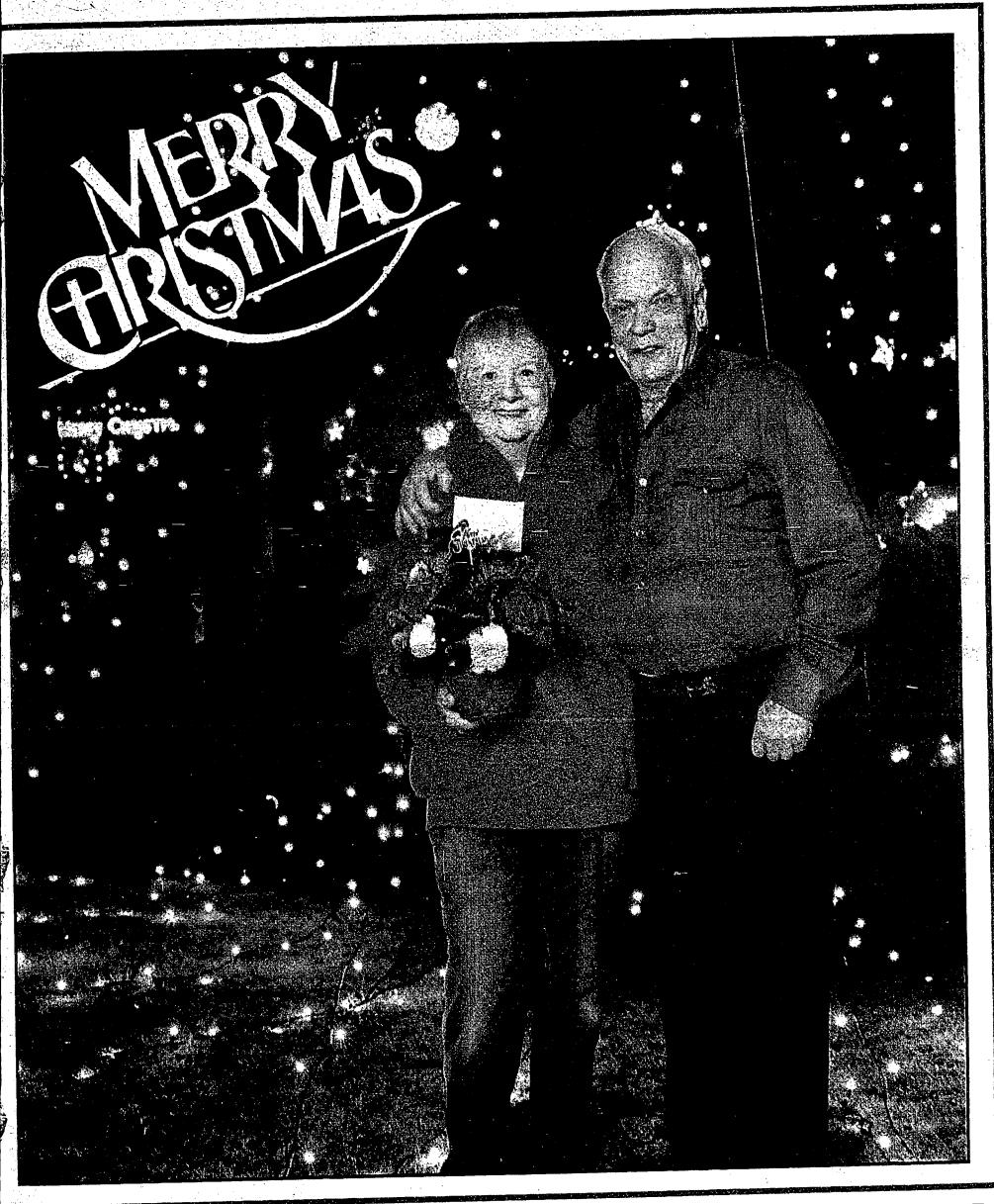
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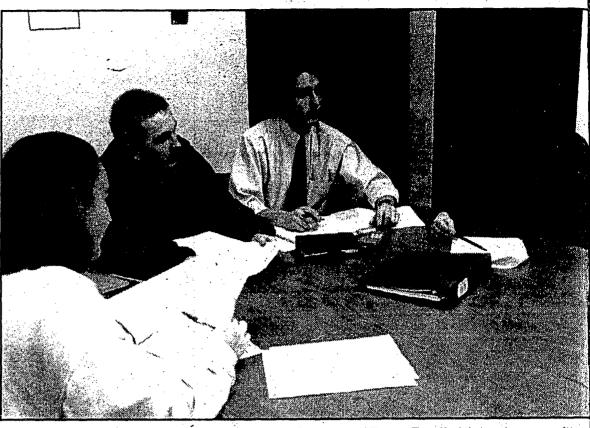
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Young Entrepreneurs — Christine Durig, Bryan Stewart and Trevor Emoff of the action committee over the minutes of their last meeting with Youth Entreprenurship conference facilitator Pat Wilbur the Community Futures Development Corporation of Howe Sound. The conference is scheduled Feb. 17. *Patricia Heintzman photo*

Young entrepreneurship conference to provide information and inspiration

By Patricia Heintzman

Opportunity doesn't always knock. Sometimes one has to search for the right doors to open.

After high school, diploma in hand, opportunity may be in the form of post-secondary education at college or university. Or it may be as an employee. But few young people, says Pat Wilbur, know the opportunistic potential of entrepreneurship.

A small but dedicated group of young people form the action committee, facilitated by Wilbur at the Community Futures Development Corporation, which is organizing an upcoming Youth Entrepreneurship Conference. Their mission: to create an awareness of entrepreneurship among youth providing information, resources and access to training, to stimulate an interest in, and an understanding of the chailenges and benefits of selfemployment. The Youth Entrepreneurship Conference, scheduled for Feb. 17 at Howe Sound Secondary School, is designed to show young people the diversity of business potential in the area and about how to becoming an entrepreneur.

A particular focus of the conference will be eco-tourism and recreation, says Wilbur. "There is an increasing enhancement of recreational opportunity in the area, with high growth potential."

The conference, which is organized in cooperation with Ministry of Small Businesses, Tourism and Culture, Canada **Employment Centre and Howe** Sound Secondary School, is aimed to target Squamish residents between the ages of 15 and 24. Anyone interested in learning more about entrepreneurial options is encouraged to attend the oneday conference. In the various seminars and workshops, a panel of speakers will both lead discussions and field questions from the participants. A keynote

speaker will highlight the day's events.

"An entrepreneur is someone who is willing to take the risk to be successful," says Wilbur. "Planning is the most important aspect of any endeavor. People's options should be staring them right in the face."

Career and business planning, partnering, the development of an idea, creating a client base and getting to know one's maket are but a few of the stages being an entrepreneur whithe conference will cover in effort to give young people many options and as mu information as possible. To task at hand for the action comittee is to garner support from the community in the form sponsorship opportunities help fund the conference.

<u>Cover photo</u> 1995 Christmas lights tour

Bright candles light the pathways, lights twinkle from two tall trees, and flashing stars in every color imaginable high light the winning display in the 1995 Christmas light contest coordinated by the Squamish and Howe Sound District Chamber of Commerce.

Bill and Ivy Grasby's home at 40174 Bills Place in Garibald Highlands, featured in our cover photo by Ross Wahl, was named best residential display by the six judges who scrutinized all entries Friday night. For their efforts the Grasbys win the grand prize of \$250 courtesy of Black Tusk Realty, Jud McQuinn of RE/MAX of Squamish, Squamish Realty, and NRS Sea to Sky Real Estate.

Top prize for businesses with more than 35 feet of frontage went to Dryden Creek Resorts, which wins a 40-inch ad in The Squamish Chief and \$75 of radio advertising on Mountain FM. Best among the stores with less than 35 feet of frontage was Stylezone, which wins a 20-inch ad in The Squamish Chief and \$75 of radio advertising on Mountain FM.

Most of the homes and businesses entered in the contest and some which did not enter but deserve to be seen have been included in the suggested 1995 tour of lights. They include: Brackendale — Dryden Creek Resorts, Depot Road and Hwy 99; Frank and Vivian Downing, 1669 Arrowhead Rd.; Walter and Karen Worsley, 42025 Government Rd.; Eagle Run -Karen and Stu Sjolie, 41309 Meadow Ave.; Sandra LaFleur, 41350 Kingswood Rd.; Garibaldi Estates — Thomas Lowe, 40133 Garibaldi Way; Garibaldi Highlands — Bill'and Ivy Grasby, 40174 Bills Place; Rick and Joy Boulier, 2541 Montrose Way; Barry and Jan Galley, 2546 Montrose Way; David and Dianna Lonergan, 2597 The Boulevard; Chris and Ann French, 1003 Torbet Place; Keith and Wendy Magee, 2579 Paisley Place; Loggers Lane — John and Leslie Langis and Bryce Cundy, 38920 Loggers Lane; Valleycliffe — 1994 grand prize winners Bud and Marion Payette, 1825 Garden Place; Larry and Glenda Bouwman, 1827 Garden Place; Evelyn and Dick Dawson, 1837 Garden Place; 1993 grand prize winners Marshall and Maryanne Tichauer, 1838 Garden Place; Mark "Scrooge" McConchie, 40035 Plateau Drive; Downtown -Stylezone, Chieftain Centre Mall; Needles and Pins, 38038 Cleveland Ave.; Ocean Port Hotel, 37991 Second Ave. Mountain Building Centres, 37870 Cleveland Ave.; Squamish Yacht Club, Main and Galbraith Avenue.

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Briefs

School district announces administrative appointments

The chief executive officer and board of trustees of School District 48 announced Thursday reassignment of some administrative officers in the district to efficiently and effectively meet the educational needs of students and implement new curriculum.

For the period Jan. 8 to June 30 inclusive: Tom Croft will be responsible for the coordination of the Skills Now project, work experience programs and the implementation of the new career and personal planning curriculum at the secondary level.

• Peter Hotston will be the acting principal of Brackendale Secondary School.

Rob Reibenschuh will be the vice-principal of Brackendale Secondary School.

· Grant Prothero will be the acting vice-principal of Howe Sound Secondary School.

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Squamish designer and artist Mark Kamachi of Kamachi Communications is the new art director of Vancouver communications firm Glennie Stamnes Communications. Kamachi recently won a Lotus Award honorable mention for his logo design for Barb's Beehive Hair

Fine remains on BCEDA executive

Economic development officer Robert Fine of the Sea to Sky Economic Development Commission is now the past president of the Economic Development Association of B.C. Having served the last year as president, Fine was replaced by Peter Monteith, manager of development services for the District of Chilliwack. Fine will continue to serve on the executive of the association.

Whistler bylaw head resigns

Calvin Logue, superintendent of bylaw enforcement, handed in his resignation Thursday after seven years with the Resort Municipality of Whistler. Logue said he has left on good terms with council, and did not wish to detail the exact circumstances that led to his decision. He did admit that he had filed a grievance shortly before he went on vacation in November, and cited "philosophical differences" as the main reason for his resignation.

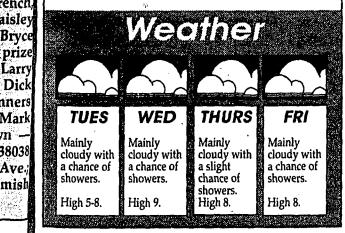
"The Squamish area has one of the highest incidents of drug related problems."

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Air Pollutant Index

Squamish daily maximums for the last week (in brackets is the pollutant responsible for the maximum reading). Dec. 17 – 5 (ozone), Dec. 16 – 3 (ozone), Dec. 15 – 5 (total reduced sulphur), Dec. 14-14 (ozone), Dec. 13 -14 (inhalable particulate), Dec. 12 - 11 (ozone), Dec. 11 - 18 (ozone).

0-25 good. 26-50 fair. 51-100 poor, persons with heart or lung ailments should reduce physical activity. Over 100 very poor, such persons should stay indoors.





Saving Eagle Habitat - Kirk Davis, right, Nature Conservancy of Canada's B.C. director, discusses preservation of the eagle habitat in the Squamish area with residents at an open house Thursday at the Brackendale Art Gallery. Patricia Heintzman photo

Forest Alliance and Nature Conservancy join forces to save eagle habitat

By Patricia Heintzman

One of the most passionately debated ecological and environmental projects in the Squamish District received support from an unlikely ally Wednesday. In an announcement in Vancouver at the launch of a new book about the eagles of Brackendale, it was revealed that the Forest Alliance of British Columbia will donate \$2 million dollars over a fiveyear period to the Nature Conservancy of Canada's efforts to preserve the unique ecology that attracts world record numbers of wintering bald eagles to the area.

The \$2 million donation covers twothirds of the Nature Conservancy's goal of raising \$3 million for the project, says Kirk Davis, the Nature Conservancy's British Columbia

The Nature Conservancy has for 23 years helped establish 31 nature preserves, comprising 12,249 hectares, throughout B.C. A critical aspect of the conservancy's mission is science. "We're an organization that is always driven by science," says Davis. "We wait until research is complete before we make a commitment." But the Brackendale eagle enigma took a unique turn for the conservancy.

A year ago, the Nature Conservancy hired two biologist to study the eagles which flock during the winter months to the Cheakamus and Squamish rivers to feed on abundant spawnedout salmon. Early into the research, it was determined that indeed there was a significant ecological gem to be found in Brackendale, and that preservation was necessary, especially considering the growing number of tourists coming to the area to view eagles. The research continues this year, but already the conservancy is dedicating much time and effort to

raising funds for the project.

"What we found here in Squamish was a very complex community," said Davis at a public open house at the Brackendale Art Gallery Thursday. "It's a community of diverse groups of people.

"When we look at funding a project, we look at the people who represent the economy of the area, so that's why we first started talking to the forest sector about preserving the eagles."

Talks with the Forest Alliance of British Columbia — a coalition of British Columbians whose stated mission is the protection of B.C.'s forest environment and forest-based economy — began in earnest in June and continued through the fall until an agreement was reached just a few weeks ago, said Davis, adding that Peter Bentley of the alliance was enthusiastic from the start.

The anchor donation gives the conservancy a strong base from which to reach its goal of \$3 million, says Davis. Since that time, several private donations have already been made.

The goal of the Nature Conservancy in preservation of the eagle ecosystem follows the lead taken by Thor Frosley, Len Goldsmith and others Squamish Estuary with the Conservation Society, who are attempting to create a 1,050 hectare Brackendale Eagle Reserve on the west bank of the Squamish River between the Mamquam and Cheakamus rivers. At the moment, the proposed Brackendale Eagle Reserve is being studied by the provincial protected area strategy. According to Squamish Mayor Corinne Lonsdale, who sits on the regional PAS committee, support for this proposal and another encompassing a substantial portion of the Tantalus Range, is strong.

If the PAS fails to preserve the proposed eagle reserve, the role of the conservancy in eagle conservation can be met by means of land acquisition, restrictive covenants, and easements. Davis says the conservancy will negotiate with private land owners to purchase land in the proposed reserve at a fair market price, but added that the conservancy is not in the business of expropriating land or paying inflated prices to purchase the land. Another important aspect of the Nature Conservancy's role in protecting the eagle ecosystem in the area is the publication of a book about the eagles of Brackendale entitled The Book of Eagles. Proceeds from the sale of the book will go towards funding the eagle preservation project.

A volunteer Eagle Watch interpreter program has also been initiated. Volunteers, identifiable by a green vest, will staff the dike across from the Easter Seal's Camp Squamish on Government Road in Brackendale during weekends this year. Explaining eagle viewing ethics and providing information about the Squamish community and the eagles are just part of the interpreters' role.

The Eagle Watch program is the first in a five-phase concept the conservancy hopes to develop, providing there is support from the community. Phase two incorporates the development of permanent signage and acquiring parking areas for visitors; phase three would see the development of information kiosks at a variety of points of interest in the area; viewing platforms are planned for phase four; and phase five would see the development of an interpretive centre/museum constructed in the area. Davis will appear before a committee of the whole meeting at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday (today) prior to the municipal council meeting.



NEWS

Santa On The High Seas

Several hundred spectators lined the Mamquam Blind Channel Saturday night as members of the Squamish Yacht Club performed the traditional Christmas carol sail past, which included a visit from Santa aboard the Buccaneer. There was hot chocolate for those on land. Ross Wahl photo

Don Wilson continues as chair of the school board

School

Briefs

wing at Howe Sound

Secondary School is on target

for Jan. 15. The demolition of

the old wing is set for Feb. 1 and

all the work at HSSS should be

School construction is slightly

ahead of schedule, said

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Garibaldi Highlands Elemen-

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construction of a new wing is

on schedule to be completed

Feb. 1. Students housed in the

gymnasium have now returned

Pemberton Secondary School

principal Ron Albertin reported

to the board on his school's

results on last year's provincial

exams. PSS's participation rates

were extremely high compared

to provincial averages, he said,

and grades were around the

provincial average in most sub-

jects. One subject at PSS in

which students didn't fare well

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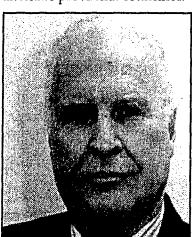
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Don Wilson went unchallenged to remain as chair in Howe Sound school district board of trustee elections Wednesday at the school board meeting. All the other positions also went unchallenged. Janet Systad was elected vice-chair, Ele Clarke is provincial councillor and Bonnie Munster is the alternate provincial councillor.



Don Wilson

Recommendations as a result of the Gove Inquiry into the life and death of six-year-old Matthew Vaudreuil will be looked at by trustees and will likely be implemented in the district's schools, said board chair Don Wilson. Wilson said he received the report and will make copies available to the other trustees in the near future so it can be discussed at the Jan. 17 school board meeting. Wilson said the report is useful and important to educate teachers to look for signs of abuse amongst their students so that they "can take appropriate action".

In the chief executive officer's contributing reason for poor construction update, Doug Courtice said that completion of

attracted students who migh otherwise not be inclined to take the English literature course.

Howe Sound Secondary School's new principal, Marg Pallot, made her first presenta tion to the school board since taking her position at the school a month ago. She revealed to the board that HSSS students were at or higher than the provincial average in 80 per cent of courses, and participal tion rates were also extremely high compared to provincia averages. Results were particu larly good in English, biology and geology.

School trustees have supported a request by the Brackendale Secondary School parent advisory council to reinstate a drug and alcohol prevention worker in the Squamish area.

Trustee Constance Rulka said some drug awareness funding was coming from The Ministry of Social Services and Mental Health. Rulka also made reference to the work that the child and youth committee was doing with regard to the area's inherent drug and alcohol dilemma. "The Squamish area has one of the highest incidents of drug related problems," she said.

The school board has approved a field trip by the Pemberton Secondary School senior girls basketball team to Hawaii during the 1996 March break (March 18-22), plus two additional days (March 14-15). Albertin added that both senior basketball teams have the potential to make the small school provincial championships this season.



Constable at fault in MVA

y Patricia Heintzman

Charges will likely be laid gainst a police constable after motor vehicle accident involvg a municipal van and an ČMP vehicle Nov. 30 on overnment Road, says RCMP gt. Dwaine Wetteland.

"It is clear that the officer is at ult in this case. He clearly rossed over the centre line and at fault." The incident ccurred at about 3 p.m. on overnment Road near the side says Wetteland.

road into the Eagle Run mall. A municipal truck heading northbound on Government Road was clipped by the police car going south, which failed to negotiate the curve in the road.

The truck ended up in the ditch-on its side. Both vehicles were damaged severely and both drivers sustained minor injuries. RCMP vehicles are not insurable and therefore the cost of the accident comes out of federal government coffers,

"These revisions to the Municipal Act incorporate a

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Information and Privacy ommissioner, David Flaherty as upheld a decision by the District of Squamish to refuse n applicant access to the indiidual addresses of electors.

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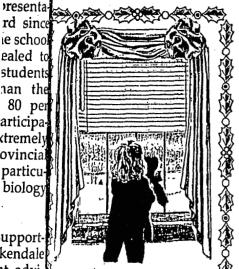
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Light up Christmas

nce again, Squamish residents and business operators have outdone themselves in decorating their homes and stores for the Christmas season. Judging of the Christmas light contest took place Friday night, and grand prize winners for the best residential display were Bill and Ivy Grasby, who are featured on our front page this week. By all reports it was an extremely close

Tops in the large business category is Dryden Creek Resorts, while the best of the smaller businesses is Stylezone in the Chieftain Centre Mall. Amongst all the businesses in Squamish, there were only five entries this year in the contest coordinated by the chamber of commerce, a disappointing effort indeed.

Business owners could learn an excellent lesson from residential decorators. Though the number of entries was also down this year, judges noticed many more homes than ever before are being decorated but not entered in the contest. They are obviously being decorated for the fun of it, and for the enjoyment of those passing by.

Judges indicated that some of the less heavily decorated homes appeared to be much more coordinated in their colors and displays, while some at which the owners went all out appeared cluttered and lacked cohesion. It was also noted that more and more homeowners are creating cartoon character displays along with their lights, figures totally unrelated to Christmas. Mickey Mouse seems somehow out of place standing next to the nativity scene, several judges said.

In any case, there are brightly lit and colorful homes in virtually every neighborhood. Congratulations to all those who decorated their homes and businesses, whether they were entered in the contest or not. It is well worth the effort of driving around the community to see the different displays, catch some Christmas spirit, and perhaps pick up some inspiration for next year.

Who will lead the NDP?

ven though Premier Mike Harcourt announced several weeks dago he is stepping down and a leadership convention is to be → held in February, no one has yet declared their desire to become head honcho of the NDP, with the exception of complete unknown Jack McDonald.

Everyone seems to be touting Employment and Investment Minister Glen Clark as the man to beat, and it has been widely reported Clark is working like a Trojan to consolidate his support among those in the NDP back rooms. But to date he hasn't declared

Part of the problem is the image of the NDP as one big happy family. Under close scrutiny it is anything but. Former premier Dave Barrett survived several palace coup attempts, Bob Skelly didn't, and the NDP membership has always been fractious at best, with such factions as union loggers pitted against traditional NDP supporting environmentalists.

Behind closed doors, and increasingly in public, Glen Clark is called a pit bull. He brooks no opposition, and will run roughshod over anyone who gets in his way. He is likely looking for a coronation, and many NDP MLAs and party members are fearful of speaking out against the man who could be the next premier.

Knowing his history and disagreeing completely with his philosophy and style, members of the Anybody But Clark movement within the party tried to get federal NDP MP Nelson Riis to run, but he backed off. They are now touting Nelson-Creston backbench MLA Corky Evans as the one to carry their banner.

It is likely in the new year Clark will declare his candidacy, and everyone else who is waffling at the moment will drop out. Clark is a political animal, and he will probably be impossible to beat.

But considering we once had a prime minister named Joe Who? and a premier named Amor De Cosmos, Premier Corky wouldn't be out of line at all.

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Christmas wishes for those too busy sou

I know that many Canadians are busy this time of year shopping and making gifts for their family members and friends. Being good Canadians, they are too busy thinking of others to ask you for what they really want or could really use this Christmas. But knowing what would make them really happy, I thought I would give you some suggestions as you make your rounds on Christmas Eve, sliding down chimneys and stuffing yourself on cookies and milk. (And beware of those chimneys in which silly people have left their fireplaces burning. You don't want to burn your britches, or overdose on inhalable particulates.)

Prime Minister Jean Chretien has been in a bit of a tizzy since the separatists in Quebec almost won their referendum. He has come up with some strange ways of keeping the country together, so perhaps you could leave him a copy of the board game Clue. But for goodness sakes, make sure the rules aren't unconstitutional.

Lucien Bouchard is leaving federal politics to become premier of Quebec. I am sure he would like the most popular board game in history, Monopoly. He loves the title, obviously, but will only play if he can win. So I would suggest you change Boardwalk to St. Catherine's Street and the railroads to CN and CP. (They'll move to Ontario anyway, but not before he gets a few hotels erected with the help of immigrant investment funds, which will also move to Ontario.) Chances are he'll toss the game but keep the money, which will certainly help him pay down the provincial debt, the largest in Canada.

Even though Bouchard hasn't resigned yet, Reform Leader Preston Manning has petitioned Parliament to be named leader of the official opposition. Rules and tradition obviously don't come into play, so a board game wouldn't be appropriate — he'd just try to cheat. And Manning has asked the Governor General to depose the prime minister because he figures Chretien has a screw loose with his national unity policy. Perhaps a couple of tickets to the Ottawa production of The Nutcracker would be appropriate.

Former prime minister Brian Mulroney is also in a flap over allegations he took bribes in the Airbus purchase. He's suing the federal government and everyone else in sight for damaging his reputation. A Swiss watch would be most appropriate, in gold, of course.

B.C. Premier Mike Harcourt's announcement that he is giving would be a novelty.

Closer to home, our school trustees have been gnashing their teeth over the proposed amalgamation of three district and budget cuts. Perhaps their teeth could use a few fillings, but don't make them out of amalgam. They have come to leas hate that word, and we hear it: sq could be poisonous. Perhaps a con few ferry tickets would help their bottom line.

As for our council, that's real ly tough. What they could real ly use is a compass, but only one, so they'd all be going in the same direction. It could lead them out of or into the wilderness, which appears to be our future. But make it anti-

As I See It

By Al Price



up the leadership of the NDP means he won't need the gift he really could have used, a portrait of Dave Stupich in which the former provincial finance minister's eyes follow you everywhere you go. But perhaps a couple of tickets to the Vancouver Grizzlies would be in order. Harcourt is a former basketball player, he obviously shares the same barber as some of the players, and would no doubt enjoy a night out at any game in which the balls don't have numbers.

It's a little tougher figuring out what you might leave for Liberal Leader Gordon Campbell. He seems to have everything: good polling numbers, plenty of financing, golden opportunities and even hair. He obviously even has the talking Ken doll with the pull string in the back. I don't know how you would gift wrap an original thought, or even if he would recognize it. And any substance in his stocking

magnetic, so their opposing personalities don't make it just spin. And for the mayor in par ticular, a new Terrill Patterson doll. You know the one I mean You wind it up and it recites bylaws which it feels the municipality has contravened. It seems the mayor broke the spring on the last one and it hasn't spoken at meetings for **um** months.

And as for our publisher, Shari Bishop, Santa, she really needs help. She's going to Calgary in the new year to head up a special project for An our company, and we know the weather out there in January could freeze the balls off a Christmas tree. Thermal under wear is mandatory, and half a dozen huskies for her sleigh.

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As for the rest of us, Santa, it's really up to you. Anything we find under the tree which wasn't left by the dog, the cat or the tax department will be blessing. And I assure you we've all been good. Trust me.

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forever grateful stay. But should the angels call for him

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and try to understand.

Anonymous

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Opening doors Fa could save lives '

umans are so different and so alike in a variety Lof ways. Basically, we all want the same thing from life, and that's just it; life.

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your life, and steals it away? If you were Matthew or John Ryan, you would be wishing someone had heard you crying and looked behind your closed door.

should.

Of course, you might also realize that most people don't

have the courage or strength pear Pa help, so then what do you do he shi Matthew and John Ryan had the ea no choice. Like many other ely tol children they could only sit le, I fo back and wait to die.

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By Brooke Smith

at, and deprived of any nour-id told ishment, whether it be food orem to love. Then this broken little eir wa boy was left to die, bound and ard th gagged in his closet. It wasn't call ti stranger. He was killed by his hoice. own parents.

For Matthew it was a bit differery

ferent. After seent our ing that he was sees of being abused, as and few neighbors as. We He was just a little kid trying called the police just but nothing was What to live the life done. After that every Matthew had five-year-old fallen asleep his int a mother suffocat at per ed him. That innocent sleeping child.

So what do we do? Open those doors, have a voice.

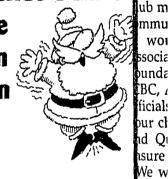
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ly name is Ralph Causton. I have visited schools in uamish, speaking to your chilen about the dangers of drinking d driving. Hopefully your child me home from school that day our-id told you about it, as I had asked nd orem to. I asked them to do this as eir way of letting you know they and ard this most important message. sn't call this presentation: It's Your hishoice. I can only hope the ones no need to hear this message, hear dif Every year communities throughr seedt our province suffer the loss or was sees of a young life through need-



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olice just hope it will never happen to us.

d, as and senseless accidents such as

Was What started as my need to talk to my son's schoolmates snowlled. I am in the process of touring the province of B.C. It is my ideal to visit every secondary school in our province in an effort to his int a picture of prevention so clear in our young people's minds ocat at perhaps it will prevent this from happening to your family. It it preventable. Perhaps through the tragic events of my son's ep-eath, I can successfully illustrate the dangers of a motor vehicle. It

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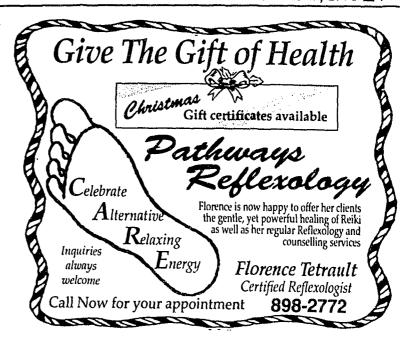
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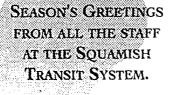
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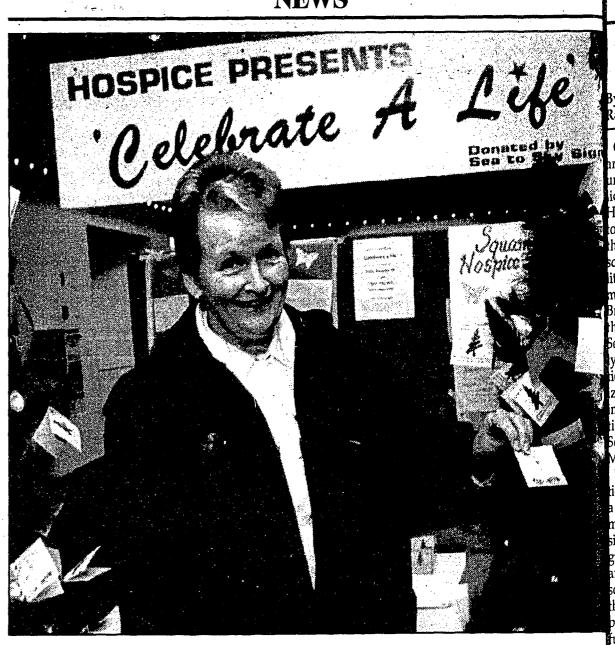
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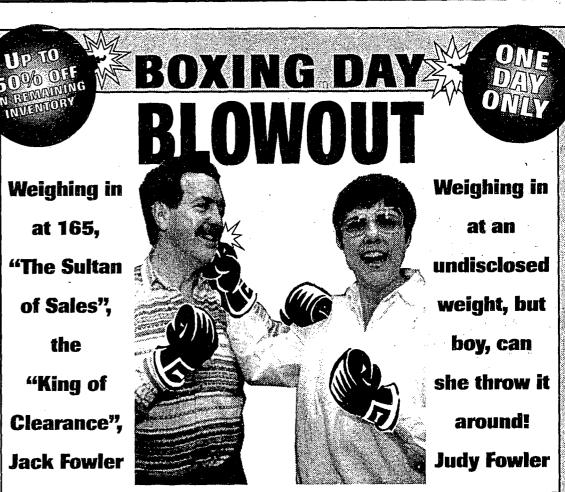
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Celebrate A Life coordinator Joyce Barone of the Squamish Hospice Society displays two brightly Christmas trees which were set up in Highlands Mall Saturday. People are encouraged to write a small Minis card and light a bulb on either of the trees in remembrance of departed loved ones. Ross Wahl photos



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NEWS

Amalgamation conundrum not fully appreciated

By Patricia Heintzman and Rahoul Ghose

Consequences of school board hmalgamation are not clearly understood by the general pubic, says school board trustee Howard Kelly. And it could be oo late for meaningful input as he process of amalgamating school districts continues with ittle public involvement. Two meetings — one held at Brackendale Secondary School he other at Howe Sound Secondary School — were poory attended last week, an indicaion of the public's failure to realze how amalgamation will mpact their children's educaion, said Howe Sound Secondary School principal Marg Pallot.

The urgency of the amalgama-

ion conundrum was typified by

decision at the school board meeting Dec. 13 to table a decision on school curriculum integration at Whistler Secondary and Pemberton Secondary chools. Trustees were concerned point was futile, considering the future ambiguity of any decisions made by the existing board. The board probably won't ightly be intact in April. If Education a sma Minister Art Charbonneau's hl phot draft for school board amalgamation goes as planned, an interm school board will be appointd in April and the new district - which could include the Sunshine Coast and Powell River in a proposed Garibaldi district — would see its first elected board take office after next year's municipal and school board elections in November.

seven trustees, but it is not yet known how the trustees will be distributed throughout the newly formed school district. In fact, the school board has been virtually put on hold while school district senior administration concentrates its efforts on the amalgamation question.

An \$80 million province-wide cut to education, to offset a reduction in federal transfer payments to the province over the next two years, also has trustees worries about funding availability. So far, Charbonneau has announced where \$30 million will be cut. Special education and aboriginal education are two of the items on the chopping block. "It's thievery of 30 million bucks," said Kelly at the school board meeting. "They are just telling us how they are doing it. And don't forget, another \$50 million axe has yet to fall." An announcement of where the remaining \$50 million cut will come from is expected in January.

chools. Trustees were concerned that making a decision at this point was futile, considering the future ambiguity of any decisions made by the existing sound School District's share of poard. The board probably won't that will be about \$750,000.

An example of how the cuts will affect the school district is in special education. The three Garibaldi districts currently spend about \$8.8 million in that area. Under ministry guidelines, a new Garibaldi school board would have to cut about \$1 million from the special education budget, an area which many educators feel needs increased funding.

board elections in November. Senior administrators at the The proposed board will have Howe Sound School District

office are currently looking into the other possibilities of amalgamation in addition to the proposed Garibaldi district: Howe Sound/Lillooet; Howe Sound/Sunshine Coast: Howe Sound/ Sunshine Coast/West and Vancouver; Howe Sound/West Vancouver. Any alternatives to the education ministry's Garibaldi proposal must be presented by April or the provincial government will automatically implement its option to combine Howe Sound with Powell River and the

Sunshine Coast.

Each district is also preparing documentation on its district remaining intact geographically.

Other amalgamation issues to be addressed have to do with teacher unions and school district employees.

When the new board takes office, each former district's collective agreements with teachers and CUPE employees will stand for a yet-to-be-determined period of time before eventually being negotiated for the entire district

And few jobs are secure under the provincial government's amalgamation proposal. School trustee Laurie Vance says amalgamation and cuts will not only impact senior management and administration in the Howe Sound district. They will also ultimately result in a cutback in district-based services such as learning assistance and specialty programs serving special needs students.

More comprehensive public meetings on amalgamation are scheduled for January.



A Legion Of Winners

Some of the Brackendale Elementary School student winners of the Royal Canadian Legion Diamond Head Branch Remembrance Day Poster and Literary Contest pose with legioneers Hector Giroux, left to right, David Watt and Alex Walner. The legion presented cheques amounting to \$900 to 135 students representing seven local schools last week. *Patricia Heintzman photo*

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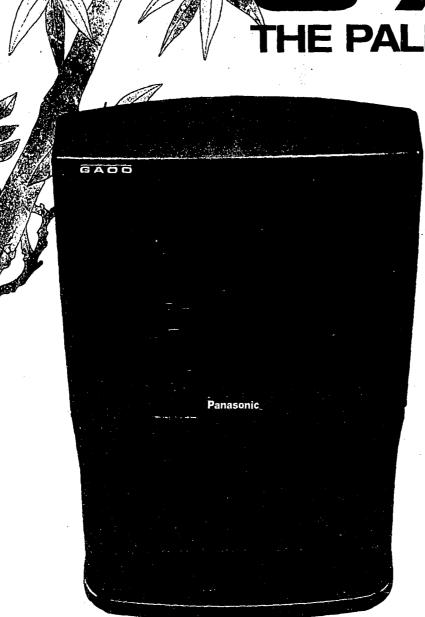


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A Sea to Sky Community ealth Council (CHC) member red a letter off to Health inister Paul Ramsey Friday, ging him to reconsider makeg a regional health board (HB) boundary decision Dec. before addressing other maters.

Kristi Wells, Whistler municial appointee to the CHC, said a ministry needs to respond propriately to the regional ealth plan and allow all affect-dorganizations in the region to articipate in the decision-making process.

"As a member of the Sea to ky CHC, I can personally appress that the countless voluteer hours and commitment to the New Directions concept as been completely undersined by your ministry's decion to pre-empt this consultation process with not only our HC but other relevant pares," said Wells in her letter.

The Coast-Garibaldi Regional Health Board expects to hear at its Dec. 20 board meeting if the Sea to Sky and Sunshine Coast areas will join the North Shore or remain with Powell River as the Coast-Garibaldi Health Region. Realignment with the North Shore could see Powell River connecting with the north end of Vancouver Island and the Coast-Garibaldi Health Region dissolving.

But members of these CHCs and the RHB are questioning why, after three years of community participation in planning for health service autonomy for the Coast-Garibaldi Health Region, is the Ministry of Health now considering new boundaries?

The ministerial mandate has been followed all along, but the rules have changed, said Jim Miller, Coast-Garibaldi RHB vice-chair and chair of the Sea to Sky CHC.

"The issue is the process," he said. "Everyone is upset about

the work that's gone into this. A lot of blood and sweat has gone into it and it's thrown out the window." The RHB spent the past three years developing its regional health and management plan and submitted it in late September to the ministry. But while the RHB was guaranteed a 14-day turnaround period, that never happened, said Miller.

On Nov. 17, however, a Ministry of Health employee told the board chair the ministry was concerned about the viability of Coast-Garibaldi as a health region. In a letter following the Nov. 17 conversation, the Ministry of Health's assistant deputy minister for strategic programs said the ministry is concerned about accomplishing integration and economies of scale through three small CHCs without a strong regional focus.

But the Sea to Sky and Sunshine Coast CHCs are concerned about realigning their health boundaries with the North Shore. One concern is that the North Shore Health Board would control local health services, leaving Sea to Sky with a small voice. Other concerns include losing community self-sufficiency and that community-based health services would be affected.

"My personal fears are we'll get gobbled up by the North Shore and lose some identity," said Miller.

He also voiced concern that there could be less funding for the Sea to Sky area for health services because it would rely on the North Shore for its share of the funding. Remaining with the Coast-Garibaldi region might mean Sea to Sky has a greater say because it shares similar economics and delivery problems, Miller said.

The ministry has approved four health and management plans, including the North Shore Health Board's plan. If the Sea to Sky and Sunshine Coast areas join the North Shore, its plan would be modified



Even Santa Can't Win 'Em All

Henry Davis has had better experiences in his short life than sitting on Santa's lap during a free photo with St. Nick at Highlands Mall Saturday. All will likely be forgiven Christmas morning. Ross Wahl photo

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missing was found Dec. 7 at the base of a hydro pole just north of the RCMP station in Garibaldi Estates. Steven James Wathen was last seen Nov. 24. Sgt. Dwaine Wetteland said it appears Wathen was electrocuted and that death was probably accidental.

While walking with a friend, a 14-year-old female was allegedly held at knife-point by a masked assailant at about noon Dec. 5 on the path behind the Chieftain Centre Mall, which joins downtown and Dentville. A bank card and \$90 were reported stolen. Police are investigating the incident.

Four youths were disturbed, and therefore unsuccessful, while trying to pry open the door of a vehicle parked at the Garibaldi Garden Court apartments at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 11.

A windshield of a vehicle was smashed between 6:30 p.m. and 10 p.m. Dec. 11 while parked in the Brennan Park Leisure Centre parking lot. A radar detector was stolen and \$500 damage was done to the vehicle

A \$10 Christmas tree was stolen from Save-On-Foods Dec. 8 at 1:35 a.m. A man was seen running with the tree in tow behind Save-On-Foods at that time.

The B.C. Hydro old Cheekye sub-station on the Squamish Valley Road was broken into during the night of Dec. 13-14 and copper wire was stolen.

There was an attempted break

Police Blotter

and enter of a shed at the United Church in downtown Squamish the night of Dec. 12-13. A male in his late teens was seen in the vicinity at about 2:30 a.m. The assailant tried to pry open the door but was unsuccessful.

Sgt. Dwaine Wetteland of the Squamish RCMP said he encourages anyone who sees anything suspicious to contact the RCMP at the time of the sighting to help the RCMP in apprehending the perpetrators.

An attempt was made to steal two trucks from the Squamish Ford lot during the night of Dec. 13-14. A 1996 F150 pick-up and a 1996 Ford Ranger received damage to door locks and the F150's driver's side window was damaged.

In an incident a month ago, a Ford Aerostar van was stolen from Squamish Ford. Sgt. Dwaine Wetteland said he believes the RCMP have recov-

ered the stolen van. A burned out van was discovered on the MacMillan Bloedel Road Dec. 2

Four dogs were stolen from the municipal dog pound dur ing the night of Dec. 8-9. Ar investigation into the owners of the stolen dogs is ongoing by the RCMP, said Sgt. Dwaine Wetteland.

Anyone who reported a bike stolen to the RCMP is encourage to come to the detachment to look at the numerous bicycles that have been recovered by the police.

The RCMP responded to 230 calls between Dec. 7-13. As many as 22 of the calls were false alarms at businesses and residences and 14 were disturbance calls. Sgt. Dwaine Wetteland said much of the RCMP's time is wasted on false alarms and "people should take a better look at their alarm systems" so as not to unnecessarily waste the RCMP's time.

The RCMP believe they have recovered the pellet guns stolen from True Value Hardware more than a month ago, said Sgt. Dwaine Wetteland.

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Scouts Raise Funds By Selling Christmas Trees

we Sound Boy Scout Kevin Smith, 11, helps a customer pick out the perfect Christmas tree at the arden Centre on Mamquam Road Saturday. The Scouts are selling trees for \$15, which includes chipg after Christmas as long as the receipt is kept. Money raised from the sale goes towards Scouting tivities during the year. Ross Wahl photo



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Long before there was a Christmas, Egyptians brought gre palm branches into their homes on the shortest day of the year December as a symbol of life's triumph over death.

Romans adorned their homes with evergreens during Saturnal a winter festival in honor of Saturnus, their god of agricultur Druid priests decorated oak trees with golden apples for their witter solstice festivities.

In the Middle Ages, the Paradise tree, an evergreen hung with rapples, was the symbol of the feast of Adam and Eve held on Do 24. The first recorded family Christmas tree in Canada was in 17 in the home of German settlers. It wasn't until 100 years lat though, in the late 1800s, that the Christmas tree became a popul family tradition throughout the country. A real B.C.-gro Christmas tree can be a safe and wonderful part of your holid season if you know how to care for it properly.

These simple tips should make sure your Christmas tree is in to shape all through the season:

Choosing Your Tree

Real trees should be checked for freshness by gentling shaking branch and noticing how many needles fall (the fewer, the bette Or try bending a needle between your thumb and forefinger — if snaps cleanly, it's fresh.

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When you take a tree home from a lot or Christmas tree fan don't transport it on the roof of your vehicle, especially if you'll traveling a long distance. If the tree is tied up, keep the ties on un you get it home. Once home, store the tree in an unheated, she tered area until you're ready to decorate it.

Make A Fresh Cut

Cut at least one centimetre off the base of the stem. This we enable the tree to absorb water easier. The tree must be placed in stand which is sturdy and can hold at least four litres of wat Rinse the tree stand with bleach and some water before inserting the tree to reduce the growth of micro-organisms.

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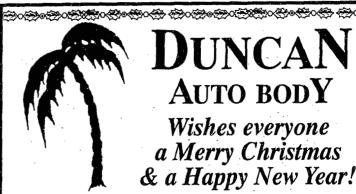
Your tree will drink more than a litre of water every day, so sure you're keeping it well watered every day.

Location

Keep your tree away from heat sources such as heating vents, fit places, or radiators.

Lights

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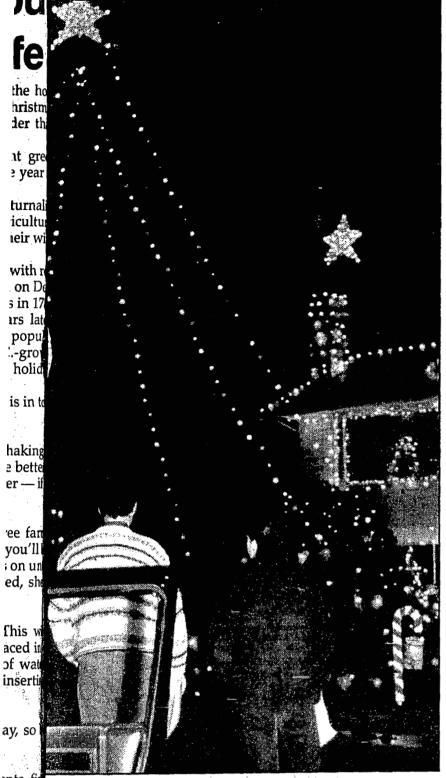
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Judging The Lights

attache Two people survey the dazzling Christmas light display at the home ce faul of Rick and Joy Boulier on Montrose Way in Garibaldi Highlands. ed awa The Boulier's neighbors up the street, Barry and Jan Galley also have an outstanding show, making Montrose Way a place not to be missed on the annual Christmas lights tour. Al Price photo

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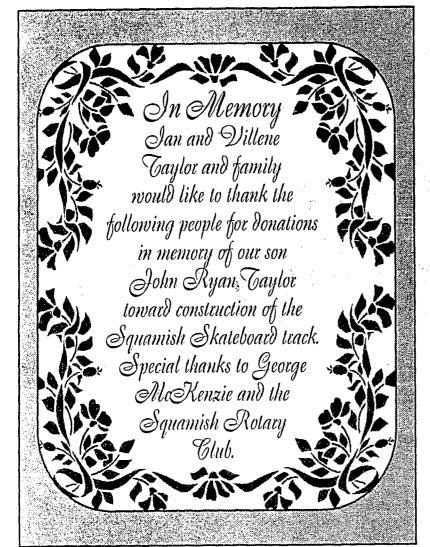




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Time For Tea

Anne Sharp, rear, joins in the singing of Christmas carols with two of the Hilltop House residents attended a traditional English tea at the Tantalus Seniors Centre Thursday afternoon. The event for re idents of Hilltop, the Manor and shut-ins from around the community was hosted by the Squami Seniors Wellness Council, and featured tea, cucumber sandwiches, other dainties with strawberry ja and clotted cream. Patricia Heintzman photo

Squamish and Whistler residents urged to meet Christmas seal goalever

Squamish and Whistler residents have raised \$5,292 so far to help the British Columbia Lung Association's 1995 Christmas Seal Campaign. That total to the end of November compares to this year's goal of \$9,500 for the Squamish and Whistler area and the campaign's province-wide goal of \$1.6 million.

"The Lung Association counts on your support to help us continue our important work to help fight lung diseases such as asthma, lung cancer and emphysema. It's especially important now, as we're marginally behind donations in comparison to last year's campaign," says Muff Hackett,

Whistler area.

A Canadian tradition since 1927, the Christmas Seal campaign runs from mid-October until Jan. 31. During this time, over a million B.C. homes receive packages of brightly-coloured seals.



Muff Hackett

"Funds raised by the campaig will help the one in five Britis Columbians with respirator too e problems. Using your Christment she seals on your holiday mail is the seals. sign of support and concerne about lung health and clean a issues," says Hackett.

A voluntary health agency will nearly 130,000 supporter province-wide, the B.C. Lun Association funds medic research, information program on air quality and health educ tion stressing patient independent dence. A major focus for the association is the B.C. Asthm Centre, which provides inform tion and coordinates research

Lung Association director for the Squamish and help more than 100,000 adults and children in the province who have asthma.

With less than one per cent of its budget comi from government, the Association's main source of funding consists of donations from individu British Columbians.



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Arts Culture and IV This Week

Squamish set to become a major film location says Mahaney

By David Donaldson

on't be alarmed when Martin Scorsese asks you if he can blow up your car. Squamish is on the verge of becoming a major filming location, so camera crews and big explosions could be a common

ints v Large film companies are expected to be filming bigbudget productions here soon, according to Jack Mahaney, manager of the new Bullet Casting Co. and hairman of the Squamish film committee.

"It's going to go crazy up here," Mahaney says. Once he new film committee is fully organized and able to provide the necessary services, he says he believes quamish will be swarming with producers and loca-

"This is the perfect area for filming. It has practically every natural terrain in the whole world." Mahaney says producers have always been interested in the area, but without a film commission to provide ser-Britis vices and organize permits and locations, it has been too expensive to film an entire production.

"The film industry in Squamish hasn't been as big as it should be because there wasn't a film commission," he says. "Producers had a lot of problems getting services, permits, filming rights and locations, so they stayed away from here. They would rather go to Britannia because it's not a township and gives them no problems."

While working on the Highlander television show for Cannell Studios, several producers told Mahaney how they would have liked to film shows like Highlander and Hawkeye in Squamish, but it was too expensive. This is what convinced him the time was right to start a film committee and his own production company. Asthm

Tot worried about a perceived conflict of interest, Mahaney says he talked to the B.C. Film en in the Commission before he got started, and they comin did not see any conflict.

earch

"As a matter of fact, people in the industry would dividu trather deal with other people working in the industry hat know exactly what they need and what they are talking about," he says. Vancouver is actually losing business because it doesn't have a film commission, so companies end up dealing with individuals not in tune with the industry. These companies are bringing in a lot of money and don't want to be stalled by people who don't know what they're talking about.' While the film committee is still getting organized, Bullet Casting has been in full swing, producing and filming features in Squamish in partnership with

Vancouver production companies. With Dallas Haywood and her company Diamond Entertainment, Bullet is producing a one-hour television show for The Women's Network and Bravo, called Ups and Downs. It stars Haywood as a former prostitute trying to straighten out her life, and is filmed partially in Squamish and Vancouver.



Hold That Pose — Film committee chair and manager of Bullet Casting Co., Jack Mahaney predicts Squamish will become a hot new location for film and television production. Bullet has been involved in several TV and video productions already, and recently shot a science fiction pilot. David Donaldson photo

Mahaney also teamed up with Diamond to produce a wilderness survival video featuring Alberta's Mors Kochanski, considered to be the top expert in his field, who teaches survival skills to the armed forces of Canada, Sweden and Great Britain. Mahaney directed the video and says it is important to anyone who spends time outdoors, as it could save their lives.

Bullet has recently shot a science fiction pilot called Transgenesis, a post-apocalyptic action-adventure with exteriors shot in Squamish with special effects by Vancouver's Virtual Magic. Mahaney says the show has about an 80 per cent chance of being picked up by the networks, but if not, Bullet will produce it themselves. They are currently trying to find studio space in the area so the entire production can be filmed here with local actors.

ocals interested in acting and other areas of the film industry may soon find themselves faced with exciting new employment opportunities. So to help them prepare, Bullet will be offering acting classes taught by Haywood, production courses taught by Mahaney, and computer animation courses with animators from Virtual Magic.

Many film companies are now non-union, or have to

hire a certain percentage of non-union crew, so Squamish residents can expect employment in all areas of film production. Mahaney cites the filming of the Robert DeNiro picture, We're No Angels in Britannia a few years ago as a good example of a production hiring many locals.

"Every man, woman and child in Britannia was hired by that crew for construction, extras, acting roles," he says, noting crews prefer to hire locally because it saves them the cost of bringing in outside workers.

Mahaney says Squamish has many services to offer to the film industry, including a local sound company which worked on his last two productions. The goal of the film committee is to get the whole town involved so when a company comes in, everything will be ready for them. "If we can get the people of Squamish to provide all the services, then companies wouldn't need to go to Vancouver. We can offer the same quality service as Vancouver companies, but we are here in the ideal filming area," he says. "There is going to be an incredible amount of money coming in to the community, not just from the film industry, but from all the other industries that seem to follow it, like catering, hospitality and tourism. It should change the face of the whole town within a couple of years."

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Calendar of events

★ There are 55 Squamish chil- School on Thursday, Dec. 21 at 7 dren drawn from all the elemen- p.m. Admission by cash donation tary schools as well as or a non-perishable food item. Brackendale Secondary School in the Sea to Sky Youth Choir, coming new members for the atre at Howe Sound Secondary Jan. 9. The singers do a variety of at 898-5260.

which performs at the new the- upcoming season, which starts

concerts during the year throughout the corridor, and have established a following which increas-★ The Sea to Sky Singers are wel- est with each performance. For more information call Murray Purdie at 898-4266 or Peg Tinney



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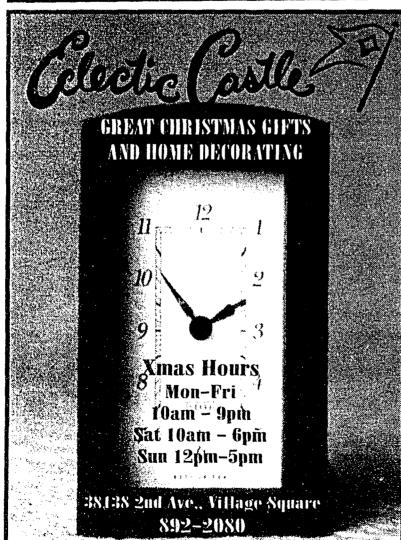
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Enraptured with raptors

ne only has to raft the Cheakamus River to understand what all the fuss is about. The sight is mind blowing. In the span of just a few kilometres between the Cheekye and Squamish rivers, literally thousands of bald eagles can be seen.

Such a multitude of eagles I have never seen before. The greatest concentration of eagles are hidden, with good reason, from the plethora of people who come to the area to view the natural spectacle. Regulated by private and reserve land on either side of the Cheakamus River and the steep slopes of the west bank of the Squamish River, the area can only be experienced from the water.

The folks at the Sunwolf Outdoor Centre took me on a photographic rafting journey Sunday. And although the rain prevented me from photographing at will, it also brought the eagles to rest for the day on the cottonwood trees which line the shores of our rivers. On a bright sunny day, the eagles prefer to soar above the mountains on the energy of thermals.

At one point, my raftmates and I attempted to count the eagles in a certain area. After just three trees we had already counted more than 80 eagles. A rough estimate would say, in the area we were counting, there must have been more than 1,000 eagles, probably many more.

The eagle economy in the valley has burgeoned ever since a world record 3,766 eagles were counted in 1993. Rafting companies such as Sunwolf, The River League, and Rivers and Oceans provide tours to otherwise unattainable sights. And according to Nature

Conservancy biologists studying the eagles and their habitat in Brackendale, rafting is a preferred way to view the eagles compared to walking on foot in eagle areas. Eagles seem relatively undisturbed by the rafts' presence, although as we approached Sunday a few nervous souls took flight.

The Brackendale Winter Eagle Festival is celebrating its 10th season this year. And a decade of celebration and hard work finally comes to fruition with the goal of recognizing the unique ecosystem.

Eagles of Brackendale have become a marketing tool in attracting visitors to the area. Attractive signs on the highway

entice visitors with the coined phase: Brackendale, Winter Home of the Bald Eagle. In turn, the eagles have provided businesses in Brackendale and Squamish a boon during lean winter months.

It was with much anticipation that I looked forward to the unveiling of a book about the eagles of Brackendale at a Nature Conservancy-hosted public open house at the Brackendale Art Gallery Thursday. The book, conceived by the Nature Conservancy of Canada and published by



Off the Couch
By Patricia Heintzman

Beautiful British Columbia
Magazine, aims to make people
more aware what is at stake for
the eagles — and what losing
them would mean. Profits from
the sales of the book will help
protect eagle habitat in the area.
One of the goals is to secure the
west bank of the Squamish
River between the Mamquam
and Cheakamus rivers as the
Brackendale Eagle Reserve.

But on first sight, one would have no idea that the book entitled The Book of Eagles focuses on this area. It isn't until page three in the forward the reader understands the unique aspect of the book, that it isn't a generic book about eagles. As it says in the opening line of the forward: "This is a book about and for the eagles of Brackendale."

Eagles of Brackendale: melodic, catchy, recognizable and takes advantage of an already appreciable entity. The title The Book of Eagles on the other hand...nothing but grey.

Why the title of the book was changed is well known to people familiar with the issue. Small town petty politics and personality conflicts have created an atmosphere whereby the common goal is overlooked. True, Brackendale is a neighborhood within the District of Squamish. True, the eagles congregate on the Cheakamus,

Squamish and Mamquam rivers; there is no river called Brackendale. But the reality is that initiatives have been made for 10 years to promote eagle awareness in the form of the Brackendale Eagle Festival, courtesy of the efforts of Thor Froslev at the BAG, some of hi cohorts, and members of the Squamish Estuary Conservation Society. Also, 80 per cent the eagles congregate along the Cheakamus River between the Cheekye and Squamish rivers, all of which is considered to be in Brackendale.

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To give the Nature Conservancy the benefit of the doubt, it was probably advised that continuing with The Eagle of Brackendale or the Brackendale Book of Eagles theme in the title was a political hot potato. They might have been told to appease some loca politicians and business advocates with a generic title which makes no reference to either Squamish or Brackendale. And you can't get much more gene ic that The Book of Eagles. Where are these eagles? Timbuktu?

Predictably, Froslev and other who have dedicated a decade of time and effort into promoting the eagles of Brackendale were bitterly disappointed in the title of the book. Others were satisfied that political and some business interests were appeased.

But not only does the grey title belittle efforts of the past, not only have decision makers bowed to petty politics, the title is as exciting as a Grade 8 text book. The opportunity of riding an existing marketing and public relations steamroller has been missed.

I wonder if the organizers of the Steveston Salmon Festival would mind if it was changed to the Richmond Fish Festival? After all, Steveston is a part of Richmond, and salmon are everywhere.

The title aside, the book is a tribute to the eagles of Brackendale. Once the reader has begun to flip through its colorful pages, the message is clear. It is informative, and a tribute to the eagles of Brackendale and the ecosystem which helps the opportunistic raptors thrive here in the winter. It's too bad some of us didn't see the opportunity in naming the book Eagles of Brackendale. We could learn a thing or two from our bald feathered friends.



Shrouded In Mist, Rain And Perpetuity — A multitude of eagles greet rafters on the Cheakamu River Sunday. Patricia Heintzman photo

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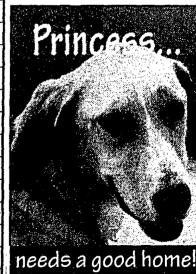
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Youth choir in concert Thursday

The 55 children in the Sea to Sky Youth Choir come from every elementary school in Squamish and from Brackendale Secondary School. The choir, under the direction of Anne Thomson, has chosen the theme Christmas Is Here for its performance in the new Howe Sound Secondary School theatre on Thursday, Dec. 21 at 7 p.m. Admission is by cash donation or food items for the Squamish Soup Kitchen. If you are planning to attend the concert, remember the theatre only holds 170 people.

The Sea to Sky Youth Choir holds weekly rehearsals in the Squamish Pentecostal Church and, in appreciation for the use of the church, the choir performed for the congregation at the evening service on Dec. 17.

Christmas is a special time for residents at Hilltop House and the facility is all decked out for the holiday season. Do take time to visit with the folks tomorrow afternoon, Dec. 21 when the monthly birthday party is held at 2 p.m. Those to be honored are: Hannah McCormack, Rene Bishop, Doris Key and Domenic Ritchie.

Last Saturday, Dec. 16, the Squamish SPČA held its annual bake sale in the Highlands Mall. If you were not able to attend and support the SPCA, do consider giving a gift or donation by phoning 898-9890. The group of volunteers keeps the shelter open every day of the year.

Two little ones celebrate first birthdays this week. Congratulations to Samantha Morrison and Bret Higham.

For readers in your family please take note of the Christmas hours at the Squamish Public Library. On Saturday, Dec. 23, it will be open from noon-4 p.m. and closed Dec. 24, 25 and 26. Regular hours will resume on Wednesday, Dec. 27.

Anyone interested in joining the Squamish library's book discussion group can register and pick up January's book selection, The Sculptress, at the library. The book discussion group meets monthly and the

next meeting will be Thursday, Jan. 11 at 7 p.m.

The Sea to Sky Singers put on a wonderful concert at the Brennan Park Leisure Centre on Dec. 10. I went to the evening performance and I thought the auditorium would be packed. It wasn't, but I also realize that December is probably the busiest month of the year and one can't attend every event. You missed a good one!

announce with pleasure the birth of their first child, a son, Matthew Arthur Fredrick, born in Lions Gate Hospital at 10:12 p.m. on Nov. 26, weighing 7 lb. 4 oz. Proud first-time grandparents are Marie and Arthur Ward of Squamish and the other pleased grandparents are Bev and Fred McLeod of Port Alberni.

Still have a few people on your list and not sure what to

About Town

By Maureen Gilmour



New members are welcome. To join for the Jan. 9 practice, please phone Murray Purdie at 898-4266 or Peg Tinney at 898-



Those cute little Beavers, the five-, six- and seven-year-olds who are members of the East Howe Sound Beaver Colony will be selling bags of holly (\$5 per bag) in front of Save-On-Foods on Saturday, Dec. 23 from noon to 3 p.m. Your support would be appreciated.

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buy them? Tickets to the Norman Foote concert on Feb. 22 will be sure to please the recipients. Sponsored by the Howe Sound Performing Arts Association, tickets at \$8 each are available at: Squamish Library, Mostly Books, Workwear World and Highlands Video. Performances at the leisure centre will be at 4 p.m. and 7 p.m.

The new, attractive Squamish parks and recreation department booklets for winter and spring have arrived in the mail and give all programming information. I will highlight a few programs next week. The leisure centre will be closed Dec. 25, Dec. 26 and Jan. 1.

Special Christmas church services with lots of beautiful music and carols are planned in the community and times are listed with the Christmas messages in this issue of the paper.

Do take time to remember the bereaved, the lonely and sick at this time of year. Thanks to Community Christmas Care the season will be much brighter for many.

George and I have much to be thankful for, and this Christmas our new grandson Jared and his parents Kevin and Deanne will join us. Allgood wishes and blessings to each of you and your families.

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Dec. 17 through Dec. 23, 1995



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Take someone you care about to lunch or dinner. Write down your creative ideas; they may be worth something later on.



Taurus (April 21 - May 20)

Clean out all that old junk you don't need and donate it to a worthy cause. Spruce up your home for the holidays.



Gemini (May 21 - June 20)

Give yourself a break and stop trying to do everything all at once. Take a breath and do only what is necessary to get through each day.



Cancer (June 21 - July 22)

Stop looking for trouble where there isn't any. This is a wonderful time for sharing goodwill with family and friends.



Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22)

Keep your temper in a heated situation. Winning isn't that great if you lose the respect of the ones you love in the process.



Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22)

That office Christmas party could bring a bit of romance into your life. You'll be tempted, but don't eat all those holiday sweets.



Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22)

Someone very close needs some extra attention. It doesn't hurt to ask for discounts, especially with big-ticket items.



Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 22)

Your creative powers are better than ever, and you should use them wisely. Keep your momentum going and get as much done as possible.



Sagittarius (Nov. 23 - Dec. 21)

It is important to give children guidance and a noncompetitive environment in which to live. Buy gifts out of love, not guilt.



Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)

Stop being Scrooge and get in the holiday spirit. Even if you don't celebrate like everyone else, that is no reason to ruin their fun.



Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)

A visit with an old friend will bring back some happy memories. Health problems may not be as serious as you fear.



Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20)

First impressions are important, but don't try to be something you are not. If you are traveling, check your itinerary carefully.

Born this week:

Dec. 17 - William Safire Kiefer Sutherland

Dec. 18 - Steven Spielberg, Ray Liotta,

Dec. 19 - William Devane, Cicely Tyson, Alyssa Milano

Dec. 20 - Bo Diddley

Dec. 21 - Chris Evert, Jane Fonda Dec. 22 - Steve Garvey, Lauralee Bell,

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Dec. 23 - Susan Lucci

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Church Services

Calvary Community Church

Sunday morning family worship service at Squamish Pentecostal Church at 9:30 a.m. Nursery and Sunday School at the same time. Teens are invited to Youth Night with Pastor Jose on Fridays at 7:30 p.m. at the church. All welcome. Pastor Joe Brown at 596-7848.

Highlands Gospel Hall Elder Gordon Stewart, 898-5091. Sunday breaking of the bread at 9:30 a.m., Sunday School 11:30 a.m., Gospel Meeting 7 p.m., Monday Bible Hour 7-8

p.m., Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m.

St. John's Anglican Church Sunday services 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. For details call Rev. John Stephens at 898-5100.

Squamish United Church Minister: Rev. Claire Bowers, 892-5727. Sunday Worship Hour begins at 10 a.m. Infant Nursery provided. Sunday School is held at 10 a.m.

Valleycliffe Christian Fellowship Sunday Worship Service: 11

a.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. There will be a service at 7 p.m. Christmas Eve. St. Joseph's Catholic Church 2449 The Boulevard,

Garibaldi Highlands, Father Angelo De Pompa, 898-4355. Mass: Saturday at 4:30 p.m., Sunday at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Confession: Saturday at 4 p.m. or by appointment anytime. Catechism (CCD): grades K-7 on Thursdays, 6:30 p.m.-7: 30 p.m., may regis-

ter anytime.

Squamish Baptist Church Pastor: John Crozier, 898-3737. Sunday Worship and Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Squamish Pentecostal Church

Pastor: Rev. Jeff Beckmyer, 892-3680. Morning Worship and Sunday School, 11:30 a.m. Sunday evening service at 6 p.m.

Church of Jesus Christ of **Latter Day Saints** Donald MacKay, Branch President. 42081 Ross Rd., Brackendale. 898-3535.

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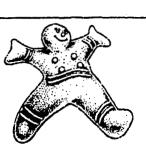
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1. Cream 1/2 cup <u>rwobn</u>	sugar and 1/3 cup short	tening until light and	fluffy.
2. Beat in 2/3 cup molasses and one unl	pealen geg		
3. Sift in three cups lorfu	_ one tablespoon baking does	ww	11/2 teaspoons
ginger, and 1/2 teaspoon alst			
4. Chill for two hsuro	_		
5. Divide gould	into fourths.		
6. Roll out to desired thickness; cut with a	ockeoi	_cutter.	
7. Place on a greased cookie these	and bake for five to	seven_tsimune	at 350 F
8. Cool before removing to a irwe	rock.		
9. Makes about two zedno	cookies.		
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Answers: 1. brown, 2. egg, 3. flour, powder, solt, 4. hours, 5. dough, 6. cookie, 7. sheet, minutes, 8. wire, 9. dozen

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A huge theatre bulging with daffodils and wrapped in fancy ribbon, from Howe Sound Players and the first production in the new theatre, to the school board and administration and Howe Sound Secondary School administration, staff, custodians and students for bending over backwards to help us defeat the Grinch who nearly stole Scrooge.

A truckload of darts to theman who feels the need to make obscene gestures to people out the back window of his truck. One who lives in a glass house should not throw stones. As for your overwhelming concern about the examples I am setting

for my children, take a look at yourself.

The only four-letter words my children will ever learn from me are the nice ones, certainly not the ones you throw out so easily. My children will also never see me overreacting so violently to something so small. In future, try pulling over if you feel you are being followed too closely. That is the mature and responsible example.

A dance hall of daffodils to Billie, Amanda, Nikki, Cay-lee, and Bill Honey for the beautiful painting they commissioned for the Garibaldi School of Dance. I am deeply moved by your thoughtful gesture. A canvas of daffodils to Neil Yantz for the wonderful job he did on Swan Song. May you continue to nurture your artistic gift for many years to come.

A pasture full of darts to the delinquents who broke down two fences and three gates during their weekend joyride. A horse trailer of daffodils to the animal control officers, Jane and Wendy, and Sheila Hurford for rounding up the horses and preventing a potential disaster to Realty. motorists and the animals.

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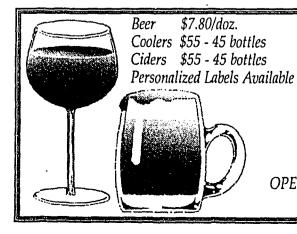
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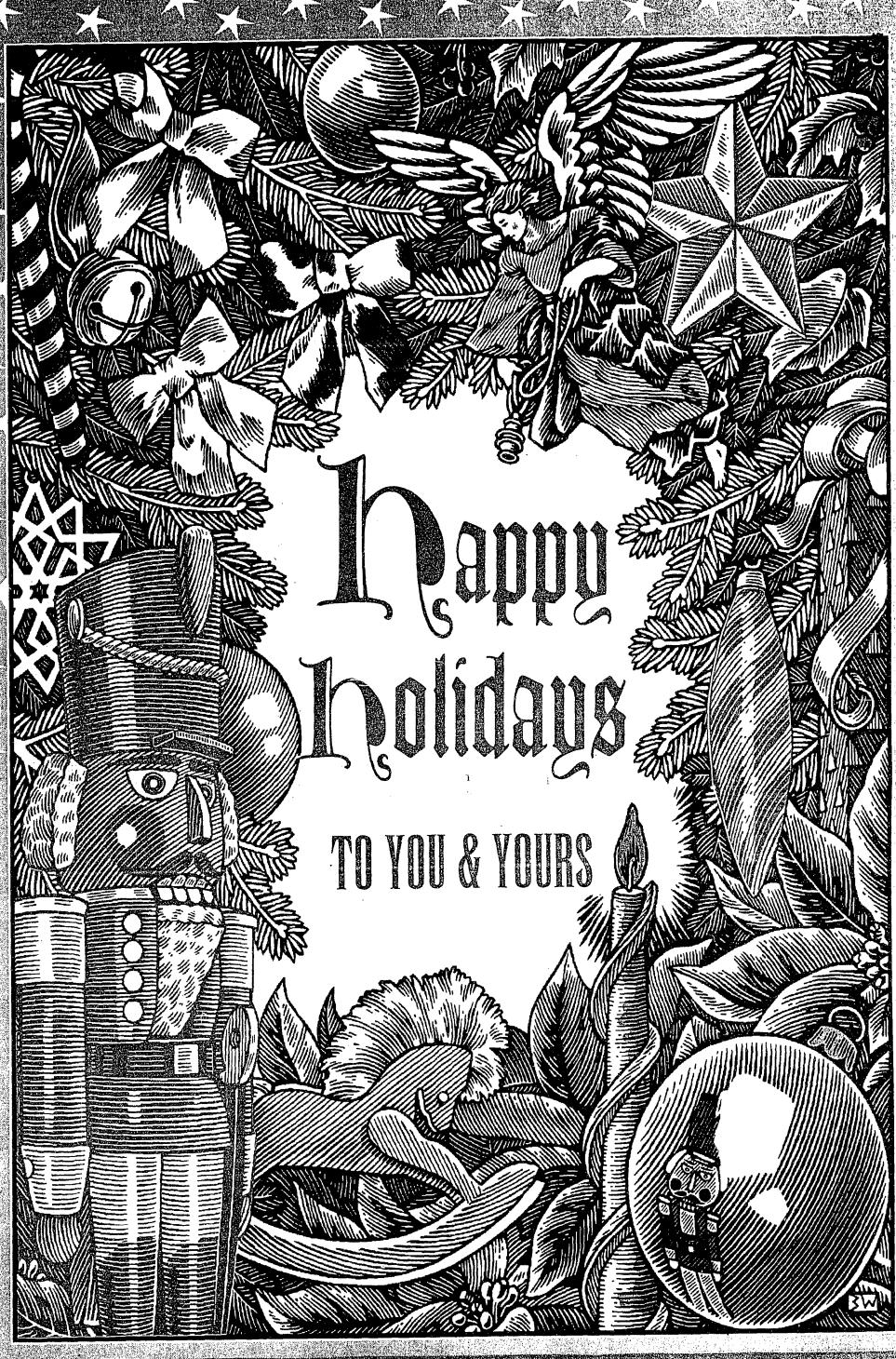
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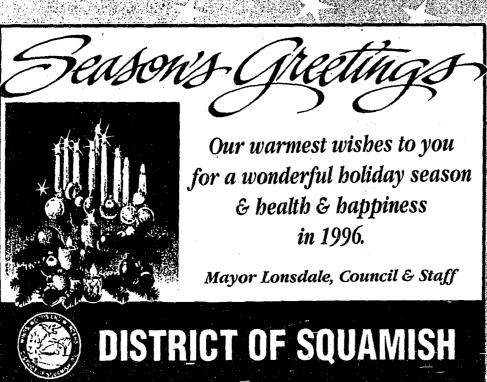
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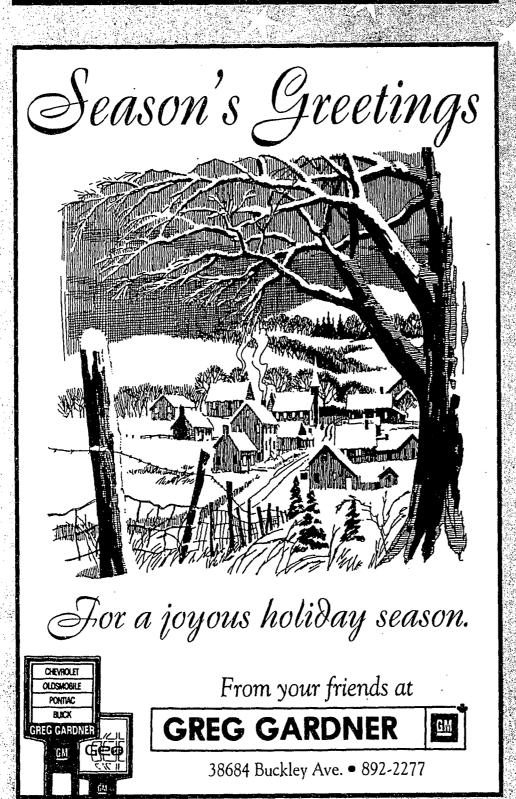
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And Jake wanted to be...

A Christmas story by Kate Ney

ake had decided to tell the truth today. He wanted to be an elf. A regular Santa's little helper. He knew he'd stick out among the other boys in Grade 2 class, those who wanted to be police officers, fishers or astronauts, as well as the girls who wanted to be doctors, forestry workers, or playwrights. But he couldn't help it. An elf was what he'd always wanted to be and there was no way such a thing as peer pressure was going to cause him to cast off his true calling. It was a big day. He took a deep breath and got out of bed, walking over to the mirror with his eyes shut, willing himself to look more like an elf. He tried to mess up his brown hair more, to make up with straggliness what it lacked in length, and sighed at his efforts. He'd been arguing for ages about his hair with his

"Please Mom, can I grow my hair longer?" Jake pleaded. "It ", needs to be longer so that I look more like an elf."

"But darling, you aren't an elf, so why do you want to look like one?" his mother replied.

"I just do, Mom. Pleeeese?"
His mother just shook her
head. "No, honey, you'll look
like an underage hippie, not an
elf. People will think I don't
take care of you or something.
I'll just get calls from the

She wasn't going to give. It was that what-other-people-think-is-important line. Time to try and achieve a compromise.

"But Mom, I'm really embarrassed about my ears. They're so pointy! I look like Junior Spock. Can I at least have hair over my ears? All the girls will laugh at me if they see my pointy ears, and I'll have to start doing bad in school to prove that I'm not related to Spock," Jake cried, thinking, "That'll get her!"

"Jake, I never knew you felt that way about your ears. Why, you have perfect ears! But if you're uncomfortable about them, of course we can ask the barber to leave it a little long," his mother conceded.

Jake grinned to himself in the mirror as he remembered that exchange, and lifted up one side of his hair to admire his perfect elf-ears. They were pointy and when his hair was longer, they'd point up through his tangled locks and up past the edge

of his special stripey elf hat. He'd gotten his Dad to make him one for Halloween a couple of years ago, but only wore it occasionally as he didn't want to attract his parents' attention. They might think wearing the elf hat was a phase he needed to outgrow, and hide it as they had his thumb-sucking blanket, back when he was four. He still hadn't forgiven them for that.

Jake pulled on his red t-shirt, his green pants and his special stripey socks which went with his hat. Everybody in Miss McWilliams' class was sup-

posed to wear something that represented the career they had cho-

sen. Jake figured if
he hid the hat then
people would
think he was just
getting into the
season and he
could surprise
everyone when
it was his turn
to share.

Jake trotted
downstairs and
poured himself a
bowl of MiniWheats. He liked
the commercial,
though he wished
there was a prize in
Mini-Wheats. His Mom

wouldn't buy sugar-cereals and, wouldn't you know it, they always had prizes! He headed over to the table, precariously balancing his cereal bowl and glass of orange juice.

"Good morning, dear," his Mom said over the top of the newspaper she was reading. "Hi Mom," Jake said.

"You sure look Christmasy today," said his Dad, fishing his second cup of coffee out of the microwave.

"Yup. I have to. This is how I would dress as one of Santa's elves, and we're supposed to dress up today as what we want to be when we're grown up," Jake informed him.

"But darling, that's your Halloween costume," his mother objected.

"I know that, Mom," said Jake patiently.

"You want to be a what when you grow up?" asked his dad as he walked over to the table.

"An elf," said Jake. "You know, the guys that help Santa with Christmas and make all the presents and wrap them and stuff."

His father was perplexed.

"Jake, don't you think being an elf would be rather seasonal work? I mean, you'd have to find another job to support you while you did this elf thing."

"And," added his mother,
"what makes you think Santa is
looking for elves? He probably
has his quota for life or something. Didn't you tell me once
that elves live for absolute
ages?"

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Jake shares his moment of glory with the class

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"You guys don't understand anything," Jake shook his head. "Elves are totally busy! They only get one week off a year, and according to my book, because there are more and more kids every year, even though the elves live a long time, they always need more. Why, in 1993 they were so busy that Christmas was almost late. Just wait a sec — I'll get my book."

Jake returned to the kitchen with his tattered copy of the Christmas of 1993 or Santa's Last

"It's in here. See, this is the book that I took the drawing out of for my costume. And look how tired those poor elves are! I bet I'd get hired in a minute. Working for Santa would be awesome!" "But Jake ... to be an elf?" said Dad with dis-

"Dad, you always told me that I should go for anything I wanted. And I want to be an elf!"

Jake's mother and father exchanged raised-eyebrow-glances across the table and decided to let the subject drop. Gotcha! thought Jake. He wasn't about to be slowed down by his parents' lack of enthusiasm.

snowball whizzed by Jake's ear and he turned in time to see Kevin dive behind a bush. Jake walked back quietly and shoved the bush so that the pile of snow on top fell down on Kevin's head. Score! — and then Jake ran and ran and ran. Kevin would make sure he got even, and Kevin was a fast runner.

Jake was a block away from the school and he could hear Kevin's feet punching through the crusty snow. To get a facewash here would hurt. Jake put on an extra burst of speed, but just as he reached the stairs he was grabbed around the knees. Kevin had executed a successful rear tackle, complete with his football helmet he'd worn to school today. Everyone knew what Kevin wanted to be when he grew up.

Jake fell hard against the hard cement edge of the stairs, where the snow had been packed down into dirty ice. Kevin sprinted by him and yelled tauntingly over his shoulder, "Why try? You just lose!"

Jake patted his face slowly, checking for blood and as he sat there in the snow, the rear of his pants got wetter. Great. To top this off he'd have green underwear. He couldn't wait to be an elf. He'd be in there advising Santa to fill Kevin's stocking with coal and making him one tiny little stupid present which would be guaranteed to break on Christmas morning. Being an elf definitely had its perks.

By the time Jake made it to class, the teacher had already gathered the others into the sharing circle. Just what he needed — an entrance.

"Why class, you look wonderful!" Miss McWilliams said to her students. "Peter, that's a great fire fighter's hat, and Becky, where ever did you get that tiny stethoscope? Matthew, I hope there isn't a hook on that fishing line. The last thing I need today is for someone to lose an eye. And Jake, did you forget about today? You don't seem to be dressed up."

The class snickered.

Jake shook his head. "Nope, I'm dressed up. It's just harder to guess mine."

"Oh," said Miss McWilliams. "Okay. Well, who

would like to go first?"

They all wanted to go first, except Jake, who bided his time. Miss McWilliams put all the occupations on the blackboard — archeologist, teacher, salesperson, dancer, dentist, writer, lawyer, garbage collector, prospector, logger, waitress... Jake was watching Matthew.

Miss McWilliams had forgotten that fishers usually carry bait and Matthew was no exception. He was slowly taking a live worm out of his raincoat pocket and moving it towards Becky's perfect ponytail. Becky wasn't a bad girl, just one who both Matthew and Jake knew would react really well. Matthew gave Jake a

conspiratorial grin and dropped the wriggling worm.

"Aaauuuggghhh!" screamed Becky, jumping up and swinging her ponytail all around, but the worm was good and caught. It took Miss McWilliams' quiet voice and careful fingers to pluck the worm from Becky's hair, whereupon she threw it out the window and admonished Matthew that the rest of the worms had better disappear.

As Becky sat down beside him, Jake leaned over and whispered, "Hey, it's okay. I'll ask Santa to give you something great for Christmas.'

"Jake, since when did you become a communicator with Santa Claus?" Becky asked. She was always trying to use big words but Jake thought they sounded stupid. If she doubted him, well, he'd just make sure that her name got left off the list of sleigh stops.

Miss McWilliams' voice jarred him out of his

"Yes, Jake, since you seem to be so interested in chatting, why don't you come up here and share with the rest of the class?"

This was Jake's moment of glory, his revelation to the world. He pulled his elf hat out of his pocket and placed it on his head.

"I'm going to be an elf when I grow up," he said proudly.



moment of

stunned silence and then the laughter started.

"Jake, you are always so weird." "An elf? Is that the same as a fairy?"

"No, stupid. He means like one of those guys that help Santy Claus." "But they're all old and have pointy ears!"

"Jake, man, do you have pointy ears?" Jake just stood there and waited. Miss McWilliams bit her lip to hide a tiny smile. "Jake, how long have you wanted to be an elf?" she asked.

"Ever since my mom read me this book, The Christmas of 1993," Jake told her.

"In it, the elves work really hard to help Santa make the Christmas journey. They have lots of neat jobs, like making toys, or wrapping present, updating addresses of kids who move, or crossing off kids' names from the 'good' list and putting them on the 'bad' one. I think it would be fun.'

"Thank you," said Miss McWilliams and she added elf to the list of occupations on the board.

Take walked slowly home from school. No one had taken his elf-wish seriously. They all thought he was being a clown. Why did no one else understand it? What could be better than Christmas all year round? Other people worried about inflation and taxes and RRSPs but, as an elf, all that stuff didn't matter.

Jake guessed that Santa probably fed his elves quite well. You wouldn't outgrow your clothes, and retirement seemed like an non-issue. Being an elf is an important job. It's the elves' responsibility to see that the most important holiday of the year runs smoothly. That there are enough toys for the good kids and that they got to the right place. Elves were the organizers, the brains behind the operation. Without elves, Santa would be toast. Jake's only question was "When can I start?"

Jake decided he didn't like school anymore, and there certainly weren't any college courses on how to be a better elf, so Jake thought he might as well start right now. He stopped on the sidewalk. No on else was around. It was time to check if the elves even knew that he existed, aside from being a name on the 'good' list.

"Hello," he announced to the cold afternoon air. "My name is Jake. I'd like to be an elf. I've wanted to be one for a very long time. I even have pointy ears."

Jake waited. Nothing. He tried again.

'Attention, elves. You have a potential employee standing down here. I'd like to talk to someone about working for Santa." He breathed warm breath on his cold hands and shifted his

weight from one foot to the other. He was feeling rather discouraged. I mean, from the sounds of things there weren't that many people lining up to be elves these days, and here he was, practically begging for

Jake thought he would try one last

"Hey, elves!" he yelled, not caring who thought he was weird now, this was getting desperate. "Can any of you hear me?"

"I can hear you quite fine, young man," came a deep voice. "It takes a wee bit of time to get from the North Pole to here, you know."

Jake stared at the little man who stood before him in the snow, complete with stripey socks and hat.

"Hi," Jake whispered. 'So, you'd like to be an elf, would you?" asked the elf, tipping his head to one side and peering at Jake with twinkling blue eyes. "Yes, please," breathed Jake.

"Well, you seem a little quiet to me," the elf

Jake trembled. "That's because I've never met a real elf before and, and, ummm, you're sort of like, well, what I guess I'd call, well, a hero," he said in a little voice.

The elf laughed a most merry chuckle, which had Jake laughing at himself in a moment.

Then the elf got serious. "Why do you want to be an elf, Jake? It's awfully hard work," he said. Jake frowned. "But I would think of all people that elves would have fun while they worked," he protested.

"That's true," replied the elf. "We do have fun. But being an elf is not a career to choose lightly. It takes a lot of responsibility."

"I know that," said Jake.

"But more important than that," said the elf, drawing his eyebrows together, "is the ability to truly love Christmas. Not the presents, not the decoration, not the yummy food, but to love what Christmas really means. And that is something that very few seven-year-old children know, or are able to fully appreciate. That's something that takes a lifetime of learning. That is why we elves are so old."

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...Jake makes it to the list of future elves



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"But can't you just tell me?" asked Jake. "If you told me what Christmas really means, then I bet I could love it by next year and join you up at the North pole."

The elf smiled gently. "Jake, we'd love to have your nimble fingers working for us, your quick eyes to read the list. But this is something you need to learn on your own. You'll make decisions and you'll have experiences, and hopefully you will discover the true meaning of Christmas. I think you probably will, but by then you may have ties that will make you want to stay around a bit longer, rather that running off to the North Pole."

"No way," declared Jake.
"I can't imagine what I'd
be doing here that would
matter more to me than
being an elf."

The elf looked into Jake's earnest young face and smiled. "No, you're probably right. At this point in your life, you probably can't."

Jake's face fell. "You're not going to help me, are you? You don't understand, I've always wanted to be an elf. And now you're going to tell me that I can't be one."

"Jake, I'd do no such thing," the elf solemnly.

"All of us elves will be thrilled if you choose to join us, at the proper time. In the meantime, I'll mark you down on my list of future elves so I

know to check in with you every once in a while and see how you're progressing.

Okay?"

Jake brightened at that thought. I mean, how many other kids had their name on a list to be future elves or had an elf checking in on them now and again?

"Okay," he agreed. "That will have to do for now, won't it?"

The elf nodded. Jake sighed.

"If I try to think of something else I'd like to be until you guys say I'm ready to come and be an elf, can I still be an elf at Halloween and stuff?" he asked wistfully.

"Of course," laughed the elf.

"In fact, I'd consider myself honored. Here's something to help you out." The elf snapped his fingers and did a little jig and suddenly he was holding out a new pair of special leather elf boots. "These are what we all wear. Now you'll feel more authentic," he said.

Jake was enthralled. "Thank you," he said. "And they look like they will fit, too." "If they were anything less than a perfect fit, we up at the North Pole would be mighty embarrassed," grinned the elf. "Well, I'd best be off now. I told the other workshop elves I would

be back as soon as the glue was set on the train I'm making. Good bye for now!" And right before Jake's eyes, the elf vanished.

"Good-bye," Jake called, but he was speaking to thin cold air. "Wow, they must have that instant-transfer StarTrek thing," he said. "Cool!"

"Jake, who are you conversing with? There's no ne there."

Jake turned around. Becky was standing a few feet away from him, hands on her hips, looking at him like he was totally weird.

"You didn't see him?" he asked.

"I just arrived, but my optic nerves were unaware of any other presence," Becky said.

"Becky, why don't you just talk like a normal kid? I can't understand what you're saying," Jake complained. "Sometimes Miss McWilliams doesn't even know what you are talking about."

"You haven't answered my query yet," persisted Becky.

"All right already. I was talking to an elf," Jake

"Jake, you certainly are weird," said Becky, turning and starting for home.

"Yup," shouted Jake after her, "I sure am. But I have real elf shoes, I'm on the list of future elves, and all I have to do is figure out what Christmas really means."

As Jake strolled along toward home, it began to snow. He started humming Rudolf the Rednosed Reindeer, because he couldn't think of a Christmas song with elves in it. He thought that since he couldn't be an elf right away, a zookeeper might be kind of fun.



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Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,

My brother and I have been very good and would like to have a drum, a pretend motorbike, a Batman book and a new car set that Nigel ruined. Also, movies — Ariostocats and Panda Bear one. Nigel likes Willie's and Cars and wants Free Willy 2. We also have a little sister, Teri-Rose that would like a little toy. Thank you, Santa. We live in Brackendale.

Nigel and Harrison Dear Nigel and Harrison,

You know I'll be going through Brackendale on Christmas Eve, long after you've drifted off to dream about what will be under the Christmas tree. You've been good children and your parents appreciate that, so I will do my best to get you something special. Love, Santa

Dear Santa,

Do you ever have a rest after Christmas? You should, because you work so hard. Thank you for the Barbie house that you gave me last year, and for the things you gave my brothers.

My brothers and I have been good this year, even though sometimes we fight. Here is our Christmas wish list:

Kaitlin (6) would like skates, Pocahantas Barbie, power wheels and snow racer. Thomas (3 1/2) would like power wheels, skates and a guitar. Blake (2) would like a farm house, Tonka, and power wheels. Thank you,

Kaitlin

P.S. My dad would like a helper at work so he doesn't have so much work to do and can be at home to play with us more.

Once Christmas is past, Mrs. Claus and I always try to get some rest. It's very beautiful here at the North Pole with all the snow and ice, but sometimes we head to a place where it's warm and sunny. I'm glad you enjoyed your presents last Christmas, and Rudolph and I will be dropping off something special just for you again this year. Thank you for the nice picture and tell your dad to have some fun with you over the holidays.

Love, Santa

Dear Santa,

I would like my very own wagon and fire truck, please.

Love your friend, Tyler

P.S. My mom helped me with this letter because I'm only 2 1/2 years old.

Dear Tyler,

Does this mean you want to be a firefighter when you grow up? That's a very exciting job! I will do my very best to make Christmas special for you and your family this year. Be good!

Love, Santa

Dear Santa,

I would like a Polly Pocket for Christmas,

Love Natalie X0X0X0

Dear Natalie,

Thank you for the nice drawing that came with your letter, ho ho ho. I think I know just which Polly Pocket you would like, too. I will try my best to make Christmas morning special for you and your family.

Dear Santa,

I would like to get another train set, because I lost mine when we were moving.

Love, Robert

Dear Robert,

I'm sorry you lost your train set, and I hope you have adjusted to your new home and have some new friends. I will do my best to surprise you Christmas morning.

Love, Santa

Dear Santa,

My name is James. I am five. Could you bring me a present please. I have tried to be good. You know what I want for Christmas. I want a big truck, police car, play house, bunny, stickers, Sega, and TV in my bedroom. I wish I can get all this present. Bye Santa.

Thank you, James

P.S. Can you bring a present for my sister too, please.

Dear James,

You're right — I do know what you and your sister want for Christmas! You know what my favorite song says: "He sees you when you're sleeping, he knows when you're awake, he knows if you've been bad or good, so be good for goodness' sake." It's true! I bet you'll find something you really like under your tree on Christmas morning — and something for your sister, too.

Love, Santa

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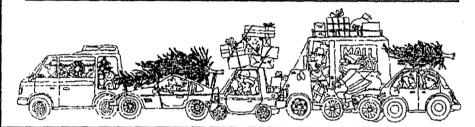
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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

St. Lucia beats the winter blues

By Cathie Price

Teeling SAD? Does the lack of daylight get you down as we I plunge gray day after gray day into the depths of winter's darkness? Imagine what it was like for our northern ancestors. Unbearable? Probably not as bad as we think.

We now recognize the winter blues (Seasonal Affective Disorder or SAD) as a physical problem, treatable with light therapy. Long ago, northern Europeans treated the same syndome as a spiritual malignering. Their remedy involved the entire community. They partied the endless nights away.

At one time from Halloween until Christmas was one long preparation for, and celebration of festivals, finally culminating in the biggest bash around the longest night of the year. That took care of the time from the end of the harvest until the Winter Solstice. Then a short breather, and preparation began for Easter and spring festivals. At this point that nasty dark part of the yearly cycle was a fast

Since the Industrial Revolution, our winter celebrations have been whittled away, leaving only Christmas. Too many festivals interfer with increasingly important work schedules. Christmas is simply Christian festivities overlaying thousands of years of pagan ceremonies. But the focus has never been lost in all this time — the idea of light banishing darkness. The theme of flickering candlelight is played over and over again.

One of the most beautiful celebrations leading up to Christmas is the Swedish festival of St. Lucia. On the morning of December 13th, St. Lucia's Day, the eldest daughter of the family dons a crown of lit candles. She leads her brothers and sisters to their parents' bed bearing trays of sun-colored saffron buns and coffee. Her arrival makes darkness disappear.

St. Lucia was an Italian saint who died in 340 A.D. Legend has it she sailed from Italy to Sweden on the shortest day of the year. Italians celebrate her feast day on December 14th. Children leave a basket filled with straw for her donkey. In gratitude Santa Lucia tucks a few meringue cookies into the basket. Vast quantities of almond meringue cookies (amaretti) are consumed in her honor. The following cookies are a delicious adaptation of Italian amaretti.

Chocolate Nut Meringue Cookies

6 oz. semi-sweet chocolate, chopped into chunks

2 large egg whites pinch of salt

1/2 cup sugar

1/2 tsp. vanilla

1/2 tsp. white vinegar

3/4 cup finely ground toasted almonds or hazelnuts

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Line 2 heavy baking sheets with foil. Butter the foil and dust with flour. Shake off any excess. Melt the chocolate over, not in hot water. Beat the egg whites with salt until foamy. Gradually add the sugar while beating until stiff peaks form. Beat in vanilla and vinegar. Fold in the melted chocolate and ground nuts. Drop by small spoonfuls onto the prepared cookie sheets and bake for about 10 minutes, until tops are puffed. Transfer to a rack and cool completely. Store in an airtight fin. Makes about 3 dozen

Who says chocolate is difficult to match with wine? Offer these chocolate cookies with a warming mug of spicy mulled red wine. Good company, good food and a glass of cheer is the best remedy for the winter blues.

One of the best reds to use in mulled wine is the 1.5 liter bottle of Sebastiani Vendange Zinfandel (about \$14). It's smooth and fullbodied with berry flavors.

Mulled Wine

1 cup brown sugar, packed

1 orange or apple, stuck with 1 tsp. whole cloves

1 tsp. whole allspice

3 cinnamon sticks

1 cup brandy

1.5 liters red wine (two 750 ml. bottles)

1 750 ml. bottle dry sherry

In a saucepan, combine the brown sugar with one cup of water, the orange and spices. Cover and simmer for about 15 minutes. Pour into a large pot (not aluminum) and add the brandy, red wine and sherry. Leave on a very gentle heat until all the flavors blend well, at least 30 minutes. Keep the mulled wine warm. Do not let it come near simmering.

Serve warm in mugs.

No despair is too great to overcome

By Rev. Claire D. Bowers Squamish United Church

hristmas is that time of community celebration and joy and giving and gratitude for the abundance we receive now and all year. The time when four-year-old boys become shepherds, and eight-year-old girls become Marys with babies, and frightened Josephs shake in their boots walking up the centre aisle of our church sanctuaries. And we love it all wildly, no matter how that church pageant turns out. It doesn't really matter if it's perfect because the story is told and loved again and our hearts are filled with warmth and even hope that maybe by some miracle the story will change our lives; maybe by some act of God we could live the message of Christmas, even for a while.

But we all know how difficult that really is, to live in Christmas hope. Signs of despair surround us, and even more significantly, eke out a place for themselves in our own lives, in the way we live and behave and in the stories we choose to guide our lives.

Despair has many names and can be seen in many faces: in the pained face of a parent unable to buy Christmas gifts for his children; in the cheerful face of one who can afford to buy whatever gifts her heart desires but who, wearing blinders, refuses to turn and see the one with nothing or who is too frightened to admit that their life lacks meaning and soulful purpose; in the stressed face of the one who feels a need to go into debt to buy his children what everyone

else is getting; and in the disdained face of the one who simply no longer tries to be a part of Christmas merriment

These faces are the faces of folks who have forgotten Christmas hope and the message that into our world has come one who offers us life in abundance, that heals the wounds of our despairing ways, ways that cross every cultural and social structure we use to segregate ourselves. These are the faces of the ones who have forgotten the wonderment of Christmas; that Heaven and Earth have touched, fallen in love and that out of this has come new life which is available to us all.

The world of the unseen and the world of the visible, earth infused with soul, are God's gift to us all.

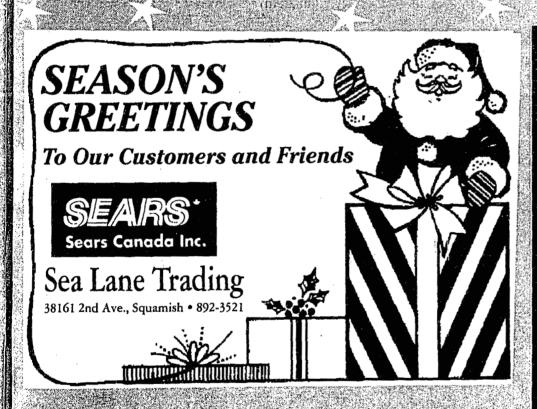
The sadness for me is in knowing that despair and mistrust get in the way of our experience of the miracle of Christmas. The hope for me is in the knowing that no despair is too great to overcome the beauty and power of the unseen world, which is God's realm. Watch and listen for the signs of despair in your own life. Pray for the courage to say, "No, you cannot have my life."

Watch and listen for the signs of God's blessing upon us all this Christmas and with the



Rev. Claire Bowers

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Gifts for four friends

By Jeff and Heather Beckmyer Pastors, Squamish Pentecostal Assembly

Once upon a Christmas, four gifts sat under God's Christmas tree. They were all beautifully wrapped in shiny paper and didn't rattle at all when shaken. Karla, Butch, Dawn and Richard were invited to spend Christmas Day with God that year. Karla looked at the gifts wide-eyed, Butch picked his up and shook it vigorously, Dawn sat down with the gift on her lap and smiled sweetly, while Richard shyly stood a little

back from the tree, waiting.
"Wonder what's inside," Butch asked. Of course only God knew what was inside.

"Go ahead and open your gifts," He invited. Karla took a step toward the tree, hesitated, then suddenly Butch grabbed his box, ripped open the paper, tore off the lid, looked inside, and then threw the box down in disgust.

"What a stupid present!" he exclaimed as he kicked the box across the floor and stomped out of the room. Karla looked at the gifts again. She could see the name tag with her name on it, but she did not pick up the gift. She glanced back nervously as the door slammed behind Butch.

"Well," said Dawn, "if no one else will, I'm going to open my gift." She carefully removed each piece of tape and folded the paper after it was off the box. Opening the lid she looked for a minute, then rustled around in the box, mumbling, "Hmm...don't like this...think I'll take that...no way - not that! Oh this will be perfect." She finally settled back down with a handful of trinkets, leaving the rest of the contents of the box aside. Karla continued to look from the broken remains of Butch's gift to Dawn's partially

present. Only Richard still stood shyly with a look of hope on his face.

"Go ahead, Rich, it is especially for you," God encouraged.

Richard stepped forward, picked up parcel, the seemed heavy for it's size, and took off the wrapping. He opened the lid and his eyes grew wide.

"For me?" he turned to God with tears on his face. "Yes, for you,

with love." "But God, it is

your only son!" "Yes, He freely gives His life away so that you can have life forever. Will you accept my gift, Řichard?"

"Yes, God, I will. Thank you."

We all like giving and receiving gifts. God gave us the best gift of all warranty —

enjoyed gift, but she did not reach for her own many throw the gift away, refuse to open it, or take only the parts they like to add to their collection. Only by fully accepting the gift of life through Jesus Christ can the contents be completely enjoyed.



Santa's Beard Makes A Good Blanket

one that lasts forev- Santa Claus has friends of all shapes and sizes. Even though this young one er and has more didn't really have a Christmas list, no doubt there will be some surprises for him than a life-time under the tree Christmas morning. Patricia Heintzman photo

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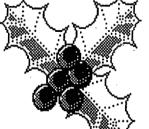
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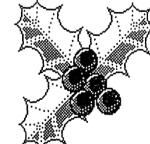
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God has an announcement to make!

By John Crozier Squamish Baptist Church

Tews flash! Kennedy has been shot! We interrupt our regular programming to bring you a news bulletin. The U.S.. space shuttle blew up after liftoff! Attention! Hurricane Hilda has turned and is coming our way!

Christmas is when God broke into the normal program with an all important announcement.

"What is conceived in Mary is of the Holy Spirit. Give him the name Jesus because He will save his people from their sins. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David; his kingdom will never end. Unto you is born the Savior who is Christ the Lord."

The Bible says that in these last days, God has spoken in his Son. Christmas is part of God revealing through Jesus the last things that God had not made clear before. Jesus Christ is God speaking his final greatest word to humanity. I would summarize what God has revealed through Jesus as follows: Jesus is the Lord, the invisible God made visible, the Savior, the Christ, the Messiah, the King of Kings, declared with power to be

the Son of God by his resurrection from the dead.

Jesus died on the cross as God's final sacrifice for all the sin we commit against God and one another. God will forgive all our sin and declare us righteous in his sight if we repent and trust in Jesus as the Savior from sin.

The moment God declares us righteous through faith in Jesus, Christ comes into us by the Holy Spirit

He gives us new life, new strength, new desires, new habits, new love, new peace, new joy, new guidance, and new confidence that we will be with Him when we die.

Jesus Christ will return in awesome power to bring resurrection and eternal glory to those who are depending on Him. He will shut out from the Lord's presence all who reject Him.

Some people missed the first announcements about J.F.K. or the space shuttle. Others heard it but initially could not believe it. Soon both heard and saw the clear evidence on TV. Have you missed the announcements God has lovingly made? Have you ignored the persuasive evidence that God's announcement is true? Have you ignored the Christmas miracles, the words of Jesus, the miracles of

Jesus, the resurrection of Jesus, and the fulfillment of prophecies by Jesus?

This Christmas reminds us that God has given his final greatest announcement through Jesus Christ, summed up by the apostle John: "God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life."

Merry Christmas as you believe God's announcement in Christ!

Safe Christmas is a Merry Christmas

Christmas is a time of joy and celebration, but it can also be a time of tragedy, especially where fire is concerned. One of the most common places for fires to start during the Christmas season is around the Christmas trae.

The traditional Christmas tree has changed over the years. No longer are candles used for decorative lighting, and in many homes real trees have been replaced by the artificial variety. While most man-made Christmas trees are treated with some kind of fire retardant chemical they will still burn, all too easily.

Here are a few tips which will help make your holiday season festive, fun and safe:

• Keep your Christmas tree safe. If you have a real tree, keep the base immersed in water. This will help prevent it from drying out and becoming a fire hazard. It will also keep it green longer and help prevent the needles from falling off.

• Carefully examine all Christmas lights before using them. Look for frayed or broken wires, broken light sockets and damaged plugs. Repair or replace any damaged sets, and remember to turn them off when going to bed or going out.

 Place your tree in a safe location, where it won't block exits or impede movement in the house.

-Make sure lights are plugged into an outlet located where people will not be able to trip over the cord.



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Season's Greetings

The members of the Soo Coalition along with Cheryle, Janet and the executive would like to take this opportunity to extend the warmest of holiday greetings to all our friends in the community and best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year.

Office will close Dec.22nd and reopen Jan. 2nd.





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Missed opportunity at Christmas

By Pastor Joe Brown Squamish Calvary Community Church

ne Christmas Eve, a resident of the high class community of Hillsborough, California, set out with his wife and children to sing carols to his neighbors. As they were having a quick practice of I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas outside the first house, the woman of the house came to the door and said, "Look folks, if you were thinking of coming to my door, please don't, I'm far too busy. The oven has gone on the blink. I'm trying to get someone to come and fix it and I've got a crowd coming for dinner. If you really feel like singing carols, come back in a couple of hours, okay?"

"Yes, Mam," replied Bing Crosby respectfully, as he shepherd his little family to another home where he hoped for a better welcome.

Are you like that with the true meaning of Christmas? Do you say, "Oh my don't give me all that religious stuff! It's Christmas, you know and I've a million things to do! But remember you can't spell Christmas without Christ at the beginning, and the beginning of Christmas was the birth of Christ. Are you trying to push Christ out of your Christmas? The lady in the story would surely have enjoyed White Christmas, sung by Bing Crosby, and you will enjoy Christmas so much more if you spend more time thinking of who that baby in the manger really was, and why He came into this world. Did you know that it was for you that He came? No matter how you have messed up your life so far, he loves you. Don't be like the innkeepers in Bethlehem and turn Him away.

Christmas rush

By Ruth Brown
In the flurry and the rush
Do we ever reach to touch
The baby lying quietly in the manger?
He's the one it's all about

Yet some laugh and sing and shout on His day And never stop to pray And they never think to say Let's remember it's the day When the Father sent His Son to save us. Please join us for a Christmas Eve service from 7-8 p.m. in the Squamish Pentecostal Church.



Christmas Fun For The Little Sisters

Santa and his helper Laura Hailey, centre, win a big smile from one of the Little Sisters at the Big Brothers/Sisters Christmas lunch at Camp Squamish recently. *Patricia Heintzman photo*

.Home for the Holidays

At this joyous time of year we would like to thank you for your business over the past year.

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From Don, Cherryl, Debbie, Christine, Jodi, Joyce, Lynda & Jim





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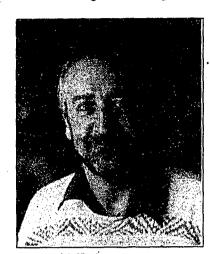
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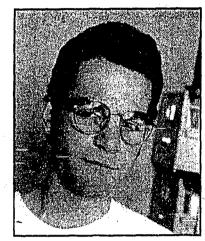
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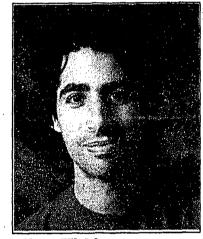
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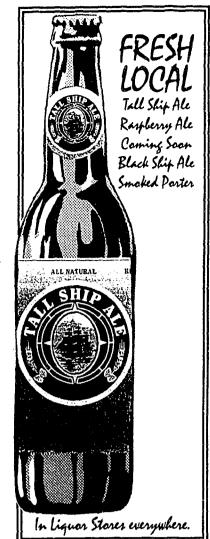
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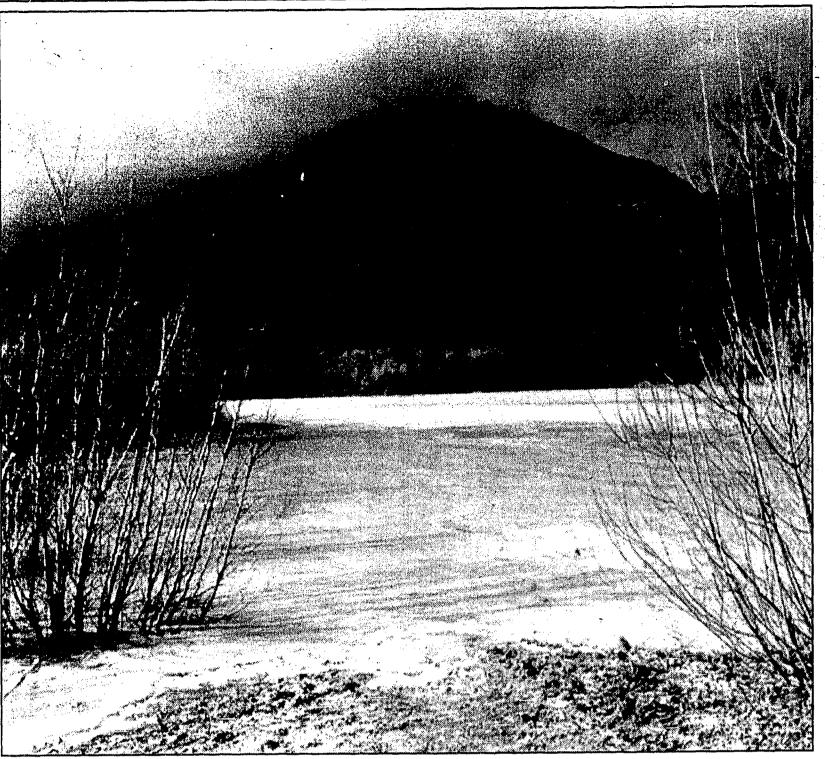


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This year is not the first ti heavy rains have pushed the edges of the Squam River. This photo was taken la year about this time by Ro Wahl looking west over Squamish River from the mou of the Mamquam River.

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We welcome submissions the Eagle's Eye from anyon any age — and you don't ha to be a professional photogr pher either. Mail to T Squamish Chief, Box 350 Squamish, BC V0N 3G0, drop it off at 38113 Secon Avenue.

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Squamish tree planter honored

memorial plaque to honor the life of William John Plaatjes (1968-1995) was erected at the new Capilano College Squamish campus on Nov. 8.

The memorial gifts of sturdy granite and silver-tipped spruce were chosen with great care by members of the community.

The engraved words on the polished plaque which graces the granite read, Blue spruce, a living tree in memory of William John Plaatjes — 1968-

In spite of the inclement weather, friends and relatives gathered around the plaque and tree where they grace the side lawn of the library.

John Plaatjes expressed his appreciation to all involved, and spoke about his son, William. Minister Claire Bowers then opened the ceremony with a prayer. The rain slopped for a short while, and once everyone gathered outside, Bowers read a beautiful poem titled: I'm Going to Plant a Heart in the Earth.

Just 27 years old, William died on the afternoon of June 16, of natural causes while tree planting in Boston Bar.

As a result of William's untimely death, his employers, Jennifer and Steve Lauriault of Hawkeye Reforestation, met with Tom Bruusgaard, president of the SOO Coalition for Sustainable Forests, to convey their wish, as well as the wish of the other crew members, to remember William in a special way, preferably with a living

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tree memorial. Tom knew that William's father John, and his mother Andeline, were active in the school system as principal and teacher respectively. Also, William had attended Capilano College in North Vancouver for two years before attending the University of

A link was forged between the forest, the college and William.

The Capilano College Foundation enthusiastically approved the idea and supervised the financial and organi zational details.

To make the memorial to William Plaatjes a reality, the community of Squamish dona ed the granite with inscription the equipment and labor required to move the large stone and the blue spruce tree which was planted.

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TUESDAY

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DECEMBER 19, 1995

EVENING

6:00 @ ★★ "Prehysteria" (1993) Austin O'Brien, Brett Cullen. Five diminutive dinosaurs wreak havoc in suburbia. 'PG' (1 hr., 26 min.)

8:00 @ ★★★ "Wrestling Ernest Hemingway" (1993) Robert Duvall, Richard Harris. A retired Cuban barber and a roguish ex-seaman become pals. (In Stereo) 'PG-13' 00 (2 hrs., 2 min.)

 ★★ "Fire in the Sky" (1993, Science) Fiction) D.B. Sweeney, Robert Patrick. Based on the true story of an Arizona lumberiack who claimed to have been abducted by aliens. (in Stereo) [(2 hrs.)

9:00 (2) ***1/2 "The Trip to Bountiful" (1985, Drama) Geraldine Page, John Heard. Page won an Oscar in this tale of an elderly woman who seeks to recapture a piece of her past on one last trip home. (2

② ① *** "Breathing Lessons" (1994, Drama) James Garner, Joanne Wood-ward. A long drive to a funeral gives a husband and wife the chance to review their lives together. From Anne Tyler's novel. (in Stereo) ((2 hrs.) 10:00 (★★★ "A Bronx Tale" (1993) Robert

De Niro, Chazz Palminteri. Ayouth favors a flashy mobster over his hard-working dad. (In Stereo) 'R' W (2 hrs., 2 min.)

12:00 @ * "Money to Burn" (1994) Chad McQueen, Don Swayze. A crook wants his cash back from two free-spending buddles.

(In Stereo) 'NR' (1 hr., 37 min.)
12:36 ② ① **½ "The Lone Hand" (1954, Western) Joel McCrea, Barbara Hale. A man devotes himself to apprehending gold thieves even though it means making heavy personal sacrifices. (1 hr., 49 min.)

1:30 (12) *** 1/2 "Orphans" (1987, Drama)
Albert Finney, Matthew Modine. A pair of social misfits learns about love, honor and self-reliance from an aging gangster. (2

1:45 ② ★½ "Deadly Bet" (1991) Jell Wincott, Charlene Tilton. A kickboxer and fiancee try to escape the fight circuit. (In

(1939, Drama) John Garfield, Gloria Dickson. A champion prizefighter goes on the lam after he is led to believe he murdered a man in a drunken brawl. (2 hrs.) 2:05 ⓑ ⑪ ★★★½ "The Sunshine Boys"

(1975, Comedy) George Burns, Walter Matthau. After a long separation, two former vaudeville partners reunite to renew their friendship and their feud. (2 hrs., 30

3:00 ② ★★ "Baby of the Bride" (1991, Drama) Rue McClanahan, Ted Shackelford. Familial squabbles and a list of potential medical complications greet an older woman who learns that she is pregnant. (2

3:30 (2) 12 *** "The Princess and the Pirate" (1944, Cornedy) Bob Hope, Virginia Mayo. Buccaneers capture an entertainer and a princess and hold them hostage on the Spanish Main. (2 hrs.)

22 ** "Cheatin' Hearts" (1993) Sally Kirkland, James Brolin. A restless cowboy walks out on his wife and family. (In Stereo) 'NR' 10 (1 hr., 30 min.)

WEDNESDAY

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DECEMBER 20, 1995

EVENING

6:00 ② ★★ "Fast Getaway II" (1994) Corey Haim, Cynthia Rothrock. Father-and-son partners take on a high-kicking bank robber, 'PG-13' (1 hr., 35 min.)

8:00 **③** ① ★★½ "Ebbie" (1995, Drama) Susan Lucci, Taran Noah Smith, A highpowered businesswoman must confront her past, present and future in this retelling of "A Christmas Carol." (2 hrs.)

8:30 22 ** "Remote" (1993) Chris Carrara, Jessica Bowman. A preteen whiz kid uses high-tech toys against burglars. 'PG' (1 hr.,

② ⑥ ★★★ "Le Solitaire" (1991, Comédie) Paul Coeur, Valerie Pearson. La veille de Noël, trois personnes se retrouvent après vingt-cinq ans. (2 hrs., 15 min.)

9:00 @ *** "Full Moon in Blue Water" (1988, Comedy-Drama) Gene Hackman, Ten Garr. A beluddled grill owner struggles to save his eatery while coping with his wife's death and his eccentric clientele. (2

10:00 @ ★★ "Criminal Passion" (1993) Joan Severance, Anthony John Denison. A homicide detective has an affair with a murder suspect. (In Stereo) 'R' EE (1 hr., 36

11:45 @ ** "Blown Away" (1994) Jeff Bridges, Tommy Lee Jones. A mad Irish bomber plots revenge on his former pupil. (In Stereo) 'R' ((2 hrs., 1 min.) 12:34 ((1) *** 'The Princess Comes

Across" (1936, Comedy) Carole Lombard, Fred MacMurray. A young actress finds mystery and romance aboard a luxury liner when she passes herself off as a Swedish princess. (1 hr., 51 min.)

1:45 @ *** "Handgun" (1994) Treat Williams, Seymour Cassel. Two estranged brothers each hold a clue to a cache of cash. 'R' (1 hr., 30 min.)

WEDNESDAY

2:00 (2) (1989, Horror)
Randy Quaid, Mary Beth Hurt. A series of nightmares and strange occurrences leads a young boy to believe that his pictureperfect parents are cannibals, (2 hrs.) ♠ ★★★★ "A Star Is Born" (1937, Drama)

Janet Gaynor, Fredric March. A matinee idol tums to alcohol in response to his wife's heightened popularity in this Oscar-winning classic. (2 hrs.) 2:05 (3) (1) **½ "She's Having a Baby"

(1988, Comedy-Drama) Kevin Bacon, Elizabeth McGovern. Newlyweds face the pressures of interfering parents, career demands, lawn-obsessed neighbors and impending parenthood. (2 hrs., 15 min.)

2:07 (1) ★½ "Dixie Dynamite" (1976, Adventure) Warren Oates, Jane Anne Johnstone. Two women wreak havoc on their hometown after a trigger-happy lawman guns down their moonshiner-father. (2 hrs.)

THURSDAY

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DECEMBER 21, 1995

EVENING

6:00 (1) "A Christmas Reunion" (1994, Drama) Edward Woodward, James Coburn. Santa Claus helps a troubled youngster by revealing a 50-year-old tale of a gypsy boy's plight. (2 hrs.)
Pet Shop" (1994) Terry Kiser, Leigh

Ann Orsi. Aliens plan to use strange pets to abducthuman children. 'NR' (1 hr., 20 min.) 8:00 @ ★1/2 "Replikator" (1994) Michael St. Gerard, Ned Beatty. A dangerous criminal seizes duplication technology. (In Stereo)

'R' Ш (1 hr., 36 min.) 8:30 ② ⑥ ★★½ "L'Épouvantail" (1973, Drame) Gene Hackman, Al Pacino. Pendant une voyage à travers l'Amérique, un ex-détenu se lie d'amitié avec un marin. @

Drama) Matthew Modine, Eric Stoltz. An account of the B-17 bomber whose courageous crew flew over two dozen perilous missions over Nazi-occupied Europe. (In Stereo) III (2 hrs.)

② ★★½ "Falling in Love" (1984, Drama) Robert De Niro, Meryl Streep. A chance meeting on a commuter train sparks romance between a construction engineer and a graphics designer. (2 hrs.)

10:00 📵 "A Christmas Reunion" (1994, Drama) Edward Woodward, James Coburn. Santa Claus helps a troubled youngster by revealing a 50-year-old tale of a gypsy boy's plight. (2 hrs.) @ "Turn of the Blade" (1994) David Chris-

tensen, Crystal Owens. An actress is stalked in the manner of her new movie. (In Stereo) 'NR' (1 hr., 20 min.) 11:30 ② ⑪ "Angel Square" (1992, Drama)

Ned Beatty, Jeremy Radick. Animated sequences enliven this story about a group of Canadian children investigating a brutal neighborhood attack. [[[] (2 hrs., 10 min.) ★★ "Freefall" (1994) Eric Roberts, Jeff Fahey. Assassins pursue a photographer on assignment in Africa. (In Stereo) 'R' (1) hr., 36 min.)

1:15 22 * * "Intent to Kill" (1993) Traci Lords, Yaphet Kotto. An enterprising police officer rids the streets of crime. (In Stereo) 'NC-17' (1 hr., 29 min.)

1:40 2 ① *** "The Silent Partner" (1978, Suspense) Christopher Plummer, Elliott Gould. A bank teller's impromptu attempt the real thief chases him to recapture his loot. (2 hrs., 5 min.)

2:00 @ (1986, Drama) Julie Christie, Tato Pavlovsky. As she prepares to return to her homeland in 1945, an Englishwoman recalls her years as governess to an aristocratic Argentinian family. (2 hrs.)

⊕ ★★★½ "The Stranger" (1946, Suspense) Orson Welles, Loretta Young. Orson Welles' account of the hunt for a Nazi war criminal who assumed the identity of a professor. (2 hrs.)

2:07 (1) *** "Fort Apache, the Bronx" (1981, Drama) Paul Newman, Ed Asner. A tough cop battles crime and corruption in New York City's South Bronx neighbor-

hood. (2 hrs., 30 min.)
2:35 🕤 🛈 ** "The Christmas That Almost Wasn't" (1966, Fantasy) Rossano Brazzi, Paul Tripp. Children from around the world try to rescue Santa after a Scrooge-like zillionaire buys the North Pole. (2 hrs., 15

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FRIDAY

DECEMBER 22, 1995

6:00 2 ★★1/2 "The Client" (1994) Susan Sarandon, Tommy Lee Jones. A boy with a mob secret hires a lawyer to protect him. (In Stereo) 'PG-13' III (2 hrs.)

8:00 5 5 *** "The Sound of Music" (1965, Musical) Julie Andrews, Christopher Plummer. The Oscar-winning story of the convent-trained governess who became part of the Von Trapp family and led their brave 1938 flight to freedom. (In Stereo) III (3 hrs.)

22 **1/2 "The Professional" (1994) Jean Reno, Gary Oldman. A hit man takes a young orphan girl under his wing, 'R' (1 hr.,

FRIDAY

8:30 ② ⑤ ★★★ "Coeur de métisse" (1992, Drame) Jason Scott Lee, Anne Parillaud. Un cartographe britannique se prend d'affection pour un jeune Inuit atteint de tuberculose. (2 hrs., 15 min.)

9:00 12 (1) *** "Scrooged" (1988, Co-medy) Bill Murray, Karen Allen. Three ghosts give a greedy network executive a long-overdue attitude adjustment. Based on the Charles Dickens classic. (2 hrs.)

10:00 ② ★★½ "Drop Zone" (1994) Wesley Snipes, Gary Busey. A U.S. marshal pursues a gang of sky-diving criminals. (In Stereo) 'A' ((1 hr., 41 min.)

1:00 th *** "Hello Hemingway" (1991, Drama) Laura de la Uz, Raul Paz. A young Cuban student struggling to win a scholar-ship finds similarities between her life and a famous writer's work. (Subtitled) (1 hr., 30

11:45 ② ** "Ring of Fire II: Blood and Steel" (1992) Don "The Dragon" Wilson, Maria Ford. A doctor fights back when his fiancee is kidnapped. (In Stereo) 'R' (1 hr., 34 min.)

12:30 ② ① ★★ "Singleton's Pluck" (1984, Comedy) Ian Holm, Penelope Wilton. A labor dispute disrupts a British farmer's plans to deliver 500 geese to London markets for Christmas. (1 hr., 45 min.) ★★ "The Wild Pony" (1980, Adventure)
 Marilyn Lightstone, Art Hindle. The relationship between a 12-year-old boy and a

wild pony, a gift from his stepfather, helps reunite his divided family. (2 hrs.)

1:00 (B) **\%' "The Big Trees" (1952, Adventure) Kirk Douglas, Eve Miller. A ruthless lumber baron attempts to oust a group of religious homesteaders from prime Califomia redwood territory. (2 hrs.)

1:30 29 ★1/2 "Sexual Malice" (1994) Diana Barton, Douglas Jeffrey. A woman's extramarital affair ends in murder and deceit. (In Stereo) 'NR' @ (1 hr., 33 min.)

2:00 12 12 *1/2 "Mata Hari" (1985, Drama) Sylvia Kristel, Christopher Cazenove. Based on the exploits of the Dutch-born German spy who seduced secrets from the French during World War I. (2 hrs.)

2:05 (1) ★★ "Paris When It Sizzles" (1964, Comedy) William Holden, Audrey Hep-burn. A screenwriter finds himself falling in love with the secretary he's temporarily hired to help meet a deadline. (2 hrs., 30

2:37 (3) (1) ★★½ "Go Tell the Spartans" (1978, Drama) Burt Lancaster, Craig Wasson. The veteran commander of a youthful platoon is mystified by the unanquestions surrounding the Vietnam War. (2 hrs., 23 min.)

SATURDAY

DECEMBER 23, 1995

EVENING

6:00 € ★★½ "Sidekicks" (1993, Drama) Chuck Norris, Jonathan Brandis. A young misfit seeks escape from his harried existence by imagining himself teamed with his movie idol, Chuck Norris. (In Stereo) 図 (2

zenegger, Danny DeVito. A science experiment yields the world's first pregnant man. 'PG-13' (1 hr., 49 min.) 6:30 ★★½ "The Phantom Treehouse"

(1985, Fantasy) Animated. Two children discover a colorful new world while exploring a mysterious treshouse, (1 hr., 15 7:50 ② ⑥ ★★ "Les Trois grâces et moi"

(1988, Comédie) Patrick Dempsey, Flor inda Bolkan. Un étudiant américan rend visite à la famille de son ex-petite amie où il rencontre ses deux jolies soeurs. Ш (2 hrs.) 8:00 1 ★★1/2 "Ebbie" (1995, Drama) Susan Lucci, Taran Noah Smith. A high-powered

businesswoman must confront her past, present and future in this retelling of "A Christmas Carol." (2 hrs.) ② ★★★½ "Little Women" (1994) Winona

Ryder, Gabriel Byrne. Four New England sisters embrace life during the Civil War. 'PG' (1 hr., 58 min.) 9:00 4 *** "Homeward Bound: The

Incredible Journey" (1993, Adventure) Voices of Michael J. Fox, Don Ameche. Two dogs and a cat set out on a hazardous trek through the Sierra Mountains in search Chuck Norris, Jonathan Brandis. A young misfit seeks escape from his harried existence by imagining himself teamed with his movie idol, Chuck Norris. (In Stereo) 때 (2

6 (1) (2) "Treacherous Beauties" (1994, Drama) Emma Samms, Catherine Oxenberg. A photojournalist goes under cover to search for her brother's killer only to become involved with the prime suspect. (In Stereo) III (2 hrs.)

13 ** "Echoes in Crimson" (1987, Drama) Greg Evigan, Patty Talbot. A young woman's move to the big city results in romantic and professional complications. (1 hr., 30 min.) 10:00 22 ** "Reality Bites" (1994) Winona

Ryder, Ethan Hawke. Four friends grapple with life after college. (In Stereo) 'PG-13' @ (1 hr., 38 min.) 11:45 @ "Carnosaur 2" (1994) John Savage,

Cliff De Young. Deadly dinosaurs wreak havoc at a secret mining facility. 'R' (1 hr., 12:00 T "Columbo: Butterfly in Shades of Grey" (1994, Mystery) Peter Falk, William Shatner. The detective matches wits with a

radio personality whose overprotectiveness of his foster daughter led to murder.

SATURDAY

12:05 20 (1) ** "Nuns on the Run" (1990, Comedy) Eric Idle, Robbie Coltrane. Two petty gangsters try to avoid the mobsters on their trail by masquerading as nuns at a British convent school. (2 hrs.)

1:00 B "A Christmas Reunion" (1994, Drama) Edward Woodward, James Coburn. Santa Claus helps a troubled youngster by revealing a 50-year-old tale of a gypsy boy's plight. (2 hrs.) 1:15 2 ** "Hitz" (1992) Elliott Gould, Karen

Black. Hispanic hoodlums seek revenge against two corrupt judges. 'R' III (1 hr., 25

SUNDAY

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DECEMBER 24, 1995

EVENING

6:00
 ★★½ "Necessary Roughness" (1991, Comedy) Scott Bakula, Hector Elizondo. A Texas college football coach recruits a 34-year-old farmer as part of an unconventional plan to rebuild his downtrodden team. (In Stereo) III (2 hrs.)

22 ** "George Balanchine's the Nut-(1993) Darci Kistler, Damian Woetzel. The classic ballet of a girl's Christmas Eve adventure. 'G' (1 hr., 32

Fantasy) Alastair Sim, Kathleen Harrison, Miserly Scrooge gets a long-overdue attitude adjustment when a trio of ghosts visit him on Christmas Eve. (2 hrs.) 8:00 ② ① "Small Gifts" (1993, Drama)

Jessica Steen, Jeremy Ratchford. Ayoung couple tries to make it through the Christmas season as hard times cause their finances to dwindle. (2 hrs.)

22 *** "Legends of the Fall" (1994) Brad

and war slowly destroy a Montana family 'R' (2 hrs., 14 min.)
9:00 4 "Columbo: Butterfly in Shades of Grey" (1994, Mystery) Peter Falk, William Shatner. The detective matches wits with a

Pitt, Anthony Hopkins. The forces of love

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trodden team. (In Stereo) (III (2 hrs.) ⑥ ① ② ② ★★★ "Scrooge" (1951, Fantasy) Alastair Sim, Kathleen Harrison. Miserly Scrooge gets a long-overdue atti-tude adjustment when a trio of ghosts visit him on Christmas Eve. Colorized. (In Stereo) @ (2 hrs.)

10:10 ② ⑤ ★★½ "Un Extra-Terrestre pour Noël" (1991, Comédie) Richard Mulligan, Beau Bridges. Un homme retraité se lie d'amitié avec un extra-terrestre. @ (1 hr.,

10:30 20 ★★ "The Favor" (1994) Harley Jane Kozak, Elizabeth McGove.n. A married woman lives out her sex fantasy through a

friend. (In Stereo) 'R' ((1 hr., 37 min.) 12:00 (1 *** "It's a Wonderful Life" (1946, Fantasy) James Stewart, Donna Reed. Frank Capra's classic about an angel who shows a suicidal businessman what life would be like without him. (2 hrs., 35 min.)

Snipes, Gary Busey. A U.S. marshal pursues a gang of sky-diving criminals. (In Stereo) 'R' (1 (1 hr., 41 min.)

12:35 1 4 ** "Christmas Comes to Willow Creek" (1987, Drama) John Schneider, Tom Wopat. Feuding brothers join forces to transport Christmas gifts to a bedridden friend's Alaskan hometown. (2 hrs.)

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MONDAY

DECEMBER 25, 1995

EVENING

6:00 The Face on the Milk Carton" Drama) Kellie Martin, Jill Clayburg teen-age girl searches for the truth discovering she has been separated Purdey her original family for 13 years. (2 hrs Tinney & B *** "Benny & Joon" (1993, Dr. Tho 6 Aidan Quinn, Mary Stuart Masterson brother of a mentally challenged y is holdi woman becomes concerned when a centric newcomer befriends his siste Thursda Stereo) III (2 hrs.) 29 ** "Dumb and Dumber" (1994)

Carrey, Jeff Daniels. Two witless won Second take a cash-laden briefcase to As 'PG-13' (1 hr., 46 min.)
7:00 ② ① **** "Mary Poppins"

Fantasy) Julie Andrews, Dick Van Five Academy Awards went to this Di classic about a magical nanny breathes new life into a stuffy house 7:30 ② ★★½ "Les Marmottes"

Hugues Anglade, Gérard Lanvin. Les saventures d'une famille qui se rein dans une station de ski pendant se ances de Noël. @ (1 hr., 40 min.) 8:00 22 ***1/2 "Forrest Gump" (1994) Hanks, Robin Wright: A slow-Southemer experiences 30 years of

(1982, Science Fiction) Dee Wa Henry Thomas. A young boy's close counter with a stranded alien leads unique friendship in Steven Spiello Oscar winner. (In Stereo) III (2 hrs

Comedy) John Ritter, Connie Sell lonely yuppie learns that the woman stole his heart is engaged to be marri

⑤ ★★★."Bénny & Joon" (1993, Da Aidan Quinn, Mary Stuart Masterson brother of a mentally challenged woman becomes concerned when a centric newcomer befriends his siste Stereo) I (2 hrs.)

for this holiday memoir about a boy only wants a Red Ryder BB gur Christmas. (2 hrs.)

9:10 ② ⑥ ★★★½ "Confidences sur eiller" (1959, Comédie) Doris Day, Hudson. Une décoratrice qui partage ligne téléphonique avec un composit fatigue des nombreux appels qu'il reco (1 hr., 25 min.)

10:30 @ ★★★ "Philadelphia" (1993) Hanks, Denzel Washington. A lawyer AIDS sues his former firm over his missal. (In Stereo) 'PG-13' @ (2 h

12:00 ② ① ★½ "Home of Angels" (Drama) Sherman Hemsley, Lance inson. A young boy defies his parer bring his ailing grandfather home for last Christmas. (2 hrs.)

1:00 29 *** "True Lies" (1994) Schwarzenegger, Jamie Lee Curtis lives the double life of a spy and a man. (In Stereo) 'R' @ (2 hrs., 21

1:30 (2) (1) ** "Ómega Syndrome" (Adventure) Ken Wahl, George DiCer reporter teams with an old Army but wage war against the underground wingers holding his daughter hosta



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COMING

■ Sea to Sky Singers are starting a new season Jan. 9 and welcome new members, with a cut-off date of Jan. 23 for joining the busy and popular group. For Clayburg more information contact Murray Purdey at 898-4266 or Peg rs. (2 hr Tinney at 898-5260.

asterson . The Sea to Sky Youth Choir is holding a concert at 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 21 in the new theatre at Howe Sound " (1994) Secondary School. The theme of the presentation is: Christmas Is Here. Admission is by cash to this Di donation or an item for the Squamish Soup Kitchen.

■ The East Howe Sound nvin. Les Beavers will be selling holly in front of Save-On-Foods from noon-3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23 for \$5 per bag.

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years of ■ There will be a semi-formal New Year's Eve Ball at the Royal Canadian Legion Hall y's closs an leads Dec. 31 with doors opening at 6:30 p.m. and smorgasbord dinner at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$18 per person and are available in advance at the Legion bar. Everyone welcome.

■ Well known entertainer Norman Foote will be staging two concerts at 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 22 at the Brennan Park Leisure Centre, sponsored by the Howe Sound ey, Da a is the sa Performing Arts Association. Tickets at \$8 are available now at Squamish Public Library, Mostly Books, Workwear World, and Highlands Video.



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SELF HELP

■ Alcoholics Anonymous meetings are held seven days a week. Call 892-

■ Al-Anon/Alateen: family members and friends of problems drinkers. Call 1-688-1716.

■ The Attention Deficit Disorder Support Association meets the first Thursday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at the Health Centre in Squamish.

■ Narcotics Anonymous: Got a drug problem? Want to change? Narcotics Anonymous meets every Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at the library on the Stawamus Reserve.

■ The Howe Sound Women's Centre offers information and referrals by phone or drop-in Monday through Friday, noon-4 p.m. Phone 892-5748.

■ Legal Aid is a free service provided in family and criminal legal matters under qualifying circumstances. Apply on the second floor at 38141 Second Avenue, Squamish. Phone 892-5114.

■ Women in Difficult Relationships - A confidential counselling group for women in or out of an abusive relationship. Call Lise at 892-5796.

■ Pearl's Place Transition House - Call 892-5711. Volunteers available to listen to and support women experiencing abuse. Shelter can accommodate seven women and children.

■ Parents Offering Support and Education (POSE), supporting families which are raising children with physical, mental or emotional challenges, meets the first and third Tuesdays of the month at Sea to Sky Community Services office. For details call Bev at 898-5052 or Susan at 898-4212.

■ Canadian Cancer Society meets the second Monday of the month in the hospital board room at 7:30 p.m. For patient services info call Katy McIntosh at 898-3399. For volunteer info call Thomas at 892-

■ Howe Sound Youth Help line 892-9393. Telephone assistance available to teens in crisis or

just needing someone to talk to. Trained phone volunteers available Mondays from 6-10 p.m. and Thursday from 8-10 p.m.

Overeaters Anonymous: If you have a problem with food, come to the meeting at Squamish General

Royal Canadian Legion Ladies

Hospital board room every Sunday night at 7 p.m. For info call 892-3359.

■ A non-smoking group has formed a Singles Friendship Club for 40s-plus recreational and social gatherings. Meetings are every Thursday at 8 p.m. at Midway Restaurant in the Sea to Sky Hotel. For details call Tom at 898-5847 or Bonnie at 898-9667.

■ Senior citizens counselling service is a free service to help seniors complete applications for pensions and other benefits, provide information on seniors programs and assist seniors in accessing other agencies. For more information, call senior citizen counsellor Charles Schilberg at 898-9393.

LEISURE

■ Parent-tot drop-in program for parents and children six years and under at Sea to Sky Community Services. For details, call Joanne, Sharon or Nina at 892-5796.

B.C. Special Olympics (Squamish local) needs volunteers and athletes. Call Sherry at 892-2224.

■ Squamish Duplicate Bridge Club meets Monday nights at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Hall on Cleveland Avenue. For information call Kathy at 892-9823 or Lorraine at 898-2702..

Cribbage Night at the Diamond Head Branch, Royal Canadian Legion, for members and guest, 8 p.m. each

Squamish Weavers and Spinners Guild meets once a month. For info callShirley at 892-3373.

■The Squamish Valley Equestrian Association meets the last Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in the leisure centre. For details call Mary-Ann at 898-4252.

The Squamish Archery Club meets every Wednesday night at 7 p.m. at the Squamish Valley Rod and Gun Club. For more information contact Van at 898-3875.

■ The Alano Club bingo runs every Sunday at 37978 Third Avenue at Victoria Street. It's a family affair. Come out and enjoy a fun evening.

Sea to Sky Family Tree Tracers meet on the third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Castle Rock complex, 38100 Sixth Avenue. For information call 898-4775.

M New social group being organized for newcomers to Squamish. Goal is to meet others with similar interests, singles, couples, families. For details call Rachelle at 898-2628 anytime or Leslie at 898-9281 after 6 p.m.

Proposed public traditional school - for more information or if you would like to help, phone Marcia at 898-4485.

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Parents and Tot Drop-in is held at the Coast-Garibaldi Health Unit every Thursday from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

For information, call 892-3585.

Howe Sound Breast Feeding Support Group come join our monthly meeting. Call Beth at 898-9299.

Breastfeeding drop-in provides assistance and support Fridays 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at Coast-Garibaldi Health Unit. Call 892-3585.

Squamish Hospice Society volunteers meet the third Monday each month at 7:30 p.m. To become a voluntee or member phone 898-9854.

Squamish Birthright offers confidential and non-judgmental help to any woman distressed by an unplanned pregnancy. Come in between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday, or 7-9 p.m. Thursday. For more information phone 892-9329.

TOPS - Take Off Pounds Sensibly meets Wednesday at 6:15 p.m. at the Squamish United Church. For details call 898-5260.

The Hearty Lifestyles Group is working toward a healthier lifestyle in Squamish. For more information contact coordinator Dana Simpson at 898-5711.

There is a Healthy Sexuality Clinic Wednesdays from 3 p.m.-4 p.m. at the Coast-Garibaldi Health Unit. Make an appointment by calling the health unit at 892-3585. All info is confidential.

The Squamish chapter of the Mood Disorders Association of B.C. is holding meetings Thursday nights at 7:30 p.m. at -Castle Rock. For information call Naomi at 892-6345.

A Critical Incident Stress Debriefing Program has been set up to assist people who have experienced a traumatic incident at work or elsewhere. Call emergency pager 1-604-979-8576 and a team of trained professionals will meet any group experiencing stress following a traumatic event.

SERVICE

Auxiliary meets at the Legion Hall last Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Executive meeting every second to last Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Contact Mrs. Amy Poole at 898-5714. ■ Squamish Royal Canadian Legion needs all Legion members. Please plan to attend our next general meeting. **■ Kinsmen Club of Squamish** meets on

the second and fourth Thursday evenings of each month. If you are between the ages of 19 and 45 and interested in a community club that stresses service and fellowship, Call Don Burroughs at 892-2020 days or evenings at 898-3526.

■ Squamish Emergency Program offers emergency social services and search and rescue. Meetings are held the second Tuesday of every month at the Civic Centre mezzanine at 7:30 p.m. For information call Cathy at 898-9783.

■ Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Squamish provides volunteer adults to work on a oneto-one basis with children from single parent families. For details call 892-3125.

■ Welcome Wagon hostess brings gifts

and greetings whether you're new in town, have a new baby, getting married or know a couple who is. Call Kim at 898-8299.

Junior Forest Wardens program is a challenging and regarding outdoor-oriented experience. Call Kathy Babuin at 898-3077 or Paul Kuster at 898-2100.

■ Tantalus Seniors Centre at 1471 Pemberton Ave. is open Monday to Friday, 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. Drop in and enjoy smokefree social and refreshments. Crib and cards, pool, darts and music every day. Call 892-1066 for information.

■ The Royal Purple of Squamish meets the second Tuesday of each month at 8 p.m. If you are free to do volunteer work or help with the new alcohol and drug awareness program call Terry at 892-5731. To become a new member call 892-5731.

■ Squamish Block Parents are in need of new Block Parents throughout the area. You need not be a parent, just someone concerned with safety in the community. For more information contact Liz Shepherd at 898-9776 or the Squamish RCMP.

■ Kiwanis Club of Squamish meets the first, second and forth Tuesday of each

month at 7 p.m. at the Tantalus Seniors Centre. For more information call Stew McLeod at 898-3594.

Squamish Lions Club meetings are held the first and third Thursdays of the month at 7 p.m. at the Easter Seal Camp rec room. New members or guests welcome. Phone Raj Kahlon at 892-5011.

■ The Howe Sound Arts Council is a volunteer organization created to encourage and assist in development of the arts in our community. Monthly meetings are held the fourth Wednesday of the month. For details call Kathleen at 898-5951.

■ Sea to Sky Freenet public terminals at Squamish Public Library and Tantalus Seniors Centre. Free communication world-

Information providers are encouraged. Call 892-9556 for more information.

■ Sea to Sky Community Services Society provides support and assistance to individuals and families in the Howe Sound corridor. For information phone 892-5796.

■ Squamish RCMP Victim Services — for more information call Kathy or Karen at 898-

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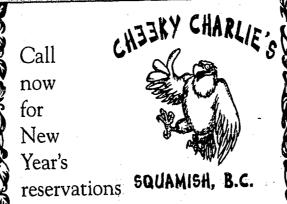


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Thristmas dinner with all the trimmings. Ever wonder why we cook a ridiculous variety of dishes then stuff ourselves? We've been at it for generations beyond count. Why stop now?

We know the Romans feasted at this time of year, and they tended to borrow customs from older civilizations. Dec. 17 was the start of Saturnalia, Saturn's festival.

Roman conquerers spread these customs throughout Europe and they came to outlast the empire. Eventually, pagan Saturnalia shifted forward a bit to become Christian Christmas. The feasting still goes on.

Side dishes and vegetable dishes constitute 'all the trimmings' of Christmas dinner, and there's never too many. The following go wonderfully well with ham, turkey or goose, or will add to a vegetarian spread.

Sweet and Sour Red Cabbage 1 small head of red cabbage, quartered, cored

and finely shredded

2 Tbsp. butter 1 cup water

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3 Tbsp. vinegar

3 Tbsp. seedless jam or jelly

Combine all ingredients in a large saucepan (not aluminum). Salt lightly, bring to a boil, then simmer on low heat loosely covered for about 11/2 hours. Stir occasionally and add more water if it boils dry before the cabbage is tender. When the cabbage is done there should be almost no liquid left. This dish freezes and reheats well.

Parsnips are lovely in the following casserole of potatoes and cream. Omit them if you must and use only spuds. Use fresh, firm parsnips, not old withered up ones.

Potato and Parsnip Gratin 7-8 medium potatoes (red-skinned boiling

type), thinly sliced

6 parsnips, peeled and thinly sliced

1 clove garlic, cut in half 2 cups whipping cream

Heat oven to 325 degrees. Rub a 9x13 inch baking dish with cut garlic clove. Butter dish generously. Place a layer of potato slices in bottom, lightly salt and pepper. Cover with a layer of parsnip slices, season. Repeat until dish is full. Press down on the layers to make the top evenly flat. Pour cream over top. Place on a baking sheet and bake for about 1 1/2 hours or until the potatoes are soft. Raise the oven temperature to 375 degrees for the last 10 minutes to brown the top of the gratin to a golden crust.

No festive dinner is complete without wine.

Like side dishes, wine enhances the flavors of the food, rounds out and balances the meal. When choosing a wine, consider the 'personality' of the foods. Most Christmas dinners are dominant and overwhelming in their variety. The wine too needs an equally powerful person-

The most recommended varietal for Christmas dinner is gewurztraminer, simply because its personality cannot be overcome except by the most fiery dishes. 'Spicy' is used to describe gewurztraminer, with its overblown aromas of flowers, lychee and grapefruit, surging fruitiness and heavy body. The Okanagan produces some good ones. If it can still be found Gray Monk's Broderson Vineyard Gewurztraminer is wonderful, dry and citrusy with a honeyed richness.

Rieslings are fine choices for ham, goose and turkey. Their sense of fruit and overtone of natural grape sweetness compliment the saltiness of the ham and the crackly crisp skin of roasted birds. A lovely riesling for under \$15 is Muller's Scharzhofberger 1990. It achieves the perfect balance of crisp green apple acidity and honeyed sweetness, wrapped up with the taste of peaches, limes and apricots.

Chardonnays offer less fruitiness but still stand out with their full-bodied, full-flavored character. Moreau Chardonnay from the south of France offers great value (under \$10) with its ripe fruit salad flavors and creamy texture. For about \$12 Mirassou Pinot Blanc could be mistaken for chardonnay, buttery and beautifully oaked.

Soft, fruity reds are equally complimentary. Choose a Beaujolais Villages or Bourgogne -Labourie-Roi 1990 for about \$13 offers softness and depth of flavor beyond its price range. Another delicious pinot noir (for about the same price) is Pedroncelli's, full of juicy cherry fruit and vanilla flavors from oak aging. Another Pedroncelli just out is Primitivo Misto, a blend of Zinfandel and Cabernet. It's smooth and full of raspberry, plummy flavors, and a touch of spice. For under \$11, it's most satisfying.

From the south of France comes Domaine Virginnie Syrah (under \$10), as gentle as a Beaujolais, nothing but fruit and no tannic harshness. It's soft enough to serve with fish. For the same price, Albali Reserva 1987 from Spain is equally gentle, less exuberently fruity, with a

lovely vanilla taste from wood aging For a luxuriously festive meal serve French champagne which compliments almost all savory foods.

There is no wrong occasion for serving cham-

Merry Christmas, everyone

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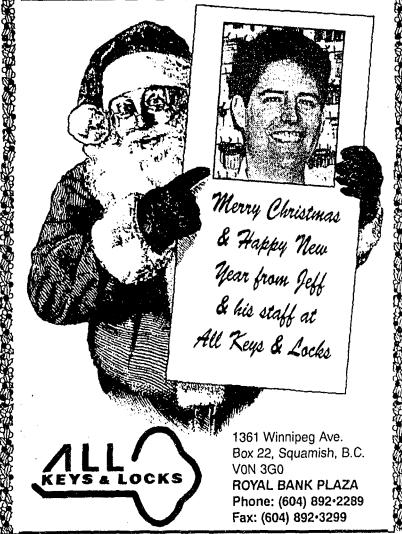
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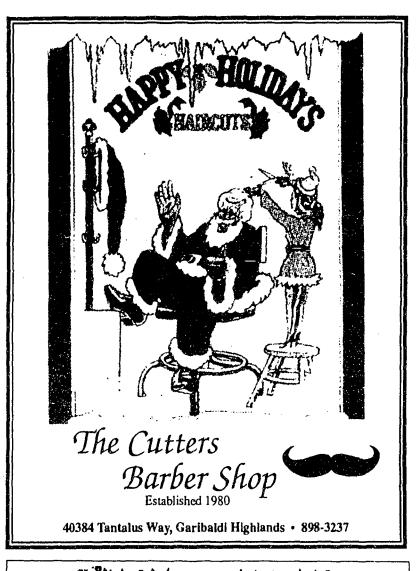
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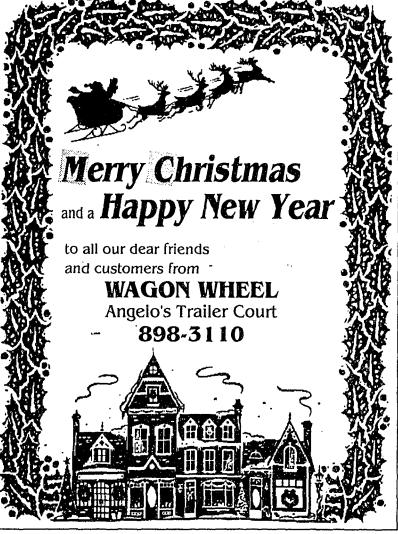
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Community Christmas Care Retta Behrner, \$50; Laura and Gord Dewar, \$50; Clarice and Gordon Matheos, \$50; Total: \$18,755.38.

A project of Howe Sound Performing Arts Association had 50 tickets for the Norm Foote concert donated by local business to CCC hampers; Annette's Xocolatl, 50 chocolate Santas; Mayor Corinne Lonsdale, \$50; Mountain View Lodge, food hamper; Barney's PetroCan, from the staff, food hamper; North Vancouver Outdoor School, food hamper; Primal Art Studio, 42 sweatshirts (\$600 value); Whistier Courier and Freight Community Service Fund,







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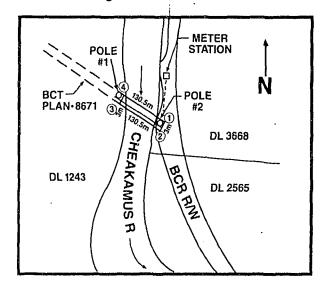
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COMMUNITY

Marjorie Buchanan's trip on the peace train: Part III

few weeks ago I began telling you some of Marjorie Buchanan's story about her trip with compatriots on the peace train, organized by the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF), which travelled to nine cities throughout Europe and Russia on its way to the NGO Forum and UN Conference on Women in Beijing, China, last year. I also wrote about their time at the peace congress in Helsinki, and then on to St. Petersburg, Kiev, Bucharest, Sofia, Istanbul, and Odessa.

It was at this point that China decided the peace train, containing some 232 women and a few men, would not be allowed to stop anywhere in China, far less at its planned stop in Urumchi, just across the border from Kazakhstan. So more time was given to the visits in the Ukraine and Almatay, Kazakhstan. They turned the whole train around and went back to Kiev, where the women could spend at least a little time just being tourists. They walked to the Donn River and, in Saratow, walked and bussed to the Volga.

They learned that over 500,000 people had moved from Kiev since the nuclear explosion at Chernobyl and it was obvious they were in extremely hard economic times, although women greeted them at the train dressed in native costume with loaves of bread, a symbol of hospitality (so you'll never know hunger), and salt, representing that life will always have flavor.

"We were wined and dined in Kiev — had chicken Kiev, in Kiev — and dainty, delicious specialty foods, many courses and types of food, so beautiful and delicious," she said. When thanking their hosts, the

women paid honor to the waiting staff as they snaked around to the kitchen to also thank the

Eventually they moved on to Almaty, Kazakhstan, and arrived on Aug. 24, two days later than planned. On such a trip as this it is hard enough to

interpre visited the Defense Ministry discuss nuclear testing, its effects in Kazakhastan and the with he recent nuclear testing carried guage, out by China in the bordering disadva region of Lubnore, which man know E thought was done purposely because just before the UN conference most cc was to begin. Have to keep

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Between the Lines

By Mary Billy



plan it all out, without China throwing such a curve into schedules of everybody all along the way, nevermind those on the train itself. In Almaty they heard about the problems of feminism in Central Asia, about nuclear testing and environmental



Marjorie Buchanan

degradation, and about women and the mass media. An international delegation

those women in their place, you know.

There were women from 42 countries on the train: from Australia, Morocco, South Africa, Thailand, India, Peru, Canada and the U.S. and many more. They had workshops among themselves as they trav elled; on the economy, adequate shelter, disarmament, alternative economic systems. for women, racism. There was much singing and even sewing Thalia from the U.K. is a quilte and banner-maker, and she brought material and embroidery thread and scissors, so a group met each day on the train and worked on a tapestry Marjorie embroidered the wor peace, in Russian — only three letters, she said — but once they got to the conference, the banners from everywhere were as beautiful and varied as the women and customs they represented. They sang while they sewed. Someone commented that this was what women had always done together throughout the centuries. There were also a variety of interpreters a Please turn to Page 3

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A Warm Welcome — Peace train participants are welcomed to Kiev by a delegation offering the trade tional bread, salt and flowers. There were women from 42 countries on the train. Marjorie Buchana photo

COMMUNITY

Next week: The China conference

Continued from Page 32 every stop, some skillful, some not, which hampered commu-

In Bucharest, at the palace, the interpreters were excellent and had all the latest equipment with headsets in every language, but people were at a disadvantage if they didn't ering know English or German because they were the two most common languages of the

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Marjorie says by the time she got to Kazakhstan she was too tired to move, but Nestai, the hostess, had planned an afternoon concert with dancers and musicians with traditional instruments and singers who got everyone up dancing and having fun. It was a mixture of Russian and Chinese cultures.

This seems like a good spot to break the story for now. Next

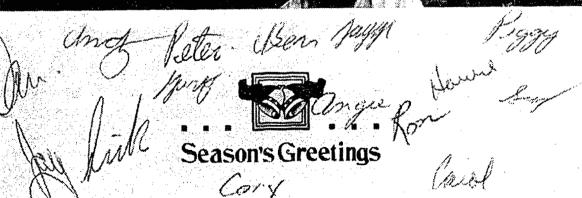
week will complete this report on Marjorie's trip. In spite of taking me four parts to tell you about it, there is so much more. Pictures, newspapers, stories. She'll be having some public gatherings in the New Year where those interested will be able to hear her and ask ques-

It sure was a trip of a lifetime and I thank her for being so willing to share it with us.



The Conference — After conducting their own workshops on the peace train, participants joined with 35,000 other women from around the world participating in their choice of 300 workshops each day, with subjects ranging from education to poverty, violence, political empowerment, nuclear testing and child care. Marjorie Buchanan photo







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Sea to Sky Signs — Outside and inside signs
Rooftop Services — Building completion (Dennis Dallas)
Continental Power — Temporary Power system

Diamond Head Plumbing — Temporary Washrooms L&A Equipment — Parking area grading and plowing ICG Propane — Temporary heat propane Robcat Services — Sweeping of floor (Rob Lemcke)

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These people and groups were in addition to the support from Rotarians and Community Christmas Care people who donated their time and efforts to the success of this family project and fund-raiser. Exact totals are not available yet but we raised in excess of \$700 for the Community Christmas Care project plus the food items.

We would also like to thank all of the families and friends who came out to support this project by participating. We hope you had as much fun trying the in line skates as the Rotary Club did in bringing the concept to a fun day.

From Anna & Staff



Merry Christmas! * Pina, Lorena & Staff



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Old English tea provides a delightful afternoon

ast Thursday the Tantalus Seniors Centre was the I setting for an old English tea, when the Squamish Seniors Wellness Council entertained people from Hilltop, the Manor, shut-ins and other

Convenor Phyllis Graham, with help from some of the other members, made delicious little cucumber sandwiches and other dainties. What would an English tea be without scones, strawberry jam and Devonshire cream?

Desserts were made by Xocolatl Chocolate Creations. A tape of Christmas songs made up by Linda Grace Halvorson, titled: A Christmas Hodown, made for an enjoyable afternoon of singing.

The next Wellness Council meeting will be the second Thursday of January and new Over the

By Kay Wirachowsky

members are welcome.

The Thursday afternoon fun dart club had its Christmas party last week. It was nice to have Dot Mitchell back with us after several weeks convalescing following surgery. Darts will resume the first Thursday in January.

Walking Club News I guess no one felt like walk-

ing through wet trails last week as only 11 turned out. As it was, they decided to walk the dike instead. This Thursday, Dec. 21 is our wind-up with a

pot luck Christmas lunch. Meet at Brennan Park Leisure Centre at 10 a.m. (a little earlier if you wish to put food in the oven). We'll have an hour's walk and then enjoy our lunch and a visit. Let's have a good turnout for this. The first walk of 1996 will be on Jan. 11.

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Condolences to the family of Ted Warkentine, who passed away last week.

Being this is the last issue of The Chief before Christmas I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas, but most of all a healthy one.

Share the goodies, guilt-free

A favorite topic at this time of year is our fear of losing control and going the Tim Allen Santa Claus route. To gain 20 kilograms in one week would be the worst.

Aside from remembering how we handle that fear every year, let's keep our wits about us; maybe share our goodies or wear stretchy clothing. And let's remember, we need food more than luxuries, so why should we have to go

through guilt trips about eating? Truth be known, the flip side is that the holiday spirit may too often be equated just with food. Christmas pastries are adorning our staff fridges, but has the sharing, caring spirit permeated our

relationships? Such a dilemma. Our tribal unconscious memories associate food with the hard work of hunting and gathering. But our daily lives, especially holiday ones, are one long convenience harvest festival. Part of ourselves want Christmas to be a time to revere life — to contemplate the gift that our

Go to Health

By Dania Matiation

Region.

lives are. Yet instead, we spend the season surrounded by excess ripp and rich goodies.

Let's face the discomfort, We balls, can value our food rather than at the analyzing it. We can share the leco chocolates. Take a look around hose (yes, we can still see past our He stomachs). Life may not be per- ar fr fect, but it's fine most of the time! Dania Matiation is the commu-

nity nutritionist with Coast-Garibaldi Health

St. Joseph's holiday schedule

Following are the dates and times for St. Joseph's Church Christmas and holiday masses: kion) Christmas Eve midnight mass Sunday, Dec. 24 at 11:55 p.m. Christmas Day masses Monday, b. tu Dec. 25 at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. (family mass). Saturday, Dec. 20, no vigil mass.

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COMMUNITY

The three wise guys

An original story by a Squamish writer who Meet played a part in making one Christmas special entre

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s far back as I can remember, my folks have had this thing about pool rooms. ▲ "Where are you off to?"

Just down the corner..." "Stay outta that pool hall!" "Aw, Mom..."

"I hear of you being in that pool hall and..." Pool halls have always been regarded as sinisr places of evil doing, where mischief was plot-

d. There are exceptions. Take our pool room, for instance. Six ables, calendar art and painted eauties hanging on the walls lothed only in their elaboate frames; the Coca-Cola ooler, full of everything ut Coca-Cola. But our ool room was a bit ifferent because we ad Junius. Junius was a 33ear-old, mentally hallenged hunchack, and because of

stroke he had sufered, he was partially ccess rippled. But oh how e could rack pool alls. We used to marvel t the speed with which e could rack and spot ound hose snooker balls.

He lived with his mother not ar from the pool room, and unlike he rest of us, they weren't poor...they *imu-* were flat broke.

zalth It was pretty close to Christmas when Junius tarted asking if there were any errands he could to because as he put it: "That holiday is getting lose," and he wanted to raise enough money to buy his mom a turkey. They had never before had turkey for Christmas (or any other occasses: sion).

c. 24 Well, three of us went out and bought a big 16 iday, b. turkey and sent Junius home a most happy ellow. And then we got to thinking, what the neck, we might as well go all the way and make his Christmas one that Junius would never forget. So we got all of the fellows together and

pledged everyone to bring to the pool room on Christmas Eve, a new gift-wrapped present for Junius.

So on Christmas Eve, everyone met at the pool room with our gifts. The pool balls had been put away, and the floor had been swept clean. I was one of the last to arrive with a nicely wrapped scarf (my usual present from my Aunt), and when I walked into the crowded pool room I was surprised, for banked high with gifts on the second table sat a decorated Christmas tree with

> But Junius was not in sight. The secret had been so well kept that the guest of honor hadn't been invited.

> > He was soon brought over from his house, and if I live to be 1,000 I will never forget the look on his face as he was led into that pool room to the table loaded with presents, and as the guys began to sing: "For he's a jolly good fellow," tears began to dribble down his cheeks.

Then while all of us were standing there looking at the floor, the ceiling, anywhere but at Junius, the door suddenly opened and in walked the two city detectives who were normally the terror of the area.

Without a word they walked over

to the gift-laden table and pulled out gift wrapped packages, added them to the pile, slapped Junius on the back and left as suddenly as they had arrived.

We stuck around for a while singing carols and acting like a bunch of kids oo-ing and ah-ing as Junius slowly and carefully unwrapped each gift. Well, that's that story and the odd part of it is, ordinarily the guys around that corner were pretty callous and unfeeling, and I guess at any other time of the year you would not have caught us giving grass to a horse in a concrete pasture.

But if I never see it again, that was one Christmas when I truly saw "Peace on Earth, goodwill toward men" actually demonstrated.



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Squamish elementary students or the squamer of the participate in Project Love

ixing Christmas with Halloween is something we have become used to over the years as just another example of commercialism making every bid for our spare dollars. Mixing St. Valentine's Day with Christmas makes much more sense, really, since they both deal with love and giving.

All of the classes in Squamish Elementary School are participating in Project Love, which will have its culmination on Feb. 14, but to which they must make a firm commitment by Dec. 22. The purpose is to help school children in those developing countries where there is a great lack of learning materi-

Each of our participating students will send a kit to a student in Ghana to assist with daily lessons. It will consist of a notebook, ruler, pencil and an eraser packed in a zip-lock bag. The cost of these educational materials will be \$1; and it will cost a further 50 cents to ship each kit to West Africa. Children can raise the money by doing extra chores at home or by collecting pop cans or by any other means.

Some youngsters may want to enclose pictures or a letter with their kits as they pack them on St. Valentine's Day. Most of the elementary schools at which the kits will arrive will be mud-walled buildings with thatched roofs, where the children have so few possessions they run home in a rainstorm with their clothes wrapped in a banana leaf to keep them dry (at least it was so in my day).

At Howe Sound Secondary School, the giving is taking place a little closer to home. Each class is collecting a box (in some cases, several boxes) of food and goodies for the less fortunate people in our com-

Sound Schools

By Constance Rulka

munity to enjoy at Christmas. There is keen rivalry to see who can collect the biggest and most nutritious supply. Ms. McLaughlin's Grade 11 class, not content with what they could collect from relatives and friends, decided to take up a collection and then go shopping themselves. Armed with calculators, they did some intensive comparisons of prices and values, and got what they were convinced was their money's worth.



But Can He Salute? — This toy soldier is certainly ready for the Mamquam Elementary School Christmas concert. Constance Rulka photo

Christmas Preparations However jaded you may feel while you are being buffeted around in some shopping mall and having Jingle Bell Rock dinned into your ears, you have only to go where the tinsel and evergreens are in some elementary school classroom and the magic is right back. In the earliest grades, the myster and the wonder of the season are all there, and the gladness has not given way to the greed of getting. Ms. Halvorson's class at Mamquam Elementary School was devastated to hear she had broken her ankle dur ing the weekend and would not be there to rehearse their music with them for the Christmas concert. Along with ilka pl all their other jobs, they just had to make her a get-well can each, right away. Although they were keen to know just how high her cast came, and whether her toes were showin or not, their curiosity was not as keen as their sympathy.

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A parent, Mrs. Emsland, had ints ar come in to help Ms. Cooley lly wi with all the extra chores of **9**00 in making props for the concert and Ms. Koch, called back templishes porarily from retirement, was clearly in her true element amongst the children. They were smearing glue on pink hearts for Ted E. Bear, and were saw having a wonderful time shak ing gold glitter on top.

Students in Ms. Watson's Grade 1 class were working a their writing, but were being called up one at a time to be measured for red tinsel suspenders. They explained they brigh were going to be soldiers marching in the concert and would all wear white shirts under the red suspenders and II, bef would look very smart. There was some discussion about the winc shirts. One little boy said that

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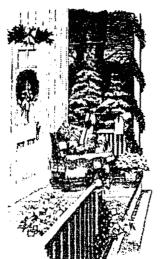
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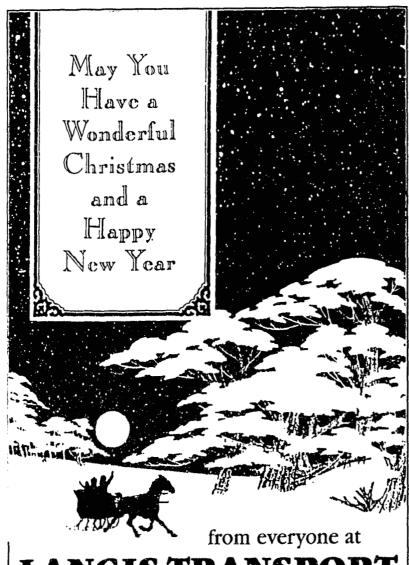


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st Lion Around — Despite fierce looking teeth, the ile must mean this is the endliest lion in the Mamquam ristmas Concert. Constance lka photo

Christmas In Other Lands he students at Garibaldi ghlands Elementary are sorbed in studying the cusns of Christmas as practiced different countries. Is. Luck's kindergarten stunts are occupied with the lly wreaths (from the year 100 in Britain they were pught to frighten away k tem tches and tax collectors), th the bells of the Ukrainian ols and the Advent calenrs of Germany. For the first, y are gluing pieces of old saw puzzles in an overlapg pattern onto a ring of

d, covering them ckly with rich green int, and sticking on le red beads for rries. For the secd, they weave strips brightly colored per in and out ough the cuts in a hstruction paper as and l, before finishing whole thing off out the th a pretty bow. d that eir Christmas book Page 3 writing and drawg is shaped like a cking, while the vent calendar is a ies of tiny wooden elves divided into mpartments. Into ch of these, a differt student everyday ps one miniature

figure as the month of December moves forward. The figures are kept in a big box and the little hand dips in to find a surprise — an angel; a tree, a tiny mule.

Ms. Drimovz's class has studied the customs of Britain and students are now becoming familiar with those of Germany, which they are "webbing" to make the basis of a written report. Fortunately, Eric's mother has sent them a lot of information. She has told them about Germany (thanks to St. Boniface or to Martin Luther) being the first country to bring little fir trees into the house and decorate them with apples and candy, and, for a short while on Christmas Eve, with lighted candles. She has told them about the visit of the Christkind and of Knect Ruprecht — both of whom have an uncanny knowledge of whether a child has been good or bad. The children have also learned about German Advent wreaths, with a candle to be lit on each of the four Sundays leading up to Christmas. Gingerbread houses and carols are amongst the country's many other contributions that they like.

Ms. Pritchard's class is moving on to the Scandinavian countries, after having stopped for a while to talk about the ninth month of the Mohammedan year. The students had to try hard to imagine going without food between sunrise and sunset for

a whole month. That was a big shift from talk of mince pies and plum pudding but it is expanding their horizons as well as getting in some history and geography.

Drug and Alcohol

Awareness The special week set aside for this was observed to some extent by most schools. Brackendale Secondary School in particular had an extremely full schedule. On Thursday, Ms. McKenzie showed students how to mix "mocktails". Const. Fran Bethel of the Squamish RCMP talked to them about the effects of alcohol on the brain, and what she told them was repeated in more detail in the science classes. On Friday, there was a trike race. Competitors were spun around to make them dizzy, then set to ride the trikes round an obstacle course. It soon became apparent how judgement was then impaired. On Monday, Ms. Royal explained how members of the drama class were going to shock class-mates into awareness by being "dramatically dead". The students were dressed wholly in black and wore white masks. The plan was for them to go to classes as usual, but not to speak or communicate in any way - making the point of how quickly death can remove somebody from our midst and put them beyond reach. The week closed with a volleyball game between Brackendale's team and a team from the RCMP.



A Strong Message — Members of the drama class at Brackendale Sercondary School donned white masks, black clothing and went to classes as usual but did not speak or communicate in any way as they played the parts of the "dramatically dead" to raise awareness of how quickly death can take people who abuse drugs or alcohol. Constance Rulka photo



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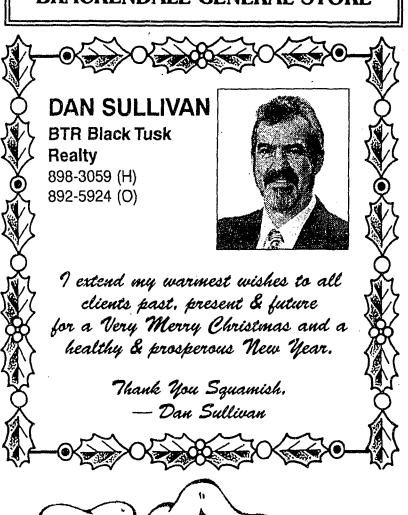
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More darts and daffodils

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A golden arch full of daffodils to Mr. Paul Savage, Laura and all the other workers for letting Second Mamquam Brownies tour your facilities. A special thanks to Laura for the informative tour and for making all those tasty sundaes.

A big red daffodil to Monica at Sierra Daycare. What an incredible place our kids are at while we are working. We love you.

A Volvo full of daffodils to Bob at Wheel Fix It in Squamish, who fixed my car at the last minute on Friday when it broke down, and I almost didn't make it to my own wedding. A gas can full of daffodils to Karl at Mamquam Motors, who helped me get my car to Bob When I ran out of gas the same day.

Daffodils to the powers that be for giving me a quiet Sunday last week without being compelled to listen to the local radio

I was actually able to do some shopping in Squamish, and even went out for lunch. I didn't have to drive to Vancouver. It was so peaceful and relaxing. Thank you.

A truck full of sharp darts to the man who stepped out in front of my moving car on Second Avenue with his three small children and grandma, causing me to slam on my brakes to avoid hitting them.

Then, as I shook my head in Thanks again. Bonnie. horror and beckoned you across, you had the nerve to finger me and yell the most disgusting profanities I have ever heard. What kind of example are you giving your children? You told me to mind my own business. Whose business would it have been if I had hit you or one of your children? Maybe next time you will think twice before you step out into traffic endangering your life and, more importantly, the lives of your small children.

Daffodils of thanks to the gentleman and his daughter who very nicely picked up my son and myself after our Trooper gave up the ghost on Highlands Way North. It would have been a long walk up Perth.

A Workwear World of daffodils to Jack and his little elf for braving a mountain of stairs several times to deliver boxes for our move. Many thanks to our friends for also carrying them. Rhe and Gloria.

A church full of daffodils to Squamish United for making me, à newcomer, feel so welcome. Christine.

A long-stemmed daffodil to the person or persons who found and returned my driver's licence to Super Valu. Another long-stemmed daffodil to the thoughtful staff, who returned my licence to me at their first opportunity. You made my day.

A school full of daffodils Christmas smiles to Highlan Video, Super Valu Highlands IDA for so genero ly donating the prizes for Christmas raffle. Thank y from the Mamquam Elementa School student council.

Daffodils to the thought Shoppers Drug Mart employ who waited with my gran mother outside in the rain a dark after the store closed. very much appreciated i finding her alone, locked out the store. Thank you.

Santa's toy bag full of darts the two women who show their ignorance in accusing employees of a store of chan ing prices. I wish they wou have said it to my face inste of running away. That is the of cowards.

I feel sorry for you.

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Water Hazard — Jim Lorman, general manager of the Squamish Valley Golf and Country Club points to the two new lakes created to add new challenges on the course. David Donaldson photo

Golf course flooded with improvements

By David Donaldson

re those hip waders affecting your swing? Well, save them for the salmon, because the eight holes currently being renovated at the Squamish Valley Golf and Country Club will have new drainage systems under the greens, among other improvements.

The course has been undergoing an elaborate fourphase renovation program begun in 1988, based on designs by California golf course architect Robert Muir Graves. It was decided by the board of directors, through the membership, that the course needed to be updated to compete with newer courses, and the problem of poor drainage needed to be addressed in particular.

The half-million dollar first phase saw the reconstruction of six holes. The second phase, begun in September of this year, will see redesigned greens, improved fairways and more bunkers on eight holes and will cost about \$850,000. Phase three will see improvements to the remaining three holes at an approximate cost of \$500,000 and phase four will eventually result in a new clubhouse.

Second phase renovations are expected to be completed by early June, weather permitting. In addition to the improvements to the holes, a brand new driving range will be added. Calgary architecture firm Browning Designs has been overseeing the project, improving on Graves' original designs, and Vancouver construction company Bruce Evans Ltd., builder of Morgan Creek in Surrey and Swan-E-Set in Pitt Meadows, will be doing the actual excavation work. As many local contractors as possible have been involved in the operation, performing such services as tree removal and transporting materials.

The club will bear the financial burden of the project on its own with funds reserved from membership fees, says general manager Jim Lorman.

"We're a non-profit society, so all the money we carn

goes back into the facility," he says. He adds that not only do none of the renovation funds come from the tax base, but the club pays the municipality to operate on its property.

Golfers need not worry about increased membership fees to pay for all the upgrades, the club has a restricted deal with the members that keeps annual fee increases below five per cent until 1997.

Until construction is completed, golfers have been limited to nine holes. Lorman says this was initially met with some resistance from members who didn't understand the urgent need to update the course, but after seeing the quality of work involved, have now accepted it and are excited about playing the new course.

The redesigned holes are not intended to make the course more difficult, but to maintain the quality of play.

"We want to keep it an easy playing course. It's pretty fair to all levels of players, anyone can come out and have a good time," Lorman says, adding the club is not necessarily looking to attract new customers

"We're not really looking at increasing play, it's very busy as it is. We are concerned about maintaining services and keeping levels of participation up. You have to keep up with technology and the demand of customers, because If you're not constantly improving, you're falling behind the eight ball."

Not interested in competing with the larger, expensive clubs which have sprung up in the area, Lorman says they plan to "maintain a blue collar flavor" and not make the club exclusive to people with loads of

Also in the works is a proposal to form a tri-club committee with the Squash Club and the Curling Club to bring the three clubs under one administration so members can share the facilities at reduced rates.

Lorman says there are many hurdles to overcome before this is a reality, as each club doesn't want to

lose its identity. However, he expects before long they will be able to "pull all the clubs together to make one happy family."

Here are some of the improvements being made to the course at the Squamish Valley Golf and Country Club:

 Traditional pencross grass, which thatches too readily, will be replaced with penprov, a heartier strain bred for more extreme climates from peneagle and providence grasses.

• Two new 100 million litre (22 million gallon) lakes, each with a 40 millimetre polypropylene liner were built from excavation pits.

• Each green is constructed with a herringbone drainage system along with 20 centimetres (eight inches) of drain rock, covered with 35 centimetres (14 inches) of sand and peat top mix and 2.5 centimetres (one inch) of sod laid off sheets of plywood to prevent bumps and ripples. Sand will seal the fine seams between the squares of sod.

 Hole #3 has been changed from par 3 to par 4 with a dogleg and a dry creekbed running adjacent to the fairway to add some challenge.

 Hole #5 fairway gets new bunkers and is moved up to a par 3.

• Hole #6 has been made more challenging with one of the new lakes and a dogleg left to a smaller green.

• Hole #7 is made a par 4 as you will have to hit over the lake and deal with new trees and spring-board-chopped stumps behind the green.

• Holes #1 and #4 will share a 15,000 square foot double green.

Hole #9 will have a lake to the left of the green.
Work has been suspended for the winter as the temperature is too erratic to lay sod. The course should be completed in early June.

SPORTS

Howe Sound Bantam House torn down

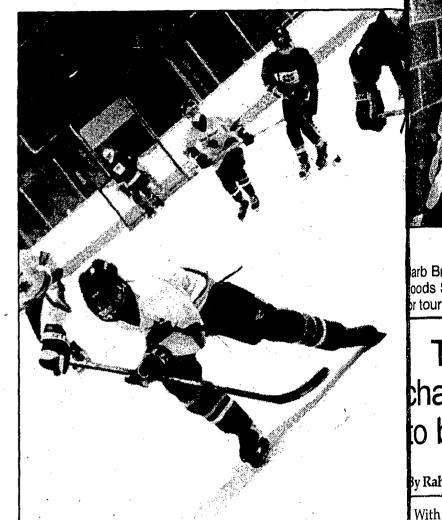
By David Donaldson

The Howe Sound junior bantam house team suffered a 7-3 defeat at the hands of Hollyburn at the leisure centre Saturday.

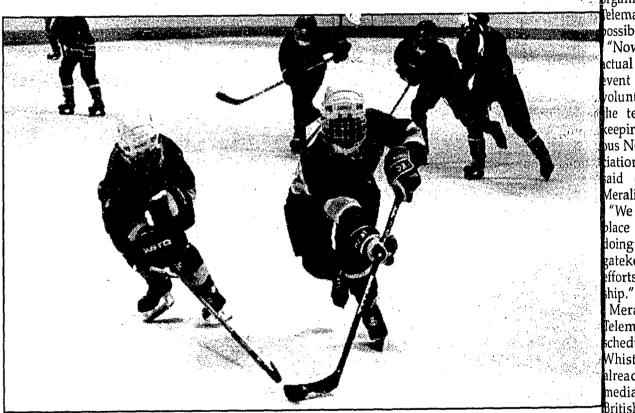
Howe Sound was off to a good start when team captain Troy Murphy scored in the first minute of play, with Sean Sumner assisting. Things turned around quick though, as Hollyburn put two past Aaron Breu in goal, with the first at 13:01 to go and the second at 9:43. Murphy fought back with another goal at 9:09, but Hollyburn was unrelenting and scored again at 8:04 and 2:47.

The second period saw Howe Sound scoreless as they fought to restrict Hollyburn to two goals, which came at 12:47 and **7**:19.

The third period was more evenly matched, with some strong defensive Hollyburn finally scored first at 6:57 and held back their opponents until Sam Carey scored for Howe Sound with 1:17 left in the game, assisted by Mark Pigeau.



Angling For A Shot - A Howe Sound foreward rushes to beat he W Hollyburn player to the puck. David Donaldson photo



Scene Stealer — A Howe Sound forward steals the puck from a Whistler player and heads for his views opponent's net. David Donaldson photo

Whistler frozen in fun exhibition game

By David Donaldson

It was all fun and games for the undefeated Howe Sound Home Hardware team as it grounded the Whistler Winterhawks 9-0 in an Atom Rep exhibition game at the Brennan Park Leisure Centre Saturday.

The match was set up just for fun as the Tier III Whistler team would not normally meet Howe Sound, who plays in Tier II. This didn't deter the Winterhawks from providing a challenge for Home Hardware, which had to work hard to earn its goals in the fast-paced hockey game.

First period play was fairly even, with Whistler only allowing two goals while giving Home Hardware goalie Graham Roberge plenty to worry about. Howe Sound's first goal came from Clark Jenson, assisted by Pritpaul Sundhur with 11:27 to go. The second goal came unassisted from Michael Turner two minutes later.

The second period opened with a short-handed

goal from Darryl Heine, unassisted at 12:00, folkings, lowed by a power play goal by Jenson, with Heine getting the assist at 9:29. The Hawks began here. to apply more pressure, but Matthew Carral will a broke through and scored one from Derek Green he m with 42 seconds left.

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The third period was all Howe Sound as the alpine Whistler defense broke down to allow four goals through. The first came at 10:26, with Sundhul creating a chance for Craig Little to put one in Adrian Leech followed with an unassisted goal eight seconds later before things started getting subse bit rough, with Whistler taking some penalties Switz Howe Sound scored its final two goals on the power play with Little again at 5:01 and Sundhu from Heine at 1:19. to bring the final score to 9for the home team.

Both teams played hard in this fun exhibition game, said Howe Sound coach Keith Leech. "It's game, said Howe Sound coach Neith Leech. They ragood to see young players learning the skills a comp hockey and enjoying it."

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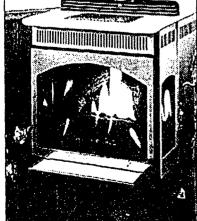
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arb Brandreth purchases a hotdog from her son Patrick, Darryl Heine and Derek Green, at Save-On oods Saturday afternoon to help raise money for the Howe Sound Atom rep team to go on the road r tournaments next year. Hockey parent and hotdog chef Randy Heine said support was excellent.

Telemark championship o be best yet

By Rahoul Ghose

With more than \$1,800 raised t it's first silent auction Dec. 8, peat the Whistler Telemark Club has now turned its efforts to organizing the best World Telemark Championship event

> "Now we get to get into the ctual planning stages of the vent and that includes the volunteers, the gatekeepers, the technical delegates and keeping in touch with the various Nordic and telemark assoiations around the world," aid event organizer Rumi Merali.

"We have committees in lace already off and running loing things such as training gatekeepers, promotional fforts and obtaining sponsor-

Merali said the World Telemark Championships, scheduled for March 25-30 on Whistler Mountain, have already attracted a host of media attention including one British television station with a for his viewership of 40-million.

Organizers are also negotiatng with CNN sports, ESPN and TSN, though Transworld Sports usually carries the World Telemark Championships, he said.

"We hope that this will draw an annual World Cup race began here. And if that's the case this Carra will really place Whistler on Green the map for the Nordic and elemark world as well as the as the alpiners as many of them are cross athletes."

goals ndhu Telemarkers start this year's ne in regular race season in January i god n Val Thorens, France with ting subsequent races in Hasliberg, alties Switzerland, Norway and Lake Tahoe, where both a FIS event ndhurand the U.S. nationals are held. Merali said telemarking bition Nordic world with cross-country races attracting up to 10,000 competitors for European araces.

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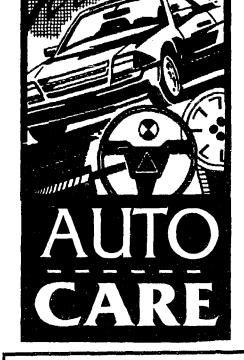


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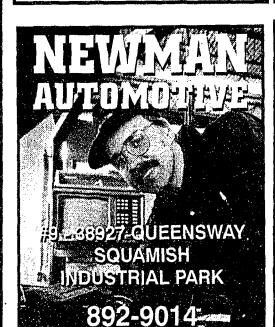


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Howe Sound Eagles looking better than Grandview in Midget rep play

By David Donaldson

It was another successful hunt for the Howe Sound Midget rep Eagles, Dec. 11, as they left the nest to prey on Grandview for an incredible 16-4 victory with three hat tricks and three shorthanded goals.

Mark Lynd swooped in for the Eagles' first goal, assisted by Craig Halliday with 9:20 to go in the first period. David Jones quickly followed with one at 7:38, with Sean Duff right behind him, scoring from Jon Vanzella 18 seconds later. Halliday scored his first of the game with 2:51 left and Vanzella followed with his first at 1:27 with Lynd assisting. Grandview was unable to score.

The second period opened with Eagle team captain Vanzella starting a lighteningfast scoring rally with an unas-

sisted goal at 12:25, and again with a power play goal at 9:39. Evan Starling slid one into the net with a little help from Malcolm McDougall 30 seconds later, and Halliday came up with a short-handed goal at

Although they lost in points, Grandview did beat Howe Sound in penalty minutes.

Grandview was finally able to break Howe Sound's goal streak with 6:29 to go, but the Eagles retaliated with Lynd's short-handed goal at 38 seconds. Grandview had one last gasp, scoring with eight seconds on the clock to bring the score to 10-2 at the end of the

Grandview briefly came alive at the top of the third, scoring a 14:46, before Howe Sound start ed another high-scoring raily beginning with Vanzella's fourth goal two minutes in Halliday completed his hat trick 811 with a short-handed goal a 8:35, followed by Lynd from Duff 12 seconds later, and Jones brought up the rear with an unassisted goal at 7:37.

With 4:16 left to go in the game, Grandview scored its fourth and final goal, before $^{
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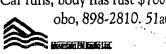
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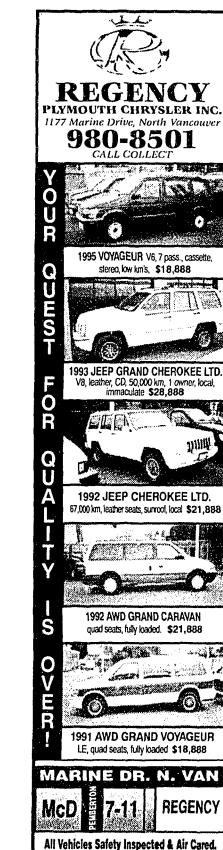
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RAMUS, Peacefully on December 12, 1995, Kenneth (Ken) Graham Ramus of Squamish Aged 70. He is survived by his loving family: Wife Doreen, Son Bruce (Lynne), Daughters Helen (Rick) Katnich, Sarah (Russ) Lewis, 5 Grandchildren, Micheal and Daniel Katnich, Lisa, Shannon and Mitchell Lewis and his many relatives and friends in Canada, Australia, New Zealand and the United Kingdom. A celebration of Ken's life will be held at the family home, 40309 Ayr Drive, Garibaldi Highlands, on Thursday, December 21, from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. In Lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to the Squamish Lions Club, Box 276, Squamish or to Hilltop House Box 6000, Squamish, B.C. VON 3G0. Squamish Funeral Chapel in care of arrangements. 51

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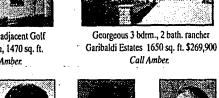
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