More-on-corruption edition (plus other, more seasonal and cheerful, stuff)

Everybody’s business:
Funding for business, government and NGO internships
Pacific Institute for Climate Solutions Internships enhance students’ knowledge and expertise in the area of climate change, as well as integrate that knowledge into solutions. $10,000 in internship funding per four-month placement is available to provincial and local governments and BC-based NGOs. In addition, PICS will match private sector and crown corporation contributions to a maximum of $6,000 for four-month internship placements in areas of interest to PICS. Application deadline is January 16, 2015.

Field-to-fork hoofprint of your Christmas ham.
Pork.org has a sty-full of resources about swine, starting with improvements to the environmental sustainability of production and moving on to a porcine carbon footprint calculator and a further link to a report on life-cycle analysis.

To tree or not to tree
Natural or artificial; cut or live: these are the questions when it comes to picking a tree during the holiday season. There’s nothing like the smell of a live or cut tree in your home during the yuletide, but is what is the best option all ‘round? My Recyclopedia has the answer to this and many other questions: Reduce? Reuse? How? Recycle? Where? Pros versus cons. The environmental story. And more.

UVic Vikes are selling Island-grown trees at Centennial Stadium until Dec 22 from 10 am-7 pm.
And after the holiday, you can bring it back and they’ll chip it for you! Jan 3 and 4, 9 am-5 pm.

Disturbing corruption rating by country
Transparency International’s Corruption Perceptions Index 2014
José Ugaz, chair of Transparency International, points out that, “Countries at the top of the index should make sure they don’t export corrupt practices to underdeveloped countries.”

Corporate counter-insurgency
Gasland is an American documentary about natural gas, flammable water, property rights, and corporate strategy, including the use of military counter-insurgency tactics to manage civilian non-compliance with corporate goals.