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Friday the 13th a great day for McCauley guitarists

New guitars arrive from Quebec



Many hands play these guitars. Adolph Stang (with guitar on left) and Chris LeClair (with guitar on right), students of McCauley Community League's free guitar lessons, with some of the people who helped get ten brand new guitars to the group. Standing, left to right, Brian Shultze of Avenue Guitars, David Ward, Anna Somerville, and organizer Dan Glugosh.

PHOTO AND STORY BY ARNOLD WAXWING

When Adolph Stang got up on Friday June 13, he wasn't thinking. "Today's my lucky day. Today I'm going to get a beautiful brand new red guitar."

But that's what happened.

Adolph is one of about twenty McCauley residents graced with free guitar lessons since last fall, courtesy of the McCauley Community League and the Edmonton City Centre Church Corporation.

Trouble was, there weren't enough good guitars to go around.

That all changed on that supposedly unlucky day when a generous donation of ten brand new guitars arrived in time for the lessons that night.

Stang spied the red one right away. "I liked the colour of its body and its neck," he said.

The guitars were donated by the Godin Guitar Company way over in Quebec, and how they came to find a home in McCauley makes for a heart-warming story.

A certain McCauley resident knew the group needed some decent guitars.

He approached David Ward, a musician friend, to see if David might have an old guitar kicking around for donation.

Ward didn't have an extra guitar himself but he approached his friend, Brian Schultze of Avenue Guitars on Whyte Avenue, to see if he could help out.

Schultze then took it upon himself to con-

tact Godin, and found out he'd be able to get not one, but more than a dozen brand new guitars.

"I liked the colour of its body and its neck,"

- Adolph Stang

And Godin would pay the freight.

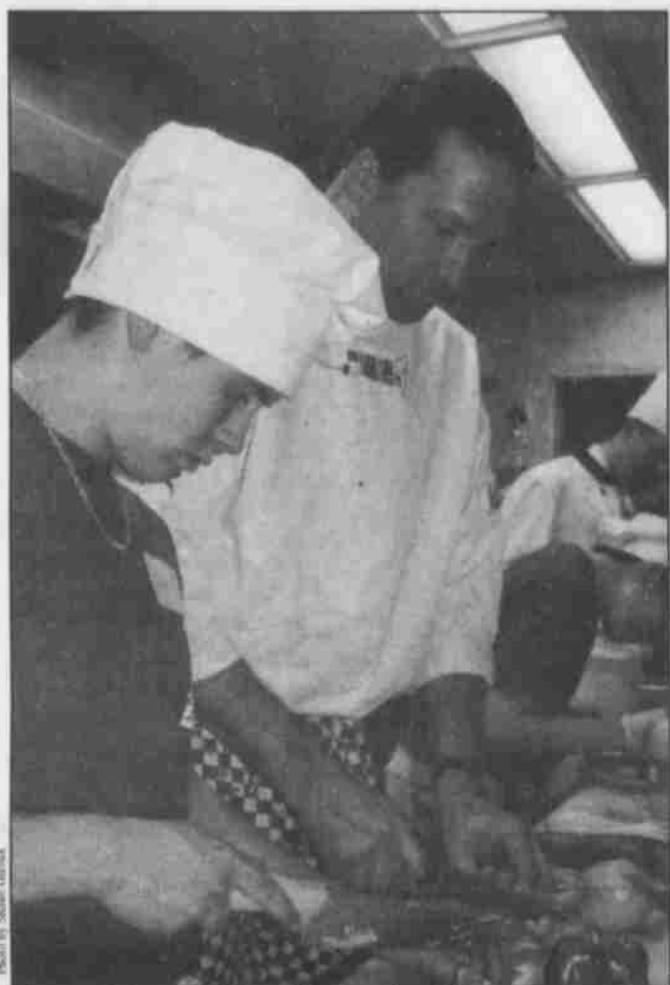
There's more. When Mr. Ward's friend Anna Somerville, also a musician of note, got wind of all this, she made a thoughtful cash donation toward the purchase of guitar cases and electronic tuners, naturally supplied by Mr. Schultze at a greatly reduced rate.

That prompted Mr. Ward to pitch in himself for more cases and tuners.

The guitars, cases and tuners were brought by Ward and Somerville to the class on June 13. Organizer Dan Glugosh, teacher Steven Johnson, and all the students present that lucky Friday the 13th were overjoyed with their new found instruments.

"I was beaming from ear to ear," said Glugosh. And Adolph got that red guitar. Avenue Guitars is located on Whyte Avenue.

The project could always use a few more teachers. Call Dan at 424-2870.



Aaron Adams (left) and Prince Jay Dixon prepare food at Kids in the Hall Bistro June 6th.

TV's Chef at Large visits Kids in the Hall Bistro

BY LINDA DUMONT

Chef Michael Smith, star of Food Network Canada's top rated cooking show, visited Kids in the Hall Bistro Friday June 6.

He and his crew filmed at the Bistro, then stayed on for a fundraising dinner on Saturday June 7.

Chef Michael heard about Kids in the Hall Bistro at Edmonton's recent Home and Garden Show and showed an interest in the unique program.

The Bistro's Sixth Annual Gala Dinner and Silent Auction was an ideal time for him to visit.

The Gala was an opportunity for friends and supporters of the Bistro to see the youth and Bistro Chef Darcy Torpe prepare and serve a five-course gourmet dinner.

Chef Michael joined Torpe, in the kitchen to film his Food Network Show on Friday and prepared an Arctic Char appetizer for the Gala on Saturday.

Kids in the Hall is a working restaurant located in City Hall. It operates as a training program for youth-at-risk. A project of the Edmonton City Centre Church Corporation, it is designed to help young people with multiple barriers to employment.

Since Kids in the Hall Bistro was opened by Prime Minister Jean Chretien in July, 1996, several hundred youth have taken part in the program and gone back to school or on to employment.

During the week the Bistro is open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. as a downtown lunch, coffee and meeting venue.

Responses

Feel strongly about a community issue? e-mail your letters to us at: bmnews@telus.net, or phone us at 425-3475

Welcome to the VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION GALLERY



Photo by Darlene Arsenault

Erwin Seeger pictured here with his dog Duke, started volunteering as a carrier for the Boyle McCauley Newspaper about eight years ago. Erwin volunteers to help the community, to keep people informed, and to meet others who have a similar goal of improving the quality of life in Boyle McCauley. He has been on the Safer City Committee for five years and on the Derelict Housing Committee for the last six years. He hopes that his community work helps give Boyle McCauley a fighting chance against the black eye that it receives from the media. He says, "You get more satisfaction from being a volunteer than from being a couch potato!"

Thank-you Erwin, for all your hard work.

If you think someone should be the next Volunteer in the Gallery, or you would like to volunteer your time as a carrier, writer or photographer to the Boyle McCauley News, please call Darlene at 425-3475.

Welcome writers and Photographers

Tony Pagnotta, Christina Lee, Patrick Lee, Melany Forsyth, Naomi Giroux, Shaun Giroux



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Goldring's ad referring to parolees 'troubling'

We are in receipt of the May 2003 Boyle McCauley News in which there is an article by Mr. Peter Goldring in regards to parolees in the City of Edmonton.

Native Counselling Services of Alberta operates the Stan Daniel's Healing Centre. Within this complex, similar to your agency, our mission and mandate is to assist individuals and families in our community. I find it troubling that an agency such as yours, committed to assisting those individuals in our community who are less fortunate, would endorse this type of article.

Sincerely,

Allen Benson

Native Counselling Services of Alberta

Swimming - the right choice

Many tend to neglect the water movement sport known as swimming. Most schools tend to be engulfed by popular sports such as football, volleyball, basketball, etc.

But what about swimming?

How often do students rave about a fan bus heading for a swim meet?

How often are swim meet results being announced on the daily bulletins?

In pep rallies, the football and volleyball teams seem to take the spotlight, while the swim team is cast aside.

Aside from being one of the most relaxing and enjoyable recreations, there are a number of reasons to swim. To start off, everyone has swum in his or her lifetime.

The first swimming experience occurs during the nine months before the baby's birth. It is believed that the infant moves around in the mother's womb with swimming like actions to form a strong reflex designed to shut off air.

With enough practice, these reflexive patterns will eventually become the basis of swimming.

Swimming is also considered a necessity in some remote cultures. In New Guinea, tribesmen find it a practical skill to be able to fish and travel in the natural bodies of water.

In addition to this, swimming is sometimes a necessity for survival.

Check with your community league and join the community league for access to pools in your area for free swimming.

Have a nice summer.

Erwin Seeger

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News



Betty Farrell, director of Inner City Housing, stands in front of a painting by Richard Auclair on the theme "what having housing means to me".

Inner City Housing celebrates 20 years of affordable housing

By ALEJANDRA GONGORA

The Inner City Housing Society celebrated its 20th anniversary this past month.

The society has housed more than 300 people in the inner city area during the past two decades and plans to house more in the years to come.

More than 60 people gathered at Sacred Heart Parish Hall June 13 to celebrate 20-years of building community and long lasting friendship.

Children young and old partook of the festivities, which included door prizes, draws, and even breaking a pinata.

Awards were given out to outstanding members of the community as well as members of the Inner City Housing Society. Richard Auclair was awarded the Long Term Tenant award; he also took home a \$25 gift certificate compliments of Santo's Restaurant.

Art pieces that residents of Inner City Housing had been working on for the past couple of weeks were out on display. The pictures are going to be gathered together to create a mural on the theme of "what good housing means to me"

Anne Harvey, one of the first members of the Edmonton Inner city Housing Society, gave a speech to be remembered. She spoke of the struggle of funding for affordable housing and of problems the society had to undertake to be where it is today.

For her the greatest gratification is watching people being happy with good housing. "I believe that healthy housing, makes for healthy communities," said Harvey.

Although she is no longer part of the Inner City Housing Society, Harvey continues to fight for affordable housing. She has since moved to British Columbia where she helped raise \$600,000 towards a seniors' housing project.

"The commitment of the volunteers was both powerful and motivating," said Harvey.

She credits the success of the Inner City Housing Society to dedicated volunteers, whose support has made the housing projects possible.

Debbie Saidman, Edmonton Inner City Housing Society, said, "I think Inner City Housing is the best response towards making a difference in peoples lives."

Saidman has been with the Society for four years and has seen the positive effects that affordable housing has on people's lives and the community.

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Community Garden Project in full swing after nine years

By CHRIS LECLAIR



For the past nine years many Boyle residents have spent the spring sowing seeds at the Boyle Street Community Garden Project located on 95 Street and 104 Avenue to the west of Inner City High School. The garden itself is organic. No chemical fertilizer, pesticides or herbicides are used. Instead

material from a compost pile.

The garden was started and organized by Lucrecia Mendoza in 1994. She worked with residents in McCauley planting and growing extra food for family and friends. Tools, plants and water were made available. These items have either been purchased by the gardeners or donated. One long time supporter of the project is Lieutenant Governor Lois Hole from Hole's Green house in St. Albert.

"We always appreciate her donations," said Jan Przysieszniak, who has been organizer for the garden since 2000. He is the one who divides up the sections and gives out a plot to each gardener.

To be a gardener, you have to become a member of the Boyle Street Community League, and pay their annual membership fee of \$5. There is also a small key deposit of \$10 that is refunded at the end of the season. If you want to get involved, please call him at 428-9495.

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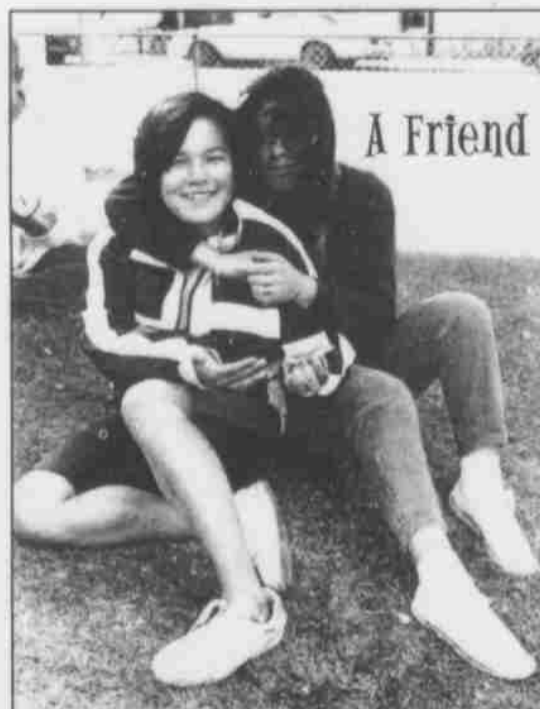
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By James May

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New board members for community league

By DARLENE ARSENAULT & LINDA DUMONT



Gord Hackett



Laura Berezan



Michelle Hobbs



Henry Schuurman

About 20 people from the community showed up for the annual general meeting of the McCauley Community League June 4. Due to the resignation of Mark Bubel, after five years as president, Gail Campos took the chair. In addition to Mark Bubel, three other board members stepped down including Susan Wissink as treasurer, and board members Kimo Trent and Ron Berezan. Gord Hackett, Gail Campos, Chris Leclair and George Ducharme are committed to another term on the board. They are joined by new members Michelle Hobbs, Gord Hackett, Laura Berezan and Henry Schuurman.

Outgoing president Mark Bubel said he wishes to thank the residents of McCauley and the Community league board members for a wonderful learning experience.

Michelle Hobbs is new to the neighbourhood. She and her family moved to McCauley because of its rich class and ethnic diversity. Hobbs hopes to offer a younger perspective to the board, to inject some enthusiasm and to explore new direc-

tions. She wants to help create and be part of a safe, affordable and accepting community. Gord Hackett stepped up to the plate when he heard the board needed a new treasurer. He wasn't sure about it at first, but he had a big calculator and that had to be worth something. Hackett said he also joined the board because he was inspired by other community minded people in McCauley. He loves this neighbourhood because people here seem to him to be more real.

Laura Berezan is joining the board because she sees the community league as performing a vital function in maintaining a community. Currently she is director of the leagues' soccer program. She hopes to help the board to get to a place where it has more of a formal committee structure. Berezan is also interested in developing a strong

membership within the community.

"Why not?" she said. "The membership fee is reasonable and we have a really good base of people."

Henry Schuurman is also new to the neighbourhood.

He is a philosophy professor at King's College. The new league members enter their term of office with a big challenge - that of a major audit of the financial reports for the previous year.

Due to an accident which resulted in the receipts and books being lost, the league is faced with the task of reconstructing their accounts for the past year.

As of their last report, they have been able to reconstruct some of the books, and will be able to compare last year to the previous years to further verify how monies were spent. For more information about the League or to become a member, call Laura at 425-7333.



Photo by Kate Quinn

You, too, can help reduce speed on our neighbourhood streets. Residents can call the City Transportation Department and request one of two signs - saying either "Slow Down, this is your neighbourhood", or "Give our kids a brake, slow down". They are put up for a month at a time and rotated throughout the city. Contact Darryl Mullen, Traffic Safety Engineer at 496-2661 to borrow a sign.

New Chinese seniors' centre under construction in Boyle Street

By BRIAN GIFFIN

Stuart Olson Construction has started a new senior's project in Chinatown at 102a Avenue and 95 Street.

The Chinatown Continuing Care and Supportive housing project is sponsored by The Edmonton Chinatown Multicare Foundation with funding shared with the

Government of Alberta, The Capital Health Authority and The Chinatown 44 foundation.

The project will help support Asian seniors with 24 hour and semi care as needed.

The proposed time for completion is about February 2004.



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Our community's Children at play

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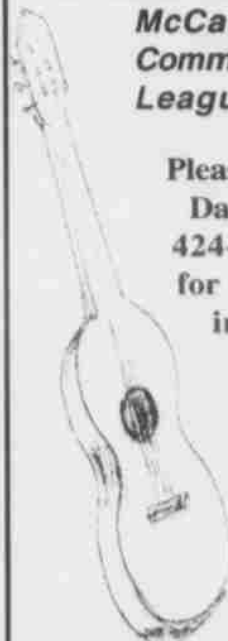
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The balloon lady entertained the children at the 20th anniversary celebration for Inner City Housing June 13.

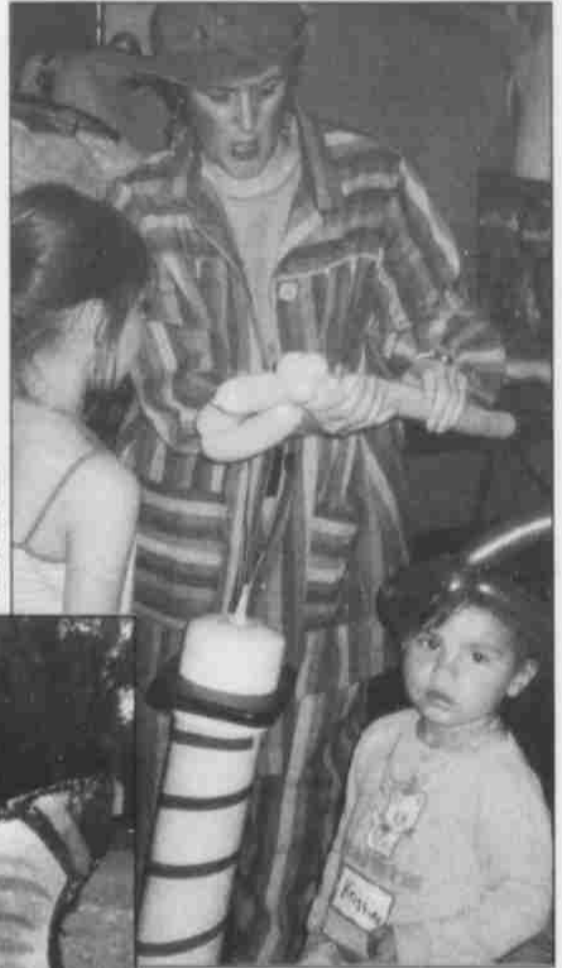


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Children came out to enjoy a picnic at Giovanni Caboto Park. The picnic was sponsored by the staff of the Energy Square Neighbourhood Centre. The new child and family services office at 10109 - 106 Street serves the Boyle Street community.



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Local actress gives excellent performance in Shakespearean play

By DANUTA BUBEL



Local actress Darlene Arseneault played Count Orsino in a Shakespearean Play at the Stanley Milner Library May 9 to 24. Darlene is Volunteer Co-ordinator for Boyle McCauley News.

The Festival "Foot of a Flea Tea" took place in Stanley A. Milner Library Theatre and ran from May 9-24 2003.

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With pleasure and humour I saw our own actress, Darlene Arseneault, as Duke Orsino.

The Duke Orsino was laying futile siege to the heart of Lady Olivia; but this was a stalemated situation because Olivia had vowed to spend seven years in mourning for her dead brother.

The moonish Duke, listening to sad music and "best when least in company," was a definite refinement on the theme.

Is being love-sick danger-

ous at the resolution?

This supplied the inspiration for some of Orsino and Viola's debates.

If you do not know the force of love, you may not understand, but for myself, I really admired the play.

From Act One Arseneault played an excellent roll, in the French style in the beginning, but by the Fifth Act we saw her in classic interpretation.

Shakespeare's major role can be interpreted in many ways; and it added so much when she had the opportunity to select what best suited her inspiration - comic, dignified, or pathetic.

In conclusion let me say that my thoughts about the play emphasize that all great dramas have drawn their inspiration from the complex nature of human life.

Arseneault was thoroughly versed in the techniques of the play and the mysteries of the human heart.

Her performance was nothing else but par excellence.

I also enjoyed Andrea Cheung's performance in her roll as Dame Toby Belch.

My congratulation also go out to Jessica Spencer, the director, for her ambitious presentation in a modern tone and for the "feminine" approach.

First novel a great summer read

By CAROLINE STUART

(with help from Sylvia, Kathleen, Jan, Katherine, and Diane)

"Crow Lake" by Mary Lawson, is a novel about family life in which the author explores, as an adult, the events that shattered her childhood and helped to create the woman she is today.

My book club agreed to read the book and discuss it this June so the following are ideas we discussed together on a warm Tuesday evening.

A theme in the novel is that of family patterns being created, broken and recreated and the impact of that cycle.

The Morrisons' are settled in the small Ontario farming community of Crow Lake.

The parents have left their home communities to start a life together in a place that had some opportunities in the mid 1930's.

Little Kate, the "I" in the novel, follows her big brother Matt all around the farm learning from him as they explore the pond out back.

Her younger sister, Bo, older brother, Luke, and her parents float around the edges of her life, as her focus is on her brother, Matt.

Lawson is able as the adult "I" to let the little Kate tell how she experienced the events that shattered her family without bringing to the child's voice an adult understanding.

This is one of the reasons this book is so compelling. The little Kate is believable as the reader is caught up in her experience of situations, knowing that the six year old is really only seeing a small part of the whole.

The story begins with the parents being in an accident and leaving the children with no adult support.

The accident is not the focus of the story; instead it creates a circumstance that shows the resiliency of Luke and Matt to keep their family together and to allow a community to pull around the family.

As Matt and Luke are struggling to function in their role as caregivers, little Kate is floundering in her experience of loss and grief.

She sees all the events that happen to the family as leading them towards loss.

She carries this sense of impending disaster throughout her adult life as she struggles to love.

As readers we understand how much sense it makes that the adult Kate is afraid. After all, she has reason to fear, and we cheer her on as she begins to let herself learn how her past is stopping her future.

The family is planning to celebrate a birthday together as adults. It is Kate who hesitates to go because she carries with her images of her wise brother Matt having to sacrifice his love of learning so that his sister could leave the farm and make a life for herself. Readers understand little Kate's belief that her brother never achieved what she felt he should have been given the chance to achieve. We feel Kate's anxiety throughout her life - her anxiety of impending doom, anxiety over achieving success while Matt did not, anxiety over never wanting Matt to feel inferior, anxiety over not experiencing loss again.

We meet Matt as a father and a husband and realize Matt does not feel his life is other than how he wanted it to be. It is Kate's anxiety that impacts her life and which she foreshadows throughout the novel.

The theme of family being created - by Luke and Matt as teenagers creating a family for themselves and their sisters with support of the greater community, is broken as these children grow into adults and move away from the farm.

They go into the world then come together again. The recreation of the family begins at the celebration as they meet again as wounded adults and explore their understanding of each other.

Mary Lawson has created likeable children who are so authentic that you believe what they say is accurate. The town's characters are integral to the story. They did what they could. You can see their characteristics in your mind's eye. Lawson shows that people are not all good or all bad. They all have value and even if they are not good right now - they still have worth.

This book is well worth a read on a hot summer day under a shady tree.

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Sacred Heart Students (left to right) David Atkinson, Jordan Auger, Samantha Poreira, Deysy Merino and Jessica Silva.



St. Michael students (left to right) Barry Leung, Kevin Tran, Nicholas Marty, Joshua Branton, Allegra Johnston, Yen Yen Wong, Xin Xu and Jennifer Guo.

STORY BY LINDA DUMONT PHOTOS BY NAOMI GIROUX

Twenty-three young artists from the three local schools viewed a special exhibit of their award winning posters and were treated to a day out May 27. The posters are the winning entries from a contest EPCOR sponsored around the theme of Water in Our Community.

"The Water in Our Community poster contest was a creative and hands on way of helping children understand the importance of using water wisely," said Ivy Hoffman, EPCOR's Education Program Coordinator.

"The posters are quite visible from the LRT route heading to Commonwealth Stadium, so they'll be seen by thousands of people over the next few months." The contest was open to elementary students at McCauley School, St. Michael's School and Sacred Heart School. Each winning poster has been enlarged and placed on the back wall of EPCOR's water yard where they are visible to LRT passengers between Churchill and Stadium Stations.

The contest winners met May 27 at EPCOR water yard, toured the yard, and then took a ride on the LRT to view their work. The LRT even made a one-time-only stop so the children could get a better look.

After the viewing, EPCOR treated the students to all you can eat pizza and pop. Smaller copies of the posters can be seen displayed along 92nd street just before the railroad crossing at 106A Avenue. Each student was also given a framed copy of his or her poster to keep.

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4 Alberta Budget 2003



Brian Mason

BY BRIAN MASON, MLA

Budget 2003 was released in April 2003. Here are a few highlights:

Taxes - School Property Taxes - will increase as the value of your residential property rises.

According to Edmonton's Assessor, the typical Edmonton homeowner will see an increase of 8.9 per cent in the education portion of his or her property taxes.

On the other hand, income taxes for large corporations will again be cut to 12.5 per cent, reducing government revenues by \$95 million.

Other taxes, including health care premiums, personal income taxes and most user fees remain unchanged.

Learning - There is a 2 per cent increase in per student grants.

Many school boards have de-

termined that this increase and additional targeted funds will not be sufficient to prevent the loss of teaching positions and programs and an increase in class sizes.

There is also a 2 per cent increase in operating grants for post secondary institutions. Many universities and colleges have announced tuition increases although fewer young Albertans go on to post secondary education than elsewhere in Canada.

Health - Federal health transfers will increase by \$248 million as a result of the agreement reached after the release of the Romanov Report.

This help results in a \$7.2 per cent overall increase in health funding.

Of this the Capital Health Authority will get an additional six per cent.

Infrastructure - The government plans to spend approximately \$1.6 billion this year on capital projects including highways, hospitals, and schools.

Many of the announced projects were previously announced and then postponed in the budget cuts of 2001.

Approximately \$1 billion of the funds will come from this year's budget, another \$600 million will be funded by the Capital Account set up out of last year's surplus. In future years, the government plans to

use P3 arrangements to fund some projects.

Human Resources and Employment - there has been no increase for AISH recipients. SFI recipients with children will receive an additional \$20 per month, effective June 1.

This is the first increase in ten years.

Energy - The government has budgeted based on energy prices much lower than those projected by another analyst.

Over the last ten years, the government has underestimated their revenues by a total of \$23.3 billion, adding pressure to keep spending on priority programs low.

Final revenue numbers are released after the end of the fiscal year, by which time the extra money can only go towards debt reduction.

The government has no plans to assist Albertans with high electricity and natural gas prices. **New Fiscal Framework** - the new Sustainability Fund is designed to protect the government from volatile resource revenue.

Non-renewable resource revenues will be fixed at \$3.5 billion per year.

When revenues exceed these figures, the extra will be deposited into the fund.

When revenues drop, funds can be withdrawn to pay for government expense.

PETER GOLDRING
Member of Parliament
Edmonton Centre-East

Decriminalize Marijuana?

The federal government wants to decriminalize the possession of fifteen grams or less of marijuana, with fines of less than \$100, for younger people. Fifteen grams will make up to thirty marijuana cigarettes ("joints"), which can sell for \$10 to \$20 each and, if shared, are sufficient to impair up to 100 people. Health Minister Anne McLellan says decriminalization is a good thing, though she also says that this doesn't mean that marijuana is good for your health. In fact, she just doesn't know. Health Canada is still conducting tests to determine whether marijuana has any medicinal benefits. Unlike alcohol, the ingredients of marijuana are unquantifiable, effects vary in intensity from person to person and products vary in strength from region to region of growth.

If the federal government forces the passage of this legislation, I suggest that it should not be proclaimed in force until:

- (1) We have the results of a comprehensive study of the health and mobility effects of marijuana consumption;
- (2) Roadside testing mechanisms are available;
- (3) All of the provinces indicate that they are ready for the legislation, and are prepared to deal with marijuana on their roads;
- (4) The decriminalized possession limit is five grams, not thirty;
- (5) Penalties for marijuana possession are the same for everyone, and are at a level to truly deter possession and usage.

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Social agencies mark 10th anniversary of Klein's leadership

By LINDA DUMONT

On Friday the 13th representatives from a number of social agencies held a press conference at the Alberta Legislature to mark the 10th anniversary of the election of Ralph Klein.

Klein was first elected June 15, 1993.

The anniversary was in the nature of a wake for the depth of poverty suffered by many Albertans rather than a celebration of the government's much vaunted elimination of deficits.

"We're here to remind people of what happened after Klein was elected.

That's when all the cuts (to welfare) began," said John Pater, Communications Coordinator of the Edmonton Social Planning Council.

The Edmonton Social Planning Council is an observer of the social policies of governments.

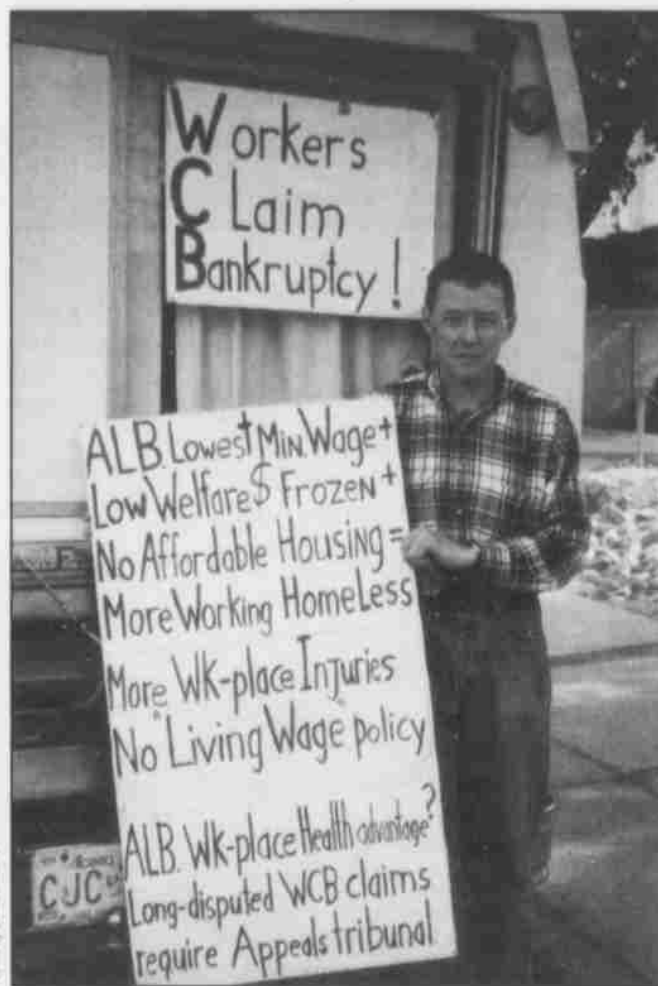
For the 10th anniversary they wanted to bring attention to the impact this government's policies have had on people living in poverty.

They pointed out that in the drive to financial prosperity, there are many Albertans who are not part of the economic success story.

The lowest 10 per cent of Edmonton households, which have children, make an average of \$11,900 a year.

A family of four on social assistance in Alberta receives a gross income of \$15,300. A household with one person working full time at minimum wage earns a gross income of \$11,505.

This is well below what it takes to get by in Alberta.



A protester stands beside his truck a block from the legislature on Friday the 13th. Mike Bonner is an injured worker who has been fighting to have his claim recognized since a drilling rig accident 22 years ago.

The newly released low income measuring tool, the Market Basket Measure, shows that a family of four in Edmonton requires at least \$23,571 just to get by.

Don Mayne from the Quality of Life Commission shared

his concern about the children of families living in poverty. The commission started in 1994 after the cutbacks because a number of people were concerned about what happened to the people affected by the cutbacks.

The Quality of Life Commission published a report called Listen to the Children, for which they interviewed five groups of ten-year-olds from impoverished backgrounds.

"The children were concerned about personal safety, and not having lunches," said Mayne.

"None of them spoke about music lessons, hockey or other sports. They are not getting the skills that are to be gained from this. They may grow up handicapped socially."

Marjorie Benz, director of the Edmonton Food Bank, said food bank use peaked between 1993 and 1996, then went down somewhat, but is on the rise again.

She said, "The poor are so much worse off now than they were ten years ago. We have the lowest minimum wage in Canada."

She also pointed out that there have been no changes in welfare rates since they were cut 20 per cent in 1993 except a \$20 raise for families and people on medical welfare.

With the rise in the cost of living, this means that people on welfare today receive 40 per cent less than they did in 1993."

Benz said, the answers are out there, but there is a lack of political will to bring about change.

The answers she spoke of are an increase in the minimum wage and an increase in welfare rates.

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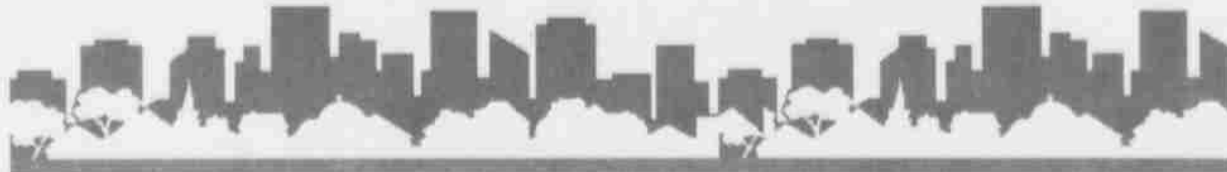
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Boyle McCauley Health Centre
10628 - 96 St. Mon-Thur 9 AM - 9 PM; Fri 9 AM - 4:30 PM. Children's Immunization: Mon 1-3 PM. Foot Clinic: Wed 1-3 PM. Dental and Streetworks during clinic hours.

Boyle St. Community Services Co-op
10116 - 105 Avenue, 424 - 4106.
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Community of Emmanuel
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Edmonton Family Worship Centre
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9606 - 110 Ave., 426-1122. The Rock Community Breakfast: Tue-Thur 7-9 AM. Kid's Club: Mon 6-7:30 PM.

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Singles Collective Kitchen
11035 - 92 St., 464-5444 (Trish). 1st Sat of month 10 AM-2 PM. \$3 for 4 meals.

Society for Metis Literacy Helpline
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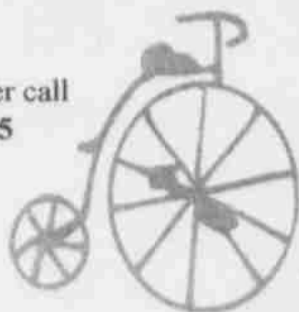
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