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CHETWYND AIR CADETS ANNUAL CEREMONIAL REVIEW

Chetwynd's 258 Little Giant Squadron of the Royal Canadian Air Cadets had their uniforms looking their finest for their Annual Ceremonial Review, held at Little Prairie Elementary on May 27th. The evening celebrated the end of the year for the program, culminating with awards recognizing cadets who demonstrated outstanding achievement in a variety of areas. The ceremony began with the cadets marching into the gymnasium in formation, demonstrating several marching patterns before being called to attention. A rendition of "O Canada" in the the original French lyrics followed, after which the cadets received an inspection from Reviewing Officer Tonia Richter.



The cadets then marched past the audience as a group before demonstrating some smaller marching formations and displays, followed by a slideshow detailing the activities the group experienced over the last year and showing what they learned. Two cadets then demonstrated the procedures used by the cadets in shooting competitions, narrated by Sgt. Ford who explained the reasoning behind each stance used by the cadets. Upon completion, the awards began, starting with the Attendance Awards given to Cpl. Calliou and Flight Cpl. Mason (Cpl. Calliou was unable to attend the event due to his involvement with the RCMP Code Blue program), who ensured the cadets did not have to cancel any parades in the previous year.

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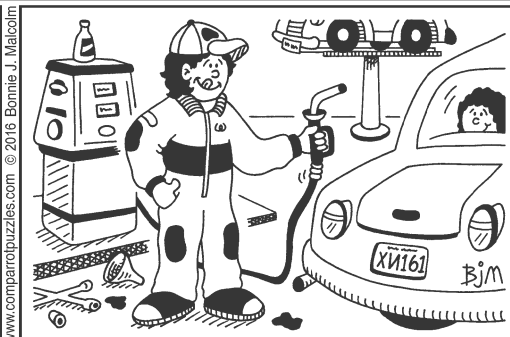
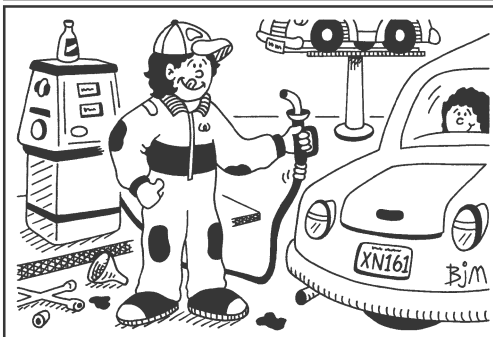
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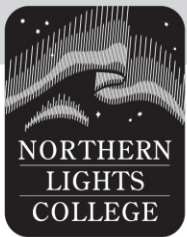
MATT'S MUSINGS

The thrill of victory...and the agony of defeat. So went the famous intro to ABC's "Wide World of Sports" in the 1970s, and the phrase is poignant for anyone who has ever rooted for a team and watched them fall short, as I did the other night when my favourite team, the Oklahoma City Thunder, lost to the defending NBA Champion Golden State Warriors. Up 3 games to 1, it seemed a foregone conclusion that the Thunder would win and advance to face LeBron James and the Cleveland Cavaliers in the NBA Finals, but as they say, that's why they play the games. The Thunder lost 3 straight games and must watch the Finals on TV like the other 27 NBA teams who fell short this year. And there's still more heartbreak to come. Either Cleveland wins and denies Golden State the storybook ending to their record-breaking regular season of 73 wins and only 9 losses, or Golden State wins, makes history and the city of Cleveland is dealt another agonizing defeat.

There's not enough space in this column to outline the complete history of misery in Cleveland Sports since the retirement of Jim Brown, but a quick Google search should bring you up to speed. Needless to say, they have experienced as much suffering as almost any other sports city you can name. Every team's fans except one are sad at the end of the season, having worked so hard only to fall short, and yet the fandom persists. What is it about sports that keeps people coming back, year after year, when the vast majority of fans will experience a letdown at some point before the season ends? This is where the "thrill of victory" part is so important. The feeling that comes with watching a team coalesce into a complete unit, go through trials and tribulations and come out victorious in the end. Knowing that you supported them the entire way makes you feel like you're part of it, which is why so many sports fans will talk about their teams using words like "we" and "us" despite having no input or impact on anything their team does (my apologies to your lucky socks/hat/shirt).

Why else would fans in a city like Cleveland continue to hold on and believe that someday, they will be rescued from the pit of despair their sports teams have wallowed in for decades? Perhaps worse than simply always being bad, they've come achingly close to glory so many times only to fall short, with the Browns in the 1980s experiencing collapses so devastating they hardly seem believable, and the Cavaliers twice reaching the Finals with LeBron only to be denied. Will this finally be their moment? Or will the team that seeks to solidify their claim as the greatest in NBA history deny them again, as they did last year? Their previous victory over Cleveland was really a victory over LeBron, as several of Cleveland's star players were out with injury, and LeBron still almost singlehandedly won the series himself. This year he has all his teammates healthy and rested, and while I was crushed by Oklahoma City's collapse, I eagerly anticipate what lies ahead in the Finals. One group of fans will have it all, and another will leave empty-handed. The thrill of victory and the agony of defeat, that's why they play the games.

Matthew Kirk, editor Coffee Talk Express



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CHETWYND CHAINSAW CARVERS – PROFILES

In advance of the Chetwynd International Chainsaw Carving Competition the Coffee Talk Express will be running profiles of the carvers you'll see in action from June 9-12.

CHAD DANCZYK



Chad Danczyk began carving in 2011 when he attempted to carve a bear out of maple and while unsuccessful, the effort drew him into the carving world where he quickly began to excel. His carpentry background gave him experience working with wood and by 2013 he was entering his first carving competition, winning first place with the judges, carver's choice and people's choice in addition to winning two out of three of the quick carves.

His success has continued throughout his carving career, winning first place in every competition he's entered

except for one second place finish. He's yet to visit Chetwynd but refers to it as "the Super Bowl of carving competitions" and says he is "honoured to be able to compete with a lot of the guys that I'm inspired by." He credits the support of his wife and two children in helping him keep focussed on the future.

He lives in central Wisconsin and carves in Northern Wisconsin at Custom Landscaping of Eagle River during the summer, where he receives a lot of request for wildlife carvings. He enjoys getting the odd "off-the-wall commission" but his current favourite thing to carve are eagles. He has a few ideas in mind for what he'll make in Chetwynd, but says "time will tell if the log will allow my idea to become a reality." "You never know what the log will throw at you," he continued, "and at times adjustments need to be made." Given the string of success he's had over his brief career it's clear that Danczyk knows how to adjust when difficulties present themselves.

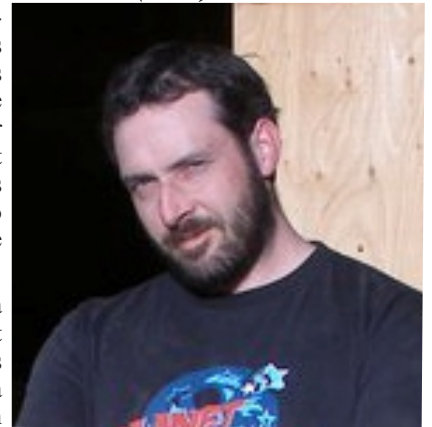
Danczyk believes there are some misconceptions related to the word "chainsaw" when people think about carvings, and that "some people will think crude, rough work when they hear 'chainsaw carving.'" "Lacking detail, limitations, blocky are words that come to mind that I've heard until they actually see what the possibilities are," all words no Chetwynd resident would ever dream of using to describe the intricate, beautiful carvings that dot the town's landscape. Regarding his learning curve entering the carving world, he noted that while his carpentry background gave him knowledge of "tools, crafting benching and joinery," he struggled to reprogram himself, as "in carpentry everything is square, equal, level and plum, so when I started carving I followed the same 'rules.'" To get beyond this, one valuable lesson he had to learn was that "in nature there are no straight lines."

He is very excited for his first visit to Chetwynd to compete against people who are "at the top of the mountain" in the carving world, and given his history don't be surprised if his name is called when the winners are announced.

Matthew Kirk, editor Coffee Talk Express



JOERG JUNG (J.J.)



Joerg Jung (J.J.) is a German-Canadian chainsaw carver who is renowned for the realism of his wildlife carvings. Recently he began combining his passion for chainsaw carving with his interest in airbrushing, creating works with added color that continue to showcase the elegance of the wood's natural grain.

He began his career as a professional carver in 2010, first becoming interested when his brother asked him to recreate a life-size sculpture of the Roman god Mars for a local tourist attraction. At the time, he wasn't even aware that chainsaw carving existed but since the provided log was very large, he used a chainsaw (Stihl MS 260 with a regular 18" bar) as his "weapon of choice" to remove the unneeded wood as quickly as possible. He was very pleased with the finished sculpture and since it paid well, "I thought that might be something I should try making my money with because I had so much fun creating something." The enormous amount of positive feedback he received helped convince him that this was a perfect career path for him to take.

He says he doesn't have a favourite thing to carve but he puts "all of my heart into each single creation of mine, no matter how big, small, well-paid or donated." He does enjoy carving wildlife however as it "always challenges me to get as close to the real deal as possible."

J.J. first visited Chetwynd in 2010 and had only a rough idea of what he would carve, and quickly became enamoured with the town and the event, which he calls "by far the best carving gig for a chainsaw carver to join!" In his first year he had a plan but "not enough experience and tools to really be able to compete with the world-class creations of all the other guys," but says he is thoroughly prepared for this year. "I have a plan, and a plan B," he noted, and promises his creation will be unique and "will be something [that has] never been seen before!"

He recalls sharing thoughts with his future wife about the first time they were invited, and how "everyone involved gave us the feeling as if we really belong there," which left him smiling for a long time after the competition ended. The feeling he got from Chetwynd "really made me push myself to get better in what I do really fast, to hopefully get invited back to this world class event!" J.J. says that this year he feels honoured "to be able to carve my fifth main piece for the city of Chetwynd" regardless of whether or not he places in the competition. He recently made a decision that his future is not in competing, but will always accept an invitation to Chetwynd to "take the time to join this amazing group of people for those few short days and bring them a truly one of a kind piece of my life."

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Maureen Sharon Greer of Chetwynd, B.C. passed away peacefully at home on Saturday, May 21, 2016.

Maureen was born July 3, 1945 at Rocky Mountain House, Alta.

Maureen is predeceased by: her sister Lois Kohare; her father George Hake; her step-father Roland Hake; and her mother Gladys Hake.

She leaves to mourn her passing: her husband George Greer; her son Brett Martins (Rose) of Misson, B.C.; her brothers Fred Gordon, Gerald Gordon (Marion), Jack Gordon, Bruce Gordon (Lillian), as well as her brother-in-law Ernie Kohare; step-children Jason Greer (step-son), Tammy Brown (step-daughter); along with 4 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren, and numerous nieces, nephews & many close friends in both Chetwynd and Quesnel.

A graveside service will be held on Saturday, June 11, 2016 in Quesnel, B.C. at the cemetery on the old Prince George Highway at 2pm. Pastor Lori Nickelson of the Chetwynd Northern Lights Christian Fellowship Church will officiate.

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CHETWYND AIR CADETS ANNUAL CEREMONIAL REVIEW

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The Citizenship Awards were issued to Sgt. Ford and Warrant Officer 2nd Class Harroff for their volunteering efforts, followed by the Espirit de Corps Award won by Cpl. Loberg, which is given to a cadet for their fun and uplifting attitude and ability to raise morale. Drill Proficiency (Male) went to Cpl. Rohel and Drill Proficiency (Female) went to Sgt. Jeferies for their precise execution and demonstration of discipline. Most Improved Cadet went to Flight Cpl. Pruden and Cpl. Calliou won Top Recruit of the Year. Cpl. Calliou was very torn between attending the awards night and his obligations with the Code Blue program, and so he was jokingly told he was not allowed to attend the awards due to his desire to become an RCMP Officer. Senior NCO (Non-Commissioned Officer) of the Year was awarded to Warrant Officer 2nd Class Harroff, who was said to "have become a true leader" in the previous year and also received the Commanding Officers Award. Flight Cpl. Mason was honoured as Cadet of the Year in addition to receiving the Royal Canadian Legion Medal of Cadet Excellence. The Lord Strathcona Medal, the highest award that can be bestowed on a cadet, which each squadron is given one per year and is not mandatory to award, was issued to Sgt. Ford.

Speeches thanking members of the local community and local businesses followed, with the cadets wishing to extend gratitude to all who helped support them throughout the year. One speech from Maj. Don Davies, commanding officer, noted that the previous year featured 9 cadets whereas the efforts of the cadets and the community have raised the numbers to 17. Sgt. Ford then gave a speech thanking Lawrence Dunn for his devoted support, presenting him with a custom-made drill staff engraved with his name. A final speech from Mr. John Calderwood passing on congratulations from the president of the Air Cadets League of Canada for helping continue their "tradition of excellence" wrapped up the evening before a singing of "God Save The Queen," after which the cadets enjoyed some well-earned relaxation and refreshments with their families.

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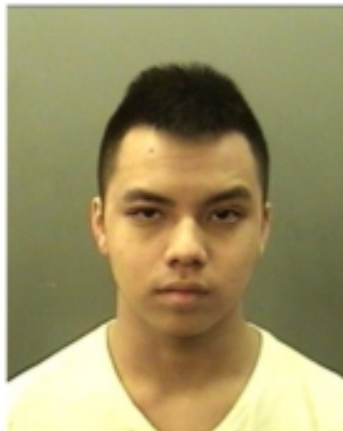
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CANADA WIDE ARREST WARRANTS FOR FRASER VALLEY MEN

Arrest warrants have been issued for two men tied to a Fraser Valley drug ring with operations in B.C.'s Peace Region. B.C.'s Combined Forces Special Enforcement Unit (CFSEU) says Andrew Vithna Va, 27, and Le Hoang-Duy Vo, 21, have each been charged with a count of possession for the purpose of trafficking in an investigation that resulted in several arrests and the seizure of millions of dollars worth of drugs in Northern B.C. and the Lower Mainland. Canada-wide arrest warrants have been issued for the pair. Police do not know where the pair is at the moment.

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"We're excited about the activities we have planned, and it will be a great family event," said local organizer Lara Frederick, who has been involved on the committee for 2 years. We are fortunate to have significant community support but this year we are all feeling the impact of the economic downturn in Dawson Creek and the surrounding area. Relay For Life is about making a difference against cancer."

As a two-time cancer survivor, Lara knows the importance of research. Lara attributes some of her success of beating cancer to the ongoing research which is funded from donations received through Relay For Life.

"Relay For Life makes it possible to fund innovative research that is saving lives," said Helen Owen, Team Lead for the Canadian Cancer Society. "We're grateful to the Dawson Creek volunteers who give their time so generously and to the community of Dawson Creek for supporting this event."

REGISTRATION CUTOFF IS JUNE 6, AND THE EVENT IS JUNE 11, so there's still time to show your support. Everyone is invited to attend the Relay! There will be food trucks on hand along with activities and entertainment for the entire family all day. "Last year we raised more than \$70,000" said Lara. "We hope to achieve that again. We have a long way to go, but I'm hopeful - I know how generous the citizens of Dawson Creek can be."

To register or make a donation, visit www.relayforlife.ca/dawsoncreek, or contact Helen Owen at 250-645-2364 or howen@bc.cancer.ca.

MEET THE MAYOR

June 3, 2016

This is a story about real people who live in a real town in real time in real houses. They have real issues with which they have to deal on real days whether the weather is sunny or overcast, sleeting or balmy. They are like you and me. In fact, they are you and me. This is our town.

Their kids have real runny noses and some of them are colicky – really; their clothes wear out before they outgrow them. The washing machine starts to make strange noises and the refrigerator is leaking. The brakes on the five-year-old car have to be replaced just when you were intending to pay off the debt on the 50-inch television. Sound like life? It is life under the stern rule of the Second Law of Thermodynamics who seems to be in charge in these parts as in all parts of this unruly globe.

The rule of the Second Law shows no favoritism. The rich as well as the poor, and all between, are subject to his unrelenting, wearing pressure. Everything we possess, including our beautiful bodies, will ultimately have to yield to his rule.

When we factor into the equation all the elements of our experiences and then add to that the taxes assessed by the various authorities under which we live, we have to make concerted efforts to keep looking on the sunny side.

Some very real people (eight in number) posted some thoughts on the 2% increase to property taxes recently voted by Council. I clearly grasped the real message they were sending.

But please bear with me. I will try to put some numbers in perspective. Not that perspective will make you feel any better about paying taxes but it might help you understand the actions of Mayor and Council. Mayor and Council were elected to set policy for this community. In a real world clear policy is really essential to order and resistance to the persistent Second Law as it applies to municipal infrastructure.

So consider the numbers and bear in mind that these are numbers for real properties, some of which belong to the individuals who posted their thoughts. In every tax notice there are two factors determining the size of the payment: assessment value of the property and tax rate. While Council cannot influence the assessment, the tax rate is completely within Council's purview.

I have looked at the numbers for six properties that are typical (though they may not reflect your experience). The 2% tax increase to five of these properties averaged \$16.37 when applied to an average increase in assessment of 8% for the same properties. The sixth property experienced a 2% decrease in assessment with a corresponding decrease in tax payable. When all factors for these six properties are thrown into the mix (which includes taxation by the School District, the Regional District, Northern Health, and Policing) your property taxes may increase or decrease depending on what the other jurisdictions do.

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