

MOCCASIN TELEGRAPH – 214th Edition – July 29th, 2007

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Jade Boulder

Photos courtesy George Millen george_millen@hotmail.com (In Watson Lake BC)

These photos were taken a few days ago at Provencher Lake, East of Dease Lake BC. They depict a Jade boulder that far surpasses anything previously found in quality. In the one photo is Butch Tireman, a longtime prospector of Jade in this area who found this incredible specimen.

– George Millen

Andover-Harvard Yukon Expedition 1948

Continued

Field Notes of Elmer Harp Jr. Dartmouth College North to the Yukon Territory via the Alcan Highway in 1948

Sunday 13 June 1948

Very hot, still day; the summer weather seems to be rapidly pushing towards its peak. Finally left about 9 AM and went down to MILE-1013 where road cuts terrace above Pine Lake. Chips found here on several occasions where bulldozer has scraped down into the red soil. Troweled out a series of small squares along edge of this cut; got a few more chips. Had to keep smudge fires going back of each pit. Red soil here lies on lake clay and is wet because of poor drainage. Back to camp for 1 PM lunch and stayed in rest of afternoon.

Took a bath in the creek, did some laundry and finished “Case of the Caretaker’s Cat.” Very hot in tents until breeze came up late in afternoon. Drove up to Bear Creek. With Dave after dinner and fished hole just below bridge. Used a black bi-visible and finally lost count of the small ones I threw back in; at last kept 5 small chub and grayling from 8"-10" and Dave brought home 3 so we’ll have a taste for breakfast. I think we must find good deep holes to catch much in the way of fish; this hole was perhaps 3-4 ft. deep.



Indian food caches at Bear Creek

Monday 14 June 1948

Another hot day. Mosquitoes very bad everywhere. Got a late start and cruised down the road checking soil profiles at airstrip, MILE-1013, and other spots. Drove back in the trail to Pine Lake, a beautiful place. Two rowboats there, so must return for a bit of fishing. Put out a carelessly left campfire which was still smoldering in the duff. In afternoon checked barometric altitudes of various sites along the road and went back to airstrip and hiked back up Pine Creek to point where its profile breaks away. Letter from Elaine and wrote her in evening. Read Dorothy Hugh’s “The Delicate Ape.”

Tuesday 15 June 1948

Again very hot—up to 90° in shade. Collected poplars today. In the morning up to Bear Creek summit and worked this side of divide; in afternoon worked the terraces above Mackintosh’s. All went down to movie in evening at MILE-1016; Susan Peters in “The Sign of the Ram”—very good. Extremely heavy smoke haze all through valley today almost blotting out the mountains To SE. Constable Johnson says Klu Lake fire is running out of control along 10 mile front and is bad.

Wednesday 16 June 1948

Kind of a rough day—very hot, dry and mosquitoes vicious. Clouded up with thunderheads all around us, but by evening it was clear again. Still the same heavy smoke haze. Worked up around Bear Creek AM and PM, checking profiles and chasing out lake beaches. Finally found a high level of dry kye up in a spruce woods, indicating a recessional level of Lake #2, or the high level of Lake #3, and equating with site on old Pioneer Rd. S of MILE-1016. No mail for anyone today. Rigged up my bednet outside between some trees for a shaded place at mid-day after lunch when the tents are too hot. Card to Jack.

Thursday 17 June 1948

Again a blasted hot day with mosquitoes like tigers. Cruised around in car most of AM checking altitudes at air-strip and on thru to Aishihik River. Also hunted for artifacts along the road from airstrip down Pine Creek. Card from Jack via Kluane. In afternoon walked the -40' Alsek beach tracing it out farther and locating some interesting drowned-out stump on the strand line.

Back to camp early and relaxed. Nobody much good on these still, hot days. Smoke in valley reached record height today and almost completely obscured the Dezadeash Mountains back of us. Evening very pleasant with enough breeze so that we could sit around the fire for first time in a week.

Thunder-heads pile up by day, but disappear each night. Summer rainfall about 4" here, as I remember, and still none.

Friday 18 June 1948

All the Raup's in to Whitehorse in the truck after breakfast to meet Karl, supposed to be flying in tonight. Took the Chevy with Fred and Bill and a pack lunch and drove down to Champagne, 44 miles back. Large esker cuts across from mountains Here and shoulders off the Shakwak Valley; Dezadeash running N from its lake turns hard left and runs W down valley into Alsek. Large trading post at Champagne and a very sizeable Indian village stretching back up the river. Also a well developed cemetery across the Highway. Went up on esker to view the fire which looks very bad and raging across a front of perhaps 8 miles; has already passed over mountains to N side; huge convection clouds formed over it. Hiked back thru post and down to river and there in a series of blown out dunes found several sites where the sand is littered with chips, bone artifacts. All neatly underlies the volcanic ash, and the X-section appears to equate perfectly with that at Canyon-1. Also found chips in site in red layer directly over coarse gray water laid sand. Spent aft test pitting; swell spot to work—just above river and strong breeze kept all mosquitoes away. Drury and I took a short swim before going back to camp. Surprise show in evening; Betty Grable and June Haver in "The Dolly Sisters"—fair. Drove the Homesteader back to his farm afterwards. Peculiar cloudiness moved in from S today, up Haines Rd.; looks more promising for rain.

Movie .35

Saturday 19 June 1948

Cooler and cloudy today. Back to Champagne with a lunch and cut a test trench at Site #1. Later moved around the bend to Site #3 which looks more productive.

Chips in sites at #2 just over coarse gray sand. Raup's dropped by about noon and continued on to Pine Creek. Dave brought me back a supply of Stationery, Post Cards, Stamps, Ink, etc. etc. 4.44
4 Rolls #127 Super XX 1.40
Additional Post Cards .35
Cards from Jack and Geoff and letter from Elaine (June 15th) via Burwash--no mail from me at home since one from Whitehorse. 5 en route somewhere.
Wrote home.



Fred and me excavating Champagne -1

To be continued

Politics and Population

The Yukon's political evolution has always been closely tied to the territory's population growth ... or decline. And that, until recent times, has been tied to the state of the mining industry.

When the Yukon became a territory in 1898, the best guess at the population would be somewhere around 40 thousand. Three years later, in 1901, the official census revealed that 27 thousand people called the Yukon their home. By 1908, there were but ten thousand people in the territory. Yet that year, a federal legislation for the first time allowed for a fully elected council of 10 members.

But it wouldn't last long. By 1919, the population had dwindled to a mere four thousand residents. And the elected council was reduced to three members. Also that year, the office of commissioner which had been established in 1898, was abolished. The legendary George Black was the last commissioner until the office was re-established in 1948. The duties were transferred to the gold commissioner, the first being G.P Mackenzie. This remained the all powerful political position in the Yukon and controlled all money bills and legislation.

In the 1930s, there was a further decline in the Yukon's population and the gold commissioner's position was abolished. In 1932, the control of the territorial government came under the office of the Yukon's comptroller George Jeckell held the position until 1947. Though the title had changed, the powers if anything were greater. Jeckell almost single handedly ran the Yukon's affair for 15 years.

But with the coming of the Alaska highway, and the post war growth of the mining industry, the population was once again on the increase especially in the southern Yukon. The office of Commissioner was re-established in 1948. In 1951, the territorial council was increased to five elected members. In 1953, the growing town of Whitehorse became the Yukon capital.

A CKRW Yukon Nugget by Les McLaughlin
Courtesy Rolf & Marg Hougen marg*hougens.com (In Whitehorse)



Sunset in Yukon 1960's
Photo courtesy Gina Span ginaspan@yahoo.com (In Coquitlam)

BOOK ABOUT EDITH JOSIE MENTIONED

I thought I would advise that in the book, "The Best of Edith Josie---Here Are The News--Old Crow, 1963 - 1964" the picture of Chief Peter Moses, on page 20, was copied from a print made from my original slide. (**I still own the copyright to this photo.) Some of your readers might notice that I showed this picture of Chief Peter Moses in my "Aklavik to Old Crow - July 1, 1958" which was shown as a "Special" of the Moccasin Telegraph.

Emily Stillwell eistillwell@hotmail.com (In Moose Jaw SK)

OLD CROW

Really enjoyed the article on old crow especially seeing Edith Josie always enjoyed her opening line in the "Star" "here are the news". Will be seeing you in Yuma this winter. take care

Jim Ross JimRoss@shaw.ca (In Kelowna)

Hello Sherron

I told you about the lady I met in Abbotsford who had been in the Yukon in 1944-45. I met with her and she wrote the pages enclosed. She has quite a few pictures, most not identified. I had a few copied for you to see.

She has already made her reservations for the Sourdough meetings in September. She will be with my sister Betty Martyniuk (nee Dunlop) who worked for Taylor & Drury for 5 years 1946-51. She would also like to meet anyone who was in Whitehorse at that time.

Sincerely Jean Hartnell laduel@shaw.ca (In Abbotsford BC)

WHITEHORSE 1944 – 1945

Submitted by Lucinda M. Carter (nee Hall)

September 6, 1944 I arrived in Whitehorse from Edmonton, having been transferred by the U.S. Corps of Engineers where I had been employed a year previous.

The flight was beautiful. Flying over the fall colors and the very blue lakes (or ponds). I had to share my flight with several American GI and we had seats along the fuselage and cargo in the center (I the only female). The GI's got overseas pay while serving in Canada. We Canadians didn't get anything extra.

I was billeted in the “Visitors” accommodation for two days then transferred to permanent facilities with an American roommate from Missouri. She was Alice Salle and worked in the military personnel.

I was in accounting for the “Northwest Engineers” with the job of finalizing accounts of the smaller stations around the Yukon and some parts of Alaska. Two of us worked on this; the other being Islay Watson also of Edmonton.

Our barracks, quite spartan, consisted of two beds, two chests of drawers and a clothes closet. We made it comfortable by adding a few things.

The civilian mess hall was about ½ block away and food was good but I did get tired of mutton, powdered potatoes and eggs, but I eat anything.

The office was about 2 blocks away from my barracks and housed civilian and military offices.

“Picnics” were organized and it seemed to be mainly for the R.C.A.F. Canadian and American shared the airport on top of the hill. It was on one of these picnics here that I met my husband. When a new girl arrived there was at least five GI’s waiting to take her out. I had made dates with a few of them but after meeting Stan I stood them all up.

There was a barracks close by – not well used. The occasional dance and the slot machines was about all.

The theatre was fairly close and we saw Jack Carter (some may remember him) and several shows.

And also Joe Lewis was at one of the hangars.

When I first arrived I was very good about writing home but I slackened off. I was too busy – finally, my Mother was worried about her little girl and she called (I don’ know how) my boss Major L. O Lamar and he spoke to me about writing home NOW or he would get a phone call through for me. He was always very protective of me as I had worked for him in Edmonton. I wrote advising all was well and wrote more often after that.

The USO had a nice facility and there was a band called the Alcanears. We had met our best friend up there and he was the bass guitar player. He had heard me singing along and I was asked to sing with them. (They disbanded and sent different places after I started – I wonder why.) But the guitar player, Sgt. J. P. Boyd, stayed in Whitehorse and was our constant companion until we were shipped out. We visited his home in Sylvester Texas a few times. He is gone now.

I can’t remember the day of the month that our liquor permit came due. I believe it was on 26 and I didn’t really drink that much (I like beer). There were always several

military and civilians ready to escort me to the store. They always paid for the bottle and tried to tip me, no thanks.

Stan and I flew out in April 1945 and were married in Edmonton, May 5. I had proper leave but he took extended leave (A.W.O.L.) and when we returned he had to spend a week in the R.C.M.P. barracks. They escorted him to work in the morning and back again in the evening. I could only go and talk to him at night. It seemed like a very long week.

We were able to rent a “place” across from the “log church”. It had two rooms. All purpose room and a bedroom. We had outdoor plumbing in a shed attached to the apartment (??) and water delivered to a big barrel at the back door in the same shed. It cost a dollar a pail. Wood burning stove.

The “place” had six apartments – I don’t know how we managed.

We would sometimes take the bus ride to McRae in the evening for something to do. There were also other trips available, Lake Bennett, Teslin, Skagway, Dawson, etc.

One of the best places to eat was The Whitehorse Inn. T-bone steaks \$3.25 and we ate there often. There was a character who would come in and announce loud and clear the train stations along his route where ever that was.

Another place was the bakery near the small cenotaph. Great for cream horns etc.

Back when I was in barracks, one day it was so cold that the office closed and our heat, which was oil was very slow, apparently our lines from the oil drums were nearly frozen. But we survived.

The R.C.A.F. also had a great skating rink and we would climb the hill – a good climb to skate.

As the Engineering office closed down I was transferred to the U.S. Army Air Corp so that I could stay in Whitehorse with my husband. It too was finally closed and all records moved to Edmonton. I worked there for a few months before becoming pregnant at which time I left Nov. 1945.

When the engineers left Whitehorse and I was moved to the U.S.A.A.F. I was payroll officer for civilians and had to be escorted by two armed guards as we were paid in cash. Most civilians were in McCrea. This was fun and I felt like a big cheese.

Of possible interest is the fact that Dr. J. A. Urquhart was married to my aunt. He was in Aklavic for many years. He also performed the autopsy on the “mad trapper”.

My cousin Glen Urquhart is supposedly, the first “white” child born in the Arctic Circle (that is both parents were white.)

He entertained the Lindbergs on their flight north and also Will Rogers and Wiley Post on their last flight north.

They spent their last days in Kelowna.

The following pictures may be of interest.

Lucinda M. Carter (nee Hall)



White Pass Train Depot and Offices - 1945
Photo courtesy Lucinda M. Carter (nee Hall) via Jean Hartnell



Whitehorse Public Library - 1945
Photo courtesy Lucinda M. Carter (nee Hall) via Jean Hartnell



98 Ballroom – Whitehorse - 1945
Photo courtesy Lucinda M. Carter (nee Hall) via Jean Hartnell



N.W.S.C. Civilian Recreation Club - 1945
Photo courtesy Lucinda M. Carter (nee Hall) via Jean Hartnell



Tagish Trading Post – H.S. White - 1945
Photo courtesy Lucinda M. Carter (nee Hall) via Jean Hartnell

GEORGE MILLEN's PHOTOS OF MAMA BEAR AND HER TRIPLETS

I just read the latest MocTel and hugely enjoyed George's photos of the mother bear and her triplets. Seeing wild animals with their 'babies' is always a joy. I think it has something to do with their being natural.

Sincerely,

Madeleine Wakefield mwakefield@shaw.ca (In Calgary)

A MESSAGE FROM MYNA BUTTERWORTH IN DAWSON

Hello Sherron,

Sorry I've been a little lax in sending something in to you. We've been having Vernon type weather for the last 2 weeks, while poor Whitehorse has been having rain, rain, and more rain. But then we live in God's country. We have spent a few hours in our small swimming pool, just getting cool.

The berries are ripe and have been picking wild raspberries around our greenhouse and made 3 batches of jelly, as well as strawberry jam. Blueberries are ripening and managed to get enough for Blueberry pancakes for the seniors at the Lodge last week.

This weekend is the Dawson City Music Festival (29th year); bigger and better than ever. They sold some 1100 tickets.

Managed to go to the Farmers Market to get some local grown vegetables, Tomatoes, beets and Beet greens, Chard, cauliflower, broccoli, zucchini, and cabbage. It is sooooo good. The weather forecast is for more hot weather.

The Airtankers are back in our area after being relocated in Northern B.C.

Hope this finds everyone in good health. My brother Robert will be home from KANDAHAR from August 2 - August 22, he plans on a week in the Yukon before he goes back to finish his next 3 months. It will be good to see him although he does keep in touch by computer. Was sorry to miss a visit with Tina Parsons and her Family. I was in Vernon at the time.

Greetings to all, Myrna Butterworth myrnab@northwestel.net (In Dawson)

JULY 25, 2007



This is a view taken from the EMO helicopter of our new cabin my son is building down at Marsh Lake.

Photo courtesy EMO Yukon emo.yukon.gov.yk.ca

VIEW OF OUR PLACE TAKEN FROM THE HELICOPTER BY YUKON EMO

Our new building down at Marsh Lake is right in the middle with the black roof and the small brown building with the black roof is our garage/boathouse with the new suite over top of it. Dave Ordish's place is on our left with a small new cabin and a gazebo. Neil and Florence Wright are on the right side of our new place. You can see the road is covered and there is a small vehicle going down it. It may be an ATV. My son Dave came up and along with some help of friends we filled and put 1500 sandbags in front of the new cabin.

This picture was taken on July 22, or and was the same one that was on the front page of Whitehorse Daily Star, Monday, July 23. This picture showed up on that web site which is www.gov.yk.ca

Another picture shows a friend of ours place, Gary Pettifor's, with a green roof.

I went down to pick up today's Star and my neighbour on the right side at the lake, Florence Wright, came in at the same time. Neil and Florence have both been evacuated are staying at their son John's place here in town. She said that John and his wife Anne were able to drive into Wright's cabin with their big truck. They put some more rock and sandbags at the corner which joins our property. John seems to think that things have settled down a bit. He said our place looked okay and he walked all around it. There is water on the floor of Wrights garages, which is to be expected, so ours would be the same.

The rest of it all depends on how much wind and rain we get.



Gary & Diane Pettifor's, with a green roof.

Photo courtesy EMO Yukon [emo.yukon*gov.yk.ca](http://emo.yukon.gov.yk.ca)

After being evacuated from Marsh Lake, I took time off drive up to Haines Junction this week end. The sun was shining and the roads were good. I left at 2pm and drove as far as Kusawa (about half way), then I got sleepy. So I crawled in the little bed I had made in the back of my Rav and slept for 2 hours.

When I got to Enid & Rod Tait's place I had a cup of tea with Enid and then went and had another nap in the bedroom they assigned me. She was busy getting supper ready. We weren't going to eat until 7pm. Enid prepared a beautiful dinner for some other musicians that would be arriving known as the 'Ruby Rangers'. When we had finished eating we went in by the fire place and played some music. It was the same group that I played with when I was up there before to play for Jamie Tait's 50th birthday party.

There was a guitar, two mandolins and another fiddle player besides myself. They seem to enjoy learning the 'old time fiddle tunes' that I play. They do a lot of blue grass, folk songs and sing.

I stayed over night with the Tait family and slept in until 9am and then had my breakfast and left for home. Enid wanted to get up and help Rod bring the hay in the barn before any rains came.

I left at 10am and drove as far as Kusawa before I got sleepy, so I crawled in the back of my Rav4 and had another nap for 2 hours. I was listening to a talking book all the way down.

I will do little more work on my pictures tonight of the Marsh Lake new cabin project as well as the Army Beach flood pictures.

My daughter Shelley and her husband Mike will be coming up for a visit from Penticton on August 2nd.

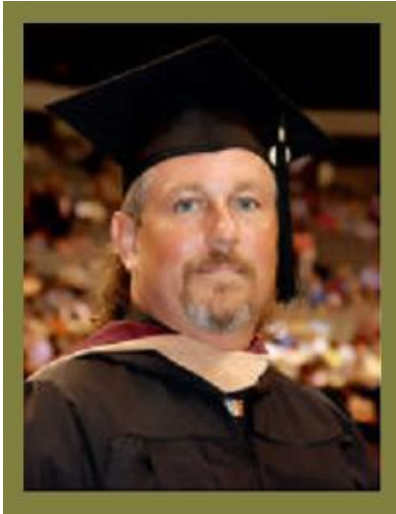
Bye for now,

RUSTY REID rustyreid*northwestel.net (In Whitehorse)

CONGRATULATIONS TO CHRIS MAYLOR

As I commented a bit ago, we did my MBA grad last week. Information is below:

Degree is Master of Business Administration & Technology Management
University of Phoenix
Completed May 5th, 2007



Chris Maylor at Grad Ceremony July 15th, 2007

CANCER PREVENTION – JOHN HOPKINS OR NOT – BEWARE & BE WISE

I did have a couple of e-mails advising me that the Cancer message from last MocTel was listed as false on 'Snopes' - It seems it was not validated as a message released by John Hopkins. Madeleine has done some of her own research and found the information contained in the message seems worthy and aligns with information found on other important sites. – Sherron

Dear Sherron,

Researching the validity of the email circular on measures towards preventing cancer, entitled Cancer Update from John Hopkins, that I sent you has been interesting and informative. The good news is that its premise is promising; the bad news is that it didn't come from John Hopkins.

To begin, I spoke with a dietitian from Tom Baker in Calgary who suggested I browse through Canada's Food Guide on the Health Canada site, the American Institute for Cancer Research at www.aicr.org, and the Mayo Clinic site (which I didn't have time to investigate).

Canada's Food Guide informs that "a diet rich in a variety of vegetables and fruit may help reduce the risk of some types of cancer...and may also lower your risk for heart disease". It lists in order of importance "vegetables and fruits, grain products, milk and alternatives, meat and alternatives, oils and fats, beverages, and advice for different ages and stages".

It suggests "at least two Food Guide Servings of fish each week... and to choose fish such as char, herring, mackerel, salmon, sardines, and trout", while for meat, it suggests "lean meats including beef, pork, veal, lamb, and game meats such as moose, caribou, and deer".

However, it cautions that "processed luncheon meats, sausages, and prepackaged meats are usually high in fat and salt", so if you eat them, it advises you to "choose sodium reduced and lower fat varieties if available".

As for caffeine, it concludes that children should not have more than the "equivalent to about one to two 12-oz (355 ml) cans of cola a day...for women of childbearing age...a maximum daily caffeine intake of no more than 300 mg, or a little over two 8-oz (237 ml) cups of coffee...for the rest of the general population of healthy adults...a daily intake of no more than 400-450mg".

Canada's Food Guide also includes sections on meal planning, recipes, safe cookware, and food storage tips.

As concerns plastics, it states, "using plastic containers and wrap for anything other than their original purpose can cause health problems. With wrap, the concern is that food may absorb some of the plasticiser, the material that helps make it flexible. This is most likely to happen at high temperatures, when microwaving, or with fatty or oily foods such as cheese and meat".

"Rolf Haldane, Ph.D, PE, assistant professor in the Department of Environmental Health Sciences and the Center for Water and Health at the John Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health" (http://www.jhsph.edu/PublicHealthNews/articles/Halden_dioxins.html) states in an interview that while there are no known dioxins in plastics, "there is another group of chemicals, called phthalates that are sometimes added to plastics to make them flexible and less brittle. Phthalates are environmental contaminants that can exhibit hormone-like behavior by acting as endocrine disruptors in humans and animals. If you heat up plastics, you could increase the leaching of the phthalates from the containers into water and food".

In fact, he adds that “whenever you heat something you increase the likelihood of pulling chemicals out...[so] if you are cooking with plastics or using plastic utensils, the best thing to do is to follow the directions and only use plastics that are specifically meant for cooking”.

The American Institute for Cancer Research diet guidelines suggest that we “choose a diet rich in a variety of plant-based foods...eat plenty of vegetables and fruits...maintain a healthy weight and be physically active...drink alcohol in moderation, if at all...select foods low in fat and salt...[and] prepare and store foods safely”.

It lists many foods that are considered ‘cancer busters’, developing, in depth, the suggestions already mentioned in Canada’s Food Guide.

Dark green leafy vegetables seem to hold a premier position with vegetables, in general, coming out on top. It seems “carotinoids in dark green leafy vegetables can inhibit the growth of certain types of breast cancer cells, skin cancer cells, lung cancer and stomach cancer”.

Berries, “particularly strawberries and raspberries...rich in...ellagic acid...has shown the ability to prevent cancers of the skin, bladder, lung, esophagus, and breast in laboratory studies”.

Soy is respected for contributing toward protection “against breast and prostate cancers”. And there is information about the benefits of including beans, berries, flaxseed, garlic, green tea, grapes and grape juice, whole grains, and more good food in your diet.

Overall, I noticed that the ‘right’ food is generally wholesome such as whole wheat and that brown foods such as brown rice may be better choices than enriched or white products. These ‘right’ foods also seem to be lower in calories.

Habits to support health and offset disease include eating a variety of the foods known to be effective in feeding the body such as those suggested on the sites already mentioned, eating in moderation, and spending at least half an hour in daily exercise.

I suggest to anyone who is interested in this topic to read Canada’s Food Guide which is a dependable source of information presented in an easily readable format and also to enter the American Institute for Cancer Research site to find a more in depth profile of the possibilities we set into motion according to our food choices.

While environments and genetics may predispose us to certain dangers, our choices, generally speaking, seem to hold sway over our lives.

I hope this information clarifies the previous information presented in the circular.

Madeleine Wakefield mwakefield@shaw.ca (In Calgary)

International Sourdough Reunion – Penticton

I am a little disappointed at the response I received from the reminder I sent out about a week or so ago of the ISR in Penticton. I was hoping the Okanagan Yukoners' would come forward and make this a well-attended party. If you are planning on coming time is running out. We can only hold the Hotel rooms until the 15th of August. If you are not staying at the hotel, but are coming by camper etc., PLEASE register as soon as possible so we know what kind of numbers we will be working with.

Yukon Commissioner Geraldine Van Bibber has signed on to give us a state of the Yukon address. We (Okanagan Yukoners') will even have a skit to do this year thanks to Myrt Acton. We are accumulating a good supply of Door Prizes to be given out at the Banquet along with other incidentals to be put in the "Goodie Bags". We are working on getting some entertainment for the Banquet as well. There were a lot of people at the Vancouver Dinner that told me they would be coming, but I still don't see their names on my list. We have three local tours planned. We have the Casabella Princess booked for two trips on Thursday, a four-hour bus trip to three Wineries in the Oliver area on Friday and an afternoon run on the KVR Steam Train on Saturday.

If you are wondering what you get for your seventy dollars it's really a bargain! The President's party is open to all attendees on Thursday afternoon, Skit night is always a "Howl", that's Friday evening, then on Saturday it's the banquet with the Commissioner's comments and the drawing of the Door Prizes. To top it all off is the Breakfast Sunday morning, which is included in the price. Compare that to what you got for fifty-five dollars last spring. This may be the last chance you will have to attend one of these functions in the Valley as the cost of facilities has swelled out of proportion and it's not viable to try and put one on at a reasonable price. Pacific Coastal Airlines are starting flights into Penticton on Sept 10th. Anyone from up north who would like to attend can now fly into Calgary and then on into Penticton.

You can contact me (Larry Chalmers) at aksala49@telus.net or 250-498-6887. Don't put it off or it will be too late !!

International Sourdough Reunion

Will be held at the Ramada Inn in Penticton from September 19 to 23, 2007

Rooms are \$99 per couple flat rate.

For reservations call :

Toll Free 1-800-665-4966 Code word is: Sourdough 3474

ISR Registration is \$70.00

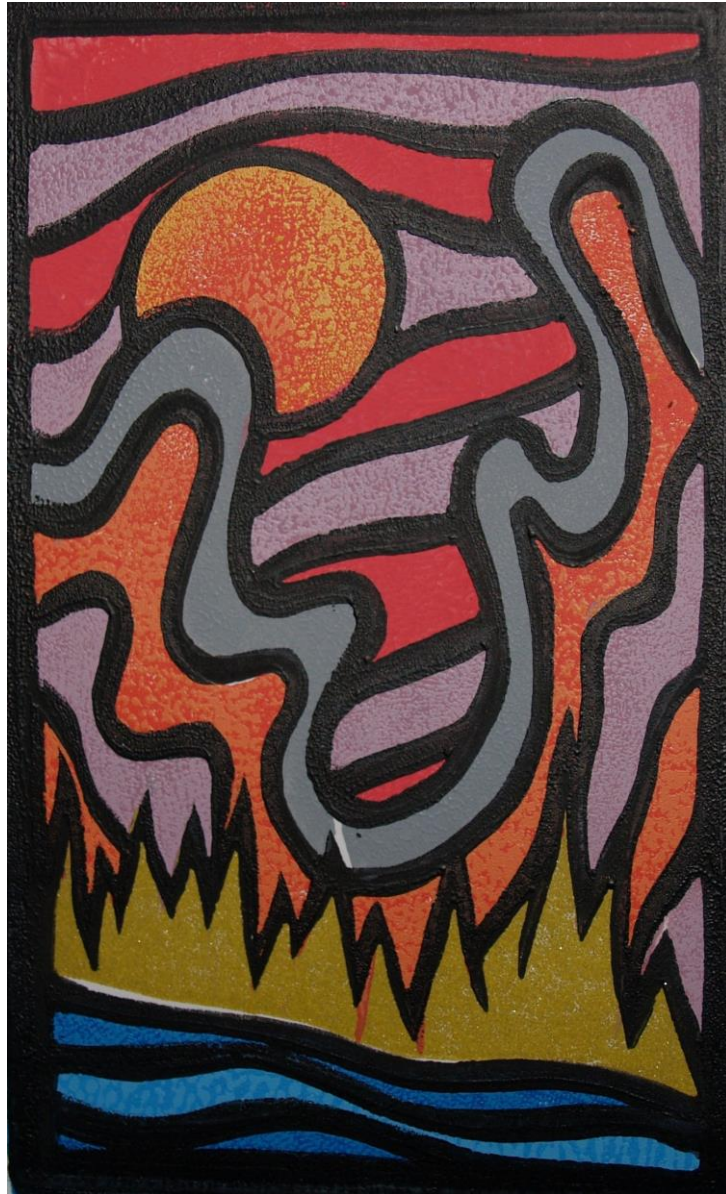
Registration limited to 175 People

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ARTISTIC TALENT



Block Print by Aryn Bowers

Photo courtesy Gina (Hughes) Span ginaspan@yahoo.com (In Coquitlam BC)

Hi Sherron: Super stories this week. Thank you! I ran across this old postcard of Carcross. Thought it would be interesting to hear a little feedback. Also, this block print was made for me this last Christmas by my son Aryn Bowers. He carved 5 blocks of rubber to make this. It looks very Yukony to me as in a Northern Lights way. Thought it might be good for your Artistic Talent.

Cheers Gina

OBIT

MURDOCH, Gladys...passed away on July 16, 2007, in her 103 year at Westminster House, White Rock, B.C. Predeceased by her loving husband George Murdoch. Loving mother of Pat, Gary (Liz) and Bruce (Wendy). Nana to 10 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren.

Gladys was born in Wales and arrived in Canada in 1928. She moved to Dawson City and ran the movie theatre for a number of years. In 1943 she married George and together they purchased the Klondike Nugget and Ivory Store in Dawson. In 1958 they moved to Whitehorse and opened Murdoch's Gem Shop where they continued to manufacture their exquisite nugget jewellery. Gladys added to the business by opening a ladies clothing store. In 1975 they retired to the Vancouver area. A family gathering to remember Gladys will be held in August.

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NEW ADDITIONS

We came across your e-paper through Shirlee Frost. Is it possible to get on the list. Thanks Irene and Dave Brekke brekkedi@northwestel.net

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"The toughest thing about success is that you've got to keep on being a success"

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

French Apple Pie Cake

Submitted by Vivian Stuart lornellis*shaw.ca (In Victoria)

This makes a fairly large cake and ingredients could be cut in half

4 cups chopped apples
2 cups brown sugar
1 cup cooking oil
1 cup chopped walnuts
2 eggs, beaten
2 tsp vanilla
2 cups flour
2 tsp baking soda
1 tsp salt
2 tsp cinnamon

Topping:

½ cup melted butter
2/3 cup brown sugar
¼ cup cream or milk
½ cup shredded coconut

Preheat oven to 350. Combine apples and brown sugar in large bowl. Mix well. Add oil, nuts, eggs and vanilla. In separate bowl, mix flour, soda, salt and cinnamon. Add to apple mixture and mix well. Grease and flour 9 x 12 pan and spread batter evenly over bottom. Bake 1 hour. Mix topping ingredients and spread over cake immediately. Place under broiler until tiny bubbles appear. (Only 1-2 min required) Cool before cutting. Serves 10-12.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Island Yukoners Picnic – Saturday, Aug 11, 2007 at 11 AM at St Mary's Hall in Nanoose Bay. Bring your own picnic lunch & beverage, utensils and join in meeting old friends and acquaintances in an informal setting, which allows lots of time for chatting.

Turn off from highway 19 is at the PetroCan Station which is Northwest Bay Rd. Go about 1.2kms to Powder Road, turn right turn about 1/2km to the church on the right. Signs will be up thanks to Stan Hegstrom.

New committee this year are Carol Pearce, Sharon Redmond, Fay Ash and Harriett Butterworth.

For further information contact Harriett Butterworth at harriett*shaw.ca (In Nanaimo)

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