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What looks like a bad case of gophers is actually work being done at Sunflower Downs to move water lines and power service underground. This is the view across the race track and into the rodeo arena. *

Candidate requests recount

A judicial recount of ballots cast in the recent Municipal Election was conducted November 27th at Princeton Town Hall.

Candidate Dina Slowikowski-Campbell had filed the request through Penticton Courts and the recount was presided over by Judge G. Sinclair. Slowikowski-Campbell had finished two votes behind the fourth elected Councillor, Marilyn Harkness, in both the unofficial and official election results as released by Chief Election Officer Patrick Robins.

Last week's recount focused on just the ballots marked for either

Slowikowski-Campbell or Harkness and included the same 'helpers' who were present following the closing of the polls on election night.

After the recount, the numbers remained 385 for Harkness and 383 for Slowikowski-Campbell.

Upon further inspection of rejected ballots, Judge Sinclair awarded both candidates one vote each bringing the final tally to 386 votes for Harkness and 384 for Slowikowski-Campbell.

Judge Sinclair declared Harkness elected to Princeton Town Council following the judicial recount.

Museum marks record year

A record number of visitors signed the guest book at Princeton Museum in the 2008 season. Between opening day in April to the end of October, 6,141 visitors toured the museum, more than any year before. They donated \$4,000, and Museum Society members were disappointed at the low donations total.

Fees for visits?

One of the items for discussion at the November 25 Museum Society meetings was charging a small admission price for touring the museum. Members agreed that donations amounted to less than a dollar per visitor. A two dollar per adult and one dollar per child admission fee was suggested, with those holding a membership card going in free whenever they pleased. The majority of museums charge a fee. No vote was taken, but this item will probably be on the agenda for the annual general

meeting January 20, 2009.

To further expand membership in the Museum Society, Rika Ruebsaat has become Membership Chair of the Society. Many people would like to support the Museum Society by purchasing a membership card, but a person is needed to receive funds and write the cards.

Gift opportunity

The Museum Society and the Chamber of Commerce will have a table at the December 7 craft fair at Princeton Secondary School. They will be selling music CDs and local history books. Only seven copies of 'Princeton: Our Valley' remain and will be on display at the fair. This is a book of local family histories.

Development needs funds

There was discussion of the museum development plan, and bolstering the official record of Museum Society achievements and projects

document is available for viewing at the Skills Centre, where Museum Society work is currently underway.

Renewing historic record

RCMP drug bust yields little

Princeton RCMP report a downtown drug bust.

"As a result of information received during an ongoing investigation, on November 21st at approximately 10:00 PM Princeton RCMP executed a Controlled Drug and Substance Act search warrant at

Jon Bartlett, who is actively involved in the Museum Society, has been making efforts to re-establish the Similkameen Branch of the Okanagan Historical Society.

the rear residence suite of 133 Bridge Street, Princeton," explains Princeton RCMP Detachment Sgt. Gary Macahonic.

"A lone adult male was arrested inside the residence who was later determined not to be the principal resident of the address."

Efforts were made several years ago by Wally Liddicoat, but fell apart when he died suddenly. Princeton Museum Society agreed to support Bartlett's efforts.

Police released the unidentified man without charges.

"A small quantity of drugs were located and seized," Sgt. Macahonic adds. The incident continues to be under investigation and charges are pending involving the resident of the suite.

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ANNUAL TEDDY BEAR GAME

Saturday, December 13th

Princeton Posse vs Chase Chiefs

When Princeton scores their first goal of the game, toss a stuffed animal on the ice. They will all be collected and donated to the Christmas Hamper Fund.

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