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JAWS OF LIFE

by Kathy Jones-Gates

Dawson's Volunteer Fire Department started fund-raising for complete top-of-the-line Vehicle Extraction Equipment -- better known as the "Jaws of Life" less than a year ago. They had thought it would be at least another year before they had raised the necessary \$20,000 price tag.

Less than 9 months later, Fire Chief Dennis Montgomery is proud to announce that \$7,000 has been raised so far by the Volunteer Firemen's efforts. He has a verbal commitment for \$10,000 for the Yukon Government when the next budget is approved and the City of Dawson have indicated funding support.

Rather than just ask either the City of Dawson or the Yukon Government for the entire amount, the firefighters decided to make the effort to raise funds themselves. While a "Jaws of Life" might be standard equipment for a major

Canadian city, it is not necessarily standard for small Yukon communities. However, a bus accident in Alaska a couple of summers ago prompted the Association to consider a similar incident here, with the many bus tours that visit Dawson during the summer months. A car wash and donations from various individuals and organizations have helped the Association to reach the \$7,000 figure and it is very much appreciated by the Firefighters.

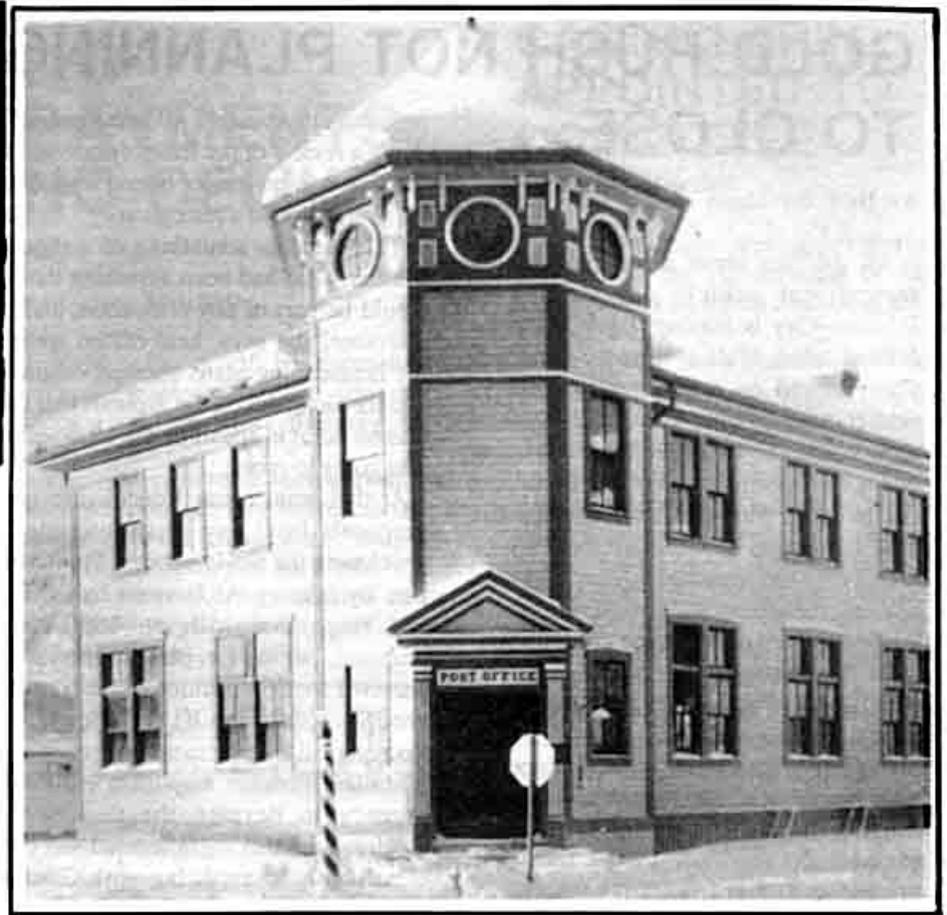
When the \$20,000 goal is achieved, Montgomery indicated the money will enable them to purchase the Jaws of Life, a good set of air bags (for use in mining accidents, etc., where heavy equipment has to be raised), set up the Jaws in boxes so that it is portable, buy the materials and build the boxes, and send two people out to get training.

Dawson residents can be justly proud of their Volunteer Firefighters, and one of the best equipped Fire Departments in the North!



Dawson's Volunteer Firefighters recently honoured 3 members with awards. L to R: - GERRY CRAYFORD (Fireman of the Year), PAUL DERRY (Rookie of the Year), JENINE BRIDEAU (Most Improved Firefighter)

photo by Mike Gates



Inside, one article and two letters raise questions about the future of our Post Office.

photo by Dan Davidson

By-law Sparks Some Debate

LIFE ON THE HILL HAS SOME RULES

by Dan Davidson

Guest cabins, livestock and water and sewer concerns were some of the issues that came up during a public discussion of the by-law which will regulate how owners of lots in the new Dome subdivision can use their land. The meeting, held on Feb. 1, drew some interest from prospective owners and was a prelude to city council giving second reading to the by-law.

The by-law, #90-01, may be seen in its entirety on this issue's City of Dawson Page.

The by-law is intended to define the uses of country residential lots and set a standard for the development of this and future subdivisions. Minimum lot size is set at .8 hectares (2.0 acres), housing shall not be less than a certain size (35 square metres), while ancillary buildings shall not exceed a certain size (90 square metres).

Ownership of animals and livestock shall be restricted: no more than 2 dogs unless as part of a kennel arrangement; 4 household pets in total; livestock defined according to "animal units" (ie: 1 horse or 2 foals) and restrictions set according to the size of the lot. On 2-2.99 acres there may be one animal unit, while a 6-10 acre lot would be allowed five.

The number of dwelling units per lot is restricted, and this point was the subject of some debate. As it presently reads, the by-law would prohibit the establishment of guest cottages, such as might be used to house visiting family members. David Stobbe, who indicated that he had talked to a number of other new lot owners before coming to council, felt that this was an unnecessary restriction. He himself had planned to build a basic cottage for summer guests who might be staying anywhere from a few days to a few weeks.

Subsequent to the public meeting,

during the council's new business segment, the by-law received second reading. The meeting reverted to delegations for a few minutes while Stobbe asked if amendments could still be made to the by-law and whether there would be another public meeting on the matter.

While it is customary to hold only one public meeting on such a zoning by-law, Councillors MacKenzie, Watt and Curzon assured Stobbe that he could bring any concerns he might have to council on the evening that the by-law receives 3rd reading, and that amendments could still be made up to that time.

From here the by-law goes to Whitehorse for official approval and then returns for a final reading, which city manager Allanah Tunnicliffe said should be sometime in March.

GOLDPANNER SUPREME

There's no panning this victory. The people spoke loud and clear and the government reversed itself. Our goldpanner and our Klondike are back where Dawsonites indicated they belong.

THE BIG CHILL

Details have been hard to come by, but it appears that we broke some records during the last month. The thermometer on page 9 shows one reading. Other sources indicate that January 29th set a record low of - 50 degrees Centigrade, surpassing last year's -47 degrees C. for the same date.

Perhaps a better gauge would be the number of people out walking, or the number of empty spots on the belt display rack at the Gas Shack.

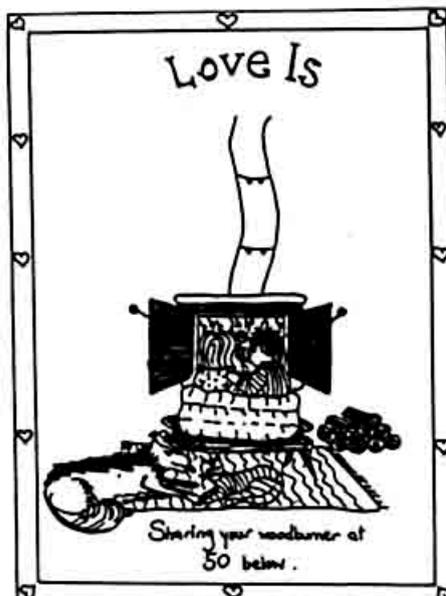
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AND MUCH MORE!



GOLD RUSH NOT PLANNING TO CLOSE

by Dan Davidson

All the fuss about developing a new recreational vehicle campground in Dawson City is leaving Trish Malfair a little puzzled. Malfair runs the Goldrush Campground on 5th Avenue, and says that, contrary to what seems to be the general expectation, she has no intention of closing down her operation before her lease runs out in 1997. Further, she notes that the land's use was granted to the City of Dawson by the territorial government with a caveat stipulating that it must be used for its present type of operation until the year 2001. Malfair says she presently plans to seek a renewal of her lease in 1997, although things could change.

The 5th Avenue campground has not had a great number of operators. Malfair began running it in 1985. Prior to that the campground was operated by John and Madeleine Gould from 1973-84. Gould says that the city opened the campground sometime in the late 1960's and ran it before he and his wife took up the lease.

Malfair had a three year lease with an option on a ten year renewal when she began operations in 1985. At that time there was a clause in the lease which stipulated that she would be offered the first opportunity to relocate if the city ever decided to open up a campground on a different site. The legal phrasing binding the city to this agreement was apparently removed from her second lease, a fact which she did not notice until the summer of 1989 when she became involved in discussions about the city's proposal to relocate the r.v. park to the north end of Front Street near the Yukon River.

Malfair developed a proposal to transfer her operations to this new site in cooperation with the city at a cost of about \$500,000.00. She was looking for a long-term lease to help her secure the necessary financing. She presented this to council during last July and got what she felt was a rather negative response. It was about this

time that city manager Allana Tunnicliffe, doing a review of her lease, discovered that the city was no longer bound to give her the first option in a relocation.

This came as something of a shock to Malfair, who had been assuming that she would be part of any relocation, and had therefore, she says, held off on some of the landscaping plans she had originally had for Goldrush on the grounds that there was no point in spending the money if she was going to move.

At this point council decided to invite proposals from any party interested in developing the newly selected Front Street site. By January the Dawson Indian Band had responded with an \$800,000.00 proposal, but the r.v. plan in general had attracted some opposition in the form of a group calling itself the North End Recreational Development Society.

Malfair wonders why there is so much urgency to develop the new site. If Goldrush were being relocated she could understand the need, but with Goldrush staying open at its present site, she can't see the necessity. Campers currently have a number of options in the Dawson area, including two territorial campgrounds and two other private developments, one of which opened last summer. Under those circumstances, Malfair feels that a new campground is not essential.

Asked if the city could require her to close down if it wished, Malfair said she thought it unlikely. Her lease would have to be broken and that could only happen if it could be demonstrated that she was offering an exceptionally poor service. At any rate, the city is presently unable to do anything permanent with the land. There was an attempt made to sell some of it about a year ago, and Malfair says she was able to block that by proving that the proposed sale contravened the territorial government's terms of agreement with the City of Dawson.



Fans Must Butt Out SMOKING BAN IN ARENA

by Dan Davidson

Effective as of the February 1st council meeting, the arena in the Bonanza Centre has been declared off limits to smokers. Citing safety concerns, city council voted unanimously to ban smoking of any kind in the arena during the ice season.

The ban arises from two causes. The new zamboni gives off quite a cloud of propane fumes, which tend to rise and drive the fans down the bleachers. According to Councillor Lynn MacKenzie, fleeing the smell actually directs people into the heavier fumes from the icemaker, fumes which lurk near the floor and could be explosive under the proper conditions.

Aside from this danger, most of the furnishings in the arena are wooden, and thus prime candidates for fires which might start from a dropped cigarette or match. After last fall's nearly disastrous fire, council does not want to take any chances in the arena. It is an area where it

would be difficult to fight a fire.

Smokers can still visit the lobby and other parts of the building when the need arises. MacKenzie, who spoke in favour of the ban, jokingly noted that she will probably be one of the first who will need to be reminded not to light up while watching the hockey games.

The ban will be lifted in the spring when the ice is taken out, so there is no fear of being unable to smoke at the dances and social events which usually make up part of the summer's activities.

Plans for a general renovation and face-lift of the Bonanza Centre are temporarily stalled as the city awaits the corrected versions of the final drawings. The historical code renovations will bring the building into line with the rest of the major buildings in town and also look after some leaky roof problems which have plagued the recreation staff.

UFFISH THOUGHTS FEW FACTS IN POST OFFICE DEBATE

by Dan Davidson

There's a battle being waged in our mailboxes these days, a battle for the future of those boxes. This is a battle which has already been decided for good or for ill in Whitehorse, and is now being exported to the rural communities. It's the battle of the retail postal outlet.

The first shots in the current battle were fired last fall, when an organization called Rural Dignity of Canada sent out a two-page flyer warning about what it saw as the long range plan of the Canadian Post Corporation.

According to the flyer, the management team at the post office is committed to ridding itself of most of its encumbrances - ie: buildings and union employees - by 1996. There are two parts to this plan. One involves "total conversion" of 5,221 rural post offices to retail postal outlets. The other involves phasing out 734 employee staffed urban post offices through a "so-called expansion program" which will destroy the economic viability of the current system by farming out many of its revenue generating functions to the private sector.

The rebuttal from the Canada Post Corporation arrived a few weeks later. The one page bilingual flyer was called "A Retail Postal Outlet in Dawson City: The Facts", but it contained very little hard information. While it recapped the standard arguments for having retail outlets, it did not answer what most residents here would see as the most important question: what is the corporation's plan for Dawson City?

You can't get a straight answer to that question. Local employees are not being encouraged to discuss it at all. Members of the business community are hearing rumbles, however, and they tend to support the assumption that the days of Dawson's post office are numbered.

The corporation says that RPOs will be opened in larger northern communities "where there is a large enough customer base to support one." This would be a happier statement if the word "one" were replaced with "two". If a post office faced with the need to expand were to do that by going to the private sector, leaving intact the corporate service, there might be some hope. Instead the corporation babbles cheerfully of enhancing customer services and making hours more flexible, never noting the statistic that every customer who takes business to an RPO will make the regular post office just that much less viable.

Of real concern to post office watchers here is the rumour that the decrepit federal building opposite the Robert Service School is slated to be replaced. If this happens it seems likely that it will also become the occasion for "expansion" or "conversion" to take place. After all, that is when it happened in Whitehorse.

(Ed. Note: A Canada Post response to this column appears on our letters page.)

WRITERS IN RESIDENCE- JIM GREEN VISITS DAWSON

by Pauline Scott

Tuesday, January 16th at 7:30, Jim Green gave a public reading of his work at the Dawson Library. He held the small audience spellbound or had us rolling around on the rug (having fallen off the couches) laughing so hard breathing was difficult. I was the only parent that brought a child. My son would even eat zucchini if it meant a story, so I figured there was a good chance he would like to hear this story teller/writer in the flesh but it was quickly VERY clear that at least half of the students at Robert Service School would have been delighted, transported and enthralled by this man. As a grown up, it was one of the best evening's entertainment I've had in a long time.

If you listen to CBC every Monday morning Jim Green is heard reading excerpts from his: TALES FROM DOG RIVER. Those readings are good and interesting but Mr. Green is really a performer. His actions, facial expressions, pauses, digressions and animated style and voice capture you moments into a story or poem. His comic timing was quite something to see in real life.

Jim Green has lived all over Canada, lots of time spent in the North, and as well as turning the most usual happening into a full blown adventure, he's cultivated interesting friends and paid attention to details. He sees the world from an altered perspective and he sees the comic side in life's little tragedies. Not to say he doesn't have a serious side. One poem was enchanting and powerful but not funny. All his work was understandable and the guy never came across as a snob. It was human and real. He shared a lot of himself and his life. In places it was even heroic.

There were between five and ten of us. There wasn't a negative word among us. I felt sorry that more Dawsonites didn't get a chance to hear this guy. And I felt badly for Jim Green. This was much better than TV and he came all this way to share his talent with my town. And hardly anybody came. I hope that the Library Board doesn't strike us off the list next time there's a chance to hear a writer-in-residence. I hope Dawsonites can put down their remote controls next time and do themselves a favour and take advantage of free, live, entertainment.



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DAWSON ADOPTS STAFF HOUSING POLICY

by Dan Davidson

Dawson City is on the verge of establishing a housing policy for its senior staff positions. This is a decision which has evolved out of the last month's discussions over the whole staff housing concept, discussions which were triggered by council's dissatisfaction over the progress of the duplex it had planned to purchase for the two senior jobs.

At its January 18 meeting council finally decided not to buy the duplex in which the city manager and the superintendent of works now reside, preferring instead to rent the building for up to two years to give itself time to get something more permanent in place. Rental costs will be on the order of \$1200.00 per month for each side of the duplex.

It was reported in December that the owner of the duplex, Harry Campbell, was willing to allow the city out of the deal they had made with him last summer, and would agree to a rental situation. City manager Allanah Tunnicliffe said that the full details will be worked out when Campbell returns from a trip Outside.

This leaves the city with a housing problem. Tunnicliffe reports that council has now decided to build two houses to offer as perquisites to future administrative

and works officers. It is hoped that these houses will be completed by this fall. In addition, council has decided to offer a one year housing subsidy (\$317.00 per month) to the fire chief, the treasurer and the new recreation director who will have to be hired later this year.

Prior to this decision only the two top positions had housing and rental benefits included in their job descriptions, so this is a major change for Dawson.

Another change is coming for council meetings as well. Council has been asked a number of times in recent months to have a reading copy of the less sensitive material in the councillor's packages made available to the gallery and the press during the meetings. Presently the public must attempt to follow the business under discussion on the basis of a two page agenda and comments made from the councillors themselves as they discuss the matters before them. Clarifying questions from the floor are not entertained once council has closed delegations and returned to the agenda. There was initially some resistance to this idea, but council has now decided to follow through with it, beginning with the February 1st meeting.

R.V. PARK DEBATE CONTINUES

by Davidson & Mitchell

The North End Recreational Development Society, the group formed to oppose the establishment of a recreational vehicle park at the north end of Front Street beside the Yukon River, has collected 75 names on a petition to oppose the plans of Dawson's municipal council. Late in January, organizer Karen McCann said that the petition had hardly been pushed in the community so far, and that she expected to have about 130 names on it by the Feb. 1 council meeting. In between times the cold weather ground things pretty much to a halt, but she was able to tell council that she had over 100 names when that meeting rolled around.

The NERDS, which is made up of members of the Dawson City Music Festival Society along with a number of other interest groups, has begun to draw up an alternative proposal for the development of the Front Street area as a public park. While McCann had originally intended that the group should have a fairly good plan in place by the Feb. 15 council meeting, she says the group has now determined that it cannot make that deadline. It does not have the sort of funding that would allow it to develop a plan in detail such as that put forward by the Dawson Indian Band.

McCann asked council members why there was such a rush about the r.v. park, seeing that there has recently been an increase in the overall number of r.v. lots in Dawson and that Trish Malfair of Goldrush Campgrounds has indicated she will be staying open.

Councillor Lynn MacKenzie indicated that it was not a rush project, but it was one of several things which council felt it needed to get under way so that they would be in the works over the next few years.

Dawson's council began expressing an interest in developing the area last summer, with a view to replacing the Goldrush Campground R.V. park on 5th Avenue which is run on a lease by Trish Malfair. After determining that Malfair no longer had the preferred option to open and operate a new facility, council opened the project to public proposals. Malfair had already submitted a \$500,000.00 proposal last summer. Since then the Dawson Indian Band has responded to the call with an \$800,000.00 proposal.

The Band proposal includes 52 serviced r.v. sites, showers, laundromat and tenting space for summer workers on the lower bench of the north end location. Above the r.v. park, the plan included an amphitheatre to be used by the Dawson City Music Festival and other community organizations. Chief Isaac Inc., the Band's business arm, would develop the site with a cultural theme focussing on the Moosehide Slide.

All of this very preliminary at this point.

McCann's group feels that there have to be better sites for an r.v. park in Dawson, the North End site is too beautiful to tie up in that manner and that the process so far has not been sufficiently open to public discussion.

NO PAYMENTS, NO DELIVERY

by Dawne Mitchell

Water delivery will be discontinued to several people who have four to five months unpaid water delivery service bills.

The offenders have been served notice several times. The city intends to take the people to small claims court and, unless specific arrangements are made, will not resume water delivery service to them until the money is "put up front".

One bill was for \$4,000.

DOG CATCHER GETS 25 STRAYS

by Dawne Mitchell

Dogcatcher Dave Millar came in at the Jan 18 meeting to report that three problem stray dogs that had eluded his catch were finally under control.

He cautioned council that they may hear from an angry resident who was very upset that one of the stray dogs had been shot in the resident's backyard which, according to Millar, was the only place he could catch it. To date, 25 dogs have been caught and most of them destroyed.

There have been two break-ins to the pound to release captured dogs.

Millar, according to city manager Allanah Tunnicliffe, is approaching his task with a certain amount of humour. Dogs that he catches for the first time are apt to come home covered with orange spots. Millar has been spraying them with aerosol paint as a way of giving out a warning. It's in the same spirit as those wonderful parking stickers that we have grown to love over the years.

Millar is the first dogcatcher in a number of years who has been willing to brave the unpopularity of the job and admit that he is doing it.

CASTELLARIN APPOINTED TO COMMITTEE

by Dawne Mitchell

Joe Castellarin was appointed from Dawson to the Association of Yukon Communities Building Standards Review Committee.

The city has hired a consultant to design a Community Plan.

There will be public meetings concerning what development the town wants and needs.

One suggestion by Councillor Watt is to concentrate on developing the actual townsite rather than places like Barrington Heights and areas outside of the city.

Mayor Jenkins assured council that all needs will be assessed.

A public meeting to address these concerns will be held on Feb. 19 in council chambers. See the ad in this issue for details.

DEVELOPMENT WILL TOP AGENDA

by Dawne Mitchell

The Dawson to Callison Local Area Planning Committee had decided on its boundaries jurisdiction.

This area is from the town boundary to south of Callison industrial area where the old highway meets the present Klondike highway. The planning committee will soon be deciding on detailed development of the area, such as park areas, residential areas and lot size.

The committee consists of representatives of the Indian Band (Stevie Taylor); YTG (Chris Cuddy); Dawson City Chamber of Commerce (Fred Berger); KPMA (Jack Fraser), and the /rural Residents' Association (A. Letherbarrow).

See elsewhere in this issue for details of a public meeting which will be held on Feb. 18 to deal with these matters.



Editorial: Keeping in Touch

by Dan Davidson

We really thought we had something with last issue's cover picture of a thermometer at -48 C, but the last week has proven us poor weather prophets. It's funny in a way. We cancelled a couple of our regular weekly meetings earlier in the year when it was nippy, and now we have to turn out in much colder weather because this is our deadline weekend. Despite the fact that the paper doesn't always hit town when it should, we have only actually missed one deadline so far. On the other occasions the Sun has appeared late, it has been because of problems at our printers or because our shipping arrangements broke down.

Still, like any young organization, we are having our growing pains, learning how to delegate responsibility and how to take criticism. We haven't had a lot of that. We print nearly all of our mail on the letters page, and you can see for yourself that it has been fairly friendly stuff so far. We are probably our own worst critics, anyway. We all have to learn to be more careful how we go about it.

We are glad to see that people are also learning to use the letters page to air their opinions on matters we have or haven't covered. We do get the odd letter that appears to be private in nature, addressed to one or another of us. It would help us a little if you would indicate on your letters that you do or do not want them printed. By all means, keep those cards and letters coming in, folks. They're a sign of a healthy community.

Another good sign is the increased number of people at city council meetings lately. Only recently it was rare to see anyone other than Dawne Mitchell, myself and a handful of regulars such as Gail Hendley and Janet Lyon. The Feb. 1 meeting had about 8 people in the gallery. The discussions were quite friendly and the evening was informative. Council is taking more care to make itself understood by those who watch, even to providing a press packet of documents which can be passed around during the meeting to anyone who wants to read a particular document. This is a good move, one that is certainly appreciated by this scribe.

Speaking of communication, we are glad to welcome newcomers to our ranks. We have a Hockey report this issue. We've wanted something from the sports folks, but none of us are avid fans, so it's really up to them to get us the material. Anyone else who wants to write about anything at all should get in contact with us. Just let our editors know what you would like to do so that we don't assign one of our regular writers to do it. New voices and new points of view are always welcome here.

In an effort to keep you informed we are continuing to print our deadline and publication dates somewhere in each issue, usually on the classifieds page near the back. As before we caution that anything coming in after the date indicated may have to wait for the next issue. See you then!

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

When one makes time to attend a WRITERS' WORKSHOP one expects to be challenged, informed, stimulated, and brought closer to the minds and personalities of fellow participants. Challenged I was not. The information received could have been gained from our own librarian, Kay Tinkler, and Mr. Green stimulated me only enough to speak out on my disappointment.

This was the third WRITERS' WORKSHOP I have attended in Dawson. We not only had had our questions answered in an objective manner but we wrote exercises that opened avenues of thought. We even shared some of our efforts, which gave us new insights of our kindred spirits. We also went home encouraged to continue our battles with words.

Mr. Green's workshop was promotion of Mr. Green. Mr. Green did not prepare a workshop. I would suggest that future

WRITERS IN RESIDENCE prepare to share more of their skills with those who make time for WORKSHOPS.

Sue Ward

Dear Editor & Friends:

What a great paper, keep up the good work. What a thrill to read about friends and events from our favorite place. As former Yukoners living "Outside" we love the Yukon and feel the pull to return one day. Our years in the Yukon are filled with great memories and friendships.

Having the Klondike Sun in our home will be a great way to keep in touch with friends and events from our favorite place.

Hi to everyone.

Jackie & Ira Fraser
Cayley, Alberta

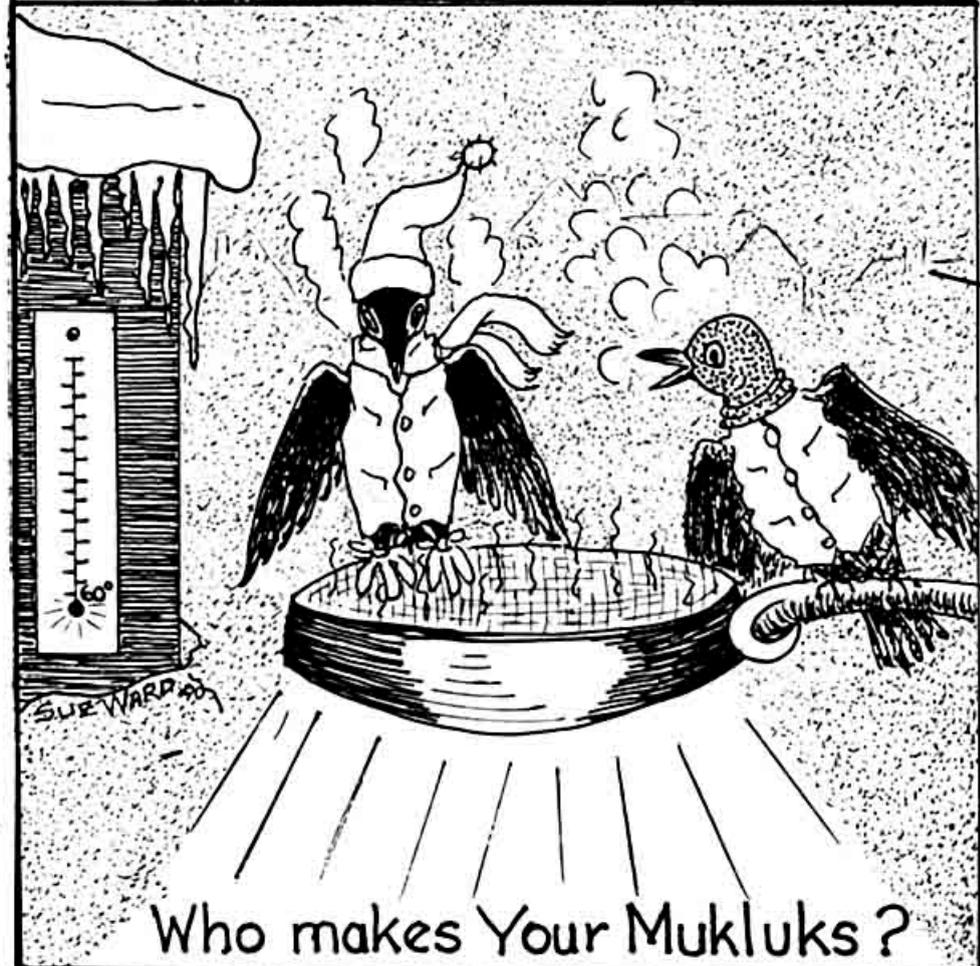
(Ed. Note: Ira Fraser was a bus driver for Norline Coaches for many years.)

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Dear Klondike Sun:

I found an article in the December 14, 1989 issue very interesting. I do not think it should come as a surprise to anyone that Mayor Peter Jenkins claimed a travel allowance for his estranged wife.

The wasting of tax payer dollars in this City, whether City, Territorial or Federal dollars, is obvious for everyone to see. What really gets to me is the double standard, self-righteous hypocrisy in laying blame. In my opinion some people run for office with one object in mind, to get Peter Jenkins, and he manages to oblige, but usually it is only by doing what has been done before.

Why this incident has particularly enraged me is because two years ago when I took over Klondike Travel the City used to purchase air tickets from this Agency. The Mayor, Peter Jenkins, and Councillors would come in and make their own travel arrangements, selecting their preference for Alkan Air or Air North, for what ever reason, time of departure or time of arrival at destination, and this is the way it had been done for years, according to my trusted employee.

Then Mrs. Tunnicliffe became City Manager and without so much as a phone call to say that this would not be acceptable any longer and that a Purchase Order would be required, she got the secretary to phone who said, what did we think we were doing, booking a flight on Alkan at \$210.00 when Air North was flying on the same day at \$170.00 and we were responsible to council,

for spending the taxpayer dollars.

I made the mistake of phoning Mrs. Tunnicliffe and telling her that I did not appreciate being treated as if I were a City employee. The upshot of this altercation needless to say was that the City passed a bylaw and they no longer purchase travel from this Agency at all. Now the amount of money it meant to my agency to book Alkan Air instead of Air North, as requested by the PASSENGER was a total of 32 cents, so you know that it doesn't amount to a hill of beans to me, who we book. For this mistake, my business has been penalized for two years. But this same City Manager can make a mistake costing the taxpayer \$984.00 and the rest, with impunity.

Joan Beriman
Klondike Travel Ltd.

Hi All:

Just a quick hello and greetings for the New Year.

Enclosed please find a cheque for \$12.00 for 12 issues of The Klondike Sun. Please start with the February issue.

We are all well and enjoying our lives here on beautiful Vancouver Island, even tho' it has been rainy for the past 10 days. Just got home from a Bonspiel in White Rock, saw Pete and Brownie and had a good time.

Will probably see you all in the summertime.

Marian Langevin
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WORDS FROM WEBSTER

I had the good fortune, as a delegate representing rural Yukon, to participate in the Annual Convention of the New Democratic Party held in Winnipeg from November 29 to December 3, 1989. Although attending National conventions has not been a priority with me for many reasons (not the least being the personal expense involved), this one was different in one very important aspect: the agenda of this convention included the selection of a New Party Leader.

So I registered as a delegate with the intention of helping to get leader hopeful Audrey McLaughlin elected, and to pay tribute to outgoing leader Ed Broadbent. The latter was important to me, because I wanted to say "thank you" to an individual who was a major influence in my decision to get involved in politics. I have long been an admirer of this politician who speaks his mind and who stands up for what he believes; a gentleman who has brought honour to all parliamentarians. To my way of thinking, any one who after 15 years as a national party leader can still command the respect and enjoy the trust of millions of Canadians, regardless of their political stripe, is more than deserving of my support and show of appreciation.

I remember well just a couple of years ago meeting Ed and Lucille Broadbent when they toured the Yukon during the Federal by-election campaign. They really enjoyed their stay in Dawson which, with the exception of a lunch-hour speech given by Ed to promote his Party's candidate before a crowd of approximately 100 residents, was largely a pleasure trip. They panned for gold, and took in attractions just as any tourist to our town and were thrilled to receive colourful "Land of the Midnight Sun" sweatshirts as mementos of their visit.

What I like most about Ed Broadbent of his numerous attributes is his ability to relate well with all people - a skill which was clearly evident during his visit to Dawson. He is unassuming and unpretentious as he goes about his business; discussing matters of concern with each individual in a sincere, straightforward, and friendly manner.

Ed Broadbent's new replacement, Yukon's own Audrey McLaughlin, follows in the same tradition. Her sincerity, honesty, dedication and trustworthiness, in combination with her sound political instincts, will make her a strong leader of her party, for our times.

by Art Webster, Klondike M.L.A.

Dear Editor:

In response to criticisms that I, as Minister of Tourism, "didn't do his job: in attempting to attract the filming of "White Fang" to Dawson City, I feel compelled to set the record straight.

The Government of Yukon's Tourism Film Promotion Officer personally contacted executives of Walt Disney Pictures in 1988 at Cineposium (the annual Los Angeles exposition for the motion picture industry) when the company first announced its plans to produce "White Fang". Our officer, on behalf of the Government of Yukon, offered company executives an opportunity to examine the Yukon, especially the Dawson City area, as a possible location for the film. Numerous contacts were made by telephone to follow-up our offer.

Following Cineposium 1989, at which our Film Promotion Officer learned that the company was reconsidering its decision to shoot the film in either Montana or Colorado, our Film Promotion Officer, Dick North, seasonal employee of the Klondike Visitor Association, and I met to discuss ways of improving the Yukon and Dawson's position as a potential film location. As a result of that meeting I wrote the Vice-President of Walt Disney Pictures to outline the favourable conditions Dawson City has to offer with respect to shooting this particular film. I also extended the offer of a personally guided, all expense paid tour of the Yukon for both producer and director (refer to letter attached). It was also recognized at this meeting that it was important to involve the City of Dawson, the Dawson City Chamber of Commerce, and the Klondike Visitor Association in contributing to the "White Fang" filming efforts as soon as any positive response was received from the company.

Unfortunately, we were informed by company executives that in considering the expense of moving and lodging a Vancouver-based Canadian film crew, the high wage demands of Canadian Film unions, and the

increasing value of the Canadian dollar, the decision had been made to shoot the film in a U.S. location. The latter two reasons are often cited as the major factors to explain why not one major production was filmed last year in British Columbia; the former "Hollywood North".

The fact of the matter is that Dawson City and the Yukon did not "lose the filming of White Fang", as suggested. Rather, we never received the serious consideration by film company executives that I believe we deserved.

Yours sincerely,
Art Webster
Minister of Tourism

(attached letter)
Mr. Jeffrey Chernov
Vice-President
Motion Picture Development
Walt Disney Pictures
500 South Buena Vista St.
Burbank CA. 91521

Dear Mr. Chernov:

I understand that your company's pursuit of locations for the film *White Fang* has narrowed down the search to Montana and Colorado. Before you lock in the locations, I would like to have the opportunity of persuading you that *White Fang* would be better filmed in the Yukon where a majority of the story is really set.

As you're probably aware, Jack London spent nine months in the Yukon during 1897 and his novel *White Fang* was inspired by the rugged wilderness of the central Yukon, parts of the Northwest Territories and Alaska. The Disney Company has always prided itself on authenticity and in recent years has gone far afield in search of it. I believe the Dawson City area can offer you that authenticity.

As the Minister responsible for Tourism and the Yukon Film Promotion Office, I would like to extend the offer of a personally guided film scout for the producer and director, once they are confirmed, in order that your company can re-examine its location requirements. My

invitation includes return air tickets from Los Angeles to Whitehorse, and all accommodation and meals while here. If you leave L.A. at 8:30 a.m. you can be in Whitehorse by 4:50 p.m., still in the same time zone.

Dawson City, heart of the Klondike and my home town, is a great place for Disney to base its production. Within a acceptable travel radius of the community, you'll find river, mountain and tundra locations to match the script. We even have contacts with a tent making company in Fort McPherson which, with adequate notice, can manufacture Yukon style wall tents for the *White Fang* tent city scene. There are several sternwheel riverboats that can double for coastal steamers and we have plenty of dog sled mushers, handlers and husky/wolf cross canines to meet your extras requirement.

Should you plan a production start next spring in Dawson, you will be able to capture winter, spring and summer in a compressed time frame of between April 1st and June 15th. All this and a guaranteed 12 hour shooting day which will stretch to 20 hours by June.

While I realize the strengthening value of Canada's currency is a negative factor these days, there are many tangible money-saving benefits to filming on location here. As your company has discovered in the past through projects like *Never Cry Wolf*, filmed extensively in the Yukon, you'll find less costly, experienced crews used to Canadian conditions, plus 100 per cent cooperation from municipal and territorial governments.

I should draw your attention to the fact that in the 1996-98 period the Yukon will be celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Great Klondike Gold Rush and there could be considerable publicity benefits if Disney filmed *White Fang* on location as a feature commemorating this world-renowned event.

In closing, I believe it would be a lost opportunity if Disney were not to film *White Fang* where the action actually took place. I am willing to work closely with your company to make a Yukon production decision become reality.

Yours sincerely,
Art Webster
Minister of Tourism

Dear Editor:

I was delighted to learn before Christmas that I had won the *Klondike Sun's* Christmas Memories contest, with the truly splendid prize of a two-year subscription. Upon arrival of the January 1990 issue, with the label reading Ex. May, '92 I realize that for two years I will enjoy great reading of my favourite town and territory - FREE. It is satisfying to find my article on Commissioner Alex. Henderson included, as well.

Iris Warner

Dear Editor:

I would like to say what a fine job the contractor is doing in clearing the snow off the roads, enabling people to walk with safety after a snowfall.

As a senior citizen it is nice to be able to walk along without wondering when you might slip next.

Sheila Jones

APPOINTMENT NOTICE



William A. Dunbar

Mr. Bruce Tavner, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, on behalf of the Board of Directors of Northwestel Inc., is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. William A. Dunbar as President. Mr. Dunbar has been Vice-President of Northwestel since 1984.

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30th ANNIVERSARY OF THE DAWSON CITY MUSEUM & HISTORICAL SOCIETY

by Valerie Baggeley

It was thirty years ago that the Dawson City Museum and Historical Society formally became an incorporated society. We've come a long way since those early days.

The Dawson City Museum had its beginnings in an old fire hall in the 1950's. When the Klondike Tourist Bureau began promoting Dawson as a tourist spot, the town decided they needed a museum. A group of energetic volunteers got together some Gold Rush memorabilia and set up a museum. Each year three to four hundred tourists would visit in the three month operating season. An operating and maintenance grant for three hundred dollars from the Yukon Government became available to registered societies, so in December, 1959, the Dawson City Museum and Historical Society was formed. It was governed by a Board of Trustees. The first Board of Trustees were as follows: Honorary President-Rev. Allan Haldenby, Vice President-W. Roy McPhail, Secretary/Treasurer-Margetta Gaundroue, Trustees-Dr. Paul Kavanagh, Elmer Gaundroue, Mac Munroe and Lillian Munroe. The attention generated by the formation of the society led to a surge of major items being donated to the collection. These items included two steam engines and a diamond stacker, donated by Y.C.G.C. and hauled across the Klondike River by Dick Gillespie. The original location of the Museum was in the old Dawson Fire Hall, situated on Front St. near where the Keno now rests. Ironically, the structure was hit by fire on June 5, 1960. Due to the danger and the degree of damage the building sustained, little was salvageable from the interior of the Museum, but the large equipment outside was saved and hauled away. Immediately the Society met and solicited new memberships and donations. Then began the search for a new home.

The next year the Yukon Government agreed to allow the Dawson City Museum to occupy the Old Territorial Administration Building (O.T.A.B.). The building was constructed in 1901 by the Government architect Thomas Fuller, and had housed government officials from 1901 until the mid-1950's when the capital of the Yukon moved from Dawson to Whitehorse. The building had no heat or running water, and electricity was available only on the main floor.

None of this deterred the energetic Dawson City Museum and Historical Society. They began a frenzy of activity in

order to be open for Dawson's Gold Rush Festival in the following year. The Board of Trustees at that time included President-Allan Innes-Taylor, Vice President-Iris Warner, Secretary-Archdeacon Allan Haldenby and Treasurer-George Shaw. They immediately pitched in to transform the dirty rooms of the O.T.A.B. into galleries suitable to display the Crown Jewel Replicas and the Northwest Mounted Police displays which are reputed to be the first travelling exhibits in the Yukon. Iris Warner spent two days going up and down an enormous ladder pulling out hundreds of small nails imbedded in the walls of the old post office area of the O.T.A.B. Next the walls were covered with paint donated by Ray Lord. A display adorned with a red velvet drop inside. This was to display the Crown Jewel Replicas. So began the Dawson City Museum and Historical Society and its home in the O.T.A.B.

In 1980, the Dawson City Museum applied for and received a \$14,000 grant from the Yukon Government to repair broken windows and install water and sewer lines for a solitary bathroom, and to purchase fire safety equipment. In 1984 an agreement was reached with the Yukon Government to provide a yearly matching grant for the Director's salary. For the first time in the Museum's history, a permanent, year-round Director could be hired.

Then in 1985-86, the Yukon Government spent approximately three million dollars on a complete restoration of the building. At last in November, 1986, the Dawson City Museum and Historical Society had a year-round home, complete with running water, a conservation lab, dark room, two major galleries, and a resource room.

Having a permanent building made an incredible difference in the quality of the two main exhibits. The staff now had a full winter to design and put the exhibits in place.

Although the Director is still the only permanent staff, the Museum generally employs between 4 and 10 people during the winter months, depending on the availability of job creation funding. The Museum has many active volunteers who put in lots of hours of their free time to ensure that the facility runs smoothly.

It's been thirty years since the Dawson City Museum and Historical Society was formed and much progress has occurred. Not only does the Museum now have heat and running water, it also has professional exhibits and a controlled

environment to house the large collection. The Audio-Visual Room has films for viewing during the summer months, and is available for slide shows, musical performances, lectures, and

meetings. There is also a coffee shop where visitors can relax in the summer. The Museum provides Dawson with a focus on its colourful past to which the town owes its existence.

Däänoojé' (Long Time Ago Story) SRAA'KO, EY CHA, ŁUT CLUT "NO SUN AND LOTS OF ICE"

by Gerald R. Isaac

My grandmother, Eliza, told me this "long time ago story" when I was only five years old and growing up on the Moosehide Indian Reserve, three miles downstream from present Dawson City, Yukon. "Long time ago, one season, there was no sun and the ice in the river stay." Our people were very afraid that the Creator was punishing us for some wrongs. We relied upon our shamens to say lots of good prayers. Anyways, one spring a giant shadow floated across the sky and turn the yellow sun into bright orange and the days became long night times. Finally, the sun was no more and the snow and ice in the river stayed. It was hard time for our people because "Łuk cho" (salmon) had to swim under the ice in summertime and were hard to catch in fish trap. Even, gah (rabbit) never change his coat (colour). Moose and caribou get all mix up too. Bull moose get real friendly with each other, that time when the leaves supposed to fall off the trees. Bull moose never grunt and rattle their horns to challenge each other and fight over cow moose and that was because there was no springtime, no summertime, no fall time - only wintertime!"

Some years later, this young Han Gwich'in developed an interest in modern prospecting and geology. In his hobby research, he located a document entitled: Bostock, H.S.: "Geology of Northwest

Shakwak Valley, Yukon Territory"; Geol. Surv., Canada, Mem. 267, (1952). This report gave a full account of a volcanic eruption which took place some 1400 years ago (552 AD).

The source of the eruption was . . . "in all probability in an area near the 141st Meridian, the International Boundary and about 10 miles south of White River."¹

There appeared to be two consecutive volcanic eruptions, which dispersed volcanic ash in an Easterly and Northerly fan formations. The formations literally covered three quarters of present day Yukon.

The easterly fan spewed volcanic ash, which encompassed Carcross, Teslin, Watson Lake, Ross River, Mayo, and even reached the headwaters of the Nahanni and Keel Rivers in the Northwest Territory.

The northerly fan showered volcanic ash over present day Dawson City, Yukon, and also blew ashes north of Eagle, Alaska, and west of Tok Junction in Alaska.

This professional account substantiates my grandmother's "long time ago story" which has been handed down from generation to generation.

¹Bostock, H.S., Geol. Surv., Canada, Mem. 267, 1952, pg. 37.



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A KLONDIKE PIONEER

BITUARY:

EMMA ALICE MELLOR: born July 15, 1908, died January 9th, 1990, Coquitlam, B.C.

Emma was born in Dawson City, the second of three daughters of Nels and Alice Skistad, pioneer Yukoners. She was raised on Sulphur Creek where her father mined, and later at one of the Goldfields landmark roadhouses, the Arlington.

She married Victor Cooper "Jimmy" Mellor on June 13th, 1931, at St. Paul's Church. Jimmy had originally emigrated from England to Canada and joined the RCMP. This work brought him to Dawson. Not long after their marriage, the couple went to live in England where Mary, their first child was born. Shortly after, the family returned to the Yukon living in both Dawson and Bear Creek, where their second child, Ralph was born.

Emma loved music and dancing, and was a member of the Rebekkah Lodge and she was one of the early members of the "Nuttie Club". When the club started the "Klondike Komer", Emma was, for a time, the bookkeeper. In the late 1970's she was presented with a coveted Nutty Club "K-K" pin for her many years of volunteer work.

Her working life took Emma to the

Arcade Cafe as a waitress, and then to the Northern Commercial Co. store where she worked for many years in the Ladies dept. She moved up the ladder to eventually handle the office work, and when the store was burned in 1951, she moved to their new location on Queen Street, where she became Assistant Manager. Following the store's purchase by the DCW Trading Post Ltd. in 1969, Emma remained for an additional two years. Not one to officially retire from work, Emma found that her life in the Klondike was a plus at the Visitor Information Centre when it was on 5th Avenue. She had, by this time, moved south to share her winters with daughter Mary in Coquitlam, B.C., but every summer Emma returned with the geese. She worked at the Visitor Centre until 1973. For many summers she stayed with brother-in-law Fred Caley over his store and eventually she was persuaded to share her love and knowledge of the region by working as a summer guide at the Museum until 1980.

Emma will be remembered as a gentle, friendly and happy person. She took things in her stride, loved her expanding family of grandchildren and great-grandchildren, visiting with Yukoners and ex-Yukoners and keeping track of events in her hometown. Emma was predeceased by husband Jimmy in 1982, sister Dorothy in 1978. She is survived by her sister Emily Coe and husband of Victoria, B.C., her daughter Mary and her husband Gerry Stewart of Coquitlam, B.C., son Ralph and his wife Lil Mellor of Edmonton, Alberta, eight grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren, as well as many nieces and nephews. A funeral service was held at the Coquitlam Funeral Chapel. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Canadian Cancer Society, or to a charity of your choice.

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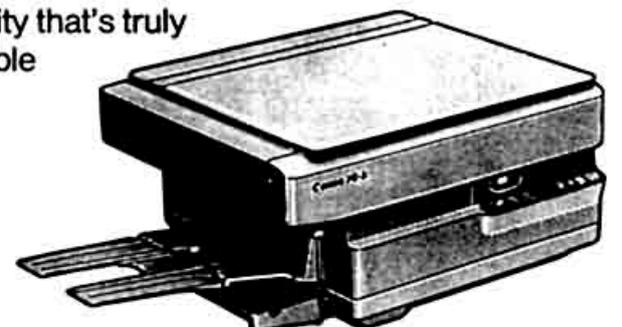
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Superintendent Joanne Smith and Staff rightly decided that the event would be a greater success in the evening, rather than the luncheon happening, allowing more time for fun and games and friendly chit-chat which is so much a part of MacDonald affairs.

At just the right moment voices were stilled as all eyes and, need I say, cameras were focused on the bevy of Imported Whirling Dervishes who, accompanied by wide smiles and Marie Go-Go Dubois' charming voice and guitar, kooche-koocheed their rippling muscles and curves into the hearts of the hilarious audience. Had the whole scene caught fire, rescue would have been near at hand. Great effort, guys!

It was then time to turn the tables so to speak, and orange garbage bag hula skirts were draped about willing? volunteers, Lorenzo Grimard, Frank Ahern, Barb Forsyth and Ellen Berriman, Sue Ward having resurrected one of her favourite songs "She Wears Red Feathers and a Huly-Huly Skirt", along with her old guitar. What a lark!

And a fine gesture it was to have Air Cadets Peter Kindl and Robert Farr join the party in assisting elderly guests in so many caring ways.

The entire evening was such a success that plans are already underway by Staff, Residents, and those of us lucky enough to be included, for a St. Patrick's Bash.

A rumour has it that there was a hidden cameraman in the kitchen who planned a little blackmail at Fire Practice.

THE COMING OF AGE

by Joanne Smith

I think back to that Tropical Night on January 24th and remember what fun it was to pretend that it was warm -- no, HOT! outside. It was a good time for sure. I was so glad that our Hawaiian dancing girls, the Magarrit sisters (alias the Hairy Honolulu sisters) were able to make the party. What grace! I thank them all for entertaining the appreciative crowd. I am sure it will be remembered as the social event of 1990.

The Lodge staff are now gearing up for another party. This one will take on the St. Patrick's Day theme. So book yourself a night at the McLodge St. Patty's party on WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14. Think green! Think shamrocks! See you there!

Every Wednesday night (except for the 14th of March) games night will be held in the Golden Age Drop-In Centre. Games such as scrabble, yahtzee, cribbage, euchre, poker or whatever you can think up will be on hand. Perhaps you can get a group together yourself or a group will form once everyone shows up. The evening is free, coffee and tea will be available. This programme is a joint programme between McDonald Lodge and the City of Dawson. Wanda Schmidt will be hosting the evening. So come on down and visit, play cards and socialize!

There is no smoking in this room, however, smoking will be allowed in the adjoining hall between the Lodge and the Centre.

Happy February Birthday greetings to Bill Kelly, Marie Lamontagne, Marie Hanulik, Lena Christiansen and Jessie Souza (92 years old!).

KLONDIKE OUTREACH NEWS

This is the time of year when the job board is rather empty and those regular Outreach visitors are starting to feel frustrated, but keep heart all you job seekers, now is the time to update those old resumes and start thinking about what kind of summer work you will be hoping to get. Many of the local businesses accept applications for current or future positions, and it never hurts to check in weekly with the employer to see if there are new vacancies. All you folks who want to be tour guides, have you been to the local library or to your Park's office to find study material? Certainly, this time of unemployment can be used fully to upgrade your current skills as well. Have you checked out the Dawson Campus evening course offerings? How

about creating your own learning environment at home? A desk or small table in a quiet corner of the house can be a great aid in finishing up that old correspondence course or reading that historical data of Dawson that you have been putting off until "next winter". Take advantage of your free time, turn off the T.V. and start getting ready for a busy summer and all those university graduates who compete so diligently for the best summer jobs which could be yours!

Employers take note, if you aren't already on the Student Summer Grant mailing list, please call so you won't be late getting your applications out.

Thank You!

From The Dawson Community Christmas Tree Association

I wish to send out a belated thank you to all those who helped with the 1989 Christmas party. If these people had not come forward and volunteered their time the party would not have taken place. Thanks go out to Bev Close, Jim Allison, Dennis Montgomery and the Fire Department, Daryl Buckley, Nancy Sorg, Mitch Ryant, Wendy Burns, Rose Margeson, Chris Hunter, Vicki Roberts, Mona Troberg, Erin Troberg and Holly Kushniryk. For those of you who didn't get a chance to help this year we certainly can use your energy in planning for next year. We will have to do some fund raising. I am hoping to visit my family next December so would love to see some people come forward to organize next year's event. If you are interested in becoming involved contact Norah Paton. I am at the Post Office Monday, Wednesday, or Friday or I have a radio phone - YS3 9504.



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INSIDE/OUTSIDE

It's reassuring when Oldtimers feel well enough to take a jaunt out into the real world of hustle and bustle. OLE LUNDE of MacDonald Lodge and ED BALLENDINE of Seventh Avenue Residence decided to chase a chinook or two in CALGARY. They both have family in that exciting city.

SUE WARD borrowed JOHN GOULD to share the driving to WHITEHORSE finding the city full of Dawsonites, THE BUD NORMAN FAMILY, also AL AND LORRAINE FISK, DEWEY AND BETTY GRONER, attending a seminar on RETIREMENT, having been joined by Dawsonite JIM ELLIOTT. BARB couldn't skip college, but learned the great truths as homework.

Anxious to hear the latest temps were SHERI AND LYLE THOMPSON, returning from Disneyland with LINDSAY and JASON, leaving the "smog-eyes-and-throat behind".

SOUTHERN EXPOSURE: From Cross-Country Skiing to gardening, Dawson has received some great exposure via radio and T.V. since the beginning of the year. JANE VINCENT...married last fall to Dog Musher FRANCOIS VERIGAS... has returned to national Cross-Country skiing competition with a vengeance after retiring from the sport. The former national team member has battled Whooping Cough for some time, so had competed in only two races. At the Canadian National Cross-Country ski Championships, in Mont Sainte Anne, Quebec, January 20th, Jane missed a bronze medal in the 30 kilometre free-style race by 8/10 of a second. The races were featured on C.T.V., with the commentators mentioning Jane's hometown quite often....Her 4th place finish did earn Jane a place on the national "B" team tour, which will be competing on various European spots starting Feb 6th. Way to go JANE!!!!

The past few Saturday mornings, the CBC T.V. program "Canadian Gardener", has featured Yukon's finest private gardens. Dawson gardens received double billing, when the segment showing the fine gardens of MARY HANULIK and MARIA LEDERGERBER were featured one Saturday, and repeated last Sunday a.m. According to producer AL VITTOLES, from Vancouver, a further program will feature the garden of JOHN WEIRDA, February 17th. But, to ensure you do see it, keep your T.V. tuned every Saturday a.m. A video copy of the Dawson segments will be sent to Dawson in the next few weeks.

Some Dawsonites holidaying in Hawaii recently were HARRY and VI CAMPBELL, LINDA BIERLMEIER, DEBBIE and NEAL WORTLEY, JOAN MCKENZIE, DONNA MENDELSON, YVONNE BURIAN, JOHN and JENNIFER FLYNN and her parents, FRAN and BILL HAKONSON, GREG, SHELLEY AND ALEXANDER HAKONSON, and SHELLEY'S mother, DOROTHY.

Returning from New Brunswick and Alberta are CHUCK and ROSE MARGESON.

From Newfoundland, after a visit with daughter CHARMAINE, are AMELIA and BILL GRANDY.

This writer apologizes to NOEL BRAGA for saying he was wearing runners on that trip to Whitehorse, in -41 degree weather. NOEL was upset to think that anyone would think he was that dumb. He says he was wearing mukluks and socks. I will never trust my informant again, Noel.Palma Berger.

It's nice to see former Dawsonite YOLANDA BURKHARD in town. Yolanda is filling in at the Mining Recorder's Office for the next month.

HOW COLD WAS IT? CBC Radio's "Morningside" program host PETER GZOWSKI asked one of the Sun's editors, KATHY JONES-GATES, on January 3rd. At that time, it was a mere -51 degrees celsius.... but the two chatted about Dawson... the License plate debate, and KATHY was able to get in a good plug for our own KLONDIKE SUN by explaining how we started, and that we are all volunteers!

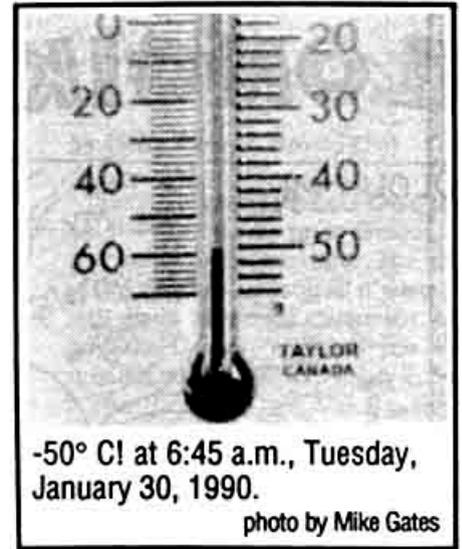
VANCOUVER YUKONERS ASSN. NEWS
(Note: the "Sun" gave this Association a complementary subscription. In exchange we have received a subscription to their newsletter, so will share the highlights..)

About 60 people gathered to enjoy the Christmas Party, and on Vancouver Island, over 100 gathered for the annual Christmas Party of the Yukoners on Vancouver Island.

CONDOLENCES: Amongst the list of names, were the following former Dawsonites: Maggie Diment passed away November 22, 1989; John Bryne, December 13th, 1989; Henry Murphy, December, 1989; Jack Sealey, December 24, 1989 and Emma Mellor, January 9th 1990. (See obituary elsewhere in paper).

ANNUAL BANQUET & DANCE: Saturday, March 17th, 1990 at the Hotel Vancouver. No-Host reception at 5 pm, Dinner at 6:15 pm and Dancing at 9 pm. Cost \$30.00 each. No Host Breakfast at the Hotel Vancouver Spanish Grill, Sunday morning 8:30 am to 11:00 am. The Hotel Vancouver will be offering a special rate of \$98.00 per night, single or double occupancy. Banquet tickets can be purchased from Betty Buffet at 305-130 Keith Rd, North Vancouver, B.C., V7M 1L5. ALL YUKONERS AND EX-YUKONERS ARE WELCOME.

(Editors note: If any of our readers plan to attend and would be prepared to write up the event, and would take some pics for the paper, let us know...we can supply the film!!!)



BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS:

To DEIRDRE and BRUCE MCDOWELL, another bouncing baby boy: RORY, born January 30th at Whitehorse General Hospital; a brother for MARK and KEVIN... and a future recruit for the RCMP, eh BRUCE?

Congratulations to VAL FAMINOFF and RENE MANGOLD on the birth of their second son, CONNOR, a brother for TYLER. This in their new home in Switzerland.

Congratulations to VAL BAGGALEY and TONY THOMAS on the birth of their first child, a girl, CAMILLE ELIZABETH THOMAS, in Whitehorse. CAMILLE will be either another worker for the Museum, or a great Dawson hockey player; only time will tell.

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FROM: GRAMPA, GRANNY, NICOLE,
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AND GRANNY SUE

BUD PEIRSON RETIRES

(Contributed)

Monday, January 15, 1990, was Bud Peirson's last day of work as Foreman of Dawson City Mechanic Shop at the YTG Grader Station. It was a day he had been waiting for over the many years. He came to Dawson from the Whitehorse Shop and held the post of Foreman here for 14 years.

On this special day, he appeared for work at the usual hour -- dressed for the first time in a business suit. "Wanted to know what it felt like, for once in my life, to wear a suit to work" was Bud's remark later that day at a Farewell Dinner held at the Downtown Hotel.

The dinner party was held in his honour by fellow mechanics, operators, and Territorial workers at the Station. It was a total surprise to Bud. His wife, Violet, had promised to take "the man in the suit" out to dinner and he was in shock as she guided him into a dining room filled with his friends and co-workers.

After the feast, Bud was the recipient of many gifts and cards of congratulations, along with some good-natured roasting and toasting.

Among the gifts were pipes and tobacco to replace his chewing tobacco, a coffee maker, a self-serving Cognac set for his wall, a decorative lamp, a belt buckle, a large framed print, and a string tie of black diamond and gold nuggets.

He was also presented with a special gift from his fellow mechanics -- a doughnut shaped pillow on which to rest his exhausted self in the future. On receipt of the pillow, Bud remarked that he could still outrun most everyone in the room.

Bud had some kind words for the shop and its next Foreman, Gerry Crayford, saying that he had really enjoyed working there with an excellent crew over the years. But he admitted to age 64 and looked forward to retirement out on the creeks doing a lot of mining.

Bud and Violet left Dawson late on January 16, 1990, for an extended winter holiday.

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NEWS FROM THE ROCK

Correspondent - Marjie Mann

Imagine - a brand new decade!! I wonder what sort of historic events the next 10 years will bring - and what sort of personal adventures, gains and losses will be in store for us common folk? It's so easy to get philosophical when viewing life in a 10-year period of time. That perspective makes a difference at the way we view all those everyday occurrences...

It really is a small world, isn't it? On our holidays at Christmas in B.C., we were reminded a few times of this "tiny planet". While last minute shopping at a mall in Kelowna, we ran into Bill Oliver of Oliver Construction, a very familiar face during the summer. A few nights later, we were visiting with some friends of my Dad's at the Legion in Westbank. It turned out that one of them is Jean Allison's baby sister! She said she hadn't seen Jim since he was a little guy. Some things have definitely changed! Then, to top it all off, while my son, Jason, was skiing at Lost Mountain near Westbank, he found out about Edgar Blattler's skiing accident at Whistler!! It's funny how that works sometimes.

The petition to provide CBC Television to the Klondike Valley is now in the very capable hands of our MP Audrey McLaughlin. She is very much in favour of the proposal that Wanda Schmidt worked so hard at and will do what she can to have funding included in the 90/91 budget for CBC. So we are all hopeful . . .

Nora Paton offers her thanks to all the neighbourhood gals who came to her house in Henderson Corners to help wrap gifts for the Christmas Tree Party in December. Thanks to Rose, Wendy, Mitch, Daryl, and Nancy. And all of us with kids who got so much from that event thank you as well!!

Welcome home to Chuck, Rose and Melinda Margeson!! A great extended Christmas vacation in Calgary, New Brunswick, and Montreal ended in -50 temperatures back home. But they say they're glad to be back. Their family is less one member now as Barbie has decided to stay in Calgary and attend school there. Barbie is going to be missed by many of us - hopefully she will be back for a visit this summer.

Another welcome home after a long Christmas vacation to Ross and Sherry Lindley and family. How nice to be able to "get out" for a good break!! I hope you had a great time.

Despite incredibly frigid temperatures, most of us in Rock Creek and Henderson Corners are happy to say - Welcome back, sunshine! We know this is the beginning of the renewal of a wonderful romance with old Mr. Sol. Spring is going to come - honest !! And with that in mind, a lot of us are going through the seed catalogues that have already come in the mail. Let's see, what was the variety of that tomato we grew last year that did so well . . .

We have quite a crew out our way who will be participating in the Arctic Winter Games in Yellowknife. Along with Wendy Burns, who is on the mission staff, Gord Kerr, Kyla Burns, and Heather Burns will be doing their athletic thing in the Games - and quite a few others from Dawson. Well done, Gang!!

The grading job on the Rock Creek Road has not been up to the wonderful standard set in December. Once again, we are subjected to frozen washboards on the road and windrows in front of the driveways. Come on, you YTG guys! We really appreciated the good job you did in December - can't you please keep up the good work? Here's hoping.

A big bouquet to Mitch Ryant who has somehow managed to keep her school bus running during this deep, deep freeze. She has seen all our children safely to school - and that is a job not taken lightly in this weather! Thanks Mitch, for your dedication and perseverance.

So, as we enter another decade, another month and another spring not far away, we'll plan our gardens, practice our curling/soccer/snow shoeing, and keep busy at all those other upcoming happenings in and around Dawson. And I'll say - Bye for now!

BROWNIE NEWS

by Holly Reeves, Brown Owl

Since Christmas we have been preparing six Brownies to fly up to Guides and two Tweenies to be enrolled. The girls are ready now and as soon as it warms up we will have a special ceremony together with the Guides. We'll tell you all about it in the next issue.

Our Tawney Owl, Val Baggaley, has been busy, too. Congratulations to Val and Tony from all of us on the birth of your little girl. We'll be looking forward to seeing Tawney Owl and Camille at one of our meetings as soon as she feels up to it.

One of the requirements for the Brownie Golden Hand is to make a scrapbook of people or animals in Canada and other lands. If anyone out there has any old magazines with pictures of animals or people in other lands to donate I would be glad to pick them up. Just give me a call at 993-5425.

We are also looking for volunteers to help out at Brownies. If you enjoy working with children and would like to become involved let me know. Our meetings are from 6:30-8 p.m. every Monday night. It's a lot of fun!



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ABOUT THAT STATUE

by Sue Ward

Dawsonites are, with all else, never slow to react to things that will change their landscape. I recall the year the forest fires had been so close and the Heads of State decided we should all be protected, and a huge strip of the hill behind the town was completely denuded of growth. The heat that act engendered created as much smoke as the fires close by. What a disgraceful scar! I steal a moment to glance at the hill in its winter garb, minus all deciduous decor, and it takes a canny eye to see the shame.

When we were to be diked in, hopefully to prevent any future flooding of our village, we howled because we would no longer be able to gaze at the Mighty Yukon while we waited on the street to do our banking. We love the dike where townsfolk and visitors alike leave the sounds and smells of car traffic aside, pondering the ongoing life of the river, and where, perhaps, we fit into the Big Plan. The bank, meanwhile acquired new space, air-conditioned, on Second Avenue, handily across the street from the food store, and next door to a clothing and specialty shop, exactly what was on Front Street.

The NEW Robert Service School was built right on the site of the original Dawson School, (you can't beat that), and the old school is all through the town, the largest section becoming 32 rooms and a laundromat of the Dawson branch of the Westmark Hotel. Just think, you'll be able to pay a hundred bucks a night, or about that, to sleep in an old schoolroom. Oh, come on, I know it's a winter works project keeping carpenters busy, but it is the old school.

So now to the proposed Statue, 7 feet high, of a male figure, the composite creation from a study of hundreds of Gold Seekers pictures. I tune in my antennas, I receive: "Why a MAN?" Why indeed? "Why not a man and a woman and a horse and a dog?" One might historically add a goat. "That fellow doesn't have the scruffy mean and hungry look of the picture-fellers I've seen!" "Where would you put such a thing? It wouldn't fit into The Dawson Scene." "Wonder what the ravens would think of it?" And do to it?

Let's get serious. This scribe would suggest that a fund of \$68,000 could

produce an ongoing interest-bearing fund which could be used to UPGRADE THE CEMETARIES and provide summer employment every year for many Yukoners until the BI-CENTENNIAL! Sixty-eight thousand dollars is the price-tag on the "Sevenfooter Gent", in case it has slipped your mind. Having spent six summers hopping on buses telling the Klondike story to thousands of travellers, and having chatted with hundreds more while tending my flowers on Princess Street, I know how graveyards fascinate people--especially in Dawson. Let's face it--those dilapidated bits of wood ARE THE STATUES OF THE PIONEERS, GOLD-SEEKERS, WIVES OF GOLD-SEEKERS, CHILDREN OF GOLD-SEEKERS. And a very sorry sight they are. Not because we don't care. Because we have neither the time or the money to get such a program underway on a volunteer basis.

And there is your NEW DAWSON TOURIST ATTRACTION. Let's call a spade a spade.

Remember? That's the first action many a gold seeker saw in the City of Gold. He got a job digging graves. It took him a week as thawed ground was pitched from the four-by-six holes, after he'd cut the wood to feed the fires, to thaw the ground. A foot a day. SURVIVAL was more important than GOLD. Many didn't.

By all means honor the Gold Seeker. Let's start at the beginning! RESTORE THE CEMETARIES!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY THERESA WORRIES FROM THE SUN STAFF



"Raunchy" Rick Saunders of the Kapital Kickers Kan Kan Dancers presents Cam Sigurdson, a worker at the Dawson City Shelter, a new washer and dryer for the Shelter. "Raunchy" is Rick's stage name. The Kapital Kickers perform during Rendezvous in Whitehorse and donate all their earnings to charity around the territory. To date the Kapital Kickers have raised \$47,000. (forty-seven thousand dollars). The playground equipment in the kid's area beside Minto Park was donated to Dawson by the Kapital Kickers. Also, an auction is held each year in Whitehorse to help raise funds. This is the sixth year the Kickers have operated. They would like to thank the following Dawson businesses

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covered, then your ability to see what is happening around you is decreased. If lights are not completely exposed, then their effectiveness is reduced.

Winter brings along many unique driving hazards. Be prepared to combat things, such as icy roads and blowing snow and all of winter's other little tricks.

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The Clearing House

With all the talk and items in newspapers and media about them, what is your definition of a feminist?

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We often hear the expression "Times Marches On" and my question is "Where does Time Go?"

"Where is time from? - obviously from the future. By what way does it pass? - by the present. Where does it go? - into the past."

(St. Augustine 354-430)

Which is the correct way to hang toilet paper, over or under?

We believe this is one of life's decisions that can be left to the individual. Our personal preference happens to be over.

A more informed opinion comes from Pat Cleland, Head Housekeeper at the Downtown Hotel. Hotel procedure is not only to have the end hanging over, but to fold the ends under to make a tidy point or "V". This serves two purposes. It looks neat, and also shows a new hotel guest that the housekeeping staff has covered all bases in cleaning up after the previous occupant.

I am interested in recycling and trying to avoid waste. Do you have any suggestions?

Save plastic and paper bags, and plastic containers. All can be reused.

Foil Xmas wrap takes years to decompose, so try to avoid it. (The same thing applies to tin foil, so try to use it sparingly.)

more another issue

by Ella Patay

As we dig ourselves out of the last snowfall, or breathe a little easier after another bout of -40 C, I suppose it's a natural progression to think of other places one would like to be, where life is less demanding. And thus, we come to holidays. Who doesn't feel a lightening of heart, an uplift in the spirit when they think of vacation time, whether it be skiing in the Alps, basking on the beaches of Bali, or shopping in Vancouver? Picking a place is half the fun.

Currently there are some great seat sales across Canada, but space is limited and restrictions apply. Anyone planning on going away for Spring Break should have been booked yesterday.

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If you're staying in Dawson this winter and dreaming a lot (like me) then enjoy those wondrous things only the Yukon can offer. Have fun at the Quest!!

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The Yukon Conservation Strategy Demonstration Project Fund encourages projects which combine conservation and economic development.

Recent approvals have included \$20,000 to the Yukon Conservation Society for an aluminum can recycling depot and \$9,000 to the Yukon Outfitters Association for a grizzly bear sex identification video.

The Fisheries Initiatives for Sustainable Harvest (F.I.S.H.) fund supports projects which foster the long-term sustainable harvest of fish. For example, the Selkirk Indian Band received \$11,500 for a salmon enhancement project.

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WHAT IS A GRANDMOTHER?

The following was written by a grade 3 student in Vancouver. The grammar, etc. was improved by the teacher, but the thoughts are essentially those of the child. I think it speaks for itself.

WHAT IS A GRANDMOTHER?

A grandmother is a lady who has no children of her own, so she likes other people's girls and boys. A grandfather is a man grandmother. He goes for walks with the boys and they talk about fishing and tractors and like that. Grandmothers

don't have anything to do but be there.

They're old, so they shouldn't play hard or run. It is enough if they drive you to the market where the pretend horse is and have lots of dimes ready, or if they take you for walks they should slow down past things like pretty leaves or caterpillars. They should never say "hurry up".

Usually they are fat, but not too fat to tie kids shoes. They wear glasses and funny underwear and they can take their teeth and gums off.

It is better if they don't typewrite or play games except with us. They don't have to be smart, only answer questions like "why dogs hate cats" and "how come God isn't married." They don't talk baby-talk like visitors do because it is hard to understand.

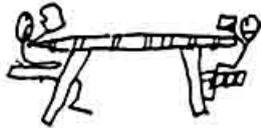
When they read to us, they don't skip pages or mind if it is the same story again. Everybody should have one, especially if you don't have television, because grandmas are the only grownups who have got time.

Grandmothers are nice to me because they love you and they want to be happy. They treat you nice and they love you lots.



Grade 3
Robert Service School
by Vanessa.

Grandmothers are special because they take you places like the zoo. Grandmothers take you on picnics when you want.



Kieran Robert Service School Grad 3

Gramasa are specill
Thy come to your house and ask your mom if you can go for a pop or a pizza. They love you but the do not come out and show you, you can just feel it. They give you money too. They spoil you like never before. Now that is true! They will tell you the trath and tell you jora too. They will tell you stories about their family and what they did when they were kittle.

By Larizza
Grade 3 Robert service school



Grandmothers are nice because they can tell you story and all kinds of things and Grandmothers are special because they never change and they'll always love you.

By Lisa Marie Andersen

Robert Service School

Grandmothers are.....

Grandmothers are nice and somelms they also are mean. Gardmothers are special because they ask you if you would like a pop or a Pizza. They also talk stories when they were little. And they can also tall you jokes. and Gardmothers are vary special peolpe in our family.

By Shane



My Grandmother is special because she gives me money when I don't ever ask for it. She will do boy me almost anything I want.



Shawn Blais Robert Service School Grade 3

Grandmothers are special because they are very, very happy they do like rock'n roll and pizza. They like to walk you to school and read book to you. Darren - Grade 3

Grade 3

Grandmothers are there when you need them.

Grandmothers let you sleep at their house if you don't get enough sleep.



Javor Gordon
Robert Service School
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PUBLIC INVITATION DAWSON CITY OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN MEETING

The Yukon Government requires Dawson City Council to adopt an Official Community Plan in 1990

WHAT IS A COMMUNITY PLAN?

The Plan will designate specific areas of your Town for particular land uses such as housing, commercial, recreational or other public uses, and state the Town's GOALS and OBJECTIVES on how future development should occur.

WHAT IS THE FIRST STEP?

The Town has hired a professional planning consultant to help prepare the Plan. The consultant now needs to hear your issues, desires and needs for future development within Dawson City at a Public Meeting.

DATE: MONDAY, 19 FEBRUARY, 1990
TIME: 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
PLACE: COUNCIL CHAMBERS, TOWN HALL

It will start with a brief presentation of the Community Plan process, followed by an OPEN PUBLIC DISCUSSION on land use issues, desires and needs. For Future Information, contact:

Allanah Tunnicliffe, Town Manager, Phone 993-5434

DINOSAURS IN THE YUKON

By Michael Gates

You could wake up some morning and find a Dinosaur in your back yard! Don't worry!!! According to Philip J. Currie, the head of the Dinosaur Research Program at the Tyrrell Museum of Paleontology, these animals have been dead for about 65 million years, so they aren't going to eat your sled dogs, or trample the garden. This and other facts were revealed at an informative presentation for 45 adults and children, at the Dawson Museum, January 20th. The presentation made for a very informative evening.

Although the Yukon is not noted for being a source of dinosaur fossils, interesting specimens have been uncovered in various regions of the Arctic and Alaska in recent years. Specimens of such creatures as Pachyrhinosaurus and Dromaeosaurus have been uncovered in the north. Pachyrhinosaurus was a dinosaur with massive growths of bone on its head, and a large plate or crest above its skull, with horns growing from it. This species resembles Triceratops. Dromaeosaurus was a small carnivore with a large brain size, and travelled in packs. Forget about the massive Tyrannosaurus; these smaller creatures may have been just as hungry as their larger competition, and smarter, too.

Currie spoke of fossil tracks found in various deposits, including the Peace River area. The tracks tell us that some species of dinosaurs travelled in packs. The tracks also indicate that Tyrannosaurs did not walk along with their tails dragging, as they have been depicted in the movies, and their stride placed one foot in front of the other. Conclusion? They must have had good balance!

These early creatures were not cold blooded reptiles that we have come to accept, according to Currie. Instead, they were social animals who nurtured their young. Fossil impressions of dinosaur skin found at a site in Northwest Alaska.

tell us that their skin was of a pebbly texture, rather than the scaly reptilian skin that has commonly been portrayed.

Dr. Currie has been working in the Arctic in co-operation with Chinese paleontologists for the past few years. They, along with other investigators have discovered some amazing fossils. The list includes duckbill dinosaurs, fossil birds, five foot clam shells, and Plesiosaurus, a marine reptile. These, plus younger plant specimens (only 50 million years old, mind you!!!) found in even the most northerly Arctic Islands, indicate that the north was a vastly different place millions of years ago. Some of the fifty million year old plant remains from Axel Heiberg Island have never fossilized, and would still burn, if placed on a fire. It's too bad that our cars won't last that long!

In his closing remarks, Dr. Currie indicated that in the Yukon, if you are expecting to find dinosaur fossils, you should be looking for late Cretaceous sandstones and mudstones. If you expect to find fossil footprints, look for early Cretaceous coal deposits.

If you are fortunate, and locate one of these intriguing specimens, you might want to contact Dr. Currie at the Tyrrell Museum, Box 7500, Drumheller, Alberta, T0J 0Y0, the telephone number is 1-403-823-7766.

BRAGA WINS SCHOLARSHIP

White Pass President Marvin P. Taylor was pleased to announce that Cindy Braga, a graduate of Robert Service School in Dawson City, is the first recipient of the newly established George Dawson Scholarship. Cindy is presently enrolled in the Administrative Services Program at Yukon College in Whitehorse.

Taylor said his company established the scholarship to honour George

Dawson, an Indian Elder "who was an outstanding Yukon personality, a man of many accomplishments, and a vibrant voice of his people."

Janet Lyon, Manager of White Pass' Dawson Agency, is pleased to extend congratulations to Cindy from members of White Pass staff in Dawson.

White Pass will award the annual \$1,000.00 scholarship to assist a deserving Grade 12 Yukon student in the pursuit of his or her education at Yukon College. To

be considered by the selection board the student applicant must achieve a minimum average of 65% in his or her final year in a Yukon high school.

Student applicants should apply to the Students' Financial Service Officer, Department of Education, P.O. Box 2703, Whitehorse, Yukon, Y1A 2C5. Inquiries may be directed to Mrs. Marjorie Wearmouth at 667-5310.

Contact Marvin P. Taylor
Phone (403) 668-7621

DAWSON - TO - CALLISON LOCAL AREA PLAN PUBLIC MEETING

A detailed land use planning study has been started for the Klondike Valley between Dawson City and the Callison Industrial Subdivision.



The Planning is being conducted by a Planning Committee made up of local representatives, YTG officials and consultants. The Committee invites all those persons having land use interests within this planning area to attend an informal public information meeting.

DATE: SUNDAY, 18 FEBRUARY, 1990
TIME: 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM
PLACE: DOWNTOWN HOTEL

For further information, please contact Fred Berger at 993-5331

The Great Klondike Limerick Contest!

Help celebrate St. Patrick's Day in style. Write us a limerick about any geographic location or subject in the Klondike. Write as many as you like keeping each entry to one verse only.

Deadline for entries is February 26 midnight. Use the drop box at Maximilians or mail to Bag 6040, Dawson. We will assemble a panel of "Distinguished Limerick Connoisseurs" and the results will be announced in the March issue. For more information contact Kathy at 993-5179 or Dan at 993-5045.



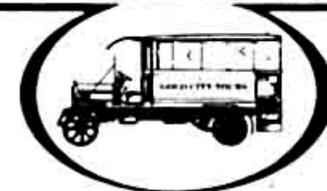
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In keeping with Council's policy of informing residents about new bylaws, the following bylaw will be discussed at a public meeting on February 1/90.

BYLAW #90-01

A Bylaw to regulate the use of land and buildings in the City of Dawson.

WHEREAS the Municipal Act, Chapter 119, Statutes of the Yukon Territory, authorizes the Council of the Town of the City of Dawson to regulate the use of land and buildings, and

WHEREAS the Council of the Town of the City of Dawson deems it to be to the benefit of the City of Dawson that land and building use be regulated,

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Town of the City of Dawson in open meeting assembled, hereby enacts as follows:

1.00 SHORT TITLE

1.01 This Bylaw may be cited as the "Zoning Amendment Bylaw #15".

2.00 AMENDMENTS

2.01 The following Section 66A shall be inserted between Section 66(2) and Section 67(1).

66A RC - Country Residential

66A (1) Permitted Uses

- a) single family dwellings
- b) buildings and structures accessory to the above uses
- c) home occupation uses

66A (2) Development Regulations

1) Minimum Lot Size

The minimum lot size within the RC zone shall be .8 hectares (2.0 acres).

2) Setback and Height

- a) No building or structure or part thereof, except a fence in accordance with section 6.07 of this Bylaw, shall be located within 7.6 metres (25 feet) of any property line.
- b) No accessory buildings and structures shall be located within 3.0 metres (10 feet) of the primary residence.
- c) No primary or accessory building shall exceed 10.7 metres (35 feet) in height.

3) Floor Area

- a) The minimum floor area for a single family dwelling unit shall be 35 square metres (376 square feet).
- b) The floor area for an accessory building shall not exceed 90 square metres (970 square feet).

4) Animal Regulations

- a) No more than 4 household pets, not to include more than 2 dogs, will be permitted on any lot as per the City's existing Dog Control Bylaw.
- b) A kennel permit will be required if more than 2 dogs are to be kept on any lot, and issuance of such a permit will require written approval from all neighboring lot owners within 300 metres (1000 feet) from the lot requesting the permit.
- c) In addition to the above noted household pets or permitted kennel dogs, the total number of livestock animal units permitted on a lot shall be calculated as follows based on lot size:
 - i) 2.0-2.99 acres: one animal unit maximum
 - ii) 3.0-3.99 acres: two animal units maximum
 - iii) 4.0-4.99 acres: three animal units maximum
 - iv) 5.0-5.99 acres: four animal units maximum
 - v) 6.0-10.0 acres: five animal units maximum
- d) For the purposes of this Bylaw, "One Livestock Animal Unit" means:
 - i) 1 horse over one year old, or
 - ii) 2 foals up to one year old, or
 - iii) 1 cow over one year old, or
 - iv) 2 calves up to one year old, or
 - v) 30 chickens, or
 - vi) 10 ducks, turkeys or geese, or
 - vii) 5 sheep or goats, or
 - viii) 20 rabbits

Other animals or combination of animals shall be calculated to conform to the intent of the above list.

- e) No pigs shall be allowed within the RC zone.
- f) Pups and kittens under the age of four months, and livestock offspring dependent on their mother for nursing are exempted from the limits of this subsection.
- g) Fencing, approved in writing by the City Planning Board, shall be required to contain all livestock within a lot, and no livestock shall be allowed to run free other than within the lot.
- h) Notwithstanding the above, no animal shall be kept that causes an offensive odour that can be smelled on any neighbouring properties.

6) Other Provisions

- a) One dwelling unit shall be permitted per lot.
- b) At least two off-street parking spaces shall be provided on each lot, plus at least one additional off-street parking space if the dwelling unit contains a living suite.
- c) Goods or materials shall not be stored or displayed in a yard abutting a street of any lot in a Country Residential Zone. Storage of garden equipment, garden furniture, unlicensed vehicles, boats, firewood and other such goods or materials normally associated with the enjoyment of residential property is permitted in the rear and side yards only of any lot in a Country Residential Zone.
- d) No outhouses or holding tanks for sanitary sewage storage and/or disposal shall be allowed in the RC zone, and each lot shall include a private septic field-type sewage disposal system governed by regulations passed under the Public Health Act, with a permit obtained from the Environmental Health Officer.
- e) Each lot in an RC zone shall include an approved water holding tank for water delivery as per the City's Water Delivery Bylaw.
- f) Excavation is permitted within the RC zone only as required for residential and/or landscaping purposes on the same lot as the excavation.
- g) Where Special Permission is required under this Bylaw as per subsection 6.16, the boundaries of property owners from which written approval is required shall extend 200 metres (670 feet) from the applicant's property.

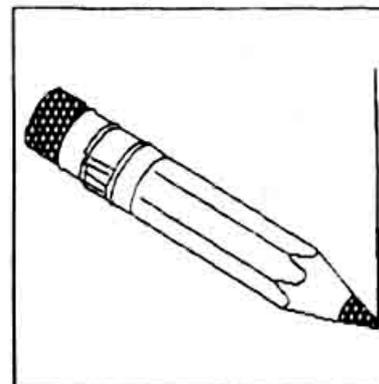
2.02 The following shall be added to Section 38.

38 (3) Density

The maximum net density shall be 40 dwelling units per hectare (16 dwelling units per acre) for row and townhousing, and 74 units per hectare (30 units per acre) for apartment housing.

3.00 ENACTMENT

3.01 The provisions of this Bylaw shall come into full force and effect upon the passing thereof.



PLANNING BOARD

The City of Dawson Planning Board would like to remind you about areas under their jurisdiction.

HISTORICAL CONTROL

The historical control guidelines are designed so that Dawson will be recreated as it was during the gold rush of 1898. All new buildings and most improvements to existing buildings need to meet these guidelines (except for the new Dome Sub-division.)

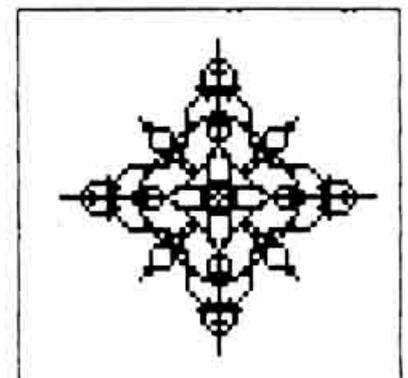
NEW CONSTRUCTION

Before you start on any new construction (including building a new structure, adding to or tearing down an existing structure), you are required to submit plans to the Dawson City Planning Board for their approval. Examples of new construction include building a house, adding a storm porch, changing your windows, building a fence, putting up a sign, & moving a building.

ABOUT THE PLANNING BOARD

The Board meets on the 2nd & 4th Thursday of each month. Plans must be submitted to the City Office no later than 4PM, on the Tuesday before the meeting.

For more information, contact any member of the Planning Board or call the City Office. You can look at copies of the City's Building and Zoning bylaws at the library.



SNOW REMOVAL

Residents are asked to show consideration for their neighbours and for the City. Please do not store unused vehicles on the streets. The snow plow is unable to do a proper job of snow removal when vehicles are left on the street for long periods of time. The City may be forced to tow away any vehicles that are not removed by their owners.

ART ATTACK

by Pauline Scott

This town continues to offer all kinds of Arts opportunities. Steve Mills, a terrific Print Maker, is coming to the Territory in March to open another show of his work. (If you don't know Steve's work check out the Downtown Conference Room... Bob Laking has several of Steve's prints on display.) Dawson and Whitehorse have been chosen for the two places he's agreed to do workshops while he's here. The workshop is limited to SIX ONLY. It will take place Friday night March 23rd and all day Saturday March 24th. The fee will be only \$25.00 for the course, and there may be some material costs. Please contact me as soon as possible if you are interested in taking this course. There will be a need to pre-draw something on a metal plate BEFORE THE COURSE and I will have to make the arrangements to get that to you. This course is being subsidized by Friends of the Gallery and YTG. Thanks to Bob Laking at the Downtown too, for assistance with hotel and transportation.

Art's Council Memberships put artists and those interested in the arts in touch with what's happening. The regular newsletter is a valuable source of information. The Arts Council acts as an advocate for artists, helps to formulate Arts Policy in the Yukon as well as operating the annual Touring Program, Artists in the Schools programs, Summer Arts School, and operate the resource center for Artists. Individual Memberships are only \$10.00. The Arts Council wants your opinion about:

- *CAR/FAC and establishing an outlet here in the Yukon
- only 10 artists plug the Yukon into the national program and the national information
- *WHAT PROGRAMS ARE WORKING AND WHAT NEEDS TO BE AXED?
- *HOW CAN THE ARTS COUNCIL BE MORE USEFUL TO THE COMMUNITIES AND INDIVIDUAL ARTISTS AND ARTS GROUPS?

The Arts Council is looking for Artists RIGHT NOW to sign up for Artists in the Schools Programs. The pay is \$40.00 per hour. This includes 45 min. teaching time and 15 min. prep. time.

Our school has requested: Drama/Mime, Mask Making, Drawing, Metal Work, Pottery, Poetry, Fiction. Contact Chris Wheeler the Program Co-ordinator at the Arts Council office about the details. They don't want to have to send Whitehorse Artists to teach these things in our community. If you are interested in teaching ANY art form, register with the office.

*The "There's a Hole in My Roof" art competition is closed Feb. 2nd. I have the "Friends of the Gallery Newsletter" with all kinds of Art exhibits and competitions listed... give me a call to have a look at it.

*The Drama Club is planning their extravaganza for March. Watch for it.

*Les Boucherons will be coming to Dawson in early to mid-April. Scheduling problems for their tour have caused this delay. The other tour for the spring is the Puppeteers and hopefully one additional tour.

THE DAWSON CITY DRAMA CLUB CHALLENGES ALL

by Cam Sigurdson

Businesses, clubs, organizations, institutions, associations, societies and private individuals are challenged to enter contestants in the "Mr. Leprechaun" contest to be held during the "St. Patrick's Day Variety Show". This is the next event scheduled by the DCDC and will take place at the Tro Chu Tin Hall on Saturday, 17 March, 1990. Some of the events in the contest will be: a hairy chest competition, a dirty joke/dirty limerick contest, a moose-calling competition and a green underwear/swimwear competition. As you may have guessed, this is an over 19 only production.

For more information, and to enter your contestant, contact Dennis

Montgomery at 993-5434 days and 993-5601 evenings. At last count there were already six contestants entered. So hurry and get your contestant entered. There will be some entertainment in between each event and promises to be another Drama Club special event. Watch for posters around town in the coming weeks.

Belated thank-you's to everyone who helped us out during the Hallowe'en extravaganza at the Fire Hall. The whole evening was a howling success and should prove to be a continuing successful annual event. Many thanks to the firemen for such a great idea!

More belated thank-you's are extended to all the people and businesses who donated time, supplies and discounts for our "Beyond Hallowe'en" production of "The Rocky Horror Picture Show". This was also a great success. Even though it was a frosty -47 C we had a great turnout. About 90 people braved the cold (and saved my neck) to see one of the most famous cult movies of all time. The costumes were fantastic! There sure are a lot of cute guys (or were they girls?!?) out there. Talk about "getting in the spirit"! This is something that we would like to see as an annual event. So start saving your t.p. ends and get your water pistols loaded for next year's "Beyond Hallowe'en" Film Festival.

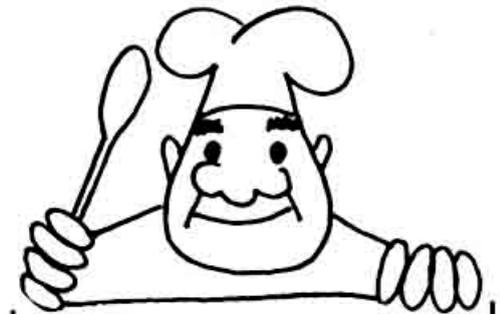
Robbie Van Rump was awarded a bottle of wine for the best costume. (I hear he and Dennis are already planning next year's costumes (if that's what those skinny little things you guys wore were called) and we're all looking forward to lending them any little thing they might need. I would dearly love to list everyone who should be on this thank-you list, but I'm afraid I've lost the darn thing, so rather than offend anyone by forgetting to mention them, we'd just like to say thanks to all of you and I promise next year not to lose the list.

Well, enough fumbling already. I'm off on a much deserved holiday for a month in another couple of weeks and shall return in time for St. Patty's Variety Show. See

you all there!

P.S. By the way, Merry Christmas and Happy 1990! Better late than never. (Who was the first person to say that anyway? Whoever it was, thanks to you, too) This time I'll say good-bye for real.

P.P.S. Anyone out there with a thesaurus? I need other words for "successful" and "event". Really for real Bye...



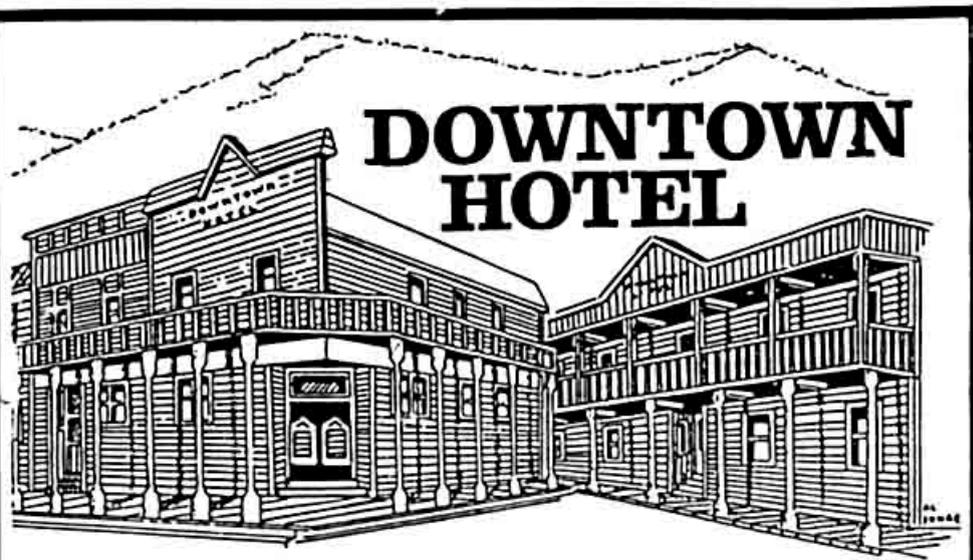
CHEF de CUISINE du CANADA, Dawson City's "Uncle John" was pleased to contribute one of his favourite simple recipes. He further offers to solve any culinary problems our Readers may encounter.

GRAMMAS POPPY SEED CAKE

By John Kolida

1/2 cup poppy seed	125 ml
1 cup milk	250 ml
1/2 cup butter	125 ml
1 1/2 cups sugar	375 ml
3 egg yolks, well beaten	
2 cups flour	500 ml
2 1/2 tsp. baking powder	
3 egg whites	

Soak poppy seeds overnight in milk. Cream butter and sugar well. Add beaten egg yolks. Sift flour and baking powder and add to batter alternately with milk and poppy seed mixture. Fold in stiffly beaten egg white. Bake in greased layer pans in 375 F (or 190 C) oven for 30 min. Cool and ice with your favourite chocolate icing. Or serve with whip cream and apple sauce.



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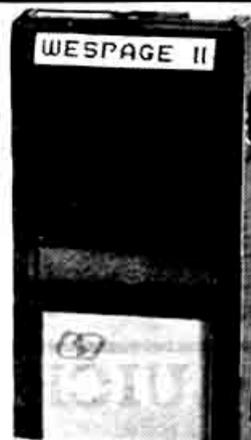
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CURLING CLUB NEWS

After a two month interruption in activities due to the Rec Centre fire, the Curling Club is finally getting back into the swing of things.

The Commercial Spiel of Jan. 20 and 21 was a success with 10 teams entered. Thanks to Giovanni Castellarin and his last-minute Pards Canada team that was needed to round off the numbers. Winners were:

A Event -

- 1st Place MacKenzie Petroleum - Earl Mackenzie skip
2nd Place Parks Canada - Giovanni Castellarin skip
3rd Place Parks Canada - Howard Mann skip

B Event

- 1st Place YTG - Art Christianson skip
2nd place Human Resources - Akio Sato skip
3rd place Triple J - Jim Bierlmeier skip

C Event

1st place Firehall - Chris Mayes skip
Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves and we urge new curlers to sign up for the next draw! Apologies to Elaine from the nursing station - a glitz in communications resulted in loosing several calls for the "nurse on call".

Fees for the 89/90 season are:

Full Membership \$100.00 per person
\$175.00 per couple
\$25.00 per student

Social Membership \$15.00

Draw Fee \$25.00 per draw

Full membership entitles the member to curl in all draws, social membership entitles the member to access the Curling

Club facilities and spare, and the draw fee entitles the curler to curl during that particular draw only. We still have three draws left in this season, the next one beginning mid-February. If you are interested in signing up, give Paul a call at 993-5036 or Chris at 993-5789 or come on over to the Curling Club on Monday or Thursday evenings.

We are really proud of our Junior Girls Team - Tanya Taylor, Candy Holloway, Dina Nagano and Kayreen Brickner and their coach, Mark Castellarin. The girls did really well during the playdowns in Whitehorse on January 20 and 21 and are looking forward to participating in the Arctic Winter Games in Yellowknife. Our friend Deb Wittingham will be accompanying the girls on that trip.

Entries are being accepted for the 91st International Bonspiel on March 1-3. Please see our ad for this important event elsewhere in the "Sun".

Our next bonspiel is a family funspiel on February 11th. This will be in conjunction with the Heart Foundation. All entry fees will be donated to the Heart Foundation and they will be providing the Curling Club with prizes for the bonspiel. The Heart Foundation will also be awarding an ounce of gold to the person who raises the most pledges. Pledge sheets are available from any club member. The family spiel will be 4-enders and each team must have at least 2 family members on it. Come on out and enjoy a fun afternoon with the whole family at the Curling Club - and support the Heart Foundation at the same time. Hope we see you there!!!

Richard McMaster 1st alternate; 14 & under Girls Soccer, Kyla Burns; John Flynn, Kevin Anderson for Sr. Mens Snowshoe Biathlon; Ann Nason, Joanne Hunston for Sr. Womens Snowshoe Biathlon; Jr. Snowshoe Biathlon, Gordon Kerr; Lenore Jenkins, David Miller for Badminton.



ROSES ROSES ROSES

For our Recreation Director Holley Kushniryk.

Its hard to express in words my appreciation for all the tasks you have accomplished since arriving in our fair town. Your dedication to your work, bubbly personality, and smile will never be forgotten.

Thank you from a friend, co-worker on special events, mother and as a member of our small community. Wendy Burns

Hockey Report

prepared by Bob Sutherland and Dennis Walton

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T. Thomas
M. Matchett

COME OUT AND CHEER FOR YOUR TEAMS!

Dawson Senior Hockey League-Goalie Stats-Jan.30

Name	Team	Number	GP	Record	GA	GAA	Pim
Poncho Rudniski	K.S.M.	1	11	9-2-0	43	3.91	0
Richard Nagano	Downtown	33	14	8-6-0	64	4.57	0
Simon Nagano	MacKenzie	31	16	9-7-0	85	5.31	6
Coleman Johnson	Generals	1	12	1-11-0	94	7.83	0
Mike Fraser	K.S.M.	1	1	0-1-0	8	8.00	0

Dawson Senior Hockey League-Standings-Jan.30

Team	GP	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
MacKenzie	14	9	5	0	18	85	67
Downtown	14	9	5	0	18	91	65
K.S.M.	13	8	5	0	16	74	76
Generals	13	1	12	0	2	33	98

Dawson Senior Hockey League-Scoring Leaders-Jan.30

Name	Team	Number	GP	Goals	Assists	Points	Pim
Ted Taylor	MacKenzie	11	14	32	27	59	11
Frank Kormendy	K.S.M.	17	13	17	26	43	49
Fred Farr	Downtown	10	13	26	17	43	9
Darren Kormendy	K.S.M.	12	13	16	19	35	13
John Taylor	MacKenzie	14	14	13	22	35	3
Duane Taylor	K.S.M.	4	13	11	17	28	8
Kevin Anderson	MacKenzie	4	13	16	9	25	21
Kiern Daunt	Downtown	14	12	9	16	25	0
Fred Taylor	K.S.M.	7	12	8	13	21	20
Perry Kolpin	Downtown	9	13	11	10	21	0

DAWSON WILL BE MIGHTY IN 1990 AT ARCTIC WINTER GAMES

Congratulations to our own Arctic Winter Games Athletes.

You have made your community proud. So join with me citizens of Dawson City, Bear Creek, Rock Creek and Henderson Corner in wishing them all the best of luck in Yellowknife.

Tanya Taylor, Dina Nagano, Kayreen Brickner, Candice Holloway for Jr. Womens Curling, and coaching them will be Debbie Whittingham, now living in Whitehorse; Colette Pilon for Sr. Ladies Volleyball; Dennis Mierau for Sr. Mens Volleyball; Gary Zeller & Duane MacKenzie for Jr. Mens Volleyball; Lianne MacKenzie for Jr. Womens Volleyball; for Jr. Boys Soccer, Derick Bilodeau, 1st alternate Jeff Barber; Jr. Girls Volleyball, Heather Burns, Vicki Crayford, 1st alternate Renee Brickner; 14 & under Boys Soccer, Jason Henry,



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The Sun Classifieds

RE THE PROPOSED PIONEER STATUE - THE GOLDMINER

by Palma Berger

This statue does not really appeal to this writer. It is the statue of a man used to being well fed, his clothes look almost tailored, and he has the stance of a Charlton Heston waiting for the cameras to roll.

The goldseekers were men who were hungry for money. There was a depression on at the time of the Klondike Gold Rush. There was no work down south; so these men came north to seek the gold that would solve their dilemma. The stance should show either the need for gold or the greed for gold. This man shows neither.

So much of the labour had to be done by hand, but this man looks as if he is using the shovel as a prop, not a tool. Life up here was physically very hard on any man who had to toil for gold. This man is not bent from any back breaking work.

His face looks too open, almost too fresh. Did he just arrive? If not he should have developed the wary look of a battler not giving up, or the disillusionment of failing to find the gold or even finding that members of the human race are not all they are cracked up to be. Or perhaps he has found gold, and says what now?

Sorry, but he does not look convincing.

This era was not just finding gold. It was history making, life changing, country opening and grabbing for Territory. It had international ramifications; Governments were concerned. Therefore it is the matter of just who helped battle through the Gold Rush era. It was not just the man. It was his dogs, maybe a woman, maybe some native people, the pack animals, the care givers, the civil servants, the business people, the NWMP etc. Should these people not also be represented, symbolically, at least?



PREGNANT? WANT A HEALTHY BABY?

Let us give you the facts and information required to produce a healthy baby. Prenatal classes are available at the Nursing Station. Please contact Charlotte at 993-5333 and we can set up dates and times for the sessions. NINE MONTHS OF PREGNANCY AFFECTS THE BABY'S FUTURE.

Read Canada

Do you love to read? Could you share your love of reading with the children of your community? Can you spare one hour a week?

At READ CANADA, we believe that with your help, we can turn children on to reading. We help set up "Reading Circles" across Canada, to help children discover that reading is fun. Reading Circles can be established anywhere and everywhere - we go where the children are.

As part of literacy year, the Yukon and the government of Canada, are seeking to promote reading by young people. Dawson's children would benefit from an after school or weekend group which promotes the love of reading in a spirit of fellowship and fun. If you are interested in becoming involved in such a program, or would like more information, please contact Betty Davidson, 993-5045. Sharon Westberg, Yukon's representative for READ CANADA, would be happy to come and help us develop a Reading Circle.

Choir Rockerthon

In an effort to raise money for our trip to the Rotary Music Festival at Whitehorse in April, the choir will be holding its second annual Rockerthon on March 3rd. We need your support.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY REDNECK RAY

WANT TO BEAT THOSE WINTER BLUES? GAMES! PRIZES! FOOD! THEN THE PLACE TO BE IS: ROBERT SERVICE SCHOOL ON THURSDAY, MARCH 8 6-8 P.M. The Staff is hosting Au Carnival

Come join us for a fun-filled evening of family entertainment. EVERYONE WELCOME! PROCEEDS WILL GO TO SUPPORT THE FIRE DEPT.'S "JAWS OF LIFE" CAMPAIGN AS WELL AS PROGRAMS AT THE SCHOOL.

KVA COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENT

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Dawson City Fire Dept.	Vicki Crayford
Dawson Indian Band	Sandra Roberts
Royal Canadian Legion	Namiko Salto

Classifieds

GOLD - 12 CLAIMS, DAWSON mining area, easy access off Bonanza Creek Road 11 miles from Dawson City. For information, write: P.O. Box 5360, Whitehorse Y1A 4Z2. telephone 403-668-2388.

WANTED: PORTABLE ARC WELDERS TO RENT, for Welding Course starting March 16th - 25th. Call Dawson Campus 993-5231.

FOR SALE OR TRADE BRAND NEW NINTENDO GAME "DONKEY KONG CLASSICS" Call 993-6610

FOR SALE: Two-bedroom house on 45' x 100' lot, \$50,000.00. On corner of Princess & 6th Ave. lane. Phone Fred Berger: 993-5331 (Bus.) or 993-5805 (home).

FOR SALE: 1985 TOYOTA TERCEL WAGON, 4WD, green, 5 speed manual, power steering & power brakes; block heater, AM/FM Cassette radio; Sun-Roof; very clean; 40 miles to the gallon; 50,000 km; maintenance check-up done in Dec. '89 in Whitehorse. Asking: \$11,980.00; contact Sylvia and 993-5086 (A.M.)

GOLD--50 claims on Moose Creek. Access from the Top of the World Highway near Alaska Border. For information write Moose, Site 15, Comp 58, RR 2, Whitehorse, Yukon, Y1A 5A5 or phone 403-668-6888.

FOR SALE: 1978 ATCO PRESTIGE MOBILE HOME - 14' x 70'. Three bedrooms, large bathroom, open kitchen and living room, propane fittings throughout, furnace and cookstove inc., semi-furnished, washing machine and new rugs throughout. PRICE; \$26,000. Price includes moving home to permanent position. Contact Sylvia at 993-5086 (a.m.).



WANTED Older Style BATHTUB, slanted back. Call 993-6610

The Arctic Potters Guild

Anyone interested in this newly formed club - please contact: Paula - 993-6017 Karen - 993-5504

LOST OR STOLEN: One ladies purse at Downtown Hotel, Dec 9th. Contents include City pager and personal I.D., very important, please return. Any information please contact the RCMP.

Found: One small ring outside Maximilians. Contact 993-6017.

FOR RENT: 3 bedroom house in Dawson. Asking \$800.00 per month. Available immediately. phone 667-4138

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DEADLINES for our next issue will be Feb. 26 or sooner. We will be appearing on the stands on March 8.

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We are now accepting registrations for the following courses and workshops:

- Understanding Social Problems
- Effective Supervision
- Marketing for Small Businesses
- Goldsmithing
- Running Effective Meetings
- Volunteer Survival
- Public Speaking

These courses are in danger of being cancelled if we do not have sufficient registrations by February 16th. Please call us for more information - 993-5231

NOTICE TO LAND CLAIMS BENEFICIARIES

All transfers for enrollment will cease from January 8, 1990 to January 8, 1991. The transfers will cease until all communities in the Yukon have their master list made. For further information, please contact your Band Office at (403) 993-5385 and ask for Louise Drugan or the Enrollment Commission at 668-3562 in Whitehorse.

Dawson City General Store

Store hours:

Monday to Thursday 10:00-6:00
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Kleenex			
Tissue	200's		1.39
Del Monte Summer Crisp			
Whole Kernel Corn	tin		1.09
Premium Plus			
Crackers	900 gr.		3.99
Alpha			
Creamed Honey	1 kg.		4.99
Lee's			
Soya Sauce	5 oz.		1.29
A.B.C. Concentrated			
Detergent	8 l.		8.99
Dial			
Deodorant Soap	3-Bar pack		2.59
Carnation			
Hot Chocolate	10-28 gr. envelopes		2.59
Berryland			
Applesauce	398 ml. tin		1.19
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Bologna	500 gr.		2.99 pkg
Slab			
Bacon		1.89 lb/4.16 kg	



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Bananas		.89 lb/1.96 kg	
Granny Smith			
Apples		1.09 lb/2.44 kg	
Potatoes	5 lb. bag		2.69 ea
Leaf Lettuce	head		.99 ea

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Hamburger Buns	8's		1.79
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