Columbia River Treaty review process outlined by provincial team leader

by Jan McMurray

Another round of public meetings on the Columbia River Treaty review is underway, and another large crowd turned out at the Nakusp meeting June 5.

After small group discussions and a free dinner prepared by the Rotary Interact Club, a presentation was made by Kathy Eichenberger, executive director of the six-member provincial Columbia River Treaty Review Team. Eichenberger is leading the review process and is responsible for bringing forward a recommendation to cabinet in September 2013. She assured the public that the Province is listening carefully to CBT, the Columbia River Treaty Local Governments’ Committee, and the public. “We will represent your views to the decision makers,” she said.

The decision facing the Province is whether or not to notify the US that Canada would like to terminate the treaty. The treaty has no expiration date, but can be terminated by either country any time after September 16, 2024, as long as notice is given at least 10 years in advance. To terminate the treaty in 2024, then, notice must be given by 2014. Regardless of this, the treaty stipulates that in 2024, “assured flood control” will be replaced by “Called Upon flood control,” but the latter is not well defined.

Eichenberger said that the provincial treaty review team will receive input from provincial ministries, federal agencies, BC Hydro, CBT and local governments. Consultation with Basin residents is very important. “We have heard the message that there was no consultation the first time, and our commitment is to consult you this time,” she said. First Nations consultation will include the Ktunaxa, Shuswap and Okanagan Nations. When asked about the Sinixt Nation, Eichenberger said, “We’re interested in all aboriginal perspectives, so anyone who wants to provide input, please do.” She said the review will include economic, environmental, social, financial, legal and hydrological analyses, and an analysis of US interests and positions.

Following this round of meetings, the team will work at coming up with potential recommendations and will return to the Basin in the fall to present them. In spring 2013, they will come back again to “tell you how we’re going to be representing your interests in our recommendation to cabinet.”

There are three possible future scenarios: ‘treaty terminate’ (Called Upon flood control and non-coordinated operations), ‘treaty continue’ (either Called Upon flood control or coordinated flood risk management, and coordinated operations) or ‘treaty continue plus’ (coordinated flood risk management and enhancement of operations for fisheries and other interests).

Eichenberger said that Called Upon is “not a good deal for either country. It would not work well for Koocanusa in particular – the reservoir would be much lower and would have a much bigger impact on the US for power generation, fish flows and agriculture.”

If the treaty were terminated, the Arrow Reservoir could be operated with higher levels and steadier outflows – in theory. However, a closer look reveals that there probably wouldn’t be much change for the Arrow after all. “We would still face similar regional tradeoffs in the operation of the Arrow,” said Eichenberger. “Arrow operation is the most critical for US flood control and therefore is the most impacted by Called Upon. Canada and the US would still need to figure out how flood control would work.”

Kelvin Ketchum of BC Hydro explained in a small group discussion that the Arrow is “our chief bargaining chip. Operating Mica and Duncan the way we do now is best for us, but if we could, the Arrow would be operated higher.”

In the ‘treaty terminate’ scenario, there would also be the loss of the ‘Canadian entitlement’ (50 percent of the additional power produced by the dams). This has been cited as $300 million worth of power every year, but was only $97 million last year because the price of power is so low. It has been as high as $800 million, although Canada was not paid that amount in full. Canada probably received about $600 million that year.

The Canadian entitlement goes into provincial coffers, and this is a sore spot for the people of the Arrow Lakes region. “We are subsidizing the entire province,” one person commented. Eichenberger said the Columbia Basin produces approximately 600,000 MW of energy per year, worth about $1 billion. She said the review team would find out what percentage of that $1 billion comes back to the region and have that information at the public meeting in the fall.

It was pointed out in the small group discussions that the Arrow Lakes region is compensated for the dams by way of the CBT (particularly the Affected Area funding), the Fish and Wildlife Compensation Program (including the lake fertilization program) and the Water Use Plans (including boat ramps, Arrow Reservoir operations management plan, wildlife management plan and heritage management plan). However, many people feel more compensation is needed, particularly to help revive the economy. Agriculture came up in a small group discussion as a sector that could use some support after being devastated by the construction of the dams.

The people of the Arrow Lakes are not the only ones with a complaint about the Canadian entitlement. Although quite a different complaint, continued on page 3.
Local resident Eloise Charet off to Cambodia to star in documentary

by Jan McMurray

Almost 80 children were saved from the Khmer Rouge genocide in Cambodia in 1975, thanks to New Denver resident Eloise Charet, her sister Anna, and their mother.

Right now, a documentary is being made for Radio-Canada TV about the Charets’ heroic rescue of the children. The filming begins at Eloise’s mother’s place near Montreal, and will continue in Cambodia. Eloise, Anna and one of the rescued children, Kim Rouphier-Filion, now 38 years old, will travel with the film crew.

“When Eloise and Anna were in their early 20s, they went to Cambodia to run the Canada House orphanage. At the time, war was ravaging Vietnam and the Khmer Rouge was rising to power in Cambodia. “We kept getting notes from the Canadian embassy about the ‘security situation,’ but we refused to leave and abandon the children,” recalled Eloise. “Newspapers from all over the world interviewed us because of this.”

Through a connection to the Cambodian Minister of Health, they finally got permission to leave the country with the orphans. They flew to Vietnam, where the Canadian government sent a Hercules aircraft to transport them back to Canada. All of the orphans were adopted by Canadian families.

“Never Without Our Children” is the name of the documentary. Eloise, Anna and Kim will stay in Cambodia for two weeks after the film crew has gone. “We want to try to find relatives of the orphans, so we have arranged to be on Cambodian TV,” says Eloise.

Eloise will also take the quilts that were presented to her in March at the Women Celebrating Women (WCW) event in Silverton. The quilts were made by the ‘Quilts for Kids’ group in Crescent Valley. Some members of ‘Quilts for Kids’ are also members of the Doukhobor Choir, which performed at the WCW event. Eloise also showed a slideshow of her Cambodian experience at the event, and raised a modest amount of money for this trip. She plans to find good homes for the quilts, and to put the funds raised at WCW towards helping a worthy cause while she is in Cambodia.

Eloise has also written a book about the experience and has an agent working on having it published.
The Sinixt appeal in Supreme Court delayed

by Jan McMurray

The Sinixt Nation’s court battle for the right to be consulted on Perry Ridge logging activities has been delayed once again. The Sinixt appeal was scheduled to be heard in Supreme Court in Vancouver on June 4 and 5. However, on June 4, the Attorney General filed a petition to dismiss the appeal on the grounds that the cutblocks and development have been completed and therefore the appeal is moot.

David Aaron, legal counsel for the Sinixt Nation, argued that the appeal is not moot since the ministry is considering new development on the ridge.

A decision will be made within the next few weeks on whether the appeal can proceed or not. If it can proceed, it will be heard in the fall.

This case was last before the court more than a year ago, in February 2011. At that time, the judge dismissed the Sinixt’s petition seeking the right to consultation on the Perry Ridge timber sale based on the courts’ findings that the petitioners do not have legal standing to represent the Sinixt. The petitioners are Bob Campbell, Marilyn James, Lola Campbell, Taress Alexis and Robert Watt.

“These questions of who has legal standing to represent the Sinixt are questions the court is unwilling to answer, and that’s the insidious part in the justice system,” said Marilyn James, spokesperson for the Sinixt Nation. “While they have us on hold, the development on Perry Ridge continues, even though our concerns [about logging on the ridge] are legitimate.”

James states that the Sinixt have filed a title claim with the courts, and that entitles the Sinixt people to consultation and to their aboriginal rights under the constitution. “We have the right to be who we are, represent who we are and follow the laws of our people to protect our territory, which includes the water, land, wildlife, burial grounds and villages site of our people,” she said. “Sinixt interests are not represented by any other group. The interests of the Sinixt produce less power than it could because of laws it has introduced to benefit fish. The US feels it should pay based on actual production, and that the ratepayer should not have to pay for fish flows, but Eichenberger says Canada does not agree. “There is a real discrepancy, so we don’t buy that argument,” she said. Canada is interested in receiving total value for the service provided: seasonal value, coordination value, fisheries value, flood control value, navigation value.

The team will look at ways of valuing the total downstream benefits provided by coordination. “For the US to get to Called Upon, they will have to draft their reservoirs like never before and that will cost them. We’re going to do our homework and figure out how much it might cost them and what would be the cost if they had a flood. If we were to agree to another way of assuring flood risk management, what is it worth to them?”

Called Upon flood control is not well defined in the treaty, and the two countries have different views on what it is. A US white paper implies that it is not much different from assured flood control. The Canadian view is that the United States would have to first operate their own dams for flood control before calling on Canada. The review will look closely at Called Upon flood control, as well as coordinated flood risk management.

Both countries would like to see both management of the dams for interests other than power and flood control. The US wants to make ecosystem management “the third leg of the stool.” Other important interests for the US are irrigation, recreation and navigation. Interests in Canada include fish and wildlife, recreation, heritage, transportation as detailed in the Water Use Plans. Canada would also like to understand the operation of the Koocanusa Reservoir better, as the US operates it without consultation.

The review process will include developing operating alternatives that improve these non-power interests.

CORRECTION

In an article entitled ‘East Kootenay Conservation Program expanding into West Kootenay’ in our May 30 issue, a figure was wrong. We reported that the EKCP has facilitated the conservation of over 300,000 hectares of high value land, representing a conservation investment of over $1 million. That figure is actually $100 million.

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A big THANKS to Winlaw Fire Department members, taking time out of their day to check up on residents who live on the Slocan River. Kind thoughts and advice were much appreciated. Thanks to all volunteers who help keep their neighbours safe and informed.

Robyn Gold
Winlaw
Thank you to William Hunter Cabins

We arrived in Silverton on June 1 to a spotless, cozy cabin – delightfully simple, artful and very inviting. After unloading the car, we left to visit family close by. During the evening, a power transformer blew and there was no electricity for at least eight hours. We were not looking forward to returning to an unfamiliar town and cabin in the dark.

As we approached the cabin close to midnight, we found that the owners had lined the deck railing with tea lights and were waiting for us with a lantern, candles, matches and any assistance that we needed. This thoughtfulness was above and beyond our expectations and very much appreciated. Many thanks to the very considerate hosts at the William Hunter Cabins. We will be returning!

Susan Peters
Richmond

Passmore poultry abattoir key to sustainable local agriculture

We operate the Passmore Poultry Pluckers abattoir mentioned in the Valley Voice May 30 in an article entitled ‘Livestock farming comeback in North Kootenay Lake’.

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Alex Berland and Judi Morton
Passmore

Read the fine print

New Denver is not quite like other places.

Due to the village’s most recent regular emergency power failure, my current lifetime partner and I were unable to watch a new video we had rented for the night from What’s In Store, an eclectic little shop on Main Street. We went back to the store to rent it for another day, only to have Bradly and Janet – the owners – tell us to read the fine print in our video rental agreement. So we did.

Yes, What’s In Store has the usual due dates and late fees, but there are exceptions for ‘catastrophes,’ which Janet and Bradly have defined as snowstorms, car issues, traffic congestion, talking to friends along the way, stopping to smell the roses, becoming confused and returning videos to Nakusp instead of New Denver by mistake, being abducted by aliens, and BEING UNABLE TO WATCH VIDEOS DUE TO POWER OUTAGES.

The long and short of the story is that no one would take our money for the second day, so I am writing to make everyone aware of the need to read the fine print whenever you are dealing with Bradly and Janet.

Now, if BC Hydro would only work for Krupp in Germany for two years, if I recall correctly; and our former Minister of Defence, Gordon O’Connor, was a lobbyist for arms manufacturers. Now they want to spend $25 or more billion on fighter planes and cut expenditures for an intact environment to near zero. Perhaps we should start a letter writing campaign to Harper’s children! They will feel the brunt of their father’s doings.

Back to John, who said: War is caused by oppression, poverty, hopelessness, hunger, injustice, slavery etc.

John, you got it backwards! All those miserable conditions you mention are caused by war! The war mongering nations, always with newer weapons, invade otherwise peaceful countries that then suffer oppression, injustice, destruction of their natural order and environments, often lose their ancient cultural artifacts, and feel overrun by modern barbarians who haven’t got a clue what history and culture actually mean – from times immemorial. WWI might have been an exception. My fatherland was liberated from one of the crudest tyrannies ever by the Allies, including Canada. Thanks! Amen.

Richard Eichenauer
Fauquier

Ignores peace at your peril

This is a belated response to John Banta’s letter of May 2 called ‘Ignore war at your peril.’

True, war is not caused by weapons, but they make wars possible. Wars are caused by the people who produce weapons, peddle and sell them, and treat them as a critical element to a nation’s survival.

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Queen’s medals should not go to politicians

I take great exception to the acts of the RDCK directors in awarding six out of ten Queen’s Diamond Jubilee medals to the former directors. These politicians are well paid for their work and they don’t need a medal for doing their job. It appears that they first need a check to pin it on. This is the kind of pompous arrogant attitudes that we don’t need in our community.

The politicians in our country in all levels of government are self-serving individuals that are only there to create their vision of community and to force others to pay for their vision. There truly is no democracy past election day when we vote for the next oligarchy. The present system is an affront on individual freedom and true democracy. Collectivism is only a great thing when it is voluntary. Mandatory property taxes are an assumption that the individual can afford to pay for the wants and desires of those that vote for those things. There is no honour in all levels of government that are no honour amongst thieves. This action of honouring themselves is an epitome of the self-serving agenda that we are witnessing.

As for the Queen’s medals, there are people in our community who have worked tirelessly for the benefit of the community without any pay or expectation of pay. There are people who are far more deserving than low-life politicians and former politicians.

Ed Nixon

Perry Siding

BC Southern Interior Peace Coalition endorses Atamanenko’s Private Members Bills

At its recent biennial conference in Coquitlam at the Mt Centre for Peace, the BC Southern Interior Peace Coalition reviewed a range of threats to the peace and security of our world. Delegates unanimously endorsed:

• Bill C-363 (for conscientious objectors, to redress/re-divert that portion of their taxes going to the Department of National Defence to peaceful purposes);

• Bill C-373 (calling for the establishment of a federal Department of Peace), the Occupy Movement and the stand of university students in Quebec against proposed increases in their tuition; and

the formation of a new BC Southern Interior Peace Coalition.

Private Members Bills put forward by Alex Atamanenko, Member of Parliament for the Southern Interior of British Columbia, and have received first reading in the House of Commons.

The BC Coalition is an association of diverse member groups in the Boundary, Kootenay and Okanagan regions of BC. Guiding principles are based in equality, non-violence, social and economic justice, awareness of the environment, and respectful communication to achieve peaceful solutions rather than resorting to violence. We take pride in those experiences, learning from those experiences and supporting each other’s work for a world free of violence and lived honouring, valuing and supporting all humanity and Mother Earth. Member groups also belong to the Canadian Peace Alliance.

The BC Southern Interior Peace Coalition meets twice a year, usually in the spring and fall. For further information please contact coordinator Laura Savinkoff at 4peace@telus.net

Sandra Hartline

For the BC Southern Interior Peace Coalition

The semantics of deceit

Obama (Peace Prize Nobel Laureate) is escalating the use of torture, having stepped up the felony program to carry-out targeted killings (mudens) of known or suspected terrorists in countries which are not in a state of war with the US. Apart from the obvious international illegality of this, there have been many complaints that civilians, termed “non-militants,” are being killed in large numbers. In response to these complaints, Obama has redeﬁned a “militant” as any male of military age, which of course brings the collateral damage score down several pegs. It is a semantic definition and outrageous if one has any concern about the truth.

We have seen this kind of duplicity before. It is as though you can say “America doesn’t torture” because he redeﬁned torture to exclude the types of torture he was using. In the US, ‘due process’ used to stand for the right to a fair trial, which is its true meaning. Now the term has been corrupted by the Attorney General to make ‘due process’ anything the president decides. When bombing Libya, Obama refused accusations that he was carrying out an act of war by saying that as no US soldiers were on the ground and no US casualties were sustained, it was not war but a “kinetic military action.”

As war can now be re-deﬁned out of existence, nothing is created in the same way – e.g. the “War on Terrorism.” This latter “war,” where civilians conspire to cause damage to personal property, is a continuing process of deceit. In other words, political reasons, is a really policing, not a military, problem, hence not a war at all. The uselessness of the “War on Terror” is that it has no possible end point, since disafected and violent people will always be with us in this imperfect world. This bogus war can therefore be endlessly used to justify the removal of civil rights and the escalation of police state strategies, which is its true purpose.

This is relevant to us in Canada because our Conservative government happily follows US semantics of deceit as justiﬁcation to join in wars (sorry, kinetic military actions) of aggression that, curiously enough, always seem to get more oil deals for the western transnational corporations.

As words and concepts are rendered meaningless, our best defence is to keep our eyes focussed on what is done, not on what is being said to deliberately mislead us.

Keith Newberry

Slocan

Weighing in on climate change

Right after Al Gore’s movie ‘An Inconvenient Truth’ and a thousand of the world’s top scientists signed a petition that there is no man-made ’global warming’ or ‘climate change’, which has happened in the last 50 years ago, top NASA scientists added their names. If you consider that the sun’s energy provides ~1.5 watts/m2 to our planet, it is calculated that all energy used by the whole world population in one whole year represents approximately eight minutes of sunshine onto the Nevada desert.

I also have a graph that represents 400 years of sun and weather records made at an observatory in Prague. It shows that within the last 10 years there perfectly copies the activities of solar spots, and nothing else, and the extremes in temperatures were much bigger in the past, to the point of millions dying. Japanese observations document the exact same thing, and so does others, who are invited at an international conference in New York some three years ago.

Another purported spread deception is that carbon dioxide is a greenhouse gas (except when it is used in greenhouses for making up for the lack of carbon dioxide in our atmosphere). After millions of years of being deposited in the earth in the form of coal and oil, we are at about one-third of the carbon dioxide level that is needed for the ideal growth of the plants. The biggest increase in carbon dioxide was between 1945 and 1961, and at that time the earth’s temperature was falling to the point of millions dying. The biggest decrease was between 1971 and the last 10 years, and at that time the temperature was rising to the point of millions dying.

‘Carbon footprint’ is one of the 24 points of the Communist Manifesto from a 1962 secret document. It was leaked to the Soviet premier Nikita Khrushchev as an American report: “We no longer need to destroy you with rockets and bombs, no, we will do it for us.” That Communist Manifesto was created to slowly destroy the free market economy from within, freedom of speech, and other constitutional rights that make us human.

With my whole heart, I am for the environment. Humanity must learn how to clean its own waste – we have the technologies. There is absolutely no need to destroy anything toxic, or to eat, drink or breathe anything toxic. But we do, and it is the result of the ‘Culture of Corruption’ – read the book. Never in the history of humankind was anything positive achieved by deception and lies.

Do not believe everything I say. The truth is out there and it is everybody’s individual and moral responsibility to find for themselves. No ’higher collective’, no megalomaniac, no corporation exists to do it for us. Probably the most famous crop circle in England, believed by scientists to be of extraterrestrial origin, was decoded as saying: “We are against deception.” That indeed appears to be the most important message to humanity. Whether it comes from the left or right or elsewhere, deception is the worst of all evil.

Vladimir Stuchlik

Nakusp

Climate change

In your May 30 edition, Sean Rooney wrote about the 1962 secret document. James Hansen never predicted in 1986 that today’s temperatures would be higher by 3°C to 4°C. It took me probably less than a minute to locate the appropriate information on Google. In addition, before the House of Representatives in 1988, one of his projections was for an increase of 0.45°C by 1997. He was wrong by only about 400 percent on that occasion. Many former NASA scientists, including seven members of its board of directors, agreed with his findings. In April 2012, 49 of them wrote to the head of NASA complaining about unsubstantiated climate change projections from within NASA.

Mr. Rooney admits that David Suzuki and Al Gore are not climate scientists. What are they? On the web, you can find reference to a speech given by Al Gore in November 2010. In the speech he admits that the climate change is a bad idea. The energy required to produce the ethanol offsets any likely savings of greenhouse gases. In addition, it increases the costs of food. So why did he support the idea? He admits that it was because he had decided to run for president, and he wanted to appease the farmers of Iowa and his home state of Tennessee. Today, billions of dollars of corn subsidies are going to these farmers of Iowa and his home state of Tennessee. Who paid for the lake is a terrible mess that Mugabe and his socialism. He gives anti-capitalist rants of Hugo Chavez during the climate change. This happened at the December 2009 UN Climate Change Conference in Copenhagen. Who did the ‘environmentalists’ admire? They gave standing ovations to the anti-capitalist rants of Hugo Chavez of Venezuela and to Robert Mugabe of Zimbabwe. In his book The Fear, author Peter Godwin lays out the evil, vindictive nature of Robert Mugabe. He tells the story of the full details of the rapes, torture and murders orchestrated by the Mugabe regime in order to remain in power after he had the 2008 elections.

In addition, the unemployment rate in Zimbabwe is about 80 percent, and at least 25 percent of the population has fled the country. Next to the web will tell you that socialist Hugo Chavez has been in power for over 12 years and has nationalized the oil industry, among many other businesses. The government owns and runs the oil industry. In spite of the vast oil wealth pumped into the economy, combined with many other businesses, the large disparities remain between rich and poor. The rate of inflation is about 30 percent, and the murder rate is approximately 13 to 14 per 100,000, approximately 19,000 people were murdered. This is about the same as Mexico and Iraq combined, and a lot worse than the USA. Venezuela has about 600 murders a year.

Venezuela’s Lake Maracaibo is heavily polluted. In addition to having raw sewage dumped into it, it contains 4,000 inactive oil wells and 6,000 active wells. The wells, which are connected by 45,000 kilometres of pipelines, pump about 700,000 barrels a day, and there are many leaks. Fishermen have faced reduced catches of over 80 percent in the last 15 years. “The government could do so much but it does nothing,” said Eliesio Ferrim, deputy of the council of Zulia state. “What the government has done with the lake is a terrible mistake.” This is not a huge change because Venezuela has the world’s largest oil reserves at 297 billion barrels, far larger than Canada’s reserves.

It appears that Canada’s so-called environmentalists perversely admire and respect glorious socialists like Robert Mugabe and Hugo Chavez, but no matter what, they do not want to go and live in those countries.

Roger Pratt

Nelson

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The Community Fund of North Kootenay Lake (CFNKLS), operating under the wing of the Osprey Community Foundation, provided grants of $22,275 this year. The presentation of grant cheques took place during the CFNKLS AGM on June 1 at the Langham Theatre.

Fourteen Kaslo and area organizations received $18,835 from the various endowment funds to carry out 19 different projects. An additional $3,440.25 from the McKinnon Family fund will go to the Kaslo Library, the Kaslo Victorian Health Centre, and to a JV Humphries grad bursary.

The fund’s granting power was enhanced this year by two gifts of ‘flow-through’ funds: $3,785 from the Kootenay Savings Community Foundation and $5,000 from one of CFNKLS’s regular donors.

CFNKLS has nearly $450,000 in endowments, which should generate about $18,000 in available grants for 2013. Included in these endowments are five Field of Interest Funds: The Seniors’ Fund; the Child, Youth, and Family Fund; Arts, Culture & Heritage Fund; Environment Fund; and the Kootenay Savings Community Fund. The interest from these permanent endowment funds generates the granting pool, and contributions are welcome at any time. For details about how to contribute to these endowment funds, write to CFNKLS at P.O. Box 661, Kaslo BC, V0G 1M0 or check out www.nklcommunityfund.org

### Helping Hand Trust

On July 1, Helping Hand Trust will be holding its fifth annual Canada Day 5-kilometre run and 10-kilometre run in Kaslo starting at the picnic shelter in Vimy Park. Registration is from 8:15 to 9:15 am. The 5-kilometre walk and 10-kilometre race start at 9:00 and the 5-kilometre race at 9:30 am.

This is the Trust’s major fundraiser. Entry is by suggested donation of $10 per person or $20 per family for the 5-kilometre walk or run or $20 for the 10-kilometre run. Participants are encouraged to get pledge donations from their family and friends. Registration and pledge forms are available at Kootenay Mountain Sports and the Primary Health Centre in Kaslo. There will be prizes for the most pledge donations and for female and male run winners as well as draw prizes. Snacks and beverages will be available. For more information or to volunteer, contact Dave 250-353-2500 or Larry 250-353-2166.

Helping Hand Trust offers a helping hand to Kaslo and Area D adults in need, who are required to leave the area for medical treatment or tests. If you know of someone in need, please contact one of the following: Larry Badry, Dave Boland, Jannemé Frouws, or Elizabeth Scarlett.

### Market season begins in Kaslo and the Lardeau Valley

Markets in Kaslo and Meadow Creek in the Lardeau Valley provide an incentive for families to check out the communities at the northern end of Kootenay Lake. Only 40 kilometres separate them, making the Lardeau Valley market an easy day trip for families camping in the Kaslo area. Alternatively, Davis Creek and Lost Ledge campsites are located between the two communities. In addition to the markets, the area provides an abundance of swimming beaches, mountain hikes and cultural opportunities.

At either market, visitors will find fresh local produce and baked goods, as well as artisan creations, live music and various import items. In addition, the Lardeau Valley market is planning a season of special events, including outdoor yoga, hooping, nature journaling, and children’s dance/movement. Admission to these events is free and open to the public courtesy of funding from the CBT Sponsorship Program. For more information, see www.lardeauvalleymarket.yolasite.com or www.lardeauvalley.com

The Kaslo market runs on Saturdays and the Lardeau Valley market on Sundays (excluding Sunday, August 5), next to Drifter’s Restaurant, Hwy 31, Meadow Creek. Both markets will be open between 10 am and 2 pm every weekend until mid-September.

### Help organizing 5th annual Canada Day Run

Helping Hand Trust organizes 5th annual Canada Day Run to help Kaslo and Area D adults in need, who are required to leave the area for medical treatment or tests. If you know of someone in need, please contact one of the following: Larry Badry, Dave Boland, Jannemé Frouws, or Elizabeth Scarlett.
New Denver Olympian invited to 2012 Summer Games as special guest

by Jan McMurray

There is an Olympian living among us. Trevor Harrop of New Denver was on Britain’s Olympic swim team in the 1948 Games, the last time they were held in London. He competed in the 100-metre freestyle event.

This summer, he and his wife, Sheila, will attend the Olympics in Britain as special guests. All of the athletes who competed on behalf of Britain in 1948 were invited to the 2012 Summer Games by the British Olympic Association.

In addition to attending swimming and tennis events, the couple will tour the Olympic facilities and attend a lunchon with royalty.

Of the 400 athletes on the British team in 1948, about 72 are still alive and were invited to the 2012 Games. The swim team was 40-strong, and 17 are still alive. Only nine are able to come to this year’s reunion event. Back in 1948, Trevor was living in the small town of Motherwell, 11 miles from Glasgow, and attending dentistry school at Glasgow University. He was on the Motherwell swim team, which must have been exceptional because seven of its members were chosen to represent Britain at the 1948 Olympics. Trevor says the team had an excellent coach.

Trevor started swimming at the age of 11. Like most family homes in Silverton and New Denver were affected. The power went out at 7:23 pm, and was restored at 3 am.

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Lightning causes June 1 power outage in New Denver

by Jan McMurray

The power outage that took place in the New Denver area on Friday, June 1 was caused by a lightning strike reports Mary Anne Coules of BC Hydro.

The lightning bolt hit a pole near Hills, which caused the insulator to fail and the wire to drop to the ground. Just over 1,000 customers in Silverton and New Denver were affected. The power went out at 7:23 pm and was restored at 3 am.

New Denver’s graduation banquet and dance was happening at the Silverton Gallery at the time. Thanks to the loan of generators from community members, the event was able to continue.

Restoring power was a large job for the Nakusp crew, reported Coules. She said the wire had to be spliced and insulators had to be replaced before the wire could be lifted back into position and re-energized. She reminded customers to turn off all appliances during a power outage, including computers and peripherals, especially those that generate heat. This helps prevent hazards or damage when service is restored.

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New Denver resident Trevor Harrop is one of these seven people, who were all on the swim team of the small town of Motherwell and chose to be on Britain’s Olympic swim team in 1948. Trevor is seated on the far right.

“We don’t really know how consequential the Olympics were to most people in 1948,” says Trevor. “It was hard to get time off school. The Olympics were two weeks long, but I could only go for one week. When I arrived in London, they handed me a swimsuit without even a thought of whether it would fit me or not. Compared to the high-tech swimsuits they wear today…there is just no comparison,” Trevor laughed.

None of Trevor’s friends or family attended the Games to watch him swim, except his wife, Sheila, who was his girlfriend at the time. She says she had no trouble purchasing a ticket just before the opening ceremony.

Born in 1927 in Winnipeg, Trevor returned to Scotland with his family in 1935 to help ailing relatives. In 1951, with his University of Glasgow dentistry degree, he returned to Canada with Sheila to practice dentistry in New Denver. They then moved to Halifax, where Trevor completed his Canadian degree, and then on to Campbell River before moving to Iowa, where he obtained his Masters and PhD. They returned to Canada and Trevor worked at UBC for 25 years. From 1951, they spent every summer in New Denver, and retired here.

Trevor still swims regularly in Slocan Lake in the summer.
School District 10 bids farewell to Walter Posnikoff
by Jan McMurray

Two chapters in the history of School District No. 10 (Arrow Lakes) came to an end at the May 29 board meeting.

This was the final board meeting for Walter Posnikoff, superintendent/secretary-treasurer of the district since 2001.

It was also the meeting where the closure of Burton Elementary School was finalized.

Chair Pattie Adam was not able to hold back the tears while the board was adopting the school closure bylaw for Burton Elementary. “It’s just such a monumental thing and a sad day,” she said, “but I want to thank everyone who worked hard to make the school so vibrant and wonderful. The school produced some wonderful children and I look forward to it producing happy seniors.” Adam was referring to plans for a Neighbourhood Learning Centre at Burton Elementary that would offer programs for seniors, as well as for people of all ages.

Confirmed enrolment for Burton Elementary in September was four students, and in discussions among board members and staff, it was determined that there would have to be six to eight students to provide a good education and thus to justify keeping the school open.

The 2012/13 budget was passed in the amount of $8,492,186. In order to cover the district’s operating costs next year, $109,668 will have to be taken from surplus. However, Susan Brenna-Smith, financial comptroller for the district, reported that this will still leave a healthy surplus. Posnikoff added that teaching staff will be increased by a half position next year to deal with class size and composition. The closure of Burton Elementary represents a savings of $166,000.

Adam reported on attending a meeting of the Nakusp Ski Club Association, which is planning a three-phase expansion. Phase one is a new rental shop; phase two is a new day lodge; and phase three is developing trails for summer use.

Adam said 100 percent of School District 10 students use the ski hill – a unique situation in the province. The board agreed to write a letter of support for the ski club’s expansion plans.

Chair Adam thanked Posnikoff for his over 30 years working in the school district, the last 11 as superintendent/secretary-treasurer. Although he officially retired January 31, Posnikoff continued on contract until June 1. By June 2, he was gone fishing. Adam left him with these words of wisdom: “Good things to come to those who bait; the two best times to fish is when it’s raining and when it ain’t. Early to bed, early to rise; fish like hell and make up lies.”

Posnikoff’s parting words were met with a standing ovation. He reported that although 23 percent of kindergarten students in the district enter school with vulnerability, almost all are reading and writing at or above grade level by the end of Grade 3. The district’s six-year school completion, Dogwood graduation and Aboriginal student graduation rates continue to be very strong – higher than the provincial average. He said that close partnerships with CBAL, Selkirk College, Nakusp Public Library, Reading Centres in Burton, Edgewood and New Denver, and Arrow and Slocan Lakes Community Services remain a strength supporting literacy in SD10 and the community.

He thanked the board for the 450–550 meetings he has been to over the years, and said they had all been pleasurable. He said every day on the job was “exhilarating” and gave him the opportunity to look at the whole broad perspective of education. “The district should know they are very fortunate with the people who have worked here,” he said. “I’ve appreciated the boards. They have made gutsy decisions over the years, and always in the interest of the kids.” Posnikoff said it was also a great place to raise his children, and thanked the board for this, as well.

School District 10’s new superintendent/secretary-treasurer, Denise Perry, started work June 4.

Honouring Walter Posnikoff
by SD 10 Board of Education Chair Pattie Adam

For about 33 years, Walter Posnikoff has been involved in SD 10 Arrow Lakes in some way. Starting as a teacher, he moved to administration and then on to being our superintendent/secretary-treasurer for his last 11 yrs here. Walter raised his family here, and helped hundreds of children through their K-12 years in education. His love of learning was and still is going to be fondly remembered by all who worked with him and were taught by him. Walter’s position of superintendent/secretary-treasurer was the first of its kind in the province, and is still considered an integral part of why in SD 10 we are able to be so innovative with what we have and just making it work.

Students are Walter’s number one concern. Are we doing all we can to help them succeed? Are we giving them all the resources we can to help with their success?

We at SD 10 wish Walter well on his new journey in life. We are all the richer to have had his wisdom for the 30+ years he so graciously gave to our children.
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Colon hydrotherapy offered in Silverton

by Jan McMurray

A new service is being offered in Silverton to help people enjoy optimum health.

The three women providing the service -- Nancy Guise, Elly Scheepens and Jennifer Monaghan -- believe that optimum health begins with the cleansing of the colon. All three are recently-certified colon hydrotherapists and have opened ‘Colonics Works’ at Hand and Soul Healing Centre.

“Colon hydrotherapy is a gentle washing of the large intestine with warm, pure filtered water to remove built-up toxins and wastes, improve digestion and allow for better nutrient absorption,” says Elly.

Monaghan has experienced the success of the therapy first-hand. “I was really sick when I moved here -- I weighed 300 pounds and used a cane. Colon hydrotherapy was suggested to me, so Elly and I decided to go on a two-week retreat to try it out. The results were amazing.” Jennifer now weighs 180 pounds and no longer needs her cane.

Elly, a burn survivor, was also very pleased with the results. Her damaged skin is not able to eliminate toxins from her body as well as most people’s skin can. After seven colon hydrotherapy sessions over the two-week retreat, she feels great, and her skin looks and feels much better.

“People find themselves wanting colon hydrotherapy for many different reasons -- to support long-term lifestyle changes, to deal with constipation, or to detoxify,” says Nancy. “Most people find it beneficial to have anywhere from one to three colonics. It’s a bit different for everyone and it depends on the person’s goals.”

An initial session takes 90 minutes and sessions thereafter about 75 minutes. Sessions take place in a private room at Hand and Soul Healing Centre with one of the three therapists. “We fully appreciate the sensitivity of this and will help you feel at ease,” said Jennifer. “The modern technology applied today guarantees both safety and sanitation of the treatment. We use a closed system, so the waste water goes directly to the septic system.”

Efforts to reduce human-bear conflict gaining momentum

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Nancy Guise, Jennifer Monaghan and Elly Scheepens of ‘Colonics Works,’ a new service in Silverton.

Efforts to reduce human-bear conflict gaining momentum across communities and the outcome of this will be fewer human-bear conflicts,” said Lillies.

The Village of New Denver is pursuing a number of initiatives to reduce attractants around the community.

“We are very pleased to have Bree here in this capacity to educate local folks and visitors alike,” said Mayor Buska about the Bear Aware program.

“This is a very valuable program and Bree has worked hard to bring it to our community,” said Lillies.

In communities where attractants are managed properly, there has been a decline in related human-bear conflict. Bear Aware provides information about attractant management and the tools available to secure those attractants.

Ideas on attractant management:

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The craft is now experiencing a renaissance and is becoming a well-known fibre art medium. These rugs are available locally or by mail order but are gracing our walls as art. Recycled fabrics, hand-dyed wool, and exotic yarns, silk and mohair are all worked into beautiful designs and sturdy cotton. The Hidden Garden Gallery is open 10 am to 3 pm, Monday through Saturday.
Nakusp Secondary Valedictory Address
by Nicole Hawe and Mitchell Zorn

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As the pages have turned in this uncertain novel of our young lives, we are always inspired by the past 13 years with. So, in the wise words of Joe Dirt, “Life’s a garden, dig it.”

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nakusp graduation

Congratulations to the graduates of Nakusp Secondary School 2012

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by Jan McMurray

The Nakusp Secondary School graduation ceremony on June 9 honoured 40 graduates.

After the processional, where each graduate placed a toonie into a piggy bank to go towards next year’s graduation, Susan Paterson gave the Principal’s Message. “Last week, the school was serenaded by a group of boisterous grade 12s singing, slightly off-key, ‘Ring of Fire’ by Johnny Cash – without a care in the world,” she said.

Then she heard some of them talking about how the end of their high school careers was near, and she could detect joy, shock, amazement and fear in their words. “That’s where you should be in your journey,” she told the grads, “Unknown factors allow for unlimited possibilities.” Paterson said this group had been fun, hard working, humorous, and sometimes annoying, but in just the right proportions. She wished them well, saying there were so many possibilities in front of them – “but a few of you might want to re-think the singing career.”

The Board of Education Chair Pat Pittie, Adam brought greetings from School District 10 Arrow Lakes, as did the new superintendent/secretary-treasurer Denise Perry. Nakusp Councillor Tom Zelenzko spoke on behalf of Mayor Hamling and council, drawing some laughs from the crowd. He said this was a special day for graduates and everyone was proud of them – “I believe this is the most opportune time for you to ask for money,” he said. “If you think every day is your last, one day you will most certainly be right.” He advised them to make every day count, and to come back to Nakusp after they have had their life experiences in the world.

The graduates then received their diplomas, with Tessa Wiseman introducing each one with a description of their plans for the future and a quote for their fellow grads. Some of the quotes were: “Do not go where the path may lead – go instead where there is no path and make a trail”; “Things are difficult before they are easy”; “When life gives you 100 reasons to cry, show life you have 1,000 reasons to smile”; “Do your best and forget the rest”; “Life is a garden – dig it!” “Failure is always an option;”; “The tossle is worth the hassle.”

A total of 75 scholarships and awards were presented with a value of $57,750.

In her closing remarks, Paterson commented that organizing the ceremony is truly a community effort, and thanked the Legion for providing the extra chairs and the figure skating club for the black curtains used to decorate the arena.

Nakusp Graduates receive scholarships and bursaries

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Avery Palmer, Ertle Johnson Memorial: Rachel Weibe, Vera Johnson Memorial: Sarah Hamling

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Nakusp Scholarship Society: Morgan Black, Taylor Brownlie, Sarah Holden.
Lucerne School Class of 2012 graduation ceremony

by Jan McMurray

Lucerne School’s graduation ceremonies took place June 2 in the school gym, against a beautiful jungle backdrop designed by graduate Carolynne Carruthers and painted by the seven members of the Class of 2012.

Principal Natasha Miles thanked everyone for coming and gave a glimpse of each graduate through her “jungle kaleidoscope.”

Terry Taylor, the students’ English and Writing teacher, introduced each graduate as they walked onto the stage, each to their own chosen music. Here is what she said about each grad:

Darren Banquest excels in hands-on learning and will be taking the professional cooking program at Selkirk College.

Nateasha Bostic-Stolarchuk is “persistence personified,” and plans to study Business Administration at college and open a tattoo and piercing shop.

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Scholarships and Awards

Sadye Butler, J. Stan Rowe Award – Carolynne Carruthers; Katrine Conroy, MLA Bursary – Jessica Pownall; Yellowhead Road & Bridge Scholarship – Sadye Butler; Royal Canadian Legion Branch 101 – Darren Banquest; Nateasha Bostic-Stolarchuk; Carolynne Carruthers; Colin Willie Memorial Scholarship – Jessica Pownall; Women Celebrating Young Women in the Arts Award – Carolynne Carruthers, Erin Burkholder; Lucerne Teachers’ & Principal’s Attitude & Achievement Award – Sadye Butler; RHC Insurance Brokers – Sadye Butler; Fujiko Matsushita Scholarship – Erin Burkholder; Sandy Harris Scholarship – Sadye Butler; Chie Kamagaya Scholarship – Sadye Butler, David Thompson Arts Award – Erin Burkholder; Andrea Mengler Memorial Scholarship – University.

Sadye Butler is a talented writer, actor, singer, and athlete. She has done a lot of community service and achieved a 4.0 grade point average in a rigorous academic program. She will take away an off school to volunteer abroad.

Carolynne Carruthers is an artist, and has been accepted to Emily Carr University of Art and Design.

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I would like to congratulate the 2012 graduates from Lucerne Secondary School, Mount Sentinel Secondary School and Nakusp Secondary School. I hope that you have a safe and fun graduation celebration.

Good luck to all of you and may your future endeavours be successful!

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Valedictorian Speech for the Lucerne Graduation Ceremony

by Sadye Butler

Here we stand before you, the graduating class of 2012 comprised of seven talented, mature individuals, ready to make their mark on the world. We’ve been inspired by past classmates, educators, family members, and idols, and now we’re taking the next steps in our lives to make our dreams realities. I feel honoured to represent my class in a time when we are all bundles of potential just waiting to burst. Graduation marks the end of our high school careers, but also the beginning of the rest of our lives.

We all spent our younger years dreaming of being the next idolized rock star or billionaire, with our mansions and pet Siberian tigers, but those dreams have now morphed into ones of us being inspirational musicians, scientists fighting for environmental justice, or artists painting the truth. Our experiences shape us into who we are, and the experiences we’ve gained through the past years of our lives have been priceless. We’ve listened and learned, we’ve taken time to find out who we are, and yeah maybe some of us are still looking, but we’ve got the rest of our lives to experience new adventures.

But before we embark on new journeys, we must pay tribute to all the people who supported us, who believed in us when no one else would. Parents first and foremost, thank you for your endless support, wallets, and love—every little piece was appreciated. Without you, we wouldn’t be standing here today, and that’s not just because of biological factors, that’s because it takes a lot of love and support to raise a child into a successful young adult, and you have all succeeded. To our family and friends, you are the ones who reflect our attitudes, our opinions, and we thank you for always being there, no matter what. To our community, New Denver will always be home, and that’s not just because of the place, but the people. To our educators, thank you for enduring our teenage hormones, being our inspiration, feeding our creativity, and giving us room to expand our academic understandings, letting us shine.

We’d especially like to thank Mr. Kipkie, the ambitious teacher who took on the daunting task of being our grad advisor. We wouldn’t have gotten far, if it had not been for your organizational skills. Although your role was cut short, we appreciate every one of us sitting on this stage tonight.

None of us would be who we are today if it weren’t for those people in our lives who are content with who we are, and yet push us to be more. Thank you all for your dedication to our success.

And successful we will be, wherever the path of life may lead us. Graduation is an exciting time, in which we make decisions about what path we’ll be taking next. Some plan to travel abroad, taste different cultures, open their eyes, while others have their hearts set on achieving their dreams and plan to follow up high school with college or university. Wherever we go, I’d like us all to remember this quote from Ralph Waldo Emerson, “What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us.” Each one of us is about to take on the world; make mistakes sure, but also achieve the success we deserve. I’d like you to now applaud the grad class of 2012, appreciate each individual on this stage, and support each one with who they are about to become.
Japanese Canadian internment signage dedication and open house this Saturday

submitted

This Saturday, June 16 beginning at 2 pm, historic commemoration ceremonies will take place, as two interpretive signage panels are unveiled at Lemon Creek and Popoff farm. The public is invited to join well-known author Joy Kogawa and several dignitaries for the signage dedications beginning at the Lemon Creek site – adjacent to Lemon Creek Lodge on Kennedy Road.

BEtween 1942 and 1946, approximately 2,200 Japanese Canadians were interned at these two internment sites just south of the Village of Slocan. Hundreds of small houses, schools, streets and other buildings were built beginning about this time of year in 1942 as the first trainsloads of Japanese Canadians began arriving in Slocan. Today, two empty hay fields are all that is left and passers-by have no idea of the story these two fields could tell about what once happened here.

It is remarkable that until this Saturday, not a single sign or marker has been erected to commemorate these sites, where one of the most unjust episodes in Canadian history unfolded. Created by local historian Ian Fraser, the signage was commissioned by the Slocan Valley Heritage Trail Society and documents the story in pictures and narrative, highlighting the national injustice that was perpetrated. Joy Kogawa and several dignitaries will be participating in the sign dedications on Kennedy Road at the Lemon Creek site at 2 pm, and on the Slocan Valley Rail Trail adjacent to the Popoff site at 3 pm.

Following the sign dedication ceremonies, the public is invited to assemble at the former ‘Odd Fellows Hall’ at the north end of Harold Street in the Village of Slocan (now called the ‘Silver Slocan’ or ‘Legion’ Hall) from 4 to 6 pm. This 1890s building is hardly changed inside from the 40s and is remembered as the site of dances, movies, funerals and other events during the internment years. Displays, slide shows and socializing with Joy Kogawa and other former internees and dignitaries will take place. A buffet dinner at 6 pm with presentations and readings by Joy Kogawa is now sold out – but anyone wishing to go on a wait list for possible cancellations should call 250-355-2397 right away.

Winlaw Outlook Program wins down for summer

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The Nelson Public Library’s Winlaw Outlook Program is about to take a summer break. A regular event at Winlaw School every third Thursday since last September, the rotating collection of 300+ books and multimedia items for all ages and interests will stay home in July and August. The final Winlaw Library Day is slated for Thursday, June 21 from 3 pm to 7 pm.

Many Valley people have come out to borrow library items and find out about databases, audio and e-book download opportunities, and other online resources, as well as library programming in Nelson. Strong Start families visited and held storytimes during these monthly sessions, and some lively discussions have ensued about the One Book, One Kootenay reader’s choice program, as well as other must-read books. The final Winlaw Day until fall will be marked with a draw for local gift certificates for Cedar Creek Café and Jennie’s Garden, and a meeting at 6:30 pm for anyone who has feedback to provide about the service and ideas for making it better or reaching more people.

“We’d like to hear from teens, Parent Advisory Councils, seniors, and families to make sure we’re providing the best possible service with the available resources,” says Chief Librarian June Kennedy.

Winlaw man dies when car drives into Slocan Lake

A 76-year-old man, George Edward Anderson of Slocan, died when his vehicle went into Slocan Lake on the morning of Wednesday, June 6. Slocan Lake RCMP received a report of a vehicle driving into the lake at the Slocan City boat launch at about 8 am that morning. Local fire department, ambulance, RCMP as well as Search and Rescue responded. The car was recovered from the lake with the use of a local tow truck, but there was no one in it. The body was later located under the wharf, about six to eight feet below the water’s surface.

Witnesses have confirmed that the deceased was the only occupant of the vehicle when the car went into the lake. RCMP report that Anderson had a medical condition.

The BC Coroner’s Service and RCMP are continuing to investigate.

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The pursuit of ‘having it all’

I had the pleasure of traveling to a financial conference held in Chicago recently. There were several hours spent either waiting in the airport or on the flight itself, so I took the liberty of looking at the reading material at the local magazine shop, just to kill some time.

It was around 20 years ago when David Chilton’s book The Wealthy Barber hit the bookstores, selling more than 2 million copies in Canada. The Wealthy Barber was not your typical boring financial planning textbook. The storyline centered around three people in their late 20’s who spent time with Roy the ‘barber’ to learn the basic and fundamental lessons in financial planning. Each chapter of the book described a different visit and a different element of what it takes to get ahead in life and become financially successful. That book made a huge impact on many Canadians – especially me, as it literally steered me in the direction of becoming a financial planner myself.

So, as I walked through the airport bookstore, I happened to come across a new David Chilton book called The Wealthy Barber Returns... hmmm, what can I say... I couldn’t resist! Yes, I spent the 20 bucks, got comfortable and shut the world out for a few hours just so I could savour every page.

David still held in on the fact that we as a society need to save the reason it’s so difficult is that no one out there really wants you to. Nowadays, we are getting bombarded with constant advertising and we’re being encouraged to spend as much as possible. Our kids are constantly asking for the latest and greatest and they have become so restless, cute and innately skilled in the art of manipulation.

However, if we as a country can all agree that we’ve gone a little too far (actually a lot too far) in our pursuit of stuff. Nothing is ever enough. We want more and whatever got us off our destinations is so incredibly difficult to resist. Realists are anxious to upgrade into your new dream home and bankers are far too eager to lend you the money.

Any government’s re-election hinges on a strong economy and its most important measure is determined primarily by consumer spending. When the economies of developed nations recently crashed due to excessive private debt, the governments responded by lowering interest rates and offering other incentives to get us to borrow and spend even more. This is akin to beginning an alcoholic’s rehabilitation by sending him or her on a pub-crawl!

Naturally, in a wealthy, developed economy like Canada’s, our desires will run well beyond saving for the future, and become financially successful. That book made a huge impact on me. Those jobs have helped him achieve some personal goals, but he is particularly happy now to be working in the area they were born and raised in. They know most of their customers personally.

Here’s a little story. Their very first customer was a woman from Toronto who read about New Market Foods online in the Valley Voice. Her son was on the construction crew, and she emailed Janice to buy a New Market Foods gift certificate for her 21 year-old son’s birthday. It seems it pays to advertise!

But what about the deli? The deli counter and meat department take up a 40-foot stretch along a side walk. The manager of this stretch is a guy named Ray. Ray’s career spans at least 30 years in the food business, school, and adult life, and he likes to keep the students happy. His meat department is a prime source for cleaning and slicing any meat you wish, from chicken, pork, beef, lamb or ham.

As I said, it’s a big store, and like other big grocery stores you’ll also find pasta selections, pork chops with trimmings, Thai chicken, Sri-lankan vegetable curry. Cold cuts? Smoked chicken, beef bologna, franks, hot and cold smoked salmon. Beef tongue.

Sheep with the shepherds’ pie. Other ready meals include: lasagna, pasta pesto pastas, pop chops with trimmings, Thaiki, Sri-lankan vegetable curry. Cold cuts? Smoked chicken, beef bologna, franks, hot and cold smoked salmon. Beef tongue.

Salsads? Four or five kinds. Cokeslaw, seafood, five bean. Have a spanakopita. Try out a dozen cheeses for her arti, varried cheddars, Swiss, jack, mozzarella. Roasted whole chicken available from 3:30 Thursday through Sunday. Pop cans, buy bulk in freezer packs? There are six available. Mix and match.

My favourite sandwich? Salami Madness. Pizza by the slice Monday and Tuesday made by Mattie, who’s been managing kitchens in the Kootenays for decades. Ryan (also deli) makes cheese and fruit-filled scones. Also something called Noon Personal Pizza. My mom.

Too much to say here! Want a whole list of all the various sausages, salamis and pepperoni along with fresh homemade sandwiches featuring all those things? Call the store at 250-358-2270. 

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Nickel Internment Memorial Centre - New Denver
(250) 358-7288
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Sandon Museum & Visitors’ Centre - Sandon
(250) 358-7920 www.sandonomuseum.org
Open 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Located 3.4 km east of New Denver on Hwy 3. Visitors and world-travellers. Collections include Native American artifacts, a historical hometown, and fascinating artifacts. Admission (Cash only): $5 for adults, $4 for seniors 65 and older, $3 for children 5-12, and free for children 4 and under.

S.S. Moyie National Historic Site - Kootenay Lake
Phone/Fax: (250) 358-2325 www.khsbc.ca
324 Front Street, Kootenay Lake, BC. Visit the world’s oldest intact riverboat. The S.S. Moyie was the first steamboat to navigate the history of the Kootenay. The vessel is perfect for those who may want to enjoy a tour of the Kootenay. Open daily.

Lardeau Valley Historical Society Museum
Meenock Creek
museum@larsociety.org 1415 Highway 31 (SE corner of Lardeau Valley High property). Visit the UHS museum in Schiedam for free admission. There is also a collection of the history of the Lardeau. Hosted in a historic former trading post, the museum is a fascinating and beautifully restored early experience from an area in the Kootenays.

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Restaurants & Accommodations
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Ktunaxa Hot & Beer Pub is a fun and friendly place to gather, enjoy delicious food, and catch a glimpse of Kaslo’s lively beer culture. The pub offers a variety of beer, wine, and spirits, as well as a selection of craft beers and ales. The pub is known for its extensive beer selection, including many local and regional beers. The pub also serves a range of bar snacks and appetizers, as well as a selection of sandwiches and wraps. The pub is open daily from noon to 9 PM, with a late-night menu offered from 9 PM to 12 AM. The pub is a popular spot for beer lovers and locals alike, with a lively and welcoming atmosphere. The pub is a great place to catch up with friends, play pool, or simply enjoy a pint of beer and a classic pub snack. The pub is located in Kaslo, a charming and historic small town in British Columbia, known for its scenic beauty, outdoor activities, and friendly community. The pub is a great place to visit and experience the unique beer culture of Kaslo.
by Jan McMurray

Nakusp’s Happy Face Recycling owner Wendy Jones is fed up with the monopolistic system he has to work under and is planning a rally in protest on June 23.

“If the community comes out to show they want their bottle depot, I’m hoping we can push Encorp to come up with something,” he said.

Happy Face, like all recycling depots for beverage containers, has a contract with Encorp Pacific – a not for profit corporation set up by Encorp – a not for profit corporation set up by beverage producers like Coke and Pepsi to coordinate the deposit-refund system for their containers. Under the contract, Encorp comes and picks up the beverage containers that are deposited off at Happy Face, and pays Happy Face the deposit (which Happy Face has already paid out to the customer) plus a handling fee.

“However, the contract has much more to it than that,” he said. “Their role is to collect the bottles and it would be great if that’s where it stopped. But they want to tell you what colours you can paint your business, where you can place your customers, your hours of operation – they behave like a franchise but it’s not a franchise. Each bottle depot is an independent business.”

Jones is fed up with the profit corporation set up by Encorp, the exclusive to an area – Encorp will not buy containers from any other facility in that area. There are 25 permits you have to pay for, and they have to have “some standard requirements,” he said. “Those requirements include an expectation that bottle depots do not have to pay operating costs. We can’t send trucks in more often to pick up the bottles and it would be great if we could.”

“Encorp receives all of those bottles and it would be great if we could,” Jones said.

“Best interests for my depot to keep the money. ‘It’s never going to get returned,’ he said. “If they don’t want to sign it. There are many clauses he objects to, but they want to tell you what colours you can paint your business, where you can place your customers, your hours of operation – they behave like a franchise but it’s not a franchise. Each bottle depot is an independent business.”

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“They don’t own this business, so how do they get off trying to run it? But they want a monopoly, so I can shut up and sign their contract or get out of business,” said Jones.

Malcolm Harvey, media spokesperson for Encorp, explained that the contracts with the bottle depots are exclusive to an area – Encorp will not buy containers from any other facility in that area. They are required by law to take them back, although they can limit the number of containers per customer they will accept. Most stores do not have a contract with Encorp, so store owners have to sort and store the containers, and transport them to a bottle depot at their own cost.

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CBT supports Invest Kootenay with $100,000 submitted

The Invest Kootenay Partnership recently received a boost thanks to $100,000 in support from Columbia Basin Trust (CBT).

Invest Kootenay is a joint ‘Variations on Symmetry’ at Kootenay Gallery

Opening on June 15 at the Kootenay Gallery of Art is an exhibition entitled ‘Variations on Symmetry,’ by Canadian ceramic artists Eliza Au and Ying-Yueh Chuang. These large scale installation pieces will at first glance surprise and delight. Upon further examination the viewer will come to understand the intricacies and level of detail that went into creating them. Bing-Yueh Chuang explores symmetry in relation to repetition and patterning found in the landscape and natural environment. An example of this is the large scale piece entitled ‘+’ placed on the floor in the centre of one of the exhibition spaces, an intricate arrangement of delicate sculptures resembling underwater plants. Eliza Au, in turn explores symmetry in relation to precision, order and scale found in architecture. As in architecture, materials are selected keeping in mind criteria such as structural strength and flexibility. Au’s two large ceramic mandalas entitled ‘Mediation of Order’ are references to Islamic tile patterns and Gothic tile and ironwork patterns. This impressive exhibition combines ceramics and mixed media to create works that reflect the artists’ own hybrid culture influenced by their Asian origins as well as the contemporary Western culture in which they live and work. ‘Variations on Symmetry’ will be exhibited at the Kootenay Gallery, located on Heritage Way across from the Castlegar Airport. From June 15 to July 28 with an opening reception on Friday, June 15 at 7 pm. There is no admission charge and everyone is welcome to come and meet the artists. For more information visit www.kootenaygallery.com.

Silverton Gallery presents Steve Brockley Band on Father’s Day submitted

The Steve Brockley Band will be playing at the Silverton Gallery on Father’s Day, June 17. The group first met while living in Nelson, Kaslo, Nakusp and Slocan City out to take home prizes in the Nuru/Iron Man tournament. Our own Dave and Shelly Welch took home top prize for low gross, while in keeping with the couples theme Alex and Donna Fasthuber took home men’s and women’s closet to the pin. For long drive it was Mike Hicks for men and Linda Henke won the women’s. A big thanks to our sponsors who make these kind of events possible and so much fun.

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The general public are encouraged to participate in the Resource Recovery Plan implementation process by attending RRPAC meetings. Committee membership is not required to attend meetings.

For more information visit www.rdck.bc.ca or contact: Nicole Ward Environmental Services Coordinator 1-800-268-7325 Email: nward@rdck.bc.ca
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JAPANESE CANADIAN INTERMENT 70th Anniversary - Signage Dedication & Open House; join author Joy Kogawa and others on Kennedy Road (adjacent to Lemon Creek Lodge) this Saturday, June 16 at 2:00 pm for commemorative ceremonies to dedicate the Slocan Valley Heritage Trail Society’s new interpretive signage. Following the signage dedications at Lemon Creek and Popoff (1 km south of Gravel Pit Road on the Slocan Valley Rail Trail), the public is invited to an ‘Open House’ at the Silvery Slocan Valley Rail Trail Centre, Slocan, BC. For more information about the internment period.

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The art show currently displayed at Studio Connexion in Nakusp features 25 paintings by two landscape artists from Kamloops. The show continues until June 23.

Both artists, Donna Houston and Cathie Peters, work primarily with acrylics, but did not always.

Houston was a 30-year oil painter before she took a workshop on acrylics. “Acrylics challenged me to capture how I felt in the landscape, how it moved me,” she said.

Peters started out painting with watercolours and has moved into acrylics over the past five years. Her work is dramatic, with contrasting colours and strong lines.

Both artists are members of the Canadian Federation of Canadian Artists, a non-profit society that provides mentorship and education to artists. Houston has achieved Associate Member status, which means she has established herself as a committed artist with consistent superior ability.

The Federation was founded in 1941 by a group of Canadian artists, including Lawren Harris of the Group of Seven. It is a non-profit society with chapters throughout Canada, and there is a chapter in Kamloops.

Kamloops artists Donna Houston and Cathie Peters have a show at Studio Connexion.

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