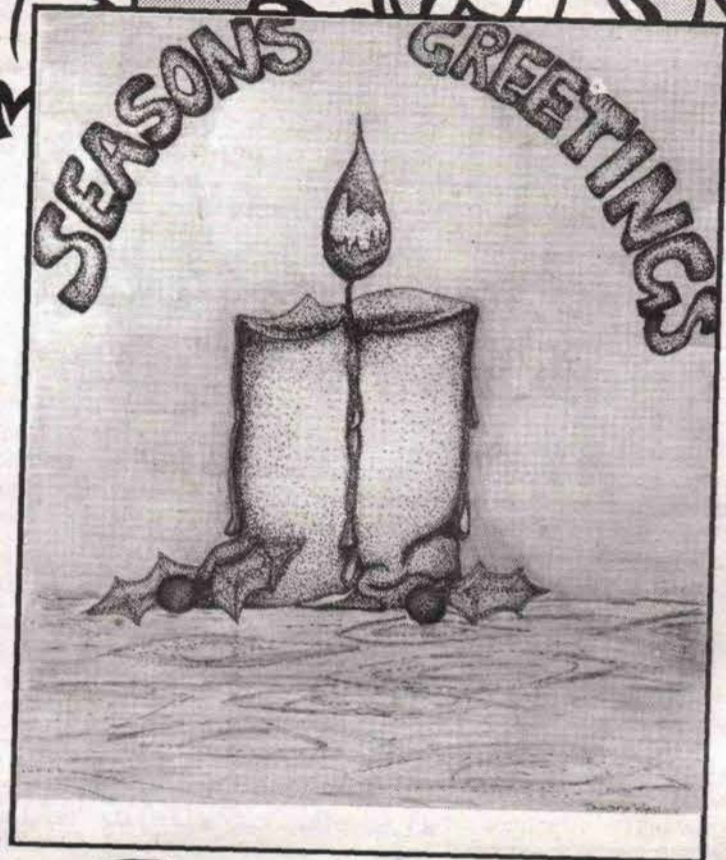
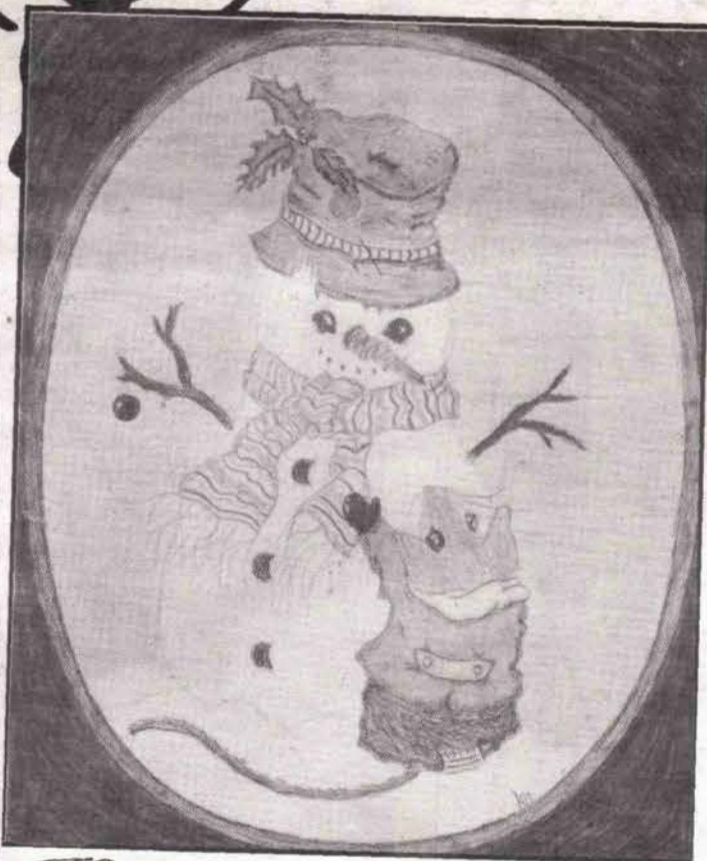


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Island-born fish return to Cusheon Creek

Salt Spring born and bred coho salmon returned to their island creeks last week, after a year in the open sea. Salmon enhancement society president Kathy Reimer said the 40 fish that returned was the second largest number in the 10-year history of the program.

"In the first major storm of the year they come in," Reimer said. "The creeks don't have water in them before," volunteer Rod Peters added.

"You watch the high tides this time of year," Reimer continued. "You watch the rain, it raises the level of the lake and the creeks so the fish can swim up."

Last week, Peters netted 20 fish at the mouth of Cusheon Creek. They were held under ideal conditions at the hatchery at the corner of Stewart and Cusheon Lake roads

— with no hungry otters or seals to prey on them.

More than 10,000 eggs will be taken from the females and fertilized with the milt of the males. A ratio of two males to every female will ensure the genetic diversity of the fish stock, she said.

The island salmon enhancement program depends very much on collecting its own eggs but unlike other hatcheries in the province, Reimer said, she puts more energy into stream rehabilitation than she puts into the hatchery.

"If the hatchery wasn't functioning tomorrow," Peters said, "coho could still spawn in the stream."

Coho salmon have been found or reported in six creeks on the island this year: Cusheon, Burgoyne, Booth, Duck, Fulford and

Ganges.

Two redds were found in Ganges Creek — tell-tale "nests" of fish eggs on the stream bed — and an unidentified redd was found in Duck Creek.

Chum salmon, whose eggs are supplied by the provincial government, are released in Ganges and Fulford creeks every year.

They return to spawn earlier in the year. Fulford Creek used to have spring salmon, but they were all poached, Reimer said. There are no sockeye salmon spawning on Salt Spring.

This year, Reimer and Peters had a surprise find among their 40-odd coho salmon.

A lone fish that was not like the others came up the creek with the coho. Peters surmises it was an Atlantic salmon and that it escaped

from a fish farm somewhere on the West Coast.

Its broken-off fins, bronze colour, different spots on the upper body and different shape of the mouth led Peters to think it was an Atlantic salmon which had spent

time cooped up.

In the 10 years the salmon enhancement program has been running on the island, Reimer said she has never seen anything but the three usual species of salmon in local creeks.

Atlantic salmon not unusual in B.C. waters—fisheries man

Atlantic salmon in British Columbia waters are not unusual, a federal fisheries official said Monday, though he could not say for certain whether a fish found in Cusheon Creek was of the east coast variety.

"The only way to differentiate Pacific salmon from Atlantic salmon is in the operculum, a hard-covered, bony cartilage in front of the gill," regional aquatic officer Ron Ginetz said.

"There should be some dark spots, three to eight. Pacific salmon do not have spots on their operculum."

Aside from that, he said, an expert would have to do an internal investigation.

Ginetz said this kind of sighting is not uncommon.

Atlantic salmon are the preferred fish for fish farms and the one which arrived at Cusheon Creek may have come from Puget Sound or somewhere in Georgia

Strait. He said an examination of the fish might determine where it originated.

When asked why the fish would follow coho salmon to Cusheon Creek, Ginetz said a small percentage of all salmon species do stray. It's an "insurance policy" against destroyed habitat which helps ensure survival of the species.

But he added that Atlantic sal-

mon do not behave in the same way as Pacific salmon.

The differences in behaviour are the subject of scientific investigation. He also said the Atlantic salmon probably could not have successfully reproduced with the local coho.

He suggested the salmon be sent to the Pacific Biological Institute in Nanaimo for further study.

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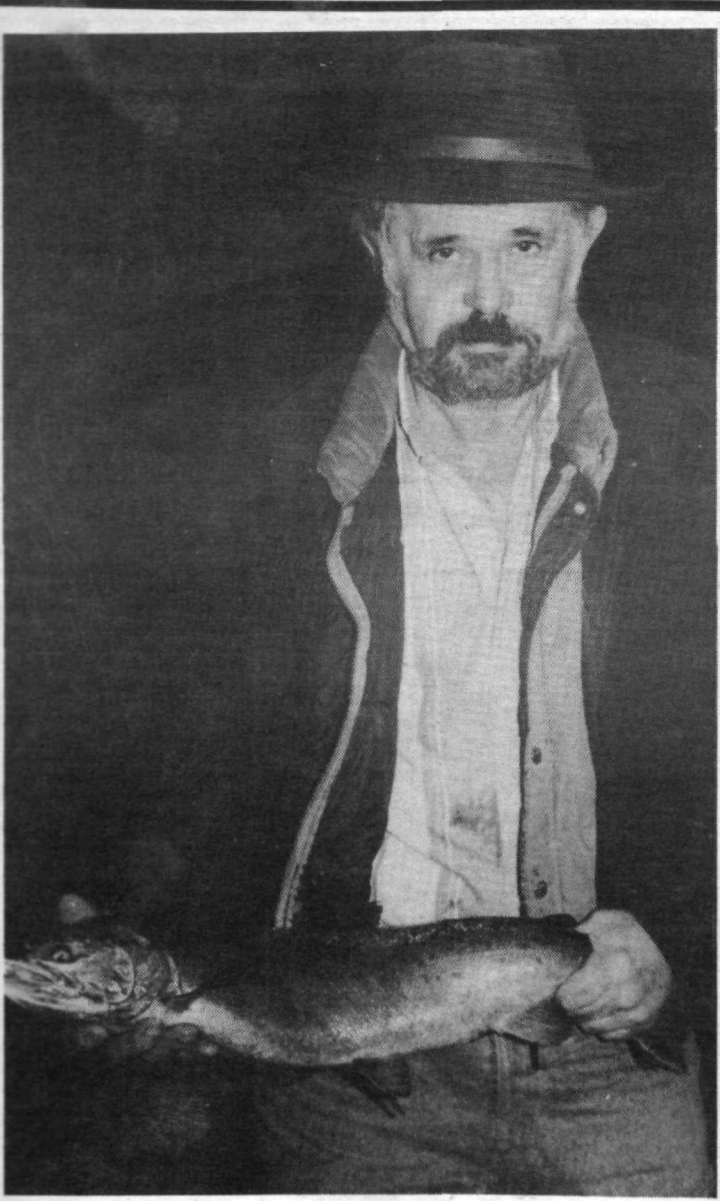


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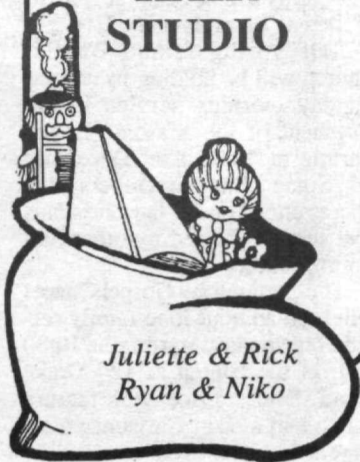
BUSY SEASON AT THE HATCHERY: Salmon enhancement volunteer Rod Peters holds up one of the coho salmon caught going up Cusheon Creek last week. More than 10,000 eggs for the hatchery and classroom salmon projects on the island were collected.

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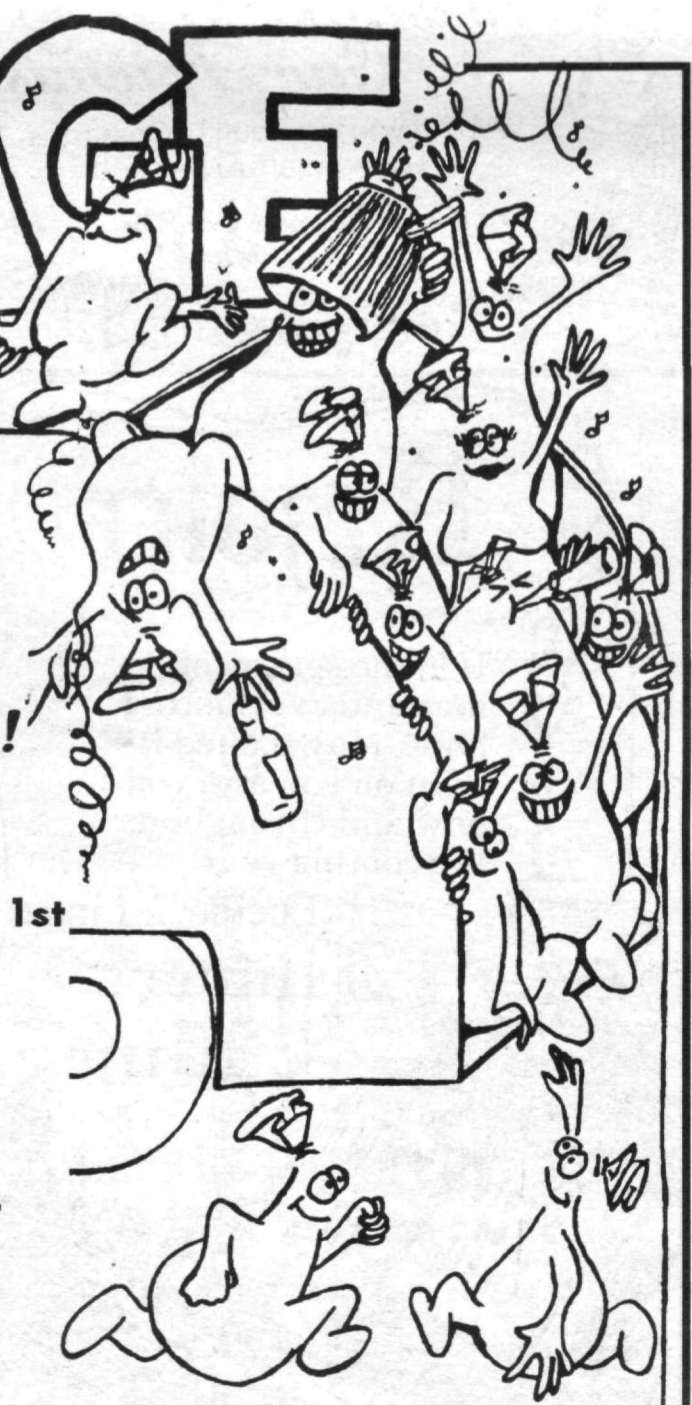
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Island churches plan services to celebrate Christmas season

Starship Noel will be landing at Salt Spring Pentecostal Assembly Christmas Eve as Sunday school children present *Journey to the Centre of Christmas*. The play is one of several services and events planned by local churches to celebrate the birth of Christ.

Journey to the Centre of Christmas, which starts at 7 p.m. in Central Hall, will see Dr. J. Ingle Bell attempt to lead the crew members of the Starship Noel to the true centre of Christmas. Christmas carols and treats for the children are part of this family-oriented event.

The Pentecostal Assembly will also hold a church service starting at 10:30 a.m. Christmas morning in Central Hall.

Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church will present a Christmas tableau starting at 7:30 p.m. December 24, followed by a eucharist service. At 11:30 p.m., caroling will start, leading into the midnight mass.

A mass will also be celebrated in Ganges at 10 a.m. Christmas

Day and the Feast of the Holy Family will be celebrated in Ganges at 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. December 26. The same service will be celebrated in Fulford at 8:30 a.m. December 26.

Special services are also planned for January 1 and 2. A Holy Day mass will be celebrated in Fulford Harbour at 8:30 a.m. January 1 and in Ganges at 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. On January 2, Epiphany will be celebrated at 8:30 a.m. in Fulford Harbour and at 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. in Ganges.

Salt Spring United Church hosts a candlelight service of lessons and carols Christmas Eve, starting at 7 p.m. On Sunday, December 26, the church will hold a service of song and story, starting at 10 a.m.

Epiphany Sunday will be celebrated January 2 with refreshments and preparation at 9:30 a.m. and the procession of the magi and morning service at 10 a.m.

Anglicans on the island can celebrate services at two churches.

At St. Mary's on Christmas Eve there will be carols starting at 6 p.m. and eucharist at 7 p.m.

A Christmas Day service will be held in St. Mark's at 10 a.m. St. Mark's will also host a 10:30 a.m. service Sunday.

On January 2, services will be held at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. in St. Mark's and at 10:30 a.m. in St. Mary's. A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols will be celebrated in St. Mark's at 7 p.m. January 2.

Salt Spring Island Baptist Church will be holding its regular Sunday morning service in the basement of the Masonic Lodge starting at 10:30 a.m. December 26. Some church members also plan to attend one of the Christmas Eve services hosted by other Salt Spring churches.

The Community Gospel Chapel will hold an hour-long family service on Sunday, starting at 10:30 a.m. in the church at 120 Drake Road. The service will feature carols and a short Christmas message.

Drunk driver turns self in

A 28-year-old Salt Spring man ended his birthday celebration last Friday by turning himself in for impaired driving.

Ganges RCMP members were finishing a shift when the man and local fire chief Les Wagg showed up at the detachment just before 2 a.m. The man told police he had been drinking and had lost control of his car just outside Wagg's home. There were no injuries in the crash.

He readily took a breathalyser

test and has been charged with impaired driving

In other police news:

• The CounterAttack campaign is in full swing, with Ganges RCMP establishing roadblocks last Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights. Police checked 400 vehicles during the three days and laid several charges under the Motor Vehicle Act.

• Two homes on Cusheon Lake Road were broken into over the weekend. Several hundred dollars'

worth of items, including liquor, jewellery and money, were taken from one home. Liquor, a ghetto-blaster, a flare pistol, a flashlight and a rain suit were among the \$900 worth of items taken from the second home.

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Environmental clinic doctor confirms Walde diagnosis

By GRAEME THOMPSON
Driftwood Staff

While Salt Spring Islander Bob Walde fights with the British Columbia government and the Workers' Compensation Board for recognition of his medical condition, the disease is being recognized elsewhere in North America. "There is no doubt about the reality," Dr. Jerry Ross told the *Driftwood* in a telephone interview Monday, but he blamed a "lack of understanding in the medical community" for the uphill battle faced by people suffering multiple chemical sensitivities.

Ross is medical director of the environmental medicine clinic in Halifax. In 1986, after five years of suffering a disability for no apparent reason, the Environmental Health Center in Dallas, Texas, discovered dry-cleaning fluid in his blood and traced the source to the drinking water supply in his community in Nova Scotia.

Ross is now on staff at the Dallas centre and is also a consultant to the governments of Nova Scotia and Ontario. And he has examined Bob Walde.

"There is no doubt whatsoever about his chemical exposure," Ross said. "There is no doubt at all about the tremendous absorption through the skin of hydrocarbons."

"It's not as if Bob Walde's case is terribly unusual. I personally think he's getting the shaft."

Walde has had his condition since helping clean up a diesel spill in Long Harbour in 1985.

Medical opinion in British Columbia — at least in the ministry of health and at the Workers' Compensation Board — does not yet agree that multiple chemical sensitivities is a disease with specific causes and specific treatments.

"This condition has attracted a lot of interest," Ray Copes said last week from Vancouver. Copes is the environmental health officer for the ministry of health's department of communications.

"Everyone agrees that there are people who are ill," he continued, but a specific condition cannot be isolated. "There are a variety of symptoms and a variety of perceived exposures, but nothing we can make in the way of scientific link between symptoms and exposures."

He said it is quite clear that chemicals can cause allergic reactions and that individuals can become sensitized to them. He cited western red cedar as a notorious lung irritant, and sensitivity to nickel and chrome developed by some people.

"We can test that in a scientific manner," he said. "With multiple chemical sensitivities, there is no consistent pattern that gives a scientific basis for identifying a condition. That is where the scientific community stands on the issue."

He said there are no studies published in medical peer-review journals for other doctors and scientists to examine fully.

Ross disputes that statement,

He blamed a 'lack of understanding in the medical community.'

saying that studies, reports, books and seminar papers from governments and physicians published over the last decade show that recognition is gaining, but is slow to do so.

Most people who suffer multiple chemical sensitivities, Ross said, come from one of four types: industrial workers who are chemically exposed, occupants of "tight" buildings — those with strictly controlled ventilation, residents of communities where air or water is contaminated and people with personal and unique exposures.

He said people could get the disease either through a fairly short-term, substantial exposure to a substance or a repeated, long-term, low-level exposure, which is known as "kindling" in scientific experimentation.

But both Copes at the B.C. ministry of health and the WCB medical review panel cite "psychological factors" in the case of Walde's present condition.

Copes said "underlying anxiety or psychological problems" may exacerbate a reaction to a substance. He said various conditions known throughout medical history were related to social concerns in the population at the time.

"People are quite vehement in their belief that these chemicals make them worse," he said. "I would not deny their experience is worse after exposure."

Ross does not accept this at all. "Environmental history is absolutely ignored in identifying a condition," he said. "Some of the

symptoms are neurological . . . which are confusing to the doctor and they go back to saying, 'This must be an emotional or psychological problem.'"

He said Walde is an ordinary kind of person who has had no serious health problems before and is not a "flakey" kind of guy.

He is about to release the results of a study involving 150 people with multiple chemical sensitivities and 25 others. The study uses a device like a CAT-scan, called SPECT, which gives information about the metabolic biochemical activity of the brain.

Ross said the results show that people with multiple chemical sensitivities have the neurological patterns of drug abusers, which fits with many of the symptoms people report with the disease.

But more than studies, the number of cases coming forward will do more to make doctors aware of the disease, Ross said.

A case in Nova Scotia which began more than three years ago involved more than 750 people who worked in Camp Hill Hospital, where the building induced illness in most of the workers.

Nova Scotia's experience has meant it is one of the few provinces which will pay for treatment at the Dallas clinic.

At the present time, the B.C. government will not pay for Walde to be treated. Ministry of health media relations manager Bob Pearce said last week "financial resources are extremely tight."

A resource centre for the diagnosis, investigation and management of people with multiple chemical sensitivities — promised in a letter to Walde in October 1992 by then health minister Elizabeth Cull — has not been developed yet, though Pearce said the government would "very much like" it to go forward.

In the meantime, Bob Walde sits at home and waits for the world to catch up.

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Francois Jaubert and his 'gentle philosophy'

By VALORIE LENNOX
Driftwood Staff

If a man does not keep pace with his companions, perhaps it is because he hears a different drummer. Let him step to the music which he hears, however measured or far away. — Henry David Thoreau.

Francois Jaubert, whose name will be familiar to regular readers of the *Driftwood's* letters pages, found his drummer on September 18, 1991. And despite the strangeness of the measure, he is fitting his steps to that beat as he tries to get the world to accept his theory of ardent*fusion.

"Just because something is different — if it promises peace, why not explore it?" he asks. Ardent*fusion, he says, is the ultimate philosophy of peaceful harmony, leading to a world tinged with magic. Under ardent*fusion, objects will appear at need and man and matter will co-exist in a peaceful partnership.

Even without ardent*fusion in place, Jaubert's life could be considered a microcosm of this imagined reality. Money appears through GAIN for the handicapped, a homemaker helps him maintain his home and health care is available when needed.

Jaubert, now 45, says he has been diagnosed as suffering from chronic fatigue syndrome and from schizophrenia. But he rejects those labels, saying his illness started 10 years ago and is caused by delving too deeply into spiritual questions.

Still, to get government support, he has to use the labels. "From a conventional society point of view, I'm viewed as a nut case."

The government support gives Jaubert the free time he needs to research ardent*fusion. "I tried to use my disability as a resource. My definition of wealth is anything that you've got lots of. I had lots of disability."

He says he is now experimenting with table salt, trying to discover an example of ardent*fusion. "It must occur somewhere on earth, otherwise I wouldn't be able to think about it," he says.

Ardent*fusion is a different way of combining the elements of matter, Jaubert says. In a world governed by ardent*fusion, atoms would be treated as sentient beings.

"If you treat them just as you would treat a person, with courtesy and respect, then atoms are quite willing to cooperate without being coerced."

Whatever is needed, the atoms would be willing to provide by combining in the patterns to meet that need. At a word there would be water... or salt... or gold.

Under ardent*fusion, man would not have to exert himself to survive. Everything would be at hand, provided by the willing servitude of free atoms.

"This is human rights taken to the molecular level. It's a completely free world. There's no infr-

ingement. The atoms would voluntarily give what they're giving now if we bonded them together gently. You could have anything you want, except not in a violent way."

At present, life is a series of destructive acts, Jaubert said. "Every single aspect you look at, somewhere or other, you have to destroy something. You have to destroy in order to gain something."

For example, creation of a simple cup of tea includes controlling the growth of the bush, picking the leaves while trampling on the earth, heating water and forcing atoms into the shape of a container for the mixture of water and tea leaves.

Jaubert lives his life to the beat of his unique drummer.

Under ardent*fusion, Jaubert says, it would be possible to simply request the tea and have the atoms assemble to create cup, hot water and tea leaves in the right proportions.

Once the tea is consumed — Jaubert says the atoms would accept passing through a human body — the atoms in the cup could possibly enrich their lives by forming themselves into a sculpture.

Jaubert lives his life to the beat of his unique drummer. He wears red, yellow, gold and orange — and a small brass disk on a cord around his neck — to remind himself that a new order will some day dawn for the earth.

He tries to treat others gently. "I think violence is not justified for atoms — then it is not justified for anything."

He says he follows various religious traditions, including those of "the unicorn, which has a long mystical history" and the holy grail. In a recent advertisement he described himself as a Buddhist monk and appealed for donations to support his lifestyle.

"I am a monk, from the Greek monachos, meaning one who lives alone — by extension, for the pur-

pose of finding God," he says, displaying some of the knowledge gained while attending university in France and then while completing his studies at Simon Fraser University.

At SFU he earned a degree in French — a relatively simple matter since he was born in France and did not come to Canada until he was 15. He chose the language degree after skipping between various disciplines at the university and realizing he could not decide which to study.

He has returned to France twice since first coming to Canada — once to attend university, which led to being drafted by the French military, and once to seek treatment following the onslaught of his illness.

In 1975 he first visited Salt Spring, seeking property so he could build his own cabin. Unable to afford land on the island, he joined friends in purchasing property in Salmon Arm. He helped build two homes and run a natural food store until the early 1980s, when he moved to Sooke and began experiencing health problems.

"I went to see 40, 50, 60 — 100 doctors. I don't know how many." None of them could help so Jaubert said he sought his own cure, pondering the nature of life until his "breakthrough" on September 18, 1991. That revelation became his ardent*fusion theory.

By then he had been living on Salt Spring for five years. "I always knew I wanted to come back here. I feel I'm meant to be here."

He also feels he is meant to spread the word about ardent*fusion, despite the scepticism of others and the danger he envisions: in one letter to the *Driftwood* he complained about an unmarked military aircraft making three "pseudo-strafing passes" over his home last spring.

"To me, time is of the essence," he says, claiming worldwide violence and poverty costs the lives of 43,000 children each day. Research leading to the implementation of ardent*fusion would end this tragedy, he says.

"I don't understand why this gentle philosophy is not accepted."



DAYSFRING MOLECULE: A molecule of light which is whole and complete is represented by this model, says Francois Jaubert, who includes the concept in his theory of ardent*fusion.
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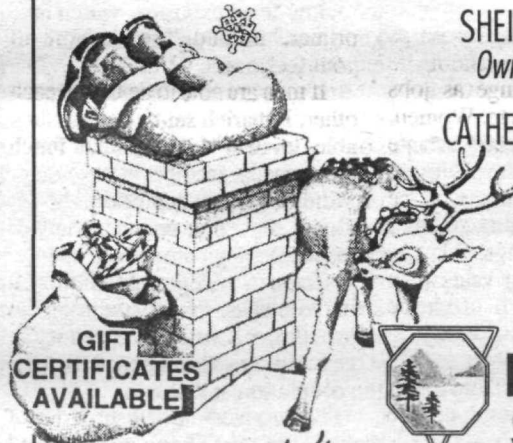
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There'll be no drumming, —men's group proponent

By GRAEME THOMPSON
Driftwood Staff

The Salt Spring Hysterical Society send-up of men's groups with their image of group hugs is probably the best indication of how image-bound men are in society. But one local resident is hoping to change that by starting up a new men's group on the island.

"Men haven't been encouraged to show their emotions," George Puharich told the *Driftwood* last week. "It has been a man's world and it still is.

"We've created it unintentionally for purposes of control and self-assertion and we don't let anybody in who can mess up that control."

Puharich is a local realtor and a recently separated father of a young son. Being a single parent working out of his home has suddenly opened up a lot of questions about social relations and emotions. He wants to be able to ask other men in similar positions about their experiences.

Men's groups are not new to Puharich in the sense of fraternal organizations. He was involved in a local police auxiliary in another community. But those groups are not what he is looking for now.

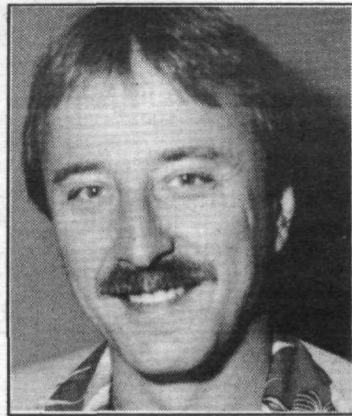
"You get close, but only as close as men are allowed to get," he said. "You can't open up for fear of aggression and competition. You can't let your defences down. You can't show your emotions without being exploited."

Men have few close friendships after they leave high school, he said. Friendships change as jobs and relationships change. Women, on the other hand, are able to relate to one another because they are taught from the beginning to be social, to be aware of each other and each other's feelings.

In the last hundred years men have had to go away to work, he said. But changes in work trends in the last few decades, especially in the computer age, have kept more men at home to work. Men are going back to the house.

But, Puharich said, though men have changed how they work they have not changed how they relate as parents, as care-givers, as husbands.

Earlier this year, a friend told him she had started a women's group — an informal group of



George Puharich

women who all worked in the same place. They all found they had had stressful events in their lives, like marriage, children, separation, and they met and talked about them.

His friend showed him an essay entitled *Why men don't have close friends and why women should worry*. Another book, *Being a Man*, had a lot of information about relating to other men that Puharich was looking for.

"It's instructional, like a

Men able to deal with each other make better fathers, better husbands, better lovers.

primer," he said. "You explore all your feelings in writing."

If men are able to deal with each other, Puharich said, they are then able to deal with women much more easily and they make better fathers, better husbands, better lovers and better mentors to other men.

Puharich said that after doing all the reading he wanted to share what he had found with other men in the community. That was where the group idea came in.

"I was very loathe to do it at first," he said. "I felt embarrassed — afraid of being labelled 'new-age' or homosexual, which I'm not. I don't feel afraid any more.

"There are a lot of men out there who feel the same way," he continued. "I was surprised to hear there are two or three groups that are going already."

But the new group is not like the men's groups stereotyped by the Hysterical Society.

"I'm not into body painting, drum beating or getting in touch with my primal self," Puharich said. "Maybe I don't understand it. I don't feel comfortable with it.

"I want an informal meeting in a neutral space. The intent . . . is to break down barriers so we can talk to one another."

He describes a "comfortable level of mutual understanding" in the group and values the ability to go to peers and talk about fairly personal, emotional subjects.

"Sometimes you just need to go to people you can trust," he said. "I have very few friends to open up to, who felt comfortable saying 'look, these are valid ideas and feelings.'

"I want to try and set up a circle of close friends. People who 10 to 20 years on will still get in touch and open up.

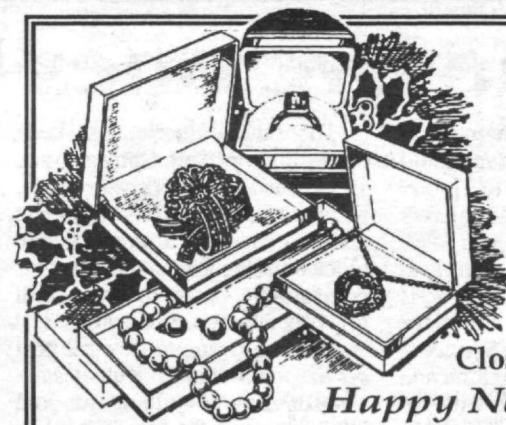
"It's not like (Alcoholics Anonymous) where you're going to air problems and share misery and recovery."

The first step is to set up guidelines or boundaries for confidentiality — knowing what group members can say to one another is important to start. As the group progresses, Puharich said, people will get to know and trust one another and will slowly work up to deeper, more emotional subjects.

Puharich said he also wants people to be able to commit to regular meetings, perhaps once a week.

"I don't want to be evangelical but it's very hard not to, to show the enthusiasm, the peace of mind I've had out of it," he said. "For the first time I've gotten rooted to my community, my peers. I'm glad if I can make somebody . . . feel comfortable, if I can help them open up."

So far, he said, there has been interest from a few people. It only remains to set up meeting times and begin the exploration.



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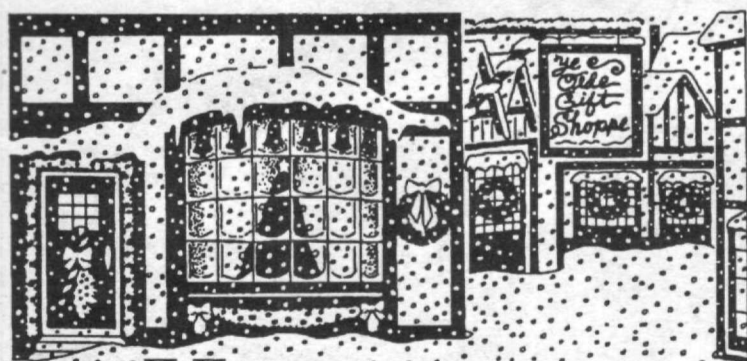
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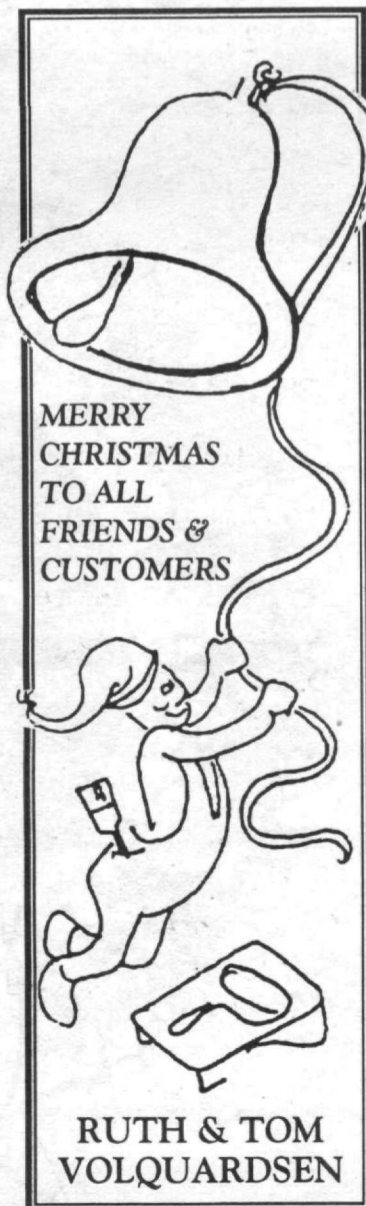


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It's the live ones who cause the problems

Plans for a funeral home in a residence at 230 Park Drive should be laid to rest, according to a group of Salt Spring residents circulating a petition to stop the project.

But residents have nothing to fear, says Cordelia Kinney, who is managing the funeral home for Goodman Jones Funeral Service.

She is aware of the petition and said she plans to speak with individual residents about their concerns.

"A lot of bad thoughts and bad rumours get going," she remarked.

The funeral service has been operating on Salt Spring since 1954, initially in a private home, Kinney said. From 1980 until last spring it was housed in a concrete block building in Ganges — an uncomfortable place to meet with grieving families, Kinney noted.

"We are trying to give the best service to the island," Kinney said. The commercial building was sold last spring and the funeral service began searching for a new site. On October 1, the firm purchased the Park Drive home.

Although the property is not zoned for use as a funeral home, Kinney said it is ideal. It is easy to find and there are few steps for older visitors to negotiate. The house also has a warmer atmosphere than the concrete block building.

But the project has drawn a cold reception from some area residents, who are upset that a body has already been kept in the home overnight.

Kinney confirmed that a body was housed in the home overnight,

but said it was an emergency situation. Normally, she said, bodies would be sent off-island to a mortuary. "We do not have a mortician on this island," she observed.

Sometimes people in hospital or at home die in the middle of the night and the body must then be removed to the funeral home. "People don't always die at the right time of day," Kinney said. She said residents will never actually see a body going in and out of the house.

Most of the time, she said, the

home will be used as an office to meet family members and to store equipment and caskets.

She said an application for rezoning is under way. "We are not going to offend our neighbours," she said.

She pointed out the funeral service will not create the type of disturbances which usually cause problems in neighbourhoods, such as parties, barking dogs, neglect and loud noise.

"Problems are caused by live people."

Chamber sets dates of home, auto show

Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce's third annual Home and Auto Show will take place April 16 and 17, 1994.

Show coordinator Ken Marr made the announcement at a home show committee meeting Monday. Two weeks earlier than last year's event, the date was changed after suggestions from show participants.

Registration forms will be sent out to all those who participated last year with a deadline for responding of January 21. After that time, the spaces will be open to other businesses who were not part of the show in 1993.

The next meeting of the home

show committee will be held January 24. Anyone interested in helping with the event can contact Ken Marr or leave a message for him at the chamber office at 537-4223.

Mernie Irwin, who coordinated the first two successful home shows, remains on the committee and will help in some capacity. With its growing success, the show requires more help, he told the committee.

The popular chili contest, entertainment, food and door prizes are expected to be featured again along with booths, outdoor and indoor, displaying wares of interest to island homeowners and tenants.

Forest service offers tips for safe Christmas tree care

Islanders who like to celebrate Christmas with a natural Christmas tree needn't worry about it becoming a holiday hazard, the Canadian Forest Service says.

A few simple steps are suggested:

- Buy a freshly-cut tree. This will ensure that twigs are not brittle and needles won't be shed as easily.

- Before taking the tree indoors cut a slice off the base, and then immerse the trunk in water. The tree will take in water through its re-opened pores, so be prepared to

give a two-metre (six-foot) tree about one litre of water per day.

- Don't spray the tree with water-based fire retardants because the needles cannot absorb moisture. The only moisture the tree gets is from absorption through the base of the trunk.

- Don't put additives in the water to prolong the life of the tree. They can interfere with the tree's ability to draw up moisture.

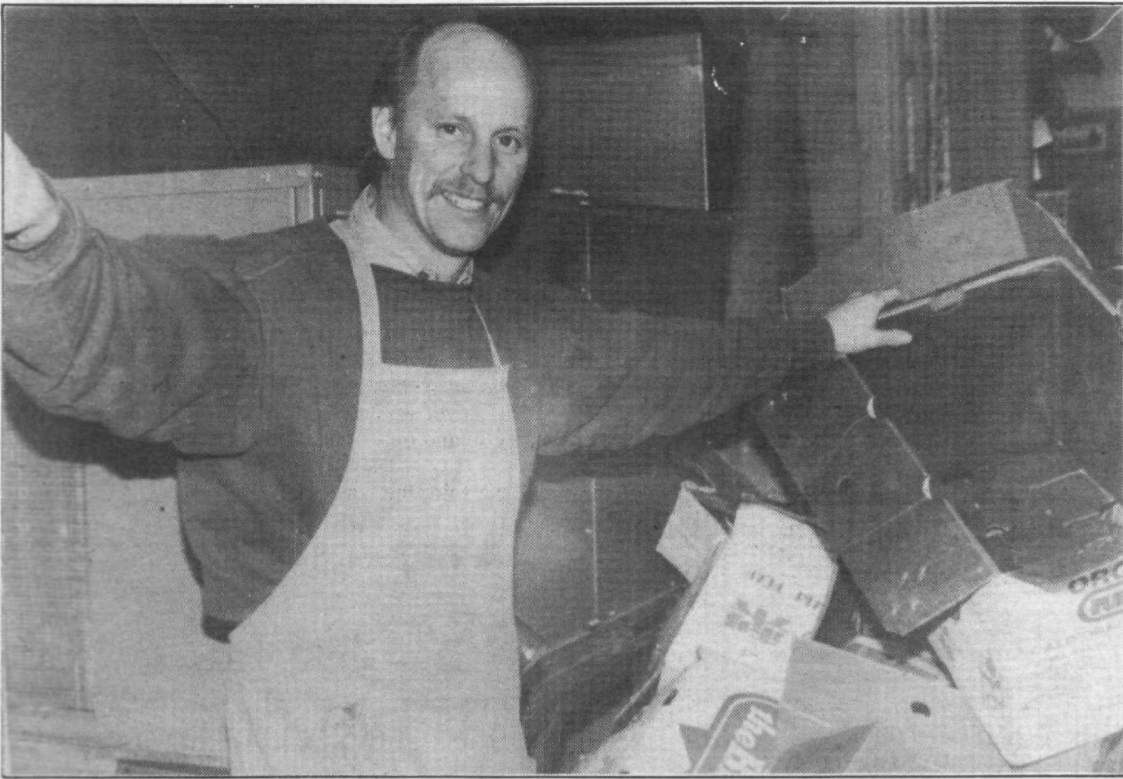
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DEALING WITH GARBAGE: A fruit and vegetable store produces a lot of waste, some of which is recyclable, some not. Mobile Market owner Jim Hamilton of Salt Spring Island has found some novel means of reducing his waste. Photo by Graeme Thompson

Finding use for waxed boxes helps store deal with waste

By GRAEME THOMPSON
Driftwood Staff

For many islanders, waste reduction can mean cutting down from two full garbage bags per week to one. But for Jim Hamilton, owner of the Mobile Market at Creekside, waste reduction means a whole lot more.

"Depending on the time of year," he said, "I can fill (a three-ton truck) four days out of six. It's totally overwhelming what I have here."

Before last year, when Hamilton moved to Salt Spring and took over the produce store, he worked for Safeway in Vancouver. His perspective of waste reduction has changed 180 degrees since then.

People are particular about choosing fresh and organic fruit and vegetables and often bring their own bags to the store. What people do not know is how much garbage it takes to get that produce on the shelves in Ganges.

"I definitely have to think more about it," he said. "It's harder to get rid of it and there's so much of it."

Grocery items and fruit come in cardboard boxes. Most vegetables come in waxed cardboard. Grapes, leeks and bok choy come in wooden boxes. Potatoes and onions come in burlap and plastic sacks. Almost every product is different.

"The ideal way to deal with garbage bulk in the produce business is to have three or four or five standard size boxes," Hamilton said, "made out of, say, recycled plastic that can be used over and over and over again, a standard stacking size."

"It just makes no sense to use the stuff that in most cases gets thrown into a landfill."

That's what happens in the city. But apart from the fact that there is no landfill here, and it would cost him money to take it to a landfill, the obvious option on Salt Spring is to try to reduce the amount of garbage and find uses for as much as possible.

There is no problem getting rid of the compostable garbage. Hamilton has chickens and pigs at

home that get food garbage, and other islanders collect it for their animals too.

Cardboard is recycled, either here on Salt Spring or in Vancouver where Hamilton can get cash for it. Cardboard boxes are also used as packing boxes in the store instead of paper bags.

"People are more conscious about re-using here than they ever were in Vancouver," Hamilton said.

Wooden boxes and sacks sometimes go back to producers in the Lower Mainland who re-use them.

The biggest breakthrough came earlier this year with the waxed cardboard. It is not recyclable and is usually taken to landfills. But one island property owner wanted as much as Hamilton could provide for composting and weed control under an orchard.

"It's starting to make some sense," Hamilton said of his garbage problem. "It does cost you money to do things properly."

But on Salt Spring, that's just a cost of doing business.

Ferries prepares for holiday rush

B.C. Ferries will have all available ships in service and extra staff on duty for the holiday season. But the corporation warns that some delays are to be expected as a result of the heavy Christmas traffic.


Busiest days on the ferries are the two days prior to Christmas Day and the three days after. The days surrounding New Year's Eve are also busy.

Meanwhile, Santa Claus is travelling this week as a foot passenger on Vancouver Island-Mainland and Horseshoe Bay-Langdale routes, spreading Christmas cheer among ferry travellers.

Various school and community choirs have been performing on B.C. Ferries vessels since early December.

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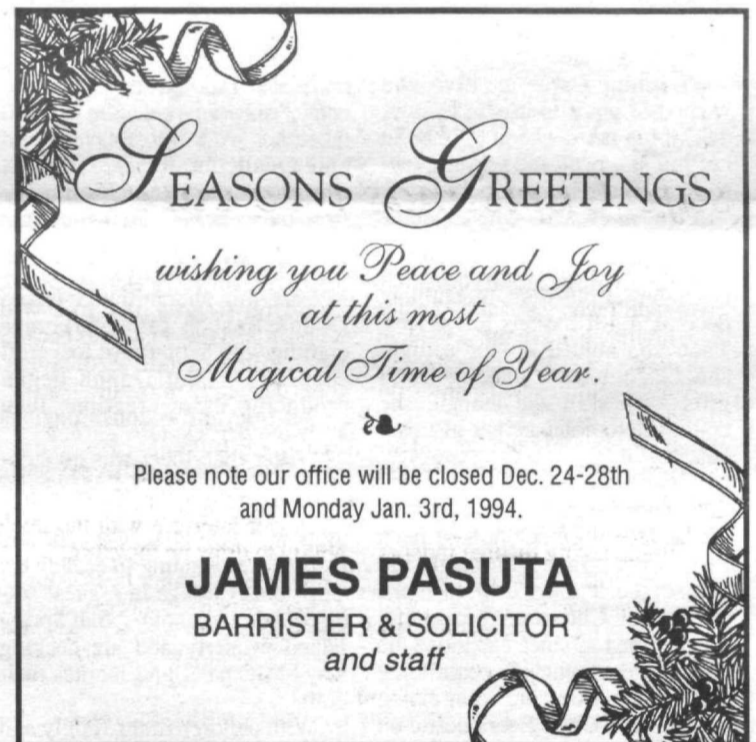


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BEAR-Y MERRY: Bear ornaments were the start of something big in crafts for Donna Roscoe, left, and Debbie Trenholm of Salt Spring Island, who have combined their craft-making skills to create a tree full of Christmas ornaments.

Photo by Valorie Lennox

Christmas bear ornaments among their craft products

By VALORIE LENNOX
Driftwood Staff

Christmas is a year-round project at the Trenholms, where Debbie's sewing machine and glue gun are busy from January to December, creating fluffy Christmas bears and seasonal bunny ornaments.

"I found I was creative and wanted to put it to use," she says, describing her decision to trade in her job at a bank for self-employment as a craftsperson.

Five years ago, when Debbie lived in Langley, she worked part-time at a bank and also had a small home-based business, assembling decorated gift baskets for offices. Then she signed up for a night school course on making small gifts — a skill she thought she could use to enhance her gift baskets.

The course sent her into an entirely new direction — and her glue gun and sewing machine have been busy ever since. Through the course she learned how to make whimsical Christmas bear ornaments. She has since expanded the basic pattern to include bears doing a host of activities, including skiing and snowshoeing. Bears nestle on calico-covered baskets or are spruced up with candy canes or wreaths.

"I thought they were kind of cute and there wasn't much money put out in stock," she said. Making the tree ornaments and gift containers is more work than the gift baskets she used to assemble but requires less outlay of stock. Her gift basket business required her to have on hand a supply of hot chocolate, cinnamon sticks, jams, teas, pate and nuts — some of which were perishable.

"You had to have so much in stock to meet clients' needs — but you couldn't afford to be stuck with \$1,000 in merchandise," Debbie notes.

Shortly before moving to Salt Spring in December 1990, she put a few of her creations in The General Store and was delighted when they quickly sold. "Then I realized it was easier to sell a lot of little things than one big thing," she said. "It just takes a lot more work."

The little bears also pointed the way to a possible home-based business. Debbie and husband Dave, who had grown up on Salt Spring, both left good jobs on the Lower Mainland to move to the island.

"I wanted a simpler, quieter lifestyle. We were just real tired of the

city," Debbie said, adding that the island offers a better atmosphere for them and their two children. "They do attendance checks here and they do weapon checks in the city."

Debbie's work was accepted at Artcraft and she joined the fabric guild, participating in their annual craft sale. "I started banging out the bears," she remarked. She has also taken her work into Beaver Point and Qualicum Beach fairs. At Christmas, she takes a short break from the work but starts again soon in the new year. "I'll start preparing for Artcraft in January."

Last fall she initiated friend Donna Roscoe into Christmas crafting with a joint visit to a craft supplier — and Donna began producing more creations than holly has berries.

"After that, there was no stopping me," Donna says. She remembers waking up in the middle of the night with new ideas. Now she and Debbie are planning to establish a Christmas Cottage in a guest cottage on the Trenholms' Salt Spring Island property and are seeking ways to expand and market their crafts.

With children in the family and husbands away in the fishing industry, both welcome work that allows them to stay close to home. "You work around your children," Donna remarked.

They find they have complementary skills: Debbie is good at secretarial tasks and sewing while Donna excels at bookkeeping and sketching.

They deliberately design most of their creations to keep prices down. "Everything has to be under \$10," Donna remarked. Although they must make many sales to make a reasonable return on their work, they feel lower-priced items fill a need in the market.

"Not everybody is going to have \$100 to drop on a present," Donna remarked, adding that children are often delighted to find something at a craft fair which they can buy with their pocket money.

Both are constantly seeking new ideas. Debbie is now sewing stuffed reindeer bursting with country charm, gift pouch wreaths and snowmen. They have also added Victorian style ornaments, dripping with lace, flowers and pearls.

Donna plans to use her artistic skills to create tole paintings and folk art. She notes she has always been interested in drawing, paint-

ing and design. "It was put on the back burner until this year."

She creates some of the more unusual designs — such as the spangle-crowned cows clad in fairy costumes and elves in glittering fabric, carrying bells and resting on clothes peg legs.

"We like to do whimsical things that are off the wall," Donna remarked. She found preparing for craft fairs combined with caring for a family meant long hours. "Sometimes at three in the morning, you're putting your glue gun away."

Sometimes, with Christmas preparations going on year-round, little things get overlooked.

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Packed houses enjoy tuneful start to week

By VALORIE LENNOX
Driftwood Staff

Scalpers with tickets might have done well outside Ganges United Church Saturday and Sunday, as disappointed patrons were turned away from the Salt Spring Singers' annual Christmas concert.

This tunefully traditional start to Christmas week packed Ganges United Church for an evening performance Saturday and an afternoon performance Sunday.

Under the direction of Lloyd English, the 40 voices of the choir joined in presenting a series of well-known carols: after a chorus of welcome, they sang the *Coventry Carol*, a Welsh carol, *Unto Us a Child is Born* and invited the audience to join in *The First Noel*. That soaring combination of voices threatened to lift the rafters



Lloyd English

accompanied by guitar, conveyed the sombre majesty of *O Come Immanuel*.

Bette Rothwell poured passion into her solo rendition of the spiritual *Sweet Little Jesus Boy*.

The medley of three secular songs which followed Rothwell's solo was one of the highlights of the performance. The round, *Eve and Morn of Christmas*, achieved an effective chiming of words against each other. The illusion of ringing bells continued into the next song, a rewriting of the *Carol of the Bells* which first created the illusion of a swirling snowstorm and then the sound of bells — cleverly bridging the choir's transi-

tion into *Let it Snow* and *Jingle Bells*.

The cheerful rhythms of *Calyso Christmas*, enhanced by Bill Shaw's drums, shifted choir and audience from secular songs back to spiritual carols.

This change of pace — and the livelier secular songs — illustrated the sole weakness of a program built on traditional carols. Intended to be reverent and inspiring, the carols begin to sound much the same when linked together in the same program.

The hour-long concert closed with three beautiful carols — the stirring *O Holy Night*, choir and audience all singing *O Come All Ye Faithful* and English singing the first two verses of *O Little Town of Bethlehem* as a solo before inviting choir and audience to join in singing the final two verses.

Choir members presented a wreath to English, describing him as "the energizer," and flowers to accompanist Diane English. The choir filed out to sustained applause, singing *We Wish You a Merry Christmas*.

The 40 voices joined in presenting a series of well-known carols.

of the church as audience and choir joined in the seasonal spirit. Visually the choir presented an equally seasonal image — holding red song books, they stood in rows against a stained glass window, the women's blouses adorned with red corsages and the men's shirts accented by red bowties.

The skill of the choir was illustrated by the sectional singing as they presented *How Great Our Joy*, followed by a unique version of the hushed favourite, *Silent Night*.

Alan Clews then presented a reading from one of the most beloved of Christmas tales — *A Christmas Carol* — treating the audience to a moving description of the Cratchit family's Christmas celebration.

A trio of popular favourites followed — the blended harmonies of *Joy to the World*, the soaring notes of *Angels We Have Heard on High* and another audience-and-choir number, *Hark the Herald Angels Sing*.

A talented septet then presented two pieces. *What Child is This* was accompanied by the soft strumming of Lloyd English's guitar, especially appropriate for this Elizabethan tune. The same group,

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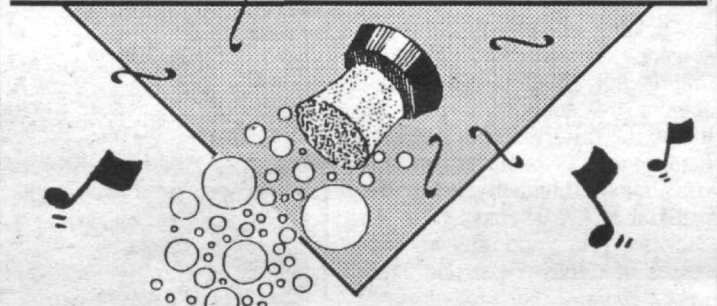
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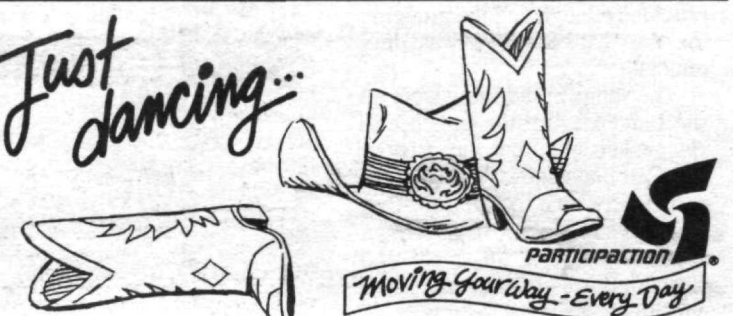
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Christmas complete thanks to Newmans' Scrooge

By GRAEME THOMPSON
Driftwood Staff

A Christmas without Scrooge could not be Christmas, and many islanders clearly feel the same way. Ray and Virginia Newman's production of *Christmas With Scrooge* was sold out for its three-night run this week at Ganges United Church.

Hummable songs, inventive sparkle and a friendly reception afterwards combined to make a very pleasant and entertaining evening for all.

Dickens' tale of post-industrial squalor — is there a Dickens' story that is not about post-industrial squalor? — contains as its main theme the miserliness of one particular "man of business" and his conversion to humanity. It was first published 150 years ago, in Dickens' prime and after his successes of *Oliver Twist* and *Pickwick Papers*.

It is not a long tale, and the Newman production was true to that fact, ending just about an hour after it began. The Newman show added several elements to the story to make it their own and to showcase some of the talents to be found on this particular island, of which Charles Dickens remained ignorant.

The story opened magically, as it should, with the appearance of the Christmas Fairy (Sue Bowler) who danced sugar-plum-like to the front and sang the opening song *It's Almost Christmas*.

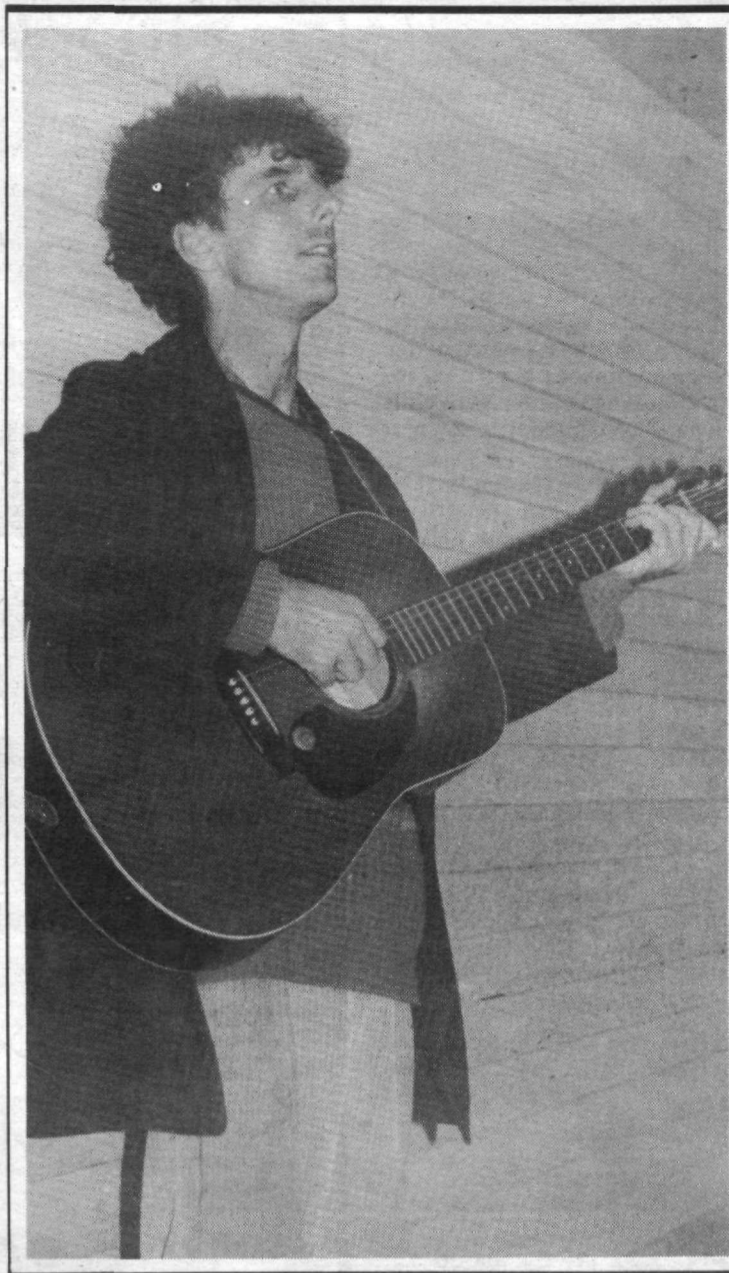
One could almost hear the harp music taking the audience back in time and space, as the scene changed to Olde London Towne and the offices of Messrs. Marley and Scrooge.

The Ghost of Jacob Marley (Andrea Rankin) moaned and clanked in a most convincing manner and Scrooge (Simon Foulds) presented a bumbling and gruff old man. When he ruffled his massive grey tangle of wig he was even frightening. But he came into his own under conversion. His benefactor antics were delightful.

The most fun part of the whole show, for the cast, as well as the audience, was the Fezziwig Ball. Andrew Gardner and Lynda Jensen bubbled over as the Fezziwigs, hosting a Christmas party quite unlike anything in the Dickens tale. The Spanish dancers (Kelly Anderson, Lauren Bowler, Anna Clarke) were great — the smiles helped a lot. And the collection of trick dogs (from *Dalmatia!*) had most of the audience straining their necks to see it.

Christmas Past (Muzz Holmes), Christmas Present (Andrew Gardner) and Christmas Future (Bill Webster) were serious, jolly and dour in their turn. The Cratchit family — Bill Webster as Mr., Margaret Jardine as Mrs. and Joss Krayenhoff as "God bless us everyone" Tiny Tim — were good together. The chicken dinner provided a laugh and the grudging toast to Mr. Scrooge was duly reluctant.

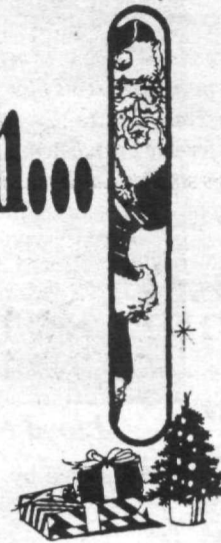
The songs in the show were all short and easy for the audience to sing, when required. Sue Bowler and Caroline Andress' songs were particularly nice to listen to. But, really, everyone put in their own small amount of theatrical and Christmas magic, and that was what made the show, a show.



CHRISTMAS BUSKING: Without the subway, without the bus stops and without the Christmas shopping crowds of the big city, one might not expect streetside music on Salt Spring. But island musician and *Driftwood* gardening columnist Derek Duffy took his guitar to Grace Point Square Friday to entertain shoppers with the music for the holiday season.

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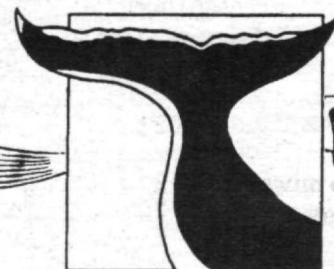
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DOOR PRIZES ARE NOW GIVEN OUT SUNDAYS. MOVIE BUCKS ARE GIVEN OUT MONDAYS ONLY.

ISLAND VIDEO HITS

1. The Firm.....(-)
2. Sleepless in Seattle(1)
3. Rising Sun.....(2)
4. Cliffhanger.....(6)
5. Dragon(3)
6. Made in America(7)
7. Shell Seekers(-)
8. Free Willy(8)
9. Metamorphosis(-)
10. House of Cards(-)

on tap at ISLAND WATERING HOLES

- MOBY'S.....Hosted musical showcase, Dec. 29.
 FULFORD INN.....Reid Collins and Oscar Riley, Dec. 26.
 HARBOUR HOUSE (pub).....Orphan's Christmas, Dec. 25.
Island Reunion, Dec. 26.
 VESUVIUS INN.....Barley Bros. carol sing-along, Dec. 23
Auntie Kate and the Cheap Suits, Dec. 26.

OUT and ABOUT

Be sure and leave cookies, milk and a carrot by the fireplace Friday night, and hang a stocking without a hole.

Stein Valley pictographs are explored in local artist's book

Salt Spring artist and art historian Chris Arnett is one of three authors of a just-released book on pictographs from the Stein Valley.

They Write their Dreams on the Rock Forever is a large and definitive exploration of hundreds of red ochre inscriptions written on the rock walls and overhangs of cliffs along the Stein River valley near Lillooet.

Since 1985 Arnett has been investigating and recording aboriginal rock writing sites in southern British Columbia.

Ethnographer Richard Daly and cultural authority Annie Zetco York, from the 'Nlaka'pamux people, joined with Arnett to

produce the book. It combines the cultural memories and knowledge of the people who wrote on the rocks with modern understanding

of pre-historic writing patterns found all over the world. The book is published by Talon Press of Vancouver.

bridge tricks

Gulf Islands Duplicate Bridge Club winners on December 13 were:

Rosemary and Bill Hook, Isabelle Richardson and Norm McConnell, Peter Jacquest and Fred Struve, June Knowles and Irene Hawksworth, Gordon Hutton and Ron Dickson.

December 14, North/South: Fred Struve and Peter Jacquest, Donna Taylor and Dawny Scarfe, Lois Johnson and Bill Buckler.

East/West: Isabelle Richardson and Ron Dickson, Blanche Poborsa and Jim Burford, Trevor Taylor and Joan Conlan.

There will be games as usual on December 27 and 28.

Band makes recording

Salt Spring Island's Celtic band has released its first recording.

Entitled *I Wish I Was With Them Again*, Spanner in the Works' cassette reflects the mix of nostalgia and sentiment contained in their selections, reports band member Myranda O'Byrne. The band plays a blend of traditional Celtic folks songs and ballads and a variety of jigs and reels.

Spanner in the Works can be heard regularly at the Tides Inn, where the cassette, which was recorded on Salt Spring, can be purchased for \$10. It can also be obtained by calling O'Byrne at 537-9328.

Band members are O'Byrne (lead vocals, harmonies, bodhran and spoons), Derek Duffy (lead guitar, lead vocals and harmonies), Harry Warner (lead vocals and guitar) and Terry Warbey (mandolin and dulcimer).

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 - Admiral's Fillet of Sole
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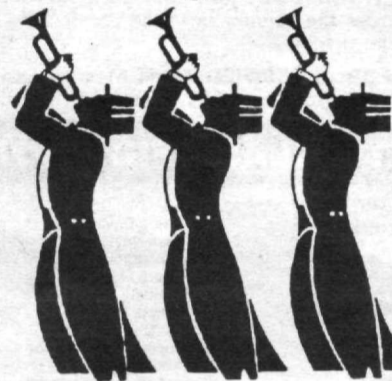
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05 BIRTHS

JOHN, ANDREA and Jeff Pringle are pleased to announce the arrival of Jody Adele Pringle. She was born Dec. 1 at Victoria General, 7 lbs. 12 ozs. 51

DEAN, DOROTHY, Owen and Kevin are pleased to announce the birth of Cheryl Lucille Read, born Calgary, Alberta, December 12, 1993, 7 lbs. 12 ozs. 51

08 CARD OF THANKS

BEST WISHES for a happy season to all the vendors and patrons who made the Winter Market at the Farmers Institute a success. It was a pleasure working with the fine folks from the Lions Club. Special thanks to Ray Stewart, Rob Denny, Esma Patrick, Simon Foulds and Rudy Seiger for helping to decorate and Ingemar Straarup for providing the tree and greenery. Thanks to Wally Priedolins for being Santa and Dorice for leading us in carolling. To each and every one of you, a Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year. Wendy Beatty and David Mathews. 51

THANK YOU Salt Spring. We couldn't do it without you! We would like to thank all our friends and customers who have done business with us over the past years. Thank you for continuing to send your family and friends to us. All of you have helped us to contribute to our community. This year we have helped ArtSpring, S.S.I. Firefighters, SWOVA, Bandemonium, Bessie Dane Foundation, Gulf Island Rowing Club, S.S.I. Pre-School, G. I. Association for people with disabilities, Core Inn, Special Olympics, The Food Bank, Pemberton Holmes (GI) Ltd. Arvid Chalmers, Eric Booth, Ann Foerster, Pat Lloyd Walters, David O'Neill, Peter Rainier, Amy Goodwill, Carol Fowles. 51



Thank You Everyone!

The S.S.I. Fire Department, on behalf of the Bellingham Jaycees, Santa Claus and the entire crew of the Christmas Ship wish to thank everyone for their generosity and support.

SPECIAL THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING:

- Shell Canada
- McColls Shell
- Foxglove Farm & Garden
- Driftwood
- John Cottingham
- Lorraine Machell
- Ganges Village Market
- G.I. Appraisals
- S.S.I. Lions Club
- Island Savings
- Mobys Pub
- Thrifty Foods
- Windsor Plywood
- Pharmasave
- Asia Moore & S.S. Bus Co.
- Mouats Clothing Co.
- Jitterbug Briefs
- G.I.S.S.
- Our Decorating Crew: Randi, Lisa, Danny & Marie-Clare

The winner of the Christmas tree was Guy Cunningham

Merry Christmas to all!

Don't know what to buy that special someone who has everything? A Driftwood subscription is the answer!!!

09 CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

MERRY CHRISTMAS from Vicki Miller and son, Kevin, from Salmon Arm. 51

CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS to our many friends and neighbours. With best wishes from Bill & Doris DeLong. 51

TO ALL of Salt Spring's thousands of volunteers who make this community a better place to live, sincere thanks and best wishes for a wonderful Holiday Season. 51

10 CELEBRATIONS

To Lynn (nee Dodds)

Though we share the same birthday It is hard not to state - "I'm younger by far and will not elaborate!" So whatever you do, be sure to celebrate - "We're as young as we feel" and ... "Not as old as our mates!!!"

Happy 40th, Sis!

Love, your "younger" sister.

Tom & Mildred Little

invite friends & family to celebrate their **50th Wedding Anniversary** A Come & Go Tea 1:00 - 4:00 pm. Dec. 27, 1993 Community Gospel Chapel, 120 Drake Rd.

Gifts graciously declined

11 COMING EVENTS

ORDER YOUR Christmas baking now to avoid disappointment. Sweet Arts 1993. 537-4205. Next to G.V.M. 51

E.B. - Meet you at Ganges Waterfront Pizza. 1:30 am. Thursday, Friday or Saturday night. Let's have a slice of spice. 51

CURLING STARTS Wednesday, January 5 at Glen Meadows at 2 pm. For information, call Ilona at 629-3201. 52

WILL DR. J. Ingle Bell be able to lead the crew members of Starship Noel to the real Centre of Christmas? Find out when the Saltspring Pentecostal Assembly Sunday School presents "Journey to the Centre of Christmas", Friday, December 24th, 7 pm. at Central Hall (Upper Ganges and North End Rd.) Christmas carols, treats for the kids & more! 51

SALT SPRING Golf Club Members. Annual sock & toque tournament to be held January 1st, 1994 at 11 am. Lunch to follow. Call Gordie at the club to sign up. 537-2121. 52

THE FRITZ Hug and Fieldmouse Gallery winter hours: 11 am. to 3 pm. Saturdays and Sundays, 233 Wildwood Crescent, Saltspring Island, showing works by Jan Sharkey Thomas, Rosemary Partridge, the Moyers' and Michael Hames. Mike will consider offers on some of his recent pictures. 51

COME JOIN us in singing French Christmas Carols. Bring a candle and warm clothing. Wednesday, Dec. 22 at 7 pm. at Centennial Park. Lots of fun! 51

ALFRESCO'S

Let us cater your Christmas party. We have appetizer platters and meals to fit every budget. Our whole menu is available to Take-Out. 537-5979

11 COMING EVENTS



The Royal Canadian Legion NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

Meadon Hall Friday, Dec. 31, 1993

COCKTAILS 7:30 pm. Potluck Dinner to follow.

Music by Murray Anderson - PARTY FAVOURS -

Tickets \$5 per person Available at the Bar

For Branch Members and their bonafide guests



T'AI CHI CH'UAN

On-going weekly classes from 7 pm. to 9 pm. will begin on Wednesday, 19th January, at the Salt Spring Centre, 355 Blackburn Road. If you would like to begin study of T'ai Chi or would like further information, please phone Osman Phillips at 537-5667.



Beginners & Ongoing Classes in T'ai Chi Chu'an Double Yang Balanced Form

Thursday 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Central Hall or 5:45 - 6:45 p.m. Fulford Elementary Gym First Class Free

For more information Phone Tao at 537-44877

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Tuesdays & Fridays January 4th-28th 10:00 am.-12:30 pm. \$165 includes all materials 537-5309 to register

11 COMING EVENTS

SALT SPRING UNITED CHURCH

CHRISTMAS SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

FRI., DEC. 24, 7 pm. Candlelight Service of Lessons & Carols

SUN., DEC. 26, 10 am. A Service of Song and Story

SUN., JAN. 2, 1994 EPIPHANY SUNDAY

9:30 a.m. Refreshments and Preparation

10:00 a.m. Procession of the Magi and Morning Service

SALT SPRING SENIORS FOR SENIORS SOCIETY invites you to a GET-ACQUAINTED TEA WEDNESDAY JANUARY 19 AT 2 PM.

SENIORS' CENTRE 379 Lower Ganges Road Come to see what we do, on the chance you might like to JOIN us. We offer OPPORTUNITY for friendship, for caring, for interesting activity, for worthwhile service - a GOOD way to spend your time.

Members, bring your friends!

14 COMMUNITY SERVICES

DRESSINGS ARE free to cancer patients by the Order of the Eastern Star. Contact Dee Roberts, 653-4655. tfn

FAMILIES OF Schizophrenics meet informally in homes for mutual support and exchanges of information. Call 537-9237 or 537-5264. tfn

ACOA (ADULT Children of Alcoholics) Meeting is held every Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at the S.S. Community Centre and Thursday, 1:00 p.m. in Fulford (for info. call 653-4840). Children of dysfunctional families, also very welcome. tfn

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS meetings (for everyone who thinks they might have a drug problem). Every Saturday 7-8 pm. at the Community Centre. For further information, please call 537-4775. tfn

DEADLINE NOTICE:

Regular Classification Deadline - Monday, Noon
Too Late Too Classify Deadline - Tuesday, Noon.

14 COMMUNITY SERVICES



The aim and objectives of the newly formed LADY MINTO GULF ISLANDS HOSPITAL FOUNDATION are to raise funds which will be used to expand and enhance the delivery of medical care by the Hospital to Gulf Island residents. You can help the Foundation attain these goals by a gift of funds, real or personal property, memorial bequests, endowments, life insurance or securities.

All donations will be recognized in the Hospital and receipts for Income Tax purposes will be issued.

Please help YOUR Hospital so it can help YOU.

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ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS SERVICES MEETINGS

Salt Spring... 537-2317 or 537-2270
Galiano... 539-2253 or 539-5770
Pender... 629-3312

Ladies only -
Thursday nights 8:00 p.m.
Please call 537-5794 or 537-1600.

Alanon/Alateen -
A program for family and friends of alcoholics.
For further information call 653-4288.

17 EDUCATION

COUNSELLOR TRAINING
Institute of Vancouver offers correspondence courses for the certificate of Counselling Studies to begin on the 15th of the month. For a brochure, phone toll-free 1-800-665-7044.

TRAIN TO be an Apartment/Condominium Manager. Free job placement assistance. Government Licensed correspondence course. 2,200 graduates working. For FREE brochure: R.M.T.I. 681-5456 or 1-800-665-8339.

26 LEGALS

PUBLICATION REQUEST

RE: CHANGE OF NAME
NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made to the Director of Vital Statistics for a change of name, pursuant to the provisions of the "Name Act" by me: DEBORAH LEIGH WHYNOTT, 443 Upper Ganges Rd., R.R. #3, Ganges, B.C. V0S 1E0, telephone #537-1630, to change my name from WHYNOTT, Deborah Leigh to YOUNG, Deborah Leah, and to change my minor unmarried children's names from IMcCUE, Ayla Mae Whynott to YOUNG, Ayla IMae McCue and IMcDOUGALL, Jesse Leigh Whynott to YOUNG, Jesse Leigh Coghlan. Dated this 13th day of December, 1993. Signed by D. Whynott.

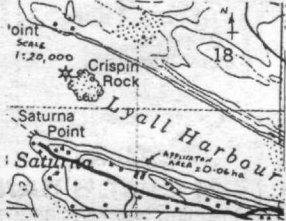
It's a Celebration!

Use our special Celebrations column to hail extol, celebrate, compliment, congratulate, your grandparent... employee, friend, boss, cat...

26 LEGALS

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR A DISPOSITION OF CROWN LAND

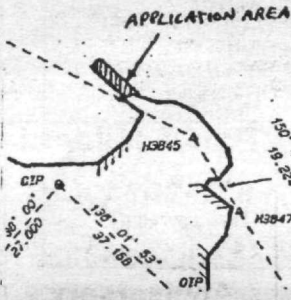
Take notice that NARCYZ M. LOPIANOWSKI of 113 East Point Rd., Saturna Island, occupation Manager, intends to make application to the B.C.Lands regional office in Victoria for a tenure for permanent private moorage facilities of land generally situated in Lyall Harbour and more specifically described below: Adjoining the High Water Mark of Lot 3, Plan 13706, Section 18, District of Cowichan, commencing at a post planted 6 metres west of north east corner of Lot 3, Plan 13706, Section 18, District of Cowichan, thence 30 metres north; thence 20 metres west; thence 30 metres south; thence 20 metres east and containing 0.06 ha more or less. The purpose for which the land is required is private moorage purposes. Comments concerning this application may be made to the Ministry of Environment, Lands, & Parks, 851 Yates Street, Victoria, B.C., V8V 1X5, 387-5011. File # 1407936. Dated Dec. 13, 1993. Signed N. Lopianowski.



26 LEGALS

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR A DISPOSITION OF CROWN LAND

Take notice that Nils Christensen, of 126 Little Mountain Rd., occupation retired, intends to make application to the B.C.Lands regional office in Victoria for a licence of occupation of land generally situated in Long Harbour, Salt Spring Island, B.C., and more specifically described below: commencing at a post planted 45 metres north of the South East corner of Lot 4, Plan 50861 Dist. Lot 1, Cowichan Land Dist. Portion North Salt Spring, then 42 metres North West, then 8 metres South West, then 42 metres South East, then 86 metres North East to the point of commencement. The purpose for which the land is required is private moorage. Comments concerning this application may be made to the Ministry of Environment, Lands, & Parks, 851 Yates Street, Victoria, B.C., V8V 1X5, 387-5011. File # 1407644. Signed, Gary Henshaw. Pacific Piledriving Ltd.



29 LOST & FOUND

FOUND SOMETHING? Driftwood would like to match up what you have found with the person who owns it. Call in your found ads at no charge. Free "Found" ads, a community service of Gulf Islands Driftwood, Mon. - Fri., 8:30 - 4:30, 537-3933. tfn

LOST: one spayed female cat, grey with prominent black markings. Short tail. Lost from Fulford fire hall area. \$50 reward. 653-4947. 51

LOST: LARGE plump cat, black, brown, white and grey. North End, St. Mary Lake area. Call 537-9917. 52

FOUND: SET of keys on Whims Rd. last week. Pick up at Driftwood. 51

FOUND: GOLD hoop earring on Old Scott Rd. Claim at Driftwood. 51

FOUND: WOODEN cane on Don Ore Rd. 537-2415. 51

LOST AT Central Hall, set of keys. 537-2550. 51

FOUND: ELDERLY light Calico cat. Very matted fur, weak on back legs. Found in Maliview Area. Phone SPCA, 537-2123. 51

LOST: ONE yellow canoe on St. Mary Lake. Reward. 537-5483. 1

34 NOTICES/PERSONAL

TENOR PLAYER looking for musicians interested in playing jazz with an emphasis on improvisation. Coltrane, freeform, originals, etc. 537-1273 eves. 51

VEGETARIAN FAMILY with 7 yr. old homeschooler would like to meet others who homeschool, for exchange/outings. Interests in the arts, yoga, metaphysics and nature. 537-4899. 51

35 NOTICE/COMMERCIAL

Hopscotch

wishes all of you a Merry Christmas and a Happy 1994. See you next year with new surprises. Susi and family.

35 NOTICE/COMMERCIAL

THE NO BOXING DAY SALE

The carpet cleaner is coming Boxing Day so our Clearance Sale Starts Now! We are open to offers on many one of a kind 1993 models. Technics Mini Stereo; 29" Panasonic P.I.P. TV; Technics Full Size Stereo; Panasonic Laser Disk Printer; Panasonic Colour Video Printer; Panasonic VHS Video Camera; Technics & Radio Shack speakers; Word processors; Telephone Answering Machines (Display Models) and more.

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537-1113

Season's Greetings

from SALT SPRING ISLAND RECYCLING
Thanks to everyone for making the SSI Recycling Program a Success!
We will be closed for staff holidays from Dec. 24th to Jan. 2nd. The dropbox will be returned to the G.V.M. on Jan. 3rd, 1994

Seaside Kitchen

Seafood Restaurant OPEN 10am-8pm Sunday-Thursday 10am-9pm Friday & Saturday Reservations advised 537-2249

35 NOTICE/COMMERCIAL

Christmas Count Down...

Don't miss our Christmas Countdown event starting Dec. 1st and running to Dec. 24. We will be featuring daily specials on all items in the store. A large Advent Calendar will be hung up outside the shop with the day's sale items posted. We'll have great savings on all the gifts for that special lady on your list.

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FRI. & SAT. 9:30-5:30
SUNDAY 12-4
GRACE PT. SQUARE 537-2551

A Thousand Words

would like to thank our customers for keeping us so busy in '93. We'll be closed Dec. 24 to Jan 4 for a much needed rest and to eat. We wish you a safe and wonderful holiday, and may your stockings be stuffed with framable memories!

Elaine & Krista

ATTENTION LAND OWNERS

Take advantage of record high log prices. For an estimate on your timber value, please contact J. Langdon Logging Select logging in the Gulf Islands since 1975. Local references available. Call 537-9327 after 6:00 p.m.



The Islands Trust Ganges Office will be closed during the Christmas Holidays from December 20th until January 3rd, inclusive, and will re-open for business on January 4th, 1994, at 8:30 a.m. Urgent messages may be left on the office answering machine, which will be monitored daily.

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35 NOTICE/COMMERCIAL

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December 29	Real Estate	Dec. 21, noon
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	Editorial	Dec. 23, 4:30pm
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January 12	Regular	

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Dec. 23, 8:30am - 4:30pm
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Dec. 28, 29, 30, 8:30am-4:30pm
Dec. 31, - CLOSED
Jan 3, 8:30am - 4:30pm

Club campaigns for sobriety on roads

Driving is dangerous enough without being impaired.

That was one observation made last week by Gretchen Prystawik, one of about 10 Gulf Islands Secondary School students who are members of the school's CounterAttack club. The group was busy with at least two activities in a Christmas campaign against drunk driving.

As a result of the club's efforts, about 450 customers of the Ganges liquor store will have their purchases packaged in bags adorned with messages from local students. Elementary students and high school art students participated in the project, decorating the liquor store bags with messages written to counter drinking and driving.

Among them: "Don't drink and drive! You don't want people unhappy on Christmas, do you?" And: "Do you know why Rudolph's nose is red? Because he got liquored up before taking the sled out for Christmas and now he's in jail."

Called *Think of Me*, the program is organized in cooperation with the Insurance Corporation of B.C. and the RCMP.

On Friday, Ganges RCMP Sgt. Don Smith, auxiliary police officer Chuck Hamilton and Sen-Teen organizer Mel Sumner flipped pancakes for high school students. The breakfast was part of the CounterAttack club's awareness campaign in the high school.

The club's only male member — Chris Magnus — expressed surprise during the event at the number of impaired drivers on Salt Spring roads. "At night it's amazing how many people are drunk . . . and how blatant it is on Salt Spring."

But if he and his fellow club members have their way, those numbers will be down during the Christmas holiday season.



NONE FOR THE ROAD: Gulf Islands Secondary School CounterAttack club members, from left, Chris Magnus, Gretchen Prystawik and Yvonne Lam hand over bags adorned with messages to counter drinking and driving to the Ganges liquor store's Gordon Cartwright. At left, Kirsten Jensen, left, and Nora Hannon enjoy CounterAttack club breakfast Friday while Tanya Kranz, below, does breakfast dishes.

Photos by Tony Richards



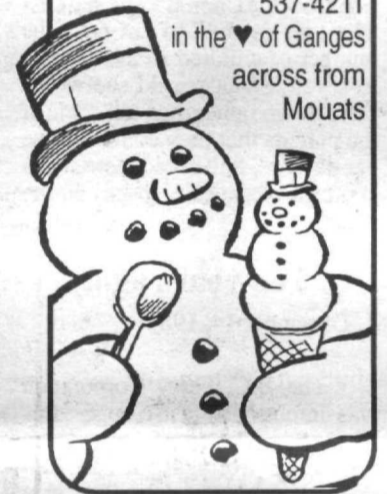
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down through the years

Five years ago

December 14, 1988

• A Salt Spring woman died and eight others were left homeless after two fires in the second week of December. Wendy Sinclair, 36, was presumed dead after a fire December 11 caused extensive damage to a home on Price Road, near Ganges. She and her two children had just moved into the home a week earlier. The fire started at about 5 a.m. Four days earlier an 8 p.m. fire destroyed the Harrison Avenue home of Debbie Davies and her three sons. The family was not home when the fire broke out. Following the fires, a benefit fund was set up for the Davies family, since all their possessions were destroyed in the fire. A memorial fund was also established to help the orphaned Sinclair children.

• A local daycare operator said she would close her doors before decreasing the number of children in her daycare. Between seven and 13 children attended Sue Spencer's Busilyland Day Care each day. Spencer also provided after-school and before-school care for some children. After receiving notification from the Capital Regional District that she had to cut back the number of children in the daycare to seven, Spencer said she would close down rather than tell some of the parents that they could not use her daycare. She noted there was a shortage of daycare spaces on the island.

Ten years ago

December 14, 1983

• The B.C. Ferry Corporation was infected by a Scrooge virus just before Christmas, announcing ferry hikes averaging 27 per cent on Gulf Island routes. The new fares took effect on January 1. On the same date, free inter-island travel and residents' fares were eliminated. Under the new fare structure, a driver and car cost 24 per cent more to take from Salt Spring to Vancouver Island while the passenger rate went up 35 per cent. The cost for a round-trip between Swartz Bay and Fulford, Swartz Bay and the Outer Islands and Crofton and Vesuvius went to \$2.50 per passenger from \$1.85. Car and driver fare went to \$10.50 from \$8.45. Added to the fare schedule were inter-island fares of \$1 for adult passengers and \$3 for a vehicle and driver plus a new charge of \$1 to take a bicycle to

Vancouver Island and \$2 to take it to Tsawwassen.

• A three-day strike by teachers during the solidarity protest saved the Gulf Islands school district \$40,406 — but the money was to be deducted from provincial funding by the ministry of education. The ministry offered to restore the money if the teachers made up the lost time. Local teachers had not decided how to respond to the government's action.

Fifteen years ago

December 13, 1978

• Salt Spring Islanders practised the spirit of giving by establishing a campaign to help Darrell Georgeson, a Gulf Islands boatman who lost all his possessions when his boat, *Sophia*, burned to the waterline. The fire occurred in the morning of December 7 while the boat was tied up at the Ganges Marina dock. The boat had operated as a water taxi and work boat around the islands in addition to serving as Georgeson's home. On Sunday, despite heavy rain, volunteers showed up to examine the remains of the boat and begin plans for rebuilding. Money was also being collected to purchase equipment for the boat.

• The *Pender Queen* and the *Salt Spring Queen*, both assigned by B.C. Ferries to serve Salt Spring, did not meet the island's needs, Chamber of Commerce members said. Neither ferry could handle the tractor-trailer units used to bring supplies to the island, chamber members were told. The *Pender Queen* could not carry vehicles weighing over six tons and the *Salt Spring Queen* was restricted to carrying two-thirds of its capacity.

Twenty years ago

December 13, 1973

• An International Joint Commission proposing joint park designation and government for the Gulf Islands, the San Juan Islands and Point Roberts was told by Gulf Islanders that the area could handle its own planning. At a meeting in Victoria December 6, commission members heard from several Canadian representatives objecting to a proposed international park which would link both island groups and Point Roberts. The marine park would be governed by a six-member board, three Canadians and three Americans. One reason for the proposal was to find some way to provide services to Point Roberts, which suffered

from a shortage of water and inadequate sewage disposal facilities. Gulf Islanders objected to the park plan, noting that Point Roberts should find some other solution which did not involve putting the Gulf Islands under international jurisdiction. They also pointed out parks could be a pest to residents, who must then put up with visitors who "rip, rape and ruin."

• Galiano resident Alan Haszard lost all his possessions in an early Sunday morning fire. Haszard ran through the flames to reach a telephone and summon the fire department. He suffered burns to his arms and went to Vancouver by ferry for treatment.

Twenty-five years ago

December 12, 1968

• Do it yourself was the motto of an enterprising islander who wouldn't let winter weather cut his phone service. When a telephone pole near his home came down last winter and he wanted to make a call, the islander went out into the woods, selected a tree, felled it and removed the branches. He then moved the tree to the site of the original telephone pole, set it up, climbed up and hung the telephone wires on his newly created pole. Then he went home and made his call. As an after-thought, he billed the telephone company \$100 for his repair effort — a bill the company did not pay.

Thirty years ago

December 12, 1963

• The visit of Santa to Salt Spring was headline news for the Salt Spring Island *Driftwood*, which reported the jolly elf would be coming on the Santa Ship December 21. Santa was also expected to take time out from his deliveries Christmas Eve to join in a community carol sing sponsored by the local Lions Club.



THANK YOU

The executive and members of the **S.S.I. Rod & Gun Club** wish to express a sincere Thank-You to **Gretchen Prystawik, Jenny Hill, Gitte Baker & Malcolm Fiander** of the 93-94 graduating class, and to the **Lions Club of S.S.I.** for a job well done during our annual game dinner.

THANK YOU ALL!

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