



Likely Matters

It is never too late- in fiction or in life- to revise.

Nancy Thayer

Occupy Likely!

An opinion piece By Erin Robinson

“Occupy” movements are happening all around the world. The new social movement, which began on Wall Street, has now spread to more than 100 cities and towns across the globe. This movement is a demonstration of a growing desire for change to the status- quo. Although the occupy movements do not have a clear set of demands, the protesters are peacefully demonstrating to make us all think about the unequal distribution of wealth, unsustainable use of our planet’s resources, and a socially engineered system that caters to few and marginalizes most.

The occupy movement is sending a message to the hybrid governmental/corporate system that the masses are not “uninformed, unaware, or powerless”. The people have a voice and are taking action. Protesters are part of a revisioning of society that is focusing on a different future. The revisioning is able to take into account the “big-picture” or holistic view of how social, economic, and the ecological systems intersect.

It is important to take a big-picture view of these issues because it shows how every decision we make has a ripple effect through society, economy, and ecology. Local action is an effective way to exercise control. What we buy effects people, communities, and ultimately the ecosystems that we depend upon for survival. Increased decline in public confidence regarding government, corporations, and the banking systems, coupled with the rapid depletion of many raw materials has created a collective awareness in people around the globe.

Let’s support the global movement for change by focusing our energy and power here at home. Every dollar we spend is a vote to support the status quo or work toward change. We can empower ourselves and our communities through exercising our privilege to choose a better future. ☀

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Spanish Mountain Gold Invites You To: Our 3rd Likely Community Open House



When: Thursday, November 3
Time: 6:30pm – 7:30pm
Where: Likely Community Hall

Spanish Mountain Gold is an exploration company with a Gold project located approximately 6km from the Likely bridge.

Representatives from **Spanish Mountain Gold** will again be on hand to discuss any questions or comments you may have about the company and the project. A representative from **Knight Piésold** will also be available to discuss your environmental questions, concerns and comments.

Please feel free to drop by the Community Hall anytime between 6:30pm to 7:30pm on November 3 and join us for a chat, a treat and a cup of coffee.

Joan Sorley Re-elected CRD

I am very grateful to report that I have been acclaimed as your Director for the coming 3 year term. I wish to thank you all for your support, and I pledge to continue to work hard on behalf of all of our communities. You may now visit me on Facebook. If you “like” the page, you will be notified of updates. Here is the link:

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Joan-Sorley-Cariboo-Regional-District-Director-Area-F/146217132143025>

If Facebook doesn’t work for you, of course I am still available by e-mail and phone. →

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Barkerville Goldmine Plans to “Dewater” into Quesnel River

Barkerville Gold Mines currently operates the Quesnel River Gold Mine (QR Mine), located on the north bank of the Quesnel River, approximately 60 km southeast of Quesnel. The QR Mill is permitted to process 900 tonne per day in its gold mill. QR mine, originally built by the Kinross Gold Corporation in 1994, has recently applied for an amendment to pump water from the main zone pit, which currently covers some net-acid-generating rock at the bottom, to make room for tailings from new processing

QR Mine has applied to allow other small gold operators in the area to process their gold at the QR Mine site. As a result, the current main zone pit needs to be expanded to contain the increased volumes of tailings. This expansion is to consist of increasing the height of the original tailings facility and converting the original main mining pit into a tailings facility.

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New Rio Summit Must Reach Out *Negotiators urged to look beyond the converted*

Next year's Rio +20 United Nations summit must "un environmentalise" the world's approach to sustainability so that it can reach out beyond the converted. Organizers have stated that this once in a generation gathering should focus on economic opportunities so the principles of sustainability were accepted beyond the "usual suspects" of environment ministries and environmental NGOs.

The effort to broaden the principles of the original 1992 Rio Earth summit are likely to prove controversial. Supporters say the world needs a new, more inclusive approach to sustainability that emphasizes the benefits to humanity because current efforts to protect nature are failing. Critics warn that the increased emphasis on technology will simply "greenwash" destructive levels of consumption and development.

The first Rio summit 20 years ago is seen as one of the most ambitious gatherings in the history of the UN. More than 100 heads of state signed up to a package of actions, including efforts to halt the deterioration of the ozone layer, tackle climate change, and reduce the loss of biodiversity. These issues have taken centre stage in international negotiations for the past 2 decades. The follow up in June 2012 will set the global agenda for the next 20 years.

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September 16-22, 2011.



Barkerville Goldmine Plans to "Dewater" into Quesnel River *continued from page 1*

The original main mining pit has been flooded and will need to be drained before it can be converted into a tailings area. The permit is in place to "dewater" this pit into Quesnel River. The mine wastewater discharge would be able to passively move through groundwater until it reaches Quesnel River. The Ministry of Environment states that the discharge of effluent from a main mine pit to an unnamed tributary of the Quesnel River must not exceed the natural inflow rate resulting from precipitation, run-on and groundwater seepage. Further, the characteristics of discharge shall not exceed maximum concentration levels set by MOE. The parameters for maximum water discharge standards allow for the following chemicals to be tested for: sulphate, cyanide, nitrogen, antimony, arsenic, chromium, cobalt, copper, iron, manganese, molybdenum, nickel, selenium, silver and zinc.

Lets help to ensure this plan is well thought-out and does not compromise the health of Quesnel River. Encourage the Ministry of Environment and QR Mine to protect our watershed. Ask MOE and QR Mines to answer these questions:

- 1) What is the probability that processing ores from other sites will quickly change the chemistry of the tailings facility and of surrounding groundwater?
- 2) How many jobs will be created due to this initiative?
- 3) As a result of the milling process, will there be higher levels of cyanide and other reagents than are presently found in the tailings facility?
- 4) How will processing affect the level of chemicals and minerals in the tailings and surrounding groundwater through operation and closure phases?
- 5) If negative ecological consequences take place after QR mine closure, who will be responsible for remediation?

LXCF News

- ▶ **Fir beetle cutting permits should be passed November 3, 2011. So we can start picking up the trap trees.**
- ▶ **Spacing and brushing another 16 hectares with Land Based Investment funding.**
- ▶ **Falling and burning 5 hectares of dead hemlock at Winkley Creek in combination with a CRD funded fuel-management project.**

The Likely Cemetery Society Meeting - October 9, 2011.

-Interest has been expressed in performing a dig within the cemetery at Quesnel Forks. Brian Giesbrecht will be organizing this for next spring. The dig will occur over about a 3 week period in May or June, 2012.

- UNBC students from QRRC attended classes at Quesnel Forks. Their instructor, Ellen Petticrew, brought her students to Quesnel Forks to review soil and settling. The students explored the research question- Why do graves sink? A copy of a report will be sent to the Cemetery Society in the near future. *Submitted by LCS*

**Community Meeting-
Water Quality Concerns in the
Quesnel River Watershed**

November 25, 2011



Members from the local area will gather with representatives of industry, government, the press and the local first nation groups to have a conversation about concerns over water quality in our watershed. If you have any questions or concerns about effluent being discharged into Quesnel Lake/Quesnel River this will be your chance to voice your concerns and have your questions answered by the Ministry of Environment or Mount Polley Mining Corporation.

If you have any questions or concerns about this meeting please contact Erin Robinson 790-2468.

Write Letters for 8400- Vital Escape Rout

We are asking folks to call or write complaint letters to Quesnel Forest Service regarding the closure of the 8400 road. The 8400 road provides some residents in Likely with a vital escape route in case of emergencies. A letter from the Dept. of Highways states that only a section of the back road will be open (3100 Rd section).

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Church Announcements

**Remembrance Day Service- 10:30am in the
Community Hall Submitted by Pastor Garrit**

Lest We Forget- On the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, Canadians are asked to pause in memory of the thousands of men and women who sacrificed their lives in military service. **Remembrance Day** was first held throughout the Commonwealth in 1919 (1 year after the end of WW1).



Bouquet of Roses

☼ Thank-you to everyone who volunteered during the Paddlefest weekend. Everyone picked up their garbage and kept the downtown clean. Good Job! *Submitted by your Chamber of Commerce*

☼ The Likely Community Firewood Party at World of Wood was another huge success this year, with a turnout of over 50 volunteers. A logging truck full of thanks to Bill Shaw and Jarret Coombs for donating their time to, not only buck, but also split the wood. Twenty-seven loads were delivered to the community and a load for those that came out and helped. A big thanks to those community members who showed up for the day to help split and deliver the wood and join in the fun. We had people from as far away as the U.S. and volunteers ranged in age from one to 82 years! Thank you to Gail Lamont for bossing everyone around and to Danny Adolf for watching over the fire and the potluck. All the proceeds from this year's party will go towards building our new Fire Hall. We hope to see everyone again next year. *Submitted by Kathy Hillary*

Likely Chamber of Commerce News

Community Hall – Parking Lot –Fire hall garage will be put on the Community Hall property.

LCSA – Summer program very successful, with increased participation. LCSA unsure about future programs, as funding has been cut right back. Looking into 3-4 grants to support specific programs.

Fire & Rescue – August is the busiest month for Fire and Rescue calls. Joan Sorley made several suggestions regarding fire hall garage funding, including “proceeds of crime”, and CRD grants.

Tourism – Numbers at info centre down somewhat this year. Bullion Mine film footage being transferred to DVD.

Cedar Creek – D.F.O. recommends engineering for Cedar Creek, while the community has no funds to do this. Joan Sorley mentioned a Supreme Court o Canada precedent that rules if the repairs do not affect fisheries, then D.F.O. has no jurisdiction to order repairs (Cedar Creek is dry during spawning times of year).

Fire/Rescue News

☼ THANK YOU to Brittany Careless for phone canvassing the community for fireworks donations and THANK YOU to everyone to made a donation.

☼ Four of our members completed the new First Responder Training thru the Academy of Emergency Training. Lala Marie Hampton, Lisa Kraus, Berk Gallagher and Lori Lockyer just finished their exams on Sunday, Oct. 23rd. Their exam results are all good and we are waiting for their certificates from the the Licensing Branch in Victoria. CONGRATULATIONS to all of you for your hard work and dedication!!

I am sorry to announce that we did not get funding for our grant application to the CRD to build our Fire/Rescue building. The Lotteries corporation is not accepting any applications until further notice so we are trying our best to be patient and will continue to pursue this much needed structure for our community. To all of those people who made contributions to the cause, our sincerest THANKS! We have placed the funds into a special bank account in the hopes that we will be successful next year. *Submitted by Elaine Lucas*

Gold Price- \$1743.30 October 28, 2011

Gold Price Performance USD

Change	Amount	%
Today	-4.40	-0.25%
30 Days	97.10	5.88%
6 Months	231.10	15.24%
1 Year	425.50	32.18%
5 Years	1151.22	193.00%

goldprice.org

<http://goldprice.org/gold-price.html>

?? Did you know ??

Fastest turtle- Sea turtles began swimming around the same time as the dinosaurs- about 75 million years ago. The leatherback turtle has evolved into the fastest swimmer, and has been clocked at speeds of up to 22 miles per hour.

Fish headlights- A flashlight comes by its name honestly. It has billions of bacteria that shine like headlights. These fish can turn the bacteria on and off- just like a flashlight- to confuse predators.

Community Notices

Seniors Meeting
November 5, 1:30 Hall

Woodshop
Wednesdays 10am-2pm

Ready Set Learn!
November 1, 1:30-3:00pm Gym

Spanish Mountain Gold Public Meeting
November 3
6:30pm-7:30pm Hall

Bible Study
Wednesdays 7pm

Library
Mondays 3:15pm-7pm
Wednesdays 1pm-5pm

Church
Prayer 9:30am
Main Service 10:30am

Likely Fire and Rescue
TBA

Community Meeting- Water Quality
November 25 6:30-7:30 Hall

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Valley General Store

Fresh is Best
layered dip is now available at Valley General. *Fresh is Best* products are made in Kamloops.



Support Local Eat Fresh

New Winter Hours

Mon-Sat 9am-8pm (Sundays 10am-8pm)

Feldenkrais® Workshop

November 26-27
Williams Lake
To Register contact Syl at 250-305-4267



Local Organizations

- 1) Cedar Point Park Board
Peter McKeown- 790-2207
 - 2) Likely Fire/Rescue
Elaine Lucas 790-2555
 - 3) Likely Cemetery Society
Howard Fenton 790-2360
 - 4) Likely Chapel 790-2392
 - 5) Likely Community Hall
Elaine Lucas 790-2555
 - 6) Likely Community School Association
Kim Davis 790-2320
 - 7) Likely Library
Vicki Schill 790-2234
 - 8) Post Office 790-2322
 - 9) Likely Seniors Assoc.
Marvin and Gail Doney 790-2018
 - 10) Likely Archery, Rod and Gun Club
Gary Zorn, President
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- Important Numbers**
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