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Remembrance Day

by Nowell Berg



It's important to remember the past and present especially those men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice for Canada and their families.

To all Wasa, Ta Ta Creek and Skookumchuck veterans, we thank you and will never forget.

In Flanders Fields

– *Lieut.-Col. John McCrae, M.D.*

*In Flanders fields the poppies grow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.*

*We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.*

*Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields*



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FOLLOWING THE TRAILS OF

Yesterday

By Judy McPhee

PETER WOODS - a man of action

Pete, born on September 28th, 1933, one of seven children born to John and Ola (Bernard) Woods, was born on the family ranch at Woods Corner, about a mile north of the McGinty Trail. The Cherry Creek ranch was purchased by his grandfather, Peter Woods Senior. Peter Senior arrived in Fort Steele in 1897 and purchased the property in 1906.

Four generations have lived on the ranch and Pete who bought the ranch from his parents in 1962 is very proud of it. Pete is rooted to the land and the area.

His families' lifestyle and chosen occupations left their mark on Pete and influenced his walk in life.

As a young boy, he followed his grandfather's footsteps and left school after grade seven. He told me *"his education began the day he left school."*

From an early age Pete and his three brothers, Doug, Harold and Dave helped around the ranch doing chores which included: haying, milking the cows, working in the garden, fixing things and helping to deliver milk, cream and buttermilk to people in Kimberley. The magnitude of chores in those days instilled good work ethics in the boys. Their three sisters, Norma, Doris and Olive helped inside with outside chores also.

At 18 years of age, Pete left home to work at the Cameron Saw Mill in Wasa.

He also logged in the bush around Tamarack Lake and around Premier Lake and Premier Ridge.

In those days there were no chain saws. Two men cut trees with a crosscut saw. Another man, called the "swamper", cut the limbs off the trees. Two other men called "teamsters" skidded the logs to a landing with a skitter. From then on a "jammer" hooked cables on both ends of the log and either a team of horses or a heavy truck pulled the cable, lifting the logs up to put them on the wagon or truck to be taken to Cameron's Mill. In those days, Ken Roberts of Wasa drove the logging truck.



Pete married Annette Roberts in 1956 and they had three children, Jim, Rod and Jerry.

They took Annette's half brothers into their home for a few years.

To augment his income, Pete started his own Christmas Tree business. He cut and sold trees for about 30 years. Different buyers (the middle man) would come to his storage place and buy his trees. At one time he received .50 cents a tree. Trees were going for about \$15.00 in California then. That was the year his mother went to San Diego and saw thousands of unsold Christmas trees.

Today, Pete thinks the trees are "too darn expensive" which is why people are buying artificial trees and of course, they are more convenient.

In 1982, he closed his Christmas tree business and started his fencing business. At this time after a period of separation, he and Annette were divorced.

FENCING WAS PETE'S PASSION

He started his own fencing business. Fencing took over his life, often working seven days a week. He still retained cattle on his ranch and had a garden.

He told me how he fenced. A pilot pin, three inches thick and weighing 120 pounds was pounded in the ground with a "post pounder". Twenty holes were dug at a time.

He filled each hole with water-a few at a time. He had about a half hour to get the posts in the holes otherwise the ground hardened and he

would have to start all over again.

When the posts were in, he used his quad with two spools on it and pulled the wires along the poles. He then used a ratchet to adhere the wire to the posts.

Pete said smooth wire is dangerous for horses. They somehow get the wire wound around their leg and either break their leg or mangle it badly. They have to be put down. Horses stay clear of barbed wire fences.

Pete has fenced for the Forestry Department, Ministry of Highways, C.P.R., Hydro, private people including ranches and the Parks Department including the parks at Wasa.

He retired from fencing in 2001 at 67 years of age. His body was tired and he could no longer live the vigorous life of a fencer.

When he retired, another facet of his life began.

TRAVEL

Pete has travelled to 61 countries, expanding his knowledge of the world.

His partner, Verna Birnie, his high school sweetheart accompanied him on many trips and has since passed away.

Some of the countries he visited starting in 1985 were: England, Scotland, Wales Ireland, Vietnam which he loved, China, Siberia, Russia, Antarctic, Argentina, Falkland Islands, Fiji, Norway, Mexico, U.S.A., Belize and the Panama. His last trip was an Alaskan Cruise to Skagway this fall.

Pete was diagnosed with Pancreatic Cancer this fall. He is compelled to carry on doing what he loves to the end. He enjoys going out on his quad, helping friends, reading and visiting. On October 15th, he helped friends with their firewood.

Pete has been a wonderful asset to our community and has left his mark in the many fences he has constructed and friendships he has established. Thank you, Pete.

For further knowledge of his extended family, please see the Kootenay Ripples History Book, pages 467-470.



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DRONE SURVEY

By Clifford Youngs

The drone survey of the lake has been completed and a map of the vegetation has been completed. While the weather was not ideal, areas for greatest plant growth over the summer is shown. This information will be compared with a second study in the spring to attempt to estimate plant growth throughout the year. It is hoped that these surveys will assist in dealing with the concerns involving plant growth in Wasa.

PROPERTY TAX NOTICES

The 2017 property tax notices have been mailed. The mailing was completed closer to the tax deadline this year in hopes that they will not be forgotten before the deadline of November 30th. You may pay by cheque or pay online via Etransfer by logging into your bank account.

BY-ELECTION

A by-election has been called to fill 2 vacant positions on the Board. Nominations and notifications of acceptance must be received in writing by midnight November 2nd. Nominations may be received by email admin@wasalake.ca or mailed to Box 133, Wasa, V0B 2K0. The meeting is scheduled for November 16th. Please check the website for eligibility requirements. If no more than two are nominated, they will be acclaimed, and the special meeting will be cancelled. Please note that this is not the Annual General Meeting (AGM). The AGM will be held in the spring as usual.

SHORELINE CLEANUP

The annual shoreline cleanup was held October 14th. This year there were 18 participants who combed the shoreline and paths for trash left during the summer then met for a barbecue after the work was completed. Trash collected consisted of the usual plastics, wrappers, bottles and many bits of Styrofoam, not to mention hundreds and hundreds of cigarette butts. Included in the treasures was a home made spear gun. The report will be filed online at www.shorelinecleanup.ca in accordance with the Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup, a joint initiative of the Vancouver Aquarium and the World Wildlife Federation.



Harold Clarence Barbour passed away peacefully in his sleep at the Cranbrook hospital on May 4th 2017 due to unknown complications after living 86 long years.

Harold was born in Invermere, B.C. on June 27th 1930. He was raised by his parents, James Albert Barbour and Mable Edna Barbour (Née Laughlin), in Wilmer, BC. Harold worked in both the logging and ranching industries throughout his life.

Harold was married to Florence Parsons (Née, Barbour, George). Harold will be forever missed by his son and daughter-in-law George Barbour and Clair Puszta as well as his granddaughter's, Ellen Barbour, Clair Szuch and Vanessa Godziuk.

As per Harold's wishes, the family will be having a private ceremony.

You are near, even if I don't see you.

You are with me, even though you are far away.

You ride with me, as I ride through the mountains.

I hope you find peace and happiness as you put your working hands to rest and ride off into the sunset one last time.

You are in my heart, in my thoughts, in my life, always.

**- RIP Grandpa Harold Clarence Barbour -
June 27th 1930 - May 4th 2017**

WASA RECREATION SOCIETY

The Wasa Recreation Society would like to thank Lorraine Colton for her dedicated work as the booking agent for the Wasa Community Hall for the past several years. We would like to welcome Bonnie Meena who will be the Lorraine's replacement. Bonnie has been a committee member of the Wasa Recreation Society for 3 years. Bonnie Meena (250-422-3795) or Karen Markus (250-422-3514) can be contacted for inquiries or bookings for the Wasa Community Hall.

With the support of the Columbia Basin Trust Community Initiatives Program the Community Hall has replaced all of the toilets to a commercial standard. The previous models were models for household use. They did stand up the test of time for quite a few years. As the hall has become busier, these models were needing more maintenance therefore the decision was made to replace them.

We are offering these toilets on a first come first serve basis to the community for a cash donation of your choice to the community hall. Please call Karen Markus at 250-422-3514 if you would like to take one of these toilets.

We would like to give a big thank you to the TOPs group of Wasa for their generous contribution to the Community Hall and to Susanne Ashmore for keeping our shrubs in order. Thank you.

If you are a first time user to the Gym please contact Sonia Blackwell (250-422-9201) or Rod Monteith (250-422-3253) for rules about using the gym. A waiver must be signed and two people in attendance and signed in when using the gym. The gym cannot be used alone due to liability for our community hall. Please abide by these rules.

We are always looking for volunteers for our Bingo nights which is the second Tuesday of the month. We are in need of floor walkers and bingo callers (contact Debbie Waterer 250 426-9791); also concession workers and donated baking items (contact Bonnie Meena 250-422-3795).

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Sandy Kay is well known to Wasa residents for always being there when any one needs assistance.

Sandy was dropping off a friend at the airport when she noticed a gentleman looking confused, she rolled down her window and asked him if he needed any assistance. He responded that he needed to get to the Kimberley Conference Center, she told him that she would take him there.

He told Wendy Booth (Director for Area F) about this wonderful lady from Wasa and they then relayed his story to me. Thank You Sandy for everything you do!

Agriculture Land Commission Decision

The Commission reviewed an application that had been made in the Wycliffe Area for a non - agricultural application. The application was for solar panels to be placed on the property.

The commission turned down the application siting that this was an industrial use.

United British Columbia Municipality's (UBCM)

While attending UBCM I met with the Honorable Doug Donaldson and made a request for more Natural Resource Officers and Conservation Officers for our area. I have received a lot of calls from residents through out Area E advising of possible illegal activities taking place and because of the shortage of Officers these events are often not investigated until the event is over and the damage remains.

Wasa OCP Amendment Process

Last month I stated that I had not received any letters or comments about the possible amendments for Secondary Suites and Commercial Form and Character Development Permit, I was wrong.

These letters were received by the RDEK, but due to many of the staff assisting with the Evacuations and Evacuation Alerts, some of the non emergency items were shelved. I now have copies of the letters with your comments.

I hope everyone has a good month.

Jane Walter, Area E Director

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Helpful Hints

In Memory of Vi Cockell

By Sherry Shields



1. November Gardening
If autumn rains are not plentiful, water trees and shrubs until the ground is frozen. They are still creating new roots after leaves have dropped. Evergreens in particular need to have as much water available as possible since they will continue to lose moisture through their leaves throughout the winter.

2. Help in the Kitchen
Defrosting Meat - The fastest way to defrost meat is under a cold running tap. But if you want to save water and speed things up a bit, place your meat on an aluminum sheet tray or skillet. Aluminum is a great conductor of heat and will draw energy from the surrounding environment into your frozen meat much faster than a wooden cutting board or wood or stone counter top. You can cut defrosting times down by about 30% this way. It also works on soups, stews, and anything frozen flat.

3. Fall Home Maintenance
Don't remember when you tested your Smoke Detector last? Get into the habit of testing the alarm and changing batteries when you change the clocks for daylight saving and standard times.

It was November ~ the month of crimson sunsets, parting birds, deep, sad hymns of the sea, passionate wind-songs in the pines. Anne roamed through the pine land alleys in the park and, as she said, let that great sweeping wind blow the fogs out of her soul.

~ Lucy Maude Montgomery -
Anne of Green Gables ~

WASA COUNTRY BREAKFAST

Another year of success for the Wasa Country Breakfast. We had 12 Saturday breakfasts selling a total of 3079 breakfasts this year, only down slightly from 2016. The ten groups that participated will be receiving a share of the profits.

The Committee thanks the Wasa Lions for the use of the Lions Kitchen; without their support this successful fundraiser for local community groups would not be possible. THANKS WASA LIONS. The Committee will once again be purchasing a few items for the Lions Kitchen as a thank you for their support.

We are looking for new committee members this year to help in organizing and coordinating breakfast supplies. Val Dmytriw and Bonnie Meena will be continuing on into 2018 as Karen Markus and Jim Hill will be retiring (again).

Thanks to all that supported the breakfasts; locals and visitors.



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HISTORY BYTES

BY NAOMI MILLER



Captains of a Cherry Orchard

The Guthrie brothers, Nigel and Rupert purchased a 40 acre block of waterfront six miles north of Kaslo in 1911. These sons of Captain Guthrie of Guthrie, Scotland were remittance men typical of that era. Nigel, born 1891 and Rupert 1887, planned to "Grow fruit and Grow rich" as advertised by the Canadian Pacific Railway. They also made some attempts to sell shares in local mines (none of which returned a penny). These two lived in a tent the first summer and during winter months joined eight other aspiring orchardists living in the Langham Hotel in Kaslo. (My dad was one of them.) The first two years were spent clearing the hillside and preparing to irrigate seedling fruit trees. The Guthrie brothers opted to plant cherry trees, my dad apple trees. Kaslo fruit trees had been started several years earlier so the newcomers had lots of advice available from those first settlers. Planting seedlings was spread over 1913-14 and each summer these were carefully watered by irrigation. Neither of the Guthrie boys was comfortable with horses, so a local Czech resident farmer was hired to plow before planting and then create ditches. It was tedious work to get tree seedlings rooted. These brothers went travelling the moment they deemed growing season over. Rupert returned to Canada in November 1914 declaring he was returning to Canada to work in Winnipeg, Giving his reason as "Christian Science", he broke family tradition by refusing to join the military. Brother Nigel returned to England answering a draft call in late 1915. After the war Captain Nigel Guthrie returned to Shutty Bench and contracted the building of a large house on the rocky ledge well above the beach.

Meanwhile Gilbert Ashton West, born 1883, had served in the British Army during WW I in a regiment that ignored the November 11th Armistice as they continued chasing a Russian force all the way to Vladivostock. They were rescued by the British Navy, transported to Vancouver, sent by troop train to Halifax, then sailed to England for discharge early in 1919. Captain West was not a remittance man. His first job in Canada was as salesman for a Winnipeg biscuit company. He worked briefly at Boswell and claimed to work on Silver Heights Cherry Orchard before buying it in 1924. He joined the Farmer's Institute and attended workshops. Meanwhile, Mary Eleanor Phillpott had been ranching with her sister in Nakusp from 1910-14, then crossed to England where she ran a hostel for women war workers in London. She returned to the Kootenays in

1920. Captain West met and courted her. They were married November 29, 1928 by Canon Fred Graham in the Anglican Church rectory in Nelson. Witnesses were Hannah Doris Waverley MacAfee of Nelson and the rector's wife. The couple moved into the very large house that had been built and furnished by Nigel Guthrie for his intended bride. Unfortunately, Nigel's bride-to-be refused to live in "the boonies", so the house was never used as intended, and Nigel rattled around by himself. The Wests lived six miles from Kaslo. The dirt road ran only another mile ending at what is now Haegedorn's. The couple would walk to town to do business then hire the taxi to take them home. Supplies in bulk could be delivered to their beach by steamer and barge. Lumber arrived that way for the packing shed. This was taken by horse uphill to beside the road. Work requiring horse power was provided by one or other of their Czechoslovakian neighbors.

Mrs. West had experience in orchards. She had made packing boxes, knew how to pack and cull cherries, how to create cool storage. "Cap" eagerly did spring preparations and all maintenance work. The couple wanted to coax a healthy orchard into production. In the 1930's and '40's picking season at West's became a place for teens and a few adults to earn a few dollars. Cap. West knew every tree intimately. He knew the variety of each and declared when each tree was ready to be picked. I worked as a picker through my teen years while most girls became packers. I was a light weight "monkey" so was able to finish picking my assigned tree at 3 cents per pound. A nervous picker often declined to finish his tree and I would be assigned to finish it, keeping those cherries separate. the pay was 10 cents per pound for finishing. The freight truck arrived at a promised time each afternoon to transport fruit to catch a steamer connecting with a train bound for Calgary or further east. The cherry harvest was a hectic time for at least three weeks. Wests also had a smaller upper orchard where their apple, apricots and pear trees grew. A few cases of each went to clients on the prairies or sold to U-Pick visitors. During the Depression little or no money was exchanged. Wests were sent a large turkey for Christmas, much too large for two people. My family and Mr. and Mrs. Taylor were invited for December 25th. We opted to walk three miles along the beach. The food was magnificent. My mother appreciated extras like gorgonzola cheese. After dessert my brother and I were free to wander through the very large

house while the ladies washed dishes. Mrs. West then came into the drawing room to play carols on the grand piano. We enjoyed our special time but had to leave early enough to walk home to do our own chores.

Tom and Mrs. Taylor drove to town by horse and buggy every Wednesday He kindly got mail for several families on the Bench. Tom sorted the mail and set it on a big table on his covered verandah. This locale then became the place where magazine exchange took place. The exchange included magazines from England and the US as one or another had received them. It was my job after school to pick up the mail which now included Saturday Evening Post from Wests, and Liberty and Free Press Prairie Farmer from Tom, and Maclean's for us to be circulated later. Mrs. West enjoyed her Wednesday walk to Taylors with stops at other homes along the route.

Mrs. West initiated a social club and organized a district chapter of the Red Cross. Although they had no children, Mrs. West attended most events held at the one room Shutty Bench School. Hector Angus, piano tuner, who toured the lake by canoe with his Indian wife and daughter Nindi was welcomed... unless he came in the busy season. When Mrs. West died in September 1955 the pall bearers were six Czech neighbors. Cap. West was lost without her. Cherry fly had reached into the district. He moved into town but the place sat waiting to be sold.

Silver Heights Cherry Orchard was purchased in 1958 by a Calgary engineer, Don Evers. He attempted harvesting three summers but was defeated by rain and the onset of Cherry Fly Disease. He lost money so had to return to full time work. The plague of "little cherry" necessitated cutting the trees in the 1960s. The land was subdivided between Evers three children. The boys sold their portions but daughter Dorothy-Anne and her husband Bill Cuell now live in the original West home. Captain West passed away in Willowhaven near Nelson at age 86 on June 15, 1970.

This writer wishes that she had researched the story of that lovely orchard while many of her peers were still alive.



Donate your pop cans and liquor bottles (no dairy please) to the Wasa and District Lions Club to help with their scholarship fund. Please call Val at 250-422-3499 to make arrangements for drop-off at the Lions Grounds.



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Also a reminder that we will be doing the Christmas Lightup contest again in December. Date to be announced. Two of the other Lion's December happenings are the ever-popular Dinner and Dance with many prizes to be won and a good time to be had for all, and our Winterfest which happens on December 31st.

The Dinner and Dance will be on December 2 with the band Valley Forge entertaining from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. Tickets which will be \$35. this year will go on sale Saturday, November 5th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the Wasa Hall on a first-come first-served basis. There will also be hampers available for non-perishable food items for the Food Bank and donations are always gratefully accepted for our Medical Loans Cupboard and our We Care We Serve fund.

Due to the rising costs of operating our facilities, we are forced to raise our rental costs.

The Lion's would also like to thank the people helping with the trail maintenance and all of our other projects.

So, until next month, have an absolutely SPOOKTACTULAR Halloween!

Submitted by Terry Marvel



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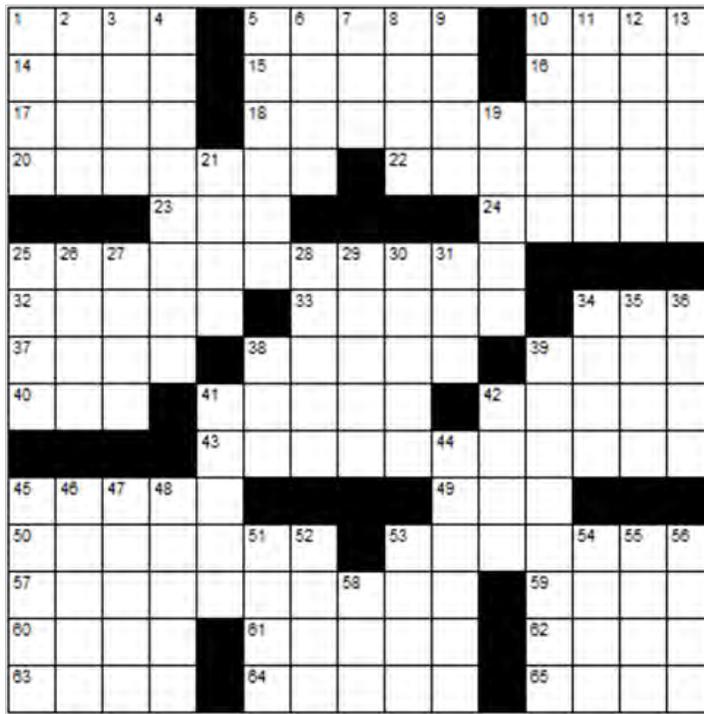
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- 34. Directed
- 37. Choose
- 38. Adhesives
- 39. Interlaced
- 40. Estimated time of arrival
- 41. Light wood
- 42. Washbowl
- 43. Compulsively
- 45. San Antonio fort
- 49. Mineral rock
- 50. Quandary
- 53. European wild oxen
- 57. Not arrogant
- 59. Run away
- 60. Permits
- 61. A garden
- 62. Roll up
- 63. 3
- 64. Piece of paper
- 65. Secure against leakage



DOWN

- 1. Canine tooth
- 2. Away from the wind
- 3. Salt Lake state
- 4. Portable computer
- 5. Happenings
- 6. Opera star
- 7. Historic period
- 8. Head of hair
- 9. Beers
- 10. Hot chocolate
- 11. Blockage of the intestine
- 12. Feel
- 13. Lugged
- 14. Binge
- 15. Religious sisters
- 16. Sexual assault
- 17. Modify
- 18. Flexible mineral
- 19. Informs
- 20. Utilize again
- 21. Districts
- 22. "___ the season to be jolly"
- 23. Fail to win
- 24. Wicked
- 25. Declare untrue
- 26. Chitchat
- 27. Overshoots
- 28. Prosperous periods
- 29. Ethiopian monetary unit
- 30. Searched
- 31. Coffee cups
- 32. Nursemaid
- 33. Stake
- 34. Hint
- 35. Sister and wife of Zeus
- 36. Peddle
- 37. Fury

Spiders

Find and circle all of the spider species and anatomy words that are hidden in the grid. The remaining letters spell a secret message.

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- PEDIPALPS
- PELICAN
- REDBACK
- RED WIDOW
- SETAE
- SILK GLAND
- SILKHENGE
- SPINNERETS
- TARANTULA
- TEXAS
- RECLUSE
- THORAX
- TRAPDOOR
- VENOM
- VIOLIN
- WATER
- WEBS
- YELLOW
- GARDEN
- YELLOW SAC

"MARIO'S FUN PAGE"



Thanksgiving Spot the Difference!

Can you find 10 differences between the two pictures?



JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

SHAST

DOORE

DITNIC

CATILI



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Wasa Community Church



I'd sure love it if everything in life went by without pain or sadness. However, this life has much of that to throw at us. Personal sickness. Broken relationships. Loneliness. Losing people very dear to us. The list goes on. We face many difficulties. Sometimes crippling hardships that seem impossible to get over. Maybe things that a person will never fully get over. Whether we like it or not, we go through hard times. That's the way it is, but amidst the pain and sadness, there is someone who sees us in our lows, who understands what we go through and who can bring us comfort in our distress.

When we think of Jesus, we usually associate Him with the cross that He died on, and the claim that He rose from the dead also most likely comes to mind. That's good, because those are the most important things He did. That's something every person needed because in order to be allowed into heaven, God requires nothing less than being totally perfect. Even if we try to be our very best, we've already failed to be perfect, since we've already done wrong in our lives (and actually have been sinful even before we were born, since the first man, Adam, sinned (Romans 5:12-21)). That's why we all needed God to come down to earth, becoming human, as Jesus Christ, to live His life perfectly and give that life up on the cross, dying the death that every imperfect person deserved (Romans 6:23). Now that He has died and rose again, if anyone acknowledges they are sinful, deciding to turn from their sinful ways and believe in Jesus and what He has done, they will be allowed into heaven to live in the presence of God after they die.

It is quite something to think of what Jesus went through to make that all possible. He was beaten and mocked. He was scourged. Nails were put through His hands and feet. The night before, He was so stressed about what was going to happen to Him that as He was praying, He began to sweat drops of blood. Then one of His disciples, someone very close to Him, betrayed Him. You see, even though He was God, He still encountered immense hardships. He felt all the physical pain. He went through great emotional stress. He lived facing the same obstacles that this world throws at us. Therefore, He knows what we go through in life. He gets it and He is there to be sought during rough circumstances. He is available to bring comfort and peace in times of sorrow and pain. Our difficult circumstances may change and they may not, but no matter how things turn out, in Christ there is a place of refuge and comfort to be found. If you trust Him, you will find that He will not let you down (Psalm 62:8).

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by Sherry Shields

With cooler temperatures upon us our memorial garden has been winterized and the water wheel and flowerbeds have been put to rest.

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Memorial plaques and Columbarium Niches.

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*"Someone remembers, someone cares,
your name is whispered in someone's prayers"*

"RURAL TEACHERS SHOULD HAVE GOT A MEDAL"

By Ruth Desormeau (McBride BC) Submitted by Jacquie Wright

The very thought of Christmas brings so many good memories back to my mind. We lived at Candle Lake, north of Prince Albert.

It was very cold. We drove a horse pulling a caboos with a little wood heater to keep us warm. On to school we went! It was a short day because the Christmas concert was that night.

In those days there weren't many families living there. The Sacketts were our landlords. We had the use of their horse and caboos.

All the kids in that one-room school had a part to learn, or poem to recite. All those young teachers who taught in rural isolated schools should have got a medal.

Most of the boys were taller than our teacher. We had time for a quick hockey game at noon before hurrying home to get ready for the concert.

Out came the homemade hockey sticks and a handy frozen horse turd puck. I was in the lower grades, so I had to be a goalie.

Mom had made us mittens out of worn-out men's work socks using the tops and sewing thumbs. They kept our fingers warm but they weren't so good for stopping shots on goal.

There was no padding for anyone but we sure had fun.

After an early supper it was time to head back to the school. Soon the horse had frost whiskers hanging from his nose, and he ran fast knowing he was headed for a barn.

The classroom was decorated up so pretty. Fire was roaring in the heater and the tree was a thing of beauty to my eyes.

A stage had been made up front. Moms' sent some of their whitest sheets for curtains.

We couldn't take any from home because ours were made from Robin Hood flour sacks which mom hadn't been able to bleach yet. The others looked great. Some were even store bought. We sang loud so those at the rear could hear. Then came the plays.

I had worked hard memorizing my lines, but I was glad teacher hid behind the curtains and whispered to me when I was stuck.

All too soon it was over.

Then, with a great deal of jingling, in came Santa. All the children were excited, but not us because mom had said there wasn't any money for presents this year in our house.

I knew then that Santa only came to rich kids - those who had a father. Mine had been killed in an accident when I was 3.

I was happy for the other kids as they received gifts. Then the most wonderful thing happened. Santa called my name. I was so surprised.

Inside the parcel was a pretty blue blouse. It was my favourite color and my size.

With candy and nuts and an orange, which I had never tasted before, what a wonderful Christmas it was.

We never forgot the kindness and friendliness of that small community. Mom has gone to her rest now and we are all grandmas and grandpas but that Christmas cheer lasts forever.

Gifts are soon gone or worn out but not the love folks show each other. God bless you all and a very Merry Christmas to all.

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You don't need to be worried or anxious

There is a precious and helpful saying in Tibet:

"If a problem can be solved, there is no use worrying about it. If it can't be solved, worrying would not do any good. If it can be remedied, why feel unhappy? If it can't be, why worry at all."

The saying should be learned by heart and remembered by anyone who wishes to overcome adversity in life. What is adversity, if not an unexpected or unwanted situation? Life is life, so why do we oppose simple unexpected facts through anger, rejection, frustration, opposition and contradiction? Because we're too attached to the projections created in our head. Also because when we think about something, we assume that the outcome of our thought process should necessarily bring us the exact same results in real life. There is a drastic difference between an outcome you think about and the possibility of this outcome being realized in the outer world.

The reason for any state of anxiety and worry resides in the opposition, most of the time unconscious, that exists between the virtuality of your inner world and the already manifested outer world. In your mind, you go from a project to its direct realization without expecting any obstacles. But when you try to realize your plan in the physical world, you face a great number of interactive forces that are able to deteriorate and deform the immediate accomplishment of your plan. These interactive outer forces are constantly in action. They are all forces in the world that can destroy any of your projects even though you have planned them for a long time with a great deal of seriousness. If you plan to go somewhere for business or vacation, then you are also at the mercy of natural catastrophes such as earthquakes and cyclones that could devastate the place you plan to go. If this happens, there's no need for you to be frustrated, anxious and angry. The problem cannot be solved or immediately remedied; then it is just a change of plans, that's it! You only need to work on your ability to adapt. Even if the situation is desperate and you cannot change it, worrying is not going to help you at all. Don't have an unnecessary inner temper tantrum.

So in front of any life situation, such as the loss of someone you love, the loss of money or unexpected news that puts you in a difficult situation, remember that it is only difficult because you cannot reverse it in your favor. But if you constantly remember that anything can thwart any of your plans, you'll be less eager for your expectations to systematically happen exactly the way you've planned.

And again, if you can change the situation, even if it's not right away, then force yourself to accept it. Be happy to know that there is a satisfactory solution to your situation. But never let the dark forces of worry and anxiety lower your morale because something has happened in a way you didn't expect. What happens only happens; accept it, it is a fact! Always breathe deeply and remain positive! Nothing lasts forever, even "bad news"!

It is the same when someone supposedly "disappoints" you. What in the hell is that? How can you ever be "disappointed" by anyone, unless, like a mental dictator, you decide that in your world, everyone must conform to your expectations? If this is the case, you are in the best position to constantly suffer. You should never be disappointed by anyone. Rather, increase your ability

to adapt your equanimity in front of the versatility of human nature. Nobody owes you anything and you do not owe anything to anyone. You do not belong to anyone, and no one belongs to you. We are all only partners as we try to walk together along the Path of Life. But nobody has ever promised to conform their attitude to your dreaming world. So, rather than being disappointed by others, consider yourself lucky to authorize everyone to be as they are. Plato, the great Greek philosopher, once said, "If you want to change the world, begin by changing yourself." There are no bad people, only ignorant people.

Remember that, in life, there is what you can do and what you should do. There is also what you would like to do and what is really going to happen. If you keep this in mind, you will be ready to accept any conformed unfoldment of your desires, but you will be equally ready to quietly accept any change, modification, alteration or impossibility regarding what you want to see realized. From there, you will never ever be pulled down by any situation. Effectively, there is what can be done, and what cannot be done. If it can, then do it and be happy. And if it can't, then do nothing rather than something stupid, and be happy. Remember that happiness is a mix of four protective qualities that should constantly remain equal within yourself: Calm, Peace, Joy, and Balance. Keep these four jewels preciously present and get joyously ready for any outcome in your daily life. This is the key to Eternal Harmony.

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Kootenay Community Bat Project

Since the goal of the Kootenay Community Bat Project is to promote bat conservation, this is the perfect time of year to counter these bat myths and do something to help bats.

"The conservation of bats in BC has always been important, since over half the species in this province are considered at risk" says Mandy Kellner, Coordinator for the BC Community Bat Program. "However, with the discovery of White-nose Syndrome in Washington State, bat conservation is more important than ever."

White-nose Syndrome (WNS) is a disease caused by an introduced fungus, first detected in North America in a cave in New York in 2006. Since it was discovered, it has spread to 31 states and 5 provinces in North America, decimating bat populations along the way. "Luckily, WNS is not yet in BC" continues Kellner, "But we are preparing for its arrival by raising awareness about bats, working with landowners who have bats in buildings, enhancing bat habitat, and monitoring populations."

Community Bat Projects across the province are hosting talks and events in association with Bat Week (October 24 – 31) to provide information and guidance on ways to help bats. Monitoring for WNS will continue this winter, with KCBP requesting reports of dead bats or sightings of winter bat activity. You can report sightings at <http://bcbats.ca/index.php/contact-us>.

Options for encouraging healthy bat populations include preserving wildlife trees and wetlands, reducing pesticide use, or building and installing a bat house. With the decline of natural roost sites, some bat species have adapted to using human-made structures, such as bat-houses. These small boxes have several crevices inside that provide a safe, dry habitat where bats can roost during summer months. "Bat-houses are particularly important for maternity colonies where groups of female bats roost together to have their pup during the summer" states Kellner. "A well-designed bat-house installed in a good location can provide a home for hundreds of bats."

In partnership with the BC Ministry of Environment, and funded by the Habitat Conservation Trust Foundation, Habitat Stewardship Program, the Columbia Valley Local Conservation Fund, and Columbia Basin Trust, KCBP conducts site visits to advise landowners on managing bats in buildings, coordinates the Annual Bat Count, and conducts outreach through community events.

To find out more about the BC Community Bat Program, visit www.bcbats.ca



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Scottish Poet, James Thomson

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Annual Conservation Leadership Awards Presented

The Kootenay Conservation Program (KCP) was excited to award its annual Conservation Leadership Awards as part of the KCP Fall Gathering that took place in Cranbrook last month. The 2017 recipients of the award are Rob Neil and Irene Manley, both of whom have done amazing work in conservation in the Kootenay region.

Rob Neil has contributed over 40 years of vision and expertise to conserving landscapes in the Kootenays. Rob moved to Cranbrook in 1972 to work in the habitat protection section of the Ministry of Environment's Fish and Wildlife Branch (in all its names and iterations), in both the East and West Kootenay. During this time, Rob helped establish important Wildlife Management Areas and Access Management Areas, and provided landscape level planning efforts like the Southern Rocky Mountains Management Plan. For the last 14 years, from 2003 until his retirement in the spring of 2017, Rob worked as the Kootenay Conservation Land Manager for The Nature Trust of BC. Spectacular places are now better protected because of Rob's incredible foresight and tireless perseverance in his work. His legacy includes Bull River, Hoodoos, Columbia River Wetlands, Bummers Flats, Wigwam Flats, Meadow Creek, Duncan River, and Slocan Island. A fantastic mentor to many, Rob's knowledge of the land base and his dedication continue to leave a legacy for protection and conservation of Crown and private land in the region.



Rob Neil (right) receives the 2017 Conservation Leadership Award from KCP Chair Derek Petersen (left) during the KCP Fall Gathering in Cranbrook on September 29. The photo of Cherry Creek was generously provided by Graham Osborne. KCP Photo

Irene Manley is a well-respected wildlife biologist with the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations in Nelson who has proven herself a leader in ecosystem conservation. Irene has worked extensively with species-at-risk and has almost two decades of experience in the Kootenays (East and West) where she has studied the distribution and habitat requirements of Northern Leopard Frogs, Western Toads, Flammulated Owls, Western screech-owls and Lewis' Woodpeckers. In addition, she also has led and participated in many projects in the Kootenays – ecosystem restoration, wetland restoration and conservation land management to name a few. Irene has an M.Sc. in wildlife biology from Simon Fraser University and is a Registered Professional Biologist. She works tirelessly to lead and support many conservation efforts throughout the Kootenay region, encouraging and offering guidance to countless projects being conducted by non-profit societies that sometimes require the support of biologists to move their projects forward.



Irene Manley, recipient of the 2017 KCP Conservation Leadership Award, holding a hatchling at Turtle Day. FWCP Photo

Each was presented with a beautiful framed photo — Rob Neil received a photo of the beautiful Cherry Creek conservation property that was generously donated by Graham Osborne and Irene Manley (who was unable to attend the KCP Fall Gathering) was presented the photo of a grizzly bear by Jim Lawrence.

To read more about the Kootenay Conservation Program or past Conservation Leadership Awards recipients, visit www.kootenayconservation.ca.

The Lions Request Community Help

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