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No Shut Down in Sight for Don Titus Montessori

In an article in September of 2018, the Coffee Talk reported that School District 59 could potentially be looking into closing down Don Titus Montessori in Chetwynd. Fortunately for all the students, teachers and staff at Don Titus, news just surfaced at the end of 2018



confirming that will not be happening!

"We are very happy that our school can continue to grow and offer this wonderful and unique educational opportunity to elementary students in Chetwynd." Says PAC Member, Jody Watson

Additionally, the school board has agreed to review the Montessori program to document the successes of the educational model and identify enhancement opportunities!

Don Titus transitioned to a Montessori program in 2013 and has been running as such since. The Montessori philosophy refers to a different style of teaching and learning where children learn at their own pace, learning is social and individual, and children learn from each other.

Enrollment for 2019/2020 will open in the upcoming weeks, and Don Titus is open to any students in the Chetwynd area regardless of catchment boundaries.

Kelsey Roberts Reporter, Coffee Talk Express





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To view or get an application, please call Randy: 778-766-5000 or email: NB_Customs@outlook.com

For Rent: Located at Pinewood Mobile Home Park, Chetwynd, 2 Bedroom furnished mobile home. Available immediately. \$1500/month which includes utilities. Non-smoking and no pets. Please call 250-401-3408

ComParrot Can you spot 12 differences between these pictures?





Solution: 1. Leaves on tree in background are missing. 2. Rake handle is shorter. 3. Branch above boy is missing. 4. Lady's tongue is hidden. 5. Extra leaf in pile beside bag. 6. Neckline on girl's shirt is different. 7. Leaf in bag is colored in 8. Leaf behind lady has moved. 9. Boy's shirt is longer. 10. Rake is wider. 11. Top of bag is different. 12. Falling leaf behind boy is different.



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Bernat Chunky Softee yarn 100g, 2 balls lavender same dye lot and 21 balls hot pink same dye lot. \$3.25 ea or \$120 for all. Call 250-783-5535

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Good round hay bales for sale from summer. Approx. 1100 lbs. Fescue, timothy, reed canary grass. No alfalfa. \$35 each. Call 250-788-9445

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Microwave-\$30, Microwave stand - \$50 call 250-788-2183

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Inglis Dryer white, like new, has a large drum, \$150. Call 250-317-3567

Washer and dryer for sale, please call 250-788-3951.

Queensize bed, Sealy mattress w/box spring, \$300-\$400. Call 403-891-9471

Brand new 32" flat t.v. HDMI Cords and everything included, 1 week old. \$275 OBO. Never been used brand new dvd + blueray player, \$75 OBO. Please call 250-788-6502 or 250-556-9300

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District of Chetwynd

NOTICE OF TEMPORARY USE PERMIT APPLICATION (FLITE CAMP & CATERING INC.)

Pursuant to Section 494 of the Local Government Act [RSBC 2015], Ch. 1, and on application from Flite Camp & Catering Inc., the Council of the District of Chetwynd will consider issuing a Temporary Use Permit for the land known as 4400-44th Avenue NE, Chetwynd, BC (Parcel 1, BCP39720, DL 1916 & 2142 PID 027-825-787) to temporarily permit a 166-person work camp for a period of up to three years. The proposed camp will be dry, closed (housing only workers from a few select contractors), and contain security, food and recreation services.

This matter will be considered by Council at the Regular Council Meeting on January 14, 2019 at 4:30 p.m. in Council Chambers at 5400 Hospital Road, Chetwynd BC.

Copies of the relevant documents and information may be inspected at the District of Chetwynd Office located at 5400 Hospital Road from the date of this Notice to and including the date of the above meeting between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., from Monday to Friday both inclusive, excluding public holidays.

All persons who consider themselves affected by the adoption of the proposed Temporary Use Permit and who wish to register an opinion may do so by:

- Appearing before Council at the Council Meeting at 4:30 January 14, 2019; and/or
- Forwarding written submissions for Council's consideration to Administration at

Fax: (250) 401-4101; email: d-chet@gochetwynd.com or by writing to the District of Chetwynd, P.O. Box 357, Chetwynd, BC, V0C IJ0 before 4:30 January 14, 2019.

Dated this 13th day of December, 2018. C. Newsom, Corporate Officer

CHETWYND FOREST INDUSTRIES A Division of West Fraser Mills Ltd

Immediate Opening for the position: Receptionist/Accounts Payable **Backup, Administration Office**

We are seeking an experienced Receptionist to fill a full-time position effective immediately.

Minimum Qualifications:

Grade 12 or equivalent

1 year reception / accounts payable or similar processing/data entry

Shipping/receiving experience an asset but not required

This position is fast paced and requires an organized individual. The primary functions of this position include, switchboard duties, word processing and spreadsheet assignments, processing incoming and outgoing mail, fax and photocopying, as well as other office related duties.

The Receptionist manages the reception desk as well as provides backup to the Accounts Payable clerk.

The successful Candidate will possess the following:

Excellent communication skills, both verbal and written Exceptional organization skills Competent accurate data entry Excellent proof reading skills Able to work with minimal supervision Exhibit good problem-solving skills

If you meet the minimum qualifications and feel you possess the skills and abilities as noted above, please submit your application attention Sharon Loberg, Division Accountant, via one of the following methods:

Email: sharon.loberg@westfraser.com or hayley.huberdeau@westfraser.com or hayley.huberdeau.com or hayle Canada Post: PO Box 330, Chetwynd BC, V0C 1J0

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PROPERTY

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3 bdrm, 3 bath, house for sale. Fireplace, single car garage in house with car port beside, double door garage in second building in back 24x28ft lrg. Located in Chetwynd in the Crown Sub, 4728 Centurion Crescent NE. Want offers. Call 250-788-2606 or 780-897-0730

Three bedroom modular home on two serviced lots in Tumbler Ridge, nice place, good location, price \$120.000, open to offers and trades. Please call 250-401-1127

Renovated 3 bedroom mobile home #59 6549 Wildmare sub \$29,000. Please call 250-874-0655

3 bedroom mobile home for sale. Text only please 250-874-0655

PETS/LIVESTOCK

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Lost: Black Sony phone with red case. Please call 250-401-1676 or bring to The Pencil Box.

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Wanted: Want to buy New Holland 499 cutter, running or not running. Please call 250-719-6142

Wanted: Want to buy F-250 Ford pick-up truck, 1993-98, must be R8 transmission, diesel, must be good shape. Please call 250-719-6142

Wanted: Second hand washer in good working condition. Please call Jasmine Davis at 250-788-8885

for either an apartment or small house to rent for FEB in Chetwynd. I don't smoke or party and I have no pets at this time. Preferably furnished or semi furnished but non furnished is ok. will consider Tumbler Ridge or Hudsons Hope too. Please call/text 807-620-2429

Wanted: Seeking live-in position: Christian, vegan, sabbath keeper, non-smoking, non-drinking, looking for drug-free, kosher, and environmental caring work environment. Duties of work can be housesitting, childcare, light housekeeping/cooking. Position has to be at least until the end of June 2019. Please phone 250-262-7714.

DOG OBEDIENCE CLASS **Starting January 16th TUESDAYS** 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm Pine Valley Exhibition Park Lobby Fee: \$95.00 Handbook available

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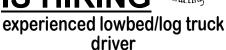


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Submission Deadline Feb 4th







Come out to celebrate with DODY WOOD / DENNY MORRISON / DERYK ENGELLAND's FAMILIES for a skate and celebration of our local Sport Heros. We have invited them or a representative to attend and the District of Chetwynd will present them with a small gift to celebrate their success. We will also be recognizing Shell Canada for the grant we received for the Outdoor Skating Rink.

Saturday, January 12th, 2019

1:00pm

Outdoor Skating Rink

Spirit Park



A MAN WHILE LOOKING AT A PHOTOGRAPH SAID, "BROTHERS AND SISTERS HAVE I NONE. THAT MAN'S FATHER IS MY FATHER'S SON." WHO WAS THE PERSON IN THE PHOTOGRAPH?

Answer- that man's son



Is currently looking for 9 Food Counter Attendants Location: 4809 51st Avenue, Chetwynd, BC V0C 1J0 Terms of Employment: Permanent, Full-Time, Part-Time, Shift, Weekend, Morning, Day, Night & Evening Salary: \$12.65/hour + Benefits

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How to Apply:

In Person: At the above location By email: chetwyndtimhortons@gmail.com

By phone: 250-788-8857





Returning Jan 10th CHILI & A BUN January 17th

General Meeting January 15th 7pm

BOARD ROOM & HALL RENTALS

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FREE POOL

Legion Lounge: 250-788-9258 after 5pm

AT THE PINE VALLEY SENIORS HALL **PICKLEBALL WEDNESDAYS** 6:00PM - 8:00PM At the Little Prairie School Gym **CARPET BOWLING** TUESDAYS 1:30PM SATURDAY CRIB 1:00PM WHIST 7:00pm For more info & hall rental call Bernice 250-788-2307



Countdown to Spring ONVeeks

Q: What do you call dangerous

precipitation?

: A rain of terror



Fri, Sat, Sun, Mon Jan 11, 12, 13, 14

Showing Nightly at 8pm - Doors Open at 7:30pm



Arthur Curry learns that he is the heir to the underwater kingdom of Atlantis, and must step forward to lead his people and be a hero to the world

Cast: Jason Momoa, Amber Heard, Willem Dafoe

Carl Frederick

a longtime resident of Groundbirch, BC, was taken suddenly on Friday, December 21, 2018 at the age of 76 years.

A funeral service will be held on Saturday, January 12, 2019 at 11:00 am from Reynars Chapel. Pauline Haycock will officiate. Interment will follow in Mountainview Cemetery, Groundbirch, BC.

For friends so wishing, donations may be made in memory of Carl to the Mountainview Groundbirch Cemetery, PO Box 202, Groundbirch, BC V0C1T0

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GUILT-FREE, HEALTHY CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIES



There is nothing better than eating guilt-free comfort foods, especially during a long and cold winter. Looking for a healthy dessert to finish off your meal? This chocolate chip cookie recipe is just the treat you've been looking for.

Healthy Chocolate Chip Cookies Makes: 36 cookies

1 (17.5 oz.) package chocolate chip cookie mix 1/2 cup margarine, soft

1 egg

2 tbsp water

1 (2.08 oz.) package AdvoCare vanilla meal replacement shake powder

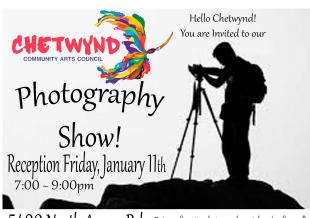
Directions:

Preheat oven to specified temperature on package directions.

Combine all ingredients in mixing bowl. Beat well until soft dough forms. Drop by teaspoons two inches apart onto ungreased cookie sheet. Bake according to cookie package directions.

Remove from oven and let cool for around 10 minutes before removing from cookie sheet.

Nutritional information per two cookies: calories 182, protein 2.5 g, carbohydrates 22 g, dietary fibre 2 g, sugar 12 g, fat 3.5 g, sodium 104 mg.



Show Runs January 11 ~ 31st 2019

5400 North Access Rd Bring a favorite photo you have taken (unframed) and add it to our Collaborative wall!

How to Maximize Your Retirement Savings

In today's economy jobs have changed and many of us work outside the nine-to-five model as freelancers, gig workers, job jumpers and postponed professionals. But if you're part of this flexible workforce, how can you plan and save for a healthy retirement?

According to a recent TD survey, 55 per cent of working Canadians who are part of the "flexforce" say they are not able to save as much as they need to each year to meet their retirement goals.

As job statuses fluctuate, your retirement goals may naturally evolve too. To keep up with these changes, it's important to have a plan, review it regularly and see it through in order to maximize your saving and investing potential.

Jennifer Diplock, associate vice president of personal savings and investing at TD Canada Trust, offers these quick tips to help navigate retirement planning:

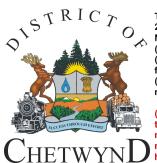
Educate yourself. Spend time learning about retirement savings options and what your ideal retirement would look like. Once you've determined your goals, establish a plan to help you stay on track.

Contribute early. Remember to start planning early to maximize the benefits that time provides. For example, longterm investing gives you a longer period of potential investment growth and can help mitigate shorter-term fluctuations in the market.

Work and save your way. With challenges associated with flexforce employment - such as the unpredictability of an untraditional job and a potentially inconsistent cash flow many people find making smaller weekly, bi-weekly or monthly contributions easier than making large lump-sum contributions. Setting up a pre-authorized purchase plan can help with finding the right timing and amount that works for

Plan regular check-ins with your financial advisor. Given the number of variables you may experience as a freelancer, it's important to speak to a financial advisor on a regular basis. Receiving financial advice early and regularly will allow you to evolve your plan to help keep your financial goals in check.

Winter Parking on District Roads Information **Everyone Should Know**



The Streets and Traffic Regulation Bylaw # 909, 2009 section 5.13: Obstruction of Motor Vehicles No vehicle shall be left standing or parked:

(I) in violation of this bylaw;

(ii) in a position that causes it to interfere with firefighting;

(iii) in a position that causes to interfere with the normal flow of traffic on a highway; or

(iv) in a position that causes it to interfere with the construction, improvement, maintenance, alterations, extension, widening, marking, or repair of or snow removal from a

Winter is almost upon us and with it comes heavy snow falls. The District of Chetwynd is committed to keeping all our roads safe for all citizens and therefore any vehicles parked in a manner that interferes with effective snow removal will be removed without notice.

A full list of the District of Chetwynd Bylaws can be found on our website at www.gochetwynd.com under the heading Municipal Office/Bylaws and follow the link. For further information regarding this or other Bylaw related questions please call Bylaw Enforcement at 250-401-4119

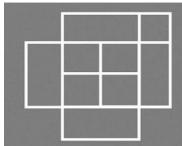




the 5th annual Sled Town Showdown contest is nearing its end with Tumbler Ridge in the final 2! Get your votes in to help recognize our area as some of the best sledding in Canada, if not the world!

Round 6 runs January 2 to 20, 2019

You can cast your vote by going online and visiting https://snoriderswest.com/sledtown_showdown/finals



HOW MANY
SQUARES?
95% CAN'T FIND
THE LAST SQUARE!

answer-11



WORRIED ABOUT RISING INTEREST RATES AFFECTING YOUR MORTGAGE?

With the Bank of Canada recently raising its key interest rate once again, many of are concerned about the impact on our household debt and mortgages. Fortunately, there are many tips and tricks for saving and budgeting you can use for other areas in your life.

Try the three-category budget. It can be overwhelming trying to track all your expenses, but it is advisable to have a baseline to check your progress. Money experts recommend picking just three categories you want to focus and get a handle on, since most of us overspend in just one or two categories. The three-category system is an easy way to get started on trimming expenses.

Pay down high-interest debt. One in three of us sometimes buy things we can't afford. If you've put a few too many purchases on your credit cards, a big portion of your monthly payment are going just towards paying down debt. To get out ahead, consider moving the debt to a low-interest option, like a line of credit. When paying off any debt, prioritize the higher-interest loans you have and work your way down.

Boost your education. If you don't know much about personal finances, you're not alone. A recent survey by the Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada revealed 49 per cent of Canadians grade themselves C or lower on their overall personal financial skills. But it's hard to get your budget on track when you don't have the right tools or knowledge. Do some research and work with an expert like a chartered professional accountant to get a better handle on your income and expenses.

Work together. If you're married or are splitting expenses with a relative, you need to be on the same page about spending and savings goals. So, sit down to outline your priorities together and create a realistic budget you both feel comfortable with and can stick to. You can even try an online budgeting tool or app to help you both track and understand expenses.

Find more information and resources to get on a path of long-term financial health at cpacanada.ca/financialwellness and also request a free educational session for any organization you're part of.