

For Dawson Youth



Friday Night Heritage Week Feast: Groaning tables laden with delicious food provided by parents, students, teachers, Band staff, and community members



Target-Shooting Workshop (Left to Right): John Russell (Renewable Resources), Ron Ryant (Rod and Gun Club), Kim Joseph, Kelly Burns, Don Tutin, Jason Henry, Jared Brickner, R.C.M.P. Constable P.A. Lucier, Mitchell Strid, Graham Everitt, Patrick Sack



Natasha Kulych and Sylvia Frisch in the Piggy-Back Race



Trapping and Fur Skinning Workshop (Left to Right): J.C. Bowie, Margaret Purington, Tiel Ryant, James Nichols, Roger Mendelsohn, Sharon Benjamin



Stick-gambling Workshop drummer: Meredith Couture



Randy Dube as the "Sun" in Friday Night's Presentation



Robert Alexis Sr. (Sub-Chief of Tetlit Gwich'in Nation, N.W.T.) speaking Friday Night



James Ross (Chief of Tetlit Gwich'in Nation) and Tetlit Gwich'in Band member presenting their flag to Dawson First Nation at Friday night's feast.



Dawson First Nation Operations Tour: Daniel Peat, Mark McDiarmid, Eric Docken, Donna Bullen, Tim Grenon, Glen Everitt, Heidi Semotiuk, Helen Dewell, Cindy O'Rourke. Amy Semotiuk, Margaret Kormendy



Adam McConnell drumming for the Stick-Gambling Workshop



Angie Joseph-Rear narrating "How the Raven Stole the Sun" for the Grade 2 actors at Friday night's feast

**Story & Photos
by
Pam Lawrie**



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Rod and Gun Club
Percy De Wolfe Race Committee (Provided EIGHT dog-teams !!!)
Canada Parks Services
Klondike Sun
R.S.S. Grade 8 class (Thank-you cards)
Grade 2 student actors: Leon Sydney, Crystal Roberts, Miranda Adam, Mary Russell, Randy Dube



Arts Attack

by Palma Berger

The budget has been and gone. We can let out our collective breaths now, as Arts-wise it was not that bad. The Arts Branch received a 5% increase in their budget.

With inflation this may be just holding things at last year's standards, but at least there were no cutbacks.

The highly energised Drama Club has been busy again. They organised the Lip Sync at Gerties over the Spring Carnival weekend. There were fourteen acts which added up to forty-eight participants. Cam Sigurdson of the Drama Club said that they had to cut off the audience number at 325 as per the allowed limit for the hall, which meant some people were turned away. The MC was Bob McConkey and the judges were Joyce Caley, Danielle Thormington and Robbie Van Rump.

The T-shirt design was done by Melinda Warren. These T-shirts were sought after for purchase, but no, no — they were distributed only to the volunteers and participants making them doubly valuable.

Lip Sync results were as follows:

Best Over All: Big Sister Act
Best Out-of-Town: Bare Naked Ladies (from Rock Creek and Henderson Corners, as the Whitehorse people did not make it.)

Group: First prize - Jungle Bunnies

Second prize - B-52's

Third prize - Day-O

Single Male: The Musher (Jim Johnson & Dog)

Second: Elvis Presley (Dan Gagne)

Third: Billy Ray Cyrus (Terry Close)

Best Female: Chris DeBurg (Cari Haffie...a girl playing a man)

Second Female: Tina Turner (Gwen McIntyre)

Best Trio: Waynes' World Revue

Best Duo: Blood Sweat and Tears

Most Bushed: The Brady Bunch
... and many more...

Don't forget the dinner theatre will be the Mother's Day weekend with four one-act plays put

on by the Drama Club.

The other news for visual artists and craft people is that there will be an art gallery opening in town. It will be in the building that was previously 'Rumours' on Third Avenue. It will be known as Yukon Gallery as it is being run in partnership with Yukon Gallery in Whitehorse with Anne MacDonald and Art Webster as the managers. Anne and Art feel there is a real need in Dawson for an outlet for local people to sell their art work. As well, the tourists are always asking about locally-produced work, so they feel this is a real business opportunity.

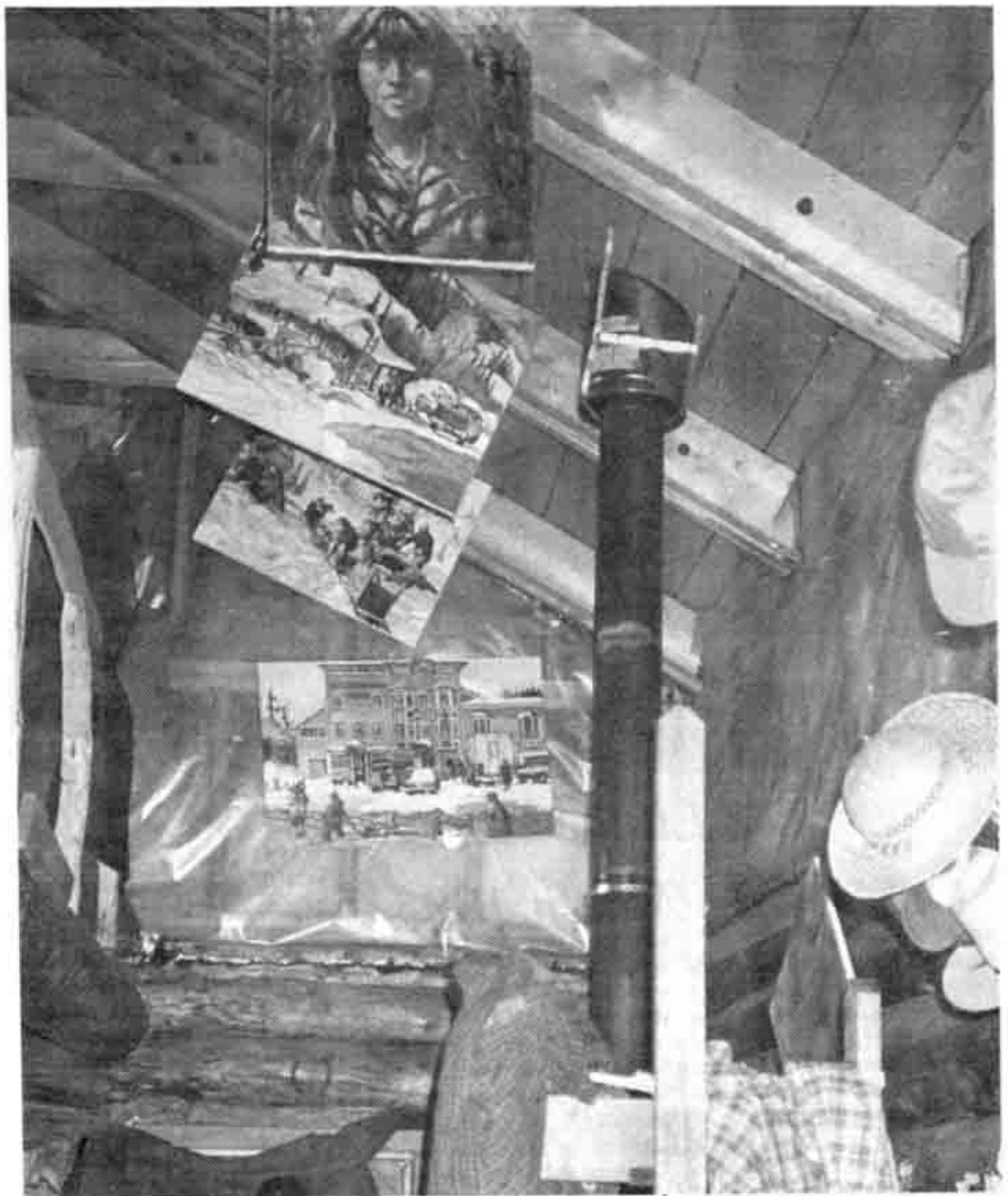
They will be taking orders for matting and framing with samples on hand. Note, this is the second business in town offering matting and framing. The other is John Steins' Greentree Framing. We are indeed spoilt.

They will also have prints available for sale, but will concentrate on the work of artists of the Klondike.

Their first art show will feature the latest work of Dawson artist Halin DeRepentigny. The show is scheduled to open on June 10th.

Their second show will be on June 24th specifically featuring work by Dawson artists — displays will include jewellery-making, crafts, paintings, carvings and so on. They are contacting all Klondike artists now.

The Yukon Gallery plans to open in May, 1993. Watch for it.



Halin's paintings, soon to be on display in our new gallery, hang from the rafters in the cabin he shares with Susan Guimond.

Photo by Palma Berger

Helping Hands

Susan Morrison, Cheryl West, Mike Gates,
Sally Derry, Colleen Kerkwich, Pam Lawrie,
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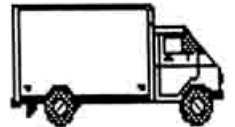
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Sue Ward's painting of Ole Lunde's cabin at Gold Bottom Creek

Ole Lunde

Oct. 1909 - March 1993

submitted by John Gould

We first met Ole in the late fall of 1946. Madeleine and I moved into a small house on the corner of 7th Avenue and Princess Street. Ole lived next door (where Sue Ward now lives) with his sister Minnie.

The winter of 1946-47 was a particularly cold one. During the winter both Ole and us needed some wood. We acquired a beat-up old 3-ton 1934 Ford truck which was known as "The Salvage Queen". I don't know now who we got it from, probably Frank Osborne who ran a garage at that time. We went out to what is now Henderson's Corner, borrowed a horse from San Soucie which we used to haul the wood out to the road where we could load it on to the truck. A couple of trips and we had our wood supply increased enough to get through the winter.

Over the years we became good friends with Ole. Ole and Mary Morrison, a nurse at St. Marys Hospital — were married in 1959. The last few years he has been living at the Alexander McDonald Lodge here in Dawson.

Not long ago he told me how he became interested in gold mining and how he came to the Yukon. Ole was born in Norway on October 22 1909, and came to Canada as a very small child. In the hungry 30's he did some bar mining on the Saskatchewan River near Edmonton making as much as \$5.00 a day. In the mid-30's, he moved to the gold fields of B.C. Then in 1939 he came north. He and a Clarence Curry were camped on the upper regions of the Teslin River. They whip-sawed enough lumber to build a boat and came down river to Dawson, landing in Klondike City in June of 1939. Here they

met Joe Gatt who had a few small cabins. Ole and Clarence rented one where they stayed for a short while.

In 1942 Ole had a saw mill at Snag during the construction of the Alaska Highway. Once the highway construction was finished he moved the mill to Dawson and set it up on the waterfront near where Han fisheries is today. During 1945 he built a log house on 7th Avenue. Jim Biermeier now lives in it. In the fall of 1947 he moved his sawmill over to Lepine Creek where he cut lumber for the Y.C.G.C. His next move was to the Mayo area where he cut mine timbers for the mine at Elsa. During the summer of 1947 he and Clarence Curry bought some claims from Jim Wilson on Last Chance where they mined during the summer for a few years. They ended up selling these claims to Pete Huley.

After selling his claims he moved to Quesnel, B.C., where he set up a small sawmill. It wasn't long before he was back in the Yukon. He and Clarence were no longer partners by this time. After his marriage, he and Mary mined on Dominion for awhile, on Quartz for awhile, and then moved to Gold Bottom where he mined until 1990. He recently moved to some claims he had on Last Chance. Ole and I worked during a couple of winters on the cat trains hauling equipment in to the oil fields north of Dawson. One thing I liked about Ole was that he had a knack of being able to fix things. Many a time when I had a problem with some piece of machinery, if I talked to Ole he had a solution.

He was a member of the Dawson Lodge of the Yukon Order of Pioneers, of the Masonic Lodge and of the Klondike Placer Miners Association.

Ole has been a good friend and leaves many friends who will miss him. He passed away on

March 14th in the Whitehorse Hospital where he had gone for medical treatment. He leaves his wife Mary in Whiterock, B.C.,

two sisters, Minnie and Carleen, in Ontario, and an older brother in Alberta.

Obituary

Margaret Shirley Allison

Dec. 30, 1920 - March 21, 1993

Mrs. Margaret "Maggy" Allison, resident of Dawson City, Yukon, passed away on Sunday, March 21, 1993, at the age of seventy-two.

Margaret was born in London, Ontario, and came to the Yukon in 1958. She spent many years in Whitehorse and area. She moved to Dawson City in 1987 after retiring from the Whitehorse General Hospital.

Margaret is survived by loving son, James Leonard Allison (Beverly), Grandchildren, Rodney, Edmonton, Alberta, Douglas and Victoria, Dawson City, W.A. (Bill) Tizya, Whitehorse, brothers and sisters, Victor Sallows (Wendy), Sechelt, B.C., Donnamarie Butula (John), Grand Bank, B.C., Edith Horkey, Brandon, Manitoba, Wayne Sallows (Natasha), Vancouver, B.C., Chuck Sallows, Kilarney, Manitoba, Herb Sallows (Pat), B.C. and many other relatives and friends.

She was predeceased by her husband, Charles Douglas Haines in 1985.

Memorial donations may be made to the Elks Purple Cross

Fund in Whitehorse in lieu of flowers. A Memorial Service for Margaret Allison will be held on Wednesday, April 14, in St. Paul's Anglican Church at 2:00 p.m. Following the Service, a gathering will be held at 3:00 p.m. at the Alexander McDonald Lodge.

"Maggy" will be missed by all.

A Special Thank You

We wish to thank Brother Firefighters of the Dawson City Fire Department for their help and kindness during our time of need. Your support and friendship was greatly appreciated. Thank you also to the Fire Department Chaplain Reverend Andrew Wilson, Fire Chief Pat Cayen, Firefighter Kelly Quocksister, Captain Gerry Crayford, and Firefighter Jeannine Brideau. Also to Constable Eric Zalitis, Sergeant G. Crowe of the Dawson RCMP, Rick Gillespie, Donna Close, Shirley Mortenson, Tony Fritz, Darcy Braga, Vi Campbell and countless others who offered their support.

Jim Allison and Family

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Strengthening the Circle

by Jim Johnston, School Counsellor

Last month I explained that I am planning to write this column in order to share some of my knowledge with others in hope of working together with the community to make a healthier place to live.

The first subject that I chose to start with is: Building Self Esteem in Children (No you won't need any power tools or a neurosurgeon's degree.)

Well, March Break is over and so it is back to work for a lot of us. And the Easter Bunny is on the horizon hopping to it as he prepares for his rounds.

Last month we looked at the reasons for "Looking At Your Child" closely. Then we proceeded to write "A Description of Our Child." From here we went through our description and made two lists one for "Positive Attributes" and the other for "Negative Attributes". This week we will be "Looking at the Positive".

From your list of "Positive Attributes", choose two items that you are going to start reinforcing right away.

Three Ways you can reinforce positive Qualities:

1. Notice examples of their ability

a) How they show it at school.
b) How they show it at home.

Sometimes your children may not even notice these abilities until you mention them.

Examples of statements to reinforce positive qualities:

"You're a reliable friend", or "You did that like a Pro!"

Statements like these will point out to a child their talents, skills and interests.

2. Find occasion to praise them often (and in front of others)

a) Display your child's work, trophies, stories, or Play-Doh sculptures.

b) Recount to them how patient, inventive, determined etc. they were.

3. Give your children an opportunity to show their talent.

a) They will need several opportunities to develop it, prove it, and strengthen it, and count on it.

Whether it be swimming, carving, snowshoeing, reading or socializing it takes practice.

These 3 steps will reinforce positive behavior.

After you've been praising these "Positive Attributes", of your child for a few weeks go back to your list and find two or three more items that you would like to reinforce, or build on. Follow the same steps again.

Now, I know what a lot of you are thinking. *I can't find the positive things to reinforce!* If this is your problem be sure to be with me again next month when we will spend some time *Looking for Positives in the Negatives*. I promise it *won't* be a lesson in mathematics.

A NOTE ON SOURCES:

The sources of my column include many authors, such as: David Burns, Matthew McKay, Dorothy Briggs, Erickson and Cathryn L. Taylor.

by Marjie Hills

At last spring is here, with it brings sunshine and a renewed energy in the community. We have had a busy winter, our client usage increased substantially over last winter and we have continued to offer a variety of programs. We continue to host our "Time out for Mom's" program every Tuesday afternoon, this enables parents to have an afternoon for themselves and gives children an opportunity to interact with other children their own age.

We also hosted craft nights every Wednesday evening, this was an opportunity for women to have an evening out with other women and create some crafts.

On March 3, the Shelter hosted an Open House inviting members in the community to

peruse our new library and take out books and videos of their choice on a loan system. The books and videos focus on issues such as: Family Violence, Addiction, Grief, Self-Esteem, Menopause, Feminism, and more. We utilized the N.F.B. video library by airing a different film every Monday night on D.C.T.V.

For upcoming events, we have Margaret Little from the S.F.U. Travelling Speakers Bureau coming to Dawson to give a lecture on "Women and Poverty". Margaret has her Ph.D in Women's Studies and teaches at S.F.U. in Burnaby, B.C. This will be very interesting, if you would like more information about the lecture please call me.

With spring here now we will also start thinking about our

community garden, this will be the third year of women from the community getting together to plant, maintain, and harvest our own garden at the Shelter.

As we get closer to summer we will start up our evening drop-in once a week for women campers here for the summer working. This will be the second season of offering women a place to meet other women, join in a pot luck dinner, have a bath, watch a video, and so on.

We are getting close to A.G.M. time again, the date will be announced soon, we have two board vacancies, if anyone is interested in joining an organized and progressive group of dedicated board members please call us at 993-5086.



Library Pages

by John Bilton

April is upon us and the streets have turned to slush once more. That is one thing this writer is not going to miss in the least. yes, the rumours are true; I am leaving Dawson and the Library for the warmer and wetter climate of Vancouver Island.

We have just received great news. Arthur Black, author and radio personality, will be coming to the Dawson Community Library on April 26, 1993, to be the guest author for this year's National Book Festival. Watch for posters and the rolling ads on DCTV for the time and location of this event. it should be a fun evening and we hope to have a big crowd to greet Mr. Black.

(Editor's Note: Those who attended the Dawson City Music Festival two summers back will remember Arthur fondly. Others might simply wish to get in on what will possibly be the last of the National Book Festival Week authors' visits. The federal government has cut all funding for

this fine promotion of Canadian writing for the next two years. Coming on top of the GST being applied to books, it tells us a lot of what our government really thinks about promoting Canadian literature and literacy. Now, back to John's column.)

Our gardening books are starting to get a lot of use as we have several new gardeners for the coming season. Don't forget that these books are in limited supply and it would be appreciated if they could be returned on time. We would like everyone to have a chance to read and use these informative books so that we may see more flowers and gardens this coming summer. Summer will arrive, even though it does not look like it right now and it is still cold in the mornings.

Just a reminder: the librarian's job will be posted at Outreach for those who are interested. The usual procedure is that once the competition is closed a short list is made of those applicants for

interviews. The successful applicant will then have a short training period with the outgoing librarian before taking over.

Story Hour will continue until May 6 if interest remains high enough and nothing unforeseen comes up. We are still having some difficulty in getting books returned on time. It would be greatly appreciated if you would check your bookshelves or bathrooms (that is where I read the most!) and bring back any overdue books you find. If the library happens to be closed when you are here at the school, just drop them in the drop box next to the main entrance, to the school.

The library is attempting to get as complete a collection of Robert Service School yearbooks as possible. We feel that is something that will be of use for generations to come; also, they are a great deal of fun to look at. if you have an old yearbook that you are willing to donate to the library please bring it to the librarian so that we can check the binding and we can catalogue it properly. At present we have copies for 1961, 1962, 1974, 1978, 1980, 1981, 1984-85, 1990-92. Any donations of yearbooks would be much appreciated.

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Jacob Baptiste

The Aftercare Safety Net

by Delaney Holloway
from "The Four World's Exchange" News Magazine,
Brookes, Alberta

The word "aftercare" is often used to talk about a system for taking care of people after they have gone through treatment (for alcohol and drug abuse).

Many people have come back from treatment feeling positive and ready to stay sober. But they go back to family members and friends who are still drinking. Often the newly returned person feels very fragile. They have opened themselves up and unloaded a lot of pain. But they are still not very sure of the new path they have started out on.

Many communities are realizing that the treatment centre experience is only one step along the way in the healing process. They are finding that a lot more has to happen on the family and community level before a person is ready to walk on their own.

At the same time, many people who have recently gone through treatment feel energized, and excited about the prospect of healing and growth. They want to share their new-found excitement with others. Their enthusiasm can be both wonderful and unbearable. People who are not ready to hear about "healing" will do whatever they can to discourage the newly sober people from spreading their "message" around the community.

On top of all this there are the old drinking buddies. The one who sobers up is a threat to the life style of those still drinking. Furthermore the new sober lifestyle is an implicit criticism of the old friends. It often happens that the returning person becomes so defeated by the put-downs and attacks that she gives up and goes back to drinking.

In talking with communities across North America, a consensus seems to be emerging about what is needed.

The After-care Safety Net System

What people say is needed is not one thing, but many things woven together like a net. That's why we call it the safety net system. The net is made up of some, or all of the following components:

A Coordinating Group - a small group of people who are organizing, leading, pushing,

pulling, and maintaining the safety net. Some of them are usually employed and do this as part of their job. In any case, someone (or some group) has to connect the various parts of the system with other parts, and with people who need support.

Support Groups - this usually takes the form of people meeting once or twice a week in a healing circle. Here true feelings are shared (anonymously), and here real support is felt. There are lots of different kinds of groups: AA, women's groups, sexual abuse survivor groups, and after treatment groups to name a few. The key here is that people who need to feel a part of a healing process can plug into something regular, consistent, and positive. The most successful types of groups we know of use some form of the 12-step system.

A Variety of Sober Activities - the recovering alcoholic or drug abuser needs to build a new life. Part of that is meeting new friends and having things to do that are not centred on alcohol. Parties, dances, social service projects, volunteer activities - these need to be organized by other people for a while because the recovering person doesn't have the connections or experience to organize them for herself.

A Buddy System - this idea comes out of AA. Every person needing support (as identified by the coordinating group) is assigned a sober "buddy" who agrees to be available to talk with the person and to take them to community events.

Training - recovering people need to continue to learn about their addictions. They also need to learn how to rebuild their lives. The curriculum of the treatment program should continue for several years in the community.

Support of Family - involving family members in the recovery process is critical. Successful programs carefully involve spouses and children in counselling and support groups. This is because it wasn't just the alcoholic that was sick. It was the entire family system. One way to do this is to twin role-model families with recovering families and help them to meet regularly to share feelings and ideas on how to make their families stronger.

Economic Opportunities and Meaningful Work - recovering people have had their self-esteem crushed. Part of the rebuilding process is to become involved in meaningful work that serves some benefit to others, and if possible, provides income to the worker. When employment is tied to sobriety and to continuous participation in support groups and training activities, people seem to respond well to their recovery process.

Spiritual or Cultural Involvement - every community we talked with shared that recovering people need the Creator. It is very important that people connect their lives to good values of right living. There are many ways of doing this, but they all seem to involve the Creator. Churches, traditional Native activities or spiritually centred meetings all seem to help. In many communities, Native cultural activities strengthen the recovering person's pride in his own identity and connection with other people in the community.

The Net - Caring and Sharing With a Personal Touch

A key to the safety net idea is that the coordinating group uses a combination of many of these strategies together in an integrated plan. A part of that integrated approach that is sometimes left out (and when it is the system doesn't work) is making sure recovering people are encouraged and assisted to plug into the system. Making it available is not enough. It seems critical that the personal touch is added. The coordinators can't do it all. Volunteers or "buddies" have to help. In other words the community has to take responsibility for its own people. If they get better, everyone gets better. What connects the system is caring and sharing.

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"I accept all the parts of myself."

The biggest part of healing or making ourselves whole is to accept all of ourselves, all the many parts of ourselves.

-The times when we did well, and the times when we didn't do so well.

-The times when we were terrified and the times when we were loving.

-The times when we were very foolish and silly, and the times when we were very bright and clever.

-The times when we had egg on our faces, and the times when we were winners.

-All of these are parts of ourselves.

-Most of our problems come from rejecting parts of ourselves - not loving ourselves totally and unconditionally.

-Let's not look back on our lives with shame. Look at the past as the richness and fullness we would not be here today.

-When we accept all of ourselves we become whole and healed.

-Look in the mirror and say

daily: "I love and accept myself exactly as I am."

-What comes up in your mind? Notice how you feel. Name it. Move thru it. This may be the center of your problem.

-We create situations and then we give our power away by blaming another person for our frustration.

-No person, place or thing has any power over us. We are the only thinkers in our minds.

-If you do not love yourself totally, wholly and fully, somewhere along the way you have learned not to. You can unlearn it.

-Start being kind to yourself right now.

-Say daily: "I am always safe. Everything I need to know is revealed to me. Everything I need comes to me in the perfect time space and sequence. Life is joy and filled with love. I prosper wherever I turn. I am willing to change and grow."

"All is well in my world."

Klondike Valley Fire Fighters Association

by Pat Peirson

SSCCRREEEEAAAAMMM!!!! No, I'm not practicing to be a siren, I'm just trying to get your attention. Besides, we're allowed to scream now. Sun is shining, snow is melting, streets are muddy - yup, it's spring. It's time to scream those winter blues away, and a good way to start is by coming out to our Open House at the new fire hall on Sunday, April 18. Time is from 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. We'll have demonstrations, a fire hydrant robot, Whitehorse Fire Safety House, hot dogs, juice, coffee, and prizes!! I'm new at this fire department business, but a lot of people have put thousands of hours of work into getting this fire department to where it is today. People such as Marjorie Stephenson, Howard Mann, Terry Kell, Linda Thompson, Melody Caywood and many, many others - so come on out and join us on the eighteenth. Share the dedication of the fire hall, and congratulate the people behind it. They deserve it!

For me, spring means refreshment of life - new buds, new leaves (if the old ones fall off), and, also, spring cleaning (oh joy). May as well start with the basement or main storage closet. Any old practically empty paint cans lying around? Fire hazard - get rid of them. Boxes, bags, brooms, mops or the such being stored around the hot water tank, furnace or wood stove? Fire hazard - move them. And, since a lot of household projects get done in the winter time, are wood scraps, sawdust and/or shavings

hiding in corners? Fire hazard - clean them up. Block heater cords and other outdoor cords are being put away, but are they frayed? You know, a stitch in time, etc. Kitchen - cleaning out and under the stove, fridge, checking for frayed cords and corroded tubing. How about changing the filter in the range hood? Bedrooms and living room - thinking about maybe replacing those old almost empty paint cans with new full cans? Check the old paint on the wall (in any room of the house). Is the paint blistered? Could be because of exposure to excessive heat - fire hazard - check it out. And since we started at the bottom of the house, let's finish at the top. The chimney. Any support brackets or the like loose or cracking? Wouldn't do to have the chimney topple over next winter - then what would Santa do? Can you see any open joints or cracks? If you can, then maybe there are similar problems in the chimney that you can't see. Fire hazard. Why check the chimney now? Because we all know we get super busy in the summer time and don't think of things like chimneys, but winter may drop on us like it did last September. Why wait for spring - do it now.

So now that the spring cleaning is done (gee, that was quick, wasn't it?), let's think spring things such as the yard and garden, and in the midst of this, take a break and come out and join us on April 18. By the way, since the spring cleaning is done in the house, perhaps we should take a look at the garage...? See ya!

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Creature Comforts



by Shelley Hakonson

Pork can accommodate a diverse range of flavours and spices at a relatively inexpensive price, it also lends itself to a wide range of cooking methods and a variety of presentations from casual to elegant.

North Carolina B.B.Q. Tenderloin - This can be cooked over the coals or roasted in the oven, either way its delicious.

Spice Rub

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| 1/2 tsp. salt | 1/4 tsp. pepper |
| 1 tsp. sugar | 1/4 tsp. cayenne |
| 1 tsp. brown sugar | 1/4 tsp. white pepper |
| 1 tsp. chili powder | 1/8 tsp. garlic powder |
| 1 tsp. cumin | 1/8 tsp. onion powder |
| 1 tsp. hot paprika | |
| 2 Pork Tenderloins | |

-Combine all the *spice rub* ingredients and rub over the surface of the tenderloins coating them evenly. Let them sit, covered, in the refrigerator for 5-6 hours. Bring the meat to room temperature before cooking it. Cook the tenderloins over hot coals, turning them occasionally, for about 25 minutes or until they reach a desired degree of doneness.

Thinly slice the tenderloins and serve with Vinegar B.B.Q. Dressing as a condiment.

Vinegar B.B.Q. Dressing - This packs quite a wallop.

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| 1/2 cup white vinegar | 1 tsp. salt |
| 1/4 cup sherry wine vinegar | 1 tsp. red pepper flakes |
| (or white wine vinegar) | 1 tsp. Tabasco sauce |
| 1/4 cup water | 1/4 tsp. paprika |
| 1 tsp. sugar | |

-Combine all ingredients in a glass cup or bowl. Taste the sauce and adjust seasonings accordingly.

Sweet & Sour Pork - This version goes easy on the sweetness.

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| 2 tbsp. peanut oil | 1/2 cup ketchup |
| 2 tbsp. minced fresh ginger | 1/4 cup rice wine vinegar or Sake |
| 3 minced garlic cloves | 1 tsp. sugar (you can add more) |
| 1 chopped onion | 2 tsp. cornstarch |
| 1 1/4 pounds boneless pork, cubed | 1 16 oz. can pineapple chunks, |
| 2 small green peppers, cubed | (reserve the juice) |

Steamed rice & broccoli as accompaniments.

-Heat the oil in a wok over high heat, add the ginger and garlic and cook, stirring frequently until they become aromatic. Add the onion, pork, and green peppers, stir-fry until the veggies are softened and the pork is cooked through and no longer pink.

-Add the ketchup, rice wine vinegar, and sugar, lower the heat to medium and allow the mixture to cook for 2-3 minutes.

-Dissolve the cornstarch in 1/4 cup pineapple juice and add this to the stir-fry, toss the ingredients until the sauce becomes slightly thickened and glossy. Add the pineapple chunks and toss until they are heated through. Serve with the steamed rice and broccoli.

Pinchitos - This is based on a dish served in Moorish Spain in the 1500's. It was usually eaten at festivals and street fairs. You can cook these under the broiler or barbecued

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| 1 cup orange juice | 1 tsp. each: coriander, cumin, chili |
| 1/4 cup olive oil | pepper and hot paprika |
| 2 tsp. grated orange rind | 1/2 tsp. each: oregano, turmeric, |
| 1 minced garlic clove | and salt |
| 1 pound pork in 1/2 in. cubes | |

Pita bread and 20 6-inch bamboo skewers

-Combine the orange juice, oil, rind, garlic, herbs, and spices in a non-reactive bowl, add the meat and let it marinate for several hours or overnight in the refrigerator.

-About an hour before you plan to cook the pinchitos, remove the meat from the refrigerator and let it stand at room temperature. At the same time, let the skewers soak in water.

-Prepare a B.B.Q., grill, or preheat a broiler Thread the meat onto the skewers and cook it, basting with the marinade approximately 2-3 minutes per side. Serve the pinchitos with pita bread. This would be a great appetizer for a light meal.

Pig Lore - The Dutch door was invented by New Yorkers (living defensively even in the 17th century) to keep out pigs while letting in fresh air.

Smothered Pork Chops - Excellent

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| 1/2 tsp. salt | 3 tbsp. oil |
| 1 tsp. paprika | 4 1 1/4 inch thick chops |
| 1/4 tsp. pepper | 1 cup chicken or pork stock |
| 1/4 tsp. cayenne | 2 large sweet onions, thinly sliced |
| 1/4 tsp. white pepper | 1 cup heavy cream |
| 1/8 tsp. onion powder | salt and pepper |
| 1 cup flour | |

-Combine the salt, pepper, paprika, peppers, garlic and onion powders in a small bowl. Add 1 tbsp. of this spice mixture to the one cup of flour.

-Heat the oil in a large sauté pan over high heat. Dredge the chops in the flour and sauté them until they are golden brown. Lower the heat.

-If there are any burnt particles on the bottom of the pan, wipe them out.

-Add enough stock to come halfway up the sides of the chops. Top the chops with the onions and bring the stock to a boil. Turn heat down and simmer the chops and onions, covered for 8 minutes. Turn the chops and simmer 8 minutes more.

-Remove the chops from the pan and continue to cook the onions until they are tender.

-Add the heavy cream to the pan with the onions and cook until the cream is reduced until it is thick enough to coat the back of a spoon. Season with salt and pepper, serve the creamed onions over the chops.

VERSATILE VINEGAR

In the kitchen.
All around the house.

(NC)—Did you know that vinegar was discovered over 10,000 years ago? Some wine was accidentally left out in the sun too long and, you guessed it...Red Wine Vinegar!

Since that time, vinegar has been produced from many different products including molasses, fruits, berries, melons, beer, honey, even coconuts! Still, the procedure remains basically the same as it was eons ago, that is to say the fermentation of natural sugars to alcohol, and then the fermentation of the alcohol to vinegar.

Of course, people have been using vinegar in their everyday cooking for many centuries in addition to its more traditional use for pickling and preserving fruits and vegetables.

Recently, however, vinegar is being "rediscovered" by many Canadian consumers to be an economical yet potent, and "environmentally friendly" household cleaning agent... a veritable "Kitchen Magician" if you will, with a multitude of practical uses both inside and outside the home. For example:

Reduce suds—Get rid of excess suds that billow up during hand laundry by adding a splash of vinegar to the second rinse. Then rinse again in plain water.

Wash silks—To wash silks at home, add a half cupful of Woolite and two tablespoons of white vinegar to two quarts of very cold water. Dunk up and down in the mixture but do not soak. Dry just enough to iron by rolling in a Turkish towel and pressing while still damp. You may wish to test a particular item by dipping the tip of the blouse or detachable tie before doing the entire piece.

Cola stains—To remove cola-based soft drink spots from 100% cotton, polyester and cotton blends, and permanent press cotton fabrics, sponge the stain within 24 hours. Apply undiluted vinegar directly to the stain and rub away the marks. Launder and dry clean according to the manufacturer's caretag instructions.

Remove ketchup—For ketchup stains from 100% cotton, permanent press and polyester cotton materials, sponge the stain with undiluted vinegar within 24 hours. Wash immediately.

Soft, fluffy blankets—Two cups of white vinegar added to a washer tub of water make a good rinse for both cotton and wool blankets—leaves them free of soap odour, and their nap as soft and fluffy as new.

Smoky odours—To remove smoky odours from clothes, fill a bathtub with hot water and add one cup of white vinegar. Hang the garments above the steaming bath water.

Washing machine aid—To make sure your clothes get a thorough rinse, put a little white vinegar in your last rinse water. About one cup of white vinegar in your rinse water for an average-sized family washing will do the trick, whether you use a tub or a washing machine. Vinegar's five percent acidity is too mild to harm fabrics but strong enough to dissolve the alkalines in the soaps and detergents, giving your washables a better rinse. Commercial laundries use this same general principle in their rinses.

Fresh baby clothes—Baby's clothes will be fresher if you add one cup of white vinegar to each load during the rinse cycle. Vinegar naturally breaks down uric acid and soapy residue in diapers, leaving the clothes soft and fresh.

Wine stains—To remove wine stains from 100% cotton, polyester and cotton blends, and permanent press fabrics, sponge the stain with full strength vinegar. Treat the stain within 24 hours and wash and dry as directed in the manufacturer's caretag instructions.

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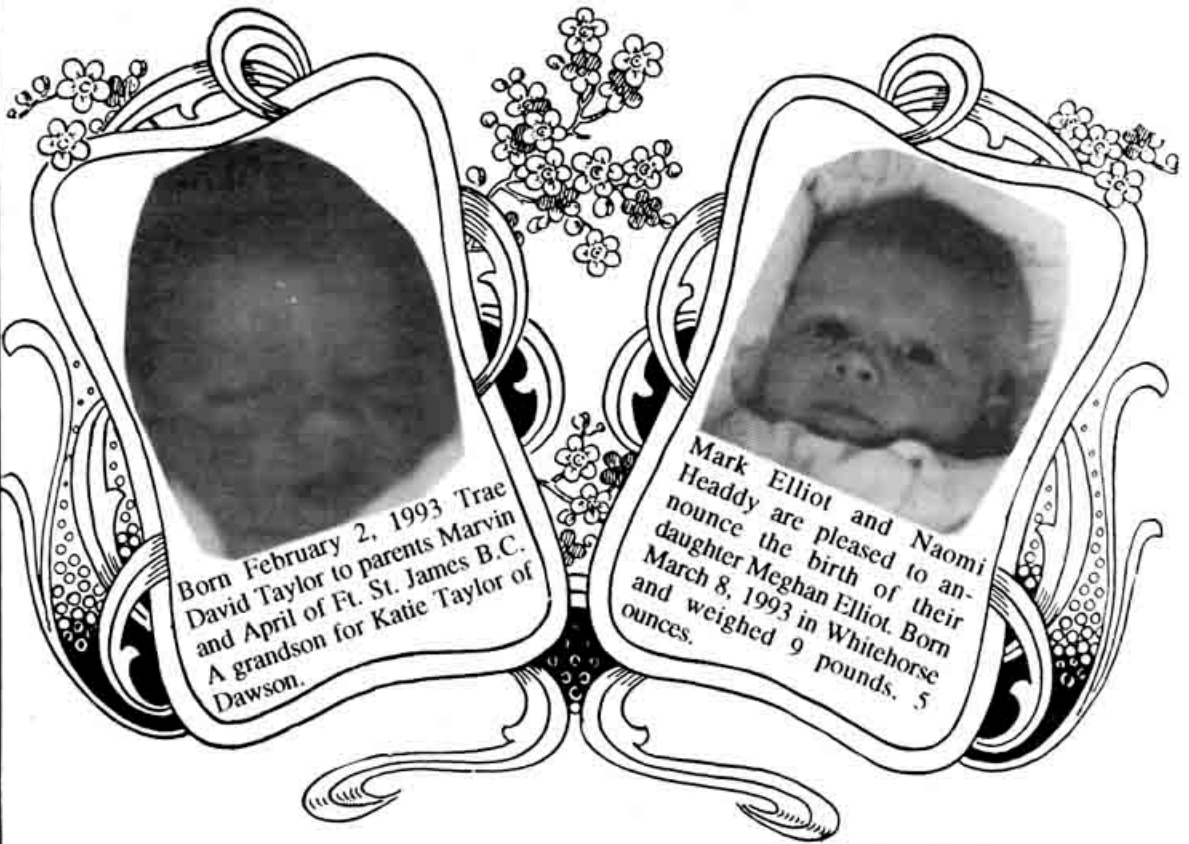
Simpson/McMaster Wed

Vows were exchanged in a double ring ceremony between Marlane Simpson and Richard McMaster on December 19, 1992. The Maid of Honour was Brandy McCann and the Best Man was Keith McMaster. The wedding, at the groom's home, was attended by friends of the bride and groom and a reception followed.

Marlane met Richard when she first came to Dawson in 1988 to visit her sister Marie Gavorette. Richard has lived up north since 1968 and moved to Dawson in 1980.

Special thanks to Vi Campbell for performing the ceremony and to the Eldorado Hotel for providing the complimentary bridal suite.

Klondike Nuggets



Born February 2, 1993 Tracie David Taylor to parents Marvin and April of Ft. St. James B.C. A grandson for Katie Taylor of Dawson.

Mark Elliot and Naomi Headdy are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter Meghan Elliot. Born March 8, 1993 in Whitehorse and weighed 9 pounds, 5 ounces.

Dawson Museum Collections

by Leslie Piercy

Dawson has been the home of many newspapers. The museum has a good collection on microfilm that makes excellent research material, or just plain Good Reading...

Mrs. MacDonald of Squamish, B.C., donated a copy of the Dawson Daily News this summer that was printed July 21, 1909, and appears to have been a special edition. The 72-page magazine format edition has articles on fire protection in Dawson, timber in the Yukon, flowers of the Yukon, furs in the Yukon and many more! Inside the cover, "Written Specially for the Dawson News" is the following poem by Robert Service...

DAWSON

(By ROBERT W. SERVICE, Author of Songs of a Sourdough and Ballads of a Cheechaco.)

From the heart of the Frozen Twilight the strong land spake her sons:

"Long are my valleys silent — seek them, ye fearless ones; Haste, oh men of my measure! Richly the treasure runs."

Then up river and valley streamed the host of the brave; Then with on-rush and rally flooded the human wave. Never-a-one was weakling; fiercely they took and gave.

Ripped they the creeks asunder, routed hardship and pain; Then down-laden with plunder, weary from stress and strain, Sick to death of the battle, came into camp again.

There on the flat by the Yukon, ringed by inviolate snows, Care-free and comely to look on, gold-born the city arose, City of homes and hearth-fires the heart of the Northman knows.

He spends of the valley's treasure in all the ports o' the sea Far in the chase of pleasure he ranges eager and free: Yet aye to the Gold-born City the love of his heart must be.

City the sun rejoices, skies of midnight aglow, Babble of childish voices, gardens where poppies blow, Cabins with curtained windows, snugly nestling low.

Yea, though the stress be over, the Land hath its treasure still. Dream of it, world-wide rover, the old town under the hill; Blue at its feet the river, skies opalescent above, Homes and gardens and children, peace and plenty and love.

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Bookends

by Dan Davidson

Yukon Law in the Dirty Thirties

Yukon Memories: A Mountie's Story by Jack "Titch" Watson, Whitecap Books, 172 pages, \$12.95

Jack Watson was just a "titch" annoyed with the nickname he picked up a short time after arriving as a new constable in Dawson City. How could he maintain his dignity when his comrades insisted that he resembled a well-known English comedian when he was running? As things turned out, that little "titch" of barracks humour was the least of his problems, and provided him with a moniker that people remembered nearly 30 years later.

Watson leaves us with the clear impression early in the book that he finagled his way into his Klondike posting in 1932, and his reactions to the routine back in Regina when he returned there after his hitch seem to support that conclusion. Like many a young man, he seems to have come north to see what he could make of himself there, to face challenges beyond those found on the parade square and riding grounds. If that was the case he succeeded admirably.

Watson arrived just in time to work on the detail in charge of the execution of Barney West, a former New York chef who had fallen on hard times in Dawson, become a bit of a local character, succumbed to alcohol and murdered a man while drunk. Allowed a last drink on the day he died he filled a glass and downed it with the toast, "Johnnie Walker, you son of a bitch. You got me into this. Now see me through to the end."

Not all encounters with booze were so tragic. Another anecdote, previously published in an anthology of RCMP memoirs, tells of a constable who hit the bottle once too often, and the ways in which his comrades tried to assist him. He was dismissed in spite of their efforts, but the tale has a certain charm.

Watson didn't spend most of his posting in Dawson, but was instead sent out to the creeks, working out of a cabin on Miller Creek and later one at Sixtymile. A lot of the book is devoted to descriptions of his patrols, especially his training as a musher and his use of dogs in winter. It makes very timely reading during this season of Quest and Iditarod. He also came up with a wheeled contrivance which enabled him to continue to use his team in seasons when the ground was not suitable for a sled.

"No court case if possible...." was not exactly a standing order during the 1930s, but it seemed to have been the preferred way of

doing things. Watson describes situations where he negotiated settlements and others where he laid down the law by indirection rather than by force. One situation he was involved in near Mayo in 1934 began in a manner which could have escalated into another "mad trapper" incident without due care. Instead, he effected a reconciliation between the parties involved.

Cases tended to run together, and experience was a great teacher and helper to the lone Mountie on the job. One early duty was to escort Barney West's former lady friend, Marie Tomoff, to a hospital in Vancouver. The Mayo property dispute incident I've already mentioned was more easily resolved because Watson had known of the original owner of the cabins in question.

As Watson puts it, "The pattern for the spirit of the Yukon had been set in the early days of the gold rush. The give and take needed for survival had put its own interpretation on law and order." Only with a combination of shrewdness, diplomacy, courage and energy could a lone Mountie hope to ride herd on a district the size of Watson's with no more than a uniform and a mandate to maintain peace, order and good government.

Some of the good will needed for the job was no doubt generated by deeds like the one in which Watson managed a medical evacuation from Sixtymile to Dawson in the spring of 1935. A child had wandered into Watson's kennel area and had been pounced on by one of his team, a half-wolf with a streak of meanness in him. The trek along rapidly dis-

solving trails was harrowing but successful.

Reading this book so soon after June Lunny's recent *Spirit of the Yukon* (Caitlin Press), gives me the impression that the territory changed very little from the early 1920s to the mid-1930s. Based on the questions I am most often asked by Outsiders, this image captured in both books is probably the one that rises most often to the minds of those who have never been here.

Watson found that the north grabbed him very quickly. On the escort duty mentioned earlier he had some leave time in Vancouver, but found himself anxious to get back to the Yukon. "As I began to feel its pull I understood why the old timers advised recruits that four years was enough before it 'got hold of you'. I wanted to taste the rest of it, test myself against the obstacles of winter and rugged terrain, learning the craft and sharing the adventures of police work."

Yukon Memories shows, in a catchy, raconteur's style, just how he went about doing these things. Watson came out after 4 years, got married, served out his 20 years in the RCMP and BC Provincial Police, and finally returned to the Yukon for a visit in 1963, driving the Alaska Highway which so totally altered the territory's settlement and travel patterns. That he would inevitably return to look over the scenes he recalled so fondly was no surprise. What puzzles me is that he took almost another 30 years before putting his journals in order and writing about it.

Berton recycles Klondike for kids

City of Gold by Pierre Berton, M&S paperbacks, 85 pages, \$5.99

Berton has a knack for recycling. Here, he has taken the title from his 1950's National Film Board production and fastened it to an abridged version of some chapters from *Klondike*. The result is another entry in the "Adventures in Canadian History" series for M&S, this one concerning Dawson City during the peak years of the Gold Rush.

The book is crisp and readable and aimed at the pre-teen non-fic-

books in this series have dealt with themes from *Klondike*, while another 2 have been based on events in *Arctic Grail*. If the current generation of kids grows up knowing very little about the North, it certainly won't be Berton's fault. On the other hand, he may just be priming our next generation of tourists.

The other Klondike books are: *Bonanza Gold*, *The Klondike Stampede* and *Trails of '98*. They appear in the standard series format with the addition of a cover picture showing a gold pan crossed by a pick and shovel.

Ella's travel tips

by Ella Patay

Airport departure lounges, especially for international flights, can be rather dreary places, all the more so when you have a few hours to kill... Recently at Vancouver International, musicians are auditioned and hired by the airport to play in the departure lounge. The combination is a natural, as there is a captive audience glad for the diversion.

I had a chance to experience curbside check-in at Phoenix airport and what a treat! There are a few points to remember when taking advantage of this convenient service. Firstly, if you are travelling international, you must check in at the main check-in counter. If you check your baggage in at curbside, you must check in with the agent at the gate in order to obtain your boarding pass. However, your seat selection can be done well in advance by simply requesting seating when you reconfirm your flights 72 hours prior to departure.

To further complicate matters, a few of the airport hotels around

Vancouver airport have changed names. The former *Delta Airport Inn* is now the *Delta Pacific Resort*. The *Delta River Inn* has been renamed the *Delta Vancouver Airport and Marina*. *Relax Hotels and Travelodge* have merged; therefore the old *Relax Plaza*, Vancouver airport is now the *Vancouver Airport Travelodge*. It appears that airlines are not the only difficult commodity to keep track of!

Hope you all had a fantastic spring break!

Hot Tips

Europe at a premium right now before summer ie. Vancouver - Amsterdam or Frankfurt Return \$698.00

Superspecials from Whitehorse - San Francisco Return \$613. Whitehorse - Seattle Return \$419.00

How about spring skiing at Eaglecrest in Juneau?

Air only Whitehorse - Juneau Return Air North \$160.00 Ski packages available at Westmark \$114.00 U.S. per night includes lift tickets.

Enjoy!!



Photo by Michael Gates

Monica Kulych helps Kyla Kobayashi get a new perspective on things during gymnastics.



City of Dawson Recreation Department

NOTICE BOARD

BASEBALL SEASON

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DEADLINE: APRIL 30, 1993
TWO YEAR TERMS
**SUBMIT LETTER OF INTEREST TO
RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

The City of Dawson is accepting applications for volunteers to sit on the Recreation Board. The Board hold two, public meetings per month on the first and third Tuesdays. The Board's mandate is to provide City Council advice on all matters relating to municipal recreation. Projects for 1993 include a Recreation Master Plan, Arctic Winter Games and participation in the Yukon Recreation Association.

LOTTERIES YUKON GRANT DEADLINE

APRIL 15, 1993 (postmarked)
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BONANZA CENTRE CLOSED EFFECTIVE APRIL 2, 1993

The Bonanza Centre officially closed after the most active season ever. Many thanks to all the hockey volunteers and players that kept the arena active seven nights per week. Anyone with suggestions for the 93-94 operation is welcome to submit them to the Department. As for the great Coleman Burger, we'll just have to wait until December!



"Glad Winter's over and the gum boots take over! Its been a long haul !!"

NOTICE BOARD

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Wednesday
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You will hear everything from classical, religious and concert music to multi-choir music, folks songs and Broadway show tunes. Altogether, a delightful evening with plenty of variety, culminating with the stirring massed chorus of all three choirs.

Where Has the Choir Sung?

The choir has performed in all ten provinces since 1967 in 75 centres from St. John's to Vancouver. 1993 will be their first tour to the North. Performances will occur throughout the Yukon in communities along the Alaska and Klondike Highways.

The choir has also travelled to Belgium, England, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Scotland, the USA, Wales and Switzerland where, in 1976, the Choir School won an "Excellent" rating from the International Choral Festival at Montreux.

HELP!!!

The Recreation Board and Department will need help to produce the show.

We need to billet about 114 boys ages 12 - 19 years old for two nights. Boys can be billeted in singles or groups up to four. They are willing to sleep just about anywhere warm! Host families are also asked to provide their billets with meals. Please contact the Recreation

Department (993-5434) or any Board member if you can assist with billets.

The main concert is on a Wednesday Night. The Choir is willing to do other concerts upon request. Let us know if you have any ideas.

City of Dawson Recreation Department

NEWS FLASH -- WINTER'S OVER



Many thanks to Sylvia, Gary, the Dawson Fire Department and other family volunteers who helped keep the Minto Park Outdoor Skating Rink in such good shape all winter. Everyone loved it!!

Photo by Kathy Jones-Gates

6th Annual Yukon Spring Recreation Conference Thank-You

The organizers of the conference would like to thank the following businesses and agencies which offered support for this year's conference.

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Father Mouchet	RCMP
Library	DCTV/CFYT/CBC
Yukon News	Klondike Sun

We really appreciate your help!! We had a great conference. For information on the results, contact anyone on the Recreation Board.

Annual Spring Clean-UP May 15 -- 22, 1993 Pitch in for Everyone

The City of Dawson will once again sponsor the annual Spring Clean-Up. Activities include park space raking and garbage pick-up, street litter pick-up and assistance with residential clean-up.

Volunteer groups are encouraged to contact the City regarding clean-up contracts. Your club can earn a \$250 donation for clean-up of certain public spaces.

Let's make Dawson City clean and litter free. Call 993-5434 for information of if you have any suggestions.

BRAIN FOOD

"Play is vital to all humanity. It is human research activity. Play is the finest system of education known to man."

Neville Scarfe
Faculty of Ed., UBC
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Lloyd George
Former UK Prime Minister



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Joanne Hunston

Art Fry (lifetime)



Photo by Michael Gates

William Kleedechn was the last musher to begin the 17th annual Percy DeWolfe Memorial Mail Run

"The Percy": A Dog-gone good race!

by Kathy Jones-Gates

The 17th running of the mid-distance dog sled race, the Percy DeWolfe Memorial Mail Run, began under sunny skies but in a crispy cool -17 degrees Celsius, March 18.

Nine teams, each with eight or nine dogs from around the Yukon and Alaska, left the start line on King street beside the Palace Grand Theatre at two-minute intervals.

Dawson musher John Anderson was the first into the starting chute, wearing bib number 2. The race committee always reserves Bib # 1 to honour Percy DeWolfe, the legendary Royal Mail carrier after whom the race is dedicated. DeWolfe carried the mail for over 40 years between Dawson City and Eagle, Alaska, before retiring in 1950.

This is the second straight year that Anderson has drawn the number 2 bib. It also earned him the honour of carrying the commemorative mail run envelopes. Dawson Postmaster, Lambert Curzon was on hand to turn over the mail pouch, with support from local RCMP Sgt. Gordon Crowe.

The other mushers included the lone female entrant, Alaskan rookie, Deborah Bicknell, who drew bib # 5, Al Pope from Whitehorse with bib # 3, Allen Denechezhe had bib # 4, and was

running a team owned by legendary Pelly Crossing musher Frank Turner, Cor Guimond, a Dawson musher who had bib # 6, Doug Harris of Whitehorse bib # 7, Brian MacDougall, also of Whitehorse with bib # 8, David Wilson from Whitehorse with bib # 9, and last year's winner, William Kleedechn of Whitehorse with bib 10.

The hard-working race committee had recently received a great financial boost in the form of a two year, \$4,000 sponsorship from Dawson's Downtown Hotel. This year, the committee received \$1,000: of that. It raised the total purse to \$6,500, permitting cash awards to the top 8 placings. The first place prize was \$2,500.

Many of the mushers were competing in the Northgate Cup, which is awarded annually to the musher accumulating the greatest number of points from 4 mid-distance races in the Yukon. The "Percy" as this race is fondly known, is the longest of the mid-distance races and generally decides the Northgate Trophy winner.

Brad Keenan, enjoying a second year as chairman of the race committee, was extremely pleased by the smooth and efficient way the teams began the race, and wasn't too disappointed by a smaller race field. He noted that a memorial mail run from

Carcross to Atlin, B.C., and a large mushing event in Yellowknife had drawn a number of Yukon mushers away this year.

Two Canadian Rangers and 2 local Cadets camped at Fortymile, approximately the halfway distance in the 210 mile, 340 kilometre round trip race, aided by a radio phone. They sent back regular updates to the Dawson checkpoint throughout the race.

At the finish line, early Friday afternoon, March 19, Whitehorse musher Brian MacDougall surprised everyone, including himself, by crossing the finish line in first place, just one minute shy of the course record, which was established last year by William Kleedechn.

Grinning from ear to ear, the shy dog musher brought his still frisky-looking team of 8 dogs across the Dawson finish line at 2:06 p.m. in a total time of 24 hours and 6 minutes. His familiar grin led many observers to repeat the line "Now that's a \$2,500 smile!"

"I guess that's what taking an extra hour will do to you," said MacDougall, giving his lead dog Munroe a hug. "I took a little longer going up, figuring the dogs would be in a little better shape coming back. The track was pretty slow from here to

Fortymile, but then it wasn't bad," he reported. "I was feeling a little bummed out yesterday, figuring that I was a little too far behind to catch up, but it all worked out."

MacDougall had been in 3rd place heading out of Fortymile early Friday morning. Many race observers, noting the speed with which front runners Al Pope and William Kleedechn had arrived in Alaska, had speculated that the race would be between those two.

MacDougall had checked out of Fortymile on the return leg al-

most an hour behind Kleedechn, but was hot on the heels of Pope, who had departed that checkpoint at 7:18 a.m.

"I was able to catch Al just out of Fortymile and I finally went by Kleedechn about 20 miles out of Dawson." The front runners both had dogs in their sleds by that time.

This was MacDougall's second win in the race, making him second only to veteran musher Bruce Johnson with multiple wins in this race.

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Dawson Postmaster Lambert Curzon and Sgt. Gordon Crowe prepare to hand over the mail sack.

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Whitehorse musher Al Pope arrived in Dawson in 2nd place just 17 minutes later at 2:23 p.m. with one dog in the basket. The placing was enough to secure Pope the Northgate Cup.

In third place was William Kleedehn of Whitehorse. Kleedehn indicated that he had started the race pretty much as he had planned. However, running a team of dogs which had completed the 1,000 mile Yukon Quest race only three weeks earlier had a major impact on his team in this race. "I had a dog which broke a toe in an ice-crack, and another just ran out of steam," he reported.

At the other end of the race, this year's Red Lantern holder, Deborah Molburg Bicknell made an unheralded return to dog mushing after an eleven year absence from a sport she had competed in for 32 years. Only the third woman ever to complete the 'Percy', Bicknell hailed from Auke Bay, near Juneau, Alaska.

Bicknell earned her first trophy in 1957 with one dog, her 150 pound St. Bernard. Competing out of her original home town of Center Harbor, New Hampshire, she earned the title of World Sprint Champion twice, as well as becoming Canadian Sprint Champion, and hauling in a host of other titles and trophies in that 32 year period.

Her mother, Cynthia Molburg, is owner/publisher of the leading North American dog mushing magazine "Team and Trail." Bicknell promised to send material about the local race to her mother for inclusion in an issue of the respected magazine.

No one had described the rainy weather that Juneau experiences when Bicknell made the move eleven years ago. She eventually decided to retire from dog racing. The dogs were sent back to New Hampshire and she, and husband Sandy went on to own two Alaskan businesses. The lure of mushing was still there however, and after some soul-searching, she decided to try the mid-distance race circuit.

The Percy was her initiation into the longer distance racing.

Her team was composed of 9 dogs whose average age was eighteen months with the exception of Peaches, her 4 year old wheel dog. The team had only trained for five weeks. At one point on the trail, and knowing she was in last place, she shook out her sleeping bag, climbed in and enjoyed the beauty of the Northern Lights while her dogs rested.

At the Saturday evening Awards Banquet, held at the Downtown Hotel, MacDougall picked up his first place cheque, and was awarded a special prize donated by the Eagle Dog Mushers. It was a one ounce silver medallion struck by the State of Alaska and commemorating the Year of the Wolf. His lead dog Munroe was awarded the Golden Harness as top lead dog.

Popular Dawson Musher John Anderson was presented with the coveted Sportsmanship Award, which is voted on by the Mushers.

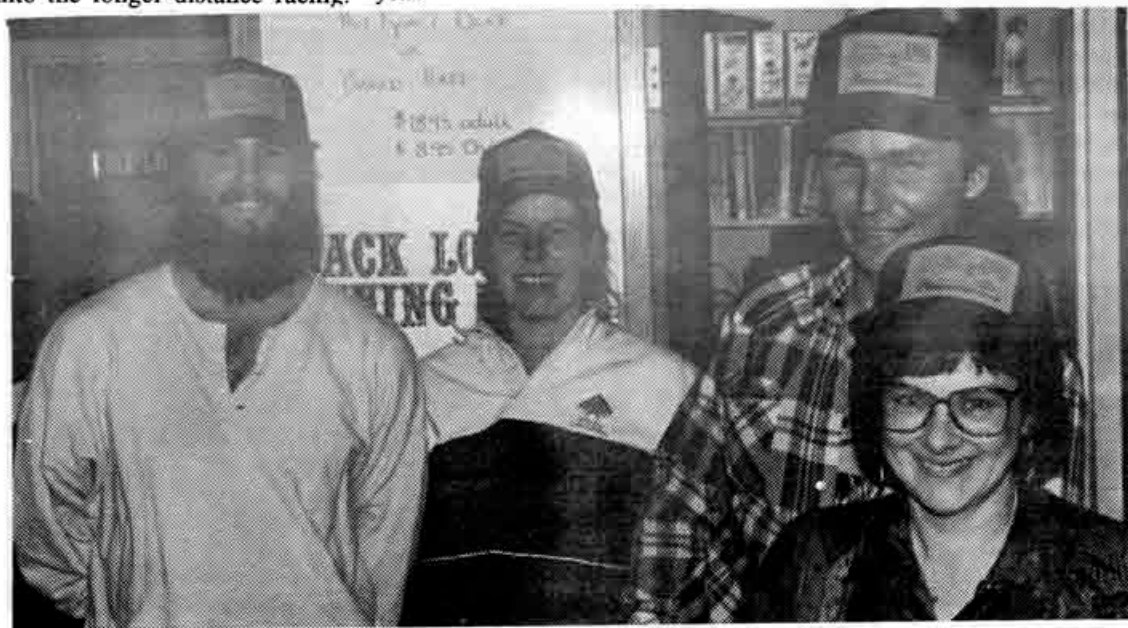
Cor Guimond, 5th place finisher and first Dawson musher to cross the finish line, received a Holland America Westours Appreciation Award, which was a trip for two on the Yukon Queen. Next year, Guimond suggested that his son Quin would be entered.

Eagle Alaska, Postmaster and Customs Agent John Borg, was Race Marshall, "for the umpteenth time," he said. He pointed out that the Eagle community enjoys its part in the race. "It would be nice to try and figure out how to get the Eagle committee to Dawson some year so that they can share in the Banquet as well," said Borg, who refers to his annual Dawson trip as a "Great spring tonic." The Eagle committee is comprised of 15 local dog mushers and this year was headed by Mary Morris. Borg said that Morris, Andy Bassich, Jerad Roberts, Steve Nelson and others extended the warm Eagle hospitality and saw to every need the mushers might have had. He felt it was safe to invite the race mushers back another year, and jokingly suggested that they might remain longer another year!



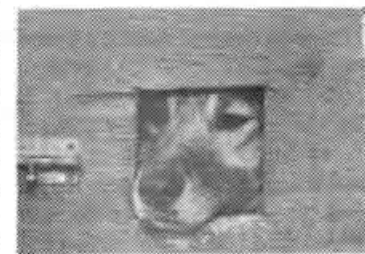
Frank Turner giving last minute advise.

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The Race Committee: Brad Keenan, Carol Legace, Mikin Bilina and Shirley Moi. Missing is Elaine Behn.

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Al Pope's team arriving back in Dawson in 2nd place.

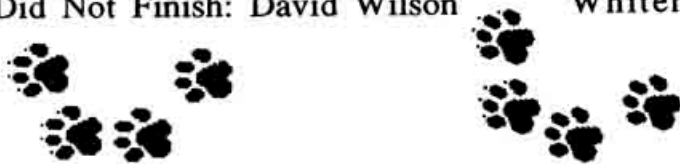
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Dawson's Cor Guimond was the first local musher back into Dawson, in 5th place.

Photo by Michael Gates

Position	Musher	Location	Prize
1	Brian MacDougall	Whitehorse	\$2,500
2	Al Pope	Whitehorse	1,500
3	William Kleedehn	Whitehorse	1,000
4	Doug Harris	Whitehorse	550
5	Cor Guimond	Dawson	350
6	Allen Denechezhi	Pelly Crossing	250
7	John Anderson	Dawson	200
8	Deborah Bicknell	Alaska	150
Did Not Finish: David Wilson			Whitehorse



Race Marshall John Borg, presents Brian MacDougall with the annual race trophy, which was carved by Chum McNutt in 1984.

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1993 Mushers, L. to R.: Cor Guimond, Al Pope, Doug Harris, Brian MacDougall, William Kleedehn, John Anderson and Deborah Bicknell. Missing are Allen Denechezhi and David Wilson.

Photo by Michael Gates



The Westminster Cobras, Dawson's Senior Hockey Champs 1993. Left to right, Back Row: Ed Farr, Marty Knutson, Perry Kolpin, Todd Dewald, Bob Blanchard, Mike Fraser, Ed Taylor, Tony Thomas. Front Row: Duncan Spriggs, Dave De Wolfe, James McNaughton, Greg Braga, Simon Nagano, Ed Kormendy, Frank Kormendy.

Photo by Brent Morrison

Cobras strike Kings

by Brent Morrison

The Westminster Cobras managed to do what professional expansion teams only dream of, win their league championship in their first season. Wearing the teal coloured uniforms of the NHL's San Jose Sharks, the Cobras took the best of three Senior Men's hockey championship series with a crushing 15-1 victory over the MacKenzie Kings in the third and deciding game.

Well over a hundred people attended the game, with a large number of vocal Cobra supporters occupying the bleachers.

Frank Kormendy put the puck past King's goalie Richard Field seven seconds into the game with an unassisted goal. Perry Kolpin scored just over two minutes later, then Mike Fraser added three in a row in less than four minutes. Dave De Wolfe, Ed Kormendy, and Tony Thomas with a pair, rounded out the Cobras' first period scoring.

The King's lone goal came at 11:23 of the first period when John Taylor blasted a shot from the blue line to break Simon Nagano's shutout bid. Darren Kormendy and Dwayne Mierau drew assists on the goal.

The second period opened with the Cobras leading 9-1 and determined to put the game completely out of reach. Kolpin scored his second goal of the night at 19:35, two minutes later Fraser scored his fourth goal of the game. The Cobras then sent back-up goaltender Greg Braga in to finish the game between the pipes. Nagano was treated to a chorus of cheers as he made his

way to the bench.

The King's fortunes became no better, as seconds later John Taylor was assessed his third penalty of the game, resulting in a game misconduct.

Braga's first save of the night was a puck to the chin and it looked as though Nagano might have to finish the game after all. Braga recovered though, and proceeded to shut the Kings out.

At the sixteen minute mark of the period the Cobras' James McNaughton also appeared to be out of the game. During the confusion following a whistle, McNaughton, assuming he had just gotten his third penalty, skated off the ice and made his way up the stairs leading to the dressing rooms. It turned out the whistle was for an off-side and teammates and fans began hollering for him to get back. He returned to the ice and continued playing.

Fraser continued his scoring

pro prowess, scoring the next four goals, to give him a total of eight for the night.

Despite the league's no-contact rule, the game was a hard hitting affair. Score-keepers Rod Dewell and Wes Peterson were kept busy as Jay Farr and Murray Matchett called twenty-six penalties during the two twenty-five minute periods.

When the game was over the Cobras were presented with the league's trophy which had been gathering dust somewhere for a couple of seasons, and began celebrating.

The Westminster Hotel hosted a party for the players of both teams, and the public, after the

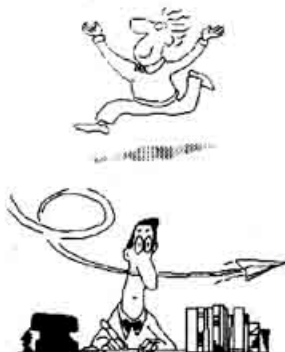
game. A case of champagne was provided for the players, and a huge buffet was set out for all attending. Players on both teams crowded around the lounge's television set to watch a video of the game shot from the Westminster bench by Darrell Taylor.

The ecstatic Cobra players gave a variety of reasons for their success. Simon Nagano credited it to back checking, while Ed Kormendy attributed it to a talented group of individuals coming together and playing as a team. He also noted that while the team struggled at times during the regular season, all were aware that peaking in the play-offs would be what counted.

"We came out on top and that's all that counts," Nagano concluded.



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A Figure-Skating Success

by Kathy Jones-Gates

Twenty boys and girls participated in the first Figure-Skating lessons offered by the local Rec. Board this past winter. Providing lessons under the Canadian Figure Skating's "Can-Skate" program, instructors Laurena Stinson and Candace Thompson provided twice-weekly lessons to absolute beginners right up to those with some previous experience. Following three sessions of testing, the program wrapped up with a hot chocolate party and certificates and badges were presented. Stinson is hoping to affiliate with the Whitehorse "Fireweed Figure Skating Club" so that the Dawson skaters can continue to have "Can-Skate" lessons and try for more badges. Stinson also hopes that a few years down the road, the more experienced skaters will participate in the Junior coaching program and pass along their skills to newcomers to the sport.

Skaters: Lee Sippola, Martin Owen, Mary Russell, Jenny Russell, Leanne Parsons, Tatiana Fras, Monica Fras, Randi Henry, Megan Gates, Rochelle Blais, Isla Jordan, Georgia Fraser, Carmen Roberts, Cassandra McCollum, Katie Sparrow, Stacy Owen. Not in photo: Jennifer Stobbe, Kristal Roberts., with Candace Thompson and Laurena Stinson.

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"Willie" Crayford proudly displays the unique Bert Boyd Memorial Trophy that he received at the Yukon Curling Association's annual "Man of the Year" celebrity dinner, March 24 in Whitehorse.

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A Lifetime of Curling Recognised

by Kathy Jones-Gates

"I'm still overwhelmed by that trophy," reported long-time Dawsonite William "Willie" Crayford, when interviewed recently, on being awarded the 16th annual Bert Boyd Memorial Trophy at the Yukon Curling Association's 'Man of the Year' celebrity dinner on March 24 in Whitehorse.

Crayford won the trophy for his more than 50 years of contributions to Yukon Curling, on and off the ice. Although he suspected he might be presented with something, he was obviously still in awe of the magnificent, hand-made wooden trophy, which features a full-sized curling rock atop a wooden base made from a reported 17 different kinds of wood.

In 1940-41, Crayford was a newcomer to Dawson. He played hockey at the old skating rink, which was located across 5th avenue from the former Curling Club (where the Triple J Hotel now sits). "The Curling Club had a great old pool table, so I used to join the club as a social member," he reminisced. "At that time, the population was dwindling and finding enough men curlers to field a team was difficult. "So, we'd be playing pool, and then get asked to help make up a curling team; that's really how I was introduced to the game."

50 years ago, male and female curlers were segregated. The women would have their own entrance, observation room and did not play with or against the men. It obviously did not occur to the men to integrate the game to compensate for the dwindling

population. But, it did introduce Crayford to the sport and he learned his skills at the hands of many long time and well-known Dawsonites.

"Those old boys, they sure knew how to curl. I remember when I played for Billy Biggs. If you missed a shot, he'd take off his hat, throw it down and jump on it," said Crayford.

However, when Crayford had just about decided to quit the game, the opportunity arose to get even. "Biggs missed what seemed like an easy draw to the broom one night, so I took off my own hat and threw it down and stomped on it. Then I figured I'd be in for it, but he apologized for what he had been doing, and from that time on, he was one of the best guys to curl for."

Time was, when Curlers also had to provide their own rocks to curl. Familiarity with the rocks enabled a good curler to easily find draw weight. If you didn't own a pair of rocks, you borrowed a pair. Crayford would borrow rocks owned by Maggie Diment. When she left Dawson, she presented them to Crayford and he says that he still owns them.

In the intervening 50 years, Crayford has played all positions on a curling team, but prefers 3rd or skipping a team. In 1969, his team won the Dawson International Bonspiel, which used to feature skilled curlers from Alaska. He followed that up by taking a team to the Seagram's Stone, the zone championships of B.C., at Kamloops. At that time, the two Territories had to compete against the best in B.C. for the right to

compete in the National Championships. In 1973, he went to the provincial championships at Kitimat, B.C. and some time during the 1980's he curled with a Yukon Seniors team in Yellowknife during the annual playdowns.

When he wasn't curling, Crayford volunteered to make ice at the Curling Club. Until the new rink with its artificial ice was opened in 1983, he honed his ice making skills on 'real ice'. Following the move to the new rink and artificial ice, he took a course in Whitehorse to learn how to make ice for the new rink.

In 1984, along with his wife, Irene, Willie joined a select group of longtime curling club members to be awarded the first lifetime memberships in the Top of the World Curling Club.

In 1989, the couple moved to Whitehorse to be closer to their family. They curled there for the first winter, but now that he is a part-time Trapper, with traplines in the Gravel Lake area, Crayford seldom curls.

He does look back with much fondness, however, when he played with the likes of Victoria Faulkner, G.A. Jeckell, Bill Townsend, Jack McClennan and others. Neither age nor infirmity kept them from competitive curling, and they were a true inspiration to newcomers to the sport. Crayford would like to think that he has passed along that tradition of excellence in Curling during the 50 years he has played and taught the game in Dawson City.



Peggy Kormendy and her Grayling

photo by Mike Gates

Y.O.O.P. Ice - fishing Derby

Over 100 youngsters, accompanied by their grandmas and parents, took in the annual Ice - fishing Derby staged on the Yukon River Ice Bridge, and hosted by the Y.O.O.P. on Sunday, April 4.

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RESULTS

1st Fish: Ling Cod caught by Samantha Smith. She was awarded a new Rod and Reel donated by the Dawson Hardware Store.



Samantha Smith holds up her Ling Cod

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Grayling: caught by "Grandma" Peggy Kormendy with about ten minutes to spare before the deadline.

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Young Fisherman of the Day: Don Tutin Jr.

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On behalf of the Klondike Visitors Association I would like to express our highest vote of praise and appreciation to the legion of volunteers who helped to create the 1993 edition of the Dawson City Spring Carnival.

To each of the event organizers and all of their volunteers we say a million thankys and a big bravo for a job well done.

To the many companies, organizations and the municipality that sponsored and donated generously we say, quite simply, it could not happen without you. Thank you for contributing so generously to this community focussed event.

To Wendy Burns, who showed by example how dedicated and hard working one individual can be, we say quite simply, you're a true gem.

Listed below are the major groups and individuals who made Spring Carnival a success. Behind each of them are hundreds of volunteers and supporters.

To each and every one we extend our heartfelt thanks.

Sincerely,

Robert G. McConkey
Spring Carnival Coordinator

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