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Angela Hughes, a 20-year-old American citizen (left) was comforted during her protest of Texada's logging practices by Aylwin.

RCMP arrest protestor

Blockade lasts 13 hours while RCMP dig out 20-year-old

by Peggy Abrahams

Almost a year to the day after Texada Land Corporation purchased one tenth of Salt Spring Island, police arrested Angela Hughes, a 20-year-old American citizen, for contempt of court on Thursday. Hughes faces criminal charges for violating a court order brought by Texada last spring, prohibiting individuals from obstructing the company's logging operations.

Shortly after 9 o'clock Thursday morning, protestors blocked a truck on Seymour Heights, currently being used by Texada's contractor, Dorman Timber, to transport timber logged on Mt. Maxwell. Once the truck was stopped, Hughes locked onto a device in the ground. She remained lying under the truck chassis for close to 12 hours.

Equipped with newly purchased shovels and pick axes, a group of RCMP officers tried to dig Hughes free in order to make the arrest. On Friday morning, RCMP Sergeant Paul Darbyshire said, "Miss Hughes refused repeated requests to let herself free, as she had achieved what she was going to achieve for the day."

He added, "It took us until 10:30 [Thursday night] to remove her from the locking device that was buried in the road. The police had to hire a welder and also a contractor who had a jackhammer to assist us in this operation. This was a very expensive operation for the police to arrest this person."

A press statement issued by a representative of the

protestors referred to the length of time Hughes remained in-lockdown as a triumph. "She has held up four logging trucks for the majority of the day. Five RCMP officers, a welder and a jackhammer/rock drill technician weren't able to get her hand out of the road. For 11 hours Angie held on to her position in the road making the statement that individuals, backed by imagination, caring and love, can effect a difference on things as important as their drinking water supply."

Protestors said they were opposed to Texada's plans to log in the nearby sensitive watershed of Lake Maxwell. They brought placards with messages such as "Maxwell water, good to the last drop."

The sounds of the feller-buncher could be heard in the background as loggers continued to work nearby. Preferring to be unnamed, a flagman directing traffic on Seymour Heights said there are usually 10 to 12 truckloads of timber going down Mt. Maxwell each day. "They're cutting a lot. Sometimes it seems like I can hear a tree fall every two minutes."

While locked down under the truck early in the day, Hughes, a resident of Rochester, Minnesota, said she had been on Salt Spring for a few weeks. She said she had taken this action because she wanted people to realize that we need to do things differently.

"I'm not here to judge anyone. I'm not here to stop people. Nobody's jobs

are threatened. We can log sustainably if we choose to. We've become desensitized. We don't realize we're affecting the environment the way we are."

She commented on the consequences. "I'm 20 years old. I believe that since my heart is in the right place I'm putting my faith in this being positive. I'm not looking at little effects, I'm looking at the big picture. My life is nothing compared to the entire world, the life of the planet."

Some 20 to 25 witnesses and protestors stood by during much of the day. Some protestors sang songs, played a drum and shouted words of encouragement to Hughes. They called out, "We love you Angela," and urged Hughes to have courage and be strong.

A crew of nine Dorman employees stood by during the early part of the day. Although they declined to comment, one of the workers was overheard saying to a protestor, "You're taking my dinner off my table from my kids now."

Brent Kapler, local operations manager for Texada, came to read the injunction to Hughes before her arrest. He said that this was not unexpected. "It's always expected. We see new faces," he added.

This latest arrest brings the total to 10 protestors who have been charged with criminal contempt of court for locking down on Texada-contracted logging trucks since last May. The nine individuals arrested previously go to trial February 19.

JJM employees strike

by Peggy Abrahams

Employees of JJM Maintenance, the company contracted by the Ministry of Highways to maintain the Salt Spring road system, planned strike action last week. At press time Dan Keeton of the B. C. Government and Services Employees' Union predicted the strike would take effect Monday, October 30.

After JJM employees served strike notice last week, JJM management applied to the Labour Relations Board to set essential service levels so that some road maintenance would be provided in the event of snow or

another urgent event.

Previously, 99 per cent of the 92 JJM workers voted in favour of strike action. The workers are seeking fair wage increases and job security. Keeton said the main issues are job security provisions, including successionship. He explained, "We want to ensure our workers will be able to continue the service even if the contractor is changed."

He added that another issue relates to the practice of highway maintenance companies contracting out services to workers who are non-union workers, and who are not their employees.

Close to half of all B.C. highways maintenance workers have now voted in favour of strike action. "JJM is the first highways company to serve strike notice," said Keeton.

He indicated the workers' discontent stems from the government's contracting highway maintenance out to private companies. "All highways maintenance is done by contractors. It's all in the wake of privatization of highways maintenance."

Keeton said that routine services such as road grading, graveling, asphalt work and general maintenance would be suspended during a strike.

Fall Fair wins B.C. trophy

Four representatives of Salt Spring's Fall Fair Committee returned from the B.C. Association of Fairs and Exhibitions in Vernon with a trophy last week.

As part of their presentation, the group took to the Association three exhibits: a birdhouse of recycled material made by David McCelvey, the quilt made by Fulford School students, and Amarah Gabriel's unconventional scarecrow.

"When the envelope was opened and the

winner of the category for the best presentation of a fair [of our size] was announced, we felt like we were at the Academy Awards. To accept as a group with strobe lights, music and applause was exhilarating," said a delegate.

The Fall Fair Committee is looking for a 2001 theme. If you'd like to help, call the Farmers Institute at 537-4755 or delegates Barbara Brindamour (537-2282), Marguerite Lee (537-5302), Linda Pickell (653-9568) or Len Wallbank (537-4398).



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Woman attacked on B.C. Hydro property

by Peggy Abrahams

A woman contracted to clean the property of B.C. Hydro on Lower Ganges Road was assaulted while she worked last Thursday morning, according to the statement given to the RCMP by the victim.

In her statement, the woman said she had observed beer cans on the property and signs that someone had been camping on the premises. While the

woman was in the process of cleaning up the grounds, someone shouted at her, "Did you take my beer cans?" When she did not respond, a man shouted at her and hit her.

After the woman defended herself, the man left. The RCMP is looking for the assailant, an unknown male described as being in his late 30s with a scruffy beard. The woman said she believed he had been living in the bush.

RCMP personnel were kept busy on Thursday. Some police officers dealt with the assault. Meanwhile, police at the logging protest site on Mt. Maxwell awaited the arrival of the officers looking into the assault, who were needed for back-up.

When the police returned from the protest site, they searched the Hydro lot without success. The investigation continues.

SWOVA launches three year research project

by Amei Parkes

On the heels of putting out the handbook, *Freedom From Fear*, Salt Spring Women Opposed to Violence Against Women (SWOVA) announced a \$643,000 federal grant that will jump-start a violence prevention programme for middle and high school students. This joint effort between SWOVA and School District 64 was officially launched Thursday to stop violence against women, while giving youth the tools to make and keep healthy relationships.

"It's great, amazing, earth-shattering news," said grade 11 student and workshop facilitator Adam Davies. "We are out there to lend a hand and be there for people to help them figure out what works."

The two-part initiative, which started August 1, involved putting \$413,000 toward a hands-on component working with teens in the schools and \$240,000 into a research project over the next three years.

The adult and student teams go into grade 7, 8, 9 and 11 classrooms within

the already established Career and Personal Planning (CAPP) curriculum. They will lead 12 one-hour sessions on how to foster good relationships with peers and dating partners.

"Fragmented, one-dimensional programmes or single workshops do not influence the development of healthy relationship skills

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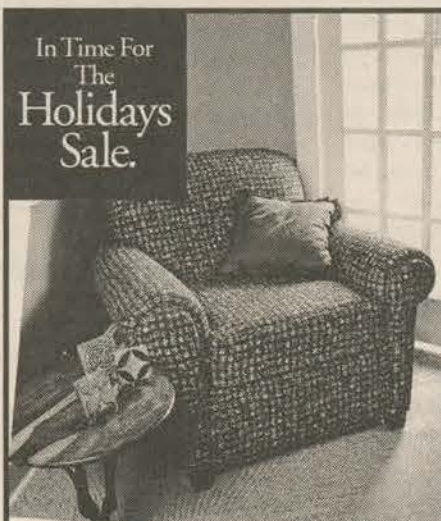
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DEDICATED TO 100 YEARS—Members of the Ganges chapter of the IODE celebrated the centenary of the organization by planting a magnolia tree in Centennial Park. After Regent Denyse Erdos spoke, the tree was planted and a plaque unveiled.

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Take power now



*In the catbird seat ...
with Shelagh Plunkett*

One of the first things Dr. David Suzuki said when he took the stage Friday night was an expression of surprise at the length of time Islanders had been battling Texada's presence on Salt Spring. Just one year? Folks, he said, get real, this is a life-long battle.

From that point on his talk and the answers he gave to people's questions were peppered with similar expressions—there's no silver bullet, there's no quick fix.

And, he pointed out, Texada is just one example of a much greater, much broader problem. We are not alone, nor are we special.

More than once he said, "If you can't solve this here on your Island, then there is no hope for the rest of the world." If in a community where we have relative power to make decisions affecting our lives and our environment, where the parameters of our environment are so clearly defined by water, where we can with relative ease come together to discuss issues and have the necessary components to begin the resolution of differences...if with all that we fail to take control and find ways to preserve both our environment and our community then there is little hope for the majority of the world who face far greater obstacles.

We have all it takes to make an enormous change.

In saying this is a life-long battle, Suzuki was pointing out that the issue does not begin and end with Texada or with other outside forces who might come here looking to exploit the resources of the Island. It begins and ends with each one of us. We are the key. How many of you, he asked, drove to ArtSpring that night in an SUV? Why is it that we ship our garbage off-Island? Is shipping Salt Spring garbage to Saanich all that different from shipping U.S. garbage to India? While deploring the clear-cuts forming on Mt. Tuam and Mt. Maxwell how many of us benefit from the resulting wood left behind which is split and sold to us to heat our houses? How many Islanders make use of solar or wind generated power? How many of us resist the North American urge to gluttonous consumption—gulping down electricity and water as though it were limitless, stuffing our homes and our lives with an endless supply of things.

I fail to understand why it is that so many people on this Island have ignored the immediate threat to their water supply. As one letter writer pointed out—Maxwell Lake is not the only body of drinking water under siege, the others are increasingly hazardous to our health. The difference is that Maxwell Lake is still relatively pristine, its shores are not ringed by houses with septic fields. The purchase of Lot 9 was a positive and necessary move but do we honestly think that's good enough? Why aren't we, en masse, demanding that government representatives who spout platitudes about the precious nature of Canada's water supplies put their money on the table to back those statements. Why aren't we rushing to protect that water ourselves? Why aren't we demanding the protection and preservation of our water? What are we waiting for?

We are very fortunate here. Every one of us, should we choose to, can effect an immediate and noticeable change in our environment through relatively small, personal shifts in how we live our lives. Every one of us can witness the impact clear-cut logging is having on the Island—we can see the changes. Every one of us can voice our concerns and be heard.

We each hold the key to this Island's future. We each play a role in the survival of the planet.

Let's assume our power before it's too late.



Tree spikes— or land mines?

Mr. Dorman states that if they find a spiked tree "the butt ends will be left on the hills for firewood." Thus he is delivering to us the threat that he claims has been made to him.

Make no mistake: tree spikes are morally equivalent to land mines. They persist, invisible, for decades or longer, and can kill or maim. To place such a spike or knowingly leave one in place for another to find is an act evil beyond words.

SALLY JOHN

Spikers' identity questioned

I felt sickened and assaulted over the "Salt Spring Spiking Club" story (*the Barnacle*, October 24). I, for one, do not believe there is such a group, unless they are volleyball enthusiasts.

It is heart-wrenching to think that an environmentalist would stoop so low when his/her/their goals are so noble. (Yes, it has happened before, but the lesson learned was felt by all... wasn't it?)

It is especially (if not more) pathetic on the part of the logging company to grasp so high for straws of sympathy from the community, should this prove to be a

publicity stunt. Funny, too, how the anonymous letter emerged in Nanaimo.

Whoever is behind this juvenile behaviour, at least come up with a more convincing *nom-de-guerre*, please. Too bad we couldn't call in Enid Blyton's Five Findouters and Dog, or perhaps Alfred Hitchcock's Three Investigators for this case; we have yet to hear the final result over the vehicle responsible for running some KNOWN protestors off the road this summer (as in NOT anonymous). How come this act of violence was not treated as a death-threat?

KIM HOBAN

Thoughterime comes to Island

The apology printed in your paper by the members of the Save Salt Spring Society reminded me chillingly of Winston Smith, the character in George Orwell's famous novel 1984 about a totalitarian state where the very thought of opposing the powerful is a crime:

"He became simply a mouth that uttered, a hand that signed whatever was demanded of him. His sole concern was to find out what they wanted him to confess, and then confess it quickly before the bullying started

anew. It was easier to confess everything and implicate everybody. Besides, in a sense it was all true. It was true that he had been an enemy of the Party, and in the eyes of the Party there was no distinction between the thought and the deed."

When people can be bullied into silence it is a sad day for democracy. A community that is not outraged to see its citizens' democratic freedom of expression silenced by the powerful should hang its head in shame.

ERIC BLAIR

Dinner praised

I would like to thank all the churches on SSI for the wonderful turkey dinner they prepared and served at All Saints by-the-Sea.

All tables were full with happily chatting strangers and friends who enjoyed the generosity of the people serving them. The food was delicious—right down to the cranberry sauce. No smorgasbord on this day: we were all served by people obviously glad to be giving us their gifts of cheer.

From senior to grade school, the servers, without exception, made us feel special. The cooks scrambled to keep up with our appetites: they, too, with a smile on their faces. I felt uplifted and blessed. For days after the

feast I heard people praising the dinner and expressing their gratitude to everyone who made it possible.

ANN BATEMAN

Democracy thwarted on lawn

As part of the democratic process, during an election the various political parties try to persuade voters to support their platform and candidate. Any Canadian citizen may disagree with a party, its policy or candidate and may campaign against them, but by law, cannot interfere with its election campaign.

For some, a particular bane of election campaigns are signs identifying candidates for the voters. This time such signs will be in place for a maximum of 36 days (from October 22) and, while they may annoy some, they are part of the democratic process we value so highly. It is against the law to deface, vandalize, destroy, or illegally remove election signs.

On Thursday, I spent several hours erecting six Canadian Alliance signs supporting the re-election of Gary Lunn, the current Member of Parliament for Saanich-Gulf Islands. One of these signs was in place for less than an hour before its

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mooring supports were torn down and the sign thrown behind the bushes nearby.

Congratulations to the inspired person who vandalized this sign: it obviously took tremendous intelligence, strength and skill to accomplish this unworthy action! Thwarting the democratic process in this way must make this individual very proud and, going on past experience, it will happen again.

Readers are assured that Canadian Alliance members will not tamper with other political party election signs.

JOHN L. FRAZER

No election signs

The NDP Federal Riding Association has agreed with the decision of Gulf Islands NDP supporters to limit the number of signs during this election. There will be no lawn signs and a total of about eight "large" (3' x 4') signs for all the islands. This is to respect the natural beauty of our islands, and minimize one of the uglier

aspects of election campaigns. We encourage all other parties to do the same.

IRENE WRIGHT

Federal riding President

Another dinner gets kudos

On October 14 the Core Inn Youth Project Society produced a fundraising dinner. It was a sold-out event and a good time was had by all. The evening began with music by Terry Warbey while guests arrived, mingled with friends and enjoyed tasty appetizers. Folks then feasted on delicious Italian fare, thanks to the culinary skills of chefs Maggie Warbey (who helped organize the event), Kate Bragg, Bo Stevens and Jane Janzen. Our delightful food servers were Adam Davies, Tangle Caron, and Jani Janzen.

Later, tables were folded away to make space for dancing to the moving music of WAVE (Paul Mowbray, Mike Wall and Bob Delion). A silent auction also contributed to the evening's

event. It saw a profit of \$1,250, which will be used towards covering the costs of the third floor renovations.

Thanks to generous community support that made this fundraiser so successful.

CORE INN BOARD

Euthanasia—not nice, but necessary

The Salt Spring Island SPCA has been receiving a lot of criticism lately because we "kill" cats. Our staff, volunteers, and Board of Directors are hurt by this criticism because we work so hard to try and improve the lives of cats on the island.

We have 20 cages to house cats, five of which are in an outdoor run and not suitable in winter. Since the beginning of the year we have had 223 cats come through our doors; 37 of them are still with us. Currently, 10 of these cats are in foster homes.

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has been around a long time? Maybe we can double up and put two cats that seem to get along in the same cage. Maybe someone will arrive in the nick of time and adopt a cat. Maybe the owner of one of the cats will show up. Maybe not.

The decision has been made and the needles are ready. The first shot relaxes the cat, basically knocking it out. A few minutes later the second, intravenous shot is administered and another life is ended.

Who should you blame? Please, not us. We are trying so hard. We are continually fundraising, advertising, holding open houses, and taking more cats into our own homes. We don't need criticism, we need solutions.

CATHIE NEWMAN

Salt Spring Island SPCA

American woman a mystery

I write in reference to the confusing article by Amei Parkes entitled "Pumpkins support Transition House" (the Barnacle, October 24). I cannot understand how the American woman "found herself" on Salt Spring Island. Surely she must have chosen to come here. For 25 years I have been a donor to a transition house whose clients arrive fleeing a crisis

involving an abusive partner. It is quite confusing to understand what crisis prompted this woman to seek refuge at the transition house. Perhaps her abusive partner had traced her to Salt Spring Island. This is not at all clear.

On St. Valentine's day each year the Transition House which I support invites past clients and donors to celebrate together. This is always a heart-warming occasion to share the success stories of these women who, having escaped their abusive situations, have established independent lives, regaining their self-esteem in the process. I am sure the Salt Spring Transition House has similar success stories and I wish them luck in the pumpkin fund raising. But I do remain puzzled about the anecdotal "American woman."

JOAN MCCONNELL

Fall back

After last weekend's "turning the clocks back", we would like to remind everyone that it is again time to change your smoke detector batteries and to vacuum the unit out. It is also advised that if the unit is over 10 years old you should think of having it replaced.

This is a good time of year to

have your chimney cleaned before the onset of the cold weather. We recommend that you only burn wood that has been dried for a year.

Also, as we approach the shortest days of the year, it is a good idea to ensure that your civic address is displayed properly at the end of your driveway where is visible from both directions of travel. Properly displayed addresses ensure that we find your residence in your time of need.

We recently held a successful Open House, with over 147 people visiting the fire hall. We hope that the enthusiasm towards fire prevention carries throughout the year.

DAVE ENFIELD

Fire Chief

Fill a shoebox, help a needy child

Christmas is just around the corner. Once again my thoughts turn to filling shoeboxes for children living in areas of the world suffering from war, floods, famine, earthquakes and other disasters.

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An apology

On August 28, 2000, the Save Salt Spring Society wrote a letter to Premier Ujjal Dosanjh and in that letter there were many statements made that were not true. On August 28, 2000, the Save Salt Spring Society issued a Press Release to the public, and therein made statements that were not true.

On behalf of the Save Salt Spring Society, we the undersigned wish to apologise to Texada Land Corporation and Premier Dosanjh for making our untrue statements.

The Save Salt Spring Society also wishes to apologise to the people of Salt Spring Island. We should not be spreading false information, or fostering false impressions. We are very sorry.

Signed: Andrea Collins, Kenneth Lee, John Pottinger, Jan Van Stolk and Harry Warner as Directors of the Save Salt Spring Society.

mail box

MAILBOX cont'd from p5
suffering children around the world. Destinations for the boxes vary each year. In 1999, three million boxes were delivered by volunteers in 60 countries. Each shoebox is unique—an expression of love for an unfortunate child whom you will never meet. Nevertheless, I do it each year secure in the knowledge that my bounty is being shared with a child who is so desperately in need of comfort and a little joy.

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HEATHER MELANCON

Poppy time

I'd like to let everyone know it's that time of the year again, when Branch 92 of the Royal Canadian Legion, alongside all the branches across our vast country, begins selling poppies and organizing our Remembrance

Day Parade and events.

All of our members will be out distributing poppies and greeting the public in the next couple of weeks. Wreaths for the Remembrance Day Service will be sold to both businesses and individuals to place on the cenotaph or to display in store windows as an indication that someone close to their heart has died as the result of war or peacekeeping duties.

Uniformed members will also be in the schools this week to visit students and inform them about the essay and poster contests. One of the most common questions asked by students and adults is, "Where does this money

go?" With one exception, the money stays here on the Island. This year we gave \$2,000 to the Salt Spring Fire Department to purchase a defibrillator; \$2,500 went to Lady Minto; Greenwoods got a new wheelchair; and families and veterans got assistance for various health concerns.

This community is a very generous one, both with its time and finances, but most importantly in spirit.

The November 11 parade and services start at 10:30 a.m. If you need further information, wish to volunteer or purchase a wreath, please call 537-5822.

RON SEYMOUR

Living with logging lamented

It started on Friday, October 13. I was just rounding the side of the house toward the garden when I heard a loud rumbling noise coming from the street. The rumbling grew louder and louder, then I could see the shiny blue hood of a large truck through the gate. But this was no ordinary truck. On the back, stacked and tied in black cords, was a large pile of logs.

I'd been expecting to see some of the logging trucks since the cutting began on Mount Maxwell a couple weeks earlier, but I was not prepared for my reaction: a cold shiver ran through my body and a mass of anguish settled in my stomach as I glimpsed the branchless and scraped trees heading down Dukes Road.

Later, when I headed up the road for my afternoon walk, the fourth of a series of trucks bearing heavy loads of logs skirted by. When the vehicle passed, I noticed a car at the nearby intersection. The driver and I looked at each other and shook our heads in unison, as though in befuddlement for what we had just witnessed. Watching a forty-ton truck with a large stack of what were recently live, flourishing trees seemed so unreal. At that moment, I realized that it was nearly a

year after Texada had purchased almost 5,000 acres here and we were still witnessing the decimation of our trees—now in our own neighbourhoods—after all the protests, public meetings, lectures, fundraising and negotiations. A feeling of hopelessness for the trees washed over me, but I was jolted out of this quickly by the sound of another truck coming down the road. I moved off to the side to let it pass, then walked on, noticing the odd small bough and bits of bark scattered on the road.

The logging trucks continued. One day when the whining of chainsaws and grinding of heavy machinery was particularly loud, I put off my walk for as long as possible. In late afternoon, I was barely 20 feet up the road when the noise escalated. A large part of the pleasure of walking up the mountain is the deepening silence I usually encounter, but this day I sighed to myself: "I will feel no peace today."

I thought of turning back, but I realized my body would suffer for it since I spend much of the day at my computer. Rounding the bend of the road, a particularly piercing sound cut into my ears. I stopped. It was then I realized I'd been resisting the noise all day and

this was making me tense. If I could allow the noise to be, I knew it wouldn't bother me as much. The image of a friend came to mind as I recalled her saying, "Everything is part of the one." Something shifted within. I began a silent chant: "The loggers are part of the one, the machines are part of the one, the noise is part of the one, the trees are part of the one." I felt calmer.

Just then, at the side of the road, my eye caught the sight of a small stump with boughs strewn around it. My calm evaporated. I realized the tree had been caught in the machines clearing the embankments for the logging trucks. I spotted three more stumps farther up the road. Just beyond this was a parked van where an elderly man was standing. He asked me to wait while a logging truck exited the laneway onto the main road. As the hood of the truck inched past, I looked up into the face of the driver, whose grim smile gave me the impression he didn't like doing this any more than I did. In that instant, I saw his vulnerability and my heart softened as I remembered, "He, too, is part of the one."

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Members of the SWOVA and School District 64 joint research project gather to announce the launch of their three-year anti-violence initiative.

Violence prevention targets youth cont'd from p3

for youth," reads a SWOVA information sheet.

Bearing this in mind, the adult facilitators, Robert Osborne, Kim Davidson and Ahava Shira, have been busy creating the "Healthy Relationship" curriculum. This week they and their student counterparts will dive into discussions and role-plays on conflict and anger management, gender equality, intimacy and violence.

The other side of this project entails a long-term research project. Principal researcher, Judi Stevenson, said the need for this kind of study is borne out by the glaring statistics on violence. Statistics Canada found that violence and crime cost taxpayers about \$10 billion annually, in terms of policing, courts and corrections. Added to that are health care costs, victim assistance and loss of productivity. The bill at the end of the day, said Stevenson, cashes in at about \$46 billion a year.

Not only do national statistics shed light on the

issue, but local counsellors, parents and educators have noticed that big-city crime and assault is happening right here on Salt Spring Island. In the early 90s, for example, a man threatened to kill a woman and her daughter at their home near Weston Lake. Additional surveys done by Stats Canada and a group at the high school found that issues and attitudes are the same as in the high schools

across the country.

With all indicators pointing to the need for improvement, Stevenson will determine where to focus attention by studying the Healthy Relationships programme, and whether it is cost-effective.

The results could be quite dramatic and important, as well as far-reaching. Stevenson and others involved predict the outcome of the study will affect

where provincial and federal governments spend education dollars in B.C. and Canada.

In terms of the here and now, student facilitator Adrienne Butcher has already seen the difference these workshops make.

"Once I started [working with my peers], I couldn't stop...," she said. "Your heart soars. You see how important it is."

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"When the students presented a workshop, other students listened, participated—and discussed the ideas for weeks afterwards," reads the introduction of their ensuing handbook, *Freedom From Fear*, that will be distributed to high schools around B.C.

The resulting 60 pages is loaded with ideas on how to combat the problems of harassment and violence, using a team approach. It works as a guide to train other high school students to carry out violence prevention work. Ultimately, teens will become leaders against insidious issues such as racism, homophobia and sexism through facilitating workshops and leading discussions with their peers.

Its user-friendly, age-appropriate language and layout will make it a hit with teens. Quick statistics and quotes in the margin, coupled with practical ways to deal with issues, will soon make this a dog-eared and well-used resource in high schools across the province.

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Texada lands strategy update

Calendar proceeds top \$65,000 while community loses chance at \$7 million

by Peggy Abrahams

After a summer hiatus, community members met on Saturday to take stock of fundraising and recent attempts to acquire Texada lands, as well as new strategies to preserve ecologically sensitive land on Salt Spring.

A panel of seven speakers, including Trustee David Borrowman and Mike Larmour, general manager of the North Salt Spring Waterworks District, briefed about 70 people gathered at ArtSpring on issues related to local efforts to acquire land from Texada.

Naturalist Briony Penn said that to date, the community has lost \$7 million in funds offered from outside to buy land from Texada. In addition to the CRD offer last spring, the Nature Trust of B.C. offered nearly \$4 million for eight lots owned by Texada in the Burgoyne Bay area. The offer was made based on appraisals done by the CRD and the Land Conservancy.

Penn said that according to Texada, these negotiations fell through. She explained that government agencies and non-profit organizations cannot pay more than fair market value. "This is the second time an organization has walked away from the negotiating table," she said.

Jacqueline Booth said that it seemed unreasonable of Texada not to accept the Nature Trust offer on the premise that timber value would increase land value. She pointed out that the Garry oak included in the Nature Trust area of interest is not marketable timber, and thus should not have influenced the asking price.

One new strategy proposed at the meeting is a plan for the community to purchase land other than property owned by Texada. Gary Holman, chair of the Southwest Salt Spring Conservation Partnership, told the gathering that there are other private landowners who may be willing to sell land at fair market value.

He acknowledged that funds raised to date have been earmarked for the Texada appeal. "But Texada isn't, except in the case of lot 9, willing to accept fair market value... The community has to agree to shift the

focus. I'm not saying we should shift away from Texada, but this is another area to consider to achieve our goals regarding land preservation."

Furthermore, Holman pointed out that one advantage of buying community property in the southwest section of the Island outside of Texada's holdings, would be to establish fair market value in the area.

National Parks and public land strategy

David Borrowman outlined recent lobbying efforts by the Islands Trust at the provincial and federal levels to gain support for a national park on Salt Spring. He said the door has been opened a crack towards a joint federal provincial contribution through the Pacific Marine Heritage Legacy (PMHL) for establishing a national park here.

"It's been an active week for the Islands Trust," Borrowman said. The Trust met with David Anderson, Federal Environment Minister, and Joan Sawicki, Provincial Minister of Environment, Land and Parks. Anderson told the Trust he had made proposals to the province that would allow them to meet their PMHL obligations.

Borrowman said the meeting with Sawicki was encouraging. He said the only hang-ups were a hiatus in policy-making because of the upcoming election, and Texada's pricing. Borrowman described a vision of 7,000 acres of contiguous protected parkland on the Island. He said this could be possible if the Nature Trust of B.C. and CRD purchased land together with a 768-acre federal purchase, in addition to existing parkland.

Borrowman also alerted the gathering about a new public land strategy that could affect crown lands on Salt Spring. According to the Official Community Plan created in June 1998, seven crown land parcels are designated park and reserve. "We thought it was a triumph when our crown lands were designated for our purposes. It turns out the province gives with one hand and takes away

with the other," he said.

The provincial government is considering new plans for our crown lands, such as forestry, settlement or mines. A public meeting of provincial and Islands Trust representatives will be held on Tuesday, November 7, at the Lions Club to discuss new classifications for the crown lands. An open house will begin at 3 p.m. followed by the meeting at 5 o'clock.

Borrowman said this is connected with the national parks proposal. He encouraged the public to come out and tell these representatives what the appropriate use of the lands should be.

Maxwell watershed

NSSWD manager Mike Larmour told the gathering that Municipal Affairs has approved the District's purchase of lot 9, and the NSSWD will be telling Texada the purchase will go through. He said that Texada has promised to hold off logging in the secondary watershed until May to give the District time to consider purchasing more land in the area.

Larmour said that the lakes on the Island are deteriorating and buying the land now would be far more economical than the long-range costs of treatment for future contamination. "This is a one-time offer, a rare opportunity," he said.

However, he pointed out that government rarely gives funds for watershed purchase, and that the NSSWD trustees feel they can not go to the ratepayers for more money. He pointed out that the land in question is 270 acres. "It's a great challenge. It's a lot of money," he said.

Calendar

Margaret O'Hara announced that sales of the calendar have raised \$65,300 for the Save Salt Spring Campaign Fund to date. She said 9,000 calendars have been sold in seven weeks. Already, the calendar website has generated more than \$25,000 in sales. O'Hara presented a \$50,000

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Islander named NDP candidate

Pat O'Neill of Salt Spring Island has been named as the candidate for the New Democratic Party for Saanich-Gulf Islands in the upcoming federal election. A resident of the Gulf Islands for about five years, O'Neill has also served as councillor in North York and Metro Toronto for a number of years.

In her nomination speech O'Neill expressed her concern for child poverty and said her experience as a mediator and advocate in a low-income multicultural community has taught her

the importance of providing appropriately for all children.

"The current level of child poverty in Canada is a source of national embarrassment in a country that is so rich," said O'Neill.

The NDP is promising increased federal presence in both environmental monitoring and regulatory enforcement. If elected the party promises to bring this about by implementing comprehensive and enforceable standards of food safety, water and air quality, and by developing a nation-

al safe drinking water standard. Bulk water exports from Canada would not be allowed.

An NDP government would ensure that a green screen integrate environmental criteria into all federal government decision-making. In co-operation with First Nations advisors, the NDP would develop legislation to protect endangered species while introducing harsh punishment for polluters.

Pat O'Neill has redefined family values for the NDP, a term generally ascribed to

Stockwell Day and his supporters. "We need to fight the election on our family values—our care and concern for all families."

O'Neill plans to run a greener campaign. She will visit virtually all the communities of the riding in a well-marked RV. This will replace the traditional office with phone banks. She plans to meet as many riding residents as possible in each neighbourhood and invites everyone to come and introduce themselves and bring her their questions and concerns.

PC candidate ready for a fight

Last week, federal Progressive Conservative candidate Don Page announced his campaign team is in place and ready to fight and win the riding of Saanich-Gulf Islands in the upcoming federal election.

"I'm very pleased to have assembled a seasoned campaign team, a group that has the know-how to help me fight and win the...election battle," said Page in a press release.

He added, "Voters in this riding are looking for change and policies that

they can trust. I am a candidate they can trust, and Joe Clark is a leader they can trust. The job of our campaign...is to get out this message to the voters."

PC candidates will run on a fiscally conservative platform of policies decided upon at a convention in May. The platform will be finalized to include stable federal funding for health care, the elimination of taxes on personal capital gains, further adjustments to personal income tax rates and elimination of Canada's national debt within 25 years.

The riding of Saanich-Gulf Islands is a traditionally Conservative one, and was held by the PCs in the 1970s and 80s by former Members of Parliament Don Munro and Pat Crofton. Page fully intends to re-establish the Conservative tradition in this region.

Page, a retired naval officer, has been a resident of the riding for the past 12 years. He is a lifelong Conservative who has served on the executive of the Saanich-Gulf Islands PC Association for six years as a Director, Vice-President

and President.

Page has a long track record of community service and has always maintained a commitment to amateur sport.

From 1989 to 1992, he was the successful United Way representative for the Department of National Defence in the greater Victoria area, where nearly \$1 million was raised for local charities.

Don Page can be reached at (250) 479-9854. His campaign manager, Bob Darlington, can be reached at (250) 477-6390.

Community meets to discuss Texada *cont'd from p8*

pledge to Elizabeth White of the Salt Spring Appeal.

Fundraising

Elizabeth White announced that the Salt Spring Appeal has raised \$727,000 including the just received \$50,000 pledge. "We seem to have achieved what we originally set out to achieve,

but we're still so far from making a deal. We need \$3 million in donations and pledges," she said.

Echoing concerns expressed earlier White added that nothing can be achieved "without Texada coming to the table in good faith and negotiating fair market value."

Logging

Forestry consultant Sally John gave an update on Texada's logging operation. She said that the recent Land Reserve Commission fine against Texada for violating the new private land forest practices law shows that the legislation has important restrictions.

Although the new legislation does not have rules about size of cut or reforestation, it does regulate road construction and logging near streams. The new law does have teeth she said. "This gives us all an opportunity to help Texada be better land stewards," she said.

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Wit & Whimsy ... with Arthur Black

Let us consider for a moment the humble literary device known as the oxymoron. The dictionary defines it as "a combination of contradictory or incongruous words."

Oxymorons abound in life. "Bittersweet" is an oxymoron. So is "jumbo shrimp," "pretty ugly" and "student teacher." Not to mention civil servant and military intelligence.

And guess what—I've got a fresh-from-the-factory, mint-condition oxymoron for you: non-violent terrorism.

It's a brand new movement and at least one of the neo-radical cells that practise it is alive and thriving right here in sleepy old Canada. I refer of course to Pie-ing—the act of seeking out politicians wherever they might be and interrupting their career trajectory with a strategic cream pie. Right in the mug.

Allow me to declare my

personal bias vis-à-vis this revolutionary movement right off the top: I am totally in favour of it. I have never met and cannot imagine any political figure who would not look better with lemon meringue or Boston cream dribbling down his or her mandibles.

It looked good on Jean Chretien. It would look sublime on Bill Clinton.

Lucien Bouchard? Oh, *s'il vous plait!*

Brian Mulroney? Be still, my heart.

Not everyone agrees, of

course. Some observers still cling to the quaint, antediluvian notion that politics is an honourable calling and its practitioners should be accorded dignity and solemn respect at all times. Indeed, an editorial writer at the doughty *Montreal Gazette* goes even further:

"It's hard to figure why a few people still find humour in the shoving of pies in the faces of well-known people," the *Gazette* scribe grumped in a recent editorial. The headline over the rant read: "Throw a pie, do some time."

Do some time? Let me get this straight: Karla Homolka will soon be eligible for day passes but pie throwers should do jail time?

Somebody should pie the *Montreal Gazette* editorial writer.

Pie-throwing isn't the only form of non-violent terrorism gaining ground in Canada. There is also

gnome-snatching. The practice of stealing garden gnomes has reached such a fever pitch in the town of Huntsville that the Ontario Provincial Police have issued a warning to homeowners: lock up your gnomes.

And well they might. Last year more than 100 garden gnomes were snatched from backyards all around town.

But not for long. The gnomes showed up later sprinkled all around the local hydro plant.

Alas, we Canucks are strictly bush-league in the gnome-napping department. In France there's an organization called Le Front de Liberation des Nains de Jardin (the Liberation Front for Garden Gnomes). These guys have been abducting the backyard grotesques since 1995 in an effort, says one of their manifestos "to cleanse the countryside of bad

taste." A splinter cell goes as far as spiriting the gnomes off to famous landmarks around the world, there to take photographs of the captives. Then they send the photos back to the original owners.

Go figure.

Not surprisingly (this is France, after all) a reactionary group of activists has sprung up calling itself The Movement for the Emancipation of Garden Gnomes. They consider the abductors to be "kidnapping criminals" committing "acts of wanton terrorism."

The French government hasn't asked me, but I know how they could solve this problem tout de suite.

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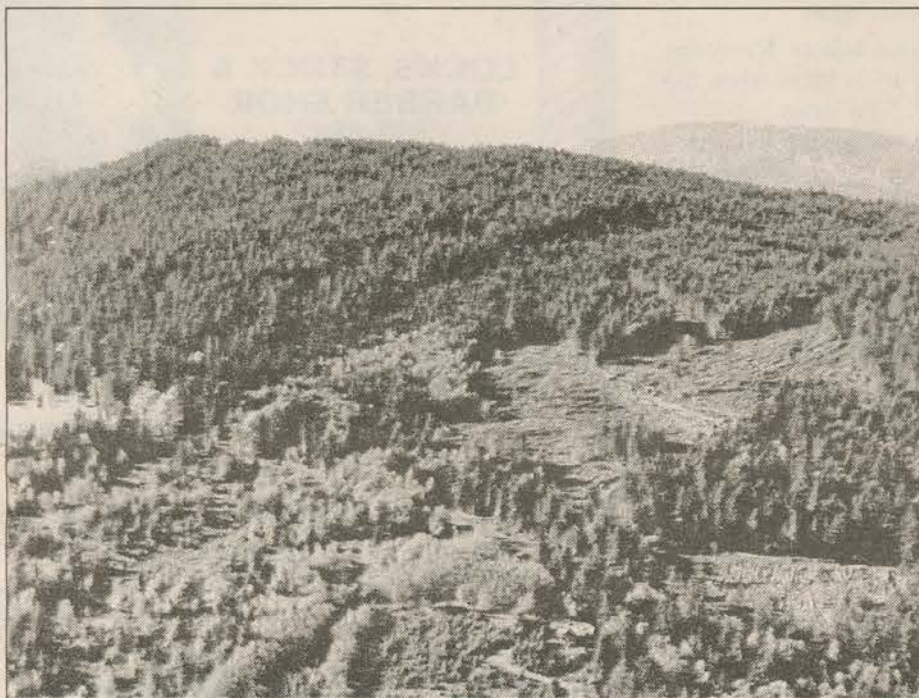
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BEFORE AND AFTER—Two aerial photos taken one month apart show the rapid transformation taking place on Texada's Mount Maxwell properties. Above, before intensive logging began, Texada's logging road is clearly seen in a September 22 photo. Below, a photo taken October 21 shows the logging road amidst large cut blocks cleared of trees.

Humdinger honours stewards of the land

The Salt Spring Island Conservancy is celebrating a successful year. In recognition of the efforts of all members and volunteers, and to pay special tribute to the more than 50 landholders who have made a commitment to continue their caring stewardship of our Island home, the Salt Spring Conservancy is having a Humdinger of a party.

On Thursday, November 9, all participants in the Stewardship Project and Conservancy members and volunteers are invited to an evening of celebration at Meaden Hall. The event promises to be vastly entertaining, with guest speaker Guy Dauncy and local musicians Mobray & Wall providing musical ambiance.

Dauncy is an author, or-

ganizer and sustainable communities consultant who specializes in developing a positive vision of a post-industrial, environmentally sustainable future, and translating that vision into action. He is the publisher of *EcoNews*, a monthly newsletter promoting the vision of a sustainable Vancouver Island, and the author of several books, including the newly released *Stormy Weather: 101 Solutions to Global Climate Change*.

Paul Mobray and Mike Wall, on guitars and sax, will provide jazz improvisation tinged with the flavours of Brazilian samba, Spanish flamenco, South African kwele and downtown blues.

The evening will provide an opportunity for the

Conservancy's many members to get acquainted over a pot luck supper, followed by a slide presentation during which Stewardship Project participants will be honoured.

An invitation is also extended to the Conservancy's partners and funders. The Salt Spring Stewardship Project is funded by Environment Canada's EcoAction 2000 Community Funding Program, the Real Estate Foundation of B.C., the Salt Spring Island Conservancy, Habitat Conservation Trust Fund, Mountain Equipment Co-operative's Environment Fund, BC Environment Youth Team, the Salt Spring Island Foundation, and through local sponsorship.

Legion launches poppy campaign

Have you got your poppy yet? If not, you'll be able to soon as the Legion launches its annual poppy campaign. By wearing a poppy in the week leading up to Remembrance Day, people show support for veterans while contributing, through donation, to programmes assisting those who fought in the war.

The small red flower represents the symbol of remembrance for those who served and died during the two world wars.

Proceeds from the sale of poppies provide immediate assistance to ex-service members in need. Money goes toward food, shelter or medical attention for them or their families. Poppy funds are also used for low-rental housing and care facilities for the elderly or disabled, community medical appliances and medical research, day care centres, meals-on-wheels, transportation and related services for veterans and

their dependants. donations may be given for relief of disasters declared by the government. Scholarships and bursaries for dependants of ex-service members are also funded through the campaign.

Any ex-service member whether a Legion member or not can apply for financial aid from the poppy fund. The poppy fund also supports the Legion service bureaux, which assists many people not necessarily legion members.

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Isle Say! ... with John Pottinger

I'm getting fed up with Americans. Not all of them, just the obnoxious ones.

I know I'm going to hear from a whole lot of people telling me that Americans are really nice people and I shouldn't be such a grump. It's true, Americans usually start out being right neighbourly kinds of folk. But within minutes of that first "How ya doin? Can I buy you a beer?" they so often say the most amazingly ignorant things. A few months ago, in the midst of an otherwise enjoyable con-

versation with an American tourist, he asked me if I had voted for Clinton.

I suppose most Americans can be forgiven their ignorance, because it's simply a product of their environment. The American system of education is so parochial that their general level of knowledge concerning the rest of the world is downright scary. The show *This Hour Has 22 Minutes* on CBC TV, has a segment where they talk to Americans about Canada. The laughs come directly from the vast store of ignorance that the "average person in the street" has concerning events outside

their own country. A recent example had Harvard University students congratulating Canadian women on gaining the right to vote.

It's ironic that American media (and therefore most Americans) view the outside world as ignorant, or at least somewhat backward. No wonder they can't visualize world peace: They can't visualize the world.

What bothers me even more is American bravado. If I wanted to be nice I would describe that attitude using pleasant words like confidence or showmanship. Or I could just call it arrogance.

On the outskirts of al-

most any American city you'll see a sign proclaiming it as the home of the "World's Biggest This" or the "World's First That." A good example is Milwaukee. The sign says: "Welcome to Milwaukee, Beer Capital of the World." Excuse me? Egyptians were making beer 3,000 years ago. Europeans had pubs with a selection of fine ales and lagers 600 years before anybody ever downed a glass of pale tasteless American beer.

How about this ad from an internet music supply house: "The world's greatest piano melodies from the

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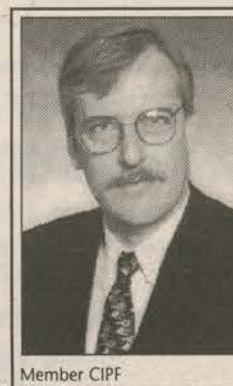
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Island Passions: the pen collector

by Helani Davidson

One man's penchant is another man's passion. For some, it's collecting stamps and for others, it's amassing pens—other peoples' pens, that is.

We've all met them. They innocently ask to borrow your only pen to jot down a phone number and casually walk away leaving you pen-less. Who are these people? What makes them tick?

Here we get a chance to look into the sordid mind of a confessed pen absconder who, understandably, will not give his name. "It all started in university when the cost of pens was a major factor. There was the expense of room, board, breads and pens. I began scooping other students' pens. It was more difficult in graduate school because everybody was broke, so it was a matter of who got there first. You had to be fast. You had to be cunning. That's where I honed my pen-liberating skills. It still surprises me that something that started out so innocent could grow in intensity and become a major emotional experience. I keep my eyes peeled at all times."

Today this pen person with a propensity to penetrate the toughest pencil case boasts the ownership of well over 300 pens. "I keep them in bunches, wrapped in cellophane baggies, stashed in various drawers around my home with a few thousand paper clips. Some pens were removed from fancy hotel lobbies. Others from banks or other business establishments. I have a memory attached to every one and am emotionally attached to some."

It is difficult for a pen pilferer to part with a pen. Even when seen with his shirt pocket lined with pens he will refuse to lend one. "It's hard to explain. But it isn't just a



Kelly Waters photo

Salt Spring's anonymous pen pilferer strikes again.

pen to me. It has an emotional life—a history. Every day brings a new excitement because I never know when the opportunity will arise to add to my..." he states.

His eyes glaze over as he watches my hand scroll across my notebook. "Do you have any red pens?" I ask him. "I'll trade you two blues for one red."

Guy Fawkes night

Fireworks celebrate popular criminal



Curiosities of Culture...

with Pessy Abrahams

Remember the fifth of November...it's Guy Fawkes Night.

I remember that last year, November 5 fell on an ominously wet Friday. That evening, I happened to talk to some English friends here on Salt Spring, on their way to burn an effigy on a bonfire. I'd forgotten it was Guy Fawkes Night. This English festival celebrates the death of Guy Fawkes, a Catholic who failed in his attempt to blow up the Houses of Parliament in 1605.

In those days, Catholics were persecuted under England's intolerant Protestant regime. They were fined, imprisoned and banned from holding religious services. After the death of Elizabeth I in 1603, James VI ascended the throne. He had promised to tolerate Catholicism, but the House of Commons dissolved his promises and the persecution continued.

Meanwhile, Guy Fawkes and four compatriots began planning the Gunpowder Plot, their effort to blow up the Houses of Parliament. They leased a building under the House of Lords and filled it with barrels of gun powder. They planned to ignite it when the King and the Royal family came for the opening of Parliament. Fawkes was left alone to light the fuse, after which he was to escape.

Like many of the best laid plans, this one went awry. One of the conspirators leaked word and the King was tipped off. On November 5, Fawkes and the gunpowder were found just hours before the King's scheduled arrival. Fawkes was taken to the Tower of London. With his wrists

in manacles, he was stretched on the rack. With broken body, he revealed the plot.

Guy Fawkes was hanged, drawn and quartered, and Parliament declared the fifth of November a day of celebration for their close call. Today, it's just another excuse for fireworks and bonfires all over England... and in Commonwealth outposts like Salt Spring Island.

Surely this festival can't be politically correct. Nevertheless, they're still celebrating Guy Fawkes Night. "Too bad," I said to myself, when I heard the rain start Friday night. I thought about the bonfire. I hope the Island's English revellers had the satisfaction of roasting Guy Fawkes' likeness before it was too wet.

I've just heard they're planning similar festivities this week. Perhaps I'll join in the merrymaking.

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David Suzuki inspires Islanders

by Amei Parkes

The lights go out. A video crackles up on the screen. An almost inaudible Derek Trethewey, stepping out of a seaplane with a woman he calls Cinderella slung over his shoulder, appears over and over, like a reoccurring nightmare.

Trethewey sloshes through low tide into Fulford Harbour and buys a \$2 bar of soap. "Keep the change," he says, handing over \$100 toward the cause intended to stop him dead in his tracks.

"What do you say to the children of the future?" asks cameraman Jonathan LeDrew.

"Good luck," says Trethewey with a wave of his hand.

The lights cut out.

Susheela Dawne appears on stage, sexy as always, neck to toe in an olive gown you want to stroke, it looks so soft.

Her creamy voice asks us all, in sultry jazz fashion à la Holly Arzen, why is this world so cruel?

An appropriate lead-in, perhaps, for one of Canada's top-notch environmentalists. David Suzuki wastes no time putting the environmental crisis into a global context.

At a time of rapid technological advances and economic globalization, grasslands and rivers "are being attacked in the name of progress," huge rivers have been dammed, cities are sprawling into greenbelts, and "forests are falling in the blink of an eye."

In this climate, 2.5 million multi-millionaires and nearly 500 multi-billionaires live in luxury while billions of people struggle to survive on less than \$3 per day, says the silver-haired doctor of genetics. Closer to home, 15 per cent of Canadian children go to school hungry.

"I am not going to save the world," he tells a packed house of over 250 people, who might have thought otherwise, "but millions of insignificant people trying to do their best are a very powerful force."

This point is driven home when the audience salutes the activists and journalists sitting in the first two rows of the auditorium. Many have been either "arrested, SLAPPED or libeled" in efforts to halt the logging on Texada lands.

He says he does not have the magic bullet to save the environment, but his words alone are powerful enough to swing the most complacent person into action. He speaks passionately about how poverty, human rights and social justice are all linked to preserving the environment.

But change is neither possible nor forthcoming if westerners

don't change their consumer habits, he warned.

"We are caught up in an orgy, a frenzy of consumption," he says, arms outstretched to emphasize the gravity of the situation.

This more-is-better attitude, exemplified by gas-guzzling SUVs and the proliferation of huge warehouse outlets, is undermining the future of the planet.

Suzuki cites a frightening document put out by the Union of Concerned Scientists called *World Scientists' Warning to Humanity*. It says, "Human beings and the natural world are on a collision course... [which] may so alter the living world that it will be unable to sustain life in the manner that we know." The scientists call for an immediate and radical change in land stewardship.

*"We are caught up
in an orgy,
a frenzy
of consumption."
—David Suzuki*

But policies like enforcing environmental regulations and creating more parks are not enough to reverse global warming or population growth. Time and time again, environmental problems have surfaced only after a product or practice has been in use for a long time. Take DDT, the pesticide spread on crops in the 1960s. Only after birds started dying years later could scientists advise law-makers on its deleterious effects.

Suzuki predicts genetically modified organisms (GMOs) are the next technology with unknown longterm results.

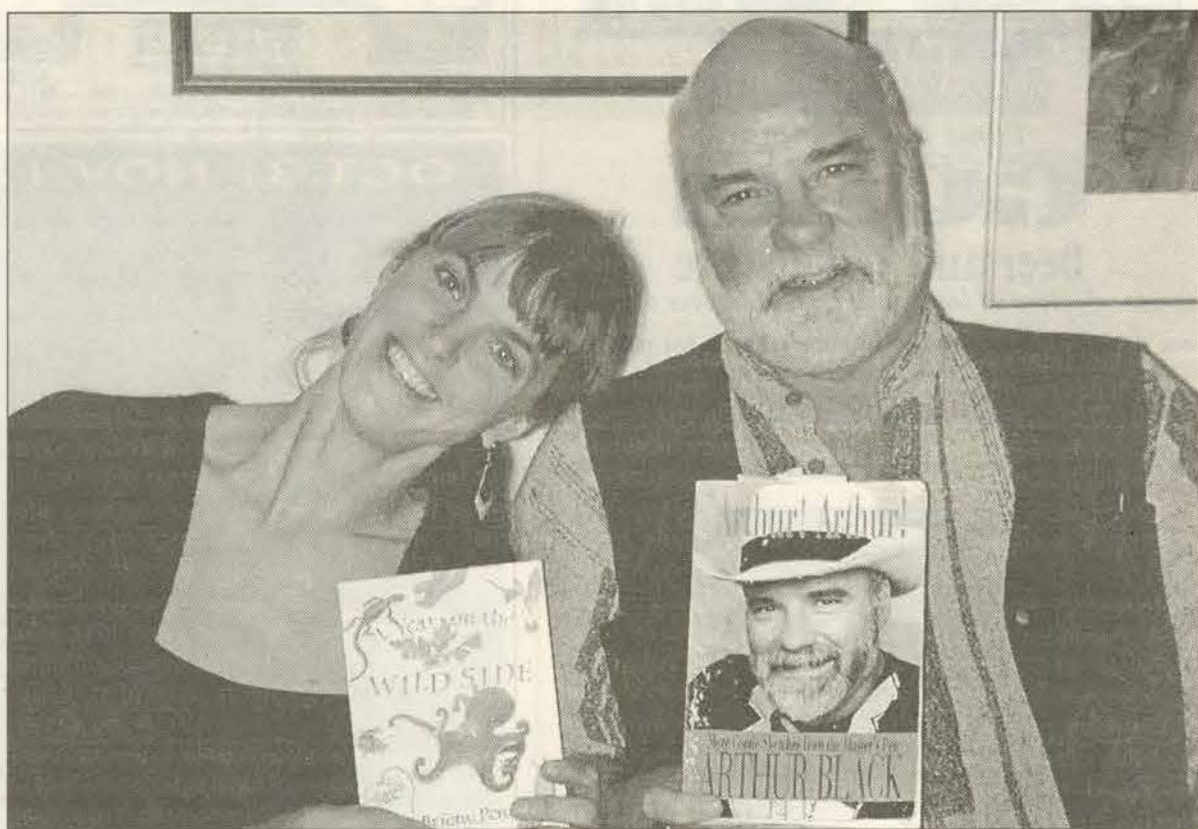
"[Genetically engineering crops] is like taking Mick Jagger out of the Rolling Stones and putting him in with the Toronto Symphony. Then say: 'play music.' You'll get music, but it will be different."

The solution?

Simply put: change the way you view the world.

"We are the problem," he says. We are air, earth, water and fire, he shows by way of examples and anecdotes.

During his life, a groundbreaking moment came for him when he was interviewing a Haida artist in the Queen Charlotte Islands during the 15-year-long logging dispute over South Moresby Island. With all the employment and



Authors Briony Penn and Arthur Black with two of their books at the launch of *Where Art Meets Nature*.

Authors take care of business

by Amei Parkes

If the finale is an indication of a good show, then the writers' panel took care of business last Tuesday night. In a room bursting with high-quality art, rocker Randy Bachman played an encore, followed by a standing ovation for the whole literary gang: Shilo Zylbergold, Briony Penn, Alex Mitchell, Jim Black, Arthur Black, Bachman and M.C. John Pottinger.

At the kick-off for *Where Art Meets Nature* the seven artists played jokes off each other and the audience, stirred emotions for the cause and read some solid writing that was worth staying up late to hear.

But the words off the page were equally amusing and powerful.

Bachman, who spoke last, watched his cohorts with almost meditative calm throughout the evening. He came alive as he told of the mishaps and coincidences preceding the birth of his hit song, *Taking Care of Business*. The radio announcer whom he'd heard say, "We're taking care of business this morning..." and the pizza delivery man who became the pianist were all part of this amazing tale.

Although the others didn't get the audience dancing in the

aisle, they had them almost rolling off their chairs.

Arthur and Jim Black were together on stage for the first time. Arthur roared the crowd along with his first impressions of Salt Spring. "Oh, give me a break" was not heard, as he lumped 10,000 residents into a group of people who has no need for watches. Not a peep, except for laughter, was aimed at the guy who can weave a tale fast and furious, with a rich, nasally voice. He also had both men and women holding their sides (or wombs?) for his experience of a "delivery dad voyeur."

Equally hilarious, Jim Black spoke of a camping trip from hell, and exercising with "Super-granny and Atilla the Spin-Cycle Queen."

Lone female panelist, Briony Penn held her own on stage, dressed in a slinky black number. Normally her appearance would have nothing to do with the substance of her words (she's made many profound statements in a rain slicker and a pair of gumboots), but her new-found celebrity status as calendar girl has landed her numerous public appearances where gortex is not the fabric of choice.

Her adventure on the Vicki

Gabereau Show was no exception. She panhandled bus fare to get to the hotel, only to be chauffeured in a limo around the block to the studio. There, she was made up and given a big hair-do. After a few misunderstood conversations with Gabereau, she was thrust out the door, never to see the limo and star treatment ever again.

"Cinderella, this is it," said Penn, with a finger aimed at the sky. "The fairy tale is over. We were lost in a mall, looking like Barbies and I still had no money."

Although Alex Mitchell did not wear anything that raised eyebrows, he spoke of the Salt Spring regalia—gumboots, ponytail and jeans—interspersed with the quirky habits of teenagers. This skilled author plaited morality into topics like flatulence and sex—when farting operas and humping turtles were the main threads!

True to his repertoire, Zylbergold touched upon such taboo subjects as abortion, census-taking and harmonic conversion. Only on Salt Spring, you might say.

Pottinger summed up the evening best. It was "a typically perfect Salt Spring writers' night. It had it all."

money injected into the community, wasn't large-scale logging a boost for the community and its economy?

The Haida man answered in reference to his culture, not his bank account. "They can cut trees down and we'll be here, but we won't be Haida anymore."

Suzuki toyed with his words for days before he understood that the Haida have a fundamentally

different way of looking at the world. The forest, rivers and rocks all define who they are.

And no one is exempt, regardless of race. During the talk, Suzuki sucks in a breath of air and drinks from a glass of water to explain how air and water circulate around the world. Ninety per cent of our food comes from the earth, and sunlight can help or harm all of us.

Slow down, he implores trans-

national corporations and governments. Know the effects before destroying precious biodiversity.

"I am a conservative," he announces. "The radicals go in and cut [the forest] down without any knowledge on how to put it back together again."

He appeals to Salt Springers to work together to promote sustainable logging practices.

"We've got to be lifers, folks. It's a life struggle," he says.



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

Desert Island Choices

This week's castaway is **Jean Brouard**. Those who know him as a high energy gumboot dancer may not know that he is originally from Mauritius, arriving here on Salt Spring after stints in Edmonton, Zimbabwe, Haiti and Brazil, not to mention his studies in forestry management in Aberdeen, Oxford and N. Carolina. His log cabin and ten year old daughter were conceived simultaneously, and he now makes his living as a tree seed geneticist, consulting in such areas as BC's 250 million annual seed plantings. He will be giving a lunch time talk on propagating Salt Spring's native plants from seed at ArtSpring this week.

The Book: "Now that's really difficult. Would I really want a botanical text, or a novel? Of course! I would take Briony Penn's *On The Wild Side*—it's got everything."

The Disc: "That would be Beethoven's Fifth, transcribed by Franz Liszt for the piano, and played by Glenn Gould. It's a phenomenal piece of music in the first place, amazingly transcribed and given a sublime performance by Gould—what more could you ask?"

Fellow castaway: "I'd have Bela Bartok. I would have to have a piano there—I've just passed my Grade 1 and am working on Grade 2, using Bartok piano studies which he wrote for his son. I found him very tough to play when I studied classical guitar, but the piano studies are great. A great musicologist too. Oh, and I would have to have a pair of gumboots for dancing with him."

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**MONDAY
NOVEMBER 6**

- 📖 **Storytime**
West of the Moon. 10am
- 🎵 **Midnight Café**
Acoustic Jam. Rose's Cafe. 7pm
- 👤 **Mae Moore**
Salt Spring Folk Club. Fulford Hall. 7pm
- 💃 **Cats Pajamas Dance Class**
Lang Road Studio. 7:30pm
- 👁️ **Tango Practice**
Lion's Hall. 7:30-9:30pm
- 👁️ **Life Model Drawing Class**
United Church. 1-3pm
- 👤 **Beginner Step Class**
All Saints'. 10:15-11:15am
- 👤 **Step into Shape** All Saints'. 9-10am
- 👤 **The Fitness Recipe** Mahon Hall. 9-10am
- 👤 **Yoga** Salt Spring Centre. 9am & 4:30pm
- 👤 **Cats Pajamas Feldenkrais Class**
Lang Rd. Studio. 6pm
- 👤 **Circuit Challenge**
Fulford Elementary Gym. 7-8pm
- 👤 **Seniors' Yoga**
Salt Spring Centre. 11am
- 👤 **Salt Spring TV - Cable Channel 12**
Where Art & Nature Meet. Recyclable Articles.
One Hundred Years of Central Hall. 7pm

**TUESDAY
NOVEMBER 7**

- 📖 **Storytime for 3-5's**
Public Library. 10-10:30am
- 👤 **Toy Library**
Portlock & Beaver Point Hall. 9:30-10:30am
- 👁️ **Soup's On**
Free soup and sandwich. All Saints'. 11:30-1pm
- 👤 **Storytelling For Adults**
Joan E. Buchanan. Fables Cottage. 7-8:30pm
- 👤 **Planned Parenthood Clinic**
Core Inn. 4-6pm
- 👤 **Flexible Strength**
All Saints'. 9-10am
- 👤 **Beginning Running Clinic-10k**
Portlock Park. 9-10:30am
- 👤 **Drop In Floor Hockey**
Fulford Hall 6:30-8:30pm
- 📖 **Storytime Fables Cottage. 1-2pm**
- 👤 **KinderCraft 3-5's**
Fables Cottage 1-2pm
- 🎵 **Remembrance Day Music**
All Saints'. 12:10pm
- 💃 **Argentinian Tango**
Lions' Hall. Practice 8-10pm
- 👁️ **Centering Prayer**
Contemplative Centre. 8am
- 👤 **S. End Centering Prayer**
St. Mary's Fulford. 11am
- 👤 **Diarmuid O Murchu: Reclaiming Spirituality**
Book Study. United Church. 1:30-3pm
- 👤 **Caregivers Support Group.**
Seniors' Centre. 11am
- 👤 **Breastfeeding Support Group**
Family Place. 1:30pm
- 👤 **SS Hours Potluck Meeting**
Family Place, Ganges Hill. 6pm
- 👤 **Beginner Step Class**
All Saints'. 10:15-11:15am
- 👤 **Step into Shape** All Saints'. 9-10am
- 👤 **The Fitness Recipe** Mahon Hall. 9-10am
- 👤 **Yoga** Salt Spring Centre. 10am
- 👤 **Circuit Challenge**
Fulford Elementary Gym. 7-8pm

**WEDNESDAY
NOVEMBER 8**

**WEDNESDAY
NOVEMBER 1**

- 👤 **Robert Bateman & Bristol Foster Conservancy Appeal Round The Wharf**
ArtSpring. 7:30pm
- 📖 **Storytime Fables Cottage. 10:30am**
- 👤 **KinderCraft 3-5's Fables Cottage. 1-2pm**
- 🎵 **Music & Munch All Saints'. 12:10pm**
- 👤 **Wednesday Night Live**
Open Stage. Moby's Pub. 9pm
- 💃 **Argentinian Tango**
Lions' Hall. Practice 8-10pm
- 👁️ **Centering Prayer**
Contemplative Centre. 8am
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St. Mary's Fulford. 11am
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Book Study. United Church. 1:30-3pm
- 👤 **Caregivers Support Group.**
Seniors' Centre. 11am
- 👤 **Native Plants: Conservancy Appeal**
Jean Brouard. Bag Lunch. ArtSpring 12-1:30pm
- 👤 **Diabetes Clinic** Pharmasave uptown 10-3pm
- 👤 **Beginner Step Class**
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FUTURE SCULPTOR?—Chelsea Baldwinson makes the first few cuts into her pumpkin, soon to be a Jack o'lantern work of art. Talon's held a pumpkin-carving afternoon on Sunday.

June Boe photo

Open Mike Night celebrated

by Shellyse Szakacs

This month marks the beginning of the eighth year of what has become the best ongoing showcase of Salt Spring's musical talent: Moby's Open Mike Night. Running every second Wednesday night for seven years now, it is truly a community event: one of the few venues on the Island that is open to amateurs and professionals alike.

At Open Mike, one samples a range of musical styles, genres and ability. It is a great way for beginning musicians to acclimatize themselves to the rigours of performing before an audience in the context of safety and support. In my many years of attendance, I have never seen anyone receive anything but acceptance and generous appreciation for having the courage to get up and give it a shot. Yet Open Mike is sustained by the mature talents of musicians who appear regularly for the simple recompense of a free drink and the pleasure of participating in the commu-

nity spirit. Arvid Chalmers, Ted Cook, Richard Cross, Derek Duffy, Lisa Maxx, Stack Sisters and Terry Warbey are some of those regulars who give the event continuity and substance.

From the quirky to the cool, many performers have come through Open Mike at Moby's. (Although regrettably, Aino, the impassioned accordion player, hasn't graced the stage for a while.) Open Mike audiences have seen talented musicians—just passing through—appear impromptu and watched young talents mature from year to year.

Charles Wilton, speaking of his experience as host said, "It's my night to go out and have fun. It has been really satisfying." For Wilton it's about the fellowship and the community. "I've always loved sing-alongs. It used to be around the campfire, now it's under the lights, but it's that age-old thing about communicating and connecting through music." As the last set ends with a groovin' jam, as it so often does, few

present leave without that sense of connection.

Thanks to Charles Wilton for his consistent presence as host for these past seven years. Thanks are also due to Moby's manager, Barry Edwards, for keeping the night open for a fun local party and to the staff at Moby's for their hard work keeping the libations flowing.

The next Open Mike is tomorrow, Wednesday November 1. As always, it is open to anyone wishing to perform anything from comedy to music to poetry. One need only call Moby's (537-5559) any time after the set list goes up the Sunday preceding Wednesday Open Mike Night. The format is nine 20-minute sets starting at 9 p.m. and running through to midnight. Participants need only keep a couple of points of etiquette in mind: try to be tuned up before you go on stage, check with performers before you join their set, and try to keep within your time allotment. And, of course, have fun.

Popular organist returns to Music & Munch tomorrow

Organizers of Music & Munch are anticipating a full house tomorrow when world-renowned organist Gerald Wheeler returns to the Island to play in the popular lunchtime recital serv-

ice. A long-time friend of the parish, he has played several times at All Saints' Church, most memorably on the occasion of its consecration. The choir will be singing the anthem which he wrote for

that occasion once again, as well as performing other choral works of a serious and not so serious vein.

Wheeler's demanding yet humorous and sensitive style always urges the best from

his choristers. The choral works, together with Wheeler's solo organ pieces, promise to create a thrilling event for Music & Munch fans.

Though born and educated in England, Wheeler has

spent the greater part of his musical career in Canada. He trained at the Royal College of Music in London and in 1956 was awarded his Fellowship of the Royal College of Organists. After 31 years as director of music at Christ Church Cathedral in Montreal he received an honorary doctorate from the Diocesan Theological College in Montreal.

Wheeler returns to Canada periodically, giving choir workshops and concerts. He has performed all over the world as harpsichordist for the McGill Chamber Orchestra, as organist to the Montreal Symphony Orchestra and as solo organist.

The recital on November 1 at All Saints' begins at 12:10 p.m. followed by a lunch for \$4.75. Come early!

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Spook House will be scary

by Maggie Warbey

Hallowe'en night brings downtown Ganges an extra-special spookiness again when the haunted Spook House mysteriously returns to Mahon Hall this evening. For the sixth time, children of all ages and can get the scare of their lives as they enter the portals of this yearly transformation. According to organizers, guests should expect this year to be very different from any previous visit.

The experience starts with a tour of the graveyard before guests enter the house. There, visitors will be greeted by a host of ghosts, goblins and other dignitaries, and encouraged to look into the "IF YOU DARE" box. The main attraction for the evening is the

Mansion's Grand Ballroom, where non-stop canned Hallowe'en dance music will invite guests to stay a while. As guests leave, tricks will come to an end and everyone will receive a treat.

The Spook House opens at 6 p.m., then pauses so everyone can enjoy the fire fighters' fireworks display. When the doors open again, the Grand Ballroom will be vibrating with the music of the Mystery Monster Musicians. The Grand Dance will end at 10 p.m.

While costumes are not required of visitors, the Grand Ballroom will be the site of spotlight prizes for creative and imaginative costumes throughout the evening. Prizes have all been donated by local merchants.

As always, there is no entry fee to

enjoy the Spook House; donations of non-perishables for the Food Bank are gladly accepted at the door. Donations of money will be forwarded to a friend and supporter of the Spook House who is not well.

Organizers say this is a sure deep 666: the sixth year the Spook House has appeared, the doors open at 6 p.m., and there's bound to be 6 prizes (at least) at the Grand Ball. They also emphasize that the Spook House is an event for kids of all ages, though older folks may want the younger ones to hold their hands.

This year, the Spook House Monster Bash promises to set the standard—again—for what's fun on Hallowe'en on Salt Spring Island.

Time Code is fun

Flick Pick ...

with Jason Tudor



Maggie Warbey photo

Director Mike Figgis seems to be

following a revolutionary career track in the film industry. Most directors start in obscurity, have their first successful film, and then move into the mainstream. Figgis broke through with the Oscar-nominated *Leaving Las Vegas* in 1995 and hasn't been heard from since. The movies he has made have been shunted to the side as either marginal (*One Night Stand*) or simply too weird (*Miss Julie*).

Figgis' latest work, *Time Code*, clearly shows how aware he is of his renegade status in Hollywood. *Time Code* consists of four single 97-minute scenes shot with four hand-held video cameras, each shot given a quadrant of the screen so the audience is actually watching four films at once.

The story orbits around actors, producers and directors at a Hollywood produc-

tion company. One woman is spying on her lesbian lover, who is having an affair with a producer, who himself has just been left by his wife. Meanwhile, the production company is faced with difficulties and eventually, these tensions boil over into a violent climax.

I was afraid that *Time Code* would be a frustrating experience, but it was a lot of fun. Figgis knows how silly and pretentious a film like this could have been, and uses this to his advantage.

While some moments are genuinely touching, much of the action plays up the absurdity of the situation. There is even a character who represents Figgis himself, a self-righteous art-film director who expounds on the philosophy of art while her boyfriend raps in the background. This self-awareness allows *Time Code* to be both a work of art AND a barrel of fun at the same time. Rating: ***

SSTV's fall schedule continues

Cable 12's fall schedule continues on Monday, November 6 at 7:00 p.m. A description of the programmes premiering follows.

Where Art Meets Nature (produced by Peter Prince for Island VideoWorks)—This programme shows highlights from the October 24 Salt Spring Appeal fundraiser "Out To Launch". The ArtSpring Gallery echoed with laughter as a

panel of local writers told their stories to an appreciative audience. (See story, page 13.) Also shown are many of the fine works donated by Island artists in support of the Texada land purchase.

RECYCLABLE ARTICLES (seven-minute video produced by Louis Renaud)—One day Norman Forsyth, under his wife's encouragement, decided to turn his junk collection into

art and learned a variety of new skills along the way.

One Hundred Years of Central Hall (produced by Paul Marciano for Isle of Views)—Oldtimers and family gathered in 1996 at the Island's oldest hall to celebrate a century of use. This programme features an interview with Ivan Mouat recounting the history of the hall and its many changes over the years.

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Jazz night features Bowler

On Sunday, November 5, Moby's Jazz Night presents the Sue Newman band. The band welcomes Lauren Bowler, Sue's daughter, to the stand for a set of vocal standards. This young woman wowed audiences at the Butchart Gardens' *Showtime* this summer and will be a featured actor at the Belfry Theatre in Victoria this winter. In her second year at the Canadian College of Performing Arts, Bowler is honing her skills in dance, voice and stage work.

Newman brings to the night her brand of jazz and



Lauren Bowler

show tunes, with a lot of

heart and a powerful voice. Songs like *Perdido* (with words by her mom, Virginia Newman), *That's All* and the *Trolley Song* are becoming her trademarks.

Favourite tunes made famous by Fred Astaire are part of Newman's varied repertoire, and she mixes dance and song with humour and grace. Newman will also play originals by both her jazzman dad, Ray Newman, and herself.

Gary "Fingers" Lundy (piano), Ian Van Wyck (bass) and Laurent Bouchert (drums) fill out the band. The music starts at 7 p.m. and is sure to be a crowd-pleasing set. Get there early for a good seat.



GIANT INSECTS ON THE ISLAND—Kaleidoscope players Jeffrey Fleiler and Nick Miller transform into ants for the production of *The Grasshopper* and the *Ants* at Fulford Elementary last week.

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Due to health reasons, Steve and Georgia are retiring, and they wish the new owners, Greg and Shirley Keith continued success with Bouzouki.

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Poets will serve up good ideas

by Judy Harper

On the agenda this week for the *Art Meets Nature* extravaganza is an evening of poetry and music. A dozen Salt Spring poets are coming together on Thursday, November 2 at 7:30 p.m. to help preserve their Island muse. *Poetry in the Gallery* is an evening of song, reflection and mirth featuring established Island poets, emergent coastal voices, and the home-spun bluegrass tunes of Charley and Lisa Erck. By sharing their emotional and physical links to the Island, the poets hope to invoke connections between the creative and destructive choices that shape our realities.

John Rowlandson, co-ordinator of the event, describes the reading as a feast. "Just as some foods are good to eat... some ideas are good to think

The poets will be serving up good ideas for the audience to enjoy, think about and maybe act on." Expect an abundance of such food for thought in the words of Brian Brett, author, poet and critic; Mona Fertig, who has published 12 books of poetry; Ahava Shira, art and nature lover; Murray Reiss, whose new manuscript is entitled *Translations from the Dead*; Shilo Zylbergold, punk word stringer, song slinger, laugh inducer; Peter Levitt, author of eight books of poetry and winner of the Lannan Foundation Literary Award; and poets Shirley Graham, Frank Burnaby, Chris Smart and Peggy Frank.

The selected readings will be sensual, political, amusing or ethereal, a blending of mind and body, an affirmation of the ancient oral tradition of

shared wisdom.

The evening will be shared by the rest of the world via the Internet, thanks to the technological whizzes at Imagen who will be donating their time and expertise to make this first live broadcast possible. The show can be accessed at www.savesalt-spring.com and will be archived for future viewers.

Rowlandson, a writer and resident of Salt Spring is pleased and surprised at how easily and quickly people responded to the whole concept of the *Art Meets Nature* phenomenon which has brought together visual artists, writers, tradespeople, techies, musicians, scientists and comedians in a common purpose—to preserve Salt Spring, source of inspiration, for future generations.

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Bouzouki Café changing hands

by Gail Trafford

Steve and Georgia Asproloupou will leave the Bouzouki Greek Café on October 31, after seven years of building and running the internationally-known Greek restaurant in Grace Point Square. A time to rejuvenate their health and a chance to travel awaits the couple in their retirement.

When they took over the soup and sandwich shop where the Bouzouki Café is now located, Steve and Georgia transformed the restaurant into a blue and white corner of Greece. Traditional Greek main courses and desserts would eventually carve a reputation for the café among visitors from across North America.

The first week in business turned out to be a trial by fire. Within days the cappuccino machine exploded, the dishwasher broke down, and the hot water tank leaked and flooded the café. The couple had invested their life savings, and Georgia credits their Greek stubbornness with giving them the will to keep going.

Dino, their son, was a lifesaver. In the beginning when finding reliable staff was a problem, he recruited his friends from university to wait on tables, wash dishes or do whatever needed to be done. Although it took some time to build, a core

of wonderful long-term employees, Anna, Eva, Louise, Sarah, Billie and Ashley have made a huge contribution to the business.

The Asproloupoues have tried to give something back to the community for its support by having special off-season events such as belly dancers or impromptu Greek dance lessons at the café.

One memorable moment occurred when a customer was chatting to Steve about his computer business and Steve told him it was a dead end job. That someone turned out to be Bill Gates. Gates' host, Jimmy Pattison, returned to the restaurant later that night and bought all the bumbleberry pie on the premises.

Another memory that still brings a chuckle occurred seven years ago when Alex, a friend of Dino's, answered an S.O.S. to catch a ferry to Salt Spring and wait on tables. She had no restaurant experience. As the evening wore on, Georgia asked Alex to bring out another pail of split pea and ham soup. Alex was horrified to learn that the split pea soup she had spent the evening serving to vegetarians included ham.

Georgia attributes their success to long hours, hard work and wholesome food made from scratch. Old-fashioned Greek hospitality welcomed everyone. That



Dino Asproloupou smiles with his mother Georgia as he contemplates his parents' retirement. The Bouzouki Greek Café has been sold after seven years of success.

winning combination made regular customers both of locals and tourists, some of whom planned their vacations to stop in Ganges and eat at the Bouzouki Café on the way to and from Alaska.

The Asproloupoues have watched children grow up in the restaurant and they feel that the community has embraced them. As they hand

over the keys to the new owners, Greg and Shirley Keith from Collingwood, Ontario, they wish them well. It is time to pass the business along to someone younger with more energy. And yes, the famous recipes were part of the deal.

Successful year



Seniors Scene ...
with Alan Fairlie

They say "Time passes quickly when you're having fun!" So it's not surprising that another year of this brash, alternative publication has gone by (quickly) and we look forward to the 2nd Anniversary issue next week.

This is my best opportunity to thank the many people I've met researching stories, the staff of hardworking dedicated journalists and editors—and You, my reading public—for another year of wonderful associations!

We've covered everything from Bob Appleton's Vera award to summer memories of sail-

ing my old fishing schooner *Maya* on Lake Ontario in the 60's and 70's. There were two columns on Murray Anderson and his wonderful talent on the piano at Harbour House, sad and joyous occasions... and the bumps and bruises are still there to remind me of the many adventures on my red Honda scooter, where I have covered over 12,000 kilometres, mostly on Salt Spring, in three years!

So, it's congratulations to Madame Editor (She-lagh) and all the gang. I've never worked with a finer, friendlier bunch of people!

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Of soul, psyche, and essential self

A weekend of exploring the nature of being through yoga and meditation

On November 3 to 5, the Salt Spring Centre will hold a yoga retreat for women designed to help participants reconcile the eastern and western concepts of the soul, and to become friends with their very nature. The goal is to help participants go more deeply within to discover or more fully understand their own souls.

Through the eight aspects of Ashtanga Yoga, participants will learn practices that will guide them into a realization that life is here and now. It is not just one day at a time, but one moment at a time. How we

approach each moment can make a world of difference to the soul.

The weekend offers a flow of yoga postures (Asanas) designed to create a receptive attitude, develop strength and flexibility, concentration, balance, and to calm the mind; early morning sitting and walking meditations with breath, sound and silence as the objects of concentration; simple breathing techniques (Pranayama) to prepare and clear the body/mind; discussions about personal interpretations of the soul and its place in daily life; jour-

nalling and creative work; and a Zen Tea Ceremony to participate in the sacredness of the moment, the now, the present.

Programme organizer and presenter Celeste Mallett has been the Asana Coordinator for the many yoga programmes offered at the Salt Spring Centre since 1993. Mallett has more than 17 years teaching experience at yoga centres.

"Fall and winter are reflective seasons. Like nature around us it is time to go inward and prepare for the new life and energy of spring. I'm so happy to be able to give yoga stu-

dents—newcomers and advanced alike—this time to focus within and to, hopefully, more clearly understand what lies there," said Mallett.

On Saturday evening Mallett will be joined by Honor Griffith PhD. Griffith is a depth psychologist and has been using the practices of Jungian and archetypal psychology for more than 20 years to help the individual connect to his or her essential self.

Islanders' rate is \$215 and includes tuition and vegetarian meals. Anyone wishing to register should call the Centre office at 537-2326.

Which zone is which for gardening?



Life in the garden ... with Joe Clemente

What is Salt Spring's growing zone? This is a frequently asked question, especially by gardeners who have just moved to our Island. The Sunset Western Garden Book seems to be the plant bible at every local garden centre. This encyclopedia of plants has created 24 different zones for all of the west coast, which includes the western states as well.

According to these guys, we are zone 5. This zone has marine influence along the west coast and Puget Sound. The climate in this zone is much like that of

southern England. Now let's take a look at the updated plant hardiness zone map. All of North America is separated into 11 different zones. Our area is listed as zone 8b, and very few coastal communities on our southwest coast are listed as zone 9a, this being the mildest growing region in all of Canada.

I'm not finished just yet—I also have the updated Canadian Plant Hardiness zone map. Salt Spring is clearly rated as zone 9a. How about that! Well, obviously the creators of this map have not gardened on this rock!

There is no way our entire Island is zone 9. I do believe zone 9, the mildest area, does exist on this Island. Some pockets along the south end on the ocean's edge would probably be mild enough, and micro-climates along Old Scott Road, Scott Point, Maracaibo and, of course, a few areas in Vesuvius would be considered zone 9.

Most of Salt Spring Island is zone 8b, with some of the colder regions in zone 8a. These areas are half a zone colder in the winter months. For example, the Blackburn, Fulford Valley and the Cranberry Valley are no doubt colder in the winter months than Ganges. So zone 8a would apply to these regions.

In Canada, hardiness areas are divided into 10

zones: "0" is the coldest and "9a" is the mildest. Within each zone, small areas exist with micro-climates that can be colder or milder than the surrounding areas. Bodies of water and rapid changes in elevation can affect the climate. It is difficult to indicate all these influences accurately. In reality, zones gradually merge into each other, and conditions near the border of one zone may be very close to that of an adjacent zone. Even within your own garden micro-climates exist, and milder pockets can be utilized to grow plants that are more suited to a slightly milder growing region. This has worked well for gardeners who love to push the limits of a marginal plant, rated for a warmer growing zone!

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GOING THE DISTANCE—Last Friday the school district held its cross country run. 340 students from grades three to eight ran from 1.0 to 2.5 km at Mount Park. Ribbons were presented to boys and girls who came in first to sixth place. Special thanks goes to Ganges Village Market for donations to the event.

Pumpkin Sesame Soup

by Susan Littleton

1 2-3 lb. pumpkin
2 Tb. sesame oil
1 tsp. kosher salt
1 tsp. ginger, minced
2 carrots, peeled or scrubbed and diced
3-5 potatoes, peeled or scrubbed and diced
8-16 cups of stock or water (or any of the following to give a richer consistency: milk, cream, sour cream, yogurt)
freshly ground pepper

vegetable oil
1 large onion, diced
3-4 cloves garlic, minced
1/4 cup toasted sesame seeds

Preheat oven to 350°. Cut the pumpkin in half (or quarters if using a particularly large pumpkin). Rub the flesh of each piece with some vegetable oil, then sprinkle with salt. Wrap the pieces of pumpkin in aluminum foil and place on a cookie sheet. Bake for 20-35 minutes until the pumpkin flesh is tender. Allow the pumpkin to cool.

While it's cooling, heat the sesame oil in a large pot over medium heat. Add the onion, sprinkle with salt, then cook, stirring occasionally, until it's soft and translucent. Add the other vegetables. Cook, stirring occasionally, until the root veggies are soft. This should take about 10 minutes. You may need to add some stock/water to keep the vegetables from sticking. Keep an eye on the heat: you may need to turn it down a little.

While they're simmering, scoop the pumpkin flesh away from the skin using a large metal spoon or your hands. Remove the cooked veggies from heat and add the pumpkin. Puree, adding water/stock until the desired consistency is reached. Reheat the soup over a low heat. Do not allow to reach a boil.

Taste and adjust seasonings. Stir in toasted sesame seed just before serving.

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Rug Huggers get rolling again

by Judy Harper

The popular Rug Huggers programme has started up again this year with a new facilitator. Susanne Davidson, a recent transplant from New Westminster, has 15 years of nursing experience at Royal Columbia Hospital. For the past 10 years she has been an obstetrical nurse, taking care of new moms and babies during their stay in hospital following birth. Her post-nursing specialty was labour and delivery, and she is a certified breast-feeding counsellor.

The goal of Rug Huggers, a regular support service at Family Place for the past six years, is to assist new

moms in dealing with the sometimes intimidating issues that can accompany the recent arrival. The programme addresses these concerns in the comfortable, home-like atmosphere of Family Place, where new mothers can relax, share experience and information with other women, and learn from Susanne who will be discussing topics like breast-feeding, infant safety, transition to solid foods, and anything else the group would like to talk about.

There will be monthly workshops covering a variety of topics, a used baby clothing exchange and, hopefully, some potluck

lunches. Davidson recognizes that this can be an overwhelming time for a new mother, and would like to keep it simple and low-key, a place to let it all out. She says that the standard hospital stay of 24 to 48 hours after birth is not long enough, and that first-time mothers often go home confused and apprehensive. A proper support network (immediate family or close friends) is not always available.

The Rug Huggers programme hopes to facilitate the networking process among new mothers while addressing the more practi-

cal concerns of motherhood. Susanne anticipates up to 27 new babies at Rug Huggers in the coming month.

The programme, which runs every Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., is staffed by volunteers and supported by local businesses and charitable organizations. Barb's Buns and the Mobile Market provide a weekly lunch, and the IODE supports Community Services programmes with yearly donations.

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Local team triumphs: Salt Spring FC 2 Nanaimo 0



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FC learned shortly before game time of a particularly egregious decision the league made concerning an attack on Harrison Jason two weeks ago in Gordon Head. In a ruling of such inanity that one would suspect it came from an NDP cabinet minister, Jason was suspended five games for being attacked, whilst the Gordon Head player is banned for two games for attempting a disembowelment with his studs. It makes you wonder.

In any case, if you're the type of person who believes one of the great technological marvels of our time is being able to watch live premier league football from England every Saturday, this game was for you.

Nanaimo were the squad FC knocked off to win a spot in last year's Challenge Cup. And a very good side

they are too; skilled, fast, experienced.

The visitors came at FC for the first twenty minutes. The back line of Aust, Jason, Urquhart, and Wellington were nearly flawless under intense pressure. Despite having all of the play Nanaimo failed to generate a single good scoring chance.

FC eventually turned the tables and created four good chances: a Hackett header from a McColl corner; a Fisher shot cleared off the line from a McColl steal; a Hayes volley hit high after two great passes from Jason and Kodaly; and Nordine missing wide right on a breakaway created by Hayes.

The second half was one way traffic.

On an indirect free-kick inside the Nanaimo area, Fisher rolled to Jason to strike. The ball rebounded to Hayes who hit the bar.

with Alan Webb

Nine minutes into the second half Fisher curled a direct free-kick against the bar.

It quickly became apparent that Nanaimo could not match FC for work rate. Nordine up front, Byron in midfield, and Jason at the back were the most indomitable, but the rest weren't far behind.

Finally, their hard work paid off. Hayes controlled the ball at the top of the box, slid the ball nicely through a defender's legs for Kodaly on the right. Kodaly stepped inside his man and squared to Hayes who first timed FC into the lead on 36 minutes.

Nanaimo tried gamely to find an equalizer but just before the final whistle Fisher struck a free-kick off the goalkeeper for an FC second.

Next Sunday FC travel to Carnation Park to meet the Kickers, 2:15 p.m.



Coach Kent Andrews is surrounded by members of the GISS Senior Girls Volleyball team.

Senior Girls Volleyball team brings home first at tournament

On October 20 and 21 GISS Senior Girls Volleyball hosted an on-Island tournament. The Scorpions went into each of their matches with a strong desire to win and after suffering only one minor setback, dominated the remaining matches to win the tournament.

The team played exceptionally well defensively with three areas that stood out—digs, serves and kills. Leading diggers were Cynthia Cameron (28), Jordan Davignon (23) and Jennifer

Keating (22).

The Scorpions scattered 43 aces (led by the 15 ace performance of Naomi Rittberg) throughout their five matches. Leading the team in kills were Naomi Rittberg and Jenn Keating, with 16 each.

With a team pulling out of the tourney too late to be able to redo the draw, an Alumni team was put together to fill the vacant seat. A huge thanks to them!

On October 27 and 28 GISS Senior Girls Volley-

ball team were off to a 10-team tournament in Lake Cowichan. The girls won all their matches with the final match going to three games to determine the champions in a game that had the fans going wild. The Scorpions once again brought home first place.

Jenn Keating was named MVP of the tournament. The girls have a couple of weekends off before heading to "The Islands" at Woodland School in Nanaimo on November 16, 17 and 18.

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U12 Strikers

The U12 Strikers kept their perfect record intact and downed Prospect Lake/Cordova Bay by a score of 6-2.

Cardin Davis and Kirby Garside each scored a hat trick and assisted on two of each other's goals. Other assists came from Tavis Morton on a Garside goal and Alex Hannah on a Davis goal.

The team was missing three players at the start of the game and by half-time were down to only eleven. Strikers let the ball do the work and Salt Spring's long ball started to kick in halfway into the second half. Salt Spring Strikers are away next Saturday vs Gordon Head to determine first place in the division.

Sports Pool Includes games played Sat., Oct. 28, 2000

	Total Pts.	This Wk.
GOLF COURSE POOL		
1 Toronto.....	123	28
2 Paints Plus.....	113	23
3 Bandido.....	101	27
4 Edmonton.....	95	23
5 Hosers.....	95	22
6 Islanders.....	94	24
7 Schure-thing.....	92	21
8 Greenwoods.....	86	18
9 Rangers.....	85	29
10 Dallas.....	80	22
11 Buffalo.....	75	16
12 Sleepers.....	60	20
13 Nads.....	43	10
DAGWOOD'S POOL		
Next meeting		
Wed., Nov. 1,		
7:00 p.m. sharp		
at Dagwoods.		
	Total Pts.	This Wk.
1 Boston.....	113	36
2 Phoenix.....	97	25
3 Ottawa.....	92	20
4 Islanders.....	89	26
5 Atlanta.....	85	17
6 Pittsburgh.....	82	22
7 Edmonton.....	82	18
8 Vancouver.....	79	29
9 Dallas.....	77	24
10 Toronto.....	77	13
11 Philadelphia.....	71	17
12 Anaheim.....	69	22
13 Buffalo.....	67	18
14 San Jose.....	64	12
15 St. Louis.....	62	14



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HELPED TO SAFETY—Jeff Bedford (background) and Alec Haigh (foreground) are helped out of a room filled with artificial smoke during last week's visit of the Fire Safety House. During its three-day visit more than 580 children were taught lessons in fire safety as the "house" made its rounds.

Hip-hop group at Legion

Youth dance features *Occidental*, fresh from cutting CD in Vancouver

by Judy Harper

The Legion is featuring the high energy group Occidental at their Youth Dance at Meaden Hall on Friday, November 3. Occidental is a hot young hip-hop group currently working out of Vancouver where they have recently cut their first CD, *Audio Pleasure*.

John Rumbolt is the spokesperson and founder of this high impact, lyrical, and very popular group and is one of two performing MCs. The other members are Phaze (also an MC), Short Fuse (a DJ) and Renrok (the producer and the guy who makes all the beats). These guys are hard

working performers who travel regularly to venues all over B.C., Alberta and Seattle, and are rapidly gaining popularity in the hip-hop sub-culture, which has its own art, dancing style and even language. They have been working together now for two years, and for various reasons do not consider themselves a typical hip-hop group. The energy here is dynamic, and fun is the bottom line.

The Legion holds monthly youth dances as part of their drive to attract younger audiences. The dances are worked by volunteers from the community centre and the high school and stress a safe en-

vironment in a non-alcoholic, drug-free event. In support of Youth Crime Prevention, the Legion has recently donated \$500 to the Nights Alive Programme administered by Community Services. The organization feels that teenagers on the Island have too few choices of safe recreational venues, and is endeavouring to fill this need.

Though the youth dances are targeting the under-19 group, all ages are welcome to attend. The dance is from 8 p.m. to 12 midnight at Meaden Hall; tickets are \$6 at the door; refreshments will be available.

Nights Alive: Youth activity programme coming soon

Information meeting, 4 p.m., November 6 at the Core Inn

by Peggy Abrahams

Youth and adult members of the community are invited to participate in an informational meeting on Nights Alive, a new youth activity project coming soon to Salt Spring Island. The meeting will be held Monday, November 6 at 4 p.m. at the Core Inn.

The project is an initiative of the Salt Spring Crime Prevention Association and is administered by Community Services. According to Meredith Knox of Community Services, the activities could include almost anything of interest to youth. "We're very open

to hearing what the youth want, but based on last summer, we expect it will be sports and culture... dances, open stage and perhaps they'd like to do a poetry reading."

Knox explained, "We have applied for a Nights Alive grant from the Ministry of the Attorney General and we're waiting to hear in the next few weeks. But we have some money left over from last summer and we had a very generous donation from the Legion, and that's enough to go until Christmas."

Programme funds will pay for two part-time

youth co-ordinators. "I have a hope kids will come even if they don't have an interest in the positions, but just if they're interested in activities for youth," Knox said.

According to Trish Nobile of the Core Inn, the organizers are looking for input from youth and adults: "anyone interested in contributing ideas or energy towards activities for youth in the community."

Nobile explained that while the meeting will be at the Core Inn, the events could take place at other locations.

America the greatest *cont'd from p11*

world's greatest movies. Music from the films *Shine*, *Jurassic Park*, *Gremlins 2*, *Crimson Tide*, *Sneakers*, *Amadeus*, *Somewhere in Time*, *Seven Years in Tibet*, *Groundhog Day*, *Sophies Choice*, and more!" I'd be afraid to spend more than 30 seconds in the same room with the people who decided that those were the "world's greatest movies."

So what's my point? We all know we're constantly

manipulated by words, but it's worse than that. We're being put to sleep by them. When the words become meaningless, we no longer pay attention. One day, if we're not paying attention, we'll wake up and find that the world's friendliest neighbour has snuck up and delivered the world's biggest surprise.

In the meantime, we can play this game too. Just in case visitors had

heard otherwise, we could erect signs saying, "Welcome to Salt Spring Island. Home of the world's finest ferry service." Or "Home of the world's purest drinking water."

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The couple reside in Calgary.
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Anniversary?
Send a special
anniversary
greeting in
Barnacle
Priced as low as
775 + GST
and receive a
**FREE Bouquet
of Balloons**
courtesy of
DOLLAR STORE
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170 • NOTICES - BUSINESS

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**Cell Phone Antennae:
Community
Input Sought**
The SSI Advisory Planning
Commission invites written
submissions from
community members and
groups regarding cell
phone antennae on Salt
Spring. The APC will use
this information to make
recommendations to the
Local Trust Committee
regarding the preferred
location of antennae and
related issues. Please
provide submissions (max
2 pages) by Nov. 30th to the
APC
c/o Islands Trust
1206, 115-Fulford Ganges
Road
Salt Spring Island, B.C.
V8K 2T9
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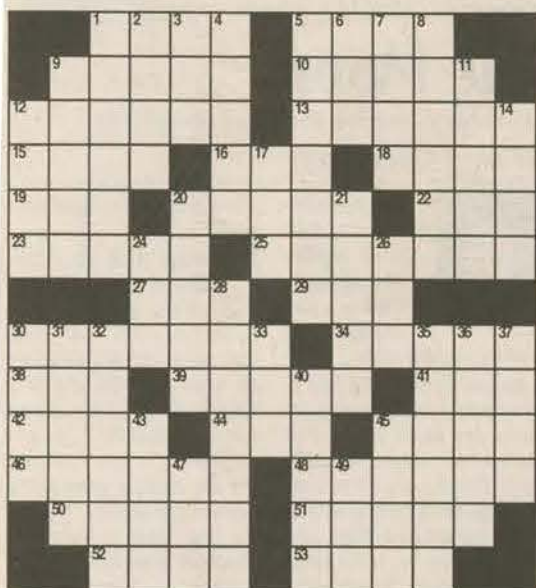

**ISLANDS TRUST
CHANGE OF
OFFICE HOURS**
Starting Thursday,
September 28, and
until further notice,
the Islands Trust
office at 1206 Grace
Point Square will
be closed during
weekday morning
hours. The office
will be open for
business from 1:00
p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
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NDP
To help preserve the
beauty of our Islands, the
NDP will not be using
lawn signs in the Gulf
Islands during this election.
Watch for our few large
signs (4x3) on the Islands
for a limited time only.
For NDP election
information, call 537-5347
(Salt Spring) or 539-2507
(Outer Islands).
(Authorized by Fred Powell, Official Agent for the
NDP candidate for Saanich-Gulf Islands.)
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Canadiana Crossword

Makin' Movies



ACROSS
1 Quebec City actor Glen
5 New Westminster actor Raymond
9 Small salmon, var.
10 Newton, for one
12 London Ontario actor Hume
13 Montreal actor John

15 Aura
16 No seats unsold, for short
18 Pinnacle
19 Plains Indian
20 Slang for lovely
22 Chop
23 Fictional character
25 Mimics
27 Can
29 Tin
30 Titanic director James
34 Toronto actor John

38 Eggs
39 Titled
41 Metal source
42 Air
44 No, in Dunblane
45 Zone
46 Straightened around
48 Toronto actor Al

50 4th Greek letter
51 Epic poem
52 Lacelike
53 Market

DOWN
1 Outsmarted
2 not again!
3 Romanow, for one
4 Thick headed
5 Camp
6 Take advantage of
7 avis
8 Mexican spread?
9 Box
11 Celestial object
12 Pal
14 Tidings
17 Knock
20 Child, in Caledonia
21 Harness part
24 Summer in St. Marie
26 A kind of genetic material
28 A kind of sun
30 Expense
31 Evade
32 Toronto actor Howie
33 Grizzlies league
35 Ordinary
36 Fear
37 Give birth
40 Pol David or Stephen
43 Venomous Lizard
45 Plant part
47 Et cetera, abbr.
49 Nut brown beverage

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190 • THANKS
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PERSONALS
200-299

220 • LOST & FOUND

FOUND OUTSIDE Fulford Hall on Oct. 21 at the Flea Market - Black and white stuffed teddy bear with a heart on its paw. Please call to claim. 537-5482. 4400

FOUND LARGE dark blue jacket near St. Mary Lake. 537-5000. 4400

FOUND - SUM of cash money in the village. Please call 537-4503 with where and amount to claim. 4400

LOST SILVER and enamel bracelet. Lost at Treehouse. 3 station rope design. Siobhain at Treehouse. 4400

LOST YOUNG male ginger cat near Baker Road. Tattoo on ear. Named Joe. Please call 537-4877. 4400

MISSING. VERY shy short hair female tabby cat named Yoda. Gray & black stripes with some cream on chest & stomach. She is quite thin. Last seen in Vesuvius but could be heading for previous home on Beddis Rd. Please call 537-1213. We miss her terribly. 4500

240 • PERSONALS

PSYCHIC READINGS by the Small Medium @ Large. 537-4821. 4500

P.S. That wasn't really a costume. KW. 4400

260 • TRAVEL

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FROM THE forests and fireweed areas of Paradise, firewood from the Tree of Knowledge. \$175/cord - stacked in truck. The finest of fresh fireweed honey, various quantities. Dave Harris 653-4531. 2431 Fulford Ganges Road. 4400

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355 • FURNITURE

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DOUBLE BED, 6 drawer chest and mirror, 9 drawer chest and mirror, 2 night tables. Good prices, moving off Island. Phone 537-4994. 4600

370 • MISCELLANEOUS

FURNITURE FOR sale. Hutch, china cabinet, table and 4 chairs \$500. Side tables, each \$25. Love seat, sofa, arm chair \$300. Leather sectional sofa \$900. Phone for more info. 537-5247. 4400

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PIANO: SCHUBERT apartment sized, full keyboard, cherrywood \$1300. Queen sized waterbed with liner and heater \$35. 537-5964. 4700

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390 • WANTED

WANTED: PLACE to rent, unfurnished. Mature, responsible woman, no pets, no smoking. Local references available. Have own car, work full time! Please call Vicki Miller (nee Marchbank) at 537-5520. Thanks.

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MATURE, RELIABLE, experienced housekeeper/cleaner for hire. Deb at 537-4425. 4400

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360 • GARAGE SALE DIRECTORY

Address	Date	Time
MID-ISLAND 103 Bonnet Avenue	Every Fri. & Sat.	10am-12noon
NORTH ISLAND 2232 North End Road	Sat., Nov.4	9am-4pm
MID-ISLAND 144 Kangro Road	Sat., Nov.4	10am-12noon
SOUTH ISLAND Fulford Hall	Sat., Nov.4	11am-3pm
MID-ISLAND 103 Bonnet Avenue	Sat., Nov.4	10am-12noon
MID-ISLAND 165 Kanaka Road	Sat., Nov.4	9am-2pm

LIONS GARAGE Sale, 103 Bonnet Avenue. Every Friday, and Saturday only, 10 am to 12 noon. Come and browse, we just may have it. New merchandise arriving daily. Good, clean merchandise wanted. Call 537-2000 for pick-up or info.

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Check for last minute garage sale listings under the "Hold the Press" classification, located at the end of the regular listings.

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ISLANDS TRUST

Minute Taker Required

The Islands Trust is seeking an individual to take minutes for the Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee. The successful candidate will preferably be a resident of the island, and will be responsible for taking minutes at Local Trust Committee Meetings, Advisory Committee Meetings, Community Information Meetings and Public Hearings. Duties also include posting and delivery of Public Hearing Notices (when applicable).

Applicants should be able to either scribe shorthand, speed-write or type a minimum of 60 wpm; have access to and good working knowledge of IBM computers and Microsoft Word 97; have good verbal and written communication skills.

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RENTALS
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700 • APARTMENTS FOR RENT

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with an overly exacting eye. Also, moods and perspectives can change like

the fast moving Moon.

Aries (Mar 21 - Apr 19) A growing urge to negotiate a new deal finds you contemplating the possibilities. You feel intense yet diplomatic. Being met and your willingness to meet in the middle are not compromise. Compromise means that the result is win/lose or lose/win. Win/win is the goal and it takes empathy or a desire to truly listen and acknowledge the others position as well as clarification of your own position. Together these elements constitute true strength of character.

Taurus (Apr 20 - May 20) Why do you think and believe what you do? Is this the truth or is it your subjective perspective? The facts are relative. Why else do ten witnesses or a hundred or five billion report slightly different to radically different accounts of the same event? We all need and want personal power and the key to it is to assume responsibility for any situation in which we are involved. The secret lies in knowing that every experience contains at least one gift. Seek and you shall find.

Gemini (May 21 - Jun 20) Good health demands a cyclic approach to life. Like the changing seasons we must learn when to exercise when to rest when to build and when to release. The questions of how and what can be applied to the former as well. As for who, why and where the answers are you, happiness and anywhere. What is this season telling you to do? Are you as aware as you can be? The answers are personal and there are many resources to choose from. Remember happiness!

Cancer (Jun 21 - Jul 21) A passionate mood is prompting you to make some much-needed changes close to home. Home could imply your environment, your mind, body, soul or all of the above. In any case adjustments are required. Because the Moon is the planet that governs your Sun sign, one of your core life lessons is to learn to see with lunar as opposed to solar vision. This means overcoming the tendency to see things

Leo (Jul 23 - Aug 22) Part of you wants to sleep and dream away the blues while other parts want to run to the Sun to play. This is a great time to do so if you have the opportunity. If you cannot go in body, perhaps you can fly on the wings of imagination. An adventurous book or two or a run of movies or concentration on hobbies or some creative private time with someone special might do the trick. Whatever you do leave room some room for spontaneity, friends and laughter.

Virgo (Aug 23 - Sep 22) You are ready to make some key investments and you recognize the importance of investigating the details. Needed changes in your lifestyle are prompting self-inquiry as well. Your focus remains sharp and you feel bold enough to share your views and insights. You are ready to take some calculated risks. Clear communication is key. However, due to conflicting aspirations you are challenged to know what you want. Be willing to let go of control and let your feelings guide you.

Libra (Sep 23 - Oct 22) A sensual and flirtatious mood is upon you. You are also ambitious for adventure, knowledge and personal growth. This could be a dangerous combination for anyone wanting the status quo to remain the same. Fortunately for them you are willing to take your time and review your options before leaping straight into anything sticky. Your challenge is to exercise maturity by imagining you were on the receiving end of your actions.

Scorpio (Oct 23 - Nov 21) You are in a pioneering and courageous mood. This is your chance to get real and honest with yourself and others. Consider that wherever you go there you are. In other words, you can only be triggered by people who and experiences that reflect what is unresolved or incomplete within you. Blame and resentment are not only signs of immaturity, they also carry a high price. Surrender to the

process by letting down your guard.

Sagittarius (Nov 22 - Dec 21) Mystical times like this usually blend well with a mystic like you. Yet, with Pluto, Chiron and Venus in your sign the scene is more one of a volcano shrouded in mist than a mere tropical isle. Tremors are shaking in your mind and you are ready to erupt at the slightest provocation. Is it justice you crave or revenge? Consider that the universe teaches by consequences rather than judgements. Reflect upon the source and the value of your current thoughts.

Capricorn (Dec 22 - Jan 19) Good organization skills are key to effective management in any arena of life. Improvements may well be needed in this regard. Learning how to delegate is also up for you now. Many successful business people claim that the key to success is to be involved with competent people. Disruptive energies act like weeds and need to be removed to make way for the flowers to grow. Show integrity by leading by example. Surround yourself with people you know you can rely on.

Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 18) You feel strong, bold and determined, almost pushy now. A serious mood vies with the desire to enjoy cultural events and fun with friends. Promising opportunities are brewing but may not reveal themselves right away. Wait until between the 8th to 21st to approach authority figures for favors and earned recognition. New and sudden relationship encounters are likely as well. Exercise a positive and patient attitude so these encounters

Pisces (Feb 19 - Mar 20) An urge to unite with others in body, mind and soul is drawing you out. You feel passionate, charismatic, confident and yet diplomatic all at the same time. This is a winning combination so be sure to forge ahead wherever you can. Do keep your approach simple. Double-check your communications so that you are fully understood and understanding. Remember that you have a lot to offer and that you truly are unique and special.

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The ABCs of B.C. art spelled out in new book

Coffee table survey of art fails to fully represent regional influences

by Shellyse Szakacs

Ian M. Thom's new book *Art BC* provides the reader with a visual survey of significant works of art produced by some of the foremost artists to live, work and/or study in British Columbia. A total of 84 artists are represented in this by-no-means extensive coverage of the artistic production in B.C. from the late nineteenth century to the present.

Side-by-side with each of the 100 full-colour representations, Thom writes a short but thoughtful essay on the history, context and significance of the selected work. His micro-scholarship is solid and engaging, and the reader undoubtedly will gain a greater understanding of the value in each art object he discusses. As a survey of the art of this region, however, the book lacks a truly representative, holistic, integrated vision of the range of artistic practice this province has seen.

In the cover flap blurb describing *Art BC*, the publisher tells us that this book is "the long overdue history of the visual arts in British Columbia, one that properly integrates our great heritage of First Nations art into the mainstream." After perusing at length this large-format book, I found it hard to agree.

Although Thom does include work by some of the First Nations artists to have received renown, his book is written in the tradition of European art history in which the "mastery" of the individual artist is tantamount. Artistic production arising from a collective and/or quotidian activity is not significant in this singular—and largely exclusive—perspective on the question of what is art. The totem poles we see, for example, are only those depicted by the pioneering works of Emily Carr and Jack Shadbolt. It would seem that the actual works of art created and extant in a cultural context in which



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Scorned as *Timber* by Emily Carr is featured in *Art BC*.

the individuality of the producer was not the foremost determinant of their value and cultural meaning are simply not represented in this collection. Perhaps their authorship would be impossible to establish, making them somehow less worthy of attention—however not less worthy of the attention of the European-descended artists mentioned above and therefore, one would think, ours.

In his introduction he tells us that "a few artists such as Emily Carr were exceptions in regarding totem poles and other cultural objects as art, the majority of people looked upon them as curios or souvenirs of what they considered to be a dying culture." While we see the aesthetic values of First Nations cultures revived in the works of Bill Reid and the other four First Nations artists represented in this survey, it seems a paltry sprinkling given the tremendous influence and contribution that Aboriginal culture, its history and artistic production has had on the art of British Columbia. Indeed, one could argue that it is this element alone that lends *Art BC* aesthetic distinction from any other

regional survey that one might come across.

Otherwise, we see the same trajectory from landscape painting into early experiments in abstraction, to modernism, conceptual art and post modernism that have marked the last century of artistic production. We see, in all, a smattering of the various trends that have moved through the art world over the past 100 years. We can applaud ourselves for such distinction as is lent by artists working with the particular magnificence and grandeur of the British Columbia landscape, however the painting reflects as much the topographical and cultural differences of the region as any significant stylistic variations.

In all, *Art BC* is an intelligent and beautiful coffee table book. A perfect gift for foreign friends and relatives with an appreciation for the arts. It contains enough skillfully executed images of the raw beauty of B.C. to support regional pride, just enough inclusion of First Nations art to be credible and distinctive and more than enough contemporary art to situate B.C. artists in a larger, international context.

Local feline legend featured

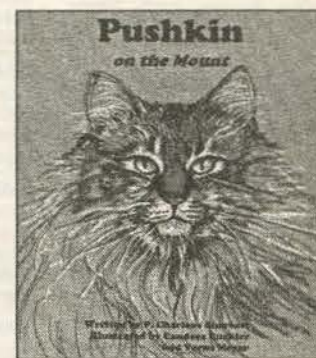
by Judy Harper

Fables Cottage will be hosting a unique book signing on Saturday November 4 between 1 and 3 p.m. Local children's author Charlene Sharratt will be launching her new book, *Pushkin on the Mount*, and promoting young talent at the same time. The book, written by Sharratt and illustrated by Candace Buckler and Verna Meyer, is the true story of a cat named Pushkin, who lived on Mount Maxwell for years: "Pushkin was about to learn valuable lessons. How to trust, make friends and to care once again."

Children almost always empathize with animals, and will relate well to the moral of this story. In the end, it's a very human anecdote. It's written in a context that they can identify with; for many of them, Mount Maxwell has always been part of the landscape.

As all children are authors to some extent, Charlene is encouraging them to bring their favourite pet photos or drawings, and hand-written pet stories. Those who do not come prepared will be encouraged to record their tales while at the event.

The book signing will be a fun event for Salt Spring's



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