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Quilchena Avenue, wishing for a white Christmas...

Sludge operation growing

The Sunshine Valley residents group calling themselves *Friends of the Nicola Valley* continue to try to bring awareness to the growing biosolids operation. Their latest tactic is an online petition at change.org. To sign their petition, find them on Facebook and follow the link to the change.org website.

The latest post: *Those of you not aware of what is going on should drive up there to have a look, take some pics and post them and share them so the public becomes more and more aware!! We want our politicians to BAN this use of Human Sewage as 'fertilizer', they have done it in the Victoria Regional District (CRD) and they can do it here, NOW!!*

Letter to the editor

Our merits not to be messed with

The plot to dispose of big cities' waste by composting it at Sunshine Valley and then spreading it above Miller Estates is not just a Sunshine Valley or Miller Estates problem. We should all be alarmed even before toxins have seeped into water sources and the river, even before the stench spreads all the way to Merritt.

The plan has already been put into action, but if EVERYBODY protests we can still put a stop to it. Urban waste is much different from the cow manure that is part of ranching country. Remember, each day that goes by brings more trucks to dump the sewer of cities much larger than Merritt. Why should it be ruining OUR water, OUR air and OUR country environment? Let's not let them mess with our merits.



Shelter still looking for volunteers

The Nicola Valley Shelter and Support Society is still seeking volunteers to fill shifts at the Shelter from 5-9pm and 9pm-midnight.

New volunteers and those who would like a refresher are invited to attend a volunteer training session on Wed., January 14, 7pm. The location will be determined by attendance. If

you would like to attend, please register by email kreid.nvsss@gmail.com, by texting (250)492-4908, or by phone 378-3955. Application packages are available at the Community Policing Office.

Community Biosolids public mtg

A biosolids public meeting is scheduled for Monday, Jan. 26, 2015. There will be a variety of presenters & speakers. Watch for more details after the holidays.

'Big Brothers Big Sisters' in Merritt

Big Brothers Big Sisters is looking for volunteer mentors to get involved in their programs in Merritt. To become a volunteer mentor, please contact Brittney, Mentoring Coordinator for Merritt, 280-2327, brittney.parks@bigbrothersbigsisters.ca, or in person at 2013 Quilchena Ave., Community Policing Office.

MSS trip to Flanders and Vimy Ridge

MSS students are fundraising for a trip to Flanders Fields & Vimy Ridge, looking for donations of bottles. They will pick up. They are also interested in doing odd jobs or services to raise money for the trip. Please call Jen Bowden 315-0221 or email jbowden@sd58.bc.ca Thanks for helping them realize their dream.

Nicola Nordic Ski Club Chilli Sunday

January 11, 11am-2pm in Kane Valley. Bring enough chilli for your group & add it to the communal pot at Parking Lot 3 (approx. 4 km up the Kane Valley Rd., on the right), bring your own dishes, and the club will supply the buns, cookies, hot drinks... and have the fire going. FMI www.nicolanordic.ca

—Andrea Barnes

Big Tip A man rushed into a bar and ordered a double martini. The man downed it with one swallow, put a five-dollar bill on the bar, and turned and rushed out of the bar. The bartender picked up the five-dollar bill, folded it carefully, and tucked it in his vest pocket. Just at that moment he looked up at the boss standing in the doorway staring at him. Doing a bit of fast thinking, he said, "Hi boss, did you see that fellow just now? Came in here, bought a double martini, gave me a five-dollar tip, and rushed out without paying."

THIS WEEK'S HOROSCOPE

Aries March 21 - April 19 **Taurus** April 20 - May 20 **Gemini** May 21 - June 20 **Cancer** June 21 - July 22

You have been known to keep a commitment even when it is no longer relevant. You seem to be carrying something that others have long since put down. Time to move on and let go.

Leo July 23 - Aug 22 **Virgo** Aug 23 - Sept 22 **Libra** Sept 23 - Oct 22 **Scorpio** Oct. 23 - Nov 21

You are not just intellectually alert, you are emotionally aware, and sensitive, creative and keen to grow wiser as you get older. So, let go of a fear or a bad feeling & move on!

Sagittarius Nov 22 - Dec 21 **Capricorn** Dec 22 - Jan 19 **Aquarius** Jan 20 - Feb 18 **Pisces** Feb 19 - Mar 20

People who think that they have explanations, miss out on the most fun. As you consider the outlook for your love life in 2015, look for opportunities, not reasons.

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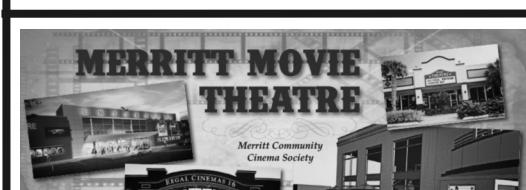
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PERSONAL

LOST: grey cat Dec 24 by Rotary Park adult comm. living area, yellow collar (250) 834-7270, 837-7027

WILL DO housework 315-6617 Suzanne NEED housekeeper? 378-0466 avail. anytime

FOUND: bike call to identify 378-1901

LOOKING FOR student for yard work & chores 378-8326

LOOKING FOR student to help w/ housework, aft schl 280-1576

LOST: Canon Powershot Camera near Shell Station, Thurs., Nov. 4. Memory chip family photos have got personal value. Keep the camera, pls return memory chip 378-9456

LOST: ladies' wallet, 'Guess' on it, apreciate its return 378-7771

LOST: half of king sz bx spring on Mamit Lk Rd, Nov 29, wrapped in plastic. Deb (250)299-3851

LITTLE Brother and Big Brothers looking to do yr drk wrk help w/ moving, snow shovelling, dump rms ect., have truck. Levi or Elijah 378-6740 leave msg

FOUND: change purse, Nov 4 at the post office, call to ID 280-1017

HANDYMAN for hire, will clean cars, yard work, fencing. Mark 315-0315

WNT TO HIRE: man to do door insulating work on my trlr Ron 378-4007

LOST: Reward for info leading to return of ID of C. Swakum 378-6416

HOUSEKEEPING 5 days/wk 378-0466

ANGIE'S TEA LEAF reading. Accurate, born gift, no questions asked, affordable/cheapest rates in town 378-8326 anytime

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

AD PROP. MGT looking for p-t driver, class 3/class 1. Apply by calling Jason 378-7122

NAPA AUTO PARTS seeking parts person, experience preferred. Pls bring resume to 2114 Nicola Ave., or mail to Firman Auto Parts, Box 969, Merritt BC V1K 1B8. No phone calls pls.

CASUAL CARE AIDE Nicola Meadows Assisted Living is seeking applications from cert'd Care Aides for ongoing casual shifts.

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FRIGIDAIRE hyy duty wshr/dryer stecker \$450obo 525-0033

WASHER & dryer, gd cond \$125obo Ray 378-9169

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DRYER 315-0315

KENMORE fridge 30"dx30"wx68", top frzr, lft-hnd door, 5 yrs old, in Merritt \$300obo (778)866-0416

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03 PT CRUISER, 5-spd p/s, p/b, p/w, a/c, cruise 176k, wnt/ & summr tires \$2150 Rose, Brian 378-9140

88 FORD F150 4x4 Ingbx w/ cmpr \$2500obo 378-6074

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88 CAMARO Iroc-Z \$2500. 80 Malibu

2-dr protek \$750 378-5529

86 CHEV 4x4, on prop. \$1200obo, rns gd. 378-8326

86 PLYMOUTH Reliant, \$200 315-4844

REAR brake shoes, nw/still in box fit 3/4-tn dodge trek \$50, 4 P265/75R15"

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