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## Challenge

Harbour House bartender Lane Gromme is challenging 11 island bartenders to donate tips made this Saturday to the Rick Hansen fund.

See letters page for details. Additional campaign news on pages nine and 11.

Driftwood photo by Duncan MacDonnell

## Copter company to bring in quieter craft

Helijet Airways hopes to have a new and quieter helicopter operating on its Vancouver-to-Victoria commuter run by early summer, Ken Glaze, the company's director of operations, said last week.

Helijet, whose commuter flights between B.C.'s two largest cities have annoyed Saturna residents because of the noise they create, is in the process of obtaining a Sikorsky 76 helicopter to replace the Bell 412 currently in service. Glaze said Thursday that Helijet hopes to have the new

Sikorsky in operation by June 1 — "plus or minus one or two weeks either way."

Glaze, who is a pilot, explained that the Sikorsky 76 is a much quieter aircraft than the Bell 412 and should make the flights less of an annoyance to Outer Islands residents.

"With the (Bell) 412, we thought we had the right machine," Glaze said. "We thought the four-bladed machine would be quieter, but we found out that it sets up a far-reaching, low-frequency vibra-

## Bill's principles 'will be upheld'

B.C.'s Social Credit government will not abandon the principles outlined in its controversial Teaching Profession Act and Industrial Relations Act, Finance Minister Mel Couvelier told a meeting Friday evening on Salt Spring Island.

"We have not and will not budge on the principles we've laid out in Bill 19 (the Industrial Relations Act)," said Couvelier, one of two Social Credit MLAs representing Saanich-and-the-Islands.

Couvelier told the partisan crowd that the legislation — which creates a new Industrial Relations Council and gives it wide-ranging powers to intervene and settle labour disputes — will radically change industrial relations in the province. He added that although the government may change some of Bill 19's 130 sections during third reading, these modifications will only be

made to ensure the new law is not open to wide interpretation.

"The major defect in the previous system was a lot of interpretations made by the LRB (Labour Relations Board) that were not the intention of government," he explained. "In an attempt to ensure this will not happen again, we are trying to be more specific with this law, so the adjudication section is clearly understood by the bureaucrats and boards."

As for the Teaching Profession Act, which establishes a College of Teachers to oversee such matters as teachers' professional development, Couvelier said the government is equally committed to changing the current "system."

"The basic principle that we're adamant on is the separation of judging teachers' competency from the organization that bar-

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## Boat ramp relocation to make way for path

The Islands Trust and two private firms are working together to find a new home for the public boat-launching ramp located in downtown Ganges.

The ramp, located on federal small craft harbours branch property east of Centennial Park, may be moved to Harbours End Marine and Equipment property to alleviate parking problems in downtown Ganges, and to facilitate construction of a continuous waterfront walkway in the downtown core.

Islands Trust chairman Nick Gilbert said Monday that a proposal has been developed between Grace Point Holdings and Harbours End Marine and Equipment to relocate the existing boat ramp at the north end of Ganges Harbour.

Gilbert said the Trust feels the community will benefit if the ramp is moved. He noted that the lack of parking around the ramp

creates a serious traffic congestion problem in the area. At times, he noted, it is difficult — if not impossible — for people to launch their boats there.

He added that the Islands Trust is promoting the creation of a waterfront walkway around Ganges Harbour, and if the boat ramp is retained, it will destroy the walkway's continuity.

Gilbert said the current ramp is "at odds" with the residential and commercial plans for the village. He added that it is hoped relocation of the ramp will ease the traffic problem in downtown Ganges.

"I think it will be better for everybody," he concluded, adding that the Trust will only support relocation of the ramp at Harbours End if the public is guaranteed free access to it.

The deal that may result in relocation of the boat ramp was

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## On the move

Building which once housed Salt Spring Lands office was moved earlier this week. Page 10.



## Helping out

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## Opening

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# Company to get new copter

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yourself on the ground and in the people's position. I think the biggest problem is that (on Saturna) there is no ambient noise, no background noise, so people tend to hear the helicopters more."

Helijet's south-bound flights between Vancouver and Victoria — which take the company's helicopters over Pender and Saturna Islands — are now conducted at an altitude of 4,500 feet whenever possible. On its north-bound return trips, the company helicopter flies at 5,500 feet — almost a mile above sea level, Glaze noted.

Nevertheless, sound of the Bell 412's passage still reaches the ears of some residents. It has been suggested that Helijet fly around the islands — perhaps along the Canada-U.S. border — to avoid creating a disturbance, but Helijet's director of operations says this proposal is simply not financially feasible.

"You can only do so much," Glaze stated. "People have suggested: 'Why not go around the islands?' It would just be too expensive. I originally said I thought it (the border route) would increase the cost per trip by five per cent. Well, I sat down

and figured it out and it would add five minutes to the trip, which works out to 14 per cent. Over a year, that adds up to 346 additional hours of flight time. It's just too much. We couldn't recover the costs."

Although Saturna residents have complained about the noise created by Helijet's eight daily round trip flights, Transport Canada officials have no quarrel with the company or its operations.

Stephen Rybak, Transport Canada's regional manager of public affairs, praised Helijet for its efforts to deal with islanders' concerns.

## Salt Spring site

# Archaeological dig draws volunteers

A dozen island residents have volunteered to assist a Simon Fraser University (SFU) archaeological team preparing to excavate a Salt Spring Island site.

The site, comprising three adjoining properties in the Long Harbour area, contains middens that SFU professor Dr. Roy Carlson believes may yield artifacts from the West Coast Indian culture of about 1000 B.C. — the times of King David and Solomon.

Dr. Carlson, who supervised the recent archaeological explorations on Pender Island, surveyed the Salt Spring site earlier this month. He said work on the middens will be directed by graduate SFU student David Johnston, who will be assisted by two other SFU archaeology students.

The local volunteers will work under the three-man SFU team. They began their involvement last Sunday by helping to clear brush and some trees from the excavation site.

As the dig progresses, the volunteers are expected to become involved in all aspects of the project. They are also planning to produce an audio-visual docu-

mentary of the work, as a contribution to cultural research.

Local resident John Crofton, one of the volunteers, said the documentary would be made available to Salt Spring schools, organizations and project participants.

Crofton, whose interest in archaeology stems from visits he made to Middle East historical sites, said a wide range of expertise has been brought to the project by local volunteers. One couple, he said, has worked on excavations of ancient Roman ruins, while another is deeply interested in West Coast Indian culture.

The excavation work is expected to begin June 1. Until then, the site of the middens will not be disclosed, for fear it might be disturbed. After June 1, the SFU team is expected to have a semi-permanent camp on the site.

Additional volunteers would be welcome, Crofton added. No one expects the local residents to assist the SFU team on a full-time basis, he explained, so a healthy number of volunteers would make it possible to schedule everyone on a part-time basis.

Anyone interested in taking part should call 537-4145 or 537-2433 for further information.

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**to be frank . . .**

**. . . by Richards**

**Up and away!**

You can't blame a fellow for his in-laws. He didn't choose them and they didn't choose him. I mean, if they had a choice, where would I have ended up?

I wasn't thinking so much of mothers-in-law but I can recall my esteemed mother-in-law telling her daughter: "You can't marry him!" And I'm scared to mention sons-in-law!

From time to time I get inundated with sisters-in-law. The chauvinist side of the family stays at home to earn a meagre living while the distaff side spends it. You must have heard that complaint before now.

I have sisters-in-law who try to walk off the ferry at the wrong end and I have sisters-in-law who come from Wales to bewitch me.

For the past six weeks we have entertained a sister-in-law from Kenilworth, in England, who lives almost beneath the shadow of the historic castle in that small English town. Some 30 years ago Donovan lived in Saanich with her husband, my twin brother, Bill, and they both taught in local schools. Later they moved to Sarita River for a year before returning to South America, where they spent their working lives.

But Donovan leaves the ferry at the right end. She cooks a meal and we even survive. What more could I say?

After six weeks on Salt Spring Island she is convinced that the climate of the islands closely resembles that of southern Spain where she and her family enjoy a second home.

**Driving him wild**

Island driver was riding the left lane into Victoria one late sailing last week when a large tractor unit was using the right lane. Traffic in both lanes was holding the limit, or, perhaps, a little above it.

The truck to his right pulled ahead and then turned across the left lane, slowing as he made a left turn. The car in the right lane found an unlighted flatbed trailer crossing his bows and did the only thing possible. He turned with it. Both vehicles crossed into the northbound lane and sped out towards the ferry again.

The islander was chewing adrenalin and wanted to tell the trucker how to use the highway. The Alberta-

licensed rig continued north until he found a conveniently wide section of highway, where he slowed and, once again, made a U-turn to start off towards Victoria again.

The brave islander was busy cooling off and recalling a United States television news show in which the commentator was expressing concern at the number of haulers indulging in booze.

He sped away, still mystified at the strange antics of a less-than-competent truck driver.

**That garbage!**

I was bugged by garbage. I have two excellent garbage cans but I could use neither because they were too big for the standard garbage bag. You put the bag in the can and it rested there. You then put the garbage in the bag and ended up with a messy bit of plastic in the bottom of the can.

Last week I decided to make a clean break. If I couldn't find a manufacturer who made bags of the proper size, then I would lash out on a new can.

My worries are over. First thing I found was a new line of bags designed to fit comfortably into the wide-mouth can. What took them so long?

**Lib and let Lib!**

I had a message from Mary Johnson, on South Pender. It was significant not simply for the message but for the medium. It was in verse:

*I thought I would never see  
A Lib-baiter quite like thee.  
I fear your Libber has found at last  
A way to dispose of your macho past:  
Because from you we hear no sound —  
Have you really gone underground?*

Underground I ain't!  
While Women's Lib has been sick for a long time I have been indisposed to rib her. I can only answer in my critic's own coin:

*I do not think I'd ever kick  
A loving Libber while she's sick!*

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## Saturday market plan worthy of consideration

Although it does not look to have the widespread community support needed for its adoption, a recently-suggested Saturday market relocation plan contains too many strong points to be abandoned.

The plan, put forward by Chamber of Commerce president Rick Rockliffe, called for closing the street in front of Centennial Park to all vehicular traffic between 7 am and 2 pm on Saturdays. Market vendors operating from vehicles would set up in that space, while those on foot would occupy the front section of the park itself.

Points in the plan's favour include a more orderly marshalling and dispersal system for the market, a linkage with the pedestrian thoroughway running between the two banks, removal of the crunch felt by market vendors and Gasoline Alley merchants in the parking lot they share, and a pedestrian emphasis in Centennial Park itself.

No proposal is without its snags, of course, and

the ones affecting this centre on fears that the relocation would adversely affect traffic flows and parking conditions around businesses located east of the blocked-off street. Instead of having two access roads to their front doors, those shops would have to rely on but one route.

(Those concerns have effectively halted any further pursuit of the plan, since the department of highways has indicated it will not give its approval to the road closure if there is even one dissenting voice raised.)

If those concerns are correct, there would be no point in relocating the vehicular component of the market. The present location already suffers from parking and traffic congestion—particularly in summer, when more people are about—and a proposal that would simply transfer those woes from one portion of downtown to another is hardly worth a second look.

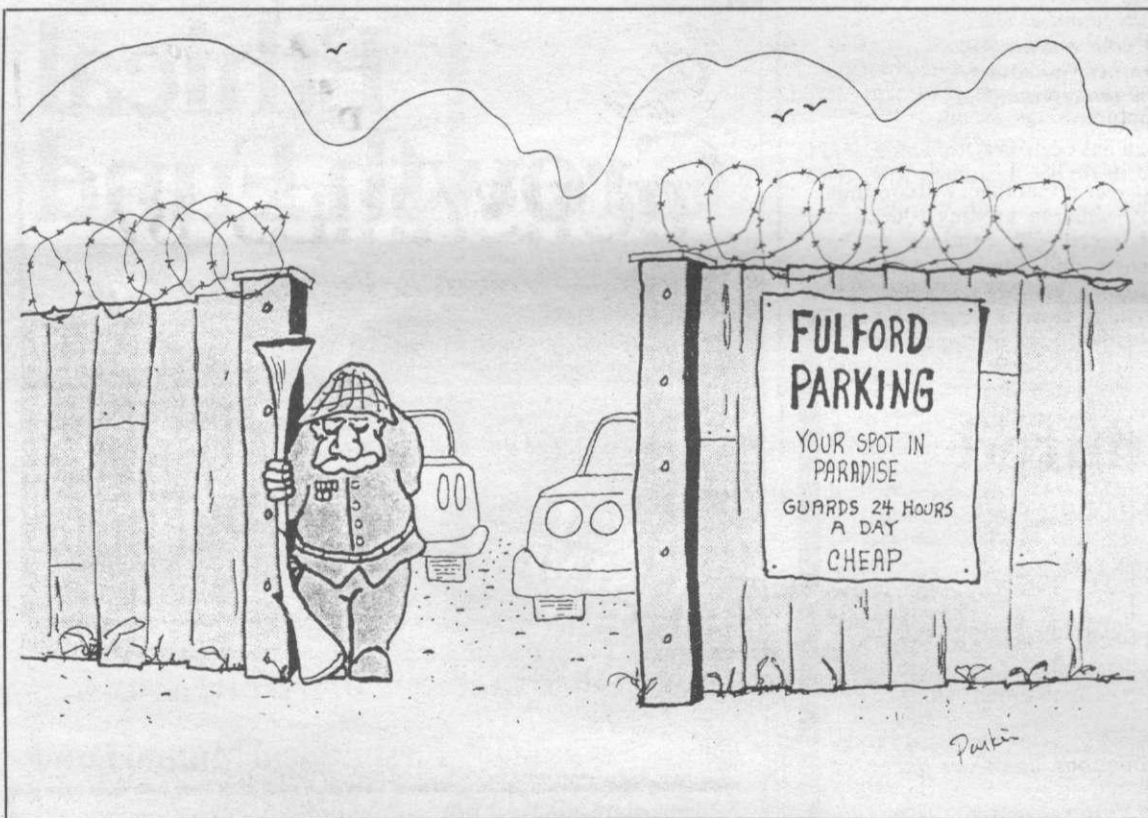
However, at this junction no one can truly say

whether the proposed market relocation would cause traffic and parking problems, or how severe the problems might be. It's safe to say some disruption would result, but how much?

It would make sense, before completely abandoning the proposal or hope for its adoption, to turn to the resources of the highways ministry for detailed opinions and information on the probable effects of a market location shift, plus suggestions on how those impacts might be negated.

At that point, if a relocation looked like it might work, why not try a few trial runs—now, before the summer crowds arrive in droves—which could point out ways to fine-tune the proposal even further?

On the flip side, if the traffic flow experts say chaos would result no matter what was done to guard against it, the proposal could be safely set aside with the knowledge that everything possible was done to see if it could work.



## Credit deserved

Elsewhere in today's issue of *Driftwood* is a profile on the auxiliary to the Lady Minto Gulf Islands Hospital, published to mark Volunteer Week in B.C.

While the auxiliary is the sole local organization named in the article, it is by no means the only area group whose members perform unpaid work for a worthy cause.

The Gulf Islands, in fact, are inundated by volunteer organizations and workers, from the community members who operate the Pender Lender Library to the people who comprise the Galiano Club to the Sea Capers committee on Salt Spring Island.

Compared to their counterparts in larger centres, those groups — and hundreds of others like them — enjoy a relatively high profile here, perhaps because the tasks they perform are magnified in a small community. And yet, it seems volunteers rarely receive their proper due, here or elsewhere, until a special week is declared to mark their work.

We hope it's not because time and familiarity encourages us to take for granted the tasks local volunteers perform. They've shown, through what they do and how unselfishly they do it, that they deserve to be acknowledged for their service. And more often than once a year, at that.

## Father's letter gives funding appeal extra meaning

We have all seen and read those letters that arrive in our mailboxes from time to time, sent out by charitable organizations seeking our financial support. Few of us bother to read the letters; fewer yet are sufficiently moved by the plight of others to actually reply with a cheque.

Eric Booth understands that side of human nature. Until last year he had never thought much about the ravages of cancer or felt inclined to empty his wallet on behalf of the Canadian Cancer Society. It wasn't that Booth didn't care — it was just that the appeals never struck the right chord.

Then Booth took "a sledgehammer between the eyes," as he puts it. Last summer his five-year-old son, Jarrod, was diagnosed as having a brain tumor. A long process of surgery,

recovery and radiation therapy followed before the cancer was declared to be in remission.

Although the medical side of the story had a happy ending, the experience was not pleasant: it left Jarrod with physical scars, and tore rents in Eric's emotional fabric. So much so that the father was recently moved to commit to paper the feelings he experienced while his son lay in a hospital bed.

Last week, the words Eric penned were dropped into mailboxes across Salt Spring Island. His letter, appearing on Canadian Cancer Society stationery, recounts the anguish that surfaces when a loved one is stricken by cancer, points out that the hope for a cure is tied to research, and asks people to support the cause financially.

In short, it's the kind of appeal many of us have read before and

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word

by  
Duncan MacDonnell

ignored, but for one subtle difference — this letter is aimed directly at Salt Spring residents, and the story it tells is about one of them.

It was not Eric Booth's idea to put a local name and face to a request to fund research into a cure for a universal killer: that credit belongs to Betsy Dosco, another island resident who has seen cancer touch her family.

Booth was only too happy to comply with her suggestion.

"I wanted to find a way to personalize a request for contributions," Booth said last week. "So often, when you get these kinds of letters, you ignore them because they're removed from your reality — they have no connection to you or your life."

The public's attitude towards cancer is much the same, he adds. "People may not realize it — may not want to admit it — but cancer is a part of life. It can happen to anyone, at any time, but we don't think about it or talk about it until it happens to us or someone we know. Maybe it's fear."

Booth's letter is designed to challenge that attitude, to make people aware that cancer can strike close to home. By personalizing the disease, by showing it

touch a neighbour, his appeal succeeds.

But there is something else, equally important, in the letter. It is Booth's acknowledgement that without the contributions people have made to the Canadian Cancer Society over the years, the equipment and expertise that saved his son's life might not have been available last summer.

That, more than anything else, underlines the point that just as cancer can strike anyone, so can the benefits of donations be applied next door. The example given is tangible; it's someone we count as a member of this community.

I think Booth's letter is well worth reading. If you're one of those people who toss such things aside because you feel they might not apply to your life, give it a second look.

## Ambiguous

Sir,  
Thanks for your coverage of the teachers' reaction to Bills 19 and 20. We certainly have had a lot of response to the words *immorality* and *mental incompetence*. We are glad that the attention of the readers has been drawn to these words. Why? It is because they are *totally undefined* in Bill 20.

Naturally, teachers don't want immoral and mentally incompetent people in the system. We work in it and we want it to be as good as possible. Clearly, the ambiguity is indefensible.

**BARB AUST,**  
President,  
Gulf Islands Teachers' Association.

## 'Yes' to pool

Sir,  
As a retired primary and secondary education teacher from a large urban school system, I commend the supporters of a swimming pool on Salt Spring Island for their perceptiveness and quite remarkable tenacity in the face of apathetic opposition.

For city school children the advantages of regular swimming instruction with a qualified teacher were obvious, but for our children, living so close to the ocean, familiarity with the rules of water safety would certainly be of even greater significance.

After three years of regular instruction given in school time, using educational funds for transportation, pool rental and instruction, parents of the students in the jurisdiction in which I worked were polled for their reactions to taking time out of the already-overloaded school program for such an activity. They were overwhelmingly supportive of the school board for including water safety in the curriculum.

Parents of Salt Spring Island children — who, from all the evidence appear to be more concerned than the average — would, I am confident, be willing to support a local pool where their children could be properly instructed in water safety and, at the same time, derive the obvious satisfactions that come from such an activity.

**H. AUDREY HENBURY,**  
Ganges.

## Serious?

Sir,  
Sometimes I wonder, when reading a letter in your paper, whether the writer of the letter is just joking or serious. Case in point is a letter in your April 22 issue, signed by C.J. Morgan.

The gist of the letter is that "it does not cost that much more to do business on this island ... so why is everything so overpriced here?"

Morgan does not want to be gouged and therefore does most of the shopping "elsewhere." The "gouging" is presumably done by local merchants. A few trivial examples are proof of this.

If Morgan can manage to go "elsewhere" without cost, I would greatly like to know how. I am sure that our other local merchants are curious, too. Every time I have to go to Duncan, Sidney, Victoria or Vancouver, it seems to cost me a lot of money for ferry fares, mileage and time involved. Even a

trip to Sidney by car sets me back at least \$15; Vancouver is about three times as much. If we compare prices, we have to take those extra costs into consideration; if we don't, we are trying to make apples equal to oranges, which many people have tried to do, none, successfully.

If I buy anything "elsewhere," it has to be at least \$50 cheaper to make it worth my while, because my time has to be evaluated, too.

It might come as a shock to Morgan when I say that there are no free deliveries from "elsewhere" to this island. Truck drivers do not work for free, ferries do not transport delivery trucks for free and trucks do not run for free. One way or the other, you pay for this, either as an added charge or in the price of the product. It might be a greater shock when I say that for every product shown to be cheaper "elsewhere" I can show 10 products on this island which are the same price or cheaper than "elsewhere" even without adding transportation costs.

It is a fallacy that shopping "elsewhere" is cheaper. Only people without any basic knowledge of economics might believe it is. I am sure that Morgan's letter got mislaid and was supposed to be in your April 1 issue.

**C.A. DEKKER,**  
Ganges.

## Radio

Sir,  
This is a reminder to all those radiophiles and music lovers that Co-op Radio (102.7 FM) is having its annual membership drive from May 2 to May 11.

During the 'marathon,' the programmers pull out all the stops in providing great music and public affairs information that simply cannot be found anywhere on the dial.

With an annual budget less than CBC's *As It Happens* phone bill, Vancouver Co-operative Radio is the only volunteer-run, member-owned, commercial-free radio station in Canada. There are over 80 programs per week from 7 am until 2 am, covering an incredibly wide range of music from classical to blues, women's ethnic, electronic and punk as well as public affairs with an independent viewpoint. They survive tenuously by memberships and you too can be a part of something truly genuine and escape the pablum of regular radio. Tune in or check out their program magazine *Radio Waves* at Volume II, *et cetera* or the health food store.

**RICK LAING,**  
Ganges.

## Challenge

Sir,  
As a member of the Ganges Fishermen's Association, I strongly protest the proposed plan by Grace Point Holdings to fill in our boat launching ramp in Ganges Harbour.

Our fishermen use the ramp all the time for loading and unloading equipment, fish, skiffs and supplies. We need to have the ramp

## letters

right there for access to our boats and for safe launching in rough weather. The ramp is on Department of Fisheries and Oceans property. It was built in 1966 with volunteer labour.

We have 56 commercial fish people with 31 boats and five herring skiffs that use Ganges Harbour and the boat launching ramp. Let's hear from the sports fishermen. We want to keep our ramp where it is.

**KATHY CONNER,**  
Ganges Fishermen's Association.

## Leave it

Sir,  
On Saturday, May 2, the Lady Minto Gulf Islands Hospital is presenting the "Rick Hansen Man in Motion Event" to raise funds for spinal cord research.

I would like to challenge all bartenders on Salt Spring Island to pledge all tips received on May 2 to this worthwhile cause.

In addition, I would challenge the management of all drinking establishments on the Island to match the contributions made by their bartenders.

**LANE GROMME,**  
Bartender,  
Harbour House Hotel.

## Excitement

Sir,  
Here we go again — another round of excitement and emotion over our public school system.

Before things get out of hand, I would like to remind all that the only certainty for next week or next year is that there will continue to be children needing education and there will continue to be teachers and administrators and trustees to provide that education. Anything more is housekeeping.

I've got a lot of respect for the people who work in our school district, and those I know work hard and have the best interests of the children at heart. But, there are some aspects of running a school district that, in my opinion, need changing.

I was a trustee here and was on record each year that my opinion of good, modern management included a clear separation between administrators and teachers, and if the new legislation provides that, then I'm in favour of it.

I was involved in salary negotiations, and I was impressed with the attitude taken by GITA and CUPE towards our lack of enough money to do everything we, as a group, thought that should be done. However, it bothered me that the compulsory arbitration procedure forced us into accepting provincial average settlements, because that's what the arbitrators would assign to us in the end anyway. If the new legislation helps each school district to arrive at local settlements to meet local needs, with a minimum of interference from provincial groups, I'm in favour of it.

It bothered me that the BCTF was so political in favouring the NDP and, at the same time, was bargaining for teachers' wages and working conditions and, at the

same time, was the agency that ultimately decided which teachers could work in B.C. (you couldn't work unless you were a member of the BCTF). This was an obvious conflict of interest, and if the new legislation separates these functions, I'm in favour of it.

Lastly, it bothered me that the management system was so cumbersome that it was almost impossible to make staff changes. For example, there was a teacher who was promoted into the wrong job, and as sometimes happens, no one realized it until the teacher had been in the job for some months. The obvious solution was to move the teacher back to the previous job. It took about a year of negotiations with the teacher and GITA to accomplish the reassignment and a higher salary had to be carried by the district for another two years. If the new legislation makes it easier to solve this kind of problem, I'm in favour of it.

It is my sincere hope that all parties recognize that the education of our children is too important to be interrupted by walkouts. Change is inevitable. A bicycle rider will tell you that if you stop going forward, you fall off.

**RON McQUIGGAN,**  
Ganges.

## Ramps


Sir,  
It has come to our attention that there is a proposal to remove the public boat-launching ramp from its existing location on Fisheries and Ocean's property and to replace it with a private facility. We have grave concerns over this proposal to eliminate an all-weather service facility, which is regularly used year round by many commercial fishermen, sportsmen and residents of the surrounding small islands.

The proposed launching site at Harbour's End Marina is exposed to all southerly winds and, in the absence of a rock-filled breakwater, would be unsuitable and dangerous except in fine weather.

In our opinion, the existing ramp (which was built and maintained by volunteer labour) should remain as it is. Filling it in would only provide a few free parking stalls for development taking place on the adjacent property.

We are disturbed that private development should be allowed to remove a public facility to the detriment of the public.

**JOHN ELLIOTT,**  
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## B.C. policy

Sir,  
I have received a number of inquiries regarding the payment of ambulance attendants on the Gulf Islands and I would like to share with your readers a letter I received from Peter Dueck, minister of health, on this issue:

*"This issue of salaries for part-time ambulance attendants has been reviewed in the past and no changes were made. Perhaps a brief background would assist in understanding the reasons for this decision.*

*Prior to the province assuming responsibility for the ambulance service, smaller communities relied on the residents to volunteer their time to man the ambulance. As well, volunteers participated in fund-raising activities to enable them to purchase, equip and maintain the ambulance. Training was minimal and in some cases non-existent. It was the intent, when the province assumed responsibility, that direct costs of providing the service would be accepted. However, in smaller communities where case volumes were not sufficient to require full-time attendants 24-hours per day, the residents would support the service by volunteering their time to be available for calls, but would be paid if they were required to respond to an ambulance call. This system is not unique and parallels the fire service very closely.*

*The ambulance service on the Gulf Islands is similar to many other communities throughout the province and any changes would have to apply to all these areas. If standby wages were to be paid in all situations the present service would not be possible."*

I hope this letter clarifies where the provincial government stands regarding the payment of ambulance attendants on the Gulf Islands.

**TERRY HUBERTS, MLA**  
Saanich-and-the-Islands.

## Helicopters

*Editor's note: The following is an open letter to federal transport minister John Crosbie, filed with this newspaper for publication.*

Sir,  
Regarding Helijet Airways, I am writing to bring you up to date on the present situation, which is as follows:

- an application for a second license, by Okanagan Helicopters Ltd., has been received by the City of Victoria. Our information at this time is that Victoria has not made up its mind as to whether to allow the aircraft to land;

- informal tests of noise duration by property owners on Saturna Island have shown that the aircraft can be heard for seven to eight minutes, depending on weather conditions. This means that, in the concentrated morning and evening flight times, the helicopter can be heard from 21 to 24 minutes in a 1.5 hour period;

- we have confirmed with MT that there are, at this point, no controls under Visual Flight

Regulations governing routing or helicopter noise;

- a concern has been expressed to us regarding the suitability of leases held by Helijet Airways on federal government property in both Vancouver and Victoria. We would strongly support public hearings on this issue;

- we have continued discussions with Helijet Airways; their position can be summarized as trusting that the noise problems, which they admit are real, can be solved by flying higher and, someday, switching to a different aircraft. Our group is not convinced that the helicopter noise is dependent to any significant degree on altitude and is naturally reluctant to rely on promises of another type of aircraft solving our problems; and

- the level of concern of residents of Saturna continues to build, and I believe you have received correspondence from the other large co-operative on the Island. There is also a growing sense of frustration about the lack of any form of review process or regulatory control.

We, as Old Point Farm, wish to continue to assist in any way to resolve this problem to the mutual benefit of the Gulf Islands and transportation consumers. It still seems logical to propose a commercial aircraft corridor following approximately the route of the international boundary, and we remain hopeful that you can have some influence in attaining this goal.

**JOHN KEAY,**  
Victoria.

## Accidents

Sir,  
More than 10,000 Canadian workers have been killed in Canada's workplaces in the past decade. Millions of others have suffered injuries, leaving them permanently or temporarily disabled. In 1982 alone, the most recent year for which firm figures are available concerning the tragedy that is played out in our nation's workplaces, more than one million work injuries were reported. Nearly half of these were disabling.

Work-related fatalities, injuries and disease accounted for 15.8 million lost workdays in Canada in 1981. The economic costs of such

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incidents has been estimated by Labour Canada to be as high as \$20 billion each year.

And what of the human costs? The pain and suffering and sacrifice made by many workers and their families goes largely unrecognized by society. A policeman killed on the job is mourned publicly and the loss to society is rightfully acknowledged. But the workplace death of a hydro lineman, an industrial worker, a truck-driver, a welfare worker, or countless others who also serve society, goes almost unreported and the only mourners are a small circle of family, friends and co-workers.

In keeping with the establishment by the Canadian Labour Congress of April 28 (yesterday) as labour's official Day of Recognition for workers killed, injured or disabled on the job, CUPE Local 788 requests that the citizens of Salt Spring Island acknowledge this thought. This would serve as a reminder of the need for safe and healthy workplaces and also serve as an incentive to all citizens to achieve this end.

**JUDY BOYLAN,**  
CUPE Local 788,  
Ganges.

## Disgruntled

*Editor's note: The following is an open letter to the B.C. Ferry Corporation, filed with this newspaper for publication.*

Sir,  
On April 3, I was returning to Long Harbour on the noon ferry coming from Tsawwassen, and the ship was the *Queen of Burnaby*.

About halfway across the channel an announcement came over the PA system for a vehicle to

be attended. I recognized the license number to be mine, went to investigate and discovered it had a flat tire.

The first mate of the B watch walked up to me and informed me to get it "fixed," then walked away. I found the 12-ton jack and tire iron and the gentleman passenger parked in front of me helped me to start changing the tire.

It became apparent that we needed another bumper jack, which I didn't have. I asked one of the deck hands if we could use one out of the ferry van. I was informed that B.C. Ferries did not have a bumper jack, and then I enquired of the deck hand what I should do


and was informed in a very blunt voice to "go hire a wrecking van."

I was angry at this point and didn't really know what to do, and it wasn't until about 10 minutes before docking time that another passenger came up with a bumper jack and the tire was replaced. In the meantime, I had gone to ask for the captain's assistance and was informed that he was busy bringing the ship into dock.

My whole point in writing this letter is to express my extreme frustration and disappointment with B watch on that day, and to wonder what happened to their manners.

Perhaps a little "attitude adjustment" would help them to remember that without us passengers, their jobs would be gone.

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# Silviculture scheme promises dividends

## capital comment

by  
**Hubert Beyer**

VICTORIA — One of the unshakable tenets of conservatism has always been that anything governments do, the private sector can do better.

I certainly go along with that creed when it comes to imagination and ideas. Governments have their own inertia, which prevents the germination of good ideas. It seems Premier Vander Zalm is painfully aware of that problem, which is why he makes such a big deal of community involvement.

In the interest of helping the premier move from mere rhetoric to action, I'd like to draw his attention to a recent proposal submitted to his new forest minister, Dave Parker, by a delegation from the Cariboo.

To whet his appetite, I'd like to start off by saying that the proposal could put more than 1,000 people to work for the next 40 to 60 years and do some very beneficial things for our forests in the process.

The force behind the scheme is Lloyd Whyte, a Quesnel alderman who believes that good forest management consists of more than planting trees and letting them grow until the time comes to chop them down. Whyte is not just a starry-eyed idealist: he's the woodlands manager for Slokan Forest Products in Quesnel.

Whyte is a firm believer in silviculture. He says the question is no longer whether we should practice silviculture in a serious way; it's when do we start. He thinks now is the time. And his proposal, which has been endorsed by the municipal councils of Quesnel, 100 Mile House and Williams Lake, as well as the Cariboo Regional District, is now in the hands of the forest minister.

The proposal calls for a concerted silviculture program in the lodgepole pine, Douglas fir and spruce balsam stands in the Cariboo region. The tending program would consist primarily of thinning, spacing, weeding and brush control for a minimum of 10 years. At worst, the result would be the retention of the current annual allowable cuts; at best, it would provide a substantial increase.

The silviculture program would be carried out mainly on immature stands. One of the basic ingredients of the proposal is the fact that large areas of forest in the region are now subject to a number of disasters — such as beetle infestation — which cause the affected trees to be lost to commercial use. An intensive silviculture program, on the other hand, would salvage some of that stand.

Whyte points out that we don't have to wait for the benefits of an intensive silviculture program until the treated stands reach maturity. The added volume created by intensive silviculture on immature stands can be harvested immediately from mature stands,

leaving the total annual cut in balance with total annual growth.

The cost of the program would be \$15 million a year for 10 years. The benefits would be impressive: harvestable volumes would be increased by about 375,000 cubic metres a year after 10 years; and the program would employ about 850 people in the first year and up to 1,885 people in the 10th year.

Whyte says that unless an intensive silviculture program is implemented in the Cariboo immediately, the recent and serious beetle attacks will invariably result in a reduced annual allowable cut which, in turn, will lead to higher unemployment.

"There is no need to explain the advantage of the proposed project to those youth who will be employed by it. Without the project, they would likely remain unemployed and their future may be filled with collecting welfare payments instead of learning a vocation which will be in high demand not only in British Columbia, but throughout Canada in the coming years," Whyte says.

"Forestry is not a sunset industry. World demand for forest products continues to rise. The Cariboo region is in the enviable position of being able to fill the growing demand with help from the provincial and federal governments and, in the process, provide increased employment opportunities," he adds.

The proposal is modelled, in part, after *Strategy for Survival*, a recently-implemented stand-tending program for Vancouver Island. Nobody worked harder for the implementation of that program than Graham Bruce, the former mayor of Duncan.

Bruce is now the Socred MLA for Cowichan-Malahat and although he isn't the forest minister — and, inexplicably, not even the parliamentary secretary to the forest minister — Bruce might consider throwing his support behind Whyte's proposal.

I hope that Bruce has not yet become a victim of government inertia and still retains some of that good-idea potential he had before he joined the big league. I also hope he hasn't forgotten that a lot of people helped him convince the government that his was a good idea. Now someone else needs all the help he can get.



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## School student will present Hansen campaign proceeds

Money raised locally for the *Man In Motion* campaign will be personally delivered to Rick Hansen by a student in the Life Skills Program at Gulf Islands Secondary School.

The presentation will take place at a May 23 ceremony held in Coquitlam to welcome Hansen back after his two-year trek around the globe to raise funds for spinal cord research.

Polly Tremblay, co-ordinator of the Life Skills Program, said last week that *Man In Motion* organizers have invited mayors from B.C. municipalities beyond Hansen's travel route to attend the May 23 ceremony to present funds raised in their areas.

"As Salt Spring has no mayor," she said, "a student from the Life Skills Program has been invited to personally present the proceeds of our fund-raising events to Rick Hansen. The Life Skills group is very thrilled by the honour."

Tremblay said plans are now being laid to take the entire Life Skills class to Vancouver for the ceremony. Parents and volunteers have offered to help program staff organize the trip, she continued, and efforts are now being made to obtain enough tickets to the event.

## Man in Motion campaign plans being finalized

Salt Spring Island organizers are finalizing plans for two May 2 events designed to raise funds for Rick Hansen's *Man In Motion* campaign.

The day will see both a wheelchair relay and a fun run-walk held in Ganges. The relay is being staged by students in the Life Skills Program at Gulf Islands Secondary School, while the fun run-walk is the work of Gulf Islands Lady Minto Hospital.

The fun run-walk will be the first event of the day. Registration will begin at 9 am at the Elementary School, with participants starting out at 10 am to complete any one of the four circuits available — the one, three, five or 10 kilometre routes.

At 10:30 am, the wheelchair relay will begin on a half-kilometre stretch of Rainbow Road. Entrants will be teams of four people, each of whom will take turns wheeling up the road and back.

Teams confirmed for the relay include the RCMP, the ambulance drivers, the hospital's Candy Strippers, the Life Skills Program students, and the Grade Seven class at Salt Spring Elementary.

Pledge sheets for both events are now available, from either Gulf Islands Secondary School or Lady Minto Gulf Islands Hospital.

Joining those two sponsors in helping to carry out the two events are a number of local organizations. Members of the Order of the Eastern Star will operate a food and refreshment stand, hospital board trustees will man a souvenir stand selling Rick Hansen tee-shirts and posters, and parents of Life Skills Program students will stage a bake sale. Proceeds from all three booths will be directed to the *Man In Motion* campaign, which has so far raised about \$9 million in support of spinal cord research.

Other assistance is coming from: students in the Secondary School's French Immersion class, who are preparing a giant banner for the relay; Jack Reynolds at Ganges Auto Marine, who is helping the Life Skills Program students build their wheelchair; April Curtis and a group of senior school students, who will supervise the fun run-walk on the Elementary School grounds; and the Salty Sweat'rs, who will stage a program of warm-up exercises prior to the events.

For more information about either event, contact Diana Hayes at the hospital (537-5545) or Polly Tremblay at the secondary school (537-2213).

## Hansen fun run, relay prompting challenges

Challenges are being made among participants in this Saturday's two fund-raising events for Rick Hansen's *Man In Motion* campaign.

Lane Gromme, a bartender at the Harbour House Hotel in Ganges, is challenging each of the island's bartenders to pledge the tips they receive this Saturday to the *Man In Motion* cause. Gromme is also asking that the management of island drinking establishments match the contributions of bartenders.

Meanwhile, the staff at the

extended care unit at Lady Minto Gulf Islands Hospital is challenging staff at Greenwoods to see which group can raise the most money on Saturday.

The hospital said last week it has so far received donations of more than \$900 for the *Man in Motion* fund. The contributions have come from individuals and groups.

The hospital adds that it expects that total to rise considerably when proceeds from this Saturday's fun run-walk are counted.


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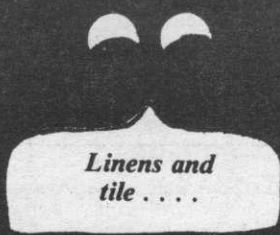





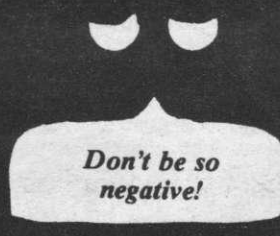



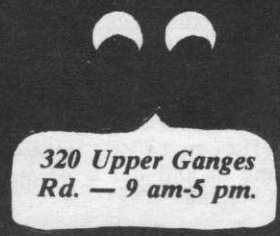
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**Building moved**

**Realty firm relocates to new offices**

Moving is never an easy chore, particularly for a business. Yet Salt Spring Lands managed to make a location switch last week in near record time.

Mel Topping, co-owner of Salt Spring Lands, said Thursday that Grace Point Holdings gave the real estate company a mere 30 days notice that it must move. The firm pulled the last of its belongings out of its old location along Fulford-Ganges Road at 5 pm Easter Monday, and managed to open its new offices in Gasoline Alley last Saturday.

Topping said that he had thought Grace Point Holdings, the firm holding title to the property on which Salt Spring Lands was located for more than a decade, would have given him more time to make the move. He was surprised to receive only a month's notice from his landlords, who plan to develop the area more intensively as part of the Grace Point project.

"The main thing is that we were only given 30 days notice," he explained. "That was not much time to move. We didn't have a signed lease, just a long-standing rental agreement. Personally, I thought they (Grace Point officials) would have given us more time."

Grace Point Holdings spokesman David Questo disagreed with Topping's suggestion that Salt Spring Lands didn't receive adequate notice. He said Grace Point Holdings "had no alternative" but to take Salt Spring Lands to court when it appeared the real estate firm did not plan to move by the end of the official 30 day period. The court, he pointed out, ruled in favour of Grace Point Holdings.

"They only had a month-to-month verbal agreement on the property," Questo said. "They've known for many months that they were going to have to move. They felt, however, that they should be entitled to special treatment... told me in a letter they thought they should have something like six months. That was, of course, out of the question. So they left me with little choice (but to initiate court action)."

Although the matter went before the courts, Questo feels it was resolved amicably. He added that Salt Spring Lands' new location in Gasoline Alley might actually be better than its previous one.

Topping said the sudden move disrupted business, but not as much as might be expected. He also feels the new location of Salt Spring Lands is a good one, and credits those who completed renovation work on the new offices with making the quick location switch possible.

"Actually, we were only out of an office for three days," Topping said. "Thanks go to Ron Smith of Gulf Island Pools and all his tradesmen. They had the office totally renovated in seven days. It was fantastic. They worked to 2 and 3 am every morning to get it finished. The drywallers, Brian Little, came in and did a great job, too."



*This property will move fast....*

Half of the former Salt Spring Lands office building was moved Monday night to site next to Kanaka Place. Other half is bound for Harbours End Marine and Equipment property. The building is being moved to clear the site for Grace Point development project work.

**Cruise ship passengers to begin visits in June**

The cruise ship *Columbia* will begin its weekly visits to Ganges in June this year, rather than May.

The vessel, which belongs to Great Pacific Cruise Lines of Seattle, is scheduled to make its first stop in Ganges June 16 at approximately 11 am.

Subject to booking, the *Columbia* will tie up in Ganges each week on Tuesday at the same time throughout the months of June, July, August and into September.

The new schedule will likely benefit both Ganges merchants and the *Columbia's* passengers. In the past, it arrived here in late afternoon, which was not the best time for passengers to shop.

**Fickle weather complicates highways ministry projects**

Mother Nature keeps spoiling the ministry of highways' efforts to finish several road improvement projects on Salt Spring Island.

John Stepaniuk, the ministry's local roads foreman, said Thursday that recent rains interrupted highway line painting work on the island.

Stepaniuk said the ministry hopes to finish the work — and pave the access route leading to the Gasoline Alley parking lot — sometime during the next week or two. He added that after the paving work is completed, curbing will be installed around the north end of Centennial Park — barring the arrival of any more unexpected rainstorms.

"It's the darned weather,"

noted Stepaniuk.

Highways crews were able to repaint the existing crosswalk at the corner of Lower Ganges Road and Hereford, as well as move the crosswalk along Fulford-Ganges Road, before the rain arrived. New parking guidelines throughout the village were also painted, and another crosswalk was added along Lower Ganges Road near the firehall.

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**Helping out**

Secondary school students Jessica Swift (left) and Malindi Curtis help prepare banner for Rick Hansen campaign. Completed by French Immersion class, banner now hangs over Lower Ganges Road.

**Pharmasave links medicine appeal to support for Man in Motion fund**

Salt Spring Islanders can help Rick Hansen's *Man In Motion* fund — and themselves — by returning their old or outdated prescription drugs to the Pharmasave outlet in Ganges.

For every old or outdated prescription handed in to Pharmasave between now and May 23, when Hansen will end his around-the-world tour in Vancouver, owner Les Ramsey will donate 50 cents to the *Man In Motion* campaign for spinal cord research contributions.

Along with donating money to a worthy cause, Ramsey said returning old or outdated prescriptions will promote safety in the home. Some types of drugs can degrade over time and cause medical problems if taken, he said, while others will lose their effectiveness and offer no help in an emergency.

People sometimes save drugs like antibiotics for future use, Ramsey continued. However, he noted that physicians prescribe different antibiotics for different illnesses, and if a person takes a particular drug for what he or she feels is the same illness — and it isn't — a medical situation may become worse.

"If it is the wrong antibiotic, it could prolong the illness until the person sees a doctor and receives the correct antibiotic. Also, by repeatedly treating an illness but never completing the antibiotic course, the bacteria could become resistant to that particular antibiotic. This may force the doctor to prescribe a stronger drug next time."

Pharmacists promote the return of older prescriptions, called the *Medicine Cabinet Cleanup* campaign, because it is safer to have the pharmacy dispose of the drugs. If older prescriptions are

tossed into the garbage can at home, they might be taken by small children or animals, Ramsey noted.

There is also a chance that older prescription drugs left around the house could poison a child who finds them. Each year, Ramsey said, the B.C. Poison Control Centre receives 15,000 calls regarding poisonings. Over half of the calls involve children aged five years and younger.

The B.C. Poison Control Centre also reports that many of the poisonings were caused by older medications — both prescription and non-prescription — left around the house.

The centre adds that there are

also many cases of adult poisonings, which usually occur when a person is taking several prescription drugs at the same time. "It can be confusing as to when to take which one, and any additional outdated medicine containers may only add to the confusion," Ramsey said. "Also, if a physician has changed a person's prescriptions, the old ones may be kept around the house. If they are taken by mistake, they may interact with the new ones and make the situation worse."

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**At Friday meeting**

# Huberts: local teachers raised valid points

Saanich-and-the-Islands MLA Terry Huberts said Friday following a meeting with Gulf Islands teachers that he will take their concerns back to cabinet for consideration.

Huberts said that although he supports Bill 20, he feels Gulf Islands teachers brought up some valid points during their meeting with him.

"For example, they pointed out that it only takes the signatures of five teachers to bring another to a disciplinary hearing," said Huberts. "Now suppose those five were unemployed, and decided to put the screws to an employed teacher. They could gang up on one to get a shot at a job."

Huberts added that during Friday's meeting, Gulf Islands Teachers' Association president Barb Aust also raised the point that professional development is currently being handled well by the B.C. Teachers' Federation, but will nevertheless be turned over to the proposed College of Teachers once Bill 20 (the Teaching Profession Act) becomes law.

"They were very concerned about that, and I intend to take it to caucus and see if there could be the same possibility under the teachers' college," the MLA said.

Huberts said teachers asked that the government "slow down" passage of Bill 20 to allow

for further discussion and assessment of its impact on teachers.

"But I feel it's a good bill and I think we should get on with it," Huberts stressed. "There's no bill in the country that's going to save all of us."

"The thing is, the government is not against them (teachers). Never in caucus has anyone said: 'Gee, how can we get rid of those teachers.' I believe we have a good education system, but there's room to improve it, and I feel it's excellent that we are finally separating the academic aspect from the monetary aspect. And we've agreed that teachers deserve a reward for their good

work. I think this is an excellent move."

Bill 20, the Teaching Profession Act, creates a new College of Teachers to oversee the on-going professional development of B.C. teachers. Membership in the new college is mandatory, and it would be responsible for assessing the competency of all provincial instructors.

The Act also makes membership in the B.C. Teachers' Federation voluntary. Bill 19, the Industrial Relations Act, gives B.C. teachers the right to form local organizations to bargain working conditions, as well as the right to strike.



Terry Huberts

## Changes made to Bills will not undermine intent

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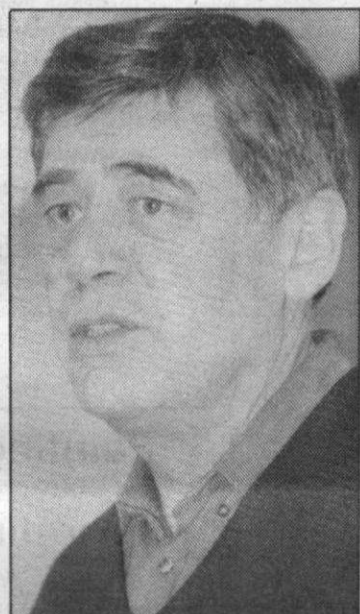
gains for their working conditions and wages," the finance minister said.

Couvelier said the government is establishing a teachers' college to ensure that unfit teachers such as convicted child molester Robert Noyes are identified and kept out of the classroom. He said that under the present system, school district officials are afraid to take action against a teacher they suspect is unfit because they know the huge financial resources of the B.C. Teachers' Federation will be used to oppose the move in court.

"We've all heard the sickness that has come out lately, the news of unfit individuals . . . who do not belong in the classroom. We've seen the impotency of the old structure to deal with these individuals, and that's why it's absolutely mandatory that we change the structure," he said.

Couvelier stressed that in no way is Noyes representative of even a minority of teachers. "Ninety-nine per cent of all teachers — 99.9 per cent, for all I know — are conscientious, dedicated deliverers of knowledge to our children," he said. "But the problem is how to make sure the system stays pure."

The finance minister said the establishment of a College of Teachers will go a long way toward achieving that goal. He noted that the college's 20-



Mel Couvelier

individual board will be dominated by teachers, so it will be 'peer group judging.'

"What we're saying to teachers is that we want you to become professional, here's the machinery," he said. "You can choose your bargaining agency, either the B.C. Teachers' Federation or, alternatively, create a bargaining agency of your own. But we want this point, competency, to be handled by a non-partisan, non-political, peer-driven board . . . and on this we will not budge."

## Student apologizes for comments referring to teachers as leftists

Seventeen-year-old Jason Minvielle found himself in the media spotlight Friday when a newsletter he produced on behalf of the Young Socreds organization angered teachers and proved an embarrassment to Saanich-and-the-Islands MLA Terry Huberts.

The pamphlet, copies of which were distributed to four Greater Victoria secondary schools, extolled the virtues of Social Credit and urged students to attend a meeting with Saanich-and-the-Islands MLA Terry Huberts at his constituency office.

It also stated: "We apologize for having to reach you via the underground, yet we feel that this is necessary due to the vicious leftist attitudes of staff at area high schools."

Minvielle's pamphlet appeared at a politically sensitive time for Huberts and his Social Credit colleagues, who are facing a possible strike by B.C. teachers opposed to the controversial Teaching Profession Act (Bill 20). Huberts, who had no knowledge that the pamphlet was being prepared, is married to a teacher and was scheduled to meet Friday with members of the Gulf Islands Teachers' Association.

Minvielle, a Salt Spring Island youth who attends Parkland Secondary School in Saanich and is acting president of the Saanich-and-the-Islands Young Socreds, admitted Saturday that publishing *The Right Way* without Huberts' approval was a mistake. He regrets the reference to teachers' attitudes as "vicious leftist," and added that the pamphlet was not intended to anger instructors.

"The first priority of the newsletter was to extol the benefits of the Social Credit party," said Minvielle, who wrote most of the brochure but not the paragraph that raised the ire of teachers. "The second was to get students out to a *Meet Your MLA* meeting with Dr. Huberts at his constituency office. Students are concerned about education, and I was certain there were things they'd want to discuss with their MLA. He is there to discuss any

issues. But I was not doing this to agitate teachers, however much I support Bill 20.

"Vicious was a vicious word, and the reference to teachers as 'leftists' was not meant for all teachers, only some teachers. It certainly wasn't meant to imply that all teachers are leftists . . . I will accept the blame, but it was another Young Socred who wrote the provocative paragraph. He/she will be disciplined . . ."

"The address, giving the constituency office as the address, was a mistake. I did it on my own behalf, and I did it because the Sidney post office had no boxes available. I'm at the constituency office a lot doing volunteer work."

Minvielle said only a few of the 2,500 copies of *The Right Way* were ever handed out to students. He added that a janitor threw into a garbage can the pamphlets intended for distribution at Parkland.

"He (the janitor) said: 'In my opinion, this isn't a political arena.' My retort was: 'I didn't realize that was for janitors to decide,'" he stated.

Although Minvielle is sorry that he didn't consult with Huberts before producing the pamphlet, the Parkland student does not regret the Young Socreds' decision to distribute political literature in Greater Victoria schools. In fact, he feels freedom of the press has been violated.

"I've had my share of political literature come through the school," he said. "Most of it was peace literature, which I agreed with. But I think that as soon as the principal accepted one piece of literature, he lost his right to be selective. You've got to let it all in or not any of it in . . . I'm willing to accept literature in my locker from the Communist Party. That's freedom of the press, that's democracy."

At a Social Credit party meeting here Friday evening, Minvielle publicly apologized to Huberts for the 'problems' he caused.

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# Relocation planned for boat-launching ramp

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developed by Grace Point Holdings in conjunction with Harbours End. David Questo, a spokesman for Grace Point Holdings, said Monday the proposal was made entirely for the benefit the community.

Questo said that in an effort to find a new home for the boat ramp and ensure the proposed waterfront walkway is continuous, Grace Point Holdings agreed to give Harbours End Marine and Equipment the building formerly occupied by Salt Spring Lands. In exchange for this building, Harbours End Marine and Equipment must agree to construct a permanent public boat ramp on its property. The new ramp, Questo added, must be built to Islands Trust as well as federal small craft harbours branch specifications.

Questo stressed that Grace Point Holdings has nothing to gain from the proposal. He said one of the stipulations made by the Islands Trust in issuing Grace Point Holdings a development permit was that the firm construct a public waterfront walkway on its property. Grace Point Holdings is

## Facility would be moved to Harbours End marina

more than willing to build the walkway, but Questo stressed that the overall concept "must work."

"The walkway would come from McBay's (Gasoline Alley) property, across Centennial Park, across harbours branch property and onto ours," explained Questo.

"We're going to get nothing

out of it (moving the ramp)," he said. "Some might suggest this is an example of the 'greedy developer,' but it just isn't the case.

"This is an act of generosity," he continued. "We're giving away \$10,000, which is what that building is worth at the least . . . (Harbours End Marine and Equipment), in turn, is going to have to spend \$25,000 or \$30,000,

I expect, dredging the harbour and building the boat ramp. It's going to cost a lot of dough, and I think the public should grab it (the offer) while they can."

Murray Rourke — co-owner of Harbours End Marine and Equipment — confirmed Monday that under the proposal, a new public boat ramp would be built by the firm adjacent to its property at the

north end of Ganges Harbour. The public would be able to use the ramp free of charge, he stressed.

Rourke said Harbours End just wants to do its part to find a better location for the public ramp. "It won't benefit us much," he said. "In fact, we'll lose money on the deal . . . the island is in a bit of a pinch, however, and we want to do our bit for the island."

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## Meeting called to discuss ramp relocation

Opposition is already mounting against a proposal to relocate the public boat-launching ramp in downtown Ganges.

The Ganges Fishermen's Association has organized a public meeting tonight (Wednesday) at 7 pm in Centennial Park to consider the proposal.

Grace Point Holdings and Harbours End Marine and Equipment, with the co-operation of the Islands Trust, have developed a proposal to relocate the public boat ramp at the north end of Ganges Harbour. Islands Trust chairman Nick Gilbert said Monday that in its current location, the ramp creates traffic congestion and will destroy the continuity of a proposed waterfront walkway in the area.

Fishermen are opposed to the plan, however. Arthur Conner, a member of the fishermen's association, said Monday that nearly 40 commercial fishing boats — including 31 larger boats and five herring skiffs — use the ramp on a regular basis for loading and unloading equipment, fish and supplies. He said moving the ramp would create problems for the fishermen.

The fishermen's association urges those concerned about the plan to attend tonight's meeting. Conner noted that the boat ramp, though located on federal government property, was built in 1966 with volunteer labour.

## On Pender Island

### Malfunction stalls ferry at dock

Mechanical problems aboard the *Queen of Burnaby* stranded the B.C. Ferry Corporation vessel and its passengers at Otter Bay for several hours last Wednesday.

Ferry corporation spokesman Betty Nicholson said Friday the 192-car ferry left Long Harbour on its regular 7 am run to Tsawwassen, arriving in Otter Bay at approximately 7:35. It then developed problems with its fuel oil filters, which precipitated other mechanical failures and made it impossible for the vessel to leave the Pender Island dock.

The breakdown stranded passengers aboard the *Burnaby* and inconvenienced those on other Outer Islands routes. Nicholson explained that because Pender Island only has one ferry dock, the *Burnaby's* misfortunes also made it impossible for the *Mayne Queen* — which operates between Swartz Bay and the Outer Islands — to unload or take on passen-

gers at Otter Bay. It was re-routed to Mayne.

Outer Islands travellers bound for other destinations were picked up by BCFC vessels that regularly serve other routes.

The parts required to repair the *Burnaby* were located in Vancouver. Nicholson said they were transported to Otter Bay by helicopter and arrived there at approximately 10:15 am. By 10:45 am, repairs had been made and the vessel continued on its way —

docking in Tsawwassen at approximately noon.

Nicholson said that every effort was made to accommodate passengers inconvenienced by the breakdown. Those aboard the *Burnaby* were given free food, and the corporation tried to help passengers rearrange their off-island appointments.

Nicholson said the problems aboard the *Queen of Burnaby* were unusual.

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**Concerns raised**

# Market relocation scheme goes nowhere

Chamber of commerce president Rick Rockliffe's suggestion that a section of Fulford-Ganges Road be closed each Saturday for the Farmers' Market ran into opposition last week.

Rockliffe said after a meeting held here April 21 to discuss the plan that he is "not too confident" it will be accepted.

Rockliffe has proposed that a section of the road extending eastwards from its junction with Lower Ganges Road east to approximately the Bank of Montreal be closed to vehicle traffic between 7:30 am and 2 pm each Saturday. Saturday vendors selling from their vehicles could then set up in the area.

The chamber president said last week that although considerable support has been expressed for the proposal, it was evident at the April 21 meeting "there is some opposition coming from business people."

He added that ministry of highways roads foreman John Stepaniuk said he would recommend the proposal to district highways officials for approval. Rockliffe added, however, that Stepaniuk suggested that if any opposition was expressed to the plan, it would likely not be approved.

"And unfortunately, there is opposition," Rockliffe said. "The businesses (located at the eastern end of Fulford-Ganges Road) have some concern about being isolated."

Rockliffe said he is disappointed the proposal has not received support from local merchants. "I didn't expect it would be signed, sealed and delivered in one week, but I had hoped for more support," he concluded.

**'There's a shortage of parking down there as it is.'**

A number of merchants with businesses located at the east end of Fulford-Ganges Road explained their concerns Friday.

Tom Toynbee, president of Mouat's Trading Company, said Rockliffe's proposal is "fraught with problems."

Toynbee said merchants are concerned that the proposal would create congestion in the downtown area on Saturdays. He

explained that Purvis Lane, the two-way route between Mouat's and the General Store, is only meant as a secondary access route to the eastern portion of Fulford-Ganges Road. Rockliffe's proposal, he said, would make it the primary access road on the busiest day of the week.

He added that merchants in the area are also concerned their businesses may be isolated if a section of Fulford-Ganges Road is closed. "Take the service station, for example," he said. "It would put it on a backwater."

Dennis Beech, operator of Salt Spring Esso, said he does not favour Rockliffe's plan. "There's a shortage of parking down here as it is," he said, "and a lot of business enters this area along Fulford-Ganges Road. I wouldn't be too in favour of the idea."

Toynbee, despite his opposition to the proposal, said he felt it was worth discussing. He added that Ganges merchants would likely not be opposed to the road closure if it took place on Sunday rather than Saturday.

Rockliffe said he has considered the proposal to change the traditional Farmers' Market day to Sunday from Saturday, and discussed it with Salt Spring Island Market Association presi-



**Rick Rockliffe**

dent Terry Owen.

Owen said Friday that the association of market vendors supports the plan to block off a section of Fulford-Ganges Road on Saturday. He added, however, that a proposal to hold the Farmers' Market on a Sunday is unlikely to get member support.

"Our position is that it's a nice idea for Saturday, and I would say 80 per cent support it. But my gut feeling is that it would be futile to try and move the market to Sunday," he concluded.

# Resident still attempting to catch falcon

John Hitchmough's African falcon is still loose on Salt Spring Island.

The falcon, which went missing approximately two months ago, was spotted here recently by Tripp Road resident Kathy Reimer. Reimer has seen the bird on her property, but has been unable to capture it.

Reimer said Thursday that Hitchmough visited the island recently, but was unable to capture the bird. She added that it appears to be following a flock of wild pigeons around the island.

"That's why it was seen down at Beddis Road," she explained. "The pigeons come up here for breakfast, and then go down around Beddis Road."

Hitchmough's falcon may not be as popular with Reimer and her family now. "It's also chasing my banties (chickens)," she said, "and it ate my only baby chick."

The Tripp Road resident is trying to track the bird and perhaps capture it for the owner. Anyone who may have seen it is asked to contact her.

Hitchmough's falcon may be wearing one legging. It also has a gold-coloured band on one leg bearing the words *Canadian Government* and a serial number.

# Rec commission gives vendors ultimatum to draft regulations

The Salt Spring Island Parks and Recreation Commission has given market vendors one week to establish the ground rules for operating in Centennial Park.

Acting on a motion made by director Phil Hume and seconded by Jim Ballantyne, the recreation commission voted to "put the market vendors on notice that they forward, within one week's time, the ground rules concerning collection of rents and a cleanliness."

If the Salt Spring Island Market Vendors Association fails to meet the deadline, the parks commission will "set the rules and collect the rents."

Director Jocelyn Holmes abstained from voting on the motion. All other commission members supported it.

The decision came following the failure of some vendors to pay even minimal rent for use of the Centennial Park space. One mid-week vendor, according to the commission, still owes \$800 for four months use of a spot in the park. Saturday vendors, according to the commission, still haven't arrived at an agreement among themselves as to how much they will pay for park

maintenance or how they intend to police vending.

Capital Regional District (CRD) director Hugh Borsman and Hume expressed concern over the delay in rental payments. Borsman urged that the commission take some action to ensure rents be paid and that vending rules be drawn up by the recently-established market vendors association.

Hume agreed. "The honeymoon is over," he said. "We've been waiting and waiting. I say that we tell them if they won't make the rules, we will."

The commission also agreed to begin work on park redevelopment as soon as possible. Woodley and others said they felt it important that the public see

what was planned for Centennial Park.

Borsman said he feels one-third of the paving brick to be installed at the north end of Centennial Park will be in place before the "busy season" starts on Salt Spring. He added that by the end of the summer, all the paving brick should be installed.

A part-time maintenance man has also been hired to take care of the park, and should begin work soon.



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# Planting, weeding and pruning a few of May's gardening chores

For most gardeners, May has to be the busiest month of the year. Annual beds, hanging baskets, deck pots, colour accents and planters all need some time and attention. The vegetable garden is off to a roaring start as the weather warms up and the days get longer. The perennials need feeding, some shrubs need pruning and even the lawns need some work. It's planting time, it's weeding time (the chickweed is in bloom), and it's also high time that I got on with a list of timely things to do in the garden during May.

Let's start right off with the shrub chores since this month is the prime season for flowering in the rhododendrons, azaleas (deciduous and evergreen) and kalmias (mountain laurel), not to mention several other lovely blooming shrubs. As the flowers fade and turn brown, remove the spent blooms and seedheads of those shrubs I've just mentioned, the finished camellias, pieris (lily of the valley shrub) and others that won't require any further pruning back.

For those shrubs that should be cut back or pruned — notably forsythias, flowering currants, spring-blooming spireas, Kerria japonica, flowering quince (Chaenomeles), Osmanthus delavayi, bog rosemary (Andromeda polifolia — still giving a great show this year), and, of course the winter heathers — the correct time to prune is just after blooming has finished.

Shear or prune back evenly the small leaved or needled broad-leaved evergreens, and prune back the deciduous shrubs, cutting off one-third of the 1986 growth and cutting out one-third of the stems that arise from the crown or ground level (remove the oldest, weakest, crossed, dead and diseased ones).

All of this pruning will enhance the form of the shrub, improve the flowering next year and serve to keep the shrub in proportion to its place in your garden.

The ornamental brooms —

## your garden

by  
**Chris Schmah**

Genista lydia, and several Cytisus varieties — will need to be pruned back fairly hard to keep them bushy. Lydia broom will do a fair job of keeping its form, but if the upright brooms don't have two-thirds to three-quarters of the 1986 growth cut off after flowering, they will grow into tall, ungainly, ugly, floppy plants that will need staking, or cutting down with a chainsaw.

Fertilize all of your flowering shrubs with a higher phosphorus and potassium fertilizer such as 4-10-10 or 8-20-20 to promote moderate shoot growth and glorious blooming. Treat your rhodos and other acid-soil lovers to a rhodo-azalea food, topdress with a couple of ounces of gypsum on each square yard of soil, sprinkle some flour of sulphur (1 to 2 ounces per square yard) and then top off with a peat moss/woody soil blend one inch deep to retain moisture.

Endeavour to water your flowering shrubs and trees when they are in bloom, as drought stresses will shorten the duration of flowering. Also, water your plants through the drought stress period in July and August to ensure that flower buds set and develop well. I note that last summer's drought was the most likely cause for the failure of bloom on magnolias, some forsythias, dogwoods, rhodos, azaleas and camellias. On the other hand, that hot drought improved the floral show we've seen on quince, spireas and best of all the showing from wisterias this year (the best in a long time).

For pests, there may be some notching and leaf-edge chewing going on in your rhodos, viburnums, choisya and other

broadleaved evergreens. This is the work of root weevils, vine weevils and a couple of other varieties of this long-snouted, small insect. These night-feeders are less than a half-inch in length, brown, black or clay coloured and have quite hard exoskeletons (they crunch when you kill them — how gruesome). You can use sticky traps to catch them or sprinkle an apple pomace-based sodium fluosilicate weevil bait around the stem of the plant. One feeding and they will be gone, without crunch or circumstance. For the wholesale attack, *Orthene* is effective, but it kills a whole host of other insects, too, including the bees, so I don't recommend its use.

That slimy adversary, the slug, is still persisting in his attacks on our plants, and the group of available weapons in our arsenal — beside sharp gardening tools, boots and beer traps — includes a couple of products that are safer than the usual bran-based slug baits that have been around since slugs started in on us. One, *Deadline*, is a grey, gelled formulation that may be squirted or spread along the edges of the pathways, borders, on benches, rocks or in the rockery — generally in places where the slugs will come into contact with it and your pets and birds won't bother with it.

The other formulation is a liquid form that is mixed with water and sprayed on those same safe spots mentioned earlier. This spray may even be applied to the foliage of plants that you wish to protect, except for plants that are edible, as no matter what form you choose to use, all slug baits are toxic to man and animal. Take care and follow the label instructions.

This is still fine weather for planting containerized shrubs, trees, small fruits, perennials and of course prime time for planting annuals, an area we'll cover next week. Until then, happy gardening.

## Selected Gulf Islands anglers asked to take part in fish survey

Selected anglers on the Gulf Islands are being asked to participate in a survey of fresh-water fishing lakes initiated by the provincial ministry of environment and parks.

The ministry has mailed approximately 9,000 questionnaires to freshwater fishing licence holders throughout Vancouver Island and the Gulf Islands. The total represents about one-third of all licence holders in the region.

The questionnaire asks anglers to indicate where, when and for how long they fished on area lakes in 1986, and to report any success they had on each lake. Space is left on the form for any comments fishermen might like to make about regulations, enforcement or lakes management programs.

The ministry is asking fishermen who receive the questionnaire to fill it out and return the postpaid card promptly. Anglers who purchased a freshwater fishing licence in 1986, but who did not fish on Vancouver Island, are also asked to return the questionnaire so the ministry "can get a true picture of fishing effort on island lakes."

Information gleaned from the survey will help the ministry plan future lake management programs, including hatchery stocking and habitat protection plans.

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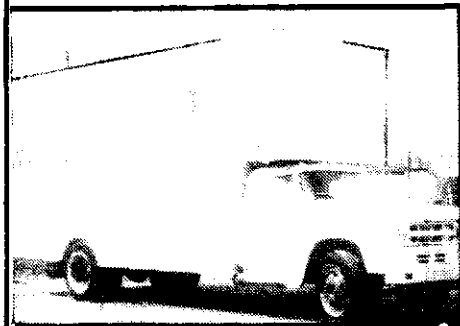
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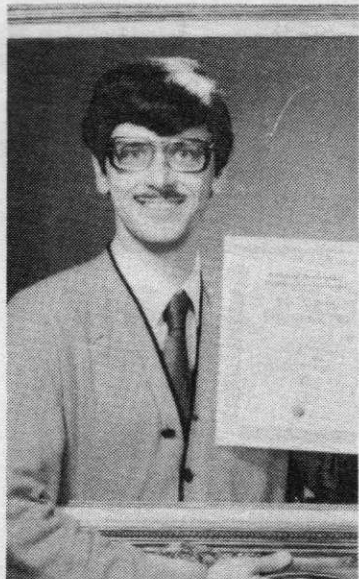
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Program well-supported by islanders

Founder of Operation Eyesight dies



Cedric Barker

Photographer receives award while at events

Salt Spring Island commercial photographer Cedric Barker earned a merit award while attending two instructional seminars held recently in Vancouver.

Barker spent a total of seven days taking in Exposure '87, a late March seminar, and Images for Profit, a session held in early April.

The former event concentrated on commercial techniques and composition, location photography logistics and the growing trend towards smaller studios, Barker said. The latter seminar, held in conjunction with the annual banquet of the Professional Photographers of B.C., offered courses on personalized portraiture and 60-inch-wide family portraits.

Along with his award of merit, Barker received a picture frame valued at \$200.

Dr. R.B. Gullison, the head of a Third World project that earned substantial financial support from Gulf Islanders, died in Vancouver on April 6 following a lengthy illness. He was 81.

Dr. Gullison helped to found Operation Eyesight, a Canadian charity organized in 1963 to provide cataract surgery to restore the sight of the destitute blind in the developing world.

Since its founding, Operation Eyesight has treated 6.27 million people and funded 717,573 sight restoration operations.

Mildred Pettigrew, a Victoria resident active in that city's Operation Eyesight chapter, said Dr. Gullison's work enjoyed "tremendous support" in the Gulf Islands. Last year, she noted, Gulf Islanders contributed heavily towards the \$382,702 raised in the region for Operation Eyesight.

(At least one Salt Spring Island organization — HMS Ganges Chapter of the IODE — lists Operation Eyesight as one of the agencies it channels funds towards.)

Dr. Gullison's work with the destitute blind began long before Operation Eyesight was founded in 1963. As a medical missionary in India in 1933, he operated a 120-bed hospital which specialized in eye operations. Returning to Canada in 1962 to raise funds for the hospital, Dr. Gullison explained his work to a group of businessmen in Calgary, who quickly founded Operation Eyesight.

One of the chief organizers was businessman Art Jenkyns, who recalled later that his attention was captured by Dr. Gullison's statement that every \$5 donated to his hospital would restore the sight of one person. (Today, Operation Eyesight says, \$25 is

needed for each sight-restoration operation).

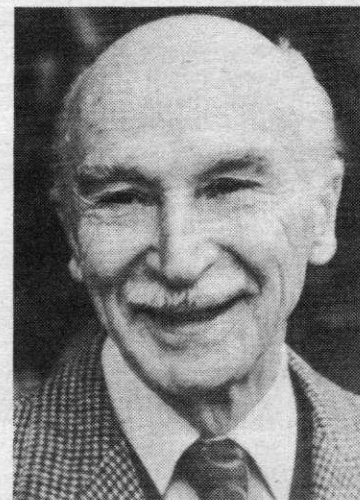
Since 1964, when Operation Eyesight raised \$814 for Dr. Gullison's work, the organization has grown to a \$4-million-a-year enterprise operating in 17 countries — including India, Nepal, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, the Middle East, Peru and the Caribbean. Operation Eyesight is also aided by matching funds provided by the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA).

Dr. Gullison, who retired from his work in 1969, was born in Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, and educated at Acadia University and Edinburgh University.

He earned a number of honours during his lifetime, including

appointment as a Member of the Order of Canada, an honorary degree of Doctor of Civil Law and a Distinguished Service Award from Acadia University, an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from McMaster University, an Award of Merit from the Baptist Union of Western Canada, a Paul Harris Fellowship from Rotary International, and a Gold Medal of Merit from the Lions International.

Dr. Gullison is survived by his wife, Evelyn, son Raymond Gullison of Nanaimo, daughter Marilyn Heel of Vancouver, and five grandchildren. The family asks that memorials be sent to Operation Eyesight, Box 123, Station M, Calgary, Alberta T2P 2H6.



Dr. R.B. Gullison

Fund-raising tea this weekend

Proceeds from a tea to be held on Salt Spring Island this Saturday, May 2, will be directed to development projects in the Third World.

The World Development Tea, set to begin at 1 pm in the Ganges United Church Hall, is sponsored by members of the island's Community Gospel, Roman Catholic, Anglican and United churches.

Along with tea and refreshments, the event will include a white elephant stall in the lower hall of the church, a table selling plants and flowers and another filled with home-baked items for sale.

Last year, the World Development Tea raised about \$2,750 which was quickly channeled towards various projects in the

developing world.

Among the recipients of local contributions was the Save The Children Fund, which was given \$500 to help bring clean, safe drinking water to families in a Zimbabwe village. The donation was actually worth \$2,000 because the Canadian International Development Corporation (CIDA) matched the local dollars on a three-to-one basis.

Another \$1,930 raised locally went towards establishment of a college of nursing at Notre Dame of Dadiangas College in General Santos City in the Philippines. Again matched by CIDA funds, the contribution allowed provision of a course designed to prepare people to give nursing care in the slums of the city.

World Development Tea pro-

ceeds have also been used to help construct or operate trade schools in Bangladesh and Sri Lanka, and to provide a mobile eye clinic for Operation Eyesight's operations in Northern India.

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APRIL 13TH - MAY 4TH

Legion elections set for meeting in May

By TED O'SULLIVAN

Next general meeting for members of Branch 92 of the Royal Canadian Legion is on May 4 at 8 pm. Next meeting for the auxiliary is May 11 at 8 pm.

The May general meeting will be election night. The nomination committee has come up with the following slate: Ron Seymour, president; Steve Wawryk, first vice-president; D. Little, second vice-president; Eileen McKay, treasurer; Betty Galt, Vicki Griffin and Bill Webster, executive.

There will also be nominations from the floor to cover one more position on the executive.

Any changes in the addresses of members should be forwarded to the secretary. We need a complete and up-to-date list.

A number of Branch and auxiliary bursaries are available. Please contact the secretary or your school.

The entertainment committee is planning another Pub Night. The date will be announced later in May.

A bi-monthly Branch bulletin is being planned by the executive, which will welcome input like blurbs on past history and members.

Jake Javorski is to be congratulated on his election as zone commander for the mid-island zone.

The new building is to proceed. Members have approved the floor plan.

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**It's a growing group**

Garden Club members Joy Alderson (left) and Josie Campbell admire one of many flowers on sale at the Garden Club's recent plant sale in Mahon Hall. Several dozen residents lined up outside the hall to get first pick of the plants.

**Auxiliaries work behind the scenes to improve Gulf Islands' hospital**

*Editor's note: Volunteer Week, a span of seven days that ends this Saturday, May 2, has been designated by the province to salute the many organizations and individuals whose works support communities throughout B.C. To mark the week, we offer the following profile of the local hospital auxiliary — just one of many groups, here and elsewhere, which contribute their time and effort to help others.*

Across B.C., a network of hospital auxiliaries is in place to supplement and complement local medical services. Auxiliary members work to raise funds used to purchase hospital or related equipment, supervise the Candy Strippers who provide physical assistance in hospitals, and often find themselves helping out in wards or patient lounges.

The B.C. Association of Hospital Auxiliaries estimates that in 1986 alone, member groups contributed about \$2.5 million and 1.25 million volunteer hours to the health care facilities they serve.

On Salt Spring Island, the auxiliary to Lady Minto Gulf Islands Hospital includes about 130 members who last year raised and donated about \$30,000 worth of equipment to the hospital. In 1985, members raised and donated

ed closed to \$50,000.

Since its formation in 1936 — before then, the auxiliary was known as the Sunshine Club — the group has provided the local hospital with hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of equipment. Included on the long list of contributions are a portable X-ray machine (\$34,908), coronary care equipment (\$34,052) and three Century tubs used to raise and lower patients into the water (about \$12,000 each). Other donated items include blood analysis equipment, automatic doors and items for a refurbished kitchen.

Other beneficiaries of auxiliary donations are graduating high school students intending to enter the medical field or handicapped services — there are two \$500 bursaries given each year — and Greenwoods, which receives contributions like the \$5,500 given it

by the auxiliary in 1985.

Money for auxiliary purposes comes from the Thrift Shop operated in Mouat's Mall — it raised about \$45,000 in 1985 — and from the sale of items knitted by members and sold from a display case located in Lady Minto Hospital.

Auxiliary members volunteer their time to sort, price, launder and sell goods in the Thrift Shop, to make items for sale in the display case, to supervise Candy Strippers who help in the hospital, and to offer assistance to residents of Greenwoods and the hospital's extended care unit. That assistance, the auxiliary says, can take the form of watering plants, helping to serve tea, writing a letter for a resident, or providing entertainment of one kind or another.

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**Daughters of the Nile select new officers at April meeting**

Officers of the Salt Spring Island Daughters of the Nile Temple were installed at an April 18 ceremony held at the Harbour House Hotel in Ganges.


The ceremony was conducted by Queen Belle Tradewell of Miriam Temple #2, Daughters of the Nile, in Victoria. She was accompanied by 30 of her Temple members.

Local officers installed for 1987-88 were: Julie Tessman, president; Muriel Leask, vice-president; Sandi Ballantyne, secretary; and Margaret Mayo, treasurer.

Following the ceremony, participants and spectators attended a luncheon.

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