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Looking downstream where the two rivers meet as viewed from the Bridge of Dreams. *

Town hosts Olympic torch relay

When the Olympic Flame arrives in Princeton on Day 101: February 7, 2010 at 8:00 AM, Town of Princeton Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services will be hosting a morning celebration.

Residents are invited out to show their Olympic Spirit and have a once in a lifetime emotional experience of cheering on Olympic Torchbearers as they pass the Olympic Flame through our town on its way towards Vancouver 2010 Olympic Games. The 2010 Olympic Torch Relay, presented by Coca-Cola and RBC, will reach over 90 per cent of Canadians within a one-hour drive.

Princeton gratefully acknowledges the financial support of the Province of British Columbia Ministry of Tourism, Culture and the Arts who has awarded the

Town of Princeton with a \$7,150 grant for the Olympic Torch Relay community celebration in Princeton. This historical morning will be a time to celebrate Princeton's community spirit. Volunteers will be out early to hand out flags and hot chocolate to residents. Princeton's Royal Canadian Legion will be hosting an Olympic Pancake breakfast following the morning celebrations.

Our community is invited to continue its Olympic Spirit by attending the China Ridge Torch Relay and Games Day at China Ridge Trails following the Olympic Pancake Breakfast.

Individuals interested in volunteering for the exciting event can contact Nadine McEwen at (250) 295-6067 or recreation@princeton.ca.

China Ridge announces games day

On February 7, 2010, in conjunction with Town of Princeton Recreation, PASTRY - Princeton's Active Strategy to Re-energize Youth, and Princeton Leaders for Literacy, China Ridge Trails will host a simulated Torch Relay and Games Day featuring traditional Inuit events.

A multi-sport mock relay begins at the Town of Princeton's Gazebo and finishes at China Ridge Trails. The relay is followed by the China Ridge Games and includes: Inuit competitions, cross-country skijoring, snowshoeing, luge, tobogganing, tubing, and a ski playground. All events are free and open to the public.

In the opening ceremonies local Inuit throat singer Bernice Niakrok (Kunderman) will give a special performance with a world renowned throat singer, Karen Panigoniak, from Arviat, Nunavut.

Inuuyag Dean from Kangigliniq will be in attendance to demonstrate traditional Inuit sporting

activities. Inuuyag has demonstrated with the Nunavut Sivuniksavut college in Ottawa. These events, involving great skill, strength and concentration, are coordinated by the PASTRY youth group with Bernice acting as consultant. The talented youth group will also design the mock torch, signs and posters for the upcoming games.

The China Ridge events will be held following the completion of the Town's activities commemorating the arrival of the Olympic Torch in Princeton at 8:00 AM Sunday, February 7, 2010 and are made possible thanks to a \$9,000

Heritage Canada Grant.

Individuals interested in applying to run, bike, ski, snowshoe, hike a portion of the relay, or volunteer are asked to contact coordinators Nadine McEwen at (250) 295-6067 or Sharon Anderson at (250) 295-4080 or e-mail sharon@cycleogicpress.com.

- submitted

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ANNUAL TEDDY BEAR GAME

**7:00 PM, Saturday, December 11
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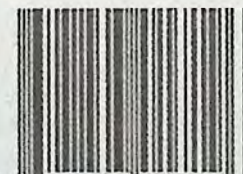
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Members of the 2010 Fair Board pose with the new sign built by Terry Inglis. Left to right: Ruby Bey, Cheryl Ferguson, Nikki Hodgson, Rose Flegel, Char Smith, Keith Olsen, Dan Kastor, Terry Inglis, Fran Murphy, Dawne Graves and Lyn Melnechenko. Photo: Dawn Johnson

2010 Fair Board looks ahead

The entire slate of officers from 2009, with the addition of Char Smith, was elected at the annual general meeting of Princeton and District Fall Agricultural Fair Association held December 1. Keith Olsen returns as President, Lyn Melnechenko as Vice-President, Cheryl Ferguson is Treasurer and Dan Kastor is Secretary. Directors are Rose Flegel, Dawne Graves, Fran Murphy, Terry Inglis, Nicola Hodgson, Char Smith and Ruby Bey.

John Bey, President of Princeton Exhibition Association (PXA), thanked the Fall Fair members for all they had done during the past year.

"We had a great year," Bey said. He encouraged the Fair Board to submit their "wish list" for things to be done by the PXA in 2010. Members came up with a couple of ideas on the spot. These will be written up for PXA consideration.

Director Ruby Bey volunteered to be in charge of seeking sponsorships for the 2010 fair, which will last three days.

Sign promotes a lot

Director Terry Inglis has been preparing in advance for both the fair and Princeton's 150th celebration. He brought a huge wooden sign, four feet by eight feet, to the meeting. The lettering on the sign is made of denim pine, giving the effect of bas relief.

The sign advertises the dates of the fair (August 27, 28 & 29) as well as Princeton's 150th anniversary. Members congratulated Inglis on his excellent work. He

said he plans to make three more this winter.

Santa photos

The sign will be on display this Saturday at Princeton Plaza Mall, where the Fall Fair is hosting photos with Santa from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Hot chocolate will be served.

Yard sale ahead

Director Fran Murphy received approval for another yard sale to be held in the spring. She collects and sells items on behalf of Junior Fair. The rest of the yard sale consists of renting spaces and tables to members of the community to sell their yard sale items. The last two Fall Fair yard sales were successful.

Scoring confusion

President Keith Olsen discussed how the fair was rated this year. Each year, the entire fair is judged by an experienced person appointed by the BC Fairs Association. He said the new scoring system created some confusion in his mind because there are differences in how scores are arrived at. He thought the fair judge had missed seeing some things, but overall, as near as he could tell, the fair rated better this year.

Christmas thank yous

A committee of three is working on sending thank you notes to everyone who helped with the 2009 fair in some way. These will be sent as Christmas greetings.

The Fair Board will take a brief recess until January 26, 2010, when planning for the 2010 fair will begin in earnest.



Notice of Application and Procedural Conference

FortisBC Inc.

Application for 2009 Rate Design and Cost of Service Analysis

THE APPLICATION

The Application presents FortisBC's 2009 Rate Design and Cost of Service Analysis. FortisBC seeks Commission approval of the Application, pursuant to subsections 58 and 61 of the *Utilities Commission Act* ("UCA", the "Act").

On December 11, 2008, the Commission issued Order G-193-08, which approved the terms of a Negotiated Settlement Agreement concerning FortisBC's 2009 Revenue Requirements Application. The Application is intended to recover the established revenue requirement, while conforming to established regulatory practices for cost allocation and Provincial policy for providing correct incentives to reduce energy consumption.

THE REGULATORY PROCESS

A Procedural Conference will be held at the Manteo Resort, in the City of Kelowna, commencing at 1pm on Tuesday, December 15, 2009, to discuss procedural matters related to the Application.

PUBLIC INSPECTION OF THE DOCUMENTS

The Application and supporting materials will be available for inspection at the following locations:

FortisBC Inc.

Head Office: Suite 100-1975 Springfield Road, Kelowna, BC, V1Y 7V7

Trail Office: 1290 Esplanade, Trail, BC, V1R 4L4

British Columbia Utilities Commission

Sixth Floor, 900 Howe Street, Vancouver, BC, V6Z 2N3

Websites www.fortisbc.com www.bcuc.com

REGISTERING TO PARTICIPATE

Persons who expect to actively participate in the review process or processes should register as Intervenor with the Commission. Intervenor will receive copies of the Application, all correspondence and filed documents. Persons not expecting to actively participate should register with the Commission as Interested Parties and will receive a copy of the Application's summary, all Orders issued, and the Commission's Decision.

Intervenor and Interested Parties should inform the Commission Secretary, in writing, by Monday, December 14, 2009 of their intention to become Intervenor or Interested Parties, and their intention to attend the Procedural Conference.

All submissions and/or correspondence received from active participants or the public relating to the Application will be placed on the public record and posted to the Commission's web site.

PARTICIPANT ASSISTANCE/COST AWARDS

Any party intending to apply for a Participant Assistance/Cost Award is advised to review the Commission's Guidelines with respect to the requirements for eligibility. The Participant Assistance/Cost Award Guidelines may be obtained by writing to the Commission Secretary, or online at http://www.bcuc.com/Documents/Guidelines/2007/DOC_5014_G-72-07_PACA_2007_Guidelines.pdf

FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact Ms. Erica Hamilton, Commission Secretary, as follows:

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Bob McAtamney, The Town Crier gets a wardrobe adjustment from Stage Manager, Brigit Auer, The Cawston Players Christmas Show, 'A Gift of Light', at The Cawston Hall Friday and Saturday, December 11 and 12 at 7:00 PM. Proceeds to the South Similkameen Christmas Hamper Fund. - photo submitted

NDP claim Slater failed to defend riding

MLA John Slater failed to stand up for his Boundary-Similkameen constituents upset over the B.C. Liberals' HST betrayal and cuts to vital public services during his first session in the B.C. legislature, the New Democrats said on

December 1st.

"People in the Similkameen region deserve a representative in Victoria that will fight for farmers, food producers, rural paramedics, and seniors. John Slater has accomplished nothing for his constituents," said Katrine Conroy, New Democrat MLA for Kootenay West.

"Mr. Slater has proven just how out of touch he is with residents in the communities he serves. He recently admitted to the Osoyoos Times that he knows people will be negatively impacted by the HST, yet he will do nothing about it. He said the HST will create tourism jobs, but in fact it will kill up to 10,000 tourism jobs in B.C. And he said that cuts to arts, cultural and environmental groups were necessary to prevent cuts to education and health care, but the reality is the B.C. Liberals have made deep cuts to education and health care too.

"Small, family-run businesses will be hurt by the HST, and Mr. Slater should know that as a business owner himself. The HST amounts to a \$1.9 billion tax shift from big business onto con-

sumers," said Conroy.

The fall legislative session ended last week, a 10-week sitting in which the B.C. Liberal government broke its word on the size of the budget deficit, introduced plans to impose the Harmonized Sales Tax and made deep cuts to health care, education, and public services such as sports and the arts.

"Before being elected, Slater was involved in coaching youth sports, yet he supported the B.C. Liberals in slashing sports funding," pointed out Conroy, noting B.C. Liberal hypocrisy runs deep.

"Being deceitful by bringing in the HST and a massive budget deficit right after the election, cutting funding to schools and sports programs, ignoring the needs of vital rural paramedics - this is not what he promised he'd do for you in Victoria," she said.

Carole James and the New Democrats have been holding the B.C. Liberals accountable for breaking their word on the HST, and for backtracking on their election promises to protect health care, education, and other vital services. - submitted

DEVELOPMENT OF A PEST MANAGEMENT PLAN

Application Number: MFR-HRA-IAPP-South 2009
B.C. Ministry of Forests and Range, Range Branch
441 Columbia St., Kamloops, BC, V2C 2T3

The purpose of the proposed Pest Management Plan (PMP) is to manage invasive alien plants and/or noxious weeds on provincial Crown Land in the southern interior of B.C., including areas within or next to high-risk sites (e.g. ecologically important natural areas), transportation corridors, resource tenures, gravel pits and recreation sites.

The PMP applies to areas within the Thompson Nicola, Cariboo, Central Coast, Squamish Lillooet, Columbia Shuswap, North Okanagan, Central Okanagan, Okanagan Similkameen, Kootenay Boundary, Central Kootenay and East Kootenay Regional Districts.

The PMP applies to areas in the vicinity of the communities of Bella Coola, Alexis Creek, Quesnel, Williams Lake, 100 Mile House, Clinton, Lillooet, Cache Creek, Merritt, Princeton, Kamloops, Salmon Arm, Vernon, Kelowna, Penticton, Oliver, Osoyoos, Grand Forks, Castlegar, Nelson, Trail, Salmo, Creston, Kaslo, Nakusp, Revelstoke, Golden, Invermere, and Cranbrook.

The pest management methods proposed for use include mechanical methods, biological control agents and herbicides. The common and trade names for the herbicides proposed for use under this plan include: glyphosate (e.g. Vantage, Roundup, etc.); picloram (Tordon 22K); picloram, 2,4-D (Grazon); clopyralid (Lontrel); metsulfuron-methyl (Escort); 2,4-D Amine (e.g. Amsol); aminopyralid (Milestone); dicamba (e.g. Vanquish); dicamba, 2,4-D, Mecoprop (e.g., Dyvel DS); aminopyralid, metsulfuron-methyl (e.g., Clearview); aminopyralid, metsulfuron-methyl, 2,4-D (e.g. Reclaim); and aminopyralid and 2,4-D (Restore). Selective application methods include: cut and paint or inject, stem injections, basal bark, backpack, ATV and truck mounted foliar spray and wick-on.

The proposed duration of the PMP is from April 1, 2010 to March 31, 2015. Copies of the proposed PMP may be viewed at the Range Branch Headquarters office at the above address or online at <http://www.for.gov.bc.ca/HRA/Plants/>.

A person wishing to contribute information about a proposed treatment site, relevant to the development of the pest management plan, may send copies of the information to the applicant at the address above within 30 days of the publication of this notice.



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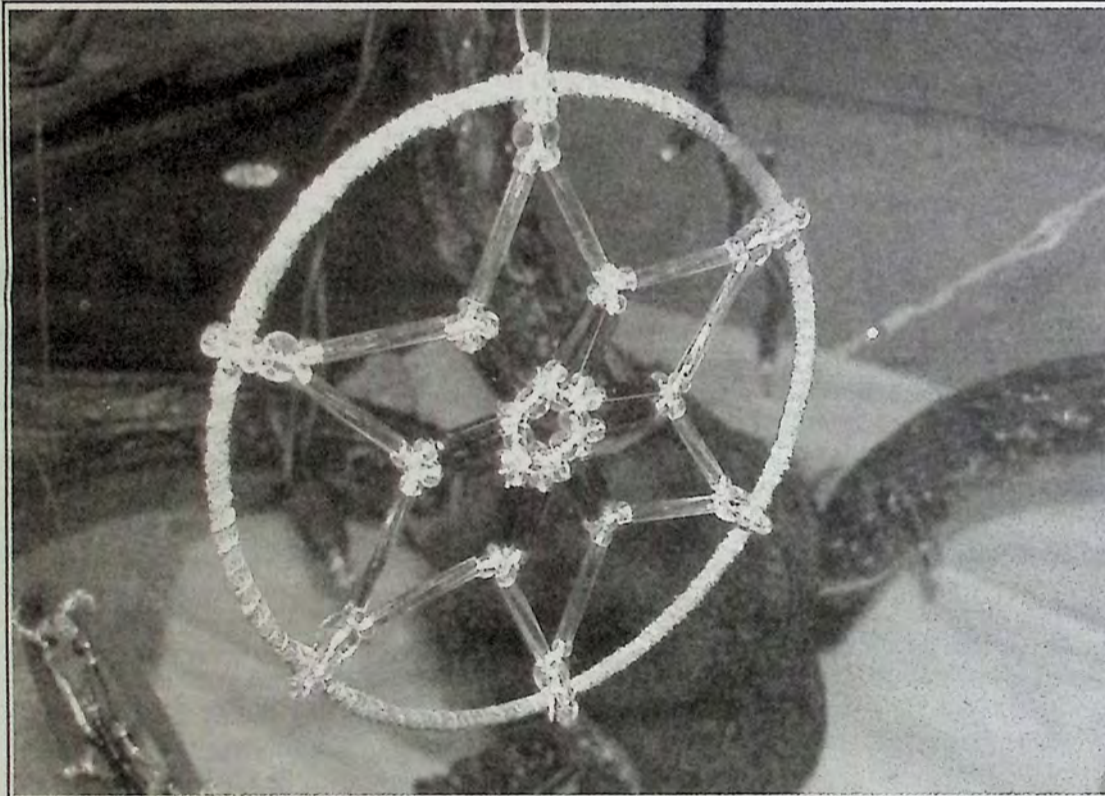
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Christmas Craft Fair



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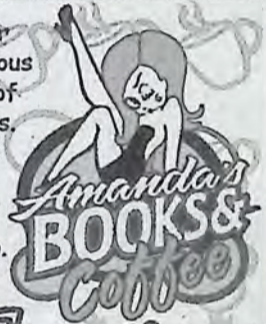
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Health / Lifestyle News

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Protect your family against home invasion with these safety tips

(NC)—The holiday season is indeed a time of sharing. But don't take it to the extreme by sharing your household belongings with burglars. With so many people shopping, getting new gifts, going out for parties, and leaving on vacation, this is the season of joy for thieves too.

Unfortunately, this reality became all too clear for London, Ontario resident Deb Johnson when she returned home from an afternoon of Christmas shopping last December. "I couldn't believe my eyes," she remembered. "My door was broken open and all of the drawers, cupboards and closets were left open. My belongings were either missing or strewn all over the floor."

A quick inventory of her personal items revealed the loss of her TV, stereo, DVD, laptop and precious family jewelry. A frantic look under the Christmas tree brought to light her worst fears — the burglars even snatched her presents under the tree.

"I just broke down in tears. I felt hurt, cheated and most of all violated by this callous attack on my privacy," Johnson added.

Patrice De Luca, vice president of marketing and business development for Reliance Protectron Security Services, says Johnson's reaction is consistent with victims of burglary.

"It takes people months and sometimes years to feel safe again after an intrusion."

And Johnson is not alone. According to a recent Statistics Canada study, Canada has the highest yearly rate of home intrusions of all the industrialized countries.

That's why De Luca recommends that when you're out for the night at a Christmas party, shopping or other seasonal events make an extra effort to remember some of the following year-round anti-burglary steps:

- Home security systems can be a good investment, especially if you have many valuables in your home, or live in an isolated area or one with a history of break-ins.

Home security systems are effective deterrents when monitored 24-7 by ULC-listed monitoring centres. Nine out of ten convicted burglars agree they'd avoid a house protected by a security system.

- Home security system decals and signs are also an effective deterrent.
- Don't leave valuables in sight through windows, where they will tempt burglars.

- To secure sliding glass doors, add a bolt lock or use a "charley bar" to block the door closed.

- Use bars to secure basement or garage doors and add bars to basement windows.

- Invest in high-quality, name-brand deadbolt locks for all exterior doors.

- Make sure your security system includes a loud inside alarm, detectors at all exterior doors, and motion sensors in the master bedroom and main living areas.

- Use timers to turn lights, televisions and sound systems on and off at different times to give your home a "lived-in look" when you're away.

- Don't let mail, newspapers or flyers accumulate while you're away, tipping off criminals. Have the post office hold mail, have newspapers suspended, and have a neighbor or friend clear away flyers.

More information on home security is available online at www.protectron.com.

- News Canada

Living Past 100

Men's Early Warning System

Men have a special early warning system when it comes to health. They start having problems with their sexual function. Currently, four out of every 10 men over age 40 have some form of erectile dysfunction.

Most men become embarrassed by the problem, perhaps too embarrassed to even discuss it. Many men will blame it on things not related to the problem at all, such as overwork, too much worry, or an unappealing wife. Blaming the problem on outside factors is not the way to protect health. Erectile dysfunction can be the first symptom of very serious health problems.

Men should never blame erectile dysfunction on aging. The inability to perform sexually is not tied to age in particular, although this problem can be linked to many of the health problems of aging. The key factor in erectile dysfunction is that it is first and foremost a health problem.

Erectile dysfunction (ED) can be the early warning of atherosclerosis, also known as hardening of the arteries. ED can be proof of arteries being blocked by fatty plaque.

The first thing a physician will look for is a problem with the prostate gland. This gland regulates the flow of semen during sexual intercourse, but it also can interfere with the flow of urine from the bladder. Hardening or expanding of the prostate gland can cause a lot of urinary problems. The physician will check for the possibility of prostate cancer, which is treatable, but which can spread if not treated early.

Rather than becoming embarrassed by ED, men should be ready to consult a physician at the first sign of problems. It is dangerous to ignore the problem.

Some men think they can just go out and buy Viagra, or something like it, and not worry any further, but such drugs are not available over the counter. The man who wants a Viagra prescription is going to have to see a physician anyway, so he might as well face the fact that any responsible physician is going to do more than write a prescription. It is more important to the physician to save a man's life than to save his sex life.

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150 Years of Similkameen History

Nick Mills - Princeton & District Museum & Archives

The Early Chinese



Chinese Cookhouse team at Copper Mountain. Bing Wong's father is on the bottom left. Photo: Princeton Museum

During the late nineteenth and early twentieth century, many Chinese men were attracted to Princeton and the banks of the Tulameen and Similkameen rivers by the promises of striking it rich. There were very few wives and families as they had been left behind in China, mainly due to the prohibitive Canadian Government head tax. It is surprising though that when the amnesty was eventually declared in 1947 and the next census carried out how many Chinese were actually living in this area.

The main draw was of course the placer gold mining operations; a copy of the census held in Princeton Archives and taken around 1885 at Granite Creek shows just how extensive the Chinese settlement was at the camp.

Kwong Yuen was one of these Chinese men, he arrived in Princeton around 1900 and returned to China just before hostilities began in World War I, Quong was originally sent to British Columbia by his Company, Nesei Nesei, to look after the well being of his compatriots who had settled here to work in the placer mines.

He operated a store that was situated at the end of Bridge Street, close to where the Riverside Motel is today. The Chinese were housed in cabins that were situated on the opposite bank and the hill behind the Tulameen Road. The store is reported to have been very dark inside and children are said to have found it "Very scary!"

"There was only one small window situated at the front and the

interior walls had lines of bunks with men lying in them!"

Kwong Yuen and John Allison were good friends as Allison had assisted him in some previous legal matter and as a result every Christmas Kwong would give him and his family beautiful gifts as well as the usual things that Chinese merchants would give their customers such as ginger in pots, Chinese candies, bamboo sticks and embroidered pictures.

Also at the same end of Town, across the other side of Bridge

Street, was a boarding house; said to be the first Hotel built in Princeton, this log cabin was run by a man called Ah Tuck. The China House was situated in a lane behind the former newspaper office and the old Thomas block and was occupied by the Chinese from 1900.

Many other Chinese names appear throughout Princeton's early records. These include Oh Gee who retired from Princeton to spend his last days in a retirement continued on Page 10

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MANAGING YOUR \$\$\$

YEAR-END PERSONAL TAX TIPS - PART 1

As 2009 comes to close, there are a number of things you can do to help reduce your tax bill for the current year, and/or future years. Here are a few year-end tax tips to consider.

Tax deductions: A variety of expenses can be claimed as tax deductions only if the amounts are paid by the end of the calendar year. These expenses include interest expense, investment counsel fees, safety deposit box fees and childcare costs. If you would ordinarily pay these amounts early in 2010, consider paying them by the end of this year instead, to get the benefit of the tax deduction on your 2009 return.

Tax credits: Expenditures such as charitable donations, political contributions, medical expenses, child fitness costs, tuition fees and transit pass costs that give rise to tax credits must be paid in the year in order to be creditable. If you would usually pay these amounts early in 2010, consider paying them by the end of this year instead, to get the benefit of the tax credit in your 2009 return.

Capital gains and losses: To shelter the possible tax on capital gains realized earlier in the year, or to recover tax paid on capital gains realized in any of the three preceding years, consider selling securities with accrued losses before the end of the year. Keep in mind that the trade must settle in 2009 to be considered a 2009 disposition. For Canadian exchanges, the final trade date for 2009 settlement is 24 December; for US exchanges, it's 28 December.

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Rodeo Club hosts AGM

Princeton Rodeo Club hosted their annual general meeting November 30th in Town Hall.

Although the year end financial report showed a loss overall for the club, it still had a successful year.

The Princeton BCRA Rodeo in

May cost the club just over \$44,000 to put on and although sponsorships were down considerably from previous years the event ended up with a total loss of \$192.40.

President Ken Crompton pointed to economic conditions forcing many sponsors to either reduce or drop their contributions as hurting the revenue part of the profit and loss statement with an additional \$2,200 in added prize money contributing to the expense column.

The Little Britches Rodeo in August cost \$7,407.64 and generated \$7,773.40 for a profit of \$291.24.

“It was a good effort for the first time and I would recommend we hold it again,” Crompton commented.

The September BCPB Bull Riders Finals was a different matter.

With revenue totaling \$30,731.89 and expenses coming to \$32,460.33 the event ended up losing \$1,728.44

which Crompton pointed out were a direct result of three factors: less sponsorship money, fewer people through the gate and soft sales in the refreshment garden.

The club lost just over \$5,500.00 in total for the year but according to Crompton there were signs.

“It was a tough year and we knew it was going to be a tough year when we started.”

He was also optimistic about the accomplishments of the club in 2009.

“It’s a little bit sad but we carried on and had some good events.”

All incumbents were returned to the board during the elections. Ken Crompton will remain President with J. R. Russell Vice President and Judi Esdale Treasurer. Directors are Shauna Hassell, Brian Rutherford and Mike Theal.

The club will take a short winter recess and will start planning for 2010 in January.

Vermillion Court News

by Donna Wilson

November has come and gone. Allan K. came to sing and play and entertain everyone.

The Similkameen Line dancers were back after taking the summer off and performed for us. Good to see everyone. We also had manicures by Donna and a “popcorn movie” afternoon.

Our first trip since our Bazaar was to Penticton where we had lunch at a local fish and chip restaurant,

then some shopping at the mall. Helene R. came and read poetry one afternoon and made a poem with everyone’s name mentioned in it.

Nancy came to give the seasonal flu shots and later some went to get the H1N1 shot, thanks for running the bus so they could get it. Thanks to everyone who came to perform and everyone who participated. Looking forward to December’s activities.

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Princeton's Devon Grossler (#11) scores December 4th against Chase. *

Posse take win from Chase

When the 2009/10 game schedule was created, there was no way the KJHL would have been able to anticipate what they had put in place for December 4th in Princeton.

With the season half over, the Chase Chiefs traveled to play the Posse. What the league could not have expected was that this game would pit two very competitive rivals against each other – both tied for third place in their division just prior to the opening face off.

The game also marked two milestones.

Princeton's team captain Dan Hillman became the leader in games played for a Posse player and it was the first game for new Chiefs Coach Brad Fox.

The Chiefs made it on the scoreboard first at 5:23 of the first period and finished the frame with a 2-goal lead scoring their second goal of the game at 1:27.

The second period was another twenty minutes of action-packed Posse/Chiefs-style hockey with no further scoring.

Princeton's Brooks Christensen scored the Posse's first goal at 15:25 of the third period. Assists went to Dayton Shaw and Ben Morgan.

Princeton tied the game at 5:53 (Devon Grossler from Brendan

Stephen and Ben Morgan).

Only 17-seconds later, at 5:36, with the play behind the Chase goal, netminder Riley Wall went to assist team mates leaving a gaping open net for Princeton's Devon Grossler to pop a loose puck in for an unassisted point.

Wall was visibly upset about being drawn away from his crease and was obviously bothered by the error for the rest of the game.

The Chiefs tried extremely hard to tie the match to force overtime – taking Wall out for 45-seconds near the end of the game for an extra man – but could not penetrate the Posse defense.

Princeton nearly scored on the empty net off a deflected pass along the boards, but it wasn't necessary.

Final Score: Princeton 3, Chase 2. Shots on goal: Princeton 25, Chase 14.

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Get Ready For 2010 With A Financial Checklist

With 2010 just around the corner, now is a good time to review your finances. Although the end of the year is often a busy time, it's worthwhile to evaluate ways you can help improve your financial picture. Here's a checklist covering several items you might want to address before year-end:

Life Changes - Has your life changed in the past year, or are you expecting a major change in the coming year? It could be a marriage or divorce, the arrival of a baby, buying a new home, starting a new job or retiring. Any of these events is sure to have an impact on your finances - whether it's your investments today or your retirement tomorrow.

Tax Changes - Investment-related laws and regulations change. It's important to stay current on those changes and what they can mean for you. *

Cutting Debt - If you've built up more debt than you're comfortable with, put a strategy in place to reduce it and keep it from happening again. It may be difficult, but the fewer debts you have, the more money you'll have available to save and invest.

Retirement Savings - Are you regularly putting money aside for your retirement? If your employer has a retirement savings plan, are you taking advantage of it? Do you have a Registered Retirement Savings Plan (RRSP), and are you contributing the maximum amount allowed each year? Taking the right actions now can be essential to ensuring you'll be able to meet your financial needs in retirement.

Estate Planning - Do you have a will? If not, get started right away. And if you already have one, ensure it's up-to-date and reflects your true wishes. Also make sure your power of attorney is up-to-date.

Insurance - Does your insurance coverage span long-term care, life, critical illness and disability? Make sure you have comprehensive coverage that's right for your needs and circumstances. **

Your Children's Post-Secondary Education - Are you taking advantage of a Registered Education Savings Plan (RESP)? This can be extremely valuable for your children's future.

Retirement Income - If you're retired or retiring soon, make sure you understand your cash flow requirements and if you get enough cash to meet your needs from the required annual minimum withdrawal of your Registered Retirement Income Fund (RRIF) or RRIF equivalent, such as a Life Income Fund, Locked-In Retirement Income Fund, or Prescribed Retirement Income Fund. If that's not enough, make sure your portfolio is constructed to help boost your income. If it's more than you need, consider alternative strategies, such as utilizing a Tax-Free Savings Account (TFSA).

Speak with your financial advisor who can help you with each of these as you look ahead to 2010.

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Colby Williams is PSS Student of the Month for November. The Grade 9 student was nominated for a variety of reasons including her community and school involvement and for her attitude towards others. Student of the Month is sponsored by PSS PAC. *

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home in Vancouver and Lee Yee who looked after the Wong children. He had a son who also returned to China during the First World War.

There are also many interesting and amusing stories in the records

surrounding the Chinese and their placer operations. One such tale says that on the ridge above what is now Allison Flats was an area that was extremely rich in gold and quite a large stream flowed from the hillside; John Allison was in the habit of watering his cattle there. However, for whatever reason, the stream disappeared and Allison was furious because he accused the Chinese of using gunpowder in their placer operations!

It goes without saying; the Chinese prospectors were promptly given their marching orders

from the land!
When the Chinese men passed away they would be buried in Town; there is a complete section of the Princeton Cemetery full of headstones marking their so-called final resting places. The truth is, after several years, although the headstones were to remain in place, the bodies would be disinterred and shipped back to China. A lot of these coffins were said to be very heavy because they not only contained the bones of the deceased, but also large quantities of platinum and gold!

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Notes on some Princeton Chinese Pioneers

"Friday"
(Jang Chong)- born in Victoria.
Drove hotel bus and night clerk at motel
His Uncle - Sam (steam engineer)
Sam brought Friday to Princeton
Friday's wife - Dynamite (nickname)
Died falling down Princeton Hotel basement steps

"Old Sam"
Possibly came from Nic! leplate mine, Hedley
Worked also as a night clerk at Princeton Hotel, also looked after boiler.
Went back to China

"Wing" Sr. (Kong Wing)
Came to work for Voight Family at Voights camp. Then worked for bank employees (CIBC) Bank of Commerce (above Dorothy's store as house boy - cooking etc.)
Then started Chicago Café (old Traveler's Café)
Bought ranch from Jaimesons (Wendell Sellers ranch)
He brought his son from China (His wife remained in China)

"Wing" Jr. (Kwong Wing)
Worked at Princeton Hotel after coming from China as Chamber Maid, then took over running of Dining room in Hotel for many years.
Went back to China before returning to Princeton
Bought the L. D. café (Little Davenport) from Harry Tuck located in Hamilton Block - between Ewart's Store and the Butchers
Returned to China then back to Vancouver, cooking in the Silver Dragon on East Hastings.....Final destination unknown!

Similkameen News Leader - Horoscopes

December 9 - 16, 2009

Aries - Learning will become a challenge to you now. Focus on career, don't be distracted by other matters. You are in good humour and want to have fun. Work seems a burden.

Taurus - Your top two concerns are health and job. Focus on good health, steady job performance. You can gain by studies leading to advancement. Look for benefits to pay debts. Rest.

Gemini - Vehicles, electronics, appliances can be source of problems now. Siblings may be troublesome. Partner, friend is generous. Review mortgage, debts, insurance. Budget!

Cancer - People are telling you a lot of things these days. Pay attention, use worthwhile information. Job runs smoothly, health is good. Money matters can be a hot issue at home.

Leo - Pay attention to your job and your health now. Yes, this is a great time for fun. You are undergoing a change in how you express yourself. The less said, the better now.

Virgo - Life around home is much sweeter than it was, and family matters seem to run smoothly. Young people want to talk to you. Listen, advise. Money is still tight, but worry is no use.

Libra - Errands, shopping, siblings and neighbours can be your main source of enjoyment this week. Organizations you belong to may be a pain due to swollen egos. Walk soft.

Scorpio - Please don't go overboard with Christmas shopping, no matter what the temptation. Pay attention to your health and your job now. Message from sibling is important: listen.

Sagittarius - You are still a charmer, and it works for you. This is a good time to spruce up your image and renew your image of yourself as well as what you project to the public.

Capricorn - Your career is undergoing subtle permanent changes. Think about how others see you in your career. Talk about, think about, and plan what you want for yourself.

Aquarius - Enjoying yourself with friends and groups you belong to is a high point now, but you need to listen to your inner voice, and to people who may not be friends. Caution!

Pisces - Look for ways to enhance your career and the benefits it can bring you. A parent or boss can be generous to you this week. Group you belong to provides important information.

Tuesday Movies

EVENING

9:00 pm WTBS (3) ***"Clueless" (1995, Comedy) Alicia Silverstone. A Beverly Hills teen plays matchmaker for teachers, transforms a bad dresser and exam-

ines her own existence. (3) KNOW (5) "Rough Aunties" (2006, Documentary) Premiere. A group of women protect and care for children in Durban.

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Wednesday Movies

EVENING

7:00 pm WTBS (3) ***"The School of Rock" (2003, Comedy) Jack Black. Fired from his group and desperate for money, a guitarist poses as a teacher for students who play in a school band. (3)

11:00 pm KNOW (5) "Bethune" (1964, Documentary) In Spain, Dr. Norman Bethune develops the world's first mobile blood-transfusion service.

10:00 pm WTBS (3) ***"The School of Rock" (2003, Comedy) Jack Black. Fired from his group and

Thursday Movies

EVENING

7:00 pm WTBS (3) ***"Crocodile Dundee" (1986, Comedy) Paul Hogan. A rich reporter tours outback Australia with a crocodile hunter, then brings him to

Manhattan. (3) 9:30 pm WTBS (3) ***"Yours, Mine & Ours" (2005, Comedy) Dennis Quaid. A household threatens to burst at the seams when the marriage of two widowed parents creates a family of 18 children. (3)

Friday Movies

EVENING

7:00 pm WTBS (3) ***"Road to Perdition" (2002, Crime Drama) Tom Hanks. During the Depression, a mobster takes his son along as he seeks to avenge the murders of his wife and younger child. (3)

Eve 1981, young adults seek belonging, a big party, romance and answers. (3)

YTV (18) ***"Home Alone" (1990, Comedy) Macaulay Culkin. Accidentally left by his Paris-bound family, an 8-year-old makes mincemeat of two burglars in the house. (In Stereo) (3)

KNOW (5) ***"Mandela" (1996, Documentary) Premiere. Filmmakers Jo Menell and Angus Gibson chronicle Nelson Mandela's rise from tribal leader to president of South Africa. (3)

7:30 pm FAM (26) "Wizards of Waverly Place The Movie" (2009, Comedy) Selena Gomez. A young wizard conjures a spell that puts her family in jeopardy. (In Stereo) (3)

10:35 pm FAM (26) ***"Hero at Large" (1980, Comedy) John Ritter. An actor costumed as Captain Avenger foils a grocery-store robbery and becomes a sensation. (In Stereo)

8:00 pm CBC (13) ***"The Santa Clause 2" (2002, Comedy) Tim Allen. Santa must get married by Christmas Eve in order to save the holiday and keep his job. (In Stereo) (3)

11:00 pm SPIKE (4) ***"Resident Evil" (2002, Horror) Milla Jovovich. Commandos infiltrate a research facility after a deadly virus turns the entire staff into ravenous zombies. (In Stereo)

9:03 pm FAM (26) ***"A Mom for Christmas" (1990, Fantasy) Olivia Newton-John. A widower and his daughter try to keep a mannequin that magically came to life from returning to its former state. (In Stereo) (3)

10:00 pm WTBS (3) ***"200 Cigarettes" (1999, Romance-Comedy) Ben Affleck. On New Year's

Similkameen News Leader - Recipe Corner

Recipe #301

California Walnut Coated Cheese Truffles

(NC)—Creamy cheese truffles harmonize with the pungent taste of olive and crunchy coating of California walnuts. This dish can be served with a mixture of flatbreads for taste and presentation.

- 8 oz cream cheese, softened 250 g
- 1 cup crumbled feta cheese [approx. 100 g] 250 mL
- 1 tbsp finely chopped sundried tomatoes 15 mL
- 1 tsp finely grated lemon rind 5 mL
- 1 tsp minced fresh oregano 5 mL
- 24 pitted Kalamata olives
- 1 cup California walnuts, toasted 250 mL
- 8 fresh oregano sprigs

Toasting Walnuts: In large, dry skillet over medium-high heat, toast walnuts, stirring occasionally, until lightly brown, about 1 to 2 minutes.

Combine cream cheese, feta cheese, sundried tomatoes, lemon rind, and oregano. Cover and refrigerate for 1 hour. Scoop a tablespoon of cheese mixture and pat around an olive, forming a ball. Repeat until all of the cheese is used up.

Place walnuts in food processor; pulse until evenly and finely chopped. Transfer to a pie plate. Roll each ball in ground walnuts to coat. Refrigerate. At serving time, place 3 truffles in a martini glass; garnish with a sprig of fresh oregano.

Tip: Cheese truffles can be stored in refrigerator up to two days before serving.

Makes 8 servings; 3 truffles per serving.

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2009

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News Leader Puzzle Page

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HOW TO PLAY:

Sudoku is a game of logic. There is no math involved. The object of the game is to fill the grid so that the numbers 1 through 9 appear only once in each row, column and 3 x 3 box. The numbers can appear in any order and Carter has left you some clues below.

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CHALLENGE #252 - Rated Hard

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THIS WEEK'S SOLUTIONS:
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Saturday Movies

MORNING

- 9:00 am WTBS (3) ★★★ "Election" (1999, Comedy) Matthew Broderick. When a school's goody-two-shoes runs for class president, a teacher/adviser schemes to keep her from winning. (D)
- 11:00 am WTBS (3) ★★ "Flubber" (1997, Comedy) Robin Williams. Enemies try to steal an absent-minded inventor's flying rubber creation and his fiancée. (D)

AFTERNOON

- 12:00 pm FAM (26) ★★★ "One Magic Christmas" (1985, Fantasy) Mary Steenburgen. A guardian angel helps a poor, weary woman whose family faces eviction at the holidays. (In Stereo) (D)
- 1:00 pm YTV (18) "Christmas Carol" (1997) Voices of Tim Curry. Animated. Dickens' London miser Ebenezer Scrooge meets the ghosts of Christmases past, present and yet to come. (In Stereo) (D)
- 1:30 pm FAM (26) "The Ultimate Christmas Present" (2000, Comedy) Hallee Hirsh. Two girls plan to close school by making it snow in Los Angeles jeopardizes Christmas. (In Stereo) (D)
- 4:00 pm YTV (18) ★★ "An All Dogs Christmas Carol" (1998, Adventure) Voices of Steven Weber. Animated. Divine intervention is needed when a bulldog with a bad

- attitude makes plans to ruin the Christmas holiday. (In Stereo) (D)
- 5:00 pm WTBS (3) ★★½ "Random Hearts" (1999, Drama) Harrison Ford. A cop and a politician seek the truth about their spouses, killed together in a plane crash on the way to the same address. (D)

EVENING

- 6:00 pm YTV (18) ★★ "To Grandmother's House We Go" (1992, Comedy) Mary-Kate Olsen. Two goofy crooks kidnap twin little girls who have left home to get out of their mother's hair. (In Stereo) (D)
- CITY (29) ★★½ "Clean" (2004, Drama) Maggie Cheung. Premiere. Released from jail after six months, a widow battles drug addiction and tries to reconnect with her estranged son. (D) (DVS)
- 7:30 pm WTBS (3) ★★ "Sliding Doors" (1998, Romance-Comedy) Gwyneth Paltrow. After a series of misfortunes, a woman with an unfaithful boyfriend experiences an alternate reality. (D)
- 8:00 pm KHQ (7) VTV (22) ★★½ "It's a Wonderful Life" (1946, Comedy-Drama) James Stewart. Ruined by a miser on Christmas Eve, a suicidal family man sees life anew thanks to his guardian angel. (In Stereo) (D) (DVS)
- KXLY (10) ★★½ "The Polar Express" (2004, Fantasy) Voices of Tom Hanks. Animated. A train con-

- ductor guides a boy who doubts the existence of Santa Claus to the North Pole. (In Stereo) (D)
- 8:05 pm KSPS (6) ★★½ "Mildred Pierce" (1945, Drama) Joan Crawford. A woman makes personal sacrifices in order to please her ungrateful daughter.
- 9:00 pm CHBC (4) BCTV (11) "Lethal Obsession" (2007, Suspense) Kellie Martin. A woman encounters her troubled sibling while visiting her dying grandmother across the country. (D)
- FAM (26) ★★ "Ebbie" (1995, Fantasy) Susan Lucci. The ghosts of Christmases past, present and future visit a heartless CEO in a version of Dickens' "A Christmas Carol." (In Stereo) (D)
- 9:01 pm KREM (3) "The Flight Before Christmas" (2008, Comedy) Voices of Emma Roberts. Animated. A flying squirrel shows a young reindeer how to soar into the sky. (In Stereo) (D)
- 9:30 pm WTBS (3) ★★½ "The Door in the Floor" (2004, Drama) Jeff Bridges. A children's author seduces women when painting their nude portraits, while his wife has an affair with a teen. (D)
- 10:30 pm FAM (26) ★★½ "Johnny Tsunami" (1999, Drama) Brandon Baker. A teenage Hawaiian surfer moves to Vermont, where his grandfather helps him become a first-class snowboarder. (In Stereo) (D)

Sunday Movies

MORNING

- 8:00 am WTBS (3) ★½ "The Tuxedo" (2002, Comedy) Jackie Chan. A chauffeur embarks on a covert mission after a tuxedo from a secret agent gives him extraordinary abilities. (D)
- 9:00 am A&E (9) ★★½ "GoodFellas" (1990, Crime Drama) Robert De Niro. In the 1950s an Irish-Italian hoodlum joins the New York Mafia, but his mob career is not what he expected. (D)
- 10:00 am WTBS (3) ★★½ "Cheaper by the Dozen" (2003, Comedy) Steve Martin. While his wife is away on business, a college-football coach must handle the chaos surrounding his 12 children. (D)

AFTERNOON

- 12:00 pm WTBS (3) ★★ "Yours, Mine & Ours" (2005, Comedy) Dennis Quaid. A household threatens to burst at the seams when the marriage of two widowed parents creates a family of 18 children. (D)
- FAM (26) ★★ "On the 2nd Day of Christmas" (1997, Comedy-Drama) Mary Stuart Masterson. A woman and her niece are caught picking pockets in a department store on Christmas Eve. (In Stereo)
- 1:30 pm FAM (26) ★★ "Twas the Night" (2001, Comedy) Bryan Cranston. A mischievous teen and his uncle "borrow" Santa's sleigh. (In Stereo) (D)
- 2:00 pm WTBS (3) ★★ "Shanghai Knights" (2003, Comedy) Jackie Chan. With help from his sister and a friend, a martial-arts master travels to London to find his father's murderer. (D)
- YTV (18) "Casper's Haunted Christmas" (2000, Fantasy) Voices of Brendon Ryan Barrett. Animated. Cousin Spooky comes to the aid of Casper when the friendly ghost must scare someone or face banishment. (In Stereo) (D)
- 3:00 pm KXLY (10) "Miracle at Sage Creek" (2005, Western) David Carradine. Two feuding families make peace after a tragic death and a boy's illness.
- 4:00 pm WTBS (3) ★★½ "Forces of Nature" (1999, Romance-Comedy) Sandra Bullock. A bridegroom hurries by plane to his wedding, but he and his seatmate must find other modes of travel. (D)
- YTV (18) ★★½ "Yogi's First Christmas" (1980) Voices of Daws Butler. Animated. Hoping to ensure a happy Christmas for Mrs. Trockmorton, Huck and the gang awaken Yogi Bear out of his winter

- sleep to help in their preparations. (In Stereo) (D)
- 5:00 pm CBC (13) ★½ "The Santa Clause 3: The Escape Clause" (2006, Comedy) Tim Allen. Scott Calvin, aka Santa, contends with visiting in-laws and a scheme by mischievous Jack Frost to freeze him out of Christmas. (In Stereo) (D)

EVENING

- 6:00 pm WTBS (3) ★★½ "Forces of Nature" (1999, Romance-Comedy) Sandra Bullock. A bridegroom hurries by plane to his wedding, but he and his seatmate must find other modes of travel. (D)
- 7:30 pm VTV (22) ★★ "Transformers" (2007, Action) Shia LaBeouf. Humanity's fate hangs in the balance when two races of robots bring their war to Earth. (In Stereo) (D)
- 8:00 pm WTBS (3) ★★½ "Emma" (1996, Drama) Gwyneth Paltrow. Things keep getting worse after a young matchmaker finds a mate for a simple young woman in rural 1800s England. (D)
- CBC (13) ★★½ "The Polar Express" (2004, Fantasy) Voices of Tom Hanks. Animated. A train conductor guides a boy who doubts the existence of Santa Claus to the North Pole. (In Stereo) (D)
- 9:00 pm FAM (26) ★★½ "Grumpy Old Men" (1993, Comedy) Jack Lemmon. Minnesota neighbors rekindle a 10-year feud when they fall for the same widow. (In Stereo)
- 10:44 pm FAM (26) ★★ "Snow Dogs" (2002, Comedy) Cuba Gooding Jr. A Miami dentist travels to Alaska to claim his inheritance, a mischievous team of sled dogs. (In Stereo) (D)

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MONDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2009

	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	In the Heat of the Night	(5:30) Morning News (N)	Franklin	Bob Build	News (N)	News	Amer. Justice	News	(5:30) Morning News (N)	(4:30) Morning News (N)	CBC News Now (N)	Being Ian (8:25) Viva	SportsCentre	Canada AM	Daily Planet	Henry's Feet	CityLine	CSI: NY "The Closer"	Once a Thief
7 AM	Cosby		Clifford the Big Red Dog (DVS)	Arthur (EI)	Today (N)	The Early Show (N)	CSI: Miami	Good Morning America (N)			Dirtdgirl	SpongeBob	SportsCentre		Extreme Machines	Mickey	The Tyra Show	CSI: Crime Scene	The Outer Limits
8 AM	Harvey		Sid the Science Kid	Curious			Cold Case Files		100 Huntley Street	100 Huntley Street	Bo on Go	Pokémon (8:25) Kid	SportsCentre		How-Made	Handy	Rachael Ray	CSI: Crime Scn	North of 60
9 AM	Fam. Feud	100 Huntley Street	Spider	Super Why!		The 700 Club	The First 48	Live With Regis & Kelly	100 Huntley Street	World Vision	Super Why!	Santa	Fishing	Live With Regis & Kelly	Daily Planet	Agent Oso	News	CSI: Crime Scn	TV Made
10 AM	Reba	Hospital for Sick Kids	Sesame Street (EI)			The Price Is Right (N)	Criminal Minds	The View (N)	Hospital for Sick Kids	Debt Part	Poko	Berenstain	Bowling: World Championship	The View (N)	Super Tools "Ship"	Mickey	The O.C.	CSI: Crime Scn	Dawson's Creek
11 AM	Jim Name Earl	World Vision	Rolie Polie Berenstain	Clifford Sit-Be Fit	Ellen DeGeneres Show	Young and the Restless	The Sopranos	Paid Prog.	World Vision	(10:59) Noon News Hour (N)	Gofrette	(11:10) Erky	Boxing	Fashion	Monster Moves	Phineas	CityLine	CSI: Crime Scn	Raymond
12 PM	King	Noon News Hour (N)	Maggie	Charlie Rose	Paid Prog.	News	Amer. Justice	All My Children (N)	Noon News Hour (N)	Days of our Lives (N)	CBC News Now (N)	Santa		etalk	Mighty Ships "Faust"	Wizards	The Bonnie Hunt Show	CSI: Crime Scn	Seinfeld
1 PM	Seinfeld	As the World Turns (N)	Wibbly Pig	Fine Art	Days of our Lives (N)	As the World Turns (N)	CSI: Miami	One Life to Live (N)	As the World Turns (N)	As the World Turns (N)	Dating Confidential	(12:55) Viva Jacob	NFL PrimeTime	Sue Thomas: F.B. Eye	Dirty Jobs	Cory	Judge J.	CSI: Crime Scn	Raymond
2 PM	Friends	Young and the Restless	Franklin	Barney	The Bonnie Hunt Show	Let's Make a Deal (N)	Cold Case Files	General Hospital (N)	Young and the Restless	The Doctors	Steven and Chris	Casper	Around	Dr. Phil	MythBusters	Replace	CityNews at 5 (N)	CSI: Crime Scn	3's Co.
3 PM	The Office	The Doctors	(3:01) Little Bear	WordGirl	Judge	Dr. Phil	The First 48	Rachael Ray	The Doctors	Young and the Restless	Fashion	Barnyard	Off-Record	(2:59) The Dr. Oz Show	Canada's Worst Driver	Life Derek	CityNews at 6 (N)	CSI: Crime Scn	Carlawood
4 PM	Family Guy	Oprah Winfrey	WordWorld	Fetch! Ruff	Judge J.	Oprah Winfrey	Criminal Minds	Deal No	Oprah Winfrey	(3:59) Early Global	Ghost Whisperer	SpongeBob	Hockey	Ellen DeGeneres Show	Daily Planet (N)	Phineas and Ferb (N)	Law & Order: SVU	CSI: Crime Scn	Raymond
5 PM	Payne	Early News	Babar	BBC News	News (N)	News	Intervention "Nikki"	News	Early News	(4:59) News Hour (N)	CBC News: Vancouver (N)	OddParent	Countdown	CTV News at Five (N)	MythBusters	Suite Life	How I Met	CSI: Crime Scn	The Outer Limits
6 PM	Law & Order: SVU	Global News	Mechanics	PBS NewsHour (N)	News (N)	News	Intervention "Jennifer"	News	(5:59) News Hour (N)	ET Canada	Garfield	Christmas	Cardinals at San Francisco 49ers. (Live)	CTV News (N)	Dirty Jobs (N)	Montana	Trauma	Wild World	ET Canada
7 PM	Movie: "Hitch" (2005) Will Smith, Eva Mendes	Ent. Ton.	Eden	'Allo, 'Allo!	Jeopardy!	The Doctors	Hoarders (N)	Ent. Ton.	Ent. Ton.	NCIS: Los Angeles (N)	Wheel	A Flintstone Christmas		etalk	Canada's Worst Driver	Sonny	The Jay Leno Show (N)	The Ultimate Fighter (Live)	Family Guy
8 PM	Smith, Eva Mendes	House	Monarchy	Antiques Roadshow	The Sing-Off Eight a cappella groups compete.	How I Met Purpose	Jackson Family	Hudson-Home	House	House	Grinch	Malcolm		Movie: "Shrek 2" (2004) Voices of Mike Myers.	Daily Planet	Overruled!	News		Raymond
9 PM	Movie: "Hitch" (2005) Will Smith, Eva Mendes	(9:01) Lie to Me (N)	Martha Graham: Dancer	To Be Announced	Two Men	Intervention "Nikki"	Find My Family (N)	(9:01) Lie to Me (N)	(9:01) Lie to Me (N)	(9:01) Lie to Me (N)	Mr. Bean	8 Rules		Voices of Mike Myers.	MythBusters	Wizards	Rock of Love Bus	Real Vice	Seinfeld
10 PM	Smith, Eva Mendes	NCIS: Los Angeles (N)	Capturing a Short Life	To Be Announced	The Jay Leno Show (N)	CSI: Miami (N)	(10:01) Intervention "Jennifer"	Castle	NCIS: Los Angeles (N)	News Hour Final (N)	National	Family Biz	Canadian Dog Show	CSI: Miami (N)	Canada's Worst Driver	School	Coach	CSI: Crime Scn	Family Guy
11 PM		CHBC News Final (N)	Battlefield Mysteries	Charlie Rose (N)	News (N)	News	(11:01) Hoarders	News	News Hour Final (N)	Ent. Ton.	(11:05) The Hour	Adrenaline	SportsCentre (Live)	News	Dirty Jobs	So Raven	Home Imp.	Star Trek: Voyager	3's Co.

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8:00 pm VTV (22) ★★Shrek 2 (2004, Comedy) Voices of Mike Myers. Animated. A green ogre, his new wife and a donkey find adventure while visiting his in-laws. (In Stereo)

9:30 pm WTBS (3) ★★Hitch (2005, Romance-Comedy) Will Smith. A smooth-talking man falls for a hardened columnist while helping a shy accountant woo a beautiful heiress.

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583	146	972
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296	783	154

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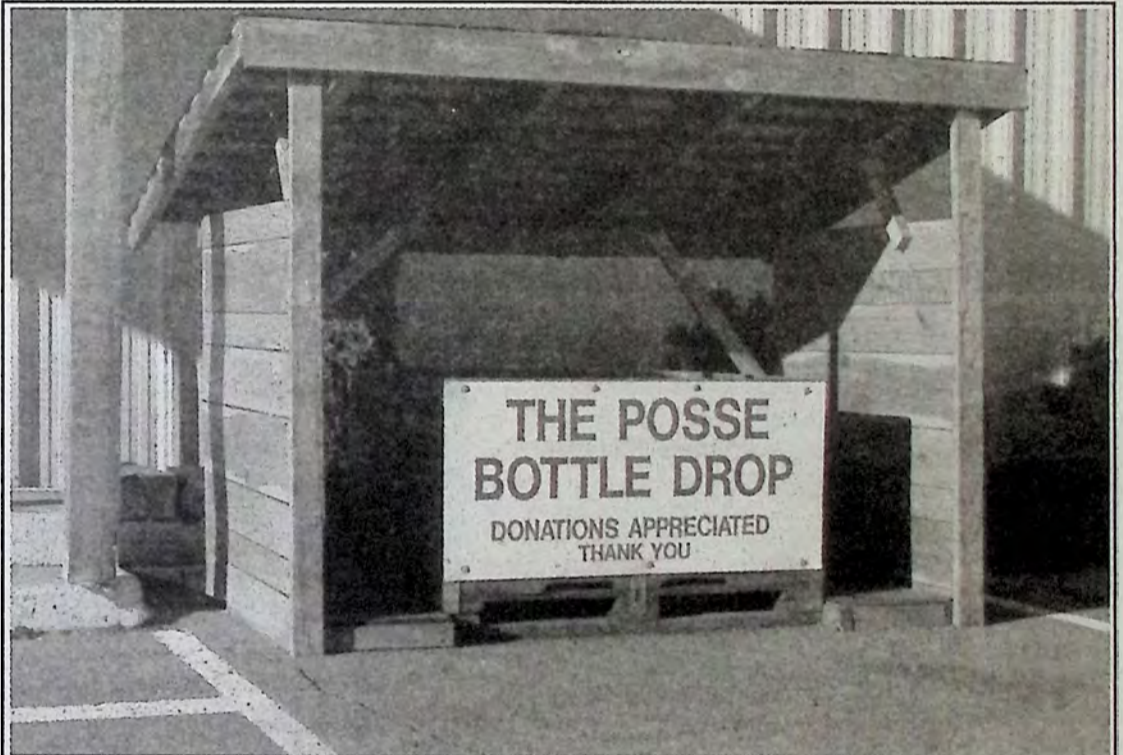
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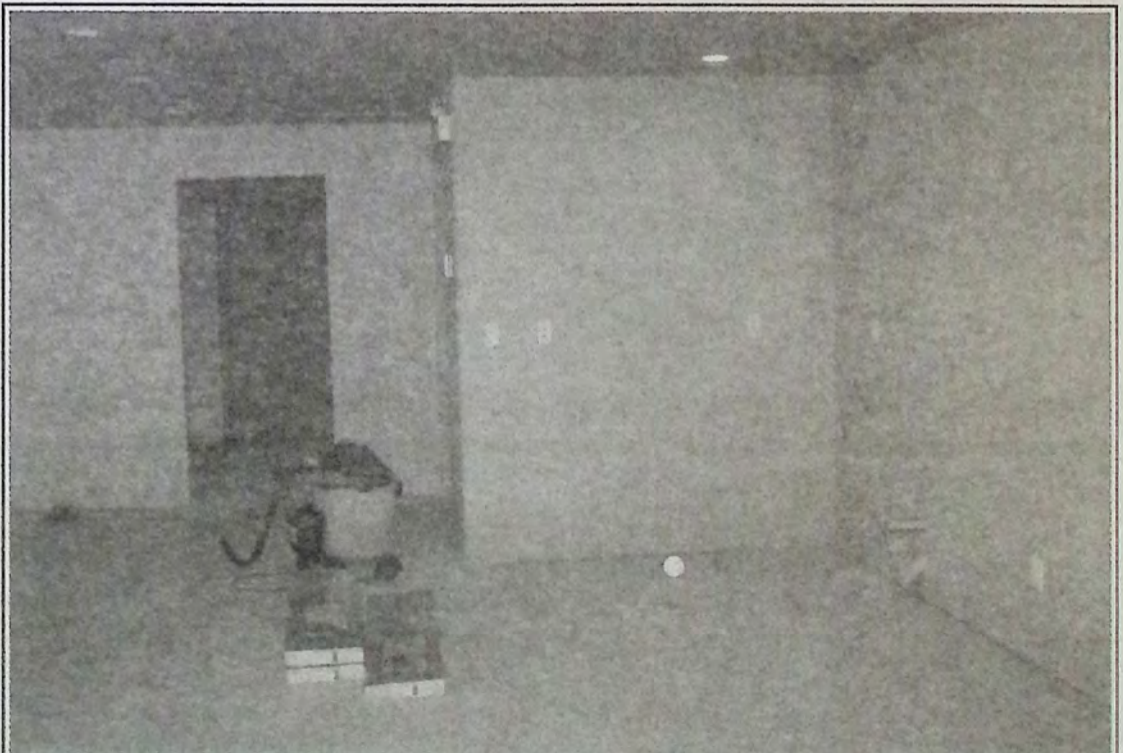
Posse Training Centre



The Posse Training Centre continues to take shape. The walls were painted last week.



This has been a steady source of income for the Posse.*



All electrical is in, now plumbing is next at the Posse Training Centre.*



Work continues at Two Rivers Park - including installation of picnic tables. *

The Green Corner

Growing Up Green - A New Lifestyle

(NC)—The days of wasteful consumerism and using environmentally harmful products are long gone.

Canadian adults have had to adjust their thinking significantly with an abundance of new information re-educating them about how to embrace a more environmentally conscious lifestyle.

Unlike adults, young Canadians today were raised in an atmosphere of "green living" and don't think twice about making environmentally friendly choices. Being "green" is simply an inherent characteristic for most of today's youth.

Here are a couple of occasions you can use to encourage your chil-

dren to continue the green lifestyle and keep your family "eco-friendly."

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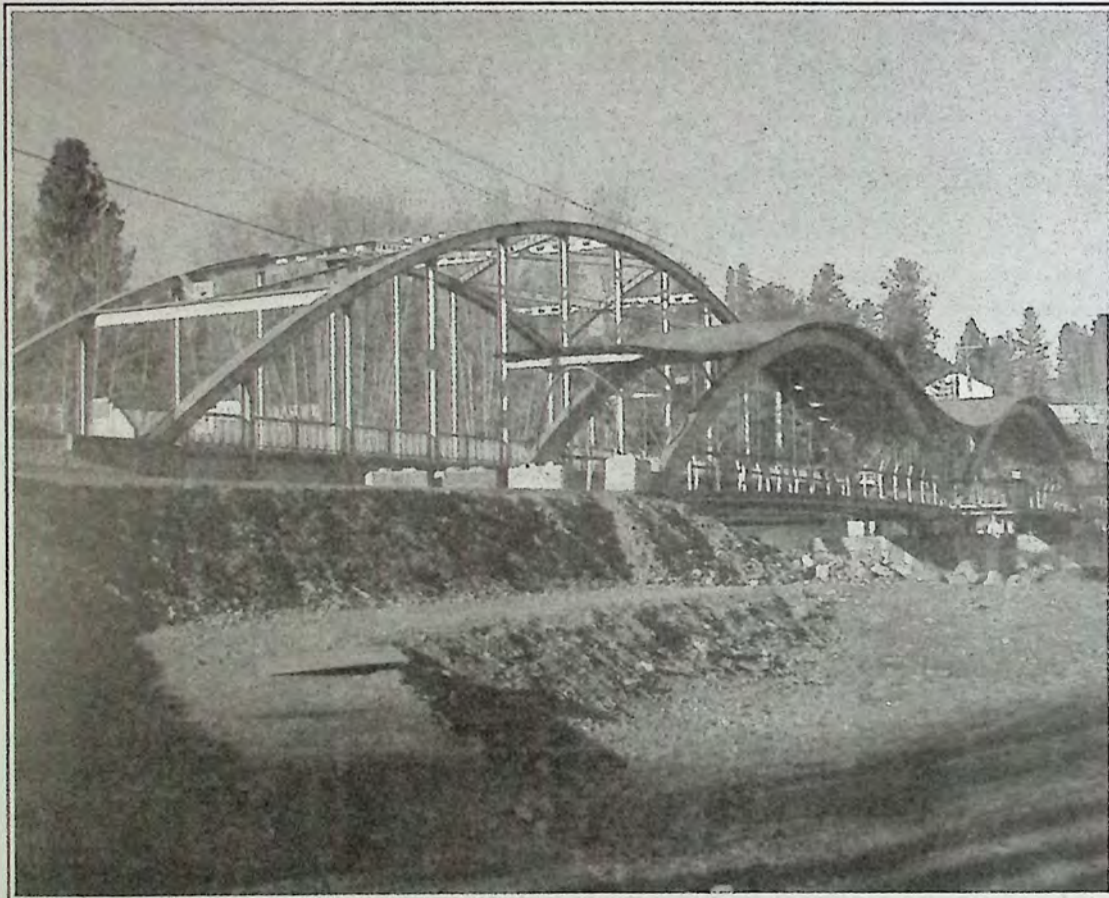
- Practice the 3R's - reduce, reuse, recycle.
- Reduce your waste by packing reusable lunch boxes or bags, cloth napkins, reusable utensils and containers.
- Pack fruits and vegetables that are in season, locally produced and organic.
- Make sure you pack a recyclable Tetra Pak juice, water or milk carton. The drinks can also work double duty as a frozen icepack to keep things cold and safe until lunch

time.

Host eco-friendly parties for the kids

- Send an e-vite instead of paper invitations.
- Use reusable loot bags and fill them with items that are consumable, reusable or recyclable.
- Use Tetra Pak juice packs which are recyclable and practical (no breaking glass).
- Make sure you use reusable utensils, plates and serving dishes.
- Instead of new gifts, ask parents to consider a donation to a green charity.
- Clean up at the end of the party using environmentally friendly cleaning supplies.

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My Turn...

The Dog Blog

I was at a meeting the other night where discussion moved into topics of internet nature and blogs in particular. A blog, in case you don't know, is basically an online journal. It gets its name from the shortened version of the words web log.

I have a few blogs myself.

I guess I have a lot of different things to say and sometimes they are things I can't say even here, so I use a blog. I would have to sit down and seriously count all the blogs I actually have complete access to, but since there are a couple I use anonymously, let's just say there's more than six.

So in the meeting I was at there was mention that the group hosting the meeting could set up its own blog and was there anyone in the room who knew anything about blogs...to which I mentioned that I was responsible for spreading a lot of things across the internet through my blogs.

I want to make it clear that I am far from an expert on the workings of the worldwide interweb but I have stumbled across a free place to say stuff and that's the world of blogs.

Back to the meeting.

I used a couple of my blogs as examples of what can be done online and mentioned our dog's blog.

You heard me right.

Our Dalmatian Eddie has his own blog in internet world and has had it for probably two years now. He posts pictures of himself, the cat and his Humans and normally has funny things to say about everyone in his life.

However, he does seem to have very different things to say about George the Human than he does about Brenda the Human.

The strangest thing is that Eddie's blog is one of hundreds of other blogs also written by pets. And each one has a following.

In fact, pick a subject. Any subject and you'll be able to find 20, 50, maybe 100 different blogs on that very subject written by people all over the world with things to say about just about anything under the Sun.

It makes the world seem a whole lot smaller all of a sudden, that is, if you are into reading about what other people are doing and sharing on the internet.

One of the many things that attracted me to blogs was that people could interact with you without you investing a lot of time getting to know them. I know how that sounds, but it's true. All they have to do is click on the comment button on your blog and they can say their piece.

If you don't like what they say, you can block them from your site.

Personally I like to leave comments uncensored. Good and bad because that creates balance and it shows a level of fairness.

Again, back to the meeting.

So I was asked if I wanted to assist with setting up a blog for this group. I suggested someone else, as I'm too busy blogging for myself.

And blogging for Eddie, who, by the way, spends far too much time online.

So if you haven't explored the world of blogging and bloggers, you should just check it out sometime. You may be surprised to find your neighbour or someone you know has been writing online about something you may be interested in reading.

Or you can always just look for Eddie's blog to see what his Humans have been up to lately.



This is a view of Princeton in 1973. Note the old Princeton School and playing field located where Dairy Queen and Princeton Plaza are located today. Also the former 'blue' bridge over Similkameen River on Highway 3. Photo: Princeton Museum

...Your Turn

Mayor pats some backs

To The Editor;

As we approach the Christmas season, we come to realize that another year is coming to a close. A year that has seen a myriad of changes take place in our community and a year in which we need to be thankful for so many of the people in our community who have helped to improve the way of life that we enjoy.

This year is no different in one way from many others and that is the limitless hours donated by countless volunteers who are responsible for the many activities and charitable work that takes place in Princeton every year. When you go to a play or a hockey game or the races or the rodeo you are able to go because of the

people behind the scenes who spend the many hours to organize and manage that event. Examine any one of the many events and you will become aware of the sacrifice that is being made to make your community a better place.

Think of all the coaches, the managers, the ticket takers, the stage hands, the concession workers, the list is endless. They are not out to gain recognition and yet it is imperative that we do just that for without their contribution we would not have the vibrant activity filled town that we do.

So the long and short of this recognition is that if you know a volunteer or you are attending an event, this is the time of year to pay your respects for all they do to improve our lifestyle. And if you are a volunteer yourself then please accept my thanks on behalf of all Princeton and area residents who benefit from your willingness to make a contribution. Although it never gets said often enough, I am convinced that the sentiment I am expressing is felt throughout

the community by people who are very grateful for that contribution.

This year saw the completion of another example of community spirit, when Veteran's Square came to a beautiful conclusion. That project was a result of the cooperation of a number of local contractors who came to our rescue and enabled us to build a development that was projected and tendered to cost \$1.1 million for under \$600,000. That half million dollar saving represented the same community spirit that allowed the golf course to construct a \$2 million additional nine holes and end up with a \$500,000 debt. In that case it was logging contractors and their equipment and their workers who made it possible, in other words Princeton would not have an 18 hole golf course if it wasn't for their contribution.

Veteran's Square is just such an example, if not for Dave Woodruff who volunteered a year of his life, Lyle Thomas who oversaw the continued on Page 23

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Current Comment

Who Do You Think You Are?



Dawn Johnson
editor@thenewsleader.ca

Have you ever known a person who has lots of potential, but always seems to screw up? Have you ever known a person who kept making the same mistakes over and over again, like the woman who divorces one kind of man and then marries the same kind of man the next time?

I'm sure each of us knows people like this, and we wonder why no real change takes place, why they never learn from mistakes. We despair because the pattern of their lives keeps repeating. There is an answer. It is about who they think they are.

Behavioural psychologist A.W. Combs spelled it out in one simple statement: "The maintenance and enhancement of the *perceived* self are the motives behind all behaviour." In short, each of us tries to maintain and enhance who we think we are.

Suppose I believe myself to be a good person who follows the rules and stays out of trouble, who is kind and generous to others, and who is dependable and hard-working. Because I believe this about myself, I will behave in that manner. I will prove to myself and others that is who I am.

Suppose I believe myself to be unlovable, not worthy of admiration, a person other people will not like and respect. Then I will behave in ways that guarantee nobody likes and respects me.

What can we do about people who see themselves in a negative light? How can we change the belief a person has about himself or herself?

This is a huge challenge, because who we believe ourselves to be is deeply rooted in the early years of our childhood. The behaviours that turn us into successful or unsuccessful people show up in adult life, but originate in the past. We

may not remember what motivated our behaviour as children. We may not consciously know what we perceive ourselves to be until patterns of behaviour show us who we think we are.

There is no question that parents have a huge influence on who and what a child thinks he or she is. It is not just what the parents think of the child that has an influence, but what the parents think of themselves. Older and younger siblings can have an influence, too. If one brother is an exceptional athlete, and the other is not, both will see themselves in terms of athletic ability. One will be proud of his athletic prowess while the other may be ashamed, feel inferior, or choose to excel in some other field in order to compete for attention and praise.

The concept of perceiving who you are as a motive for behaviour can work for or against upbringing. During the 1960s and 1970s, the children of middle class families rebelled against their upbringing. They said they did not want to devote themselves to mindless consumerism and keeping up appearances. They wanted to find a new way of being. They did not perceive themselves as people who would settle for a house in suburbia and three kids. They fought against the racial and religious prejudices of their parents' generation. They developed a new perception of who they ought to be.

Sometimes children follow in their parents' footsteps, and sometimes the beliefs and behaviours of their parents cause children to seek a different path. I remember a young man raised in a home where the father frequently drank

to excess and beat the boy's mother. This boy opposed his father's behaviour. He sought out a karate instructor and learned this martial art. One night, when the boy was fifteen years old, his father came home drunk, and began manhandling the boy's mother. The boy gave his father a beating and kicked him out of the house. The father never returned, which made the family's home a happy place to live. This young man grew up to be an exemplary man respected by everyone. Although sociologists and psychologists will tell us this boy would likely grow up to be a boozier who beat his wife, the boy had a different perception of himself, and took a different path in life.

I recall a family I knew while I was growing up. This was another family troubled by the father's drinking and his subsequent abusive behaviour. There were four boys in the family. Two of the boys grew up to be much like the father. One boy left home young, and made a different life for himself through education. The fourth boy joined a church and eventually became a minister. Each son had developed according to his own perception of who he should be.

These examples should give all of us some hope. We do not have to perceive ourselves according to what anybody else thinks of us, or what our family background is. We can develop our own perception of who we are, and then we can maintain and enhance our self-perception. We can, as individuals, move away from what others think of us or what home life programmed into us. We can define ourselves according to what we think we should be.

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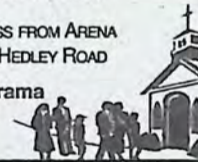
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BC Businesses Optimistic Heading into Christmas Season

BC small business confidence continues to grow as BC's economic recovery heads into the Christmas season. CFIB's BC Business Barometer Index rose to 72.9 in November, a 4.7 increase over October. Once again BC has surpassed the national average in business confidence and remains the 3rd most optimistic province in Canada.

CFIB's November Business Barometer results reflect how business owners are starting to view economic prospects for 2010. BC's indicator is calculated using a 2-month moving average.

Highlights:

- 85 per cent of business owners in BC report that the overall state

of business is either good or satisfactory, up from 82 per cent in October and 75 per cent in September.

- BC employment plans have once again stabilized with 78 per cent of business owners indicating they will either increase or not change employment over the next 3-4 months.

SME's tend to make fewer changes during the winter months. CFIB does not seasonal adjust our employment intention results.

- Tax and regulatory costs continue to be the most significant cost pressure in BC, with 60 per cent of business owners saying these costs are causing difficulties for their business.

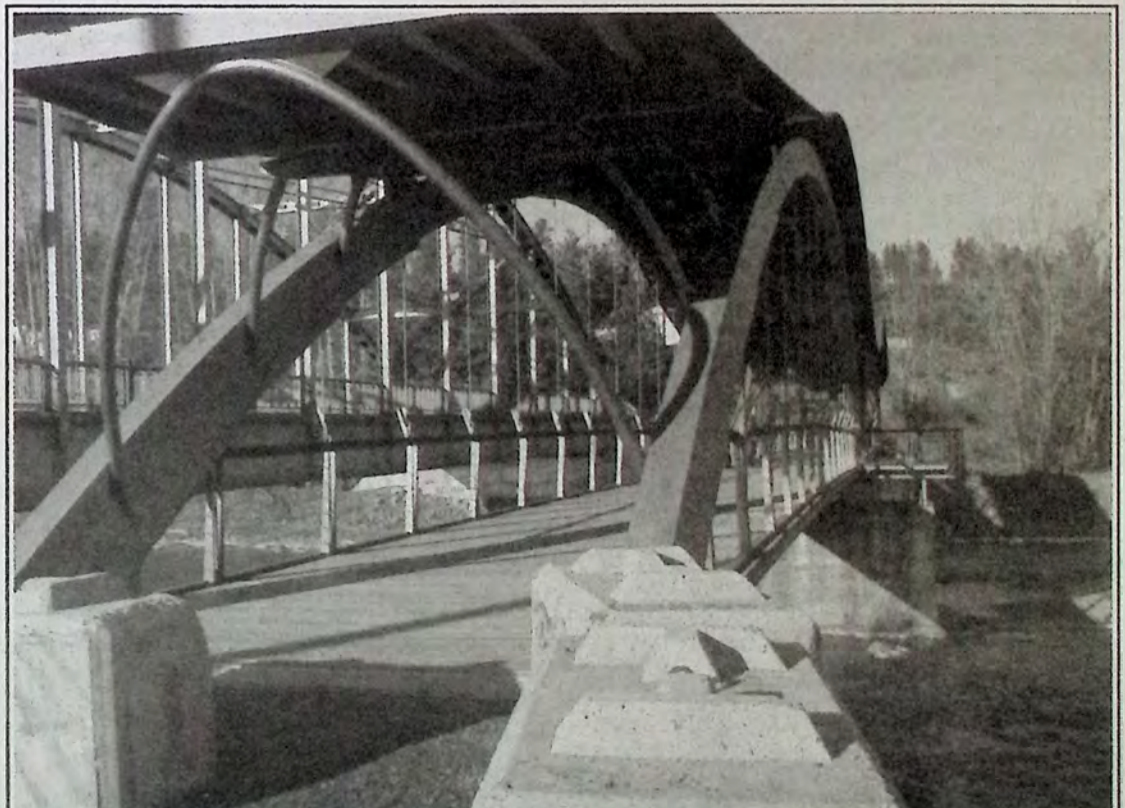
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domestic demand continues to be the top business constraint but has dropped 1 point to 46 per cent.

- Business owners in the finance business services and retail sectors hold share an equally high level of optimism, while those involved in transportation, agriculture and hospitality continue to be less upbeat about BC's economic prospects.

All of this is outlined and illustrated in the BC Business Barometer for November 2009. The national report, including a comparison chart of CFIB's Business Barometer and GDP, can be found at: www.cfib.ca.

The Similkameen News Leader is one of many Similkameen Valley small businesses with a membership in the CFIB.



The Bridge of Dreams looks fantastic! You should see the finished product. *

Letter To The Editor

Anctil offers more dump clarification

To The Editor:

Re: Reply by Mr. Winqvist to my letter entitled "dumpsite rage or power tripping?"

I would like to inform the readers that I am not on the payroll at the News Leader and that I do not want to make these letters a weekly thing.

The purpose of my first letter was to bring to the attention of the readers a style of behaviour that I considered inappropriate coming from people paid to serve us. This second letter is to try and correct inaccuracies reported in Mr. Winqvist's reply which was entitled "There's more than one side to a story."

In his letter, he states that the signage at the site is so accurate and visible from everywhere on the site and therefore no one can be excused from dropping a metal washing machine with a different kind of appliance; namely with metal refrigerators whose dumping area was indicated by a sign saying "Freon only." In other words, the people in charge have built the perfect labyrinth where there is no room for mistakes and where it seems a system of bullying would be justified. Mr. Winqvist states that the shouting came to me across the dumpsite. To be more precise, I would say that both attendants came at me to within 20 or 25 feet. It is also said that this was necessary to get my attention so that I could correct my mistake.

The sound of the machine hitting the ground is what got their attention and the only way that the mistake could have been corrected would have been for them to offer to help. No such offer was made; not part of the job description, I can only guess.

Mr. Winqvist also states that the shouting was not intended to upset Mrs. Anctil and it seems that he could be excused as Mr. Anctil was just an unintended casualty of a necessary scolding and shouting. Was the order to pick up the washing machine and load it back in the truck just intended as a joke? I fail to see the humour. End of the story - apparently not.

In his reply, Mr. Winqvist informs the readers that I failed on two occasions to disclose the fact that I had uttered threats aimed at the attendants. On the first day, I went back and made a promise to one of the attendants that this type of behaviour would not be tolerated by me and that no one in the future would get away with it. A promise, not a threat. On my second visit, Mr. Winqvist was the attendant. I stopped and shut the engine off and tried to obtain from Mr. Winqvist an explanation to his previous behaviour, to no avail. I was met with

more hostility and this, is when I made the second promise and said that if I was pushed, I would come fighting back. Realizing that this type of attitude was rooted in their job description, I decided to come through with my promise and went public with it. I realize that my words were to feed his need to try and shoot the messenger.

Fighting back with the pen is more civil and often more effective. "The pen is mightier than the sword for most of us." In his letter, Mr. Winqvist also states incorrectly that my visit to the town office was only an attempt to cause doubts on the honesty and integrity of the landfill attendants. The intent of this visit was not for this reason at all but only to obtain more dumping tickets. While I was there I asked some questions and got answers about a system of accounting that I described in my first letter, "the honour system."

If Mr. Winqvist feels attacked and vulnerable I would suggest that he brings his concerns to the people that allow a system that promotes this kind of feeling. In my first letter I stated clearly that I do not question the honesty of the attendants but only questioned the validity of the system.

If I was to write about the need to obtain proper receipts from the bank or the grocery store, no one would come out stating that I question the integrity of the bank teller or grocery store attendant. This is the way business is done in this country, including other landfills.

It is only after my visit to Town Hall that I learned that the money

Mayor says 'thanks'

..... continued from Page 20 project on behalf of the Town and guided it through all the pitfalls that can occur, local contractors Fred Bergsma, Mike Grgich, Tom Reichart, Jim Barnes, Ray Michaud, Kazumi Tanaka, the Town crew and all their workers who set aside commitments or worked around them in order to create that lasting tribute to our community all at a rate that we could afford.

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collected was taxpayers' money. In the past, like many people, I assumed that the money was going to the contractor and therefore if he was happy with the existing system, who was to question it? If it is taxpayers' money, I would think that it would be imperative to ensure that all money collected from tipping fees or from the sale of reusable items would be accounted for by a proper system of receipts. The receipts would be issued in duplicate and numbered and not only offered to the customers but handed to them to dispose of if so desired.

There have been some very positive changes made at the site and let's hope that this trend will continue.

In closing, I would like to reassure Mr. Winqvist in stating again that I do not question his honesty. Please do not try to kill the whistle blower and request what you deserve, which is a system that would not allow your integrity to be questioned.

I feel discriminated against because, in the last few months I've visited the landfill to dispose of some roof shingles (five pickup loads), and never was I offered a receipt or handed one. Except for a few customers who requested and received some sort of receipt, none of the other people questioned by me ever remember being offered a receipt or ever being handed one.

If a system can allow abuse, it will in time. One form of abuse could lead to others.

Yours truly,
Jean Anctil, Princeton

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