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### Tale of three bridges

he old Salmon River bridge used to regularly ditch semis on Highway 1, and was under water for much of last Spring.

The bridge is set to re-open on March 30 after a three month complete upgrade. This is great news for Salmon Arm's alternative east west artery and route from downtown to the valley. Now there are three fully functioning bridges here - the new freeway standard bridge, the old bridge-made-new and the footbridge.



Next week is E.L.F. week for *Friday AM* - no issue every last Friday. Watch for April All Month, April 5.

# GRING EXTRIP CHAMPIGHENIA



# BAKE & RACE

ocal folks continue to make enormous international waves. This week it is Kate Boutillier, chef and owner of Centenoka's Flake Pastry Shop, and Thomas Hardy and Jasper Edge of Rappatack.

Kate is one of ten contestants on the Food Network's *Spring Baking Championship*. She won the challenge on Episode 3, and safely made it through Episode 4. The reality TV series, now being aired, was taped in California several months ago,

And this past week, Thomas Hardy and

Jasper Edge are part of the four-member Canadian Expedition team to finish second in the Adventure Racing World series in the most incredible terrain of Chile.

The race involved three grueling and technically challenging days of kayak, mountainbike and trekking across lava fields in rain, ice and sun.

Congratulations to three more local heroes. More details about Kate's place in the challenge on the blog pages. Google "Tierra Indomita - Vulcania for the race.

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### at the movies

- > SALMAR GRAND salmartheatre.com Mar. 22 to 28 Daily matineess during Spring Break
- Kung Fu Panda 4.. 2:00, 6:40 daily. A sorceress plans to re-summon all the master villains whom Po has vanquished to the spirit realm. (G)
- Cabrini. 1:30, 6:30 daily. An Italian immigrant embarks on a daring journey to persuade a hostile New York mayor to provide housing and healthcare for hundreds of orphaned children.. (PG viol., coarse lang)
- **Dune: Part Two.** 1:30, 6:20 daily. Paul Atriedes unites with Chani and the Fremen while seeking revenge against the conspirators who destroyed his family. (PG)
- **Ghostbusters: Frozen Empire**. 1:45, 6:50 daily. When the discovery of an ancient artifact unleashes an evil force, Ghostbusters new and old must join forces to protect their home and save the world from a second ice age. (PG may frighten young children, viol, coarse lang)

### > SALMAR CLASSIC

### ■ Shuswap Children's Association FILM FESTIVAL -

Mar. 21-23. Annual fundraiser for Shuswap Children's Association Mar. 21: *The Lorax*, 10:30; *Happy Feet*, 1:00; *Train your Dragon*, 5:00 Mar. 22: *Kung Fu Panda*, 10:30 • *Despicable Me 1 & 2*, 1:00, 5:00 Mar. 23: *Madagascar: Escape 2 Africa*, 10:30 • *Shrek*, 1:00 \$5 popcorn & juice included • Friday night show is Jammie Night!

- SHUSWAP FILM SOCIETY shuswapfilm.net •
- American Fiction (US). 5:00, Mar. 23. A novelist fed up with the establishment profiting from "Black" entertainment, uses a pen name to write an outlandish "Black" book of his own. The book propels him to the heart of hypocrisy and the madness he claims to disdain. People's Choice winner at Toronto Film Festival. Oscar for Best adapted screenplay. (14A)
- The Taste of Things, Mar. 30 Shayda, April 6 The Braid, April 13
- One Life, April 19 21 Perfect Days, April 27 The Old Oak, May 4
- NY MET OPERA (Live)
- La Rondine, April 20 Roméo et Juliette, April 27.



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# > **Sip Sip hooray**, April 6, Shuswap Lake Estates. Sorrento Elementary PAC fundraiser.

> Gleneden Hall dance, 7 pm,

April 6. Featuring Sierra. \$15.

live & dance

> **Old Time Dance**, 6:30, Mar. 22,

Silver Creek Hall, featuring band,

> Copper Is., Electric Jams with

Blind Bay Blues Band, Tuesdays.

> **Spring Fling Dance** with Island Fogg, Mar. 30, Blind Bay Hall

> SA Legion - Barn Boys, Mar. 28,

> Social Square Dancing - 7:30-

> Punk Rock show, Mar. 28, Solid

9:30, Weds, Fifth Ave. Centre.

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Urban Studio on Mellors

- Celista & Grindrod,1st Fri
- Carlin, 1st Sat Sunnybrae, 2nd Sat
- Gleneden, 3rd Sat
- Silver Creek (none this month)
- Enderby, 3rd Fri. (Srs. Centre)
- Writers group, 4th Fri, 2 to 4, 1st Community (4th St. entrance)
- Eagle Bay, Mar. 23 Blu & Kelly plus dinner night

### ■ Go to FriAM.ca for Bonus Blog Post Pages!

O Friday AM acknowledges covering the Shuswap and sharing the lands on the traditional territory of the Secwepemc peoples.

# ESTIVITIES SPRING BREAK NOW TO MAR. 30

- > Easter weekend, Mar. 29 to April 1. Easter party, Mar. 30, Piccadilly
- > Children's Film festival March 21 to 23, Salmar Classic. Nine classic children's films during Spring Break. See below left.
- > Pet a Puppy Day 10 2 Mar. 23, Braby Motors, Co-hosted by Shuswap Paws Rescue Society.

# ART

- > **Environments for Reading -** Runs to Mar. 23, Art Gallery. Soft sculptured pods for places to read homage to when gallery was town's library.
- > **Tsrep (tree)** Exhibition about displacement of Indigenous trees and shrubs in the Shuswap, SAArt Gallery. Opening reception, 11 to 1, April 6. Runs to June 23. Artists include Doris Charest, Linda Franklin, Ellen Gonella, Hop You Haskett, David New, Delores Purdaby, Clea Roddick, Gerry Thomas, Mary Thomas and Sara Wiens, plus historic photos from SA Museum.
- > Cardiff Miller Art Warehouse Open 11-5, Sundays. Interactive art and internationally renowned exhibits in former Ashley store in Enderby.
- > Couryard Gallery Enderby with Howard Brown & Marc Ferland
- $> \textbf{Shuswap Artist Collective -} \ hOurspace, 331\ 4th\ St.\ NE, downtown$
- > Valerie Rogers Easter Open Art Studio, 10-4, Mar. 30, 671 60th St. SE

# ${\sf C}$ oncerts

- > Pellsquepts Springwinds Festival 1 pm, Mar. 23, Splatsin Centre, Enderby. Free event Co-hosted by Roots & Blues. Featuring Dallas Arcand, Melawmen Collective, All My Relations Pow Wow Dance Group, Sabina Dennis & Conway Kootnay.
- > Peer Pressure Song Club 7:30, Mar. 23, Sunnybrae Hall. Songs from the brink with John Shaver, Steph Clifford and Katie Marti. \$20 at Acorn Music anddoor.
- **> Jazz Club -** 7 pm, 2nd/4th Thur, Nexus at First. By donation.
- Sandy Cameron's Shuhorns, March 28, featuring Nick Dyson.
- Gabriel Vizcaino, April 11 Trilogy, April 26.

**SONG SPARROW HALL** Details at songsparrowhall.ca

- > Shred Kelly & Hyanaes 7:30, March 23. A powerhouse band that seamlessly blends elements of alternative, folk, and rock music, leaving audiences in awe. SOLD OUT
- > Steve Dawson & the Hooded Mergansers 7:30, April 11.
- > **Delhi2Dublin** Dance night, 7:30 pm, April 20. Dance to an awesome mash-up of bhangra, Celtic, dub, raggae and electronics. celebrateshuswap.ca
- > Be Seein' ya Comedy tour 7:30, Mar. 21, Salmar Classic.
- > Daniel Champagne 7:00, April 3, Carlin Hall. .
- > Aura Chamber Choir 7:00, April 6, Nexus at First. Bach's Passion according to St. John, featuring tenor Benjamin Butterfield.
- > Gordon Lightfoot tribute 2 pm, April 13, Chase Community Hall, \$15. Reprise of earlier Wildwood Productions show.
- **> Bad Moon Riders -** May 3, Salmar Classic. CCR tribute band.
- > Shuswap Music Festival April 8 to May 3. shuswapfestival.com
- > Roots & Blues July 26 to 28. See lineup announcement on next page.

# THFATRF

- > Play Reading Christopher Durang's *Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike*, 7 pm, Mar. 27, Shuswap Theatre.
- > Outside Mullingar April 26 to May 11, Shuswap Theatre.

# SPORTS Sport Spot / 5

- > **Silverbacks** Traveling to Penticton Saturday; hosting Merritt, 4 pm, Sunday.
- > Wild Ride Thrash Wrestling, 7:00, Mar. 23, Recreation Centre.
- > **55+ BC Games -** Sept., 10 to 14, Salmon Arm. Many volunteers are needed. Go to 55plusgames.org/salmonarm and follow links.

# GRANTS TOTAL \$120,000

huswap Community Foundation (SCF) is giving over \$120,00 to community organizations and programs for its semi-annual grant program.

The 19 grants range from inclusive youth projects, innovative arts initiatives, several community service projects and support for the BC 55 Plus Games. Highlights include:

- Summer Slide Reading Camp for Shuswap Literacy Alliance for Grades 2 to 4 students during summer break.
- SA Museum's Heritage exhibition project: "Forcibly Uprooted: Japanese Canadians in the Shuswap, WWII", exploring the policies, discrimination, and instances of community solidarity.
- Shuswap Creative Makerspace Youth Inclusion Program to host students throughout the school year and summer breaks on building and design projects.
- Shuswap Family Centre's\_entrepreneurship project for vulnerable youth forstering creativity, community connectedness, financial literacy, and independence

☐ Full list on the Bonus pages at FriAM.ca

# you're invited

- > Wildfire Mitigation town hall meeting, 6-8, March 27, City Hall
- > Regular council meeting, 2:30, Mar. 25.
- > CSRD directors meeting, 9:30 am, Mar. 21.
- > Free Income tax program at Family Centre, 681 Marine Park Dr. In collaboration with Seniors Resource Centre. Run 10 to 2 through March & April.1. No appt. necessary. Closed Mar. 29 and 30
- > Garden Club, 7 pm, 4th Tues, 5th Ave 50 Plus. \$2
- > **Bingo**, 6:30, Fridays, 50 Plus Activity Centre. Open 5; games 6:30.
- > Meditation Midweek 2 Guided meditations and teachings, 7-8 pm, Thursdays, 450 Okanagan SE, (United Churcht).
- > Secwepemc Youth job & career fair, April 9, SAS Sullivan. See workbccentre-salmonarm.ca to showcase business or organization



Hwy. 97B Accident claims life

Heavy fog may have been a factor in a fatal collision near the Highway 97B and 10th Ave. SW intersection. A southbound car swerved into the lane of a pickup truck on March 13, killing a 23-year-old male driver.







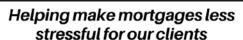


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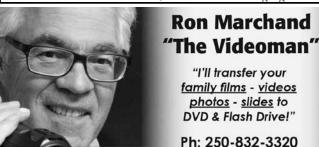
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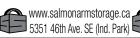
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- Penticton 79; West Kelowna 69; (SA 31 W 16 L 3 SOL 65 pts); Vernon 61; Trail 56; Merritt 46, Cranbrook 43; Prince George 33.
- Travelling to Penticton Saturday and hosting Merritt, 4 pm, Sunday.
- > Shaw Centre is being renamed Rogers Rink
- > Stick & Puck 2:45, Mar. 25, 27 Public Skate, 12:45, Mar. 21, 26, 28
- > Thrash wrestling Mar. 23, SASCU Recreation Centre.



> Mix of sun & clouds, high 11 Friday. Chance of showers Saturday. Normal: +9 C to -1 C

Extremes since 1991: +16.4 2004 • -6.2: 2014 Sunrise 7:13 • Sunset 5:12

### Past Temps, Mar. 13 to 19 By weatherman Nick Parsons

SW Gleneden, 458 m (119 m above lake): HIGH PRECIP.

None

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Mar. 13	+9	0
Mar. 14	+10	-3
Mar. 15	+12	-1
Mar. 16	+14	-1
Mar. 17	+16	0
Mar. 18	+16	+1
Mar. 19	+15	+1

### **Bowers Funeral Services** bowersfuneralservice.com

- ❖ Gudmund 'Bill' Sorensen March 9, 2024, at age 91 7 pm, May 11, Sicamous
- Jöyce Aubert February 25, 2024, at age 91 1:30, April 6, Deo Lutheran
- Francine Byron February 25, 2024, at age 51 4 pm, April 6, Eagle River Sec
- Dani Wheeler 11 am, Mar. 22, Bowers

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Catherine Teresa Brookes March 17, 2024, at age 85

### LEGACY LIVES ON shuswaphospitalfoundation.org shuswapfoundation.ca

- ♣ Elsebeth 'Beth' Gerault March 10, 2024, at age 71
- Lorraine Marie 'Judith' Pilloud March 15, 2024, at age 81
- Claude Joseph Cyril Roy March 13, 2024, at age 76 July 13, Salmon Arm
- Jesse Pierre Sundmark March 5, 2024, at age 46
- ♣ Alfreda 'Freda' Bowman 2 pm, Mar. 23, Kingdom Hall
- Donald Edmund Krebs 2 pm, Mar. 24, Cornerstone

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Colleen Patricia Madsen March 1, 2024, at age 77

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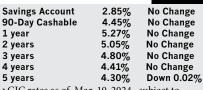
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**WEEK** 

> Addison Dalin of Lakeside Lanes won the BC Junior girls bowling medal, plus the Master Youth Challenge. She is now heading to Master youth Nationals May 24 to 26 in Vernon, to compete for the national title and Gold Medal.

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# Ear to the GROUND Golden arches

The golden arches could soon welcome motorists at both ends of Salmon Arm.

A public hearing on the application for a McDonald's on the Smart Centres property will come before council March 25. This growing city has three Timmy's, so it is hardly surprising to have another McD's on the horizon.

This all reminds me of one of the April Fool pieces I did around the time that McDonald's relocated from the present Starbucks location to uptown at the Broadview corner.

I wrote about a proposed Golden Arches pedestrian bridge over the highway at this intersection. I'm always a little nervous on the mornings that *The McGuirer* comes out. Sure enough, owner Frank Popien was on the line. "Oh, oh, I'm in trouble now." Nope. Frank loved it and asked for a copy of the picture of the Golden Arches bridge to hang on his office wall.



# **'325 Alex': Episode 2 of 32** City [|X||\6\8]

usanne yawned as she stood in the café line alternately admiring the pies in the case and contemplating the menu board above the counter. The baby on the third floor had been crying all night.

"The usual?" Nic said, when she was finally at the front. "Quiche and coffee, two cream, one sugar?"

Susanne laughed. "Yeah, perfect."

"I hear you have a new neighbour coming," he said as he punched in the order. "I thought they'd never be able to rent that unit."

"Me, neither," she said, taking the coffee. She sat at a table, facing the street,

sipping. A tall young man with a pencil thin moustache swept the street with earnest focus.

She saw Henry, her downstairs neighbour, and pulled into the corner, hoping he wouldn't look this way.

The marquee across the road announced the film society showings. She checked her phone to read about the options, thinking she could use a distraction.

Nic set the quiche on the table. "Listen, I wonder if you'd like to see a movie?" he gave a nod to the marquee. "Tonight's looks good."

Susanne nodded, "I was thinking I'd like to see it. Yes."

As she ate her quiche, a text came in: Henry inviting her to the same movie.

"Sorry Got a date," she typed back.

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She shut off the phone and put it in her pocket. She didn't want to know Henry's reaction. She stood up.

Nic looked up from washing a table. "I'll meet you out front at 6:30!"

She nodded and stsepped onto Alex Street, wondering how long she could hide before she had to deal with this trouble.



shape for the summer season.

> Pedestrian tip: Be like the second goose, not the first one with his eyes on the ground. Always get the driver's attention before you cross a busy road. > A local park user said many of the picnic tables are in really bad

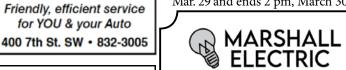
Bravos & BOOS

Sam Shaw, grandson of Bert Revel, for being on the Blue Jays roster for the first annual Spring Breakout game. Blue Jays

prospects took on Yankee prospects this past Saturday. This game is a major showcase for the future of the Blue Jay and Yankee prospects.



> https://hockeyville.kraftcanada.ca/#/landing Enderby is one of four communities in the running to become this year's Hockeyville. Voting starts 6 am PT, Mar. 29 and ends 2 pm, March 30. \$250,000 is the big prize.



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- > "One day a computer will fit on a desk." ~ Arthur C. Clarke, 1974 > "One day you will wake up and there won't be any more time to do
- the things you've always wanted to do." ~ Paula Coelho > "One day I saw a statue of Benjamin Franklin, and I said to myself, I can do that kind of work too." ~ Edmonia Lewis
  > "If you keep on moving and taking one day at a time, the opinions
- and words of people who hurt you will matter less and less to you." ~ Taylor Swift

- > As you slide down the bannister of life, may the splinters never point in the wrong direction." ~ Irish blessing
- > We keep a potato masher in a drawer because sometimes it's fun to not be able to open that drawer.

### **Bad Dad jokes:**

- > "I told my wife I was going to make a car out of spaghetti. She just laughed. You should have seen her face when I drove pasta!
- > Q: What would bears be without bees? A: Ears
- > Q: Why can't you hear a pterodactyl going to the bathroom? A: Because the 'P' is silent.
- > Q: What did the triangle say to the circle? A. "You're pointless."

> What is seating capacity of the Rogers Rink (new name for Shaw Centre? Seating/standing capacity?

> Seating 1,500; Combined 2,200

000

Congratulations to Michael Ennis and Donna Clarke Young, each winners of a pair of Salmar tickets for the Pop quiz draw celebrating first episode of 325 Alex. Thank you to all who entered. Winners will be notified. Answers: Askew's; Apt. 401; (any of) goddess of wild animals, the hunt, and vegetation and of chastity and childbirth



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> On right, workers prepare site for six-storey Cascara rental apts. across from Piccadily Mall, shown at top. Above: the street sweeper is a big sign of start of Spring.

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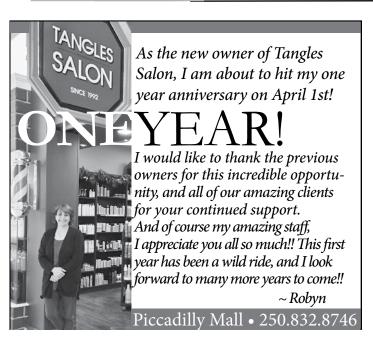
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### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

hawn Bird (BA, MEd) is an author, poet, educator and long time resident of the Shuswap.

She is author of several novellas, novels, short stories and poetry collections. Her novella length interconnected noir short story collection *Murdering Mr. Edwards* (Coffin Hop Press April 2018) was nominated for an Arthur Ellis Crime Writers Award. Her YA



fantasy series Grace Awakening set in Calgary and the Shuswap region of BC was nominated for a Whistler Independent Book Award. She has been represented by Transatlantic Agency in Toronto.

She is available for writing workshops or author visits to schools or adult groups. Shawn is a member of the Shuswap Rotary Club and has been club president twice. and is a former Rotary Youth Exchange Student to Finland.

For more about her writings, go to **shawnbird. com**, and if you'd like to support her work, check out her Paypal.

# NIGHT & DAY

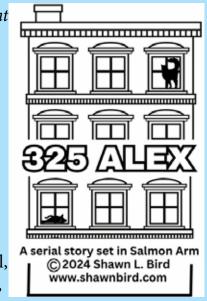
My oh my. I fear I am losing it.

I fell asleep on my couch about 6 pm. When I finally awoke I was startled to see the clock on the wall said 9:30. How could it be that I was so tired I slept all night long on the couch?

And yet I still felt tired. Realizing that I had a seminar to attend at 10:30 on Artificial Intelligence's impact on writing, I quickly brewed a coffee and poured a bowl of cereal and popped a toast, spread with cherry jam. At 10:15 about 15 minutes ago, I was all refreshed, dressed and ready with pen and notepad. I walked over to my door to get to the morning's seminar on time, then opened the door. It was pitch black outside.

### The tenants of 325 Alex

Fictional apartment building on Alexander where the alleyway is Mainfloor:
Empty storefront Apt. 201: The college students - Chris, Mabel, Dimity & Marcus Apt. 202: Shirley John and her small, stealthy, tawny cat, 'Cougar'



Apt. 301: Henry Block

Apt. 302: dela Cruz family - Angelo, Sofia, & Margarita (Maggie)

Apt. 401 - Susanne Winters & the neighbourhood sentinel and guard tuxedo cat, 'Artemis' Apt. 402 - the Empty Apartment > Brody Solbakken has been a fixture at Save On Food. The reason we haven't seen him lately is he is currently recovering from brain/spinal surgery to remove a large portion of a tumor. He is at the GF Strong Rehabilitation Centre getting around in a wheelchair having lost mobility on his left side. His fellow staff and friends at the store are raising funds to help his parents and brother with travel and accommodation expenses. They've put together a magnificent Easter basket and are taking two dollar donations for the draw next Saturday.



# **COMMUNITY GRANTS:**

# Full list totalling \$120,000, Continued from P. 3

Federation of British Columbia Naturalists - Salmon Arm Wildlife Tracking Station Friday Night Music Society - 2024 Summer Concert Series Lakeview Community Centre - Kitchen Renewal Literacy Alliance of the Shuswap Society - Summer Slide Reading Camp 2024 North Okanagan Minor Hockey Association - Novas Provincial Hockey Tournament North Okanagan-Shuswap School District No. 83 - The Bandwagon Technology Upgrade Salmon Arm 2024 55+ BC Games Society - SALMON ARM 2024 55+ BC GAMES Salmon Arm Museum and Heritage Association - Forcibly Uprooted: Japanese Canadians in the Shuswap, WWII Shuswap Association For Community Living - Equipment Storage Shuswap Association of Writers - Word on the Lake Writers' Festival Shuswap Children's Association - Friends & Leisure Youth (FLY) Recreation Program Spring 2024 Weekend Campout Shuswap Creative Makerspace Society - Youth Inclusion Program 2024 Shuswap District Arts Council - Theatre on the Edge (TOTE) Festival Shuswap Family Resource and Referral Society - Launch Entrepreneurship Project Shuswap Music Festival - Shuswap Music Festival 2024 Shuswap Theatre Society - Musical Youth Summer Theatre Program Sorrento Memorial Hall Association - Update of Safety Equipment & Purchase of Cutlery

South Shuswap Chamber of Commerce - Morning Market Start-Up White Lake Residents Association - White Lake Turtle Festival

> Kate Boutilier of Centenoka's Flake Pastry Shop doing awesome on Food Network's Spring Baking Championship

# Elimination Table [edit]

Place	Contestant		
ridoc	lace Contestant		2
	Steven	IN	WIN
	Robert	IN	IN‡
	Alex	WIN	IN
	Anna	IN‡	HIGH
	Rochelle	IN	LOW
	Sabrina	HIGH	IN
	Nickey	HIGH	IN
	Kate	IN	IN
9	Zoe	IN	IN
10	Sandro	IN	IN
11	Michael	LOW	OUT
12	Ericka	OUT	



# Season 10 (2024) [edit]

# Contestants [edit]

- Steven Tran
- Robert Gonzalez
- · Alexandre "Alex" Bonnefoi
- Anna Simeonides
- Rochelle DeSouza
- Sabrina Courtemanche
- Nicky Boyd
- · Katelyn "Kate" Boutilier
- 9th Zoe Ma
- 10th Sandro Arotinco
- 11th Michael Bass
- 12th Ericka Wells

# eh?/em! March15 Friday AM is now out!

**Blog Post** 

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> When that pot of gold is not worth following

# Plan Bee for your Lawn

almon Arm ecologist Sarah Johnson is hosting virtual seminar at 7 pm, March 20 she's calling "Plan Bee for your lawn: Tips for Supporting plants and pollinators". Her focus is on pollinator conservation and has interesting findings on how bumble bees respond to wildfire. Register for this event at **shuswapclimate.org** 





> The new look at Uptown Tim Horton's is wide open. The look is bright and cheery, but without the booths and fireplace - not so warm and cosy



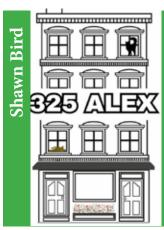


> Inspired at Piccadilly Mall.





May you all find that little pot of gold no matter what it may be! Happy St. Patrick's day



> In case you're wondering, this is how 325 Alex looks with the abandoned shop at the bottom. Next episode will come this Friday!



> Pat Contant of Uptown Askew's is not content until every customer at her till knows she was born on St. Patrick's Day. How can you tell? Happy Birthday Pat!

# Shuswap Children's Association FILM FESTIVAL

Thursday, March 2	<u>1. 2024</u>
10:30 am The Lorax Twelve-year-old Ted lives in a place virtually devoid of nature; no flower	Animation, Adventure, Comedy PG 2012 94 minutes
	-
much like to win the heart of Audrey, the girl of his dreams, but to do this,	
get it, Ted delves into the story of the Lorax, once the gruff guardian of the	a torest, and the Once-ier, who let greed overtake his respec
for nature.	
Starring: Zac Efron, Taylor Swift, Danny Devito, Betty White	Common Sense Rating: 5+
1:00 pm Happy Feet	Animation, Adventure, ComedylPGI2006I108 minutes
Son of Memphis and Norma, little sweet penguin Mumble has a big prot	olem: he can't sing a single note. In a world where everyone
needs a heart song to attract a soul mate, Mumble feels he doesn't belong	g there. Our hero Mumble is the worst singer in the world, but
he can tap dance brilliantly.	
Starring: Robin Williams, Elijah Wood, Hugh Jackman	Common Sense Rating: 8+
5:00 pm How to Train Your Dragon	Animation, FantasylPGI2010I98 minutes
Hiccup is a Norse teenager from the Island of Berk, where fighting dragons	
humor make him a misfit, despite the fact that his father is chief of the clan	
himself as a true Viking, but when he befriends an injured dragon he name people's future.	
Starring: Jay Baruchel, Gerard Butler, America Ferrera	Common Sense Rating: 7+
Friday, March 22	2 2024
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10:30 am Kung Fu Panda	Animation, Action, ComedylPGI2008I91 minutes
Po the panda works in his family's noodle shop and dreams of become	ning a kung-fu master. His dream becomes a reality when
unexpectedly, he must fulfill an ancient prophecy and study the skills with	
and ability he can muster to protect his people from an evil anow leopard.	
Starring: Jack Black, Angelina Jolie	Common Sense Rating: 6+
1:00 pm Despicable Me	Animation, Adventure, ComedylPG 2010 95 minutes
Supervillain Gru, a man who delights in all things wicked, hatches a pla	in to steal the moon. Surrounded by an army of little yellow
minions and his impenetrable arsenal of weapons and war machines, G	ru prepares to vanquish all who stand in his way. However,
nothing in his calculations and groundwork has prepared him for his great	test challenge: three adorable orphan girls who want to make
him their dad.	
Starring: Steve Carrell, Jason Segel, Russell Brand	Common Sense Rating: 6+
5:00 pm Despicable Me 2 *Jammie Night*	Animation, Adventure, ComedylPG 2013 98 minutes
More minions and romance make for a sweet and silly sequel. Now that 0	Gru has forsaken a life of crime to raise the girls he's trying to
figure out how to provide for his new family. As he struggles, the Anti-VIII	
calling. They send Gru on a mission to capture the perpetrator of a spectal	
Starring: Steve Carrell, Jason Segal, Russell Brand, Kristen Wiig	Common Sense Rating: 6+
Saturday, March 2	3, 2024
10:30 am Madagascar: Escape 2 Africa	Animation, Adventure, ComedylPGI2008I99 minutes
Alex, Morty, and other zoo animais find a way to escape from Madagaso	
precariously repaired craft stays airborne just long enough to make it t	
members of their own species for the first time. Africa proves to be a wild	

Central Park home. Starring: Chris Rock, Ben Stiller, Jada Pinkett-Smith Common Sense Rating: 6+

Animation, Adventure, Comedy/PG/2001/93 minutes Once upon a time, in a faraway swamp, there lived an ogre named Shrek whose precious solitude is suddenly shattered by an invasion of annoying fairy tale characters. They were all banished from their kingdom by the evil Lord Farquaad. Determined to save their home

- not to mention his -- Shrek cuts a deal with Farquaad and sets out to rescue Princess Flona to be Farquaad's bride. Rescuing the Princess may be small compared to her deep, dark secret.

Starring: Mike Meyers, Eddie Murphy, Cameron Diaz





> Some lake views are more equal than others. Sure a lot of mudflats down there

# A program to keep and revitalize

write this as a former B.C. Fire Warden with 42 years of wildland fire fighting experience. In a recent news article there was mention of "reinstating the BC Fire Warden programme". As there was no supporting information given, I would like to present a short history.

Established over 110 years ago, it was basically auxiliary staff to assist Forest Officers in the many aspects of managing the forests. When I first became a Fire Warden (FW) in 1986 there were about 500 of us throughout the province. Each Warden had two or more able bodied people they could call on, at a moment's notice, to form an initial attack crew. The process at that time was when the Fire Zone received a notice of a fire, they would either dispatch a Forest Service Initial Attack (I.A.) crew or a local Fire Warden that knew the back roads, water sources and terrain. They also know what heavy equipment was registered, certified and ready to go.

They had two-way radios, hand tools, water pumps and hose, first aid training and most importantly, they were trained in proper and safe firefighting methods.

Let me stress the fact that they were coordinated by the local Zone and worked within the larger system. The Fire Warden programme was an asset to the community.

It was cost effective (non-union members and could work for a little as 2 hours) and very efficient. Looking at the big picture, BC had around 1500+ trained and coordinated wildland fire-fighters ready to respond 24/7 any time of the year. I have responded to fires months after the summer I.A. crew was laid off and before they were back on in the spring.

But all good things must come to an end. Over the past 10 years the programme has been reduced dramatically to where there are only two Patrol Persons left in the Shuswap. They drive around during daylight hours looking for abandon campfires. In some Zones they still perform other duties, but for the now defunct Salmon Arm Zone, there no firefighting Wardens left. In 1986 we had 18. We also had

several highly trained crew bosses and crew members (Emergency Fire Fighters) that could respond to fires.

If you feel the programme is worth revitalizing and modernizing (it is still active), let your Provincial Government know. For those in Salmon Arm that have not seen me on patrol for the past two seasons it is because I was fired in the spring of 2022. Another active Warden was fired last spring.

Jake Jacobson, Salmon

# While Gaza starves

Thile Gaza starves, the U.S. thinks about building a wharf so that aid by slow boat can reach the coast. Air drops have landed in the ocean and on top of Palestinians – killing 5 who managed to survive 5 months of brutal war. There is no place for UNRWA to logically distribute aid, if it should arrive, since Israel has bombed schools, hospitals, distribution centres... What to do? What to do?

How about telling the truth. The current right-wing racist Israeli government WANTS Palestinians to starve to death. The aid trucks are at the borders, ready to go. The entire Gaza strip is 41 kms long by 10 kms wide. There are borders at both ends – one opening to Israel, the other to Egypt. What are the reasons given for aid trucks NOT to enter Gaza? Why, the roads are all bombed up!

Listen, my hometown's main street is 2700 kms long. It's called the Alaska Highway. It took a total of nine months to build a road through game trails, and cross a multitude of rivers through muskeg and mountains with 1940's equipment.

Surely to God, a couple of the thousands of Israel army tanks sitting in Gaza could plow out a bit of land shorter than an airport runway, to allow aid trucks to enter, and feed these people who are now literally starving to death. We must insist on this, or be complicit in the genocide of the Palestinian people.

Juanita Austin, Salmon Arm