

MOCCASIN TELEGRAPH – 441st Edition – Sept. 24, 2017

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AUTUMN SPLENDOR – The fall colours are in full bloom, and seem to be extremely vibrant this year. Here, Fish Lake is seen from Mount McIntyre in Whitehorse. Star photo by VINCE FEDOROFF Whitehorse Star via Facebook Sept 15 2017

Reports and Papers relating to the “Lost Patrol” Inspector Fitzgerald & Party – 1911 Fort McPherson to Dawson Patrol (Part 11)

Forty-five below, Saturday, January 28 – Strong S wind with mist. Left camp at 7:45 and nooned one hour three miles below Peel River Canyon, and camped at one of our old camps at 3:15 PM. Taylor sick last night and all day. Going very heavy; very little sign of our old trail. 12 miles.

Twenty below, Sunday January 29 – Snowing with light NE wind. Left camp at 7:30 AM; nooned one hour; camped in cabin at 1:30 PM, 5 miles up Mountain Creek. Killed another dog tonight. Men and dogs weak. Cached one sled and wapper and seven single dog harness here. Ten miles.

Fifty-one below, Monday, January 30 – Fine with light W wind. Left camp at 7:45 AM; nooned one hour and camped at 3:15 PM at foot of big hill on Mountain Creek. Going very heavy; old trail all filled in. All hands feeling sick, supposed to be from eating dogs livers'. 14 miles.

Fourty-five below, Tuesday, January 31 – Sixty-two below in PM. Fine with SW wind. Left camp at 7:15 AM and had to double up for first 1 ½ miles; nooned one hour and camped at 4:15 PM four miles from Caribou river. Going heavy; travelled part of the time on our old trail but it was filled in. Skin peeling off our faces and parts of the body, and lips all swollen and split. I suppose this is caused by feeding on dog meat. Everybody feeling the cold very much for want of proper food. 17 miles.

Fifty-one below in AM, Wednesday, February 1 – twenty-three below in PM. Fine with strong SW wind. Left camp at 7:30 AM and nooned one hour and camped at 4 PM on the river where we start around Caribou Born mountain. Followed our old trail but found it very heavy. Killed another dog tonight. This makes 8 dogs we have killed, and we have eaten most of them and fed what dried fish we had to the dogs. 16 miles.

Seven above in AM, Thursday, February 2 – Twenty three below in PM, very misty on mountain in PM. Left camp at 7 AM; nooned one hour, and had to camp on the mountain at 3:30 PM as we got astray in the mist. Going heavy in creek; very good on the mountain, 10 miles.

Twenty-six below, Friday, February 3 – Misty in AM; clear in PM. Strong NE wind. Left camp at 7:45 AM, crossed the mountain by 1:30 PM and camped on Trail Creek at the mouth of a small creek. Killed another dog and had to feed some of it to the other dogs as we have no died fish. Men and dogs very thin and weak and cannot travel far. We have travelled about 200 miles on dog meat and have still about 100 miles to go, but I think we will make it all right, but will have only three or four dogs left. 14 miles.

Fifty-two below, Saturday, February 4 – Fine with strong SE wind. Left camp at 7:45 AM; nooned one hour and camped at 3 PM eight miles further down Trail Creek. Going very heavy and everybody suffered very much with the cold. 8 miles.

Forty-eight below, Sunday, February 5 – Fine with strong SE wind. Left camp at 7:15AM; nooned for one hour and camped about 8 miles further down. Just after noon I broke through the ice and had to make fire; found one foot slightly frozen. Killed another dog tonight; have only five dogs now, and can only go a few miles a day; everybody breaking out on the body and skin peeling off. Eight miles.

Inspector Fitzgerald's will, which was found in one of his pockets, and which had evidently been written with a piece of charred wood, read as follows: -

“All money in despatch bag, and bank, clothes, etc., I leave to my dearly beloved mother, Mrs. John Fitzgerald, Halifax. God bless all.

F.J. Fitzgerald,
R.N.W.M.P.”

August 18, 2017 on Facebook **from Gus Barrett**

A couple of months ago I entered a poetry contest in the Dawson discovery days celebration. This a.m. I was advised that I won the contest and a prize of a genuine Klondike gold nugget plus a collection of Yukon books.

Great day.

THE DAUGHTER OF LADY LOU

By Gus Barrett sourdoughs2*shaw.ca (In Qualicum Beach BC)

A bunch us lads were having a beer,
In Curly's old-time saloon,
Though the sun shone bright, it was past midnight,
On the twenty first of June.
When out of the night that was sunny and warm,
And into the din and the smoke.
There stumbled a girl with flaxen curl,
Who ordered Bacardi and coke.

She was short and slender, and all female,
With a smile and a dimpled chin.
In a mini skirt that would brand her "Flirt,"
She stood, and she took us in.
And all of us wondered who she was,
And what was her purpose here.
While she held her poise, 'midst those half drunk boys,
With never an inkling of fear.

Then I noticed dangling from her belt,
A gold poke, empty and old,
Then seeing my glance, and she changed her stance
She smiled, but her smile was cold.
Her eyes went wandering round the room,
She sipped her rum and coke.
With a voice quite calm, but never warm,
She gazed at us and spoke.

She said "you're wondering who I am,
And none of you have a clue,

Well, I am the child of that one defiled,
The Lady that's known as Lou."
My dad was a bloke who was always broke,
But loving and caring too.
But his love was lost, he was double-crossed,
By his good friend, Dan McGrew.

He left next morn for the cold Yukon.
Far north of the golden belt,
In the years to come he abused the rum.
While he trapped the beaver pelts.
And he never again saw Dan McGrew,
Nor uttered his hated name,
Till he went on a toot at Malamute,
And he saw that Solo Game.

When he saw McGrew, playing Solo too,
He knew Lou would be in town,
Being still quite cross, at the love he'd lost,
He shot old Daniel down.
Pa also died as to his side,
My mother rushed in tears..
To ease his pain, hold him again,
After all those wasted years.

Then while she clutched him to her breast,
His heavy poke she spied,
Though the poem says that she pinched the poke,
I know that poet lied,
For when I asked her if pa knew,
Of my existence, maybe,
Before he died, He softly cried,
The poke is for the baby."

That poke you see was meant for me,
Hard earned and freely given.
By the man from the creeks, with the bearded cheek's,
Who trapped to earn his living.
And so I came, to clear her name,
And tell my story true,
So folks will learn and no longer spurn,
The lady that's known as Lou.



Sandy Silver

Premier of Yukon

The **Premier of Yukon** (or unofficially, the **Premier of the Yukon**) is the first minister for the Canadian territory of [Yukon](#). They are the territory's head of government and *de facto* chief executive, although their powers are considerably smaller than that of a provincial premier. The office was established in 1979 when most authority was devolved from the appointed Commissioner to the leader of the party that had the confidence of the [Yukon Legislative Assembly](#); for the year immediately prior to this, that leader was one of the members serving with the Commissioner's executive committee (a cabinet).

From the first conventional legislative elections in 1979 to 1989, the term **Government Leader** was used. Tony Penikett chose to change the title to Premier for his 1985 to 1992 term amid some controversy. His successor, John Ostashek, returned to using Government Leader, as did Ostashek's successor Piers McDonald. McDonald's successor Pat Duncan made the decision to **use the title Premier** upon taking office in **2000 and the title has remained unchanged.**

Following the [2016 Yukon general election](#) the current Premier of Yukon is [Sandy Silver](#), leader of the Yukon Liberal Party. Silver was formally sworn in as premier on December 3, 2016.



AN AMAZING PALEONTOLOGICAL FIND – Placer miner Stuart Schmidt is seen with the intact skull of the now-extinct North American helmeted muskoxen, a distant relative of today’s tundra muskox. The longtime Yukoner unearthed the fossil Monday in the Indian River valley south of Dawson City. Photo submitted via Facebook Whitehorse Star Sept 14 2017

Exciting Paleontological Find on Yukon Placer Mine

Sep 13, 2017

Dawson – On Monday September 11th, placer miner Stuart Schmidt unearthed an intact skull of the now extinct North American Helmeted Muskoxen, *Bootherium bombifrons*, a distant relative of today’s tundra muskox. The discovery was made on Canyon Creek, a tributary of Little Blanche Creek in the Indian River valley south of Dawson City.

“I just so happened to be running the equipment myself that day, something I don’t often do much anymore, when I noticed a piece of horn sticking out of the gravel,” said Schmidt Mining Corp. President Stuart Schmidt. “I got off the dozer and gave it a pull thinking it was a fragment of bison horn, but it did not budge so I pulled harder with both hands and out came a monster from the past!”

The Little Blanche Creek area has produced many fossils over the years, and the permafrost-rich ground that covers much of the gold fields is responsible for the often-

pristine preservation of ice-age era fauna that is tens and even hundreds of thousands of years old. Preliminary estimates place the skull at around 25,000 years old and is a very unique species to be found in Yukon.

This specimen is also of particular note as most of the horn sheath covering the inner bone has been remarkably well-preserved and will be a valuable addition to Yukon's fossil collection for ancient genetics, radiocarbon dating and other research. It joins a long list of noteworthy discoveries made by Yukon placer miners which includes the nearly-intact frozen bodies of a wolf pup and a caribou calf made in separate discoveries during the 2016 season.

"The placer industry's contribution to the scientific community's understanding of Yukon's antiquity continues to amaze me and fill me with pride," commented KPMA President Mike McDougall. "To think that all of this incredible history would have been forever lost to the ages had it not been for the labours of miners."

Save-On-Foods to open in Whitehorse

Construction on new retail and wholesale stores to begin this year

CBC News Posted: [Mar 29, 2016](#)



A Save-On-Foods store in Calgary.

The B.C.-based retailer has more than 100 supermarkets across western Canada. (Meghan Grant/CBC)

B.C.-based retailer Save-On-Foods has announced plans to build a new retail grocery store in Whitehorse. It'll be the first Save-On-Foods store in Yukon.

There has been speculation about the company's Whitehorse ambitions since it purchased a plot of vacant land at the corner of Chilkoot Way and Quartz Road this past winter. A ground-breaking ceremony is to happen Wednesday at the site.



Save-On-Foods bought the vacant lot at the corner of Chilkoot Way and Quartz Road, earlier this winter. (Google)

The company says it will build a 42,000-square foot retail store with an adjacent 12,000-square-foot wholesale store on the property. Construction is scheduled to begin later this year.

Save-On-Foods president Darrell Jones is expected at Wednesday's ground-breaking event, along with mayor Dan Curtis and Whitehorse Chamber of Commerce president Rick Karp.

The store will be the third major grocer in the downtown area, along with the Real Canadian Superstore and Wykes' Your Independent Grocer.

Save-On-Foods has more than 100 supermarkets in western Canada, most of them in B.C.

The Whitehorse store is expected to open sometime in 2017.



(L to R) Pattison group executive Glen Clark, Whitehorse Chamber President Rick Karp, Save-On President Darrell Jones, and Mayor Dan Curtis



The new 42,000 square foot Save-On Foods in Whitehorse will be opening mid 2017.

Save on Foods Opens today in Whitehorse..... August 26, 2017

I did start the Save on Foods topic with a story about the store opening which was forwarded to me. It turned out to be “fake news” from an on-line site that is in the business of taking a current topic and writing lies. It spoke of people fighting over bread that was cheaper down the street. Of people pulling hair and scratching; and the RCMP swat team of 24 being called in.

Some of these statements made me suspect it was fabricated and started looking. It amazes me they get away with this kind of journalism, but it is rampant these days.

I noticed Global news yesterday was back tracking and blaming others for their own broadcasting of fake news in the Mexico Earthquake story. There was no missing child in the rubble of the school. It was made up.

So it is true, fake news exists.

Have also noticed recently that the word false is now replaced with fake. On a TV quiz recently regarding headlines, the options to the correct answers were not ‘true or false’, but ‘true or fake’.

I have chosen not to include the fake news story about Save on Foods opening in Whitehorse. I did however hear from Joy Denton in Whitehorse who said she had been to the store on the first couple of days it opened and all was normal and that she saw lots of old-timers.

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Hi Sherron - I am a historian in Whitehorse - formerly Territorial Archivist for many years. I am working with people in Mayo to document the Old Legion Hall. I am wondering if I can post a request for information on the Moc Tel? I recently interviewed Harvey Burian - he shared some great stories and photos. I'd like to see who else might have ideas or images to add!

Thanks, Linda Johnson lrjresearch@icloud.com (In Whitehorse)

Between my travelling and Linda's there is no additional message. Please contact her if you do have comments or photos. Sherron Jones

Courtesy Rolf & Marg Hougen marg*hougens.com (In Whitehorse)
For immediate release Sept 20, 2017

More Sculptures to Grace Downtown Whitehorse

The Bronze Bust of Tagish Elder Angela Sidney and of Artist Ted Harrison to be unveiled on Main Street Wednesday Sept 27th at 3:30 PM

In 1955, while on his honeymoon in Vienna, Rolf Hougen was inspired by the many statues and busts commemorating historical figures. He decided that he'd like to recognize people who have made significant contributions to the Yukon in a similar way. He began this effort in 1995 when he commissioned Chuck Buchanan to sculpt the bust of Superintendent Sam Steele. Rolf went on to commission Buchanan to create busts of Tagish Elder Angela Sidney and the poet Robert Service. In 2010 Rolf asked Yukon Sculptor Harreson Tanner to create the bust of writer Jack London and, in 2016, the writer/entertainer Pierre Berton.

This year, Rolf and Marg are especially pleased to unveil another creation by Harreson Tanner: the bust of their longtime friend, Ted Harrison.

"I have never laughed so much when sculpting," says Tanner. "I studied photo after photo of Ted Harrison in creating this bust and it was his infectious smile and that glint in his eye that I worked hard to capture. It was like he was laughing at me the whole time as I struggled to recreate him. And sometimes all I could do was just laugh out loud right back at him."

"And his glasses", continues Tanner, "What a source of frustration! I contacted eminent sculptors in North America, asking them how they did eye glasses. None of them ever had! I couldn't feature Ted without his glasses! In the end, I used a special clay that I desperately hoped would withstand the heat in the mould making and the process of bronzing."

"We're proud to have another great addition of artwork to adorn our streets," says Whitehorse Mayor Dan Curtis. "In fact, with the permission of Angela Sidney's Family, we have moved the Sidney bust from its previous location at Rotary Peace Park to join the others on and near Main Street. The City is proud to support Rolf's efforts by providing the planning and by building the plinths to secure these beautiful works of art. Thanks to the work of the Parks and Operations departments, visitors can now view the entire collection in one area."

"I am very pleased to take part in the unveiling," says Yukon Premier Sandy Silver. "I believe it is important that we honour the people who have shaped the Yukon. I'm happy to see Angela Sidney's bust join the others on Main Street so people can learn how she preserved the traditions and stories of her people. And of course, having Ted Harrison join the row is a very fitting tribute to such an impactful character."

"The Council of Yukon First Nations would like to acknowledge Tagish Elder Angela Sidney's contribution to Yukon First Nations culture and language through storytelling," says Grand Chief Peter Johnston. "With the relocation of the sculpture to Main Street, this will allow for more Yukoners and visitors to understand what an important role Mrs. Sidney played in preserving and documenting the Tagish culture."

Charles Harrison, son of Ted, will not be able to be at the unveiling but he provided this quote: “The Harrison family would like to express their sincere gratitude to Rolf and Marg Hougen for their longtime friendship, support of Ted’s career and the efforts they have undertaken to help preserve both his and other notable Yukoners’ legacies. To use some “Ted-isms”, he would be “quite chuffed” that people are still interested in “an eccentric little Englishman’s funny paintings of faceless characters and blue moose”. We are thrilled he will occupy a permanent place in his self-described “Shangri-La”.”

“I was delighted to hear that Ted Harrison was now to be featured”, says Ted Harrison Retreat Society President Shayne Fairman. “It is particularly apt as The Society is in the process of an artist intake. The deadline for applications is September 30th. Ted’s legacy lives on at his cabin on Crag lake where artists can apply to live and create in the peace and the beauty of the Yukon that Ted so enjoyed.”

Unveiling Schedule: 3:30pm [Wednesday Sept 27th]

Meet at the corner of Front and Main to unveil the bust of Elder Angela Sidney in its new location.

3:45pm [Wednesday Sept 27th]

Move to Second and Main to unveil the new Ted Harrison bust.

4pm Gather in Arts Underground in the Hougen Centre for beverages, light snacks, interviews and more information.

About Rolf Hougen O.C.:

<http://hougengroup.com/hougen-business/rolf-hougen/rolf-hougens-curriculum-vitae/>

The Ted Harrison website:

<https://tedharrison.ca>

The Ted Harrison Retreat Society website:

www.tedharrisoncabin.com

About Angela Sidney:

<http://www.ammsa.com/content/angela-sidney-footprints>

About Yukon Sculptor Harreson Tanner:

<http://www.harresontanner.com/abouttheartist.html>

About the Angela Sidney Bust and the other busts in this series:

<http://hougengroup.com/hougen-business/articles-publications/>

Articles about tourism and the London bust:

<http://www.cbc.ca/beta/news/canada/north/jack-london-bust-make-attraction-list-1.3448921>

About Harrison Biographies:
www.katherinegibson.com

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The plaque below the Harrison bust reads as follows:

Edward Hardy Harrison

1926 – 2015

Ted Harrison's career as a nationally acclaimed artist, illustrator and author began at the Whitehorse Public Library with his first public art show in May 1969.

Born in England, Ted's talent was recognized early on. He studied art but World War II interrupted. After military service Ted received a Diploma of Design and later became a teacher, his career for 28 years. He taught in many parts of the world including New Zealand, Malaysia, and, in 1968, Carcross Yukon. He moved to Whitehorse in 1971 and lived there until 1993.

The Yukon inspired Ted's art. According to his biographer Katherine Gibson, Harrison "brought the North to the South through his paintings."

Amongst many other awards and doctorates, Harrison received the Order of Canada in 1987 for his contributions to Canadian culture. In 2000, he donated \$50,000 and his cabin for the establishment of the Ted Harrison Artist Retreat on Crag Lake near Carcross.

Donated by Margaret & Rolf Hougen OC to honour their friend of over 40 years
Sculpted by Harreson Tanner

The plaque on the Angela Sidney Bust, originally unveiled June 1997:

Angela Sidney, 1902 - 1991 Ch'óoneté Má Stóow

Respected and much loved Tagish Elder of the Delsheetaan Nation, Mrs. Angela Sidney co-authored three important historical documents: "My Stories are My Wealth" and "Tagish Tiaagu", written narratives of traditional Tagish legends and a document of Tagish Place Names for southern Yukon.

Co-founder of the Yukon International Storytelling Festival, Mrs. Sidney spent her entire life working for her community to ensure that her people's traditions, language, dances and stories were passed on to the next generation. For these endeavours she received the

Order of Canada in 1984. Her own words illustrate the beauty and humility of such a generous and noble woman:

“I have no money to leave for my grandchildren. My stories are my wealth!”

Donated by The Hougen Family. Sculpted by Chuck Buchanan

Blue Moose and A Wealth of Stories



***Everyone invited to the Unveiling of Angela Sidney and Ted Harrison
At Front & Main, 3:30 Wednesday Sept 27th***

At 3:30pm on Wednesday September 27th the bronze busts of respected author Angela Sidney (Ch’óoneté Má Stóow), renowned for her wealth of First Nations stories, and of nationally acclaimed artist Ted Harrison, known for his paintings of “faceless characters and of blue moose”, will be unveiled on Main Street.

Angela Sidney’s bust, created by Chuck Buchanan and originally unveiled in Rotary Park in 1997, has been moved to the corner of Front and Main. Ted Harrison’s bust has just been created and cast by local artist Harreson Tanner. It will be unveiled at Second and Main. These statues are part of a series of busts commissioned by Rolf & Marg Hougen.

Everyone Welcome!
**Meet on the corner of Front and Main at 3:30 then plan to join us for refreshments
and stories at Arts Underground shortly afterwards.**

More info mj@hougens.com or call 867-333-0466

OBITS

S/Sgt. (Retired) Reuben Irvine Fendrick - It is with profound sadness that we learn of the death of S/Sgt. Reuben Irvine FENDRICK on September 15, 2017 at Whitehorse, Yukon. He passed with his family at his side. He was well known to many members of the RCMP having spent many years in Yukon and will be missed by his friends and comrades. Details of a memorial service will be announced in the coming days. Reub spent the majority of his service in the Arctic and the Yukon.

Gertrude Edelwina DAWSON, nee RATH. R.N. Known to everyone as Evelyn or Ev.
B: 8 April 1931, Dafoe, SK, Died: 4 July, 2017, Pioneer Elder Care, St. Catharines, ON.

Ev decided at an early age that she would be a Nurse. She was most impressed to see her eldest sibling, Elmira graduate as an RN.

Before I met her in Whitehorse in 1956, she had graduated from the Grey Nuns Hospital, Regina, SK., in the Fall of 1953.

Immediately she went to Campbell River on Vancouver Island to nurse at the local hospital. After a promising engagement turned sour she got a position at the Vancouver General Hospital.

You would need to know that Ev wanted to see as much of the world as possible. It was 1956 when her sister Erna suggested she take a job in Whitehorse where she would be able to save money for a three month tour of Europe. Erna (Rath) had a job teaching in the Yukon. So, in Spring of 1956 Ev was nursing at the Whitehorse General Hospital. With all the gold nugget jewellery and other attractions Ev was not able to save money for the Europe trip. However, the banker loaned the full cost on the promise she would return to the Yukon.

A month or two later I was transferred to Whitehorse, from Gladstone, Man., by the RCMP. Volunteers to service in "G" Division were committed to a three year term in "G" Div. "G" Division encompassed all of northern Canada North of the provinces.

Now I was born in Saskatoon, SK., Ev in Dafoe; those locations are only 100 miles apart. Where we met in the Yukon was 1,800 MILES apart. Our first meeting was in the back of a Presbyterian Minister's van heading to Takhini Hot Springs with a few other young folk. Our first three months were rocky courting. Seems I was trying to dunk Ev every time I passed her in Takhini. I did not know she could not swim. Any attempt to arrange a date was thwarted because, "she had to wash her hair!" Persistence paid off and we were soon enjoying dates with each other.

Ev was stubborn about touring Europe with her sister Erna. I proposed marriage prior to her departure, to no avail.

Well, I had a chance to escort a prisoner from Whitehorse to Edmonton the day after Ev left for Regina. Completed the escort and got the soonest flight to Saskatoon. Borrowed a car from a brother and down to Regina. About 2:00am woke Ev at her sister's house. Spent the night at Regina Detachment single quarters and back to the sister's for supper. Turned out another suitor was there to propose. At least he had a ring. I didn't! Ev excused herself from supper with a severe headache and left Erna to deal with the two suitors. Erna played the role very well!

Ev maintained that it was my letters sent to each of the main stopovers on her trip in Europe that made her give serious consideration to my proposal. Seems she was the only one who got mail on the trip. This impressed Erna too.

We married in 1959. Duncan was born in 1960 brother Dave in 1962. After eight wonderful years in the Yukon we were transferred to OTTAWA in 1964. Darling daughter Daughter was born in 1966.

Ev had a varied career in nursing. Out of training in 1953 she was put into dealing with polio patients which was very prevalent. Because of great training and techniques she remained healthy. She continued to increase her nursing training. She lectured to clinical nursing students in Regina and was Acting Matron at the Whitehorse General Hospital for a number of months. Her expertise saw her working in the ICU in OTTAWA dealing with Dr. Kion's early heart transplant patients in Canada. Dr. Bill Buchan and Ev were able to get an "iron-lung" out of storage in the Whitehorse hospital, make it operational and resulted in saving a polio patient in 1963/64. Ev's real love was in obstetrics. She could claim to have assisted in many births when the doctors could not arrive in time, to the appreciation of many mothers.

In 2005 Ev was identified with early onset Alzheimer's. We continued to make as many trips and cruises as her condition would allow. In June, 2016 when I could no longer keep her at home we found a spot at the Pioneer Elder Care home in St. Catharines. A private facility with only ten patients and a good ratio of caregivers to patients. There were no such vacancies in Burlington.

Ev's family; Duncan (SharonLee) and Eddie in Bermuda; Dave (Sharon) twins Aidan and

Brendan in Burlington; Dr. Dorothy (Cliff) Hunse soon at Acadia University, Wolfville, NS and Bill, Burlington thank God for a wonderful Wife, Mother and Grannie. We have been blessed!

Sherron, use of this what you wish. Kindest regards, Bill Dawson, Yukon 1956/ 1964 (Retired) Insp. RCMP. yhuree@sympatico.ca (In Burlington ON)



SIEBERT (BERT) OSCAR HADVICK
MAY 4, 1927 – AUGUST 4, 2017

Bert passed away peacefully at Whitehorse General Hospital on Friday, August 4, 2017.

Bert is survived by his children Sheila (Denis), Sonja, John (Konnie), sister Madeleine Ellis, grandchildren Justin and Kaighen Munro (Mike Tripp), Elena Drouin, great grandchildren Arlow Pinette (his little Swede) Myah, Aria and Walker Tripp whose visits added a twinkle to his eyes and his “adopted daughter” José (Wilfred) Lohnes. He is predeceased by his wife Karen and eight of his siblings.

Bert and Karen moved to Whitehorse in 1954, starting his own business Oscar’s Electric Ltd. in 1966.

Bert was heavily involved in the community as a Scout Leader, co-founder of the Whitehorse Skating Club, a founding member of the Lutheran Church, a member of the Masonic Fraternity (55 years) and the Whitehorse Elk’s Lodge (45 years), serving in many Executive positions for both organizations, an Associate member of the Royal Canadian Legion, a 20 year member of the Yukon Order of Pioneers and long-time Shriner. Bert received the Governor General’s Award for both Gold and Diamond Jubilee Awards and the “Queen Elizabeth Golden Jubilee” medal in 2003 and again in 2013. Bert was a Board Member of the Electricians Trade Advisory, Yukon Vocational & Technical Training (1976) and a founding member of the Yukon Electrical Contractors Association (President 1978). He was elected as City Councilman in 1977.

The family wishes to express special thanks to Dr. Alison Freeman, Dr. Alison Maglund, the nursing staff and Home Care, his faithful visitor Malcolm Greer and chauffeur, Wilfred Lohnes .

A Masonic Service will take place at the Elk’s Lodge at 2 p.m. on August 26, 2017. There will be no grave side service and Bert’s ashes will be privately scattered.

Donations in lieu of flowers may be made to the "Hadvick Fund" at the Yukon Foundation.



MacLEOD, Frances

1923 – 2017

With love and fond memories we celebrate the life of Frances May MacLeod (nee Evans). Born May 5, 1923 in North Vancouver. Predeceased by her loving parents Arthur and Clementine Evans and her late husband Neil MacLeod. Frances is survived by her sister Evelyn MacDonald and sister-in-law Lee Evans. Also by her children Carol (Jim) Avon, Malcolm (Karen) MacLeod, Anne (Ross) Keeler and their children Carol (Archie) MacDonald, David (Tania) Keeler, Shelly (Rob) Pacchiano, Deanna (Rick) Stephenson, Michael (Susie) Keeler, Leona (Louis) DeOliveira, Kirstie MacLeod and Callum Macleod. She was Gigi (great- grandma) to Zak and Brock Keeler, Maria and Allan Keeler, Francesca, Angelo and Bianca Pacchiano, Madison and Jessica MacDonald, Liam Stephenson and Issac DeOliveira. She lived in North Vancouver, Tahsis and Duncan, B.C., with her final years at Cerwydden Care Home in Duncan where she received loving care. She was a daughter, a sister, a mother, a teacher, our matriarch, but mostly she was a wonderful person who lives on in her loving family. Service will be 2 p.m. Saturday September 16 at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church 531 Herbert St. Duncan BC. Online condolences may be made at www.hwwallacebc.com



MacLEAN, Catherine (Cathy) Anne

January 14, 1959 - August 15, 2017

Cathy was born in Whitehorse, Yukon and moved to Calgary in 1966 with her family when she was a young girl. Cathy then followed in the footsteps of her sisters and moved to Vancouver where she started and raised her family. In 2004 she returned home to Calgary. Cathy is survived by her three sons: Michael Reddy (Michelle), Tony Schelfaut (Jem), and Rick Schelfaut and their father John Schelfaut; her mother Ruth MacLean; sisters: Donna MacLean, Carol MacLean, Christina Roberts, and Mary (Mike) Jefferies;

brother David (Belinda) MacLean as well as her pride and joy, grandson Kjel. Cathy is also survived by her partner Guy and the Wingerter family. She had numerous nieces and nephews and cousins who will miss her dearly. Cathy was predeceased by her father Donald Laird MacLean in 1980. Cathy was a gentle, kind soul. She spent many years as a Nanny and was always proud of her "kids" whom she kept close to her heart. The family wishes to thank all the Healthcare Professionals in ICU and Unit 37 at the Foothills Hospital for all their care and compassion. "Our family chain is broken and nothing seems the same, but as God calls us one by one, the chain will link again." Funeral Mass will be celebrated at Mary Mother of the Redeemer Roman Catholic Church (1714 - 14 Avenue NE, Calgary) on Monday, August 21, 2017 at 10:30 a.m. with a Graveside Service to follow at Queen's Park Cemetery (3219 - 4 Street NW, Calgary). In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Canadian Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, #204, 1608 - 17 Avenue SW, Calgary, AB T2T 0E3 (www.jdrf.ca). To express condolences, please visit: www.mountainviewmemorial.ca.



Kenneth Charles Eyre, CD, PhD, RMC, PPCLI 1942 - 2017

Ken was born in Shelburne, NS on November 23, 1942 to loving parents Winnie and Ralph Eyre. His father was a member of the Army Corp of Engineers and as Ralph carried out his duties, including the building of the Alaska Highway, Ken and his family

lived in various places across Canada. He spent his formative high school years in Whitehorse, Yukon and there developed a lasting respect for Canada's North.

Ken graduated from the Royal Military College of Canada (BA) and served in the Canadian Army from 1965 to 1982, primarily with infantry and airborne forces. He was commissioned into the Queen's Own Rifles and was subsequently rebadged to the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry. During his military career he served twice on peacekeeping missions in Cyprus, one during the period of the coup d'etat and Turkish invasion in 1974.

A brilliant scholar, Ken received a MA in History from Duke University in 1967 and in 1974 became the first serving officer awarded a Department of National Defence Fellowship. He chose to work towards a Ph.D at King's College, University of London. His thesis was entitled *Custos Borealis: The Military In the Canadian North*, an examination of Canada's defence policy and operations. As part of his field research, he was posted to Yellowknife and had the opportunity to travel extensively throughout the North, with emphasis on the Northwest Passage and the High Arctic. When it came time at King's College to defend his dissertation, the College asked the Canadian government for an expert on the subject to join the board in reviewing the paper and questioning the candidate. The single expert Canada could suggest was that of Major K.C. Eyre, MA. The dissertation was accepted and Ken was granted a Ph.D in 1981. In recognition of all his original work relating to Canada's North, he was nominated by the Department of National Defence for the 1982 Massey Medal.

After retiring from the army, Ken worked for several years at National Sea Products, then became Principal Scientist at Crisis Simulations, a research company designing military battle and disaster training simulations. In 1994, he was appointed the first Director of Studies at the Pearson International Peacekeeping Centre established by the Government of Canada in Clementsport, NS. During his tenure at the Centre, he served in various other positions, including Director of Research and Development, Director of Exercises and Executive Vice President. Ken was instrumental in developing an intellectual focus and a dynamic multidisciplinary approach for the Centre's peacekeeping training, one that was unique in the world and studied by other countries. Many people still working in the fields of peacemaking and rebuilding conflict ridden countries around the globe are using concepts and principles learned from his work.

Ken had an incisive and active intellect and curiosity and did not suffer intellectual sloppiness but as a teacher, friend and husband, he could be gentle and reassuring and was a loyal friend and inspiring mentor to many people.

He also had a great sense of fun and whimsy. In his retirement years, Ken took up Cowboy Action Shooting, combining boyhood pursuits with a love of target shooting. He and his friends spent many happy days participating in matches with titles such as " High Noon", " The Shooting of Dan McGrew" and "Ghostriders in the Sky. " Also in retirement, he created driftwood art and garden octopi- huge creatures made from spruce burls he harvested from local forests and lakes that he painted fanciful colours and often named after friends.

The love for the outdoors he learned as a boy never left Ken. He was an avid fly fisherman, both in salt and freshwater, and was most content when fishing, particularly on Nova Scotia's brooks and rivers in the spring of the year and on Florida's inland waterways during the winters he spent there. He used to quote from a Babylonian proverb often: "The gods do not deduct from man's allotted span the hours spent fishing." All those who mourn his death wish the gods had given him many more hours.

Ken died on July 13, 2017, shortly after being diagnosed with Acute Myeloid Leukemia. He leaves his wife Carole (Annapolis Royal), his sister Heather and brother in law Raymond d'Entremont (Lower West Pubnico), niece Corinne d' Entremont (Killeen, Texas) and nephew Peter d'Entremont (Ottawa).

Cremation has taken place under the care and direction of Kaulbach Family Funeral Home, Annapolis Royal; a private interment will be held at Mountain Cemetery, Yarmouth, NS. A service to remember Ken will be held on August 17, 2017 at Hillsdale House Inn, St George Street, Annapolis Royal beginning at 1:30pm. Donations in his memory may be made to the Clean Annapolis River Project for use with the Youth Leading Environmental Change Program. (Box 395, Annapolis Royal, NS, B0S1A0) Online condolences may be made at www.kaulbachfamilyfuneralhome.com

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

The difference between a successful person and others is not a lack of strength, not a lack of knowledge, but rather a lack of will. – Vince Lombardi

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

From The Star Cook Book, The Women of Yukon Chapter No 1 order of Eastern Star, Dawson, Yukon Territory, for the Benefit of the War Work 1942.

Pecan Cookies

Nancy Firth

1 cup brown sugar
½ cup butter
1 egg
(combine above ingredients)
Pinch of salt
1 cup flour
½ pecans or walnuts
1 teaspoon vanilla
Bake in fast oven.

COMING EVENTS



VANCOUVER YUKONERS' ASSOCIATION

GENERAL MEETING REMINDER

This is a reminder for the upcoming *General Meeting*. We hope you will be able to attend and look forward to your RSVP.

Thursday October 19, 2017 ~ 11:30am to 2:30pm

Croatian Cultural Centre (Room C) ~ 3250 Commercial Drive, Vancouver BC
Plenty of Free Parking ~ Price \$15.00 (non-members are most welcome too)

If coming by Skytrain, your stop is the Commercial Station and is only a short walk to the Croatian Centre and is very accessible by BC Transit.

The meeting will allow for socializing, catered lunch (yes, we are changing up the food a bit from previous meetings and of course it will be delicious plus coffee, tea, ice water) and the meeting. We welcome not only your presence, but your input on matters which pertain to the Association. The Executive Committee will be having their meeting in the morning on the same day, then

heading into the *General Meeting*. Our purpose for the *General Meeting* is "less business and more fun".

In order to give the Centre an accurate number of persons attending, please RSVP directly to Doug Stuart at hospitality@telus.net or 778-679-2894, **no later than Monday October 16th.**

We look forward to seeing you on Thursday October 19th! And if you haven't been to a meeting before....take the leap....join us that day....you'll probably have fun :)

And we encourage you to bring a friend or family member.....



Vancouver Yukoners' Association

90th Annual Reunion Weekend

Fri Apr 6 to Sun Apr 8/2018 ♥ River Rock Casino Resort

Celebrating

"90 Years: A Retrospective Through The Decades"

♥♥♥ We are looking for pictures & memorabilia for the display (items returned at the end) ♥♥♥

contact Doug 778-679-2894 hospitality@telus.net ♥ Vivian 250 383-1349 lornellis@shaw.ca

EVENT TICKETS...contact Vivian Stuart, email lornellis@shaw.ca
tel 250-383-1349 ♥ address #217-3255 Cook St, Victoria BC, V8X 1A4

\$68.00 each for VYA Members ♥ \$75.00 each for Non-Members



(membership may be purchased for discounted rate)

Payments....cheque (payable to Vancouver Yukoners' Association to Vivian's address), e-transfer to Vivian's email address or by credit card (contact Vivian with card info)

Note...tickets are not confirmed until payment received ♥ pick up tickets in Hospitality Room

Cancellation Policy – before March 20th full refund, after March 20th no refund

Whitehorse & Area Residents...contact Penny Sippel 867-667-4094 for purchase

AIRLINE PARTNER...contact Air North, Yukon's Airline 1-800-661-0407 extension 1 book online at flyairnorth.com please ask for the Vancouver Yukoners' Association Discount

HOTEL PARTNER...River Rock Casino Resort ♥ 8811 River Rd, Richmond BC tel 604-247-8900 ♥ toll free 1-866-748-3718 ♥ free parking in casino parkade

When booking hotel rooms, please ask for the Vancouver Yukoner's Association Rate

1 King Bed or 2 Queen Bed Standard Room \$152.00 ♥ 1 Bedroom Suite \$182.00
2 Bedroom Resort Suite \$232.00 ♥ Purchase Breakfast Coupons at Check-In
(Avoid Lineups)

Hotel special rates for 3 extra days for before or after the event, based on availability

Book early! Room availability & rates subject to change on March 7, 2018

Looking for a complimentary room?? Register before Feb 28, 2018 and your name goes into the VYA draw for a FREE 1-bedroom suite for 2 nights at the River Rock Casino Resort!!!

WEEKEND FESTIVITIES...

Hospitality Room ~ join us on Friday 3:00-9:00pm & Saturday 12:00 noon pick up event packages ♥ no host bar service ♥ complimentary coffee & tea

Saturday Evening Gala ~ pre-dinner reception in the Whistler Ballroom Foyer 5:00–6:00pm (no host bar service) ♥ dinner in the Grand Ballroom at 6:15pm (advise of any food allergies)

♥ followed by evening program & live entertainment (bring your dancing shoes)
Hank Karr and the Canucks will play for enjoyment

Sunday Morning Breakfast ~ no host breakfast buffet ♥ last opportunity for more socializing

For Sat dinner seating reservations, check our website www.vancouver-yukoners.com

or contact Mike Rawlinson 604 565-7581, email mrcrawlinson@gmail.com

Looking to see who's coming?? Check our website for updates & a list of those attending

Donations gladly accepted...for silent auction contact Doug Stuart hospitality@telus.net

♥ for door prizes contact Cary Gertzen carycomm@telus.net

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