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Beach Party Over

Photo courtesy Doug Bell cheechako46@northwestel.net (In Whitehorse)

THE POWER OF PRAYER

By Holly MacDonald

From Yukon News Booklet of Authentic Stories and Pictures July-Aug 1965

In the early years in the Yukon after the white man came, the river routes saw many new and strange craft plying them. One of the most familiar on the middle reaches of the Yukon River and the Stewart and Pelly and their tributaries was a quaint little steamer named the “Shamrock” owned by an enterprising old gent who was known only as ‘Cap’ Miller, and ‘Cap’ he was to one and all. Another quaint feature was that the old man was deeply religious, a rarity indeed, in those hell roaring days during and after the gold rush.

The boat was quite small and the crew consisted of the ‘Cap’ himself who did the steering and who claimed he always prayed his way through the bad spots, an engineer who did his own firing, and an Indian or two, for deckhands. When the boat had to have its wood replenished the Cap tied up at the handiest wood stand and the whole crew fell to until the hold was filled or they had enough to reach the next stand of dry wood. Usually the boat pushed a small barge wherein most of the freight was carried; it took all the little engine could do to push through to slack water again.

On one such trip, midsummer in the Nineteens, Cap was pushing a load of freight from Fort Selkirk up the Pelly to the MacMillan, thence up to the Trading Post operated by Zimmerlee at Russell Creek. The Pelly has four miles of rough water and rapids known as the Granite Canyon and as the river at this time of year was quite high with the waters off the melting snows from the high mountains, the little boat was hard put to get through.

The Engineer at this time was a well known Yukoner by the name of George Reynolds, still living and retired out in B.C. George was an old hand at this game and as the boat was under powered he had to use all sorts of different schemes as the needs arose to keep full power in the tight spots. One of his mainstays was a pile of pitch-soaked oakum, saved from the hull calking every spring, and augmented with a pile of pitch-soaked pine knots that he would save from the wood supply, the whole stored in one corner of the boiler room.

It so happened that while the boat was trying to edge past the 'Needle Rock' in the middle of the river in mid-canyon, that George happened to look out of the engine room and noticed that they were passing the rock. As the engine was working full throttle, George was kept busy with the fire to keep the pressure up, and it was some fifteen minutes before he had a chance to look out again and the rock was in the same place, and again a few minutes later, and as they were making no headway and with no room to turn and backing down a chancy business at best, he went to work, with one of his prize tricks. The boiler was fitted with an old time lever and weight type of safety valve which was set at the pressure the boiler could safely stand but in emergencies could be momentarily increased by sliding the weight further out on the bar. This George did and dug into his supply of pitch-soaked material, and in a few minutes had the raging fire in the firebox and the pressure began to rise. The engine began chuffing faster and faster and, lo and behold, they began to edge past the rock and once by they picked up speed in good style. As soon as they were safely through the canyon the old Cap tied up. George meanwhile having let the pressure work off, and the safety valve back at normal once more. The Cap came down to the engine room, wiping the sweat off his face with a large white handkerchief, and still a bit shaky. "Now, Mr. Reynolds" he said in his high pitched voice (now higher in the reaction of having had a bad scare) "You who say there is no God and do not believe in prayer and yet here, right before your eyes you have evidenced the power of prayer. When your boilers could not produce the steam needed, I called on the Great Power above to get us through".

George, being a free-thinker, nodded but said nothing.

Want Ads – Yukon News booklet - July 28 1965

For Sale

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Trailer – fully furnished, 2 bedrooms, auto oil furnace underfloor heating – 8 x 16 porch. \$3000. cash or terms. Phone 7-2211 days or evenings.

A YUKON NUGGET

By Les McLaughlin leslorn@rogers.com (In Ottawa)

For CKRW and here courtesy Rolf & Marg Hougen marg@hougens.com (In Whitehorse)

The Yukon Flag

It flies proudly throughout this land - a symbol of the rich heritage of the Yukon. Yet what do its parts mean? The Yukon's flag came into being as the result of a contest sponsored by the Royal Canadian Legion back in the '60s. Yukon students were asked to submit designs for what would become the official Yukon flag.

When the contest ended, a design by Lynn Lambert of Destruction Bay was chosen. Some modifications were made for heraldic purposes, since things as official as a flag must follow certain rigid specifications. There are, for example, very specific colour code numbers for the green and blue panels on either side of the flag. But the basic elements remain. So the next time you see the Yukon flag flying in a stiff summer breeze, consider the following:

The green panel adjacent to the mast stands for the forests, the white centre panel for the snow and the blue outer panel for water. The centre white panel has the Yukon crest above a symbolic representation of fireweed, the Yukon's flower.



The Yukon flag adopted, 1967.

The shield symbolizes the history of the territory. The wavy white and blue stripe represents all the rivers of the Yukon. The red triangles are for the mountains, while the gold-coloured discs inside the triangles depict mineral resources.

The red cross on the shield is the Cross of St. George and refers to early explorers. On the top of the shield, stands a proud-looking malamute husky, the animal whose stamina and loyalty was vital to all Yukoners in the early days.

The Yukon flag was officially adopted by the Council of the Yukon Territory on December 1st, 1967.

A CKRW Yukon Nugget by Les McLaughlin

CORRECTION

Hi Sherron,
OOOOOOOps - Correction- Sharon just replied...So we had it wrong with our other responder from Whitehorse. Unfortunately her reply didn't come in time.
Cheers.
Bill Weigand



Left to right: Fran Fromme, Helen Jakesta, Sharon Shorty
Photo courtesy Bill & Jeri Weigand bweigand@shaw.ca (In Steveston BC)

Wow- what a pic- I'm on the right. In white hide dress is Helen Jakesta & Fran (?) on left. It was so hot in those hide dresses!

Gunalchîsh ! (Tlingit for thank-you very much!)

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This ad from the 1962 Sourdough Rendezvous Program

Hi Sherron,

The scans of the Yukon Sourdough Rendezvous Queen Candidates from 1962 to 1964 in the #311 MocTel edition reminded me that I too have some of the old booklets from those years featuring the schedule and queen candidates, as I am sure others do as well. I am attaching the scanned pages from the 1965 and 1966 booklets to add to the ones that Bill scanned in for you. Perhaps you already have them but thought, if not, it would add to the archive and perhaps trigger more memories for the readers.

The ones for 1965 will come with this message and the other two for 1966 in the next message

Harvey Burian
Parksville, BC Canada
E-mail: hburian@telus.net

1964 Queen & 1965 Sourdough Rendezvous Queen Candidates

1965 Sourdough Rendezvous Queen Candidates



Dianne McNeil was crowned Yukon Sourdough Rendezvous Queen at the windup of the 1964 Rendezvous and reigns supreme over this year's carnival, presenting the 1965 Queen with her crown at the Queen Crowning ceremonies Sunday evening.

Nine princesses are competing this year for the title of Queen. They represent all parts of the Yukon with Skagway and Haines, representing Alaska. The title goes to the girl who receives the largest number of points for tickets sold in her support. The winner among other prizes, receives a surprise trip (donated by C.P.A.) to be announced at the crowning ceremonies along with a \$200. gold poke while the runner-up receives a trip to Fairbanks (courtesy Weir Alaska). All receive \$50. gold pokes.



Gayle Kimmel
Miss Canadian Legion



Rhoda Watson
Miss Whitehorse Teen Town



Edna Watson
Miss Skookum Jim



Charlene Reeves
Miss Haines



YUKON TERRITORY



Norma Cook
Miss U. K. Club



Donna Bigham
Miss Slagway



Jeanette Haines
Miss Whitehorse North



Princess Seeseeouasis, 1965
Canadian Indian Princess,
will be in attendance during
this year's Rendezvous and will
assist Dianne McNeil in her
official functions.



Dawn Miner
Miss Dawson City



Lorraine Burns
Miss Yukon Dog Musher

1965 Rendezvous Queen and 1966 Queen Candidates

Donna Bigham of Skagway was crowned Yukon Sourdough Queen at the wind-up of the 1965 Rendezvous.



She will be with us again this year to reign supreme over the 1966 Rendezvous, taking part in many opening ceremonies and presenting the 1966 Queen with her crown.

Donna Bigham
MISS SKAGWAY
1965 RENDEZVOUS QUEEN

1966 Sourdough Rendezvous Queen Candidates

Nine princesses are competing this year for the title of queen. They represent many communities and the two Alaska communities of Haines and Skagway. The winner receives, in addition to many

prizes donated by local transportation and business firms, a \$200.00 gold poke while the eight princesses receive \$50 gold pokes.



Suzanne Fraser
MISS DAWSON CITY



Marg Clarkson
MISS TEEN TOWN



Maureen Dunphy
MISS LEGION



Linda Kunze
MISS I.O.E.



Shirley McWatters
MISS KENO HILL



Pat Schnabel
MISS HAINES



Ingrid Johnson
PRINCESS SHOOWASOHTA



Marlene Hukill
MISS SKAGWAY



Tracy Holloway
MISS TAKHINI

We would be interested to know who won the 1966 contest. So if you have a booklet from 1967 and could scan the pages of the Queen and Princesses it would be appreciated. – Sherron Sherronjones@shaw.ca

A REPLY TO QUESTION ABOUT WHICH RIVERBOAT PLIED THE STEWART TO MAYO

Hi Sherron, the steamboat that used to come to Mayo was the Nasutlin. That was the one that Henry was on. I went down to Stewart with him the first summer I was up there. 1949. It was a fantastic trip for a city gal. I was fortunate to have had that opportunity.

Hope your garden is doing well and good health to you both.

Alice Breaden ambreaden*shaw.ca (In Nanaimo)

Date: Tue, 8 Jun 2010 11:30:08 -0700
From: hburian@telus.net
To: signposter@hotmail.com
Subject: Greetings from Harvey Burian

Hello Judith,

It's been a long time since I had the opportunity to say hello to you! Sherron Jones passed along your name and some of the messages you exchanged with her. I remember you from Mayo. I think you were in Grade 3 or 4 when I was in Grade 12 in 1962-63. I remember your brother, Nigel as well. I also remember your mother Peggy quite well. I worked at Taylor & Drury after school and during the Summers and I can remember your mother and you coming into the store to buy groceries, etc. I remember that your mom worked at the Mining Recording office for Gordon McIntyre as well. Somewhere in my collection of photos there is a picture of you and your mom, I believe. I can't remember if Nigel is in the photo too or not, standing in front of your house, if memory serves. I must try to find it.

After I finished high school in Mayo I attended UBC and graduated in 1968. I married Vera Ripley, a gal from Vancouver, in May 1968 and, except for the Summer of 1968, which we spent in Toronto, have lived in BC ever since. From 1968 to 2003 we lived in Vancouver, Richmond and then New Westminister. I worked at the Toronto-Dominion Bank from 1968 to 1970. From 1970 to 2001, when I retired, I worked for The University of BC in the Human Resources department. My wife, also a UBC grad, was a Home Ec teacher, then stayed home to help raise our 3 children and, once the kids were older, went back to work first as a Noon Hour Supervisor and then as a Special Education Assistant, until she retired in 2003. We moved over here to Parksville on Vancouver Island in 2003 and are having fun volunteering and experiencing retirement. We have two sons and a daughter; all who are married and have two kids each. One of our sons was born on August 17th so we can celebrate Discovery Day as well as his birthday! Our oldest son and his family live in Burnaby, our second son in Pasadena, CA and our daughter in Bend, OR.

My dad and mom, Renny and Mary Burian moved from Mayo to Whitehorse in 1977 and lived there until mom passed away in 1998. Dad then came and lived with us for 18 months in New Westminster but he longed to be back in the Yukon so moved back in 1999. He passed away in December 1999 in Whitehorse.

You were asking about passenger lists on the steamboats that came into Mayo. I have never seen such list, although they may exist somewhere. Your mom and brother would likely have been on either the Nisutlin [Nasutlin] or the Keno as those were the two boats that usually travelled the Stewart River, since they were smaller and could navigate the river particularly at low water as would be the case in the later Summer and Fall. Since the highway between Whitehorse and Mayo was completed in 1951 your mom would have been correct in saying that the sailing she travelled on in 1950 would have been one of the last trips the steamboats made to Mayo. The Highway to Dawson City was not completed until 1955 so the steamboats continued to run to Dawson City from Whitehorse until then.

Well, it's been good chatting with you. I have posted some photos of Mayo during the flood that took place in 1964 which you might like to have a look at for memory's sake. You can see them at: <http://news.webshots.com/photo/1078371749047522195wFuOGG>
If you want to see more photos of Mayo taken during the Mayo Centenary Celebrations in 2003 go to:
<http://travel.webshots.com/photo/1082127443047522195nGEJt>

Take care.

Harvey

PS Judith, Sherron Jones sometimes likes to include/publish messages between former Yukoners who make contact with each other in the Moccasin Telegraph so if you are okay with it she may like to include our correspondence. If not, we can keep it between ourselves. I'll leave it to you if you want to forward this message to Sherron. I am fine with her using this message.

Harvey Burian hburian@telus.net (In Parksville, BC)

Judith Michie wrote:

Hello! Well if that didn't take me back to being a little girl again, I don't know what could! Great pictures, I remember the flood ones so well, great pics of the reunion, was so good to see a lot of the people I remember, going to school with...was Glen Campbell at the reunion? How great was that if he was? Mayo has changed a lot. I was last there in 1975 in the summer. My Mom came up to see Dr. Clark. My daughter and I stayed in the "Tim'o'lou". The Bakers were still there, I used to spend a lot of time with their daughters growing up....lost touch with them all over the years.....sad how that happens.....computers are great for getting us all back together though. I wish I had subscribed to this sooner, so glad I finally did it!

We moved to Watson Lake in 1966 and I was there until we moved to Nova Scotia in Nov.2007. Was back to the Yukon a month ago, so good to see familiar faces again, I miss it so much, probably will return or be closer in the future...

I went to school in Alaska for 2 years where Nigel went...a Catholic boarding school near Glennallen. Was great, so glad I had those 2 years, made me realize why Nigel liked it so much, it was like having 200 family members; we were like one big family.

I married and had 2 girls, divorced and got into business remarried and spent the next 27 years running Sears and my little shop. I have 3 grandchildren. My girls and their children live in Burnaby and Chetwynd...so you see,I am too far away from them. They grow too fast.

Anyway that wraps up my life in a nutshell....so far.

Good to hear from you and Thank you again.

Take care

Judith

ps...I remember my Mom always calling me "Judith" and of course I wanted to be Judy...well Judith stuck, I am called both, but Mom won....as Mom's always do or should...hahahaha!

Hi Judith,

Glad you enjoyed the pictures of Mayo. I realized I forgot to give you the links to Parts 2 & 3 of my Mayo 2003 Centenary photos (although perhaps you found them on your own!) Part 3 has some shots of Keno and Keno Hill which you will remember too.

Part 2 - <http://travel.webshots.com/album/82307855GlvOLa>

Part 3 - <http://travel.webshots.com/album/82712912MiLATq>

I actually remember you as Judy ...and I do remember your mother always calling you Judith too! Mentioning the Tim-o-Lou Motel reminded me that you may remember Louella Boyce who is a little younger than you but who is the daughter of Johnny & Kaye Boyce who built and operated the Tim-o-Lou Motel [and managed the Northern Commercial Co. Ltd. store as well]. (The "Lou" comes from her name.) I have been in touch with Louella who now lives in Maple Ridge, BC.

You might also be interested to know that Gordon & Ruth McIntyre still live in Whitehorse and in July of this year, Gordon will celebrate his 100th birthday.

When I get a chance I'll see if I can hunt up some other old photos of people you might remember and share them with you.

Yes, Glen Campbell was at the Mayo Reunion along with his sister. The only photo I have with him in it is the one with Johnson Petter, Robert Hager and myself in one of the photos in Part 1 of the Mayo Centenary photos. Glen is sitting at the table behind us. He lives in Alberta now and comes to many of the Yukoners' celebrations. Sandy, his

daughter comes as well.

Take care.

Harvey Burian hburian@telus.net (In Parksville, BC)

Hi Sherron,

I realized in my correspondence with Judith (Cunningham) Michie that I had incorrectly referred to the Nasutlin as the Nisutlin. I remember discussing with Henry Breaden why the spelling difference and apparently, according to our conversation, there are two different places in the Yukon with the two names (a river and a bay, if memory serves) and so the steamboat is often referred to using the incorrect spelling.

Attached is a photo taken of Karen & Sharon Shaw and their mother Ruth with the steamboat Nasutlin in the background on the ways in Whitehorse. From this you can see the correct spelling. The original photo was given to me a number of years ago by Karen Shaw, who has given her permission for its use, and so please credit her with providing it.

I have a second photo courtesy of Karen Shaw, also with her permission to place in the MocTel. This one was taken at the same time as the one of the Nasutlin, and, we think, has Karen's father, Archie V. "Art" Shaw, standing by the steamer Keno. The reason I thought this image might be of interest to the MocTel readers is that, it shows the Klondike and the Keno sitting on the Whitehorse shipyard ways side by side, thus allowing the viewer to easily see the comparative size of the vessels. Currently, these two steamers rest physically many miles away from each other (the Klondike in Whitehorse and the Keno in Dawson City) so anyone wanting to compare them, although they can still sense the difference in size when they see them separately, has to remember one or the other from their previous visit to it. This photo, however, actually allows one to compare them, at least from the exterior frontal view, side by side, something that is no longer physically possible. We can be thankful that, due to Karen Shaw's parents having taken this photo almost 60 years ago and Karen graciously being willing to share it; we can in 2010 "see" these only two remaining Upper Yukon River paddlewheel steamboats side by side!

Take care.

Harvey Burian hburian@telus.net (In Parksville, BC)



Karen & Sharon Shaw and their mother Ruth with the steamboat Nasutlin on ways in Whitehorse (likely March 1949).

Photo courtesy Karen Shaw karen.shaw60@yahoo.ca (In White Rock)



Steamboats Klondike & Keno on ways in Whitehorse.
(We think, is Karen's father, Archie V. "Art" Shaw, standing by the steamer Keno, likely March 1949).

Photo courtesy Karen Shaw karen.shaw60@yahoo.ca (In White Rock)

Hi Sherron,

Here's some additional information about the steamboats readers of the MocTel might find interesting.

Although the two sternwheelers that I remember most coming up the Stewart River to Mayo carrying passengers, food and materials were the Nasutlin and the Keno, another steamboat that I can remember making a few trips during each season was the Aksala. This sternwheeler was larger than the Keno and the Nasutlin but a fair bit smaller than steamers like the Klondike, the Whitehorse and the Casca. Only at very high water times would the larger boats even attempt to navigate the narrower Stewart River, with its many bends and numerous sandbars, to Mayo to pick up the ore concentrate that was piled on the side of the river to be transported to Whitehorse and on by train to Skagway to be taken to points South.

By comparison the Aksala was somewhat larger than the Nasutlin and the Keno. The Wikipedia article "Steamboats of the Yukon River" (assuming the data is accurate) indicates the following size stats about these boats:

Aksala (originally the Alaska - transferred to Canadian registry in 1937 - Aksala is Alaska spelled backwards!)

Built 1913 - GVW 785 tons (Length not stated)

Expanded 1937 - GVW 1067 tons Length 167 feet

Keno

Built 1922 - GVW 553 tons Length 131 feet

Expanded 1937 - GVW 613 tons Length 141 feet

Nasutlin

Built 1912 - GVW 405 tons Length 115 feet

Expanded 1937 - GVW 570 tons Length 141 feet

By comparison:

Whitehorse - GVW 1120 tons Length 171 feet

Casca 3 - GVW 1300 tons Length 180 feet

Klondike2 - GVW 1363 tons Length 210 feet

Interestingly, Casca 2 was smaller, similar in size to the Aksala:

Casca 2 - GVW 1079 Length 161 feet

Now I understand why I am sure I have seen a photo of the Casca in Mayo prior to 1936 when Casca 2 floundered at Rink Rapids. I wondered how it could have navigated the Stewart River except at very high water but now I know it would have been the smaller Casca 2 and so could have made the trip more easily than the larger boats. It's wonderful what a little digging will reveal! (There is a photo in Gold and Galena on page 183 of the Klondike passing the Old First Nations Village just South of Mayo with the water obviously very high.)

I am attaching two images of the Aksala arriving at Mayo and pushing a barge with a car and a pick-up truck on it. Judging by the water level and the snow on the hills in the background the photo could have been in the early Summer either before the really high water or after it had gone down a bit. At lower water levels, there would have been a large sand bar showing on the right in the photo with the steamer in the distance. There does appear to be some foam showing at the front of the barge tied to the bank in the photo where the steamer is closer so this would suggest that perhaps it was at high water levels for that particular year. This would explain why the Aksala is being used as well, since it could more easily navigate the river with the higher water.

A few more tidbits on the sternwheelers to stir the memories!

Harvey Burian hburian@telus.net (In Parksville, BC)



Aksala and barge approaching Mayo
Photo courtesy Karen Shaw karen.shaw60@yahoo.ca (In White Rock)



Aksala & barge approaching Mayo
Photo courtesy Karen Shaw karen.shaw60@yahoo.ca (In White Rock)
Larry Chalmers worked on the Aksala !! - Sherron

LILLIAN ALLING

Hello Sherron,

I got your email from Ted Parkinson. He suggested I ask if I can read the article about Lillian Alling in the Moccasin Telegraph issue 311. Hope you can help me out!

Thanks,

Susan Smith-Josephy
Quesnel, BC

Hi Sherron,

Thanks ever so much, this is great. Perhaps you'd like to mention in your next edition that I'm writing a book about Lillian Alling and if anyone has any information they can contact me.

My website: www.lillianalling.ca

My blog: <http://writersglob.blogspot.com>

I am on Twitter @lillianalling and people can email me, also.

They can also write to me:

Susan Smith
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I'm very excited to be in the final stages of writing the book, but there's always room for more information. No tidbit is too small. I'm interested in anything about Lillian, no matter how obscure it may seem. For example, someone who's parents or other older relatives who met Lillian may have a story to tell.

I'd also love to know more about Archie Gillespie, and if he wrote anything else about Lillian. And was there anything in the Dawson News for 1927/1928 that Gillespie wrote about Lillian. It would be great if anyone else had information on how Archie found out that Lillian had made it home to her village in Russia.

I'll make a link to the Moccasin Telegraph on my blog and on Twitter.

Thanks again.

Sincerely,

Susan Smith-Josephy smithjosephy*shaw.ca (In Quesnel BC)

The Klondike Plans to Face a Disaster

by Dan Davidson uffish*northwestel.net (In Dawson)

May 20, 2010

Properties in West Dawson and Sunnydale burned to the ground on May 19 when a

raging wildfire burned much of the west bank of the Yukon River opposite the Klondike capital.

Fortunately for all concerned, this was merely a scenario in a tabletop emergency measures organization session held in city council chambers that night.

In the scenario it was July 4 and the temperatures in the Klondike had hit 34°C. There was an extreme fire hazard and the air tankers from Dawson were already tasked to fight a 500 hectare fire burning 20 kilometres south of Mayo.

A freighter canoe full of weekend partiers appears to be responsible for the fire, which starts on a small island. It is spotted on Monday morning and actioned by an Initial Attack crew from Wildland Fire Management just before 1 p.m. that day. But spot fires from embers have ignited the forest on the west bank and high winds whip the fire along so that it has burned four kilometres in just a few hours and is headed for West Dawson and Sunnydale, not to mention the sliver of the west bank that is still part of the City of Dawson.

As part of the exercise those attending around the table were assigned various essential roles by Michael Swainson, the Rural Community Emergency Planner who brought this exercise to town.

Swainson's goal was to introduce the Incident Command System and the five essential roles - Incident Command, Operations, Planning, Logistics, Finance/Administration - that are used to coordinate operations in any sort of an emergency.

During the exercise several informational updates were provided to the players, who were then asked to respond in terms of three key questions: What do you know? What do you need? What are your worst fears?

A secondary objective of the evening's role-play gaming was to establish the need for West Dawson/Sunnydale residents to come up with their own community emergency plan. There is one for Dawson, developed during several serious fire seasons and tested in action as recently as the summer of 2004, but people on the other side of the river have nothing planned to this date.

As the exercise proceeded it became clear from information coming in that West Dawson/Sunnydale could not be salvaged and that the priority would have to be keeping the fire from jumping the river and getting to Dawson proper, which contains many heritage buildings and is a National Historic Site.

Plans were discussed related to possible evacuation procedures. What would happen if the Mayo and Dawson fires resulted in a Klondike Highway road closure? How can people with respiratory problems be assisted? What is the best use that one can make of the inevitable press coverage from such an event?

The evening ran from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. and everyone in attendance agreed that it was a worthwhile exercise.

Swainson will be back over the next few months to conduct training sessions for residents of West Dawson/Sunnydale and the Klondike Valley. He plans a major exercise code named “Armageddon” for some time in February, by which time he hopes to have the region trained to handle the super disaster he is planning to inflict on it.



Michael Swainson (standing at right) makes a point while the members of the emergency response team ponder their next move.

Photo courtesy Dan Davidson uffish@northwestel.net (In Dawson)

Keating Returns to her Life’s Passion

by Dan Davidson uffish@northwestel.net (In Dawson)

May 25, 2010

It’s interesting how winning an award makes everyone want to claim credit for your existence. When Lulu Keating recently won the Women in the Director’s Chair Feature Film Award from the Creative Women Workshops Association back in April, newspaper reports at either end of the country were quick to claim her.

From the Halifax Chronicle Herald: “Filmmaker Lulu Keating, a Nova Scotia native, is the 2010 recipient of the Women in the Director’s Chair feature film award that was presented by the Creative Women Workshops Association at the Women in Film Festival in Vancouver earlier this month.”

From the Vancouver Sun: “Former Vancouver filmmaker Lulu Keating is this year's winner of the Women in the Director's Chair Feature Film Award.”

Fortunately neither newspaper failed to mention the central thing about Keating's present day reality. She lives in Dawson City. Fell in love with the place while she was a Klondike Institute of Art and Culture artist in residence in 2003 and determined immediately to move here and settle down.

Sitting in her yard in the south end of town on a warm May afternoon, Keating sips tea and enthuses about being able to concentrate her efforts on feature film making again.

Not that she hasn't been busy since she first met Dawson. She was the producer and programmer for the Dawson Short Film Festival from Dec. 2004 to April 2006 and curated a collection of Yukon films that made the film festival circuit. She is on the board of directors of the Yukon Film Society and has recently joined the board of the Dawson City Arts Society.

She has taught Script to Screen workshops at Yukon College and at the Klondike Institute of Art and Culture. Last winter she taught a short course in Old Crow and two of the films from that session took honours at this year's Dawson Short Film Festival.

Her sepia toned love letter to her new home, 'Dawson Town Melted Down', is part of a DVD compilation 'Picturing the Yukon', programmed by CBC television for Canadian Reflections.

On behalf of the Association of Yukon Communities she created a video introducing concepts of municipal government and encouraging people to run for office. "They told me it exceeded expectations," she says happily.

Visitors to the Dänojà Zho Cultural Centre will see a sample of Keating's directoral work in the 15 minute informational video 'NiheDahch'e Sho Tr inlay' (Welcome) which she produced for the Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in in 2008.

Also of interest is 'Quest for Gold', a video she co-produced and directed as a promotion for Underworld Resources in 2009. Company president Adrian Fleming showed it to a meeting of Dawson's town council during the late winter and spoke highly of the fact that it was a local production.

It can be viewed online at the Underworld website.

<http://www.underworldresources.com/i/pdf/CorporatePresentation.pdf>

for the video <http://www.underworldresources.com/i/flash/Video/Index.html>

But feature film is Keating's first and greatest love as a film maker and, no matter how successful her short films have been in recent years, she's pleased as punch to be back at it again. She's been writing scripts for years, and it's nice to see one coming to realization.

The award is worth \$100,000.00, mostly consisting of in-kind rentals for one week at either North Shore Studios or the Bridge Studios, production equipment rentals from William F. White Intl. and post-production support from Post Modern Sound and Deluxe Vancouver.

Keating's latest project is a romantic/adventure/comedy feature film she is calling Based on a True Fantasy. At the award ceremony in April she explained her intent.

"The whole design of this film was developed with this award in mind - a studio shoot to create a high concept, low budget film. It will incorporate creative animation techniques with live action."

She brings out a portfolio book and shows how the actors, staged against an animated backdrop, interact with props that look like cartoon drawings, even though they aren't.

The grant is just a beginning. Keating and her production partner might be able to pull this off for \$400,000., but they'd really like to have \$800,000. Getting the award helps sell the idea.

Getting local recognition pleases her no end. "I can't get over how much support there has been in the community," she says. "People have been congratulating me. People who didn't hear the interview (on CBC radio) heard about the interview.

"To actually make my living doing production is great, because that's what my life's passion is."



Carol Whiteman presents Award to Lulu Keating.
By Wendy D Photography



Firmly embedded in Dawson City, Lulu Keating celebrates the relocation of Dancing Moose Gifts.

Photo courtesy Dan Davidson uffish@northwestel.net (In Dawson)

Dawson Construction Season Begins

by Dan Davidson uffish@northwestel.net (In Dawson)

May 26, 2010

With site work already under way for Dawson's new wastewater treatment plant. The construction summer, two more sites saw action this week. Just down Fifth Avenue and around the corner on Turner Street from the WWTP the Yukon Housing Corporation has begun site preparation for the apartment building which will replace the aging and decrepit Korbo Apartments.

Over town on Third Avenue the pad for the new Yukon College Building was prepared last fall and the area has now been fenced off preliminary to work beginning on the building itself.



Korbo Site.

Photo courtesy Dan Davidson uffish@northwestel.net (In Dawson)



Yukon College site.

Photo courtesy Dan Davidson uffish@northwestel.net (In Dawson)

The History Hunter Comes Home

by Dan Davidson uffish@northwestel.net (In Dawson)

May 27, 2010

It was a bit of a homecoming for History Hunter Michael Gates when he came to Dawson for the second launching of his latest book, *History Hunting in the Yukon* (Lost Moose / Harbour Publishing) in May.

The Dawson City Museum, where Mike first met his wife, Kathy Gates, when she was the director there and he was the newly hired curator for the Klondike National Historic Site in 1978, was the perfect place for him to have a local signing and talk about his book.

It certainly wasn't the first time that Mike had given a lecture in the museum's audio visual room. He recalled an earlier visit when he was speaking about the goldfields and some newcomer to town was overheard asking why the museum had bothered to bring in someone from Whitehorse to speak on such a subject.

Gates did move to Whitehorse during a Parks Canada reorganization that made him the cultural resources manager for the Yukon Field Unit of Parks, but he and Kathy get back to Dawson several times a year, especially for summer events, and can total up some 60 years in the Klondike between the two of them.

The idea of history hunting, he explained, was something he created for himself as a preretirement safety net. The phrase itself came about by accident when he was pitching the idea of a regular newspaper column to the editor at the Yukon News, but the idea was always there: he wanted to prolong his life.

"I knew I was going to retire," he explained in answer to a question. "My dad worked in the CPR and the CPR was notorious because of the work shifts - it just controlled your

whole life. It was well known that a lot of the old timers, when they retired, were dead within a year because their lives just fell apart.”

Gates decided that he had to have a plan for his post retirement years. Writing had always been an interest, and he had produced one book, *Gold at Fortymile Creek*, while he was still living in Dawson, as well as writing articles and history columns for the local paper, the *Klondike Sun*, which he helped to establish as a volunteer.

So in 2007, a year before his retirement, he pitched the idea of a column about the people, places and things he'd seen, all wrapped up in the history of the Yukon. It was accepted immediately.

The title wasn't part of the grand plan, but it works. “It wasn't done by design, but as time went on I realized that it seemed to fit. So I've enjoyed being a history hunter and I realized that I've been doing it for a long time. I've also realized that I'm not the only one.”

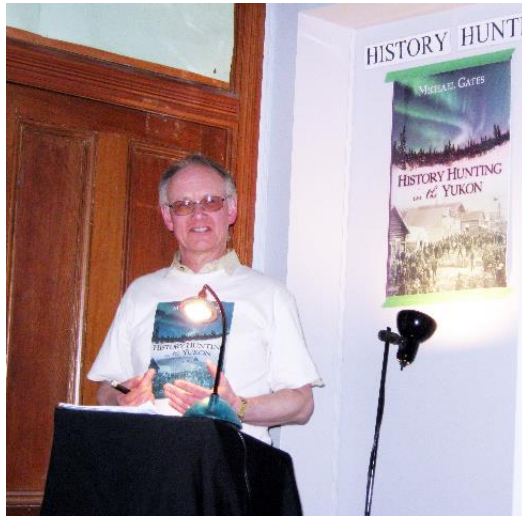
Gates credits a couple of influential mentors with starting him out on the path he has followed. The first was Allan Innes-Taylor, who he met during his first forays into the Yukon in the early 1970s, when Innes-Taylor was with the Arctic Institute after years spent on the world stage in a variety of capacities: explorer, Arctic survival expert, Member of the RCMP and steamboat worker. “He inspired me with a love of history and a desire to preserve and make it come alive. I owe him a big thanks.

“The other person is John Gould. I had the pleasure of working with him when I first came to Dawson and I learned an awful lot about Dawson history and, in particular, about the history of mining in the Klondike area. That was a very special opportunity for me and it was an understanding I wouldn't have gained if I'd just tried to learn it from books or stumbling around out there among those crazy miners that chase you off with their shotguns.”

During his presentation Gates read from half a dozen of the pieces in the book, including articles about Swiftwater Bill Gates, Bear Creek, the Dawson Film Find, and the Commissioner's Residence.

As an encore (by request) he included a draft chapter from his next major project, a book about the Dalton Trail.

The evening concluded with a Q&A session and a draw for a door prize, one of those nifty History Hunter T-shirts, which went to Dawn Mitchell.



Michael Gates read from his book at the Dawson City Museum last month.
Photo courtesy Dan Davidson uffish*northwestel.net (In Dawson)

Minto Park Planning Takes a New Turn or Keeping Road Hockey off the Streets

by Dan Davidson uffish*northwestel.net (In Dawson)
May 26, 2010

It is not unusual for a City of Dawson project which has been under discussion for some time to suddenly encounter resistance just as it reaches the point of implementation.

Such has now been the case with plans to reallocate use of the tennis court pad at the corner of Turner St. and 6th Avenue next to the Minto Park Ball Diamond.

In April, after some discussion, surveys and consultations within the community, the recreation board concluded that the best use of the concrete pad would be to have it as the site of a new skate/bmx park, eliminating the other uses.

The minutes of the April 19 meeting conclude that such a use "would accommodate far more youth than other users of the tennis courts."

It appeared that this would be the resolution of the pad's future until the May 12 council meeting when Nick Ball and other members of Sk8 Dawson turned up to protest the loss of the area that they now use for ball hockey.

Ball arrived with a letter signed by some 40 individuals (adults, young adults and children) protesting any loss of their use of this area.

Asked what activities currently take place on this pad, Ball mentioned, in order of use as he perceived it, ball hockey, basketball, kids on bikes, skateboarding, hacky sack and tennis.

Later in the meeting, council passed as unanimous resolution directing the administration to "determine feasibility of ensuring that a multi-use hockey, basketball, and tennis are maintained at Minto Park."

Discussion indicated that this would involve extending the existing pad to make room for a skate park as well as the existing activities.

At the May 26 meeting council approved a plan to do just that.

This clears the way to move forward on plans to relocate the displaced childrens' park on which the Yukon Hospital Corporation will be building the new Dawson Hospital.



Tennis court. Presently there's road hockey, basketball and skateboarding going on in this tennis court.

Photo courtesy Dan Davidson uffish@northwestel.net (In Dawson)

CELEBRATION OF LIFE for NEWT & WILDA WEBSTER

Celebration of Life for the Late Newt and Wilda Webster to be held at the Masonic Hall in Dawson City on July 3, 2010 from 2-6 pm.

Pat Webster pwebster@northwestel.net (In Dawson)

KLONDIKE INN – RENDEZVOUS 1986

Photos courtesy Gillian Campbell gillianklondikekate@shaw.ca (In Burnaby BC)



Doris Gates and Gillian Campbell - 1986



Kathy Gates, Lynne Bowie...who is now Lynne Normandeau, Gillian Campbell, Peter Jenkins he is the Mayor right now of Dawson City, Judy Reber - 1986



Left to Right Marion Carroll, Betty Taylor (Mrs. Yukon), Rev. Desmond Carrol, Gillian Campbell, Charlie Taylor (Mr. Yukon) - 1986



Leslie Rawlinson, ? - 1986



Gillian and the Snowshoe dancers, Rat River Mary and Lake Lebarge Mary - 1986



Nick Ross, Norm Ross (in rear), Sandy Ross, Jeri & Bill Weigand - 1986



Ken and Judy McKinnon and their daughter Alexia - 1986



Daryl Steininger.. Brilliant Pianist and Entertainer... Gillian Campbell - 1986

DOCTOR DUNCAN'S BABIES

From: Sherron Jones [mailto:sherronjones@shaw.ca]
Sent: June-10-10 5:04 PM
To: Tricia Sirrs
Cc: Gus Barrett
Subject: Dr. Duncan's babies

*Hi Tricia Sirrs [Dr. Barrie Duncan's daughter]
I was just searching through old files for something and noticed this article which has a photo of "Dr. Duncan's babies"
It is an article Gus Barrett sent in for the Moccasin Telegraph back in October 2005.
Sherron*

BLANCHE'S TRIP (Article from Oct 2005 Moccasin Telegraph)

I recently took a little trip back in time with a visit to Kennewick, WA. Sharon Redmond, now in Nanaimo, and I went down to visit her mom, Ginny and husband, Murrell Fournier. Ginny is now 88 years old and Murrell recently turned 90. Both were born and raised in Dawson City.

Ginny's maiden name was Chapman. Her dad owned a store in Dawson in the early days and later traveled the area by plane buying furs, and then going "Outside" to sell them. He was killed in a plane crash in 1941 near the Archie Fournier farm between Bear Creek and Rock Creek. Ginny married Joe Redmond, also born in Dawson. They ran a convenience store, in Dawson and later operated the Pearl Harbour Hotel. They had two children, Sharon and Joe Jr. I "adopted" the Redmond family when Sharon was about two or three years old. I spent much of my time there, baby sat for them and when I was 13 went to work in Joe Sr.'s B.&F. Store. Years later Joe "gave me away" at my wedding and Sharon was bridesmaid. So as you can see, our connection goes way back.

A few years after Joe Sr. passed away Ginny became reacquainted with Murrell, at a Vancouver Yukoners spring bash, and later became Mrs. Fournier. They now have a beautiful apartment in an assisted living facility in Kennewick, Washington.

While in Kennewick, as you can imagine, we did a lot of reminiscing looking at old pictures, etc. A couple of the pictures I thought might be of interest to some of the more "senior" Yukoners, as Ginny has them so well organized and identified.



Ginny & Murrell Fournier



Dr. Alan Duncan and his babies.

Dr. Alan Duncan practiced for many years in Dawson. When he moved to the lower mainland many former Yukoners became his patients there. This picture was taken some years ago at the 50th Wedding anniversary of Clarence and Evy Craig. (Two more, long term Yukoners.) Among the guests were Dr. Duncan and a group of seven men and women, all of whom he had delivered either in Dawson or Vancouver.

Back Row L to R. Sharon Redmond, Bill Diment, Verna Heath, Anita Craig, Kim Mackie (Craig's granddaughter)

Front row – Christine Winter, (Sharon Redmond's daughter), Dr. Duncan, Sharon Mackie (Craig's granddaughter.)



OES (I presume Order of the Eastern Star) 1957 – Taken by Tom Retallack.

5th Row – L. to R. – Shirley Mollison, Ethel Callison, Walter and Madeline Troberg.

4th Row – Marnie Minet, Athol Retallack, Ruth Troberg.

3rd. Row – Noel Pennington, Ginny Redmond, Pretoria Butterworth, Alice Ravenhill,

2nd. Row – Gladys Pennington, Leah Cunningham, Doris Osborne.

1st. Row – Pat Craemer, Ester Rogers, Irene Whitehouse.

WE YUKONERS DO LIKE TO STICK TOGETHER.

Blanche Barrett sourdoughs2@shaw.ca (In Qualicum)

Hi Sherron

Thanks so much for sending me this note: the 'Dr. Duncan' pictured here was my uncle Alan, my Dad's older brother. (There were three Duncan boys – no girls –

and all three were doctors. Alan was the first to go up north, then at the end of the war, my Dad and Mom went up, and Dad took over Alan's medical practice.

I also knew Bill ('Billy') Diment, son of my parents' lifelong friends, Maggie and Dick. Dick owned the jewelry store and made much of the gold nugget jewelry that was so very popular. Sadly enough, when my family left the Yukon, all Mom's nugget jewelry somehow vanished from her luggage. Even years later, whenever a son or daughter of one of their former Yukon friends got married, Dick and Maggie (by then living in Victoria) sent a gift, such as silver flatware, that was decorated with a Klondike gold nugget.

And, of course, I went to school with Sharon Redmond!

If you don't mind, I'd like to forward this to my brother, Dr. Peter Duncan, and my sister, Barb: they're both very interested in the Yukon. BTW: I'd like to get Barb a subscription to the MocTel, if she doesn't already have one. Is she on your email list?

Tricia Sirrs

Hi Tricia

Hope you are planning on going to the Island Yukoners Picnic in August. It would be great to meet you. I expect Sharon Redmond will be there, she usually is.

By all means share the message with your brother and sister.

What was your fathers' first name and I will make a note with your name so I will know the next time. I have made a note with this article that it is Dr. Alan Duncan.

Sherron

Hi back, Sherron,

Dad's first name was Barrie, and my uncle was Dr. Alan Duncan (both their first names were spelled in rather unusual ways: their mother was a bit of a rebel!).

Both Dad and Alan often said there were many boys in the Yukon named Barrie and / or Alan: apparently it was customary to honour the doctor who delivered the babies in a family by naming at least one of the boys after that doctor! And if a birth was difficult, even if there was already a 'Barrie' or 'Alan' in the house, the new baby would also be given the name of the doctor, although usually as a second or even third name. And as Dad said, they usually spelled the names the 'Doctor Duncan' way!

Tricia Sirrs (Doctor Barrie Duncan's daughter) Triciasirrs*shaw.ca (In Vancouver)

I would like to use parts of your messages so that your interesting family is explained in more detail for the readers. I would be interested to know in which City your brother is practicing.

Thank you for your messages.

Sherron

Hi Sherron

Peter is an anaesthetist practising in Victoria, and doing addictions work in Vancouver. Like Dad [Barrie], he trained in Winnipeg, and during the course of his career, has been on staff at the Health Sciences Centre in Winnipeg, the University of Saskatchewan and Queens University medical schools. (I've probably forgotten some!)

In the small-world category, Peter actually taught the U of S medical student who would, years later, become my son-in-law, married to my daughter, Sandra. Yet another Duncan family member who became a doctor, Sandra is, I'm proud to say, the first woman doc in the Duncan clan. Lots of Duncan women became nurses, though, which was no doubt a reflection of the times. One of Peter's daughters, Colleen, will be the first Dr. Dr. Duncan: she's a doctor of veterinary medicine, a graduate of the U of S, who's just finishing up her PhD in Colorado. A double doctor Duncan: boggles the mind, eh!

Peter is also the unofficial family historian, and did a back-to-the-Yukon trip a few years ago. He wrote a book about our family, 'The Hunt for my Heritage', and keeps nagging at me to do the update, and to tell the stories of the next generation of Duncans and Duncan-derivatives!.

Tricia Sirrs (Doctor Barrie Duncan's daughter) Triciasirrs*shaw.ca (In Vancouver)

CARCROSS IMPROVEMENTS UNDERWAY

Thanks for another year of great photos and interesting tales of the Yukon; always interesting.

It's been a beautiful spring this year in southern Yukon. Lupine, Jacob's Ladder, Wild Sweet Pea, and Wild Roses are in full bloom along the roadside.

We are a work in progress this year in Carcross with the gardens next to the train depot expansion, a new boat launch, a post and beam replica of the Tutshi, renovation of the Caribou Hotel and the relocation of Skookum Jim house all underway. Also slated for this summer: a new, four lane traffic pattern at the entrance to Carcross, a new highway sign for Carcross (a large, metal Caribou design), and the construction of new public washrooms. More changes are slated for next year.

We also have a newly-opened burger place and a kettle corn outlet. Now, we can honestly say, Carcross is really popping.

Carol Bratvold cbratvold@gmail.com (In Carcross)

A PAIR OF CALIFORNIA QUAIL AND THEIR YOUNG



Father, mother and 13 baby quail eating birdseed on our front driveway. Dad is alert to any threat.

Photo courtesy Bill Jones ve7yi@shaw.ca (In Vernon BC)



One word from father of a sign of danger and all 13 hide under mother.
Photo courtesy Bill Jones ve7yi@shaw.ca (In Vernon BC)

The photos taken show the babies on the 3rd day we had seen them in our yard. On the 4th day only 10 baby quail accompanied the parents on the 5th day only 5, on the 6th only 1 and on the 7th day we did not see any sign of any babies. Who knows what was taking them, but possibly the Magpies.

Now one week later another pair of quail have arrived on the front lawn with very tiny babies, 19 of them. You can't even count them until they move up over the blades of grass. They can hide in the grass. – Sherron

TALULA AND HER FAWNS ON TEXADA ISLAND



Talula brought her new family to visit this morning [June 12, 2010].
She is the first to show off her new fawns here this year.
Jim Johnson jim7388@gmail.com (On Texada Island)





Photos courtesy Jim Johnson jim7388@gmail.com (On Texada Island)



YUKON WILDFLOWERS



Arctic Lupin – widespread in Yukon

Photo courtesy Jim & June Austin jraustin929@yahoo.ca (In Vernon)

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Neil MacLeod

Born Aug. 30, 1915 in Flat Alaska. Died peacefully March 11 2010 surrounded by his family. Neil is survived by his wife Frances, children, Carol (Jim) Avon, Malcolm (Karen), Anne (Ross) Keeler, and sister Angela MacLeod. Grand children, Carol (Archie) MacDonald, Shelly (Rob) Pacchiano, Deanna (Rick) Stephenson, Leona (Louis) DeOliveira Kirstie and Callum MacLeod, David (Tania) Keeler, Michael (Susie) Keeler, and ten great grandchildren.

Neil moved to Canada at the age of 8 years and was raised in Vancouver. He started working at the age of 15 to help support his family. He then worked on the coastal freighters in the winter time and on the stern wheelers in the Yukon during the summer. Neil served with the Canadian Navy in the North Atlantic Squadron during the Second World War and was always proud to be a Canadian. He and Frances (Evans) were married in 1943 and upon his discharge from the Navy in 1945, they moved to Tahsis where they lived for 31 years. Neil worked first as a longshoreman and then as Fire Chief. In retirement they lived in both North Vancouver and Duncan.

He enjoyed a very active life, and will be missed by many.

JANICE MAE (BARRETT) HARPER

Born July 26, 1955 [at the Old Whitehorse Hospital], Janice passed away peacefully with her family at her side on Saturday, May 15, 2010 in Maple Ridge BC after a courageous battle with cancer.

Survived by her loving husband, Eldon Harper, daughter Kelly Falkenberg (Kevin), son Andrew Harper (Becca), grandson Adam Falkenberg, parents Gus and Blanche Barrett, sister Sharon Barrett (Al), brother Bill (Caroline), nieces, nephews and many other family members, friends and colleagues.

Jan loved her work at the Malcolm Knapp Research Forest in Maple Ridge where she was an employee for the past nine years. Prior to that she worked twenty years at the Tyee Village Motel in Port Alberni. Jan loved sewing, ceramics, shopping and most of all spending time with her grandson Adam.

Jan was kind to everyone and loved by all who knew her, she will be greatly missed.

A celebration of Life will be held Saturday, June 5, 2010 from 2-4pm at the Barclay Hotel in Port Alberni, BC.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

We are making our home in **Bowden Alberta** with our son Ken.

Irene & Ron Taylor ireneelizabethtaylor@hotmail.com

NEW ADDITIONS

Good news. Meghan Fraser, the Recreational Therapist at Copper Ridge says if you email her the MocTel she is willing to print it off for Bill [Horbach] and others interested. She is at: Meghan.Fraser@gov.yk.ca

I hope this works out well for all concerned.

Thanks Sherron.

Jeannie MacCulloch (In Whitehorse)

I'd like to get Barb a subscription to the MocTel, if she doesn't already have one. Barb's last name is Beeson and she lives in Edmonton. Her email address is bbeeson*shaw.ca . If she's not on your list, I'd like to add her as a gift, and will happily send you a cheque for her subscription.

Just checked with Barb, and she told me she was not born in Dawson, but was just a few months old when the family (then just she and I: the other three were born up north) moved there. Yes, you've seen at least one picture of her, in the story I wrote about the Christmas in Dawson when it was too cold for Santa, but a couple of daring U.S. military pilots – with the help of the people at the post offices in Whitehorse and Dawson – flew in a load of children's gifts.

Tricia Sirrs

BEESON, Barb (DUNCAN) bbeeson*shaw.ca (Lived in Dawson) Edmonton

REMOVED FROM THE LIST

Hi Sherron,

Much as I enjoy the Moc Tel and admire your efforts in connecting and reconnecting wandering Yukoners, I'm afraid I won't be renewing my membership at this point. I've been long gone from the north and although I think the historic comments are fabulous, I've limited leisure time and often miss out reading the newsletter as a result. My warmest wishes to all my old friends and acquaintances and should anyone be travelling in the Salt Spring area, I'm always happy to put the coffeepot on! I'm only a phone call or email note away.

Perhaps our paths will cross again. Thanks so much for your efforts, Sherron. You do a wonderful job.

Cheers,

Patricia Fraser

"Weeds are flowers too, once you get to know them."

Eeyore (Winnie the Pooh)

FRASER, Patricia (KERRY) ciaab*telus.net (Teslin, Whitehorse 1946-63) Salt Spring Island

I stopped receiving the Moccasin Telegraph a long while ago.

Thank you

Donna DeWolfe

DeWOLFE, Donna donnadewolfe*hotmail.com (Daughter of Percy DeWolfe) Nanaimo

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Wisdom is that which keeps you out of situations in which you would need it...Harry Neale

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

This is definitely not for those on a diet ... but if you've been invited to a summer picnic/barbecue at next to the last minute here is a dessert to share with a crowd.

Karen Shaw [karen.shaw60*yahoo.ca](mailto:karen.shaw60@yahoo.ca) (In White Rock)

Ice Cream Dessert

1 cup coconut
3 cups cornflakes
1/2 pound butter, melted
1 cup brown sugar
1/2 cup walnuts, chopped
2 litres ice cream, preferably vanilla

Mix first five ingredients together. Put half into a 9"x12" pan.
Cut ice cream into slices and place on top of mixture.
Put the remaining half of the ingredients on top of the ice cream.
Keep frozen until ready to serve. Cut into squares for serving.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Okanagan Yukoners' Picnic

Okanagan Yukoners' Picnic - June 27, 2010 at Summerland Ornamental Gardens, Pacific Agri-Food Centre. 4200 Highway 97, from 11:00am till 3:00pm.

Pot - Luck Lunch at Noon.
Bring a friend, Come and enjoy!!

Larry Chalmers [aksala49*telus.net](mailto:aksala49@telus.net) (In Oliver BC)

**Island Yukoners Picnic
Aug 14th, 2010**

(Saturday closest to Discovery Day Aug 17th)

11am-3pm

Bring your own lunch, coffee and tea provided.

St Mary's Church

2600 Powder Pt. Rd., Nanoose, B.C.

Hwy. 19 to Northwest Bay Road at the Petro Can station, turn east. Continue to Powder Point Road and turn right. Continue on Powder Point Rd until you see a church on the right. Just over the railway tracks turn right.

Contacts: Sharon Redmond 250-729-9773 or Harriett 250-714-2774

**Bear Creek/YCGC Reunion
Labour Day Weekend 2010**

Parks Canada is planning a reunion of those who lived in Bear Creek or who worked for Yukon Consolidated Gold Company. They have been in touch with former residents to correct and clarify their maps and information. We realize that this is short notice for us but they probably have a short time line for use of the funds for the event. If you are interested in this reunion, contact: Trina at 867-993-7222, or e-mail Trina.Buhler@pc.gc.ca , or write Box 390 Dawson City, Yukon, Y0B 1G0.

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– Sherron Jones sherronjones*shaw.

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