

## Tahsis Teens Rock

~ story Catherine Gordon

On Friday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, the CMESS volleyball team took first and second place honors over Zebellos and Gold River in an all-day round robin extravaganza at Captain Meares Elementary and Secondary School. In an unusual twist of fate, both Tahsis teams ended up in the final showdown. The Tahsis One team took the prize, in a match that pitted friend against friend and brother against brother.

School principal, Tony Ellis, was beaming with pride as he handed out the trophy and ribbons to both his teams, and had high praise for the sportsmanship of third place Gold River. He also expressed his admiration and respect for all the participants who practiced so long and so hard to make this event a success.

Kudos also go to the CMESS teachers and support staff who coached and staged the event, and the PAC members who manned the concession table.

Job well done, CMESS & PAC!

## Mike Mountain Honored

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One of the nicest things about Tahsis is the men and women who volunteer their time to help others in distress. 38-year-old Mike Mountain, auxiliary police officer, is one of those upstanding citizens who get up at all hours of the night to help others.



Solicitor General John Les (left), Mike Mountain with Medal of Valour, and Lieutenant-Governor Iona Campagnolo (right).

In November of 2006, Mike won the BC Medal of Valor Award for rescuing seven kayakers during extreme weather conditions. Only thirteen regular force officers have received the medal. Mike is the first, and only, auxiliary policeman to ever win such a prestigious honor.

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**Relax, You're on TAHSIS TIME**

Like many places in BC this Winter, Tahsis has been experiencing unusual weather. On January 11th, Rugged Mtn & Tahsis received a surprisingly liberal coating of fluffy white snow. Photo Alice Thompson

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## Spirit of BC Week Feb 11 to 19

~ story by Catherine Gordon

The Spirit of BC Committee is proud to present Spirit of BC Week, a week full of sport and cultural activities for the Tahsis public. Committee chair, Debra Conibear, and her committee members have worked tirelessly to create fun and healthy programs for all ages.

### Storytime February 14th 1:00 PM

Storytime will take place at the Tahsis Public Library at 1:00 PM, featuring storyteller and Early Childhood Educator Catherine Gordon. The program should last a ½ hour long and is suitable for children under 6 years old, though all members of the public are invited to attend

### Artisan Show February 15th 2:00- 5:00

A display of local Arts & Crafts will take place at the CMESS Gym, featuring local Artists showing their works and giving demos of their process. The Literacy Now Free Book Kiosk will be unveiled, and open for business! The public is invited to attend.

### WinterActive Family Free Swim February 17th 2:00 PM- 5:00PM

WinterActive Family Free Swim will take place at the the Tahsis Recreation Center Pool. Games and races will be featured, as well as free giveaways, and lots of healthy snacks. Families are encouraged to come out for a great day at the pool!



### Family Dinner & Dance Sat February 17 5:00 to 8:00 PM

The Family Dinner and Dance will have lots of Good Food, Music and Dancing for the whole family. Please bring a potluck dessert.

### Medal of Valor... continued

In a ceremony that included the Solicitor- General and the Lieutenant- Governor, Mike and Virginia Mountain rubbed elbows with the brightest and bravest in law enforcement. Mike has also been selected to receive the RCMP's highest award for bravery, to be presented to him on March 9, 2007. He is modest when asked about the incident in August 2003 that catapulted him into the limelight, saying simply that he loves to help others. Mike is still active in auxiliary policing, which requires a commitment of 160 unpaid volunteer hours per month.

### Why I love Tahsis

~ Story by Catherine Gordon

Why do I love Tahsis? Easy, it's the eagles. One warm afternoon last summer I witnessed a male and female bald eagle swoop over the neighborhood and rested in a neighbor's Douglas fir tree. The local cackle of crows took exception to the ~ continued top right...

### Have A Heart Grams

The CMESS students are having Have- A- Heart Gram Fundraiser for youth specific HIV/AIDS research. Each Have-A- Heart Gram contains: a packet of Dentyne gum, a red ribbon, HIV/ AIDS literature and a homemade sugar cookie. All that for \$1.00! Orders will be taken until Feb 13, 2007 and the grams will be delivered on Valentines Day. If you are interested in ordering, contact Mrs. Kornlyo at CMESS.

### Valentines Dinner

Friends of Tahsis put on their Annual Spaghetti Dinner on Feb 11th. Coordinator Corrine Dahling invited the whole community to a night of free spaghetti and family fun at the Tahsis Recreation Center. This is the second year for the event and organizers realized a bigger turnout than last year.

As usual, the smallest of the Tahsis inhabitants had the most fun, the dinner allowed the children to play with all their friends. Many thanks to Corrine, Dan, Mia, and the rest of the crew.

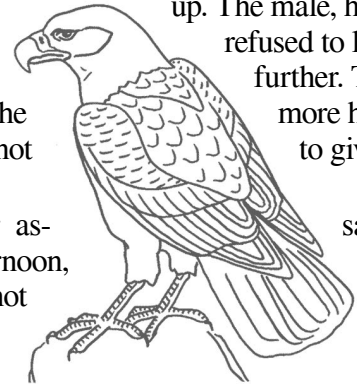
### Ms. Eichar's Mom Says Thanks !



Josephine Eichar wishes to thank Molly Eichar's students who sang her Happy Birthday over the phone for her 81st birthday on February 5th. Josephine lives in the Takyse Lake area of Bulkley Valley.

### Why I Love Tahsis.. continued

intrusion, and began to dive-bomb the pair in an effort to get them to leave. The female eagle decided that discretion was the better part of valor, and left the tree after it was obvious to her that the crows would not give up. The male, however, stood his ground and refused to leave, enraging the crows even further. The more the crows attacked him, the more he clung to his branch, determined not to give them satisfaction.



The crows keep up their assault for the better part of the afternoon, and yet the male eagle would not leave from the tree. Finally, exhausted from their blitzkrieg, the crows left in disgrace. The male eagle then rose, unfurled his large brown wings and sailed away to join his mate in more private surroundings.

That's why I love Tahsis.

### What is "Tahsis Time" ?

~ by Alice Thompson

When I first came to Tahsis, I was quite intrigued by the "Relax, You're on Tahsis Time" phrase. In 2002 and 2003 when I was working in the Access Centre creating the Village website www.villageoftahsis.com, I was asked to do the Village Newsletter—"The Tahsis Times"—in honour of the small newspaper published during the Mill days. I quite enjoyed working on the newsletter and it was much appreciated by locals and visitors.

I moved on since those days to creating the Community Profile www.tahsis.ca, and then to working as a Realtor in Tahsis. Many people told me they missed the newsletter, so in November 2006 when I was thinking of interesting ways to promote my Realty services... I thought of the Newsletter. Starting up the newsletter and calling it "Tahsis Time" felt right.

For this issue, I asked Catherine Gordon what she loved about Tahsis, and she wrote a really wonderful story about eagles for our Valentine's issue.

So let us know what *you* love about Tahsis. Each issue we will run "What I love about Tahsis". Send us a short note or story. Call Alice at 934-7665 or Catherine at 934-6303 or e-mail tahsistime@cablerocket.com.

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