PEACE RIVER BLOCK

PAILYENEUS

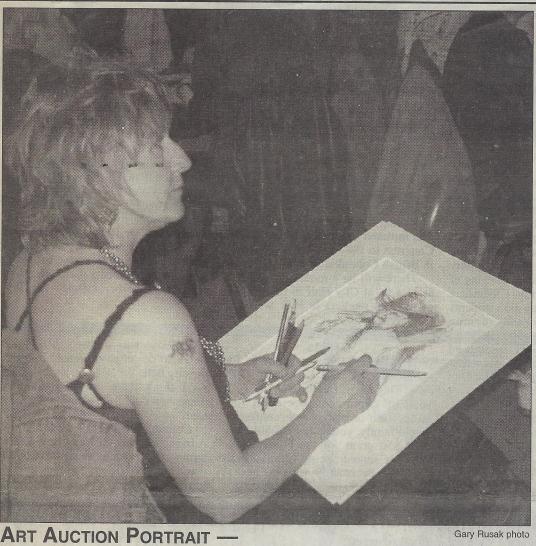
Keeping you informed since 1930

600-114th Ave., Dawso Buy, Sell & Co

60 ¢ (GST incl.)

DAWSON CREEK, B.C.

Tuesday, Apr



Local artist Emilie Mattson did a little sketching of her own at Arti Gras art auction on Friday night at the Kiwanis Performing Arts Centre.

Council says chainsaw car

By Gary Rusak

A plan to decorate parking meter poles w to attract tourism to downtown Dawson C by city council on Monday.

The proposal to offer chainsaw carving prices ranging from \$600 to \$3,000 to att parking meter poles downtown was brough Haney of SMT Gateway Gallery.

'My concern is that in our experience it time to sell the carvings privately at that I Marilyn Belak, who added that in the n would be stuck with the parking meter pole

'I move that we remove the poles and downtown beautification plan.

One of the major sticking points for t council had previously agreed to remove and all, from the downtown core.

"The poles are to be removed fully," sa trator Jim Chute. "That was council's inten

Coun. Paul Gevatkoff said that the he ap coming forward with their plans and stress always open to new ideas.

I don't think that we want to preclude f said. "I don't want to stop the whole proces Belak as well agreed that public input in

revitalization is a necessary component. "I would invite all the community to co

ideas," she said. For his part Haney understood council's

"I value the opportunity to present it," h After the vote was completed Mayo expressed gratitude to Haney for bringing and said he was encouraged by the public'

ing the city a more attractive place. "Thanks for the offer," Dahlen said.

Producers upbeat about lifting of more beef restriction

EDMONTON (CP) — €anadian Tbone steaks, prime rib and hamburgers will soon be sizzling on American plates for the first time in almost a year after the U.S. lifted some trade restrictions imposed because of mad cow dis-

Beleaguered producers say allowing more exports of beef products from young animals will bolster the industry's bottom line by up to \$150 million.

It also means the U.S. is a step closer to reopening the border to the onemillion-head-per-year live cattle trade, Arno Doerksen, chairman of the Alberta Beef Producers, said Monday.

This is significant that they have moved ahead and is an indication that progress is being made," said Doerksen.
"Hopefully close to mid-year we can

ders slammed shut to Canadian beef on May 20 when a case of bovine spongiform encephalopathy, or BSE, was found in an Alberta cow.

The federal government estimates BSE has cost the Canadian economy about \$2 billion so

In September, the U.S. allowed the resumption of shipments of boneless cuts of beef from cattle under 30 months of age. Younger ani-

mals are considered to be at low risk of the disease.

The new U.S. rules that went into

case last year can now be shipped south of the border, said Ted Haney, president of the Canadian Beef Export Federation.

"Hopefully close to mid-year we can export live cattle."

> Arno Doerksen, Alberta Beef Producers

Export The changes cover bone-in cuts of

beef and processed products, including hamburger.

"All edible beef products derived under Canada's regulatory process where specified risk materials are removed from animals under months of age are

now eligible for trade," Haney said.
"We can now start selling prime rib again. And of course T-bones. This will

philosophical shift by beef export permit sys cific products to a mo approach.

The beef industry Canada's other North Trade Agreement part ilar changes to its be

later this week, he sai The timing of the ment came less than nine American Agriculture Secretary not to let the U.S. be ground for Canadian of

That bodes well, sa "If the anti-trade p the future was to be wouldn't have seen trade as we have s