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SALMON ARM WEEKEND

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Four significant stories

Not many news stories carry much long term significance, however, I believe we have four such stories to report this week.

First, we learn the results of the assessment of the old Veterans Memorial arena, and it is not good. It concludes “the building cannot be occupied in its current state.” What this means for all those who use it, including the Fair, is anyone’s guess.

Second, *The Observer’s* new owner has announced that *The Observer* and the *Market News* will be now rolled out on Thursdays as one single free distribution paper. Fortunately, the 117 year-old name will carry on. Hopefully, the remaining full time news staff of only two will be supported and able to continue to provide good coverage, both in print and online.

Third, there’s an interesting forum at 7 pm, April 24 at the Salmar Classic on a topic that we all fret about each summer concerning the threat and response to ongoing wildfires in Interior BC.

Fourth, is the story on right, DeMille’s acquisition of the former Hanna orchard. ■

DeMille’s goes UPTOWN

In another two or three years, the west side of town’s premier attraction may be relocated to the east side of town, better known as Uptown.

Demille’s Farm Market has acquired the 110-year-old former Hanna orchard. Northyards cider company will continue as lessees, and DeMille’s will restore the 30 acre orchard. Many of its trees were planted 70 years ago after the freeze off-of 1949/50 that virtually destroyed the thriving Salmon Arm apple industry.



Owner Brad DeMille said he plans to replace 450 of the trees with 1,500 new ones, including new varieties.


Long term plans are to acquire necessary permits to eventually relocate DeMilles’s as an exciting new ‘gateway’ to the east side of Salmon Arm.



> Brad DeMilles with father-in-law Bill Wood, work on the recently acquired historic Hanna apple orchard.



 VS 
 > Never underestimate the power of a gorilla over a Centurian warrior. Round 2 of the BCHL playoffs starts Friday and Saturday in West Kelowna and continues with games 3 & 4 on Tuesday and Wednesday in Salmon Arm.

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TIME TO REVIEW THE OCP

The Official Community Plan is a fluid document up for review this year. There's a survey underway and four 'Pop-up' info/input events:

- Earth Day, 20th & Market, 27th, Ross Plaza
- Downtown soccer field, 4:30-7:30, May 1
- Futures Fair, 10-2, May 4, Recreation Centre.

at the movies

> **SALMAR GRAND** • salmarthatre.com • April 19 to 25

- **Civil War**. 1:45, Sat, Sun; 6:50. A journey across a dystopian future America, following a team of military-embedded journalists as they race against time to reach DC before rebel factions descend upon the White House. (14A violence, coarse lang)
- **Godzilla vs. Kong: The New Empire**. 1:30, Sat, Sun; 6:30 nightly. The two clash in an epic battle as humans unravel their intertwined origins and connection to Skull Island's mysteries.. (PG viol., coarse lang)
- **Abigail** 1:30 Sat., Sun, 6:30 nightly. Kidnappers discover that the ballerina daughter of a powerful underworld figure they kidnap is no normal little girl. (14A violence, coarse lang, frightening scenes)

> **SALMAR CLASSIC**

■ **SHUSWAP FILM SOCIETY** • shuswapfilm.net •

- **One Life** (UK), 5:00, April 19 - 21, plus 4 pm, April 21. Anthony Hopkins in true story about London broker who rescued 569 Jewish children from the Nazis in months leading up World War 2. Co-sponsored with Salmar.
- **Perfect Days** (Japan), 5:00, April 27. A man who is utterly content with simple life as cleaner of toilets in Tokyo, enjoys his passion for music, books and trees, and more joy from arrival of niece in his life. Rave reviews. (14A)
- **The Old Oak** (UK), 5:00, May 4. Importance of the last standing pub in a once thriving mining town. (14A)

■ **NY MET OPERA** (Live by satellite) 9:55 am.

La Rondine, April 20 • **Roméo et Juliette**, April 27.

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live & dance

- > **SA Legion - ABBA Euphoria** tribute band, May 31.
- > **Canooligans - Luke Wallace**, May 2. \$2 at door
- > **Copper Is.**, Electric Jams with Blind Bay Blues Band, Tuesdays.
- > **Social Square Dancing** - 7:30-9:30, Weds, Fifth Ave. Centre.
- > **Setters Pub**, May 10, Metallica tribute band, 'Master of Justice'.
- > **Gleneden Hall dance**, 7 pm, May 4. \$15. Vic's Dance Band
- > **Marionette Winery: Wil & Co.**, 7:30, April 19. Tix \$20.

coffeehouse

- **Gleneden**, 3rd Sat, April 20
- **Enderby**, 3rd Fri. (Srs. Centre)
- **Silver Creek**, 4th Sat
- **Celista & Grindrod**, 1st Fri
- **Carlin**, 1st Sat
- **Sunnybrae**, 2nd Sat
- **Writers group**, 2 to 4, April 26 (4th Fri). First Community (4th St. entrance) Two-minute writing challenge. Must begin with "There's something about Spring." Plus other stories, poems, songs welcome. \$5 cover

FESTIVITIES

☐ **SHUSWAP MUSIC FESTIVAL** on now!

- > **Earth Day Celebration** - 10-1, April 20, Ross St. Plaza. Sustainability booths, art & art making, stories, talks & music. Official Earth Day, April 22.
- > **Piccadilly** - Repair Café, 1-3, April 20 & Air Modellers Show, April 21-28.
- > **Salty Street Fest** - May 11 & **Salty Dog Enduro** - May 12
- > **Writers on the Lake Writers Festival** - May 17-19
- > **Lobsterfest** - May 25, Recreation Centre. Tix sadaybreakrotary.com

ART

- > **Tsrep (tree)** - Exhibition about displacement of Indigenous trees and shrubs in the Shuswap, SA Art Gallery. Runs now to June 23. Artists include Doris Charest, Linda Franklin, Ellen Gonella, Hop You Haskett, David New, Delores Purdaby, Clea Roddick, Gery 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.
- > **Courtyard Gallery** - Enderby. April artist Virginia Halper
- > **Art Exhibit by Shuswap Art Collective** - opens 4-7 pm, May 3, hOurspace, 331 4th St. NE, downtown.
- > **Multi-studio art tour** - 11-4, May 11, featuring 11 local artists.

CONCERTS

- > **Jazz Club** - 7 pm, 2nd/4th Thur, Nexus at First. By donation.
- **Triology**, April 26. Jodi Proznick, Miles Black, Bill Coon
- **Mike Rud Quartet**, May 9. Juno award winning guitarist.
- > **Delhi2Dublin** - Dance night, 7:30 pm, April 20. Dance to an awesome mash-up of bhangra, Celtic, dub, reggae and electronics. celebrateshuswap.ca
- > **Gordon Lightfoot tribute**, 5 pm, May 25 at Haney Village.
- > **Bad Moon Riders** - May 3, Salmar Classic. CCR tribute band.
- > **Shuswap Music Festival** - April 8 to May 3, Nexus at First and Pleasant Valley Secondary. Gala 'Best of the Fest' Concert, 7 pm, May 3, Nexus at First. More at shuswapfestival.com
- > **Rube & Rake** - April 18, Carlin Hall.
- > **Shuswap Men's Chorus** - 7:30, May 1, Nexus at First. Tix at Pink Cherry or Shuswap Men's Clothing.
- > **SA Community Band** - May 4, Nexus at First. By donation. Theme is nature with music featuring an Arctic sunrise and sounds of wild creatures.
- > **Shuswap Intergenerational Choir** - 2 pm, May 5, Nexus at First.
- > **Shuswap Singers** - O Frabjous Day!, 2 pm, May 12, Nexus at First. Director John Edry, pianist Bonnie Johnson. By donation.
- > **Louisiana Hayride** - May 24, Salmar Classic
- > **Hawksley Workman** - Nov. 3, Song Sparrow Hall. rootsandblues.ca
- > **Roots & Blues** - July 26 to 28. Headliners Sarah McLachlan, Amanda Marshall & Five Alarm Funk. Full list at rootsandblues.ca

THEATRE

- > **Outside Mullingar** - April 26 to May 11, Shuswap Theatre. Tix and info at shuswaptheatre.com and Choose Refill shop. More at shuswaptheatre.com
- > **The Spaghetti Western** - Dinner theatre, 5:30, April 26, 27 & 1:30 April 28, St. Andrews, Enderby. Fundraiser for McKenzie Camp.
- > **Auditions for Villains & Vittles dinner theatre** - 11 am, April 29, Sprig of Heather, Haney Village. A 30-year tradition.
- > **Theatre on the Edge** - June 14 to 16. Stay tuned at totefestival.com

SPORTS Sport Spot / 6

- > **Silverbacks** • wins Round 1 vs Merritt in six games. Round 2 TBA
- > **55+ BC Games** - Sept., 10 to 14, Salmon Arm. Many volunteers are needed. Go to 55plusgames.org/salmonarm and follow links.
- > **Women's hockey U18 National** - April 21-28, Vernon

FORUM on WILDFIRES

A forum to raise awareness over last summer's devastating wildfires, how the community responded and to provide recommendations for the future is planned for 7 pm, **April 24** at Salmar Classic. The panel will also review findings of the Premier's Task Force.

The free event is a repeat of the one that drew a packed house in Kamloops.

The four-member panel includes former Natural Resources coordinator Allan Willcocks, CSRD director Jay Simpson and a citizen and firefighter. ■



> Photo by Kaytlyn MacDonald shows fire raging above Celista.

you're invited

- > **Forum on Wildfires**, 7 pm, April 24, Salmar Classic. See above and P.10
- > **Earth Day celebration**, April 20 at Ross plaza include sustainability project booths and activities; Farmers market, Storytime at 10:30 am; cross-cultural storytelling with Kenthen and Shayna, 11 am; vegetable weaving participatory Art with Runaway Moon Theatre at noon; Earth-inspired music with Clea 12:30.
- > **Shuswap Lake Health-Care Auxiliary** monthly meeting, 1:30, April 16,
- > **SA Council**, 2:30, April 22.
- > **Junk in the Trunk Sale**, April 20, Carlin Hall.
- > **CSRD Trunk Sale**, 9-noon, May 4, SA Fairgrounds
- > **Free Income tax program** at Family Centre, 681 Marine Park Dr. In collaboration with Seniors Resource Centre. 10 to 2, Wed. to Sat. through to April 25. No appointment necessary.
- > **Makerspace Repair Cafe**, April 20, Piccadilly. See P. 10.
- > **Hit2Fit Charity** dinner & boxing gala, April 27, Rec. Centre, in support of Hospice Society & CMHA. boxingforwellness.com
- > **Garden Club**, 7 pm, 4th Tues, 5th Ave 50 Plus. \$2
- > **Meditation Midweek Downtown** - 2 Guided meditations and teachings, 7-8 pm, Thurs, 450 Okanagan Ave SE, (United Church
- > **High tea**, May 11, Notch Hill schoolhouse.
- > **National Day of Mourning**, 11 am, April 28, Marine Park. Remembering lives lost and maimed on the workplace.
- > **South Canoe PAC Spring Fling**, 3:30-7:30, May 3. Outdoor market, face painting, live music, handmade gifts & more. Free
- > **Shuswap Dragon Boat AGM**, 1:30, April 21, SA Legion.
- Friends Abreast Team Garage Sale, May 4, Centenoka.
- > **Gardom Lake Park clean up day**, 9 am, May 11. 250 832-8490.

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St. John's Anglican Church, 170 Shuswap St.

Garage sale for shelter - hosted by Royal LePage & SAFE Society, 8-1, May 4, Hwy 1 at McGuire Lk. Please drop off gently used donations at BigSteelBox, now on site. (NO computers, TV's, monitors, golf clubs, skis, beds, mattresses or box springs pls). ALL proceeds to local Women's Shelter & SAFE

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> The Birding for Families program is back April 21, 28, May 5 and 28. The free guided walks begin at 9 am at the SABNES Nature house, then slowly makes its way to the end of the wharf. Several spotting scopes will be available for optimum viewing. This event is in partnership with NatureKidsBC and SABNES.



WEATHER SYNOPSIS

> Sunny on Friday and Saturday. Cloudy Sunday. Range +17 to 0
Normal: +15 C to +2 C
Extremes since 1991:
+23.9: 2016 • -2.1: 2011
Sunrise 5:57 • Sunset 7:57

Past Temps, April 10 to 16

By weatherman Nick Parsons

DATE	HIGH	LOW	PRECIP.
April 10	+13	-1	
April 11	+12	+4	1/8" rn.
April 12	+14	+5	
April 13	+16	+1	
April 14	+18	+2	
April 15	+16	+8	1/16" rn.
April 16	+7	+4	1/16" rn.

Another 2" lake rise this week

PASSAGES

Bowers Funeral Services
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- ❖ Margaret 'Maye' Cann
 April 9, 2024, at age 71
 10:30, June 14, St. Andrews
- ❖ Beth Allyson Froess
 April 9, 2024, at age 68
- ❖ Kathie Sylvia Mackey
 April 8, 2024, at age 78
- ❖ Edith Julia Bell, 11 am,
 April 27, Broadview Church
- ❖ Robert 'Waylon' Pointer
 1 pm, April 14, Lumbly
- ❖ Harry Willi Otto Schwarz
 April 5, 2024, at age 93
- ❖ Gudmund 'Bill' Sorensen
 7 pm, May 11, Sicamous

Fischers Funeral Service
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- ❖ Ruth Ann Dean
 April 13, 2024, at age 68
- ❖ Georges Desloges
 April 10, 2024, at age 88

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- ❖ Phyllis 'Corinne' Marineau
 April 13, 2024, at age 74
- ❖ Carol Isabel McLellan
 April 11, 2024, at age 79
- ❖ Holger Werner Sonntag
 April 10, 2024, at age 66
- ❖ Doris Theresa Roth
 April 12, 2024, at age 86
- ❖ Marie Neufeld
 2 pm, April 20, Kamloops
- ❖ Ross Leroy Chester (2023)
 1-4, May 25, Canoe Seniors
- ❖ Claude Joseph Cyril Roy
 July 13, Salmon Arm
- ❖❖❖
 ❖ Sherry Gilroy (See on right)
 June 8, First Community
- ❖❖❖
 ❖ O.J. Simpson, 76, Linebacker,
 actor, Hertz pitchman and so-called 'trial of the century'

❖ Gloria Sharon 'Sherry' Gilroy (nee Bouchard) March 4, 1945 to March 29, 2024

It is with great sadness that we announce the unexpected passing of Gloria Sharon "Sherry" Gilroy (nee Bouchard), in Kelowna BC on March 29, 2024.

She is survived by her husband Ron Gilroy, daughter Shannon Gilroy (Cliff), son Charles Gilroy, granddaughters Gemma Cote (Alon), Cherise Cote (Taha), grandson William Wilcox, brother Larry Bouchard (Rita), nephews Blake Bouchard (Tamara), Kelly Bouchard (Selin) and many cousins.

Sherry lived her life in service. She was a teacher by trade and that came out in all aspects of her life. From first aid on the slopes in Prince George, to years as a leader in Guiding and Scouting, service in her community including with Emergency Support Services, food bank and neighbor link, and in her last decade plus, her dedication to and love for Rotary. No matter how big or small, she had something to give or share. This is how we will remember her, as someone who put others first, from family, to friends then strangers, her life revolved around helping others.

Her shoes will never be filled but we will stand beside them and remember the amazingly beautiful soul she was and strive to carry on her legacy.

This is not goodbye, just until we meet again. We love you!
 A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, June 8th at 11:00 am at First Community at First United Church, 450 Okanagan Ave. SE, Salmon Arm.

❑ In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Heart and Stroke foundation in her name. Expressions of sympathy may be forwarded to the family at www.CypressFuneral.ca. Arrangements entrusted to: CYPRESS FUNERAL & CREMATION SERVICES, Vernon 250-558-0866 & Armstrong 250-546-7237



❖ Edith Julia Bell March 7, 1932 - March 20, 2024

With heavy hearts we are announcing the passing of Edith Julia Bell, at 92 years at Shuswap Lake General Hospital. Edith left her mark in many people's lives - family, friends, neighbours and all those she worked with. A celebration of Edith's life will be at Broadview Church, 350 30th Street NE in Salmon Arm on April 27 at 11 am with a luncheon to follow.



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Silverbacks vs. Warriors in Round 2

The Silverbacks advance against West Kelowna Warriors in Round 2 of the BCHL series. The series begins Friday and Saturday in West Kelowna and comes home Tuesday and Wednesday.

Round 1 wrap:
 Final two games against Merritt: #5: Apr. 12, SA 1-0; #6: Apr. 13: 4-1
 Other teams advancing to Round 2

Vernon, Penticton, West Kelowna
 Surrey, Chilliwack, Alberni

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- > **Salty Dog Enduro**, May 12.
- > **Tennis**, book at clubsparks.ca
- > **SA Horseshoes**, 6 pm, Tues/Thur (250.832-8467). Yard sale, April 20
- > **Paddling open house** - May 25, & 26; **Dragon Boat Fest**, June 15
- > **Demolition Derby & Swap Meet**, June 15, 16, Fairgrounds

Chris Fowler Photo



> Isaac Lambert takes a shot on the Merritt net

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'325 Alex': Episode 5 of 32

Shirley John had lived all her life in Salmon Arm. She'd had some adventures, like as a student at the old SAS when she'd snuck in three pigs numbered 1, 2, and 4 or the time she hitchhiked to Vancouver and accidentally stole a car, but mostly she'd kept her head down and stayed out of trouble.

She kept a careful watch on things at 325 Alex. The street level store-front had been empty for nearly a year since the marijuana store closed. Shirley didn't miss the skunky stink wafting up the back stairs, though she'd appreciated the senior's discount on the CBD oil. Some days, passing the store-front she felt a little guilty. Those boys might have stuck around if she hadn't inadvertently tasered one of them after hours, but sometimes things just happened.

Like when the old gal she'd worked for had lost her jewelry box and had the whole staff fingerprinted at the old RCMP station, and in return for the indignity, Shirley had anonymously reported her to the city for illegally sleeping in her business premises. Things happen.

It amused Shirley to keep a low profile in the building. She didn't think any of the other tenants had ever seen her, but she made sure to know them all. Things happened.

Soon there'd be a new tenant for the empty suite on the fourth floor. It was about time things moved along. She hoped it'd be okay. Shirley patted her little tawny cat. The summer she'd got a kitten there'd been a cougar roaming the town, so she called the kitten Cougar, and thought it was very clever.

She grabbed her Askew's bag, and once she sure no one was in the halls or stairs, slipped out. On the street, she studied the store-front. Perhaps she could start a business herself? She was a bored with retirement. Maybe she could be a private investigator or a consultant. She gave good advice.

Up ahead on Lakeshore, she saw the nice young man from the third floor. He was certainly headed for a fall with the way he mooned over the girl on the fourth floor. She hoped he'd be okay. But though it was unfortunate, things happened. ■

□ Read Episode 5 in the next edition of Friday AM

Voices in harmony

> Bastion Elementary School Choir opened Monday morning's adjudicated performances by seven choirs at the Shuswap Music Festival continuing the next two weeks. The final award presentations and Gala concert is set for 7 pm, May 3 on the Nexus stage. More at ShuswapFestival.com.



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Suspicion toward those struggling

In response to "Please Be Aware" notice by Downtown Salmon Arm in the *April All Month*: Initially, this article felt tone-deaf, but when re-read, I found its wording to be precisely chosen. The word "homeless" was not used, but I assume that this was the subject at hand.



The article mentions incidents of wood pallets (and other combustibles) being used for "unapproved intent" that "can be harmful to businesses and people". I could be mistaken, but I have not heard of any incidents of businesses burning to the ground or people being harassed, much less harmed Downtown. I found this language to be fear-mongering and unfair. Many things have the potential to do harm, but "can be" is not a guarantee.

When you encourage businesses to "minimize access to these items" by bringing them inside overnight to "enhanc(e) the collective safety for the downtown community", you are suggesting we are all in danger, and that is just not so. That mindset encourages our community to be suspicious and quietly cruel to each other; especially to those who are already struggling.

And people are indeed struggling; to keep a roof over their head, to feed their kids, to cope with personal trauma, etc. Homeless rates have reached a record high in recent years, and it is not necessarily because someone is inherently lazy or criminal. Most people are taking these unwanted items to build shelter and fire and to give themselves some small semblance of "Warm and Safe and Dry". They don't want to burn down our businesses. They want to survive the night.

Homelessness is never going to be eradicated or solved by withholding resources. Instead of hoarding combustible items, we could show a little compassion to our marginalized community members (donations to local shelters, supply drop boxes, opportunities to pre-buy meals in local businesses that can be claimed later?? etc.). I know this community is capable of seeing the value in productivity over exclusivity. **Emily Garrett**

City FIXINGS

> There's plenty of space on the park sign on the highway to mention the Japan Friendship gate, a noteworthy attraction for passersby.



Bravos & BOOS

> **BRAVO TO** Joyce Polley on receiving the Order of St. John from Lt. Gov. anet Austin for her work with the St. John dog therapy program. She logged 8,740 volunteer hours when she served as facilitator of the program.


> **BRAVO TO** the outstanding performance of gymnasts for Salmon Arm's Momentum Gymnastics at provincial championships in Vancouver last weekend.



> **BOO TO** whoever is responsible for defacing the Raven Hill subdivision sign.

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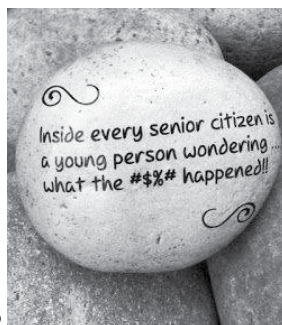
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> "To leave the world better than you found it, sometimes you have to pick up other people's trash." ~ Bill Nye
 > "Look deep into nature, and then you will understand everything better." ~ Albert Einstein
 > "Sun does not forget a village just because it's small." ~ African Proverb
 > "Courage is knowing it might hurt, and doing it anyway. Stupidity is the same. And that is why life is hard." ~ Jeremy Goldberg
 > "Speak to people in a way that if they died the next day, you'd be satisfied with the last thing you said to them."
 > "The fact that there's a highway to hell and a stairway to heaven says a lot about anticipated traffic numbers."

FUNNY BONE

> Boomer songs of the '60s revised for the ages:

Mrs. Brown you've got a lovely walker
 I get by with a little help from Depends
 How can you mend a broken hip?
 I CAN'T see clearly now
 Denture Queen
 A White Shade of Hair
 I am Woman, hear me Snore
 Fifty ways to lose your Liver
 On the commode again
 Poppa's Got a Kidney Stone
 The First time ever I forgot your face
 It's my Hormones & I'll Cry if I want to
 Once, Twice, Three Times to the Bathroom



POP QUIZ

> What US Midwest City is about to build the tallest building in the US and seventh tallest in the world?

< \$1.5 billion funding is in place to start construction this Fall on The Legends building in Oklahoma City. It will rise to 137 stories or 1,907 feet or 581 meters. The tallest building in the world is in Dubai at 828 meters.

PICTURE THIS

> Lambs to the left of me. Mutton to the right. Here I am. Stuck in the middle with ewe. ~ From the Web



7 BLUNDERS OF THE WORLD THAT LEAD TO VIOLENCE:
 by Mahatma Gandhi

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Spring Event: Week of April 29th

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- **All collection zones** are to put yard waste out at the curb by **7 AM on Monday April 29th**
- Our collector typically requires 3 to 4 days to collect from all areas - please leave your bags out until collected
- All items, including branches, must be placed **unbundled** in paper yard waste bags (no plastic bags of any kind are permitted, even if marked as compostable)
- Materials will be accepted in **unlimited quantities**, provided that each bag does not weigh more than 20 kg (44 lbs)
- Branches may be up to 1" (2.5 cm) in diameter and 3.0 feet (91 cm) in length
- In order to prevent breakage, please keep your bags dry until April 29th
- For missed collections contact SCV @ 250-803-4074 / admin@scvwaste.ca

Accepted materials include:

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FROM FACEBOOK DAILY POSTINGS

Observer & Market News roll into one newspaper to come out Thursdays

I am relieved that at least The Observer name will carry on as I had hoped. Today's news release, buried on page 9 of The Observer (should be on the front page), states that starting next week, *The Observer* and *Shuswap Market News* will be rolled into one free distribution paper coming out Thursdays instead of Wednesdays and Fridays.

This should provide some relief to the two remaining full time news staff who would now only have to produce one print edition each week, in addition to all their online reporting.

One thing the release does not address is the concern of those who recently took out a year's subscription to the Observer print edition. My suggestion to those paid subscribers is to chalk it up as a contribution to professional reporters. Good community journalism needs all the support it can muster.



Moments of time

"The idea that we just have to try again. We just have to try again. It's such a beautiful, powerful idea." ~ Bill Murray after seeing the Broadway musical version of "Groundhog Day"

That premise is a powerful thought that leads to insight, but this "imagine if" scenario does not quite work in real life. Those sweet moments in daily life are there to enjoy in the now and there to recall forever. The sad regrets in life are what hang on and need to be reconciled but not forgotten. Photo above is another capturing of a sweet moment of time

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NIGHT AT THE MOVIES: AN AMERICAN NIGHTMARE

At 6:55 pm last night I impulsively decided to see the movie “Civil War”. It was scheduled to start at 6:40, so surmised that I’d probably miss the first few minutes. I got there at 7, walked around all the construction in the parking lot for the new electric car outlets, bought my popcorn, and movie previews were still playing on the screen. That informed me that you can be at least 20 minutes late for a movie and all you miss are the commercials and previews.

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Anyway, about the movie. It’s a terrifying, ultra-violent portrayal of a dystopian America. The worst part is it is almost relatable. There were only two rather light moments in the movie. The tension never let up. One was a scene where a media crew stopped at

a town in Virginia that was seemingly untouched by the war raging across the entire nation. While bodies were piling up mere miles away, an unconcerned clerk at a clothing shop explained that locals simply didn’t watch the news.

The other somewhat amusing moment in this disturbing film was a backwoods gas station where the press crew tried to negotiate filling their tank up. They were laughed at when they offered \$300 US dollars, but the gas attendant with an assault rifle at the ready, happily accepted Canadian dollars.

I’m not sure I’d recommend this movie, except to say that, tragically, what is happening in the Ukraine and Gaza can happen on this side of the Atlantic as well, and the sparks that ignite such horror may come from within not from away. ■

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That is a gross exaggeration, of course. When I stayed a night in Paris in the 19th Arrondissement back in 1977, there was no view of the Eiffel Tower, only an unfortunate view that explained why there were peculiar puddles on the sidewalk the morning after, despite no rain.

In Salmon Arm, on the other hand, there's a very good chance that you'll see at least one of our two signature mountains - Mt.

Bastion or Mt. Ida, from all over town and surrounding region.

You can actually see both mountains in the same frame all the way from Celista.

I cannot see Mt. Ida from my basement window, but the photo above shows the view I enjoy on any clear day from the front yard.

Someday I would love to stay at a nicer hotel in Paris, ideally with a peek-a-boo view of the Eiffel Tower, but I'm delighted, along with thousands of other fellow residents, with the views we are all blessed with. ■



TAPPEN HIGHWAY PROJECT

The Trans Canada Highway's Ford Road to Tappen Valley Road Four-Laning project will upgrade approximately 4.3 km and replace the Tappen Overhead bridge. The western limit of the project begins at Ford Road and extends through to its terminus 400 metres east of Tappen Valley Road.

Improvements include:

- 4.3 km section of the Trans-Canada widened from two to four lanes
- New east bound commercial carrier pullout
- New frontage road system to provide safer access to the highway
- Modified protected T-intersection at Tappen Valley Road
- Replacement of existing Tappen bridge

Installation of median barrier

Project Benefits

- Improve safety, capacity and movement of goods and services
- Provide safer access to local roads for residents, commercial vehicles, tourists and travellers
- Reduce travel times during peak travel periods
- Wider shoulders and new frontage road system to support cyclists, pedestrians, and people using other modes of active transportation

Project Cost

The total project cost is estimated at \$243 million. This includes up to \$82.1 million from the Government of Canada under the Provincial-Territorial Infrastructure Component of the New Building Canada Fund.



> It is now light after 8 pm. Summer is nigh. Photo taken at 8 pm, this week.

Romantic operas

This Saturday April 20 the Salmar Classic will screen Puccini's "La Rondine" the first of two April operas about love.

This bittersweet love story is the least-known of the mature Puccini's works and did not find a permanent place in the repertoire because it quietly opened in neutral Monte Carlo. Italy and Austria had been enemies in WWI and a Vienna opening was not possible.

The following week, April 27. will be Romeo and Juliette. Both New York Met opera will start at 9:55 am.



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