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The Salt Spring Activity Centre was transformed into a big country barn last Thursday for Salt Spring Elementary's Country Family Dance. With bales of hay, scarecrows, plenty of cowboy-like figures adorning the walls, and decorated tables, the warm atmosphere enticed the estimated 350 attendees—including Kristen Iverson and grade 5 teacher Tom McKeachie—to thoroughly enjoy an evening of dinner and dancing.

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Taxes and health care main issues at all candidates

by Peggy Abrahams

Five contenders for the Saanich-Gulf Islands seat in parliament addressed about 150 Islanders on issues such as health care, child poverty, the environment and taxes at the all candidates meeting at GISS last Wednesday. Islanders fired questions from the floor after the candidates made introductory remarks.

Green Party candidate Wally Du Temple drew first lot to speak and quipped, "It's great to be drawn number one, because number one is what the Green Party is today...there is no middle ground. It is between grey politicians and green politicians. The grey politicians are dictated to by corporations, with no consideration to the ecology of the planet."

Du Temple pointed out that the Green Party has the endorsement of scientist David Suzuki. He said that people may ask if the Greens are just interested in ecology, but in fact the Greens believe that ecology and economy are integrated. "The other candidates, they're good people, but they've been bamboozled and brainwashed with the thought that economic growth can go on forever. Well folks, it can't."

Kathleen Lapeyrouse outlined the platform of the Natural Law Party. Formed in 1993, the party's principles are based on natural law, such as natural health care, emphasizing prevention rather than cure. She said the party's goal is a 15 per cent tax rate across the board

and elimination of the G.S.T. If elected, the party would require the labeling of food made from genetically modified organisms.

In a departure from the usual political rhetoric, Lapeyrouse said, "The first thing we'd do if elected is launch 10,000 yogic flyers." She said this would create an atmosphere of coherence upon which all other policies would be created. "I know our policies are unusual. Please open your mind."

NDP candidate Pat O'Neill focused on the need to reform health care, providing funds to the provinces so that consistency would be ensured by universal standards. Related priorities were pharmacare and home care for the elderly.

O'Neill pointed out that most low-income workers do not have benefits. She said those earning \$15,000 or less would be tax exempt. With reference to the environment, O'Neill said, "We know we need air quality

standards and water quality standards. We need to live up to our commitment in Kyoto."

Karen Knott, the Liberal candidate, began by saying, "I have the energy and commitment to represent all the constituents in this riding. One choice is the Liberal balanced choice, the others are the extreme choices."

Throughout her remarks, Knott drew comparisons between Liberal and Alliance policy. She said the first big issue is tax cuts. "In 1998, the Liberals started to cut taxes. Taxes will be cut 18 per cent again, and within four years will be cut 34 per cent. We think this exceeds the [Alliance] platform."

Knott said the Liberal plan would also outperform the Alliance on reducing the debt. She objected to the Alliance plan to close the door on immigration. On the environment, she mentioned that the Liberals had committed \$100 million towards restoring salmon habitat. "As

far as the Alliance goes on the environment, we don't know. They don't say anything about it."

Progressive Conservative Don Page was another candidate to begin by addressing health care. "What we're going to do first, is put cash back in the provinces to 1993/1994 levels. We will give you guaranteed funding to buy and protect your health care. It will be the provinces' responsibility to deliver."

The Tories promise massive tax cuts so that a family wouldn't be taxed for the first \$24,000 of income, said Page. On the national debt issue, Page commented, "We have to pay 25 cents on every tax dollar just to pay the interest on this debt. We plan to eliminate that debt in 25 years. Compare that to the Liberals. They have a plan: 188 years to pay it off. That's too long. The Reform/Alliance plan will take 50 years," he said.

Incumbent M.P. Gary Lunn,

the Alliance candidate, stated that the single most important issue in this election is health care. To ensure that health care services reach the patient, it would be put into law that no future government could cut the budget for health care, he said. "We need to take health care off the waiting list. It's that simple."

Lunn said the Alliance would pay \$6 billion annually towards paying off the debt. He also promised tax cuts, giving the example that a family of four earning \$40,000 would not be taxed on the first \$26,000 of income.

"I know the environment is important to you. I've been working on the Burgoyne Bay project. Of course that was just before the election, so now we're in election mode," said Lunn.

The public directed most of its questions to Lunn and Knott. Questions ran the gamut, touching on issues like global warming, fisheries policy, and funding for education and the arts. The first question was put to Lunn. "You say your top priority is health care but I submit you're speaking with forked tongue.... Your priority is either to cut taxes or fund health care. Which is it?"

Lunn said, "We have to cut taxes, so private corporations can flourish. A healthy economy would enable us to put money back into health care."

Du Temple was asked about his plans on preventative medicine. He said the

issue was connected to having a healthier environment, clean air and water, and food grown without the use of pesticides. "Let's get at least one voice in parliament who can speak for the environment and how it relates to other issues," he said.

One member of the public confronted Lunn by saying, "I don't think health care is the most important issue. I think the environment is the most important issue. We don't need another national park. We need to save the planet."

Lunn again reference to the Burgoyne Bay project. Then he added, "Look at my record. I've been very proactive in that area."

A question directed at Knott focused on a recent increase in parcel postal rates and how it could disable small businesses. Knott said that she was a small business owner herself and could understand the concern about the rate increase. "I don't have all the facts regarding the postage. One of the things is, costs may have gone up. If you give me the information, I'll try to get the answer."

Lunn was asked about purported Alliance plans to privatize the Canada Council, and plans for funding the arts in Canada. He replied that from the Alliance point of view, some arts grants had gone to projects that were not appropriate. "We don't believe some of the grants going out are in the best interest of the taxpayer."

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How, when and where to exercise your right to vote

Residents of Salt Spring may vote in the federal election between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. Monday, November 27 at one of four polling stations:

- Fernwood Elementary School (150 Fernwood Road)
- Central Hall (905 North End Road)
- Salt Spring United Church Hall (111 Hereford Avenue)
- Fulford Hall (2591 Fulford-Ganges Road)

Voters not yet registered to vote may do so at the polling station as long as they are 18 years old and have Canadian citizenship. Two pieces of I.D. are required, one with proof of address, such as a hydro bill, and the other showing a signature, such as on a valid B.C. driver's licence. Advance polls closed yesterday.

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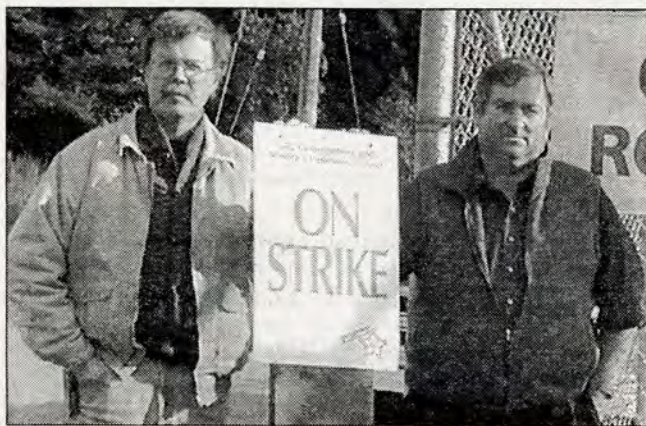
ASK ABOUT OTHER SERVICES

Did you hear?

- ✕ The Christian Heritage Party has been suspended.
- ✕ The SaveSaltSpring website was awarded the Political Site of the Day award.
- ✕ Salt Spring received \$381K in provincial gambling handouts.

Those items and more were carried during the past week on:

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<http://DailyBarnacle.com>



Russ Murcheson and Gord McPhee, JJM employees on strike.

Strike continues

Essential services continue into winter

by Judy Harper

JJM Maintenance employees are now entering the third week of a strike that shows no sign of an early resolution. The district of Chemainus South to Victoria, which encompasses all of the Gulf Islands, is one of a group of 26 areas in B.C. that may vote to strike in the coming weeks.

Points of contention between management and labour include JJM Maintenance's practice of contracting out union jobs to non-union companies and job security, which involves the question of successorship when JJM Maintenance's four-year contract with the Ministry of Transport and Highways (MOTH) is up for re-bid.

During the strike action only essential services are being provided. These are services designated by the Labour Relations Board as necessary to public safety including sanding and salting of roads and snow removal services, specifically on school bus routes and ferry traffic routes. All non-essential services such as pothole repair, mowing and ditching are done on an individual complaint basis only. At the present time on Salt Spring there is one person working a three-hour daily shift instead of the normal eight employees doing eight-hour shifts. JJM management is handling the routine daily tasks a minimum of two days per week on Salt Spring, with striking workers on call for emergencies. There are eight company managers doing the work of 80 striking workers.

Under its current contract with MOTH and during the strike JJM Maintenance continues to receive in excess of \$900,000 monthly. This payment continues regardless of the actual cost of services rendered, as long as the contract is fulfilled within the agreed-upon time frame, and as long as road maintenance continues to be up to set standards. According to union representatives, JJM's average wage output prior to the strike was \$400,000 per month.

There is also an on-going conflict over the company's policy of increasing profits by contracting cheaper non-union labour from the five or six subsidiary companies owned by JJM. Ross McTavish at the British Columbia Government Employees Union (BCGEU) strike headquarters in Victoria says that this matter has been referred to the office of MLA Rick Casper for investigation. JJM Maintenance owner John Miller was unavailable for comment at press time.

Global campaign helps local group

Since 1988, December 1 has been a day that brings messages of compassion, hope, solidarity and understanding about AIDS to every country in the world. World AIDS Day emerged from a call by the World Summit of Ministers of Health on Programmes for AIDS Prevention in January 1988 to open channels of communication, strengthen the exchange of information and experience, and forge a spirit of social tolerance. Since then, World AIDS Day has received the support of the World Health Assembly, the United Nations, and governments, communities and individuals around the world.

Salt Spring's own Gulf Islands HIV Support Group has brought the Red Ribbon Campaign to the Island. Red Ribbon donation boxes have been distributed to local businesses in order to raise awareness of HIV/AIDS issues here on the Island and to ask for community support.

The Red Ribbon is an international symbol of AIDS awareness that is increasingly being worn by people all year round to demonstrate their care and concern about HIV and AIDS, and also to remind others of the need for their support and commitment.

All money donated to Red Ribbon boxes goes directly to assist people on the Islands living with HIV/AIDS, as well as to developing HIV/AIDS awareness and prevention programmes in the community.

There have been many promising developments in the treatment of HIV/AIDS over the past few years. However, there is still no cure, and not all patients respond equally well to treatments. The Gulf Islands HIV Support Group provides a confidential forum for local HIV-positive men and women to share their experience and resources, and to help each other achieve success in their personal battles.

FROM DOWN THE ALLEY
... with Chip Chipman

Results from November 13-17.

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Dena Marlo 234 & 205, June Webb 210.

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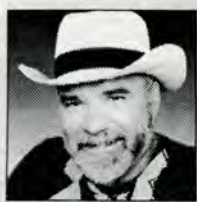
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Curbing the beast



*Wit & Whimsy ...
with Arthur Black*

Don't knock capital punishment. It's a potential parking space. Anon
That's it. I am formally swearing off driving my car into the city forever. Henceforth I will hitchhike, ride my bike, hail a cab or charter a chopper but I am not going to drive downtown.

Actually, it's not the driving that's so horrendous (although it's bad enough)—it's the parking.

Park on the street? Forget it—not in prime time, anyway. On streets with no meters the cars are packed so tight on both sides of the road you couldn't slip an Ace of Spades between the bumpers.

Then there are those "special" side streets, sporting signs like: ONE HOUR PARKING ON ODD-NUMBERED DAYS EXCEPTING WEEKENDS, HOLIDAYS AND DAYS CONTAINING THE LETTER "D" BETWEEN 0700 AND 0900 HOURS RESTRICTED TO VEHICLES WITH GREEN WINDSHIELD STICKERS UNLESS OTHERWISE POSTED OFFER VOID IN COMMONWEALTH COUNTRIES AND AMERICAN PROTECTORATES POST NO BILLS OR FLYERS.

And it's only going to get worse. I read a report in the paper that says the city of Vancouver attracts so many new vehicles each year that it would take a parking lane 60 miles long to park them.

I've got news for you, chum: I have driven, albeit reluctantly, through the chrome and tin-lined streets of Vancouver. Some days there's not enough space to park a roller skate.

And I know it's no better in cities like Toronto, Calgary and Montreal—worse, if anything.

Parking is a nightmare. What are we going to do about it? Henny Youngman came up with one answer. "I've solved my parking problem," the comedian wisecracked. "I bought a parked car."

I heard of someone who came up with an even more creative solution—a wealthy-looking woman who walked into a bank on Toronto's Bay Street one day and asked to see the Loans Officer. "I'm going to London on business for two weeks and I'd like to borrow \$5,000."

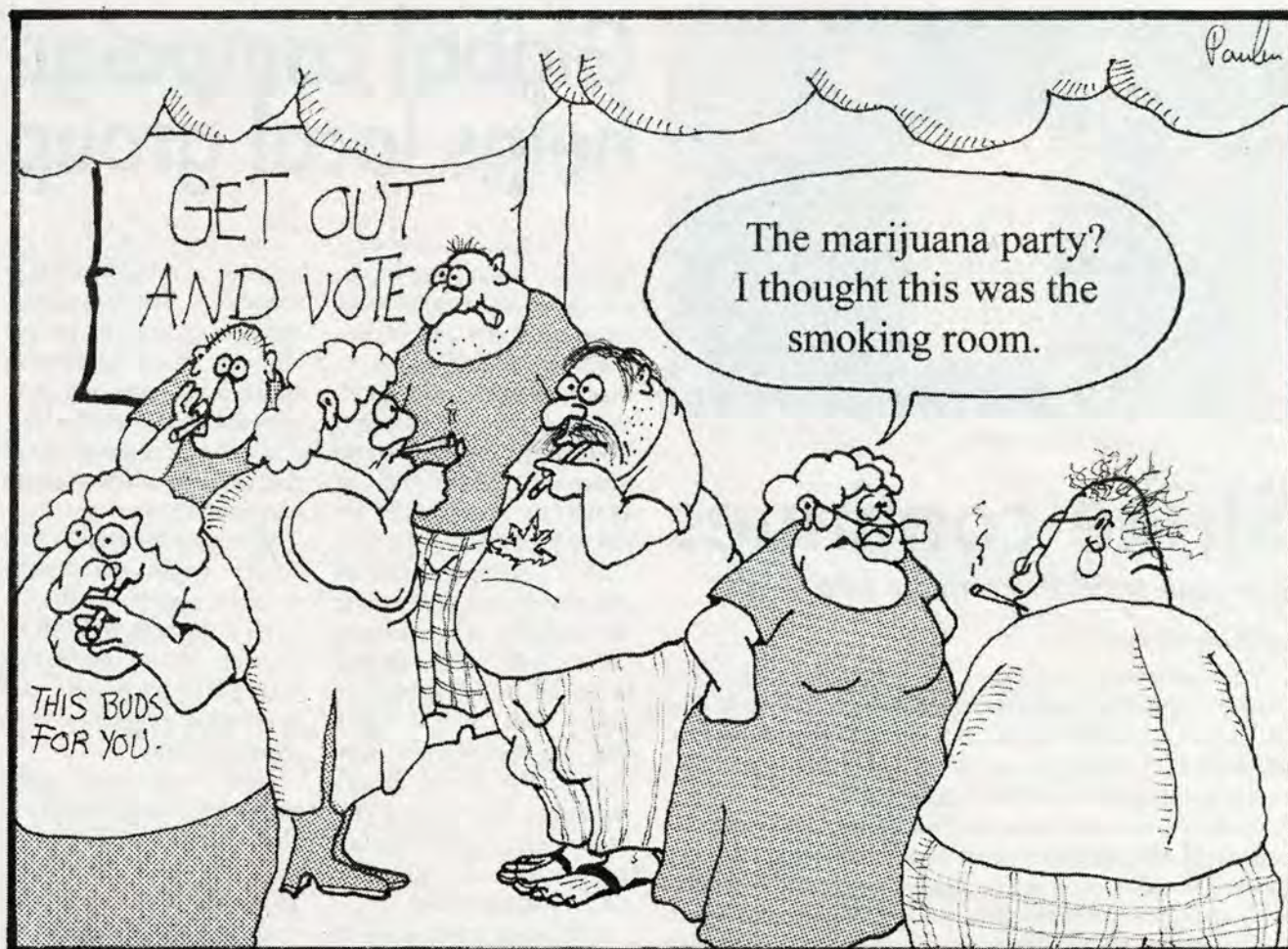
"Certainly, madame," oozes the Loans Officer, "providing you have some kind of security for the loan." The woman reaches into her purse and pulls out a set of car keys. There is no mistaking the insignia on the ignition key—it's the familiar Rolls-Royce logo.

The woman leads the Officer out the front door and sure enough—there's a Rolls-Royce Silver Cloud sitting by the curb. She hands over the ownership and her insurance certificate. Everything is perfectly in order. The officer agrees to accept the car as collateral. He has a clerk drive the car into the bank's underground parking garage.

As soon as she's out of sight, the Loans Officer calls the bank president and all the other management flunkies into the vault and tells them about the dumb blonde who just put up a \$250,000 automobile as collateral for a \$5,000 loan.

Two weeks later the woman returns to the bank, repays the \$5,000 loan plus the interest, which comes to \$15.41. The loans officer, trying not to smirk, says, "Madame we're delighted to have your business but you have us a little perplexed. We ahhh, ran a security check regarding your background while you were away and discovered that you are...well, extremely wealthy. A multi-millionaire, in fact. We're just wondering why you would bother to borrow \$5,000?"

Retrieving her car keys, the woman replies with a smile, "Where else in downtown Toronto can I park my car for two weeks for only fifteen bucks and expect it to be there when I return?"



Vet gives thanks

Regarding the November 11 ceremony and parade:

I was chosen by our Legion president Randy Sloan to take the salute on the podium. This was a great honour for me.

Despite being a long-time member of the military (30 years), I did not go overseas between 1939 and 1945 and go through the rigours of war, as seen by many of the members on parade who did. Therefore, once again, it was a great honour for me to be able to salute those members who survived and were still able to march by the saluting base.

Thank you, Randy.

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JOHN MATHESON C.D.

Retired

Ask and receive

In regard to "How about it, Mr. Macdonald" (Commentary, *the Barnacle*, November 14) signed by Sally John and others, I wish to respond.

I have been advised by our logging professionals that we have been, up to now, undertaking variable retention and selective logging on Salt Spring Island. Sally John and her comrades have asked me to say that we are "clear-cutting" and have been so very kind as to provide a definition of clear-cutting that they believe defines our logging practices.

To Sally and her friends to whom we hold no malice, I admit defeat in the war of definitional semantics. From here on in we will "clear-cut," pursuant to your definition if that makes you happy. We will also do variable retention logging; we will also follow all the provincial government rules and regulations to the best of our ability; we will create jobs; and we will replant at a level that meets or exceeds the government regulations. We promise you that new healthy forests will grow if no one sabotages our replanting programme.

We will continue the process of providing covenants for the protection of important creeks and streams and we will pursue negotiations with conservancy groups or government agencies that wish to buy property from us. We will submit to binding arbitration if required to establish fair land prices.

We will also try to recover the cost of damages done to us by protestors and their ring-leaders who encourage breaking the law, in stopping our work and vandalizing our equipment. Frankly, the only way that we can see to recover the hundreds of thousands of dollars in damage caused to us is to cut down more trees than we would have otherwise done. We will never give in to

terrorists and law breakers.

Now that's the truth as we see it and if you want my personal apology for all of this, you have it whole heartedly and sincerely.

ROBERT MACDONALD

Political trash

I noticed last Tuesday that the Green Party had stationed its truck by the garbage drop-off/recycling stop by Ganges Village Market. This wasn't too surprising, as recycling and garbage treatment are a big part of that party's platform.

It did surprise me to see the Reform/Alliance Winnebago there though. Perhaps garbage is a large part of their platform as well?

ERIN BUTLER

Vote for the environment

Last week I attended the all candidates meeting: six speeches plus rebuttals and then questions—most directed at the Reform-Alliance candidate. On performance the present federal government's candidate and Doris, I mean Stockwell Day's man were the slickest and most forceful, but neither had anything pertinent to say about the most important issue—the health of the environment.

Without a healthy environ-

ment we will continue to have children suffering from asthma and townspeople getting violently sick and dying from water contaminated with E. Coli bacteria, let alone pesticides and the myriad of contaminants that enter our air and water every day. Only the Green Party candidate addressed the seriousness of this issue. One wished that he were a more effective and forceful speaker. But his message was clear—we need to show the powers that be in Ottawa (and Victoria) that there are hundreds and thousands—maybe millions—who realize that protection and improvement of the environment is the truly fundamental and most important issue.

On Salt Spring I think the Green Party will get a large and substantial vote but the self-satisfied and smug Saanich burghers will probably elect the candidate of the Reform-Alliance—the party of greed and intolerance.

JACK C. HALLAM

Public buildings?

The all candidates meeting was held in a public building—the Gulf Islands Secondary School building. It was very surprising that the five candidates had to

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pay \$50 each to use our building, and then the collection plate was passed around to us for a contribution.

Having been to many all candidates meetings as a participant, as a chairman and as a spectator, it was shocking to discover that the building which we own, we paid for, we maintain and clean, had the audacity to charge us, the public, for the use of our building. A small charge for clean-up is perhaps in order, but to charge for this very necessary democratic meeting was autocratic to say the least. A payment for use of a private building is in order, but never to use our own building for a national purpose.

CY RELPH

A final note

I am writing this letter in response to the steady stream of vitriolic letters issuing from a certain person on this Island regarding SWOVA, its mandate and its employees.

A member of my family is associated with SWOVA's

work in School District #64 and I feel that some of the previously mentioned letters creep very close to outright defamation of character of those connected to a community-supported project (not to mention the gross misinformation perpetuated by this person). My family member does not promote fear and hate. In fact, just the opposite. She promotes the learning of healthy relationship skills such as effective communication to improve interpersonal interactions for everyone with the hope of reducing such things as fear and hate in our society.

There is no "war between the sexes." If we would just stop and think for a moment—we are all on the same team—we all want a world where our children are safe and can successfully negotiate their way through relationships without hurting or being hurt by others. Don't get stuck on a set of initials, take a look at what they are really all about—ELIMINATING FEAR and HATE—teaching skills that I

wish I had learned early instead of the hard way.

IRENE KROEGER

Administrators acknowledged

It was with profound regret that I learned from the Gulf Islands Community Arts Council (G.I.C.A.C.) newsletter that the Artercraft manager, Judy Mitchell, and the chair of the Artercraft Committee, Judy Weeden, have resigned from their positions. I have since heard that the rest of the committee has also resigned.

As a new member of the G.I.C.A.C. and a first-time participant in Artercraft, I wish to express my respect and admiration for these dedicated people who were largely responsible for the spectacular success of the summer show.

I was involved in setting up the show and was enormously impressed by the many willing and energetic volunteers from among the participating artists. Volunteers, however, have to be organized, co-ordinated and inspired. There, in the midst of what might easily have been chaos, was Judy Mitchell, like an orchestra conductor, keeping everything in tune and on time with a sure touch and a smiling face. As

though by magic, stands were assembled, paintings hung, and the whole display put together in an incredibly short period of time.

It is not easy to effectively display the work of 250 extremely diverse artists in one hall without it looking like a jumble sale, but Ms. Mitchell managed to do it. Everyone's work was given enough space to properly represent its range and style, and nothing appeared crowded. The showcase area, featuring different artists every two weeks, was a brilliant idea that gave variety to the long-running show.

It is indeed rare to find a combination of management and social skills, taste and talent, in one individual; these are all found in Judy Mitchell. Hers will be an extremely hard act to follow.

Judy Weeden and committee members Pat Bennet, Elaine Potter and Margaret Threlfall are successful artists with their own studios to run. The fact that they gave so much of their time and talent to Artercraft argues a remarkably unselfish commitment to the Gulf Islands art community. They deserve the respect and gratitude of us all.

In the G.I.C.A.C. newsletter announcing these resignations, the usual expressions of appreciation and regret were



A journal as literary as the Barnacle can be found in the most unusual places. Take, for example, Nosy Komba, a small island near Madagascar, population 12 million.

notably absent.

I am sure that many Artercraft participants will agree with me that these people ought not to be allowed to leave their positions without grateful acknowledgement of their role in raising Artercraft to new heights of excellence.

P. FULFORD SPIERS

R.C.A.

Unhappy parishioner

I was interested and somewhat dismayed by your article on the restoration of St. Mark's Church (the Barnacle, November 14),

particularly by the sentence "In April, the parish voted overwhelmingly to restore St. Mark's." A simple check would have revealed that "the parish voted overwhelmingly" for no such thing. Indeed, no such motion was even put to the vote.

At an earlier meeting of parishioners the vote on whether to restore or to pursue another option was an actual tie, and there was every appearance that something similar would happen at the April meeting. In order to avoid an irreparable split in

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Dénouement

I am at logger heads with trees taken out

They are stumped to what all the fuss is about.

-Richard Cruickshanks

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23	0400	9.2	27	0720	11.2
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the parish, an alternative motion was presented. This stated very precisely that only an absolute minimum of work should be done as required to stabilize the building sufficiently for public use, and would give the parish time to carefully consider other options and sources of funding. It was for that alternative motion that "the parish voted overwhelmingly" and not for the restoration of St. Mark's as stated in the article.

Such inaccuracy has no place in a newspaper and since your writer was one of the more vocal protagonists at the meeting, one might even speculate that this was not so much inaccuracy as a deliberate manipulation of the truth. When lying and accusations of lying are so much a part of our community at this time, it all the more behooves your newspaper to report on and reprimand distortions of the truth, not to perpetrate them.

The question of by what authority the restoration was undertaken is one which must give concern in the parish, even to those who are glad it was done and think it has, to this point, been well done.

BARRY VALENTINE

Editor's note: Michelle Grant's notes indicate that the vote in April was 92 for restoration and 14 against. On November 9, the reverend of the parish, Kim Murray, spoke with Michelle of the "clear majority that was given in April to proceed with restoration."

Thank you!

On October 31, the Barnacle printed a letter I felt obliged to write because of criticism directed at the SPCA from some members of our community. I would like to thank those who spoke

to me and confirmed their support for the SPCA.

Many felt education was part of the solution for our cat over-population problem and helping those on a limited income get their cats spayed or neutered should be a priority. This year we have paid a portion of the spay/neuter cost for 18 cats and have paid the full amount for \$1 more. Many thanks to Drs. Bond, Milton, and Jeremiah for their help.

For those of you concerned about the cat living at Cinema Central, he is just fine. He had a vet checkup, was treated for ear mites, and neutered. He is now back at the cinema and has many friends who will feed and care for him.

CATHIE NEWMAN

Salt Spring SPCA

Healthy activity

In response to the letter on the high school rowing club, (the Barnacle, November 14) I can only reply that I sympathize with Mr. Jackson's right to voice his concern. I would be in agreement if St. Mary Lake was a pristine undeveloped reservoir. As I look around the lake and observe the development that has taken place and continues to occur I find it difficult to believe that a group of enthusiastic teenagers in a rowing boat accompanied by a permitted safety boat could possibly have a negative impact or any impact at all on the lakes water quality.

We as a community, should be supporting these teenagers and coaches who are participating in a healthy team spirited sport and most important, giving them focus on positive activities.

We have enough aimless teenagers as it is who claim they have nothing to do.

DOUGLAS PENHALE

Rowing coach speaks out

In case you were wondering why a gas-powered motor boat has been speeding across St. Mary Lake you might want to read this letter.

The driver of the boat would first like to apologize to the people that are confused and frustrated as to why there was no notification or warning regarding this unidentified floating object. The safety/coach boat's purpose is to provide constant supervision when the girls are rowing as well as to monitor their technique on the lake. It is not uncommon that the rowers may lose control of their oar (something which we call a "crab") and in these situations the oar can cause the whole boat to tip over.

When this coach boat follows the rowing shells, it is equipped with a first aid kit, a cell phone, a warm blanket and at least 15 life jackets for the 13 rowers and 2 coaches out on the water. The girls performed swim tests in St. Mary Lake and they have all watched a safety video that thoroughly covers the basics of rowing safety. This programme is based on the safety programme of the University of Victoria Rowing team on Elk Lake.

The rowing team would like to strengthen its relations with the other boaters on the lake. A compromise may be made as to the hours that we use the lake, or even a particular area of the lake. If you have any ideas you may contact me at sarahstoff@saltspring.com.

Finally, I would like to comment on the great enthusiasm and respect that I have received from the GISS girls. I would love to continue coaching them; there are so many exciting opportunities for the future. I am excited about what this sport can

offer our youth and hope to find some sort of compromise with the people that have expressed concern regarding our safety/coach boat.

SARAH STOFFELSMAN

Coach

GISS Girls Rowing Team

Ferry talk

Hooray for John Pottinger's column regarding the lack of interest BC Ferry Corporation portrays on trying to make any connections on the Fulford to Swartz Bay run.

While my own experience was similar to John's, it was doubly frustrating to me as I was attempting to make time after receiving word my mother was in intensive care in Calgary, having suffered a heart attack.

I wrote to BC Ferries regarding the missed connection at Swartz Bay; their reply was that it was impossible to schedule the fleet to make connections.

Don't re-schedule the fleet but how about just one sailing per day on the Fulford to Swartz Bay run?

L. D. LARSON

Mea culpa

In last week's commentary about protecting the colony of great blue herons, part of the signature line was mistakenly omitted. The commentary was from all eight directors of the Water Watch Collective, including Nina Raginsky, Jacqueline Booth and Sharon Bywater.

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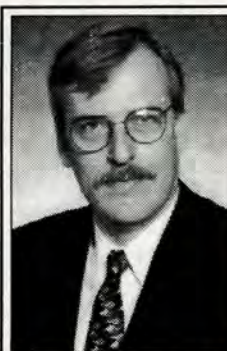
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Maps confuse logging issue near heronry

by Michelle Grant

Salt Springs Resort Spa on North End Road is attracting a lot of attention these days, attention owner Jim Loiselle wishes were focused on his resort's attributes rather than on the logging currently taking place. The scrutiny stems from the fact that a portion of Loiselle's 29 acres falls within the Waterbird Watch Collective's (WWC) defined 300 metre buffer zone of the McFadden Creek Heronry. While there is no legislation in place that restricts the scale of logging an individual land owner can or cannot do on his/her property within this zone, an Islands Trust brochure mailed two years ago to neighbours of the heronry recommended that forest clearing within a one kilometre zone of the heronry be minimized to avoid loss of roosting or alternative nesting trees. The brochure goes on to say that herons are considered particularly sensitive to noise and logging during their January to August nesting period.

Loiselle, a 14-year Salt Spring resident, contends that the land being logged is located about 600 metres from where the herons are nesting. "If I thought I was hurting the herons, I wouldn't do it. I respect the herons but I don't feel respected back.... People are implying that the eagles are going to kill more herons because of me. This doesn't make me feel good."

Loiselle cites financial pressure and a desire to open up the property as the reasons behind selectively logging 10 acres of land.

"This property has been logged four times. The herons chose to nest next to a field, I don't think what I'm doing is going to hurt them."

Meanwhile, Loiselle said emails, faxes and phone calls from concerned Islanders continue to flood his office.

What further complicates the issue there are two different renditions of the 300 metre buffer zones have been circulated. To make matters worse, Loiselle says he didn't receive his copy of the WWC map until it was hand-delivered last week. He said it was returned to sender by the Post Office in November 1999.

"We feel very badly that there are two maps out there. The first map was done using a point system by the Trust technician. It was an inaccurate way of creating a buffer zone because the herons move around. It is my understanding that the second map shows a 300 metre zone taken from the property's boundaries," said Judi Stevenson of WWC.

Stevenson sees the conflict between nature and humans as a difficult problem. "The values of our society are to see short-term gain in assets like trees and nature. If Loiselle is indeed experiencing financial difficulties I'm sorry that [logging is] the only option he feels he has. It behooves society to make available other choices."

The 12.6 acre parcel that includes the McFadden Creek Heronry was protected in early 1998 following passionate lobbying and fundraising by the community, Waterbird Watch and

their partners, Wild Bird Trust, and the Islands Trust Fund. Designated as one of Canada's Important Bird Areas, it is home to B.C.'s largest nesting colony of coastal great blue herons, a species blue-listed provincially and considered vulnerable federally.

According to Myke Chutter, Provincial Bird Specialist with the B.C. Wildlife Branch, consideration was given to amending the herons' status in 2000 to red-listed. However, a recent status report by biologists Ian Moul and Martin Gebauer found the coastal herons' overall population stable and recommended against making the change.

When Chutter was apprised of the logging taking place within the one kilometre zone and possibly on the outskirts of the 300 metre zone, he didn't seem concerned.

"Based on what you've told me, that the logging is not occurring within the heronry itself and that there are meadows between the logging and the heronry, so far I've heard nothing that alarms me. If the logging were taking place within the flight route to foraging areas or the herons were using it for nesting, that would be different. Or if the colony were located in a remote area and all of a sudden logging was taking place within a kilometre of the site and the birds were not used to the noise, that [again] would be different."

As of November 17, 16 truckloads of logs have been removed and Loiselle anticipates another four to complete the job.

Candidates speak *cont'd from p2*

Before the end of the evening, each candidate had an opportunity to comment on global warming and make closing remarks. Page said the government should lead by example on the issue of reducing global warming by retro-fitting government buildings with green systems. He said, "This election is about choices. You think it's between the Reform Alliance and Liberals, that's not true. Joe Clark and the PC party are the best choice because we have the best policies."

On global warming, Lunn referred to the Kyoto Accord. "This legislation has no teeth; there is no way it can be enforced. What we need is enforceable legislation."

Knott said the Liberals have committed more than \$1 billion to meet the Kyoto Accord. She said the Alliance would cut funding in areas such as fisheries, the arts and the CBC. "We know what they're against, we

don't know what they're for," she said.

O'Neill said we need to address fossil fuel consumption and find alternatives. She then returned to addressing poverty. "We have to address the environment, we also have to address poverty."

Lapeyrouse said the Natural Law Party would form an all-party government and develop policies instead of bickering. "Our policies are practical," she said. She added that a vote for the Natural Law Party would be a signal to other parties that change is needed.

First and last to speak, Du Temple ended by asking voters to send him to Ottawa. "There are 301 seats. Folks, I have a dream. There's 150 Liberal and 150 Alliance, and there's me. And I'll say, 'Do you want my vote?' and we'll get the environment on the agenda."

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Troubled waters: rowing team and fishers clash

by Joanne O'Connor

The use of a power boat on St. Mary Lake by the GISS girls rowing team is ruffling a lot of feathers.

Complaints regarding safety and the neglect of common lake etiquette by several local fishers are at the forefront of the opposition, with concern for water quality and the lake's environment not far behind.

The use of gasoline powered boats on St. Mary Lake is prohibited under one of the 450 Boating Restrictions in B.C., according to Schedule III of the Boating Restrictions Regulations set out by the Canadian Coast Guard.

There are a few exceptions to the rule in the interest of safety. One exemption is: "a person who operates a safety boat for surveillance and life guarding within the scope of regular activities carried out by a recreational institution or a teaching or racing organization established under provincial, federal or international laws." This provision allows the GISS rowing team to pilot a gasoline-powered escort boat for their two rowing sculls.

Colin Michael with the Canadian Coast Guard Office of Boating Safety, said the GISS team need not obtain a physical permit. They already fall under the stipulations outlined in the exemption. Michael stated, "As long as you obey the spirit of the regulation, then you're exempt."

It is the "spirit" in which the boat may be operating which has some fishers concerned for their safety. Keith Newman, of Newman's Great Outdoors, has acted as a representative for a group of at least five disgruntled St. Mary fishers. Mark Mollin, Darren MacRae, Dave Kerman, Geoff Butcher and Gordon Cudmore have several complaints about the conduct of the motorboat and driver.

Mollin, who fishes the lake several nights each week, said he has been trying to get answers to his questions and resolve issues since the rowing programme began two months ago. "I'm just trying to do what I can to get them to operate the boat safely," said Mollin.

Mollin said he has seen the boat operate in an erratic manner, and claims that life jackets are not being carried aboard. Mollin also stated that the boat has been driven right through a group of fishers and over their lines.

When Keith Newman informed GISS Principal Nancy MacDonald of these complaints she was concerned. MacDonald said she convened a meeting with the two coaches, Sarah Stoffelsma and Doug Pearson. The issues were discussed and MacDonald noted, "Doug and Sarah are aware, and are trying to accommodate." MacDonald also said of Sarah Stoffelsma,

ma, who usually pilots the boat, "I have a sense that she's a very level-headed and responsible type of person. 'Reckless' is not a word that comes to mind."

Stoffelsma is unabashedly enthusiastic about the programme and her young charges. She is confident their skill will take them far, but acknowledged that for novice rowers, steering is a challenge. Stoffelsma admitted that because the escort boat must follow the sculls, her driving of it might have seemed erratic to onlookers.

Both MacDonald and Stoffelsma said the team's practice schedule is being changed to accommodate the fishers. "I would like some sort of peace with these people," Stoffelsma said.

As to the issue of safety equipment, Stoffelsma said she carries about 20 life-jackets in her boat, while the maximum number of girls on the lake is 13. She also noted that before learning to row, each girl had to withstand a 10-minute test of the temperature of the lake. All girls can swim and have watched safety videos. As a teacher, Stoffelsma is trained in first aid.

MacDonald commented that there have been no calls from concerned parents and Stoffelsma said many parents have actually called to tell her how much the rowing programme means to their daughters.

The GISS team is through

training until the new year. Although the situation may change when the girls and their coaches return to St. Mary Lake in 2001, Mark Mollin and other fishers are taking action now. Mollin is drafting a letter outlining the grievances and concerns of his fellow anglers. He plans to send the letter to the coaches, school board, Coast Guard, RCMP and possibly the Islands Trust.

Mollin said he will also mention concerns about pollution. He and the other fishers said they've seen a sheen of oil in a few places on the lake.

An officer from the Water Quality Board has tested the lake water and confirmed that there is no water quality problem. Colin Michael corroborated this finding by saying that one or two boats do not constitute an adverse environmental impact. Michael said if there were a problem with a powerboat it would be a safety, not an environmental issue. He went on to comment, "It definitely is a serious issue."

Mollin and the fishers want the programme examined by the proper authorities. Mollin stated, "All in all the whole thing should be stopped and looked at, and if they can't meet the requirements of safety and lake etiquette, then they shouldn't be out there." He added, "If they change their ways, I'll be the first to say, 'Hey, that's great.'"

Lunch with Lunn

by Peggy Abrahams

What do an artist, a retired doctor and a farmer have in common? All three are Alliance party supporters who attended a lunch with Gary Lunn, the incumbent M.P. for Saanich-Gulf Islands, at the Harbour House last Wednesday. About 50 local residents, mostly senior or middle aged, came to meet Lunn, hear him speak and confront him on issues.

Former M.P. Jack Fraser hosted the event, introducing Lunn, who gave a brief presentation after lunch, followed by questions and answers.

Lunn began by categorizing health care as one of the biggest issues in the campaign. "We had a lot of pride in our health care in Canada, and we took it for granted. Maybe we shouldn't have."

He attacked the Liberal government for cutting health care funding and said the Alliance would restore \$25 billion to health care. Anticipating criticism about tiered health care, Lunn said, "People will say we want to privatize health care. What I say is we need a strong economy with a strong tax base to give government a foundation for the health care system."

On the topic of taxes, Lunn called tax relief one of his party's main platforms. Lunn said under the Alliance plan, Canadians would all pay a flat 17 per cent income tax within six years.

He emphasized what he called the need for democracy and accountability in government. "We democratically elect a dictator in this country every four years. Let's bring back some ethics, some responsibility, some integrity," he said.

The first question following Lunn's speech, focused on the party's fiscal plan. "If the Alliance party were elected, and did all the things it promised, it would be back in a deficit situation," challenged an audience member. Lunn responded that the Alliance plan had been reviewed by two independent think tanks, who said, "If we deliver our tax cuts and eliminate wasteful spending we'll be ahead."

Lunn was asked how he could represent his constituents when he did not have a mandate. He replied, "I'm elected by the people of Saanich-Gulf Islands; those people support me."

Probing further on the same theme, it was pointed out to Lunn, "In the last election more people voted against you than for you." Lunn responded, "In our party, our constituents must come first."

Another audience member asked, "Regarding a referendum on abortion. What is your own view on this?" Lunn replied that 300 people in Parliament shouldn't be deciding these issues for the rest of the country. "If we're having an election, we could ask a few more questions."

Resolving First Nation issues, the value of the Canadian dollar and employment insurance were among other issues raised by the audience during the lunch.

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At the mouth of Fulford Creek a newly erected sign urges all to help protect sensitive inter-tidal habitats. Shown above are from left: Hank Doerkson, Kathy Reimer of the Salmon Enhancement Society, Mike Lane of Department of Fisheries and Oceans and Nina Raginsky of the Waterbird Watch Collective.

Signs urge shoreline protection

Two new signs have appeared in the south end. One across from Fulford Inn at the Fulford Creek estuary and another in Drummond Park urge people to be aware of the delicate balance of inter-tidal shore life and the responsibility we all hold from protecting these areas.

Although the sign shown above is at the mouth of Fulford Creek it makes no mention of the creek or its significance as a fish-bearing stream. "I wish the sign said something about salmon and that Fulford Creek is the most important fish-bearing stream in the Gulf Islands," said Kathy Reimer of the Salmon Enhancement Society.

The signs are part of a pilot project funded by the Department of Fisheries and Oceans (D. F. O.) and co-ordinated by Sara Steil of the Pender Island Committee for the Protection of Sensitive Low-Tide Areas in partnership with the Waterbird Watch Collective on Salt Spring.

Long Harbour closing February or March for dock renovations

Despite inconvenience, Ferry Corp. representatives says news is good

by Joanne O'Connor

The rumour is true. BC Ferries is planning a temporary closure of its Long Harbour terminal sometime in February or March. Ann Carpenter, Communications Co-ordinator with BC Ferry Corporation, acknowledged that a three-week closure is planned in order to allow dock repairs to take place.

The Long Harbour ferry dock was constructed in the early 1960s. The upcoming renovation will include a

new floating dock and ramp.

Yes, Salt Spring traffic to and from Tsawwassen will be routed through Swartz Bay during that time period. And, before anybody gets upset about the possible line ups, missed connections and higher cost, you should know that in the words of Ann Carpenter, "It's good news."

Carpenter elaborated. "Although we're going to shut [Long Harbour] down for a couple of weeks, I think it will dispel rumours that we plan to

discontinue that service."

Several issues are still being determined regarding the closure, including the possibility of schedule changes and an extra ferry to accommodate higher volume. Providing uninterrupted service between Tsawwassen and the outer Gulf Islands is also being considered.

Carpenter assured that plenty of advance notice will be given to Islanders. "When we do get it sorted out, you'll be the first to know."

New name for radio society

At its third annual general meeting on November 14, the Salt Spring Island Community Radio Society changed its name to Gulf Islands Broadcasting Society and elected Gordon English as its chair for the coming year.

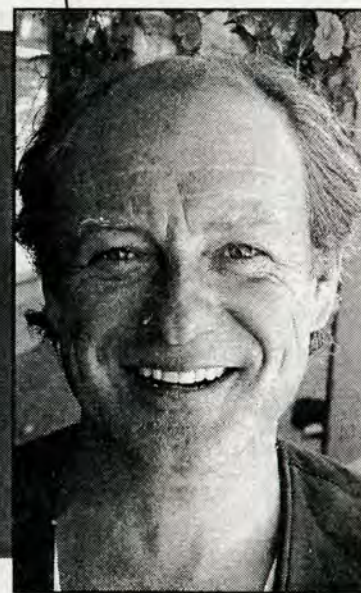
The Radio Society has struggled for nearly four years to obtain charitable status. Recently joined by a second Island radio effort it is now ready to move ahead without the elusive charitable number. Its new chair, Gordon English, brings a great deal of knowledge in the broadcasting field as well as business and management.

Members voted to change the Society's name to represent its intention to cover all the Southern Gulf Islands with a quality FM signal. Efforts are now underway to obtain financing for engineering studies, site location determination, and CRTC and Industry Canada applications.

Continuing treasurer Marnee Beauvais noted that the largest portion of the Society's revenue over the past year has come from the box at Ganges Village Market where faithful and obviously enthusiastic radio fans and shoppers deposit their cash register receipts. Many thanks. Membership in the new Society is open to all at \$25 per year.



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Island Passions: The dancer's found freedom

by Helani Davison

Just as music invokes awe in us, so it is with dance. Both are difficult to describe...like trying to hold water in your hands. We are pulled into the beauty of dance by pure emotion. For the dancer to deliver that beauty and perfection takes dedication and physical output that few others experience.

Robbyn Scott put one tiny slippered foot into the dance world at age three and spent long hours and days perfecting the subtle movements and nuances of every muscle in her body. Robbyn says, "I had a knowing from deep inside that vibrated outwards into action. It could be described as love or a spiritual experience from a greater source." She smiles. "I am not competing against anyone or anything. It's a matter of ever striving for maximum precision."

As Robbyn honed her dance techniques she enjoyed freedom from boundaries more and more, allowing her body to move through space, feeling connections from her toes and ankles right up to her pinkies. "There is a tiny story in each movement," she explains. "Nature gives me ideas such as attempting to imitate a leaf pirouetting in the wind."

At age 14 this artist-in-motion received a scholarship to the San Francisco Ballet School where she studied for four years, excelling as a character dancer and eventually becoming a teacher at the school. Here she was influenced by Spanish, Hungarian and Russian dance movement. Her life was full, as she was also studying in a liberal arts programme. But tragedy struck at 18 when she developed arthritis in her knee and was told that she would never dance again. She spent the following dark year in a cast, fraught with struggle. Her mother developed Multiple Sclerosis and her parents divorced. Though depressed because she could not dance, Robbyn broadened herself with other artistic and intellectual pursuits.

When she returned to the world of dance, Robbyn was drawn to the freedom of modern dance: "It was less ethereal than classical ballet and less restricted. I began a new way of movement and a new life."

Robbyn's love of nature took her to British Columbia where she met Mickey McLeod, her husband-to-be. At the time, though, she yearned to be in an urban



Robbyn Scott's lifelong passion is dance.

tures," says Robbyn. She learned new dance styles—hip-hop, break-dancing and tap—from urban American black culture, broadening her movement vocabulary.

When Robbyn was 27 she moved to New York and worked with three different innovative dance companies. They did a whirlwind tour through the U. S. and Europe doing experimental dance.

During 10 years on Salt Spring, Robbyn married Mickey and had one child. She received government grants and put on many productions, working as both teacher and choreographer. She toured the Gulf Islands, Duncan, Vancouver and Victoria. In the last four years Robbyn has helped to build the successful Salt Spring Roasting Company, a popular local café.

At 49 Robbyn is refocusing, and is impassioned with teaching children to dance.

"Kids are so delighted with themselves, creating their own movements. Working with them brings me joy. I would like to see children be granted their natural passion. It can so often get squished out of them. Without their passion, their lives will be empty." Robbyn continues, "Our culture doesn't always respect people who follow their passion, but passion can guide us through life. It is the well that we draw from in difficult times."

Tree grows well on Island



Life in the garden ...

with Joe Clemente

I just realized there is a really interesting tree that I haven't let you know about yet. While I was on holidays I noticed one of these specimens growing quite happily in someone's garden. In my last garden I had one that was nearly 20 feet tall, and had a trunk at least a foot thick at the base. I guess I might as well spit out the name of this beauty. The name of this fabulous tree is *Metasequois* or dawn redwood. These trees are common in local nurseries, but not overly used by local gardeners.

Dawn redwood is an interesting genus of a deciduous coniferous species. This tree was known only through fossils estimated to be somewhere between 30 and 50 million years old and is said to be the ancestor of the sequoia. The genus was first described in 1941 from fossil material and the first living specimens were brought to the attention of botanists in the late 1940s. The living trees were first discovered near Mo-tao-chi, in the province of Hupeh, China.

Dawn redwood is a very hardy tree and adapts well to our Zone 8 climate. Trees transplant quite easily, and grow in moist, well-drained, slightly acid soil in full sun. They grow fairly fast up to 100 feet tall or so, and are disease- and pest-free (except the deer!).

The tree itself is similar in appearance to our North American southern swamp cypress. The dawn redwood, however, will not grow in standing water like the swamp cypress. The leaves are needle-like and will turn a nice bronzy-brown in the fall. During the rest of our growing season the foliage is very soft, and shredded bark is revealed on more mature specimens.

I usually see a few of these trees pass through our nursery every year. They are not costly at all. If you buy one, make sure you have a large area for it to be planted because these trees can grow very large in our climate. Make sure to look for this species if you want a tree with a bit of interest and an exotic flair that is hardy enough for any coastal garden.

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Potter holds show

by Maggie Warbey

In our community of gifted artists, Denys James—sculptor, ceramicist and teacher—holds a special place. His gallery shows across Canada, throughout the United States, in England and Europe have made his work well-known to an appreciative international audience. This weekend (Saturday and Sunday, November 25 and 26) James will open his Wellbury Drive studio from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. for his annual Christmas Show.

This year, James has worked on developing three types of visual art: the bas relief figurative sculptural pieces for which he is most widely known (and to which he has added a series of grand relief works), collage paintings of figures and faces painted in clay (often depicted with a mystic or fantasy

background), and his finely crafted and interestingly-shaped functional footed dishes, pinched bowls, and glazed platters and plates.

Following the precision and sculptural depth of his bas relief wall plaques, James' new technique of grand relief has given him the opportunity to add a greater sensual feeling to the product of his keen artist's eye. Many of the faces and figures seem to be leaving or entering the hanging, giving the work the impression of movement and immediacy.

The collages, too, are an innovation in clay art. These often depict two views of the same person or two different people—mother and child, man and woman—in sensuous, though not necessarily sensual, poses. Each plaque is filled with a great warmth of feeling and

intimacy. This sensation is enhanced by the carefully detailed background painted by applications of slip clay. A frequent background theme is the arch: sometimes an entrance, sometimes an exit, sometimes a rainbow, but always evocative of mood and emotion, meditation and action.

James has included some of his functional pieces to round out this show of his recent work. These glazed bowls, vases, platters and plates demonstrate the artist's attachment to the earth and the usable, not just the imagination and the image. Sturdy pieces of useful art, the footed bowls are a special favourite. (One always hopes James will forget he brought one to the potluck!) But the pinched bowls—and large plates, too—add a dynamic flair to see POTTER p18

Graffiti play is seamless

by Judy Harper

The set of *Random Acts 2* is spare and functional, like a simple table set with a melange of savoury offerings. There are several sets of stairs, platforms of varying heights, and a couple of large white sheets hanging above it all. The purpose of the sheets is unclear until director Yvonne Adalian invites you to enjoy her selections, then turns you over to the diverse talents of her enthusiastic troupe.

They are not only diverse, but dizzyingly adaptable as they deftly handle the multitude of characters and situations in this 14-skit play which seamlessly moves from act to act through a series of changing visual images projected onto the hanging sheets and music to set the mood.

Leah Hansel opens the show with a soliloquy about,

appropriately, an actress waiting for her curtain call in *15 Minutes Please*. She reappears as the lonely and verbose title character in *Lynette at 3 a.m.* and one of the frantically frustrated typing monkeys in the antic *Words, words, words*. Alternately, she plays a rapidly convincing blond bombshell, a psychic finance, and a supreme being.

Vaughn Fulford's sidesplitting frenetic goofiness throughout much of the evening counterpoints his wonderful metamorphosis to a ghostly Spanish lover in *Lynette at 3 a.m.* Patrick Cassidy's characters run the gamut from doggedly sincere as the unfaithful but repentant husband in *The Interrogation* to hilariously confused as the octogenarian partner of Muriel in *I'm Herbert*.

Seasoned actress Amanda Spottiswoode transforms

herself from a mostly benevolent and slightly kooky supreme being to Herbert's befuddled elderly wife, to the touching bag lady in *French Fries* and makes it all look easy.

Tangle Caron was flawless as the young snake charmer in *Handler* with her convincing backwoods accent and downhome philosophy.

The show ends as it begins: a lone figure, harshly lit. A Vaudevillian relic poignantly rendered in song and dance by Patrick Cassidy. He doffs his hat, sincerely thanks the unresponsive audience (we are all actors), and triumphantly strolls off-stage to his wife waiting in the shadows.

Random Acts 2, which could aptly be titled "Never a Dull Moment" is Graffiti Theatre's seventh production. It plays November 23, 24 and 25 at 8 p.m. at ArtSpring.

Core Inn opens a stage

by Elizabeth Courtney

A comfortable sofa, candle-lit tables, a carpeted performing area and coffee, Cokes and cookies on demand. Hard to improve on this atmosphere as Salt Spring's young poets and musicians shared their stuff with each other to enthusiastic and encouraging applause at the Core Inn's monthly Open Stage last Saturday night.

Performers included organizer Christina Behrens, poet and a capella singer; Jackie Teskey, songwriter;

Candace Buckley with a short story and a chapter of a work in progress; David Embry on flute; Geoffrey Davidson on guitar; Dawna McKay with a few a capella songs and Katrina Knoxil accompanying her own sweet and gentle song on guitar. Recurrent themes in songs and poems are reflected in such lines as "Won't you see who I am / Will you ever understand?," "I am different," and the angst about finding a place in the modern world expressed in "When I was young I read fairy tales /

Now 13 and 14-year-olds are raped and killed." How fortunate to have such a place to pose these questions.

As I left, Candace Buckley was holding the seven-week-old daughter of a friend on her lap, a hopeful Madonna singing a lullaby for "Angie's Little Baby." With the alchemical symbols of Sun and Moon as a colourful backdrop behind her, the restless questions and dreams of love coexist in a timelessly reassuring tableau. Good for all the folks who hold this place together.



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NOV. 21 - DEC. 3

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 artist/teacher **Helen Ormiston** Smith. Helen arrived on Salt Spring nine years ago and lives with her husband, Ron, overlooking Trincomali Channel with the Tantalus Range west of Howe Sound visible on a clear day, especially in the early morning and evening light when she particularly likes to contemplate these mountains. Her show, *Rock as Metaphor*, closes this week in Vancouver. She and Ron, also an educator and painter, have raised three sons and now have a grand daughter. In addition to her work in clay she teaches art in the Education Department at U. Vic.

The Book: "The Plummer and McGeary books (they focus on physical geology) because my work is all about rock. This will give me endless time to study the natural aspects of the earth which is such an important focus for my work."

The Disc: "One of Diana Krall's latest, because I like jazz. I particularly like the human voice, and especially choral work. But Diana Krall uses such wonderful old material—like Ray Charles—as well as contemporary material, so I would settle on her."

Fellow castaway: "Agnes Martin, one of the least-known Canadian painters. (She's 90 now and living in Taos, New Mexico if she's still alive). I would choose her because she is an artist who, more than anyone, can teach me to distill the essence of feeling. And as a writer, and someone who hung out in New York with people like Jasper Johns, Rothko, Newman and Rauschenberg she would be an amazing fount of conversation."

Comm

TUESDAY
NOVEMBER 21

- Storytime for 3-5's**
Public Library. 10-10:30am
- Toy Library Portlock & Beaver Point Hall.** 9:30-10:30am
- Collage 3-5yrs**
Fables Cottage. 1-2pm
- I Musici de Montreal**
ArtSpring. 8pm
- Diana Thompson**
Surrey Art Gallery
- ASA: Celebration**
ArtSpring Lobby
- Christina Heinemann**
SS Roasting Company
- Deborah Gainer Luigi's**
- Bob Rogers**
Sweet Arts Patisserie
- Kristin Shoolbraid: Acrylics**
Barb's Buns
- Soup's On** Free soup & sandwich. All Saints'. 11:30-1pm
- 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

WEDNESDAY
NOVEMBER 22

- Storytime Fables Cottage.** W, Th, Fri. 10:30am
- KinderCraft 3-5's**
Fables Cottage 1-2pm
- Argentinian Tango**
Lions' Hall. Practice 8-10pm
- Centering Prayer**
Contemplative Centre. 8am
- S. End Centering Prayer**
St. Mary's Fulford. 11am
- Caregivers Support Group.**
Seniors' Centre. 11am
- Breastfeeding Support**
Group Family Place. 1:30pm
- SSI Garden Club**
AGM. Harbour House. 5-8pm
- BC Special Olympics**
AGM. Harbour House 7pm
- Serenity Through Self Care**
Healing Arts Workshops. Core Inn. 7-9pm
- 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



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MONDAY
NOVEMBER 27

- ★ **Guilds of Christmas Show**
Mahon Hall. 10-5.
- ★ **Election Day** Fernwood School, Central Hall, United Church, Fulford Hall. 7am-7pm
- 🎵 **Midnight Café**
Acoustic Jam. Rose's Cafe. 7pm
- 🎭 **Cats Pajamas Dance Class**
Lang Road Studio. 7:30pm
- 🎭 **Tango Practice**
Lion's Hall. 7:30-9:30pm
- ⊕ **Vipassana Meditation**
The Barn. 7:30pm
- 🗣️ **Lady Minto Hosp. Aux. Soc.**
General Meeting. Lions Hall. 2pm
- 🎭 **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 12**
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TUESDAY
NOVEMBER 28

- ★ **Guilds of Christmas Show**
Mahon Hall. 10-5.
- 🎵 **Storytime for 3-5's**
Public Library. 10-10:30am
- 🎭 **Beading**
Fables Cottage. 3:30pm
- 🗣️ **Soup's On**
Free soup and sandwich. All Saints'. 11:30-1pm
- 🗣️ **SSI Paddler's Club**
United Church Hall. 7:30pm
- ⊕ **ArtSpring AGM**
ArtSpring. 7:30pm
- ⊕ **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

WEDNESDAY
NOVEMBER 29

- ★ **Guilds of Christmas Show**
Mahon Hall. 10-5.
- 🎵 **Storytime**
Fables Cottage. W, Th, Fri. 10:30am
- 🎵 **KinderCraft 3-5's**
Fables Cottage 1-2pm
- 🎵 **Wednesday Night Live**
Open Stage. Moby's Pub. 9pm
- 🎭 **Argentinian Tango**
Lions' Hall. Practice 8-10pm
- 🗣️ **Centering Prayer**
Contemplative Centre. 8am
- 🗣️ **S. End Centering Prayer**
St. Mary's Fulford. 11am
- 🗣️ **Caregivers Support Group.**
Seniors' Centre. 11am
- ⊕ **Serenity Through Self Care**
Healing Arts Workshops. Core Inn 7-9pm
- 🎭 **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

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THURSDAY NOVEMBER 23

Family Walk
Mouat Park. 10am

Art From Many Lands
Fables Cottage. 3:30pm

Storytime Fables Cottage.
W, Th, Fri. 10:30am

Random Acts 2
Graffiti Theatre. ArtSpring 8pm

Sing Along Group
Seniors' Bldg. 2pm

Salty Wheels Square
Dance Central Hall. 7-9pm.

Island Wisdom: SSI to Hawaii. Storytelling. United Church. 5:30pm

Community Meditation
United Church. 11:30-12:30pm

SSI Weavers & Spinners Guild
ArtSpring 10:30-noon

Planned Parenthood Clinic
Core Inn. 4-6pm

Flexible Strength
All Saints'. 9-10am

Yoga
SS Centre. 4pm

Badminton Club
GISS gym. 8-10pm

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 24

Unicef Sale of Cards & Gifts
Bank of Montreal. 10-2pm

Guilds of Christmas Show
Mahon Hall. 10-5.

Rugger's: Potluck & Support
Family Place. 11:30-1pm

Mosaic Series
Fables Cottage. 3:30pm

Myths & Fairytales for 7-10's
Public Library. 3-4pm

Storytime Fables Cottage.
W, Th, Fri. 10:30am

Random Acts 2
Graffiti Theatre. ArtSpring 8pm

Open Stage
Rose's Cafe. Fulford Harbour. 7pm

For The Luv of Mike
BBQ, Dance & Auction. Legion 6:30pm

Women's WinterEve
Wellness Clinic. Pharmasave downtown. 6-9pm

Step into Shape
All Saints'. 9-10am

The Fitness Recipe
Mahon Hall. 9-10am

Rollerblading to Music
Fulford Hall. 7:30pm

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 25

9th Annual Home Based Business Fair
Meaden Hall. 9am-3pm

Guilds of Christmas Show
Mahon Hall. 10-5.

Christmas Bazaar
Queen Margaret's School, Duncan. 11am-2pm

Calligraphy Series
Fables Cottage. 1-2pm

Random Acts 2
Graffiti Theatre. ArtSpring 8pm

Sean Virgo Reading
SS Books. 3pm

Playback Theatre
United Church. 7:30pm

CFUW Christmas Luncheon
Women of Note. 11:30am

Don Fisher & Chris Kodaly in Concert
Tenor and Piano. All Saints'. 8pm

Sue Newman & Ramesh Meyers
Harbour House Lounge. 9-midnight

Barrington Perry
Soft jazz. Alfresco. 6-9:30pm

Open Studio— Denys James
182 Welbury Drive. 10-5pm

Library Book Sale
Library. 10am-1pm

SS Flying Club
Inaugural Meeting. Ganges Fire Hall. 2pm

Free Intro. to Yoga
Salt Spring Centre. 9:30am

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 26

Guilds of Christmas Show
Mahon Hall. 10-5.

GI Brewery product tasting
Fulford Inn. 6-8pm

Topic of Cancer Geezers
at ArtSpring. 2pm & 8pm

The Other Brothers
Fulford Inn. 6-9pm

Dinner Jazz Peter
Taschuk Trio. Moby's 7pm

Stacey Earle with Mark Stuart Folk & Country.
Fulford Hall. Reception 7:30pm. Music 8:30pm

ANTU Music of S.America.
Beaver Point Hall. 8pm

Open Studio— Denys James
182 Welbury Drive. 10-5pm

GLOSSI Monthly Potluck Meeting.
SS Seniors'. 4pm

Great Bear Rainforest
Forest Action Network Slides. Core Inn upstairs. 6pm

Badminton Club
GISS gym. 8-10pm

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The Wall. 10:30am

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THURSDAY NOVEMBER 30

Guilds of Christmas Show
Mahon Hall. 10-5.

Family Walk
Mouat Park. 10am

Art From Many Lands
Fables Cottage. 3:30pm

Sing Along Group
Seniors' Bldg. 2pm

Salty Wheels Square
Dance Central Hall. 7-9pm.

Community Meditation
United Church. 11:30-12:30pm

SSI Weavers & Spinners Guild
ArtSpring 10:30-noon

MS Society
Seniors' Building. 7pm

Planned Parenthood Clinic
Core Inn. 4-6pm

Flexible Strength
All Saints'. 9-10am

Yoga
Salt Spring Centre. 4pm

Badminton Club
GISS gym. 8-10pm

FRIDAY DECEMBER 1

Secret Auction of Lovely Things
United Church upstairs. 10am-noon

Unicef Sale of Cards & Gifts
Island Savings CU. 10am-2pm

Guilds of Christmas Show
Mahon Hall. 10-5.

Christmas Faire
Beaver Point Hall. 5-9pm

Christmas Fair
Fulford Hall. 5-9pm

Rugger's: Potluck & Support
Family Place. 11:30-1pm

Mosaic Series
Fables Cottage. 3:30pm

Myths & Fairytales for 7-10's
Public Library. 3-4pm

Open Stage
Rose's Cafe. Fulford Harbour. 7pm

Faure & Vivaldi
SS Singers Choral Concert. ArtSpring. 8pm

Barrington Perry
Soft jazz. Alfresco. 6-9:30pm

Step into Shape
All Saints'. 9-10am

The Fitness Recipe
Mahon Hall. 9-10am

Rollerblading to Music
Fulford Community Hall. 7:30pm

SATURDAY DECEMBER 2

Christmas Faire
Beaver Point Hall. 10-5pm

Christmas Fair
Fulford Hall. 10-5

Guilds of Christmas Show
Mahon Hall. 10-5.

Calligraphy Series
Fables Cottage. 1-2pm

Faure & Vivaldi SS
Singers Choral Concert. ArtSpring. 8pm

Celso Machado
United Church. 8pm

Dave Roland & Co.
Harbour House Lounge. 9-midnight.

Pat Webber's Christmas Pottery
425 Stewart Rd. 10-5pm

Library Book Sale
Library. 10am-1pm

Free Intro. to Yoga
Salt Spring Centre. 9:30am

SUNDAY DECEMBER 3

Guilds of Christmas Show
Mahon Hall. 10-5.

Christmas Faire
Beaver Point Hall. 11-4pm

Christmas Fair
Fulford Hall. 11-4

Faure & Vivaldi
SS Singers Choral Concert. ArtSpring. 2pm

The Other Brothers
Fulford Inn. 6-9pm

Dinner Jazz
Moby's 7pm

Advent Lessons & Carols
All Saints' 7pm

Celso Machado Returns
United Church. 8pm

Pat Webber's Christmas Pottery
425 Stewart Rd. 11-5pm

Badminton Club
GISS gym. 8-10pm

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Readings from a book about dying

by Amei Parkes

"May you live forever!" Seán Virgo inscribes in his latest book of short stories. This enigmatic message gives me a chuckle, coming from the 60-year-old author, who has spent the last hour talking to me about death.

But it's no surprise, really. Virgo sees death as an integral part of life—not to be ignored until the heart fails or disease takes hold.

"We prepare best for death by loving life," says Virgo, in the introduction of his new book *A Traveller Came By, a Book About Dying*.

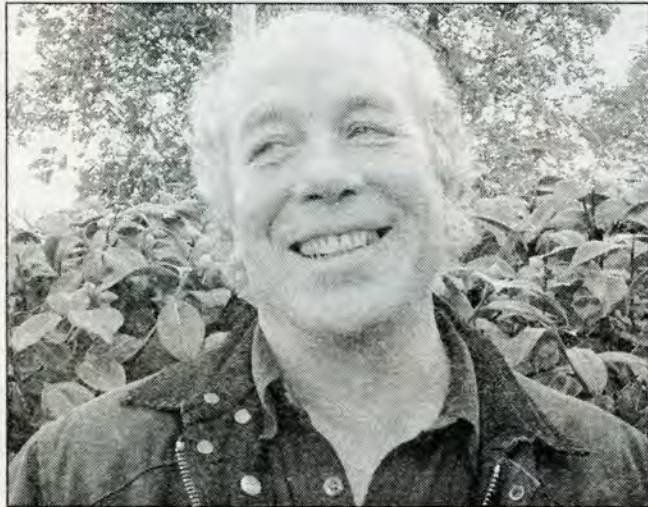
Sound morbid? The cast of characters in the 11 stories are actually teeming with life, and dealing with death through honesty, humour and their cultural beliefs.

Meet the Haida man who utters to his niece, "I'm ready" on his deathbed. Meet the boys who make raunchy jokes in front of an anti-clerical grouch nearing death. Meet the woman who redefines her life after seeing her dead birth mother.

The stories open the flood gates for a rush of other stories. I tell him of my ailing

grandfather, my husband's dead sibling, my step-grandfather's quick battle with cancer. He describes holding vigil at a friend's

their stories with him. And he's pleased. It's another step (after devoting an entire book to the subject), toward crumbling the taboos



Seán Virgo reads from his latest book next Saturday.

deathbed and confronting the fear of dying with a woman who is soon to die.

Conversation with this Saskatchewan-based award-winning writer, who is currently farm-sitting on Salt Spring Island, is remarkably fluid, given the topic at hand.

"Death is the only thing we all have in common—yet society is terrified of it," said Virgo.

He says people now share

surrounding death. As it stands, mention of death makes most people drop their heads and shuffle their feet. Dying people, too, often make excuses for their embarrassed visitors.

"I don't want to pretend death is not heartbreaking," he says. "Let's be connected to this terribly difficult rite of passage."

The whole idea for the book came when he met a

Dutch doctor who works in palliative care. He complained that there were no stories for dying people. Furthermore, the doctor believed that storytelling is vital and healing to the spirit.

"A person should be able to say 'my death' with the same entitlement he or she says 'my life,'" said Virgo.

This empowerment during death and appreciation of storytelling is rife in Virgo's fiction, and also in the affirmative introduction he writes and the short essays preceding each chapter. Here, he drives the story home and deepens its meaning with personal anecdotes.

By the same token, Virgo insists he does not have all the answers.

"I'm not posing as a guru; I'm not guru material and I wouldn't want to be. I'm a storyteller. A good one, I hope," he said.

A damn good one. Seán Virgo is reading and signing books at Salt Spring Books at 3 p.m. on Saturday, November 25.

A Traveller Came By, A Book About Dying. Thistle-down Press. 253 pages. \$18.50.



Join the Other Brothers on their new CD

by Shellyze Szakacs

The gumboot telegraph was burning rubber last week. News got out that the Other Brothers were starting the live recordings of their regular Sunday gig at the Fulford Inn. Word of mouth took to the wind and folks showed up in droves to see The Other Brothers kick off the first of the three live-recording sessions currently planned.

The recording project is tentatively named *The Fireside Sessions* and is scheduled for release early in the new year. The band wants their new CD to reflect the homey, almost old-timey, authentic feel that makes their Sunday evenings at the Fulford Inn such a wonderful musical and social experience for the

players and listeners alike.

The mood was celebratory at the inn. The band performed an hour and a half overtime for the raucous applause and generous tips with which the high-spirited audience reciprocated. A casual observer might have thought the band was plugged in—there were mikes and cords running to the recording table set up across the bar—but the sets were all entirely acoustic, keeping the intimate feel that has characterized this regular Sunday gig.

Despite the presence of the sound equipment, the Other Brothers, a group that prides itself on its audience rapport, was in top form, playing to the audience, fielding friendly heckles,

taking requests and kibitzing each other all through the evening. At one point we heard Dave proclaim—we can only guess to whom—"don't ever do that to me again!" at the song's end. It is that informal, sitting around by the fire with good friends—good enough to razz—feeling that the band hopes to capture on tape.

Musicians Brian "Buck" MacDonald (lead vocals, guitar, mandolin), Dave Roland (vocals, stand-up bass) of the Barley Brothers, Richard Cross, the "other brother" (vocals, guitar and mandolin), and fellow Barley Brother Graeme Maltby (banjo, vocals) who sat in for the entire evening, seemed very pleased with the first effort.

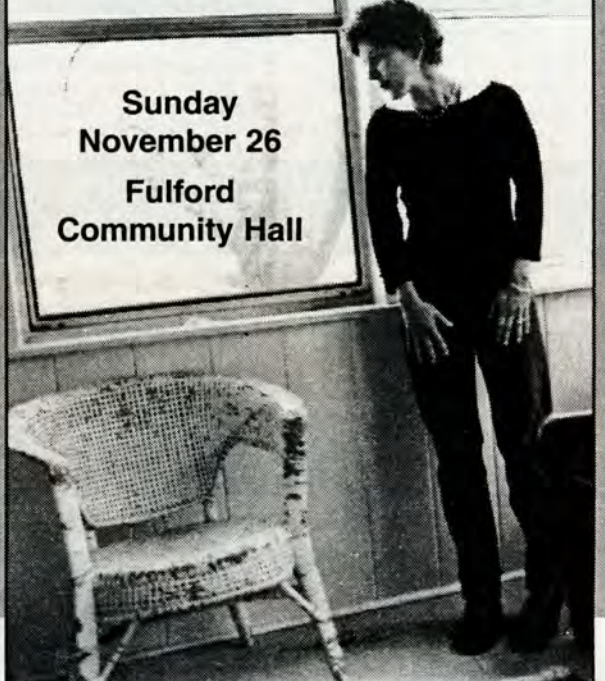
"This Sunday [November

12] was intended as a trial run. We wanted Denis, our sound engineer, to have a chance to work the bugs out and for us to get a sense of the sound we can produce live," said Buck. "All in all it went really well, the audience was great and we are looking forward to the next one."

The next live recording will be this coming Sunday, November 26, from 6 to 9 p.m. The band welcomes all to attend: "Come down, make requests, heckle, it's all in the spirit of the gig and that's what we want to come through on the recording." A third session is scheduled for December 3 and then the band and sound engineer will start culling and selecting the cuts that will make it onto *The Fireside Sessions*.

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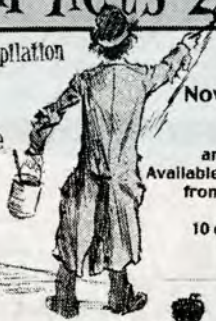
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Community-based justice described

by Gail Trafford

MaryAnne Arcand brought her dynamic presentation to the Community Justice Symposium on Saturday, held at GISS. Arcand has devoted the last seven years to developing a community-based justice system with the Cariboo-Chilcotin First Nations in an area that spans from Williams Lake to Bella Coola.

When she took on the challenge to run the programme, violent crime and an extremely high rate of auto thefts were problems she had to face. Within two years her respectful, community-level programme had begun to show amazing results.

Much of Arcand's work is in the communities creating support for the youth. One element of the programme she developed was to provide new ways for young males to express their initiation into manhood. Rather than stealing a car and taunting the police the youth were offered wilderness challenges and adventure, a positive statement of coming of age.

Arcand is the founder and executive director of Punky Lake, a wilderness rehabilitation camp that offers an alternative to incarceration for juvenile offenders. It provides a stable home for youngsters, many of whom come from impoverished backgrounds. The programme teaches

them life skills and regionally-appropriate job skills. The isolation of the camp helps the youngsters to separate from what may have been harmful influences.

Arcand shared success stories of young people who have been given the opportunity to change their lives and to attain their potential.

community mobilization, developing organization, building policy and fundraising. Her advice to those seeking funds for restorative programmes is, "Just ask." That formula has certainly worked for her.

Arcand's modesty belies the fact that she is a recipient of the Attorney Gener-

leaders of faith, respected elders or community groups. Along the continuum of problem-solving the process may include diversion from the court system, alternate sentence planning, and a victim offender mediation programme, circle of support or post incarceration mediation.

He strongly supported early intervention in problem behaviour. Children should be trained in problem-solving and should be able to use these skills to settle most of their own disputes.

Gustafson shared success stories where offenders were brought from a place of guilt and shame and allowed to take responsibility for their actions and be restored to the community as fully as before their offense. This system also offers the victim of a crime the chance to work through their feelings and to be released from the fear and hatred brought on by the offense.

By starting communication between the victim and the offender, often using videotape to record the offender's answers to the victim's scripted questions, healing can begin. The victim often gains as much as the offender in the process.

The day was concluded with panels from both the First Nations and the Salt Spring Island Restorative Justice groups.



From left: Dan Lee, Sharon Glover, Sgt. Paul Darbyshire, and Meredith Knox at the Justice Symposium at GISS on Saturday.

Her work often deals with life and death issues. She helps set up programmes for suicide prevention and drug and alcohol counselling.

Because crime is a community issue Arcand has developed peace-making circles where everyone involved can work toward healing the victim and the offender. She does not call this "restorative" justice since often the place the offender started is not healthy and no one should be restored to that place.

Arcand specializes in

al's Award for Crime Prevention and Community Safety. Arcand draws on her background in psychology, English, social work and business management.

Dave Gustafson, known in the field as the guru of restorative justice, presented the group with an overview of the programme as it operates in British Columbia.

Gustafson explained the various levels of restorative justice from the grassroots level of problem-solving using community resources such as family members,

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Feel at home at Grandma's

by Gail Trafford

The words "grandma's house" evoke images of hugs, gingerbread, warmth, love and belonging. Memories of grandma's house can nudge a smile out of the most troubled soul.

Many who face hardship in their lives whether caused by poor decisions or bad luck would trade almost anything for a chance to go back to grandma's house even if only for a few days. Thanks to a group of like-minded volunteers there is such a place on Salt Spring Island.

Grandma's House, a retreat, opens its doors to those struggling with economic hardship, failing health, unhealthy relationships, drug and alcohol addiction or mental health problems. Operated by the Salt Spring branch of the Victoria Human Exchange, all the members are volunteers. These people live out their motto: "Every meeting of persons can be an exchange of life's gifts—a Human Exchange."

In 1992 a group of homeless people, seniors, disabled and community workers in Victoria formed the charitable organization, the Human Exchange, to become a family to those less fortunate and to create a community where each shared what they could to make a healthier life for all.

Everyone involved recognized their own weaknesses and addictions but were encouraged to acknowledge the gifts that they could offer back to the community. It was a move away from

top-down problem-solving to mutual support for the benefit of all.

The society has gone on to create a network of retreat houses as well as residential treatment homes for women recovering from addictions. It also runs a programme to put used computers in the hands of low income families and individuals to help them attain computer literacy.

On Salt Spring Island the society has two retreat houses: Grandma's House and Charlie Pyott house. These residences are available on a short- or long-term basis to those in need. Whether it is for a retreat from a difficult home situation, a shelter for the homeless, a place to stay during a medical or study visit to the Island, the doors are open to those in need.

Because many of the retreatants struggle with addictions, drugs and alcohol are absolutely forbidden at all of the retreat houses. Volunteers will advocate for those who need help and Community Services offers drug and alcohol counselling when appropriate.

Staying at the house means sharing, and everyone is expected to put something back into the home: making financial contributions, doing household chores, and caring for the house and grounds. In exchange, there is safe accommodation, many household supplies, recreation equipment and a garden for quiet enjoyment.

Grandma's House and the people connected with the society create an extended family that acknowledges

the gifts that everyone has to offer. Street people need to be treated as individuals and to find their identity in society. They are welcome at the retreat houses and often find new friends who support them as they face challenges. At the retreat houses everyone grows together in a grass-roots system.

Some people are referred to the Human Exchange houses by government agencies. Some residents refer themselves. Brochures at the Tourism Bureau directed at least one woman to Grandma's House.

Fran Thibeau House in Sidney was established in part as a haven for Islanders who missed the last ferry or have to stay overnight for medical appointments, courses or part time work. At a cost of \$10 per night, it is usually within the reach of even the most needy Islanders.

For someone who needs a short retreat to plan for a happier, more creative future or for someone with problems that may take longer to solve, Grandma's doors are open.

The Human Exchange thanks its supporters for past help and is now in need of more help. Anyone wishing to get involved either by donating money, goods or services or by giving time and energy should contact Patricia Fitzgerald at 1-800-691-9366 (after 7:00 p.m. except in an emergency). More information is available online at <http://humanx.org/retreat.html>.

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Salt Spring Sizzles...

with Gail Prior

Spinach-Orange Salad

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| 2 tsp. olive oil | 2 radishes, sliced thinly |
| 1/2 cup coarsely chopped orange sections | 1 green onion, chopped |
| 1/2 pound fresh spinach, trimmed and washed | pinch of black pepper and nutmeg |
| 1/2 tsp. dried marjoram, crumbled | 1-1/4 tsp. white wine vinegar |

Using a medium-size bowl, combine olive oil, marjoram, pepper and nutmeg. Add the orange sections, radishes and green onion. Toss well. Cover and chill in the refrigerator for 3 hours, tossing occasionally. Just before serving, tear spinach into bite-size pieces. Add the spinach and vinegar to the chilled ingredients and toss well. 4 servings.

Mature partiers have 50s fun

by Helani Davison

After five years of talking and planning, a dream was realized last Saturday night. A celebration for everyone born in 1950 (making them 50 years old) was held at Meaden Hall—a communal birthday party.

Chief party organizers Herb Burnett and Dennis Gee described the partiers as an eclectic mix from all walks of life. Some people were lifetime Islanders, while others were relative new-comers. The unofficial M.C., Dave Phillips, stated that it was a little sad to see that most peo-

ple had become too mature. Conversations lingered on retirement packages on one hand and Grecian Formula on the other. The most common phrase overheard was, "I can't read without my glasses."

The party decorating committee, consisting of Shirley Taylor, Karen Mazzei and Dennis Gee, created a festive atmosphere with festoons of balloons and coloured lights. Approximately 40 people born in 1950 and their partners warmed the dance floor with hot Mo-town tunes from the 50s and a mix of sounds through to the 90s. Wilson Pickett

and the Beatles appeared to get the best reaction on the dance floor. Prizes were given for spot dances and anyone born at Lady Minto Hospital. Herb Burnett won a prize for being the oldest 50-year-old (he was born on January 3, 1950) and Shirley Taylor won a prize for the youngest, (she was born December 3, 1950).

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Big Briefs ...

with Helani Davison

Blue Stocking bookkeeping

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Harlan's Candy Corner

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lished both the chocolate factory and the retail store. After 40 years in the real estate industry, Mary Small decided she needed a change and purchased the store.

Now there's another exciting addition to the business. Ille Jocelyn-Grant has come together with Harlan to take over the operations in the factory. Her years of experience in this field stand her in very good stead.

Here's more mouth-watering news. The Harlan's stock is being widened to include new items such as nut brittles and baking chocolate. And there are unique items like catnip chocolates—yes, they're for humans—and moulded items for most special occasions. Could Harlan's Chocolates make Salt Spring the chocolate capital of the world? I dare you to

visit 100 Lower Ganges Road and take a whiff of the delectable aromas.

Louise Goodman art therapist

Louise Goodman, a professionally trained art therapist, has opened her studio providing Salt Spring with an important additional service.

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GISRA draw winners announced

The Gulf Islands Seniors Residence Association (GISRA) have announced the winners of their "Get Off the Rock Draw #2." The first prize—accommodation and breakfast for two at the Latch B & B in Sidney—was won by Connie Hardy. Her package also includes a book of five vehicle tickets for the Fulford to Swartz Bay ferry.

Second prize went to Marjorie Cade. She won a book of ten vehicle tickets. The third prize—a book of ten passenger tickets—was won by Don Layzell.

The association congratulates the winners and thanks everyone who participated, with the reminder that these

raffles are an important fundraiser for GISRA. There will be another early in the New Year; the first prize will provide a lucky couple with a night at the luxurious Chateau Victoria and tea at the Empress Hotel.

Another GISRA fundraiser continues. Tickets for the Meadowbrook playhouse are still available at \$5. They may be purchased from GISRA members, who will be showing the playhouse at various locations around Ganges up until the draw date, November 30. Watch for the playhouse at Ganges Village Market and Thrifty Foods.

Potter leads workshops *cont'd from p11*

the table setting or flower display. Ranging from \$25 to \$80 these beautiful, functional dishes mean that most everyone can enjoy a piece of Denys James' pottery in the home.

As well as working directly with clay, James is a well-respected teacher of the clay arts. His teaching career has included courses at

art schools, colleges and in workshops both at home and away. Six years ago he was asked to instruct at the Instituto Allende in Mexico. That experience seeded the way for his current series of workshops that bring people from all over North America to art and craft rich locations throughout Mexico: San Miguel de Allende (this fall), Oaxaca (in January), and Barra de Potosi (in February).

James says that these workshops are focused on taking people into the artis-

tic culture of Mexico. Participants can live with a Mexican family to learn Spanish and experience the culture while working with the arts in the communities. He points out, though, that these workshops are not purely or necessarily about art: many other activities and events are planned within the framework of each session. James says, "There are valuable opportunities while working in a medium like clay when you are working with a rich pottery tradition all around

you. There's also ample opportunity to visit museums, galleries, local studios—all that stimulates and enhances the experience of learning the craft yourself, or learning about the culture."

There's still space in every workshop session. More information is available by visiting James' web site at www.denysjames.homepage.com, calling him at 537-4906, or visiting the Christmas Show at his studio: 182 Wellbury Drive (off Long Harbour Road).

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FC top Sagres but Old boys lose to Gorge



Sidelines...

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One of the marks of good teams is how they deal with weak or weakened teams. By this test, though, FC's match Sunday left the jury sitting reluctantly on the fence.

Salt Spring certainly started in fine form. Ten minutes in a long Chris Jason free-kick found Harrison Jason's head towering Brobignagian-like over Sagre's Lilliputian defense. Jason headed brilliantly to the foot of Mark Nordine who buried the opener from six yards.

A separated shoulder reduced visiting Lakehill to 10 men just minutes later with fully 75 minutes to play. Given FC's dominance off the start the result should have been settled. It wasn't.

Just past the midway point of the first half Yasumaka Yasushi popped up in the box to capitalize on a terrible defensive zone giveaway and level the score.

As so often happens when playing against 10 men, FC was by turns too patient in attack and too greedy when patience was called for.

FC did manage two very good chances before the break. Josh Byron and Dave McColl set up Harrison Jason for a near miss, and Erik Jorgensen sprung Dion Hackett away only to have his flick round the keeper cleared dramatically off the line.

The second half seemed to be passing in much the same fashion, except that Sagres were gaining confidence and a larger share of the play. FC needed timely tackles from Chris Urquhart, Chris Jason, and Pete Aust to stay even.

Until, that is, Sagre's most dangerous player, Ivica Kar-duh, suffered what is known as a brain cramp after a pretty mild obstruction. While maybe not quite as high up on the Daft-o-Metre as, say, voting for George Bush, it was a rash decision to shout profanities at the official.

Reduced to nine men Sagres could only look on dejectedly as Zolton Kodaly crossed to the far post for Chris Jason to head into the path of Hackett and a 2-1 FC Victory.

It wasn't pretty, but FC are clearly a team that requires a challenge to fire on all cylinders, they may get one next week at Lochside Park against Cordova Bay, Sunday, 2:15 p.m.

The Reds halved their black and white clad visitor's advantage after 35 minutes. Rainer Funk controlled well at midfield, flicked for Chris Cottrell who picked out Dave Norget in the penalty area. Norget's shot ticked off a challenging defender and cleared keeper Ron Forbes' desperate grasp and found the net.

The Old Boys must have felt buoyed by their first half play despite the score. They were easily the more enterprising of the two sides. Gorge had hit well on counterattacks but the Reds controlled most of the play, particularly in midfield. It did not seem beyond their reach to emulate red-shirted Sunderland's Saturday comeback victory over black and white striped Newcastle.

But despite the best efforts of Doug Pearson, Chad Little, Mike Brown, Navid Niazza, Nick Mai, Cottrell, Norget and especially the terrier-like Damien Brazier, the Old Boys could not convert their possession into goals.

Time and again the homeside would work the ball intricately up from the back, employing every man on the field, 10, 15 completed passes strung together, but fail to finish.

Meanwhile Gorge slipped away against the pressing Red tide to score three times, more than cancelling out Chad Little's goal 10 minutes into the half.

A disappointing result but full marks for Salt Spring's technical merit. They are an entertaining team to watch, one can't help but feel their skill will see them alright in the end.

Next Sunday, home to Cordova Bay at GISS, 10 a.m. This will be well worth watching, as both sides always put on a good show.

Old Boys 2, Gorge 5

Sunday a.m. had all the earmarks of an interesting Salt Spring autumn day: a warming sun burning off a lazy morning mist; sheep out for rides in hatchback automobiles; and Gorge in town to face the Old Boys.

Gorge's Kevin Ash nearly ruined the day just seconds after the opening whistle. The hard-shooting Gorge midfielder hit a wet-ball rocket which Old Boy keeper Chris Healey did well to palm wide.

Ten minutes later Ash found the net on a free-kick from 20-yards. Healey, who maintains he gets worse press than Stockwell Day, robbed Ash of a second goal on 18 minutes, then foiled a two-on-two break five minutes later. Mike Hearst gave Healey no chance on Gorge's second, hitting a superb first-time volley off a corner kick.

Sports Pool Includes games played Sat., Nov. 18, 2000

	Total Pts.	This Wk.
GOLF		
1 Toronto.....	203	72
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4 Rangers.....	178	75
5 Hosers.....	177	81
6 Paint Plus.....	172	64
7 Greenwoods.....	165	70
8 Edmonton.....	159	60
9 Islanders.....	154	57
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11 Sleepers.....	134	60
12 Nads.....	132	68
13 Buffalo.....	125	52

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4 Boston.....	170	58
5 Phoenix.....	167	63
6 San Jose.....	166	84
7 Anaheim.....	164	79
8 Edmonton.....	159	77
9 St. Louis.....	150	67
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The senior girls qualified

for a position in the consolation finals, while the junior girls placed second in their heat, qualifying them to advance to the finals.

Despite having to use the the Victoria Rowing Club's older training boats in the fi-

nals, the junior girls managed to keep closed to the more experience competitors, ending up in fifth place overall.

It was a great finish to the girls' short season, which will commence again in the new year.

Referee course offered Sunday

The Salt Spring Youth Soccer Association is offering a Class 5 beginners referee course next Sunday, November 26 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Portlock Park portable The instructor, Tony Troughton, is a

national referee.

The \$35 fee includes course materials and a rule book. Those who pass the course will receive a certificate and badge. They will also receive proper equipment (shirt, socks, whistle, booklet, flags). Successful candidates will be able to referee mini games (for

ages 11 and under) and run lines on other games. They will also be eligible to take the Class 4 exam next year.

Attendees must be at least 12 years old. Anyone interested in learning the course material without becoming a referee can attend for \$15. To register, call Malcolm Legg at 537-4970.

Climbing competition

The first annual Salt Spring Climbing Competition will be held Sunday, November 26 at the Wall. The competition begins at 10:30 a.m.. Prizes will be awarded in categories for 6 to 9 years, 14 to 18 years, and 19 years or older. The competition is meant to raise awareness of the Wall and start the first annual climbing competition for different age groups.

Each age group will have between 30 and 45 minutes to climb as many routes on the wall as possible, with each route awarded a certain number of points. After the time is up the climbers' points will be totalled and the four highest scores will then

move into an elimination climb-off. The participant who can climb the most difficult routes will be awarded the grand prize.

Today, November 21, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., the Wall will be open for practise. Then the wall will be completely re-routed (new holds and routes will be put up) on November 23 and 24. The building will be closed to the public during this time.

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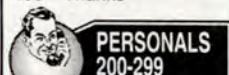
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IN CONCERT. Don Fisher & Chris Kodaly. November 25th, 8:00 pm. Tickets available at Stuff 'n' Nonsense, Acoustic Planet & et cetera.

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DATES: Thursday, December 21, 2000

TIME: 1:15 p.m.

PLACE: Hart Bradley Memorial Hall (Lions Club)
103 Bonnet Ave.,
Ganges

Starting at 1:15 p.m., up to 45 minutes will be available for the public to discuss local land use matters with the Local Trust Committee. Those who wish to present a more formal petition, or make a delegation to the Committee as an Agenda item, must advise Islands Trust staff at least one week in advance of the meeting so that they can be added to the beginning of the Agenda. For information about the Agenda, please call the Islands Trust at 537-9144.

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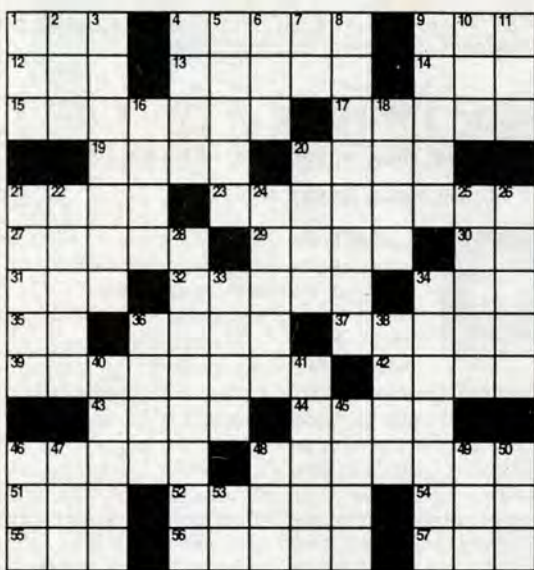
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4 Ascend
9 Agathe or Anne, e.g.
12 Russian space ship
13 Book, in Bonsecours
14 Bachelor abode?
15 Fast food, in Francoeur
17 Shows the way
19 Quebec chanteuse, Celine
20 Shuttlecock
21 Stew
23 Quebec license plate word
27 Fable recorder
29 Quebec First Nation
30 Shoe size
31 Make fabric
32 Montreal Forum, e.g.
34 Fled
35 Promo
36 Zone
37 Exploiters
39 Quebec's official flower
42 Leisure
43 Israeli airline
44 Second hand
46 Shelter
48 The T in P.E.T.
51 Brewery product
52 Assert, in a way
54 Mil. rank
55 Prohibit
56 Quebec major leaguers
57 Juice

DOWN

- 1 Electrical unit
2 De Janeiro
3 Most coarse
4 Muse of history
5 Scottish waterfalls
6 I have, condensed
7 Mister, for short
8 Quebec's Mr. Hockey
9 Shovel
10 Smidgeon
11 Schreyer and Broadbent, e.g.
16 Former Yugoslavian president
18 Neighbor of Ontario
20 Set ablaze
21 Deadly
22 Prepared
24 Main
25 Approaches
26 Word following common and horse
28 A manner of speaking
33 Actual
34 Certain school books
36 Competent
38 Plant
40 Lucky number?
41 Oddity
45 Amounts
46 A Montreal Canadian, for short
47 mode
48 Beer source
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Leo (Jul 23 - Aug 22) Some major shifts in the romance department continue to send tremors. Excitement is an understatement. Some soul searching is uprooting some powerful feelings. Symbolic acts marking points of no return at the epicenter of this one. There is so much that you want to do and say yet you feel blocked to fully speak your mind. You mean business and trust that everyone concerned is listening well. Remember honey works better than vinegar, darling.

Virgo (Aug 23 - Sep 22) The Sun - Pluto conjunction of late is rocking everybody's world and not least of all yours. You are on a bold quest to discover who you truly are. Close encounters with soul mates are proving to be very transformational. The grip of old perspectives must be burned off. Fortunately the fire is white hot. Now is the time to move ahead with your dreams. This is the beginning of the next phase of your journey. Flow with the process, you will emerge as the Phoenix risen from the ashes.

Gemini (May 21 - Jun 20) With the Sun in the sign of Sagittarius, a surge with a transformational purge is washing through your world. A time of healing with a reward of clearer vision is upon you. You are diplomatic yet forward with others. Honesty and clarity are in front row. It is time to dissolve old security fears and build a more solid foundation of trust. Listen pathetically then communicate your own needs, loudly if necessary! Negotiate for a win / win deal and be willing not to settle for less.

Cancer (Jun 21 - Jul 22) Efforts to create a greater sense of balance in your life continue. You feel pressured to go big or go home. It is time to make some key decisions. New turns 'and' events in close relationships are a source of pressure. You have no choice but to come straight from the heart in some real ways. Your spirit has met with your soul, truly a transformational experience. You feel

the wind and flow with the currents, you might need all the help you can get!

Sagittarius (Nov 22 - Dec 21) Your engines are roaring and you are raring to go. A revolutionary pace is making it challenging for you to maintain balance and harmony. There is not much time to sharpen the saw just now. You just might have to cut through with what you have for now. You feel powerful and opportunities are knocking everywhere. You will need some momentum for when Saturn enters Gemini in April 2001 so act on your plans now. Do your homework before you go out and play with your friends.

Capricorn (Dec 22 - Jan 19) An inward journey is guiding you to a purification and transformation process. The burning of old beliefs and attitudes takes energy. A purge period can last several weeks and be done. This is one of those times. If you need to rest more, do so. Nurture your self in all respects. Meditate by the heat of the fire. Let go into the dream lest you resist and it become a nightmare. As you are also empathetic to the experiences of those around you love will still reaction.

Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 18) Wow! Wild times for all. You feel bold, ambitious and determined. You are committed to making measurable changes. You have come into your power in the past year and it is time again to make good of that momentum. Focus on what you know well for now. Social gatherings will prove uplifting. Yet, try to avoid too many activities in a day and use discretion in all communications. Think practically for now. You can throw caution to the wind again in February.

Pisces (Feb 19 - Mar 20) You are on a high and still soaring. This is not to say there isn't any turbulence. Despite the ravaging cross winds you are able to slice through, you know within that you are on to something good and you are confident to soar smoothly and patiently. There is much to learn and you may feel a little overwhelmed by the demands of your destination. Continue to like your self and speak your truth. Many blessings and opportunities are here. Outline your priorities.

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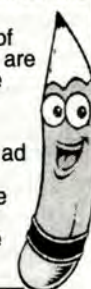
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Rock as Metaphor Helen Ormiston Smith shows in Vancouver

by Elizabeth Courtney

The power of the landscape of one's birth to tug the artist into releasing its song is nowhere more evident than in Helen Ormiston Smith's current show at the Gallery of BC Ceramics on Granville Island, running until next Sunday, November 26.

Not that Smith realised this until she arrived in B.C. from the U.K. where the mountainous terrain recalled the Himalayan grandeur of her childhood in Northern India. She immediately felt a mysterious sense of homecoming, and the preoccupation with the meaning of the "fractures, schism and rift" revealed in an elemental landscape has only become more compelling over time. Classically trained in painting and drawing, it wasn't until she discovered the possibilities inherent in working with clay that her explorations of the tensions and beauty revealed in the naked forms of rock as it responds over millennia to the unseen forces of nature began to acquire a new depth and resonance with her own experience.

Her engagement with the elemental is revealed everywhere. To arrive at her studio, we pass first the nose of an exquisitely built kayak, a gift from her husband which allows her to get up close and personal with the B.C. coastline, as her other passion—hiking—gets her into the mountains. Then we pass an exposed wall of shale, left that way simply because it is so beautiful: something to contemplate while walking from house to studio. Inside the light-filled building with huge glassed garage doors which allow one whole wall to open up in the summertime, a wall of photos and clippings honour her sources. The grandeur of Mount Shuksan, shot in nine or 10 photographs from Mount Baker; a line of standing stones, eloquent in their silence; David Hockney's fractured constructions of the Grand Canyon and London Bridge; walls of columnar basalt, a black Himalayan mountain ridged in the first golden light of dawn; Peter Volkous, the clay artist in the 50s who was one of the first to demonstrate that clay had more uses than mugs and plates; Anthony Caro's monumental steel sculpture.

Her own work is done by rolling out huge slabs of clay onto four four-by-eight tables assembled for this stage of the work. The slabs are then cut and worked with various tools. Slips, stains and glazes are applied before the pieces are fired up to three times, depending on the depth of colour required. Finally they are reassembled into a new configuration of mural landscapes that may be up to nine feet wide and several feet deep. In a somewhat different vein, Smith also throws traditional vessel forms and uses their red earthen surfaces to apply incised and glazed landscape contours. In both media the negative reds of the pots or the negative spaces between the mural forms play a significant role in the compositions.

The show is titled *Rock as Metaphor*, and Smith writes, "The experience of the world is written on the land. Great mountain chains are buckled like spines, monumental landmarks are fractured by a thousand delicate lines, rock faces are scarred and dislocated." She adds, "I've been working in this medium for about eight years now, and I am truly surprised at what I find emerging. I am thinking of coming off the wall, into three dimensional forms." Her jars may be a first modest step in that direction. Judging by her mentors and the generous size of her studio, monumental sculpture may be readying itself to erupt. Meanwhile, her involvement with the paradoxes of power and fragility, strength and vulnerability, continues to fascinate.

Geezers *Topic of Cancer* held over by popular demand

Standing ovations and sold-out houses prompt Filkow and Chalmers to perform two more shows both, on November 26

For all of you who missed the Geezers' latest show—*Topic of Cancer* or *You Can Lick Your Prostate*—don't despair: the show has been held over.

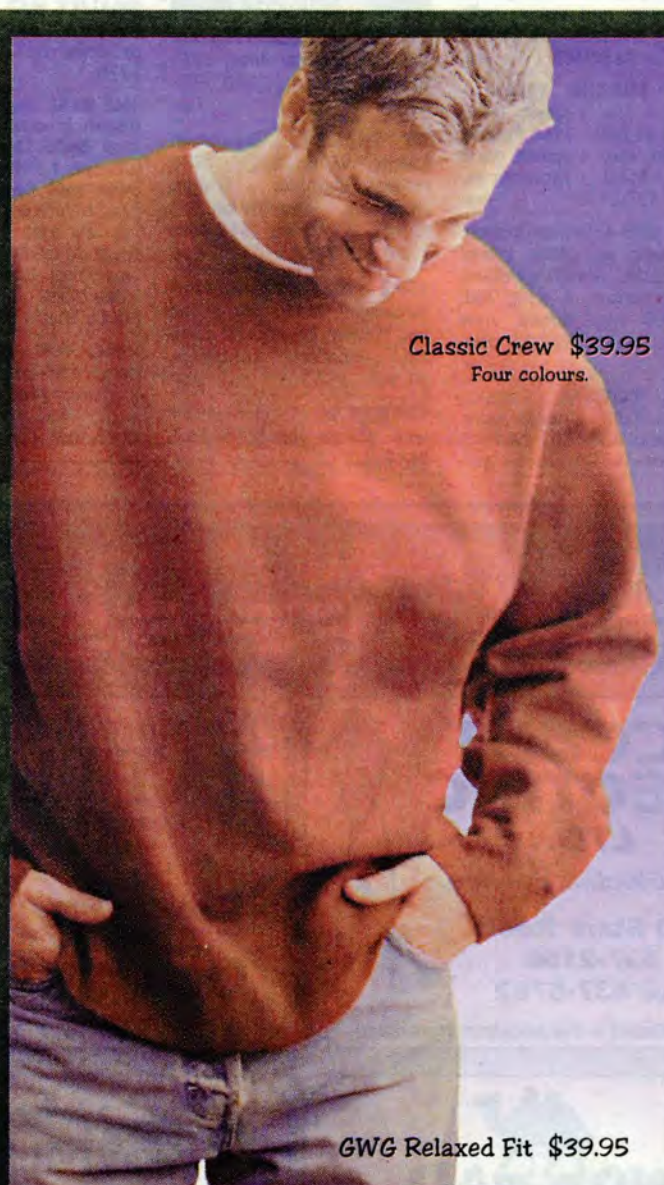
Popular demand, in the form of sold-out houses and standing ovations at all performances to date, have encouraged the Geezers (Arvid Chalmers and Sid Filkow) to remount the show at ArtSpring, November 26.

"We've had great reviews on the street and in the papers," said Filkow. "People are still chuckling over the visuals and the lines."

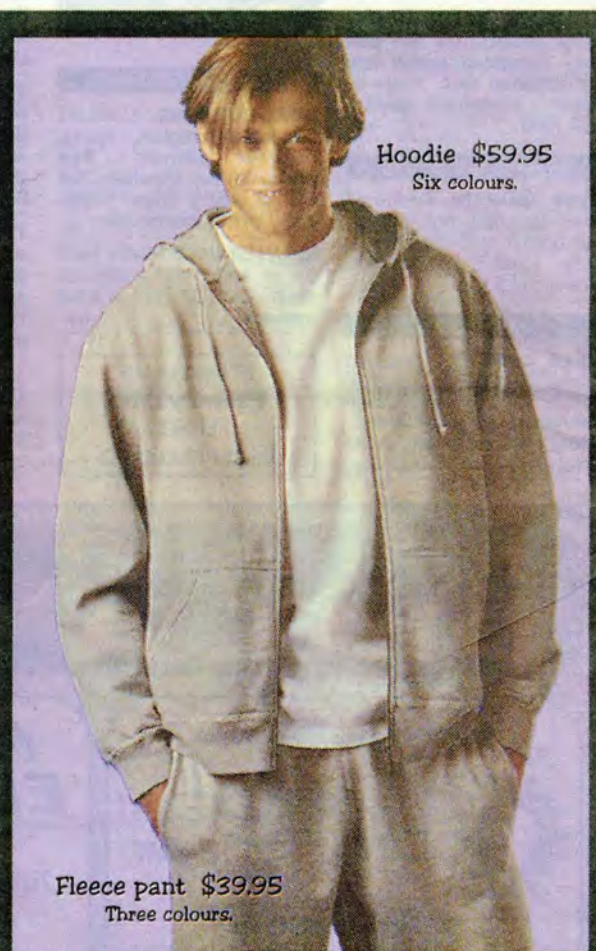
The Geezers will be trying something completely new on November 26—two performances in one day. An afternoon matinee will be held at 2 p.m. and then an evening show—for those who only drive at night—at 8 p.m.

Since all Geezer shows are about 50 per cent improvisation, the content should also be fresh. Filkow said audiences can expect some jokes related to the election and other topical subjects.

He also said a video of *Topic of Cancer* is in the making and should be available soon.



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