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Hearing on Texada injunction adjourned again

Salt Spring residents file another counter suit against Texada Land Corporation

by Peggy Abrahams

An injunction filed by Texada against a group of Salt Spring residents was "adjourned generally" by the company last week, according to John Davies, the lawyer representing the Islanders. Meanwhile, the hearing on a cross application filed by residents against Texada was adjourned until April 26. These developments came in the aftermath of new evidence provided by various Islanders.

In a letter to Davies, Texada's lawyer Sarah Pike wrote, "My client is adjourning the application generally." According to Davies, this means no new date has been set for a hearing, and the matter could be renewed. Pike said she could not comment without speaking to her client.

Residents filed the counter application asking for Dorman Logging Co., contractor to Texada, to improve the driving safety of its logging trucks. Davies said that since an April 5 hearing, several new residents have come forward with evidence of unsafe driving by Dorman employees. The adjournment is intended to give the Court time to view new evidence.

"I've probably filed about two dozen new statements from different people and three different videotapes," Davies said.

Each of the videotapes shows a number of incidents involving unsafe driving by Dorman logging truck drivers, Davies said.

In one of the new affidavits filed last week local resident Tom Pickett itemized a number of safety problems on Dorman logging trucks. In one instance he stated, "Dorman was operating the logging truck with one tire that was quite thrashed, on the rear of the trailer on the passenger side, the leading dual of that set. I've got videotape of that. Dorman was operating the logging truck with slices in the sidewalls, two to three cuts in different tire sidewalls....If one tire blows, sometimes they all blow....A driver shouldn't be operating any tire with damage on the sidewall."

In an affidavit filed by Texada's local operations manager Brent Kapler, he outlines mechanical checks and safety procedures practiced by Dorman. He states that following a mechanical check, drivers are required to complete a form listing any minor concerns regarding the vehicle's safety or operational ability.

Kapler stated, "Dorman's operating procedures dictate that these forms be collected biweekly, by [Texada Land Corp.'s] logging contractor and

then the contractor's mechanic deals with any and all minor concerns on a priority basis."

Kapler stated a mechanic is called immediately when significant concerns are identified.

Davies said, "Brent Kapler has given a sworn affidavit. He goes through all their standard operating procedures. Every day they go through all these safety checks. If that's the case, how do you explain the

tires? How do you explain the condition of the trucks?"

In his affidavit, Kapler also stated that a Dorman truck driver who was exceeding posted speed limits was fired on April 7. "I believe it was this individual's conduct that led to the public complaints of operators speeding and disobeying stop signs," he stated.

Davies pointed out that video footage has been sub-

mitted showing many different incidents of unsafe driving involving Dorman trucks, and that this firing is not the solution. The counter petition on the part of residents, now pending, asks that a number of new safety measures be taken.

Davies said he was in the process of filing another suit addressing inappropriate behavior of Dorman employees working on Salt Spring. He said

evidence submitted by Salt Spring residents documents that Islanders have been harassed by Dorman workers.

This second suit asks that the company be barred from working on the Island unless various measures are taken, such as retaining an industrial psychologist, as well as posting a sum of money as security in the event of an incident involving damages.

Thieves leave gutted computers

by Judy Moscovitz

Salt Spring's Community Services, which provides a wide range of vital—and free—services to the Island, is known for helping people help themselves. Alas, what someone helped themselves to on Thursday night was a few of the agency's computers.

The break-in was discovered just before 8 a.m. Friday by Paul Gregory, Director of Adult Counselling Services. Gregory immediately called the RCMP, who sent Constable Shane Savinkoff to attend the scene. Savinkoff's basic investigation indicated no forced entry, but one door was found unlocked and a bathroom window was open. Complicating the matter is the fact that literally dozens of staff workers, volunteers and

group leaders have been given keys over the years. Community Services will be changing the locks and reviewing their security system.

Though no damage was done to the exterior of the heritage building, five inside doors had been kicked in, one glass-paned door shattered, and file cabinets had been pried open in an apparent search for cash. There was no vandalism, however, and the perpetrator seems to have been looking only for easily fenced computer components. Several of the agency's newer computers had been disassembled and lay damaged on the floor; one had its CPU missing. The CPU, or Central Processing Unit, is the main brain of a computer.

It contains no information,

but is responsible for coordinating everything that happens on a computer.

Perhaps the greatest damage was to the staff's morale. Said Family Place's Ragnhild Flakstad, "It's extremely discouraging. When you think of all the work that goes into fundraising so that we can improve the agency, it feels like work wasted." Acknowledging a feeling of violation, counselor Meredith Knox added, "It takes away your courage to keep going." Agreed Executive Director Lynne Brown sadly, "This affects what we can offer the community."

After completing his basic investigation, Constable Savinkoff called in the Forensic Identification Section from the subdivision

office in Victoria. Within a few hours, Cpl. Doug Walman was on the scene, dusting for fingerprints and taking pictures of the damage. Walman's job is to gather evidence for use in court and to serve as an expert witness.

It is believed that the break-in was the work of someone who has previously been in the building, probably a client—someone who knows part, but not all, of the building. At present there are no suspects and no known witnesses, but the matter remains under active investigation.

Due to the considerable damage done to the premises during the break-in, the agency was forced to close for the day Friday, but expects to be open in time for Tuesday's Food Bank.

MEA CULPA—Sometimes it's gremlins and other times it's human error. Last week our calendar database did the near impossible by plucking a draft version of the calendar from the unemptied trash of our production assistant's computer. Gremlins or human error—whichever, the result was that numerous edits, corrections and additions did not appear in the printed version. A thousand apologies to organizers, participants and audiences who were confused, disappointed or frustrated as a result.

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Darin Craig update

Medical coverage reinstated

"I think I'll start a new career...in public relations," said Darin Craig, explaining that persistence and media pressure have won him new ground in his fight to stay in Canada with medical coverage.

As of Thursday, April 13 Craig regained his right to B.C.'s medical coverage until February 2001. The coverage has been backdated to March 1 allowing for a few routine check-ups, appointments made after B.C. Med cancelled his claim, to be covered.

"I feel as though I'm winning," said Craig. However, he added, he's still not "home safe" until he gains either a Minister's Permit (which would allow him to travel outside Canada without risk of being turned back on his return) or Landed Immigrant status.

The next hurdle in his case will be met May 5 when Canada Immigration

and Citizenship presents his medical history to a Ministry of Health Medical Advisory Board for review and recommendation. Although Craig cannot attend the hearing he plans to be waiting in the hallways outside the conference room so that members of the Board can see the man whose life they are discussing.

"This latest decision sets a precedent, though, and that's a very good thing. I'm making an impression," Craig said. Last week he spent a day on the phone to the Ministry of Health trying to track down members of the Advisory Board. After his call was bounced a dozen times he spoke to a woman who said, "Are you the guy that's been in the news?" Learning he was, she helped Craig find the phone numbers he needed.

In a manner akin to a two-steps-forward, one-step-

back progression, Craig learned he cannot send data supporting his claim to the Advisory Board; however, an attending Immigration Officer has agreed to present a letter from Craig's doctor stating Craig will not be a drain on the medical system, along with at least 10 letters of support from the community.

Referring to community support Craig said, "It makes your heart feel good. I'm amazed at all the people—some I don't even know—who've been supporting me through this." One example was the time he arrived home to find a group of boys—the Boys Senior Basketball team—unloading a pick-up truck of wood onto his driveway. When asked what they were doing, Craig said the team answered, "You'll be needing this next winter."

And, there's more good news. Craig recently

learned that his brain tumor responded 40 to 45 per cent better than expected to his last bout of radiation therapy. Craig's neurosurgeon explained that the tumor—resembling a spider web rather than a solid mass—had not grown in the three months prior and that some ganglia had shrunk while others had been killed off.

"That's what we're shooting for," said Craig. "We can't get rid of it completely but maybe we can control the tumor's growth."

While he waits for the wheels of government to grind to a conclusion, Craig has taken up golf for relaxation and exercise. "My doctors told me I needed to walk but I get bored just doing that. Chasing that little white ball around the course, though, is good. I just visualize an Immigration officer on it, take aim and away it goes."

Save Salt Spring campaign updates

- Elizabeth White of the Fundraising Committee for the Land Conservancy expresses her thanks for the pledge of \$150,000 from an anonymous donor last week. The May Day campaign is now only \$60,000 short of its May 1 goal of \$500,000.

- With summer months approaching, the Spirit Camp is attracting more young people.

- Lawyer John Davies is pursuing issues through the courts involving acts of violence and intimidation that have occurred. He is also seeking a legal solution to the hazards posed by the unsafe driving practiced by Dorman employees in the transportation of logs from various cut-blocks to the log dump.

- Last Sunday, April 9, 70 people, including children, participated in a walk-about through Texada logging sites. The informative talk conducted by Sally John was well received and generated much interest. Thanks are extended to Texada for permitting the outing.

- On April 12, a spirited group of 250 people congregated in front of the legislature buildings in Victoria. Under the banner "Unchain the Islands Trust" they protested the legislation that restricts the Trust's



Alexander Robert Corley with his painting hung at the Information Centre

ability to control large scale or industrial logging on private land. In attendance were residents of all Gulf Islands, the Raging Grannies, Trustees and representatives from Western Canada Wilderness Committee. A petition of 2,000 names demanding action from the Minister of Forestry Jim Doyle was handed over to MLA Evelyn Gillespie who promised to present it to the minister. This was met with enthusiastic cheers from the crowd. But later, David Essig, Chair of the Islands Trust, said the minister was not willing to

change the legislation curbing the Trust's powers.

- Salt Spring Soapworks owners Bill Goddu and Linda Quiring have announced the production of a new fir-scented soap. The proceeds from sales of the soap—\$5 a bar—will go toward the Texada Land Acquisition fund.

- Salt Spring Centre School students in Mitchel Sharrin's class have hung their impressions of the forest—paintings in acrylic—at the Information Centre above Barb's Buns. Sharada Filkow, art teacher at the school—said the students spent two months working on the project which began with

walks in the wooded area around the school, sketches made outdoors and brainstorming sessions on what forests are, what and who lives in them, what they mean in our world and how the children feel about forests. Of his painting, Alexander Robert Corley, nine, said, "It's my winter wonderland. It's what I would like a forest to look like. A few trees with a nice river running through it." Eight-year-old Danica Lundy said, "I feel glad that I had the opportunity to put up my painting here." She added that she felt the logging should stop, particularly in areas where Garry Oaks grow.

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Isle Say! ...
with John Pottinger

I spent 25 years of my life working for the Federal Government.

If you've never worked for a government department you may have trouble understanding just how cumbersome the bureaucracy really is. Governments have forms for recording everything—more than even I can joke about. If you call a government office and you've been on hold for twenty minutes, chances are they're all filling in forms.

My first job with the Feds was at Penticton Airport. We had forms for recording happenings of interest to managers or politicians, or events that might affect national security, but generally we recorded statistics that were of no interest to anyone.

One of my favourites was a form for recording "vital intelligence sightings." Like UFOs, or enemy submarines (in Okanagan Lake), or talking cows. Who knows what the bureaucrats really expected us to report?

But the greatest form of all was the "Nil Report Form." This form was (and still is) used by certain Federal Government departments to record and report (are you ready for this?) things that don't happen.

It worked like this: If you got to the end of your shift and nothing happened that was covered by any of the 3,000 rules on things you must report on, you had to fill out the "Nil Report Form" to indicate that nothing happened that, if it had happened, would have been the subject of a report.

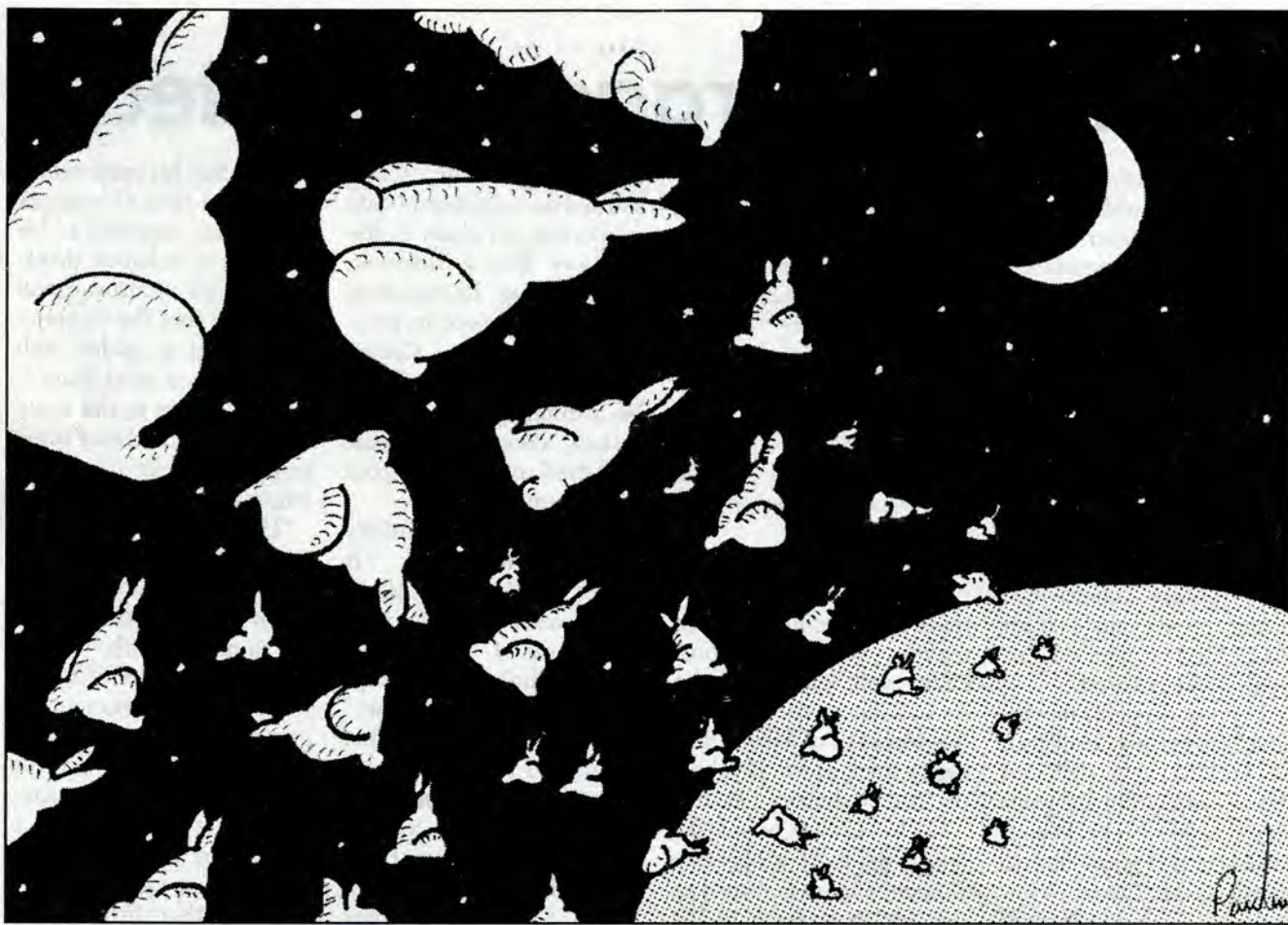
You think I'm kidding, don't you? Heck no. The form was created

because some genius in Ottawa decided that if he didn't get a report from a particular location, it might not mean there was nothing to report. It could mean the person on duty had forgotten to file a report, or a report had been filed but had gone missing. So the Nil Report Form confirmed for this bureaucrat that nothing unusual had happened during my shift: no aliens had invaded Penticton; no dancing apple trees had been discovered wandering around the orchards at night; no senior manager had actually been seen working.

So, humans being what they are (even government employee type humans), people would think up things to write on the Nil Report Form.

I began running experiments to see if anyone actually read the Nil Report Form but no one ever questioned what I wrote on it. I started out with simple little tests like "No snow today" (on an August afternoon). I got more brazen as time went on and tried things like "No terrorist activity today". Still no questions. I even went so far as to write a whole page describing an earthquake that didn't take place. "The ground didn't shake hard enough to topple several buildings. People weren't heard screaming from the non-existent rubble. Thousands of people were left with homes."

One day we got a memo from Ottawa telling us "the Nil Report Form is not to be used to report the non-occurrence of reportable events. Rather, it is a system for the confirmation of the absence of such events." I gave up.



Freedom of the press

Your newspaper and freedom of the press are presently being challenged by Robert McDonald of Texada Land Corporation in the courts by a lawsuit. In essence, this action, if successful, may stifle future controversial reporting by yourselves and limit perspective on public issues. This action by the Texada principal makes me see red while I think of the wealthy corporations across our land gaining control of media and confining our exposure to their interpretation (Corporate) of the facts.

I support your newspaper and its initiatives; I support its writers, and most importantly I support it being an essential part of our community. You have my subscription in hand!

JAMIE SQUIER

Musical magic

Three gifted musicians combined their artistry last week to create musical magic. Don Fisher, Jean Knight and Chris Kodaly brought the profound works of the late romantics to life at ArtSpring last weekend, to resounding applause. We have so few string players on the Island and therefore the violin was all the more appreciated.

I hope the enthusiastic response of the audience will

inspire these three to perform again soon.

SUSAN MONAGHAN

Harsh review

We were disappointed with Elizabeth Courtney's review of Jean Knight's performance in the concert at ArtSpring on April 9 (*the Barnacle*, April 18). We felt her comments on Knight's "overly restrained performance" and "missing her peak form" were unfair. We thought Knight's performance was very strong as did others we spoke to.

Maybe Courtney should have changed places before making such a judgment since the acoustics of the room can be challenging at times for musicians and audience. We are so very fortunate here on SSI to have such an array of excellent musicians who give of their time to entertain us.

Courtney may want to be more sensitive and diplomatic when "critiquing" our musicians as they are doing it for our pleasure with little return except for the joy of entertaining us.

ANNE & JIM
MCMAHON

Acoustics spoiled show

I am not a trained music critic, but I have been listening to classical music for 50

years. The recent SS Music Guild concert was the first time I had heard Jean Knight play. I was delighted with the attack and vigour of her playing, and I appreciated the variety of her interpretations, particularly the vivacity of the Dvorak Scherzo, the strength of the final movement of that sonata, and the richness and sensitivity of her performance of the Brahms, as well as her impeccable tone throughout.

Unfortunately Elizabeth Courtney is not a musician, and what she described in her review as "tentiveness" and other criticisms was, by her own admission, a failure to understand the very severe problems all three musicians faced with the acoustics at ArtSpring (*the Barnacle*, April 18). The lower notes of both the violin and the voice did not project into the auditorium. Even worse, the musicians could not hear each other—a severe problem for ensemble playing. This problem is so bad that Don Fisher omitted the two lowest pitched songs in the cycle on the Sunday performance because of the strain on his voice. This must be why *the Barnacle's* reviewer did not have trouble hearing Don as she did with Jean.

The musicians spent a lot of rehearsal time trying to overcome the acoustical problems, but unfortunately a stage

designed for theatrical performance does not lend itself easily to delicate ensemble playing. And lest you think that this is special pleading for our concert, I would point out that Chris Kodaly had the same trouble hearing the singers during *Showtime with Sondheim*, even though the singers were using mikes! Other groups, such as the Salt Spring Singers, have also complained about the acoustics; indeed, I remember a group of us discussing the acoustical problem on the very day ArtSpring opened. I would hope that the ArtSpring Board would now recognize this problem, and perhaps explore ways to solve it.

TILLY CRAWLEY
NANCY JAMES
SS Music Guild

Trust stance faulty

It seems that the authority of the Islands Trust to regulated land use in a forest reserve is probably being under-estimated. For example, in the last issue of the *Island Times*, it was stated (on page 2) that "The stumbling block to control of private land logging in the FLR is that the Act states that no local government can restrict the owners right to extract timber, nor can they pass legislation to regulate it."

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I can find no such provision in the Forest Land Reserve Act.

In section 17, the Act states that "A local government (which is defined to include the Islands Trust) must not ... adopt a bylaw... that would have the effect of restricting, directly or indirectly, a forest management activity relating to timber production or harvesting... on land that is forest reserve land...."

It is at least questionable whether clear-cutting over the whole area of a forest reserve (if that is what is happening) can be considered a

"forest management activity." It would certainly not seem to be that if the area is large enough for a sustained yield program to be feasible. Indeed, clear-cutting over the whole area of a large reserve would be the antithesis of "forest management."

The assumption that the Islands Trust is powerless in this situation does not seem to be supported by statute, and it would be inconsistent with the principles and objectives of the Islands Trust Act.

TG ISON

Looking for answers

I'm puzzled and looking for answers! We've learned that ANY logging in the Mt. Maxwell watershed will definitely degrade the quality, and maybe the quantity, of our water. If that happens who will be legally liable if a class action suit materializes? Will it be the contracted loggers who do the actual physical damage? Will it be the Texada Land Corporation who contracts them? Or will it be the Board of Directors of the

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Dénouement

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-Richard M. Cruickshanks



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Answers cont'd from p5
North Salt Spring Waterworks District who have been elected to protect our water supply? Will someone enlighten me?

ROSEMARY BAXTER

Garden project well supported

We would like to respond to last week's letter, "Waste of money" in order to correct some inaccuracies which were mentioned by the author. First, it is the united opinion of the PAC, staff, and parents and students who have chosen to work on the SIMS Millennium Garden Project that it should proceed. We firmly believe this project will be a valuable asset to the school and students as well as a tremendous learning experience for current and future students, as was the greenhouse project at Fernwood and the beautification projects at Fulford and Salt Spring Elementary.

It should be pointed out that our building has never been condemned and our building, like all the schools in the district, is constantly being upgraded, maintained and improved as ministry funding permits. Of course, we would welcome a new school built specifically to meet the unique needs of Middle School students. To that end our School District has included this request to the Ministry of Education in its capital plan since it was decided to develop the Middle School concept on Salt Spring. The fact is that in terms of other needs in the province, building a new school here is ranked as a very low provincial priority.

In terms of the cost of the garden project we would like to state the correct figures. The estimated total cost of the garden is between \$800 and \$1500 with the cost of the topsoil not to exceed \$650. At last count, more than \$1000 cash has been donated by parents, staff and local businesses. As well, most of the Island's nurseries have pledged donations of plants. The Island's grocery stores

have donated compost and manure. The garden's design, landscape rock, trucking and backhoe time have all been donated. All donations receive a tax deductible receipt.

To date 27 parents and staff have volunteered their time and energy towards the project. Student involvement in the project is certainly one of our goals; however, all work would be voluntary.

If, by some miracle, funding for a new school is provided in the future, the efforts of this community would not be wasted. This garden could be moved to the new site in one afternoon.

We all make our own choices as to where and how we invest our time and energy for our students and children.

BOB BROWNSWORD

Principal, Salt Spring
Island Middle School

NAIRN HOWE

Garden Coordinator

GE foods junk mail

Our hard work must be paying off. The Government of Canada has finally realized Canadians are deeply concerned about the safety of their food. Or else why bother to mail out a booklet titled *Food Safety and You* to every household in late March.

Sentences like "Day in and day out, Government of Canada inspectors and scientists contribute to a rigorous and comprehensive food safety program..." are supposed to reassure us that the government has everything well in hand. Wait a minute, I'm from Missouri, just exactly what does the term "contribute" mean?

And how come the government doesn't know the answer to their own question, "Who oversees the feeds, the seeds and the fertilizers that our growers depend on? Who assesses the new types of vegetables, the fruits and the grains that come onto the market to make sure they're safe for human consumption?" Why surely, it's the manufacturers who do. That's whose data our government has come to rely upon.

If you too, are having trou-

ble swallowing the half truths about food safety, accurate labeling and the approval process for genetically engineered foods, join us in mailing the government's junk mail back to them. Attach a brief message to the front and mail your booklet postage free to Allan Rock, Minister of Health, House of Commons, Ottawa, Ont. K1A 0A6. Or leave your booklet at Natureworks or in the magazine room at the Recycling Depot and we'll see they get returned.

MICHELLE GRANT

Ad hoc Committee for
Safe Food and Water

Lunch anyone?

There is yet another event happening on this Island that is very good. I witnessed it last week and want to share my feelings about it.

A whole lot of energy has got together to serve those that are on their own or are trying to pull food out of the air to feed their families. I've been helping in a kitchen in Victoria for five years, feeding thousands. The one primary ingredient in servicing others is dignity and this group serves that up with one word—"Welcome."

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It is every Tuesday 11:30 to 1 p.m. at All Saints (up stairs) on Lower Ganges Rd.

You can help by coming and showing appreciation for what this group is doing for others.

Yes, yet another group on Salt Spring helping others. Check it out.

DAVID TRENDLELL

Thank you, thank you, thank you

The Dwarves have taken a brief moment of r'n'r between Quests. This mes-

sage was scrawled on arbutus bark and found glued (saliva? slippery slug secretion?) to a lone Douglas Fir in the vicinity where the Dwarves were last seen singing and scratching themselves.

"En-heightened ones...bless the largeness of your organs, especially your hearts. So many Grand Pooh-Bah samaritans helped our multi-o'd Quest and we, Doh, Reh, Fah, Sol (and Mi), wish to heap a behemoth, smothering load of praise and thankfulness grovelingly at your feet.

Tanks to The Barnwood and Driftacle folds, Shilo Z. for the good Thyme, Foxgloviens, Tree House Cafe people, Keith at The Bicycle Shop, Trynly and Barb's Buns, En-Heightened Helpers Lorna, Maxine, Evy (High Doh for a day) and Ron, Jana Thomas, Elizabeth White, Catharine the horn woman, Samba Du Soleil, Gumbooters, Linda and Leroy Jensen, hot drink-getter Valerie, Dwarf-toss aficionado Alex Mitchell, Brian Finemore and all our under-cover, secret helpers. Cheers to all the patient folks who tossed us their money to stop the incessant and blatant begging. And to all those which the tired Dwarf brain has missed in the scan...sorry and thanks.

Everybody Dwarf-chung tonight!"

Many thanks to Phil of the Ruphi Gallery in Ganges for volunteering to hand paint a big beautiful bright banner for the "Unchain the Islands Trust" rally in Victoria last Wednesday. It was a wonderful focal point and attracted lots of attention as we proudly carried it around the ferry and through the streets to the legislature, where it made a colourful backdrop for the speeches and other activities.

Doh, Reh, Fah, Sol and Mi

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OLD DOGS INTO NEW PUPS—Members of the Salt Spring Weavers Guild pooled their left over yarns (old dogs) and wove three gorgeous blankets (new pups) which were then presented to the SPCA and the Transition House. The T-House blankets will be kept for clients while the one presented to the SPCA (narrowly escaping this reporter's longing clutches) will be auctioned in their fall fundraiser. Shown above are from left: (front) Cathy Newman—SPCA President—and Cheryl Wiebe and (back) Eileen Pike, Victoria Olchowecki, Nancy Boyce—Transition House Executive Director—Shirley Graham and Gerry Layard.

April 24 to 30

Prevention of Violence Against Women

New outreach programme for Transition House

A weekly support group for adult women who have experienced physical and/or emotional abuse in relationships is now available on Salt Spring. This is a new outreach programme of the Salt Spring Island Transition House, which is operated by the Gulf Islands Women's Resource Network.

The weekly group is an opportunity for women to share experiences, explore issues relevant to violence and abuse and find out they are not alone.

The group will be facilitated by an experienced Stopping the Violence Counselor and offered in a safe, neutral location. There is no charge to attend the group and some childcare and travel subsidies are available. This is a completely confidential service.

The support group has been developed by the transition house in response to consistent feedback from women expressing a need for this kind of programme on the Island.

Anyone interested in getting more information about the group can call the Transition House at 537-0735 or toll free at 1-877-435-7544.

Safety Tips

During Prevention of Violence Against Women week (April 24 to 30) Transition Houses across B.C. and the Yukon will distribute wallet-sized "Safety Tips" cards throughout the community.

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Waterworks District AGM draws Show of force

by Peggy Abrahams

More than the usual number of Island residents attended the North Salt Spring Waterworks District (NSSWD) AGM last Tuesday, many to voice concerns about potential logging in the watershed by Texada Land Corp. Logging in the area could have a detrimental effect on the quality of the lake's water.

The NSSWD is currently negotiating to purchase some of the land from Texada, which acquired a large portion of the Maxwell watershed last November. NSSWD general manager Mike Larmour told the 41 people in attendance there have

been preliminary meetings with Texada and they expect another meeting in the next two weeks. "We're hoping to meet with Mr. Macdonald very shortly and see if something can be arranged."

Tom Hall, president of the Water Preservation Society, told the NSSWD board the only way to protect the water quality is to own the watershed. "Our board wants you to know we can make a considerable financial contribution and help you with fundraising," he added.

Larmour declined to release specifics of a recent appraisal of the land and other details during this stage of the negotiations, saying Texada had asked that details be kept private.

A number of Island residents expressed support for the NSSWD to buy land in the watershed back from Texada. Pointing out that the Island relies on Maxwell Lake for 50 per cent of its water supply, John Baxter said, "I'm disturbed by the

board's apparent lack of reaching out to the public. It doesn't make sense to me that you aren't going out to get public support. Unless you get the ratepayers right behind you to raise funds, you aren't doing your job."

Concern was expressed about the price placed on the land by Texada and Ralph Quick said, "It occurs to me Texada is going to incur the wrath of 'the silent majority' of Salt Spring if they are not reasonable."

Jonathan Grant suggested, "The government is listing endangered species. Do we have an inventory of endangered species in the area?" Quick responded, "Maybe we could list Salt Spring Islanders as an endangered species."

NSSWD chair Bob Brawn told the meeting, "You can rest assured this board is committed to doing everything we can to protect the quality of the water on Maxwell."

Also at the meeting, Erling Jorgensen and Les Howell were re-elected as trustees for three-year terms. Brawn reported on highlights of last year, including preliminary

engineering for a dam, fishway and two rights of way on St. Mary Lake and upgrading that began on the St. Mary Lake pump house. Among other projects, a dugout was constructed near Maxwell and engineering was completed on a proposed main on Lower Ganges Road.

Next year, the NSSWD plans construction of a new water main on Lower Ganges Road between Atkins and Crofton Roads. Among other projects for 2000 are completion of work on St. Mary Lake pump house and an application to the Ministry of the Environment for a license to withdraw 500,000 gallons per day from St. Mary Lake.

Brawn said water consumption on the Island is increasing at the rate of three to four per cent a year. He said that the NSSWD is considering a rate increase of one cent per 100 gallon to help fund the St. Mary Lake dam. "We need to build revenues especially for St. Mary Lake and acquiring land. We are going to spend the income we generated this year for sure," he said.

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Preparing for the barbee at Drummond Park, Texada principal, Derek Trethewey, wades ashore after the plane flying him in for the event ran aground.

Hug a Logger beach barbecue a success

About 100 people partook of barbecued offerings at the "Dining and Dialogue" event held at Drummond Park on Friday, April 14. The al fresco meal was planned as a non-confrontational way for loggers and those opposed to clear-cuts to break communal bread and engage in discussion on issues surrounding the logging of Texada-owned lands.

Old-time logger John Bennett attended and spoke on his own experiences logging Salt Spring Island. "Logging won't hurt anything," he said. "The trees will grow back." Saying he was a logger for 14 years, Bennett added, "What I am seeing now is people acting from emotion."

Forester Sally John responded by pointing out

that Texada is now cutting 20-year-old trees. "It will take two years to log and then there will be 30 years of nothing," she said.

At 3:30 p.m., while Islanders of both opinions mingled, Texada principal Derek Trethewey arrived by sea plane. Unfortunately, his plane ran aground in the shallow Fulford estuary, forcing him to wade ashore first with a woman slung over his shoulder and then with two large suitcases in hand.

As the focus shifted to him, Trethewey responded to an intense barrage of questions. Saying the barbecue was the right kind of peaceful protest and one that brought awareness to the environment he went on to say, "We'd like to improve communications and deal

with issues of concern, so that everyone can benefit." In response Bart Terziel offered to help facilitate communications on the condition that Texada and its principal Rob Macdonald first drop all lawsuits against all Islanders and the Barnacle. Trethewey was noncommittal but took down Terziel's name and telephone number.

Trethewey went on to say that Texada was in the process of planting 50,000 seedlings on its logged land and will continue to do so into the fall. When asked why he would not slow down or stop the logging until a resolution could be found, Trethewey did not respond.

"How can we negotiate when your loggers are indulging in violence?"

asked one diner. Trethewey assured the crowd that he would have a talk with the Dorman crew regarding past harassments. "We have a dim view of that sort of behaviour," he said.

As the party broke up, several Islanders surrounded Trethewey in a group hug and presented him with a t-shirt reading "Save Salt Spring." Before leaving, Trethewey was approached by Bill Goddu and Linda Quiring—owners of Salt Spring Soapworks—and asked if he'd like to purchase a bar of their newly introduced fir scented soap. Proceeds from the \$5 bars will go toward the Texada Land Acquisition fund. Peeling off a \$100 bill, Trethewey bought the bar before heading off to Ganges.

Osman Phillips photo



Toys needed for expansion

by Amei Parkes

Clean out your storage cupboards. Look under your stairs and crawl spaces. Find all those toys you've squirreled away. The Toy Library is expanding, and they need your help.

At the moment, parents can borrow quality, clean toys from one location—Beaver Point Hall—every second Tuesday. But having such a deep south venue has made it difficult for north end parents to borrow toys too.

And now, with the addition of another branch, comes the need for more toys.

"What I'm hoping we come up with from the community is stuff like more Brio train sets, Tinkertoys, building sets, wooden puzzles, puppets, Fisher-Price type sets, and a few larger items like a play kitchen or tool bench or..." said toy librarian, Jo Twaites, who will be managing and operating the Portlock branch.

In other words, no decent and durable toy will be refused. That is the beauty of a toy library; the toys get circulated, but are kept in good shape.

"It's special because it is all parent-run, is very cost efficient, teaches children to share, reduces waste, exposes children to toys they might not otherwise get a chance to play with, deals with the problem of children outgrowing toys quickly, reduces boredom, allows parents of young children to meet each other, provides a useful life



Diane Bialecki photo

The Twaites family test new inclusions in the Toy Library

for toys once they are outgrown, and provides an alternative to consumerism," said Twaites.

An added bonus is the hours, which conveniently overlap with existing children's activities. The current toy library open for business in Beaver Point coincides with the Little Red Schoolhouse hours. The Portlock location also plans to meet back-to-back with Kindergym.

And who was behind this novel idea?

The Salt Spring Toy Library was started by Ann Cronin and Sandy Kyle in 1993. For Cronin, it seemed like the logical thing to do after it was no longer practical for her to commute to the Victoria Toy Library. She spoke matter-of-factly of its beginnings.

"[Kyle and I] each put \$20 together and bought the first portion of the Brio set. I did a lot of garage sale-ing and bought a lot of toys with Ganges Village Market tapes...and started with

toys that my children had outgrown," said Cronin.

The first Toy Library started in the basement of the Catholic Church, then expanded into the Baptist Church, Family Place and other places around the Island. And although the locations and organizers have changed over the years, the cost and basic idea has not. Members still pay a \$20 start-up fee, or donate a toy in good condition. Users may check out one large item and three small toys each time.

Cronin believes children learn through play and the whole experience can be a "teaching moment." Toys like puzzles, ride-on toys, microscopes, a mini tramp and kitchen-centre foster gross and fine motor skills, imagination, role play and scientific thinking. With a little boost from the community, these benefits and more, can be realized by all kids on the Island.

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Words take flight

Young poets pack punch



Gemma-Rose D'Atillio

Shelagh Plunkett photo

Saturday was a busy night for Salt Spring's literati. While seasoned writers gathered at one end of town, at the other a fresh crop of up and coming writers and musicians celebrated the launch of *Aurora* magazine. Even before the launch, *Aurora*, a literary magazine for young poets, writers and illustrators, had sold out its first print run—a publishing milestone the envy of many a Writers' Union reader at the other end of town.

While introducing *Aurora*'s creators, Candace Buckler and Leah McColm, Adrian du Plessis—events coordinator for TSUNAMI, the group instrumental in helping McColm and Buckler get *Aurora* into print—pointed out that, “All things start with an idea.” The idea Saturday night seemed to be to create an intimate bistro environment at the Core Inn and then pack the space with the energy, talent and enthusi-

asm of creative youth.

It was a success.

After an introduction by Buckler and McColm, the audience settled down to listen intently to a parade of 18 writers and musicians as they spoke, read, sang and performed their original works. Some were appearing for the first time in public, some hesitant and others brash. But, once rolling virtually all presented their listeners with at least one thought, image, impression or idea that would stick with them well into the next day.

The perennial topic of love—good, bad and ugly—was a common theme in many of the poems read. “I would escape duty for this beauty,” read Khalina Demandre in her staccato, rap delivery, “love’s so rough, but I know you’re tough,” sang Dave Carson, while the essence of love’s aftermath was captured in Leah McColm’s line, “All that is left

are the long bones of silence.”

Politics, the environment, the loss of innocence and global economics—“Mickey Mouse is unemployed/ran a sweatshop that made his toys,” sang Geoffrey Davidson—were also explored and commented on; “We are only little children kneeling here/and we want our loving father near,” read Isadora Fairchild from her prayer-like poem. Feminism made a brief but powerful appearance in Gemma-Rose D’Atillio’s poem about a female builder. “Flying freedom hammer builds us wings that we might soar,” she read with a poise that was inspiring.

Humour also played a big part in the evening with Steve “I am no one and everyone” Melanson (a bred-in-the-bone performer) intimidating and cajoling his listeners into laughter, Candace Buckler teasing it out with her tale of demented hair and Laura Temmel creat-

ing sudden bursts with the line, “I named my socks Gerald.”

Simple imagery was delivered in clean, sharp lines—“Thoughts passing through grass,” from Kyla McColm—and blunt truths, “Say what you know,” read Mark Baker dropped, appropriately unadorned, into the listeners’ ears.

And, the voices of some performers where themselves worth comment. Christina Behrens’ gave an emotional a cappella rendition of the story of a young girl’s pregnancy that brought everyone to silence while Kayla Schmah gave herself strong accompaniment on the keyboards, her beautiful voice full of emotion.

Unfortunately this writer had to head home at 11:30 and so missed the last five performers. However, based on the substance that came before them, I imagine that they too left their mark on the remaining audience.

Writers’ Union evening a literary B.C. medley

by Peggy Abrahams

About 75 writers and readers climbed over legs and sat wall to wall on the floor and stairway at Vortex Gallery for readings by 15 B.C. writers, representing a rich variety of styles and genres. The event was part of a regional meeting of the Writers’ Union of Canada.

Among highlights, local poet Brian Brett opened with a poem massaging the metaphor of bread as life, delectably probing the parallels of food and sex. With palates awakened, the evening shifted to the bleak Winnipeg winter landscape described in Miriam Waddington’s *Driving Home*.

Lynne Browne, writer of history, read from *Those Lake People*, about Cowichan Lake residents. She vividly conveyed a denuded valley landscape after logging. “Only bleached tree skeletons remained.”

Local children’s writer Joan Buchanan, an animated storyteller, presented *The Writer*, adapted from the folk tale, *The Tailor*. In this shaggy dog tale she describes the frustrations of a writer who ends up satisfied with her lot.

Norma Charles read a touching passage about a young girl practicing the piano. Her selections, *Lonely Heart* and Beethoven’s *Moonlight Sonata*, mirror her

feelings and provide a setting for her fantasies.

Local poet Mona Fertig, who beautifully orchestrated the evening’s event, read a poem of elegant rural images spun into her own lexicon. One-time Salt Spring resident Ed Gould, presented his poem, *Candlelight and Wine*, or “gone with the wind,” as he quipped. The funny poem contemplated power failures, and how the resulting lack of conventional entertainment, like television, forces islanders to be more communicative. He jokes about how husbands who normally don’t speak to their wives will talk, if only to demand a flashlight.

Wearing a floppy hat as a part of her engaging presence, Lynne Hancock read from two books with a common thread, as she explained, “challenges in the search for a perfect man, by trying to be a perfect woman.”

Most amusing, was a passage about her travels to “dissolute, desolate Resolute” Alaska, to surprise her husband on his 50th birthday. In a house with little heating, she awaits his arrival, shivering in a black negligee while preparing an enticing dinner. After seductively answering the door to three people who knock, none of whom are her husband, her enthusiasm begins to flag.

A treat followed the inter-

mission. Diminutive in stature, Irene Howard packs her poetry with giant wit. She enchanted the audience with a poem about an incident at the gym where she does weight training.

Admiring a young beautiful woman, she characterizes her own body as having, “the rough patina of the aged.” She then envisions herself on the prow of a ship, small breasts flattened to the elements. Empowered by the

image, she ends with the observation, “And that is how I became an old woman with attitude.”

Sandi Johnson read a selection of erotic poems, the first, about a woman in a taxi, lusty after the cab driver who wears a leather jacket. She sits fantasizing as, “the city wound through the wheels.”

Local naturalist and author Briony Penn read a charming passage from the April entry of *A Year on the Wild Side*.

Heighton reading a welcome retreat

By Peggy Abrahams

A reading by Steven Heighton at Volume II books Saturday was an engaging foray into the vivid world of this writer’s creation. The author of six earlier books of stories, essays and poetry, Heighton is launching the Canadian edition of his first novel, *The Shadow Boxer*, published by Knopf.

Before giving the gathering of some 40 people an excerpt from the novel, Heighton read poetry selections, compelling in their imagery. One line, “The mind is like a drunk reaching for the phone,” is a sample of what he offers.

A poem in which Heighton personified divorce as a figure

like the grim reaper, was particularly gripping. The poem is written from the point of view of a child, whose parents, one Greek, the other English, appear to him as having a vulnerable marriage. Lucidly, Heighton conveys the child’s fears that his parents will succumb to the dreaded specter of divorce he envisions waiting on the periphery of their marriage.

An excerpt from his novel explored the point at which a love affair began to fizzle out. Cleverly concocted imagery, as in “he would twitch his bushy eyebrows in silly sexy innuendo,” gave great feel for the characters. The passage was vividly descriptive, evocative and sensuous, and

Mesmerized by the feats of the hummingbird, she compares their rapid heart rates and the fluttering of their wings to circus acts with, “the buzz of the bird as drum roll.”

Also featured were Margaret Hollingsworth, Roy Miki and Chris McPherson. The evening ended with a hilarious reading by Bill Chermbrucker, from his novel about a strike at Simon Frazier University. A defendant at a suspension hearing

wiggles out of the examiner’s questions through clever manipulations, turning the procedure into a farce.

Laughter melted into applause.

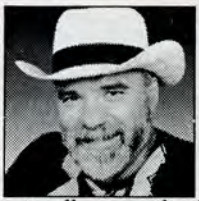
Admiration merged with camaraderie. The writers’ night was a programme of enriching literary sustenance. It was satisfying to see such a great turnout, and Vortex is a lovely venue for a reception, though crowded for the number of people who attended.

Japanese employer had died.

Full of funny grammatical errors and stumbling with his English, the employer tells the applicant, “I am going to exploit you.” After hiring the applicant, the employer ends by saying, “We’ll keep you until someone more quality comes along.”

A resident of Kingston Ontario, Heighton has received a number of literary awards. He read well, and involved the audience in a comfortable way, inviting latecomers to take seats that were unoccupied. The inside of Mouat’s Mall by the bookstore is a conducive spot for a reading, providing sufficient space with a cozy old-fashioned feel.

Loony litigants and disorder in the court!



*Wit & Whimsy ...
with Arthur Black*

Swallows go back to Capistrano. Bees return to the hive. Horses head for the corral.

Idiots, it seems, wind up in court. The Halls of Justice must contain more stupidity per square centimeter than Jerry Lewis's bicycle helmet.

Consider some of the lawsuits now winding their tortuous way through various courtrooms on this continent. In Dallas, singer Kenny Rogers is being sued for throwing a Frisbee into the audience at a performance last fall. The Frisbee it seems, hit a chandelier, causing glass to fall and cut a New York accountant watching the show. The lawsuit alleges facial scarring as well as physical and mental suffering. The accountant's wife adds that the incident robbed her husband of his sex drive.

In Texas, a woman has filed a \$1 million lawsuit against the folks who make the soft drink, Dr. Pepper. It seems the pop makers sponsored a college football punt-catching promotion. The woman got to stand on the 50-yard line and attempt to catch

three punts from a kick-simulation machine. If she caught all three, she'd win \$1 million. She didn't catch any of them. But she cried 'foul!', saying the balls didn't come down close enough to her. (They all landed within 25 feet of where she was standing). She reckons a settlement of oh, say, \$1 million US would go a long way to alleviating her mental anguish.

And a three-time loser by the name of Kendall Breaux, has a little court action going on down in Thibodaux, Louisiana. Breaux isn't actually in the courtroom. He's serving a life sentence for drilling two bank tellers during a holdup. His lawsuit is directed against his getaway driver, who, Beaux says, caused him 'unnecessary pain and suffering' by crashing the car during the police chase away from the bank.

Perhaps our courts of law are a natural destination for those among us who row through life with one oar out of the water. There's a lot of boneheadedness there, even before loony litigants show up. Consider these outtakes from actual courtroom cross-examinations—and remember—these guys are practicing lawyers:

Q: How was your first marriage terminated?

A: By death.

Q: And by whose death was it terminated?

Q: What is your date of birth?

A: August 30th.

Q: And what year would that be?

A: That would be every year.

And my favourite. A tenacious pitbull of a lawyer is badgering a medical examiner, trying to prove his incompetence:

Q: Doctor, before you conducted the autopsy, did you check for a pulse?

A: No.

Q: Did you check for blood pressure?

A: No.

Q: Did you check for any sign of respiration?

A: No.

Q: So, it is possible that the patient was alive when you began the autopsy?

A: No.

Q: Really, doctor. How can you be so sure that the patient was not alive.

A: Well, his brain was in a jar on my desk, but I suppose he could have been alive and practicing law somewhere.

Earth Day 2000

by Judith Boël

Think for a moment of your favourite tree. I can guarantee that your favourite tree looks different than mine. That is how our minds and imaginations work. My favourite tree is a huge Banyan tree that grew in my school playground in Florida. As a lonely child, it comforted me to creep up through the hanging roots into a safe place among huge branches and look down on my world from a different perspective. That tree is still there, hardly altered by time or weather; my children played there as youngsters and my grandchildren have gone back to visit it with me. It is an integral part of my history, as is your favourite tree, as well.

There are countless expressions and stories around the world which reflect a deep sense of connection with trees. Most of us heard the "Johnny Apple Seed" story when we were growing up. Chinese acupuncturists talk about treating the "roots" or the "branches" as a metaphor for treating the deep source or the symptoms of a disease. When reading about world religions, I've found references to Christ as having been "nailed to a tree" and Buddha as having taught and died under the Bodhi Tree. Jewish mystics call the Kabbala "The Tree of Life."

In the creation myths of my mother's ancestors in Norway, the first gods found two trees near the sea and gave them spirit, the breath of life, inspired mental activity, form, speech and the senses to make them into the first humans. The male was Askr (ash) and the female was Embla (elm). Odin hung himself upside down from the cosmic tree, Yggdrasil, for 40 days and nights to achieve enlightenment. In the old language, humans are often referred to as trees: the warrior was called "the oak of battle."

We humans have such rich, deep connections, both real and mythic, conscious and unconscious, with trees. We give them little (except the ax) and they give us so much. Their roots hold the earth so it doesn't wash away. They give us oxygen. They give us wood for fuel, paper, furniture, homes and other human constructions. How about shade? We know that the temperature changes and entire ecosystems are destroyed when the trees are gone. When I was in India, I saw nomadic people walking all day just to collect enough twigs to make a fire to cook their one meal a day. The trees were virtually gone. The cattle and people were emaciated.

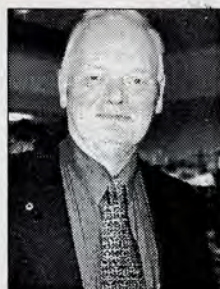
As I sit in this place of privilege, in the mostly white, mostly middle-class culture on Salt Spring, I wonder what the trees I love would say if they could speak. I leave you with this poem I wrote on a journey somewhere. May we all learn to speak for those who cannot speak. May the truth give weight to our voice.

Trees

deep rooting to the hot core of the planet
we share each other's song worship the moon and water
cradling the earth giving, forgiving
you may find solace among us some sorrowing night or day
deaf, sad, limited you don't know our names
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Curiouser and Curiouser

by Elizabeth Courtney

Stunningly beautiful costumes, a brilliantly conceived and executed set, and marvellously detailed props all contribute their magic to an adaptation of Lewis Carroll's classic tale of *Alice in Wonderland* that no one, repeat no one under 110 years old, should miss.

Each character develops their own personality while fully exploiting Carroll's playfulness with language and deliciously ironic view of the illogic of life. The whole dreamy sequence of mad events is supported and given texture by Ramesh Meyers music, performed by him and Garry Lundy on keyboard.

Metta McLeod sustains her Alice with a charming mixture of curiosity and perplexity. She looks a perfect Victorian Miss and did a great job of singing too. The part demanded considerable poise and she never faltered, timing her bemused reactions to a mysteriously moving rock, for instance, (one of the superlative props) faultlessly.

Mameta Kreisler-Rock was a show stopping Mad Hatter—her loopy grin belying the sophisticated comedy of her performance. Laughter in the audience rippled from childish peals of pleasure to full scale belly laughs—and the Mad Hatter contributed more than her share.

The ineffectual absent-minded panic of the White Rabbit and the insanely grinning Cheshire Cat were given fully differentiated and very effective treatment by the same talented actor, Boyd Sloan, and with heart-robbing charm, the youngest performer, Natalia Day, produced both a hilarious little Two of Hearts and a scene stealing Mock Turtle.

As the, "off with his head!" Queen, Linzi Adams faced the challenge of not having the usual aggressively obnoxious persona for the part. She compensated nicely however with a kind of maliciously false sweetness.

Adrian Cocking as King, Eben Finer as Knave/Gryphon, Meaghen Toole (excellent dessicated laugh as Duchess) with two parts, Heather Meek as Cook/Mouse did a fine job



Natalia Day (Mock Turtle) on right and Adrian Cocking (King) on left in character following opening night for *Alice*.

and Ali McLean as Caterpillar caused the audience to erupt in astonishment as she emerged from the most remarkable prop of all, something I won't describe but remark that the complex beauty of this one piece of stage craft attests to the attention to detail and the rapture with magic that the whole production emanates. Simon Henson's scene-setting back-lit screens are stand-alone pieces of art, while the masks the actors created for

their roles are worth the price of admission.

Three more performances this week at ArtSpring (Friday and Saturday, 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, 2 p.m.) conclude this first production by Stagecoach Theatre School (Director, Margaret Jardine). Whether or not you were ever a fan of *Alice*, don't miss this. And if you know a kid or a granny who hasn't seen it, take them.

Tea to raise funds for global aid

Thirty-eight years ago, Salt Spring held its first World Development Tea when the primate of St. Mark's appealed to Islanders for funds to aid relief work in some of the world's disaster areas. The first Tea raised \$5 and sparked an interest that has been maintained until today. This year the annual spring event will be held at 2 p.m., Friday, April 28 at All Saints.

As in past years, this year's Tea will include members of the Anglican, Roman Catholic and United

Church parishes on the Island. The Anglican Church is responsible for the tea and refreshments, the United Church running the bake and plant sale and Roman Catholic members operating the Attic Treasures table and running the silent auction. Church members are asked to contribute to all three events.

Proceeds from the Tea are used to finance special projects in designated areas in all parts of the world where relief is needed. The money is also used for job training, education and

health care. In some cases the donation is matched by funds from C.I.D.A. (Canadian International Development Agency).

Last year five projects were supported with money raised from the Tea. They included the Christian Blind Mission in Kenya, where eye testing was carried out. Help was given to the Island of Ometepe to enlarge its school. The Amerindians in Guyana were assisted with funds for health care and the UNICEF organization in Zambia received money for

education. Precious Jewels Ministry in Manila, which the A.C.W. supports, was also one of the recipients of financial help last year. Closer to home, a high school student, Sarah Walsh, was sponsored for three weeks of voluntary school work in Ghana with Cross Cultured Solutions, a group based in New York. Sarah will be at the Tea to show photographs and share her experiences.

Admission to the Tea is by donation. Any amount of \$10 or more will receive a tax receipt.



David Borrowman photo

Night of music toward scholarship fund

Remembering Ray—This month marks the 1st anniversary of the death of Ray Newman (above with friends, family and fellow musicians), and so there's going to be a music night at Moby's in his memory. Players will include Gary Lundy at the keyboard, Ian Van Wyck on bass, Doug Rhodes on drums and horn player Bonnie Sprinkle, as well as some family members and other friends. A fund to help aspiring musicians has been set up in Ray's name and Moby's will contribute \$200 toward it. This year the fund will be activated to help purchase music and instruments at GISS. Ray loved his life on Salt Spring. By helping to create shows and musical groups, (watch for a CD of one of those groups, Second Wind in the summer: proceeds to the fund), by being involved in the community of political activists and by building his 'mountain greenery' home with his family, he was a fulfilled person. He and his wife Virginia enriched many lives by their inclusiveness and sense of humour. Easter Sunday the music begins at 8 p. m. and wraps up at 11, so get there early for a wonderful evening of tunes and good memories.

Take a spring walk in the wild, wild woods

Celebrate the mystery and magic of spring in the woods during this year's 3rd annual Wild Wood Walk, 8 p.m. Sunday, April 30 at Mouat Park.

All are invited to bring a lantern and gather at the Maypole in the park before embarking on an after-dark parade complete with stories, music and poetry loosely based on the themes of Robin Hood. Traditional rites of spring will be performed to mark this important watershed in the natural year.

How to make a paper & bamboo Lantern

Materials needed

- framing material (split bamboo, alder, willow, wire, etc.)
- tissue paper, • white glue, masking tape, hot glue, clothespins (for use as clamps), string (for wrapping joints)
- hardware cloth or chicken wire or small tin can for candle holder.
- brush for glue.

Instructions

- Make a simple box lantern with a cross bar at the bottom for the candle holder. For a more elaborate lantern, first create a flat shape with your framing material, then "fill it out" with circles of material for a three dimensional end result.
- Put your candle holder inside before you start the

papering and ensure it is securely attached with a least 4 inches of space all round.

- Paint the frame with white glue watered down by half and place the tissue paper on in sections. As you work, paint the tissue paper with white glue so that, by the end, all the tissue paper is wet. Add pressed flowers, leaves, photos, etc.

Fashion fundraiser for band trips

For the second year, the GISS Music Programme is holding its fundraising Spring Fashion Show and Classical Singing event. This year the newly formed GISS Music Parents Society will be sponsoring the event that will showcase new lines of formal, semi-formal and casual wear from various Island clothing outlets. As well, the fashion show will feature performances by Don Fisher, Emily Roop, Deb Toole and Don Zacharias in a vocal line-up that ranges from *Don Giovanni* to, "something humorous asking why Cinderella always gets the guy," said Patricia

Brown, a parent involved in organizing the event.

Proceeds from the show (which last year raised \$1000) will go toward the GISS bands and choir which this year are planning to attend festivals in Vancouver and Toronto.

More than 25 band and choir members are involved in organizing the show, some of whom will be modeling the fashions on display.

The event will be held Thursday, April 27 at 7 p.m. in the GISS Multi-purpose room. Tickets will be available at the door (\$10 for adults, \$6 for students and seniors).

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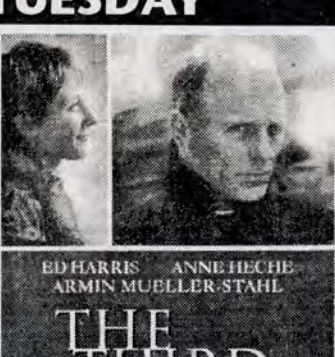
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APRIL 18-30

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 **Natalia Day**. Eleven years old, she is appearing for the first time at ArtSpring as the Mock Turtle and the Two of Hearts in Stagecoach Theatre's *Alice*. She goes to school at Fernwood Elementary, where she has sung in the choir for five years, and lives at home with a younger brother, a cat and a dog. She visits the city regularly, but wouldn't want to live there as she loves trees and likes to hike.

The Book: "Ella Enchanted by Gail Levine. This is a fantasy book and I love fantasy. Plus it has a lot of jokes in it that you don't necessarily get the first time, so you can read it over again."

The Disc: "I would take two songs. The first is *Simple Gearle* by Stacy Earle (I met her and she gave me a T-shirt). The other is *Sugar, Sugar* by the Archies...I don't know how you spell that because I've only heard it on the radio. I like fast music to sing along to."

Fellow castaway: "I wouldn't pick anyone famous, just my best friend Hayley Winn. We've been friends for ages and we never fight. We both want to be biologists when we grow up, so maybe we would do some digging and find some dinosaur bones or something."

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TUESDAY APRIL 18

- Kindergym Parc Portable. 9-10:30am
- Toy Library Beaver Point Hall. 9-10am
- Storytime for Little Ones Library. 10am
- Deon Venter Vortex Gallery.
- Denys James Bristol Hair Cutters
- Diana Dean Studio Show & Sale. 135 Northview. 10am-5pm
- Jacqueline Hooker Sweet Arts Café
- Nicola Wheston Luigi's.
- Rachel Vadenboncoeur & Osmond Phillips Moby's Pub.
- Trees ASA Group Show. ArtSpring Lobby.
- Soup's On
- Free soup and sandwich. All Saints'. 11:30-1pm
- Love is Heaven/Love is Hell S. Bronstein and A. Caplan 7-9pm.
- Prostate Cancer Support Group Anthony Fulker: Nutrition. Lions' Hall. 1-3pm
- Herbal Health for Elders SS Seniors' Building. 1:30-3:30pm. Registration 537-1256
- How to Heal Seminar. Treasured Spirit. 7-10pm
- Flexible Strength All Saints'. 9-10am
- Boot Camp All Saints. 5-6pm
- Nia Fitness Dance Class North End Fitness. Drop in. 7pm. 537-0884
- Volleyball (co-ed) Fulford & GISS Gym. 7:30-9:30pm
- Anna and the King 6:30pm
- What Planet Are You From? 9:15

WEDNESDAY APRIL 19

- Wednesday Open Stage. M 9pm
- Argentinian Practice. Lion 7:30-9:30pm
- Centering Prayer Contemplative 7:30am.
- S. End Centering Prayer St. Mary's Fulford. 11am
- BCSS/NAMI Mental Illness Education. All Saints'. 7-9:30pm
- Movement & Writing Ahava Shira. Core Inn. 7:30-9:30pm
- Ease into Fitness Mahon Hall. 9-10am
- Step into Shape All Saints. 9-10am
- Joy of Yoga S. Centre. 10am-noon
- Soccer Co-ed Drop-in Portlock. 2pm
- Circuit Challenge Fulford Gym. 6:30-7:30pm

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🎭 Performing Arts	Midnight Café Acoustic Jam. Rose's Cafe. 7pm	Storytime for Little Ones Library. 10am	Centering Prayer Contemplative Centre. 7:30am.	Mom & Tots 1-3y
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Language and cultural resources

Observing the lens through which we define the Noble Savage

The Myth of the Matter ... with Elizabeth Courtney

When author Chris Arnett (*The Battle of Ganges Harbour*) responded to my plea for an examination of the cultural values implicit in such words as economic resource, ownership, land, family etc. when discussing the roles played by various First Nations in the history of the West Coast (*the Barnacle*, January 25) with the observation that this in itself implied an outworn, "attitude that dates back to the eighteenth century romantic notion of the 'noble savage' which characterizes native peoples as 'children of the forest' living in a utopia, free from the above-mentioned trappings of western civilization," he is, I believe, side-stepping my point. The problem with debates about colonial and post-colonial lenses is that it becomes all too easy to overlook the flesh and blood reality of the "other" as one debunks the beastliness or nobility of the projections. The important thing is that no genuine dialogue can take place if, for instance, we are calling a whale an economic resource and the person with whom we are conversing experiences the

whale as a mythic ancestor (to allude to a potentially explosive issue).

It would be unfair to continue this discussion on language without noting that Arnett's book is a marvelous piece of historical research into the events surrounding some very unpleasant incidents in the mid nineteenth century on the west coast. A strength of his work is his seamless stitching of accounts, both oral and written, from a wide range of sources which indicates as nothing else can just how wide the range of interpretation can be. He keeps his authorial voice to a minimum; nevertheless, it is clear that this book is written to help redress the wrongs done to the indigenous peoples in the interests of settlers.

It is also perhaps unfair to ask an historian to draw attention to the ways in which language both shapes and filters experience. After all, it goes without comment these days that not only have we moved in this century from calling minerals resources to including plants and animals under this heading, we have shifted in the last decade or so to calling humans resources. The lan-

guage of economics is particularly riddled with terms which reveal underlying myths about our relationships. Exploiting resources conveys much about our ignobility—nobility itself is a term with the same root meaning as both knowledge and kin, so still suggests what it was about the cultures the eighteenth century was encountering that prompted the epithet of noble.

Daniel Francis devotes a whole book to the notion that everything we understand about the indigenous peoples of this continent has been based on projections. In his lecture to the Historical Society last week he admitted that his book, entitled *The Imaginary Indian* was not about Indians, but about us. Demonstrating how three myths (Wilderness Man, Vanishing Man and Noble Savage) have been exploited by various western interests (Grey Owl, the men's movement, automobile manufacturers, environmentalists, etc.) nevertheless begs the question—how do we have a meaningful conversation with or about indigenous people?

I have lived and worked

on reserves in the interior of B.C. where there was little or no contact between peoples living less than half a mile apart. As we face a century in which enormously important decisions are being made about the future of First Nations, I feel it is vital that the barriers of mutual distrust and fear are broken down. The best way to do that is to make every attempt to hear what they have to say about themselves, not just in politically confrontational media sound bites, but in their art and literature. Web sites offer access to an instant introduction to what is going on in a number of reserves. Art Galleries increasingly hire First Nations interpreters, and many reserves have their own museums and cultural centres which welcome visitors—Kamloops Indian Band, for instance. Two books I highly recommend are David Abram's *The Spell of The Sensuous* and Evan T. Pritchard's *No Word For Time*. Daniel Francis' *Encyclopaedia of B.C.*, due to be published this fall will, I hope, also offer some useful histories of our highly diverse and complex indigenous societies.



Date set but not time

Galiano Wine Festival approaches

This year's Galiano Wine Festival will take place on the afternoon of Saturday, August 19, at Lions Park on Galiano Island. Once BC Ferries has published its summer schedule, the time will be announced. As in previous years, organizers want to be sure that visitors from the Mainland and from Vancouver Island will be able to make the Festival part of a relaxed and enjoyable day trip.

This will be the 8th Galiano Wine Festival, and once again it will be a fundraiser for the Galiano Health Care Society. The Festival takes place in a flower-filled outdoor setting. Wine merchants and wineries will offer tasting samples of B.C. and imported wines, and snacks and finger food will be available free of charge.

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Stump Stomp ticket price slashed

The Salt Spring Island Conservancy has dropped the price of its upcoming Stump Stomp barbecue, barn dance and auction fundraiser so that diners, dancers and bidders will have more cash in their pockets to spend at the auction. Prices are now \$5 for admission (down from \$15) with dinner a mere \$10.

Fiona Flook of the Conservancy says there are about 100 items ready to be auctioned off. They include an eclectic range representing the full spectrum of Island life—psychic readings to organic fowl; a box of Cuban cigars or a pair of hand painted gum boots; a gorgeous hand-built cedar lapstrake 12-foot rowboat to 1,300 gallons of water. Goods and services will be up for grabs—a feng shui audit, doggy grooming, yoga classes and the advice of an arborist among the services—producing an array that's sure to make bidding both lively and, perhaps, a difficult choice for some.

Beginning at 5:30 p.m. with a silent auction, the evening will feature a barbecue of lamb, pork and possibly chicken, a live auction with Arvid Chalmers at the podium, and will finish up with a caller leading the barn dance. Live entertainment will be provided by Black Velvet, along with the Wrangellian Gumbo Ensemble. All the way from Vancouver, a special return engagement by musical sawyer Doug Cameron and his singing cows is also planned. Barn dance music will be provided by Jane Squire, fiddle; Carol Wright, banjo; Bruce Pearson, mandolin; Rowan Rowell, guitar and Jordy Sharp, bass.

The Stump Stomp will take place at the Farmers' Institute beginning at 5:30 p.m. on April 22. All proceeds will go toward the Texada Land Acquisition fund. Come out and help boost the May Day fundraising campaign over the top.

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Let's eat ...

with Linda Koroscil

I left off last time talking about the many varieties of apples grown here on Salt Spring but that was only one part of farm life here. Potatoes and lots of other vegetables thrived, along with cows, pigs and chickens.

Once the Beddis fruit trees were in full production they were able to sell to local markets from Victoria all the way to Nanaimo. Butter and eggs were sold as well. It would take six hours each way, rowing to Nanaimo and back.

In 1885, Raffles Purdy, my grandfather, became the School Master for the eight grades at Vesuvius School. He moved to Stevens' Boarding House (which later belonged to my Aunt and Uncle Margaret

and Guy Cunningham). His salary was \$50 a month, a handsome sum, so he told my mother.

Samuel Beddis and his sons, Charles and Henry, built the Little School House at Beaver Point that year. At that time children at that end of the Island attended school in North Saanich. With the new school, eight-year-old Alfred Ruckle was able to transfer back to Salt Spring.

The children attending both the Beaver Point and later the Divide School, got themselves there by rowboat and on foot. There were cougars on the Island but they always had plenty of deer to feast on so humans were of little interest! Bands of Indians came every autumn to the white beach at "The Wilderness" when

thousands of ducks stopped off to feed and rest on their southern migration. The Indians also harvested clams, the White Broken Clamshell Beach mute testimony to the bounty of the land and sea, century after century. Actually, my Grandfather

witnessed a battle to the death of warring tribes in Ganges Harbour. He told my mother he counted 40 canoes. I try to imagine such a sight whenever I'm visiting my mother, looking at the same stretch of water in front of Chocolate Island!

This is a very quick and simple dish. We like quick when we come home from work and we're dog tired.

Chicken Sour Cream Enchilada

- 1 C. sour cream
- 1 C. cream of chicken soup
- 2 C. chicken, cooked & shredded
- 1/3 C. green chiles, diced
- 1/2 tsp. cumin
- fresh cilantro, chopped
- 8 corn tortillas
- 2 or 3 green onions, diced
- 1 C. cheddar, grated
- oil

Combine sour cream and soup, divide in half. Combine remaining half with chicken, chiles and cumin. Soften tortillas in hot oil, drain. Spoon chicken into each tortilla and roll. Place folded side down in greased baking dish, top with remaining sour cream mixture, green onions, cilantro and cheese. Bake 350° - 25 minutes.

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YOGA: Grounding, breathing and lengthening with Monica Voss

Monica Voss, who lives in Toronto and teaches from the Esther Myers Yoga Studio there, will be giving a workshop at Lisa Lloyd's Barn on Reynolds Road on the weekend of May 5.

Three principles sum up Monica's philosophy on hatha yoga: grounding, the breath and the lengthening of the spine. As the body responds to these principles the posture unfolds without strain.

In her workshops Monica begins with relaxation and awareness of the spine. Through the process of relaxation, tension is released and a new awareness of the breath and body are felt. With a deepened awareness of breath and a sense of our connection to the ground, we become aware of the lengthening that occurs in the spine. We feel the movement of energy within.

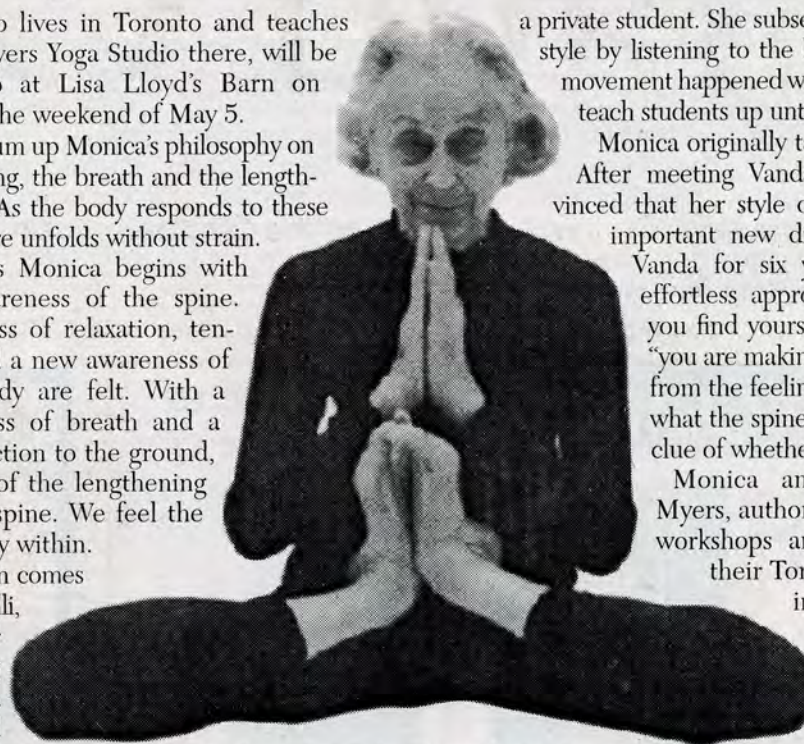
Monica's inspiration comes from Vanda Scaravelli, best known here for her book, *Awakening the Spine*. Vanda originally studied with B.K.S. Iyengar as

a private student. She subsequently developed her own style by listening to the body, not forcing it, so that movement happened without strain. She was able to teach students up until her 90th year!

Monica originally taught as an Iyengar teacher. After meeting Vanda Scaravelli she was convinced that her style of teaching represented an important new direction. She studied with Vanda for six years fully embracing her effortless approach to yoga postures. "If you find yourself straining," says Monica, "you are making a mistake. Keep checking from the feeling level and pay attention to what the spine is doing. It is an important clue of whether it is right for you."

Monica and her partner, Esther Myers, author of *Yoga and You*, conduct workshops and teacher training from their Toronto studio and elsewhere in Canada, the U.S. and England.

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*Life in the garden ...
with Joe Clemente*

I am prompted to write yet another update on the *Dicksonia antarctica* or Tasmanian Tree Fern. This plant is also referred to by some experts as the Man Fern or the Soft Tree Fern. Nevertheless, it is all the same plant.

It seems that there is some skepticism about this species of plant ever surviving in our climate. I was told this plant has no business being in our growing zone and should be shipped back to New Zealand. Well, if the homework were done properly we would find out that this particular species of fern is found growing native throughout forests of eastern Australia, Tasmania and some sub-Antarctic islands where temperatures rarely ever rise above 65°C. The hardest provenances are most likely to come from Victoria, and New South Wales, where they should withstand temps down to -10°C or lower before being damaged. *Dicksonia antarctica* grows at sea level to altitudes greater than 3,300 feet. It thrives in moist cool conditions and can withstand frost and snow without any problem.

The name Tasmanian Tree fern is misleading since the vast majority of these are not in Tasmania. In some areas of Australia it grows almost into the alpine zone, where it is often set back by severe frosts and usually fails to put on a trunk so that it can benefit from the protection of winter snow cover.

Some *Dicksonias* can reach an incredible height of 50 feet, but 20 feet is more usual. They can live up to 400 years, but growth is very slow. In the southwest of Ireland they grow at a rate of one to two inches per year in trunk and send out at least two dozen six to eight foot fronds each spring.

Like most temperate tree fern species they do vary in hardi-

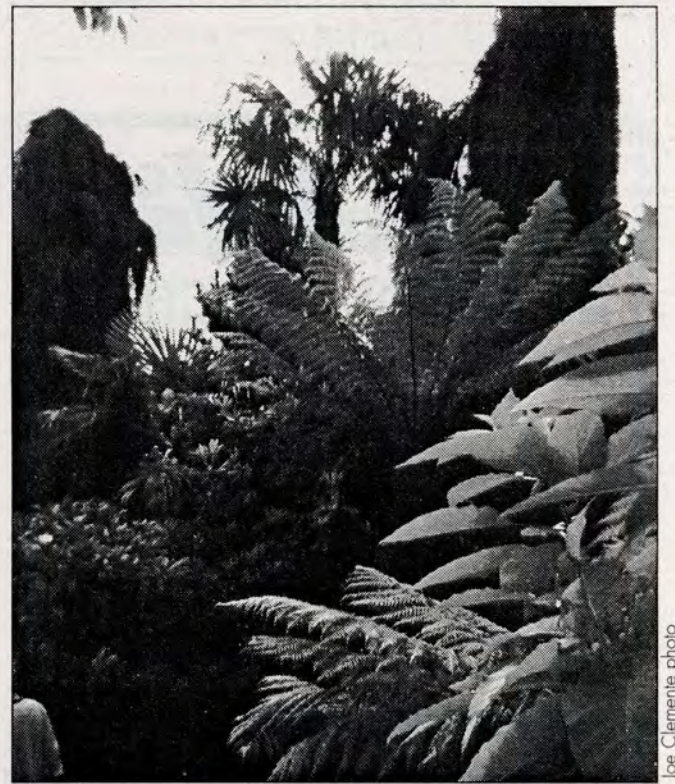
ness according to the provenance from which it originated. For instance, nearly a decade ago some of the largest tree ferns ever imported into North America arrived in B.C. and many of these specimens are still living today in sheltered gardens. I've seen them for myself on many occasions while visiting some of the most sheltered exotic gardens on our coast. The largest have trunks over eight feet tall, with lush full crowns. Most of these large specimens were more than 80 years old at the time of import.

At Logan Botanical Gardens in Scotland, and other sheltered gardens along the southwest coast of Britain, these tree ferns have been growing outdoors for a century now and most are still alive today. Very large unprotected specimens can be found along the southwest coast of Oregon, as well as sheltered gardens along the southwest coast of British Columbia.

In unsheltered exposed south coastal gardens I still consider most tree ferns marginal in the coldest winters, but with some protection these beauties should withstand extreme cold we can dish out on occasion. I have a fairly large specimen that has been growing outdoors for six years now. I believe that it is important to protect the inner crown of the plant. This is the area where the fronds unfurl. By stuffing a bit of burlap in this area it prevents the crown from freezing. Also hanging loose burlap from the trunk adds extra protection in our coldest months.

There are a few large specimens of *Dicksonia* growing outdoors on Salt Spring without too much fuss. There is very nice large specimen growing at Foxglove, but it is not for sale. I did spot a large one growing on South Pender a few years ago.

As some of you weather buffs may remember, way back in January 1993 many areas of our coast experienced some rather cold temperatures for at least the first 19 days of that month. Temperatures dipped as low as -14.1°C at Vancouver Airport on one occasion but, with a little pro-



Dicksonia antarctica ferns and *Trachycarpus fortunei* palms in Vancouver B.C.

tection, the Tree Ferns survived. A small grove of Tasmanian Tree Ferns can be seen growing outdoors at Van Dusen Gardens (corner of 37th and Oak Streets) in Vancouver and much larger ones can be found in some of the best micro-climates around Victoria, and Vancouver.

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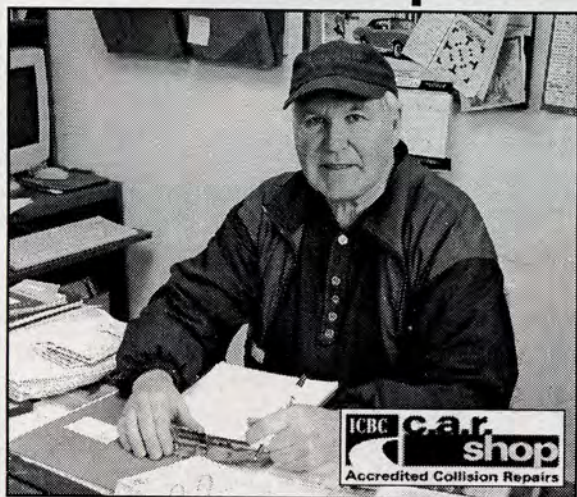
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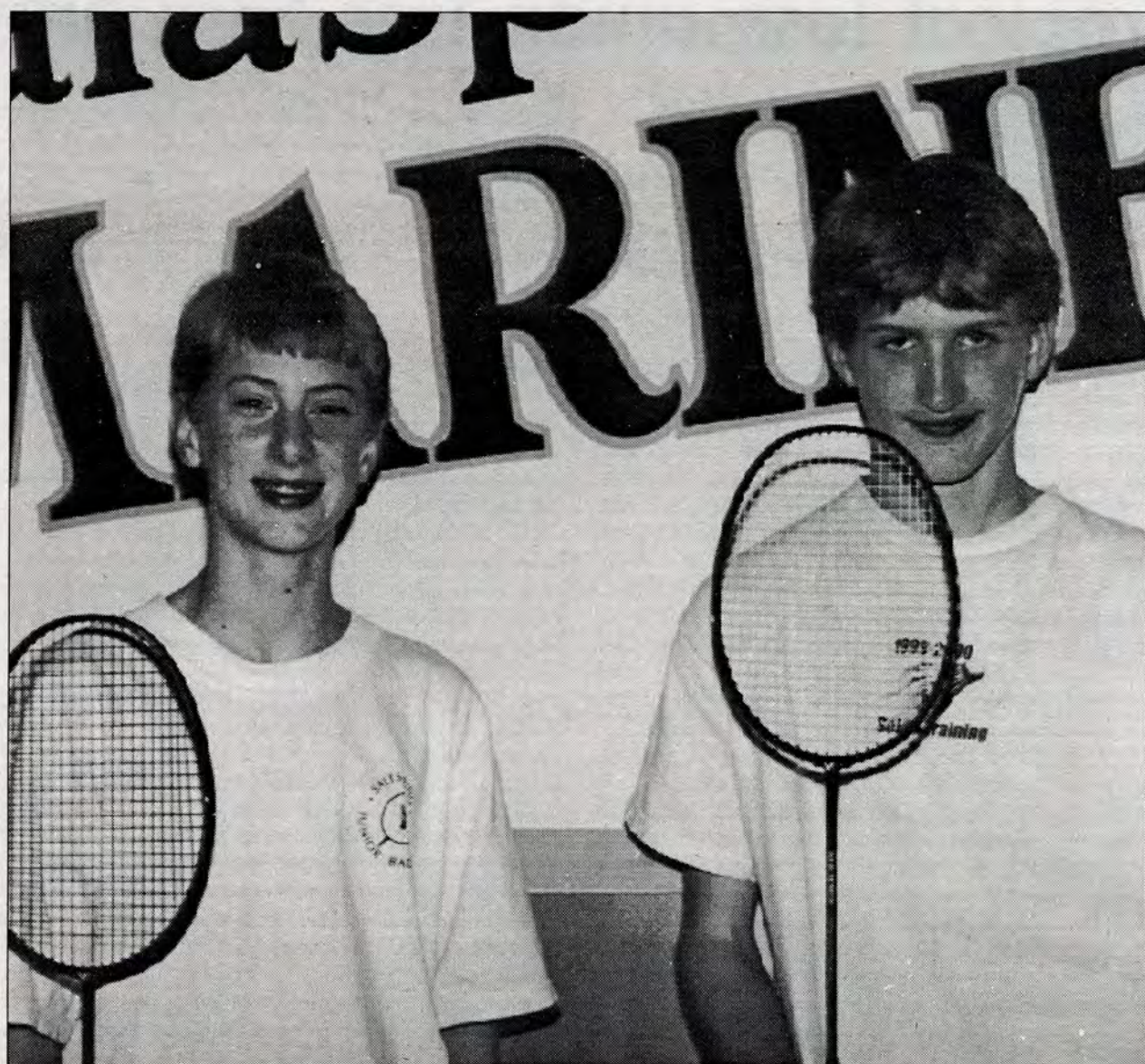
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WATCH THE BIRDY—Adrian Leitch and Rich Albert (left to right) recently represented Salt Spring at the Island Junior Badminton Tournament in Nanaimo. Both boys play in the Salt Spring Junior Badminton Club and for the PacificSport Select Badminton team in Victoria. Salt Spring Junior Badminton is open to all youth ages nine to 16. The club meets at 6:30 p.m., Wednesday at Fernwood School.

April 14 to 16

First inter-school equestrian competition

Queen Margaret's School in Duncan is proud to host the 1st Canadian Inter-School Equestrian Challenge this weekend, April 14, 15 and 16.

Riders, coaches and chaperones from 12 schools across Canada will convene at the Shirley Burr Equestrian Centre for a two-phase test of dressage and equitation-over-fences skills. Riders from Ontario, Quebec and B.C. will represent 10 CAIS schools as well as Mount Prevost and Francis Kelsey Secondary Schools. Boys and girls, aged 10 to 18, will compete for both individual and team awards.

"We are very excited by the response from across the country," said Susan Harrison, director of the QMS Equestrian Program and Event Coordinator. "It is encouraging that other schools are beginning to recognize riders as athletes. In B.C., our riders can receive high school credits as a result of their participation in the sport, as athletes and as coaches."

Saturday afternoon will be highlighted by a drill team demonstration and grooms competition at 1 p.m. Spectators are welcome on the Duncan campus at 660 Brownsey Avenue.

Golf season begins for ladies

The 2000 year golf season opened March 28 with a 9-hole mixer followed by a spring luncheon and golf fashion show. April 18, a beautiful spring day, found the ladies playing for a honey-pot. The winners were Jennie MacDonnell with a net 74 followed

by a tie for second with Grace Murchie and Ruby Webster scoring a net 77. Five ladies received honourable mention with a net 80. We look forward to a great season of good weather and camaraderie led by our captain Janet Butler.

Sports Pool...with Terry Stringer

Includes games of Saturday, April 15, 2000

DAGWOOD'S POOL Next meeting: Wed., October 4th, 7pm sharp at DAGWOOD'S.

GOLF COURSE POOL Next meeting: Thur., October 5th, 8pm sharp.

	Total Points	This Week		Total Points	This Week
1 Los Angeles...	25	10	10 Toronto	11	10
2 Vancouver.....	19	10	11 Dallas.....	10	10
3 St. Louis	16	10	12 Islanders	10	10
4 Philadelphia..	14	10	13 Pittsburgh....	10	10
5 Ottawa	13	10	14 Atlanta.....	9	10
6 Montreal.....	12	10	15 Anaheim	8	10
7 Boston.....	12	10	16 Washington..	6	10
8 Phoenix	12	10	17 Edmonton....	3	10
9 Buffalo	22	10	18 San Jose	2	10

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1 Ane-jo.....	26	10	9 Bandido.....	7	10
2 Buffalo.....	23	10	10 Toronto.....	5	10
3 Ice Dogs.....	21	10	11 Greenwoods	0	10
4 Ottawa	20	10	12 Dagwood's...	0	10
5 Edmonton	20	10			
6 Marx Bro #1...	17	10			
7 Rangers	16	10			
8 Dallas	8	10			



READY TO ROLL—Andrew and Erin Thrift were the first cyclists to put tire to asphalt on the new Island Pathways bike path running alongside Portlock Park. Fundraising and plans for the path have been in the making for some years but the actual construction took just a few days.

Too much lamb in Hog Town



*Seniors Scene ...
with Alan Fairlie*

Toronto—this great city welcomed home a returning son last week with a blizzard! Rain turned to snow and high winds drove it everywhere as the temperatures dropped!

So much was my welcome back after three years on gorgeous Salt Spring Island!

I went to SSI in May '96 to visit an old school buddy, John (and Carolina) Griffiths, who had moved from Toronto 10 years before. While there, I signed up for a space at the Lions Pioneer Village, a senior's assisted paradise of 11 semi-detached cottages! And now, exactly three years later I'm back in old Hog town, as we used to call it in the 50s! "[Back then] you could shoot a cannon up Yonge St, on a Sunday afternoon and not hit anybody," said one chap I've known 50 years.

My trip down had hard, arduous sections; heavy bags full of gifts, salmon and wine: the three-hour ferry ride to the mainland; the five hour wait at Vancouver Airport and overnight (the Red Eye) to Toronto the good!

On my return to my roots I've found I still have quite a collection of friends! There is Owen—we practically grew up together. During World War II we did a magic show at hospitals, care centers for children, etc. Later, in the 50s we flew down to Baranguilla, Colombia and hitch-hiked down the Pan-American highway through Ecuador and Peru! We presented live lecture travelogues for several years. Owen and his lovely wife Anne treated me royally for three nights last week!

Next there's Mike, who grew up on Shorncliffe Avenue along with many of us. He's having an exciting life as always. Sold his Beaver Bush plane a few years ago in which he loved always to skim over Camp Ternagami where we all went in 40s during the war.

Now I'm at Philip's for three nights. He and wife Elaine have made me most welcome and stopped something that was getting out of hand—LAMBS!

For dinner at Owens, it was lamb! For dinner at Cousin Anne's it was lamb! For dinner at Mike's, it was lamb! Luckily Mike called ahead to Elaine and the lambs were silenced!

I'm heading home to Salt Spring Island in a few days after a remarkable journey full of painful legs and happy memories, plenty of videotape and photos.

Yes...I'm taking it on the lamb!

April 28 to 30

Walking the Sacred Path: Yoga Retreat

As we join with the rebirth of spring, bringing forth light and new life, let us honour and connect more deeply to our own growth within. This weekend will focus on incorporating our formal yoga practice into our daily lives, maintaining awareness and balance.

A regular yoga practice can reduce stress, increase flexibility, enhance your overall feeling of wellness, and provide quality time for reflection in our busy lives. Ashtanga Yoga offers ways to unite the mind and body and bring inner

see *Sacred Path* p27

Islanders dig in and plant a row for the hungry

By Peggy Abrahams

A new programme designed to encourage local gardeners to cultivate fresh produce for community food banks is underway on Salt Spring. Foxglove is the local participating garden center for the programme, first launched in the U.S. by the Garden Writers Association of America in 1995. Since then, a number of communities in the U.S. and Canada have started their own programmes to help feed the hungry.

"The idea is to put fresh wholesome food in food banks. We all should find a spot in our garden for people in need, and find a way for people to do this and not be taxed by it," said Chris Schmah of Foxglove.

Schmah explained that the community-based project

involves the cooperative effort of local food banks and corporate sponsors. McKenzie Seeds is donating free seeds to participating growers and special row markers will also be available. Schmah said that the programme will be set up to coordinate with the Salt Spring Community Services Food Bank. Participating community growers will drop off the produce at the Food Bank where it will be weighed.

The food is intended to be nutritious and suitable for the Food Bank. Gardeners who wish to join in planting a row for the hungry will sign up at Foxglove. "We have a sign-in register and a large seed rack at the store. The seeds are for non-perishables like beans, carrots, turnips...no tomatoes—nothing that can bruise," said

Schmah.

Looking at the big picture, Schmah said he hopes the programme will raise awareness of the problem of hunger, and help find a solution. He also said he plans to acknowledge all the participants. "In the fall when we've complete the harvest, we'll have a gathering," he promised.

Schmah said he hopes to involve other local organizations, like the Farmers' Institute and Garden Club. "At the community level, I want to involve everyone," he said.

Stay tuned for more updates and watch for a special Plant a row event at the Fall Fair. Among sponsors of the Plant a row for the hungry community programmes in B.C. are the Black Newspaper Group and Investors' Group.

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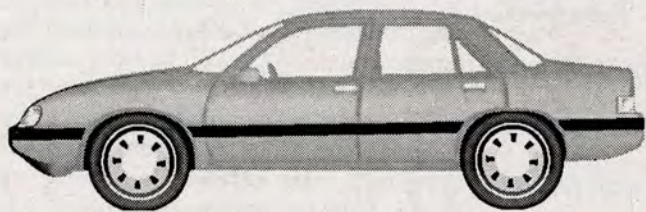
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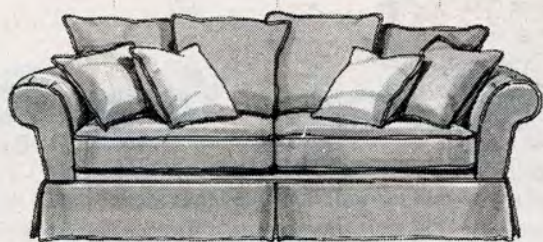
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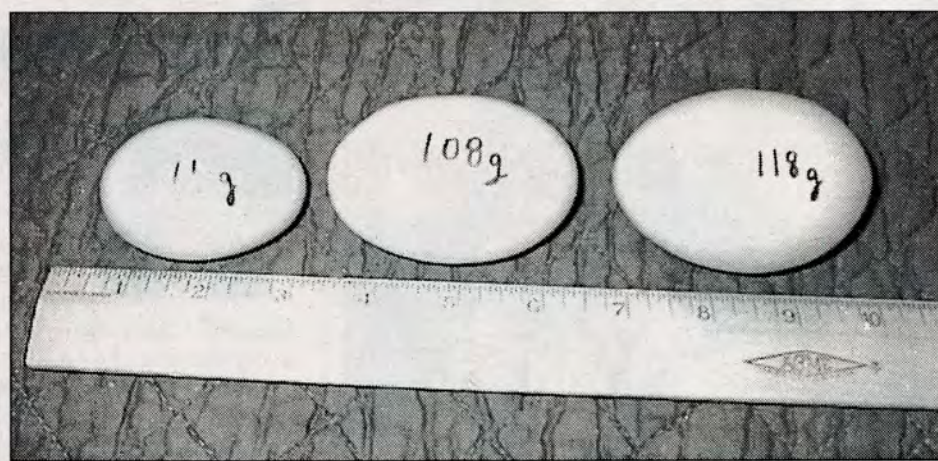
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Easter effort—with Easter on its way, the local "girls" have been making an extra effort. A typical large egg shown (left) weighs in at 66 grams while recent efforts weigh in at 108, and 118 grams!

Ganges Marina up and running for Easter

by Peggy Abrahams

Ganges Marina, which was taken into receivership last week, is expected to be open Thursday and will be providing fuel during the busy Easter weekend.

According to local sources, the important thing from the point of view of creditors, is for the Marina to be operational

and to have fuel available for the coming season.

T. Manning Associates of Vancouver was named the receiver in an April 12 court order, according to Don Manning of T. Manning Associates. He added that a fuel order has been placed and that the Marina should be operational by the weekend.

"I gather there are some

repairs to do as well so we are going to do as much as we can before the Summer," Manning said.

It is not known yet who will be operating the Marina. "We are looking at our options right now as to how we want to operate the facilities. We'll be able to comment on that later in the week," said Manning.

Star Voyage 2000

So often space is described as something that is outer or deep, when in fact it is infinite and has no end. The same applies to the space within ourselves.

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in a unique way with host Zendur, a student in astronomy who has appeared on television and a variety of radio shows.

Star Voyage 2000 will feature slides and photographs taken by the Hubble Space

Telescope, close-ups of Saturn, Jupiter and much, much more.

Star date: April 21, 2000
Place: S. S. United Church
Boarding time: 7 p.m.
Adults: \$12.00
Students: \$5.00

Letters *cont'd. from p6*

Wonderland

If you haven't seen *Alice* then you have your big opportunity Easter weekend. This performance is a must to see. All involved in this Stagecoach performance have done an outstanding job. You will see a wonderful cast of young people who put on an amazing show and are having fun too. Don't miss it; you will leave smiling!

INA CURRAN

Learn your marine mammals

This letter is written in response to the ridiculous story published by the *Driftwood* April 12, 2000, entitled "Dying seal brings emotional reality into focus". The article described the discovery of an elephant seal on a Ganges beach, and the subsequent "rescue" effort by a

gentleman identified in the article as Mr. Glen Meaney.

Contrary to the myth the *Driftwood* seems intent on propagating, the last thing a wild animal wants to hear is a human voice. When a wild animal is approached by a human, it thinks it is going to be killed—an unbelievably stressful situation for the animal.

Yet, I personally observed the terrified elephant seal being dashed with water, and the gentleman in question continually moving his seat directly into the seal's line of sight (as is plainly displayed in the picture accompanying the article). It seems that the seal was harassed for most of the day, an action endorsed by the *Driftwood*. ("Some onlookers brought food and more water through the afternoon...").

The *Driftwood* also erroneously reported that the

elephant seal was "stranded by the low tide." By all accounts, seals are quite mobile on land, and regularly haul out on rocks and beaches. The *Driftwood* seems to have confused W-H-A-L-E with S-E-A-L. If the elephant seal wanted to be in the ocean, that's where it would be.

Ill-informed journalists like those on the *Driftwood* staff continue to encourage people to harass wild animals, this time in the name of emotional fulfillment. If Mr. Meaney felt he was doing a good turn by terrorizing a defenseless elephant seal, well, hurray for the human race. Congratulations to the *Driftwood* for producing the silliest, most misleading, and damage-inducing piece of journalism I have yet to witness from the paper.

JENNY-MARIE
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110 • IN MEMORIAM

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120 • MESSAGES OF THANKS

MYLES WILSON. You did it! Thanks for your enthusiasm, integrity, and professionalism. Mike and Maureen. 1600

TO DRS. Jan MacPhail, Paula Ryan and Bob Crossland, the nursing and care staff at Lady Minto Hospital and to the Home Care Nurses for your kind professionalism, care and support; to the Bessie Dane Hospice volunteers for your many hours of attention when we needed you the most; to all the friends who brought us delicious home-cooked meals and helped us keep body together; to John, Diane, Myles and Mason Raposo for your loving care of Cheyenne; to the Barnacle and the Driftwood for your tremendous tributes; to Pat Beattie for your kindness in helping us make difficult decisions; to the United Church Women for the wonderful tea; to Shirley Bunyan, the United Church Choir and Dawn Hage for the beautiful music; to everyone who sent flowers, cards, letters and to those who wrote in her book; to Arvid and Rohanna for helping us celebrate Mary's life with laughter, tears and love;...and to all Mary's friends who took so much time from your busy schedules to visit her at home and in the hospital and in so doing made her last weeks overflow with love... mere words are not enough, but thank you! Harry, Timothy and Megan Williamson. 1600

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140 • UPCOMING EVENTS

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PLAYBACK THEATRE Last Chance! Friday April 28th, United Church, \$7.00 donation includes refreshments. 1700

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

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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

GRAD 2000 parents and grandparents are invited to purchase special congratulatory ads in a special Grad 2000 commemorative section in the Barnacle. This is a fundraiser for after grad festivities planned at the Farmers Institute. For more info and costs contact Fiona Wolfe-Milner at 537-2789. 1700

OPEN EASTER Weekend: Good Friday 10-4, Saturday 8:30-5:30, Easter Sunday 11-4. Salty Shop, Harbour Building, 537-5551. 1600

MARY'S MATINEE - A celebration in honour of Mary Williamson. Sunday, May 7, ArtSpring. Watch for further details next week. 1600

EVER SEEN a singing cow? Hear Doug Cameron and his herd April 22. Benefit Dance, auction, BarBQ. Farmers Institute from 5:30 on. Tickets at et cetera, Patterson's and Info Centre. 1600

140 • UPCOMING EVENTS

HOW TO Heal. An evening seminar presenting four effective healing modalities facilitated by Lynne Logan. Tuesday, April 18th, 7-10 pm at Treasured Spirit, 128 Hereford Avenue, 537-5447. \$35.00 1600

ARTCAMP: LLOYD English and Patricia Brown, July 17-21 Age 5-8, July 24-28 Age 9-12, Fulford School. Call Patricia 653-9406. 1900

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- *For information, call Elizabeth or Bruce at 537-2023

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90th Birthday Celebrations for Don (Goodie) Goodman
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Saturday April 29th

NDP FILM NIGHT
Wednesday, April 19th
Library, Middle School
The film **Milagro Bean Field War** will begin at 7:00pm
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160 • BIRTHDAYS

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1600

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190 • BUSINESS NOTICES

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210 • BUSINESS PERSONALS

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230 • TRAVEL

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313 • FIREWOOD

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315 • FREE & RECYCLABLE

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- ✓ Gulf Islands Optical

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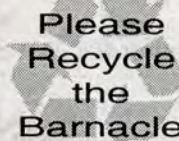
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390 • MISCELLANEOUS

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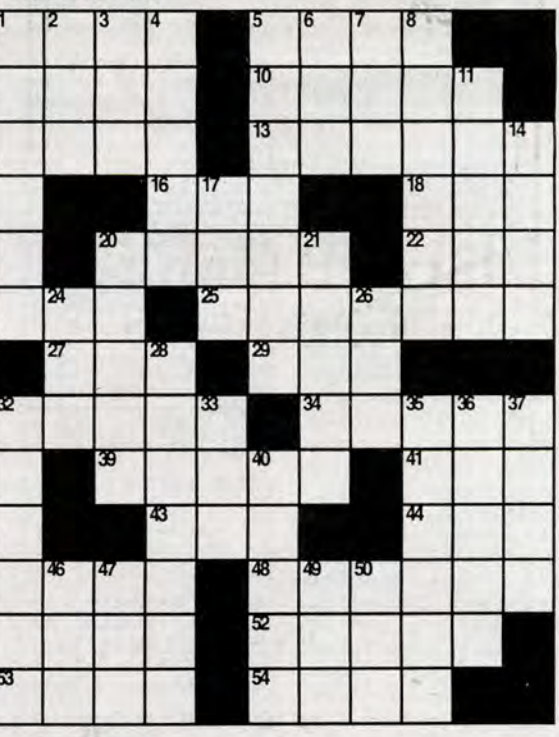
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Canadiana Crossword

Bunnies Galore

- ACROSS**
1 Big Bunny
5 You, arch.
9 Impressed, in a way
10 Bunny house
12 Trios
13 Kinsmen
15 Tin Tin preceder
16 European trading org.
18 Industrious insect
19 Consumed
20 Run off
22 Frozen water
23 Mr. Cottontail
25 Juvenile Bunny
27 Chart
29 Drivel
30 Scanned
34 Shish follower
38 I have, condensed
39 Habituate, var.
41 Exploit
42 Cask
43 Ms. Bunny
44 Seacoast feature
45 Long haired bunny
48 Kind of counter
51 Eagle part
52 Flowering tree
53 Alter text
54 Prevaricator

- DOWN**
2 Wonder
3 Sheep pen
4 Ford flop
5 Bambi bunny
6 Attila was one
7 And so on, abbr.
8 Cream puff
9 Color of Alice's bunny
11 Therefore
12 Ensnare
14 Remain as is
17 Mountain pass
20 Rub out
21 Raise
24 Flightless bird
26 Time of arrival, for short
28 Chandelier
30 Bunny cousin
31 Happening
32 Calypso music
33 Twosome
35 Ham follower



36 Basket weaver's willow

37 Stomach

40 Stately

46 Ancient

47 King, in Kamouraska

49 Whitney, for one

50 Lady's name

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GARAGE SALE DIRECTORY FOR THIS WEEK!

	Address	Date	Time
MID-ISLAND	131 Swanson Road	Sat., April 22	9am - 3pm
MID-ISLAND	103 Bonnet Avenue	Every Fri. & Sat.	10am - Noon
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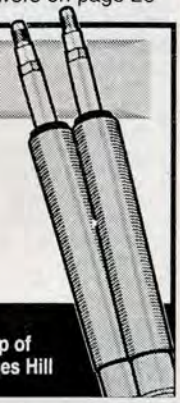
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390 • MISCELLANEOUS

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410 • EMPLOYMENT WANTED

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410 • EMPLOYMENT WANTED

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506 • EDUCATION

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BARNACLE CLASSIFIEDS 537-4040

521 • CLEANING SERVICES

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545 • GARDENING / LANDSCAPING

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600 • HOUSES FOR SALE

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NORTH VANCOUVER apartment for sale or trade. Bright corner suite with views of the harbour & mountains. Near Seabus terminal. Looking for property with or without cottage. 537-1831. 1900

SUPERB OCEAN views \$179,000. Private sale. 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, rec room, utility room, large deck. In-law suite possible. 653-4558. 1600

620 • ACREAGES/LOTS

LAKE SHORE property - 5.88 acres 250 ft of lake frontage. Hay fields and woods area, \$260,000. 537-2226. 1900

690 • REAL ESTATE WANTED

WANTED TO buy or rent: small house or cottage. We want to build a 45 ft. catamaran there. A workshop or barn would be great too. References available. Call 537-0676 Rhona or Matt. 1700

700 • HOUSES FOR RENT

LOVELY 2 bedroom plus water view home. Quiet, private. Available immediately. 537-4588. 1600

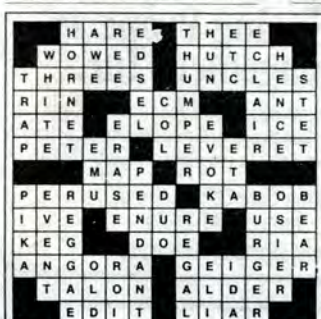
3 BEDROOM 2 bathroom duplex (near school and beach) kids OK. \$750 includes garbage, sewer & water. Available May 1st 537-4577. 1800

ONE BEDROOM cabin, ocean view, wood and electric heat, 5 min. walk to Fulford ferry, N/S, N/P, single or quiet couple. \$600. 653-4520 - messages. 1600

710 • APARTMENTS FOR RENT

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Answers to this week's Crossword Puzzle

730 • SHARED ACCOMMODATION

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1986 VW Jetta. Low km, PW, PL, sunroof. New parts. Moving must sell, \$3,800 obo. Call D'Arcy 538-0158.

95 FORD Aerostar van 45,000km, 7 pass, ext warr, sport package, excellent condition. \$13,500 obo. 537-9867 1800

800 • CARS & TRUCKS

82 TOYOTA 4x4 truck with steel canopy. New tires and rakes. Runs great. Body needs work. \$3000 obo. Call 653-2051. 1800

1989 JEEP Cherokee Limited 4x4. Power windows, locks and sun roof. 4 door, \$7,500 OBO Lady driven, Good Condition 537-2300 1800

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815 • TRAILERS

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820 • BOATS/MARINE

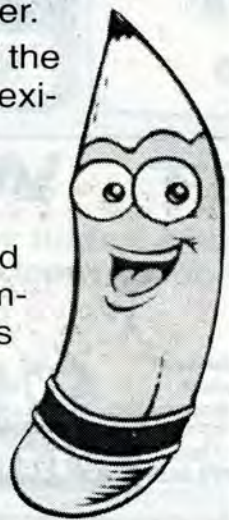
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- Describe the item by listing its best features: condition, colour, model and other information to help readers determine interest before calling. The more you tell, the faster it sells.
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- Give the price of the item. If you are flexible, include best offer or negotiable.
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HOROSCOPES

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



Tip of the Week: A key aspect of Astrology, both east and west, is the Moon's North and South Nodes. All planets have Nodes, but the Moon's Nodes are held by Astrologers to be the strongest. They have a cycle of about 18 and 1/2 years and so spend a little over a year and a half in each of the 12 signs of the zodiac. Their impact is both general and also relative to each individual. Well, this month, April 9th to be exact, the Lunar Nodes will change from Leo and Aquarius to Cancer and Capricorn with the North Node entering Cancer. While there is much to say about this event, the following three themes will be central: First, uncondi-

tional versus conditional love themes will move us all. Second, we will be challenged with the paradoxical idea of growing up by allowing ourselves to play a lot more and laugh at the way we take ourselves and life in general so seriously. From the stand point of the higher mind, we are all like children no matter how old and/or mature we consider ourselves to be. Third, we will learn how to let go of controlling our feelings and connecting with and accepting what we truly feel. Also, with the Moon as the ruler of Cancer, the emotional tempo stands to speed up as the Moon spends only 2 and 1/2 days in each sign. So, if you feel as though the pace of life has been fast in the past 18 months or so, get ready for some warp speed! If ever there was a time to flow with intuitive guidance it is now while the North Node is in Cancer. This week is a tribute to the Moon's Nodes now in Cancer and Capricorn for each sign.

Aries (Mar 21 - Apr 20) With the Moon's North Node in Cancer, you will be learning to get more in touch with who you are and what you feel is authentically true for you. This means learning to let go of status quo expectations. Conversely, it also implies overcoming the need to be the center of attention and learning to be more sensitive to the needs of others. Learn to feel what you are thinking rather than thinking about what you feel.

Taurus (Apr 21 - May 20) Learning to decipher just how much you are and have been 'determined' by your environment will be a central theme over the next 18 months. The beliefs, values and truths of one's family, teachers, peers and society in general colors one's perceptions much more than most of us are aware. Clear and honest communications balanced between logic and sensitivity is the goal. Aim to know the difference between what is real and what is ideal.

Gemini (May 21 - Jun 20) Becoming aware that everything any person does they do in order to 'feel' good is a central theme for you while the north Node is in Cancer. Although this fact may not appear to be accurate based on the wide range of negative habits and attitudes we see everywhere, closer examination will bear it out. Sustained happiness is the greatest wealth and a lot of money does not guarantee it. Define what abundance means to you in the fullest and you will be well on your way to happiness.

Cancer (Jun 21 - Jul 21) Learning to be more independent and less codependent about why you feel what you feel is key lesson for you over the next year and a half. It takes courage to step away from the security of shared values and opinions. Yet, unconscious tendencies to lean on others is a source of power struggles and misery. The ability to agree to disagree is the solution to many woes. Love unites us and the mind divides; remember that we all have (and are) both.

Leo (Jul 22 - Aug 22) Mental and emotional patterns are a natural result of being alive. A key to successful living is to learn how to release old patterns and simultaneously cre-

ate new ones. Beating-up on ones self for having any pattern is a pure expression of an immature ego. Recognition followed by acceptance then strategic intention and conscious follow through is the age old formula that works. Over the next 18 months allow inspiration and imagination to guide you to letting go of old and creating new patterns.

Virgo (Aug 22 - Sep 23) There are many levels and types of intelligence, skill, wisdom and mastery. Learning to accept all people for who they are and where they are at without feeling higher or lower is the next important lesson on your journey. Imagine that absolutely every person you meet has something to teach you. Perhaps you will learn who and what you are not and do not want. Once you have learned the lesson be grateful and move on. See the world as a big play requiring many roles and actors.

Libra (Sep 23 - Oct 21) Learning how to grow up and be a child will prove to be a particularly important lesson for you while the North Node is in Cancer. Consider that in the realms of the higher mind we are all children. Innocence is the quality that allows us to be moved by the rich and subtle beauty of everyday life. Meanwhile, recognizing that all life constitutes one big family and assuming an attitude of responsibility without expecting others to see things as you do will bring you the balance and happiness you seek.

Scorpio (Oct 22 - Nov 20) Learning to commit to what you feel to be true without getting distracted along the way is an important lesson for you over the next 18 months. To do so, make efforts to look to the big picture over the long term. Consider that the laws of nature and spirit operate much more along the lines of economics rather than ethics. Successfully couple this theory with the idea that life is one great big unit expressed in a myriad of diverse ways and your actions will inevitably be ethical.

Sagittarius (Nov 21 - Dec 20) Learning to 'let go and let God' tends to sit well with

natives of your sign and hopefully you will endeavor to decipher and integrate a full understanding of it. Your task is to recognize that security is a point of center within your being that flows with natural rhythms of change and transformation. Living in tune with the reality that we are all interconnected both spiritually and economically is key. The next 18 months will include the shedding of old skins that represent lower values, attitudes and behaviors.

Capricorn (Dec 21 - Jan 19) The task of setting goals that include devoting some of your time and energy for the genuine and unique needs of others is a central lesson while the Moon's South Node is in your sign. The ability to truly listen to and see others even beyond what they say or keep silent, display or hide. Allow your intuition to gauge where, how and perhaps why others behave as they do and make efforts to empathize and offer nurturing support towards helping them experience greater balance and harmony.

Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 19) It is time to dream big again and then make efforts to make the beautiful dream a beautiful reality. Confidence, concentration and determination are the qualities to cultivate for success in this regard. This may require that you clear some of the muck in your subconscious that is clogging your ability to dream in exalted yet realistic ways and then follow through. Consider that the only thing worthwhile about yesterday is the lessons and experiences that allow you to be present and loving today.

Pisces (Feb 19 - Mar 20) While the North Node is in Cancer a central lesson will be to learn how to create with passion and joy as opposed to rebelliousness and indifference. Learning to decipher what makes you particularly special and then engaging your leadership potential on behalf of a greater collective is key. Love and gratitude rather than fear and expectation for the privilege of participating in the drama of life is the attitude that will allow you to soar to the greatest heights.

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DOUG CAMERON is bringing his singing herd of cows April 22, Farmers Institute. Tickets at et cetera, Patterson's and Info Centre. 1600

GITA president moves to BCTF

by Michelle Mech

After six years as President of the Gulf Islands Teachers Association (GITA), Larry Field has taken a position with the B.C. Teachers Federation (BCTF) in Vancouver. Field will be the new Assistant Director with the Organization Support Division, in which his main responsibilities will be the BCTF leadership development program and overseeing the BCTF judicial council, the body that deals with the teachers' professional code of ethics.

May McKenzie, School District #64 Board Chair, said of Larry, "He worked very hard in support of teachers and over the past few years with the school board in dealing with con-

tractual issues, specifically with class size language, to make it work within the district's budgetary restraints."

The vacant GITA position has been filled, on an interim basis, with an 80/20 split by Pat Beitel (Salt Spring) and Elaine Jacobson (Pender) respectively. Beitel has taken leave from her teaching position as a Grade 3/4 teacher at Salt Spring Elementary.

The GITA President acts as a liaison between teachers, the BCTF, the school board, and other partner groups, and represents Gulf Island teachers at district meetings and committees. A big part of the job is contract negotiation and maintenance, handling issues relating to the teachers' collective agreement.



Larry Field (left) passes on his GITA presidential duties to Pat Beitel (right) and Elaine Jacobson (not shown).

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peace. It contains methods which take into account every level of life, from right thinking and concentration for the mind to postures and purifications for the body.

"We hope this retreat will help to give participants that sense of peace which comes from reuniting the mind with the body—seeing ourselves wholly and truly," says Raye Naud, Programme Director for the Centre. "We often go through our daily routines either in our heads or in our hearts or in our bodies. Yoga helps to bring all of that together; it's very centring."

With the gentle guidance and skill of the Salt Spring Centre staff, participants will share in:

- Pranayama (breathing practices) for calming and focusing the breath.
- Meditation for quieting and stilling the mind.
- Asanas (yoga postures) for developing a strong and healthy body.
- Devotional singing and chanting to focus and lift the mind which strengthens

the will in the quest for peace.

•Yoga philosophy to understand our self-created pain and how to achieve liberation from it.

The special Salt Spring Islander cost of \$150 includes tuition, vegetarian meals, yoga classes, and wood-fire sauna. Islanders can also choose to

drop in to the early morning classes from 7 to 10:30 a.m. for \$25.

PRE-REGISTRATION for the full programme and the drop-in classes is a MUST! For information, those interested can call or email The Salt Spring Centre at (250) 537-2326 or ssc@saltspring.com

Cats of the Week



We're Jack and Jill and we were left on the doorstep. We are quite young and will probably be small cats when we grow up.



My name is Magpie because I love to chatter. I'm about two years old and I prefer a home where I'm the only cat.

Please call the SPCA at 537-2123 to meet these cats and the many others looking for a home.

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HOWE NOW:

Islanders take to the streets of Vancouver



Ken Lee (above) addresses the crowd while Susan Cogan and the Vancouver Raging Grannies along with the Rainforest Witch (below) sing protest songs.



Responding to the threat of an injunction forbidding them to protest, rally or otherwise make loud objections on their home turf, Salt Springers took to the streets of Vancouver, Monday, April 17 in a colourful show of opposition toward Texada Land Corporation's clear-cut logging on the Island. Hippies, dogs and children mingled with film makers and the independently wealthy as a crowd boarded the 6:30 a.m. Long Harbour sailing on route to the city.

The place: Howe Street, the heart of Vancouver's investment canyon where Robert McDonald—Texada owner—has his offices. The goal: to deliver a symbolic "Notice of Eviction" to the corporation.

In a press release issued as part of a damning media package, Friends of Salt Spring Island state: "Residents are demanding that Mr. Macdonald and the Texada Land Corporation withdraw all its litigation aimed at the public and local newspaper [identified as the Barnacle],... [And] an immediate halt to logging so that negotiations can take place to acquire the parklands and secure community water shed at a fair price."

The package also contained exposés of Texada principals Robert Macdonald and Derek Trethewey, as well as Regan Trethewey and Jerry Bordian (signatory to Texada's published "Code of Principles" and overall project manager, respectively).

The documents show that Macdonald and Trethewey have been mired in controversy in the past. Macdonald was a defendant in a Supreme Court action naming Arbutus Garden Homes Ltd. as the plaintiff. Macdonald shared the defendant's "seat" with Nelson Skalbania in that case which ended when all parties agreed to a Consent Order dismissing the action, May 23, 1997. Before the case closed, however, Justice Parrett described the Arbutus Garden Homes transaction as a \$43,750,000 real estate transaction "whose structure and documentation was more in keeping with the disposition of a neighbourhood kiosk, than that of a major commercial enterprise."

More recently (March 13), the Court

ordered Derek Trethewey to pay the full \$101,754 claimed by a California couple, Leo Moore and Patricia Murray. The figure arose from two loans Moore made to Trethewey in 1994—the first a US\$15,000 loan to bail Trethewey out of a debt owed Harrah's Casino Corp., the second a \$59,000 loan paid four months after the first. The case highlighted Trethewey's failure to honour a written agreement and his legal obligations. Amongst the cases "high spots" were comments by The Honourable Madam Justice J.R. Dillion including her judgement that the written agreement Trethewey held with the Plaintiffs was a, "self-serving document without factual or documentary support" was manufactured and "obviously back-dated" in an attempt to support his defense. Pointing to variations between the legal written agreement and Trethewey's version of events, she went on to say, "Here, the defendant says that there was a mistake in the original loan agreement and in subsequent agreements, all drafted by himself. He cannot explain how his lawyer could have made such a mistake or how he could not have noticed it for six years, except to say that he was not paying attention."

In March Trethewey resolved a default judgement brought against him by Caesar's Palace casino in Las Vegas for unpaid gambling debts totaling more than \$70,000. The cash settlement brought to a close two years of fruitless pursuit by the Vegas casino.

Outside 938 Howe Street 80 people gathered. Protest songs, stilt dancers dressed as forest spirits, impassioned speeches and drummers drew the attention of Vancouverites as they made their way to lunch. Cars honked in support as Islanders lining the sidewalk showed signs reading, "Manulife Tear Up Texada's Mortgage" and "Respect."

Brent Kapler, Texada's on-Island operations manager, and Julian Dunster, the Corp.'s forester, watched from the sidelines.

"Have you got one of those for us," asked Kapler, indicating the press kits being passed to media. "No," was the response. "You get the eviction notice."