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ArtSpring gets \$100,000 donation

By TONY RICHARDS
Driftwood Staff

One of Salt Spring Island's pioneer families has announced a major financial contribution to ArtSpring.

Members of the Toynbee and Mouat families have pledged \$100,000 towards completion of the arts centre, conditional upon raising the balance required to complete the project.

Spokesman Tom Toynbee, managing director of Mouat's Trading Company, said Friday the donors wished "to indicate we feel it's an important project for the island and one that should be completed."

Island Arts Centre Society president Bob

Weeden was enthusiastic about the donation, which represents a kick-start for the stalled project.

"I'm really excited about this ... It's given (ArtSpring) a symbolic and a real head of steam." Weeden predicted the arts centre, which is now at lock-up stage, would be open by next summer.

Toynbee made the announcement of the donation on behalf of his own family and those of Manson and Dick Toynbee and Norman Mouat. All are shareholders of Mouat's Trading, owners of several pieces of downtown Ganges real estate and retail stores.

Toynbee said ArtSpring would be "a valuable asset" when completed, and point-

ed to Friday Harbor, Wash., as an example of a community that has successfully built and operated an arts facility.

He also praised the effort and energy that have gone into ArtSpring to date.

"It's a matter now of getting the dollars and the energy together to get it restarted," Toynbee said.

"We're very much prepared to come to the party and hope others will too."

Weeden said the arts centre society had approached Toynbee, "as spokesperson for a respected family" on the island. It was recognized that his support would give the project a much-needed boost.

The donation leaves the society with a

balance of \$505,000 to be raised. Weeden said off-island foundations and corporations were possible sources of funding, but he also believes there are more potential donors on Salt Spring.

The project has raised about \$600,000 in individual and corporate donations so far, most of it from local sources. But much of that money was raised in 1991 and 1992, and Weeden feels there may be more local donors who are ready to give to the project now.

Located at the corner of Jackson and Seaview avenues in Ganges, the ArtSpring building consists of a 235-seat theatre and a visual arts wing.

Treatment for fall starts with paramedic and ends with physio

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By GRAEME THOMPSON
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"Can you hear me?"

"Can you tell me what happened?"

I heard the voices and I opened my eyes. I could see blue sky, the canopy of an alder and the roof on which I had been working a few minutes ago.

"Can you hear me?" said a voice which seemed to be connected to a pair of blue eyes. It was a man wearing a white shirt and badge that I recognized as the uniform of the local ambulance crew. He was a paramedic.

I don't know how long I had been on the ground. I may have been unconscious too. Now I could see my workmates and a fireman standing above me. The paramedic was pressing lightly on my head, my shoulders, my arms, all the way down to my toes. My right leg was throbbing and hot.

"Can you tell me your name? Do you know what time it is? Do you know where you are?" the blue eyes asked again. Confusion or non-sensical answers might indicate a head injury, I learned later.

"Are you taking any medications? Are you diabetic? Are you allergic to anything?"

Someone was taking my pulse — 64. Then my blood pressure — 110/70. I was given a mask with oxygen and told to hold it.

Something was wrong with my leg. There was a searing kind of pain I had never felt before, worse than a cramp. The paramedics replaced the oxygen mask with another one. They

told me it was nitrous oxide — laughing gas — and I was supposed to breath in deeply, holding the mask myself.

"Can you feel this?" Blue Eyes asked as he poked the toes on my right foot. I replied that I could. He said the toes were warm and the right colour — good signs of circulation. He took my pulse again, this time from my foot.

The paramedic was talking most of the time, telling me what he was doing or what he was about to do. An arm wrapped tightly but gently around my head as a collar was put around my neck.

"We're going to put a splint on right now. There's a fracture in your lower right leg and we're going to pull the bones apart so they don't rub together. Take a deep breath."

I was so dizzy from the gas I hardly noticed the pain as they put the Sager splint on. I did feel my leg being gently stretched and thought of Vincent Price in the Pit and the Pendulum. Did he have blue eyes?

With my leg secure and my head protected in a collar, I was carefully lifted onto a stretcher by a whole party of people. I was put into the ambulance with a little bump and we were off, sirens blaring.

The paramedics rolled me right into the emergency department at Lady Minto Hospital. The nurse on duty gave me a quick examination. She seemed to know what had happened: that I had been helping a friend replace a few shingles on his

FALL 5

Sunday's rain most in 20 years

Sunday's rainfall was the highest recorded by weather observer Robert Aston in 20 years of weather-watching on Salt Spring.

Between 10 a.m. Sunday and 10 a.m. Monday, 1.68 inches, or 42.67 mm, of rain fell at Aston's Ganges Harbour home. The 10-year average for the month of August is 0.55 inches.



Fulford celebrates Saturday

Thirteen-year old Emily Roop has fun making bubbles while modelling a Fulford Day T-shirt. Emily was the winner of a contest at Fulford Elementary School to create a T-

shirt design to promote Fulford Day '95, which takes place Saturday at Drummond Park. Story, Page 23.

Photo by Valerie Lennox

Sometimes it takes a teenager to open our minds

The calm of a quiet weekend was broken by the telephone Friday when it brought a voice from the past.

"Hi. It's Angie."
I'd heard those same three words on a telephone many times before, but that was in another place, another time. In those days, Angie's dark hair was highlighted with some purple and her clothes were outrageously tattered in the fashion of the day. She sported a variety of rings and an attitude that was a most unlikely cross between shy and demure and brash and brazen.

Angie came into our lives a few years ago in Ottawa. She was introduced to us as a street kid, though her father lived close by. She was a strong-willed lady of 14 and by all accounts was thoroughly familiar with life on the street. Which is to say she was worldly-wise in all manner of things, and sometimes had a mouth to prove it.

She had some time before decided that she could not live with her father, and there-

TONY RICHARDS



fore would not. Her mother was in the vicinity but did not play a role in Angie's life. The street became her home, though at least one other family had taken her in for as long as she cared to stay, which was not long.

According to Angie, life with her father was unbearable. How unbearable it was I could never confirm but I recall a conversation in which I asked him what he did for a living. He gave me a sly grin and declined to answer.

So it was that Angie became part of our family for a few short months, leaving us as quickly as she arrived.

Three years had passed when she called the other day from Victoria. We picked her up at

Fulford Harbour, not really knowing what kind of apparition to expect. But the only significant alteration to her natural appearance was a nose ring. She was sitting on the concrete barrier outside Rodrigo's, backpack at her side and a book — African Genesis — in hand. She looked like any other young traveller disembarking on a vision quest at Fulford.

And a seasoned traveller she had become, having seen Ireland, Wales, France, Belgium, a large chunk of Canada and some of California as well in the time since we'd last seen her.

Were Angie to move to Salt Spring, she would likely find herself among friends if she were to hang out around Tone's Java Star, or Centennial Park. She would have been at home on the blockade at Clayoquot Sound two years ago.

During her visit Angie showed a maturity that was advanced for her years by revealing an open mind. She showed a willingness to listen during a brief discussion we had on a forestry

issue. Her attitude served as a useful reminder that outlooks can narrow with time, that sometimes we ought to step back and objectively examine the way we react to issues of the day.

An open mind is surely a fertile one, in which a multitude of ideas can germinate and grow.

Speaking of ideas, Angie might have added some useful ones and helped add a broader perspective had she been interviewed for a recent Vancouver magazine article on local youth. Instead of an overwhelmingly negative flavour, the story might have more accurately portrayed some of the vitality and positive energy shared by many of her generation had the writer done more research.

Angie got back on the ferry Sunday. She was going to return to Ottawa after a visit to Clayoquot Sound, followed by another trip to Europe, where she wants to see Prague and Vienna.

Despite her limited Grade 9 education, she plans to go far.

Lighthouse keepers await layoff notices

By VALORIE LENNOX
Driftwood Staff

When he gets his layoff notice, Saturna lighthouse keeper Ian McNeil will believe that his station is one of 18 to be destaffed in the next year.

The announcement by Fisheries and Oceans Minister Brian Tobin last Wednesday was the third time in the past eight years that McNeil has been told his job is gone.

"Coast Guard management has been bucking for destaffing for 25 years," McNeil observed. "My wife and I will believe it when we get our six months' notice. I'm not ready to retire and I'm going to fight it."

Among the 18 lighthouses being destaffed are eight in B.C., those at Active Pass (on Mayne Island), Gallenas Island, Discovery Island, Point Atkinson, Porlier Pass (on Galiano), Race Rocks, Saturna Island and Sisters Islets.

Tobin added that more light stations will be destaffed as soon as Fisheries is sure that all safety concerns have been met. Advances in technology make the destaffing possible, he added. "Technological improvements and the changing needs of mariners have led to the destaffing of light stations in many countries around the world."

Tobin said he had visited with individual light station operators, met with union representatives and reviewed the results of 62 public meetings on the issue before making a decision.

Fisheries department reports on local light stations indicate there is public support for existing services.

Mayne Island residents were concerned about search and rescue operations and weather reports

from the light station. They asked to have the weather service reinstated and a station boat added to the lighthouse. The Chamber of Commerce also submitted a brief opposing destaffing.

There was public support for reinstating the foghorn service on Saturna Island.

"Coast Guard management has been bucking for destaffing for 25 years,"

One of the most vocal opponents of lighthouse destaffing has been Senator Pat Carney, who lives on Saturna. She reiterated her opposition after the destaffing was announced last week.

Each of the three lighthouses in the Gulf Islands has a resident lightkeeper.

The 56-year-old McNeil has been the Saturna lighthouse keeper since October 1977. He was also posted on the island in 1965 and '66, giving him a total of 20 years on the island. The home which comes with the job has been the McNeils' home for the past 18 years.

Jean Beaudet, who maintains the Georgina Point lighthouse on Mayne, has been a keeper for 20 years, the last two on Mayne. Like McNeil, he objects to destaffing plans.

He suspects the cost of replacing human beings with automated equipment and then flying in crews to maintain the lights will quickly eliminate any savings gained.

At Porlier Pass, on North Galiano, Richard Nicholson has been the lightkeeper since mid-June, after moving to the island with his family.

After his experience with a faulty fog detector in 1991, McNeil doubts the efficiency of automated equipment. He noted Fisheries Minister Tobin had said no destaffing would occur until the technical problems with automated equipment had been resolved.

McNeil says there is still an unsolved problem with automated weather stations, but Fisheries has announced the destaffing anyway.

However, he wasn't surprised by the decision. Lighthouse keepers were also told they would receive prior notice of any destaffing announcement. But the news, McNeil said, "was released the night before we got the telephone conference (call)."

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• The high school senior boys basketball season did not start last week, as reported. An impromptu game between students and staff of the Mount Madonna School in northern California and a mixture of island youth and basketball coaches and referees took place in the gymnasium.

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Revellers leave park hangover for staff

Torn-up flowers, broken branches, smashed boxes, beer bottles and cans scattered on the grass — that was the hangover Thursday for parks staff after yet another late-night party in Centennial Park.

Last Wednesday night, revellers tore apart the wooden cover on a hydro meter box. The cover had been built to conceal a gray metal box and to protect people against hitting their heads on the box when they sat on a nearby bench.

The metal box itself was dented by nighttime vandals earlier this summer.

Also on Wednesday night, someone deliberately sawed a major limb off one of the park's trees.

Empty beer containers dotted the grass and glass was smashed in the Gasoline Alley parking lot.

Damage from earlier parties has included all the flowers being torn out of two large planters and scattered on the ground. Park gardener Patricia Balsor said it is now too late in the season to replace the flowers, even if the Salt Spring Parks and Recreation Commission had money to buy new plants.



PARK HANGOVER: Some of the debris left after a party in Centennial Park Wednesday night is cleaned up by park gardener Patricia Balsor. Behind Balsor dangles a branch which was sawn through by vandals.

Photo by Valerie Lennox

Gervasoni appealing declaration

Gerald Gervasoni — known as Gordon Neil McIntyre on Salt Spring until his arrest in 1993 — is appealing an immigration department declaration that he is a danger to the Canadian public.

That declaration, made by Immigration Minister Sergio Marchi last August, would hasten Gervasoni's extradition to Florida, where he faces a murder charge.

In court two weeks ago, lawyer Gary Botting argued that Marchi's declaration is not legally valid

since it was based on an Immigration report which has since been overturned in federal court. The report was overturned because Immigration did not proceed in public.

Gervasoni is appealing for refugee status on the grounds that he could be raped in Florida prisons by AIDS-infected convicts.

Gervasoni was arrested on Salt Spring after he was recognized on an episode of the television program *Unsolved Mysteries*.

Police lay sex assault charge against man, 18

An 18-year-old Salt Spring man was arrested last week and charged with sexual assault of a 14-year-old girl.

Ganges RCMP report the incident took place Saturday, July 29 in the early hours of the morning at Fulford. The two were known to one another, police reported, but could not give any further detail.

The man was taken into custody and later released

under strict conditions.

His first court appearance is scheduled for September 12 in Ganges.

Meanwhile, police and emergency crews were called out Tuesday when a child was attacked by a dog on Orchard Road at Fulford Harbour.

The child suffered minor injuries and required some stitches.

Firefighters, ambulance called when wall collapses

An island man suffered minor injuries Saturday when a wall on a building he was helping to dismantle collapsed on him.

Salt Spring firefighters responded to the call about 12:45 p.m. and gave their assistance to ambulance crews in getting the man out from under the debris. No one else on the site was injured.

In other fire news:

• A chimney fire on Isabella Point Road took fire crews out about 7:30 p.m. Monday. The fire was extinguished and there was no damage to the home.

• Fire department officials remind islanders that the status of fire permits is still uncertain, even after the weekend rain. Residents should check with the fire department about specific permit availability.



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Phantom of Portlock?

Will the Phantom of the Arts Centre become the Phantom of Portlock Park?

Salt Spring regional director Dietrich Luth, unofficial caretaker for the unfinished ArtSpring building, was jokingly asked during a recent Parks and Recreation Commission (PRC) meeting if he would give the same service to Portlock Park.

"Perhaps the Phantom of the Arts Centre could be recycled to be the Phantom of the Park," suggested PRC member Bill Curtin.

"Could be possible," Luth responded.

The discussion on office and park security was sparked by a break-in at the commission offices June 26, in which a television set and videocassette recorder were stolen. Neither have been replaced.

Administrator Tony Hume reported a high level of petty vandalism in the park since June. In response, he had published an advertisement offering parking space for anyone with a recreational vehicle who was willing to stay on the park site.

He received approximately 20 responses, including a call from the Capital Regional District building inspection department suggesting such an offer was not appropriate on CRD land.

There is zoning on site for one residence, so while a recreational vehicle is not appropriate, Hume said the PRC could consider putting in a pad for a mobile home which would be on the park property year-round.

Commission members decided to discuss that option and other possible security measures in-camera.

The commission is also considering improving the lighting in Centennial Park.

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Provincial ambulance service is not a taxi ride to hospital

By GRAEME THOMPSON
Driftwood Staff

The provincial ambulance service is not a glorified taxi-cab to the hospital. It is a lifesaving service operating 24 hours a day, reaching every corner of the province.

"We're not called ambulance drivers," Salt Spring Island's acting unit chief Geoff Millar said this week. "We're paramedics. It's pre-hospital care we give."

In days gone by, the service was operated by private firms, such as funeral homes. Then service clubs and volunteer organizations took over, such as the Lions on Salt Spring. If people had industrial first aid skills, that was great, Millar said.

In 1974, the different services were merged into the provincial ambulance service, which is the largest operating ambulance company in North America. The service costs about \$100 million to run and has about 3,500 men and women paramedics and about 500 ambulances throughout the province.

Salt Spring has two ambulances, one full-time paramedic — the unit chief — and 12 or 13 part-timers.

"But it's not like part-time work," Millar said. "These are professionals doing a professional job. For many this is their career. This is the only job they do."

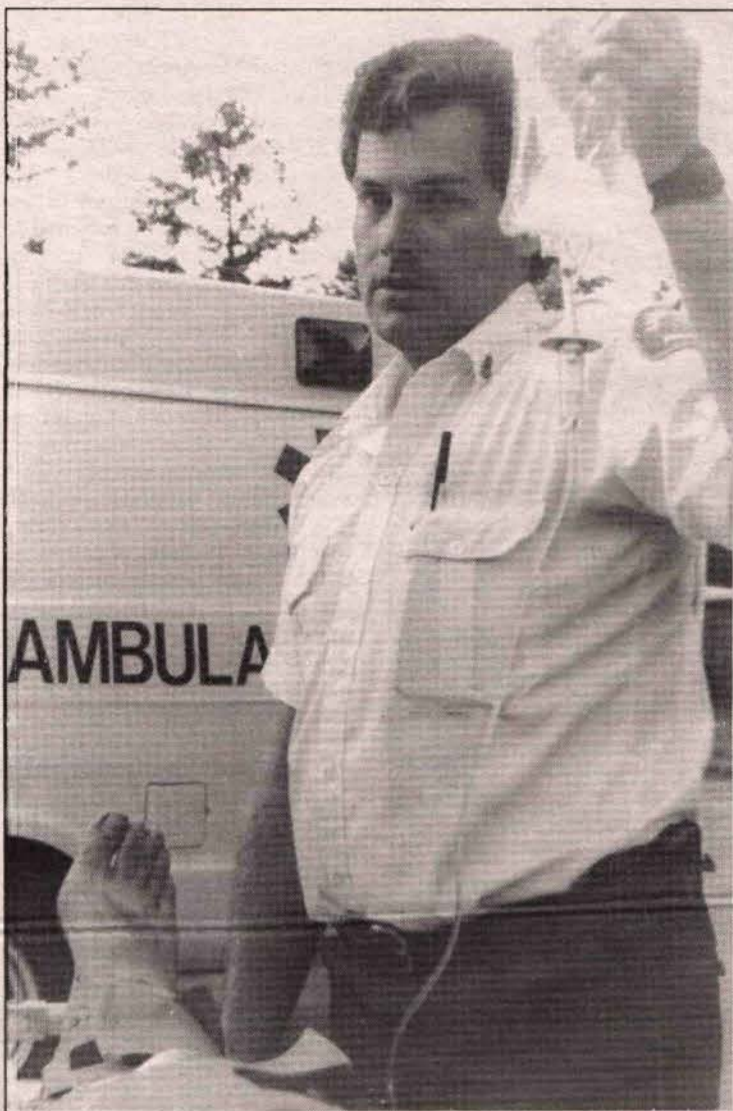
Most of the people in the ambulance service are "born rescuers." They like to help people. Millar said one of the highlights of his four-year career in the service so far was assisting in the delivery of a baby. But he also recalls as a positive experience transferring a patient from hospital back home, to die surrounded by a loving family.

Salt Spring paramedics can respond to a call within six minutes at night; during the day, staff inside the ambulance station respond immediately. The local ambulance service gets about 100 calls per month, Millar said, but this rises in the summer.

When ambulance staff arrive on the scene they look for vital signs, such as blood pressure and heart rate. They administer oxygen or nitrous oxide. Some can hook up an intravenous line.

They have specialized equipment like the Sager splint for fractures and the Robertson orthopedic stretcher for getting patients up off the ground without further injuring them. If they need a physician's help, they call the hospital on the radio or the cell phone.

A lot of what paramedic care is all about is patient comfort, Millar explained, asking questions in a reassuring way to find out as much as possible about what might be wrong. Taking great care around the neck and spine and stabilizing wounds so that there is the



STABILIZATION EXPERTS: Acting ambulance unit chief Geoff Millar holds up an intravenous bag which might have been attached to Driftwood staffer Graeme Thompson, whose foot appears at left, if his tibia really had been fractured Friday.

Photo by Graeme Thompson

least discomfort when travelling in the ambulance.

"We just don't drive people to the hospital. We do a lot of things," Millar said.

Even at the hospital, paramedics do not stop work. They assist the medical staff where they can, especially at night when an extra pair of hands is useful. They report to the physician about how the patient was found, what treatments the patient had and how the patient responded to them.

"We are able to give a much greater level of care than ever before," Millar said. "We're really trying to promote that. Right now, the only people who really get to know what we do are the people we've cared for."

And ambulance service means more than land ambulances. It includes the water taxi which acts as an ambulance to and from the Outer Islands and the helicopters and planes which operate out of Victoria and Vancouver for the most urgent cases. Severe burns can be sent to Vancouver General;

severe hypothermia cases go to Lions Gate; cases involving children go to Children's Hospital.

Of course, 90 per cent of ambulance calls are routine, paramedic Steve Smith said. That means non-emergencies or transfer of patients from one facility to another. It still demands a high level of care and professionalism, he said, but it is not all "blood and gore."

British Columbians who have their CareCards are charged \$44 to use the ambulance service, though they are not required to pay for the service when they use it. The \$44 fee is a 24-hour fee, Millar explained, so it might include a trip to Lady Minto, a trip via ferry to Cowichan or Victoria and then a trip back home again. And, he added, if someone phones 911 and the paramedics arrive and then decide the patient can get to hospital on his or her own or with a relative, they won't charge for the call.

"It's better for people to call, and for us to come and check them out," Millar said.

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roof when I fell off; that I had banged my head and broken my tibia and fibula — that was news to me — and that I had had laughing gas and no other medications. The paramedics must have phoned ahead.

The nurse did what she called a "quick head-to-toe" examination, checking for lacerations and possible internal injuries, problems with breathing, circulation.

"How does this feel," the nurse asked. I could see it was head nurse Marg Pickard.

"Does this hurt at all?" she asked as she pressed on my shoulder blades, my abdomen, my hips.

"If someone has a broken pelvis and you squeeze on both sides, they feel it," she explained. My pelvis was not broken.

While she was talking someone else stuck my arm with a needle and put a plastic bag on a hook above my head. The intravenous was a water and salt solution but antibiotics were added because I had an open wound. I got a tetanus shot as well.

Meanwhile, Pickard was bending my arms and asking me to move my fingers, first on my right hand and then on my left. She asked me to move my toes. She was looking for signs of spinal cord damage.

"We like to rule out the biggies," she explained, talking to me all the time just like the paramedics did. "We're looking for neurological problems first. They are the most serious."

Apparently I had none, since she told the doctor so on the phone. I was to go right in to the X-ray department, still wearing my collar and splint.

The X-ray machine is very high-tech, technologist Barb Todd told me. She was in that same explain-everything-as-it-happens mode that seems to prevail in the medical professions. The machine itself takes up one-third of the room. The daylight unloader — a film developer — is larger than the largest photocopier and stands in another corner.

"It's a great boon to patient safety," she explained. "I no longer have to go into the dark-room. And it speeds up the process."

I was lifted onto the table and the camera whirred into place more or less above my neck. The X-ray was done right through the collar I was wearing. Most of the ambulance equipment can be X-rayed right through, I was told.

Five minutes later they told me my neck was unhurt. My right leg was next. They took two pictures: one from above



REVEALING TECHNOLOGY: There's nothing like an X-ray machine to strip the flesh away and allow medical staff to see what the problem really is. Here, technologist Barb Todd examines some X-ray pictures.

Photo by Graeme Thompson

and one from the side. Another five minutes and I could see the print which showed a pick-up-sticks view of what were supposed to be two straight bones.

I learned that I had a compound fracture of my right tibia and fibula. My head injuries were slight: some cuts and bruises, probably from hitting the roof before I fell over the edge. I would be sent to Cowichan District Hospital by the same ambulance that brought me.

Since the emergency was over, the nurses spent some time dressing my leg again. Because they thought the fracture might be unstable, and island roads being as bumpy as they are, my right leg was put in a half-cast. This was a rough plastered bandage affair to keep my leg and foot in one position. The plaster is also comforting to the injury, being wet and warm, Pickard explained.

Copies of all the documents connected to my visit — charts, notes of the incident, health history records, X-rays — would be sent with me to the hospital. As much as possible is done from this end, Pickard said, to keep costs down and save the duplication of

tests and X-rays at the other end where the patient and the incident are not known first-hand.

Cowichan hospital is the destination of most regular bone fractures, Pickard said. Three specialists from Cowichan, including an orthopedic surgeon, visit Salt Spring regularly. Patients who have their bones set there can be treated subsequently on Salt Spring, which saves time and money and is more convenient for the patient.

More complicated injuries go elsewhere: spinal injuries to Vancouver General; an unconscious head injury to Victoria General where they have specialized and expensive equipment to examine the head.

A "simple" compound fracture would result in several visits to Lady Minto. The cast would have to be removed in a few weeks' time. Then physiotherapy would begin.

Next week: Graeme Thompson will see what happens at emergency with less serious ailments, by which time he ought to have recovered from his fictitious fracture.

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How can someone pay \$900 rent, landlord wonders

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Driftwood Staff

Introducing the landlord as Mr. Nice Guy.

Bob Simons is apologetic when revealing the rents he charges for the units on the former Y-camp property, which he co-owns. Part of the problem, he says, is that the cost of Hydro is included in some of the rents, pushing up the total.

"They sound outrageous," he admits. "I couldn't pay them."

His tenants pay \$290 a month for one of the five smaller cabins; between \$400 and \$450 for the three-bedroom staff cabin; \$480 for a larger cabin and \$500 for the three-bedroom farmhouse.

The rents could well be the lowest on the island.

"I think they're high," Simons said. "I think they're really high because I couldn't afford it." But he needs to earn enough from the property to pay for the Hydro bills, to pay the bank for the mortgage and to do maintenance. His partner lives on the site and helps keep the units maintained.

Simons didn't set out to be one of the island's major landlords. He almost feels as if he was "tricked" into buying the property seven to eight years ago, when he put \$5,000 into a friend's bid to buy the site.

Somehow, Simons gradually assumed more and more responsi-

bility for the purchase. In an effort to save his initial \$5,000 investment, he borrowed more money. Finally, after a year, he had so much invested that he bought out his former partner and fell into the role of landlord.

His tenants are a mix of single people, an occasional couple and a number of single mothers with children. Many are on social assistance — something Simons said he had not realized until a social worker dropped by recently to confirm the addresses of GAIN recipients.

Simons says he has good tenants who stay in their units long-term. Some of the approximately 20 people living in the former camp have been there for five to eight years.

Realistically, he admits, many could not afford the rents outside the Y-camp. "Where are you going to go if you want to live here on Salt Spring?"

He recognizes where the rents come from. Anyone buying even a modest home at current prices would have to charge \$900 a month in rent to cover the mortgage. "Yet how does someone pay \$900 a month?" Simons asked. "It's scary. I don't know how it

works at any level."

He admits the Y-camp cabins "aren't that fancy" but he tries to keep them repaired and the infrastructure serviced. One advantage is that good systems were initially installed, since the camp was expected to house up to 115 people during a camp session.

While the camp was originally set up for summer use, Simons has never been tempted to try to cash in on the tourist trade by evicting his tenants and renting the cabins to summer visitors.

"It's morally incorrect, throwing people out. It's nasty," he explained. If people are forced to move every summer, he feels they do not have the ability to create a home for themselves.

"My tenants don't hate me," he remarked, suggesting that is more important than making money. "I'm not a very good capitalist."

"We aren't either," admitted Helen Hinchliff. She and Donald Simmons rent out three one-bedroom cottages and one two-bedroom cottage in Fulford. Their rent for a one-bedroom cottage is \$500 a month, well below that charged for similar units elsewhere on the island.

"We have some of the nicest cottages on the island," Hinchliff said. Last winter, they reduced their rents after recognizing the shortage of affordable accommodation.

They announced their decision

in a letter to the Driftwood, hoping to spur other landlords into doing the same. "We were hoping it might slow the tide," Hinchliff said. But they've been disappointed: of all the people who applauded their action, none was a landlord. No one seems to have followed their lead.

"This is a real economic problem," Hinchliff said. "We know there's lots of people who can't afford the rent. There are a lot of people who don't earn very much."

She has had a few good tenants reluctantly move out because they couldn't come up with \$500 a month on local jobs paying the minimum wage.

"Where are you going to go if you want to live here on Salt Spring?"

Some leave the island, some move in with a friend and some find cheaper places to live. "What we hear is that people charge not very much less (than \$500) for just-this-side-of-a-pigsty."

She fears the island is becoming similar to other resort communities. Affluent people move in and demand services but are unwilling to allow the housing for those

working in service industries. So the workers are forced into a sharply curtailed lifestyle, into substandard housing or into commuting to their jobs from other communities.

"It is not for the individual landlord who has a conscience to solve this problem," Hinchliff said, stressing that it requires a community, island-wide effort.

In her letter, written last December, she noted, "We have ... seen that those with minimum-wage jobs or on social assistance cannot afford to pay us the 'going rate' and also eat properly, clothe themselves decently, or perhaps operate a car. Their limited incomes simply do not stretch that far."

She is also appalled by those — aside from resort owners — who evict their winter tenants in favour of summer rentals. "We don't believe in renting to people in the winter and turning them out over the summer. Unconscionable!"

Hinchliff has had the opposite experience: tenants who have come to the island assured by their new employer that they have a permanent, year-round job, rent from Hinchliff and then are abruptly laid off after Labour Day.

In addition to disrupting the tenant's life, the practice also puts Hinchliff to the considerable effort of finding a new tenant.

"Pity the landlord, sometimes, too," she said.



Simons

Trials of being a landlord: Realtor remembers car driven through wall

How to forfeit your damage deposit: drive a car into the kitchen.

That's one of realtor Mel Topping's stories from his stint as a landlord, renting out units in a fourplex on Salt Spring.

"It was sort of a family dispute," he recalled. A brother and sister were arguing. When the woman ran into the house, the brother followed — in his car.

"We got there when the car was in the kitchen," Topping recalled. Damage totalled \$5,000 — "which was a fair amount of money at the time" — since the entire wall of the fourplex had to be replaced.

But the experience didn't sour him on renting out units. "It was an isolated case," he said. "Overall, it was good."

Harry Williams-Freeman finds it is difficult being a landlord in the 1990s. Despite claims that there is a desperate need for affordable accommodation on the island, he noted on Thursday he

had received only one call in the 24 hours since he ran a classified ad looking for a tenant.

He is renting out a 550-square-foot, one-bedroom cottage for \$625 a month. Since the cottage was recently renovated, he specified in his advertisement that he wanted a non-smoker.

The first person who answered the advertisement and looked at the cottage turned out to be a smoker. "In spite of my ad saying non-smoker, she's a smoker," he reported.

Twice in the past, when he rented out a basement suite in another house, he had to get an eviction order to expel people who moved in claiming to be non-smokers but who turned out to be smokers.

"I don't have too much sympathy with smokers," Williams-Freeman said. He said someone with a small dog or cat would be acceptable but he doesn't want to rent to smokers, anyone with a large dog or those who hold par-

ties.

"The landlord has some rights with what is happening," he said. Over the years, he said, he has had good and bad tenants. Bad tenants make it harder for good tenants to find homes.

Williams-Freeman said he knows of homes sitting empty on the island because the owners fear destructive tenants.

"People will not rent them out — period — rather than take a chance."



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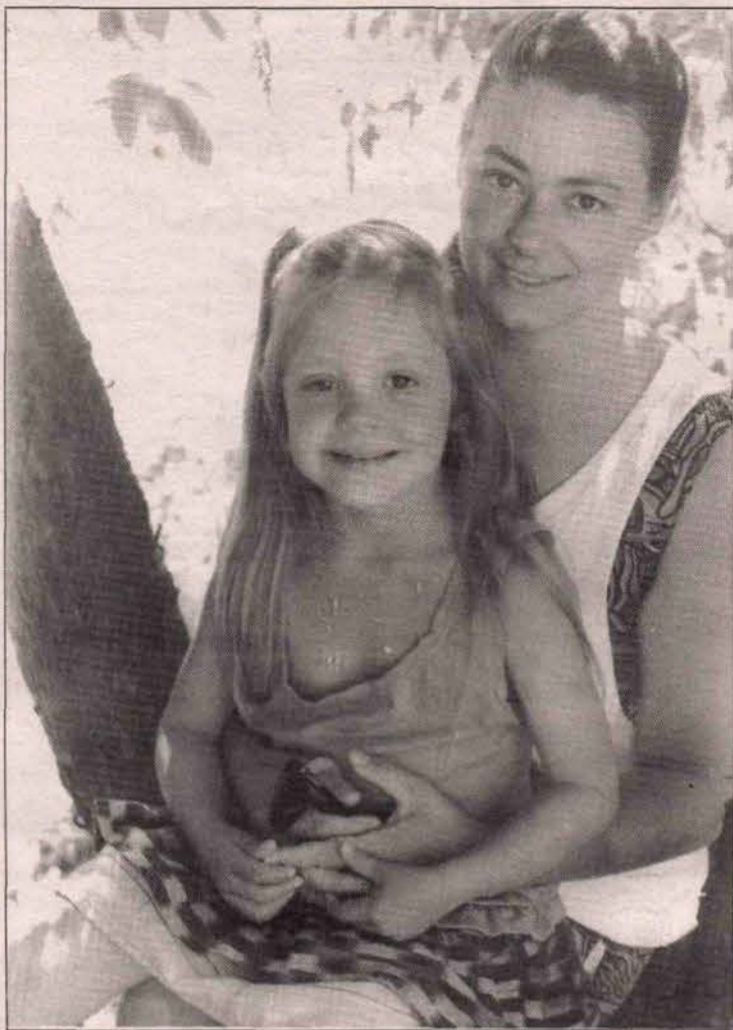
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ATTITUDE IS EVERYTHING: So says Susan Wright, who has never had a problem finding a home on Salt Spring for herself and her four-year-old daughter Sage. Although she is now on social assistance, she is looking forward to finding a job when her daughter starts kindergarten this fall.

Photo by Valerie Lennox

Attitude means a lot when house-hunting

"In finding a place, it's the attitude."

So says Susan Wright, a single mother on social assistance who has always managed to find a home for herself and her daughter on Salt Spring Island. She doesn't agree that low-income people cannot find housing here.

"It's hard to find a place but it's not impossible."

But first, she says, the prospective renter has to recognize the landlord's point of view.

"If you respect and look after yourself, they'll know you're going to respect and look after their house. I've never had a problem finding a place at \$500."

Given the value attached to alternative lifestyles by some people on the island, Wright admits it is difficult to speak out about the impression torn jeans, dreadlocks and a "legalize marijuana" T-shirt can have on prospective landlords.

But she thinks the point must be made.

"As much as we want to have alternative lifestyles, we still have

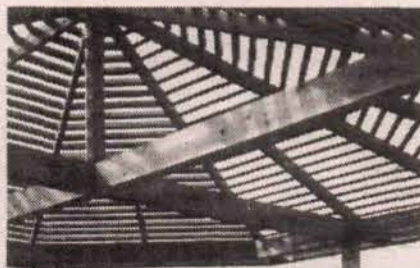
to fit into society to some degree," Wright said. "How they (renters) present themselves is 75 per cent of whether they'll get the place."

She has lived on her own and she has shared places with other people. She finds it works best if she shares with a single person, since two single parents often have different parenting styles which can lead to conflict.

Some people won't try shared accommodation but Wright finds it works if both people are willing to be honest and communicate with each other. Both benefit, since they can jointly afford a better home than either can find individually.

Wright says she is not happy to be on social assistance but is unable to leave her daughter Sage in day-care since the four-year-old girl suffers from a number of allergies. Once Sage is older and in kindergarten, Wright plans to find a job.

"If you want a good life, you have to make it happen. You have to make it happen for yourself. You've got to go and you've got to work."



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A boost for ArtSpring

The ArtSpring party is back on track. The \$100,000 pledged by members of the Toynbee and Mouat families promises to give a boost to a project which has been limping for too long.

Most of the \$600,000 raised for ArtSpring from individual and corporation donations came in three to four years ago. The visible building phase, when people could be excited by the frame rising on the empty lot, ended over two years ago.

Fundraising has continued since the first burst of enthusiasm launched the project. But the returns have been relatively small. The sight of a partially completed building — apparently unchanged month after month and year after year — doesn't encourage potential donors to open their wallets or dig deep into their bank accounts.

It looks like nothing is happening and that the volunteers in charge of the project have fumbled the ball. A turn-over of volunteers on the Island Arts Centre Society board and disputes during the past 18 months over board leadership have further eroded community confidence.

The project has also been hampered by increasing construction costs, resulting in an accelerated series of growing estimates of the amount required to finish the project. This, too, eroded community confidence in the ability of the society to complete the arts centre.

That should change.

The Toynbee and Mouat families are successful business people on the island, owners of several retail properties and real estate in downtown Ganges and operators of Mouat's Trading Company. Their \$100,000 pledge would not have been made had they not become convinced that circumstances had improved to the point where the project could go forward. As welcome as the money will be, this demonstration of confidence in the Arts Centre Society board and in the project is even more valuable.

Hopefully, it will lead to further donations from islanders to meet the \$505,000 still required for the project. As Toynbee said in making the announcement, "we're very much prepared to come to the party and hope others will too."

Thanks to a very generous and very timely contribution, it's time to party on — for ArtSpring!

Approving subdivisions: Trust vs. CRD?

When Bob Andrew and Grace Byrne first raised the issue of subdivision approvals, they were given short shrift by fellow members of the Islands Trust Council.

The Salt Spring Island trustees wanted to see the function of approving subdivision applications become a local one. It made a lot of sense at the time, and still does. Under the current system, an employee of the Ministry of Highways, from an office in Nanaimo, has the responsibility for deciding on the subdivision of land in the Gulf Islands.

Other members of the Trust Council seemed to be concerned over the cost of providing the service, but a less myopic view might have permitted at the very least a cursory investigation of the idea. However, it has gained currency at the Trust since then. Indeed, it seems now that everyone wants to get in on the action, including the Capital Regional District (CRD).

Salt Spring regional director Dietrich Luth has entered the fray, advancing the argument that the CRD is in a better position to provide the service of subdivision approval. His organization is more service-oriented than the Islands Trust, Luth claims, and should therefore take it on.

But Trust chairman Graeme Dinsdale has a stronger argument.

Subdivision approval is part and parcel of land use issues, which is the domain of the Islands Trust. The latter body is already in the business of providing land-use planning services so it is difficult to see why an additional, related role should not be compatible.

On the other hand, regional district responsibilities include functions such as sewage treatment and garbage disposal. The closest related function to subdivision approval is building inspection, but there is very little connection between the two.

The news that Luth favoured regional district approval of subdivisions was greeted with some surprise by Salt Spring trustees. That in itself is disappointing. It reveals that there is communication lacking among Salt Spring's sole local government representatives.

There should be dialogue between the Trust and the CRD on matters such as this, so that the best interests of Salt Spring Islanders may be served.

If there should be a power grab over subdivision approval, there will be no winners.



Islander shares some history: Story of the Oops Class ferry

Those who are supposed to know what makes us tick say that an interest in history makes us somehow wanting, but I think it's them who have one oar out of the water.

Here is some history about the source of a drink at the Mayne Inn called Alberni on the Rocks, complete with some parsley floating on the top to indicate kelp.

The Alberni is one of a group of ferries which I call the Oops Class. If you encounter one of these things out on the briney, get out of its way because the Oops Class of ferry travels in a very straight line. One of those really great ideas to make things better, make it so the ferry doesn't have to turn around.

It just heads out in the other direction. Just put a prop and a rudder at both ends and away we go. Just like a free lunch, it sounds too good to be true and it is.

The problem with the Oops Class is the bow prop. The designer sold it on the basis that it would have one prop pulling and the other pushing. It was also sold on the turning ability it would have with the bow rudder.

Now we go to sea trials and the ugly truth emerges. Two engines each burning around \$1,000 worth of fuel per hour, one pulling, one pushing. Shut down and feather the pulling prop and save \$1,000 per hour and gain speed. The stern prop is now running in water not all churned up by the bow prop.

The problem is created by the feathered bow prop. It makes the ship literally unturnable with it feathered. With the large surface area of the bow prop pointing straight ahead the bow hardly moves sideways during a turn. So the whole ship has to swing behind the bow pivot point. In a country with real ship safety rules, these would have been made into minivans. Only in Canada, you say.

Now imagine you are a skipper who has been driving the very well designed Victoria-class ships through Active Pass for many years and they give you the Oops Class to take to Swartz Bay. There is



a fairly heavy ebb tide so the sports fishermen were not even in the collision area mentioned in the release from B.C. Ferries.

Another ferry is north-bound so the veteran skipper, as he has done many times before, nips into Georgeson Bay to let the other buck through. The north-bound ferry passes and he then makes his error. The veteran skipper assumes the boat he is driving will answer the helm and turn out of the bay and clear the rocks. Oops!

The sports types did reel in their lines and take the passengers from one ferry to the other. And, of course, their thanks was to be blamed for an accident they had nothing to do with.

The authorities did issue a quiet notice to B.C. Ferries that they were to stay out of Active Pass with Oops Class ferries and if it was really necessary to go through the pass, the bow prop must be spinning.

Then, of course, there was the Oops Class running down a boat near Horseshoe Bay with several fatalities for which B.C. Ferries received most of the blame. The other expensive incident was the demolition of the Horseshoe Bay wharf by an Oops.

When the Oops is going to Departure the controls are normal as in ahead is ahead, etc. When going the other way it is backwards, as in full astern is full ahead, etc.

The Oops has one redeeming feature: with both variable-pitch props running it is able to stop on a dime and leave change. This feature makes possible a high landing speed. Now we get a very experienced skipper heading for the dock a few hundred feet away at a good speed. While he should have said full ahead to bring Oops to a stop before attempting to land among the cars in the parking lot, he reverted to the normal command given on the bridge of a normal ship.

Oops!

Harry Lane is a longtime resident of Mayne Island.

It just heads out in the other direction. Just put a prop and a rudder at both ends and away we go. Just like a free lunch, it sounds too good to be true and it is.



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SALT SPRING SAYS

We Asked: Have you ever been to a hospital emergency department:



Diana Ritchie

I was quite impressed. The staff is very caring.



Trish Ostrom
(Seattle, Washington)

I had an allergic reaction to a bee sting once and went to emergency (in Seattle). The service was great. I told them this is what I had and they took care of it.



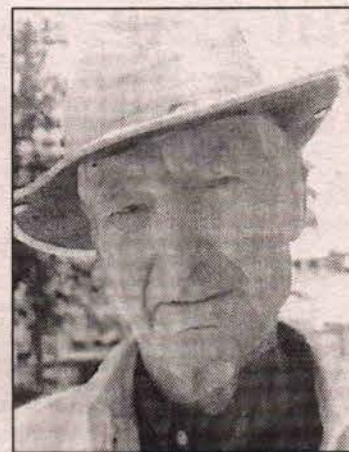
Ruby Livingston

Many times. They're very helpful and have a warmth you wouldn't get somewhere else.



Anne De Wolff
(Jersey Island)

I took my husband once in Jersey. I was very, very impressed with the speed and thoroughness of it all. I've had very good reports of Lady Minto.



Goody Goodman

I've never been to the emergency. I've been on the island since 1922 and I hope (he knocks on wood) I never have to.

Letters to the editor

Refreshing alternative

How refreshing to read Susan Berlin's article, Developing Mount Tuam (Driftwood, July 19).

As a frequent visitor to Salt Spring for the past 30 years, I've witnessed many changes. And people are nervous of change. Everyone - except developers - seems to think that growth and development are bad words, synonymous with destruction of life as we know it now.

Growth is inevitable. But careful, thoughtful planning could, as Berlin suggests, make Salt Spring a leader for responsible land use. We have the technology for alternative ways of designing, building, planning, of alternative energy use - we just need the will and incentive to do it.

Developers and environmentalists, like so many of the rest of us, get stuck in a mind-set of one way of doing things, when, as Berlin shows, there are other ways.

If an alternative vision doesn't appeal to the traditional home buyer, then it will appeal to those others who have looked into the very near future and have seen the sense of making a very light ecological footprint.

Surely Salt Spring would welcome more people like that.
HEATHER MacANDREW,
Victoria

Wife assault figures high

Why worry about wife assault on Salt Spring?

B.C. has a higher lifetime rate of wife assault than any other province - 36 per cent (see National Survey on Violence Toward Women, Statistics Canada, 1993, Wife Assault:

The Findings of a National Survey, vol. 14, No. 9).

Applied to the estimated 3,635 women (number of women 18 and over on 1991 census times 3.7 per cent per annum) living on Salt Spring Island, approximately 1,309 have been physically assaulted by a spouse at least once in their lifetime.

It can be predicted with a high degree of accuracy that this year 109 women will be physically assaulted by men who once claimed to love them. Of those 109 victims, 16 women will be 24 years or under, 49 of those women will suffer injuries, 25 of the injured women will lose time from work and 20 will use drugs and alcohol to cope. Twenty-four women will never tell anyone; 57 will only tell a close friend, family member or, rarely, a minister, priest or doctor. Twenty-eight women will report to the RCMP (27 male offenders are on the records for 1994).

For the first six months of 1995 on Salt Spring, 16 male offenders are on the RCMP records.

JUDITH BOEL,
Ganges

Tickets expired

As islanders we are now encouraged to buy locally and this is much pleasanter than hav-

ing to go into Sidney or Victoria as we had to do formerly. Thank goodness this is so because our small businesses are making so many varieties of things available on Salt Spring.

Yesterday it was necessary to go into Victoria with my car, so my daughter kindly drove in. As a result, when we returned to the Swartz Bay terminal on our way home, I was told my book of tickets had expired. Fortunately, I had enough money left to pay the fare at the ferry booth in Swartz Bay.

The young lady in the booth was very polite but could do nothing about the expired tickets. She instructed us to call Long Harbour which I did this morning. Now I must write to Mr. Tim Evans in order to be reimbursed for the \$20.75 I had to pay in order to return to Salt Spring.

Be warned, seniors, and use your book of tickets up before they expire. Earlier tickets had no such time limit but that, too, has changed.
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Heartlessness seen in Harris's election

VICTORIA - With the election of Premier Mike Harris' Tories in Ontario, Canada has moved another step towards becoming a harsher and less compassionate society.

To be poor in Ontario was no picnic under Bob Rae's often blundering and unfocused NDP government. Contrary to public perception, social assistance in Canada is well below the poverty line, no matter where you live.

But what compassion and understanding there was for the less fortunate in Ontario, will now be inexorably plowed under by the bottom-line Tories.

CAPITAL COMMENT HUBERT BEYER



Last week, welfare recipients got their marching orders: get the hell out of Ontario! Anyone "with roots" (whatever that means) in British Columbia is invited to pull up stakes and move to the west coast, where a bleeding-heart NDP government, itself in big trouble, is said to be eager to shower them with earthly goods.

Anyone willing to leave behind Ontario's savaged social safety net and move to the greener pastures of British Columbia can get a \$1,500 relocation grant. That's a one-way ticket.

And while it's true that British Columbia has the best record for job creation and the most dynamic economy of all Canadian provinces, it cannot possibly deal with an unimpeded influx of people who are simply moving from Ontario's welfare rolls onto ours.

Nor does the Ontario-induced migration of the poor help diminish the intolerance many British Columbians have towards welfare recipients. If enough Ontarians take up the offer of a relocation grant, swelling British Columbia's welfare rolls, a lot of already mean-spirited people will go ballistic, further feeding a number of welfare myths.

Let's look at some of those myths, the most often cited one of which is that welfare rates are too generous.

In every Canadian jurisdiction, welfare rates are below applicable poverty lines. According to a national citizens' advisory group, the highest rates are still 20 per cent below the poverty line, while the lowest are as much as 76 per cent below.

And while there has been much noise from conservative quarters such as the Vancouver-based Fraser Institute about the validity of methods by which the poverty line is determined, it is invariably the estimated income necessary to buy life's necessities, with no consideration for luxuries.

Another beer parlour myth is that welfare is rampant with fraud. Yet, an independent review of Ontario welfare fraud estimated that about three per cent of that province's welfare budget involved fraud.

Equally independent studies have shown that more Canadians cheat on their income tax than welfare recipients cheat the system.

How about the widely-held opinion that welfare recipients don't want to work? It is perhaps the greatest lie of all.

Today's welfare recipients include a lot of people who lost their jobs due to down-sizing which, in turn, has been the result of ever-increasing automation. These people would have thought it inconceivable 10 years ago that they might, someday, be out of a job.

They have skills that are no longer required and they often have reached an age where new jobs are hard to come by.

Furthermore, with unemployment around the 10 per cent mark, there simply are no jobs to be had.

Another myth is that Canada can't afford the social programs to battle or, God forbid, eliminate poverty.

The truth is that in terms of its per-capita Gross Domestic Product, Canada is more prosperous than most European countries, including France, Italy and Germany. But Canada spends a smaller share of its Gross Domestic Product on social programs.

That finding comes from background paper prepared by the federal department of finance in 1994.

The sad truth is that Canada is becoming a more heartless society. The country that has always prided itself on its tolerance, the one thing that distinguishes it from many other nations, is becoming so obsessed with balancing budgets and eliminating deficits that it doesn't mind doing so at the expense of its most helpless members.

If Ontario Premier Harris' blueprint for governing is any indication of things to come, we may as well turn the country over to the Fraser Institute.

At least we can be assured that the rich will get richer. The poor be damned.

More letters

Not in CRD realm

I find I need to apologize to our regional director since the proposed dredging of Ganges Harbour and the disposal of the resultant material are not within the purview of the Capital Regional District; or so I am told.

My regrets also to anyone who as a result of my recent letter is confused about who has the right to dump toxins, and where: and who has the duty of overseeing such activities.

COLIN NICHOLSON,
Kings Lane

Working on boardwalk

Re: Concerned for Mom (Driftwood, Letters, August 2):

I too would like the boardwalk finished, for many beautiful and utility reasons. And more walkers/bikers, less cars is truly noble and desirable. And we are working on it! So do you bring your car on your visits to this lovely island? Can we count on your volunteer efforts next month for the boardwalk committee? any time this year? or next?

Salt Spring Island is a beautiful, healthy, friendly, positive community in which to live and

we welcome the appreciative tourists. But we have an island joke about the grouchy ones - a.k.a. terrorists.

DEBBIE FEDBERG,
Ganges

Those incredible Newmans

The Newmans have, incredibly, done it again!

Three generations of this talented family sang and danced their way into our hearts this weekend, at the lower level of Meaden Hall.

They've never really left, of course, but each show - each performance of each show, just confirms what we've always known, that the Newmans are among our most talented and

enduring treasures on Salt Spring Island.

They are, for this show, joined by Lynda Jensen, Morgan Donnelly and Ian Van Wyck, who all make a tremendous contribution to the performance.

Ray is a veritable encyclopedia of information about the music they play, and he obviously has knowledge that predates his performing days. Virginia is at her remarkable best at the piano, and Amy, Sue and Lauren are lovely to look at, delightful to hear and undoubtedly heaven to kiss, a combination like this, etc. etc.

Whatever your readers plan for next weekend, they should make sure to include this delightful and uplifting show on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

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By VALORIE LENNOX
Driftwood Staff

Do more dredging— Islanders

Have a good disposal site for slightly contaminated dredgeate? Step right up and share it with the Salt Spring Harbour Authority. The federal government's Small Craft Harbours Branch is trying to find another site to dispose of dredgeate from Ganges Harbour after abandoning the first choice, a former landfill property on Blackburn Road.

Small Craft Harbours has arranged with Public Works Canada to dredge part of the harbour this fall. The dredging will remove silt which has built up next to the last float on the west side of the boat basin, and is

impeding the movement of boats. Adrian Rowland, regional engineer for Small Craft Harbours, invited residents to suggest upland dumping sites during a visit to Salt Spring Thursday.

"I just thought it might help the contractors pull some extra options out of the woods, so to speak," Rowland said. Tenders for the project will be called within the next few days. As part of the bid, contractors will be required to identify how they will dispose of the estimated 6,500 cubic metres of dredgeate which is too contaminated for ocean dumping.

Anyone with suggestions can contact harbour manager Bob Morrisette at 537-5711.

Approximately 50 residents dropped by an information display held Thursday outside the harbour manager's office in Ganges. Rowland said most were in favour of the project and some even asked public works to do more dredging.

Rowland said the two main questions were: "Why aren't you doing more dredging?" and "Why aren't you ocean dumping the entire dredgeate volume?"

Rowland said the main barrier

to dumping the dredgeate in the ocean is a higher-than-normal level of the heavy metal cadmium in the dredgeate. For ocean disposal, the level cannot exceed 0.6 but samples from the Ganges Harbour floor are as high as 2.

However, Rowland said cadmium is known to be a naturally occurring mineral concentrated in the islands.

Project manager Alex Fakidis of Public Works Canada said it is unfortunate that the ocean dumping restrictions do not make any provisions for those minerals

which occur naturally in the area. Tests also discovered concentrations of polyaromatic hydrocarbons from gasoline and/or oil. However, Rowland said the levels are no higher than those found on the average driveway or in the average roadside ditch. All of the dredgeate falls within the levels established for residential fill.

Based on ocean dumping, the dredging was expected to cost \$30,000 to \$40,000. Rowland anticipates the required upland dumping will increase the cost.

Extensive testing has also added to the cost of the project. The analysis of 16 samples from the harbour cost \$15,000 to \$20,000.

Luth has eye on subdivision approval

It's not just the Salt Spring Trust Committee that has its eye on the function of subdivision approval.

The Capital Regional District (CRD) has endorsed the proposal to transfer responsibility for subdivision approval from the Ministry of Highways to local government. The decision was welcomed last week by Salt Spring regional director Dietrich Luth.

Under the present system, Luth noted, subdivisions on the islands are approved by a Ministry of Highways employee who may never have set foot on the affected property.

The Islands Trust is also looking into taking over subdivision approval, but Luth doubted the two regional bodies will clash over the issue.

"There's no reason for a turf war," he said. "The Trust has got enough work to do."

He felt subdivision approvals would tie in well with the CRD's present mandate, which is to supply services to the Gulf Islands. In rural areas where there is no separate planning authority like the Trust, Luth noted that both planning and

zoning are handled by the regional district.

"Our feeling is that since we have a servicing function, we might be able to provide a service better than the Trust. I'm certainly in favour of the CRD taking it over."

But Trust committee member Grace Byrne feels otherwise.

"That's the biggest laugh I've heard in years," she told the Driftwood on Sunday, responding to Luth's statement about the CRD's ability to better handle the function.

Both Byrne and Islands Trust chairman Graeme Dinsdale of Bowen Island felt it was a function that was suited to the Trust's role. Dinsdale said Monday that subdivision approval is more closely related to land-use planning than to regional district responsibilities such as garbage removal and sewage disposal.

He also pointed out that if regional districts in the Islands Trust area took on subdivision approval, there would be seven different approval officers in the Trust islands.

The issue is supposed to come up at the Union of B.C. Municipalities convention in the

fall. Dinsdale said he did not expect the Ministry of Highways to take any action on the matter until after the convention had a chance to consider it.

Luth said the province favours transferring subdivision approval to local government, and that most of the province's regional districts welcome the idea.

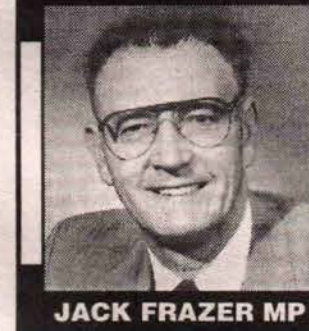
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They didn't ask me whether I wanted a new address. And I didn't. I was happy with the old one. I could say "VOS 1E0" with both eyes shut. And nobody on this earth could say, without hesitation, just where Ganges was. Some couldn't even pronounce it.

That takes me back to Windsor Utley. It was Windsor who was so delighted with the island pronunciation, Gan-jeez.

So maybe the idea of changing the address had some merit. Maybe when people ask "Where is Salt Spring Island?" we'll just have to say that it is the island where you find Ganges. I can see the recognition coming over their faces!

This week is the last week the Ganges Post Office on Salt Spring Island, which is the Salt Spring Island Post Office at Ganges, will be sending me any mail that arrives with my old address on it. I have it in writing.

You write to me at Box 250, Ganges, V0S 1E0 and the postal staff will shake their heads in utter mystification.

"Who's that guy? Where is Ganges? What do those stupid numbers mean?"

I can hear them saying it.

Like I said, if I had changed my address, I could accept the national ruling that I don't exist in my former state. And I made a point of checking when I shaved this morning. I figured that if I was wrong and the post office was right and I didn't exist any more who the hell was I shaving?

And it was still me. No known address, but still me.

So all I can do now is to tell anyone who reads this that I am still around. And if the post office sends you back my mail because I had forgotten to tell you my new address, you can still get hold of me.

I can be reached by courier. They have ways of finding addresses beyond the scope of the post office. They have to stay in business.

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If you are really in a hurry, call me what you like and tell me by E-mail at driftwd@raven.bc.ca.

Or you can use the mail. But make sure that you have the proper address and the numbers right. Like in the lottery; you get the right numbers and you get the right guy and that's me.

And do it soon. I'm still around like I said, but there's a bit of senility beginning to show. You might leave it too late! Which would make the post office right.

"Richards? Never 'eard of 'im!"

It's a fishy business!

There are so many sides to this square that it's likely to change shape. There's a shortage of fish and there's a dispute between Canada and Alaska over who gets the thin end. And the unending battle between sport fishermen and commercial anglers is still being waged.

As ever, the basis of the battle is the contest for the fish. The numbers are shrinking and the fishing fleets are hungry. How to keep the salmon coming and the fisheries going was an international challenge long before Paul Watson jumped in.

His announcement of involvement in the division of Pacific coast fish will resolve the matter. In the ordinary course of events I don't like vigilantes. The amateur law-and-order volunteers tend to be more problem than any they seek to solve. But a fish vigilante seems at first glance to threaten the salmon most of all.

What we need here is an entry from the United States to look after the interests of the American people. What more appropriate candidate than Robert Kennedy? The American has shown up in more Canadian scenes than in his native American countryside. They would make quite a team, each speaking off the cuff for his own land and each unshackled by accreditation, orders or responsibility to government.

I feel confident that whoever else might be listening to such a fishy debate, the salmon would be tickled pink. And that might stir up some trouble in the fish camps everywhere.

That was fast!

I was driving along through Ganges the other day, making a left turn on to Hereford Avenue when I was frustrated by a high-speed bicycle. As I started to make the turn I heard a hum alongside my car window. It was a bicycle, ridden fast in a high gear. The hum came from tires and chain.

It very nearly cost me. I swung away to the right and received some loudly expressed advice from the driver of a car on that side of me. I think he was being rude but he had no Jehu on two wheels on his side of the road.

TO BE FRANK

FRANK RICHARDS



Dredging site

Checking out a photograph of a proposed dredging site in Ganges Harbour is Tom Wright, one of the estimated 50 residents

who turned out for an information meeting Thursday on the dredging of the boat basin.

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Summer camp with a difference

Galiano's new summer film school introduces youngsters to world of video

By GRAEME THOMPSON
Driftwood Staff

It's not a summer camp exactly, except it is run in the summer. Nor is it a school exactly, though there are classes and instructors. The Gulf Islands Film and Television School on Galiano Island is part camp, part school and all on-the-set excitement.

"This was great," 17-year-old Matt Law said of the week-long film course.

"I learned I liked editing more than directing. I learned you can't make a high-quality six-minute video in one hour. It was the busiest week of my life."

"I had no expectation, except this was not going to be like regular camp," 16-year-old Erica Drushka said. "There was nothing I didn't like about it. I had such a good time."

"I've had a lot of experience in acting but I was afraid to hold a camera," added another. "This week has totally opened up my perspective. It's brought out a lot of the aspects of what a person can do. You don't have to just act to be in the business."

The summer program was conceived — perhaps dreamed is a better word — by Galiano Islander George Harris. He has always been interested in film and video work and was involved several years ago in a project, *Through the Eyes of Children*, which included a trip to Central America narrated by his two children. The series — one of which is shot on Ometepe Island in Nicaragua — has been shown in schools throughout the province.

"Synchronicity" was behind the film school idea, he said last week, in between eating breakfast, fixing a water problem and organizing last-minute editing schedules. He happens to own a former logging camp which was zoned for school use, among other things. He happened to have bought several former camp trailers which could house students and a kitchen. And he happened to know a dozen or more actors, writers, producers, editors and technical experts who either lived on Galiano or would give their eye teeth to have a "working vacation" here.

They came with an impressive array of experience: improv theatre; writing; animation; directing, producing and editing videos independently or for corporations like the CBC and TVOntario. Harris' own film equipment was augmented by instructors' cameras, sound and light equipment, sound effect libraries, and a state-of-the-art D/Vision computer editing system.

All he needed was students. A last-minute marketing brain-



THE DARK SECRETS OF LAWN FURNITURE: These four students of the Gulf Islands Film and Television School on Galiano Island made a darkly humorous mock-documentary about lawn chairs. From left are Andrew Coppin, Tammy McCauley, Madeleine Lesnie and Rebecca Gold (standing).
Photo by Graeme Thompson

wave was to tell 100 B.C. schools about the school and offer 22 full-course scholarships (worth \$600). As a result, the opening season brought nine students the first week, 15 the second, and 14 the third.

"Kids do not have a lot of preconceptions," instructor Velcrow Ripper said. "They have a real frankness, a real openness. They reference the mass media a lot, but there's a real enthusiasm."

Ripper is an independent filmmaker who lives on Galiano and has his own 16mm studio. He had just put the final touches to a feature film, *Bones of the Forest*, in Toronto before the school courses started July 16.

"A lot of them have never touched a camera before," fellow Galiano Islander and instructor Kenna Fair said of the students. "They learned to script-write, make a storyboard; they did workshops on cameras, lighting, sound and visual storytelling."

"Wednesday morning they began to shoot. It's intense."

The kids all arrived late Sunday. There is little time to do much except meet one another and bunk down. The real show starts Monday.

"Do, don't talk" is the mantra of the first two days, as the students, by now divided into three or four groups, use theatre techniques — specifically improvisation — to get the ideas flowing, choose subjects and create story lines.

"Improv is worth 1,000 discussions," theatre instructor Joanne Randle explained. "It is the per-

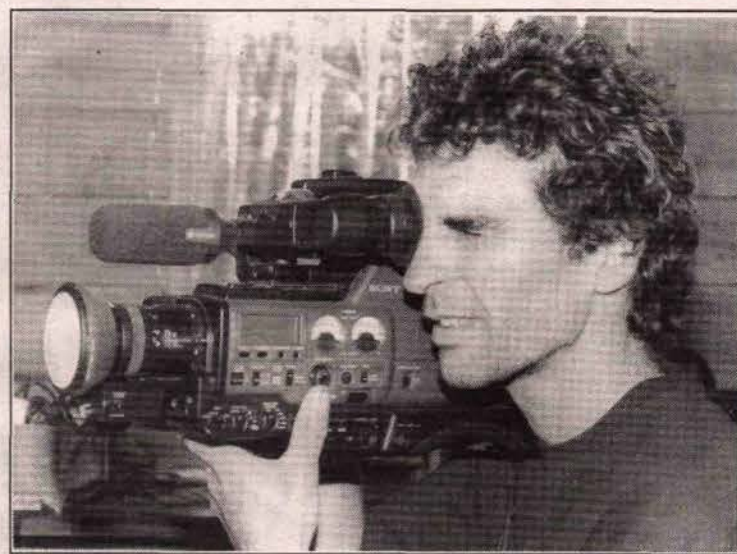
fect way of unleashing creativity. You don't censor yourself. There's no time."

Geoff Inverarity is one of the instructors whose job it is to "help them develop their ideas" and put them into a script-writing format.

"The most difficult part is let-

ting them know 'less is more,'" he said. "They have to learn to avoid exposition, when characters explain what is happening. The dialogue should do that."

Wednesday and Thursday are shooting days. That means lessons in how to hold cameras



TEACHING CAMERA WORK: George Harris, who is running the Gulf Islands Film and Television School this summer on Galiano Island, takes charge of one of the many cameras used by students to make documentaries, dramatic short films or music videos in the week-long schools.
Photo by Graeme Thompson

and how to use them.

Sequencing is one of the concepts they need to master: having scenes follow one after another in an order that makes sense. They also need to understand continuity: if someone is wearing a sweater on one side of a door, they have to be wearing the same sweater when they come through the door into the room.

The most eye-opening experiences were in the final stages of the movie-making process: editing. Barton Hewitt, of Gumboot productions in Victoria, did three all-nighters last week, editing tape with the different teams. He brought a computer editing system which Harris said was as "different from tape-to-tape as a word processor is from an Underwood."

"You're not constrained by time in the way you used to be," Hewitt said of using the computer editor. "You can try things faster than you used to. You can try six or seven cuts and if you don't like it you can undo them and go back to what you had to begin with."

Hewitt is quick to point out that this amazing technology does not make people better editors. But it does give people a "tremendous amount of creative power."

Student Drushka liked the editing the best of all during the week.

"It's fascinating to watch it all come into place," she said. "When it works, it's like the perfect edit — you get a rush from it."

"You have the power to totally change the video in the editing room. The shots you thought were going to work don't, and the shots you thought were garbage turn out to be your best shots."

While the late nights were a bit of a joke Saturday when parents and friends were invited to view the four videos, Harris was proud to say all the crews finished within the 120 hours of the week — "We had five minutes to spare."

With the viewing over and kids and parents clamouring to collect sleeping bags and exchange addresses before the bus left to meet the ferry, the Gulf Islands Film and Video School took on the look of a summer kids camp again.

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Arts festival 'grand success' despite smaller audiences

The 10th annual Salt Spring Festival of the Arts drew fewer people to the Ganges Activity Centre this year but was deemed a "grand success" by organizer Trish Nobile.

All the bills have not come in yet so the society which runs the festival still does not have the final net figures for this year's theatrical extravaganza. Those numbers are expected in the next month or two, Nobile said. By then, the society will have an idea how much money has been raised by two events earmarked for ArtSpring donations.

But, Nobile did note the month-long festival drew 1,800 people to nine different acts — that's 200 people per event. If the two biggest draws, the Hysterical Society's 360-ticket shows, are excluded, that still means 135 people went to see each of the other acts during the festival.

Those figures are down from last year, when 2,987 people took in 14 different shows, for an average of 213 per show, or 181 per show excluding the Hysterical Society comedy



Trish Nobile

nights.

Nobile said she was happy with the quality of the acts this year. She also said that once again, visiting groups were "amazed" at Salt Spring hospitality.

The Australian drummers, Utungun Percussion, were particularly overwhelmed by their

island breakfast — half the band stayed in a B&B and half in a private house on the same road — and the chauffeuring around the island by their hosts. Rock-country artists One Horse Blue also told Nobile how much they appreciated the warm response from the island crowd and said it was their best gig in ages.

"It's encouraging to get that kind of feedback from the performers," Nobile said.

She also had high praise for the crew which set up the festival and helped make a "theatre out of a gym" by decorating and lighting the Activity Centre and building risers so the audience could see the stage.

"We like to change the atmosphere of the place," she said. "It does influence people coming. They like to feel they're going out."

This year was a good one for set-up and tear-down, she added. She was happy to find an "energetic, enthusiastic crew" to do both hard, dirty jobs. The tear-down was done in only an hour and a half.



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CRUMB: "Hilarious," "One of the 10 best" and "One of the strangest, most disturbing films in years" are how some of the critics have reacted to Crumb. This is a movie about dysfunctional America, seen through the experiences of one artistic family. Robert Crumb is best known for his Keep on Truckin' cartoon icon, as well as creating Fritz the Cat and Mr. Natural. Brothers Charles and Maxon also created art: the one doing cartoons before his suicide at age 50; the other painting from his San Francisco flop-house bed-of-nails. The film is about their life, which was, in a word, weird. Restricted, some sex scenes and disturbing content. Friday, August 11 to Thursday, August 17, 9 p.m.

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Nice melodies, chords, lyrics? They were all in Meaden Hall

By GRAEME THOMPSON
Driftwood Staff

Where are those beautiful songs, the ones with the nice melodies, nice chords and nice lyrics, Ray Newman asked at the beginning of A Summer Cabaret Friday night. It seemed to me, in the audience, that there was no question where they were. They were right there in Meaden Hall.

Everyone knows the Newmans like variety — a variety show without variety is not a show — and this production was no exception. The program for the current show, which happily includes more Newmans than others in recent years, lists songs from each of the last seven decades by composers as varied as Irving Berlin, Duke Ellington and Ray Newman. The styles range from the Latin-delicat guitar-playing in Quiet Nights to the vibraphonic pizzazz of My Heart Reminds Me.

The sum of the show was more than the sum of its three parts, but three parts it had nevertheless. The first set was mostly musical; the second, more theatrical; the third, requests and dancing songs.

Lauren Bowler took the microphone with an assurance and voice, clearly inherited from mother Sue Newman. The Jerome Kern-written duet, Pick Me Up, sung by Lauren and Morgan Donnelly, was a treat to start off with.

Sue Newman's growling and powerful rendition of Peel Me a Grape was more sultry. "Making tea with the petals" may never be the same. Ian Van Wyck's version of the 1928 hit, Makin' Whoopee, was another highlight of the first set. He uses all the expressiveness his eyes and brows are capable of to bring out the fun of the tame-but-pointed lyrics.

Another highlight of the first set was the rendition of Once Again, a song by Salt Spring's Gary Lundy. The lyrics and tune were simple, but it was a touching examination

of the feelings around a deeply felt loss. Thanks, Gary.

Steppin' Out With My Baby, towards the end of the first set, highlighted one of the aspects which made the whole show so enjoyable: the back-and-forthing between family members (and adopted family members in the case of two of the cast).

Amy Newman, sister Sue and Sue's daughter, Lauren, had a tap routine during the number. Feet, hips, arms, eyes moving in dramatic unison: these three had done this before. They sing, they tap, they look to dad Ray Newman on clarinet, who plays a bar or two; they tap some more;

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they look to Eric Donnelly, a Newman grandson who comes in on the drums. You can see the musical magic flowing around the stage, between the eyes and smiles of these closely knit performers. That's exciting.

The second set was my favourite: musical theatre numbers from Into the Woods and Chorus Line, among others, with amusing costumes and characterization from the singers/actors.

Morgan Donnelly's Giants in the Sky was great. He has a good Newman voice which came out more strongly once he donned a Jack of beanstalk fame's costume.

Lauren's To Grandmothers' House was excellent — complete with a delightful interplay with her own grandmother, Virginia Newman, on keyboard. Then Lauren teamed

up with Van Wyck for a crowd-pleasing rendition of Suppertime. Van Wyck's musical musings, such as "It's impossible how to describe how you feel. When you're talking to your meal" were brought to life by his soft-spoken style and his wolf-like costume.

And as if those songs could not be topped, next came Lynda Jensen and the two Newman sisters, dressed in fir coats and pig snouts for the Stepsisters Lament. Wonderful.

Another unusual treat in the second set was Babette, a song of an indecisive, self-serving and bubbly "idol of the idle rich" sung by Amy Newman. It was fabulous.

Sue Newman and daughter Lauren teamed up for a double-header. Lauren sang If I Could Be A Movie Star — with its appropriate Noo Yawk accent — and then was given her wish by the good-wish faerie, played by Jensen. A switch on stage presented us with Newman, who sang a real gutsy rendition of Gorgeous, which she was.

Before the finale of the second set, Jensen and Virginia Newman shared the stage with a rendition of a Stephen Sondheim song, I Had A Dream, from Gypsy. "I had a dream and I dreamed it for you," they sang.

That is what the Newman shows are all about. Their energy, their excitement, their talent at making music and singing and dancing are personal gifts they share with each member of the audience. A Summer Cabaret was no exception to that general Newman rule.

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Hugh Fraser and his hot jazz leave audience happy Friday

By TONY RICHARDS
Driftwood Staff

Hugh Fraser's satisfied grin said it all on Friday evening.

The Victoria native's band delighted a Ganges Activity Centre audience with two hot sets of jazz that left nearly everyone with a happy grin.

The Hugh Fraser Quintet came to Salt Spring for an ArtSpring benefit, and left with the hope that they would play in the arts centre for their next gig here.

But thoughts of plush seats in the arts centre were little consolation to those of us whose behinds have become accustomed to softer surroundings than the Activity Centre chairs.

Thankfully, our discomfort was short-lived as the quintet's music transported the audience to another plane.

One of the hottest pieces — and

my favourite — of the night was Salsa Nova, a tune with a strong Cuban influence and one that allowed Fraser to demonstrate his skill at the piano.

There was also fine piano work in a piece called Mr. Ryga, a tribute to the father of sax player Campbell Ryga, who wowed the audience with a beautiful lead part.

Jazz has many different styles, few of which do not appeal to this writer. But the first set finished up with one that falls into that category. Herb Will Doodle-Ya was the type of song that allows the musician to show his proficiency, but has little entertainment value for someone who wants to hear music.

Fraser picked up the trombone and showed us the depth of his talent with this song. It was supposed to illustrate how a trombone player can imitate a trumpet, despite the

absence of valves on the former. It was a fine piece technically. Musically it was saved by saxophonist Ross Taggart, who switched over to the piano for it and showed us the depth of his talent.

A lovely ballad near the end of the evening was a tribute to music and art, and featured Ryga on the soprano sax. It was a celebration of art itself and conjured up more visions of a completed ArtSpring.

I had expected Friday's concert to feature some blues but we got little more than a hint of it, and that came with Thank You Very Much, the quintet's final piece of the evening.

One's first reaction might have been to say You're Welcome, but after being entranced by Fraser and his colleagues for two hours, it was the audience that should have been saying thank you.

And come again soon.

Time for a story or two on Sunday at Pender's second annual festival

By GRAEME THOMPSON
Driftwood Staff

Old wives' tales; fisherman's yarns; bedtime stories: there are almost as many words for storytelling as there are stories themselves. Islanders and others will have a chance to hear some of the best storytelling there is at the second annual Tapestry of Words festival of storytelling on Pender Island Sunday.

Salt Spring Islander Ted Stone will be joined by Melanie Ray and Fay Soehngen at the all-day affair.

The festival is about storytelling in its widest sense, organizer and storyteller Andrea Spalding said from Pender last week. In addition to the three professional storytellers, there will also be folk musicians and poets who are also storytellers in their own way. Three Pender Island storytellers, Andrea and David Spalding and Patrick Lewis, who is hosting the festival at his Good Earth Farm, will no doubt add a tale or two of their own to the day-long event.

And, following in the tradition begun last year, the festival will also include an "open-microphone" for storytelling. People are welcome to come and share folk stories, epic verse, personal reminiscences and urban tales, Spalding said.

Spalding noted that this event was a storytelling

and not a literary reading event. There will be no written pages. As the tale is never told the same way twice, so the show is never heard the same way twice.

The three storytellers are very different in their approach, Spalding said. Stone is a collector and teller of stories from all over, but his many books include stories from the kind of rural towns and villages where he has lived most of his life. Among Stone's publications are Hailstones and Hoop Snakes.

Ray is a professional storyteller from Vancouver who is well known in the storytelling circuits of festivals and fairs across the country. Medieval tales and women's stories are some of the subjects that make up her tales, Spalding said.

Soehngen is a Victoria writer who came to the storytelling world later than most and for different reasons. She collected and told stories as a means of finding out about her native Indian past here on the west coast.

The festival starts Sunday at 10 a.m. and runs until 4. Festival-goers are welcome to bring a packed lunch or order a lunch in advance for \$6. Tickets for the festival are \$25 for adults, \$15 for children and \$70 for the whole family. Phone 629-2047 for more information or for tickets.

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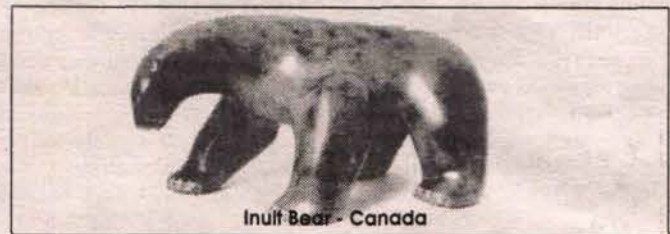
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As well as making people do silly things, a press release said, Sterling has also helped people quit smoking, lose weight and deal with stress.

Sterling began his career as a magician and studied with renowned master of the art, Doug Henning. But by the age of 13 he had decided he wanted to be a hypnotist, due to an interest in past life regression and pain management. He studied hypnosis under doctors of dentistry and psychiatry and used his talents to help people deal with problems such as stress and general health issues.

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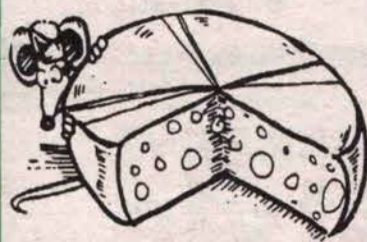


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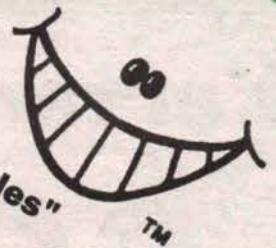
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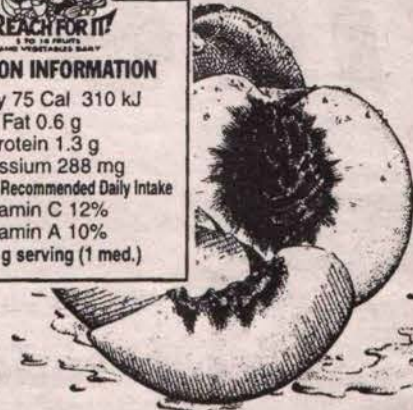


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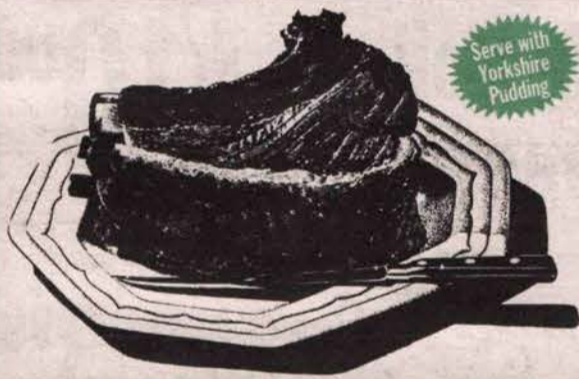
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10-year interest in computers leads Jolliffe, 24, to run BBS

By VALORIE LENNOX
Driftwood Staff

Anu Jolliffe offers another door into cyberspace.

His bulletin board system, the Gulf Islands Information Exchange, includes 30 Internet news groups, local events and information and forums for users of Windows and DOS software. Scott Lambert looks after the Windows forums and Zak Macdonald oversees the DOS forums.

For \$60 a year, users can go on-line for 60 minutes a day, receive unlimited amounts of Internet electronic mail and download up to five megabytes of files a day.

He has approximately 30 subscribers and is seeking more. He also welcomes input from local groups.

"I want to get more community stuff out there," he said. For example, if a local group has a newsletter and gives Jolliffe the raw text on disk, he is willing — at no or minimal cost — to post that newsletter on his bulletin board.

Also on his bulletin board are local writer Norman Klenman's electronic re-creations of 18th-century coffee shop journals, the Spectator and the Tatler.

For local store Galaxy Collectibles, Jolliffe created an on-line catalogue of collectible cards, which draws callers and orders from around the world.

He has also created a list of local bed and breakfast operations and is working on a guide to local businesses.

For those who want a first peek at software advances, his bulletin board is also a test site for new Real Times software, the creation of Imagen, a local software company.

Designed for electronic communication, the software is designed to work with most major word processing programs to create documents for bulletin boards and the Internet. Real Times allows greater formatting of on-line documents, compared to the current method of creating on-line publications.

Documents can include columns and images and hyperlinks — key words or images which can be "clicked" on to call up further information on a specific topic. The software also compresses text and images, reducing the size of the file for transmission throughout the Internet.

In one demonstration, the software reduced the size of a document from 340K to 15K.

Dwight Jones, president of the Salt Spring-based software company, predicts Real Times will allow magazines and newspapers to go on-line and still retain their existing format.

Jolliffe is excited about the pos-



ONLINE: Checking up on the latest technology is Anu Jolliffe, who keeps up to date online as well through his Gulf Islands Information Exchange computer bulletin board. Photo by Valerie Lennox

sibilities offered by the Real Times software. He is already using it to create hyper-linked information on his bulletin board and has created a sample on-line advertisement for a bed and breakfast operation, complete with text and photographs.

"It's the only future. Computers are going to be the backbone of everything."

"It's a lot easier than a web page to set up," Jolliffe said.

Those offering bed and breakfast accommodation and operating retail businesses can set up on-line "pages" or catalogues. Jolliffe said he can create and maintain such pages for \$20 a year.

Although he is not linked to the Internet, electronic browsers can reach his bulletin board system by calling 537-5204. Jolliffe said his bulletin board is listed in a number of computer magazines.

Local callers can either access

his bulletin board using a command-line interface, which offers text only, or by obtaining a program directly from the board which gives them an easy-to-use interface of small pictures. These can be "clicked" on, with a mouse or trackball, to access different forums on the board.

Many of the services on the board are open only to registered users, Jolliffe said, but other callers are welcome to browse.

When not working on his bulletin board system, Jolliffe sells and services computer hardware.

Now 24, he says he has been interested in computing for 14 years, "basically since the PC revolution."

He hopes to build his own business in the field, using the skills which he has taught himself. "It's the only future," he said, explaining that he researched various career options while in high school.

"Computers are going to be the backbone of everything."



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• Harmony is the name of a new mobile business on Salt Spring: clients need only a comfy couch and the desire to be pampered.

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From hoggies to hair wraps

Young entrepreneurs find outlet in the Ganges Saturday market

By VALORIE LENNOX
Driftwood Staff

Entrepreneurs start young on Salt Spring.

On any Saturday morning from April to October, 10 to 15 school-age young people join the adults in setting up booths for the Market in the Park. On their tables are a range of crafts, including hand-strung beads or other forms of jewellery, hand-sewing, paintings, hats, origami or whatever their nimble fingers can produce.

"They're a great bunch of kids," says market coordinator Nori Outerbridge. "They're an important part of the market. It just gives more of a family feeling, more of a sense of community."

Some come as often as the adult vendors. Oscar Venter, Ora Cogan, Laurel and Jessica Temmel, Gisele Contant, Mallika Hutchings, Asia Robb, Neacol Booth, Emily Delahaye and Mark Sloan are among the regular young vendors identified by Outerbridge.

Some are second-generation market vendors. Nine-year-old Jani Janzen sells candles, dream catchers, angels and earrings made from crystals, beads and craft clay.

She has also sold lettuce and garlic and done face-painting. Sometimes she has her own table and sometimes she puts her creations among the herbal bath salts, lotions and teas on mother Jane

Janzen's table.

"I'm trying to save up money for when I get older. It's fun too, making stuff," she says.

Eight-year-old Asia Robb sometimes sews appliquéd T-shirts and sells those in the market, echoing the clothing created by her mother, Donna Johnstone.

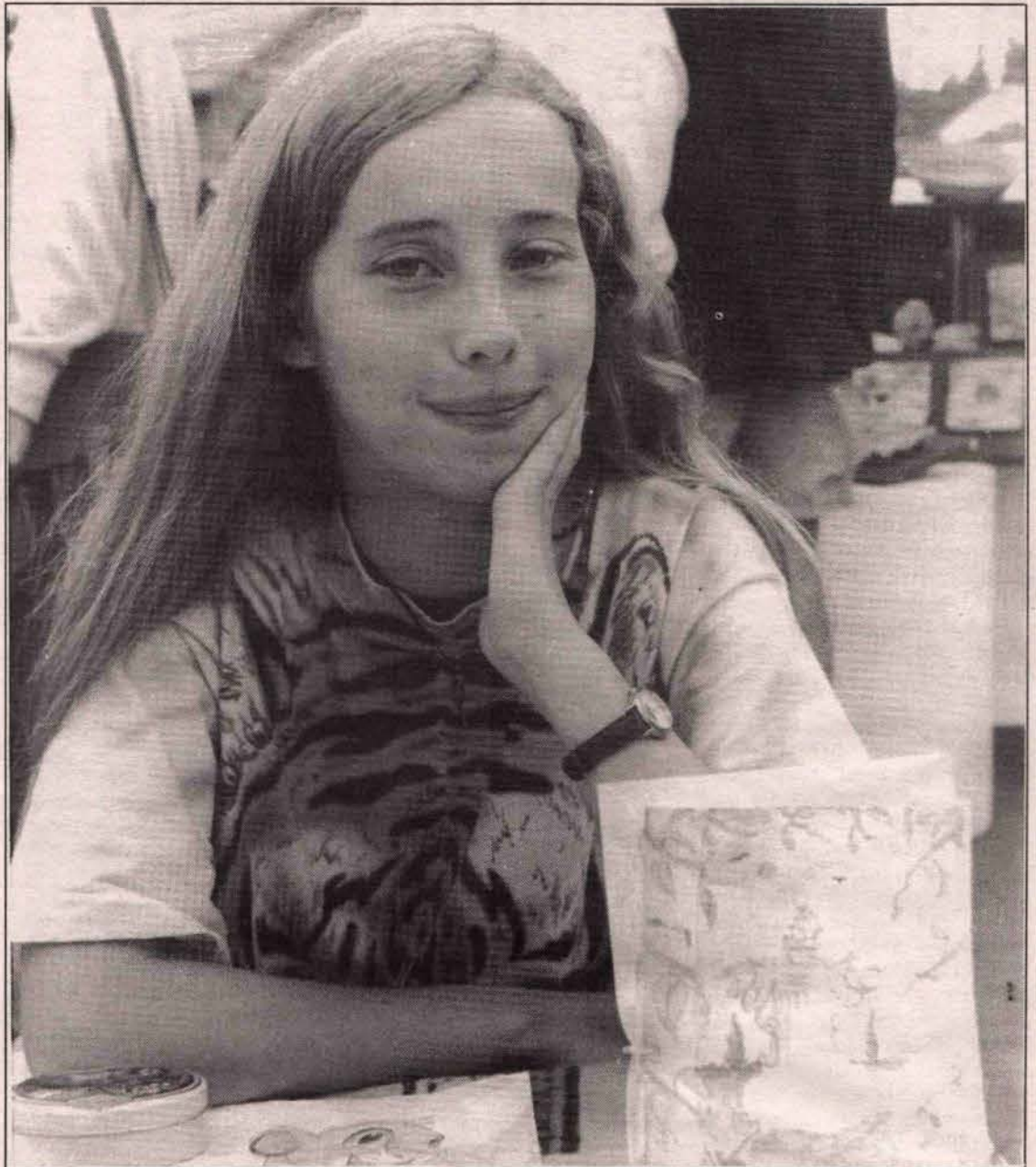
Oscar Venter's parents sell pottery in the market while their 14-year-old son has a booming business selling trick sticks and juggling balls. Venter's assistant, 14-year-old Mandu Goebel, can catch a ride to the market with his mother Tangachee, who has her own table selling preserves and cards.

Outerbridge suspects many of the other youngsters selling in the market come from art or crafts-oriented homes, even if their parents do not sell at the market.

An example is one of the youngest vendors, eight-year-old Marieke Voorhoeve, who learned to do enamelling at Camp Narnia, which is operated by her parents. A marketing expert, she donned an eye-catching Dutch costume when she set up to sell her enamelled earrings, pendants, pins and fridge magnets earlier this season.

Venter is probably the most successful of the junior sellers. He started selling in the market last September, twirling and tossing his trick sticks, which he calls "hoggies."

He learned how to make the



WAITING FOR BUSINESS: Hand-painted cards and hand-strung beads are what 14-year-old Larissa Sayer takes to the market. She

has been selling in the Saturday Market for two years.

Photo by Valorie Lennox

sticks by accident: his sister broke a friend's stick and when Venter fixed it, he figured out how they were made.

Since last September, he estimates he has earned \$6,000 selling the sticks. But he points out that figure is his gross — he puts much of his money back into supplies and expanding the business. He also pays a salary to assistant Goebel.

"It's expanded now with the balls — the juggling balls," he explained, squeezing one of the soft, colourful balls.

This coming year he wants to go into some major craft fairs and further expand his business. His goal is to become self-supporting.

"Ever since Grade 5 I've had my own business doing stuff," Venter said. His previous ventures included doing yard work, house-cleaning and selling fish off the dock.

He sees more potential in his craft business. "I want to form it into something big. I don't want to make it small," he said.

"I don't want to be employed when I grow up. I want my own business — and the money's not bad either."

It's easy for young people to get into the market and try their entrepreneurial skills. Outerbridge points out that space is reserved for them in the centre aisle and they are not required to pay a fee, although they can make a donation.

Venter voluntarily pays the usual fee for his spot. Approximately half of the other young sellers make donations for their space, usually paying 50 cents to \$1.

For some, operating their craft businesses gives them insight into business as they try to balance the cost of their materials against their sales.

Marieke Voorhoeve's mother,

Carol, recalls how chagrined the little girl was when she realized a substantial portion of her earnings had to pay for craft supplies.

"If I don't sell, I lose money," says 14-year-old Larissa Sayer, whose market table displays hand-drawn and painted cards and beadwork. Beads are expensive to buy, she notes. "Some days I don't sell anything."

Her best-selling items are the watercolour cards. But she won't get rich making them. She estimates each card takes an hour to complete, costs approximately 50 cents

in materials and is sold for \$3.

She goes into the market to earn extra spending money and to keep herself busy. "I don't really get an allowance so the market is what I do instead," she explained.

For 14-year-old Meghann Hamilton of Vancouver, who is spending the summer living on Salt Spring with friends, the market is a way to make her own spending money. "I opened a bank account with what I made."

Her stock includes beaded, knotted and looped bracelets. She also creates hair wraps for 75 cents an inch.

Participating in the market, she says, is "a good way to use up your free time. I like talking with people when I do the hair wraps."

But she also finds herself measuring her earnings against the cost of materials. Last week, she spent \$18 on beads.

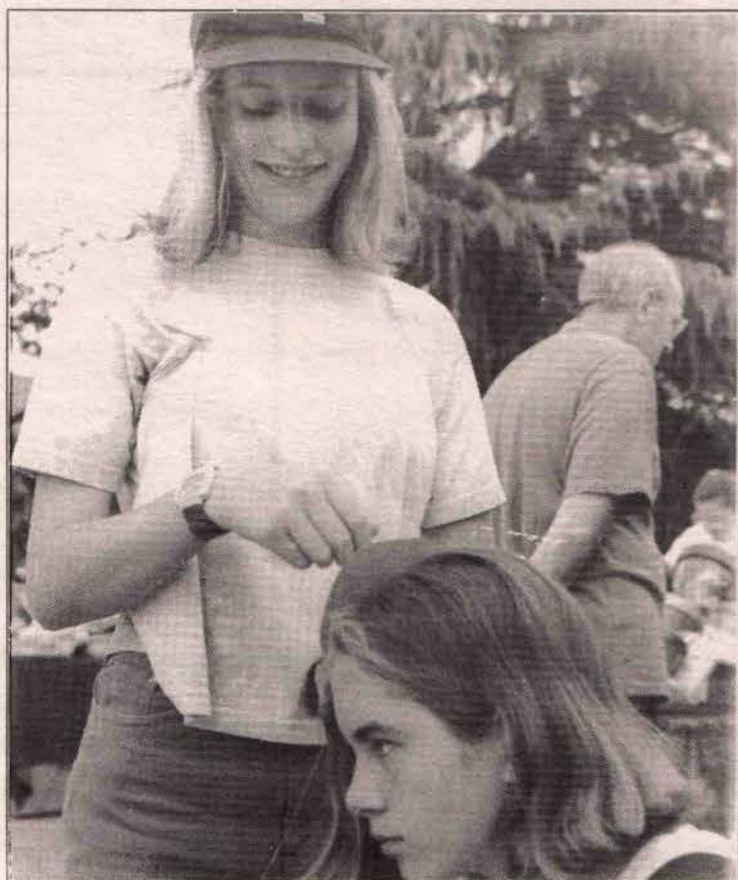
Natalie North is another young entrepreneur getting first-hand experience of the free market. "Sometimes I don't sell much at all," the 11-year-old confides. She usually goes to the market with 12-year-old friend Jessica Temmel. The girls produce beadwork, a popular craft item among young people.

Their work ranges from simple strings of beads, selling at \$3.50 to \$4, to more elaborate designs, including beaded pouches which take two to three hours to make and sell for \$15.

"That's my most expensive item," North said.

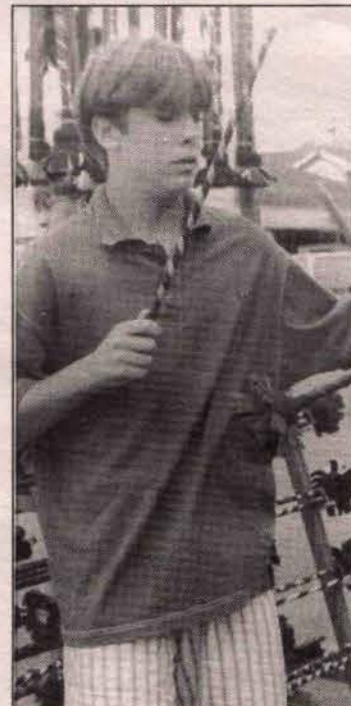
North spends many hours working on her creations. She sees her market participation as a cross between a summer job and an intriguing hobby.

"I like the idea of having my little business."



SERVICE WITH A SMILE: Meghann Hamilton, 14, creates a hair wrap for customer Nicole Adshead, 12, of Edmonton. Hamilton brings her skill at creating hair wraps and beaded bracelets to the market.

Photo by Valorie Lennox



SUCCESSFUL SALESMAN: Young businessman Oscar Venter, 14, puts in 20 hours a week creating the trick sticks he sells at the Saturday market. His own expertise with the sticks helps him sell the product. Since last September, he has grossed \$6,000.

Two Salt Spring pioneers remembered with names in Victoria brick project

Two Salt Spring pioneers are going to be commemorated in Victoria this fall by having their names set in brick along the line of the old Fort Victoria walls on Government Street.

Hannah and Howard Estes will be among the nearly 1,400 pioneers named in the brownish-red bricks lining Government Street and Bastion Square. The two islanders landed in Victoria in the late 1850s and came to Salt Spring in 1860.

The brick project started in 1985, Victoria city archivist Trevor Liveton said. Some 800 bricks were laid in the late 1980s at the entrance to Bastion Square and along Government Street. Another 600 were to be laid but had few sponsors.

Anyone who lived in Victoria or parts of the Saanich Peninsula before 1918 was allowed to have their names inscribed in the bricks. Relatives were encouraged to sponsor their forebears to the tax-deductible tune of \$50 each.

The two Salt Spring Islanders' bricks have been paid for by Peggy Walker, a Victoria resident with a keen interest in black history in British Columbia and particularly on Salt Spring Island.

"They can't just forget Salt Spring," she said of the project to recognize early B.C. pioneers,

"particularly the Estes and Stark families."

Howard and Hannah Estes and their children were born slaves in Missouri in the early part of the last century. Howard became a gold prospector in California in the gold rush of 1849 and was able to buy his family's freedom. In the late 1850s, the Estes and many other black Americans came

north to Victoria where they were welcomed by Governor James Douglas.

The Estes settled first in Saanich and then on Salt Spring

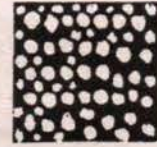
Island. Howard and Hannah's daughter Sylvia married Louis Stark, after whom Stark Road is named. Members of the Stark family have lived on the island ever since. Salt Spring's Myrtle Holloman is the last surviving granddaughter of Sylvia Stark.

Applications are still being accepted for bricks, Liveton said, though there is now only a waiting list. When the bricks are laid, in October when traffic is less busy, they will know exactly how many bricks they will need to complete the job and will take more names from their waiting list.

Victoria city archives have also sponsored historical plaques in the inner harbour, along the causeway.

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By VALORIE LENNOX
Driftwood Staff

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Scattered throughout the day will be activities for children and teens as well as bingo games and a refreshment garden. If you secretly think island politicians — and a few other island notables — are all wet, you'll be able to prove it with a well-thrown ball at the dunk tank.

Around noon, the food will be ready. Diners will have a choice of salmon, roast beef or a Salt Spring lamb barbecue. There will also be

corn on the cob, vegetarian chili, hot dogs, hamburgers and, Desipio says, "our famous Salt Spring homemade pies."

A giant raffle will feature a long list of prizes, 18 in all, from local artists, artisans, farms and businesses. Tickets are \$2 each or three for \$5.

Also on sale will be Fulford Day T-shirts, featuring a design by 13-year-old Fulford Elementary student Emily Roop.

More than 50 volunteers will keep things running smoothly through the day, Desipio said. Money raised by the event is donated to community groups.

But Desipio said the main goal is to have a great time. "The whole idea of Fulford Day is that it caters to the whole family."

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- Fulford OAP #160, bingo 2:00pm.

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- Slidetalk show, "Salt Spring Island: Past & Present", United Church, 2pm.

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- Free blood pressure clinic, Seniors for Seniors 10-12noon (last Mon. ea. mo.)
- Adult 22 rifle shooting, SSI Rod & Gun Club, 7-9pm.
- Taoist Tai Chi, for Seniors, Lower Central Hall, 10am.
- OAPO #32 carpet bowling, Lower Central Hall, 1:30pm.
- Reader's Theatre, Croftonbrook Hall, 10am
- Teen Sewing Club, textiles lab, Middle School 4pm-6pm.

EVERY TUESDAY
- Duplicate Bridge, Meaden Hall at the Legion, 7pm.
- Seniors choir practices, Seniors for Seniors, 10:30am.
- Recreation and target archery, Fulford Hall, 4-6pm.

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- Stamp Collectors all ages, Seniors For Seniors, 10am.
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- GISS Parents Group, School Library, 7:30pm (2nd Wed. of the mo.)
- Narcotics Anonymous, Alano Club, Rainbow Rd. 7-8pm.
- Core-Inn Committee Meetings, Core-Inn on McPhillips, 4:30-6pm.
- Special Olympics Bowling, Bowling Alley, 10am-11am.
- Macintosh User Group Meeting, Driftwood office, 7:30pm (1st Wed. each month)
- O.A.P.O. Loonie tea & video, Lower Central Hall, 1:30 (except 2nd Wed.)
- Slidetalk show, "Salt Spring Island: Past & Present", United Church, 2pm.

EVERY THURSDAY
- Salt Spring Weavers & Spinners Guild, 10:30-2pm.
- Gut Support Gr., rm S208, High School, 7pm. (every last Thurs.)
- Parkinsons Support Gr., Croftonbrook, 2pm (second Thurs. of the mo.)
- SS Weavers & Spinners meetings, members homes, 10:30-1pm.
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Jaimie Doucette, left, and friend Laurel Collins find plenty of shelter from pouring

rain Sunday under an umbrella big enough for two. They were waiting for the judging

to begin at a Salt Spring 4-H club show.

Photo by Tony Richards

Simple, easy method for fruit leather

By **TERRA TEPPER**
Driftwood Contributor

It may seem a little early to be talking about fruit leather, but friends' plum trees are already overripe. For those of you who either don't have a food dryer or who don't want to fool with all those little trays, my method of making fruit leather should prove simple and easy.

I've only made apple and plum leather, but I expect the principles should hold true for peaches, apricots, berries, etc.

To begin with, fill a big stockpot full of whole, unpeeled fruit. Add just enough water to keep the bottom from burning - too much water will make the pulp runny and extend the drying time considerably. Bring to a boil and cook just until soft. Cool, and process the softened fruit through

WHAT'S COOKING

a Foley food mill, a sieve, or whatever you have that will separate the seeds, and peel from the pulp.

Add honey to the pulp to taste. The pulp should still be warm enough to melt the honey. Line cookie sheets, the kind with low sides, with plastic wrap, not waxed paper. Spoon out enough pulp onto the cookie sheets so that a thin but even layer is formed, with no holes and no high spots.

Turn the oven on to the lowest setting you have, probably between 125° and 150°. Place no more than two cookie sheets of pulp in the oven, each on differ-

ent racks, and prop the door open with an oven mitt or something to keep the oven door from closing tightly.

Leave in the oven about 12 hours - overnight is a good time to do this. If the leather is just barely sticky to the touch, it is ready to take out; if not, leave it for another few hours. When it feels the right consistency, take the cookie sheets out and cool a few minutes.

Using the plastic wrap, lift out the leather and start rolling each sheet into a fairly tight roll. Use the plastic wrap to cover the rolls. I've had the best long-term success in then freezing the rolls. They defrost quickly and can be cut into pieces.

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David Friedman visually represents the mysticism of Kabbala and the ancient teachings of the Torah and other Hebrew texts in his art, a press release said. His work is colour-

Artist's work explores Kabbala

ful and vivid and makes use of the powerful forms of Hebrew letters and Hebrew symbols. He works mainly in watercolour, tempera, and pen and ink but has also worked in glazed tile and silkscreen. His pieces have appeared in galleries across North America and Europe.

The power of basic shapes — squares, rectangles, circles — and colours like red and blue and yellow are expounded in Friedman's work, and he has lectured on them, recently in a series called The Power of One.

Shin, Mem and Aleph are three Hebrew letters of which

certain mystical qualities are expounded in the Sefer Yetzirah, or Book of Creation. Shin, the s-sound, represents fire and the colour red and left-brain consciousness or understanding. Mem, the m-sound, represents water and the colour blue and right-brain conscious-

ness or wisdom. Aleph is the silence in between the two sounds, the colour yellow and the integration of left and right, or knowledge.

These are some of the ideas Friedman explores in his art and these visual interpretations of the kabbalistic tradition are part of what islanders may explore in the retreat scheduled for August 16-20.



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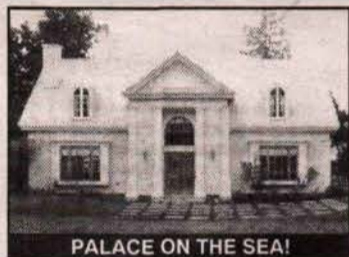


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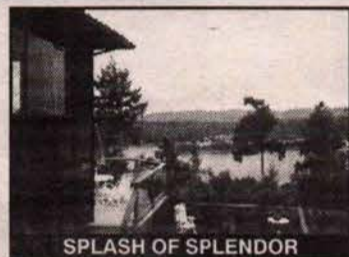
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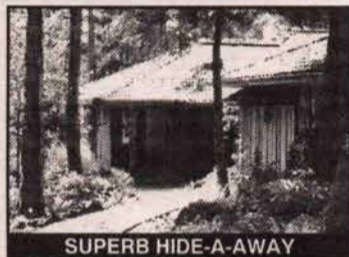
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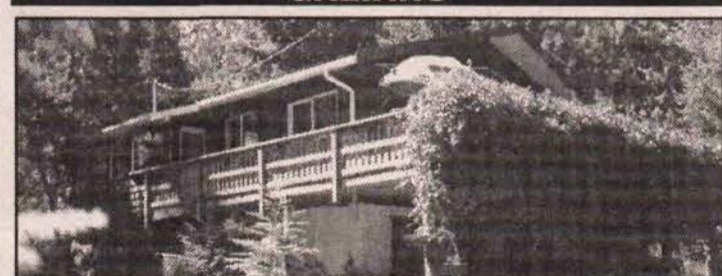
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Aaron Marcano are two of the players who will help new or experienced younger players improve their skills.

Photo by Graeme Thompson

An interest in medieval arts, computers led to \$21,000 win

By **GRAEME THOMPSON**
Driftwood Staff

Driftwood reporter Valorie Lennox is in Ottawa this week, taking a bow and \$21,000 worth of computer prizes for a computer animation she entered in a world-wide contest earlier this year.

The two-minute-long animation is one verse of five from a mock-epic poem of her own creation called Dragon Lord. She had written the poem at a medievalist competition 10 years ago, where it hadn't even placed, she was quick to point out.

Late last year, she was visited by the computer Muse, who must have joined her nine less technological sisters sometime in the last two decades.

"I was trying to fall asleep one night, looking up at the stars through my skylight, when I suddenly had the idea of animating Dragon Lord.

"I thought it would be really neat... dragons flying around... flames..."

Many years of hard work and study lay behind that whimsical notion. For years, she has been an incurable medievalist. As a member of the Society of Creative Anachronism she attended dozens of medieval events and organized many herself, from banquets to day-long festivals and displays which tens of thousands saw.

At most of these functions, there would be workshops on medieval skills. As a writer, Lennox was drawn to, among others, calligraphy and illumination.

She modestly calls illumination the "pretty stuff around the edges" of medieval books but her eyes light up when she sifts through a beautifully bound edition of the famous Duc de Berry Book of Hours. Rich reds, blues, greens are interlaid with gold leaf; initial letters grow whole forests of curlicues and florid swirls; small panels, called miniatures, display scenes that go with the Latin text. Even the wealthy commissioners of such books might not all have been able to read, Lennox explained.

Paradoxically, at the same time as Lennox was exploring the medieval arts, she was also exploring the computer sciences. She insists she can't draw, so when computers became powerful enough for graph-

ics programs and cheap enough for the mass consumer a few years ago, she discovered her two interests were converging, information superhighway-like.

She bought her first computer in 1983, but it was not until she bought CorelDraw's version 3 in 1992 that she was really hooked on the graphic capabilities. Computers weren't just a toy, though they were that too. She made the computer and graphics programs pay their upgrade-keep: designing Christmas cards and wrapping paper, labels for jams and jellies, posters, brochures for events — "all kinds of stuff." She has even used the program to help produce cartoons for the Driftwood.

But there were still features her medievalist heart craved, like black letter script, which were not yet available for small computer applications like hers.

CorelDraw version 5, released late last year, offered features that would come in handy for Dragon Lord, like morphing. From the Greek word for change, morphing allows a picture to change gradually from one thing to another: letters could fade in and out; dragon smoke could turn into letters and vice versa.

Technology could not, however, hand her computer animation on a platter. She had to work very hard for her two-minute contest-winning entry.

For starters, she needed a model for the dragon.

She found a child's model pterodactyl and used modelling clay to turn it into a dragon. She photographed the model in different positions — held in the air on a transparent glass Mason jar — and traced these images on paper, which were then scanned into the computer. That gave her something which she could manipulate pixel by pixel on the screen.

"It really was a lot of work," she said. "but I fell in love with the idea."

She began at the beginning and she clipped, manipulated and painstakingly altered each of 461

screens which, when shown in the right sequence, made up the animation. She discovered there are "props" and "actors" in animation. Actors can interact. Props can't. In one scene, she wanted her dragon to move into a miniature depicting a peaceful valley and fly behind a mountain. But the dragon is an actor and the scene is a prop. Can't do it.

But wait, she thought. If I make the mountain in the scene an actor instead of a prop, the dragon can fly behind it.

These tricks of design are invisible to the naked eye in the execution, naturally. And after 100 hours of such problem-solving, Lennox had the first verse complete — just in time to send away to Corel's world-wide competition.

No one was more surprised than Lennox herself when she discovered her entry had won one of the grand prizes in the contest and that Corel was flying her to Ottawa for an awards night.

Lennox returns to Salt Spring, and cloud one, on Monday.



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Four Stingrays club members will go to B.C. championships

There was a sea of red at the Vancouver Island regional swim meet in Victoria on the weekend. Red is the colour of the Salt Spring Stingrays and 20 young club members plus two coaches competed in events at the Commonwealth Pool in Saanich.

Four team members won berths at the provincial championships later this month: 20-year-old David Marshall won a bronze medal in the 100m breast stroke, 17-year-old Mike Campsall won bronze in the 100m back stroke, 10-year-old Christina Penhale won bronze in the 50m back stroke and eight-year-old Nicola Temmel won silver in the 50m back stroke. All the team members achieved at least one personal best during the weekend, parents Chris Smart and Debby Toole reported.

The club's coaches are Marshall, Campsall and Dave Greig.

As well as the single competitions, there were also team relay races. Salt Spring's division one team placed third, the division two team, nicknamed the Soul Sisters, came fifth and the division five team

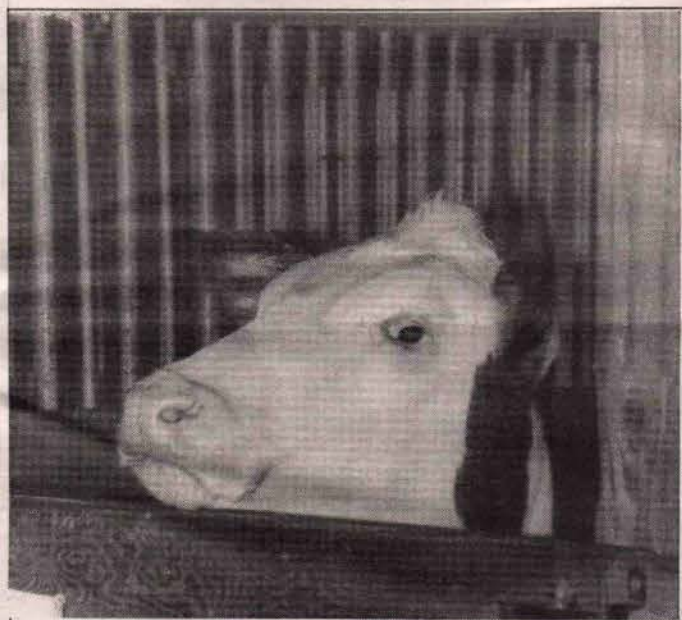
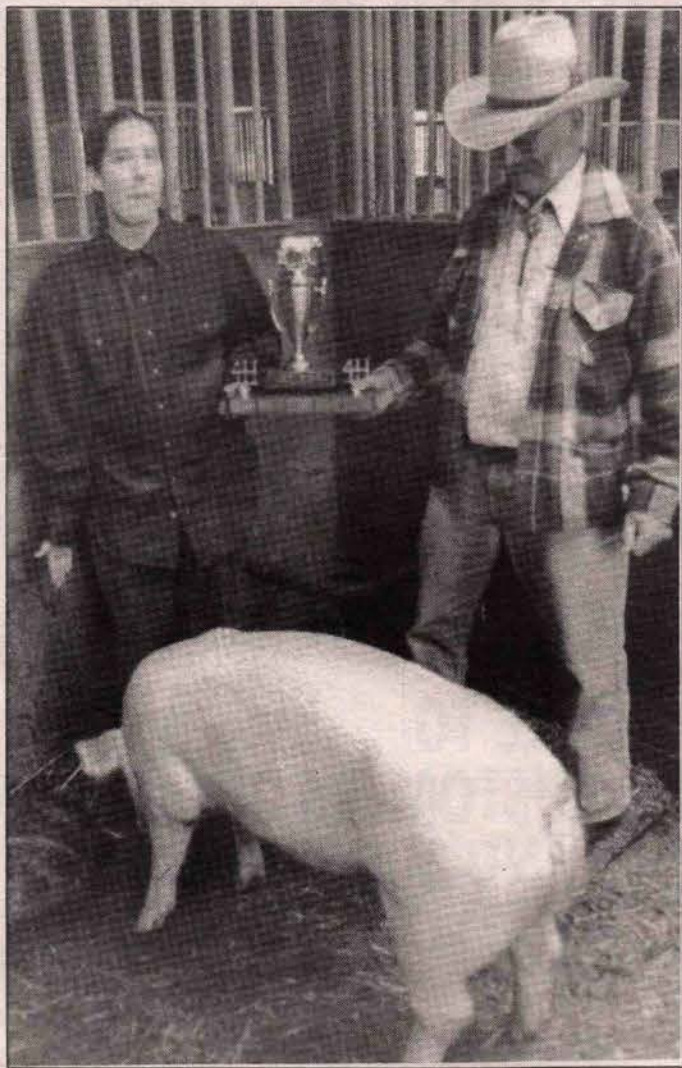
placed seventh. A relay team composed of Salt Spring parents, called the Salt Spring Sea Slugs, finished last in the race, in which they had to change in and out of a "slinky peach negligee."

"At least we finished," Toole said.

The four team members who won medals will go to the provincial championships at the Commonwealth Pool August 15 to 20. Other team members will compete this weekend at the B and C Championships in Nanaimo.

The Stingrays who went to the regional meet were:

Division 1: Leah Larson, Nicola Temmel, Meaghen Toole, Sara Mackay, Hali Larsen, Miranda Logan-Webb. Division 2: Laurel Temmel, Christina Penhale, Melanie Moore, Jocelyn Langdon, Kip Squier, Evan Hardy. Division 3: Julia Squier, Dylan Logan-Webb, Luke Bradley-Richmond. Division 4: Carmin Osborne, Andrea Brown, Jessica Temmel, Scott Larson. Division 5: Lara Brown. Division 7: Mike Campsall. Division 8: David Marshall.



Super member

Mary Jane refuses to pose, top, with Salt Spring 4-H member Sarah Doucette and Terry Byron, who sponsored a new trophy for the club this year. Sarah won the trophy for qualities that the club's Susan Cunningham said made her "a super 4-H member." Presentation was made following judging of beef and swine. Above, Wilma keeps a watchful eye on proceedings in the barn at Church Hill Farm.

Photos by Tony Richards

GOLF TEES

• Three players in the ladies' 18-hole division of the Salt Spring Golf Club came in with what was described as "a blistering" net 66 at a game of irons only last Tuesday. Ruby Webster, Becky Armstrong and Mary Campbell shared the honour.

Jenny MacDonnell had an 87 for the low gross score; Jean Cunningham won the putt pot with 25 putts.

• Last Wednesday, Mary Hogg won low gross and Pat Addison low net in the nine-hole division. Babs Ross was low net runner-up. The putt pot was shared by Elizabeth Kerwin and Mary Carlson.

• Salt Spring Seniors for Seniors will benefit from two events Saturday and Sunday at Blackburn Meadows Golf Course.

A walk-about fundraiser from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. both days will be geared to nature lovers and bird-watchers, who will walk the Blackburn Road course. Donations of a minimum of \$10 will be presented to Seniors for Seniors.

Also on Saturday and Sunday, a drop-in golf fundraiser will see half the \$10 greens fee go to Seniors for Seniors. Golfers aged six years and over are welcome.

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Knoblauch wins archery trophy

Salt Spring archer Greg Knoblauch has added another trophy to his collection after winning high score overall at a recent 3-D boar shoot in Sooke.

Fellow archer Jay Bourdin reports that Knoblauch overcame "target panic," which he described as a well-known nemesis to archers, to record the win.

Pat Byron placed second in his class after son Seth beat his father in a shoot-out for first place in the freestyle class. Pat Byron performed animal calls for spectators after the event, Bourdin reported.

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Welbury Bay shale plant went bankrupt in 1960

Thirty-five years ago

August 4, 1960

• It was reported that a petition for bankruptcy by the Alsam Manufacturing Company Ltd. had been granted. The Alsam Company was the owner and operator of the lightweight aggregate (shale) plant on Salt Spring Island. A trustee in Vancouver was appointed and it was understood that the business would be sold by tenders. The shale plant, located on Welbury Bay, had been out of production for months.

• Sixteen year-old Martha Summers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L.R. Summers, successfully swam across St. Mary Lake. Accompanied by two boats, she swam across and back in one hour and nine minutes. The distance covered was approximately one and a half miles. Summers, a student at Kitsilano High School in Vancouver, was seriously considering a career in long-distance swimming.

Thirty years ago

August 5, 1965

• Gulf Islands Forest Service took quick action when the record heat wave caused fire hazards to reach the extreme danger point. All camping areas were immediately closed other than Montague Park, which was a supervised area. All commercial campsites were working under permit. Boaters were prohibited from landing anywhere along the shoreline. Forest Ranger G. Bertram said all types of burning permits were cancelled.

• Several islanders ended up in the local police report, mainly for traffic offences. They were fined: \$15 for crossing the double yellow line; \$35 for driving without due care and attention resulting in an accident; \$5 for parking contrary to signs at Lady Minto Hospital; \$15 for driving without a chauffeur's licence; \$25 for failing to file a 1963 tax return; and 30 days in prison for causing a disturbance at Montague Park.

• Frank Stevens, a 37-year employee of Mouat Bros., retired. Mr. and Mrs. Stevens had been living on the island since 1927, when Frank Stevens came here from Darlington in northern England. He recalled being amazed upon his arrival to find his neighbour had filled his woodbox for the winter and provided numerous goodies for his family.

Twenty-five years ago

August 6, 1970

• The first fatal accident in the 10-year-history of B.C. Ferries took the lives of three passengers when the Queen of Victoria was cut almost through by a Russian freighter, the Sergey Yesenin, in the southern entrance to Active Pass. The ferry was coming out of the pass as the freighter was entering. The two vessels encountered each other without radio warning and exchanged signals. Islanders ashore and on the water reported that the ferry pulled in towards the Galiano shore as she slowed her engines while the freighter approached the pass. The last serious accident to a ferry vessel causing loss of life was in 1911 when the Iroquois went down after capsizing en route from Sidney.

• Mrs. V.C. Best was awarded an illuminated address of appreciation from Right Rev. Dr. Roy Gartrell, Anglican Bishop of British Columbia, at a special

DOWN THE YEARS

ceremony. The presentation was to mark Best's retirement as organist, which position she had held for 50 years. Best was organist for five years at the school church services on Galiano when her family arrived there in 1914. In 1920, when they moved to Salt Spring, she succeeded Mrs. Edward Walter as organist and played at each of the island's Anglican churches.

Twenty years ago

August 6, 1975

• New undersea cables were to be laid across the Strait of Georgia. The new system would enter the waters near Robert's Bank and cross Galiano and Salt Spring, before landing on Vancouver Island near Duncan. About 40 miles of cable was due to be laid, with a combined capacity of 475,000 kilowatts.

• Salt Spring firefighters spent four days fighting a brush fire in Ruckle Park. All available volunteers in the local service went to the site and were augmented by members of the forestry suppression team from Vancouver Island. Campers were suspected to have started the blaze.

Fifteen years ago

August 6, 1980

• A liquor distribution branch

spokesman said he had no idea islanders were so attached to their beer. Island establishments were ringing suppliers' phones off their hooks trying to get beer in while a strike was on.

Ten years ago

August 7, 1985

• Hot dogs fit for a queen were served at the Galiano Fiesta when Queen Elizabeth-look-alike Carolyn Sadowska stopped by to tuck in while greeting her

subjects. Her Majesty downed some dogs and then soaked up some suds to go with them while mingling with the commoners.

Five years ago

August 8, 1990

• A bulldozer sitting on the beach near other logging equipment suffered a fate similar to 13 other pieces of machinery on Salt Spring. Sand was poured in the oil case in a manner similar to that used to sabotage logging

machines on Mount Bruce. Damage was estimated at about \$16,000. The machines sabotaged earlier were contracted to Weldwood Canada Ltd. to log the Mount Bruce site.

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Crushing rock

A student from Mount Madonna school in California prepares to use a sledge hammer to shatter a large rock lying on the chest of a fellow student. This and other displays of Pranayama Yoga took place at the Salt Spring Centre on Sunday.

Photo by Tony Richards

Fallen lines start fire

By GAIL TRAFFORD
Driftwood Correspondent

The Saturna Fire Department responded to a bush fire on Bonny Bank Road Sunday evening. Hydro lines brought down by heavy rains and wind started the blaze.

The volunteers quickly brought the fire under control and stayed on the scene until Hydro crews arrived on the island to repair the lines. In spite of the heavy rain which fell all day the island is still dangerously dry and fire continues to be a hazard.

The Saturna summer recreation program came to a close Thursday after a successful first season. Kelly Stonehouse, Jill Anderson and Kalai Hollings led youngsters aged five to 10 in games, fun and creative activities at Winter Cove Park. The program lasted eight weeks with two sessions each week.

Enrolment began with 13 children but numbers grew as the program carried on until it reached 23 on the last day. Linda Close, the parent liaison, reported many positive phone calls from parents praising the program and even asking for an extension. By all accounts the youngsters had a great time and they're hoping for a repeat next year.

Saturna was an art lover's mecca Saturday. Artists and crafters had three venues to display their work this weekend. The newest, the Gallery Rosa, owned and operated by Karen Muntean,

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had its grand opening.

Saturna's newest gallery is bright and pristine. It promises to be a showplace for many local works of art. Karen will display her own artwork as well as offerings from various other local artists. The gallery is located at 111 East Point Road, close to the ferry terminal and the Community Hall. It will be open weekends from 12 to 4 p.m. or by appointment.

Flo House was the Artist on Deck at the Shades of Saturna art gallery this weekend. Flo, who has carved since she took a course in grade 6, sat and chatted with guests while she worked on her latest creation, a pair of killer whales. Flo's carvings may be familiar to anyone who regularly picks up mail in person at the Saturna Post Office. Flo is the postmistress and she may often be seen carving between serving customers.

Sandy Knight, the proprietor, provided coffee and scones with Susanne Middleditch's famous jams. A steady stream of guests mingled and browsed throughout the day.

The Saturna Saturday market had a good turnout this weekend. Vendors brought goods for a flea market as well as arts and crafts.

Ex-islander dies of ALS

A former islander who fought Lou Gehrig's Disease (ALS) for 10 years died on Quadra Island July 28.

Dennis Franklin Kaye, the son of Earl Kaye and Betty Weibe, and grandson of Juanita Kaye of Salt Spring, died at the age of 40.

Kaye became well known to listeners of CBC Radio's Morningside, where he was known as The Incredible Shrinking Man. He made it a mission to make ALS a household name and wrote a book, Laugh, I'd Thought I'd Die,

about his life with the disease.

Kaye and his wife Ruth also launched the ALS Awareness Foundation.

Kaye was born on Salt Spring and lived here for about nine years. He is survived by his wife and two children.

A memorial will be held from 2-5 p.m. Saturday at the community hall on Quadra Island. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the ALS Awareness Foundation, Box 502, Quathiasi Cove, B.C. V0P 1N0.

Islander first at golf tournament

A Salt Spring junior golfer took first place at a Victoria tournament on the weekend.

Richard Ingle, 17, shot 72-68 at the Lyle Crawford Junior Tournament at Cedar Hill Golf Club last Wednesday and Thursday, Salt Spring Island Golf Club pro Gordon Fergusson said. Ingle placed first in the meet and took first place gross in the juniors.

Fellow club member Cam Fergusson, 13, shot 73-72 and got first net in the divot division while Chris Collette, 17, shot 78-84 and got third net.

Recent winners at Gulf Islands Duplicate Bridge Club have been:

On July 18: Gordon Hutton and Irene Hawksworth, Helen Shandro and Isabelle Richardson, Anne and Norm McConnell.

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Cancer claims Galiano's George Griffith

By ALISTAIR ROSS
Driftwood Correspondent

George Griffith, a respected member of the Galiano community, passed away in hospital last Tuesday evening. His death ended a long fight with cancer, a fight he met with courage and fortitude.

Griffith, a lover of the sea, lived his last years in the house he built for his wife Margaret's retirement, overlooking Georgeson Bay and Active Pass. There by a little creek the two established their garden of old roses, rock walls to hold the soil in terraces, a seeping water system to encourage the shrubs' growth.

Griffith attended naval college as a youth and later had a distinguished career on the sea. In naval intelligence during the 1939-45 war, danger and daring were a way of life for him and his fellows. After a second career (with B.C. Hydro), he came to Galiano to his new home, his wife Margaret still on the job, joining him on weekends.

At 68 George left Galiano for the U.K. There he oversaw the refitting of a small boat, the vessel in which he hoped to cross the Atlantic, travel through the Panama Canal and thence up the Pacific coast and home. One of his two sons joined him for the Pacific portion of the voyage, the rest he did alone. The taped diary he sent Margaret whenever he was in port and able to do so during his long journey, document a trip filled at times with angry seas, fierce storms, gale-force winds and massive waves which almost swamped his craft. "I wanted to prove something to myself," he declared when asked the reason for his daring enterprise.

In 1972 George was one of the Islanders who produced Galiano's first community plan. He and his wife (she was later to become one of Galiano's Islands Trust representatives) always held dear to their hearts the future of Galiano, with positive ideas for its development.

George was, for several years, treasurer of the Galiano Garden Club, the club's lack of funds at the time always providing George for an excuse for levity in his financial reports. His self-effacing sense of humour was always in evidence.

A talented bridge player, in later years he met weekly with his fellow players. His place will be filled by others, but the foursome will never be quite the same without him.

George's last contribution to Galiano life was as an instructor

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to the Power Squadron. Who better to instruct than a fellow with George's knowledge of the sea and experience as a navigator. He will long be remembered here for his many contributions to island life.

New family at light station

A day or so before Federal Fisheries and Oceans Minister Brian Tobin made his announcement about lighthouse closures, this correspondent visited Porlier Pass Station in order to meet the new keeper and his family. The Nicholsons, Richard and Carole, arrived on Galiano on June 15, Richard and daughter Carlin by helicopter, the other children, Ryland and Isaac, by car with their mother.

The family are delighted with their new home, and with the possibility of auto travel away from the station - they've never had a car before.

Hailing from Ontario, Nicholson has been with the lighthouse service on the coast for six years, first at Addenbroke, then Cape Scott, then Pine Island and just previous to coming here, at Quatsino for two years. The children have received home schooling, Carole Nicholson doubling as mother and teacher.

Richard is an imaginative craftsman. Since his arrival here he has completed several fantastic and very attractive "townhouses" using found bits of driftwood. Painted windows attached to the face of the houses give life and interest to the whole. Carlin, inspired by her father's success, has completed two houses as

well. As to the family's future in the lighthouse service, Nicholson says he is in charge until Porlier Pass's two lights are automated. In the event that the station was to be kept open he intended to apply as permanent keeper, although he readily admits there are many in the service with more seniority than he.

Recycling

Recycling is now being carried on at a new site, the Galiano Freight Services yard near Sturdies Bay. For the convenience of commercial users and housekeepers alike recycling days have been increased from one a month to four. The first and third Fridays of every month (9 a.m. to 2 p.m.) are set aside for householders, the second and fourth Wednesdays (9 a.m. to noon) for commercial users.

The new site makes possible the use of the groups' recycling baler and glass crusher once again. Users are asked to sort their material before taking it to the site, keeping newspapers and mixed paper in separate containers. Take the tops off the bottles - both plastic and glass - and bring in cans, clean but uncrushed - the crusher will do that for you.

Memberships in the recycling society are needed (\$10) and donations welcome. Send both to GIRR at Site 44, Comp. 15, Galiano, V0N 1P0.

Photographers' perspectives

On August 12 and 13 at the South Galiano Community Hall there is to be a photo show featuring Galiano photographers from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday. Photographers have

been asked to display their best, and an eclectic presentation is expected.

A story of the photographer's life and perspectives will accompany their visual presentations. The goals of the show are to represent the range of styles possible in one medium and to celebrate photography in its diversity as an art form.

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Survey shows education drive successful—SWOVA

By VALORIE LENNOX
Driftwood Staff

Series of public events brought issue of violence to the fore

SWOVA spoke and islanders listened.

That's the conclusion members of Salt Spring Women Opposed to Violence and Abuse (SWOVA) have drawn from surveys which identified community attitudes about violence before and after an 18-month educational program by the group.

The first survey was done in the fall of 1993 and identified some residents' attitudes towards domestic violence.

The second survey, which echoed many of the questions in the initial one, was done in late spring of this year.

During the interval between the two surveys, SWOVA had sponsored a variety of events to publicize the issue of violence. These included a community forum on violence, a men's forum on violence, two surveys of high school students and a violence workshop at the high school.

The group also established a crisis line and a transition house on the island.

Researcher Judith Boel was encouraged by the results of the second survey. "The success of the community education campaign ... is evident, not only in the

increased positive and knowledgeable responses to the last survey, but in the increased dialogue and communication which ensued," she observed.

More people replied to the second survey than to the first. Just over three per cent of the adult population on Salt Spring responded to the first one. In the spring, when 4,000 surveys were mailed to Salt Spring addresses, nine per cent of the adult population, or 600 people, responded.

More people are now willing to call police if they know a woman is being hurt by her partner.

Boel reported several changes in responses between the two surveys:

- More men responded to the second survey, although the majority of those responding to both surveys were women. In the 1993 survey, 1.2 per cent of the island's men responded; in 1995, three per cent.

- In 1993, 66 per cent of the men and 59 per cent of women said they would call for help if they were in an unsafe situation at home. By the spring of 1995, 86 per cent of women and 67 per cent of men would seek help.

- More people are now willing to call police if they know a woman is being hurt by her partner. According to this spring's survey, 86 per cent of women and 89 per cent of men were willing to call police, compared to seven per cent of women and no men in the fall of 1993.

Many responding to the survey wanted more education to improve parenting and relationship skills. A number were also aware of local services to help victims of abuse, including the crisis line.

More men (61 per cent) than women (47 per cent) knew that police lay charges in cases of wife assault. Sexual assault during dating was identified as a serious problem for Salt Spring teens by 69 per cent of those surveyed.

Some respondents jotted down their personal experiences, adding voices to the statistics.

On date rape: "I don't think most islanders realize how many 'date' rapes occur, probably

because so few are reported. It's a small island and if a girl were to charge a guy here she would automatically have many enemies."

From a 17-year-old who was date-raped two years earlier: "When I had been raped on a date I didn't even know I had been until someone pointed it out to me. I never said no because if I did I thought he would hurt me and really force me ... I'm now beginning to heal (finally)."

On attitudes: "As an average male (age 24), I can assure you that this is not a topic that ever comes up in conversation. But of course, it should. If men need something to feel superior about, maybe they

could wallow in the fact that they don't exhibit violent tendencies towards the women in their lives."

From a woman in her 50s: "I was physically abused approximately eight times in a seven-year relationship. Not beaten, 'just' a punch or a slap. My biggest surprise is that good friends of the man overlook it, even if it happens in front of them ... Amazing."

On spousal assault: "I was hospitalized after being strangled by a husband after years of other abuses ... five years of counselling gave me the strength to say 'no' to abuse of any kind."

From an 87-year-old woman: "I am glad there is SWOVA now. My father, an alcoholic, was abusive to my mother and us children. There was little help then."

Region supports Galiano pilot project

Introduction of a modified building permit pilot project on Galiano Island was supported by the Capital Regional District (CRD) at its July meeting.

The proposal is now before the Building Standards Branch of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs, which must change provincial regulations to allow the pilot project.

Under the project, owner-builders will be permitted

to build structures which do not meet the standard building code requirements. Yoon Chee of the CRD building inspection office said the regional district worked with Galiano residents to develop the alternative regulations.

Salt Spring building inspector Dick Stubbs also worked on the project, Chee added.

Information on the project is being sent to the Islands Trust.

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