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Injunction adjourned

by Peggy Abrahams

A Supreme Court judge adjourned a hearing on an injunction brought by Texada Land Corporation against several Salt Spring residents, in Vancouver last Wednesday. After hearing a cross application brought on behalf of a group of islanders, Justice Edwards adjourned the hearing until April 14 and changed the venue to Victoria.

Local lawyer John Davies, who represents the group of Salt Spring residents, said, "What impressed me is the courts are very open to hearing the community's point of view." Davies explained that Texada had applied for an "order against any physical obstruction against their (logging) traffic." In a responding notice, residents applied to the court for their own injunction, asking Texada and its sub-contractor Dorman Logging to exercise safe driving practices, said Davies.

Local residents supplied evidence, including videotape footage and letters providing eyewitness accounts of local incidents of unsafe driving and other events related to Texada's logging operation on Salt Spring.

Davies said he decided to represent local residents in the action after being approached by several Islanders who told him their personal accounts of unsafe

driving by Dorman truck drivers. "They were just citizens minding their own business who couldn't enjoy their country roads. We have industrial traffic mixing with school buses and residential traffic. I was able to go into court and speak on behalf of residents with evidence on video and in letters of logging trucks driving at fast speeds." Among evidence presented was a letter by Fulford Elementary School Principal Barb Aust, who wrote about her safety concerns. Aust recounted having to brake suddenly while driving with her granddaughter when a Dorman truck did not stop at a stop sign.

Davies said he proposed three solutions, the first that the company be banned from using Salt Spring's public roads; the second, that the company retain a safety engineer to supervise their traffic; and third, the use of a pilot vehicle with a yellow flashing light to accompany the trucks.

On Friday, Davies commented, "They still haven't agreed to my terms." He added that Texada's injunction seemed unnecessary as the protestors had already complied with an earlier injunction brought by Dorman. Individuals previously forming a blockade at Hamilton Horn Road left

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An aggressive fire ripped through the Cecill home Friday, April 7, reducing it to charred rubble in less than two hours

Fire destroys Beddis home

Fire ripped through a three story wood home at 1203 Beddis Road Friday afternoon, reducing it to smoking charcoal within a few hours. The owner, Bob Cecill, was not at home nor was a tenant who had moved into the house just a week ago.

"It was a very aggressive, hot and intense fire," said Fire Chief David Enfield who added that during his year and a half on Salt Spring he had not seen a fire as aggressive. "Even Erling [Jorgensen] said he hasn't seen a fire like that on the Island. He said it looked like a movie set when they arrived." Enfield said the fire was so intense it damaged some of the equipment used to put it out.

A neighbour called 911 at 3:30 after hearing an explo-

sion on the property. When he went to investigate the fire was already through the roof of the building. Firefighters arrived at the house within six minutes but by then the entire structure was in flames. Equipment from Ganges and Central fire halls responded to the call. In total, eight vehicles were put to use. Enfield said 34,000 gallons of water

were pumped onto the fire by 16 firefighters working over a five hour period before it was safe to leave the structure. Even then, firefighters were called back in the morning when an area in the centre of the ruins was found smoldering. Enfield described the house as being 10 to 11 years old, post and beam with very little drywall inside. "The house was all finished in

wood inside," he said as partial explanation for the aggressive nature of the fire.

Enfield conservatively estimated damages at \$250,000 but said the final tally could be much higher. The home and Cecill's contents were insured but the tenant did not have insurance for his belongings.

An investigation is under way to determine the cause of the fire.

Harris gone from BC Ferries

The *Barnacle* has learned that Ross Harris, former Marine Superintendent, Inter-Island Services South, has left BC Ferries effective April 4.

Employees were informed last Tuesday that Harris is no longer associated with the company. In a tersely worded memo, the Corporation announced that Captain Don Funk, Senior Master, Long Harbour, has assumed the duties of Marine

Superintendent on an acting basis. Employees were also told that a full review of the Southern Gulf Islands operation is underway.

The Ferry Corporation has also decided to move several positions from the Fulford Harbour Office back to Long Harbour. Human Resources staff, as well as the Regional Terminal Manager, will be based at Long Harbour effective May 1.

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Starving students help build a school

by Rob McMahon

Last Sunday night, a group of more than 120 Gulf Islands Secondary School students rushed dinner tables, restaurants and grocery stores in a wild frenzy of hunger-crazed madness. The reason: the young men and women had just completed 30 hours of life without solid food, living on donated juices and water as a part of the 30 Hour Famine event to raise funds for needy schoolchildren in Ghana, West Africa.

This year's 30 Hour Famine (GISS's second) raised more than \$7200, 100 per cent of which will be donated via the non-profit international exchange agency Cross Cultural Solutions to aid people in Ghana building a school for grades 4, 5, and 6 in the small village of Ziavi-Lume. The school is planned to be approximately 3000 square feet and will consist of three classrooms, a library, an office, two verandas and a staff room. The structure will replace the current thatched-roof building that has to be shut down during rainy weather. To date, blueprints for the new school have been drawn up, most of the foundations have been placed and the walls are partially up. Cross Cultural Solutions, "is not a developmental agency, nor does it fund community projects. [But]...because of its close contact with the village, has been impressed by the community's ability to organize and has therefore decided to be responsible for raising its share of the costs."

Among other student organizers, this year's Famine is the result of work by senior students Bree Eagle and Sarah Walsh. Walsh has recently returned from a three and a half-week volunteer programme in Ghana (which was organized and



Bree Eagle (left) and Sarah Walsh (right) organizers of the 30 hour famine.

implemented with the help of Cross Cultural Solutions) and during her stay visited the village for which this year's 30 Hour Famine raised funds. She returned to Salt Spring with a new outlook on life and armloads of photos, and created a visual exhibition that was on display at the Famine, essentially to "show kids what they're starving for." The students chose Cross Cultural Solutions, which doesn't usually do 30 Hour Famines but agreed to help with this one, since they guaranteed 100 per cent of the funds raised would be used in a specific, concrete project, whereas World Vision Canada, the company used previously, distributes the money across a wide variety of locations and causes.

The Famine began when students were locked in the high school at 1 p.m. on Friday and ended with a massive feast on Sunday night at 7 p.m. During the 30 hour fast, students drank a variety of liquids to stay hydrated (6 ounces per hour), including donated juice, pop, Gatorade, and good old Kool Aid. Food for the banquet was donated by local business. Activities inside the school included karaoke, video-watching (movies donated from Island Star), soccer and live music provided by student bands.

The money raised for the Famine was collected in traditional pledge style, with students asking friends, family members and neighbors for assistance with the

project. Eagle said she was stunned by the amount of participation from her school associates, stating it is "amazing that people cared so much." She was greatly pleased with participation from the school, the chaperones, Island businesses and the community, all of whom lent great support to the project.

Those interested in more information on the New York based Cross Cultural Solutions, whose mission is to, "employ volunteer humanitarian action to empower local communities, foster cultural sensitivity and understanding, and further social progress in India, Ghana, and Peru," can check their website at www.cross-cultural-solutions.org.

Testimony and evidence heard from Islanders in Vancouver court

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the area when the first injunction was made last month, allowing logging trucks to move freely since.

"It's just a mental block. There's nobody there," Davies said.

Jerry Bordian, Texada principal who attended the hearing Wednesday, explained the company's

rationale for the second injunction. "These are Texada's lands and we felt it was very important to make sure people weren't breaking the law, to make sure people in fact were respecting the law." He acknowledged that logging trucks have been able to transport timber off the property

since the blockade dispersed. "However, people in the direct action were asked if we were to be moving logs, would they obstruct them, and they said they would," he added.

Bordian said Texada would certainly obey any safety recommendations made that could be put into effect.

Referring to the hearing, Bordian commented, "Points were made—some were accurate, some were not—so we are going to present an affidavit of what was actually real." He added that the affidavit will be presented at the April 14 hearing.

Davis said, "We are hoping for a negotiated agreement."

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Isle Say! ...
with John Pottinger

Your Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee placed a full-page "public statement" in last week's paper. That statement should be mandatory reading for every person with an interest in these Gulf Islands, both for what it says and what it doesn't say.

First, the statement reminds us, "The object of the Trust is to preserve and protect the Trust Area and its unique amenities and environment for the benefit of the residents of the Trust Area and of British Columbia generally...." The statement goes on to say the Trust's position is that the rate of forest harvesting should not exceed the rate of regrowth, and clear-cutting should not occur except under approved woodlot management plans or for agricultural purposes under the ALR.

Then the statement tells us why none of this matters. The policies, positions, and concerns of the Islands Trust carry no weight because most of Texada's land is in the "Forest Land Reserve," which means that the Trust is banned from doing anything that would restrict any activity related to timber harvesting.

So the problem comes down to words. Words in one piece of legislation competing with words in another. Words may sound convincing—or even mighty—but mean exactly nothing if they have no power behind them. For any legislation to have an effect, it must contain two ingredients: purpose and authority. Without authority, the words are a waste of ink.

The Trust says "Industrial logging is not appropriate on an island because of its overwhelming negative impact on

sensitive environmental and social conditions that makes it impossible to support the object of the Islands Trust." Amen.

Humans have been slow to learn what "environment" really means. The interconnection and interdependence of all things great and small is a concept we're only beginning to understand (too late for some species). A forest is not simply a bunch of trees, anymore than an ocean is simply a bunch of water.

But one portion of last week's statement worries me. That part reads "...the local Trust Committee should not be an advocate for development and a regulatory body at the same time." Excuse me? All levels of government are regulatory bodies of some sort. And all levels of government take positions on issues. That's how governments govern.

Provincial and federal governments routinely advocate, and then enact, significant legislative changes that effect our environment, our children's education, our health, and even our culture. Municipal governments routinely advocate development and regulate that development through bylaws.

The real problem here—and the solution—lies with provincial government legislation. The problem is: the Islands Trust Act is in conflict with the Forest Land Reserve Act. The solution is: no land area covered by the Islands Trust Act should be permitted to be FLRA land. To accomplish that, the legislation must be changed. To do that, the B.C. Government must be lobbied and pressured relentlessly by all of us. Including our Trustees.



Nailed it

Thank you for the "Emperor" editorial, which hit the nail right on the head. Also thanks to you and John for your fortitude.

HARRY WARNER

Preserving heritage

I would like to express my thanks to the editor of *the Barnacle* for publishing the excellent article by Michelle and Jonathan Grant regarding the future of St. Mark's Church and also for the support provided by Linda Koroseil.

When in England my husband and I often visit small village churches still standing many many centuries after being built.

In them one can soak up the history of the local community, however much it has changed and, in the church furnishings and the plaques on the walls and floors, feel the lives of the people who have worshipped there for so many years.

These churches are still in use and are lovingly cared for by the present congregation and hopefully will continue to be so far many more years.

Salt Spring Island is still growing, and it would be wonderful if we could pass on some of our heritage for future generations to enjoy.

NANCY HOLCROFT

Exposing the heinous Emily

Hurrah for Arthur Black and his timely roasting (April 4) of the heinous Judge Emily Murphy! But, he neglects to mention her gravest outrage upon our morals and sensibilities; the criminalization in Canada of marijuana—the dreaded Indian Hemp—63 long years ago, before it had even entered USA law.

Emily was petitioned by a delegation of unidentified Americans (presumably representatives of big alcohol and tobacco interest) who warned her of an evil substance making its insidious way north. It has been known, they said, when smoked, to cause Mexicans (who were on their way as well) to go raving mad and to slit peoples throats with these long knives they wield while raping and robbing and then dancing around their victims with yelps of rebel glee.

"Well," responded Emily, "we don't want any of that around Canadians of English extraction, now, do we? Hence, we shall fine, imprison or hang anyone who ever gets near that, what was it, mari-something again."

And so it passed into law

and the children were taught that this was right.

Today, like all wealthy hypocrite nations we carry on in the spirit of Murphy, whose judicial misdeeds have disaffected generations, abolishing freedoms wholesale and slitting the throat of dissent while legislating upon adult choices of debatable harmfulness.

Meanwhile, the remaining trees tumble all around amid the chink of loonies and toonies and the gloating of unfair nobodies.

Way to go, Emily, and thank you Arthur Black for pointing up her miserable legacy. Shine it on.

ROBB DAY

Volunteer Week

April 9 to 15 is Volunteer Week and at this time Greenwood's Senior Care Facility would like to recognize the contributions of our many dedicated volunteers. Your vibrant energy and wonderful spirit of giving adds so much to the atmosphere, well-being and life of the residents living here. Thank you for the richness you add. You make it happen!!

With much appreciation,
KATHRYN LANDRY
Volunteer and Activity
Co-ordinator

Overwhelming support

This is a letter of thanks to the people of SS who have made such a difference in my life since I moved here, and especially those who have provided incredible friendship and support.

It might be enough to just live in a natural paradise such as this, but I never anticipated "the Human Factor." It's almost as if I were returning after a long absence. There are too many names to list and I think those who have had a positive effect on me in my new life know who they are. I want them to know that I am very grateful for the treatment I received as I heal physically and spiritually. It is quite overwhelming. Thank you very much.

TERRY MUNROE.

A dream come true

A year ago I went to bed to the constant thump of my neighbours' music and I woke up to the sound of a car alarm going off. I would run to the window to see whose vehicle was broken into this time. When I got to the window I noticed the onset of the morning rush hour traffic and the squeal of yet another emergency vehicle. I would

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where I am mesmerised by all I see. I watch the deer munching; the male and female pheasant on the path; the song birds flying this way and that and trees as far as I can see. I take in a long deep breath and think THANK YOU SALT SPRING.

CHARLENE WOLFF

Protest GM foods

Pure food isn't just a right; it's an essential ingredient for a healthy life and planet. Which is why 22 of us gathered outside Thrifty's, the Saturday market, Ganges Village Market and Foxglove on Saturday, April 1 with our signs and banners protesting the sale of Genetically Modified Foods in our supermarkets.

These novel foods affect

everyone. Cooking from scratch won't protect you. Baking powder contains cornstarch and corn is genetically modified. As is canola, soy, squash and potatoes.

What's a consumer to do? Protest! Make your feelings known. There's no need to take the genetic manipulation of our food supply lying down.

One hundred postcards were signed, urging Allan Rock, our Minister of Health to phase out GMOs. More can be signed at Natureworks along with a petition. Across Canada, consumers chose April Fool's Day as a time to speak out.

Thank you to the Raging Grannies and everyone else who contributed to our rally. Your support is appreciated.

MICHELLE GRANT

Seniors beware!

Recently I advocated for a senior who sent a \$10 donation to a well known Canadian Charitable cause. Next month, he found that \$70 had been withdrawn from his chequing account by this Society. We phoned the Society to ask for immediate reversal of the unauthorized amount. The spokesperson said the mix up happened because the senior had filled in a monthly donor slip authorizing bank withdrawals. We asked for a photocopy of the slip. The spokesperson said that they would reverse the \$70 but keep the original \$10 donation, which had not been cashed—but from which they had obviously taken the chequing account information.

When the photocopied

monthly donor slip arrived, it did show that the senior signed under monthly donor—but no voided cheque was sent by the senior nor was an amount specified as a monthly donation. Obviously the Society had decided arbitrarily on \$70 as a nice round sum giving them an annual haul of \$840 from this account.

We subsequently wrote the Society in question asking how they could rationalize their fundraising procedure; did they not think of phoning the senior to clarify his intentions? No

answer has yet been received.

Seniors beware! When donating through the mail, read and understand what you sign even if the soliciting Charity is well known. Perhaps there is an over zealous worker in the Society's office who sees an opportunity afforded by a vague senior—perhaps one bordering on dementia or Alzheimers—who won't even notice the unauthorized withdrawal(s).

Has anyone else out there had a similar experience?

PATRICIA FITZGERALD

Missive from the Queen

I am the Bowen Queen. Since my return I have had hundreds of people praising my return and telling me how much they have missed me.

They say I am so cozy and passenger friendly. They wish I could be cloned. They don't like that other barge I was replaced by.

The other day three ladies started crying when they saw that my beautiful white shining benches had been

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Dénouement

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The other day three ladies started crying when they saw that my beautiful white shining benches had been replaced by terrible metal things. I suffer greatly from this. It's really marred my beauty. Isn't it absurd—here we are in beautiful B.C. with all these trees and I can't even have my wooden benches.

What's this world coming to I wonder.

I was made when beauty and aesthetics were still in people's minds. Some people used to come along just for the ride, to sit on my benches, enjoy the sea, the views, the sun sparkling on the water. Now people seem to be in such a hurry, always driving their cars and acting like strangers to one another.

I guess I'm just too old fashioned.

Your humble servant.

B.Q.
(Ghost written by
M.L. Johnstone)

No justification to use cruel trap

I have just read in the Island Tides that a legal leg-hold trap is one of the methods being used to trap the "wolf dog" on Saturna and Mayne. While I really feel for the people on these two islands who are losing livestock to this animal, I cannot ever condone the use of a leg-hold trap.

Any leg-hold trap is a cruel device. It ensnares any animal, wild or domestic that comes its way. The force of the jaws crushes the leg bone and leaves the trapped animal in excruciating pain. Many animals will attempt to chew off their own leg in an effort to escape. Domestic animals are frequently caught in these traps. How would you feel if your dog were trapped in one?

To my knowledge from information received from The Fur Bearers in Vancouver, there is no humane leg-hold trap. We are one of the few remaining

countries worldwide that still allows the use of the so-called humane, padded leg-hold trap.

How many times daily do these and other set traps get checked? No animal deserves to be trapped and then left for an indeterminate time in extreme pain, in panic, hunger or thirst, while awaiting the return of the trapper. Sometimes the animal trapped is a nursing mother and her babes are dying a slow death somewhere else.

I truly sympathize with those Saturna and Mayne people who are losing livestock to this animal. But I also strongly feel that there is never any justification for the use of a leg-hold trap.

MORGAN SAVIN

Saving our heritage

Your In Depth article by Michelle Grant, 'Heritage in Jeopardy' was an excellent piece of photo journalism! Please submit this for some sort of prize. It deserves one!

I was not aware of the situation surrounding St. Mark's Church at Central. There is no question that this historic landmark must be preserved for the future.

If the Anglican Church decides to 'de-commission' St. Mark's, I would be in favour of the Community taking on the task of restoring and preserving the Church as a community centre of some sort. In any case, St. Mark's must be preserved!

Any interested in forming a Committee to take on this project, contact me at 538-0345 or baronfowler@yahoo.com

BARON FOWLER

Waste of money

Should the Millennium Garden Project at the Middle School proceed? Absolutely not!

The school district has made application to replace this school in the second year of the district's 2000/2001 Five Year Capital Plan. It's about time.

Examining the history of the Middle School, the building (which was the old

high school) was condemned, making an overwhelming argument for the need for a new high school. The district then bought in the "Middle School" philosophy and hey, there was a building not in use so \$750,000 was spent to renovate the condemned space. Brilliant!

The conditions leading to condemnation of the building did not disappear however—at least one of the outer walls is rotting. I wonder what degree of caring went into making the decision to superficially transform a condemned space for our children to go to school in? Can this be considered a learning oriented space? In these affluent times, why should our children continue to be exposed to these conditions? Thousands of dollars are needed to make the band room marginally acceptable. In the Grade 8 wing two of the classrooms (resembling air-raid bunkers) have no natural light coming into them. The classroom lighting in this wing is generally decrepit, unsuitable for children to be exposed to for any length of time, let alone for 10 months of the year. The wing must be wheelchair accessible by this September but this cannot be achieved without a substantial expense for the installation of a lift.

An appeal to the community in general was made recently by a school Parent Advisory Council (PAC) committee, for donations to begin work on the Garden Project. I estimate this project will need support in the form of nearly \$8,000 before completion, judging from the cost of the topsoil alone (\$2,400). At last count (early March) PAC had \$1,988 on deposit. No portion of these funds have been designated to the Garden Project—\$400 had been received in donations for the Garden. Students will provide most of the labour; what choice do they have? None.

In June 1999 a group of Grade 8 students worked in the hot summer sun to install a pond around the back of the school. By the time September rolled around, the pond had been removed,

the area filled and black-topped to accommodate the new wheelchair access at the school. The students' work had been negated in the space of two short months. How did this happen? School's reply: The proper process wasn't followed. What was that process?

The general consensus of community members with whom I have discussed this is that the building will be demolished. By what miracle will the garden be saved then?

The district is investigating the real value of this property together with others it owns. What of the money, time and labour, especially that of students and the responsibility to the community where the garden is concerned? My child attends school to study what is in the curriculum, not to be kept busy with useless projects.

The district expects the new school will be built in five to seven years (an extravagant estimate under the circumstances) but is having an analysis of the building done during this summer's holidays. Why is this expensive analysis necessary? Forget it. The building was condemned. Considering the application is in the second year of the five-year plan, it is not low priority. The board must make a strong appeal to the ministry for building a new Middle School here in the interests of the children it expects to serve. There must not be the slightest support from the district for the Garden Project and the frivolous expense of public funds on it.

Parents must contact the ministry to lobby for speeding up the process for the new school. Please write the personal attention of the Hon. Penny Priddy with copies to all seven school Trustees: R. Scotvold, District Secretary-Treasurer; D. Sutherland, Superintendent and the Ministry's Projects Director, Capital Planning Division. Under these circumstances, where are the ethics in proceeding with the Millennium Garden Project?

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CORRECTION NOTICE
A production error resulted in the omission of portions of two questions in a full page ad placed in last Tuesday's edition of the Barnacle by the Islands Trust.
These questions were located in the second column and should have read:
"What is the Trust doing about Forestry Practices in the Islands?" and "What are the most frequently asked questions about Forestry on Salt Spring?"
The Barnacle apologizes for any inconvenience caused by these omissions.



RIDE DOWN MEMORY LANE—(from left) Marg, Art, Wayne and Jeremy Simons, and Katie Peter, were just a few of the many cyclists that took part in the Bob Simons Memorial Bike Ride on Saturday, April 8, from Central, out North End, through Vesuvius and back to Central.

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Foam investigated in Vesuvius

By Peggy Abrahams

Streaks of foam observed in Vesuvius Bay last week are still being investigated by Environment Canada, according to a Ministry of Fisheries official. Margaret Wright, habitat biologist and expert in water quality with Fisheries, said she and two enforcement officers with Fisheries and Oceans took samples last Wednesday after the foam was reported by the Coast Guard.

"We went out Wednesday afternoon to look for foam and take water samples. We got water samples and submitted them to Environment Canada

Wednesday night and they were clean. Clam samples were also clean," Wright said.

Explaining that there can be natural causes for foam in the water as well as unnatural causes, Wright said the investigation is still ongoing. "Environment Canada has been investigating the source and it's still under investigation. They haven't identified the source yet."

Vesuvius resident Gordon Hornby said he saw large streaks of foam in the water and called the Coast Guard to report it. He described, "ten long streaks of foam about 2,000 feet long, 30 to

50 feet apart running across from the mill. One large accumulated streak stretched from the shore past Dock Point out into Vesuvius Bay. It's the worst one I've seen yet. It's very white and today there was a lot of yellow."

Hornby said that he has reported seeing foam in the water on many occasions, most recently in January of this year. He recalled, "The (Crofton) Mill said in January they were cleaning tanks out and it's probably from soaps."

Wright said, "We've had reports of foam in that area on the coast before. I'm still looking at it."

SS Fire Protection District reports

by Peggy Abrahams

Three incumbents were re-elected to serve as trustees on the Salt Spring Island Fire Protection District (FPD) board at the organization's annual general meeting March 28. Don Harrison, Don Irwin and Ben Taylor will serve three-year terms, said Chair Ben Martens.

Last year was an eventful year for the FPD, said Martens, with the hiring of new fire chief Dave Enfield a year ago February, and a new secretary treasurer, Carla Hansen, joining the organization. Also discussed at the meeting was the

FPD's purchase last year of a new command vehicle. During the AGM there were some questions about extra features on the vehicle but, explained Martens, as it was a 1999 model the cost was \$3,000 less than other newer models.

The FPD budget reported a total fund balance of \$341,888 for last year, compared to \$370,904 in 1998. The deficit of roughly \$29,000 was planned, explained Martens. "It was a planned deficit. It wasn't that we overspent. We spent \$60,000 on the vehicle and \$30,000 came out of the reserve." He added that

the cost of the vehicle included all accompanying equipment, such as radio equipment, lights and signage.

Martens also mentioned that the FPD has a petition out for the purchase of a new fire truck to replace a 20-year-old vehicle. "The truck we have now doesn't have the capability of a modern day vehicle," said Martens. Those opposing the purchase may counter-petition by April 14.

The FPD was incorporated in November 1959 to provide fire protection to the residents of Salt Spring Island.

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Trees for Earth Day

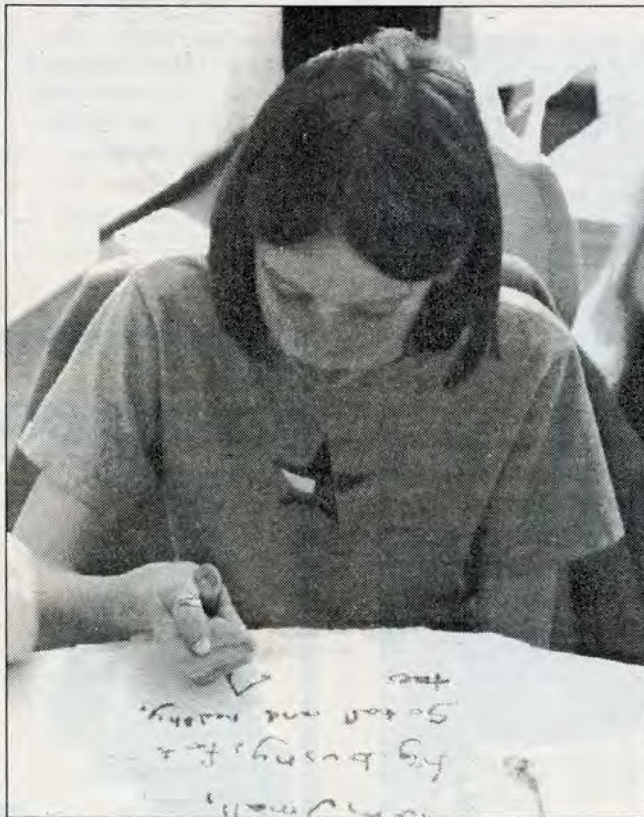
by Rob McMahon

We all belong to the great Tree of Life. This is the theme of Earth Day 2000, which will be celebrated around the world on Saturday, April 22. For Islanders, events honouring the Island's 10th Earth Day will be held at the Gulf Islands Secondary School Multi-purpose room Sunday, April 16, starting at 2 p.m.

The worldwide event is designed to celebrate "all the joys of being alive on the good earth," according to Salt Spring's Interfaith Council. With all of contemporary society's problems, including overpopulation, pollution, global warming, and deforestation, there seems to be a never-ending supply of new troubles, though the Interfaith Council quotes the poet and philosopher Wendell Berry in urging people to "be joyful though you have considered all the facts." Earth Day is a celebration of our symbiotic relationship to the universe and the planet and, therefore, helps promote a peaceful and communication-based attitude among the general population to the myriad of problems that we, as a collective species, face daily.

Salt Spring's Interfaith Council was founded "on the idea that communication in all its forms was necessary in order to insure peace between people, religions and political groupings." This is consistent with the Earth Day message of educating the public on key environmental issues and helping promote change for the better around the planet. Salt Spring's Earth Day will focus on creating, "a peaceful mind...heart...and centered clarity" among attendees, to help facilitate successful communications. With the "strife, harsh words, anger and ill will" that have occurred recently on this Island over environmental concerns, the event's organizers hope to make Earth Day a "common ground to begin communication," a time and place where members of the parties concerned can "come together in common good faith."

As mentioned above, the theme for the new millennium's Earth Day is the Tree of Life and the performances, speeches, and songs planned for the event will pay homage to all the trees in forests around the world. The organizers hope to help attendees "recognize with song and dance and prayer the special interconnectedness that all people have with trees." A number of the world's religions will be represented at the event, including Bahai, Buddhism, Christianity, Judaism, Yoga, Wicca, and Sufi. Each individual's connection with Mother Earth will be celebrated with "individual commitment through making earth



Carlee Wallace paints a flag for Earth Day.

pledges...writing pledges, thoughts, and wishes for trees." The organizers are also hoping to collect one seedling for every participant. Failing that, wildflower seeds will be passed around for people to plant at home.

Specific events planned for the celebration include a performance by the Women of Note choir, a dance by GISS's Salt Spring Dancers, a song by Peter Prince, and a speech by Salt Spring naturalist and author (whose latest book is *A Year on the Wild Side*) Briony Penn. Penn will speak on forest cover and the role Gary Oaks play in local ecology and their importance during global warming. Readings from the different spiritual traditions will also commence, as will chants by the yogis.

In addition, the Island's schools have been hard at work creating cloth tree flags, decorated with the students' thoughts and feelings about trees as expressed through art and poetry. Students in Linda Mill's Grade 3/4 class at Salt Spring Elementary had some interesting thoughts to share while working on their flags and all recognized the significance of trees and the importance of looking after the planet. Kara Anderson's poem sums it up best: "Trees. Beautiful, Great, Healthy, Useful, Barky, All small or tall, TREES."

Veterans apply for compensation

by Peggy Abrahams

Canadian merchant mariners who served in World War I, II or Korea, and their surviving spouses, may now qualify for benefits under a new compensation package announced by the Federal Government February 1. The deadline for application is July 1. Veterans who wish to apply may call toll-free 1-800-228-7441 or refer to the Veterans Affairs Canada web site at www.vac.acc.gc.ca. The toll-free TDD number for the hearing impaired is 1-877-713-7640.

Veterans may be eligible for different benefits, depending on the duration of their war-related service: A maximum benefit of \$20,000 for more than 12 months of service; \$10,000 for six to 24 months; \$5,000 for one to six months, or for less than one month if captured, killed or disabled.

Eligible veterans who were prisoners of war may be paid an additional 20 percent.

Trudy Sloan, local service officer for Legion Branch 92, said she has already received some calls about applying for this compensation from Merchant Navy veterans on Salt Spring. She has since run a notice in the Legion newsletter, *Looking Forward*. "The Merchant Navy people haven't been recognized for so many years and it's so wonderful that they are now. It's a shame we don't do more to recognize them," she commented.

Most of these veterans are senior citizens who don't have a lot of income, said Sloan. As to how the veterans are reacting to the new benefit package, she commented, "You know what they're all saying... 'It's about time. It should've been done years ago.'"

Lady Minto Auxiliary executive elected

On March 27 the Lady Minto Hospital Auxiliary Society held its Annual General Meeting. A new executive was elected and includes: President, Jill Somerset; First Vice-President, Leanoir Hearsey; Second Vice-

President, Sonja Archibold; Treasurer, Dorothy Kyle; Secretary, Marjorie Nash; Corresponding Secretary, Vivian Dawson; Publicity, Debora Forsyth; Membership, Joyce Townsend; and Extended Care, Lillian Kelly.

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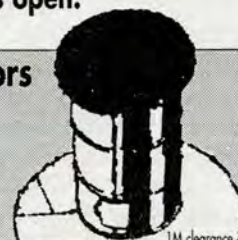
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April 22 fundraiser

Stump Stomp for lands

An Earth Day (April 22) fundraiser to purchase Texada lands is being organized by the Salt Spring Island Conservancy. Calling it a Stump Stomp, organizers say the event will include a barbecue dinner, barn dance and auction (both silent and live) at the Farmers' Institute on Rainbow Road.

Dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m. while those interested only in the auction, entertainment and dancing may arrive at 7 p.m.

The live auction will be handled by Arvid Chalmers and entertainment will be provided by Doug Cameron (a master sawyer) and his singing cows, the Black Velvet Band, the Wrangellian Gumboot

Ensemble and musicians extraordinaire Jane Squire on fiddle, Carol Wright on banjo, Bruce Pearson on mandolin, Rowan Rowell on guitar, Jordy Sharp on bass. There will be lots of barn dancing with a surprise caller.

The planning committee is still accepting donations to be auctioned and for draw prizes. Islanders have been very generous to date and items donated include: original artwork, prints, a quilt, cord of wood, dog grooming, baskets of goodies, rose bushes, chickens, Feng Shui audit, a hand sewn jacket and a lamb that will be donated to a 4-H child to raise. The organizing committee is also seeking

scarecrows to be used for the evening's decoration. Those wanting to help can consider donating a scarecrow to be auctioned at the end of the evening. Please call Jean Gelwicks at 537-4859 or Maureen Milburn at 653-9417 if you would like to donate anything (crafts, homemade wine, use your imagination, etc.).

Tickets for the event—\$15 to enter and \$10 for dinner—are available at Patterson's, et cetera, and the Save Salt Spring Lands Information Center above Barb's Buns. All proceeds to go towards the campaign to purchase Texada lands for more parkland on Salt Spring.

Nothing new in recycling fee

Since March 1, Islanders and grocery shoppers around B.C. have been surprised by an apparently new recycling fee showing up on their grocery receipts. The newly exposed "recycling fee" has in fact always been there, but was previously incorporated into the overall price of the beverage products.

The fee is now shown separately on each customer's bill so that consumers can "see the direct costs of recycling and monitor any changes," reads a press

release from Encorp Pacific, the not-for-profit agency responsible for handling recycling programs in the province. Though the value of the materials being recycled and the amount of money generated from unredeemed deposits aids in the costs of recycling, they don't fully cover the amount needed. Recent months have shown a decrease in the value of some recycled material and an increase in handling costs, though fluctuations in price occur often. The recycling fee applies

only to "ready to serve" drinks, excluding milk products and milk substitutes such as soya milk and frozen juices from concentrate. No part of the recycling fee ends up in the hands of the government, grocery stores, or the manufacturers of the products; it is used strictly for the "collection, handling, transportation and processing" of aluminum, plastic, glass, and some non-aluminum metal containers. GST applies to the recycling fee, though PST does not.

Beach barbecue with loggers

Under the banner of "Logging on Salt Spring Forever," Islanders of all walks will gather April 14 on the beach in Fulford Village to engage in a little friendly dialogue and outdoor dining with members of the logging community. The event is intended to help alleviate some of the tension between those opposed to clear-cuts and those who support Texada Land Corporation's logging practices.

In a press release issued by those organizing the event, attention is focussed on the behaviour of Texada's hired loggers—Dorman Timber—out of Nanaimo. "The employees of Texada have frequently threatened violence, driven dangerously fast around school children and assaulted protesters at a blockade. Many Salt Springers have been yelled at or subjected to sexual

harrassment while carrying on their lives. The community has been subjected to a campaign of terror by the Texada Land Corporation," reads the release.

The party will take place April 14, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. on

the beach across from Fulford Inn (junction of Isabella Point and Fulford-Ganges Roads). Organizers will provide barbecued lamb and salmon but diners are asked to bring their own plate, cutlery and a salad or dessert contribution.

Sea Capers starts Only 9.5 weeks to go

Sea Capers 2000 takes place on Saturday, June 17 in Ganges and on Sunday, June 18—Father's Day—in Fulford.

Saturday in Ganges starts off with the parade and then shifts to Centennial Park for the "Build a Boat" contest, "Lark in the Park" for the kids, all day entertainment by local performers plus the ever popular Shriners Band. Wonderful food and beverages will be served.

On Sunday the action moves to Fulford where the day starts with the treasure hunt, the sand sculpture and driftwood contests. Various games for the kids will continue throughout the day to the accompaniment of local entertainers. Food and beverages will be in generous supply as usual.

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	Susan Larson	83%		Johanna Havelaar	84%
	Frances Millerd	81%		Don Hay	86%
	Ron Sheeter	88%		Alex Howard	90%
	Laura Temmel	94%		Susan Larson	84%
				Christy Robley	80%
				Laura Temmel	91%
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More than flaky pastry

Women's Institute celebrates 80 years

by Amei Parkes

If you asked Islanders to list the accomplishments of the Women's Institute, one particularly mouth-watering activity might spring to mind: baking pies for the fall fair. But, if you didn't know it already, this quiet bunch of women is about much more than flaky pastry. Giving to B.C. hospitals, awarding a yearly scholarship, supporting the Farmers' Institute and donating books to day-cares on the Island are just a few of their projects. And now the "pie ladies" are inviting the public to help them celebrate 80 years of service on Salt Spring Island at an afternoon party, April 15 at Fulford Hall.

"We are having a tea, which is what they used to do years ago," said Tina O'Donnell, whose grandmother is one of the founding members. "We are also going to round up information on the Women's Institute and pictures of the group from years ago."

While the WI has been on the Island for eight decades, it turned 100 nationwide in 1997. The now-international organization was started in a rural Ontario town, Stoney Creek, by Adelaide Hoodless after her child died from drinking impure milk. Her tragedy spurred her into action. She set up a forum where women could meet and learn modern domestic science and where they could become more actively involved in their communities. Today, the WI has seven million members in about 70 countries, with 40,000 members in Canada.

The WI is rooted in Salt Spring's history, with a list of pioneer members which reads like a present-day map of the Island. Familiar names, like Akerman, Mouat, Horel, McLennan and Lee were active participants early on. Some of these early members carved out much of what makes Salt Spring as we know it.

Take Fulford Hall. The WI held card parties and dances to raise money to build this community hall in 1920. When it burnt down in 1925, they rolled up their collective sleeves and raised enough money to see another hall built in that same year. But the story does not end there. As fate would have it, the hall burnt down a second time in 1936. Again, the WI was set in motion to canvas Islanders for funds. The second hall was finished in 1937.

Drummond Park is another legacy of the WI. Mrs. Drummond (nee Shaw) left the land for the park and Fulford Hall. The cenotaph, which still stands proud in

Centennial park, was built in the early twenties with partial funds from the WI. The group also refurbished the men's ward in the old Lady Minto hospital (where the Community Society resides today) and held vaccination clinics for babies.

The WI also started the first fall fairs on the south end

lishing the children's hospitals in Vancouver and Victoria in 1927. And remember the Dogwood, BC's official flower? The WI lobbied hard to gain this status for our province in the 40s.

But not all their activities are serious, said O'Donnell's mother, Margaret Reid. "We also do crafts, participate in plays at conventions, enter contests...and have guest speakers," said Reid.

While some meetings may be a brainstorming session for the 15-member group to help the needy, others are social gatherings where the group might make Christmas crafts.

And while the Institute is fading from its prominence of the early 1900s, it continues to attract multi-generations of women. Like many of the old-timers, women such as Val Gyves, who joined in 1979, followed in her mother's footsteps, while O'Donnell is a third-generation member.

But an organization which has endured long enough to see stay-at-home mothers become company bosses, has actually not seen huge shifts in its goals and projects. True to their motto, "For Home and Country," they have stuck fairly close to the goal of helping rural women in the home. A small change has been setting the meeting time later in the day to accommodate younger, working women. Also, children are not usually present at the meetings today.

"It's slowly changing, which I hope will attract more younger women," said O'Donnell.

A sign of the time, perhaps, has been their recent focus on issues that although effecting people at home, also have a more global scope. Their current province-wide WI project, for example, involves intense lobbying of the government for mandatory labeling of all products containing genetically modified organisms (GMO) and keeping the bovine growth hormone (BGH) out of milk.

"If we see an issue worth fighting for, we try and get behind something that is really important to everyone and that is

going to affect everyone, especially health-wise," said O'Donnell.

The WI also has representatives on the United Nation's agencies.

Behind the "pie ladies" there is a group of dedicated group of community-minded women. At their anniversary celebration on Saturday, they will, at last, get to sit down and enjoy a well-deserved piece of cake!



Val Gyves a Woman's Institute member for 21 years, shows the 80-year-old organization's motto.

of the Island.

"We are affiliated with the Farmers' Institute because years ago it was nearly all farmer's wives who were involved with the Women's Institute," said Gladys Slingsby, who has been a member for more than 65 years.

The scope of their efforts is not limited to Salt Spring Island.

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A Guide to Mourning

Graffiti: Laughing about crying

by Rob McMahon

Wally Pringle is recently deceased, and his family has come together to provide, for the audience assembled, their own *Guide to Mourning*. With this beginning, the Graffiti Theatre group of Salt Spring Island are preparing a black comedy that deals with the "quirky ways that people have of dealing with grief, and loss, and emotional stress," said Graffiti member Sandra Hunter. The play was written by Canadian Eugene Stickland, won the People's Choice Award at playRITES '98, and has recently been produced at the Belfry Theatre. Graffiti Theatre was granted a special commission to produce the play, their first of the new millennium. It is described by Hunter and Mandy Spottiswoode, one of Graffiti's artistic directors, as an exploration of "the concept of grief, and how our culture addresses and doesn't address grief; how we don't have real rituals in place that really help us deal with grief...as well as a fairly scathing commentary on the funeral business and how it capitalizes on people's grief."

A Guide to Mourning, Graffiti's 6th production, involves "a lot of Kleenex," hinted Hunter and Spottiswoode, without dropping any further information on the subject of facial tissue. The cast of six actors are all Salt Spring Island artists who are directed by Malaspina College's Director of Theatre Tony Bancroft, whom Hunter and Spottiswoode were very excited to have the opportunity to work with. Graffiti Theatre is now in the process of establishing its reputation as a semi-professional group, which hires actors and directors to "develop on-island talent with the help of off-island professionals," and has received two grants from the BC Arts Council as a professional theatre company. Since its formation in 1997, Graffiti Theatre has always striven to produce plays that are challenging both for the actors involved and the audience, as well as fostering development of Island talent and providing internship opportunities for young actors.

Tickets for *A Guide to Mourning* are available at the ArtSpring box office for \$16 for April 28 to 29 and May 4 to 6, and \$13 for April 27 and May 3.



Melita McLeod (Alice) and Heather Meek (the Doormouse) rehearse Stagecoach Theatre's upcoming production of *Alice*.

Stagecoach set to roll with Alice

by Amei Parkes

It's no secret Salt Spring kids can act. Plays like *Annie*, *The Sound of Music* and *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* filled auditoriums—not with cute kids who sing off-key, but with talent. Now, Salt Spring is going to get another taste of this talent from a group of youths. Stagecoach Theatre is presenting a musical adaptation of *Alice in Wonderland* at ArtSpring, starting next Friday, April 14.

"We wanted a show that

was magical, colourful, fun to watch and funny," said set design instructor, Simon Henson.

And they plan to deliver. The set, all designed and made by the student cast, is quirky and fantastical. And the costumes? Creatively wild, full of surprises—and seemingly top secret—were some of the words used to describe them by cast and crew. They will be revealed as the play unfolds its weird and wacky storyline.

The music also promises

to be a treat for audiences. Ramesh Meyers set some of the existing poetry to music, and composed original, jazzy tunes for the play. He will be playing bass, with Gary Lundy on piano, live at the performances.

"[Meyers] has caught the essence of the play, without making it any madder," said director and acting coach, Margaret Jardine.

And last but not least, the actors are ready for action. Not only have they dedicated hours of practice, but

since September, they have also been studying every angle of theatre.

Stagecoach Theatre is not only a production company. It is an after-school drama programme where the instructors teach all aspects of theatre, from building sets and making costumes to learning how to act. The three-season programme—under the expert guidance of visual artist, Henson, and dramatists Jardine and Lynda Jensen—prepares

see *Alice* p14

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Desert Island Choices

Reading, music and a visitor—what would you pick if you were stranded on a desert island?



This week's castaway is **Leah McColm**, one of the two young faces behind *Aurora*, the literary magazine to be launched at Core Inn this week. Born in London on the Portobello Road, she's lived on Salt Spring with her brother and sister for the last nine years. She's a creative individual who prefers to make her own choices and rely on her own discipline than be in school. Nevertheless, she hopes to graduate this year if she can finish her remaining correspondence courses.

The Book: "The Tao Te Ching by Lao Tsu. I'm really interested in simplicity I guess. I'm an analytical type who likes to get to the roots of things. I found it in the bathroom, and have had it by my bed ever since."

The Disc: "I would take a tape my mother made and calls *Women in Reggae*. I figure if I only have one piece of music I might as well be able to dance to it. And I was raised on reggae music festivals—and was probably born the year Bob Marley died."

Fellow castaway: "Bruce Coburn. Because I would like to have a fellow poet along, and because he could teach me to play the guitar."

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TUESDAY APRIL 11

Kindergym Parc Portable. 9-10:30am
Storytime with Jean Voaden Library. 10am
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Hanging Up 7:00pm
The Beach 9:00pm

WEDNESDAY APRIL 12

Argentinian Tango Practice. Lions' Hall. 7:30-9:30pm
Centering Prayer Contemplative Centre. 7:30am
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"The Imaginary Indian" by Francis SSI Historical Soc. Central Hall
Ometepe CWL presents Andrew Gibson Drake. 2:30pm
SS Hours Potluck Community Centre. 6pm
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Movement & Writing Ahava Shira. Core Inn. 7:30-9:30pm
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Midnight Café Acoustic Jam. Rose's Cafe. 7pm
Kabir Helminski Study Group Contemplative Centre. 10am. Info: 537-1657
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Ease into Fitness Mahon Hall. 9-10am
Step into Shape All Saints. 9-10am
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What Planet Are You From? 7:30pm

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Anna and the King 6:30pm
What Planet Are You From? 9:15pm

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A Romantic Afternoon of music

by Elizabeth Courtney

Missing a perfect Sunday afternoon in the sunshine was more than compensated for in the concert at ArtSpring from pianist, Chris Kodaly, violinist Jean Knight and tenor Don Fisher.

The recital began with Dvorak's Sonatina for Violin and Piano. Opening with a tender and lively lyricism, the work moves from a feathery melancholy expanding into infinite tenderness, vigorous confidence and ending in a sublime statement of absolute faith. Although Knight was clearly in command of the piece technically, she never quite developed the tone for the emotional range, a tentativeness at both ends of the spectrum making for an overly restrained per-

formance. Kodaly's piano on the other hand had an entirely satisfying confident expressiveness.

On his own in *Three Intermezzi* by Brahms, Kodaly appeared at the top of his form. Dedicating these late reflections on Brahms' life to Mary Williamson, this "Lullaby For All His Griefs" was a profoundly moving journey taking us through the rich chords and familiar melodies of innocence, the struggles and turmoils—which in Brahms can easily become a mush—to the ecstasy of the final passages.

To Debussy's *Images*, written in 1894 but only discovered in 1977, Kodaly brought an airy spaciousness emphasising the clean archi-

tectural lines and sweeping spirals of the work, the magnificent energy and clarity of the final carillon of sound fading to the infinite quiet of the last note. Covering the whole piano effortlessly, the brilliance of this muscular performance was a highlight of the afternoon.

The Brahms Sonata No.1 in G major brought Knight back to the stage for this idyllically beautiful work. Still somehow missing her peak form, she nevertheless conveyed its vulnerable spirituality, moving from the fragility of spun webs to the shining brilliance of steel. Kodaly's lionhearted piano in effortless support.

Don Fisher sang a cycle of German love songs by Schumann, a perfect choice of repertoire for his intimate

tenor. So tender, so delicate, yet with so much feeling, he could have been singing his own love songs in his own language, so well matched were his words, notes and expression. It is almost a relief to listen to a perfectly modulated, modest tenor; a voice which invites you into the joy, pleasure, grief or torment of a poet's love without hitting you over the head with sheer volume. Again, the piano echoed and reflected the subtle mood changes of each song.

The concert concluded with all three performers returning to the stage for an arrangement by Beethoven of an Irish folk song—by no means the only reason why this concert should have drawn a larger cross-over crowd.

Touring Greece from Bouzouki Cafe

Last Sunday April 4, 30 local artists and art enthusiasts made their way to Bouzouki Greek Cafe for an artful escape to Greece with Dr. Caterina Pizani of The Art Exchange, who presented an entertaining slide presentation on contemporary Greek visual art.

With photographs by Fred Smith, Pizani introduced the audience to a Greece that tourists seldom experience—a Greece without the Parthenon and the overcrowded Cycladic islands. Pizani presented works from 1860 onwards and captivated the audience

with her humorous insight into contemporary Greek art, artists and culture.

Following the slides, Dr. Pizani guided the audience through a visual tour of Greece while they devoured Bouzouki's melomakarouna and kourambietes. Starting with a walk through the streets of Plaka, Athens' oldest neighbourhood (continually inhabited for over 6000 years) the colourful slides transported the audience to the magical village streets of the island of Tinos. The streets burst into a harmony of colour—the white-wash of the walls broken up

by blue doors and windows, and all set aflame by the flowering bougainvilleas.

Bouzouki manager Dino Asproloupos commented, "So many locals have visited and lived in Greece, and many even paint and photograph the Greek islands. We wanted to bring a world class authority on Greek art to the Island to introduce the concept of contemporary Greek art."

Dr. Pizani was born and raised in Athens, and has completed her education in the United States and Canada. She has taught at various art departments at

universities and colleges in Canada and has lectured across North America and Europe. In her numerous publications—books, anthologies, art catalogues and trade magazines—she immerses her readers in an interdisciplinary examination of art as lived and reflected experience.

If you missed the show, Dr. Pizani is coordinating a uniquely tailored travel package for artists and lovers of art in Greece from October 6-25, 2000 and you can visit her website at: www.artexchange-greece.com for more information.

Alice in Wonderland for Stagecoach *cont'd. from p11*

the students for being on stage or backstage.

"Stagecoach [Theatre] is coaching the craft of the stage," said Henson. "It is also a play on words to mean 'going on a journey,'" he added.

The first 12 weeks of the journey have been devoted to the foundations of theatre: directing, acting, producing, lighting, costumes,

choreography, set design and marketing.

"The idea is when they go out on stage, they know what it takes to get them there," said Henson.

Is it working? The excitement and energy from the 11- to 15-year-olds at rehearsal seemed to indicate success.

Metta McLeod, who is playing the role of Alice, said she has honed her the-

atre smarts over the two terms. "I am learning how to act different ways and really feel what I'm saying, and how to act better," she said.

The youngest member of the cast, Natalia Day, who is playing the Mock Turtle, said the programme has expanded her love of performing.

The students are now in the second term, where they are concentrating on

presenting *Alice*. As the final rehearsals wrap up, and the first set of students move toward graduation, they may prove to be Salt Spring Island's next generation of thespians.

Alice in Wonderland runs from April 14 to 16 and 21 to 23. Tickets are available at Acoustic Planet and West of the Moon, at a cost of \$6 for children and \$12 for adults.



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Usually dubbed a blues man—he's shared stages with the likes of B.B. King, Muddy Waters, Sonny Terry and Brownie McGhee—he prefers to avoid labels, considering himself influenced equally by folk, country, early rock n' roll, cajun, his environment, you name it. Essentially, he's a quintessential wanderer who digests all that life has to teach him and lets it out through his music.

He's moved on from the early preoccupation with broken hearts (good!) and brings a maturity and focus to his music and lyrics that brings rave reviews wherever he goes. Of his most recent release, *Gust of Wind*, a Montreal reviewer says "the sound shifts from jaunty and loose-limbed country blues...and the Everly Brothers melancholy of *Foolish* and the strutting shout of *Gone Too Long*." Of *Solid Ground*, an earlier release, a reviewer says "exquisitely laid back...a blues based outing that owes something to Cale, Clapton and Knopfler, but ends up



Ray Bonneville.

being entirely his own."

Doug Cox has been following his own path, exploring roots music for close to 20 years.

A virtuoso dobro player, Cox was one of the headliners at Dobrofest in Slovakia, an event which featured musicians from 18 countries in the home land of the inventor of the dobro, the town of Trnava.

The Canadian Folk Club Bulletin claims "...this virtuoso brings the dobro into the drawing room and the concert hall. It's no longer just a case of country backup, it's a

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Widely recognized for his incredible technique and mastery of a wide variety of roots music...a must see for guitar players and aficionados, Cox's live performances include songs of his own, as well as traditional material in the blues, bluegrass, jazz, Hawaiian styles and instrumentals played on the guitar, the Weissenborn and the

dobro. He has performed countless numbers of bar, folk club and festival gigs with his many groups and duos including Travels With Charley, Ken Hamm, Rick Fines, David Gogo, Diamond Joe White, Tammy Fasssaert, Chuck Brodsky, Michael Messer (England's premier steel string guitarist) and David Essig.

Why not take Jürgen Gothe's advice (CBC and *Financial Post*) "...Full of wondrous surprises...watch for this young man!" and check him out at Moby's Pub, Saturday April 15.

A writers' night

by Elizabeth Courtney

Devotees of the crafted word are in for a fine time on Saturday night, April 15. Beginning at 7 p.m., Volume II Books will be hosting a free reading by a wonderful young poet, novelist and controversial essayist Steven Heighton.

Recipient of too many national awards to mention here, his poems demonstrate a breadth and depth of quest for meaning married to a spare beauty of language and image that rewards a dipping into his Governor General award nominated *Ecstasy of Skeptics* with a sweet rush of pleasure. He inhabits the luminous twilight zone between life and death with the facility of a mystic, knitting the particularity of the minutely observed with the timelessness of the heart's longing. Galaxies and ancient bones are as familiar to him as cigarette butts and rust. Editor of *Quarry* magazine for six years, he has been translated into several languages and will be launching the Canadian edition of his newest book *The Shadow Boxer*, a novel, Saturday night. As a member of the Writer's Union of Canada, he will then cross the road to the Vortex Gallery to participate in the gala gathering of writers there.

The Writers' Union of Canada was founded in 1973. The Union (TWUC) works to unite professional writers for the advancement of their common interests and to foster writing in Canada. It is a political organization whose lobbying efforts have resulted in improved conditions for all writers. With its headquarters in Toronto, the Writers' Union also has a B.C. office because of the large number of members living in the province.

This year's chair will be Audrey Thomas, novelist. Past chairs have been: Timothy Findley, Margaret Atwood, Matt Cohen, June Callwood, Pierre Berton, Susan Musgrave, Andreas Schroeder and Marian Engel. This year's regional meeting is being held on Salt Spring and hosted by Vortex Gallery, who will be providing a reception in their beautiful gallery.

Writers in attendance,

who will be reading short excerpts from their work, will include Miriam Waddington, Norma Charles, Bill Shermbrucker, Briony Penn, Lynne Bowen, Irene Howard, Ed Gould, Chris McPherson, Dale Gaetz, Audrey Thomas, Brian Brett, Sandi Johnson, Mona Fertig, Jean Mallinson, Lynn Hancock and more.

Miriam Waddington is a poet, critic and essayist with an illuminating perspective on Canadian letters in which she has been an established participant and astute observer for most of a century. Norma Charles is a children's writer who specializes in readings and writing for the under 12. Briony Penn is well known to Islanders for her vastly entertaining and extremely informative account of the natural world in *A Year on the Wild Side*. Lynne Bowen is a historian who will talk to anyone she can persuade to listen to tales of Canada's fascinating and underrated past—and has won a number of awards in the process. Chris McPherson has written "a short, dark (and utterly original) novel about light" called *Dragons*, full of electric sentences that leap off the page looking for connections. Audrey Thomas should need no introduction, her deceptively intimate fiction having recently broken new ground with her highly acclaimed historical novel, *Isabel Gunn*. Brian Brett is the much appreciated local poet responsible for bringing poets to the Island on a regular basis and if you missed Sandi Johnson's hilariously visual poetry at Lions' Hall last week, this will be your opportunity to make good that omission. Jean Mallinson is known as a scholarly critic who has also produced wonderful short stories about growing up in small town B.C. Mona Fertig, without whom probably none of this would be happening, has a way with the language of eroticism that can raise the temperature and increase the juice in the room like last summer's perfect mango.

Everyone is welcome to what promises to be a feast from some of Canada's most respected writers: Vortex Gallery 8 p.m.

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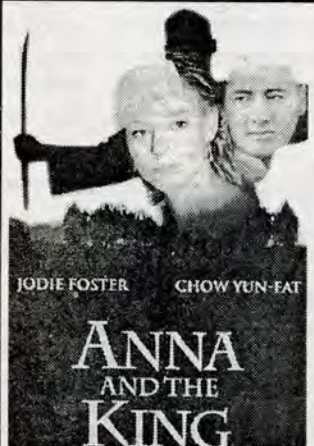




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April evenings in the garden



Before you know it
April is already here,
the clocks are set
ahead one hour and

we gardeners can spend that much
more time in the evening outdoors in
the garden!

The weather should now start to
change for the better. I'm not saying
March was by any means wet since only
2.78 inches of precipitation was meas-
ured for the whole month. The temper-
atures would have been a little more
comfortable had they been a tad warmer.
But, since April is here let's forget about
March and look into some of the things
that can be done in your garden.

First of all you can start by cutting off
any daffodil heads that have finished

and deadhead any large flowered tulip
varieties that have done their thing.
Make sure to leave the stems since this
is food for the bulbs.

It is also a good time to start checking
your garden for slugs on a regular basis,
before they start gobbling up your ten-
der plants. April is a good month to
start some of your warm weather crops
indoors—basil, squash, pumpkin, and
other melon seeds—so that later on
they will be ready to set outdoors
when the real balmy temperatures
start to warm up the soil.

I've already started fertilizing a lot of
my tender broadleaf evergreens now
that I can see new growth appearing.

Temperature and precipitation are
unpredictable in April. If you remem-

ber, last April was very dry with less than
1 inch of rainfall, or it can be fairly damp
with just a hair over 4 inches
as it was way back in 1996.

Happy
gardening.



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pulling involved in gardening, this
activity works a variety of muscles
while strengthening bones.

The Canadian Physiotherapy Association
and its almost 10,000 members want
to share some helpful hits with gar-
deners during National Physiotherapy
Week, which runs April 9 to 15.

Gardeners have a tendency to over-
work themselves in their gardens and
end up nursing a sore back at the end
of their hard day. Aches and pains
often result from poor positioning of
the body, poor gardening techniques
and overuse of specific muscle groups.
It has been discovered that the most
common gardening injury occurs at the
lumbar spine. This lower region of the
back bears the brunt of prolonged and
repetitive forward bending and lifting.

Here are some friendly tips to
ensure that your gardening is great for
both your body and soul.

**Begin your gardening with a
nice light warm-up.** Start with
some easy raking or go for a five-
minute walk to raise your heart rate
and warm up your muscles. Follow
this with stretching of all the major
muscle groups in order to minimize
muscular aches and pains and help
prevent injury. Extra time should be
devoted to stretching the muscles of
your back, neck, hands and fingers.
Ask your physiotherapist to show you
some stretches that will be beneficial

while gardening.

**Be aware of your posture and
body mechanics to help minimize
the strain on your body.** When
sweeping, mulching, or even potting,
move your feet instead of twisting at
the spine. If it is not possible to avoid
twisting, tighten your stomach mus-
cles in order to protect your back.
When lifting or unloading, use your
legs rather than your back to move
heavy pots and bags of fertilizer. Bend
your knees, keep your back straight
and hold the object as close as possible
to your body in order to prevent any
unnecessary strain on your back.

Use ergonomically correct tools.
Give your back, legs and knees a
break from stooping and kneeling.
Buy tools with long handles to help
with the weeding (e.g., the Gold
Digger). Build a potting bench that is
at a height that will prevent unneces-
sary bending. Sit on the ground in
order to trowel without bending over
or when kneeling, use padding for the
knees to avoid putting excessive and
prolonged pressure on them. Wear
gardening gloves to protect your
hands from getting cuts, ripped nails
and cracks caused by dryness.

Pace yourself. Gardeners tend to do
too much in too short a period of time.
It is important to take intermittent breaks
accompanied by gentle stretching of the
muscles and ligaments in your back in
order to decrease the risk of injuring
them. Again, ask your physiotherapist to
explain and demonstrate some appropri-
ate stretches that you can carry out.
Repetitive use of specific muscle or mus-

cle group can cause injury. By varying
your gardening activities you will allow
for different muscles to be worked, thus
decreasing the chances of straining them.
Combine pruning with spreading com-
post and hoeing in order to minimize the
aches and pains you might otherwise feel
in the muscles of your upper arms.

Be smart in the sun. Time flies
when you're having fun and before
you know it you may be as red as a lob-
ster. Wear a large brimmed hat and
use sunscreen to protect yourself from
being burned. Be sure to replenish
yourself with water and work in the
shade as much as possible to prevent
dehydration and sun stroke.

By following these precautions,
wear and tear on your body should be
minimized. If you still end up with
sore and achy muscles, your body is
telling you to reduce your activity
level to one that is more comfortable.
Pain resulting from muscle or liga-
ment strains will normally repair itself
within the first 24 to 48 hours. Back
pain can range from a nagging pain to
sheer agony that can last for hours,
days or years if uncorrected. This
pain may be felt in the back or it may
be what is called "referred pain" that
is felt in the low abdomen, groin, leg
or foot. In these cases, the sensations
may include pins and needles, numb-
ness or a burning feeling. If the pain
has not subsided after 24 hours, is get-
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Open house

Get moving for Physio Week

by Rob McMahon

Islanders suffering from aches and pains held over from the hibernation of winter will be interested to know that National Physiotherapy Week is being marked by an interactive open house at Salt Spring Physiotherapy on Thursday, April 13. National Physiotherapy Week (April 9 to 15) began in 1984 to "promote awareness and education regarding the practice of physiotherapy," according to the Canadian Physiotherapy Association. The practice of physiotherapy is concerned with preventing, identifying, correcting and alleviating acute or prolonged movement dysfunction.

Essentially, physiotherapy gets you moving and keeps you moving. Physiotherapists use a holistic perspective in providing physical rehabilitation, using techniques from massage and exercise therapy to hydrotherapy and prevention strategies. In the therapy, a detailed understanding of how the body functions is combined with strategies to evaluate every patient's individual needs in order to generate techniques to relieve pain. Physiotherapy deals with conditions that fall into three categories: orthopedics (conditions affecting the bones, joints, and muscles), neurology (conditions affecting the brain

and spinal cord), and cardio-respiratory (conditions affecting the heart and lungs). Evidence has shown that the quicker one seeks help from a physiotherapist after suffering an ailment related to these three areas, the faster one will be on the road to recovery. Physiotherapists are seen working in Lady Minto Hospital, in one of a number of private clinics, at the Island's nursing homes and at the schools. The Physiotherapists of Salt Spring are gathering on Thursday, April 13 to promote an understanding of their practice and of techniques to enhance the general good health of Islanders. The Interactive

Open House will include demonstrations, displays, brochures, and handouts as well as opportunities for community members to participate in and experience first hand the multitude of physio tools and techniques. Michelle Nadon of Active PhysioWorks said the purpose of the event is, "not just to look at what physiotherapists do but experience it as well." She added that demonstrations will include "electrical therapy, such as muscle stimulation, and maybe some hands-on therapies." Refreshments and a door prize will also be part of the event, which lasts from 4 to 6 p.m. and will take place at 103 Hereford Ave.

The little red pills and the big bad wolf

by Carmen Cormack

Once there was a little girl named Little Red Riding Hood who went off to visit her grandma who lived on the other side of the city. Now I know that in the fairy tale she walked, but this is the city! She took the bus. On the bus she was forced to sit by a guy named Wolf. (There where no more seats left.) Wolf looked at her and said, "So, little girl, what are you on?" When she didn't say anything he said it again, except this time with more force. "So little girl, what are you on? What are you taking? Listen, I've got this pot

here. Do you want some?" Little Red Riding Hood was shocked but she knew how to deal with people like him. "NO!" At that she got up to leave. He tried to pull her down but she ripped away. After she got off the bus though, she realized that she had no idea where she was! "Well the only thing that's gone right today is that I said 'no.' I know that pot slows down your reflexes and gives you a bad memory!" Now Little Red Riding Hood needed to find out where she was. So she asked an old man where she was

and he said she was on Maple Street. Then when he smiled at her, she could see that his teeth where yellow and rotting—the obvious

signs of chewing tobacco. So she said, "Thanks," and went on her way. "Mmmm," she

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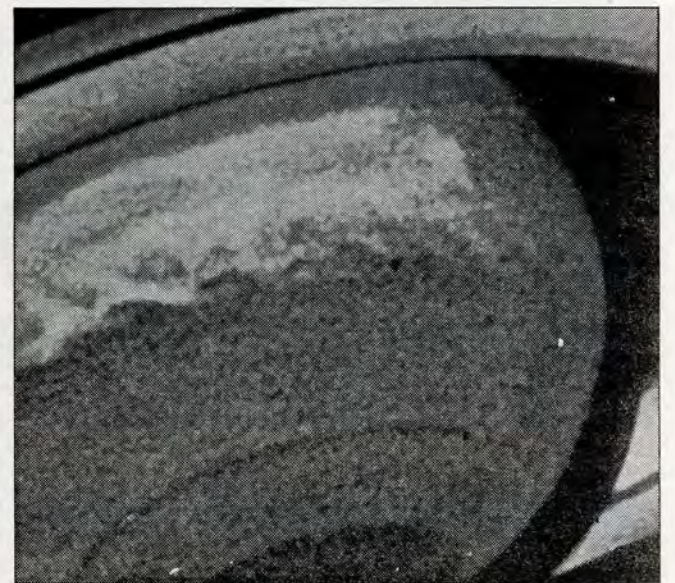


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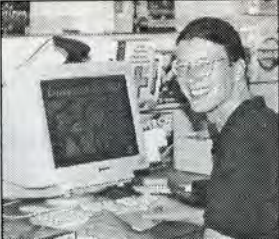
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Salt Spring FC 2 (4), Vantreights 2 (3)



Sidelines ...

with Alan Webb

There are some people, and I include myself among them, shallow enough to measure out our lives vicariously through the highs and lows of our favourite sports teams. Ask a fan to name some of his most treasured memories and you may hear a list like mine: Manchester United's 1999 Champions League final victory over Bayern Munich; the Canucks sixth game win over the Rangers in 1994; the Whitecaps 1979 soccer bowl win; or England's 1966 World Cup victory over Germany, a game I never even witnessed but still evokes in me feelings of enormous pride and triumph. I am adding this game, Salt Spring FC's 2000 Challenge Cup victory, to the top of my list.

This was the most astonishing sporting event I have ever witnessed. If you think this is just hyperbole you weren't there.

Where to begin? First of all there was a potentially crippling line-up change when

striker Harrison Jason pulled up lame with a hamstring injury. FC is not a team blessed with a wealth of natural goal scorers. Fortunately Mark Nordine went AWOL from work in Campbell River to fill the void. As much as anything else this was crucial to FC's eventual win.

I have to say that as the teams lined up on the touchline of Royal Athletic Park for the introductions I was filled with a sense of impending doom. Vantreights were by far the more imposing side physically. To a man they were taller and stronger looking. I was intimidated from my safe spot in grandstand and quaking in nervousness too. Luckily it wasn't catching.

If FC were nervous it didn't show. From the opening whistle they stroked the ball around on the carpet, letting the ball do the work and nullifying Victoria's size advantage.

Dave McColl was so composed you wanted to check for a pulse, but he was too busy operating down the left side. He created the first

good chance of the game with a testing cross in the sixth minute. Jesse Fisher nearly sent Corbin Scott free seconds later with an intelligent dissecting ball in the box.

McColl's corner kick on 10 minutes found the shaved pate of Colin Walde who unluckily headed the ball off the crossbar. Meanwhile McColl's skill and Scott and Nordine's desire opened up holes in the defense and promised an inevitable goal.

So it was almost completely against the run of the play when a superb cross from the endline curled onto the head of a diving Rich White to open the scoring for Vantreights with 12 minutes left to play in the first half.

After the break FC were awarded a free kick at the edge of the box. Corbin Scott drove the ball low through the wall forcing a brilliant diving save but the rebound leapt up to the head of Nordine who headed FC level at the left post.

Salt Spring were clearly the better side and the play reflected it. The back four of

Pete Aust, Erik Jorgensen, and the Waldes, Colin and Andy, were dogged in their marking of Victoria's bigger frontmen and unflappable on the ball after winning it. It is difficult to opt for a smart short pass when a booming clearance is the most immediate, albeit temporary, route to safety. Their confidence was impressive to say the least.

In centre midfield Chris Jason was simply the best player on the pitch, save for goalkeeper Jonathan McDonald's later heroics. His play was nearly flawless going both ways. He has always been a player with enormous potential. His leadership Saturday is irrefutable evidence that he has arrived. A timely arrival it is, too.

Anyway, the teams battled through 90 minutes to a draw. Thirty minutes of extra time followed. Chances for Greg Stringer, Andy Walde, Scott, Fisher, and Jason seemed certain to bring an eventual winner for Salt Spring.

Then Colin Walde uncharacteristically misplayed a ball in the box and McDonald leapt to the rescue with an astonishing save.

No sooner had hearts vacated mouths than Vantreights scored with seconds to go in overtime.

What followed was miraculous. FC scrambled the ball down field off the kick-off, the whistle sure to blow at any second. Josh Byron looped a cross into a sea of heads and Jesse Fisher appeared like a sapling amongst a forest of Douglas Firs to nod the equalizer. Heart stopping time.

In the penalty shootout to decide the game Fisher, Scott, Nordine and Jorgensen scored before McDonald brought the house down with a save that I won't attempt to describe. "A brilliant reaction save," doesn't do it justice and I'm out of words.

Pandemonium and disbelief on the terraces. Jubilation for coach Darryl Lister for a sublime tactical coaching job. His use of the bench was as an important ingredient in the win as the player's performances.

Salt Spring FC wish to thank all their loyal supporters and Ganges Village Market for keeping them hydrated in the blistering heat of competition and the sun with the free supply of Gatorade. And to Vantreights, too, for a great spectacle of football and sportsmanship and the gift of the champagne they had intended for themselves.

Next up for FC, the May Day tournament here and the Provincial finals in Burnaby in June.

Oh God, it's good to be alive!

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CUE, B. DORENE Born 1923 at Norway House, Manitoba. Died April 8, 2000, at home on Salt Spring Island, B.C. Survived by Geoff, her life partner; children Melody, Maureen and Michael. Co-founder of the Island Mental Health Family Support Group. A twenty-eight year resident of SSI. She was a delightful organizer, reluctant sailor, ardent games person, music and nature lover and faithful friend. A celebration of Dorene's life will be held April 16. Friends and family welcome at Deer Run 1-4 p.m. No flowers please. Donations may be made to the Schizophrenic Society of B.C. or the B.C. Cancer Society, in her name. 1500

110 • IN MEMORIAM

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120 • MESSAGES OF THANKS

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THANK YOU!! Thank You We would like to thank all the firemen & Ambulance crew who responded in our time of need. We would also like to thank our many friends and neighbours who helped us throughout our rebuilding efforts. We really appreciate all your kind efforts and moral support. Bernie & Sharon Reynolds. 1400

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140 • UPCOMING EVENTS

COMMUNITY BULLETIN
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EASTER CHOCOLATES are at Harlan's from April 1. See our great selection of fine Belgian Chocolate items. 537-4434.

ARGENTINEAN TANGO guest teacher Miguel Pla returns to S.S. Friday April 21, Beg 7 - 9; Dance & Demo 9 - 12. Saturday, April 22 - 3 sessions 11:30 - 1; 1:30 - 3; 3:30 - 5:00 pm. Sessions \$20 each. 3 for \$55. Dance \$5. Lions Hall. Preregister with Margie Korrison at 537-2707. 1500

PRAYERS FOR the Forest. Share a prayer, song, dance, poem or music to help our trees. April 15th 7:30 pm. Salt Spring Centre. 653-0066.

PARENTS OF G.I.S.S. PAC meeting, tomorrow night, Wednesday, April 12th. 7 p.m. in the school library. Agenda: General PAC business. Info 537-1008. 1500

FABULOUS FLEA Market 11:00 am - 3:00 pm April 22nd at Fulford Hall. Proceeds of table rental donated to Fulford Hall Land Acquisition Fund. Lunch available. Table rental \$15.00 prepaid only. Info 537-5482. 1600

NIGHT OF The Writers' Union of Canada. Readings and reception by BC members. 8 pm Vortex Gallery. Saturday April 15th. \$4. admission. 1500

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Sat., April 15th
Farmer's Institute

9:30am - Noon:
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1:00pm:
general admission

SPECIAL TABLES

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- Cottonwood Farm
- Cusheon Creek Nursery
- Parkside Gardens
- Van Dusen Master Gardeners

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140 • UPCOMING EVENTS

Come to the
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April 21st - 10:00 am
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April 23rd - 9:00 am
Holy Communion

April 23rd - 10:00 am
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Saturday
April 29th

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145 • COMMUNITY SERVICES

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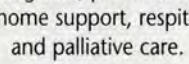
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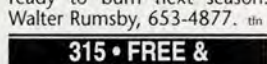
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21 Portal

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MID-ISLAND	103 Bonnet Avenue	Every Fri. & Sat.	10am - Noon
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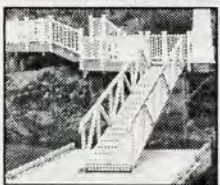
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HOROSCOPES

For the week, by Michael O'Connor e-mail: oconnorm@netidea.com



Tip of the Week: While people who have the same Sun sign share some similar characteristics, the likeness is generally no stronger than knowing that they were born in the same region. If we use the country of Canada with its provinces and territories as an example, one might surmise that people born in the same province share certain similarities. Of course, upon a closer look we see that the people in any given area would see many differences between them and their neighbors. That a Horoscope like this can be used to

determine general themes for any given week for each sign is akin to the weather forecast for a certain part of the country. The difference is that Astrology assesses the 'psychic' weather patterns. And just as the weather does not determine how one feels or acts etc. on any given day, the generalities associated with each sign are inevitably somewhat vague. Then again, when the weather forecast predicts a sunny hot day, it is an easy bet that many people will go to the beach. The differences between each sign are as great as the differences between the people born in a certain place. To fully assess individuality one must take into account many subtleties and nuances. Inevitably, every person is a unique and unfolding mystery that merits respect for that very reason.

Aries (Mar 21 - Apr 20)

A time of ambitions, possibilities and decisions is upon you. While you want to make some solid choices, the call is still on to flirt with the many options available to you as opposed to committing to anything new, for now that is. You will feel more confident to follow through on things in May. Intimate relationships also stand to change as you connect with more authentic feelings. It takes courage to be honest, but that is the path to true love.

Taurus (Apr 21 - May 20)

An inward evaluation of who you really are beneath appearances is a central theme now. Part of the purpose is to decipher what you really want to be and/or do. All the while you will be taking calculated risks and you will be more in a mood to inform than ask. Career interests are on your mind and you will not allow traditional roles to slow you down. Health considerations will also rise with the waxing Moon.

Gemini (May 21 - Jun 20)

The urge to move forward unfettered by experiences from the past is strong now. Remember that the point of power is always in the moment and that the past does not equal the future. A fine mixture of vision, courage and innocence is the formula you need. Acknowledge your ability to learn and do whatever you feel you need to fulfill your destiny. Get out of your own way and see yourself as the bright light that everyone else sees.

Cancer (Jun 21 - Jul 21)

Your heart is expanding and your whole world is shaking and quaking. Suddenly the future is much clearer than it was. Like a plow making troughs on virgin soil, you are leaving your indelible mark for the world to see. Take stalk of what did not work in the past and plan to grow a new kind of crop. Allow the sound advice of others to guide you and in the end do it your way. Behold, a whole new day has dawned.

Leo (Jul 22 - Aug 22)

Sometimes it takes conflict

Virgo (Aug 22 - Sep 23)

Plowing through fixed beliefs and attitudes to uncover your authentic self is a main theme now. If you did not already know it, you are discovering that you are a philosopher and a teacher. This makes you a student of the riddles of perception and of inherited self-concepts. The nature versus nurture debate is a non issue, they are both very strong. So, what is your true nature and how would you like to nurture it to full expression?

Libra (Sep 23 - Oct 21)

Taking the initiative to merge your assets with others in joint ventures is the call. True leadership unifies people in joint efforts and iron out the wrinkles of divisions. Blame is the attitude of the lower ranks who have not earned the stripes of strategic cooperation. Be open to new ideas and approaches now. Don't allow your opinions of how you think things should work to blind you to how they are and could.

Scorpio (Oct 22 - Nov 20)

Whatever investments you have or are in the process of making, it is time to make some deliberate efforts and forge ahead. Be on the alert to others who appear to hold your best interests in mind. Accept that the world is full of trickery and don't waste energy making judgments. Sound assessments will require all your energy now. It is important that you work with other players now, yet maintain a healthy measure of independence.

20) In order to fully manifest

all your romantic ideals you are going to have to work diligently now. Part of this effort resides in fine tuning your skills. Another part implies loving yourself enough to move beyond abundance fears. Remember that it is the fear that closes the door. Also consider that money is only one reflection of abundance. Your love life will also spark and ignite as the Spring draws you out to enjoy the flowers.

Capricorn (Dec 21 - Jan 19)

Spring fever will prompt you to 'place your bets and take your chances'. You feel bold and determined to take new initiatives that have a decidedly practical flavour to them. Learning to play with others rather than thinking that you have to work hard continues. Start the month by cleaning up unfinished business. Pay attention to the details of your imagination with recognition that your thoughts will contribute to creating your reality.

Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 19)

The drum beats of your heart continue to signal that the battle on inner realms is not yet over. If you quit now you will not be able to claim the prize that you have only really begun to win. A victorious attitude is something that must be built, cultivated and won. Indomitable faith and happiness is the purpose of the struggle. Target any beliefs that sway you from gratitude and pull the trigger. Replace should with could and answer the call.

Pisces (Feb 19 - Mar 20)

A determined momentum to 'imagineer' new creative perspectives into your daily routine is a main theme now. It is time to show the world yet another layer of your true colors. Discern where traditional approaches will assist you and where they block the way. Do your best to concentrate on one thing at a time, yet allow yourself to have several projects going at once and even leave some room for new ones. This is a good time to invest into knowledge.

Derby draws more than 100 competitors



by Keith Newman

Fishing fever reached its peak this weekend during the St. Mary Lake fishing derby when 100 participants vied for the top prize a Creek Company pontoon boat.

The event on a whole went as well as could have possibly been expected. The weather was terrific with the exception of a stiff breeze most of Saturday. The fishing was intense Saturday and Bill Wilkinson caused quite a stir when he weighed in a Westslope cutthroat trout at 1.77 kg. (3 lb. 14.5 oz.) topping all other fish that day by more than a pound. Wilkinson held the lead all day Sunday although Brodie Opheim of Nanaimo closed the gap between first and second place with a Coastal Cutthroat weighing 1.70 kg. (3 lb. 12 oz.) late Sunday afternoon. George Ackerman also brought in a Coastal Cutthroat shortly afterward and with it at 1.265 kg. (2 lb. 12.5 oz.) he rounded out the top three at that time.

The last weigh-in of the day proved to be the winner though. Sunny Vanderhoof brought in a Westslope Cutthroat weighing 1.875 kg. (4 lb. 2 oz.) which pushed Wilkinson to second place for a prize package of a Motorguide electric outboard and a deep cycle battery donated by Thrifty foods and SS Auto parts. Brodie Opheim took home third prize, a Mustang floater coat donated by Newman's Great Outdoors.

Other prizes awarded went to Al Graham of Nanaimo who weighed in the first fish of the derby and received a gift certificate from Alfresco's restau-

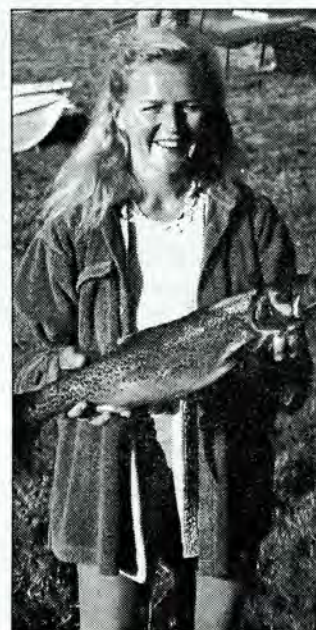
Fishing the great outdoors ... with Keith Newman

rant, a Cedar Beach Resort T-shirt and hat, a set of four pint sleeves from G. I. Brewery and a Leaky Fish. Dionne Hurd picked up the skunk prize for smallest fish weighed in and the hidden weight prize of a Mustang inflatable life vest donated by Home Hardware went to Michael Horan.

This is the first adult derby my wife, Marilyn, and I have had the pleasure of organizing and hosting, and we would like to thank all the great participants who signed up and fished. They made the event an enjoyable one for us which we hope to continue next year and on into the future.

Top 5 contenders

1 st	Sunny Vanderhoof	1875g
2 nd	Bill Wilkinson	1770g
3 rd	Brodie Opheim	1700g
4 th	George Ackerman	1265g
5 th	Gord March	1190g



(Clockwise from top) Tristan Hewitt, derby volunteer tests out first prize, old and young alike enjoyed this year's derby, first place winner Sunny Vanderhoof with her winning fish, the top four winners pose with their prizes.

The delicate art of timing

by Dionne Hurd

The early bird catches the worm... er... fish. Or so I was led to believe. But despite a red-eyed, 4 a.m., first-on-the-lake morning, my day at the Fishing Derby was not a fish-filled one.

Hours of preparation, oodles of costly gizmos and buckets of fresh, jumbo dew worms were no match for my luck on Saturday. Mother Nature didn't help much either. A calm, quiet dawn turned quickly into a windy day forcing all but a handful of boats off the water.

Any reasonably smart fisherman willing to brave the wind would at this point at least set anchor, give his electric motor a break and relax. A few of the remaining boats did and by 11 a.m. there were only a few of us actually attempting to fight the wind and troll. I guess I was the only really certifiable one since I don't actually own an electric motor and I had been practicing the ancient art of rowing for about seven hours.

Around noon one friendly passer-by jokingly noted, "It's nice to see a fitness type out here."

"Shoot me," I mumbled.

By 2:00 I was a wee bit frustrated. People were indeed catching fish. Just not me. I watched a number of skilled anglers land a few really nice trout within 50 feet of me, including one beauty right beside me within 20 feet. I asked what he was using. It was the exact same thing that I was using! Just my luck. Or maybe I'm really bad at this.

Three o'clock and I had been on the water rowing for 10 1/2 hours without a single bite; my arms, back and legs were stiff; I had embedded some of my favorite gear permanently on the bottom and the wind is showing no sign of letting up.

Wait. No. YES! A bite! YAHOO! Oh, wait... a very small bite... by a very small little bass. Seeing as this was most likely the only fish I would see that day I decided I had to weigh him in.

Now, the weigh-in station was on the other side of the lake and I couldn't hurt my tiny fish so I kindly filled an ice cream bucket with water and put him in. Yes, he fit into an ice cream bucket. Comfortably. I released the half-pound, little guy after weighing and headed back out only to snap an oarlock 30 feet from shore. What little luck I had seen had run most thoroughly out. No oars in this wind? I was done.

As I headed home I noted the easing of the wind as well as an increasing number of boats headed onto the lake. I've got to learn better timing.

Having to work Sunday meant that this was my entire fishing derby experience. I admit I was a wee jealous of the beautiful trout caught by others, but many were entirely skunked and I know that fishing is a gamble. You see, despite my long and tortuous day and my less than impressive catch I indeed won a prize at this year's derby.

You guessed it... smallest fish. Just my luck.

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Exploring visions of forestry

by Peggy Abrahams

About 40 islanders were treated to past, present and future visions of forestry in the Gulf Islands at a meeting of the Salt Spring Conservancy on Saturday entitled, Defining the Future of Forestry on Salt Spring.

Land Commission Chair Alan Chambers presented background on the Forest Land Reserve Act and its recent amendment. Islands Trust Chair David Essig updated the audience on the current Trust agenda to seek legislative authority to implement the preserve and protect mandate. Chair Ray Travers of the Eco-

Forestry Institute introduced concepts needed to develop a future vision of forestry for the island.

Expressing the complexities of the Forest Land Reserve Act, Land Commission Chair Alan Chambers said, "Tinkering with a landowner's right to do what he wants with his land is a dangerous game." He said there are two approaches to control forestry on private land: "One, to call for increased regulation to force people to behave in a certain way; and two, reward people for behaving in a way people want them to behave."

He suggested that onerous

regulation tends to fail because of the high cost and suggested a solution might be found by taking governing bodies like the Land Commission and Islands Trust and "putting our heads together to figure it out."

Essig discussed a collision of values he foresees between the conflicting objectives of the provincial Forest Land Reserve legislation and Islands Trust mandate. He outlined several new initiatives the Trust is taking on in the coming weeks to empower the Trust in forestry control.

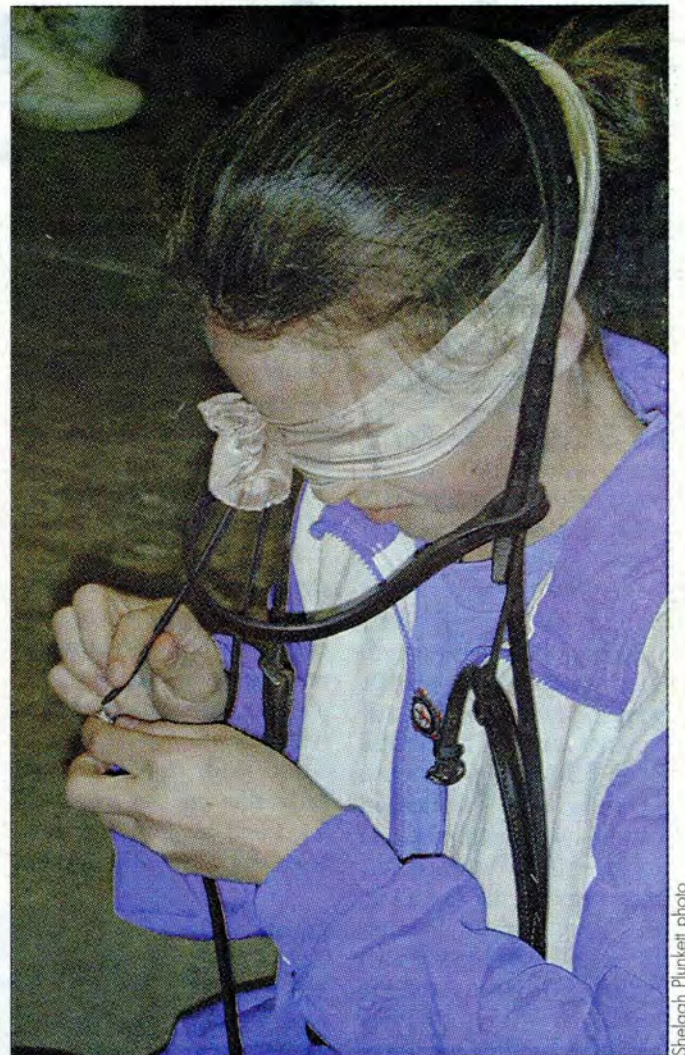
Please watch for a more in-depth report in next week's issue.

Ponyless riders

More than 160 young members of 41 different Pony Club teams gathered at the Farmers' Institute Saturday to participate in Quiz 2000. The friendly competition involved written tests designed to grade members on their academic understanding of things equestrian ranging from blindfold bridle assembly to identifying equine ailments and a horse's digestive system.

Although the Club is open to both boys and girls, the crowd in the Farmers' Institute barn was predominantly female. All levels participated in the event with some as young as six years and others as old as 19.

Jacky Cooper, National Chair and local resident said this year is the second that the Salt Spring Pony Club has hosted the event.



Shelagh Plunkett photo

A level C member of the Cowichan Valley Pony Club uses herself as a model while piecing together a bridle in the blindfold competition.

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said, "I don't have enough money to get all the way to Grandma's house, but I can get pretty close."

So she waved her arm and yelled "TAXI!" When a taxi swerved by she opened the

door and smelled the distinct smell of alcohol. Now she knew that you shouldn't be drinking and driving. But just before she called another taxi she spotted her DARE teacher. She went over and told him her problem and he said, "You handled that problem very well and sure I'll give you a ride."

And, as for what drugs and alcohol mean to me: like little Red Riding Hood I don't care for the nasty appearance of people who chew tobacco, and I don't want to kill my brain cells and reek of marijuana like the people who smoke pot, or put myself and others in danger from drinking.

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