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GANGES, BRITISH COLUMBIA

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1990



SUDDEN MEETING - Constable Brian Brack directs traffic as Constable Pat Wilkinson approaches a pick-up truck rear-ended on Friday afternoon. The driver of the truck was surprised when the car behind him slid under his bumper as he waited to make a left hand turn onto Upper Ganges Road. Surface oil and rain made Lower Ganges Road an ice rink Friday when the car tried to stop behind the pick-up truck. No one was injured in the accident.

Egg-throwers cause mess

Several hundred youths took over the centre of Ganges Hallowe'en evening but RCMP reported only one incident of potential trouble.

The evening began with the annual bonfire and fireworks display courtesy of firefighters from Salt Spring Fire Department. As time passed, it disintegrated into an egg-throwing melee.

Meanwhile, the ghostly celebration in Fulford went off without incident.

At the Ganges bonfire, youths began to throw fire crackers and some parents, fearing for their youngsters' safety, went home early.

As the evening continued, a scuffle broke out among the youths, some of whom objected to apparent careless throwing of firecrackers. An island resident attempted to extricate his son from the trouble but youths surrounded his pickup and pelted it with eggs.

As he started to drive away, the pickup stuck a youth who was taken to Lady Minto Hospital for treatment of bruises. When police arrived, tempers had cooled somewhat.

RCMP remained away from the village centre but kept watch on the situation. By 10:30 p.m., with no eggs left to throw, the youths drifted

away.

Ganges Village Market had offered a special on eggs that day but manager Mike Tyson told the *Driftwood* the egg special on Hallowe'en was a coincidence. No other store in town would sell eggs to youths that day.

The next morning, egg cartons, broken egg shells and dried raw eggs

coated most of the area between Pharmasave drug store and Island Savings Credit Union. Students from two classes at Gulf Islands Secondary School went into the village to help with the clean-up.

Other than the litter of egg cartons and broken eggs, RCMP reported no vandalism or damage.

Booze ban in effect

Islanders and visitors will not be guzzling cold ones in the Centennial Park beer garden at Sea Capers next year.

A motion was passed at the October 29 meeting of the Salt Spring Island Parks and Recreation Commission banning activities involving alcohol in all parks administered by the commission.

It was felt the 1990 Sea Capers beer garden created an excess of litter and mess in the park, says commission member Peter Lamb. "We just felt it got a little out of hand."

Centennial, Drummond, Portlock and Peter Arnell parks currently fall under commission jurisdiction.

Sea Caper's treasurer and sole current officer Terra Tupper responded to the announcement by saying: "local organizations who depend upon annual contributions from the Sea Capers beer garden profits will be the losers."

Green Islands ran the beer garden last year and the Salt Spring Swimming Pool Society handled it in 1989.

Sewer changes have approval

Proposed changes to operation of Ganges sewage plant meet with approval from both Capital Regional District engineering and Environment Canada.

Ganges Sewer Commission is considering a change in disinfectant method to ultra-violet light from chlorine bleach. Continuous discharge rather than storage of effluent for discharge at ebb tide also has been suggested.

Jim MacFarlane of CRD Engineering explained the sewage plant carries out secondary treatment of effluent, including disinfection, and it meets a "fairly stringent standard."

The permit calls for the effluent at the plant to meet a standard of no more than 70 coliforms per 100 millilitres of water.

There are six other secondary treatment sewage plants in the CRD but the Ganges plant is the only one requiring disinfection of effluent. It is also the only sewage plant bearing a coliform standard at the plant and not in the receiving waters.

The switch to ultra-violet disinfection would result in a coliform count of 200 parts per 100 ml of water. MacFarlane explained ultra-violet is not quite as effective as chlorine although it is considered safer.

Organisms could be blocked from the ultra-violet light and survive but when the effluent hits seawater, which is a hostile environment for them, many more are killed, he added.

Chlorine bleach kills organisms almost completely but a neutralizing agent must be added to the effluent to get rid of bleach. However, by that time some chlorine has combined with organisms to form organochlorides which are toxic to fish.

Alain David, of Environment Canada, noted "ultra-violet would do the job." He commented that adding chlorine bleach "is an expensive way to go."

Both David and MacFarlane agreed with a continuous discharge of effluent. The continuous flow of

lesser amounts of effluent would mix easier with seawater than as large amount being discharged at ebb tide.

Even though the Ganges plant discharges up to 209,000 litres (55,000 gallons) of effluent each day, it would not be visible because, with the treatment, the effluent becomes a clear liquid.

Part of the proposal for change would be a requirement to monitor the harbour waters on a continuous basis to ensure all standards, such as for shellfish, are being met. Shellfish standards set a limit of 14 parts coliforms per 100 ml of water.

The harbour is currently monitored at up to 55 sites several times each year.

At the point of outfall, 4.6 kilometres out in the harbour, the results so far this year show zero coliforms. The water around the point of outfall registers a similar reading.

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Candidates speak out

Salt Spring Island voters will have one more chance to hear all election candidates speak in public before they head to the polls on November 17.

The ten candidates vying for five Salt Spring seats on the District 64 school board will appear at an all-candidates meeting on Thursday, November 8 at the Activity Centre commencing at 7:30 p.m.

Islands Trust candidates are featured at a meeting the following evening, also at the Activity Centre at 7:30 p.m. A full house viewed the five nominees in an Island Watch Society-sponsored all-candidate meeting on October 29.

Both meetings this week are sponsored by the Community Planning Association. Claire Nutting will be the moderator for the school board meeting, and Gordon Sloan will direct the Islands Trust event.

Creative ideas required to find space

An abundance of creativity on Salt Spring Island has led to a space problem that is frustrating at least two theatre groups.

Yvonne Adalian of Theatre Alive and Lynda Jensen of Active P.A.S.S. (Performing Artists of Salt Spring) say with the loss of Off Centre Stage at Upper Ganges Centre late last year, there is no longer an intimate space in which to stage performances.

"Losing Off Centre Stage put a stranglehold on the momentum we had," says Jensen. The space was used frequently and allowed performing arts to flourish, she says.

"I wonder if arts supporters miss going to events every other

tion, Jensen and Adalian see the lack of current facilities as stunting local arts. Even when the arts centre is available, they say, "there will always be a need for smaller space."

Adalian and Jensen are appealing to the community to offer some space that can be modified to accommodate smaller theatre and musical productions. "We don't need hardwood floors," says Adalian. "Four walls and a ceiling would do."

Public spaces on the island all pose problems for use, they explain. Central Hall has become the movie theatre which eliminates events on most evenings. Fulford Hall could be suitable with some structural modifications, says Adalian, but it

tions.

School gymnasiums are not an option, they say, because sets and equipment must be left on stages which are used by both students and recreational groups. "Schools have a space problem too," notes Jensen.

The only feasible space is Mahon Hall, which has always been and continues to be in high demand.

Adalian used Mahon Hall in the past but had to take down an entire set so Salty Sweat's could have its regular aerobics class the next morning. The space is out of commission from June to September with Art-Craft there, and the Off Centre Stage group has booked the hall for all Thursday to Sunday evenings

at their meeting last week that booking Mahon Hall through both Off Centre Stage and regular booking person Jan Hilton has proven awkward. She asked the commission to consider having only one person in charge of all bookings for Mahon Hall. She also emphasized the space problem facing several community arts groups.

Commission member Lawrie Neish noted "we've been juggling this problem with Mahon Hall for 10 years now." He said by trying to leave the space open on a first-come, first-serve basis, "you turn away the groups that will give you guaranteed money."

Commission chairman Kellie

a premium," she said, "and I can understand the frustration of other groups."

The matter was referred to the commission's recreation committee for further study.

Off Centre Stage pays \$250 per month for its current privileges, and other groups must negotiate with OCS to use Mahon Hall on weekends.

Jensen and Adalian say OCS has already given several of its pre-booked dates to other groups.

Theatre Alive will use Mahon Hall to stage *A Child's Christmas in Wales* later this year but Adalian says "even so I am dancing my way through someone else's booking."



Bylaw for Channel Ridge receives its first reading

Channel Ridge and agricultural land were the topics of discussion as Salt Spring Island's Trust Committee gave first reading to three new bylaws at its meeting on November 2.

Bylaw 255 outlining guidelines for development of Channel Ridge village site was given first reading with little discussion. The original draft of the bylaw was revised by Trust staff after suggestions for modification were made by the island's Advisory Design Panel.

Trustees John Stepaniuk and Nick Gilbert thanked planner Tony Quin for his efforts to streamline the bylaw and in working with the ADP and Advisory Planning Commission.

Channel Ridge was also dealt with in Bylaw 277 which Quin says was drafted "in response to APC and ADP concerns of there not being enough control of this particular project." He said current community plan provisions reflect the community's agreement with Channel Ridge Properties Limited and Bylaw 277 "restates those provisions and has additional elements."

The bylaw covers such areas as restrictions on sensitive lands, loca-

tion of water and sewer services and encourages retention of natural vegetation and creation of pedestrian paths.

The Trust's bylaw updating its policies on land zoned Agriculture 1 and 2 by amending the community plan was also given first reading with some turbulence.

Trustees disagree on some of the bylaw provisions

Referring to a provision in the bylaw which limits food processing facilities in sensitive areas, trustee Stepaniuk felt the bylaw "encourages food production on one hand and prohibits it on the other." He added that "if intensive use of land is not to be used in the area, it renders agricultural land pretty well useless."

Trustee Gilbert disagreed with Stepaniuk's position. "As I read it, the only time for concern is when the land is under undue stress."

Stepaniuk wondered who was going to decide what constituted "undue stress."

He also said the bylaw was "inconsistent" because it encourages property owners to include their land in the Agricultural Land Reserve if recommended by the province's Agricultural Land Commission but makes no provision for land currently in the ALR to be excluded from the reserve if the ALC deems it unsuitable for agricultural purposes.

Quin said "the community feels decision-making is not in their (the ALC's) jurisdiction. That's why we have a community plan and the ALC refers things to the Trust — to determine what the local feeling is in respect of an application. If we allowed agencies like the ALC to make decisions, local input is lost."

He added that Bylaw 276 "provides a clear and concise approach for people when they want to apply to have their agricultural land rezoned." A community plan amendment with a public hearing would be required, he explained.

Gilbert said he thought the bylaw was "consistent with other community plans in Trust areas."

All three bylaws will be prepared for future public hearings.

Signs attract local vandals

Election signs urge support for candidates and give focus to vandalism as well.

Candidates for Islands Trust on Salt Spring agreed not to waste time and money on elections signs which can be considered as visual pollution. Candidates for the Capital Regional District director for Salt Spring, however, made no such agreement.

Up they went: signs urging support for one candidate or the other. Out they came: vandals in the night cutting signs in half or just kicking them over.

Campaign workers spend time each morning replacing torn signs and setting up those knocked over.

Sewer count close to zero

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At Welbury Point, the shell beaches on the Three Sisters and the south shore of Ganges Harbour all register zero coliforms.

At the head of the harbour, the readings show a remarkable difference. Ganges Creek produces high readings on a regular basis as does the government wharf area, Ganges Wharf, and both marinas at the head of the inner harbour.

In summer months, when vessels are anchored in the harbour, high coliform counts are registered but in the winter and spring months, the counts drop because few, if any, boats anchor there then.

Performers need space

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bow Road which will be upgraded for community use with grants received from GO BC and the CRD's Windfall fund. Adalian says renovations will not be completed for some time and no commitment for specific uses has been made by the institute. The space crunch is an immediate problem, she says.

Jensen and Adalian wonder if

someone on Salt Spring has a barn or structure that could be modified for theatre group use. Rehearsal space is also needed, they say. A building with height and a 100-person capacity would be ideal.

"We are down on our knees," says Adalian.

Adalian can be reached at 537-5396 and Jensen at 537-4168 to discuss solutions to the lack of space.

THE WEATHER

OUTLOOK: For the week starting Monday, November 5

Cloudy with periods of rain Thurs. Fri. and Sat.

Cloudy with showers Monday and Tuesday.

Normal temps. for the week

Highs 13 degrees C.

Cloudy with chance of rain Wednesday.

Lows: 3 degrees C.

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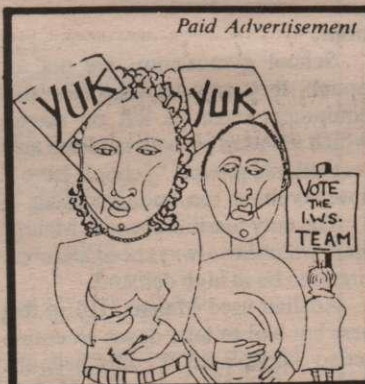
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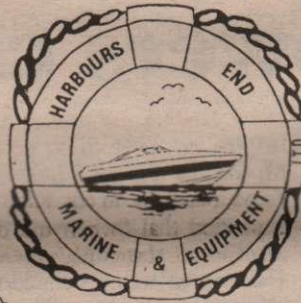
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In addition to my commitment to represent the community on the school board, I bring relevant qualifications and experience to the position. These include:

- a Master of Education degree
- experience as a teacher, principal, school psychologist, and Director of Special Education
- participation in school board meetings as an administrator
- employment as a superintendent with a provincial Ministry of Education
- experience in both rural and city school districts.

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NEWSBEAT



EGG-CITING WORK - Radlo Shack's Kirby May scrubs remnants of dried egg off the store's windows Thursday morning after teen-agers had a Hallowe'en free-for-all in the village. May was not thrilled with the unexpected morning task.

Rezoning faces next step

Opposition to an application to rezone a Rainbow and Canal Road property was minimal at an Islands Trust public hearing in Ganges on November 2.

Trust planner Tony Quin explained the application to community members present. Property owner Richard Murakami had applied for rezoning of the 13.3 acre property for the purpose of creating two smaller lots with a portion set aside for a dedicated trail access to a viewpoint at the high point of the property.

Kathy Hollings spoke to the hearing on behalf of her husband Lawrence who owns the property joining the Murakami parcel on the back side. She said he had no objection to the rezoning application but had concerns about the use of the trail access near his property.

She said "we would like assurances that the proposed trail would be properly marked to show the end of the trail" so people would not be encouraged to trespass on the Hollings property. Hollings added "we have no intention to grant a public trail or

right-of-way access over our property."

In a letter submitted to the hearing, Hollings gave notice that the Trust would be held responsible for any damage done to his property as a result of the trail, and that an injunction to close the trail would be considered if it created an undue nuisance.

Trail access to Mount Erskine part of rezoning application

Trustee John Stepaniuk said he had supported the application on the understanding the trail would continue over the Hollings property to Mt. Erskine.

Murakami's agent Ken Renaud explained that "when the development proposal was made there was no assumption Hollings would give access." Confining the trail to Murakami's property is still viable,

he said. "There is a significant point of land (called the Okano Bay Outlook) which gives views of the (Booth) inlet and Vesuvius," he said. The proposed trail could become part of a larger trail network in the future, he added.

During the Trust Committee meeting, Stepaniuk said he would approve second reading to the bylaw but he felt there were some "concerns to be addressed before the committee gives it third reading."

He said "it is necessary now to secure the subdivision and dedicate the trail access" and ensure "the land will be acceptable to the parks and recreation commission or the CRD which will look after it."

Trustee Nick Gilbert said "this is a reasonable application which will provide a trail dedication and as Ken Renaud points out provides a final resolution to the vehicle storage problem."

He also agreed to Stepaniuk's suggestion that the proposal be looked at further before third reading is granted.

Isabella remains a concern

B.C. Ferries has decided not move the Fulford ferry terminal to Isabella Point but Dan Evanishen of the Salt Spring Transportation Committee speculates the matter is not yet finished.

Even though the ferry corporation has stated publicly it would not proceed with the terminal move:

Free ferries for seniors

B.C. Ferries will run a senior citizen special on Sunday, November 11 and Monday, November 12.

Seniors travelling as passengers on the ferries can travel free for those two days.

B.C. Ferries considers the weekend as a holiday weekend so the fall schedule will be in effect until Tuesday, November 13. On that day, ferries travelling between Swartz Bay and Tsawwassen sail every two hours on the odd hour with additional sailings for weekends and other busy periods.

Seniors normally travel free on ferries Monday through Thursday on the Seniors' discount.

"That doesn't mean it's dead and gone away forever," Evanishen told the Driftwood last week.

He singles out the two phrases in a letter from Frank Rhodes, chief executive officer of the corporation: "the majority...do not favour relocation at this time," and "this project will not be actively pursued."

While he holds concern about the phrases, Evanishen expresses optimism of getting the island view on ferry service across to the corporation.

"They're willing to listen," he said.

Evanishen wants as many Salt Spring groups as possible involved in the process of any future discussions with the ferry officials.

"This is where the work begins," he said, "and we need all the help we can get."

The transportation committee has received suggestions from Rhodes on setting a time and date for a meeting, Evanishen explained. The meeting would consist of corporation senior

officials and transportation committee members.

The committee must look, not just at a solution to problems at Fulford terminal, but at the entire Salt Spring ferry situation, Evanishen said. Both Long Harbour and Vesuvius must be considered as well.

"There's an awful lot to look at," he noted.

Of particular concern is the Long Harbour-Tsawwassen route. As Evanishen sees it, mainland scheduling is the main problem. It needs revision to meet the needs of islanders and to ensure less of a money loss for the ferry company.

Evanishen suggests scraping the current schedule and starting from scratch.

"It's out of date," he stated. "It's time for a new look."

But the beginning, he stressed, is to expand representation on the transportation committee.

Police report quiet Hallowe'en

Ganges RCMP reported a quiet Hallowe'en night with no arrests made despite the state of the village core on Thursday morning. A 59-year old Ganges woman was charged with impaired driving after she was apprehended near Central at 4:40 p.m. on Friday, November 2. Police stopped the driver after observing an erratic driving pattern.

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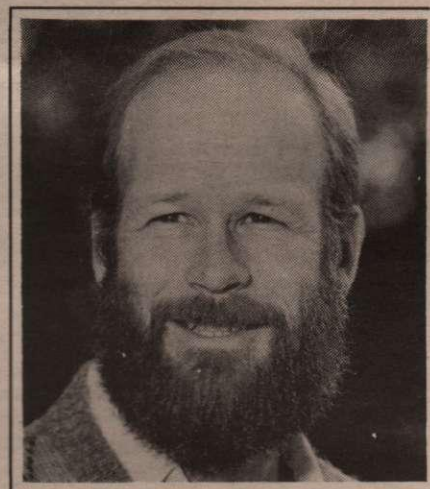
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LETTERS SECTION

Congratulations

To the Editor:
Re Murray Cyprus' letter in the last issue: It is very refreshing, for a change, to see the "other side" accusing the *Driftwood* of being less than impartial. Congratulations, *Driftwood*! If both "sides" are taking shots at you, you must be doing something right!

DANNY EVANISHEN
Ganges

Thank-you

To the Editor:
On behalf of Seniors for Seniors and all of the people who completed the 55 Alive Driving Course — thank you. We needed the assistance you gave and could not have accomplished so much without it.

ROBERT APPLETON,
President, Seniors for Seniors
Ganges

Reader response

To the Editor:
I am responding to two recent items carried in the *Driftwood*. In Jack Frazer's ad, captioned "We need a director who listens", there is an attempt to discredit Julia Atkins. Eight words from meeting minutes have been attributed to her as a direct quote and attempt to discredit her by using them completely out of context. Those eight words were taken from a summation written by a minute taker at the meeting, and aren't a quote. One part of the meeting had to do with risk management - and the reasons why the CRD and provincial government have a policy to have as few dumps as possible. Director Atkins spoke on this issue, and a summary of what she said went into the minutes as "a lower risk management of garbage rules out locating a garbage site on Salt Spring Island, one disposal site would reduce risk." On the very next line of the summary of what she said during the meeting 'regarding the opening of a new landfill on Salt Spring Island' it reads, "if we put together a good enough package, the C.R.D. will probably go for it...support of people on Salt Spring Island will be needed."

On March 29 a motion moved by Ron McQuiggan "that the committee is in favour of trying to find an on-island landfill site recognizing the wishes of the islanders"...was carried with only one negative vote. Both Director Atkins and committee chairman Bob Andrew voted in favour of this motion.

In a letter written by Jack Frazer's campaign manager, John Ellacott in the October 24 *Driftwood*, there is a complaint that the Solid Waste committee and its "steward" director Atkins haven't been meeting C.R.D. deadlines and that she hasn't been working effectively. Ellacott infers that Director Atkins is in charge of the committee when he knows full well that she isn't. She is a member of the committee - as he was.

Mr. Ellacott is fully aware of the problems that we have run into. In the

first place, the transfer station to move our garbage to Hartland was included in the CRD Solid Waste Management Plan (Sec.3.0) and approved by a previous director Dr. Borsman in early 1988. Asking the CRD to change its policy, no matter what we said in our referendum last year, has been a challenge, and Director Atkins has only recently got reasonable assurances that we can deal with our garbage here and have the already-approved plan to haul garbage off-island changed.

Over the period of one year and 20 meetings, our committee did an exhaustive study of the Island to find other potential garbage sites and realized that any dump on the island would be much more remote (especially the one site we have been focusing on) and would need a transfer station. Weeks and weeks of meetings and research and discussion with realtors, pleas to the public, visits with technical people from C.R.D. went into creating a short list of potential permanent sites for a transfer station and a permanent home for our wandering recycling depot. We have had engineering reports on the closure of Blackburn dump, and costing on opening a new landfill, and worked laboriously on the issue of a curbside recycling system. The last few meetings have dealt with a report to Islanders regarding all the options we have and putting it together into an easily read and informative package that lets people compare all the ways we can approach this.

I think that both Mr. Ellacott and Mr. Frazer owe this community an apology!

RANDY HOOPER
Ganges

Best sewer on coast

To the Editor:
As a member of the Ganges Sewer Commission for nearly five years, I am very proud to have participated in the work done on this system by the Capital Regional District and by those of us on the commission. This sewer has met all of our expectations. After 55 months of operation with an average of 50,000 gallons per day of treated effluent passing through the plant, Ganges Harbour is much cleaner than when it started in February 1986.

We know this to be true because the CRD has used an independent testing firm to obtain data from 52 locations in the harbour for the 24 months before the plant started and

on a regular and frequent schedule since then.

This performance is due, in part, to the hard work of the plant operator, Gerry Price, who has maintained standards with an ultra violet (UV) system that has not worked well. In order to compensate for the UV failure, he has added chlorine to the effluent to kill bacteria and then removed the chlorine; a manual process that has the potential to add chemicals to the harbour.

Since none of us want this type of problem to occur, the CRD engineers have proposed a modern UV system to replace the unit that has not worked. In order to use this new UV system requires a trade-off - eliminate the potential chemical damage but have a higher maximum coliform count, but one that meets shellfish harvesting standards. That's it!

Whether we pump the effluent on the ebb tide or continuously is a non-issue. The end of the outfall is beyond the furthest harbour island (Second Sister) and is located on the ocean bed in an area that has a strong easterly current. In addition, one of the 52 test sites is located above the end of the outfall and has consistently shown test results similar to the balance of the water test sites - zero or one coliform per 100 ml.

In my opinion, the Ganges sewer is the best such operation on the coast. Now that this pollution trend in Ganges harbour has been reversed, I ask for your support so that Ganges Harbour can be protected and improved for the benefit of us all.

RON MCQUIGGAN
Ganges,

Small is wonderful

To the Editor:
It was my husband's wish as well as my own, that a letter be sent to the *Driftwood* to express our thanks to all who helped find and restore to us our 12-year-old Malamute. He was missing for 24 hours and was found at the bottom of a bank, bruised and confused. We appreciated so many people's help and concern.

I would also like to add my thanks to the 911 team who responded to my call and the staff at the Lady Minto Hospital, who did all they could for my husband and comforted me.

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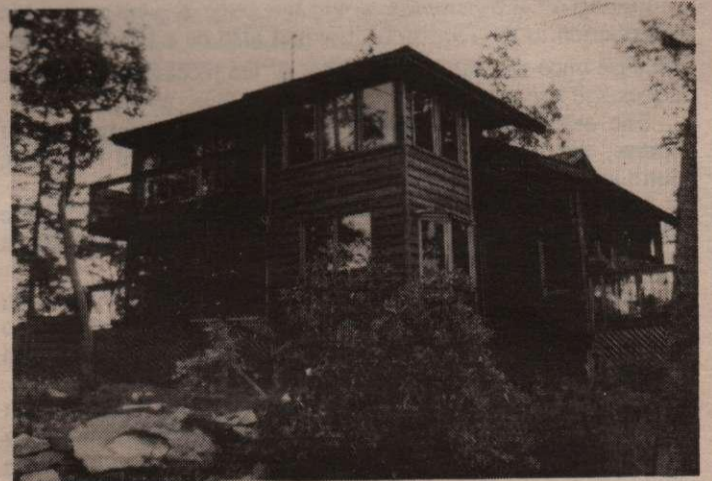
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VICTORIA — It's time the media stopped treating the current economic slump as if it were the equivalent of Armageddon. All this talk about a recession creates a bunker mentality.

Bombarded with doomsday news about the recession day after day, consumers get spooked; they put off planned purchases, reduce spending, keep their money in the bank, thus making the recession a self-fulfilling prophesy.

There is a way to prevent a recession from cutting too deeply, but it requires confidence. While we may have had zero economic growth for two consecutive quarters, which is the definition of a recession, it's really up to all of us how quickly we get out of the slump.

We can all batten down the hatches and wait out the recession, which will make things worse, or we can continue spending and investing, which will get us out of the slump more quickly.

Deep debt is foolish

I'm not advocating irresponsible spending. Going too deeply into debt is foolish as the best of economic times, but it's downright suicidal during rough times. What I'm saying though is that those who have savings should not suddenly refuse to spend any of it.

If 50,000 Canadians who had plans to buy a new car suddenly decide to wait, the car industry will go into a tail spin, people will get laid off which, in turn, causes further economic woes because the newly-unemployed aren't about to go on a spending spree.

A recession feeds largely on fear and uncertainty, and it's those two ingredients the media are dishing up in spades these days. You can't open a newspaper without coming across some story about the recession; radio and TV are gleefully reporting on the ravages of the recession.

The CBC's Journal recently devoted its entire 40 minutes to a recession special. One of the guests, an economist, did say that continued spending by those who can afford it would shorten the recession, but this positive note was drowned out by a chorus of negative talk.

Not that the negative impact of the current slump should go unmentioned; what I'm saying is the media should provide balanced coverage. The news isn't all bad. Fortunes aren't only lost in a recession, fortunes are also made.

Welcome news to home buyers

Real estate prices, for instance, have come down, and that's welcome news to home buyers. If you're in the market for a house or a condo, don't let the recession keep you from going through with the purchase. There is no better time than right now to buy real estate.

Putting off the purchase would not only be your own little contribution to the recession, it would also be a fiscal mistake, because once we start climbing out of the recession, real estate prices will rise again.

The self-fulfilling-prophesy aspect of the recession is, of course, the reason politicians, particularly finance ministers, don't want to use the R word.

Last time around, it wasn't until we were right in the middle of it that then finance minister Hugh Curtis first admitted that there was, indeed, a recession.

This time, Mel Couvelier and his federal counterpart, Michael Wilson, behave similarly. Neither one was too eager to admit that we are in a recession. They knew doing so would only make it worse.

Wilson finally admitted that Canada was in a recession, but Couvelier is still reluctant to do so. He recently told a meeting of sales and marketing executives in Victoria that the recession should be the last thing on their minds.

Another expert who warns of dangers of making the recession a self-fulfilling prophesy is Richard Allen, chief economist of the B.C. Central Credit Union.

"If you tell people long enough that they are in a recession, they start believing it," Allen says. "This certainly isn't a sick economy," he adds.

Fast-tracking Crown projects

The premier's recent announcement of the possible fast-tracking of the \$20 billion worth of Crown corporation projects would have been welcome anti-recession news, had he not spread fear in the same breath, warning of restraint and cutbacks and in the public sector.

Using public sector projects to bridge tough economic times is one of the corner stones of Keynesian economic theory, although the second part of the equation — pay back the debt during good times — is often ignored by governments.

Using the premier's plan of fast-tracking a number of public works projects, could help British Columbia become nearly recession-proof. The only thing we might have to fear is our own timidity.

In a nutshell: Canada is in a recession, but B.C. can probably avoid the worst, provided the government takes the necessary

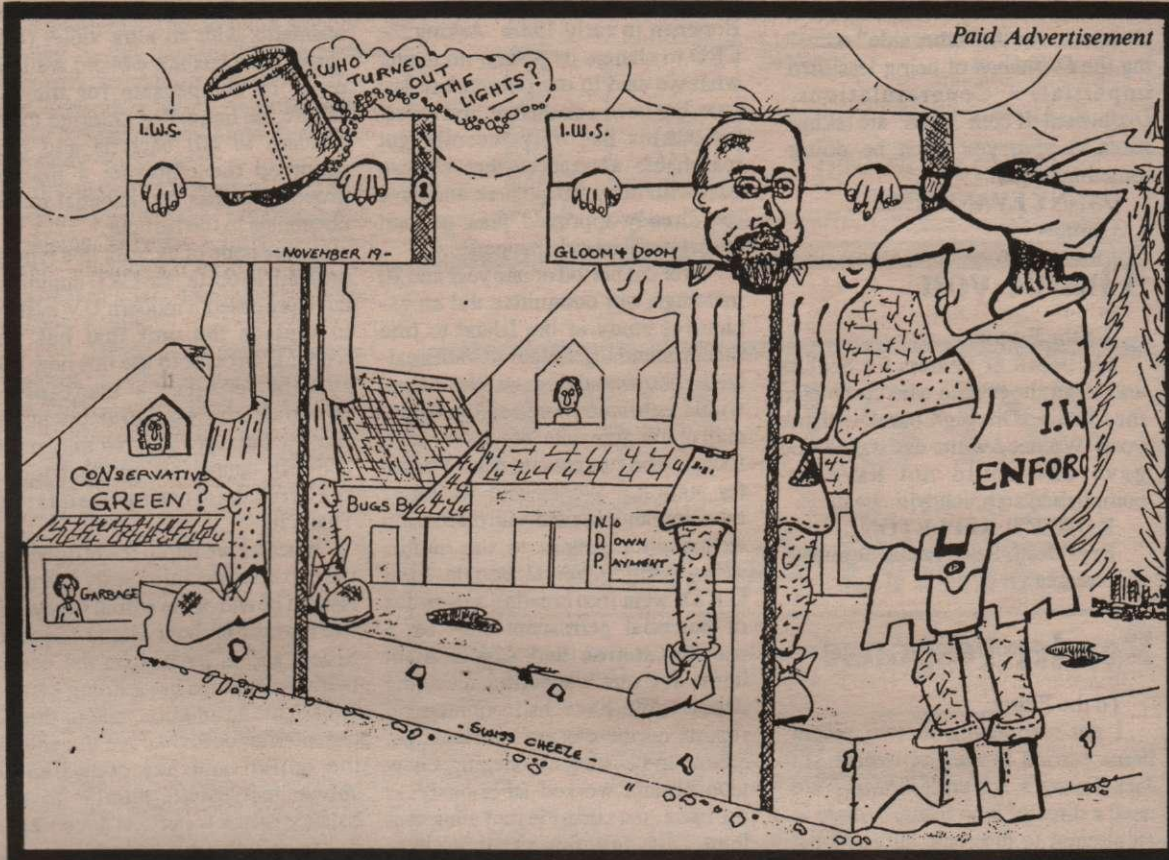


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OPINION

Striking visitors with plank would decrease their numbers

Like everyone else on Salt Spring Island, I am quite in agreement with Randy Hooper (October 24 Letters) in wanting to keep the rapists, the drunks, the criminals, the youth gangs and the Ku Klux Klan away from our little paradise.

by Charles Horel
Ganges

But unlike Mr. Hooper, everyone can vote for whomever in the upcoming elections and I will not blame Murray Cyprus and the developers if these woes come to pass regardless of how high our drawbridge is raised.

We have a record on this Island, regardless of the size of our population of "following on" behind Saanich, behind Victoria, behind Vancouver, in property prices, in auto wrecks, in drunken driving, in vandalism and all the other vices and material sins. Go to any small town or backwater in this province and you will find the same pattern. The crimes and vices are not the result of a more numerous population but are rather the handmaidens of the times. The price of the Just Society is that a lot of the unjust are out on the streets.

In the first place, one of the problems is the method of counting the population.

In days of old I knew a retired couple on Salt Spring Island who spent their retirement raising potatoes and carrots in their garden, and fishing with their lapstrake dinghy with a Briggs Stratton kicker in it, that could just barely overcome the tide. They ferried their car over to Salt Spring Island just once on the "Princess Mary". As often as twice a month they fired it up and drove into Ganges to shop. In the winter they put it up on blocks and had Mouat's deliver their groceries. Their children worked on the Prairies and could afford to visit only for the funeral.

Nowadays very fine, ordinary people, elderly people, are much more frenetic. A retired couple will have two cars and both will go to Ganges sometimes two or three times a day, and Victoria several times a week. They belong to a dozen organizations with regular meetings. They shop. They have a lot more money. They take up a lot more room. In addition, this modern retired couple have highly affluent children with a great deal of spare time. They come over. They bring their cars or their motorhomes. They bring their friends, their friends bring their cars, or motorbikes or pick-up trucks. These retired couples also have a good many cousins and aunts and uncles and old college friends

Quinitsa's back again

The *Quinitsa*, everybody's favourite ferry, returns to the Fulford-Swartz Bay run November 14 to November 30.

The *Bowen Queen* goes into refit for that period.

The *Bowen Queen* carries 70 vehicles and can cruise the route at 14 knots while the *Quinitsa* carries only 50 vehicles at a speed of 12 knots. To avoid delays, the *Vesuvius Queen*, 32 vehicles but only nine knots, will fill in at busy times.

Bill Bouchard, of B.C. Ferries, said the switch came in November to avoid having the replacement vessel on the route over the Christmas season.

However, beginning January 3 until February 10, the *Quinitsa* will be back. At that time, the *Bowen Queen* relieves a ferry on another route for refit.

During the second replacement period, the Fulford run will be supplemented by the *Quinitsa*.

who also have spare money and time, and who are delighted to visit them at their Salt Spring Island home, and bring their cars and motorhomes and pickup trucks, with trailers, yet, and boats dragging behind the trailers.

So our present-day couple takes up about 55.5 times as much space as our original couple with the lapstrake dinghy, and we have four times as many of them, with properties already developed for as many again.

All of these good people clog up our ferry system and the clogging has only just begun. Unless B.C. Ferries and the people advising them, get practical quite soon, catching the Fulford Ferry is going to resemble last summer's line-ups leaving East Germany.

Mr. Hooper's main design, and he has many allies, seems to be a desire to stop growth in population, but he is too late. Lifestyles have changed so much that there is already a huge surplus of ferry traffic. The Goths are already within the gates.

The argument in favour of keeping the ferry schedule at a minimum is mainly anchored on keeping the service minimal so that the pain and suffering, endured by residents and visitors alike, will discourage future

settlers.

A method that would cut the expenses in half for the same amount of deterrence would be for B.C. Ferries to increase service but establish a check point on the road where each traveller, coming and going, would be struck by a plank. This could be done at half the cost and half the time, with the same amount of pain and suffering to discourage the settlers.

Or we could do the sensible thing and try to control our population growth in the normal manner with strict zoning and planning controls. We will not escape the 21st Century but we could all enjoy efficient transportation without the pain.

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OPINION

Transportation solutions must be a priority

There is no doubt Salt Spring Island has been discovered by the international community. Our population is increasing rapidly, and visitors pour onto the island in unprecedented waves, overloading ferries and backing up at terminals, and causing serious congestion, particularly in Fulford. Our long-standing search for solutions to parking and overloads must be considered of the highest priority.

by Nick Gilbert
Islands Trust Chairman



Nick Gilbert

"Transportation developments which encourage public transport and reduce dependence on private cars are to be encouraged; provision is to be made for water transport facilities, hiking, cycling and horse-back riding trails." So states one of the four transportation policies in our Official Community Plan. These policies have withstood the test of time, and are probably more valid and important today than when they were written 15 years ago.

How are we to handle the great increase in human traffic, yet "harmonize with the quiet rural atmosphere, enhance the quality of the landscape, and minimize destruction of trees and natural features?" (Another Plan goal.)

At present the Islands Trust is heavily involved in transportation issues. We are being lobbied by different groups to sort out the ferry problem, to provide safer roads, to provide better parking, and to provide safe bicycle lanes for cyclists. All commendable requests, except that the Islands Trust can only make recommendations to the provincial politicians and agencies who make the real decisions. The Ministry of Highways and the B.C. Ferry Corporation are requested, in another Plan policy, "to observe the provisions of this Plan and to cooperate with the Salt Spring Island Trust Committee when any alteration to the Highway system or changes involving ferry facilities are proposed". Despite repeated requests from the Trust, this goal has been ignored by the province, and decisions proceed to build new roads and terminals without input from the Trust or the community.

There are hopeful signs today that these practices and attitudes may be changing. If the responsible transportation agencies are willing to listen, we must give them a clear message. One way to do this will be to develop clear guidelines in our Community Plan regarding terminal

locations, road standards and classification, and bicycle, pedestrian and foot passenger facilities. Currently a Ganges task force, an island-wide transportation committee, the A.P.C., at least two south-end groups, and a bicycle committee, are all working on different aspects of the problem. What is to come of their work and recommendations?

I believe a Community Plan review of transportation goals and policies should proceed immediately, and the review should be guided by some basic principles.

1. Consideration should be given by the province to a more appropriate allocation of transportation subsidies. Present heavily-subsidised car ferries are dumping more and more traffic onto the island, causing unnecessary stress on roads and terminals. The ferry corporation appears to be looking for alternatives that will create more traffic, and a need for wider highways and larger terminals. In my opinion, this is totally wrong. The subsidy should be re-distributed to encourage foot-passenger use of the transportation system. Passenger ferries should dock at convenient locations (Fulford and Ganges), and connect with a convenient bus service at each end. The present bus service should be encouraged and subsidized to assure that it will become a permanent service that we can depend on in the long term. Safe bicycle lanes should be constructed wherever needed.

This approach won't cost the province any more. It will save millions in infrastructure costs and will be compatible with our community's policies. However, those who choose to drive on and off the island would have to pay more of the real cost of the service. I don't believe that our society can afford to cater to the automobile as it has in the past, given the high cost to the environment and

the social fabric of our community.

Tourists will continue to find easy access to the island by transit, foot passenger ferries, and bicycle, and our economy will receive the benefits of their spending.

Other basic principles should be that: 2. we concentrate our efforts on improving existing facilities. 3. we not build new terminals in undisturbed rural areas. The Community Plan clearly separates the rural island from designated high-use commercial and residential areas such as Ganges and Fulford. Passengers should access at these points, which will become hubs of a transit system, and which will provide most of the needed goods and services for the travelling public (including restaurants and arts and crafts outlets). Visitors can enjoy the island, have a sea cruise, and buy island products without rushing around in cars and waiting in ferry line-ups.

I am heartened by the number of people I see riding bicycles. I am encouraged by the sight of our brave little bus, but feel badly that society isn't giving it the support and subsidy it so richly deserves.

In summary: - subsidies transferred from cars to pedestrians; - increased foot passenger ferries to existing centres; - increased bus (transit) service; - more bicycle lanes, but not more or significantly wider automobile; - decreased dependency on the automobile will result in lower personal and tax-based costs, while contributing to a cleaner environment and the kind of community in which we take pride.

Whether you agree or disagree

with my conclusions, this is an appropriate time to make your views known to elected officials, or to the groups listed above. Let's send clear messages to the province.

As a departing Trustee, I would like to acknowledge with deep gratitude the input and support of the many groups and individuals who have advised the Trust on transportation issues in the past few years, with particular thanks to Dan Evanishen and the Transportation Committee.

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NEWSBEAT

Ferry assists with rescue

Salt Spring's *Vesuvius Queen* has sailed to the rescue of people stranded by the closure of the Squamish Highway due to the October 20 slide on that road.

B.C. Ferries Corporation pressed the local ship and the *M.V. Nicola* into "round-the-clock" service between Horseshoe Bay and Darrell Bay, located a few miles south of Squamish. The Ministry of Transportation and Highways vessel *Kulleet* is also carrying cars and passengers on the same route.

The ferry corporation had planned to use the *Howe Sound Queen* for its

greater carrying capacity, but it was found to be too large for the Darrell Bay dock which is normally used for the small ferry route to the community of Wood Fibre.

B.C. Ferries information officer Patricia Stephens says it was fortunate the *Vesuvius Queen* was available for service. She says it took some quick work for personnel offices to rustle up a crew for the corporation's two vessels, but "when there's an emergency they make it happen."

Stephens says the emergency service continued until the highway was reopened last Friday.

Meanwhile, at least three Salt Spring residents had an October 21 business trip ruined by the slide. Cedar Beach Resort owner Sherry Irwin, Rosemary Boehringer from Cusheon Lake Resort and Diane Cook of the Cottage Resort had arranged to attend the B.C. Motel and Hotel Association conference in Whistler.

School district almost balances 89-90 budget

Gulf Islands School District came within \$8,000 of a balanced budget following payment of the last bill for the 1989-90 fiscal year.

Local school trustees set their budget at \$10,090,897, but ended up with an actual budget of \$10,258,391 after the various government grants other revenues were finally known.

Taxpayers kicked in \$5,070,341 — 49 per cent — while the province, through the Ministry of Education, added \$4,952,070 or 48 per cent. A further \$35,486 came from the federal government with the remaining \$188,221 coming from fees, rentals and investments.

The operating fund budget breaks down to operating expenses and debt services. Operating costs came to a \$9,097,033 on revenue of \$9,162,934. Debt cost \$1,153,022 with revenue set at \$1,095,457.

The difference between the operating surplus of \$65,901 and the debt service deficit of \$57,565 came to \$8,336 which represents the surplus for the year.

School District 64 achieved a surplus of \$12,273 in 1988-89.

The school district budget is broken down into various areas to identify the costs associated with those items.

FUNCTION	ACTUAL COST	BUDGET
K to Grade 7	\$2,969,039	\$2,755,863
Grades 8 to 12	1,647,975	1,653,552
Special Programs	1,160,396	1,252,554
District Admin.	644,878	630,709
Operation/ Maint.	1,258,376	1,283,566
Aux. Services	323,266	265,762
Transportation	552,243	624,807

Special programs section covers the needs of the handicapped as well as the gifted classes.

District administration also includes the costs of the school board itself (\$93,344) and such other items as instructional support. The business and educational administration for the school district cost a total of \$483,785 or 4.7 per cent of the budget.

Auxiliary services include the district resource centre and continuing education. The continuing education program gathered \$93,353 against expenditures of \$147,506.

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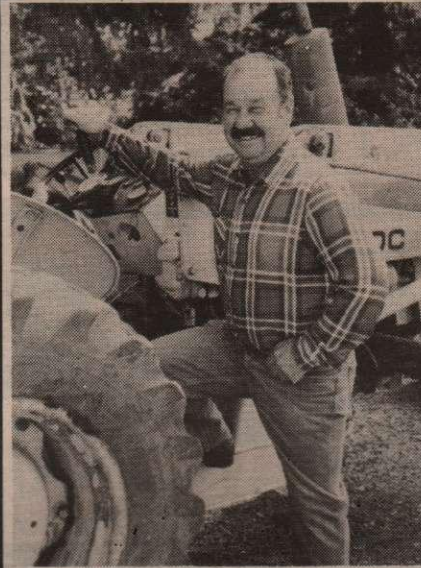
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GARBAGE: THE REAL FACTS

WHAT THE MINISTRY SAYS:

As of November 2, officials of the B.C. Ministry of the Environment have reaffirmed their position with respect to a new landfill on Salt Spring:

1. The CRD is responsible for solid waste management on Salt Spring, including the reclamation of Blackburn Dump and any new arrangement for waste disposal.
2. According to guidelines now being drafted, any landfill serving a population of more than 5000 must be constructed and operated according to "Class A" standards.

WHAT THE CRD SAYS:

1. The CRD is willing to consider a new on-island landfill for Salt Spring if Islanders assume responsibility for all the risks and costs.
2. The CRD must have adequate control over the construction and operation of the landfill, to protect the taxpayers of Salt Spring who will be responsible for all risks and liability. This may mean CRD ownership of the facility.

WHAT THE SALT SPRING SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE SAYS:

1. Director Atkins presented the Committee's Proposed Plan for solid waste management to the CRD in September.
2. The Plan has three parts:
 - i. Reclamation of Blackburn Dump to proceed upon closure on or before December 31, 1991.
 - ii. A multi-material curbside recycling program door-to-door pickup service to commence in the spring, and to include plastic & compost.
 - iii. Three options for residual waste disposal:
 - A. Direct Haul to Hartland
 - B. Transfer Station and haulage to Hartland
 - C. On-Island landfill
3. The CRD accepted the plan with the provision that the people of Salt Spring be presented with information on the costs and benefits of the three options for waste disposal, make their preference known, and proceed to referendum if necessary (A referendum would be required to proceed with option B or C.)
4. The Solid Waste Committee is preparing detailed risk, cost and benefit information for public discussion and debate later this month.

WHAT OUR REGIONAL DIRECTOR, JULIA ATKINS, SAYS:

1. The risks and costs of an on-island landfill are significant and islanders should make their own decision, based on reliable information.
2. The options are now open. We are no longer locked into a transfer station only, as we were at the time of my election.
3. By taking individual responsibility for our garbage, and by implementing curbside recycling, we can reduce our waste now by 50% or more. That would leave about two trailer trucks of compacted garbage a week to worry about.
4. Let's not make mountains (of garbage) out of molehills.

RE-ELECT JULIA SUTTON-ATKINS X CRD

REGIONAL DIRECTOR

COMMUNITY

Recycling looks for a real home

Once again, Salt Spring's recycle centre will be moving but its next move should be the last — for a while.

The Capital Regional District is applying to Crown Lands for 2.3 hectares (5.8 acres) of land behind a cement plant on Rainbow Road. Reached by a laneway leading to the Farmers' Institute grounds, the parcels sits between two portions of Moutat Park.

A notice of intent to apply for a Crown Land grant has been posted on a telephone pole at the site entrance. The notice informs readers, in part, that the CRD is applying for land "for the establishment, operation and maintenance of a recycling centre/transfer station site."

Salt Spring recycling co-ordinator Rick Laing told the *Driftwood* he has been looking for a permanent site for the centre for some time. Cost of land has prevented settlement in one place, until now.

The recycle centre began from a location on Rainbow Road where the newspaper office was formerly located. It moved to the current location at Upper Ganges and Park Drive last year.

Each location has been temporary, Laing said. "We'd like a permanent location."

Each year more than 3,000 tons of garbage is produced on Salt Spring and the recycle centre handles about 300 tons, Laing explained.

With a permanent recycle centre home, he hopes to expand the number of items which would be accepted with an aim to recycle at least 50 per cent of the garbage produced each year.

Laing admitted glass recycling is the most onerous task. If coloured glass is mixed with clear glass or if colours are mixed, the entire allotment is dumped.

Newspapers are bundled and some goes to the United States for de-inking while most of them are turned into egg cartons.

Laing holds to a concept of a recycle centre served by curbside

Ferry pact is reached

At least 200 ferry workers on Salt Spring can sail easier with news a tentative contract settlement between B.C. Ferry Workers Union and B.C. Ferries Corporation has been reached.

Union president Lee Cochran told the *Driftwood* the bargaining committee, which was unanimous in accepting the deal, would recommend approval from the membership. The committee will meet with various groups of workers around the fleet with ratification expected in early December.

No details of the contract will be released until ratification by ferry workers is reached.

Talks between the two sides broke down Saturday, November 3, but last-minute bargaining created agreement by Monday morning. Negotiation began September 5.

Grants in aid

Various community groups on Salt Spring recently received a total of \$3,100 in grants-in-aid from the Capital Regional District.

CRD director Julia Atkins sought board approval for the grants to four island groups.

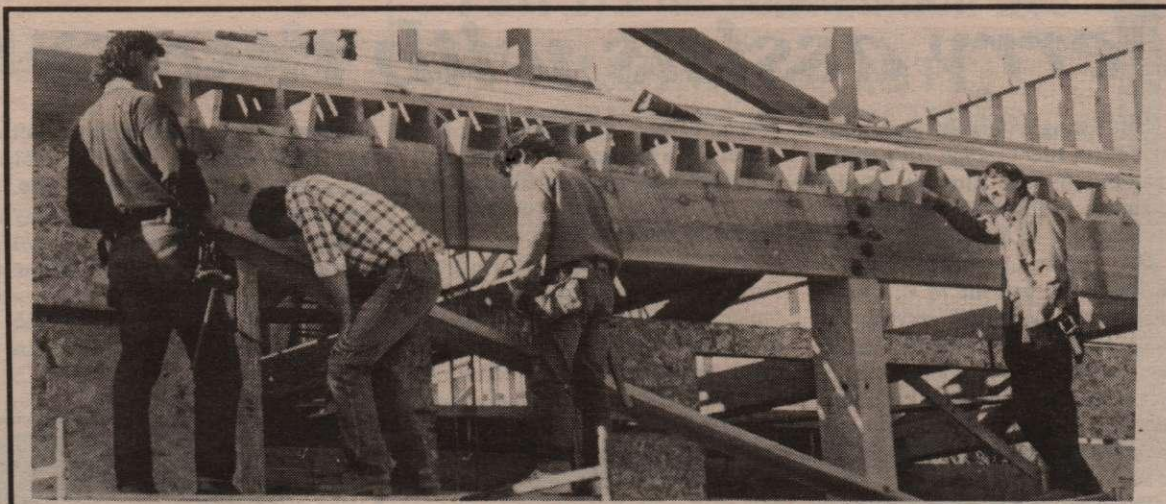
First Ganges Group Committee of Scouts Canada will receive \$500 as will Island Youth Soccer Association. Fulford Parents Group can expect a grant of \$1,000 as can Salt Spring Historical Book Project.

Grants-in-aid are available to

pickup and staff to sort material. He said if he was to put the concept into practice, recycling for Salt Spring would be less expensive.

"We could do it for much less than the current contract," he said.

He would contract local truckers to haul bundled material to either Vancouver or Victoria for sale. Trucks now leave the island empty, he noted. Hauling of recycled material would ease costs for truckers as well as the recycling program which now contracts out to Laidlaw for pickup and delivery.



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NEWSBEAT

Long-timers seek Trust seats for Galiano

Four longtime residents are standing for election to two Trust positions on Galiano Island.

Incumbents Margaret Griffiths and Diane Cragg are both running and Paul Scoones and Frank Hillier have also decided to enter the race.

Margaret Griffiths

Griffiths has been a Galiano property owner since 1962, and an Islands Trustee for the past two years.

She has university training in social sciences and was a staff counselor for B.C. Hydro prior to her retirement to Galiano 10 years ago.

Griffiths is standing for re-election because she feels the island needs the Trust experience of herself and Diane Cragg. "Galiano is under various pressures that could destroy the fabric of its small community. It seems a time to offer that community continuity and hard-learned experience, not sudden change."

She says she and Cragg have worked cooperatively and effectively as a team for the past two years, dealing with many difficult issues, particularly in land use and environmental areas. Even without total agreement on all matters, Griffiths says "we have worked excellently all the way through."

She believes everyone should remember the unity exhibited by the provincial legislature when the Islands Trust Act was unanimously passed in 1974. "Members from all four political parties described the Gulf Islands as provincial treasures to be protected by prudent management, not for decades but for centuries."

As "the closest island to the mainland, we are really under the gun," she says, and the Galiano trustee's role is a crucial one.

As a strong proponent of the Trust's mandate and the vision behind it, she says "if I can have some small part in realizing that vision, I shall be rewarded for the hard work involved."

Diane Cragg

Diane Cragg has been a Galiano resident for 10 years and has four years experience as trustee.

She holds a degree in geography from Simon Fraser University and has a keen interest in land-use matters.

In running for re-election, she says she is reiterating her "commitment to serve the community to the best of my ability during the coming three years."

Cragg says she intends to "continue to consider and respect as wide a range of opinion as I can," while working within the mandate of the Trust which she strongly supports.

She feels "the last two years on Galiano have been times of important and often difficult decisions, and Margaret Griffiths and I have worked productively together. Although the work of the Trust is made much easier by the strong support we feel in the community, there is still much we would like to achieve."

While she says many issues were handled well by herself and Griffiths, she says the negotiations with MacMillan Bloedel stand out in her mind.

What has been most rewarding, however, is "watching the community gain its own power in terms of recognizing its rights," says Cragg. "Maintaining the community is really the issue," she adds.

"The development pressure has been quite phenomenal," she says, "and I believe we've kept it to a tolerable level."

She believes that with the continued support of the Galiano community, her training, experience and commitment of time will benefit the island in the coming three years.

Francis Hillier

corporate and government background.

He was a sergeant navigator with the Royal Canadian Air Force during World War II and received his degree of applied science in mechanical engineering from University of B.C. in 1949.

A senior partner in an engineering consulting firm, he oversaw the design of sawmills, pulp mills, major Vancouver bridges and the city's airport. He designed the prototype for pulp and paper effluent pollution control systems which is used throughout North America.

Hillier was also the first senior improvements evaluator for the provincial government, and chairman of the province's environmental appeal board from 1982-1990. He also chaired the public inquiry into the Quinsam coal development on Vancouver Island.

He says he is running for Trustee in response to the controversy apparent on Galiano, particularly between Clear Cut Alternatives and the Friends of Galiano Society. "I thought perhaps the other side of the question has not been considered as much" as the environmentalists' side, he says.

Placing himself "a little to the

right" on the political spectrum, he says he would take a moderate approach while trying to "keep the island very much the way it is."

"I admit there are environmental problems that have to be resolved, but they can be resolved in such a way to ensure jobs are maintained," he says.

Hillier says he would "exhibit common sense and stability" to issues facing Galiano, and would "work to ensure the Trust mandate is followed in a proper manner."

Jim Scoones

Paul (Jim) Scoones is a descendant of one of the island's pioneering families and was raised on Galiano Island.

He has worked in a number of areas, including logging, on Canadian Pacific steamships and as a heavy equipment salesman in Vancouver. He now owns a construction business on Galiano.

Scoones has been president of the island's Lions Club, Galiano Club, Chamber of Commerce and chairman of the recycling committee. He has also been a Galiano court of revision member.

He is running for trustee because

he would like to see changes in the way the Trust operates on Galiano. "I see a need for more openness in the Trust," he says, perceiving an atmosphere of "secrecy" in its current functioning.

He would also prefer to have "each problem dealt with on its own merit instead of making such general rulings," he says. He believes trustees should "try and solve it (a problem) to everyone's satisfaction."

Scoones thinks certain problems like the MacMillan Bloedel land controversy "are splitting the island apart." He feels "we have to work with MacMillan Bloedel instead of going head to head with them."

He says his experience in running clubs on the island and a knowledge of the community would aid him as a trustee. "I think I know what the majority of people on this island want," he says.



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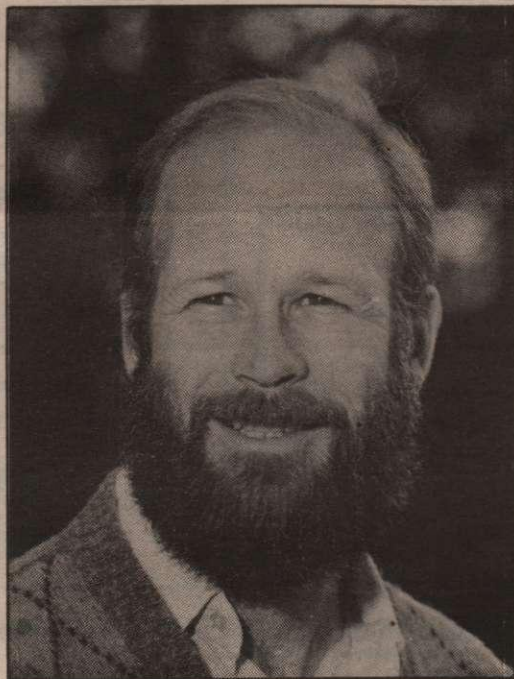
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NEWSBEAT

Three vie for Mayne seats

Mayne Island voters will choose two of three candidates in the November 17 Islands Trust election. Incumbent trustee Louis Vallee faces Larry Holbrook and Bob Douglas at the polls. Marie Elliott has declined nomination after serving four years as a Mayne trustee.

Larry Holbrook

Holbrook is a member of the island's Advisory Planning Commission and past principal of the Mayne Island School. He now teaches industrial education one day a week at

the school, and raises quail, Sussex-speckled chickens and racing pigeons as a hobby.

He is a past superintendent of instruction for School District 64, and prior to moving to Mayne he held the same post in Williams Lake. He was also a warrant officer in Britain's Glider Pilot Regiment for five years and taught school in England and Ontario.

A member of the Canadian Wildlife Association and past president of naturalist clubs in both Williams Lake and Ontario, Holbrook

feels strongly about environmental issues and values the Trust mandate.

Holbrook believes in preservation of the Gulf Islands lifestyle and feels there is a danger of losing it. "Once our way of life is gone, we can never recapture it," he says.

"If progress is needed we should try first to preserve what we have got," he says. "It never does come back. It is sort of like the price of gasoline, once it goes up it never does come down. We should leave the islands as they are, if possible."

Holbrook and his wife Pam live on Navy Channel Road.

Bob Douglas

Bob Douglas was a member of the island's first Advisory Planning Commission and the ad hoc committee which put together Mayne's community plan. He has owned property on the island since 1968.

He was a water district trustee from 1969 to 1974 and has served on the board of variance for the Southern Gulf Islands.

He recently retired from his Vancouver law practice except for representing one mining company.

Douglas, who was urged by a group of Mayne residents to run for the Trust, says "I would like to see the island's rural atmosphere retained, and as far as any business development proposals are concerned, I would first find out who wants to start a business. That's only practical."

Noting islanders feel a current lack of communication from the Trust office, Douglas wants islanders "to have improved and prompt access to Islands Trust staff for answers to their problems."

Douglas says he will work with other trustees to ensure that Mayne

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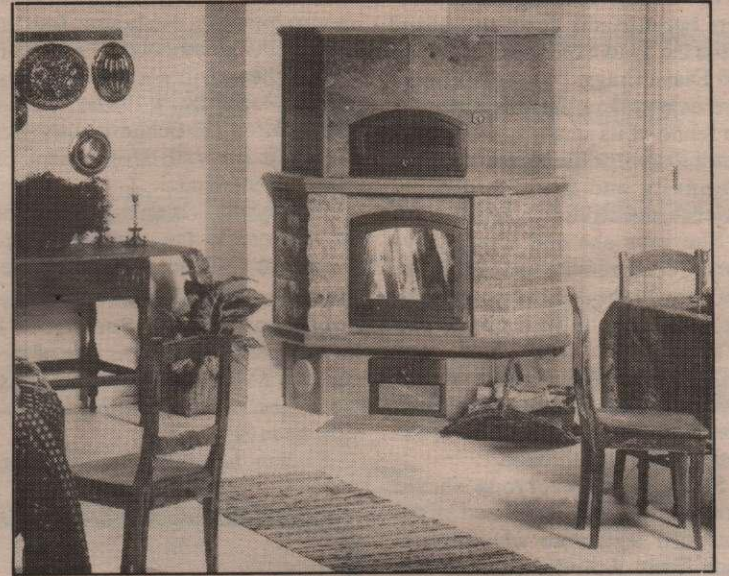
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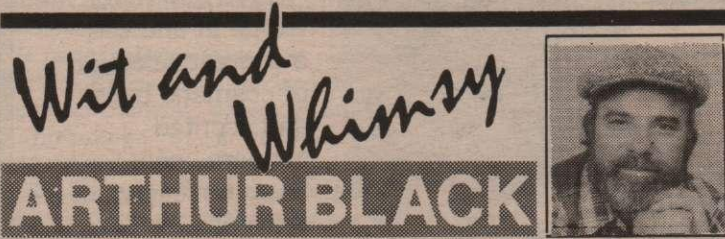
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I don't mean just the pathetic pygmies of Parliament Hill — those strutting impostors, elected and otherwise, who squawk and scramble in ever decreasing circles, barely pausing long enough to cash their bloated paycheques.

When I talk about Canadian shrinkage, I mean the very idea and essence of our country. Seems to me Canadians used to gentler, more generous. The Canada I grew up in was a quiet backwater of a nation, easy-going, a little dull maybe, but liberally doused with a live-and-let-live attitude.

Canada's not like that anymore — at least not on the mean streets I've been driving lately. There's a New Yorkish brittleness in conversations I overhear in bars and on the buses. The spirit of Canada seems to have degenerated into that of a particularly ugly bush-league hockey game.

Catch basin for tiny minds

Exhibit A: APEC — the Alliance For the Preservation of English In Canada. This is a group that claims to want to "Save English". In fact, it is simply a catch basin for all those tiny minds and stunted souls who believe life would be beautiful if we could just unload the French Canadians.

These are the folks who suffer anxiety attacks when they find themselves faced with the French-language side of the Rice Krispies box on the kitchen table. These are the people who believe there's a Quebecois plot to (as they love to say) "ram French down our throats".

These are some terminally paranoid people. One hesitates to be the bearer of bad tidings, but it's a job that has to be done, I guess. Fact is, APEC-ers, you might as well fold up your petitions and go home — you're already whipped.

It's too late to preserve English from the depredations of French. That battle's already been lost. About 924 years ago.

England invaded by France

Back in 1066, a chap by the name of William the Conqueror invaded England and, as conquerors will, demanded that his new subjects speak his language — to wit: Norman French. As a result, approximately 50 percent of the language we speak today comes from the French — or from Latin words that are also used in French.

Wanna meet some Norman French invaders face-to-face? abbot, beauty, Bible, court, dress, feast, joy, liberty, marriage, navy, parliament, people, pleasure, prayer, reign, soldier, treasure, verdict, war.

French words, tous.

Willy the Conqueror indulged in some serious French throat-ramming and gave us the language that the Alliance for the Preservation of English is campaigning to "save".

Alliance members have nothing to fear but their own timidity. Other countries such as Belgium and Luxembourg survive very nicely on a multi-lingual foundation. All it takes is an attitude change. APEC members — all Canadians — shouldn't regard another language as a threat or a curse. It's a blessing. English will not be mortally wounded by Bourassa's infamous Bill 109 — or anything else myopic bureaucrats throw at it. English has clout. After Mandarin, it's the most widely spoken language in the world.

Babble of plots and subterfuge

It all depends on how you handle it. We can be like APEC and babble of plots and subterfuge. Or we could be like Switzerland with four recognized languages (and I guess the biggest Rice Krispie boxes in the Western world).

Or if we were really brave we could be like Mike Hayes.

Mike runs a car dealership in Newport, Vermont, a town not far from the Quebec border. He's set up French classes for his entire sales staff, the better to sell cars to Quebecers. "Just 'cause we're American", says Mike, "doesn't mean we don't want to learn."

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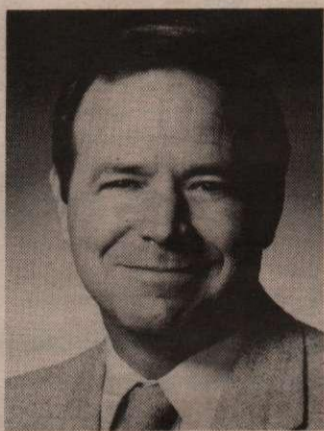
School board candidates have expertise

Candidates vying for five school board positions on Salt Spring offer voters a variety of expertise and experience.

Of incumbents, Ian Fraser won't be seeking re-election. He has served five years as a school trustee and expressed a desire to "sit and watch as things flow by." He is involved in other aspects of community life on Salt Spring, he explained and is willing to step aside to make room "for new blood."

Incumbents looking for re-election are Charles Bazzard, Grace Byrne, David Eyles and Charles Hingston. They will be joined on the ballot by Strick Aust, Bill Curtin, Flo Fraser, Allisen Lambert, Murray Shoolbraid and Lyda Burke Smith.

Each candidate spoke briefly with the *Driftwood* to outline community involvement, reasons for running and explanation of issues as each sees them.



Strick Aust

STRICK AUST spent four years on Gulf Islands school board in the early 1980s serving as chairman for three of those years. He is a familiar figure at soccer games on Salt Spring, being involved with the executive of the league as well as on the field as coach of various teams.

Aust looks on changes coming in education as challenge to school boards. He offers his experience in school board matters to ensure changes are implemented in a positive manner.

"I think I can be of assistance to get those things on track," he explained.

He does not see any particular issues as pressing, other than ensuring positive action on curriculum changes and opening of the new high school.

"The district has been well served by the existing board," he said, and offers his experience to continue that good service..



Charles Bazzard

CHARLES BAZZARD has served two years as trustee and in that time has functioned on a variety of school board committees. He currently heads the committee planning for the new high school.

As well, he represented the concerns of the parents advisory committee for Fernwood School to the school board.

Bazzard, manager of Maracaibo

with Rotary, Sea Scouts and the board of directors for Greenwoods. In addition he served with the transportation committee as well as the Crown Lands task force.

He wants to fulfil his commitment to planning and implementation of the new high school and in conjunction with that project, ensure a smooth beginning for the middle school concept.

Bazzard also sees a need to relocate Salt Spring Elementary School as well as creating a fourth elementary school on Salt Spring to meet growing population demands.



Grace Byrne

GRACE BYRNE serves as current school board chairman and has five years as trustee behind her. During that time, she worked on a variety of committees for the board.

She seeks re-election to follow "a keen interest in providing the best possible education to ensure our children succeed in the 21st Century."

Her concern for quality education centres on making best use of curriculum changes being made, helping to guide the new high school through its critical planning stages and giving serious consideration to community school concept in conjunction with the new secondary school.

"In summary, I have a wide range

of experience as a school trustee," Byrne stated, "and can present a balanced approach to endeavouring

to provide the best possible education within the taxpayer's ability to fund it." **TURN TO PAGE 14**

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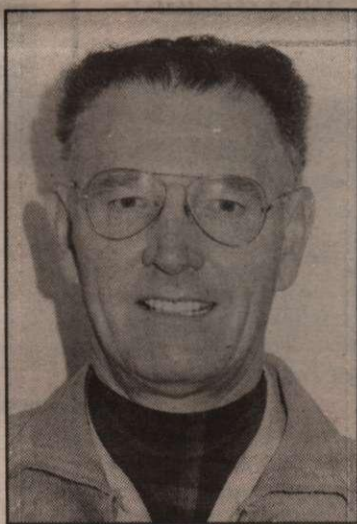
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NEWSBEAT

Education nominees offer experience

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Bill Curtin

BILL CURTIN is no stranger to school board deliberations, having served a term as school trustee in Fort Saskatchewan, Alberta.

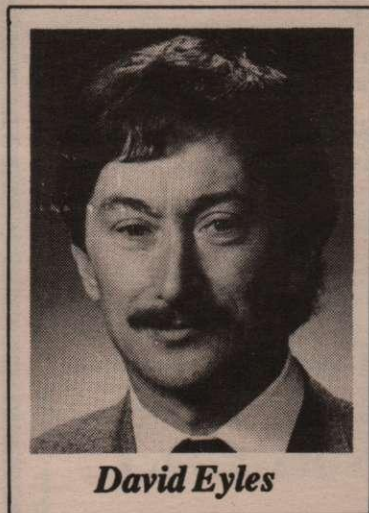
"The new high school and its place in the community presents an opportunity which may never exist again," he said.

He serves on the Parks and Recreation Commission and handles publicity for Seniors For Seniors. Involvement in the Island Arts Centre Society, Islands Watch, the water preservation society and island theatre groups also occupies his time.

Curtin expresses an understanding of a comprehensive joint-use agreement between the community and the school district for school facilities as having "an impact on life in the community which is so important."

Schools should teach more than just the basic curriculum, he maintains. There is a need to allow students to shape skills which will allow them to remain in the community after graduation. And that requires involvement of the community, he states.

"There are such skills here I don't think are being passed on to the kids in the community," he said.



David Eyles

DAVID EYLES has served as school trustee for seven years and as board chairman for three of those years.

When he was first elected, Eyles stressed the need for "sound education with restraint." Now he notes the same issue at hand with recession threatening.

"As a board, we have, I believe, made the best possible use of our budget allocation. We have balanced our budget without going to the taxpayer through referendum for extra money," he stated.

Eyles sees three challenges to the school district. The district must respond and adapt to the proposed curriculum changes, he said.

The school board must make sure services and facilities "are best able to meet the needs of our rapidly

FLORENCE FRASER seeks election as a school trustee to ensure that as schools expand and enlarge to meet an increasing population, the quality of education does not suffer.

She operates as a licenced, bonded bailiff for Salt Spring.

"I've sat on the fence for a lot of years and never got too involved," she said, "but now, I feel, is the time to give something back to the community."

Fraser wants to ensure that children receive the best possible education allowed by the tax structure. High standards of education can be maintained, she said, by keeping expenditures for non-educational aspects of the school district down.

"I can only say that I would do my utmost to assist the school district to maintain a high standard of education so that our young folks will be better prepared for the future," she stated.



Flo Fraser

CHARLES HINGSTON brings nine years as a local school trustee to his re-election campaign. He has served as board chairman as well as president of the B.C. School Trustees' Association.

"These are exciting times in public education," he said. "The follow-up on the Royal Commission Report on Education and on the Year 2000 initiatives will require both team work and hard work."

He lists challenges to the school district which include implementing the curriculum changes, the new high school as well as the middle school concept and following through on "responsive, quality local education programs."

Hingston believes in active involvement in the education system as playing a vital role in the present and future of both the children and society.

"As local trustees, we have the responsibility to use taxpayer dollars as effectively as possible," he said. "That is a challenge that I, as a parent and taxpayer, am willing and able to meet."



Charles Hingston

ALLISEN LAMBERT offers many years experience as a



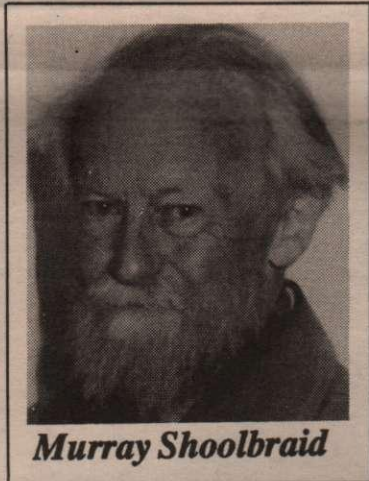
Allisen Lambert

While she worked in Ontario, her roots are in B.C. and particularly Salt Spring where many members of her family reside. She currently holds a part-time job as school psychologist for the Victoria school district while living on the island.

"I want to become involved in the Salt Spring community," she said, "and put my experience back into the community."

Lambert explained how she would look closely at needs of schools. Educations, she points out, will be in a state of change and a trustee should be aware of implications of the changes in ministry policy.

Among other aspects of education, Lambert would insist upon sufficient support services to encourage quality instruction "so all children have an opportunity to meet their potential."



Murray Shoolbraid

MURRAY SHOOLBRAID describes himself as a self-employed typist, editor, author and tutor of various subjects to high school students.

He is active in the community as chairman and secretary of the Handicapped Association, secretary for both the Community Planning Association and the Transportation Committee.

"School District 64 is at a very important watershed right now," he said of his reason for being a candidate. "We have the new high school being planned, a new principal and a look at the whole education system being taken."

Collectively, the school board must provide strong leadership, and argue the case of School District 64 in Victoria; negotiate fairly but firmly with the teachers on contracts; take good hard looks at modifications of the present system, but be ready and will to experiment and innovate."



LYDA BURKE SMITH draws on 30 years experience in the classroom, as a principal and in education administration to support her candidacy as school trustee.

She pursued her career in Nova Scotia and Saskatchewan before retiring to Salt Spring.

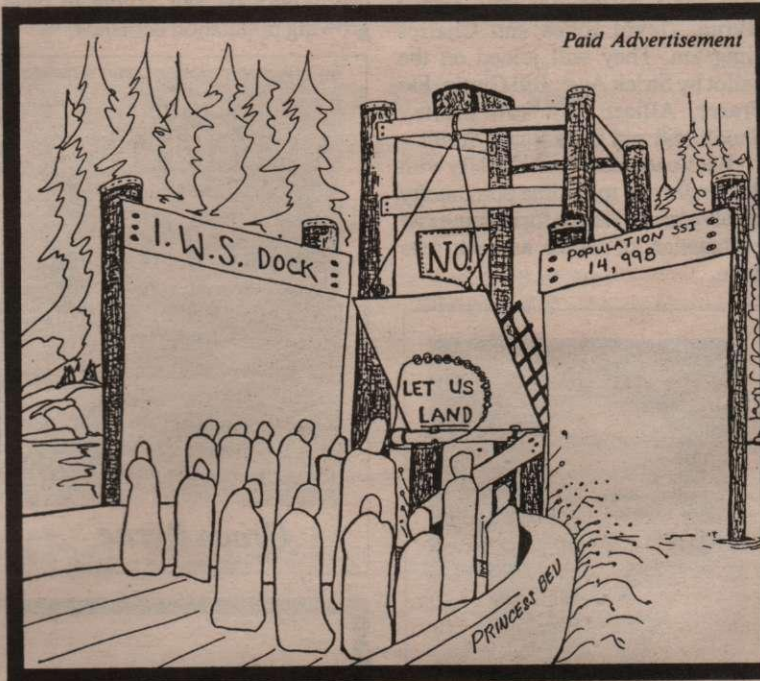
"It has been my practice for the past 30 years to become actively involved in my community agencies," she said. "My commitment to children and youth is expressed by a

thoughtful and energetic response to their needs."

Smith expresses concerns about how growth will reflect on the school system.

"Children have to have quality of education," she maintained.

She would also like to see a collaboration system where parents talk to teachers and the teacher talk to the school board. That way, she said, "we make sure we know where the other fellow is going."



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Biggest political rally in Salt Spring history launches Bob Andrew's campaign for Island Trust

They came from every corner of the island. They packed Beaver Point Hall to overflowing, the latecomers milling around doors and windows craning to catch the action.

They roared at the comic routines, sang and clapped with the musicians, wolfed down the donated pies and cakes, and bid outrageous amounts for the auction items.

On Saturday night, October 27, the place to be on Salt Spring for over 250 Island residents was Bob Andrew's fundraiser rally to support his candidacy for the Islands Trust.

The atmosphere was all warmth and enthusiasm, a celebration for a candidate who has devoted most of his waking hours over the last 10 years to improving the quality of life on the island.

The evening opened with an auction. Serving as auctioneer and master of ceremonies, at the peak of his form, was the irrepressible Arvid Chalmers.

Donated items ranged in value from a pizza certificate from Morningside Cafe to an original etching by artist Robert Bateman. Bidding was spirited for all items—with one exception. A Shilo Zylbergold original work of art, on black velvet with some of the numbered areas still unpainted, remained unpurchased at auction's end.

STANDING OVATION

Prior to intermission, Chalmers introduced some of the luminaries in the crowd, including Trust candidate Max Soder, CRD Director Julia Sutton Atkins, and School Board candidates Lyda Smith and Bill Curtin.

Outgoing Island Trust chairman Nick Gilbert was also on hand. When introduced, he received a prolonged standing ovation from the crowd in tribute to his eight years of service to Gulf Islanders in a difficult and demanding position.

Bob Andrew took the stage to thank the audience for their attendance and support. With the right trustees in command, he said, the Trust will be in a stronger position than ever before to prevent the island from being "turned upside down" by development pressures.

After an intermission, the entertainment opened with Celtic songs by Barb and Kevin, of Barb's Buns Bakery fame. The audience was completely charmed by the pair, at one point tapping time and joining them in the chorus of a song.

They were followed by a serio-comic piano performance by Reid Collins who, after recovering his trousers, fell asleep while playing the Moonlight Sonata. He awoke to play a brilliant original composition, and then brought the house down with an encore performance of *Bumble Boogie*.

Sid Filkow delivered an indescribable impersonation of an Eastern European national learning about the bungee jumping business via a telephone call from his son in Canada.

Susan Cogan and Peter Brosseau wrapped up the evening with a comic routine, surely intended, revolving around misplaced amplifiers, cords and microphones. They then got down the serious business of making beautiful music, and the audience joined them in

NEWSBEAT

Waste costs questioned

Costs of waste disposal have been adding up at the Capital Regional District and Sidney mayor Norma Sealey wanted to know the total.

When the board of directors was asked at a last week's meeting to approve spending \$99,400 for a study of composting, Sealey raised her objection. She did not oppose environmental initiatives, she told the meeting, but she was concerned about not having information about how much money the board was committing to the effort.

She noted some of the money to cover the initiatives was slated to

come from tipping fees at Hartland Road garbage dump. Yet a concerted effort at recycling would reduce the amount of garbage being dumped there, she added.

Frank Leonard, of Saanich, explained the initiatives came from a year-long study by the environmental committee on waste disposal. He went on to say the provincial government was a significant financial partner in the project.

Sealey received assurances staff would produce a cost breakdown for a subsequent meeting which would outline how the 1991 budget would

be affected and how much money would continue to be spent in coming years.

Also part of the cost study will be a review of how tipping fees would cover some of those costs and a look at growth projects for next year.

When directors finished dealing with all garbage issues at that one meeting, they had committed \$1,311,870 of the 1991 budget for various aspects of operating Hartland Road garbage dump. They have made similar approvals at each meeting in recent weeks.

Incumbent running on Pender

Incumbent Islands Trustee Horst Klein is running for re-election on North Pender Island.

Klein says "the people know what I stand for and they can vote for me if they want to." He says he represents the fairminded "silent majority."

He says he has done a good job as trustee since winning the bi-election to replace former trustee Stephen Wright and stands behind his record.

He cites his handling of the Razor Point subdivision as an example. "It's the first time ever anybody made an agreement with a developer on this island," he says.

The septic tank requirements are 25 per cent above what the health department requires, and he negotiated the density in the subdivision down to 43 lots from the original 56 proposed, he says. "That's what I call doing something," he adds.

He has a standing offer to people who are opposed to development on

Pender. "If anyone of them want to go to Lasqueti I will pay the \$100 to get them there — on one condition — as long as they don't come back."

He says the island is "not only for people who want to preserve it only for themselves."

Klein thinks islanders should look beyond the first part of the Trust's mandate. "Everybody swears that we have to *preserve and protect* no matter what. This is just so much bull. There is 20 more pages to the Trust mandate," he says. As an example, he

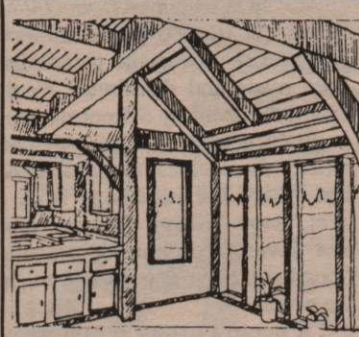
says, providing for tourism and different lifestyles on the islands also require the Trust's attention.

"If you are a single-minded person you can shut it down at preserve and protect," Klein says. He maintains the trustee's job is easy if that approach is taken. He says, "you have to be a first class juggler to do this job."

Klein is running for one of two trustee positions on North Pender along with Jack Lindsay, Phil Clark and Bob Allison.

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gets representation on the Islands Trust which reflects the special nature of Mayne, its residents and way of life.

"I believe we must avoid the imposition of planning practices designed to meet problems peculiar to other islands," he says.

Douglas resides at Bennett Bay with his wife Milus.

Louis Vallee

Louis Vallee is seeking his third term on the Trust. In addition to being a Mayne trustee, he runs his own electrical contracting business.

Vallee says he supports "an environmentally-sensitive development for Mayne — a quiet, peaceful island with a village-like commercial centre."

He opposes any increase in density over what is designated in current bylaws. "Otherwise," he says, "we will be faced with overwhelming problems in the areas of water, sewage and pollution."

"Density is the key," he says. "When Mayne is fully subdivided, as provided for under our present bylaws, we will have approximately 1500 lots increasing our population to around 3,500 - 4,000 people, excluding those in guest cottages. That is why I so strongly oppose any increase in density."

"I fully endorse the preserve and protect mandate of the Islands Trust as outlined by the Act and clarified in the policy and objectives of the Islands Trust," he says.

Vallee says he is seeking another term because he sees the need for continuity both on Mayne and in the Trust Council.

"We have also started on our community plan as well as the Islands Trust policy statement. These two

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Driftwood

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Kids ready for light-up

When Ganges merchants flick their switches to light up the village this year, they will be assisted by hundreds of children on parade.

The first Festival of Lights Christmas Parade is set to coincide with the annual "light-up" celebration on December 1, when stores turn on their Christmas lights for the first time. Each year *Gulf Islands Driftwood* sponsors a competition among local businesses, offering cash and advertising prizes.

Organizers of the new tie-in event say children are the key to the parade's success. Clive Williams stresses "this is a kid's event, not an adult parade."

Shelley Wilson, who is also an organizer and contact person for the event, says "we really encourage

people to gather children up and motivate them to do what they want to do" for the parade.

She says response from children has so far been tremendous. Forty posters advertising the parade have been made and distributed by Salt Spring Elementary School students.

Eight groups have already committed themselves to participation and "there are rumblings from all over," says Wilson. Service groups and several community organizations have been approached to join the event.

"It doesn't matter if you have a float," she says. Kids walking behind a group banner, towing a red wagon or in line with their decorated pets are welcome additions to the parade. She says all floats must have children on them, however.

If a group wants to put a float or display in the parade, Wilson says they will find children to liven it up. She adds that every vehicle must carry a handicapped child to ensure everyone is involved.

Because it is a festival of lights event, Williams says "the idea is for everyone to carry a light in some form — whether it be a flashlight or a candle in a jar. The whole point is to show a light."

The parade will commence at Seaview Avenue and Fulford-Ganges Road at 5:45 p.m. on December 1, proceed down to Mouat's, through the parking lot and down Lower Ganges Road to Centennial Park. As the parade moves past each store, its lights will come on and the village will gradually be set aglow.

"The children actually get to light up Ganges," says Wilson. "They're going to make it happen."

Keith MacHattie has offered to be parade marshal and "Christmas piper" leading the procession with his flute.

Once at Centennial Park, the community will gather for an hour of carol singing. Starting at 8:30 p.m., a Festival of Lights community dance is set for the Activity Centre. As a family event, children are welcome and there will be no alcohol served.

Wilson says flatbeds are needed to be used as floats. Anyone who is willing to donate one should call her at 537-5899. She is also the person to call to register for participation in the parade.

Information can also be gained by dropping into the Cheshire Cat restaurant between 7 and 9 p.m. on Thursday evenings until December 1.



The play's the thing - members of the Salt Spring Players rehearse *Going Ape*, written by Nick Hall. Tim Laplante gains a response from Brien Foerster. The play is scheduled for Mahon Hall, the last week of November and the first week of December.

Islanders issued invitation

Island Cinema issues a blanket invitation for residents to meet *A Company of Strangers*.

The made-in-Canada treat runs from Friday, November 9 to Tuesday, November 13 and screens at 8 p.m. each evening.

A Company of Strangers focuses on seven women stranded in a farmhouse miles from civilization, who get to know each other as they wait to be rescued. The punch comes with their age: each is at least 70 years old.

The story draws the audience into seeing each woman, not as elderly

but as individual. It challenges our tendency to generalize the elderly as "others."

Cynthia Scott directed this National Film Board production. It carries a general rating.

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LYNDA LAUSHWAY



It's 2:30a.m. and the train has just stopped in central Italy to pick up passengers. The man sitting next to me tries to speak to me in very broken English. Through bleary eyes and a fuzzy brain I comprehend he is trying to welcome me to his country. He says "Italy, it's the mother of culture for the whole world". I look out the window at the moon shining across a very beautiful landscape, remembering the richness of this culture and think that he may be right.

The eight-person group show at the Canadian Cultural Centre in Rome, Italy opened on October 12. Four of the participating Malaspina Printshop artists managed to be in attendance. Located on the second floor of an ancient Italian building, the Cultural Centre is reached by climbing a wide stone staircase, opening onto four large, high-ceilinged rooms.

I was delighted to arrive on the appointed evening and find that the show looked terrific. It is not easy to bring the work of eight diverse artists together in one exhibition. The work was well-balanced and nicely displayed, with wine, fruit punch and munchies, tastefully waiting on the flower-adorned table.

People started arriving and just kept on coming. I am sure well over a 100 people attended the opening. These people came because they liked art - they did not know the artists and I don't even think that it was a place to be seen. The people simply loved art. They poured over the work, chatted with friends and drew them to hear a comment on this piece or that style. They looked with interest, delight and intensity at the work of these eight Canadian artists.

One of the highlights of the opening for me was a lengthy conversation with an Italian photography instructor, his French partner who is studying television and movie creation in Rome, and their Polish friend. With a mixture of English, Italian and French going around the circle, we were able to communicate on a very moving level about making art, being an artist and our feelings about the world in general.

They loved our work. They found it inspiring and creative in terms of both the art scene in Rome and Paris. That kind of validation for our work was worth the show in itself.

The evening was completed with feasting in a seafood pasta restaurant. The wine flowed as did the talk and stories, with red roses purchased at the table from a young gypsy girl - in many ways a dream come true.

Awards given out Saturday

Salt Spring's first annual "Academy Awards Show" will be presented by the Island Arts Centre Society this Saturday night, November 10 in the Activity Centre at 8:00 pm.

This salute to the local performance scene will be uniquely island style. It will attempt to acknowledge all the islanders who have contributed to the development of Salt Spring's very active performing arts community while raising support for the new arts centre - ArtSpring.

The awards categories are the results of deep and extensive deliberation by the anonymous and ingenious Group of Three and should be taken seriously. Only by attending will fans know who has been nominated for "The People We'd Most Like to Watch But They Won't Let Us In", "Special FX", "The Phoenix Award", "The Show with the Longest Title Produced in the Smallest Space" to name just a few. Or the most prestigious awards "Best Laughter" and "Loudest Hecker".

Comedy, music, drama and dance will be represented in the shows which will remount excerpts for this night including: *The Fantasticks*, *Paradise Lots*, *Nu Impressions*, *Stages of Descent and Ramayana*, *Get Happy*, and *Eleemosynary*.

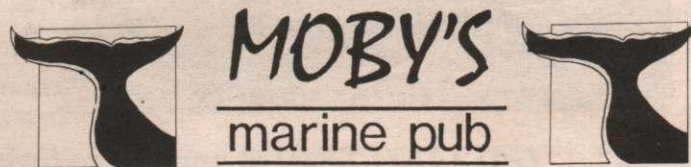
Groups participating in the evening include Reader's Theatre, S.S. Hysterical Society, the Salt Spring Players, Active P.A.S.S., Festival of the Arts, and Off Centre Stage.

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much in demand as the leading ensemble of its kind.

Since its inception, the trio has performed for a wide variety of functions in many of Vancouver's leading venues. As their music-making is highly portable, the trio can lead a march-in, play for a barbecue at the beach, picnic in the park, or ski party up on the slopes, and even perform onboard trains and boats and planes. At any social gathering the musical selections should be generally well-known and appropriate to the occasion. Unfortunately, there is little published material for trio which meets these criteria. It is therefore necessary for them to make custom arrangements. As it is their goal to have the largest and most diverse repertoire possible, they welcome music requests. The trio thus has a large and constantly expanding repertoire of "serious" and "light"

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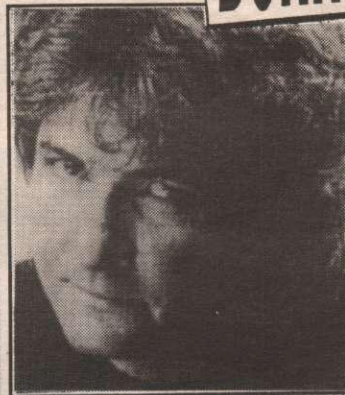
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Two looks at self-deception

SELF-DECEPTIONS

Two films just out on video both deal with self-deception, one of the benign kind, the other not so nice.

Wendy Cracked A Walnut (Nova) is a romantic-novel fairy tale set in Sydney, Australia and starring Rosanna Arquette at her most winsome. Arquette plays Wendy, a non-descript wife and office worker whose existence lacks the kind of swoon-filled emotional substance constantly bursting from the pages of the paperbacks she reads. Husband Ronnie (Bruce Spence) is well-meaning but hopeless, and his Mr. Jolly's Lollies delivery route doesn't seem to be going anywhere. Lo and behold, with Ronnie out of town for a few days, Jake (Hugo Weaving), the man of Wendy's Harlequin novel dreams, appears and showers her with all the pulse-pounding affection she craves.

Cute (occasionally in a clever way) and predictable on all important points, the film is the most fun when its spoof of romance novels gets most out of hand.

Deceptions (Republic) perspires to match the flair of *Body Heat*, but never gets above medium well-done. The pacing could pass for languid, but the prose is insupportably flat-footed compared to *Body Heat's*. L.A. Law's Harry Hamlin Plays Los Angeles police detective Nick Gentry, sent to investigate a woman's

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fatal shooting of her husband, apparently in self-defense. Even though Adrienne Erickson (Nicollette Sheridan) the wife, is a suspect soon after Gentry meets her he starts thinking with his small spheres instead of his large ones.

A la-dee-dah white mansion with a pool, and plenty of Hamlin's bod are the less-than-fatal attractions here.

JUST OUT:

Back to the Future Part III (MCA). The time-travelling Delorean is revved up one last time as Marty McFly (Michael J. Fox) drives into the past to rescue Doc (Christopher Lloyd), trapped in 1880. Back in the Wild West Marty meets his distant relations (Fox and Lea Thompson) and the great-great-what-ever of the nasty Biff (Thomas Wilson). With Mary Steenburgen as the woman who sets Doc's heart aflutter.

The Rocky Horror Picture Show (CBS/Fox). Based on the London

West End stage musical, *Rocky Horror* was filmed in 1975. Almost at once the decadent rock-and-roll science-fiction spoof developed a monstrous cult following. It has taken in over \$150 million at the box office, with more added each weekend (hence the long delay in getting it to video). Barry Bostwick is Brad, Susan Sarandon is Janet, Tim Curry is Dr. Frank N. Furter, and Richard O'Brien, the show's creator, is the straggly-haired butler.

Prancer (Nelson). A children's Christmas film that won grown-up praise when it was released in theatres last year. Nine-year-old Jessica (Nebeca Harrell) finds a wounded deer in the woods one winter and thinks it's Prancer. Determined to nurse it back to health and return it to Santa Claus, she runs into problems, not least from the magic-drained adult quarter. With Sam Elliott, Cloris Leachman and Abe Vigoda.

Road to Avonlea (Astral) Based on Anne of Green Gables creator Lucy Maud Montgomery's books about young Sara Stanley, whose privileged city life ends when she is forced to live with relatives in rural Avonlea. The first six episodes of the \$15-million series, seen on CBC-TV and nominated this year for 10 Gemini Awards, are out now. Episodes 7-15 will be available Nov. 22. Each tape contains two shows and should sell for \$29.95.



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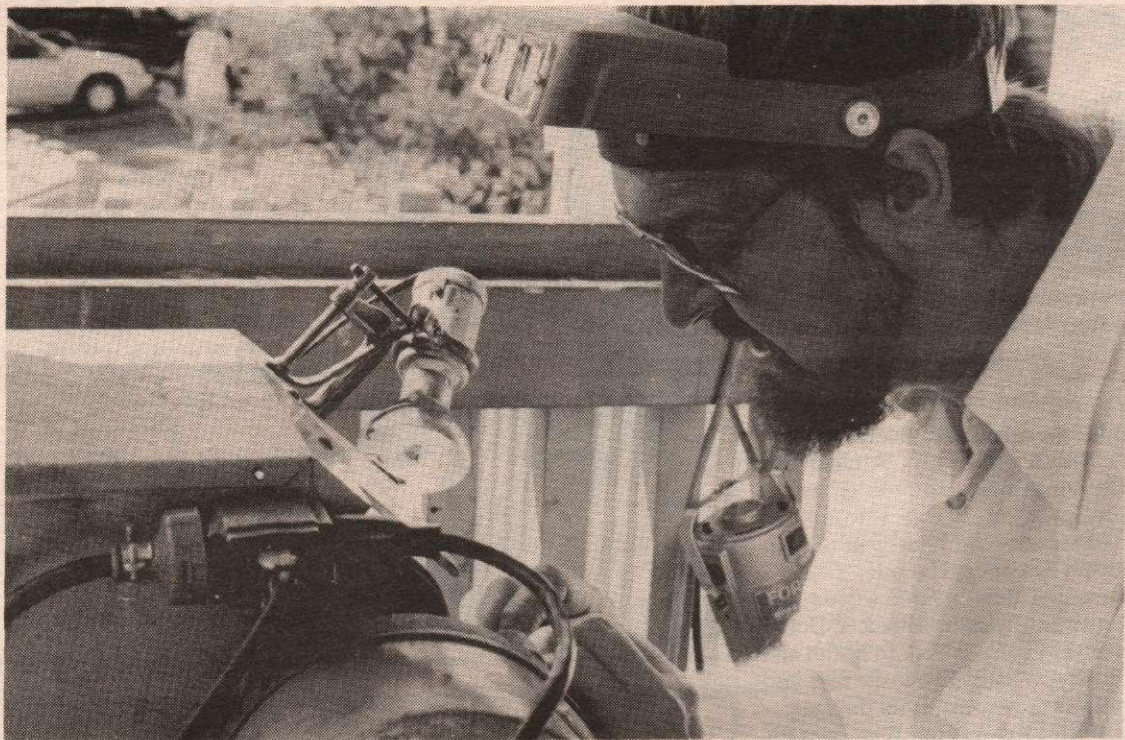
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MASTER CRAFTSMAN - Salt Spring Jewellers Guild member Terry Warbey is hard at work making his trademark silver earrings, bracelets and brooches for the pre-Christmas Guild Sale. Mahon Hall will be filled with the work of members of the woodworkers, weavers, potters, painters and jewellers

Jewellers display wares

An avalanche of Salt Spring talent will settle at the Guilds' Pre-Christmas Craft Sale at Mahon Hall next week-end.

Members of five island guilds — potters, painters, weavers, woodworkers and jewellers — have again joined forces to create the annual event.

Jewellery guild member Terry Warbey explains the quality at the pre-Christmas sale is unusually high because of guild standards. He says of previous guild shows: "I listen to people walking through the hall and they say, *this isn't just another craft fair.*"

Warbey ventured into silver jewellery-making while apprenticing in a mechanics and engine shop in London as a young man. He made his first silver ring because "I had this girlfriend who wanted me to make a ring out of a teaspoon."

The project was successful and he was soon making more money from his jewellery than he was as an apprentice.

Warbey made his way to Salt Spring after periods in Vancouver, Victoria and California.

In his basement studio in his home on Old Scott Road, Warbey demonstrates the many steps and skills required to make a pair of silver earrings consisting of two contrasting half-moons.

Starting with a silver disc filed from a sheet of silver, Warbey saws the disc in half and stamps "sterling" on the back. One half-disc is then rounded or "domed" by hammering it over a slightly curved steel head with a rubber-tipped mallet. The other piece is hammered so as to create a mottled surface.

Posts are soldered onto the earrings and holes then drilled to accom-

modate "jump rings" hooking the two halves together. The edges must be filed and the completed earrings cleaned and polished.

If a piece of jewellery is engraved, the process becomes more complicated. As he says, "it takes 20 years and five minutes to learn to engrave well." After a long period of trial and error using miniature chisels, hand engraving suddenly becomes easy.

Salt Spring Jewellers' Guild, organized six years ago by Warbey, Nicholas Gait and Diane English, currently has nine members.

The pre-Christmas guilds' sale commences with an open house and fashion show on Thursday, November 15 from 8 to 10 p.m. at Mahon Hall. The actual sale of items runs from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Friday and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

Woodworking offered for sale

One of the participants representing the Woodworkers Guild in this year's Christmas Guild Show is Chickadee Pine.

Husband and wife team of Roger and Judi Warren have been making reproduction pine furniture on Salt

City band at Moby's

A top name city band is setting up on the stage at Moby's Pub this weekend.

Pete and the Sneaks is one of Vancouver's premiere bands with over 40 years of playing experience between its three members.

The band plays both original music and rock 'n' roll tunes from the 60s to the present.

Lead guitarist and singer Brent Shindell has worked with Doucette, Bruce Miller and Shari Ulrich. Geoff Eyre was the drummer for the Hometown Band and keyboard player Peter Sweetzir played with Eyre in Edmonton. Both Eyre and Sweetzir have more recently performed with the Headpins.

Islanders will remember Pete and the Sneaks from the 1989 Festival of the Arts lineup when they got our feet jumping at the festival's opening party and dance.

The Festival of the Arts calendar said of the band: "Versatility and combined experience has led them to open for the Beach Boys one night and play a neighbourhood pub the next."

Moby's might feel like a city club on Friday and Saturday night with a

Spring for the past four years.

Their workshop is a newly-constructed building, the design of which is based on an old Carriage House. Currently, their showroom is located adjacent to their home on Booth Bay.

For Roger, a real love for Canadiana and many years of repairing, restoring and duplicating furniture pieces, as well as renovating homes, barns and school houses, has laid the foundation for a real feeling of days gone by.

Judi does all the finishing, as well as most of the quoting, and generally keeps the business running smoothly. There is constant collaboration on design between the two, as well as a

continuous search for unusual pieces.

Business has expanded, particularly the past couple of years, and it is a difficult task to stay small in terms of manpower, according to the couple.

The current repertoire consists of chest of drawers, tables, hutches, wash stands, housiers, corner cabinets, armoires, and many small accessory items. All the pieces made at "The Carriage House" are of solid pine and all have a hand-carved Chickadee, their logo.

Chickadee Pine, and many more artisans can be found at the Christmas Guild Show at Mahon Hall November 16, 17 and 18.

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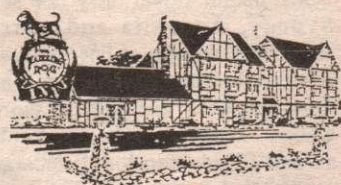
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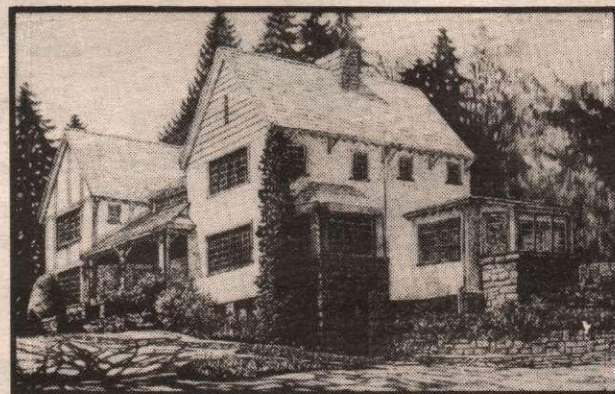


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