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A big mid-winter storm hit the southern half of the province Tuesday evening & Wednesday, with another 20cm by the end of yesterday. What fell was every type of winter precipitation that there is a word for: Aquillutaaq (new snow), Quanittaaq (freshly fallen snow), Pukak (crystalline snow on the ground), Maujaq (snow in which one sinks), Skuaq (a skim of ice), Quiquamaaqtuq (snow covered with ice), and quannitaijaqpa (snow brushed off clothing) — www.historicacanada.ca

Winter chaos on the roads

Yesterday morning, Drive BC had issued a severe weather warning for the Coq between Merritt & Hope, advising travellers to expect heavy snowfall mixed with rain or freezing rain, with accumulations as much as 70cm.

Through the rest of the day, the road was closed 3 times, due to accidents. Truck drivers lined Gasoline Alley, awaiting the time the highway would re-open. However, Drive BC estimated 6am this morning.

There was also an incident at Inks Lake just before 7pm, then at the Logan Lake exchange just an hour later. The closures affected the southbound lanes.

Meanwhile Hwy 1 was closed through the Canyon & 97C near Princeton because of the risk of avalanche, and avalanche control.

Meanwhile, the Lower Mainland & Fraser Valley were hit hard again, with heavy snow then rain & freezing rain.

A significant warming trend should be in full swing by today. Environment Canada's forecast is for highs of 4°C on Sat., 7°C on Monday & 10°C on Wednesday.

New census data

Yesterday, Statistics Canada released population stats for 2016... on their every-5-year schedule.

Merritt's population has grown by a whopping 26 people (7,139 in 2016, compared to 7,113 in 2011). That's a growth rate of 0.4%. However, that was before the Tolko shutdown...

The 2006 census shows Merritt's population at 6,998, and 7,088 in 2001.

Merritt comprises an area of 26.07 sq km, so our population density works out to 273.9 people per sq. km. — that's a comfortable density similar to Greenwood, Alert Bay, Harrison Hot Springs & Quesnel, ever so slightly higher a density than Sechelt & Sooke.

TMX public info session

A chance to learn more about Trans Mountain Expansion Project and construction plans in Merritt. Wednesday, February 22, at the Civic Centre, 6-8pm. A brief presentation will take place at 6:30pm. Talk with Trans Mountain representatives about topics that matter to you. Please note Contractors will not be hiring or accepting resumes at this event. FMI about the Trans Mountain Project visit www.transmountain.com.

Happy Family Day

Monday, we celebrate the 5th annual BC Family Day. It was set in 2012 to provide a statutory holiday in the long & variable time between Christmas & Easter. It'll be a great day to hunker down with family, this year! No MMM Monday.

Lawnmower Words A small boy was pushing a gasoline-powered lawnmower down the street with a "For Sale" sign on it. A man stopped him and asked if the mower would run. The boy told him it would, so the man bought it. A while later, the boy was walking past the man's house and saw him pulling repeatedly on the starting rope with no success. The man noticed the boy and said, "I thought you told me this mower would run!" The boy replied, "Well you have to use some cuss words to make it start." The man responded, "Son, I'm a preacher; I don't know any cuss words!" "You keep pulling on that starter rope and some'll come to you!"

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GENERAL MANAGER

Nicola Valley & District Food Bank Society

Based out of the Merritt office, we are seeking the ideal candidate to provide lead coordination in managing the operations of the Food Bank. Key qualifications include: Not for Profit Society management / expertise (Board relations, Budgeting); Volunteer Development / Support; Donor and Sponsor Development; Inventory and Systems Controls; and, Client Management. We are looking for someone with proven skills but equally important are qualities of compassion, transparency and excellent decision making in accordance with the Food Bank's mandate and policies. The position requires occasional work outside of normal office hours (special events campaigns) and is approximately 25 hrs per week. A small support staff (and committed volunteers) will be important resources to work with / lead. Applications (including resume and cover letter), should be submitted electronically by

12pm (noon) Monday, February 20, 2017

to: robmiller@hotmail.ca Interviews will be conducted on March 2, 2017. For further information on the Food Bank's programs and services, visit: www.nicolavalleyfoodbank.com

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Culinary Lead

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This role is full time, 40+ hour/week opportunity with the opportunity for overtime. Work is done Monday-Friday daytime with occasional evenings and weekends. It is also a temporary role until April 30, 2017 with the possibility of extension.

For more details, including the qualifications for the positions, please visit <http://civeo.com/people-careers/job-opportunities/>

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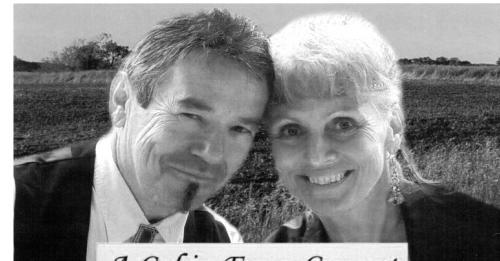
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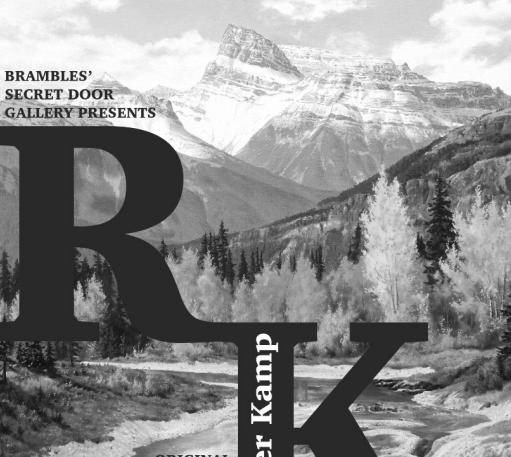
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