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School budget \$5.5 million

The Gulf Islands school budget almost didn't make it off the ground last week when trustees split on the first attempt to name a figure and it was defeated on a tie vote.

The trustees had been considering various items which had been sent back to the budget subcommittee from a previous meeting. They decided to chop additional clerical hours for

expanded library services at various schools. That decision saved \$15,900.

They did, however, accept \$47,135 in other categories which the subcommittee said were needed.

When the vote came it was for the adoption of a 1982 budget worth \$5,525,940. Salt Spring trustees Strick Aust, Charles Hingston and Jack Albhouse joined Mayne trustee Jeannine Dodds in voting yes.

Salt Spring trustees Bert Beitel and Charles Baltzer joined Galiano trustee Jim Ripley and Saturna trustee Elizabeth Bray in voting no.

Pender trustee John Zacharias was absent.

CALLED FOR MORE DETAIL

Several of the dissenting trustees called for more detail on the items in order to decide what could be cut and what couldn't.

Wilf Peck, chairman of the budget subcommittee, said, "I don't know how much more detail you can have. Why can't you make up your minds?"

A motion to cut \$50,000 from the budget was defeated.

A motion to cut \$1 from the budget was unacceptable to the chairman.

A motion to cut \$15,370 from the J section passed. The money would have been spent on capital

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Alternative sewer system proposed

An alternative sewer system for Ganges has been presented to the Capital Regional District Board.

The owners of Pacific Island Estates, a mobile home park on Brinkworthy Road, have proposed "that an adequate treatment plant be built by 23740 B.C. Ltd. (Pacific Island Estates) in consort with the hospitals and schools that would comply with CRD's permit PE5521 as issued by Pollution Control."

The plant, located on either the

park or school property, would treat the discharge from the elementary and secondary schools, Lady Minto Hospital, Greenwood and the mobile home park before being piped to the outfall for disposal in Ganges Harbour.

The owners of the park would pay for trenching from the treatment plant to the outfall. A cost-sharing formula could be worked out to cover the price of pipes, money spent on the treatment plant as well as trenching costs to the plant and monitoring expenses.

The proposal, from Wayne Vleck, a director of the company, noted that with the proposed expansion of the mobile home park by 80 to 100 sites, the soil of the property would be adequately permeable to handle a portion of the disposal requirements of the expansion.

Vleck said that engineering studies had shown that a treatment plant will be necessary to cope with the majority of the discharge.

The proposal, Vleck said, had been discussed with Paul Bartle of the waste management branch of the Pollution Control office, Norman Howard of the CRD, Malcolm Pinteau of Lady Minto Hospital, Wilf Peck representing the Gulf Islands School District and Patrick Brisbane of Talisman Engineering Consultants.

The proposal was necessarily brief, noted Vleck, and was intended to solicit interest from the CRD board.

The matter will come before the CRD's solid waste and sewage disposal committee on February 17.



Driftwood photos by Alice Richards



Kicks lose in Sun Cup play

Weekend soccer action at Portlock Park saw Salt Spring Kicks lose in Sun Cup play to Gordon Head of Victoria. In top photo, left cornerback Peter Schroeder of the Kicks, at right,

tries to check Gordon Head player. Above, Kicks centre forward Paul Cottrell gains control of ball immediately before making pass to Mark Wenzel, who scored Kicks' only goal.

Accident prevention backfires

Even safety devices cause accidents as the Gulf Islands School Board learned last week.

In one of two reported accidents to school children a girl fell on the play area of the Pender School and put a tooth through her lip.

On Mayne Island, a boy cut his shoulder on a metal cover of a thermostat. The cover had been installed to prevent students from injuring themselves.

The Mayne School custodian is studying improvements to the safety cover.

Feelings mixed over questionnaire in schools

A questionnaire circulated to students in Grades 7 to 12 at Salt Spring Elementary and Gulf Islands Secondary Schools achieved unexpected results.

The survey questions, from the Community Society of Salt Spring, were asked of the students in an effort to find the wants and needs of youth on the island.

However, some of the questions upset some parents and the school board did not appreciate finding

out about the questionnaire after it had been circulated.

Wendy Case of the Community Society said that group and several service clubs were intending to develop various programs and services for the use of youth.

Salt Spring school trustee Charles Baltzer said he learned of the questionnaire at a meeting of the Rotary Club where it was discussed. While he agreed with the intent of the questionnaire, the

method used to get it into the school bothered him.

"I didn't appreciate as a trustee, getting it second hand," said Baltzer.

NOT A BIG DEAL

School board chairman, Strick Aust said, "It's not a big deal, and I'm not trying to make it into a big deal."

He questioned how the survey got into the schools and expressed misgivings about some of the

questions.

"How did it get into the schools without board authority?" he asked. When he read some of the questions to the board, several members expressed disapproval over the information being sought.

"This is not the type of thing we want in the school," said Aust. "We must ask ourselves, 'Do we want students to participate?'"

"I consider it an invasion of the personal privacy of the students."

said Aust as he read aloud from the questionnaire.

The first four questions sought information on activities in which the students were participating as well as on the facilities currently available and the use to which they were put.

'WHERE DO YOU GET MONEY?'

Question five asked, "Where do you get your money from?" The

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'Where does sewer stand?'

Directors of the Lady Minto Hospital and Greenwoods want to know what the Capital Regional District is up to with regard to the Ganges sewer.

Letters from the boards of both Salt Spring Island institutions were accepted at the CRD board meeting last week and sent on to the solid waste and sewage disposal committee which meets February 17.

J.M. Edwards, chairman of the board of management of Lady Minto, asked, "My board has been following, with increasing concern, the growing opposition to Bill 31 and accordingly I would request that you appraise us of the amount of actual progress that has been achieved by your engineering department in respect to the installation of the Ganges sewer system."

Lorraine Campbell, president of the Greenwoods society, wrote in reference to published reports of the stop-work orders on the sewer project, "This situation is most disturbing to the board of directors of Greenwoods..."

SIX LOADS PER DAY

The hospital uses a septic field for waste disposal as well as trucking excess waste for disposal elsewhere on Salt Spring. With the wet conditions, the field cannot be used and currently up to six truckloads of waste per day are being taken from the hospital.

The cost of waste disposal runs

at approximately \$7,500 to \$8,000 per month. The figure would be reduced to 0 in the summer when the water table in the area of the septic field is reduced and the field can be utilized.

The letter from the Greenwoods board noted, "In addition to the use of the disposal field, and although conservation measures (water savers in the toilet tanks, etc.) have been put into effect, two loads of effluent are being pumped daily from the septic tank for disposal elsewhere on Salt Spring."

The cost of off-site disposal for Greenwoods is \$2,500 per month.

Greenwoods, with 50 residents needing intermediate or personal care, was built on land leased from the CRD with the expectation that the Ganges sewer would be built.

CONDITIONS INADEQUATE

"Since the building has been occupied, soil conditions have proven inadequate to handle the effluent generated," Campbell said in the letter.

She continued, "Even if the facility had its own treatment plant the problem of disposal of the effluent would remain. This will be a problem for all individual treatment plants in the Ganges area."

Campbell noted that the cost of the proposed community system increases with each delay and urged completion of the project.

"Time is of the essence," she told the CRD board. "Any delay in any part of this project will further increase costs."

The use of a community system as opposed to individual treatment plants would be more satisfactory, she said, as well as offering better monitoring for health standards and total costs.

The hospital needs to expand and plans for that expansion are currently in the development stages, noted Edwards.

"All proposals in our master program are predicated on the assumption that the Ganges sewer system will be installed, therefore freeing up our present septic field for future development," he stated to the CRD in the letter.

LEAST EXPENSIVE

The letter from the hospital board noted that a feasibility study carried out in early 1981 concluded that the sewer system, of all alternatives available, was the least expensive and offered a permanent and reliable solution to the waste disposal problems.

Firewood thieves could be in for a lot of heat

The parks department is angry at losing firewood from Mouat's Park on Salt Spring.

Someone helped himself to about five cords of wood valued at more than \$200 last week. The wood was being stored for use by campers in the summer.

The RCMP say that persons caught stealing firewood from the park will face unexpected heat from the courts.

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Roma Sturdy new member of commission

The Salt Spring Island Parks and Recreation Commission has a new member.

Roma Sturdy will replace Tom Watson on the commission and the approval for the change came from the Capital Regional District last week.

Sturdy, who was unsuccessful in a bid for a seat on the commission at the recent annual meeting of the group, will serve a term until February, 1983.

Watson is principal of the Salt Spring Elementary School and also active in other endeavours. He could not, Watson told *Driftwood*, devote the necessary time which the task required.

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I have a thing against the University of Victoria. I always get lost. I have guides and maps and I examine them whenever I can, but I have never found any place without asking for help. And that's fine during a normal working day. But early Saturday or Sunday morning there's nobody to ask. On Saturday I found myself making the fourth circuit of the campus and still mystified as to where to turn off. So I drove home and abandoned my plans. The campus is a beautiful thing and effective beyond imagining to all who hope to gain a doctorate or better in abstract studies. It is an absurdity for the earthy who rarely explore abstractions and are left to wonder why any sane administration would ignore the simple and straightforward. It is a learning complex: is it ever!

In the ancient days of slow-revving engines and hard tires we called them rev-counters. In the days of piston engines and propellers we called them engine speed indicators. In the days of over-square, high-speed engines, we call them tachometers. The Italians took a short cut. My Fiat tach-counter-indicator identifies nothing. All it shows on the dial is "X 00's". It must be a mysterious message to Women's Lib!

Sunday was Valentine's Day and every heart beat faster. I've had more grief over this popular saint than over any. Thirty-six years ago I asked a young nurse to marry me. I didn't know it was Valentine's Day, but she did. And in the course of a year or so I heard a lot about it. I learned that the date was significant for something and for several years I bought my young wife a birthday present each Valentine's Day. By now I know her birthday and don't make such mistakes, but my life would have been easier if Valentine had been martyred on some date in the autumn.

Civilization is a blind and foolish creature, blundering from one disaster to another. In Central America is a small and bloody state split between philosophies and devoting much of its time and efforts to the destruction of life. And one state is contributing millions of dollars in arms to ensure that death is readily administered while another state works to the triumph of those it sees as the victims of an evil power. And who suffers? Some unfortunate peasant who has never heard of Marx and whose only knowledge of the United States is that is where the dollars come from. Unaware of warring philosophies and uncaring, they must die to prove somebody else's point. We are a wise and learned world, enjoying the benefit of 5,000 years of orderly study. Neither wisdom nor learning has brought us fruit.

I had some work done on my car and the fellow who did the job used a razor blade. Two or three days after the work was completed I drove on to the ferry and noticed something glittering on the hood. There lay the razor blade, unmoved by miles of rushing through a strong, wet wind. I think it must have been a Timex blade.

Advertisement in an automobile paper: "...20,000 kilometres; good miles to the gallon". No matter how you figure metrication you're a likely customer on that one!

Salt Spring Island is the land of bent poles. Anywhere else a pole is untouched or broken after a collision, but recently there have been bent telephone poles all over the place.

I recycle my old papers and bottles. You'd figure by the delivery process that I drank more than I read, but I have a few friends who help me out. They bring their own bottles. And it's a funny thing, you can keep right on drinking after you've been reading heavily. But if you've been drinking heavily, you sure can't read worth a hoot! And that's when I figure it's good being a barber. Like Fred Gilman, he can drop off his papers and his sauce bottles every time he goes to work right opposite the recycling shed!

Boondocks? Why, sure! Joan Hayward looked it up in Reader's Digest dictionary and found it straight away. U.S. slang, she learned, an uncivilized, out-of-the-way or backwards area. Her dictionary associates it with the Tagalog, or Malayo-Polynesian language, for mountain, bundock. K.B. found it in the Merriam Webster pocket dictionary: rough country filled with dense brush. Or, a rural area. K.B. also checked out his own selected word, boondoggle, a useless or wasteful product or activity. He identified boondoggle with the Ganges sewer and with the federal and provincial governments. But nobody has shot me down with a bundock. Not yet.

Once upon a time there was a large, sprawling municipality near Victoria and one ward wanted out. The municipality was Saanich and the ward was Ward Six, later to be known as Central Saanich. Saanich was loath to see Ward Six go and Ward Five, which embraced the area around Cordova Bay, was making noises to follow Ward Six out of the fold. There were loud exchanges and reams of words exchanged in the debate and finally Ward Six became Central Saanich. As a young reporter I attended all the preliminary meetings and when Central Saanich was a municipality I attended council meetings lasting into the early hours. Reeve Sydney Pickles was not the easiest man to cope with. Everything had to go his way and it was usually the right way. But right or wrong it had to be the way. After a start in fury and furore, Central Saanich settled down to become a pleasant district municipality in the centre of Saanich Peninsula. It was, of course, foolishly named. There was already the municipality of Saanich and East Saanich, and West Saanich. With Central Saanich we had North Saanich Saanich, Central Saanich, South Saanich, Saanich, East Saanich and West Saanich. And I guessthey still have. For the past weeks I have been working in Central Saanich Municipal Hall and it's like slipping back into another era, among once-so-familiar faces and places. I've been living nostalgia.

Questionnaire circulated

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students were asked to check one or more of the following answers: parents, steal, work, borrow or other.

For the question of where the money was spent the students had a variety of answers from which to choose, including dope and alcohol as possible expenditures.

The students were asked about the use of alcohol, either personally or in the home, with the emphasis of family use geared to problems of abuse.

Another question asked, "Which of the following have you used in the past three months?" The choice was among pot, hashish, hash oil, mushrooms, LSD, pills, up'ers (sic), downers, glue, cocaine, heroin and coffee.

Sexual activity was also asked about in reference to birth control methods.

The remaining questions concerned the attitudes and outlooks of the students.

The questionnaires were to be anonymous with the only identifying aspect being by age, grade and sex.

UP TO PRINCIPALS

Charles Hooper, the new superintendent of schools, said he was concerned with some of the questions but could do nothing about it because it was up to the principals of the schools to allow the questionnaire or, if they had reservations, to check with him about it.

Neither of the principals, Bob McWhirter of GISS nor Tom Watson of SSE, brought the matter to the attention of the superintendent.

Watson said he had grave doubts about allowing the survey into the elementary school. "My instinct said it was wrong," said Watson, "but I allowed it because the intentions seemed good."

He did, however, insist that the survey be given only to the Grade 7 students. The Community Society had wanted to include the Grade 6 pupils as well.

Bob McWhirter said he permitted the questionnaire in the high school because "I didn't see anything wrong with it."

McWhirter said he supported the society in their efforts to find solutions to problems facing youth.

ABORTIONS 25% OF TOTAL

He outlined some of the problems which are part of the young people's lives. Abortions among 14 to 17-year-old girls are 25% of the total on Salt Spring, he said. Students at the high school, are also troubled with venereal disease as well as problems with the use of drugs, said McWhirter.

He defended the personal

questions on the survey as a means of the Community Society finding out what type of person they were dealing with.

He said the results would identify problems by age group and outline trends in problems areas.

The questions may have been worded poorly, said McWhirter, but he supported the concept. It had not been given to the students as part of their regular class time, he added.

The results were supposed to help the society identify problems but *Driftwood* has learned that a number of students did not take the questionnaire seriously.

COMPARED ANSWERS

On a recent ski trip to the mainland, students compared answers and commented upon the fact that many of them only

admitted to the "bad things" even if they themselves did not indulge.

The students on a bus trip from school to home decided to answer the questions in a similar manner, checking only negative responses.

The school board will attempt to develop a policy to deal with such requests for information. Aust said he doubted the survey results and was concerned about the negative aspects on attitude it may have generated among students.

Some of the older students may have been firm enough to say the questions as applied to them were no one's business, said Aust, but he felt that some of the younger pupils would feel compelled and intimidated because the school was involved.

"My concern is if we expect these people to act as young adults, then we should treat them as young adults," said Aust.

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A number of questions

The students at Gulf Islands Secondary School have been presented with a questionnaire covering a wide range of activities, ranging from the use of drugs and indulgence in sex to attitudes towards parents and teachers.

Many of the questions raised will be deemed by some parents to be socially unacceptable and others might be deemed to cover matters which are of general acceptance.

The questionnaire has been distributed by the Salt Spring Island Community Society with the intention of ascertaining what island students need and how it might be offered. But the list of questions has not been warmly received.

Trustees of Gulf Islands School District have challenged the distribution of any literature through the schools without the prior approval of the board. Some parents will feel that a series of questions of so revealing a nature might better have been read by them before being circulated among their children.

The questionnaire has been prepared and distributed with the best of intentions. There are, however, two aspects which merit very close examination.

There is a definite danger of the questionnaire being interpreted as sanctioning the activities it enquires about. The parallel possibility is, of course, that of collusion among students to ensure that the answers are salacious rather than accurate.

The second aspect is that the questionnaire has to be gathered and analyzed before it can be of value. The value of the questionnaire lies in its acceptance by students and adults. The student must accept it at its face value and answer it scrupulously despite the nature of its enquiries. The summary of the questionnaires returned must be prepared and analyzed by an authority competent to translate the answers into a program. And the community must be prepared to accept the questionnaire and its analysis.

It remains to be seen whether these conditions will be met to the extent that a valuable and usable program will develop from what must, even today, be considered a highly controversial style of enquiry.

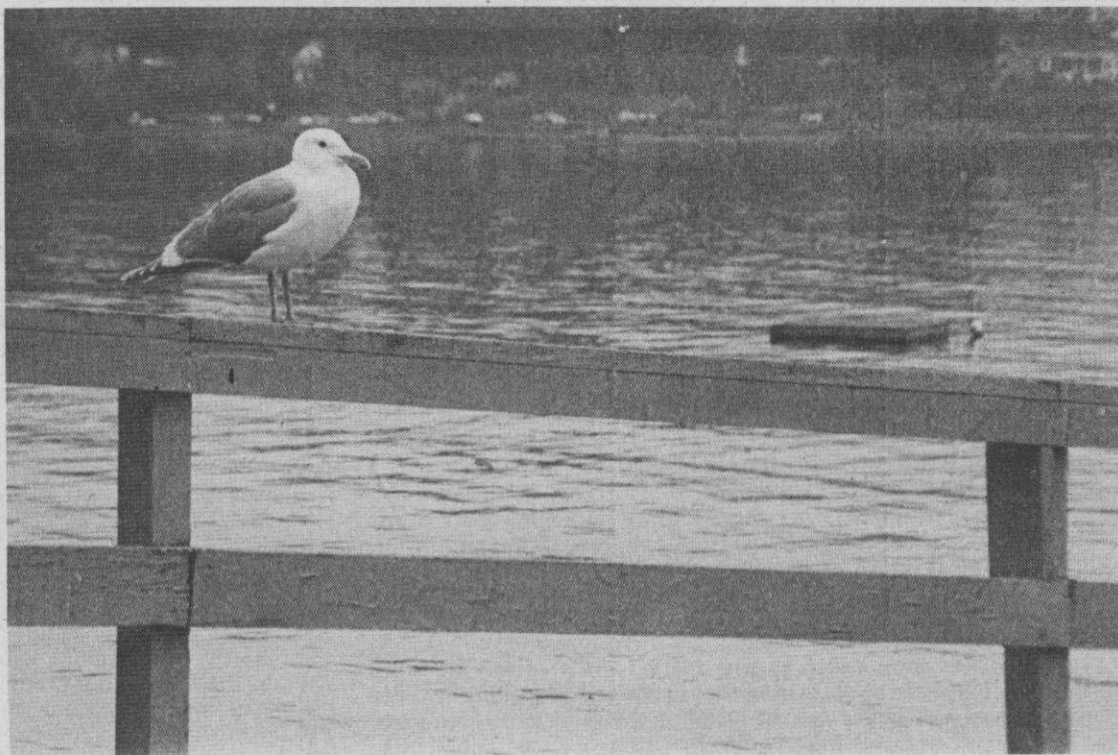
Utility construction

Several years ago the residents of Salt Spring Island were informed that B.C. Hydro was entitled to build new storage and office facilities in a location on the island not approved for the purpose under current zoning regulations. It was further explained that Hydro does not require to conform on the grounds that utilities must be placed where they are needed and not where others might expect to find them.

The Crown corporation, however, did not proceed with its plans and the Rainbow Road facility was renovated to meet the current needs.

There should be no provision in provincial zoning regulations empowering a utility to build its offices where it pleases. It is very simple to understand the need to locate poles, transformers and generating plants on the only possible site. But the location of a structure to accommodate staff should be where the community wants it located and not even a Crown corporation should be so powerful that it can build exactly where it pleases.

It is time the minister glanced at such sweeping and unnecessary powers while he examines zoning and planning in the province. It is entirely without justification.



Driftwood photo by Bill Webster

Waiting for the ferry is a common occupation of islanders.



Bill Webster

History is full of funny happenings

History deals with shifts and eddies of power but all too often neglects the common folk who grind a living from day to day.

In recent years, writers and historians have begun a process of looking at great events through the eyes of those common people to see how they reacted.

Pierre Berton, for one, has brought Canadian history to a legion of citizens who were bored to sleep by the drone of dusty facts and dates when the teacher attempted to instill what had gone before into the heads of those who would go ahead.

Louis Bolivar-Finchley has often attempted to drum the humour of events into my skull. "History," he said, "is full of funny happenings and the lament of history is that so few know of the goings on."

Louis related the story of George Francis Train whose claim to fame resulted from being the first to operate horse-drawn streetcars, in both Britain and the United States. **ALMOST CONQUERED B.C.**

Train should be remembered, said Louis, as the man who invaded and almost conquered British Columbia.

Train was much taken by the aspirations of the Fenians who wanted to take Canada for the Irish. He decided to muster an army and invade Vancouver Island for settlement by displaced Irish in 1869.

He was to build a bridge across the Strait of Juan de Fuca, march his troops across and burn the bridge behind him.

The idea didn't catch on so Train caught a boat and became a one-man invasion force. He landed in Victoria in the early morning to be greeted by a lone reporter.

Needless to say, but I'll say it anyway, Train was disgusted. Victorians slept too late in the morning, he claimed, and the Island wasn't worth the effort. He caught the next boat and sailed home.

Eccentrics abound in the history of this great nation, said Louis.

TIED TOGETHER BY A SPIKE

The tying together of Canada came as a result of the construction of the national railway. The last spike was driven into the roadbed at Craigallachie, B.C., in 1885.

Well, not the last spike, it was more like the third last spike. The first last spike bent when Lord Strathcona whacked at it with the sledge hammer.

That last spike was replaced by another which the good Lord managed to drive home. The CPR president, worried that souvenir seekers might tear up miles of track to find the last spike, replaced it with an ordinary last spike but wouldn't say exactly where it was.

The sledge and the second last spike disappeared and were never seen again.

And the CPR also had an interesting inaugural run. The wife of our first prime minister was taken with the beauty of B.C. as the train chugged through the mountains.

PERCHED ON COWCATCHER

Lady Macdonald decided to view the vistas from the cowcatcher at the front of the train. For 600 miles, people were startled to see a lady, complete with parasol, perched on the cowcatcher, waving friendly greetings to all who would wave back.

She served tea, rode through a forest fire and would not come down until the train reached Port Moody.

Sir John apparently soothed

his nerves with the appropriate tonic.

—And that same railroad instigated another amusing paragraph in the story of Canada.

In 1921, two otherwise sane residents of Halifax were taken by the adventure to be had on a walk to Vancouver along the railway tracks. They started out at a brisk pace.

Two other people decided the walk would be fun and they also started out. A man and his wife joined the march. One of the first pair, disgusted that the jaunt had become a race, dropped out but the other five continued.

FROM SEA TO SEA

They walked and walked and walked. For six months and 3,600 miles they put one leg in front of the other until they had ambled from sea unto sea.

Actions are not the only amusing things in Canada's story. We have also heard some quotable quotes in our years of existence. From Laurier's, "The twentieth century belongs to Canada," to Joe Clark's, "Sure I can win this election," the path of our history is littered with inadvertent humour.

In 1901, just as Canada began to face its century, a school teacher from Michigan rode a barrel over Niagara Falls. Mrs. Annie Taylor carried an anvil for ballast as she bobbed the rapids and the big drop.

When they fished her out, alive but shaken, her words were, "Nobody ought ever to do that again."

Which is as good a comment on history as anyone has spoken.

I was truly amazed at Louis' grasp of the little things of our history. Until I began reading *Quick Canadian Facts* for information and saw the stories printed there.

Letters to the Editor

Haphazard charity is one name for it

Sir,
I feel I have to reply (somewhat belatedly) to Virginia Newman's letter of January 27 criticizing Foster Parents Plans as "unjust charity".

As a family we have had a "foster child" for two years now, through Foster Parents Plan of Canada, a most reputable body with agencies in many countries. Of our contributions 85.7% is sent overseas for direct material and financial aid. The programs are in countries not yet rich enough to

Slugs say thank you

Sir,
On behalf of the Slugs I would like to publicly thank the many individuals and businesses who helped to make the First Annual Slug's Valentine Ball such a tremendous success.

In particular the efforts of *Driftwood*, Salt Spring Lands and Joanne Moger of Flowers and Wine in promoting, and the advice and assistance of the local RCMP, were greatly appreciated.

Many thanks also to the many who attended. Stay tuned, we'll be bringing you another spectacular some time in April.

IAN JUKES for the Salt Spring Slugs,
Box 1328, Ganges,
February 15, 1982.

keep their own poor, and in fact started in Europe after the Spanish Civil War.

Our "foster daughter" is called Martha. I cannot grasp in a personal way the needs of "starving millions", in the face of such desperate vastness my mind tends to shrug away, "What can I do?"

I can, however, relate to one family and we have come to know this family well. We exchange letters, and frequently photos and drawings every month. "Strong hugs and kisses to you, dearest foster mother," she writes back through an interpreter. Her mother enquired with great tenderness when I was pregnant and her father reports on her doings at school.

Martha wants to be a doctor. As it stands she would have no chance. Government school ends at 12. She would never break out of the cycle of poverty, poor education, low employment level.

We have the chance to help her get a secondary education.

I would suggest that this would contribute immeasurably, to the community as a whole by providing their own people to help them.

We cannot all be Mother Therasas, but somewhere in Equador there is a family (indeed a whole area, as Plan personnel work in areas rather than the odd family) who knows that among the faceless "fat cats" there is another family who cares, just as we know that among the "teeming poor" there is a little girl called Martha and her family who "with a loving hug and kiss across the miles" as she writes, are very much a part of our lives.

"Unjust or haphazard charity" is one name for it. I prefer to call it love.

SUE YARDLEY and FAMILY,
R.R.1 Fulford Harbour,
February 10, 1982.

Tremendous contribution

Sir,
Many thanks for the following businesses, organizations and individuals for their tremendous contribution to the Career Education 12 Work Experience Program.

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Thanks again.
SCOTT BERGSTROME and the Career Education 12 Class,
Gulf Islands Secondary School,
February 15, 1982.



Tony Richards

I HAVE BEEN asked where we got the photograph of Pat "Mad Dog" Gaines which appeared in last week's paper. The cutlines, of course, contained not a shred of truth.

The member of the Slugs hockey team was not being questioned by reporters about his prowess on the ice, but was playing charades at a Christmas party when the photo was taken.

A FRIEND WAS RELATING his experiences on a recent ski trip after I mentioned the hazards involved in getting oneself off a chairlift.

Arriving at the top of the lift, the fellow he was riding with failed to raise the tip of one of his skis in time and it caught under the lip of the platform. Almost immediately there was a sharp crack as the tip of the ski broke off.

As they got out of the chair and skied off the other end of the platform, the lift attendant looked with surprise at the broken ski.

They headed on down the slope without further incident, other than the fact that it proved a little difficult to get around on slightly more than 1 1/2 skis.

So when they arrived at the bottom of the hill my friend's friend promptly broke the tip off his other ski, to give himself a matching pair.

Back on to the chairlift they went but it wasn't long before the fellow with the shortened skis began to feel intense pain in his ankles as the aft ends of his skis were hanging down. He resolved that problem by hooking his poles on to the skis to home them level.

When they got to the top, they were greeted with a look of utter amazement as the attendant spied the skier again, this time with two short skis.

I DON'T KNOW if one Salt Spring Islander had a similar experience at Blackcombe last week but I did hear that there were some hilarious moments when Gil Humphreys got on skis for the first time.

I heard the skiing was great but I don't know if

Gil discovered anything more than the fact that snow is cold and wet when you spend any amount of time lying in it.

He should have had some good lessons though. His instructor was former ski champion Nancy Greene Raine.

A FRIEND VISITING the island this week was complaining about the difficulties in obtaining money in a strange town without a credit card.

At one bank all he had was a cheque to draw on his account in a Ganges bank. He needed a certain number of pieces of ID containing his photograph and signature.

No problem, said he, with a smile and brought out, among other things, his Gulf Islands residents' identification card.

But it's expired, said the teller, pointing to the expiry date which was back in 1977.

And despite my friend's insistence that although his card may have expired, he had not, the teller refused to accept the card as ID even though the photograph was obviously his and it bore his signature as well.

Cheques are virtually useless nowadays when you're in a strange town but the power of the credit card is almost unlimited. Especially when you're a big spender and then the card has supreme power over you too.

AS LESS AND LESS PEOPLE are rolling their own cigarettes these days, the purchase of cigarette papers becomes more uncommon — by tobacco smokers, that is.

I've been rolling my own for about 10 years now, not because I'm stingy but because they make a better cigarette.

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Chairman and Trustees,
School District 64.

Sir,
The public opposition to the proposed 30% increase in the School budget was too little and too late. However, in spite of the fact that it was reduced by only \$15,000 and a \$5,510,570 budget was passed by the Board I was not entirely discouraged.

The initial budget was rejected by four trustees, necessitating some revision, and it was heartening to hear them say that they found it difficult to accept the need for a 30% increase, but on short notice, they could not recommend, in good conscience, significant cuts without jeopardizing worthwhile programs.

I can appreciate their dilemma because the district's inflated expenses result from a lack of fiscal control over a number of years and cannot be corrected overnight. To have done so would have been irresponsible and I respect the good judgment of the trustees for not yielding under pressure. Further, even though we are stuck with a 30% budget increase, the public can take some comfort in the fact that we have a conscientious group of trustees under the leadership of a very able chairman, Strick Aust.

This Board will, however, be obliged to effect meaningful economies in the coming year.

There is no doubt that because of water taxis and the geographically fragmented nature of our district that our expenses are somewhat higher than some other districts, but this cannot excuse entirely our excessive departure from standards that prevail in other districts in the

The Board should not accept a 13.52 pupil teacher ratio when the Provincial average is 16.64, since this costs the district approximately \$140,000 for every percentage point below the average.

The Board has an obligation to bring this district reasonably in line with Provincial Averages, and the public will watch to see that this is done.

P.A. TIERNAN,
Old Scott Rd.,
Ganges,
February, 1982.

'A lot of dumbbells?'

Sir,
Just attended another meeting of the Galiano Trust and I just scratch this old bald head, lose another hair, and wonder what it's all about.

One member from Pender, one from Bowen and another from some other island informed us they would honour us with their presence four times a year. We, on Galiano, must be a lot of dumbbells when we can't run our own business in a nice, cosy, efficient manner.

Why do we waste our monies to bring in outsiders to sit and refer our problems back to our own planning committee while we sit and watch them wrangle over procedure. Boy, it's time for a change.

Please stay home, fellows, and look after your own flocks.

CHAS. J. GARDNER,
R.R.1 Galiano,
February 12, 1982.

More letters on Page Six

More Letters to the Editor

Acts of kindness don't go unnoticed

Sir,
Two things occurred to me the other day. One is that I can write on subjects other than sewage disposal and the other, that I have a good reason for doing so.

As many of you know, I was stricken with a rare degenerative nerve disease several years ago and have been confined to a wheelchair for over a year. Being physically restricted is, if I may use the vernacular, the pits. However, there are compensations and one is the slowing of time and compression of space, which allows me to experience more of an essential goodness in my fellow humans.

I am particularly blessed in living within a caring community. Every waking day I am bestowed with some kindness by Salt Springers young and old. So to let you know that these acts don't go unnoticed, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank some of you publicly.

Special thanks go to Dr. Cheryl Levitt and Dr. Ron Puhky for their time and patience and to Dr. Hugh Borsman for his care of my wife; and to the Community Society, the Planning Association and the Sewer Alternatives Committee for believing in me; to my opponents for hearing me out; to special friends and to those in the E.A.S.E. Program, who share my faith that all things are possible and that I will be restored to health; to Reverend Al Skinner and all at Ganges United for spiritual guidance and support; to each and every one who takes the time to wave or stop and say "hello" and who offer assistance; to all of these and more, I thank you.

Finally, I wish to thank my wife, Sarah, for her faith and her caring. To all the wonderful people, who showed they believe in us by sharing our wedding day, we extend our warmest affection. We pray that you are as happy as we

are.
Blessings on you, Islanders, for your kindness, your affection and your love.
DAVID SKINNER,
R.R.1 Ganges.
February 15, 1982.

Co-operation appreciated

Sir,
May we, through the courtesy of your newspaper, say thank you to all our customers who were so understanding during the time of our problem with the main break in the Cranberry.

We would like to say how much your co-operation in limiting your use of water was appreciated and made it possible for us to keep almost everyone supplied during this most trying time. Once again, thank you all very much.

ELLEN BENNETT,
For the Trustees and Staff of the North Salt Spring Waterworks District.
February 15, 1982.

Smoking restrictions are announced by Lady Minto

The board of directors of Lady Minto Hospital has decided to clamp down on smoking.

Last week the board announced restrictions on smoking in the hospital.

Ambulatory in-patients will only be permitted to smoke in the sun room, while bed-ridden patients will only be allowed to smoke while under supervision, provided their physicians give

written orders permitting them to do so.

Out-patients will only be able to smoke in the lobby and visitors will be requested to refrain from smoking while in the hospital. All the corridors in the hospital are to be designated non-smoking areas.

Bus service would be free

There was one omission from the story last week concerning the proposal for bus service for senior citizens on Salt Spring Island.

The service, which is under study by the local branch of the Royal Canadian Legion, would be offered free to those eligible.

Senior citizens are being invited to fill in a questionnaire on the subject, which appears again this week on Page Three.

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Any commercial hog producer in the Province of British Columbia operating as such as of the 1st day of February, 1982, is entitled to vote to approve or reject significant amendments to the "British Columbia Hog Marketing Scheme". Pursuant to the "Natural Products Marketing (British Columbia) Act (RSBC 111, 1974)":

A "Commercial Hog Producer" is defined as a person, partnership or corporation with "facilities" able to produce 300 or more pigs per year. Such "facilities" include a piggery under construction for which a building permit was issued prior to the 1st day of February, 1982.

A copy of the "British Columbia Hog Marketing Scheme" and proposed amendments may be inspected at the office of the B.C. Hog Marketing Commission at 2564 Montrose Avenue, Abbotsford, B.C., at any general meeting of the B.C. Pork Producers Association, or obtained by submitting a written request to the undersigned.

In order to be eligible to vote a producer must register with the undersigned on or before March 12, 1982. Any registration letter post-marked later than that date will not be accepted for registration unless sufficient reason is given in writing.

If you have not received a registration form by mail, please request one in writing from the undersigned as soon as possible.

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THE CONSTITUTION

Why natives, women and Quebec are unhappy

Second of four parts
BY BILL WEBSTER

While the debate on the document droned on in Westminster, Canada's native people are upset. Canada's women's groups are upset. Quebec's government is upset.

And the causes of the upsets are entwined in the Constitution Act, 1981.

A group representing Indian nations from British Columbia, Alberta and Manitoba is currently petitioning the British courts for protection from the constitution. They are leery of losing their rights as outlined in various treaties.

The native people want assurances that claims as stated in the Royal Proclamation of 1763 and the more than 100 treaties which resulted from that document will be honoured.

Under the heading Rights of Aboriginal Peoples of Canada in the constitution, the words state: 35 (1) The existing aboriginal and treaty rights of the aboriginal peoples of Canada are hereby recognized and affirmed.

Subsection (2) defines Canada's native people as Indian, Inuit and Metis.

The word "existing" worries Indian representatives.

RIGHTS HAVE BEEN ERODED

Jim Manly, MP Cowichan-Malahat-The Islands and NDP Indian affairs critic in the House of Commons, said the existing rights of native people have been eroded more than somewhat from the original intentions of the treaties.

He would like to see concrete assurances that the original rights will be seriously considered in any dialogue between the government and the native people.

"Given Canada's sense of justice," said Manly, "the government could change native rights unilaterally."

Part of those rights include land claims as set out by the Royal Proclamation and implicit with the claims are questions of natural resources. Provinces such as Alberta are less willing to let go of the land or the natural resources.

Land claims by the native groups total 1.8 million acres and touch every province and territory in Canada except the three lower Maritime provinces.

NO TREATIES

With more than 500,000 Indians, Inuit and Metis in Canada, another sticky point of friction deals with the fact that at least half of the native people belong to nations which have not signed treaties. The Inuit fall into that category and those who do are worried.

Section 36 (1) and (2) set out the requirement of a constitution conference within a year of the

coming into force of the Canada Act. Those talks must deal with matters affecting native rights and stipulations are made that representatives of native groups must be invited.

Section 25 reads: The guarantee in this Charter of certain rights and freedoms shall not be construed so as to abrogate or derogate from any aboriginal, treaty or other rights or freedoms that pertain to the aboriginal peoples of Canada including (a) any rights or freedoms that have been recognized by the Royal Proclamation of October 7, 1763; and (b) any rights or freedoms that may be acquired by the aboriginal peoples of Canada by way of land claims settlements.

HISTORY OF BEING STUNG

Indian leaders, remembering a history of being stung by dealings with various Canadian governments, want the British Parliament to spell out and enforce the protections promised by treaties stemming from the Royal Proclamation.

Manly wants to take native

representation at the conference one step farther and have native women attend. They are, said Manly, discriminated against by various sections of the Indian Act and they need protection under the new constitution.

But native women are not the only females in Canada feeling shortchanged by our charter of rights and freedoms.

The constitution mentions briefly that rights and freedoms

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Students help Heart Fund

The winners of the Heart Fund-Rotary poster contest and the judges pause for the flash in front of the display of entries. Standing from left, Phil Valcourt of Rotary, Caroline Hamilton, art instructor at the high school, Reg Ashwell of the Pegasus Gallery and George McEwen of the Heart Fund. Seated are three of the four winners: from left, Bob Leader, third prize winner; Ellen Box, first prize; and Tracy Pring, second prize. Debbie Cruickshank, who shared third prize, was absent. The winning posters were created by: top left, Ellen Box, who won \$25; top right, Tracy Pring, who won \$15; bottom left, Bob Leader, who won \$10; and bottom right, Debbie Cruickshank, who won \$10.

Rod broken, not taken

Last week, *Driftwood* reported a court case involving Salt Spring Island resident Thomas Arthur Moulton.

Moulton had been accused of, among other things, breaking into a boat at the dock at Port Washington, Pender Island. Part of the claim for damage against Moulton from that incident was for replacement costs of a fishing rod.

Court was told that Moulton had taken the rod, an act which he denied. The judge did not accept Moulton's denial, but nor would he accept the claim for replacement costs of the rod.

The owner of the boat which had been broken into contacted *Driftwood* this week to say that the fishing rod had not been taken. It had been stepped on in the incident and broken which was why the damage claim had been submitted.



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Satirical performer at Ganges

The songs and satire of Mike Absalom will entertain — and educate — islanders in Ganges next Tuesday.

Described as a "unique satirical performer", Absalom, who accompanies himself on guitar, has developed a technique of educating through a combination of lecture and song.

He has taught and entertained in several countries in Europe since receiving his bachelor of arts from Oxford University in 1962. He later went on to gain his MA.

He has been featured on TV and radio networks in England and Canada and at one time was employed as the warm-up act for the studio audience of *Monty Python's Flying Circus*.

Absalom will stage an hour-long lecture-concert entitled *The Beaver and the Bear* before elementary school students in Ganges. The story traces 100 years of British Columbia's history in story and song from the European voyages of discovery in the late 18th century to the coming of the railway in 1885.

At the secondary school, Absalom will draw on his experience with the Monty Python show, exploring the uses of satire in the teaching process with his presentation, *Seriously, I'm Joking*.

He will deal chiefly with the fields of English literature, drama and creative writing.



Photo by David Reid

Mike Absalom

On Tuesday evening at St. George's Church hall the public will be treated to funny and satirical songs, verses and anecdotes which he has written and performed for radio, TV and stage concerts during the past 20 years.

Tickets for the evening show will be available at the door for \$3. The charge for students and old-age pensioners is \$2. The programs are being co-sponsored by the schools and the Community Arts Council.

Pensioners active at Salt Spring

The Salt Spring branch of the Old Age Pensioners' Organization got the new year off to a busy start with several activities during the past month and a half.

About 65 members turned out for a turkey lunch January 13, with entertainment following.

The first meeting of the year was held January 28, when 54 members turned out. A motion was passed to invite the president of the B.C. OAPO to the branch's February meeting.

About 45 members took part in a card party at the entertainment day last Wednesday.

Barber of Seville presented

BY ELEANOR HARRISON

The Vancouver Opera Guild performance of the *Barber of Seville*, a spectacular show before an audience of 250, took place last

Monday afternoon in the gymnasium of the Pender School.

Present were the elementary school children from Mayne, Saturna, Galiano and Pender and their teachers, along with many adults from the Pender community.

Four men and two women made up the cast, plus the pianist, Bruce Johnson. The costumes, acting and singing kept the audience entranced for the 50-minute performance.

The cast answered questions from the students after the show.

The audience was told that the costumes were all hand-made for this particular show at a cost of \$300 each. They have to last for 140 shows. The costumes are authentic to the period, the middle of the 18th century.

Auditions for this school

program are held early in the fall, and usually about 35 singers show up. They begin rehearsing the first week of November, six days a week, six hours a day, for two weeks.

They do two shows a day and wear no make-up. The lighting in school auditoriums is not suitable for make-up and there is not enough time between shows to apply it.

This is the ninth year for the Opera Guild program for schools and five different operas have been done in that time.

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Islander guest on Telethon

A local musician was one of those who took part in the Variety Club Telethon Saturday.

Salt Spring Island singer and songwriter Shari Ulrich, who has just released her second solo album *One Step Ahead*, was one of a number of musicians who were guests on the Telethon.

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GALIANO NEWS

Artists raise money for activity centre

BY BASIL AND
KATHLYN BENDER

The Galiano art community contributed \$2,722.39 to the activity centre fund by a sale of their work on Saturday in the Community Hall. Total proceeds will go to the activity centre fund, as all the local artists and craftsmen donated their handiwork.

The sale was organized by the Galiano Lions Club as part of their fund-raising drive with Dennis Oldroyd in charge. Ten members of the Galiano Brownie Pack made their first public appearance by assisting with refreshments prepared by parents Jenny Jarvis, Margaret Howell and Susan Frenn.

Crafts were well represented. Weaving was contributed by Helen Coe and Kathleen Partington; knitting by Joan Bildstein, Enid Gaylor and Helen Smith; needlework by Barbara Byrnes; pottery by Richard Hawbolt and Margaret Pearson and stained glass by Paul Hawbolt. Authors Dorothy Livesay, Jane Rule and Audrey Thomas donated autographed copies of their books to the sale.

INTERESTING CONTRASTS

Artists demonstrated interesting contrasts of styles, even within one medium. Elizabeth Steward showed two pen-and-wash studies of a Paris street, Elisabeth Hopkins one of her animal fantasies, Ken Hardy a study in green, Janice Prevedoros, Sheila Anderson and Alistair Ross landscapes, and Dennis Oldroyd following the English watercolour tradition with a luminous "Bright Morning".

Attractive flower paintings were contributed by Frank Reader, Ragna Fredrickson, Lorna Tweedale and Diana McRae. Ronaldo Norden showed two of his delicately etched prints. Tony Kingscote had worked through the previous night to complete one of his traditional Chinese landscapes in watercolour.

Jim Macdonald had two striking crayon figure studies. The more solid colours of acrylics and oils were shown in paintings by Jean Beatty, Keith Holmes, Dorothy Lupton and Win Stephen. The visual arts were rounded out by some of Betty Fairbank's outstanding photographs. Sculpture was represented by one of Ian Hooley's fine stone carvings.

PREVIEW

Not part of the show but also contributing to the activity centre fund was a preview of Shari Street's exhibition of her work

which will open at the Children of the Raven Gallery in Vancouver on February 18. Fifteen percent of the preview sales prices will go to the fund.

Over the past few years Shari has evolved a very distinctive pen-and-wash style in circular space. Her draughtsmanship and composition are exceptional, whether her subjects are people, flowers or landscapes. These were displayed in Shari's house, which is itself a notable work of art.

Paul Hawbolt had collaborated with Shari to translate into his own medium, stained glass, several of her designs. These creations enhanced the original pale pastel shades with additional colour and light. The outstanding example was a large circular window depicting two eagles in flight, which art critic Charlie Gardner decreed was much underpriced at \$1,500.

Galiano Island Trust

The Trust Committee met in the South Community Hall on Friday afternoon with all five trustees in attendance and a small public audience. The home industries issue was again on the agenda, but no decisions reached as the ball is in the court of the Advisory Planning Commission.

The members of the commission have asked for input from the Trust planning staff. Applications for rezoning of parcels next to the post office and mid-island adjacent to Madrona Lodge were sent to later public hearing and bylaw preparation.

The Trust was told that a road had never been designated as Heritage under the Heritage Conservation Act, so local trustees are to discuss the matter further with property owners on South Wind Drive and explore other possibilities. They might also consider the views of other island residents regarding power disruptions caused by trees in this same area.

NOT APPROVED

Another proposal to subdivide Parker Island failed to meet with Trust approval, and the ministry of highways will be so notified. There was an interesting discussion regarding neighbouring Sphinx Island given to Lady Tweedsmuir over 40 years ago. No property tax has been paid in the interval and now the heirs are contemplating long-term lease.

Our MLA has been informed that the Trust will watch developments with interest.

The Trust Committee approved the granting of crown leases to legalize two existing wharves in

Whaler Bay. This prompted Dr. Kingscote to raise the issue of beach access and responsibility for the preservation of the shore environment, a matter which we will discuss at greater length in our next column.

Galiano Island Housing Society

The annual meeting of the Housing Society was held in Page Drive Lounge on Sunday afternoon. The members approved a board proposal to change the method of electing directors. Three directors will be elected at each annual general meeting for two-year terms. Three directors will be appointed by the board for one-year terms. The nine directors were empowered to elect from their own members a president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer for the society.

The financial statement prepared by the auditors was read by the treasurer, Win Stephen. Most of the income and expenditure of the society is fixed by regulation and the statement must comply with guidelines set by Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

Rents were raised at the beginning of the year on the instructions of the B.C. Housing Commission. That the rent has had to be raised from the rates set five years ago is not surprising. Expenditure for maintenance and repairs in 1981 was \$7,339, resulting in an operating loss for the year of \$3,333. Exterior painting, redecorating of units, replacement of carpets and repair of plumbing accounted for most of this sum.

Winnie Liver gave the president's report of the year's activities. Mrs. Liver, who is retiring from office, was warmly thanked for her services to the society since its formation.

Members made suggestions for improving the operation of the housing complex and it is hoped that many of these can be implemented by the new committee.

Nine directors were elected to the board: Ken Allen, Basil Benger, Frank Greenhalgh, George Griffiths, Stuart Mann, Win Stephen, Jean Tully, Annelies Waldenmaier and Les Woodbridge.

Nature Notes

From their home near Salamanca Point, Tom and May Drew recently observed what at first they thought was a dead-head floating not far from shore. On careful inspection for over an hour, the object was seen to be a sea animal at least 15 feet long with a large trunk-like snout and tail

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Getting ready for their concert

These are just a few of the young Salt Spring Island musicians who are rehearsing for the Children Helping Children Concert to be presented Sunday at the Ganges

activity centre. The violinists, from left, are Juda Shugar, Hopi Hall and Kirsten Maddison, and they'll be on stage with other musicians, singers and dancers in an effort to

raise money for the Save the Children Fund. Concert will begin at 2:30 pm. Admission is \$2; \$1 for OAP's and students aged 12-16; and free to children under 12.

Day of prayer for Baha'is

Baha'is all over the world are becoming increasingly concerned with the situation in Iran. Members of the Salt Spring Island Baha'i community are inviting the public to join them in a special day of prayer next Wednesday for Iranian Baha'is.

ground reserved for "infidels".

It has also been learned that six Baha'is in Teheran were executed January 4, along with the Baha'i woman in whose home the group had been meeting.

Local members of the Baha'i community, as well as those in the Victoria region, will meet at 8 pm next Wednesday at Holyrood House in Victoria. The meeting will "commemorate those who have willingly given their lives for their beliefs in order to awaken the common conscience of mankind," said a local Baha'i spokesman.

It has been learned that eight members of the National Spiritual Assembly of Baha'is of Iran were executed recently. The bodies of five of those executed were found where they had been secretly buried by the Iranian regime in

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School district budget highlights

ACCOUNT	1981 BUDGET	1981 SPENT	1982 BUDGET	ACCOUNT	1981 BUDGET	1981 SPENT	1982 BUDGET
Section A	\$238,085	\$248,483	\$343,227	SECTION "D" MAINTENANCE			
Section B	2,586,414	2,558,039	3,505,729	Salaries and Wages	\$96,100	\$94,084	\$131,700
Section C	265,750	263,477	342,795	Grounds and Building	50,400	46,145	70,300
Section D	193,800	183,128	279,965	Equipment	41,000	38,038	70,340
Section E	268,000	260,322	369,458	Other	6,300	5,862	7,625
Section F	58,400	54,954	67,110	TOTAL SECTION "D"	\$193,800	\$184,128	\$279,965
Sub Total A-F	3,610,449	3,568,403	4,908,284	SECTION "E" CONVEYANCE			
Section G	24,688	24,688	46,398	Bus Operating	\$126,000	\$114,716	\$155,100
Section H	477,344	480,978	481,643	Contract Expense	111,600	113,589	175,100
Section J	79,225	68,427	74,245	Transportation Assistance	21,000	24,058	25,200
TOTAL BUDGET	\$4,191,706	\$4,142,496	\$5,510,570	Other	9,400	7,960	14,058
SECTION "A" ADMINISTRATION				TOTAL SECTION "E"	\$268,000	\$260,322	\$369,458
Salaries	\$133,500	\$136,079	\$208,447	SECTION "F" AUXILIARY ACCOUNT			
Office Expenses	22,050	26,541	33,300	Health Services	\$36,300	\$36,573	\$45,610
Trustee Expense	61,600	64,690	65,420	Fees	100	0	0
General	20,935	21,173	36,060	Dormitory & Boarding Expense	22,000	18,381	21,500
TOTAL SECTION "A"	\$238,085	\$248,483	\$343,227	Other	0	0	0
SECTION "B" INSTRUCTION				TOTAL SECTION "F"	\$58,400	\$54,954	\$67,110
Teachers' Salaries	\$2,277,889	\$2,274,270	\$3,125,845	SECTION "G" NON-OPERATING	\$24,688	\$24,688	\$46,398
School Clerical Salaries	100,500	93,713	131,580	SECTION "H" DEBT SERVICES			
Teaching Supplies	115,400	113,367	140,260	Sinking Funds	\$467,344	\$467,344	\$468,143
Other Expense	92,625	76,689	108,044	Bank Charges	10,000	13,634	13,500
TOTAL SECTION "B"	\$2,586,414	\$2,558,039	\$3,505,729	TOTAL SECTION "H"	\$477,344	\$480,978	\$481,643
SECTION "C" OPERATIONS				SECTION "J" NON-SHAREABLE CAPITAL ACCT.			
Janitor & Engineers' Salaries	\$176,400	\$173,836	\$230,220	Sites	\$25,000	\$13,732	\$20,000
Janitor & Engineers' Supplies	13,000	12,303	15,600	Equipment	54,225	54,695	54,245
Utilities	68,100	72,416	86,600	TOTAL SECTION "J"	\$79,225	\$68,427	\$74,245
Insurance, Rentals, Other	8,250	4,922	10,375				
TOTAL SECTION "C"	\$265,750	\$263,477	\$342,795				

School budget is defended by chairman

The Gulf Islands School District budget has come under fire and Pat Tiernan of Old Scott Road protested to the school board last week about the proposed increase in spending.

Strick Aust, school board chairman, answered the points raised by Tiernan during a discussion of the letter at the meeting of the board.

What follows are some of the points made by Tiernan in his letter and the answers Aust gave.

Tiernan: I was even more alarmed when I was advised by a trustee that the budget was due February 15 and would likely be adopted by the trustees at their meeting on February 11 since there had been virtually no expression of protest from the public, over this very large percentage increase, and even he found this somewhat amazing.

Aust: The budget has been an ongoing process since September and has been discussed

continuously in public meetings of the board since then. To ensure that the public were informed of the budget and could question candidates running for office, our provisional budget was published on November 9, 1981, prior to the November election.

Tiernan: Between 1978 and 1981 taxes increased by a whopping 46% and over these years school taxes amounted to an incredible 69% of total taxes. Can you seriously contemplate approving a budget which is 30% higher than the \$4,300,000 you spent last year which in itself caused school taxes to rise by 17% over the previous year?

Aust: You say that school taxes, as a result of last year's budget, rose by 17% but that is not true. The actual increase went from 48.41 mills to 54.03 mills, an increase of 5.62 mills or 11.6%.

Tiernan: Throughout the province the gross cost per pupil per year has increased from \$561 in

1969 to \$2,730 in 1981, but in our district the per pupil cost is \$3,482. This is lack of control in the

items such as computers for classroom use.

When the budget had been reduced by that amount, less than 0.3%, the trustees voted and accepted a figure of \$5,510,570 for expenses in 1982.

"That's only a small reduction," said Bray, "but with the vote, it shows that we have questions about the amount of this budget."

TO REVIEW PROGRAMS

The board decided to strike a committee to review all the programs offered by the school district. Each program will be costed, not only in terms of money spent, but also in effectiveness for educating the children.

expenditure of public funds.

Aust: What you have not put down is the fact that in 1969, this

district per pupil cost was \$779.

The percentage of increase for the

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From Page One

"We have to start now and take a long, hard look at our programs," said Aust. "If a program is good, ok. If not, it's out."

"And that's the only way we can reduce our budget and not adversely affect education in this district."

The budget had been set at more than allowed for simple passage according to ministry of education rules and the trustees had to pass a bylaw to legalize the excess amount.

The operating budget which must be raised through taxes stands at \$4,980,284 and the ministry of education will subsidize that amount up to

\$3,429,471. The remainder must be collected by a levy added to the provincially-set educational mill rate.

The apparent difference between the figure of the total budget and the bylaw figure represents money needed for capital expenditures and the exact extent of ministry involvement in that total, approximately \$600,000, will be determined in June.

"This budget is a reflection of the decisions made by this board over the past year," said Dodds.

The budget for 1981 stood at \$4,191,706.

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Chairman defends budget

From Page Thirteen

province was 475%, whereas the percentage increase for this district was 435%.

Tiernan: In 1979 the enrolment was 1,043 with a staff of 84.7. In 1981 the enrolment decreased to 1,037 whereas the staff increased to 93.5. Now be honest, does such a performance indicate reasonable restraint and concern for the cost element of your public trust?

Aust: You have used incorrect and misleading figures to prove your points. Our 1979 enrolment was 1,013, not 1,043. You indicate we had a staff of 84.7 but that figure includes some non-teaching staff. In fact we employed 70.5 teachers. Our enrolment has not decreased but in fact has increased, not to 1,037 but to 1,082, or approximately five percent. At the same time we employed only 71.4 teachers, an increase of less than one.

NEW STRUCTURE

Tiernan: I was advised that an entirely new structure of senior personnel is presently under consideration. As part of this move the district is changing from a ministry-appointed to a locally-employed superintendent. One of the trustees told me that this might be slightly more costly to the district as we would be paying a portion of his salary. Upon further investigation I find that the district will in fact pay his entire salary.

One of the purported advantages of a district-employed rather than a ministry-appointed superintendent is that presumably

his first loyalty will be to the body paying him. But frankly, since the government holds all the high cards I cannot see that he has much latitude to condone anything which is a departure from ministry policy. So it would appear to be an additional \$50,000-plus expenditure for a very nebulous benefit.

ACTUAL COST \$2,130

Aust: Although we entered an amount of \$50,000 in our budget to cover the cost of the superintendent's salary, one fact you did not unearth while doing your investigation is that the government grants this district \$47,870 to offset that cost. The actual cost to this district is only \$2,130. We decided to hire the superintendent because that gives us more selection than taking what the ministry would have to offer us.

Tiernan: You are considering approval of a 37% increase in transportation costs, a 48% increase in trustee expenses, a 35% increase in administration expenses and a 26% increase in instruction costs which is much higher than the 17% increase paid to the teachers.

Aust: The increase in trustee expenses is from \$61,600 to \$64,400, an increase of six percent. The administration cost increases includes the salary of the superintendent which is also covered by the government grant. Without that figure the actual increase is three percent.

Aust concluded, "I believe that this board's record over the past five years is one of excellence and not of extravagant tastes and spending ways as you have suggested in your letter."

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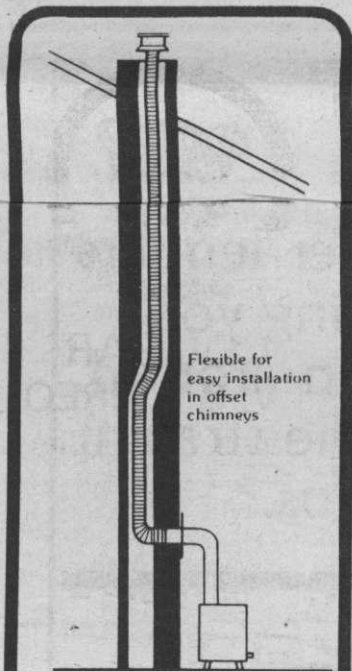
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Valentine's Day tournament winners

In the Valentine's Day doubles tournament the winners were Leo Toutant and this writer, closely followed by Terry Jenkins and Peter Lucas. Worthy of mention were Pat Byron and Brandie Iverson who finished just three pins out of second place.

Here are the better scores of the past week. Albert Kaye, 711; Carol Kaye, 718-779; Robby Weston, 773; Deanna Marleau, 700; Don Klettke, 739; and this writer with 839.

We had 300 games coming from Linda Schwagly, 307; Don Klettke, 307; Terry Jenkins, 306; and this writer with 325.

The bowlers of the week were Carol Kaye and this writer. For the Golden-Agers it was Nellie Herbert with 637 and Bill Harper with 667.

Nice to think that people read my bowling tips and find that it improves their game. The only trouble is when I'm bowling badly myself I don't have anyone else to turn to and I dig out my instructor's manual and nine times out of 10 find that I don't know it all.

Carol Kaye and Lois Codd didn't win in the hi-low contest last weekend, but they tell me that it was well worth the trip to Kamloops. They made a lot of new friends and look forward to competing again next year.

Tip of the Week

Try to practise at least once a week. You can't expect to bowl once a week and make good scores. Practising is where you iron out your mistakes with no pressure put on you.

Y.B.C. NEWS

As the boys and girls are practising and polishing their games for the off-island competition, some pretty good scores have been made.

Some of the higher games bowled were:

Jets: Eric Taylor, 104; Chris Magnus, 87; Jennifer Neilson, 74.

Pee Wees: Candice Miller, 136; Tracy Cunningham, 97; Anna Maddison, 90; Clinton Helfrich, 160; Jeffrey Neilson, 151; Brett Marshall, 121.

Bantams: Laura Little, 188; Jodie Harrison, 182; Suzanne Jacquest, 180; Paul Hatch, 183; Adam Baines, 135; Mark David,

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Juniors: Mary Sinclair, 196; Shannon Taylor, 179; Danica West, 152; David Jacquest, 196; Ross Hughes, 194; Anthony Barrett, 131.

Seniors (for Wednesday, Feb. 10): Steve Marleau, 329; Robert Messam, 200; Enrique Orsono, 207; Tracey Pring, 260; Carol Cunningham, 229; Janet Gosnell, 222; Van Innes, 202.

High game for Wednesday, Feb. 3 was rolled by Allan Sinclair, with 295.

BY UMBERTO UPCHUCK

It was tough — jeez, we had all the enthusiasm and energy of a hibernating grizzly bear or *Colonist* reporter at a sewer meeting. Dragging ourselves once again on to the ferry was done *only* because we had a commitment. Hang the fact that most of us had been partying well into the wee hours; and several in fact had not even been to bed. Commitments, to be sure, are sacred.

So what if it was a little rough out there on the water or that a couple of Slugs even kipped their biscuits — it would be worth it. We had given our word, and come hell or heaving stomachs, we would be there.

LITTLE RUGGED

Alright, the drive to Fuller was a little rugged; and I don't know if some of the drivers appreciated that little game of bumper car; and geez, some of those dings and scratches are going to be hard to explain, not to mention expensive — but a promise is a promise —



The Slug trail

we'll be there...and we were...and unfortunately...they weren't...until 1:30...when we got off the ice...

So much for Sunday. A rousing intra-squad game served the purpose though, even if Akerman's line did score eight offside goals in a 9-3 thrashing of the Topping Boys.

The fact that there was only one goalie made things a little hairy though. Poor Farm Boy was just about dead from all that high-speed, end-to-end skating — he was just about frantic catching up on some of the breakaways.

Anyway, another weekend down the tube. Next week's opponent is unknown at the moment, but anyone will be better than last's. So much for commitment.

Fulford Hall epicentre of quake Sunday

Spokesmen for the Royal Dominion Seismological Observatory in Victoria reported a moderate earth tremor early Sunday measuring 6.2 on the open-ended Richter scale. The epicentre was located at Fulford Hall on Salt Spring Island.

Area residents were awoken by strong seismic vibrations that shook homes and foundations, although a large gathering at Fulford Hall being entertained by Kenny Brown and the Pervaders did not appear to notice or care.

Damage to buildings and property was minimal with scattered reports of tender brain cells and withered ear drums. All are expected to

recover.

Such seismic activity, infrequent as it is, is difficult to predict, and it is not yet possible to accurately pinpoint time and location of future disturbances.

Nevertheless, spokesmen advise that there exists the possibility of further tremors on or about Saturday, Apr. 17. Possible causes may include one of Blue Northern, Jim Byrnes, Duke and the Ducktails or even Doug and the Slugs.

Norman Nosebleed, spokesman for the sponsors, the Salt Spring Slugs, while denying responsibility for the tremors, suggested that tickets should be obtained early to avoid further damage.

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KICK-OFF

Impressive performances by local teams despite losses

BY MALCOLM LEGG

Last week's soccer action was highlighted by two impressive performances in Sun Cup play by two of our local squads.

The Sun Cup is the provincial championship and holds a great deal of prestige for the winners. As is typical of this type of tournament teams usually display some excellent soccer and this certainly was the case for both our two teams entered, the United and the Kicks.

The United of Division 1A met Lakehill in Victoria on Wednesday evening under the lights. The first half was evenly played but saw no goals scored as both teams played cautiously.

In the second half play opened up with end-to-end rushes and good scoring chances at both ends.

Lakehill opened the scoring, converting a penalty shot, but Salt Spring replied within minutes as Chris Cottrell converted a fine

cross from Bryan Caspar. Both teams continued to attack and both had good chances, Lakehill missing a penalty shot and United having two shots cleared off the goal-line.

AWARDED FREE-KICK

With two minutes to go Lakehill was awarded a disputable indirect free-kick on Salt Spring's six-yard line, which they converted, thus sinking United's hopes.

The Kicks' fate came in a slightly different manner. Last week the boys played 110 minutes of soccer to pick up a 4-3 win in the first round. This time around they played 110 minutes again and although ending in a tie, 1-1, the team lost 10-3 on corner-kicks.

The scoreless first half was highlighted by the Kicks hemming Gordon Head in their own zone but the second half saw Gordon Head open up the game.

Mid-way through the half the Kicks counter-attacked and a

perfect pass from Paul Cottrell put Mark Wenzel in for the lead.

The Kicks then tried to defend in numbers but with only minutes left in the half, Gordon Head equalized forcing the game into overtime. Both teams played sluggishly in the overtime and with no goals scored the Kicks ended up losing on corner-kicks.

Although both our local squads lost in sun Cup play they both gave a good indication of the high calibre of soccer they can play. With performances like this they should be tough to beat in District Cup play.

Cup play at the intra-island level continues to provide us with surprises as teams that did poorly in league play have performed well in Cup play.

Examples of this were with the Sockers' second win in the senior level and the Eagles' first win at the junior level. Play at this level will continue until March 18.

Wranglers' match turns into shootfest for 7-0 victory

BY ED DAVIS

Saturday's soccer match against Gordon Head turned into a shootfest during the second half, giving the Wranglers a 7 to 0 victory.

In the last two outings the Wranglers have picked up 17 goals, just four less than our total for the past 10 games.

The first half of the weekend game got off to a rather slow start while the teams felt each other out. Portlock is still suffering from the effects of the seemingly endless downpours and while the pitch is relatively dry on the wings, it's a real bog down the middle, which is of course where the boys like to play.

Once the boys got used to the idea that the ball comes to a stop in the centre when striking the muck the action picked up.

The only goal during the first half developed nicely when Chad Davis took the ball up the right

wing then crossed a centre where Bradley Davies took a shot. The goalie made a nice stop but couldn't contain it and forward Jason Minvielle was there to put it away.

In the second half the Wranglers jumped right into the game and took control and never really let go. The second goal came early with a pass from Renard Graham to Jason Bush, who promptly put it away.

Minutes later Sean Althouse instigated a play that went from Sean to Jason Bush to Mike Brown to met. Sean led the way two more times, once passing off to Bradley Davies who put it away, and again on his own with a solo effort that resulted in a goal.

Renard Graham picked up a goal and Bradley Davies scored once more on a pass from Chad right in front of the net. While the glory goes to the scorers, the forwards wouldn't have had such a field day if it hadn't been for the

fine defensive work put on by the boys in the backfield.

Fullbacks Robert Calkins, Alfie and Robie Shephard and Anthony Archer deserve much credit for keeping the ball out of our end during much of the game. Halfbacks Arron Lawrence and Troy Logan also contributed with a fine effort in midfield.

Scoreboard

Div. 1A: Sun Cup, Salt Spring United 1 (C. Cottrell); Lakehill 2
 Div. 2A: Sun Cup, Salt Spring Kicks 1 (M. Wenzel); Gordon Head 1
 Div. 4B: Salt Spring Strikers 0; Lakehill 5
 Div. 5C: Salt Spring Wranglers 7 (B. Davies - 2, R. Graham, S. Althouse, J. Bush, J. Minvielle, M. Brown); Gordon Head 0
 Womens: Salt Spring Sockeyes 4 (T. Byron - 2, S. Spence, B. Akerman); Castaways 1

INTRA-ISLAND

Senior:

Dodgers 4 (D. Kirkpatrick - 2, M. Shoolbraid - 2); Fury 1 (D. Topping)

Sockers 3 (J. Moger - 2, H. Thompson); Stingers 1 (D. Akurst)

Sounders 1 (B. Berry); Kickers 0

Junior:

Eagles 3 (S. Proctor - 2, B. Marshall); Panthers 1 (Y. Horsdal)

Machine 5 (A. McCarthy - 2, D. Bacic, C. Fairbrother, T. Sloan); Demons 4 (J. Neilson - 2, J. Williams, M. Carragnon)

This Week in Recreation

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SOCCER:

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 Div. 2A: S.S. Kicks }

Div. 4B: S.S. Strikers vs Bays United, Sat. Feb. 20, 1:00 pm, Victoria.

Div. 5C: S.S. Wranglers vs Cowichan, Sat. Feb. 20, 1:00 pm, Duncan.

Div. 6C2: S.S. Sting vs Gordon Head, Sat., Feb. 20, 11:00 am, Victoria.

WOMEN: S.S. Sockeyes vs Gordon Head, Sun., Feb. 21, 11:00 am, Portlock Park.

INTRA-ISLAND: both senior & junior levels have Cup play every Tuesday & Thursday starting at 3:30 pm.

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Staking trees has been found detrimental

Before we get into the gardening schedule around the middle of the month, we have a little time and we can coast along a bit.

And while we are coasting, here are a couple of recent findings from our department of agriculture. I do have a selective mind, a natural inclination to the natural approach, and these items caught my eye and my interest.

For instance, when planting trees, should we stake them or not? It has now been established in extensive tests that staking is detrimental to the tree. Without stakes a tree develops a larger, deeper root system, it will develop greater wind resistance, and more taper in the trunk.

Larger, deeper roots simply means a healthier tree, since it can obtain more nutrients and water, which means greater drought resistance and more, or larger fruit, or both.

WILL RESIST WIND

A tree growing without a crutch will thus grow to resist the winds in its surroundings. It adapts itself to its immediate environment, develops greater girth and strength near the base, tapering more towards the top to present less surface to the wind.

We end up with a healthier, better adapted tree. Also, damage by chafing and girdling of the supports is avoided.

Further, it is now official, pruning should be kept to an absolute minimum. Prune only to establish the basic shape of your tree and to remove deadwood or diseased branches. Bending of branches to 45 degree or horizontal position, by tying or weighting, is far superior in encouraging early fruit production.

Also, it has been found that tree wound dressing makes a cut look better, and it makes us feel better. But that is all. The tree's own sap is far superior to anything we can devise.

This information has been gleaned from recent briefs issued by the department of agriculture. It is rather pleasing that one's

natural inclination is thus officially substantiated.

DOESN'T APPLY HERE

With regard to the curing of onions, as mentioned in last week's column. I know that curing in windrows on the soil is widely recommended and practised. But it does not apply to our climate. This is fine in Saskatchewan and Ontario and elsewhere, but not here. Even in the driest time of our summer and fall there is a great deal of dew in the morning.

Our cool, Pacific nights generate a great deal of dew, which clings to the shady places close to the ground. Many hours pass between the time it is precipitated and before it is finally evaporated.

Hence the brown rot with onions. Air drying under a roof, such as an open porch with plenty of air circulation, is far better suited to our Pacific climate.

Now that I have passed on these interesting tidbits, we are free to get down to brass tacks, as some are wont to say.

SOW HARDY VEGETABLES

We can now sow outdoors our hardiest vegetables such as leeks, shallots, broad beans, radishes and parsley. I would also try some peas, spinach and swiss chard in well-drained, sunny locations. And under glass, or in the greenhouse, we can start our tomatoes, peppers, lettuce and cabbages.

Along with all these we can start our hardy annual flowers such as marigolds, sweet peas, pansies, gaillardia, carnation and calendula

Farming and Gardening

BY PETER WEIS
Foxglove Nursery Consultant

among others. Sweet peas are worth a try outside as well.

Both Stokes and Dominion Seeds list this year, for the first time, a potato seed "Explorer". According to their information anyone who can grow tomatoes can grow these potatoes.

Seeds are started under glass just as tomatoes and are set out later on. They will produce potatoes this season at far less cost than the traditional way from potato chunks with "eyes". This is a very

exciting development as these potatoes are open pollinated and will conceivably yield seed to start new plants next year.

No doubt a wide variety of potato seed will become available in a few years as well.

Well, this has been a most pleasant and interesting bit of coasting for me and, I hope, for you as well.

CAPITAL REGIONAL DISTRICT BY-LAW NO. 984

A BY-LAW TO ESTABLISH THAT PORTION OF ELECTORAL AREA "G" COMPRISING GALIANO ISLAND AS A SPECIFIED AREA OF THE CAPITAL REGIONAL DISTRICT FOR THE PURPOSE OF PARTICIPATING IN THE COST OF CONSTRUCTION OF AN ACTIVITY ROOM AND RELATED FACILITIES TO BE CONSTRUCTED BY SCHOOL DISTRICT #64

WHEREAS the Board of the Capital Regional District has been requested to establish a specified area for the purpose of participating in the cost of construction of an activity room and related facilities to be established and constructed by School District No. 64 for the community of Galiano Island;

AND WHEREAS the Board is empowered with respect to that part of the Regional District not within a City, District, Town or Village to undertake any work or service under the provisions of part 16 of the "Municipal Act";

AND WHEREAS to provide an activity room and related facilities it is necessary to participate in the construction costs, the estimated cost of which including expenses incidental thereto, and after deducting community contributions and grants receivable from the Lotteries Fund, is the sum of Eighty-five Thousand Dollars (\$85,000.00) which is the amount of debt to be created by this by-law;

AND WHEREAS the amount of the authorized debenture debt of the Regional District incurred pursuant to Section 797 of the "Municipal Act" is \$65,176,400.90 as at December 31st, 1981 of which \$55,540,263.12 is existing outstanding debenture debt and \$9,636,137.78 is authorized and unissued debenture debt, and none of the principal or interest of the debenture debt of the Regional District is in arrears;

AND WHEREAS the amount of the authorized debenture debt of the Regional District incurred pursuant to Section 798 of the "Municipal Act" is \$30,244,014.41 as at 31st December, 1981, of which \$30,244,014.41 is existing outstanding debenture debt and none of the principal or interest of the debenture debt of the Regional District is in arrears;

AND WHEREAS the maximum term for which debentures may be issued to secure the debt created by this by-law is five (5) years;

NOW THEREFORE the Board of the Capital Regional District in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

- The Regional Board is hereby empowered and authorized to:
 - establish within Electoral Area "G" (Outer Gulf Islands) a specified area defined as follows and to be known as "Galiano Island Activity Room Specified Area" and such area shall be comprised of that tract of land hereinafter described:
All those lands known as Galiano Island located in the Cowichan Land District, together with the foreshore and land covered by water that lies between a line drawn two hundred feet (200') perpendicular distant and parallel to highwater mark on the shore of Galiano Island and the said highwater mark; save and except therefrom any islands or foreshore lots or leases that may be contained therein.

- participate in the cost of an activity room and related facilities with School District No. 64 and enter into an agreement with the said School District for the after-hours use of the room and to do all things necessary in connection therewith and without limiting the generality of the foregoing:
 - to borrow upon the credit of the Regional District a sum not exceeding Eighty-five Thousand Dollars (\$85,000.00).
 - To acquire all such rights or authorities as may be requisite or desirable for or in connection with the participation in the financing and use of the said activity room and related facilities.

- The entire cost of providing for the establishing and carrying out the aforesaid Activity Room construction financing shall be borne by the owners of land in the said specified area and a sum sufficient therefor shall be requisitioned in the manner prescribed in the "Municipal Act" in each year commencing with the year 1983 for such a period of time as is necessary, on all lands and improvements, on the basis of assessments as fixed for school purposes only, excluding property that is taxable for school purposes by Special Act within the said specified area.
- The specified area established by this by-law may be merged with any other specified area or areas for the same purpose whether contiguous or not, in the manner provided in Section 677 of the "Municipal Act".
- This By-law may be cited as the "Galiano Island Activity Room Specified Area Establishment and Loan Authorization By-law, 1982".

It should be noted that the project will only proceed if the \$85,000.00 is forthcoming from the Lotteries Fund and the \$85,000 in donations is also received, making a total project cost of \$255,000.

Take notice that the above is a true copy of a proposed by-law on which the vote of the electors of Galiano Island in the Outer Gulf Islands Electoral Area will be taken at:

Galiano Elementary School
on the 27th day of February, 1982 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m., and that an Advanced Poll will be held on Wednesday, the 24th day of February, 1982 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at:

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CAPITAL REGIONAL DISTRICT

Pursuant to Section 769 of the Municipal Act, the following text of By-law No. 990, cited as "Magic Lake Estates Sewerage System Rates and Regulation By-law No. 2, 1981, Amendment By-law No. 1, 1982", is hereby published as at third reading and prior to submission to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs.

A BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW NO. 899, "MAGIC LAKE ESTATES SEWERAGE SYSTEM RATES AND REGULATIONS BY-LAW NO. 2, 1981"

The Board of the Capital Regional District, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

- By-law No. 899, "Magic Lake Estates Sewerage System Rates and Regulations By-law No. 2, 1981" is amended by deleting Section 7(a) in its entirety and substituting therefor the following:

"7(a) User charges, calculated in accordance with Schedule "C" hereto, shall be invoiced not less frequently than once a year and shall be payable upon presentation of the invoice, in respect of each property physically connected to the sewer collection system whether or not the sewer service is in use."
- This by-law takes effect on all bills issued after its adoption.

A copy of the complete by-law may be viewed during normal working hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday inclusive, holidays excepted, at the offices of the Capital Regional District, 524 Yates Street, Victoria, B.C.

Dennis A. Young,
Executive Director. 7-1

Some are upset over constitution

From Page Seven
apply equally to men and women and also bar discrimination by reason of sex.

Women have laboured hard for the birth and growth of their rights and they are worried about losing some of what has been accomplished.

ONLY MALES WITH PROPERTY

The British North America Act gave the vote, for instance, only to males who owned property. Women acquired the right to vote in federal elections in 1917 but even that privilege was in doubt until 1920 when property ownership was dropped as a voter qualification.

Perhaps most humiliating to women were efforts to have a woman named as a senator. The BNA Act stated "persons" could be appointed to the Senate and the prevailing wisdom of the time did not allow that women were persons.

Women's groups took the definition to court. They lost. It was only after a Privy Council decision stated women were indeed persons that Canada's first woman senator, Cairine Wilson, was appointed in 1930.

As with native groups, women are battling history for proper recognition in the new constitution.

History is also the battleground for Quebec's more than enthusiastic rejection of the package.

DIFFERENCES UNSOLVED

The BNA Act was forged as a vehicle for nationhood without solving the fundamental differences between the two founding solitudes and the Canada Act seems destined to perpetuate the disagreements.

The Canada Act draws Quebec's indignation because of minority language rights as well as the loss of Ontario's and Quebec's historic veto power over amendments.

The amending formula in use until it was recently scrapped allowed for changes if six of the 10

provinces went along with what Ottawa wanted changed. The kicker was that Ontario and Quebec had to be two of the six.

Under the constitution as proposed, amendments to various sections would require assent from seven of the provinces having a combined total of at least 50% of the national population.

UNANSWERED QUESTION

That formula leaves unanswered how an amendment could be made if eight of the provinces approved but Ontario and Quebec, with approximately 63% of the population, disagreed.

Minority language rights in each province, where numbers warrant, are guaranteed but Quebec disclaims that provision. The section, 20, which deals with

minority language rights comes into effect when the act is proclaimed but not in Quebec. That province has an out in that the language rights apply only when the government in Quebec City decides to accept that section. The Constitution Act, 1981,

notwithstanding the shakiness of some of its guarantees and the less than adequate protection for women and native people, does have some redeeming features.

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Pursuant to Section 769 of the Municipal Act, the following text of By-law No. 991, cited as "Magic Lake Estates Water Supply and Distribution System Rates and Regulation By-law No. 2, 1981, Amendment By-law No. 1, 1982" is hereby published as at third reading and prior to submission to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs.

A BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW NO. 900, "MAGIC LAKE ESTATES WATER SUPPLY AND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM RATES AND REGULATIONS BY-LAW NO. 2, 1981"

The Board of the Capital Regional District, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. By-law No. 900, "Magic Lake Estates Water Supply and Distribution System Rates and Regulations By-law No. 2, 1981" is amended by deleting Section 8(a) in its entirety and substituting therefor the following:

"8(a) User charges calculated in accordance with Schedule "C" hereto, shall be invoiced not less frequently than once a year and shall be payable upon presentation of the invoice, in respect of each property physically connected to the water distribution system whether or not the water service is in use."

2. This By-law takes effect on all bills issued after its adoption.

A copy of the complete by-law may be viewed during normal working hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday inclusive, holidays excepted, at the offices of the Capital Regional District, 524 Yates Street, Victoria, B.C.

Dennis A. Young,
Executive Director.

CAPITAL REGIONAL DISTRICT

Pursuant to Section 769 of the Municipal Act, the following text of By-law No. 989, cited as "Highland Water Supply and Distribution System Rates and Regulation By-law No. 1, 1981, Amendment By-law No. 1, 1982", is hereby published as at third reading and prior to submission to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs.

A BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW NO. 898, "HIGHLAND WATER SUPPLY AND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM RATES AND REGULATIONS BY-LAW NO. 1, 1981"

The Board of the Capital Regional District, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. By-law No. 898, "Highland Water Supply and Distribution System Rates and Regulations By-law No. 1, 1981" is amended by deleting Section 8(a) in its entirety and substituting therefor the following:

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Pursuant to Section 769 of the Municipal Act, the following text of By-law No. 993, cited as "Saturna Island Water Supply and Distribution System Rates and Regulation By-law No. 1, 1980, Amendment By-law No. 1, 1982" is hereby published as at third reading and prior to submission to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs.

A BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW NO. 713, "SATURNA ISLAND WATER SUPPLY AND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM RATES AND REGULATIONS BY-LAW NO. 1, 1980"

The Board of the Capital Regional District, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. By-law No. 713, "Saturna Island Water Supply and Distribution System Rates and Regulations By-law No. 1, 1980" is amended by deleting Section 7 in its entirety and substituting therefor the following:

"7(a) User charges, calculated in accordance with Schedule "C" hereto, shall be invoiced not less frequently than once a year and shall be payable upon presentation of the invoice, in respect of each property physically connected to the water distribution system whether or not the water service is in use.

(b) A ten per cent (10%) penalty shall be charged if payment is not made within thirty (30) days of the invoice date, and any amount outstanding after that date shall be considered arrears.

(c) All payments received shall be applied firstly on account of arrears, and secondly on account of any current balance owing."

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Pursuant to Section 769 of the Municipal Act, the following text of By-law No. 992, cited as "Maliview Estates Sewerage System Rates and Regulation By-law No. 1, 1980, Amendment By-law No. 2, 1982" is hereby published as at third reading and prior to submission to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs.

A BY-LAW TO FURTHER AMEND BY-LAW NO. 709, "MALIVIEW ESTATES SEWERAGE SYSTEM RATES AND REGULATIONS BY-LAW NO. 1, 1980"

The Board of the Capital Regional District, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. By-law No. 709, "Maliview Estates Sewerage System Rates and Regulations By-law No. 1, 1980" as amended by By-law No. 858, "Maliview Estates Sewerage System Rates and Regulations By-law No. 1, 1980, Amendment By-law No. 1, 1981" is further amended by deleting Section 7 in its entirety and substituting therefor the following:

"7(a) User charges, calculated in accordance with Schedule "C" hereto, shall be invoiced not less frequently than once a year and shall be payable upon presentation of the invoice, in respect of each property physically connected to the sewer collection system whether or not the sewer service is in use.

(b) A ten per cent (10%) penalty shall be charged if payment is not made within thirty (30) days of the invoice date, and any amount outstanding after that date shall be considered arrears.

(c) All payments received shall be applied firstly on account of arrears, and secondly on account of any current balance owing."

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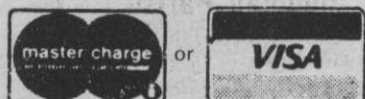
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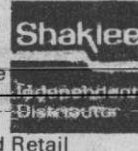
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