



Princeton Youth Ambassador Candidates aided the Canadian Cancer Society with their annual Daffodil Blitz last week. From left, Jennifer Dunn, Madison Johnston, Michelle Derkson, Tiffany Mervyn, Tia Tolmie, Samantha Wasylenchuk and Meagan Thomas. Missing from photo: Kelsey MacDonald and Hannah Donahoe.*

Council looks at proposal for liquor outlets

A proposal to Council by Steve Brodie (JAC Management) will be the subject of a public meeting at Town Hall.

Brodie proposes to move the location of a previous liquor licence (Princeton Hotel) to a new location at 301 Bridge Street.

Brodie states he intends to put a liquor retail store at another loca-

tion, 199 Highway 3, Princeton.

Brodie submitted the required documentation for Town Council's perusal, but Council decided there should be an opportunity for the public to have a say or ask questions.

The public meeting will give Brodie the opportunity to lay his plans before the community.

Petrobank reveals local drilling plans

The Petrobank Coalbed Gas Project is still in the works in the Princeton Basin. Town Council heard the news at a special public meeting at Town Hall on April 2.

Craig Smith and Eric Lindberg did the presentation, beginning with assurances that Petrobank meets or exceeds government environmental requirements as company policy set

by President John Wright. Smith briefly reviewed the well drilled in November 2004, and showed the well head as it looks today. It is in the middle of a field

with a fence around it, a very small object in the photographs.

During the initial study of the area, water wells within a 3KM radius of the well head were tested to establish

a baseline quality of water. The well was drilled 1500m deep. Smith said water from this well was trucked to Alberta and disposed of down a well hole, even though the water seemed quite fresh. Government regulations do not allow for disposal of the water on the surface.

In the past, approximately 30 holes were drilled by coal mining companies to find seams. Smith showed a map outlining the area known as the Princeton basin.

The 2004 hole was not commercially viable.

"There is a strong likelihood there is no commercial opportunity here," Smith told Town Council.

Petrobank plans to drill two wells in the shallower parts of the basin, one in the north sector and another in the south. It might be done this year. If not, and the leases run out, Petrobank intends to renew the leases.

No more seismic testing will take place.

Petrobank will meet with affected landowners before the end of this year, but no dates have been specified for any of the activities for 2007.

There will be opportunities for public information and public opinion before any further activity begins.

Teaching: Not just reading, 'ritin' and 'rithmatic

SPECIAL TO THE NEWS LEADER
by Solana Allison

I was headed into the Overwaitea the other day, picking up a couple of things for dinner. I was in line with the rest of the town, when I became aware of grumbling in front of me. An elderly gentleman was voicing his concern with increasing volume over the wait in line.

Part of the hold up, I discovered, was a flustered teenage boy attempting desperately to sort out some change issues he was having; trying to get a bill back instead of more change. The clerk was gently trying to walk him through it.

Before the red-eared boy had even gotten out of ear shot the gentleman in front of me proclaimed loudly, "I don't know what they're teaching in schools these days, but it sure ain't math." He craned his head around with a conspirational smirk in my

general direction.

The next day I headed up the hill to see 'The Man.' His name is Bill. He is from downtown 'Toronto' if you know what I mean, and he's been around the block.

"My name is Bill Lawrence, I'm a Principal and it still amazes me."

Q: How long on the Job?

"Eight years. Two years here as Vice Principal, four years Principal at Riverside and then this is my fourth year here, at Princeton Secondary as a Principal."

Q: What inspired you to be a Principal? You used to be a forensics guy from back east is that right? And now you're a Principal in a small town.

"I didn't like the forensics and I think we've spoken about that, didn't for whole bunches of reasons and I needed to get into a job that was more people-oriented in a positive way and I had some experience at university TA-ing and I liked it. Boom - got into it. You know, being

from a blue collar background, just being a teacher was like the epitome for my family, cause I'm the first guy with a degree."

Q: Is there a big difference from being a Principal at an elementary school to being a Principal at the high school level?

"Yeah. Issues are different, you know, more all around, a lot more parental involvement at an elementary school. Parents are really interested in each class their kids are going to be in especially if there's a choice of two, those sorts of things. Parents don't necessarily get involved here in which teacher they want or what teacher their child is going to have. We have to have a class makeup that's fair, right? I don't want to speak for the elementary Principals, but there are some kids that take more time than others and you want to try and ensure that there's an even distribution. More academic kids, some kids that require a little more work, some

kids who behaviourally need a little more time with an adult. So you don't want one teacher loaded down with that. We do look at that here, but it's less. You know it's just different because at elementary schools, you have a teaching load as well. Here I'm fortunate that I get enough admin time that I can take care of things, I'm not teaching, at elementary school you are teaching a third of the time."

Q: Holy cow, as well as running the school?

"As well as running the school, and it's very difficult. You know when a parent walks in they don't want to hear that you're teaching. They don't want to hear you're 6.5 percent Principal and 3.5 percent teacher. They want the Principal, and they want them now. So it's tough, but the headaches are less. We have bigger headaches here, drugs - not that it's a big problem or any of that stuff but it is an issue, continued on Page 7

Upper Similkameen Indian Band secures woodlot

The Upper Similkameen Indian Band will receive \$135,000, establish a woodlot and gain access to more than 256,000 cubic metres of timber through two forestry agree-

ments reached with the Province, Forests and Range Minister Rich Coleman announced last week. "A major goal of these agreements is to diversify British Columbia's

forest industry, while creating economic opportunities for First Nations," said Coleman.

"The Upper Similkameen Indian Band will be able to use its new

timber volume to support its existing forestry operations and expand its new furniture-making business."

The band's woodlot volume will

total up to 1,624 cubic metres of timber annually. A second short-term mountain pine beetle agreement grants access to 256,480 cubic metres of wood over five years. Timber volumes for both agreements will come from the Merritt Timber Supply Area.

The Upper Similkameen Indian Band is one of the biggest contractors working in the Cascades Forest District, harvesting an average of 200,000 cubic metres of timber annually. Its forestry enterprises include harvesting, engineering, silviculture and archaeological research. It also runs USIB Wood Products, which ships pine furniture to Alberta and across B.C.

"We believe in pursuing every opportunity to improve the lives of our people and to contribute to the surrounding community," said Chief Rick Holmes.

"The agreements recognized today support that vision."

The Upper Similkameen Indian Band has eight reserves and 65 members, most of who live in Hedley.

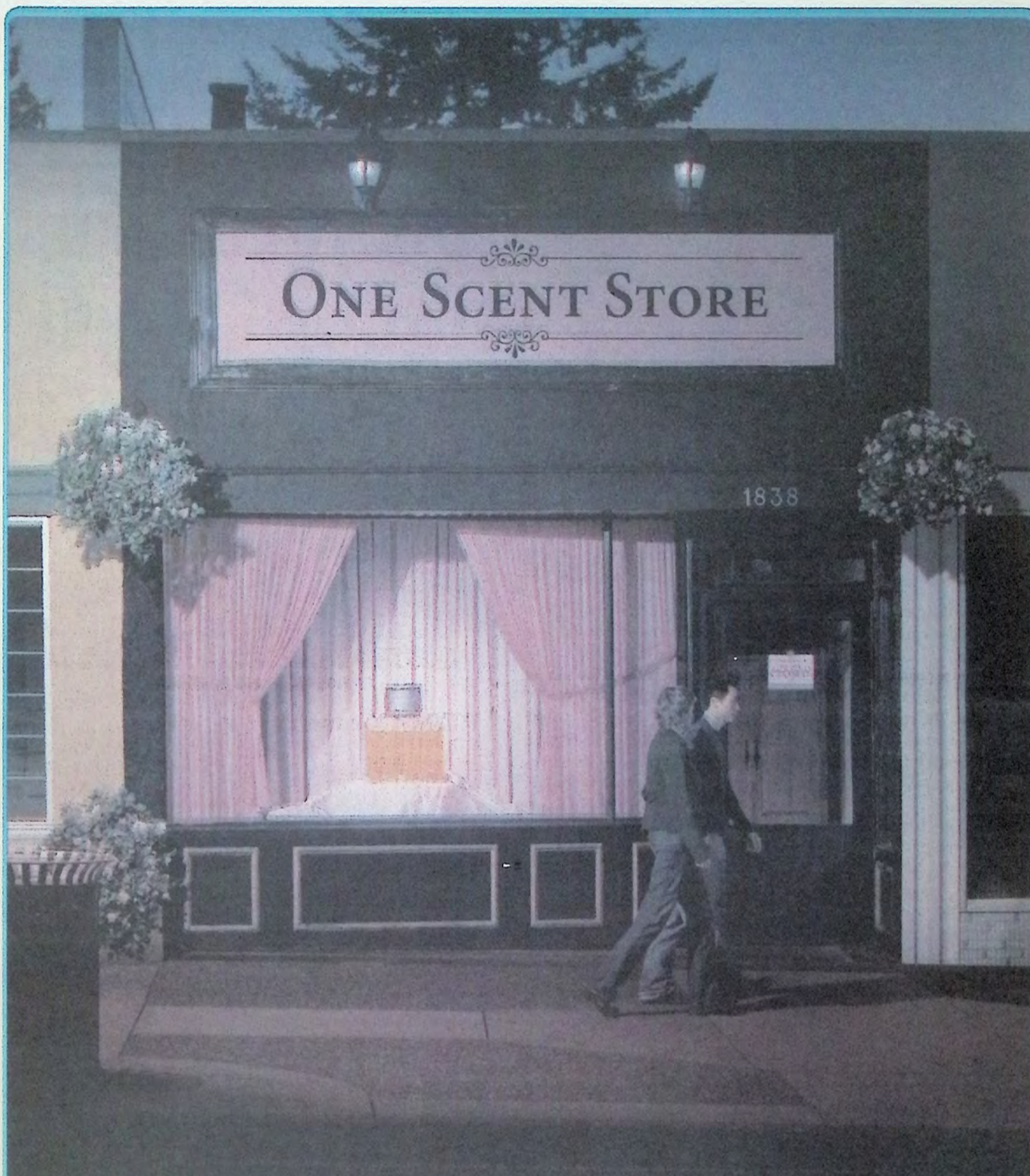
Since 2002, the Province has reached agreement with 127 First Nations, providing \$166.5 million in revenue and access to 24.4 million cubic metres of timber.

Town plans dyke repair

The provincial government has expressed concerns about snow-pack levels and the potential for flooding during the spring freshet this year. The province has established a fund for flood damage prevention. Although the government left little time to apply for funds and do the work, Town Council has applied.

Due to restrictions, conditions and funding limitations by the government, there is only one area that reasonably qualifies for funding. The dyke area between the New Beginnings building and Highway 5A will receive some upgrade work if the project is funded by the provincial government.

The work must be completed no later than May 15. Typically, the peak of the freshet is on the long weekend in May, although the worst flooding has occurred when spring temperatures remained below normal and then the temperature spiked. Both the 1948 and 1972 spring freshet floods occurred in early June.



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Tia is a loud, outgoing and crazy 16-year old who is proudly working and being sponsored by Weyerhaeuser. She was born and raised in the little town of Princeton and can't wait to get out for college where she will be studying acting/drama. Besides acting, Tia enjoys skipping, dancing and smiling. She participates in groups such as Student Council, the Princeton Performing Arts Group and volleyball. Tia enjoys being in front of people and public speaking (basically anywhere in the spotlight). She is an only child so she clings to her friends and loves them very much.*

RDOS regular meeting notes

Manufactured Home Park Redevelopment Policy Adopted

The Board adopted a policy regarding the redevelopment of Manufactured Home Parks to provide for a redevelopment proposal for the tenants of those parks. The policy addresses issues of written notice to tenants and viable tenant relocation plans. This policy applies to areas with zoning bylaws: Electoral Areas

A, C, D, E, F, H, and parts of G. Kenny McLean Memorial Committee

The Board appointed members to a Kenny McLean Memorial Committee. The committee will be planning the establishment and fund raising activities for a life size bronze statue of the late rodeo champion, Kenny McLean.

UBCM Tourism Grants Approved

The Board approved UBCM Grant Applications for the following:

- Area G Visitor Information Centre, Similkameen Country Chamber of Commerce for \$5000.00
- Area F Meadowlark Festival 10th Anniversary for \$2500.00
- Area F KVR Trail Marketing for \$3332.51
- Area H Vermilion Trail Society for \$5000.00
- Area H Princeton Exhibition Association for \$5000.00.

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Orchardists are pruning their trees already in the Lower Similkameen. This row of trees on Armstrong Drive in Cawston was pruned late last week in preparation for the coming season. *

Council approves donations and grants in aid

Keremeos Village Council approved their 2007 distribution of donations and grants in aid at their April 2nd regular meeting. A total of \$3,500.00 was donated to six different recipients: \$500.00 to Kars Under the K, \$100.00 to

Kars Under the K for "Best of Show," SPACE received \$500.00, a total of \$1,000.00 to K Mountain Music, \$100.00 for Hedley Stamp Mill Days, \$1,000.00 as a Rodeo donation and \$300.00 to Similkameen

Country for Canada Day Celebrations.

A total of \$11,200.00 was approved as Grants-In-Aid with Similkameen Country receiving a total of \$5,700.00 for Events and the InfoCentre, Keremeos Museum received \$2,500.00, the Garden Club also received \$2,500.00 as a fee for service and the Keremeos Citizens On Patrol (COPS) will receive \$500.00.

In Keremeos Grants-In-Aid are applied for by various non-profit organizations by September 15th in the year prior to the year for which the grant is requested. Council reviews the applications during their annual budget discussions and, in accordance with Policy 22-03 (Grants In Aid), applications are assessed on a number of criteria including financial need and benefit to the community as a whole.

Donations are requested for specific purposes by various non-profit groups, reviewed by Council as they are received throughout the year and, in accordance with Policy 8-88 (Donations), requests are "assessed on their individual merits."

Village Council briefs

by Dennis Walker, Giant-FM News

COUNCIL LOOKS AT TILMA

Businesses and local governments in British Columbia and Alberta are discussing the Trade Investment and Labour Mobility Agreement and as provincial Ministers move to enter into the agreement, some local governments have concerns about it reducing their autonomy.

Keremeos Village Council resolved at last Monday night's regular meeting to write a letter to the provincial government to advise them the agreement not be imposed on municipalities.

The agreement, in part, is intended to allow a more efficient flow of goods and services and investments between the two provinces.

COUNCIL PREPARES GREEN

RESOLUTION

Keremeos Village Council will be preparing a resolution for the UBCM convention in September which they hope will be forwarded to the provincial government asking them to extend the current reduction of Provincial Sales Tax on alternative fuel vehicles to include fuel efficient vehicles.

The Federal Government's budget identified fuel efficient vehicles as cars getting 100-kilometres for 6.5 litres, or trucks getting 100-kilometres for 8.3 litres or better.

Hybrid vehicles are quite expensive, and the fuel efficient vehicles aren't as pricey, so it's a way to get some dollars back into the pockets of people who can't afford a hybrid vehicle but are trying to actually address greenhouse gas emissions.

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 <p>282 Bridge Street \$260,000</p>	<p>Princeton Lot Area: 6,098 sq ft MLS# 39102</p> <p>Super revenue property on Princeton's high exposure Bridge Street. Multiple tenants a mixture of commercial and residential spreads the risk. Excellent cap rate. Vendor may hold financing.</p>	 <p>215 Angela Avenue \$420,000</p>	<p>Princeton Total Sq Ft: 766 MLS# 34801</p> <p>Exceptional development property. This area is comprised of 7 lots with 2 houses currently rented at \$875/month. Zoning allows duplexes or ? Ideal location just a 5 minute walk to town.</p>	 <p>189 Angela Avenue \$110,000</p>	<p>Princeton Lot Area (acres): 0.17 MLS# 33314</p> <p>Two titles overlooking Tulameen River. Zoned for single family or duplex, just a 5 minute walk to downtown shopping. Ideal for small development. Adjacent properties also for sale.</p>
 <p>4224 Princeton-Summerland \$159,900</p>	<p>Princeton Lot Area (acres): 6.42 MLS# 36416</p> <p>Fantastic lake view acreage right in the heart of cottage country. Parcel is 43km north on Princeton-Summerland Road overlooking Osprey Lake. Bring your building plans, ATV, dirt bike, sled and get ready for year round fun!</p>	 <p>2161 Princeton-Summerland \$233,800</p>	<p>Princeton Total Sq Ft: 1,057 MLS# 39122</p> <p>Wonderful setting. Creek front, mobile home on 5.86 park-like acres. Great deck to lounge away the hours while enjoying your private paradise. Great shop for the handyman with lots of room for your toys! Hurry to catch this deal.</p>	 <p>Lot C Highway 3 E \$423,800</p>	<p>Princeton Lot Area (acres): 0.71 MLS# 35383</p> <p>Fantastic building lot of .71 of an acre near motels and on the highway. Zoned CT which allows hotel, motel, gift shop, restaurant, neighbourhood pub and much more. One of the last commercial lots left in town.</p>
 <p>211 Angela Avenue \$85,000</p>	<p>Princeton Total Sq Ft: 620 MLS# 35779</p> <p>Delightful BR home on a level lot just 5-minutes from downtown shopping. Concrete foundation, gyproc interior walls, pink fibreglass insulation, easy care aluminum fascia, soffits and siding all on a fenced 33' x 100' lot.</p>	 <p>101 Skye Blue Loop \$118,800</p>	<p>Allison Lake Lot Area (acres): 0.50 MLS# 36439</p> <p>Superior building site at north end of Allison Lake. Great views of the lake. This is a super buy, as lot has septic and a drilled well already in place. Ski boats are welcome on this lake and is one of the best fishing lakes in our area!</p>	 <p>28 Bar Street \$229,000</p>	<p>Princeton Total Sq Ft: 1,200 MLS# 34385</p> <p>Princeton's finest builder, Grgich Contracting. 2 lots left with quality throughout. Don't delay to pick and choose your finishing touches, Moen fixtures, energy efficient windows, laminate, Berber, tile? Gas, electric or heat pump?</p>

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RSPs: No parking zone

(NC) - With the passing of another RSP season, many Canadians who contributed to their RSPs may think they're off the investing hook for another year. However, contributing to your RSP - no matter how big or small the contribution - is only the first step. With the pressure to meet the RSP deadline behind you, now is the perfect time to re-evaluate your retirement plan so you can get the most out of your investments.

In a mad rush to make an RSP contribution before the deadline, many Canadians simply park their contribution in a low-return money market fund or savings account. While making the RSP deadline is better than missing a contribution opportunity altogether, simply parking your RSP dollars limits your investment's growth potential.

"Many Canadians park their RSP contribution for one of two reasons," says Julie Sheen, vice president, BMO Term Investments. "Some park their contribution with the intention of revisiting it at a later time. Others are still confused about what an RSP really is and are not aware of all the investment options available."

An RSP is not an investment product; instead it's an investment vehicle designed to hold your retirement savings and investments so they can grow in a tax-sheltered environment. Many types of investments can be held within an RSP such as mutual funds, guaranteed investment certificates (GICs), equities and stocks.

Sheen adds, "Now that the RSP rush is over, it's a good time to

review the investing options available within your RSP and to decide how to invest your RSP contribution. A great way to get started is by meeting with an investment professional at your local bank branch who can help you determine which investments are best suited to your needs."

Overall, investors should aim to create a diversified investment portfolio, which means dividing your investments among a variety of asset types so that you don't have all of your eggs in one basket. GICs and mutual funds are also a good place to start as they contain a variety of options suited to various investing styles.

More information is available online at bmo.com.
- News Canada

Earth Day turns 37 - 7 ideas to help you commemorate

(NC) - This April marks the 37th anniversary of Earth Day, providing an opportune time to think about how you can help address the growing concern of environmental impact from high energy use. A logical first place to start is by making your own home more energy-efficient.

Philips, a global leader in home lighting technology, suggests replacing incandescent lights with energy saving compact fluorescent bulbs in seven key locations in and around your home. This can dramatically reduce energy consumption and replacement costs.

also great places for lighting replacement with an added advantage of the longer life CFLs have. The life expectancy of a CFL when compared to an incandescent is substantial. For example, a 75-watt incandescent bulb has a rated life of 750 hours, where as a 26-watt compact fluorescent bulb has a rated life of 10,000 hours¹.

3. While motion sensors can limit the hours in which your exterior lights are operational, they can also use a higher proportion of energy to turn on and off - making these lights another perfect candidate for an energy efficient lighting solution.
4. Areas where the family spends a great deal of time, often more than 3 hours a day, are prime locations when looking for energy savings. The family room can be one such location.
5. If you have a home office, consider replacing your incandescent desk bulb with an energy efficient household twister such as the Philips 15W Mini-Twister Daylight bulb that gives a cool

white light.

6. CFL chandelier bulbs allow you to make your dining area more energy efficient. Philips is one company that makes a specialized CFL chandelier bulb as part of the compact fluorescent range.
7. A 16 watt dimmable flood light is a perfect replacement for your 65 watt incandescent light in the recreation room, games room or any recessed lighting areas in your home.

Ultimately, by choosing to use CFLs in your home, families can:

- Help cut greenhouse gases from electrical power generation.
- Reduce electricity bills.
- Enjoy longer lasting bulbs (5-7 years depending upon specific usage).
- Contribute to less landfill waste (approximately one CFL for every 10 incandescent bulbs).

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by your Pharmasave Pharmacist Wen Wong

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Some people believe that since marijuana is a natural product, it is not harmful. The truth is that marijuana contains more than 425 chemicals that convert to thousands when smoked. Many of these chemicals are very toxic. There is also a danger from the pesticides and fungicides used to grow the plant that remain as a residue on the leaves and can cause harm. Natural doesn't mean safe.

Most people don't breathe deeply enough. There is a new theory being studied that says a few minutes of slow, deep breathing each day may help reduce blood pressure. It could be that deep breathing helps get rid of excess sodium which can reduce blood pressure. Take the time to slowly and deeply breathe. It's good for you.

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Honey is excellent as a gentle laxative. It contains a large amount of fructose, which draws water into the bowel and acts as a laxative.

Never give honey to infants. Many honeys contain a spore that will cause botulism in infants, but will not affect older children and adults. Doctors say honey should never be given to a child under one year of age.

Honey for cooking: Substituting honey for sugar means you use less honey. One cup of honey replaces 1 and 1/4 cups of sugar. In making jellies and jams, boil a little longer because honey adds extra liquid.

..... continued from Front fights - although we've only had two of those this year. So it's been good in that way but the headaches can be bigger here and the ramifications more in some ways."

Q: What's your favourite thing about being a Principal? What do you like about the job?

"I guess that it's so challenging, that's what I like about the job. It's got all kinds of elements in it, right? You're primarily dealing in people. As teachers, we're in the relationship business; forming, establishing, creating relationships, and all the difficulty of that. All relationships can be difficult, right? And how do you manage that? And then there's the logical part of it: scheduling, and getting course requests, and matching up what teachers want with what kids want, and making sure that your schedule reflects what the kids are asking for, so there's a whole logical, sequential part of it. There's a lot to it and it challenges me, everyday. And you know what? I love the kids."

Q: Is it harder being in an educational facility now than when you first started out? Is it harder being a teacher now than when you first started out? Is government funding an issue for you guys?

"You know, I can't say funding has been an issue for us, really. I think resources we've gotten, our staffing isn't bad, compared to the provincial average - we are at 18 kids per class, and the provincial average is 24 - so you know, as far as our district goes, we've been pretty good around those issues. Could you always have more? Yeah, you could. Is it a difficult job? It is a difficult job. The hardest thing that teachers have to do is having kids in a broad spectrum of ability within your class and creating an environment within your classroom that is challenging and yet not frustrating for each of those kids."

Q: You told me a story at one point about Communications. How there used to be Communications. One more time.

"Alright the story there, we had between 15 and 50 percent of our grade eleven and twelve students taking Communications rather than English twelve. So taking those courses doesn't open enough doors for you, in my opinion. In fact, it closes too many doors. You need English twelve, because then all the doors are open. When we sat down and talked with the English department, a lot of kids were just choosing the path of least resistance. It wasn't because they didn't have the ability to do English, they didn't want to do it. 'I don't want to do this, so I'll take Communications for now, and I'll get through, I'll graduate.' So a few others and myself decided, 'You know what, we'll just eliminate it. This is not an option.' So the first year we did it, we got all of the grade elevens through, and the next year we got all of the grade twelves through, but one."

Q: You went from having...

"Yeah, basically 15 to 50% to basi-

cally zero percent in Communications."

Q: Was it a lot of extra work to make that happen?

"It was the dedication of the teachers, actually. A lot of co-operative learning. We've had a big co-operative learning initiative here. Guy named Barry Bennett who's a co-operative learning guru, right? And co-operative learning is based around getting kids to work together. People working together is probably the number one skill you see advertised; 'ability to work with others.' How often do you see that in the ads? You know what? Kids learn better. In our staff, nine or ten of us have been through co-operative learning."

Q: We talked at one point about a statistic; Princeton has the least amount of degrees around. Is your hope that if we raise the bar at a high school level, if we expect more from kids, are we going to get a better degree yield?

"The stat is we've got the fewest number of adults in town who have a university degree. Number one in the province for the least amount. What does that tell you? I guess that just tells you we've got a more blue-collar sort of place. Trades are great. Our school is in the top 5% for getting secondary school apprenticeships for our size, for our kids. We're doing a great job there. John Kitts (PSS teacher) has got a bunch of placements for kids to do that and they get advanced standing at college. But as far as that vision goes for university and college, I think that's where we need to work, we need to try and create that."

Q: When you're talking to kids and you're telling them 'Look, you should think about this,' what do you list as a reason? I mean, what is staying in school or going to university going to get you? Number one for me? I say options. That was what my mom said to me, you know? So I just pass that on, Number one: have options in life. Create as many options as you want. You know what? You get your high school degree with great marks you can go to any university, you can go to any trade. You can do whatever you want; you've got way more options. You don't get your high school degree, all of a sudden you can't go to university, so now I'm limiting my life to this narrow section of jobs that I might be able to do."

Q: You have a career counsellor here?

"Sandy Blair (PSS Vice Principal) does that, talks about careers and what options there are. We have a trades night. It's having a vision. I guess for me it's less about what we say as opposed to what we do. We take our grade elevens and twelves to Kamloops to see the University there, to Kelowna to see the college and university there. And to Penticton to see the college there. Our grade elevens had an exercise where they had to register for classes online. Because that's what all the universities and colleges do now."

Q: And that's a new initiative?

"Penticton just set it up for the first time this year, but we will do it again next year."

Q: Could there be better community support around our kids? Schools pick up a lot of slack.

"It's a safe place for kids. I guess on one hand, I really want to say the community does support us really well, especially in the coaching and volunteer departments. We have, right now, 12 community people that come in and help us with our sports and coaching. Our community supports us really well with scholarships. We give over thirty thousand dollars in scholarships to grads on a yearly basis."

Q: What would you like to see in the community that would be beneficial to kids?

"Probably somewhere to hang out. I see kids hanging around downtown, you know, smoking their cigarettes. A gym that's open in the evenings, or a games room, a hang out joint, right? Kids are going to hang out somewhere."

Q: A safe hang out joint.

"Yes a safe hang out joint, not the streets. Streets bother me."

Q: Best thing going for you?

"Hardworking staff. I go around at lunch all the time. I counted 93 kids one day in classes or the library, or the gym, or the computer room. Working with teachers. So out of our 215 kids we've got 93 engaged in the classrooms, because why? Because staff are giving up their lunch hours to go and work with kids."

So in answer to the gentleman's question; what they are teaching these days is: English 12, not Communications, what they are teaching is co-operative learning, and how to prepare for the future so kids have options.

What they are striving for is a place for kids to exist in the world and in our Town. What they are trying for is Vision.

It's so easy to blame the schools, to point and say this is why our Youth have gone awry.

We start to do things - we like to yell at the government for lack of funding, we like to stand the nuclear family cookie cutter shape up and trot it around the 'if only' corale and sing about the days of when.

We say outrageous things like teachers don't care.

I say it takes incredible heart to be a teacher.

How many jobs or vocations are there where the employees regularly give up their lunch hours or donate more of their time to do more of the same work?

We complain when we begin to feel uncomfortable and inadequate around the pitfalls of modern teenage hood (of which there seems to be an endless supply).

We look for the scapegoat, not the answers.

As my dear old mom used to say 'Sometimes you hafta look at what's right before you can figure what's wrong, it's part of takin' stock.'

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We looked for blossoms last week to prove that Spring was actually here. We got as far as a small orchard on Armstrong Drive in Cawston before we found any blossoms. This apricot blossom was the only one open on this tree and we were lucky enough to snap a photo just as an ant was inspecting it. *

MP sends books to area schools

Alex Atamanenko, MP, and Paul Edney, Director for the We Are What We Do Society in Canada have sent a book to all schools and public libraries in the BC Southern Interior.

The book is 'Change the World for Ten Bucks - 50 actions to change the world and make you feel great,' a not-for-profit venture inspiring people to use their everyday actions to change the world and have fun while they are at it.

"As a former teacher, I knew this book would resonate with young people," said Atamanenko.

"It's simple and entertaining and, best of all, there are lots of actions to choose from so there is something everyone can find to do."

Some of the actions included in the book are: decline plastic bags wherever possible (Action #02), hug someone (Action #05), install

at least one energy saving light bulb (Action #07), learn to be friendly in another language (Action #18), turn off unnecessary lights (Action #21), turn off the tap while brushing your teeth (Action #31) or write to someone who inspired you (Action #35).

Paul Edney, a resident of Nelson BC, said, "Many of us feel paralyzed when we think of the global issues facing the world; this feeling especially affects children. They think 'What can little me do to make a difference?' Change the World for Ten Bucks empowers kids and adults alike with simple actions they can do. When you multiply these action by many people doing them you get some pretty amazing results."

Take Turning the tap off while brushing our teeth for instance. Leaving the tap on wastes up to 9

liters of water a minute or 26,000 liters of water per family, per year. The book tells us that this means your street alone could fill an Olympic sized swimming pool each year. And in case you were wondering, an Olympic sized swimming pool holds 2,500,000 liters of water.

"Having Alex's support has been fantastic. Not only did he bring the book to attention at a federal level, now he's helping to inspire the kids in his riding to make a difference. I'm very appreciative of his support," added Edney.

"I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Paul Edney for making this book available to the public," said NDP MP.

"Hopefully he and I will be able to meet the leaders of our federal parties, including the Prime Minister, in the not too distant future."

Council gives theatre group applause

Princeton Performing Arts was given a big pat on the back at the April 2 Town Council meeting.

Councillor Ray Jarvis reported on the activity of the Arts Council during the meeting, making special mention of the theatre group about to make its public debut with a production of *The Mousetrap*.

Councillor Jarvis remarked on the transformation of the gym at Riverside Wellness Centre, praising the group for the work they have done.

He went on to describe Arts & Culture Week activities and urged Council to attend both the drama presentation and the ballet.

Councillor Pam Jones introduced

a motion to have all members of Council attend the play, but the motion was deemed unnecessary, as all planned to attend. Mayor Randy McLean will attend the final performance of *The Mousetrap* to proclaim the beginning of Arts & Culture Week.

At the end of the meeting, Arts Council President Dawn Johnson reminded Council they had invested (through a grant) in this first theatre group play.

Councillor Jim Manion responded, "Then we have to go to see what our investment is doing."

Council was urged to attend the ballet, too, on April 29.

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Allison Lake still has ice and shows it can use a lot more water before it is full. Photo: Dawn Johnson.

Skills Centre prepares for busy Spring

Princeton & District Community Skills Centre has a number of programs coming up in April and May including:

- Conversational Spanish - Level 2
- Foodsafe - Level 1
- Emergency First Aid (OFA 1 Equivalent)
- Traffic Control Person
- Airbrakes
- Introduction to MS Word
- Supervisor Safety Management

The Skills Centre reminds you that with all programs there is a minimum class enrollment needed to break even on course delivery.

This is why it is always a good idea to at least call the facility to register your interest in one or more courses. This allows for plan-

ning for class size and determining whether or not there is enough interest in bringing a particular course to the Skills Centre.

In other Skills Centre news, the Ed2Go Online Education program is in the process of a classroom upgrade.

"Our online education partner Ed2Go is pleased to announce that they are planning to upgrade the online classroom interface. These changes are being made in response to feedback and suggestions received from partners, students, and instructors. This upgrade will be launched in two stages," explains Skills Centre Manager Sharan Jung.

"The first stage of the upgrade (due later this spring) updates the

look of the classroom. There will be developed a warm and reassuring color scheme that will put even the newest and most technophobic student at ease. A new tabbed navigation system will make it easier for students to explore the classroom, while making better use of scarce screen space."

Jung says the second stage (due later this year) incorporates all of the improvements from the first stage, and more.

"A new upper menu bar will be introduced to give students convenient, one-click access to all classroom features. Helpful prompts will guide students step-by-step through various course components, helping to ensure that they continued on Page 10



Dry Lake is not up to over flow yet, but is filling and still has a lot of ice. Photo: Dawn Johnson.

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by RE/MAX country's Janice Barclay

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Q. What is considered a proper inspection by the Realtor?

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Laird (MacKenzie) Lake is nearly full with Allison Creek running into it. Photo: Dawn Johnson.



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..... continued from Page 9 don't miss a thing. New classroom customization options will improve accessibility while giving students an opportunity to personalize their learning experience. Also added, some exciting new learning and community-building tools to help students interact, share, and learn more from one another."

If you're interested in previewing the changes planned for the online classrooms, visit the link below.
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For seniors who are receiving the GIS (Guaranteed Income Supplement), filing of their annual income tax return automatically renews the GIS. For more information on the GIS, see the article on GIS information on the Seniors page.

Some provinces have refundable tax credits, which are payable to you even if you have no earnings and have paid no tax. This means they will send you a cheque for the tax credit!

Tax Tip: File a tax return even if you don't have taxable income.

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Water flows into tule pond from McCaffrey Lake. There is still snow down to the edge of the water. Photo: Dawn Johnson.

weekly entertainment guide

TUESDAY, APRIL 10, 2007 THROUGH MONDAY, APRIL 16, 2007



Former Princeton cowgirl Darcy Willis rounds the final barrel in the Ladies Barrel Racing event during Easter Sunday's Chopaka Jackpot Rodeo. *

42nd Chopaka Rodeo results

The 42nd annual Easter Sunday Chopaka Jackpot Rodeo is now in the history books. With a perfect sunny day accompanied by gentle breezes, you couldn't ask for better weather in the rustic Lower Similkameen setting.

In Team Roping the pair of Jackson Louis and Leo Louis took first with the amazing time of 5.89 seconds. Leo Louis also took second place with partner Cecil Louis with 6.34. Third place went to Tony Verbeeten and Josh Ellis (6.85-seconds). The only Princeton teams to score were Terry Wright and Ed Nault (7.55) and Mac Lind with Stan Thompson (21.70).

There were no scores recorded in the Bareback event.

Steve Pozzobon took Calf Roping with a time of 15.43 seconds. Jarret Dais was second (27.76) and

Colter McLean finished third (28.56).

Princeton's Aimee Willis won Ladies Barrel Racing with a time of 16.25 seconds. Marlo Fosbery was second (17.02) and Sheryl Spencer third (17.32). Former Princeton cowgirl Darcy Willis finished with 21.48-seconds.

Falon Fosbery took Junior Barrels with a 18.13. Second went to Angelica Dais with 18.36 and Jorgana Keller was third with 18.47. Christa Kay won Ladies Breakaway with a time of 4.27 seconds. Leanne Niddery finished second with 9.78.

Devon Richter won Saddle Bronc with a 79 aboard Mesquite. Elton Blanchard was second with 69 and Harp Qualtier finished third with 57.

It was 8 to 1 for the bulls in

Bullriding. Wade Marchand was the only cowboy to reach the 8-second mark and scored 76 on a bull named Bert.

The next Similkameen Valley Rodeos are Princeton's CPRA event - Mother's Day weekend (Bull-A-Rama the Friday night, Rodeo both Saturday and Sunday) and the Keremeos Elks BCRA event on the May long weekend.

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Chelsey Deacon in the Ladies Breakaway event during Chopaka Easter Sunday Rodeo. *



Vincent Disautel rides Ocean Side in the Chopaka Easter Sunday Rodeo bullriding event. *

..... continued from Page 10 novice to accomplished user. Upgraders from earlier versions of Photoshop Elements are welcome as well. If you have never taken an Ed2go class before check out www.ed2go.com/princetoncsc for over 300 online delivery courses in a wide variety of general interest subjects.

"We have had good interest and feedback from participants of this educational alternative. Programs in the Spring calendar start April 18 and May 16, 2007. Programs last 6 weeks with 2 lessons per week for a total of 12 lessons. A wide range of programs including computers, accounting, business, management, personal care, literacy and much more," Jung says.

The Skills Centre Board will be meeting April 12th to determine the budget and direction for the upcoming year followed by preparations for the annual general membership meeting in June.

If you are interested in becoming a member or a Board member and actively directing the activities of this educational service provider, contact Jung or one of these Board Members: Jim Manion or Jaymie Atkinson.



Harp Qualtier cashes in some Air Miles with this ride on Tall Toes in the Saddle Bronc event at Chopaka Rodeo Easter Sunday. *

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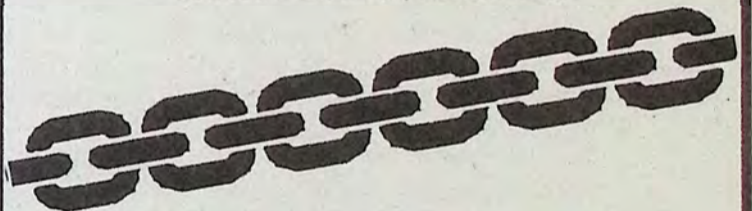
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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11, 2007

Table of TV schedule for Wednesday, April 11, 2007. Columns: Time, Channel, Program Name, and Program Description. Rows: 6 AM to 11:30 PM.

Horoscopes

April 11 - 18, 2007

Aries - You now enter a period when things go better for you, but you are still keeping your worries and fears secret. Now would be a good time to talk about your concerns.

Taurus - Money could come your way now, or you could gain through gifts, or debts owed to you. You need to be careful what you say, as you can spoil things with the wrong words.

Gemini - Take a look in the mirror. It might be time to do a makeover to improve your looks. Partner is generous, full of fun. Talk about holiday plans. Family burdens rise in 2008.

Cancer - You would like to travel but career keeps you busy. Your mind is at ease these days. Health is good. Avoid weight gain. Money situation is tight but flexible. Plan carefully.

Leo - Travel plans go ahead smoothly now, but you have to be cautious about spending and be prepared for the unexpected. Partner's plans are like daydreams. Settle down!

Virgo - Partner may be demanding. Career and home life are in conflict, but career runs smoothly. Partner needs ego reassurance. Be open about plans, and express your worries. Be sweet!

Libra - A partner or close friend is in the mood to discuss things. Listen and share. You need a health check-up. Job is demanding. Travel may be necessary, but do it in easy steps.

Scorpio - You feel more creative this week. Activity geared at cleaning, fixing, or remodeling suits your spirit. You want to be physically active. Money comes from investments, taxes.

Sagittarius - Partner is loving and kind, but home life is hectic. Activity on home property brings rewards. Parents may be demanding. You can find creative solutions to problems.

Capricorn - Talk with siblings may be lively, but avoid sounding aggressive. Discussion with youngster this weekend will be very pleasant. Action centers around home, family, children.

Aquarius - Plans with friends can be a source of fun this week. Talk with siblings, children, can be productive. You need to tell others how you feel and what you hope to do.

Pisces - Your energy levels climb, so be sure to do physical things that demand muscle power. You will not feel so restless then. Activity at home on property, or with parents, is pleasant.

Regular Meetings

- Otter Valley Fish & Game Club regular meetings 3rd Saturday of month, noon, at clubhouse
- Similkameen Christian Riders meet at Dairy Queen every Wednesday evening at 6 pm for a ride. To join, show up
- Princeton Writers Group meets every second and fourth Thursday 7pm at Riverside Wellness Centre
- Hospital Auxiliary meets 2nd Monday each month at 2 pm Hospital board room
- PGH/Ridgewood Lodge Foundation meets 2nd Monday, 12:15 Hospital Boardroom
- Hedley Library open 2-7pm Thursdays
- Princeton Paintball Club meets every Sunday at 10 a.m. Contact 295-0673
- Princeton Rifle and Revolver Club meets every Thursday at 7 p.m. from October 1 to May 30 at the indoor range in the Cultural Centre. 295-6150.
- Princeton Fish & Game Club meets first Monday of month at 7 p.m. at Weyerhaeuser training building Call Ray 295-7508.
- Princeton Chamber of Commerce meets every 3rd Thursday at Chamber office 7 pm
- Legion Branch 56 meets 3rd Sunday of month 1:00 p.m. Legion Hall
- Princeton Motor Sports meets the first Tuesday of month 5:30 pm Arena Mezzanine
- Southern Cruisers Similkameen Chapter #53 meets for rides every Thursday night.
- Vermilion Trails Society meets 2nd Wednesday of the month, 7:00 PM in Chamber of Commerce meeting room.
- Princeton GSAR meets first 3 Tuesday of the month, 7:00 PM in GSAR Hall, Rocklin Avenue.
- Princeton Lions Club meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month, 6:30 PM in the Chamber of Commerce meeting room.
- Course Of Miracles Group meets every Tuesday, 7:00 PM at The Anchorage on Vermilion.
- Learn How To Relax and Meditate Group meets Tuesday, 7 PM at Riverside Centre. Last Tuesday of the month will feature a Spiritual Movie.
- U'th Group 7 PM, 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, Living Water Church.
- U'th Social Night 7 PM, 2nd and 4th Fridays, Living Water Church
- Princeton Badminton Club welcomes new members. Mondays 7:30 - 9:30 PM PSS Gym

thursday movies

MORNING

- 7:00 am WTBS (3) ★½ "Turbulence" (1997, Suspense) (PA) Ray Liotta. A scuffle aboard a 747 bound for New York frees a murderer-in-transit, kills the pilot and puts a stewardess at the helm. (E)
- 10:00 am CITY (29) "Murder at My Door" (1996, Suspense) Judith Light. A woman's efforts to hold her troubled family together are threatened following the murder of a neighbor's daughter. (E)

EVENING

- 7:30 pm WTBS (3) ★★ "Enough" (2002, Suspense) (PA) Jennifer Lopez. After running away fails, a terrified woman empowers herself in order to battle her abusive husband. (E)
- 9:40 pm WTBS (3) ★★ "The Hand That Rocks the Cradle"

(1992, Suspense) Annabella Sciorra. To carry out her plan of revenge, an unhinged woman charms a Seattle couple into hiring her as a nanny. (E)

10:06 pm CITY (29) ★½ "Superstar" (1999, Comedy) Molly Shannon. An energetic schoolgirl hopes to win a talent contest where a prize as a movie extra might lead to her first kiss. (E)

11:55 pm WTBS (3) ★★ "Enough" (2002, Suspense) (PA) Jennifer Lopez. After running away fails, a terrified woman empowers herself in order to battle her abusive husband. (E)

friday movies

MORNING

- 7:00 am WTBS (3) ★ "The Bachelor" (1999, Comedy-Drama) Chris O'Donnell. A man learns he will inherit \$100 million only if he marries before his 30th birthday, 27 hours away. (E) (DVS)
- 10:00 am CITY (29) ★★ "G.I. Blues" (1960, Comedy) Elvis Presley. A musically-gifted GI stationed in Germany forms a group with two other soldiers while romancing a cabaret performer. (E)

AFTERNOON

- 5:00 pm CITY (29) ★★ "White Chicks" (2004, Comedy) Shawn Wayans. Premiere. Two male FBI agents pose as female socialites to foil a kidnapping plot and save their jobs. (In Stereo) (E)

EVENING

- 7:30 pm FAM (26) ★ "Mr. Magoo" (1997, Comedy) Leslie Nielsen. Government agents and a beautiful thief pursue a myopic millionaire who unknowingly possesses a valuable gem.
- 8:00 pm KNOW (5) ★★ "Much Ado About Nothing" (1993, Comedy) Kenneth Branagh. Shakespeare's Don Pedro pairs

Benedick and Beatrice and woos Hero for Claudio around a lively Italian villa. (E)

10:06 pm CITY (29) "Black Widower" (2006, Suspense) Kelly McGillis. Authorities become suspicious about a man whose wives have died under mysterious circumstances. (In Stereo) (E)

9:00 pm FAM (26) ★★ "Prefontaine" (1997, Biography) Jared Leto. Olympic defeat matures a selfish distance runner into a sports activist before his 1975 death in a car crash.

9:30 pm WTBS (3) ★½ "Sweet November" (2001, Romance) Keanu Reeves. A workaholic executive and an unconventional woman agree to a personal relationship for a trial period of one month. (E)

10:06 pm CITY (29) "Total Romance: The Initiation" (2002, Adult) Alexander Lindqvist. A young woman ends her relationship with a first-rate computer hacker. (E)

10:45 pm FAM (26) ★★ "My Favorite Martian" (1999, Comedy) Christopher Lloyd. A befuddled martian crash-lands on Earth, assumes human form and befriends a TV-news producer.

11:00 pm SPIKE (44) ★½ "Legend of the Swordsman" (1991, Action) Jet Li. A traveling martial artist and his companion face an evil sorcerer who possesses magic scrolls.

Similkameen News Leader Community Calendar

MAY

- 5 - Stamp Mill Days, Hedley
- 11 - Bull-A-Rama, Princeton Rodeo Grounds
- 12, 13 - 6th Annual Princeton Pro Rodeo, Princeton
- 13 - Mother's Day
- 19-21 - Hedley Slo-Pitch Tournament
- 19-21 - Keremeos Elks Rodeo, Keremeos Rodeo Grounds
- 21 - Victoria Day
- 24-27 - Music Under The K, Keremeos

JUNE

- 17 - Father's Day
- 29 - Princeton Racing Days, Sunflower Downs
- 29, 30 - Princeton Canada Day Weekend Celebrations

JULY

- 1 - Canada Day
- 1, 2 - Princeton Canada Day Weekend Celebrations

AUGUST

- 5 - Kars Under the K - Keremeos

SEPTEMBER

- 1, 2, 3 - Slo-Pitch Tournament, Hedley
- 15 - Similkameen Sizzle, Keremeos
- 16 - Terry Fox Run, Keremeos, Princeton
- 18 - George & Brenda's Anniversary!

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Recipe Corner (Recipe #162)
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Cheesy Mushroom Packet

Preparation Time: 2 minutes. Cooking Time: 10 minutes.
This is a delicious and fast way to cook mushrooms on the barbeque while grilling steak, burgers, chicken or fish.
Try crimini or a mixture of mushrooms for a change.

Ingredients

- 8 oz sliced fresh Mushrooms (250 g)
- 2 tsp fresh minced oregano (10 mL) OR 1/2 tsp dried oregano (2 mL)
- 1 cup shredded old cheddar cheese (250 mL)

Method

Place sliced mushrooms in lightly greased foil pie plate or in a large rectangular piece of heavy foil. Sprinkle with oregano and top with cheddar cheese. Cover with foil and grill over high heat for 5-10 minutes or until bubbling and cheese melts.
Makes 2 Servings.

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FRIDAY, APRIL 13, 2007

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saturday movies

MORNING
 7:00 am WTBS (3) ★½ "Sweet November" (2001, Romance) Keanu Reeves. A workaholic executive and an unconventional woman agree to a personal relationship for a trial period of one month. (E)
 9:45 am WTBS (3) ★½ "Hardball" (2001, Drama) Keanu Reeves. A sports junkie agrees to coach Little League Baseball in Chicago in order to pay his gambling debts. (E)
 11:30 am CITY (29) ★★ "Holy Man" (1998, Comedy-Drama) Eddie Murphy. Sales skyrocket when a burnt-out TV programmer puts a guru on his home shopping network. (E)
 11:50 am WTBS (3) ★★ "I Spy" (2002, Comedy) (PA) Eddie Murphy. A special agent and a boxing champion travel to Budapest, Hungary, to locate an arms dealer and a stealth bomber. (E)

AFTERNOON
 12:00 pm FAM (26) "The Bike Squad" (2003, Drama) Braden Parkes. Unable to spend time with his divorced father, a boy befriends a group of cyclists. (E)
 1:30 pm FAM (26) "Cow Belles" (2006, Comedy) Alyson Michalka. Forced to work for their wealthy father, two teenagers try to save his business when money goes missing. (E)
 2:00 pm WTBS (3) ★½ "Blue Streak" (1999, Comedy) (PA) Martin Lawrence. A jewel thief returns to a construction site to retrieve his cache and finds a police station on the spot. (E) (DVS)
 YTV (18) ★★ "Pokémon Heroes" (2003, Fantasy) Voices of Veronica Taylor. Animated. Two thieves go to an island city to steal a giant jewel that has immense powers. (In Stereo) (E)
 4:30 pm SPIKE (44) ★★ "Mad Max Beyond Thunderdome" (1985, Science Fiction) Mel Gibson. Aunty Entity will return Mad Max's camels if he fights the giant Blaster in a barbaric caged arena. (E)

EVENING
 6:00 pm CITY (29) ★★ "Suddenly Naked" (2001, Romance-Comedy) Wendy Crewson. A middle-aged author falls for a fledgling writer who is half her age. (E)
 7:00 pm WTBS (3) ★★ "National Security" (2003, Comedy) (PA) Martin Lawrence. Two Los Angeles security guards try to stop a criminal mastermind and his gang of robbers. (E)
 YTV (18) ★★ "Gremlins" (1984, Fantasy) Zach Galligan. An inventor gives his son an odd little creature which multiplies into monsters which wreck the town. (E)
 8:00 pm CHBC (4) KXLY (10) ★★ "Shark Tale" (2004, Comedy) Voices of Will Smith. Premiere. Animated. A bottom feeder pretends

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sunday movies

MORNING
 7:00 am A&E (9) ★★½ "The Hunt for Red October" (1990, Suspense) Sean Connery. Moscow, Washington and a CIA analyst track a renegade Soviet captain and his new submarine. (E)
 8:00 am WTBS (3) ★½ "Blue Streak" (1999, Comedy) (PA) Martin Lawrence. A jewel thief returns to a construction site to retrieve his cache and finds a police station on the spot. (E) (DVS)
 11:00 am CITY (29) ★ "The Bachelor" (1999, Comedy-Drama) Chris O'Donnell. A man learns he will inherit \$100 million only if he marries before his 30th birthday, 27 hours away. (E)

AFTERNOON
 12:00 pm FAM (26) ★★½ "High School Musical" (2006, Musical Comedy) Zac Efron. Students conspire to prevent a basketball star and a shy newcomer from singing in a stage production. (E)
 1:00 pm WTBS (3) ★★ "National Security" (2003, Comedy) (PA) Martin Lawrence. Two Los Angeles security guards try to stop a criminal mastermind and his gang of robbers. (E)

EVENING
 1:37 pm FAM (26) ★★½ "Cadet Kelly" (2002, Comedy-Drama) Hilary Duff. A new cadet at a military academy must prove that she is stronger than the upperclassman who wants to break her. (E)
 3:00 pm WTBS (3) ★★ "Rush Hour 2" (2001, Action) (PA) Jackie Chan. Two detectives battle a Hong Kong gangster and his henchmen after a bombing at the U.S. Embassy. (E)
 VTV (22) ★★ "Catch a Falling Star" (2000, Romance) Sela Ward. A film star, tired of Hollywood's trappings, inadvertently gets stranded in a small mill town where she decides to take refuge. (In Stereo) (E)
 4:00 pm YTV (18) "The Sandlot 2" (2005, Comedy) James Earl Jones. A group of baseball-playing friends must retrieve a model spaceship from a yard containing a fearsome dog. (In Stereo) (E)
 5:00 pm WTBS (3) ★★ "Shanghai Knights" (2003, Comedy) (PA) Jackie Chan. Premiere. With help from his sister and a friend, a martial-arts master travels to London to find his father's murderer. (E)
 SPIKE (44) ★½ "Exorcist: The Beginning" (2004, Horror) Stellan Skarsgard. While visiting an excavation site in Cairo, Egypt, a former priest sees signs of demonic possession. (E)

EVENING
 6:00 pm YTV (18) ★★½ "Spy Kids 3-D: Game Over" (2003, Adventure) Antonio Banderas. A boy tries to rescue his sister inside a virtual-reality game created by a madman out to

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to be a fearsome shark slayer after the son of a finned hoodlum meets an accidental death. (In Stereo) (E)
 KSPS (6) ★★ "Moby Dick" (1956, Adventure) Gregory Peck. The captain of the Pequod risks his life and crew in an obsessive quest to kill the legendary whale that maimed him. (E)
 9:00 pm WTBS (3) ★★½ "Bandits" (2001, Comedy) Bruce Willis. Two bank robbers fall for a bored housewife who helps them commit heists across the country. (E)
 KNOW (5) "Inspector Morse: The Sins of the Fathers" (1990, Mystery) John Thaw. The British detective investigates when a member of a family-run brewery's board of directors is found murdered. (E)
 FAM (26) "The Trial of Old Drum" (2000, Drama) Randy Travis. A boy's golden retriever faces death after being blamed for the slaughter of a sheep in 1955 Missouri. (E)
 CITY (29) ★★ "Man on the Moon" (1999, Biography) Jim Carrey. Comic Andy Kaufman uses an unusual performance style, becomes "intergender wrestling champion" and acts on "Taxi." (E)
 10:46 pm FAM (26) ★★½ "Six Days, Seven Nights" (1998, Romance-Comedy) Harrison Ford. An emergency landing strands a New York magazine editor and a South Pacific cargo pilot on an unknown Tahitian island. (E)
 11:00 pm SPIKE (44) ★★½ "Another 48 Hours" (1990, Action) Eddie Murphy. Slick jailbird Reggie hits the street with sloppy policeman Jack, this time to nab a drug king. (E)
 11:30 pm WTBS (3) ★½ "Hardball" (2001, Drama) Keanu Reeves. A sports junkie agrees to coach Little League Baseball in Chicago in order to pay his gambling debts. (E)
 CITY (29) ★★ "Holy Man" (1998, Comedy-Drama) Eddie Murphy. Sales skyrocket when a burnt-out TV programmer puts a guru on his home shopping network. (E)

enslave children. (In Stereo) (E)
 CITY (29) ★★ "Alien vs. Predator" (2004, Science Fiction) Sanaa Lathan. Members of an expedition discover two vicious extraterrestrial races dueling to the death in the Antarctic. (E)
 7:00 pm WTBS (3) ★★ "Shanghai Knights" (2003, Comedy) (PA) Jackie Chan. With help from his sister and a friend, a martial-arts master travels to London to find his father's murderer. (E)
 8:00 pm CBC (13) ★★ "A Little Princess" (1995, Drama) Eleanor Bron. A British Army captain's 10-year-old daughter irks the headmistress of her girls school in 1914 New York. (E)
 9:00 pm WTBS (3) ★★½ "Rumble in the Bronx" (1995, Action) (PA) Jackie Chan. A Hong Kong policeman in New York defends a woman shopkeeper against bikers who want protection money. (E)
 FAM (26) ★★ "The Associate" (1996, Comedy) Whoopi Goldberg. A Wall Street whiz invents a male partner to attract clients for her fledgling investment business. (E)
 9:30 pm SPIKE (44) ★½ "Exorcist: The Beginning" (2004, Horror) Stellan Skarsgard. While visiting an excavation site in Cairo, Egypt, a former priest sees signs of demonic possession. (E)
 11:00 pm WTBS (3) ★★½ "Once Upon a Time in Mexico" (2003, Action) (PA) Antonio Banderas. A corrupt CIA agent recruits a tormented gunman to stop conspirators from assassinating the president of Mexico. (E)
 11:09 pm FAM (26) ★★ "Man of the House" (1995, Comedy) Chevy Chase. A district attorney tries to win over the bratty son of his future wife. (E)

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SATURDAY, APRIL 14, 2007

	WTBS (3)	CHBC (4)	KNOW (5)	KSPS (6)	KHQ (7)	KREM (8)	A&E (9)	KXLY (10)	BCTV (11)	CITV (12)	CBC (13)	YTV (18)	TSN (19)	VTV (22)	DISC (24)	FAM (26)	CITY (29)	SPIKE (44)	TROP (45)
6 AM :30	TBS Storyline	News	(Off Air)	Wild Ne Farmers	(5:00) Today (N)	(5:00) Saturday Early Show	Biography: Cass	Good Morning America	Adventure Hunter	Fishing Fishin	Lunar Jim Doodlehop	Gadget Adrenalini	SportsCentre	OWL/TV Kingdom	MythBusters Outtakes.	Star Racer Overdrive	About You Dharti	V.I.P. Valley Wonka	Dinner FANatical
7 AM :30	Movie: "Sweet November" (2001)	Gold Trails	Sagwa	MotorWeek	News	Madeline	Bio.: Joplin	Good Morning Northwest Saturday	News (E)	News (Live)	Wilbur	Robot Boy	Fishing	Katie-Orbie	What's That About?	Yin Yang (7:20)	Eye on Asia	VI.P. (E)	Mad Abt. Friends
8 AM :30	Keanu Reeves (E)	Body	George S.	Vic. at Sea		Trollz	Sell House	Saturday			Arthur	SpongeBob	SnowTrax	Good Morning Canada (E)	Doctor	Suite Life (8:43) Zoey	Polish Studio (E)	Video Justice	Ned Stacy The Nanny
9 AM :30	(9:45) Movie: "Hardball" (2001)	Farm Rpt	The Magic School Bus	Hometime		Horseland	Spender				World Og	OddParent	Motorcycle		Doctor	So Raven	CityLine (E)	Speakers	Hrseperw Ellen (E)
10 AM :30	Room	Upside	Ask This	Babar (E)	Discover	Driving	Montana	DELL (E)	Make	Tu-Titans	Boxing: Joe Calzaghe vs. Peter	PLAN Canada (E)	Greatest Ever... (E)	Phil	Boy World	NewMusic	Trucks!	Xtreme 4x4	Seinfeld
11 AM :30	Antique	Big World	Americas	Paid Prog.	LPGA Golf: Ginn-Open	Driving	Suite Life	Fishin	Fishing	Cents	Team	Avatar	Manfredo Jr.	Daily Planet (E)	Lost Nuke (E)	School (11:34)	In Fashion	Bullrun	Married... Married...
12 PM :30	Movie: "I Spy" (2002) (PA) Eddie Murphy (E)	PGA Golf: Verizon Heritage -- Third Round. (Live) (E)	Floyd	Ming	NHL Hockey: Conference Quarterfinal Game 2 -- Teams TBA. (Live) (E)	PGA Golf: Verizon Heritage -- Third Round. (Live) (E)	Sons	Paid Prog.	News (E)	Media	Curling: The Tylenol Players -- Championship Grand Slam	Monster Yu-Gi-Oh!	NHL Hockey: Playoffs -- Teams TBA. (Live)	Pringle	Mayday (E)	Movie: "The Bike Squad" (2003)	Countdown to...	Friends	Friends
1 PM :30	Movie: "Blue Streak" (1999) Marin Lawrence.	Powerboat	Dora	Food	Fortune	Discover	Sell House	NBA Ace	'70s Show	Simpsons	Sat. Report	(2003)	SportsCentre (Live) (E)	MTV Shuffle (E)	How-Made	Smart Guy	News (E)	Disorderly Con.	Deal or No Deal (E)
2 PM :30	Movie: "Blue Streak" (1999) Marin Lawrence.	Ride	(3:31) Go, Diego, Go!	Trucks	Dragon (E)	Discover	Sell House	Paid Prog.	Simpsons	Simpsons	Hockey	Ruby		How-Made	Lizzie	FashionTel	Disorderly Con.	What	
3 PM :30	MLB Baseball: Florida	Marriage	Rolie Polle	Wild Things (E)	West Poker Challenge	Access Hollywood (N)	Sell House	Paid Prog.	Simpsons	Simpsons	NHL Hockey: Playoffs -- Teams TBA. (Live) (E)	Daredevil vs. Spider-Man	NASCAR Racing: Busch Series -- O'Reilly 300. (Same-day Tape)	Sue Thomas: F.B.Eye	Greatest Ever...	Suite Life	Bravo! Fact	Movie: "Mad Max Beyond Thunderdome" (1985) Mel Gibson.	Ad Pers
4 PM :30	Marlins at Atlanta Braves.	News (E)	George S.	Summer	News (E)	News	Flip This House (E)	News (E)	Simpsons	News (E)	House		Jim Spirit	Dirty Jobs "Jobs That Bite"	K. Possible Phil	The Collector (E)	Movie: "Sudden Naked" (2001) (E)	Friends	Friends
5 PM :30	(Subject to Blackout) (E)	Room	Meerkat	Lawrence Welk Show	News (E)	News	Flip This House (N)	News (E)	News (E)	CanWest Spelling Bee		Prank Ptr	Ghost	Working with sharks.	Naturally	Darcy	Movie: "The Ultimate Fighter"	Married...	
6 PM :30	Movie: "National Security" (2003) (PA) Willis. (E)	renegade	Nat. Geo. Expl.	Time Goes My Family	CSI: Miami (E)	Without a Trace (E)	The First 48 (E)	Entertainment Tonight	Spelling	Andromeda (E) (DVS)	To Be Announced	Movie: "Gremlins" (1984) Zach Galligan, Phoebe Cates.	SportsCentre (Live) (E)	W-FIVE (E) (DVS)	Angel	So Raven (7:25) Zoey	News (E)	TNA Wrestling Impact!	Deal or No Deal (E)
7 PM :30	Movie: "Bandits" (2001) Bruce Willis, Billy Bob Thornton.	Voices of Will Smith.	"Inspector Morse: The Sins of the Fathers" (E)	Gregory Peck. (E)	Law & Order "Church"	NUMB3RS (E)	Flip This House (E)	Ugly Betty (E)	News (E)	News (E)	Driving TV	Smallville (E)	Jeff Ltd.	Dirty Jobs "Jobs That Bite"	Working with sharks.	Movie Ent	Movie: "Man on the Moon" (1999) Jim Carrey. (E)	Sports	Married...
8 PM :30	Movie: "National Security" (2003) (PA) Jackie Chan.	Mad TV	Wild	Monty Python	News (E)	News	The First 48 (E)	News (E)	News (E)	(11:03) J.R.		Falcon Beach (E)	Motorcycle	News (E)	Angel	"6 Days, 7 Night"	"Holy	Friends	Mad Abt.

SUNDAY, APRIL 15, 2007

	WTBS (3)	CHBC (4)	KNOW (5)	KSPS (6)	KHQ (7)	KREM (8)	A&E (9)	KXLY (10)	BCTV (11)	CITV (12)	CBC (13)	YTV (18)	TSN (19)	VTV (22)	DISC (24)	FAM (26)	CITY (29)	SPIKE (44)	TROP (45)
6 AM :30	(5:30) Movie: "Bandits" (2001) Bruce Willis. (E)	Antique	(Off Air)	Berenstein Cliff Pup	Today (N)	Discover	Breakfast With the Arts	Good Morning America	Pioneers	Foodies	Franklin	Gadget	F1 Racing	Acorn	Dirty Jobs	Star Racer	Mix TV	TNA: Road	Ride
7 AM :30	Movie: "Blue Streak" (1999) Marin Lawrence.	In Touch (N) (E)	Jakers	Bob Build	Jane	CBS News	Movie: "The Hunt for Red October" (1990) Sean Connery.	News (E)	Foodies	Vision	Arthur	Winx Club	Reporters	Good Morning Canada (E)	First Emperor: The Man Who Made China (E)	Yin Yang (7:20)	Eye on Asia	Hrseperw	Mad Abt. Friends
8 AM :30	Movie: "Blue Streak" (1999) Marin Lawrence.	Van Impe	George S.	Jakers	Meet the Press (N) (E)	Nation			News (E)	TribalTrail	Coronatn	Viva Pinata	Score Golf	Suite Life (8:43) Zoey	Festival	Eye-Asia	Hrseperw	Ned Stacy	
9 AM :30	Movie: "Blue Streak" (1999) Marin Lawrence.	Is Written	The Magic School Bus	Fetch! With Maya	3 2 1 Pen	World Finals			Paid Prog.	Hour of Power (E)	Coronatn	Flamingo	Crashd Ice	PLAN Canada (E)	Funnest Animals	Cory	Italiano di Johnny Lombardi (In Italian)	Xtreme 4x4	Ellen (E)
10 AM :30	MLB Baseball: Florida	Jovan (E)	Upside	Foreign	NHL Hockey: Conference Quarterfinal Game 2 -- Teams TBA. (Live) (E)	LPGA Golf: Ginn Clubs & Resorts Open	King Cars	NBA Basketball: Chicago Bulls at Washington Wizards. (E)	Driving TV	War of the Wheels (E)	Moving On	SpongeBob	NHL Hockey: Playoffs -- Teams TBA. (Live)	Wildlife	Genghis Khan	Phil	Movie: "The Bachelor" (1999) Chris O'Donnell.	Bullrun	Seinfeld
11 AM :30	Marlins at Atlanta Braves.	Knockout	Fetch! With Mechanics	America	(Live) (E)	PGA Golf: Verizon Heritage -- Final Round. (Live) (E)	King Cars	American Justice	Hour of Power (E)	Driving TV Extreme	Curling: The Tylenol Players -- Championship Grand Slam -- Men's Final.	Ruby	Drake	Nature	First Emperor: The Man Who Made China (E)	Movie: "The Bachelor" (1999) Chris O'Donnell.	Bullrun	Married...	
12 PM :30	(Subject to Blackout) (E)	Homes	Heads Up	Great Performances		Final Round. (Live) (E)	Sons	NBA	News (E)	PGA Golf: Verizon Heritage -- Final Round. (Live) (E)	Men's Final.	Unfabulous	Question Period (E)	Who Made China (E)	Movie: "High School Musical" (1:37)	Celebrity Poker Showdown (E)	Bullrun	Friends	
1 PM :30	Movie: "National Security" (2003) (PA) Jackie Chan.	Taste	Reach-Top	"Barenboim on Beethoven"	Champ Car World Series	Racing	Cold Case Files (E)		Largo Winch (E)	Largo Winch (E)	CBC News: Sunday (E)	Erly Perky	Grossology	Twice in a Lifetime (E)	How-Made	"Cadet Kelly" (2002) Hilary Duff.	News (E)	Deal or No Deal (E)	
2 PM :30	Movie: "Rush Hour 2" (2001) (PA) Jackie Chan.	Mysteries	Profiles of Nature (E)	Globe Trekker (E)			The First 48 (E)	This Week With George	Big Coast - Room	'70s Show	Simpsons	Game	SportsCentre (Live) (E)	Movie: "Catch a Falling Star" (2000) Sela Ward.	MythBusters (E)	Suite Life	Funnest Home Videos	CSI: Crime Sen	
3 PM :30	Movie: "Rush Hour 2" (2001) (PA) Jackie Chan.	Design	Rolie Polle	Hometime	CSI: Miami "Identity"	Without a Trace (E)	The First 48 (E)	Matthews	'70s Show	Global	Teams TBA. (Live) (E)	Mystery	NHL Hockey: Playoffs -- Teams TBA. (Live)	Scrubs	Mayday (N) (E)	K. Possible Phil	Making It Behind	Movie: "Exorcist: The Beginning" (2004) Stellan Skarsgard.	Survivor: Africa "The Final Four: No Regrets"
4 PM :30	Movie: "Shanghai Knights" (2003) Jackie Chan.	News (E)	George S.	Workshop	News (E)	News	Dog	News (E)	Simpsons	News (E)	Mysteries	Movie: "Spy Kids 3-D: Game Over" (2003) Antonio Banderas.	SportsCentre (Live) (E)	Cold Case "Cargo" (N)	MythBusters (N) (E)	So Raven (7:25) Zoey	News (E)	CSI: Crime Sen	
5 PM :30	Movie: "Shanghai Knights" (2003) Jackie Chan.	Design	Jungle	Monarch of the Glen	Fortune		Simmons	News (E)	News (E)	Brothers & Sisters (N)	Brothers & Sisters (N)	Movie: "A Little Princess" (1995) Eleanor Bron.	Game	Boxing	Life Derek	Party	CSI: Crime Sen	Deal or No Deal (E)	
6 PM :30	Movie: "Shanghai Knights" (2003) Jackie Chan.	Driving TV	Rough Sci				Simmons	Ebert	King of Hill	King of Hill	Movie: "A Little Princess" (1995) Eleanor Bron.	Frank Ptr	NASCAR Now (E)	Desperate Housewives	Mayday (E)	Movie: "The Associate" (1996) Whoopi Goldberg.	Celebrity Poker Showdown (E)	Movie: "Exorcist: The Beginning" (2004) Stellan Skarsgard.	
7 PM :30	Movie: "Rumble in the Bronx" (1995) (PA) (E)	Deal or No Deal (E)	The Last Detective (N)	America at a Crossroads	Deal or No Deal (E)	Cold Case "Cargo" (N)	Dog	Desperate Housewives	Family Guy	Family Guy	Movie: "A Little Princess" (1995) Eleanor Bron.	Frank Ptr	NASCAR Now (E)	Desperate Housewives	Mayday (E)	Movie: "The Associate" (1996) Whoopi Goldberg.	Celebrity Poker Showdown (E)	Movie: "Exorcist: The Beginning" (2004) Stellan Skarsgard.	
8 PM :30	Movie: "Rumble in the Bronx" (1995) (PA) (E)	One Tree Hill (E)	(10:15) Hot Rocks (E)	(N) (E)	Apprentice: LA	Without a Trace (N)	Simmons	(10:01) Brothers & Sisters (N)	Apprentice: LA	News (E)	Can Files	Falcon Beach (E)	Strength	(10:01) Criminal Minds (N)	Mayday "Fire Fight"	Whoopi Goldberg.	Movie: "The Associate" (1996) Whoopi Goldberg.	Movie: "Exorcist: The Beginning" (2004) Stellan Skarsgard.	
9 PM :30	Movie: "Once Upon a Time" (E)	News (E)	Edge	Reflection	News (E)	News	Sons	News (E)	News (E)	Northern	Da Vinci's City Hall	Madison	SportsCentre (Live) (E)	MythBusters (E)	(11:09) "Man of the House"	Access Hollywood (N)	Friends	Mad Abt.	

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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)	CBC (13)	YTV (18)	TSN (19)	VTV (22)	DISC (24)	FAM (26)	CITY (29)	SPIKE (44)	TROP (45)	
6 AM	Dawson's Creek (E)	News (E) Room	(Off Air)	Body Elec. Caillon (E)	News (E)	News	Crossing Jordan (E)	(5:00) News (E)	News (E)	(5:00) News (Live) (E)	CBC News: Morning	Gadget Monster	SportsCentre (E)	News (E) Canada AM (E)	Daily Planet (E)	(6:06) King Spider-Man	Rachael Ray (E)	Star Trek: Next Gener.	Counterstrike (E)	
7 AM	Movie: "Grumpier Old Men" (1995, Comedy) (E)	Life Today 100 Huntley Street (E)	BluesClues Dora	Barney Arthur (E)	Today (N) (E)	The Early Show (N) (E)	City Confidential Amer. Justice	Good Morning America (N) (E)				Zoboo Being Ian Lunar Jim	Yu-Gi-Oh!	SportsCentre (E)		Tsunami: Wave	K. Possible (7-24)	CityLine (E)	Deep Space 9	Night Heat (E)
8 AM	NewsRadio	Body	Bus	Dragon			Discover	Cold Case Files (E)	Regis and Kelly	100 Huntley Street (E)	World Vision	Poko	Off-Record	Regis and Kelly	Daily Planet (E)	Pool	News (E)	Star Trek: Next Gener.	Ad Pers	
9 AM	Cosby	Judge	Rolie Polie	Big World			Discover				The Save-Ums! (E)	LazyTown	Fishing			Bear	City		Inside Box	
10 AM	Harvey	The Price Is Right (N)	Paddington Pancakes	Sesame Street (E)	Ellen DeGeneres Show	The Price Is Right (N) (E)	CSI: Miami (E)	The View (N) (E)	World Vision	Design House	Doodlebop	Jane	SnowTrax	The View (N) (E)	True Crime Scene (E)	JoJo Feet	Movie: "The Bachelor" (1999) Chris O'Donnell.	Deep Space 9	Ellen (E)	
11 AM	Harvey	Seinfeld	Canada-Land	Bob Build Sit-Be Fit	Dr. Keith Ablow (N) (E)	Young and the Restless	24 (E)	Paid Prog.	Judge J. House	News (Live) (E)	The Gill Deacon Show	Mischief Jacob	ATP Tennis: Masters Series Monte Carlo - Early Rounds. (Live) (E)	eTalk (E)	The New Detectives	Higglytown (11:25) King		Star Trek: Next Gener.	The Nanny Frasier	
12 PM	Home Imp.	News (E)	Canada-History	Charlie Rose (E)	Paid Prog.	News	Crossing Jordan (E)	All My Children (N) (E)	News (E)	Days of our Lives (N)	CBC News: Today (E)	Being Ian Flamingo	Masters Series Monte Carlo - Early Rounds. (Live) (E)	Degrassi	Mayday (E)	(11:49) Weekend	CityLine (E)	Star Trek: Next Gener.	Seinfeld	
1 PM	Yes, Dear	Diva Dime	Animals	Fine Art	Days of our Lives (N)	As the World Turns (N)	City Confidential (E)	One Life to Live (N)	As the World Turns (N)	As the World Turns (N)	Living Dinner	George S. Beasts		Sue Thomas: F.B. Eye	Blueprint for Disaster	Dragon Emperor	Big Holly Star! Daily	Star Trek: Voyager (E)	Mad Abt. Frasier	
2 PM	King	Guiding Light (N) (E)	Gaslight Home	Reading Lions	Passions (N) (E)	Guiding Light (N) (E)	Amer. Justice	General Hospital (N) (E)	Passions (N) (E)	Passions (N) (E)	The Gill Deacon Show	LazyTown Winx Club	Interruptio	General Hospital (N)	How-Made Proud	Lilo Stitch	Ellen DeGeneres Show	Star Trek: Voyager (E)	Beverly Hills, 90210	
3 PM	Seinfeld	Room	Hi-5	Arthur (E) Postcards	Judge	Dr. Phil (E)	Cold Case Files (E)	Rachael Ray (E)	Young and the Restless	Young and the Restless	Food Miracles	Mystery Neutron	Off-Record Sports	Dr. Phil (E)	Megalightning	Weekend Lloyd	News (E)	CSI: Crime Scn	Due South (E) (DVS)	
4 PM	Raymond	Days of our Lives (N)	Dora (4:37) Little	Cyberchas Zoboo	Judge J.	Oprah Winfrey (E)	CSI: Miami (E)	Millionaire	Oprah Winfrey (E)	News (E) Global	NHL Hockey: Playoffs - Teams TBA. (Live) (E)	Phantom Robot Boy	NHL Hockey: Playoffs - Teams TBA. (Live) (E)	The Tyra Banks Show	Daily Planet (N) (E)	Barbarian Proud	Friends Hollywood	CSI: Crime Scn	Ad Pers Inside Box	
5 PM	Friends	News (E)	George S. (5:32)	BBC World Business	News (E) NBC News	News	CSI: Miami (E)	News (E) ABC News	News (E) Global	News (Live) (E)	Teams TBA. (Live) (E)	OddParent SpongeBob	Teams TBA. (Live) (E)	News (E)	MythBusters Mentos.	K. Possible Suite Life	Stargate SG-1 (E)	CSI: Crime Scn	Seinfeld	
6 PM	Friends	Body	Fetch! With Caitlin	News-Lehrer	News (E) Raymond	News	The Sopranos "Funhouse"	News (E)	News (E)	ET Canada	Being Ian Ruby			News (E)	American Hot Rod (N)	So Little Darcy	Rules The Bachelor: Officer	CSI: Crime Scn	Married... Married...	
7 PM	Family Guy	Out There	Edge	Served	Jeopardy!	Friends		Entertain The Insider	Entertain ET Canada	24 (N) (PA) (E)	To Be Announced	Sabrina Malcolm	SportsCentre (Live) (E)	eTalk (E) Hollywood	Worst Handyman	So Raven Smart Guy	CSI: Crime Scn	Frasier Grace		
8 PM	Seinfeld	Deal or No Deal (N)	That'll Teach 'em (E)	Antiques Roadshow (N)	Deal or No Deal (N)	How I Met Christine	Driving Dog	Dancing With the Stars (E)	House (E)	The Black Donnellys (N) (E)		Fresh Pr. Weird	Off-Record	Dancing With the Stars (E)	Daily Planet (E)	Suite Life Life Derek	News (E) (8:35) Star!	Oblivious Sports	ET Canada Ad Pers	
9 PM	Commercial	Two Men King	Call It Karma (E)	America at a Crossroads (N) (E)	(9:01) Thank God You're Here	Two Men King	CSI: Miami (E)	The Bachelor: Officer	24 (N) (PA) (E)	House (E)		Mystery Ghost	PBA Bowling	Instant	American Hot Rod (N)	8 Rules Sinbad	(9:05) Jimmy Kimmel	CSI: Crime Scn	Seinfeld	
10 PM	Movie: "Grosse Pointe Blank" (1997) (PA) (E)	Christine	Alternative Medicine	Charlie Rose (N) (E)	News (E) Tonight	News	The Sopranos "Funhouse"	News (E)	News (E)	Entertain ET Canada	The Hour (E)	Madison Hollywood	SportsCentre (Live) (E)	News (E)	MythBusters Mentos.	8 Rules Life Derek	Popular (E) (10:06) Movie: "Late Last Night" (1998) Emilio	Star Trek: Voyager (E)	Married... Married... Ellen (E)	
11 PM		News (E) Room	Canada-History	Charlie Rose (N) (E)	News (E) Tonight	News	The Sopranos "Funhouse"	News (E)	News (E)	Entertain ET Canada	The Hour (E)	Madison Hollywood	SportsCentre (Live) (E)	News (E)	MythBusters Mentos.	8 Rules Life Derek	Popular (E) (10:06) Movie: "Late Last Night" (1998) Emilio	Star Trek: Voyager (E)	Married... Married... Ellen (E)	

monday movies

MORNING

7:00 am WTBS (3) ★★½ "Grumpier Old Men" (1995, Comedy) Jack Lemmon. The wedding of their children and the arrival of a romantic prospect preoccupies bickering Minnesota retirees John and Max. (E)

10:00 am CITY (29) ★ "The Bachelor" (1999, Comedy-Drama) Chris O'Donnell. A man learns he will inherit \$100 million only if he marries before his 30th birthday, 27 hours away. (E)

EVENING

10:00 pm WTBS (3) ★★ "Grosse Pointe Blank" (1997, Romance-Comedy) (PA) John Cusack. A hit man returns to his hometown for a high-school reunion and meets the prom date he stood up years before. (E)

10:06 pm CITY (29) ★★ "Late Last Night" (1998, Comedy) Emilio Estevez. A man in a troubled marriage meets up with a fun-loving friend for a wild night on the town. (E)

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Alfred "Al" Hill of Princeton, BC passed away peacefully on March 22, 2007 at the age of 84 years. He is lovingly remembered by his family; daughter, Deanna (David) Coutts of Pentiction; son, Reg Hill; four grandchildren and five great grandchildren. Al was born in County Down, Ireland in 1913 and moved to Princeton in 1945. A Celebration of Al's Life will be held on Saturday, April 21, 2007 at 2:00 PM at the Senior Citizen's Branch #30 Hall, 162 Angela Avenue, Princeton, BC with Eric M. Goodfellow officiating. Arrangements entrusted to Parkview Funeral Home and Crematorium. Condolences may be directed to the family via e-mail to: parkview@vip.net.

Frank Raymond ('Butch') Schulli



It is with sadness we announce the passing of Butch, age 61, on April 2nd, 2007 at the Prince George Regional Hospital.

Born and raised in Princeton, BC, he was pre-deceased by his father Guerrino Schulli, mother Anne Mullen and sister Carol Schulli. He is survived and will be deeply missed by his sons Jeff (Sheri) and Jon (Lana) and grandchildren Jason, Ashley and Jenna, Sisters Penny (Don) Schreckenberg of Princeton, Patsy White of Princeton, Theresa (Barry) Walsh of Haledan, ex-wife Trudy Schulli, companion Carole, extended family Kim (Rory), Steven, Justin, Corey, Tyler, Tiffany and many relatives and in-laws.

He was employed at Northwood Pulp Mill since 1969, where he had met and made many good friends. His passion for hunting, playing ball, curling and Tom T. Hall led to some great stories and interesting times around the campfires that he loved so much.

A Memorial Service will be held on April 9, 2007 at 10:00 AM at Assman's Funeral Chapel, 1908 Queensway Street, Prince George, BC. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the BC Lung Association in memory of Butch.

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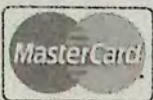
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my turn

Marmots are a 2:1 bet today

Could it be the smell of Spring?

You know, the budding of the trees which leads to those wonderful looking blossoms which leads to runny noses and the sneezes as Springtime allergies kick in.

Maybe it's the result of some of those invisible particles wafting over us as a result of a well-aimed chem trail or something else that's claimed to contain zero emissions but continues to belch out some sort of contaminant that has affected us in some strange and unexplained way.

Maybe it's the result of a not enough to do and a little too much caffeine or maybe it's our current addiction of trying to cheat at Sudoku or the addiction we just kicked of cheating at solitaire.

Whatever the cause, the result is crystal clear:

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So far the choices are many.

Let's see, this is the list with the corresponding odds:

- Town Square Completed On Schedule - 2:1
- Posse Loses First Game Of New Season - 2:1
- Goldcliff Mines Richest Gold Deposit In Canada At Hedley - 2:1
- Marmots Invade Rotary Park This Week - 2:1
- EDO Brings New Industry To Keremeos - 2:1
- Deer Population Increases Near Snowpatch - 3:1
- Someone Famous Stops In Princeton For A Dilly Bar - 3:1
- Gas Prices Rise Then Fall, Then Rise Again All Summer - 3:1
- Posse Wins First Game Of New Season - 3:1
- EDO Brings New Industry To Hedley - 3:1
- Someone Famous Stops In Princeton For A Grill Burger - 3:1
- Arena Project Completed By Next Hockey Season - 3:1
- Arena Project Completed, Period - 4:1
- Posse Wins KIJHL Championship In 2011/2012 Season - 6:1
- Tulameenies Join KIJHL As New Franchise In 2009/2010 Season - 7:1
- EDO Brings New Industry To Princeton - 8:1
- Someone Builds 'The New Princeton Hotel' Downtown - 15:1
- Highway 3 Is Widened To 6-Lanes Before Olympics - 25:1
- Town Square Not Finished On Time Or Under Budget - 30:1
- Posse Leaves KIJHL And Joins BCHL - 40:1
- Highway 3 Is Widened To 8-Lanes Before Olympics - 50:1
- Highway 3 Is Still Useable By The Start Of The Olympics - 60:1
- Highway 5A Sees More Cold Patching And Pothole Filling - 75:1
- The 'New Princeton Hotel' Burns To The Ground 94 Years Later - 100:1

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your turn

BCTF President on the FSA's

To The Editor,

Parents of students in Grades 4 and 7 may be aware of the government's bureaucratic Foundation Skills Assessment plan. These tests are administered over a two-week period in May. The results are unfortunately used by the privately funded Fraser Institute to rank schools. Parents are sent their child's results the following school year.

Teachers are concerned about FSAs for the following reasons:

- 1) Valuable time is taken away from teaching a rich curriculum and is instead used to "teach to the test." More and more school districts expect teachers to prepare their students for the FSAs in order to achieve better results. Teachers and parents know the good work going on in schools to benefit their students cannot be measured by a standardized test.
- 2) The cost of administering FSAs is approximately \$60 million annually. Compare this to the \$10 million spent on textbooks for schools

already struggling with stretched resources.

3) The government does not provide additional resources to schools whose rankings are low thereby making the process futile, and hindering real efforts to improve student progress.

Teachers are not alone in their thinking. UBC Dean of Education Rob Tierney, and SFU Dean of Education Paul Shaker, have spoken out on the futility, unfairness, and harm of standardized testing such as the FSAs.

Shaker says, "It's unprecedented that you can see such a simplistic kind of ranking used to such an extent."

Teachers believe in authentic assessment. They believe:

- a) a wide variety of assessment tools such as quizzes, homework, tests, reports, and oral presentations are examples of real and authentic assessment that truly measure student progress.
- b) reporting to parents formally

through report cards, and informally through meetings and conversations, is the best way to report on student progress.

c) in a fully funded quality public education where every student can fulfill their individual promise and aspirations.

Finally, consider this. Countries who properly fund public education, and who do not focus on standardized testing, traditionally rank in the top 10 internationally. Finland and Sweden are examples of two of the top-ranking countries according to the Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA) tests. Compare this to countries who use standardized tests as a way of measuring student progress.

The United States stresses standardized testing and punishes poorer performing schools by taking away funding. It traditionally ranks around 35th in the world.

Teachers ask: why would our provincial government follow the United States model, which is failing its public education system and thereby its students, rather than a successful model like Finland's?

Below are listed several web links providing more information:

www.bctf.ca/IssuesInEducation.aspx?id=5528

- www.educ.sfu.ca/news_item/a-great-debate. Scroll down and read "BC's worst school just may be its best," by Gary Mason: http://www.educ.sfu.ca/news_item/BC_School.pdf

www.cbc.ca/news/media/seven.html (this segment features a CBC story on BC's lowest-ranked school).

- Jinny Sims, President BCTF

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Current Comment:

Are our governments selling us out?



Dawn Johnson
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How much do you know about our federal government's involvement in the Security and Prosperity Partnership (SPP) of North America? If you are like most Canadians, you know very little, because all of the discussions, and maybe plans, are done behind closed doors with no media coverage.

At the end of March, the Council of Canadians held a teach-in in Ottawa to alert people to what is going on. Believe it or not, their main source of information came from the U.S.

What is SPP? It is a plan begun in Mexico in 2005 during a meeting of leaders of the three North American nations. SPP is about a continental resource pact (all of us share our resources), a North American security perimeter (Fortress America) and harmonized military and security policies. The interesting thing about these discussions is that the decision-makers are corporate leaders and high echelon bureaucrats and politicians. The rest of us are out in the cold. Media is not invited to cover the discussions. We know next to nothing about the plans for the future of our nation, and we would know less if it were not for the Council of Canadians, a non-partisan watchdog group supported by average citizens like you and me.

This whole thing started with the attack on the World Trade Towers in 2001. Two months later, Canada signed a "smart border" agreement with the U.S. Six months after the Trade Tower attack, Canada agreed to a "deeper integration" with the U.S. and full participation on the so-called war on terrorism. This new agreement made it possible, one year after 9/11, for Canadian citizen Maher Arar to be detained at Kennedy Airport by the Americans, then deported to Syria. Six months after Arar was shipped off to Syria to be tortured for a year, the CCCE (an organization of corporate CEO's) called on the governments of Canada, Mexico and the U.S. to integrate their economies in a deal that would

include a resource security pact (whatever that is) which would cover agriculture, minerals and energy. In addition, the CEO's called for the sharing of defence and security and "a new institutional framework" for North American integration. This was 2003.

In 2004, the U.S. Council on Foreign Relations announced a task force made up of people from the three nations. It is called the Independent Task Force on the Future of North America. Ever heard of it? A year later, this task force released a report calling for a North American economic and security community in 2010, a security plan involving Canadians, Mexicans and Americans, a continental energy and natural resources strategy, and an annual meeting to discuss economic and security integration. I have not seen this report. Have you?

In 2005, in Waco, Texas, George W. Bush, Paul Martin and Vicente Fox (Mexico's President) met and issued a joint statement to tell us they had created the Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America. The agreement contained most of the recommendations of the Independent Task Force. Later that year, business and government representatives of the three nations

met in Sonoma, California, in secret.

Canada's Liberal Party had taken part in all of this planning, and they lost the election held in January 2006. Conservative Prime Minister Harper stepped into the discussions with his promise to make Canada-U.S. relations his government's top priority. He went to Cancun to meet with presidents from the U.S. and Mexico two months after he was elected. By August, a group called the North American Competitiveness Council (NACC) met in Washington, D.C. to allocate tasks for regulatory convergence, border facilitation and energy integration.

Last fall, the North American Forum met in Banff, Alberta, to discuss demographic and social dimensions of North American integration, security cooperation and a North American energy strategy. The meeting was secret, and involved high-ranking military officials, politicians and top bureaucrats. Stockwell Day was a speaker, but refused to reveal his speech to the media.

In February this year, SPP ministers, again including Stockwell Day, met with the Competitiveness Council to discuss the progress of the North American integration agenda. In June this year, our

Prime Minister will meet with the American and Mexican presidents in Kananaskis, Alberta, at the third summit of the SPP.

If you feel uneasy about all of these activities behind closed doors, then trust your gut feelings. We know that if these politicians thought we would like what they're doing, they would be broadcasting every move they made. Instead, it is all hush-hush, and the silence is a red flag warning us we are not going to like what's going on.

In Canada, the Council of Canadians is the only group warning us about these secret meetings and what the meetings are about. In the U.S., watchdog groups the Minutemen and Judicial Watch have strongly opposed the SPP. The Minutemen don't want Mexican immigrants and Canadian socialists from contaminating American values. Judicial Watch does not want Canada's policy on gays and abortions to influence Americans, and they are opposed to immigration. The Council of Canadians has a completely different approach, one geared to protecting our social policies and our sense of fair play.

What I find particularly alarming

in addition to the secrecy of the discussions is the fact that both the Liberals and the Conservatives have had a hand in it all of it, and the New Democrats have been remarkably silent, too. I am especially surprised that the Bloc Quebecois has been so silent about these discussions. Who is going to protect Quebec's heritage in an "integrated" North America.

What will integration mean? In my opinion, considering the heavyweight nation with whom we share this continent, I suspect integration will mean dancing to Yankee Doodle. Will there be a Canada after integration? Will there be Medicare, Old Age Pensions and Canada Pensions? Will unions continue to protect workers (under NAFTA's influence, Mexico outlawed strikes and union activists went to prison). Will the big corporations get bigger at the expense of small business? Will Fortress America mean everybody the U.S. doesn't like must become our enemy too?

Will our idea of democracy survive?

Was this really needed after 9/11, or was 9/11 an excuse for this new agenda? Is this Manifest Destiny all over again?

Marketplace Ministry by Jim Caruso

There's A Fire In The Hole

Maybe you have seen the latest commercial on TV where there are three people eating a new spicy hamburger. They talk to each other but do so as they inhale. They do not want to exhale because the burger is so hot that it will cause flames to exit their mouths. Of course one does exhale and flames do come out and then the others follow and the scene is quite comical.

Well all through my teens and into my early twenties my vocabulary was similar to a hot spicy burger. I am sure that I could have started fires with my profanity. It was amazing the adjectives I used to describe things and how I changed innocent nouns into flammable verbs. I would assure myself that it was quite alright to talk this way because it was the language of my culture. I talked with guys, guys who worked in the bush, guys who drank at the bar and guys who had heard this language growing up in our small town. I used it, but I wanted to stop.

I tried to stop swearing, actually after I was married, both my wife and I, (I'll call her Elaine, because that is her name) both tried to stop swearing. Of course she, being a woman, did not at that time have the same ability to swear as I did, but I was becoming a good mentor to her. She could start a small campfire with her language where I could set a forest ablaze with a few choice words. Life changed when I became a Christian at age 24, mind you not everything changed, I still drank for the next year or so and my attitude was still in serious need of radical surgery, but instantly the fire went out of the hole between my chin and my nose. I didn't swear anymore.

I remember within that year I sold my welding business and went to work for TriVally Construction in Princeton. I had grown up in Princeton and was well known to almost everyone, so when I went to work for Tom, Willy and Les, they knew about my arson-like language and also knew that I had changed and was now filling a seat in the my local church and not in the bar at the local hotel. For most people in town it was a huge difference. One day I was at work and Willy Wilkinson was showing me what needed to be done on a skidder in the shop, he and I crawled under the machine and Willy was telling me what I needed to repair when I lifted my head and banged it on the bull hook attached to the belly pan of the machine.

I still remember looking at Willy as my eyes began to tear up and thoughts raced through my head reminding me how much this really hurt. As I looked at Willy, I could see in his face that he was expecting me to describe this latest experience in extreme pain with a language that could start a fire. I could have set the world aflame with the intensity of the pain bouncing through my cranium. Instead I looked at my boss and through eyes that resembled a drop from a water bomber on a forest fire, I asked, Is there anything else you would like me to fix? Things change in your life when you let Christ become Lord and Master, the Bible says, If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation, old things have passed away, behold all things become new. (2 Corinthians 2:17) I wish I could tell you that I have never sworn again, that was some 30 years ago, but I must admit I have seen a spark or two in that time.

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This doe got caught going over a barbed wire fence April 3rd west of Princeton on Highway 3 near Blackfoot Road. "She was freed and bounded off into the woods, a little uncoordinated but otherwise in good shape," says Princeton RCMP Cst. Myrl Stus. "It was nice to 'save' an animal as opposed to calls of injured animals that we have to put down due to their injuries." Photo: Princeton RCMP.

Letter To The Editor

Tarswell speaks out on FSA's

To The Editor;
Recent statistics state that one in four BC children live in poverty. BC's rate of child poverty is the highest in Canada.
How does the accountability scheme and standardized testing Foundation Skills Assessments

affect the students we have in our classrooms that are living in poverty? Roosevelt Park Elementary School in Prince Rupert, which has a high poverty rate and is consistently ranked as the lowest academic school in BC, has numerous examples of quality programs as

reported by a recent CBC television program.
The results of FSA tests do not assess the learning ability of students living in poverty. They simply sort out the most vulnerable students who will more likely be judged as failures based on the test results.

Letter To The Editor

June says 'thanks'

To The Editor;
I would like to thank the Princeton community for their generous support to our thrift shop. The money made from your donations helped the auxiliary to purchase new beds for the Princeton hospital.
Please continue to donate your used items to our thrift shops.
We now have spring and summer fashions in the store. Please come by for a visit.
Due to recent theft and vandalism,

we are asking if you would drop off your contributions during store hours. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. You may also drop off your donations on Monday to Tuesday from 9:00 AM to 12 Noon and on weekends from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM.
On behalf of the hospital auxiliary members, we wish you had a Happy Easter!
- June Manning, President
Princeton Hospital Auxiliary

The BC School Trustees Association states on their website that public education is the great equalizer. It is the means by which people of diverse languages, cultures, and socio-economic circumstances come together as a society. In Canada, our commitment to public education open and available to all is a key element in shaping the way our society has evolved and will continue to evolve.
This is contrary to what is happening in BC schools with the accountability scheme and FSAs. Our students living in poverty are at a definite disadvantage and the education system is not a great equalizer for them.

Letter To The Editor

Anne says 'thanks'

To The Editor;
RE: Snow Golf
Ron and I entered the Snow Golf Tournament that was held in Tulameen on March 3rd with some of our friends. It was a fundraiser for breast cancer.
We would like to congratulate the "Sweater Kittens" and all volun-

teer helpers that worked very hard to create this successful and very enjoyable event.
We had a great time and enjoyed ourselves very much as I am sure did all others who participated.
Keep up the good work - we're looking forward to next year!
- Anne Jones, Coalmont

By withdrawing their students from the Foundation Skills Assessments, parents can stop the accountability scheme, so all students can get back to learning and teachers can get back to teaching.
Making students accountable for test scores works well on a bumper sticker and it allow many politicians to look good by saying they will not tolerate failure. But it represents a hollow promise. Far from improving education, high stakes testing marks a major retreat from fairness, from accuracy, from quality, and from equity. - Senator Paul Wellstone-(1944-2002).
- Robert Tarswell, Princeton

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Team ropers Stan Thompson, left, and Mac Lind earned a time of 21.70-seconds with this run during the 42nd annual Easter Sunday Chopaka Jackpot Rodeo. Many Princeton area participants entered the event. *

Letter To The Editor

Hardy shares more on 'chem trails'

To The Editor;

It is amazing to learn that by use of the chem trails which I have been writing about that the lives of humans worldwide have been test subjects.

In the last week I have witnessed the spraying of the powdered chemicals over the Princeton area on a daily basis.

When the sun is setting there is a spectacular florescent hue visible in the clouded areas from those chemicals that are admittedly part of the ground cover for our so-called protection.

It is hard to believe that the medical profession is not aware of the cause of so many serious illnesses and deaths of those whose immune systems have been compromised. A few years ago the majority of the herd of about 240 Big White Horned Sheep in the South Okanagan were found dead. An autopsy revealed that they had succumbed to the same bacterial pneumonia that many humans had died from that same winter. Friends in Oliver had observed the daily thick and constant aerosol spraying above them with many tanker planes involved in the attack of germ warfare.

The laboratory created RNA, aluminum oxide, ethylene bromide, barium salts, polymer fibres, etc. hold a plethora of risk for humans as well as all animals, birds, fish, insects, etc. There are less bees now to pollinate the agricultural needs for our very own food supply. The classified technology of giant corporations like Monsanto is obtained in conjunction with the attempt to lock down food and water. The electro-sensitivity of the

soil itself will eventually only allow genetically modified crops to grow.

Ionization of these sprayed particles also causes many forms of radiation to rain down upon the unsuspecting populace of the world as well as lensing programs to dehydrate land and dry up water supplies. The big lie of the New World Order is that a shield is needed because the atmosphere has been depleted.

So we find that the High Frequency Active Auroral Towers Project which has opened up the ozone layer the size of our continent is involved with creating that need within all life on the surface of the planet by spraying conductive materials which inevitably ends up in the soil, water, food and the air we breath.

So much for Harper's Clean Air Act!

The chemical porridge being dumped on us causes neurological imbalances as well as heart and lung problems which critics claim allows our DNA to be infiltrated and re-arranged by acting like a vaccination program upon the entire global population. There will never be enough educated doctors to treat the people with these increased cases of flu-like symptoms because antibiotics won't help but will in fact weaken ones own immune system.

On top of the realization that the main goal of the NWO is control of food and water through weather modification, a TV news item warns us about an excessive number of storms that will be hitting the East Coast this summer according to the Atmospheric (HAARP)

Groups.

The invisible Money Masters also brag about the great inroads that have been made concerning electronic coercion through thought entrainment and other electronic stimulus that preceded the spraying of conductive materials with the widespread use of cell phones. It is the contention of researchers that cell phones are just a cover for the deployment of broadcast towers which is a necessary adjunct to mind control and automated law enforcement.

These are the means planned to control the masses.

Will the Save Our Similkameen Organization be instrumental in stopping the weapons of mass destruction and jet fuels from permeating our atmosphere by U.N. and U.S. planes flying over our sovereign air space bombarding us since 1995?

Will the masses in our South Okanagan and Similkameen area join forces with others to protest the illegal use of chemical warfare that causes us to become electro-sensitive creatures for the unsolicited testing for control by the NWO or death by starvation?

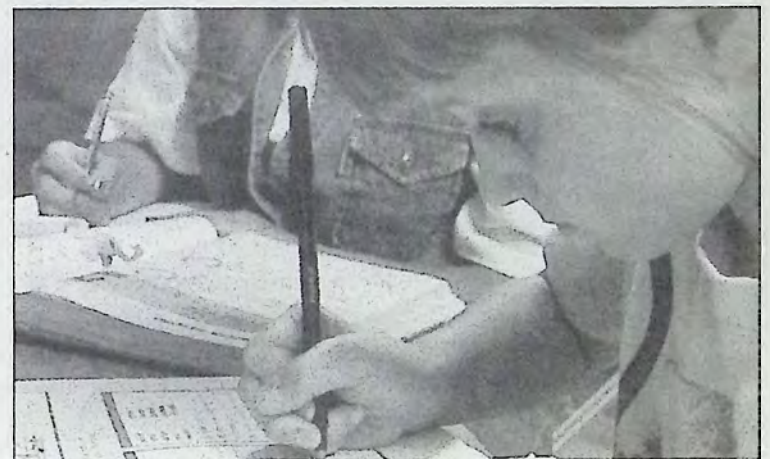
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FSA testing can be harmful to students!

BC students in Grades 4 and 7 are scheduled to take the Foundation Skills Assessment tests between May 7 and 18, 2007.

Large-scale tests have many negative effects on teaching and learning. These include:

- Class time lost to practising tests
- Taking time away from quality teaching and learning
- Spending money that could go toward textbooks and other resources
- Increased stress and anxiety among students

Teachers are so concerned that we are advising parents to withdraw their children from the tests. All it takes is a written request to the school principal.

For more information, visit bctf.ca/fsa.aspx

A message from the concerned teachers of Princeton.

Dear Principal,

Please excuse my child, _____, from all three Foundation Skills Assessment (FSA) tests.

I am concerned that this test will have negative effects on my child's learning, motivation, and self-esteem.

I understand that the ministry provides instructions to principals on how to exempt students from the FSA tests if they receive a letter from parents requesting that their child be exempted.

Thank you for your co-operation.

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Vermilion District Girl Guides (Princeton) pitched in last week and wrapped bunches of daffodils to help Princeton Youth Ambassadors with their Canadian Cancer Society Daffodil Blitz. - photo submitted.

Beetle will hit us hardest

Mayor Randy McLean reported to Council on April 2 about a meeting he had attended regarding southern Interior communities affected by the mountain pine beetle. "Princeton will be hit hardest," he stated.

The communities facing a future affected by the beetle infestation have pooled their money to do studies of problem areas and make

plans in preparation for what may come.

Mayor McLean said the two biggest threats to Princeton will be in the form of wildfires in the dead timber and floods due to a severe reduction in trees absorbing mois-

ture from the soil.

Next year is anticipated to be the peak year for flood problems.

Mayor McLean did not indicate what plans have been made to reduce the impact of expected problems.

Letter To The Editor

Ruby thanks Monty

To The Editor;

I would like to commend Monty Raine's excellent letter to the editor in the March 27th News Leader "Raine has his say."

It was certainly the best letter that I have read in a long time. He pointed out the true facts of the sit-

uation that Princeton faces unless we can bring industry or business to create jobs for young people with families.

I don't recall that the fancy brochure put out by our council had that priority.

- Ruby Cappos, Princeton

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