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02/12

A mix of sun
 and clouds



-15°

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02/13

A mix of sun
 and clouds



-19°

Sun

02/14

Cloudy with
 sunny breaks



-9°

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REVIEW RELEASED IN RESPONSE TO CONCERNS ABOUT PROVINCIAL HEALTH AUTHORITY

A report released by the Ministry of Health provides an independent analysis of concerns raised about decisions and spending at the Provincial Health Services Authority (PHSA).

On Nov. 19, 2020, concerns regarding misspending by PHSA were raised through the media. In response to the concerns, the minister of health directed the deputy minister of health to assess PHSA's decisions and conduct relating to specific concerns, and to provide recommendations on actions, changes to policies or other such changes that could be taken.

On Thursday, Dec. 3, 2020, the minister received and accepted recommendations made by the deputy minister, including hiring an independent third-party advisor to provide a report to the deputy minister of health to fully clarify and review concerns about the appropriateness of PHSA's handling of a problematic purchase of personal protective equipment and other related concerns.

John Bethel, a national health-care leader with Ernst & Young, was hired to undertake this review. Through the review, Bethel interviewed more than 40 people, including the chief executive officer (CEO) of PHSA, current and former employees of PHSA and members of the PHSA board of directors. In addition to interviews, Bethel and his team obtained and processed 1.8 million documents, including emails and other electronic files.

"British Columbians need to have confidence in the health-care system and know that it is being funded responsibly, transparently and in their best interest," said Adrian Dix, Minister of Health. "These were serious concerns, and I appreciate that they were raised to me. I want to thank Mr. Bethel for his report and for thoroughly examining and providing clarity on each concern."

A report from Ernst & Young was provided to the minister of health and to PHSA's board chair on Feb. 9, 2021.

In his report, Bethel found:

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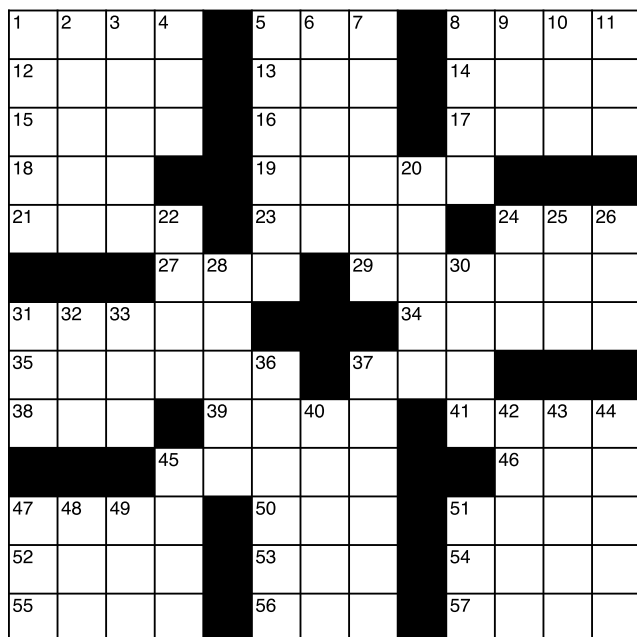
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Puzzle no. 765



Answer to puzzle no. 767 (ran on Tues, Feb 9)

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Do you have a date for Valentine's Day? Yes, it is February 14th.

1. Bachelor party
5. Corn holder
8. Out of town
12. Dashed
13. Tarzan's pal
14. Beak
15. Particle
16. Kind of room, shortly
17. Fling gently
18. Sweet tuber
19. Annoyed
21. Thick piece of stone
23. Dub

1. Sticks around
2. Add
3. Perfume
4. Opal or ruby
5. Compassionate
6. "Aida," e.g.
7. Changed into
8. Poker wager
9. Pursue
10. Stubborn animal
11. Absolutely!

ACROSS

24. Mas' mates
27. Breakfast item
29. Set sail
31. Detest
34. Trivial
35. Pilot's garage
37. Female deer
38. Printers' measures
39. Garden flower
41. Constraint
45. "_____ It on Rio"

46. Amateur's opposite
47. Small child
50. Floor-cleaning tool
51. Owl's sound
52. Linger
53. _____ out a living
54. Pimples
55. Chooses
56. Cozy spot
57. The _____ and wh erefores

DOWN

20. Beat
22. Broken-off glacier
24. Butter piece
25. Warhol's forte
26. Shade of blue
28. Knot
30. Bar brew
31. "Murder, _____ Wrote"
32. Dismiss
33. Switch positions
36. Rambled

37. Intensify
40. Enjoy a pipe
42. Period of history
43. Humor with a twist
44. Memos
45. Gambles
47. One plus one
48. Chatter
49. Baby fox
51. "Hee _____"

One morning Emma woke up with a start. Her husband Jim asked what was the matter, she told him, "I just had a dream that you gave me a pearl necklace for Valentine's day. What do you think it means?" "You'll know tonight," Jim said. That evening, Jim came home with a small package and gave it to his wife. Delighted, Emma opened it - only to find a book entitled "The meaning of dreams."

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ComParrot
by Bonnie J. Malcolm

Can you spot 12 differences between these pictures?



Solution: 1. Back of man's chair is missing. 2. Pocket on lady's pants is missing. 3. Extra flower in bouquet. 4. Candle is lit. 5. Sleeve on man's shirt is different. 6. Napkin ring is colored in. 7. Candleholder is colored in. 8. Brace on lady's chair has moved. 9. Fold in tablecloth has moved. 10. Heart pattern on lady's chair is upside down. 11. Window frame is lower. 12. Ribbon is longer.

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Continued from front page

- No evidence of any pre-existing relationship between the CEO of PHSA and the Montreal-based vendor, Luminarie, that would indicate a conflict of interest.
- When it became clear that respirators provided through Luminarie were not suitable for use in health care, there was a disconnect between the CEO, the board of directors and PHSA staff regarding the appropriate course of action to pursue recourse from the vendor.
- Recent dismissals of three members of PHSA's executive team and one senior staff were, at least in part, related to a perceived lack of loyalty to, and/or friction with, the CEO.
- The CEO was not in agreement with finance staff at PHSA on whether a writeoff of approximately \$7 million should be recorded in PHSA's financial statements for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2020.

Through his interviews and review of documents, Bethel also observed other areas of concern that were not directly within the scope of the review. These areas of concern include:

- Information relating to the cost of renovations to PHSA executive offices;
- Hiring and compensation decisions within the CEO's office; and
- Issues around the culture and work environment at the PHSA.

The full report is available at: https://news.gov.bc.ca/files/2021.02.09_PHSAR_Report.pdf

Story from news.gov.bc.ca

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Since I am a busy mom of four, I rely on my children to help me out with everyday chores around the house. One morning I was running around trying to get the children and myself ready, when I suddenly realized it was trash pickup day. So I handed a bag of garbage to my sleepy seven-year-old son and told him to toss it in the trash bin on his way out the door. Glancing out my window moments later, I saw him wearily boarding the bus. He was carrying his backpack, his lunchbox and a big white bag of garbage.

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*Our destiny often looks like a fruit-tree in winter. Who would think from its pitiable aspect that those rigid boughs, those rough twigs could next spring again be green, bloom, and even bear fruit?
Yet we hope it, we know it.*

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My cooking has always been the target of family jokes. One evening, as I prepared dinner a bit too quickly, the kitchen filled with smoke and the smoke detector went off. Although both of my children had received fire-safety training at school, they did not respond to the alarm. Annoyed, I stormed through the house in search of them. I found them in the bathroom, washing their hands. Over the loud buzzing of the smoke alarm, I asked them to identify the sound. "It's the smoke detector," they replied in unison. "Do you know what that sound means?" I demanded. "Sure," my oldest replied. "Dinner's ready."

It is far more impressive when others discover your good qualities without your help.

I am a first-grade teacher and a new empty nester. One night I was trying out an art project: making a person with simple materials. I took a coat hanger, attached a paper-plate face, put a shirt on the hanger and stuffed it. Then I sat it on the couch to see how it looked.

Later that evening my son walked in the door, home for a surprise visit. Taking one look at my coat-hanger friend sitting on the couch, he said, "Mom, it's not that bad, is it?"

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"I'll get it, Daddy," Lauren called, nimbly crawling under the newly erected barrier.

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CELEBRATE FAMILY DAY SAFELY WITH LOVED ONES

To help families to celebrate this long weekend, the Province is supporting more than 200 free activities in B.C. communities.

"This year, more than ever, B.C. Family Day serves as a reminder of the importance of family and of safely spending time with those you love," said Melanie Mark, Minister of Tourism, Arts, Culture and Sport. "As we all continue to do our part to bend the curve against COVID-19, our government is proud to support safe, free and affordable activities for families to enjoy in every corner of our province. As a gentle reminder this Family Day long weekend, stay local and spread love, not COVID-19."

The B.C. government is providing more than \$280,000 to support free Family Day activities through participating recreation centres, parks, cultural centres and museums. Families can swim or skate for free all weekend, participate in outdoor activities, visit local museums or enjoy other online activities. Refer to each organization's website to confirm its reservation requirements to follow safety protocols.

For example, people in Vancouver can share family traditions, learn about Lunar New Year traditions online or write Chinese couplets with a calligrapher's help at the recently opened Chinese Canadian Museum exhibition in Chinatown. Families can also participate in online activities, such as learning Kwak'waka with Elders on U'mista's Zoom class or watching an IMAX documentary online through the Royal BC Museum.

B.C. Family Day is Monday, Feb. 15, 2021.

Story from news.gov.bc.ca

My friend Mark and I work in a lawn-mower-parts warehouse. Somehow Mark got the idea that his wife did not want a card on Valentine's Day, but when he spoke to her on the phone he discovered she was expecting one. Not having time to buy a card on his way home, Mark was in a quandary. Then he looked at the lawn-mower trade magazines scattered around the office—and got an idea. Using scissors and glue, he created a card with pictures of mowers, next to which he wrote: "I lawn for you mower and mower each day."

Lineage

A Conversation Between Shanda Fuller and Haley Bassett

Written by Haley Bassett, February 5th 2021. Haley writes a weekly arts column as part of her position with the Dawson Creek Art Gallery, where she covers regional arts news.

This week, I sat down with Grande Prairie artist Shanda Fuller, the artist exhibiting alongside myself at the Dawson Creek Art Gallery. Shanda's show *My Travels* will be up until March 5th, while my show *Lineage* will be on display until February 27th. What follows is part one of our exchange, where Shanda quizzed me about my work. Tune in next week for Shanda's answers to my questions about her show.

SF: Why is sharing your lineage and history so important to you and what brought you back to the Peace Country?

HB: In *Lineage*, I used my total body of work, including drawings from my early childhood all the way up to my current work, to explore how we come to be who we are, making this show a retrospective of sorts. Seeing as it's admittedly early for me to have a retrospective (I am not yet 30), I wanted to look into my pre-history, or my family's history, to discover how the forces that shaped my ancestors' lives continue to shape my own. The Peace Country is a large component of that. It was a long road, but both sides of my family eventually settled here following winding histories of displacement and upheaval. It's so unlikely that they found themselves in the Peace, and so random that I exist. So in that way, I consider those histories, and this land, to be a part of me.



A detail of Memory Palace, a mixed-media installation by Haley Bassett

SF: I love how you have created "rooms" of your artwork in the gallery. What inspired you to do so?

HB: Memory is an important theme in my show. Lately I have taken up the charge of my grandparents' old home, which is steeped in memories for me. I have read a bit about how memory works, and how our spatial memory is much stronger than our faculty for rote memorization. So I wanted to situate the show in a familiar, domestic space, to trigger a similar remembrance and nostalgia in the viewer about the spaces that have shaped them.

SF: What is the meaning behind your hanging installation with the poplar trunks?



In Hindsight, an installation with aspen poles, ink, vellum and thread by Haley Bassett

I used *In Hindsight* to explore the fleeting nature of time. I likened a moment to sighting a wild animal, in this case a deer, and how they melt away from view through the trees. They are merely glimpsed before they slip away, like time.

SF: If you could do anything at all with your art anywhere in the world, what would you do and where would that be?

HB: Fortunately, I am already where I want to be. I have a few ideas for land-based art that I would like to do here in the Peace. One among them is to take old chainsaw carvings from Chetwynd and place them in a meadow somewhere. I like the idea of arranging them as if they are monuments left behind from a lost, bizarre civilization. I think it would be interesting to see them grow old and be reclaimed by the earth in some strange, forgotten sculpture garden. As a separate project, I would like to modify a seed drill so I could seed patterns using wildflowers. I think it would be beautiful, and bee-friendly.

Don't forget to drop by the Dawson Creek Art Gallery to take in *Lineage* and *My Travels* while you can. Dawson Creek is the first stop for *Lineage* in a tour of Northern BC. Next it will travel to the Mackenzie Arts Centre in Mackenzie, Two Rivers Gallery in Prince George and Island Mountain Arts in Wells.

Do you have an artistic endeavour you would like to promote? Is there a topic you would like me to discuss? I would love to hear from you! Please email me at programs@dcartgallery.ca.



School District 59
Peace River South

Education Assistant: Aboriginal Education

Board Office (Chetwynd and Rural Areas) requires an Education Assistant: Aboriginal Education - 27.5 hrs/wk, effective immediately on days when school is in session until last day of classes, June 2021.

The successful applicant must meet the criteria of the BCGEU job description. The successful applicant will provide organizational duties as assigned by the supervisor as well as provide grade and grad coaching to high school students, to ensure they are on track for graduation. There is a major focus on enhancing the relationship between students, parents, and the school. Working with students on short- and long-term goal setting each term, and then meeting with students to reflect to reflect on their accomplishments is also part of this role. Helping students in homework club with their class work is also a requirement.

A vehicle is required to transport students and make home visits when and if needed. Applicants must provide a copy of their current Driver's Abstract. Successful applicant is required to attend meetings in Dawson Creek. Attendance at Indigenous Day celebrations is mandatory.

For more information regarding the position, please contact Christy Fennell, Superintendent, 250-782-8571.

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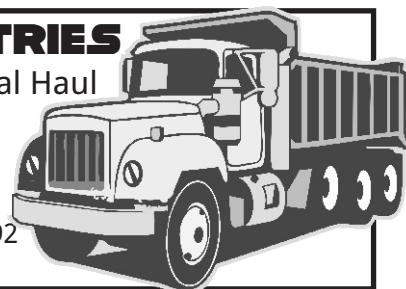
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