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The MSS Grad 2020 banners went up June
22 at the Rec Centre and on Skeena Drive.

Mackenzie to receive \$500,000 toward trail, outdoor rec facilities

Mackenzie is one of over 150 recipients of provincial grants supporting economic development and recreational opportunities in rural communities, announced by the province in June.

The District of Mackenzie will receive \$500,000 toward what it is calling the "Destination Trail & Facilities Project." This has been described as trail and infrastructure upgrades that will link the recreation centre, ski hill, bike park, beach park, and x-country ski trails, and will allow for year-round use.

CNC Research Forest also announced earlier this year funding to the District for a community bike/walk "connector" trail that will offer accessible and low-impact recreation. The District has so far not commented on whether this is the same project, and when work will begin.

Fun Facts:

Gay animals

Over 450 animal species are known to engage in same-sex sexual activity, even forming couples in some cases for raising young.

Biologists who study the bonobo, an African ape closely related to humans, say that up to 75% of bonobo sexual activity is non-reproductive, and that nearly all bonobos are bisexual.

Bison males, too, are famous for same-sex couplings, in part because females only mate once per year. Same-sex matings among male Mallards are said to be high for birds – up to 19%.

Rotary club green space

The Mackenzie Rotary Club has plans to build a small park in the asphalt space between Mackenzie Counselling and the former movie theatre. Rotary member Kim Guthrie presented the plan to council last week for removing the asphalt and greening up the space.

She says the club has the money to do the work, but it will likely not begin until spring 2021.

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Residential day cares considered

A zoning change that would allow residential daycare centres in the community has been given first two readings by Council. Next steps would include an opportunity for public input.

The District's Emily Kaehn said that day care has been identified as an issue in the community and as an important factor in workforce attraction.

WHAT'S ON

LIVE YOUR TRUTH Art show opening, July 9th, 7 - 8 pm, MCAC Pride Gallery (Mackenzie Arts Centre). See also Call for Artists.

MORATA SUMMER GEAR SWAP Drop off: Friday, July 10, 5 - 9 pm. Swap: Saturday July 11, 10 am - 3pm. MORATA Shed, Little Mac Ski Hill.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

CANADA DAY PHOTOS Send us photos of your Family Bonfires & BBQs by July 6 for a chance to win a Co-op Gift Card! Photos will be featured on the Rec Centre Facebook page. E-mail: jana@districtofmackenzie.ca

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Quotes:

“Your life will always be peaks and valleys. Don't get lost in the valleys. And don't get stuck on the peaks.”
— Jack Canfield

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Open the Box

"One day I came across a beautiful
box. I opened it up and out popped..."
Students finish this story.

Out popped a black and white soccer
ball. First the soccer ball jumped to my
foot. It wanted me to kick it. The soccer
ball liked to make a big goal. So, I
kicked the ball to the goal and I made a
big, giant goal. I was so excited and
surprised too!

— Brayan, 2nd grade

Out of the box popped a hamster and
his name was Pipsqueak. I wasn't
going to let it leave so I invited it inside
my bedroom. I talk hamster so I was
able to talk to the hamster. He was
cold so I gave him some hot chocolate
and a muffin. Pipsqueak was looking
for a new home, so I asked him if he
wanted to live with me and his answer
was yes. So, we went to the shops and
bought bedding and we lived
happily ever after.

— Sophia, 2nd grade

Out of the box came an airplane. It flew
10,000 feet high with me in it. Then an
alien shot us down. That is when I flew
out of the plane and found that I
could fly.

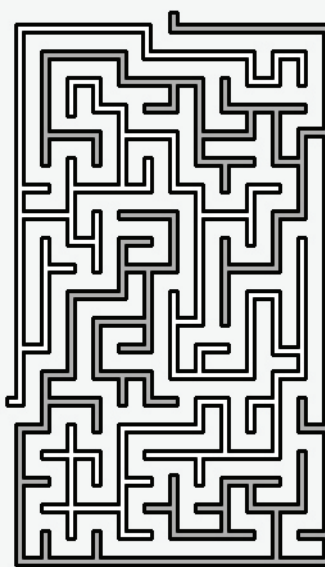
— Addison, 3rd grade

Inside the box was a keychain shaped
like a giraffe. When you gave it grass it
turned into a real giraffe. When we
went to Africa, we let it go.

— Annalise, 2nd grade

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A-MAZE



Mackenzie rally: fighting for forestry jobs

From an article on the June
23rd rally in Mackenzie on mill
closures. By Peter Ewart and
Dawn Hemingway, for PG
Daily News.

...What has been espe-
cially disturbing to resi-
dents is that Canfor, still
holding onto timber rights,
has been selling off logs
and allowing thousands of
truckloads of timber to be
shipped out to other juris-
dictions while keeping its
own mill in Mackenzie
shuttered indefinitely.

Chris Dixon, president of
Unifor Local 1092, noted
how important appurten-
ance had been to the
development of the town...
and called upon the current
provincial government to
stop "playing the blame
game." Canfor is "killing
the town," he said, and
must stop "selling off our
jobs and our logs."

Joan Atkinson, Mayor of
Mackenzie... explained
how several decades back,
the forest industry in
Mackenzie had been a
model for full log utiliza-

tion, from cruising and
layout in the bush, to har-
vesting operations, to pro-
cessing at the sawmills, to
delivering residuals to the
pulp mill and co-genera-
tion plant.

However, in July 2019,
Canfor broke that utiliza-
tion chain.

"By walking away from
this community and their
chip agreement with Paper
Excellence," Atkinson
said, "Canfor has demon-
strated that social license
and support for local com-
munities is not part of their
mandate."

She noted that currently
"the forest industry is
under the control of a few
large companies," and that
changes in legislation must
be made "to return control
of the industry to the
people of British Colum-
bia." With a provincial
election coming up in
2021, she said, this must be
made an election issue.

Read the complete article at:
pgdailynews.ca.

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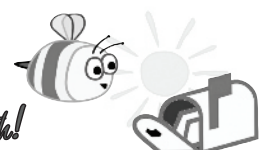
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The first time I sang in the church choir; two hundred
people changed their religion. — Fred Allen



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CRYPTO-QUOTE



FEBOB XG JDFEXJH VDOB IBYBAFXQB FEKJ
KJ DZQXDLG TKYF. — KOFELO YDJKJ IDURB

WORD scramble from last issue: Sunflower, Milkweed, Dandelion.

RIDDLE ANSWER: Almost. Do you have another one?

Big-city dentistry is coming to Mackenzie!

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Introducing lead dentist Dr Patrick Lum: born and raised in Vancouver,
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and has many friends and former staff and patients from
FSJames and the PG area. More recently, Dr. Lum worked
in Tumbler Ridge in 2016.

Dr. Lum is supported by Dr. Nicki De Francesco, certified specialist
in Orthodontics. She has been practicing dentistry for 38 years
in Canada, and has been treating patients with orthodontics and
invisalign for 21 years. "Dr. Nicki" has extensive northern and rural
experience in providing quality dental services.

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to register your interest in becoming our patient in fall 2020.

A big shout out to the Callahan clan in Mackenzie from
cousins Bill and Linda from Cranbrook, patients of Dr. Lum.

Mini-Cross from last issue:

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NOTICES Cont...

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