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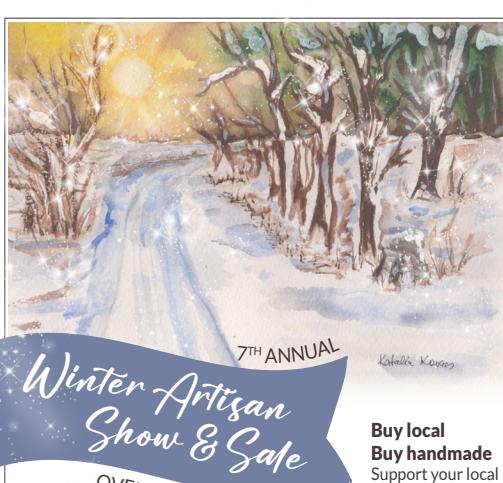
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Letters to the editor

Thank you

Thank you Meghan and Sherry at Samaritan's Purse! You helped to make me feel Christmassy when I wasn't feeling it.

I appreciate you amazing wonderful ladies.

— J. Street

Kudos to Dr. Holmes

...for expressing his concerns about the state of the Nicola Valley Health Centre grounds. I'm so sorry he (and, I assume, many others) had to navigate around our so called "hospital" just to get to the doors. It's truly a shame that a guy like Dr. Holmes—not only a disabled senior and a long time Merritt resident but a kind and devoted family physician who practiced at a time when house calls were a thing, even in bad weather and as far out as Shackan and Douglas Lk. Trying to work his way over slippery snow pack and uneven gravel in a parking lot, just to enter our health care centre is unacceptable at best. I place no judgement on the staff - they rock despite their circumstances - but I do place huge judgement on the governments that have allowed our health care system to get to this point. I'm a kid of the sixties. That was a time when the Canadian health care system was revered all over the world.

How has it come to this? I'm in complete agreement with Dr. Holmes, "we need more control over our health services". We don't need administrators sitting at their desks and barking out unnecessary, ill-informed directions. We need front line practitioners and we need to listen to them. — M. McKay

25th anniv. of Delgamuukw/Gisday'wa judgment

"It has been 25 years since the Supreme Court of Canada delivered its judgment in the Delgamuukw/Gisday'wa vs. British Columbia case. Delivered on Dec. 11, 1997, the landmark judgment affirmed Aboriginal rights, including Aboriginal title, and recognized oral testimony from Indigenous Peoples as lawful evidence. The court's ruling was a foundational shift in Canada's jurisprudence.

"Today, we remember Chief Delgamuukw, also known as Earl Muldon, a Gitxsan Hereditary Chief who passed away earlier this year, and Dinize' Gisday'wa, also known as Alfred Joseph, a Wet'suwet'en Hereditary Chief who passed away in 2014. They were the representative plaintiffs in this case, which has become a critically important precedent for how Aboriginal and treaty rights are understood and applied in Canadian courts.

"A great deal has changed since 1997. Our approach to reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples has evolved considerably. Our commitment to enduring relationships based on respect and recognition of rights is why we developed the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act and the subsequent action plan in collaboration and co-operation with Indigenous partners. The act contains measures for the Province to work with Indigenous Peoples on decisions that affect them, with self-determination as a key goal.

"We are moving forward in ways that respect Aboriginal title and rights, and working in partnership with First Nations, rather than in an adversarial way. Negotiation and collaboration are the best ways to work through difficult issues together.

"As we continue our journey toward true and lasting reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples, we are reflecting on our respect and gratitude for the plaintiffs and the Gitxsan and Wet'suwet'en people who worked so hard and sacrificed so much to reach this historic judgment. It is because of them and the tremendous amount of work done – and work that is still being carried out today to implement and give life to the decision – that has changed the way Indigenous rights are understood across Canada." — Murray Rankin, Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation

What works faster than a calculator? A calcu-sooner!

A cross-eyed teacher couldn't control his pupils.

Three weeks ago I sent my hearing aids in for repair. I've heard nothing since.

THIS WEEK'S HOROSCOPE



Aries
March 21 - April 19

There are all sorts of experts to go to. Whatever you set your mind to this week, if you persevere, you'll succeed.



Taurus
April 20 - May 20

This week, be discerning. Don't do something just because you 'can'. Do it because it's what you want.



Gemini
May 21 - June 21

This week brings insight and understanding that will enable a relationship to develop, in a surprisingly positive way.



Cancer
June 21 - July 22

You're in vulnerable territory this week. Your heart is being touched. Don't worry, just enjoy the confusion.



Leo
July 23 - Aug 22

This week, even if there are moments when you feel unsure, don't lose faith. Your idea is good.



Virgo
Aug 23 - Sept 22

Taking extreme action isn't going to lead to the right outcome. Give yourself time to pause, you'll find an easier, better, way to progress.



Libra
Sept 23 - Oct 22

This week, hang back. Maintain a policy of neutrality. Even if a situation seems urgent, stay calm.



Scorpio
Oct 23 - Nov 21

You have the power, this week, to subtly influence a situation that seems so complex it's hard to define. Follow your heart.



Sagittarius
Nov 22 - Dec 21

Since your intentions are good, and you're prepared to invest bundles of energy, you're heading in the right direction.



Capricorn
Dec 22 - Jan 19

You've been nurturing a fantasy and exploring an idea. Don't resist the chances that come your way this week.



Aquarius
Jan 20 - Feb 18

This week, there are all sorts of surprising, innovative (positive) discoveries to be made.



Pisces
Feb 19 - Mar 20

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PERSONAL

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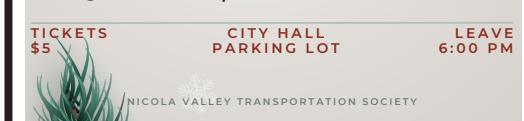
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