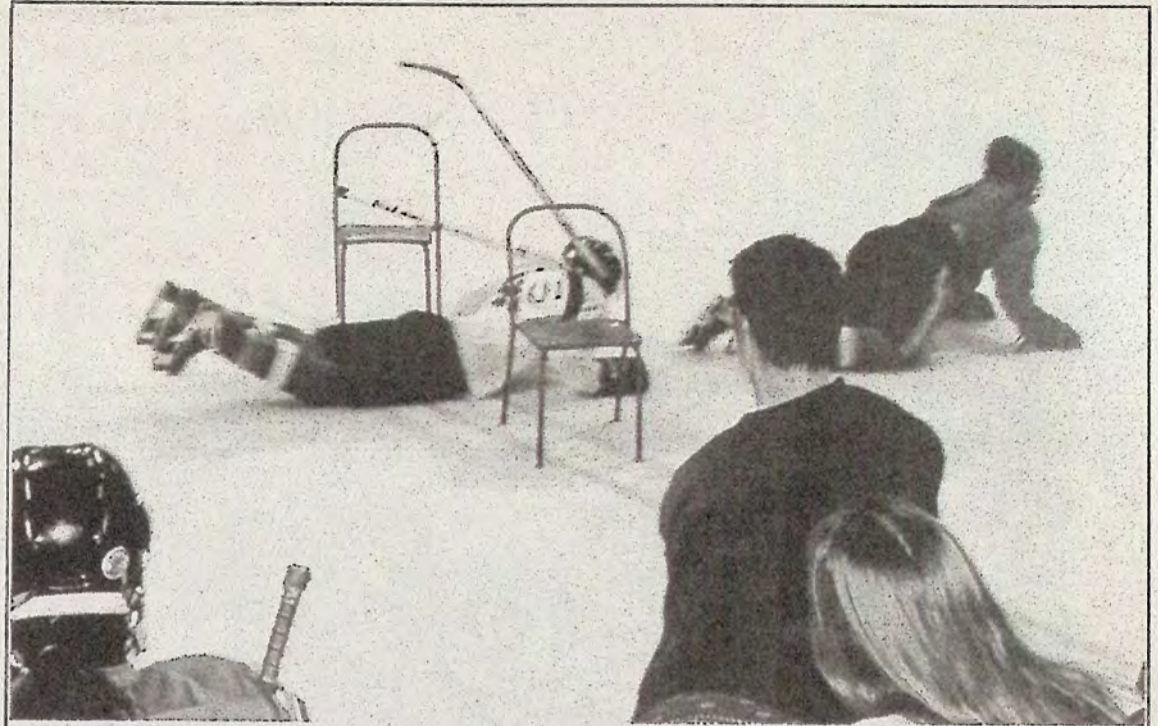
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This does not look like a horse race, but it was the horse race entertaining spectators between periods at the Grad/RCMP hockey game last week. "Horses" were obliged to go down on their bellies to go under the obstacle.

Grads sneak past RCMP in goofy fundraiser hockey game

Princeton - The annual Grads vs. RCMP fundraiser hockey game drew a good crowd to Princeton arena on March 13. The RCMP team was stacked with local hockey players (non-RCMP) and one

RCMP officer imported from Kelowna. The grads team, in terms of percentage, did not have as many hockey players. In fact, some of the team members could barely skate. Nonetheless, the grads' goalie kept

them in the game, and they managed to squeak by with an 8-7 win. Kirk McConnell, playing on the RCMP team, was discovered to have a non-regulation hockey stick, which was sawed off. McConnell could not score on his penalty shot with a shorter stick.

One dispute on the ice was settled with whipped cream pies, which was as violent as the game ever got.

Between period entertainment consisted of a rather unusual horse race

and owners Geri and Anna won purses when their 'horses' finished the course in first and second place.

RCMP players showed rare expertise when forced to play with sticks upside down. They actually managed to move the puck down the ice, and McConnell, on his knees, attempted to sweep the puck past the grad goalie.

It was all in good fun and helped raise money for grad celebrations this year.

The challenging sport of birding

by Matlelon Schouten

Similkameen - Many people think of birding as a very leisurely activity, not much challenge physically and boy, those little brown birds are so hard to see!

This is somewhat true, but by the time you have walked a trail, followed an elusive shape flitting through the bushes, you will feel the effects of fresh air and have the challenge of a list of birds seen, identified and observed their behaviour, listened to their song and feel as satisfied as if you had fast walked up a hill and back down again without seeing anything!

So much can be seen of the bird life in this area, on the lakes, in the forests, the grasslands - they are all around you. The Vermilion Forks Field Naturalists are sponsoring a bird identification course, starting

Wednesday, April 19, at 7:00 p.m. at the Skills Centre. Six two-hour sessions and two field trips (for a very modest fee) will open your eyes to the bird life, both in winter and summer. there are 251 species that have been recorded in the Similkameen area, many of them quite unusual. Course participants will receive print-outs of the lectures, checklists, and maps. Books will be available for

loan. Skins, slides and videos will be used throughout the course. Join thousands of birders in B.C. and elsewhere in the world who engage in this challenging sport and learn to see your home area from a different perspective. For more information, call M. Schouten at 295-7078 evenings, or leave message. Interested people are asked to pre-register or register on the first evening of the course.

Figure skaters performed well in tests

Skaters from Princeton Figure Skating Club from the Junior and Senior CFSA test stream program did well on test days. The club had seven skaters testing in Oliver on March 6 and four skaters testing in Kamloops on March 10. The skaters tested on dance, skills and freeskate. Congratulations to the skaters who received a passing grade in the following events:

In Oliver:
 Rachel Jung - one Preliminary Dance

Lynn Smart - one Jr. Bronze Dance
 Deanna Mantle - one Jr. Bronze Dance
 Ryan Lopes - on Sr. Bronze Dance and Jr. Bronze Freeskate
 Julia Darel - Skill 7
 Breann Phillips - Skill 6
 Diane Wentland - Preliminary Freeskate
In Kamloops:
 Chandra Darel - one Sr. Silver Dance and Skill 3
 Nykayla Stevens - Skill 3
 Deanna Wong - two Jr. Silver Dances
 Lindsey Nesbitt - two Jr. Silver Dances

Lions and Elks go head to head in bowling battle

The Keremeos Lions Club and the Keremeos Elks went to head to head at their annual bowling competition with the Lions coming out the winners. But really everyone in the community won because the two clubs raised over \$300 for the new Health Centre.

It was all in good fun for a good cause and everyone was glad they came out and participated

Chopaka team wins honours

Chopaka - The Young Nikes basketball team went to Toppenish, Washington on March 11 and 12 for a tournament. With only five players on their team, these dedicated youngster had to play very hard in the eight-team competition for those age 12 and under.

They did very well. The Chopaka team placed fourth and won the title "Most Sportsmanlike Team." The five players are Ally Terbasket, Ashla Crane, Cody and Dustin Hance and Tinesha Begaye. Tinesha won all-star status.