



# The Edge

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## The Kalamalka Highlanders Pipe Band was a great success!

On December 10<sup>th</sup>, The Kalamalka Pipe Band came to Whatshan Lake Retreat to show us just how amazing the pipes really are!

In this concert only a part of the group came primarily to test the sound quality and to get a feel for the location. They are looking forward to bringing the whole band out for a full concert in April to play in the most spectacularly acoustically designed outdoor stage in our known universe, The Whatshan Retreat.

In a small intimate performance, we were really able to appreciate the hard work that goes into playing the pipes. Men, women young and old, have shown us that with strength and determination you can do anything!

I was inspired most by the young adults in the band, who took so much pride in their music. It became apparent to me that in order to be in a pipe band you have to be a team player, as you have to pay close attention to your band leader to know when your part comes in. Each and every one of the people in the band play a valuable part in making the sound come alive, but it is only with this team work that it becomes a complete fulfilling experience.



Photo Credit: Elise Bourgeois

## *The Newest Member of the Edge*

Hello, My name is Megan Vander Ploeg.

I am the new youth intern at *The Edge*.

I was born in Castlegar and raised in the Kootenay area.

I enjoy writing music and playing my guitar. I have written and recorded a CD titled "It all comes back to you". Some of my hobbies include nature, sports, animals, making friends and meeting new people, I'd love to meet many more friendly people in Edgewood! So come on by and say hello!

**"We will open the book. Its pages are blank. We are going to put words on them ourselves. The book is called Opportunity and its first chapter is New Year's Day."- Edith Lovejoy Pierce**



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***Have a happy, healthy and safe New Year!***

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