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Date: Tuesday, March 31st
Time: 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM
Location: NVIT, 4155 Belshaw St, Merritt, BC- Lecture Theatre

Sign up by scanning the QR code or visit the Front Desk at the NVIT who can assist you with registration. Seats are limited, be sure to grab your spot early. Tickets are FREE.

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Two Weyerhaeuser forest licences in Merritt area sold to Gorman in Princeton

In a \$120-million deal, the West Kelowna lumber company has acquired the right to harvest 682,000 cubic metres from Weyerhaeuser, the BC Ministry of Forests announced on Thursday.

The acquired tenure includes 46,000 hectares near Oliver, 2 forest licences in the Merritt area with more than 538,000 cubic metres of harvest per year, and 1 in the Okanagan. The land adds to Gorman Group's existing tenure of approx 734,000 cubic metres per year.

In May last year, Weyerhaeuser announced the sale of its Princeton lumber mill and its timber tenure agreements in BC to a company formed by the Gorman Group. As part of the process, the Ministry of Forests said it received nearly 300 letters in support of the deal from individuals, businesses, First Nations, contractors, community forest organizations and unions.

"We look forward to working with the First Nation bands, and the people of the Similkameen and Nicola Valleys, toward a new vision of co-operation and working together to find the balance we all seek," said Gorman CEO Nick Arkle.

— Source: www.pentictonherald.ca/

Rear View Mirror - 1996
Mirror misses Gordon Campbell

Q. How in the name of news-coverage could you have missed an important man like Liberal leader Gordon Campbell?

A. How important is he? Q. He could be the next Premier. A. There's a kid down the street who tells me he could be the next Bill Gates. Right now he's underemployed. Next year may be unemployed although, I suppose, he could be employed.

Q. Don't you think your readers are interested in Provincial politics?

A. Six or seven, I suppose. But The Mirror's interest in politics drops off in inverse proportion to the distance from Merritt City Hall: the farther the political action is from City Hall, the lower The Mirror's interest.

Q. But, you might have been able to gain some insight into Gordon Campbell, the man.

A. Yeah - if we shot hoops in the schoolground for an hour, then had a few beer and talked about women we'd known, yeah! But at a scheduled press conference? What's he gonna say you haven't already heard on television or the radio or read in the BC Report or Vancouver Province? Besides, I wasn't informed until late Monday, and I'd already arranged to interview a retired hooker who's doing the history of her life on the streets, in needpoint! That's news, Buckwheat - Mirror news.

Q. Wow, Mirror-Guy! When's that story coming out?

A. Well, she's just finished the panel where she gave up on chastity ... I'd say we'll run the story around May, 2007.

— Gordon Cockle, Merritt Morning Mirror, March 27, 1996 #151

I put the "sexy" in dyslexia ... wait.

In 3024 years, life is either going to be amazing, or poor... It'll be 5050

What did the note stuck to the bulletin board say? 'help! I'm under a tack!'

What's the difference between a literalist and a kleptomaniac? One takes everything literally. The other takes everything, literally.

THIS WEEK'S HOROSCOPE

<p>Aries March 21 - April 19</p> <p>You've got insight to see where you're investing energy on issues that don't matter. This week brings clearer thinking and calmer reactions & you see there's far less to be anxious about.</p>	<p>Taurus April 20 - May 20</p> <p>This week, you'll find it easier to define a boundary that protects your energy without closing doors. Choices get easier to evaluate. Give yourself permission to choose simplicity.</p>	<p>Gemini May 21 - June 20</p> <p>By working more creatively with what you've got (imperfect though it seems), you'll find ways to adapt. No dramatic action necessary. You've got the tools to elegantly resolve this.</p>	<p>Cancer June 21 - July 22</p> <p>Trust your sense of what's right. That vision helps you steer safely towards a bright horizon no matter how changeable the waters become. The direction looks highly promising.</p>
<p>Leo July 23 - Aug 22</p> <p>This week, give yourself permission not to like a situation that isn't to your taste. You'll make space for something much sweeter. Understand yourself properly.</p>	<p>Virgo Aug 23 - Sept 22</p> <p>a sense of growing optimism inspires you to sing your own happy song. You might not be able to pinpoint why - but things feel better. You can tell me how your energy changes.</p>	<p>Libra Sept 23 - Oct 22</p> <p>This week, you find it easier to make judgements about what you need to be concerned about, and what you can ignore. A sense of calm enables you to make a life-enhancing choice.</p>	<p>Scorpio Oct 23 - Nov 21</p> <p>This week brings a surge of stabilizing energy which helps you see the progress you've made. Time to consolidate hard-won gains and move towards a brighter future.</p>
<p>Sagittarius Nov 22 - Dec 21</p> <p>You have a chance to address a challenging situation with flair. There's nothing you can't handle. This is your moment to show just how capable you are. And to enjoy what unfolds.</p>	<p>Capricorn Dec 22 - Jan 19</p> <p>By clarifying your intentions, others, who are still confused, will feel encouraged and enabled. And they'll confidently get on board with your plans. Trust your leadership skills.</p>	<p>Aquarius Jan 20 - Feb 18</p> <p>You don't need cosmic guess-work now; you need to believe in your own agency. When you trust your ability to shape outcomes, events will align accordingly.</p>	<p>Pisces Feb 19 - Mar 20</p> <p>This is a pivotal week. You might still be catching your breath after everything that's happened, but the direction is unmistakable. Your fortunes are improving.</p>

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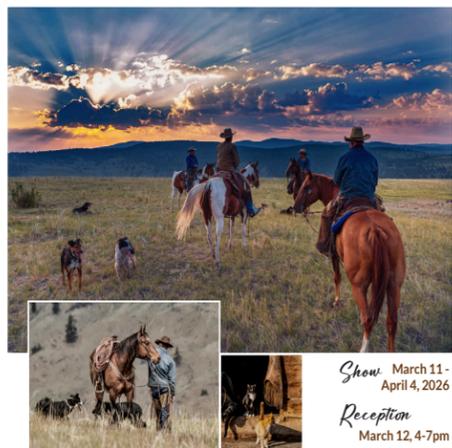
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