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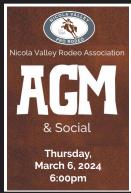
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browse, shop, and support the Elders!

Today, Wednesday, February 26, 11am-

4pm at Conayt Friendship Society Build-

ing, 2164 Quilchena Ave, use the back

Community Garden planning meeting

ing their Garden group planning meeting

this month to decide on what we will be

planting in the garden this year. If you'd

like to join the rest of the volunteers this

season in the growing of a variety of

beautiful vegetables, and like to have a

say in what vegetables are being grown,

join them on Wed, Feb 26, 6:15pm, St. Mi-

YMCABC will host a wellness work-

shop for parents Feb 28, 6-8pm at 2990

Voght St. Learn psychological flexibility

basics using ACT & mindfulness with

Laura McIntyre. \$10 per person, to regis-

Saturday, March 8, 8am – 2pm at the

Civic Centre. Event is free for the pub-

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Merritt Senior Ctre spring craft sale

Call, 378-3763, Linda 778-661-0935.

Easter Eggstravaganza!

Tables are available to book for \$15.

Come celebrate Easter on Saturday,

April 19, 10am-12noon. This year, the

event will be at Central Park instead of

Rotary Park. There will be an egg hunt

(b.v.o.basket), bouncy castle, face paint-

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Community yard sale

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Wellness workshop for parents of

NV Community Garden will be hold-

Injured firefighter taken to Kelowna during ER closure

During Sunday's NV Hospital ER closure, there was a house fire in Merritt where a firefighter ran into trouble with smoke inhalation and dehydration.

With the Merritt ER closed, the firefighter was turned away from Nicola Valley Hospital and told to go to the emergency department at Kelowna General Hospital where, it has been reported, he waited four hours for treatment.

With some improvement at the end of last year, in the way doctors are scheduled, now most ER closures are due to lack of Souce: amp.kelownanow.com/

The Emergency Dept in Merritt was closed again last evening, from 6pm to 7am this morning; the 3rd time this year.

Prescribed burn planned for Coldwater

The BC Wildfire Service will be supporting the Coldwater Indian Band Fire Department in conducting a prescribed burn that will cover multiple treatment units that amount to 65 hectares on the Coldwater Indian Reserve #1, about 10 km southwest of Merritt. This is part of an ongoing project.

Smoke may be visible from Merritt, Coldwater Indian Band, surrounding areas, and to motorists travelling along Highway 5.

Like the Nooaitch prescribed burn, it will depend on weather and site conditions, but it could begin as early as Monday, Mar 3, until the end of April 2025.

NV Historical Quarterly, Vol 25 #1 Calamity House - fact, fiction or rumour? Prt 2

ing, arts and crafts, and a magic show. FMI www.merritt.ca/easter/ Some references (in Calamity House, published in 1927) are blatantly obvious. In the novel's town of Glenlogan there are two rivers — the Coldwater and the Nicola, streets named Cleasby Ave. and Nicola Ave., among others. There are references to Diamond Vale Flats and Iron Mountain, as

well as Hamilton Mountain. The prime suspect in his wife's murder, Dr. Townsend is a very evil man. Crossed in love, he kills his lover's first child and addicts her to heroin out of jealousy and spite. He also drugs a young First Nations woman and rapes her, only to abandon her later

when she discovers she is pregnant. Further on in the novel, he addicts his stepson and is the chief suspect in his wife's murder. Many Merrittonians were outraged by the novel and its scandalous, thinly veiled

references to Dr. Tutill and his wife, and ridiculed Mabel Broughton-Billet herself. Detractors called Mabel a "red-headed mystery writer with a penchant for purple prose". In real life, two final twists of fate set the rumour mill running once again. Douglas

Tutill, who earned his medical degree in 1932, returned to Merritt to work with his father George as a doctor. But misfortune struck once again as Douglas was diagnosed with advance tuberculosis. He was only 28 years old when he died.

Then 13 years after Calamity House was published, Dr. Tutill was placed under arrest and charged with three counts of the illegal selling of drugs. At the trial, evidence was given that the doctor sold morphine tablets when the drug was not required for medical purposes and not prescribed for medical treatment.

The charges did not stand up in court and the doctor was completely exonerated. Rumours have persisted that the doctor did liberally prescribe morphine as pain killers and that he purposely infected his son with tuberculosis. He went back to his practise and died of pneumonia at the age of 71. After all the sadness in his life, many people say he died of a broken heart. - Fall/Winter 2017, NV Historical Quarterly

'Mabel Claire McLean was born in Hensall on December 22, 1882. Billett' s first novel 'Calamity House' (1927) was set in Merritt, located in the Nicola Valley of British Columbia's interior. 'Calamity House' was Billett's most successful novel. one result of the novel was that the RCMP began to look upon Dr. Tutill with suspicion. He was charged Dr. 'rutin with selling morphine to an undercover constable in 1940 but charge was dismissed due to lack of evidence. The ordeal may have accelerated Dr. Tutill' s death in September 1941. The Merritt Herald called Billett as 'a redheaded writer of potboiler mysterie' who besmirched' the name of "a good, caring doctor who served his Nicola Valley and Merritt communities well."

What tarnished Dr. Tutill's reputation, greatly enhanced Mabel Billett's literary fame. The 'London Free Press' interview said that Billett's novel received a generous number of most satisfactory reviews which hailed her book in the leading English periodicals." Today, the University of New Brunswick owns the only known copy of the book in existence." — Huron Expositor, 2016-12-21, www.seaforthhuronexpositor.com/

Where can you buy second-hand shrimp? At a Prawn shop.

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