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## Hunger striker protests air quality at high school

By SUSAN LUNDY  
Driftwood Staff

A Salt Spring man who describes the new high school as a "chemical soup" says he will not eat until air quality at Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) is tested.

Chester Ludlow, who initiated his hunger strike last Wednesday, said the school district and building inspection office are in a "state of criminal negligence on behalf of our children," subjecting them to carcinogenic toxins emitted by building materials and sealed within the school.

Gulf Islands School District, however, claims that GISS's ventilation system is state-of-the-art, and says it has received no complaints of ailments due to the school's environmental condition.

Ludlow said the National Building Code enforces use of toxic materials in construction which are then held within buildings by vapour barrier.

"By forcing us to live in plastic bags they are killing us. And in children, their immune systems

are not fully developed."

He charges that GISS does not process more than one complete air change per hour and that for health and safety reasons it should be changed three times per hour. He has also expressed concern over carbon dioxide levels, the mixing of gases produced by formaldehyde in the carpets and phenols contained in the carpet glue, and says a corrosive material in the cooling system is leaking into the school.

Ludlow further claims that GISS teachers have quit working at the high school and parents have pulled children from classes because of high levels of toxicity there. He is hoping these people will come forward and support him in his efforts.

"I refuse to eat until the school is tested," he said. "I'll go until I die. This is a very important issue."

Ludlow has contacted local emergency personnel to provide a living will, denying them the right

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## School district joining 'does not make sense'

By TONY RICHARDS  
Driftwood Staff

The challenges of operating a small school district with a tight budget, and one that must serve the needs of students on five poorly connected islands, were spelled out graphically for school trustees last week.

A special meeting on Wednesday was called to discuss the Gulf Islands School District's response to the amalgamation-restructuring proposal issued late last year by the minister of education.

Trustees were barely 45 minutes into the meeting when district superintendent Mike Marshall —

the senior administrator whose task it is to write the board's official reply to the minister — was called away to deal with a crisis involving a student.

Marshall returned half an hour later, but not long before Outer Islands trustees had to take their leave in order to get on the 2:45 p.m. water taxi so they could be home in time for dinner. The alternative: stay another hour for the duration of the meeting, catch at least one ferry and arrive home at 10 o'clock that night.

Such are the difficulties facing a small, island district — the only

**JOINING 4****Jumping for joy**

Susan Mailey is in fine skipping form as Christine O'Donnell helps turn the ropes. Centennial Park recently skipping, and basically enjoying warmer weather and sunny skies. Several youngsters and adults were in

Photo by Dennis Lundy

By VALORIE LENNOX

A Hornby Island bylaw infraction was effectively disposed of by the entire Islands Trust Council Thursday night during its quarterly meeting on that island.

They ate it.  
The infraction, dubbed "Dolman pork roast" on the buffet menu for the Trust Council dinner, arose when a Hornby Island resident began raising pigs on his half-acre residential property.

A neighbour complained about the bylaw infraction, drawing the reluctant attention of the local Trust committee and initiating an investigation by the Trust's bylaw

## Trust council eats bylaw infraction

enforcement officer.

Chef Michael Pooley of the Wheelhouse Restaurant saw an opportunity. When he heard the offending pigs were to be turned into pork chops, he made sure some of the meat landed in hisarder.

Thursday night he served the roast pork to the assembled trustees, giving a new meaning to the term "delicious irony."

Pooley's menu was a tribute to island-produced products, especially those from Hornby. There

were raw and cooked oysters from a local oyster lease, locally-produced smoked salmon, Hornby emu, local free swimming scallops and free range chicken raised on the island.

Eggs, garlic and beets came from Hornby's Eveside Farm, Jerusalem artichokes from Gordon Farm and butternut squash and bread rolls from Syzygy, one of two land co-ops on Hornby.

From nearby Denman Island came fireweed honey and herb dressing, local blackberries

adorned the cheesecake dessert and even the mustard came from Bonwalds, an island home-based business.

Hornby trustee George Buvyer remarked that several items on Pooley's menu could be considered as much in breach of bylaws as the unfortunate Dolman porker.

Technically, Greydawn Seafoods — which produced the smoked salmon served as an appetizer — should be operating on light industrial or commercial property, not as a home occupa-

tion on residential land. And the Hornby-based Emu ranch — source of emu meat on cracker appetizers — is only half an acre.

Buvyer said he favoured a live-and-let-live approach. He felt the dinner reflected the diversity of Hornby Island, which flourishes regardless of bureaucratic regulations.

He pointed out the Trust was forced to deal with the pig raising bylaw infraction only because of a complaint by another resident.

"The actions of the Trust committee had nothing to do with the demise of the pig," he said.

## Is equal representation of islands fair for school board?

Given the trend toward equal representation by island on local councils, structural change at the table of the Gulf Islands School Board might leave Salt Spring with a smaller voice than it now enjoys.

School trustees and district staff have spent the past few months examining options for restructuring the school district, in response to the minister of education's amalgamation announcement in November.

Last Wednesday it became evident that trustees have decided against amalgamation with three other districts in the Capital Region. Instead, they will pursue alternative ways of satisfying the minister's demands that cost savings be found. And the most significant so far is the reduction in the number of school trustees from nine to five.

Most board members seemed happy last week to let the matter lie for now, but the trustees' reluctance didn't extend to one of the meeting's observers. The chairwoman of the



**TONY RICHARDS**  
District Parents Advisory Council weighed in with an observation that bears repeating. Pam Jansen hails from Saturna Island, which has not prevented her from taking on the extraordinary load of ensuring that the collective voice of local parents is heard at the school board table.

On Wednesday she reminded those present that both the Islands Trust Council and the Community Health Council both operate on the basis of equal representation from each member island.

The federation of Trust islands enjoys the participation of 26 trustees, two from each island. The responsibility for the delivery of

health care rests with three people from each of the five Gulf Islands.

With a five-member school board, it is therefore logical to assume that there will be some lobbying for a structure that sees each island elect one trustee. That would represent a marked departure from the present system, whereby Salt Spring elects five board members, and the Outer Islands one each.

It would also represent further renunciation of the principal of representation by population.

If the issue is examined purely on the basis of population (using the 1991 Census), Salt Spring, with 70 per cent of the total, would elect three and a half trustees to a five-member board. Combined, the Outer Islands would name one and a half.

Outer Islanders might object to such a severe reduction in their representation, so let's look at it from the perspective of student enrolment. No, that won't work either because Salt Spring has 86 per cent of the Gulf Islands enrolment,

which would give it 4.3 trustees.

How about island of origin, because some schools draw enrolment from neighbouring islands? Census figures for children aged five to 19 show 79 per cent of the total living on Salt Spring, which island would then enjoy being served by an even four trustees, leaving the other islands with only one among them.

The current system is more closely aligned to the number of schools. There are 10 in all, six on Salt Spring, one on each of the rest. Adopting that formula for five trustees would give Salt Spring three and the Outer Islands two.

Given that Salt Spring has the largest population — and tax base — the latter would seem most logical.

But logic doesn't apply anywhere else in terms of island government, so why should it apply here?

The upcoming debate might prove interesting.

## HUNGER STRIKE: Until school is tested

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to intervene should he go into a coma.

"If they want to mess with the lives of our children, they can mess with my life first."

Ludlow said his decision to stop eating was fuelled by the school district's refusal to put him on the agenda for today's (Wednesday's) school board meeting. Ludlow first brought his air quality concerns to the board on April 12, 1995, after which he had "no response from anyone."

This year, he said, the board is refusing to put him on the agenda.

School board chairwoman Allisen Lambert, who sets the agenda, said she was unsure if Ludlow wanted to be on the agenda or if a several-page submission, already attached to the board's correspondence package, was intended as a replacement.

Lambert said Monday that Ludlow could still be placed on the agenda.

She said the board reassured Ludlow last year that it would seriously consider any problems arising from poor air quality at the school.

Should the board receive any complaints indicating the GISS "environment was negatively

affecting" students or teachers, she added, the board would refer the situation to an appropriate agency for examination.

The high school was constructed with the intention of providing a physically safe environment, she said, noting that several features attest to this. These include a dust extractor in the applied technology area and sensitively-arranged lighting.

"Pollutants are not good for anybody," she added.

District manager of plant services Rod Scottvold said all the school's ventilation units have built-in carbon dioxide detectors. Allegations that a corrosive material is leaking from the cooling system into the school is "absolutely untrue," he said.

A situation in which a non-corrosive material was stagnant in the system has since been cleared using all "necessary precautions," Scottvold said. "There was nothing environmentally wrong with this stuff."

Scottvold provided the Driftwood with a letter from GISS's architectural firm Marshall and Gargali written in response to Ludlow's concerns expressed last year.

The letter notes that natural

materials were used throughout the school and where synthetic materials were required, certain precautions were incorporated: "For example, carpet and resilient flooring were unrolled outside of the building and allowed to off-gas prior to installation."

The letter further states that all carpet, tile and resilient floor adhesives were water-based (as opposed to solvent-based) as well as interior caulking and paints.

"I am not aware of any other school to which more attention has been given to the indoor environment," the letter concludes.

Lambert said she is more concerned over Ludlow's health than students' health in this matter.

Salt Spring building inspector Dick Stubbs noted the issue of air quality in schools has been raised elsewhere, but GISS's ventilation system is more or better than other schools.

Stubbs has agreed to meet with other local agencies to address Ludlow's concerns, but that no date has been set, he said.

In the meantime, Ludlow said that after 10 days of starvation, he will be living on will alone.

"I think I can last 40 days," he added. "Christ did it. So can I."

## Galiano ferry passengers detoured

Galiano residents got home via a Village Bay detour March 4 when high winds and waves kept the Queen of Nanaimo from docking at Sturdies Bay.

Instead, the ferry docked at Village Bay on Mayne Island and passengers bound for Galiano were transferred via the Tanaka

or Queen of Cumberland to Galiano. These smaller ferries could dock at Montague Harbour on Galiano.

"Montague Harbour is a spare or an alternative," said B.C. Ferries communications officer Stephen Nussbaum. He added that it is unusual for the ferry not

to be able to dock at Sturdies.

He said the problem existed throughout most of the day. Delays for Galiano residents depended on the availability of the Tanaka or Cumberland to make the transfer from Village Bay to Montague Harbour, he said.

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## Incorporations will involve Trust

By VALORIE LENNOX  
Driftwood Staff

Trust Council will hold the hoops that a Trust island will have to jump through before and after incorporation, judging by an agreement made with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs. The agreement, received at last Friday's Trust Council meeting on Hornby Island, establishes the framework under which incorporation on a Trust area island will be done.

Under the agreement, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs will oversee creation of a restructuring study committee, which will include the island's regional director and Islands Trust members.

The agreement also provides that:

- the Trust will be able to review the draft letters patent for the new municipality before the incorporation vote;
- upon a successful incorporation vote, the Trust will be able to review the draft letters patent before its submission to the provincial cabinet;
- Trust input will be sought on the boundaries of the island municipality before the letters patent is finalized;
- the Trust executive committee

will review and approve all official community plan bylaws;

• all regulatory bylaws must be reviewed by the Trust executive committee before adoption;

• a protocol agreement must be drafted between the Trust and the island municipality. Protocol agreements drafted by the island municipality with other agencies must be approved by the Trust;

• the Ministry and the Trust will review all protocol agreements between the Trust and provincial agencies to reach an agreement on which should be applicable to the new municipality;

• all bylaws of the local Trust committee will continue to have effect. All assets and liabilities of a local Trust committee will be transferred to the municipality.

The municipality will be required to contribute to the costs of operating the Trust Council and to receive and pay for local planning services from the Trust for three years following incorporation.

In a covering letter, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Lois Boone said the framework for incorporation had been "amended to clarify several items" based on comments received at

public meetings held on Salt Spring and Bowen Islands.

However, the agreement given to the Trust contained only one minor change from the draft distributed at the public meeting on Salt Spring.

One of the most contentious issues raised at the Salt Spring meeting — election of trustees by a separate ballot from among those seeking municipal seats — has not been changed in the final outline.

The agreement states election of trustees and council members will be done by the "double-direct method."

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## First hummingbird spotted

The hummingbirds are back. Salt Spring resident Alice Bundoock saw her first hummingbird of the year Tuesday morning at her Mount Baker Crescent

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# Trust Council approves budget, setting an 8.4 per cent increase

A budget increase of 8.4 per cent over 1995, estimated to translate into a tax increase of \$2 per \$100,000 of assessed value, was approved by Island Trust Council at its quarterly meeting Saturday.

The increase brings the budget to \$3,302,325, up \$255,790 from the 1995 budget of \$3,046,535. A staff report predicted the budget would produce a tax increase of 4.95 per cent.

The most significant increase in the budget is the addition of two new staff members: a geographic information service coordinator at \$48,000 to handle mapping and tracking systems for the Trust and an application processing officer at \$55,000 to help local trust committees with planning.

"That is the effective increase in our budget," said Salt Spring trustee Grace Byrne, who also chairs the trust's financial planning committee.

Byrne said the application processing officer will work on different islands as help is needed for specific projects. Eventually, she predicted, the position will develop into the Trust version of an approving officer once the Trust takes over subdivision approvals from the Ministry of Transportation and Highways.

Also part of the increase is a staff wide cost-of-living wage increase of 1.05 per cent and the \$44,000 required to hold Trust elections in November.

Some of the additional \$197,790 required for the 1996 budget will be covered by new development on the islands over the past year. This growth is expected to produce an additional \$76,790 in taxes for 1996.

"Because there is this growth across the entire Trust area, the average taxpayer is not going to be hit," Byrne said. The additional \$121,000 required for the budget will come from the 4.95 per cent increase, which is predicted to cost taxpayers \$2 more per \$100,000 in assessed value.

Therefore, the owner of a home assessed at \$200,000 will pay an additional \$4 in taxes to the Islands Trust, for an estimated total of \$135.30.

"I hate to tell people percentages," she noted. People want to know dollars, they don't want to know percentages.

The prediction of a \$2 increase per \$100,000 in assessed value assumes the assessed value of the home has not increased significantly in the past year.

Included in the revenue side of the budget is an additional \$19,000 expected from development application fees. Byrne said most of the fees now charged by the Trust for

processing development applications are far too low.

"We are way out of whack. We should charge developers for their proposals," she said.

Increased development processing fees will help cover more of the cost of planning and processing projects on the island.

Just before approving the budget, trustees learned of an unexpected windfall of \$17,435 added to their provincial grant. Trust Council's original provisional budget included a \$469,000 provincial grant, the same amount received in 1995, but the Trust then learned the provincial grant for 1996 would be cut by \$17,435.

Thursday morning trustees learned their protest against the cut had been successful and the \$17,435 had been restored to the provincial grant. They agreed to put the entire amount into contingency, with the understanding that if extra money was available, \$5,000 would be allocated to developing a natural area protection initiative.

They also agreed any shortfall in the projected \$119,000 in income from application fees would be covered by contingency and considered a possible future honorarium increase.

In 1995, the Trust Council budget increased by 9.83 per cent, which was projected to increase taxes by \$5.65 for every \$100,000 of assessed property value.



Byrne

## JOINING: Doesn't make sense

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one of its kind in North America, according to Marshall — difficulties that have led trustees and staff to conclude that amalgamation is not an option.

There has been no vote on the issue, but the feeling around the board table at last week's meeting was that the Gulf Islands are better off on their own.

Under amalgamation with three other districts in the Capital Region, the default plan announced in November by then-minister Art Charbonneau, there would be less access to quality educational services in the Gulf Islands, Marshall told the board. The local district is already an amalgamation of "very discrete" communities of islands, he pointed out.

"This is simply one amalgamation that does not make sense."

The board's response to the Ministry of Education, which Marshall will present to trustees at a meeting today (Wednesday), will focus on the uniqueness of the islands and the fact that there is not a lot of money to be saved.

The ministry is looking for savings of \$30 million annually by amalgamating or restructuring the province's 75 school districts.

While amalgamation will be rejected by the board, some restructuring opportunities have been identified, though their savings in dollars are either unknown at this point, or relatively small.

One which trustees have come close to agreement on is that their number be reduced from nine to five, for a saving of \$40,000 annually in trustee remuneration. But which islands will elect trustees and which will not is a point that

remains undecided.

On Wednesday, most trustees seemed content to leave that discussion for another day. However, District Parents Advisory Council chairwoman Pam Janszen of

the district's administration officers at the board table.

"We would have opportunities we don't currently have," Aust said, through access to programs that have been cut locally but remain in place in the Vancouver Island districts.

But Aust countered that comment by stating that the islands would lose their identity and "be swallowed up" by the other districts. The administrative officers, she reported, had decided not to take an official position on the issue. Rather, they had concluded their "energies are best spent running schools."

Asked for his input, the president of CUPE Local 788 observed that others were now finding themselves in the position in which CUPE members had always found themselves: "Looking out for their jobs."

"We don't really see there's much to be a part of," Gordon Singel said.

Amalgamation could be supported by the union, he added, "but not at the cost of CUPE workers."

**"This is simply one amalgamation that does not make sense."**

Saturna reminded the board that both the Islands Trust Council and the Community Health Council operate on the basis of equal representation from each island.

Janszen, too, registered her opposition to amalgamation, pointing to the loss of a local voice from individual islands, and the unique nature of local transportation. "We really worry about losing local representation," she said.

On the other hand, amalgamation received a word or two of support from Fulford school principal Barb Aust, who was representing



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## Mediation meetings result in code of expectations for core

A code of expectations of mutual treatment and respect is being circulated around the island, following the final of three mediation meetings held to discuss the downtown gathering of Salt Spring youth.

Mediator Gordon Sloan said the idea of a "code" should not be misconstrued to mean a set of rules which everyone is forced to follow. Instead, the code is meant to be a list of expectations of treatment and respect between youth and merchants sharing the downtown core.

Contents of the code, Sloan said, "are not accepted by the group in any consensus-based way, but the ideas behind them are."

The code covers the following five areas:

- merchants and youth should welcome each other's presence in the community;
- everyone should have access to public areas;
- attention should be paid to surroundings;

- attention should be paid to use of offensive language;
- individually, as opposed to stereotyping, should be respected.

The March 6 meeting also identified "good gathering places" for youth, and considered what recommendations could be made to people or agencies outside the meeting about potential changes.

Five desirable gathering spots were identified:

- Centennial Park was described as attractive in drier weather;
- Rotary Park (beside Thrifty's) is being developed with young people in mind, and shelter would be needed to make the area interesting to youth;
- the area between Jitterbugs and the Bank of Montreal is being replanted and reinvigorated;
- the area between the Harbour Building and Mouat's Hardware is still a favourite — "Tone's Java Star Cafe will be under new management, the meeting learned, and the new manager is interested in making changes to create a more interesting and less contentious

location;

• The Core Inn with volunteer staffing was suggested as an attractive option.

The meeting identified two outside forces that could potentially help bring about changes. It was noted that the Rotary Club could be communicated with regarding the new park.

Those at the meeting also felt that increased police presence in the area could help enforce the law with respect to the "considerable concern" about the level of illegal activity occurring there.

Greater police enforcement could curtail drug dealing and use, underage liquor dealing and distribution of shoplifted items. It would also help ensure that young people not involved in these activities are not "blamed by association" or by virtue of being around these problems.

All those involved in the three mediation meetings, and particularly Ganges merchants, reported a significant improvement in the situation over the past two weeks.

## Youth, adult interaction discussed

A car rally may be on track for Salt Spring after members of the Community Police Advisory Committee (CPAC) agreed that greater adult and police interaction with youth is desired.

CPAC members, who met Thursday night, discussed several ways in which interaction between various island groups and young people could be accomplished.

Parks and Recreation Commission (PRC) representative Bill Curtin told CPAC that the PRC would like to target a broader spectrum of the community in its creation of programs and courses.

He noted the commission plans

to implement a program which will provide subsidized course fees to low-income individuals and families. (The PRC's LEAP program is tentatively set for a six-month trial period beginning July 1.)

The PRC believes recreation can be part of crime prevention and is currently "casting around" for skill-building courses and programs aimed at families.

As an example, Curtin said the commission is currently working on a course that will help children in the age nine to 11 bracket learn to break patterns and say "no." CPAC discussed the opportunity of ongoing sports activities that

would involve adults, youth and police.

Seniors For Seniors representative Mel Sumner noted that many island seniors are involved in HAM road operation — an activity in which youth might also be interested.

But the program which caught the most enthusiasm was the suggestion for a car rally which would provide a fun forum where road safety could be emphasized.

RCMP Const. Gerard Choquette and Curtin agreed to look into the possibility of organizing such an event and report back to the next CPAC meeting.

## EXPECTATIONS ABOUT BEING DOWNTOWN

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**MAKE SURE EVERYONE HAS ACCESS TO PUBLIC AREAS:** Everyone should notice the size of any group that gathers in an area and notice the size of the area. If things get crowded, a group should move to a bigger spot to assure others can get by and have access to the public area.

**PAY ATTENTION TO YOUR SURROUNDINGS:** Everyone should be aware of the space needs of people around them—that means keeping an eye out for others trying to get past, pointing out to people in a group if they are blocking the way, reminding each other to use paths for trash and generally recognizing that a community involves others beyond the group.

**WATCH OUR LANGUAGE:** Everyone can adjust language to the circumstances they are in, and loudness should be at a level that the space can handle.

**RESPECT THE INDIVIDUALITY OF THE PERSON:** A lot of young people feel they are being regarded as shoplifters or drug users simply because of their age. Likewise, some merchants feel they are misunderstood as "bad guys" because of problems they have had with some young people in the past. Everyone should take care to treat each other as individuals. Generalizing and stereotyping can be avoided.

**EXPECTATIONS:** Above is a slightly shortened version of a "code of expectations" drafted by those attending mediation meetings concerned with the downtown gathering of youth.



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# ZenoGEN system chosen for local sewer expansion

By TONY RICHARDS  
Driftwood Staff

Picture a whole whack of cooked spaghetti, the noodles five feet long and hanging vertically in a large tank. That's how the Ganges sewer plant will look if the Capital Regional District board gives the green light today (Wednesday) to an expansion of the sewage treatment system.

Ganges Sewer Commission chairman Tom Toynebo told the Driftwood on Friday that a proposal from Zenon Municipal Systems has been selected over two others for the plant's expansion.

The ZenoGEN system, also known as ZeeWeed, employs plastic, spaghetti-like membranes to filter sewage effluent. Described by the Capital Regional District's engineering department as an innovative technology, ZenoGEN plants are in use in the Maritimes and the United States, but none is as big as the system that would be installed in Ganges.

Toynebo said sewage would first enter bioreactor tanks in which air is introduced to activate the sludge. Existing effluent storage tanks would be converted for that purpose.

In the next stage, effluent is drawn by a vacuum through the plastic membranes, which will hang in an eight by 16-foot tank. The resulting liquid will then be discharged into the harbour.

Toynebo said the system will create an effluent that is well below fecal coliform and other limits set out in the plant's operating permit. The Ministry of Environment requires that the coliform count not exceed 1,000 per 100 ml of effluent. Toynebo said the sewer commission is expecting a count of less than 200, the level at which swimming is prohibited at the region's beaches.

Suspended solids and biological oxygen demand are also expected to be well under permit levels of 25 for each. Toynebo said they may be as low as five.

"Being an extremely clear effluent, it could be reused for such things as irrigation (and flushing toilets) ... if it goes through ultraviolet disinfection," Toynebo said. However, he noted that such a use for the effluent would be expensive.

The ZeeWeed system is already being used by large laundries, whose waste water is being recirculated and reused.

The sewer commission looked at two other options for the plant expansion. One was a conventional rotating biological contactor, like the one currently in use, and the second was another innovative system developed by a Sidney firm.

Toynebo said the proposal by Hydroxyl Systems "had a lot of promise" but no track record. "We felt unable to recommend it," he said.

The Capital Region has estimated the Zenon system's capital cost at \$803,151, with annual operating costs coming in close to the current \$223,000.

Toynebo said some additional operating costs will be countered by a reduction in the volume of sludge produced by the plant, meaning lower disposal costs.

Trevor Hill of Hill, Murray & Associates, a Victoria engineering firm working with Zenon to market its system, likened the ZeeWeed membranes to human organs such as the skin or stomach lining. They, too, act as filters at "a very small level."

If a cup of coffee was run through the membranes they would remove the coffee and cream, allowing water and dissolved sugar to pass. When sewage effluent passes through the membranes, coliforms, bacteria, viruses and solids are removed, Hill explained.

If regional directors accept the

engineering department's recommendation to proceed with ZenoGEN, a contract will be negotiated for the firm to install its system.

Toynebo said it would be phased in as a newer, more efficient membrane is expected to be in production early next year. The existing sewer system will continue to operate alongside a small version of the new one until then.

During the two-year phase-in period, enough membranes will be installed to handle up to 165,000 gallons a day. An advantage of the system, Toynebo said, is that additional membranes can be added as needed to handle increased volume. The plant's permit allows a maximum daily discharge of 240,000 gallons.

## Full Swartz Bay terminal results in docking delays

Only long jump champions — or those with wings — could make 3 p.m. Swartz Bay-to-Tsawwassen ferries by way of the 2:15 p.m. sailing from Fulford on the past few Saturdays.

The Bowen Queen could not dock at Swartz Bay until the Tsawwassen-bound Queen of Saanich had vacated berth number one.

"All the vessels arrive at the same time. Unfortunately, the Bowen Queen arrives a bit later," said B.C. Ferries communications officer Stephen Nussbaum.

Since there was no empty berth, the Bowen Queen was delayed 15 to 20 minutes until the V-class Queen of Saanich disembarked.

Of the five berths, one was occupied by the Queen of Cumberland, which sails to the Outer Gulf Islands at 3:30 p.m.; one by the Tacheq, which is in

home port on the weekends; one by a second V-class ferry, which handles extra sailings to Tsawwassen; one by the Queen of Saanich, which sails for Tsawwassen at 3 p.m.; and one by the Spirit of Vancouver Island, which was docked at Swartz Bay for a refit.

Nussbaum said finishing the Spirit of Vancouver Island's refit would eliminate the delay problem. It was due for completion March 14.

Good news for Bowen Queen passengers is a revised schedule slated to take effect just before the May long weekend. Under the new schedule, there will be more early morning sailings to Swartz Bay and better connections with the Tsawwassen-Swartz Bay ferries.

Nussbaum said the exact schedule will be finalized and released well before it takes effect.

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Crispy Pinchin, left, and Morgy Howard could have stopped traffic recently as they displayed extraordinary head-wear on Fulford-Ganges Road. Photo by Dennis Lundy

## Scorpions win two at championships

The Scorpions came back from provincial high school basketball championships Sunday with an 11th-place finish and the admiration of others at the season-ending tournament.

The Gulf Islands Secondary senior boys team won two of its four games at the AA event at Trinity Western College in Langley, and earned huge accolades at the closing ceremonies Saturday evening.

"The island, school and parents should be pretty proud of how they performed both on and off the court," said assistant coach Arnie Hengstler Monday.

"We had excellent spirit from our guys," he said, which led to "lots of compliments" from people at the event. The Scorpions' first game was on

Wednesday morning against no. 1-ranked Nechako Valley school from Vanderhoof. Locals played a great game, said Hengstler, and lost by a narrow 62-58 score.

"I think we put a huge scare into them," he said.

On Thursday, Scorpions beat no. 9-ranked Fraser Valley Christian School 65-60. But on Friday they were troubled 73-47 by 12th-ranked Aldergrove.

Scorpions saved their most exciting game for last, winning 56-55 in overtime against the Howe Sound-area Wixie team on Saturday.

The highlight for the boys, though, was receiving a massive ovation from the estimated 1,500 people at the closing ceremony, said Hengstler.

## CRD will funnel money

Municipal affairs has received its desired assurance from the Capital Regional District (CRD) board that provincial money would be funnelled through the CRD to an incorporation study on Salt Spring.

When she was municipal affairs minister, Darlene Marzari asked the board to confirm that the CRD would relay provincial grants to the study committees. She noted an incorporation study was planned for Salt Spring. Incorporation studies could

also be done in Sooke and in the Langford electoral areas.

Since local study committees cannot be funded directly by the ministry, Marzari asked the CRD board to confirm that it would handle the funding for any incorporation studies within the regional district.

Board members agreed February 28 they would advise the ministry that the CRD board could administer any restructure planning grants for incorporation.

## R C M P REPORT

A 49-year-old Salt Spring resident has been charged with impaired driving following an accident at the corner of Vesuvius Bay and Lower Ganges roads.

Police were called to the scene at approximately 9:30 p.m. Sunday. Driver of one vehicle showed signs of impairment and was taken back to the RCMP detachment where he provided breath samples and was subsequently charged.

The collision resulted in about \$1,000 vehicular damage.

In other police news:

• A 1987 Nissan pick-up, parked on Orchard Avenue, was struck by another vehicle, possibly blue in colour, sometime between 6 a.m. March 6 and 5 p.m. the following day. Anyone with information is asked to call Ganges RCMP or CrimeStoppers.

## FOR THE RECORD

• A telephone number published in last week's Viewpoint was incorrect due

to a typesetting error. The number of transportation society contact Paul Eastman is 537-4301.

• TLC Enterprises checks clients' buildings several times each night and not once or twice as reported last week.

## Trust fund established for hurt youngster

Seven-year-old Ariel Gaitt is in traction in Victoria General Hospital after falling from a tree and breaking her femur on March 2.

The accident is a bad enough experience, but practically moving to Victoria for two months will create financial difficulties for her parents Diane English and Nicholas Gaitt. That's why friends Christine Clair-Rein and Linda Hilyer have set up a trust fund to help the family.

Clair-Rein told the Driftwood Monday that Ariel is expected to be in hospital for seven more weeks, and her need for off-island trips for rehabilitation purposes beyond that point will not be determined for some time.

Ariel is doing "really well," said Clair-Rein, adding that she has access to a teacher while at the hospital. The girl is a Grade 2 student at Fulford elementary.

Contributions can be made to the trust fund at Island Savings Credit Union, or at Patterson's Store in Fulford.

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# OPINION

## The ministry gets its own way

Salt Spring Islanders who took the trouble to attend a meeting about incorporation back in December might as well have stayed home. And those who went a step further and expressed their thoughts on the relationship between a new municipality and the Islands Trust might have saved their breath.

Word has come down from the new minister that the process was good, and has resulted in a fine new agreement. Lois Boone, the new minister of municipal affairs, can be forgiven for being mistaken on one or two small points. After all, she wasn't around when 150 Salt Spring Islanders gathered at Fulford Hall to examine documents outlining how incorporation would work in the Trust-area. How, then, could she know that at least two aspects of the framework designed by the ministry — with a little bit of help from friends at the Trust — were debated at some length?

How could she know that the meeting was generally dissatisfied with the double-direct method of electing people to Trust and municipal councils? How could she possibly know the process has been less than good?

Islands Trust Council received last week a letter from Boone in which she expressed her delight at the progress made in designing an Islands Trust-island municipality framework.

Proud of her ministry's efforts at outreach among island citizens, the minister noted that comments "representing a range of views were presented..."

The final agreement, Boone continued, "has been amended to clarify several items, based on those comments."

So naturally supply the minister with a copy of the documents in question. According to the copies in our possession, eight changes were made following the December meeting. Not a single one of them is worth mentioning, because they represent no more than housekeeping changes or typographical corrections.

Not a single one reflects anything said at the meeting on Salt Spring Island. Items are clarified, indeed, but only, perhaps, from a legal standpoint. The meeting at Fulford Hall was a farce, as we suspect was the one on Bowen.

We have travelled a long road towards completion of Salt Spring's government options study. It has been like Stewart Road, very bumpy and fraught with nasty bends. Unlike Stewart Road, it has suffered a washout.

The Ministry of Municipal Affairs, in its determination to make and enforce the rules, has chosen to ignore the very people whom it is supposed to serve.

On the first stretch of the road it was our good fortune to gain the reluctant approval of local Islands Trust representatives to complete the examination of our options. On a more recent stretch came the belated approval of the regional director.

Now we find ourselves confronted by the Victoria bureaucracy and the roadway has disappeared from view. In its place is being laid a new road, designed to carry us in the direction chosen by the ministry.

For the most part the ministry's framework agreement contains some logical ground rules for a Trust-municipality relationship. But would it not be nice if those for whom such ground rules were made could be involved in their making?

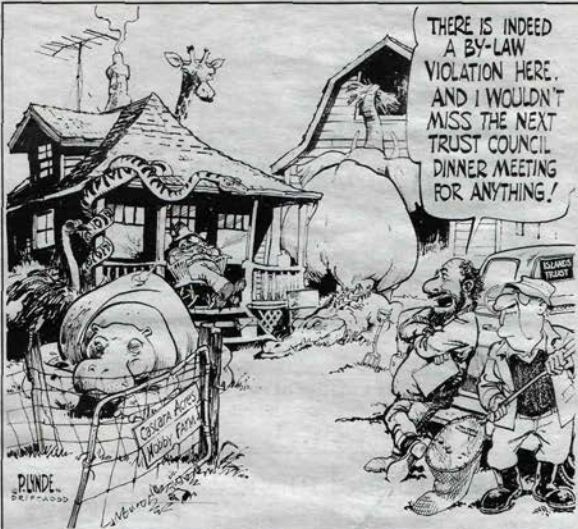
Would it not be preferable to let islanders not just have input but some genuine impact on what went into such a paper?

Would that not be the democratic approach?

The double-direct method of electing representatives might work very well, but we can have no say in its selection. A new municipality might benefit from utilizing the Trust's planning services for three years, but it will not be for us to decide.

We can, however, live with the framework, handed down like tablets from on high. But we cannot ignore a distortion of facts that would have us all believe that the principals of democracy had been fully observed.

We've been handed a bill of goods, and in the end we're the ones who'll pay.



## Grievance arbitration coverage fails to present a true picture

By LARRY FIELD

While you reporting on the arbitration of grievances filed by district teachers may not be factually incorrect, it does lack the quality and quantity of investigative reporting necessary to present a true picture of this situation to your readers.

First of all, this is not simply an issue of class size, but also one of oversized classes which contain too many students that are recognized by the Ministry of Education as "handicapped by disabilities of an intellectual, physical, sensory, emotional or behavioural nature" — commonly referred to as special needs students.

The ministry's policy is that these students should be integrated, where possible, into regular classrooms, something that teachers support as educationally and socially enriching for all students. Our contract complements ministry regulations and includes limitations to the number of special needs students in each class and the size of those classes. This protects both teachers and students from unworkable classroom situations, and allows the special needs students, as well as those without special needs, to receive a high level of support and attention from the teacher.

The ability of our teachers to provide quality instruction to all students is diminished when inadequate programs are in place and/or too many students require extra help and attention in a single classroom. Most of the disputed classes are at the same time too large, over-enrolled with special needs students and lacking in adequate services to those students.

Secondly, the Gulf Islands School Board has stated that teachers have been uncooperative and inflexible by not allowing breaches of contract through larger class sizes. This is simply not true. The class size and composition problems we are facing are a direct result of the board's reduction

in the number of district teachers by nine. The resulting savings to the board covered most of the deficit accumulated over the past two years.

To remedy our grievances in September would have cost the board at least \$500,000. We offered a compromise that would allow the board to increase many classes beyond the contractual limit, but would have provided needed classroom support, particularly to special needs students. The cost to the board would have been just over a third of the legal remedy necessary. In our view, we offered to pay for a very large chunk of the board's deficit by working harder and doing with less. How can we be accused of being uncooperative and inflexible?

Lastly, the board has stated that teachers are demanding that the five schools affected restructure their classes, something seen to be very disruptive. The fact is that we have stated many times that we do not want a reorganization of schools. That is simply not good for children at this point in the year. What we are asking for is the opportunity to create now what should have happened in September — a better learning and teaching environment in those classes for the balance of

the school year. Yes, the board does have a responsibility to provide good fiscal management. They also have a responsibility to provide adequate programs and services for students. We strongly believe that our collective agreement is a social safety net for education in our community. It appears to be the only thing preventing the further deterioration of educational programs while the district's governors repair the damage done by several years of poor management of resources, both financial and human.

Larry Field is president of the Gulf Islands Teachers' Association.



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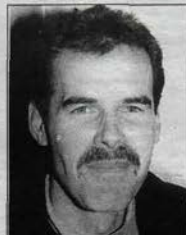
**Ben Lee**

*Lines are just drawn on a map. The bottom line is respect. No one should be over-fishing regardless of nationality.*



**Jasmine Dares**

*I'm going to Chile. I don't care.*



**Jay Gillespie**

*They're our waters and it is a courtesy to let them through. Where is it written that it is international waters?*



**Lyz Snidal**

*It sounds like the constant typical squabbling between Canadians and Americans. It's outside the individual's mode of relationship.*



**Malvern Glentworth**

*They're proposing a \$200 ferry crossing fee. I think they should charge a surtax for Americans travelling on our ferries.*

## Letters to the Editor

### Expediency

I had to laugh when I saw Tom Varzeliotis's letter about Glen Clark's appointment of Brian Smith.

Poor Glen has been hammered mercilessly for hiring anyone with NDP affiliations, connections, relatives or even friends. Now he is hammered for appointing an (ex?) Socred.

This sounds like "dammed if you do, damned if you don't!" Could there be some political expediency here?

**TOM WRIGHT,  
Ganges**

### Recognize values

In the editorial and a letter in the February 14 issue of the Driftwood regarding the proposed zoning change on Bullock Lake from C-4 to Rural Residential, both authors are certain the change will result in court action for the Islands Trust.

Assuming that the Supreme Court affirms the B.C. Court of Appeals in the Galiano Island Trust Committee litigation involving MacMillan Bloedel, which is highly likely, any legal action against the Islands Trust in this case would be spurious. As noted by the B.C. Appeals Court:

\* Trust committees are required to control all aspects of land use matters to carry out the "preserve and protect" mandate of the Islands Trust Act.

\* In enacting a bylaw, a Trust committee is not required to justify its action, which is valid until a person challenging it proves that its enactment is beyond the scope of the committee's power or was enacted in "bad faith".

\* Trust committees may downzone and make other changes that result in devaluing property and this is not expropriation of property for public purposes if the property retains economic use.

These conclusions are amply supported by other court decisions, the Municipal Act and Islands Trust Act.

The editorial and letter focus solely on private property rights of the developer. They fail to take

into account:

\* The effect of the proposed 123-unit resort and its amenities on the property rights of others.

\* Values that enhance the general welfare of the community.

\* Impact costs that must be born by the community for every new development.

\* The duty to preserve and protect imposed on the trustees by the Islands Trust Act.

To fulfill this mandate, the trustees need and are entitled to our strong public support. This requires being informed as to the issues and participating in useful dialogue in public meetings and hearings. It does not include personal attacks on the trustees.

My sincere hope is that we can agree on an Official Community Plan that reflects the diverse values of our unique island community. The Islands Trust Act was passed in 1974 to protect these values. The word "value" comes from the Latin word "valere" which means to be strong, to be

worthy. May we be worthy and recognize other values than those reflected in marketplace economics.

**DAVID DEXTER,  
Wilkie Way**

### Project love

Students from Fulford Elementary, Phoenix School and Salt Spring Island Middle School would like to thank the Driftwood and the community for their tremendous support on Valentine's Day.

Our cookie sales generated close to \$400 for Project Love. We are now purchasing school supplies (pencils, erasers, rulers and workbooks) for students in developing countries.

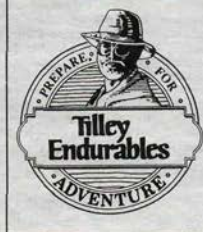
Thanks again for making this all possible. We look forward to seeing you all again next year.

**NICOLAS MAL,  
School District 64,  
Project Love coordinator**

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# Vying parties ignore economic crumbling

**VICTORIA** — When the next election is called, the campaign will be fought with the same old and tired slogans.

The New Democratic Party, desperately seeking re-election, will have presented us with an ostensibly balanced budget, a promise to protect Medicare and education, and save us from the greed of banks, multinationals and other assorted leeches that threaten to suck society dry.

The Liberals, desperately seeking to wrest power from the NDP, will promise to bring order into what they claim is a fiscal house in disarray, and eliminate, once and for all, the habit of governing parties to favour friends and insiders.

The Reformers, meanwhile, will be grazing the lush fields of society's general angst and cynicism, and try to lure us with promises to make welfare burns work for the scraps that fall off the tables of those lucky enough to have jobs.

In other words, the election will be fought on platforms that may have held validity 30 years ago, but are hopelessly outdated today.

And while yet another party will get enough votes to form a government, it will inexorably slide towards defeat another four years down the road.

The problem that seemingly eludes all parties is that the economic model on which we have built society is crumbling.

The model worked as long as unemployment hovered around the five per cent mark with interest rates to match. Those who worked paid enough taxes to assure a relatively decent standard of living for those who didn't.

**S**kyrocketing interest rates in the '70s were used to combat inflation. They did, but they also caused the national debt to go through the roof. More and more tax money was needed to pay the interest on the debt, leaving less and less money for the programs society had come to depend on.

The onslaught of technology did the rest. Silicon chips took over the jobs done by people. Unemployment in Canada stands at anywhere from 10 per cent in the west to 25 per cent in the Maritimes. That's without counting those on welfare.

And the bottom line is that none of the parties vying for our votes in the upcoming election has the slightest idea of how to get us out of this mess.

If we are to successfully overcome the present hurdle, society must reinvent itself. The old model must be traded in for a new one. And that takes more than Cro-Magnon electioneering slogans.

The first thing that needs redefining is the concept of work. With an average of 15 per cent unemployment, it is ludicrous to train people for jobs that aren't there.

The American economist Jeremy Rifkin predicts that "destined for virtual extinction" are blue-collar workers, secretaries, clerical workers, sales clerks, bank tellers, librarians, wholesalers and most middle class managers. Yet, our colleges train thousands of people for these jobs.

When the industrial revolution arrived, the answer was not to train more people how to operate spinning wheels.

When Thomas Edison invented the light bulb, the world didn't scramble to turn out more candlestick makers. When trains began to span continents, we didn't find salvation in the mass production of horse carriages.

**T**oday's technological and information revolution has made obsolete not only the old solutions to the old problems, but the very model those solutions once addressed.

Any redefinition of work must involve work-sharing and a reduction of work hours, along with a reduction in wages and, therefore, a reduction in the standard of living.

If we could reduce the combined pay packet of the entire work force by an average of 15 per cent, the money we freed would enable us to give virtually every unemployed person who wants to work a job. And those who can't or don't want to work could then perhaps be compelled to do volunteer work.

Such a drastic social engineering job won't be easy. Few people will relish a 15 per cent reduction in wages, even if it comes with fewer hours of work.

Unions will scream blue murder, companies will try not to hire additional staff, even if their existing staff contingent takes a 15 per cent cut in pay. But when you're up to your butt in alligators, you don't have too many options.

We need more from those who would lead us than slogans of yesterday.

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## CAPITAL COMMENT

HUBERT BEYER



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## Rocket science

To many of us who are old enough to have left the workplace before computers were installed, or weren't involved in working with them at all, the feat of attaining a comfortable level of computer literacy is a challenge indeed.

This is a whole new ballgame, fella, and overcoming societal and personal conditioning regarding the ability to learn after your hair begins to grey is the first hurdle. Once past that, with noses in computer manuals and constant reference to the Help files, it's a steady upward curve, albeit at a somewhat slower pace, perhaps, than yours! But we do get to a place where we can use the computer to write letters, keep records, play games or produce mind-boggling works of art, all probably in a manner which might make a computer "professional" cringe and grow pale.

Now the push comes from the children and grandchildren to "get on the Net" and much as we'd just like to, it's just not that easy - yet. It just seems so overwhelming and the bombardment of media hype and "computerspeak" from the initiated doesn't help ease the fear.

But Raven Net does. Our local, non-profit community bulletin board system is an excellent first step into the online world. You learn to maneuver through conferences, send in messages to them, search through gigabytes of files for the special program you want and then transfer it to your own computer to use, send e-mail anywhere in the world and receive the same at your unique address, spend an hour per day online — all for \$5 a month as a global account member.

The Community Access Program Grant enabling installation of a computer running Raven Net BBS at the local library is a "first look" for many islanders at this Net thing. It even looks kind of friendly, sitting there in the corner just waiting for you to press a button or click the mouse-thingy.

So, no, I may not have to be a rocket scientist to hook up to the Net, (your implication being that, hey, it's so easy, anyone can do it)

but as a relatively new computer user, I do have to gain confidence and unburied experience first, and Raven Net offers me the opportunity to do just that.

GLORIA PATTERSON,  
Woodland Drive

## Ferry follies

This morning we found ourselves in the strange position of writing our fourth letter of complaint in as many weeks to the B.C. Ferry Corporation.

We say "strange" because in 12 years of daily commuting between Mayne Island and Tsawwassen we can recall no other occasion on which we have written even a single letter.

Today, after we had boarded the vessel at Village Bay, we were informed that we would be waiting at the dock for upwards of an hour while passengers from Galiano were brought over from Montague. (The Sturdies Bay dock remains strangely out of service.) This was a most curious turn of events, given the fact that a ferry had just arrived from Montague and there was no earthly reason why the Tsawwassen passengers could not have been brought to Mayne on it.

For those of us who commute to work in Vancouver the deterioration of service on Route 9 has led us to believe that there can be only one possible cause: It is the intention of the ferry corporation to wipe out the route completely by making travel on it so very, very difficult.


Our ferry workers continue to perform admirably under what must be the most stressful conditions imaginable. It is they who are on the front lines to handle complaints; it is they who must bear the burden of putting a good face on decisions from above which are beyond their control.


It used to be that the ferry trip was the least stressful aspect of our work day. Now it is — without question — the most unnerving. We never know when we will arrive; we are grateful if we are able to travel home without a side trip to Swartz Bay.

It is question whether or not there is intelligent life at the top of the ferry corporation. Worse than that, though, we wonder if there is any one who gives a hoot about the passengers on Route 9.

BEVERLEY REID,  
PETER KELLINGTON,  
Mayne Island

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## Golden opportunity

I would like to point out to the community at large that we are very close to finally realizing the dream of a "footprint" for future indoor recreational facilities on our island.

Through the unflinching efforts of members of the task force on community recreation, Salt Spring Ice Park Society, and many dedicated parents and citizens, our elected and appointed officials now have before them a concrete proposal for a piece of property centrally located near the high school to be acquired and dedicated for further indoor recreation.

If you are involved with families and kids on Salt Spring in any capacity, this is an issue and a cause that we all share in common. Our kids need direction, support and most of all they need to know that they are an integral component in future community plans. This is an opportunity to show them that we care.

The Parks and Recreation Commission (PRC), its administrator Tony Hume, Dietrich Luth and the Islands Trust trustees have a chance to give this community the vision, leadership and responsible government it desperately needs. They have an opportunity here to finally address the legitimate recreational needs of families and children on Salt Spring so that island kids will have a place to play, swim and skate in the 21st century. Trees and natural island beauty are precious and priceless commodities, but so are our children.

The next few weeks are absolutely critical, and it is important that as many island parents and families as possible express their support by mail or phone to the PRC and the Islands Trust for this future footprint for our kids.

Let us hope our representatives will show responsible leadership and seize this golden opportunity to give a legacy to the families and children on Salt Spring, and to their children's children.

**JIM ANDERSON,**  
Baker Road

## Come unity

We all moved to Salt Spring Island because of its uniqueness and special flavour. Remember the days when everyone would go to the market and sell whatever goods they possessed and, I may add, everyone had a good time.

If people wanted to experience the city of life, they would car pool and go swimming, skating and even see a movie and catch the late ferry home.

Everything seemed copacetic, you didn't even have locks on your doors. Then all of a sudden this group was formed to fight that group and the walls started tumbling down. Everyone is so busy

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pointing a finger at someone else they don't realize that they are pointing three back at themselves.

It seems to make sense to cooperate as a whole but to respect each other's spirit for who we are. I'm sure we have all learned the fact that when you try to pound a square peg into a round hole there's resistance.

Somehow people and governments have to start bending. Life is not a straight and fixed course. We cannot all live by the same code because of our local terrain, climate conditions, lifestyles and financial conditions. As long as this present path is taken it will produce hardships and dissension in any community. In our community it has even got to the point where teenagers and seniors are at odds with each other.

We live in very exciting times if you think about it positively, instead of dwelling on the negative.

I plead with all the people and elected officials of this island to balance their beings emotionally, physically, mentally and spiritually and dig deep into their souls and try to work out a solution to put unity back into our community. Otherwise we are going to be just another suburb in the jungle of life.

If there is anywhere in the world this can happen it's on Salt Spring Island where we have the most amazing group of people in the world assembled.

Come on Salt Springers, let's have a community which means "come unity" and be a model to the world because it is out there listening.

**BRUCE WILLIAMS,**  
Musgrave Road

## Not enough

O.K. Enough already? I don't think so!

Samantha Bourdin believes it has been statistically proven the crime rate decreases when a recreation centre is built (March 6 Driftwood). Prior to moving to Salt Spring Island in the early '80s, I lived in Tsawwassen where the population was 11,000 — not much more than that of Salt Spring today.

An ice arena was built and so was a large pool and recreation complex. Breaking into and entering stores and homes continued to be the weekend recreation of choice of a small core of youth, as did vandalizing young trees planted in new parks, as well as the shrubbery landscaping of those new recreation centres.

Building an ice rink on Salt Spring Island will not deter that same small core of youth who get a vicarious thrill from destruction rather than from healthy recreation.

**MUZZ HOLMES,**  
Salt Spring Island

## Defamation

Now I am at last aware of exactly who the intrepid Committee for Concerned Citizens of Salt Spring, who were requesting that I "act on this today" were. (Such high pressure tactics are secondary only to TV commercials).

I have been waiting for a public response from Dietrich Luth to that group's blanket mailing canvassing support for their cause.

Even though as constituents we may not always agree with our director, this island has had its best representation to date. His job is a difficult one, and he does it with conscience and a sense of humour.

He deserves the support he needs.

If anyone feels they can do better than Dietrich, by all means oppose him, but do it with integrity and in the appropriate forum.

To call the "concerned citizens" plea for support a defamation campaign is putting it mildly. I am sorry Dietrich was injured by their

underhandedness. Since I did not feel represented by the "concerned citizens," my mail-out went into my recycling bin, to be put to better use another day.

**MARLYN MARSHALL,**  
Fernwood Road

## Diversity

The recent editorials on the impending demise of the English language struck a chord upon which a whole sonata could be built.

Whose literary expression is the best or the worst: Alice Munro's, Robertson Davies', Margaret Atwood's or Farley Mowat's? As a group of writers, is their use of language inferior or superior to that of Douglas Coupland, author of Generation X and Microserfs, and Michael Turner, author of Hardcore Logo?

I find their drastically different use of language just that, different. I certainly refrain from comparing it to some static textbook models of grammatical purity. These different styles are analogous to various

computer fonts: Zapf Chancery for mediaeval flourish, Chicago for simple minimalism, or Helvetica for identifiable vulgarity. In the end, all of these fonts convey the alphabet just as all of the foregoing authors communicate with their varied uses of English.

Language is a dynamic tool for communication. Delight in the variety! There is strength in diversity; weakness in uniformity.

By the way, what is wrong with the meaningful grunt, the expressive sigh, or the facial contortion worth a thousand words?

**CHUCK SIGMUND,**  
Quail Crescent

## Grateful

Many thanks to the thoughtful person who saved my groceries that were stored in the back of my truck from the hungry crows outside Barb's Buns.

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Crystals, essence oils, hypnotherapy and other alternate therapies will be explored during a day long Natural Healing Seminar on March 30.

The seminar will feature five speakers, all of whom are involved in some form of alternate healing.

Kim Stewart, an ear candling practitioner from Harmony Beauty Studio, will discuss the basics of ear candling, the benefits of the treatment and give a demonstration.

## Natural healing seminar planned

Anastacia Wilde, a certified alchemical hypnotherapist, will describe that form of hypnotherapy and how it can help and heal clients. She will then lead participants in a group hypnotherapy session.

The combination of Atlantean and present day healing conferred by crystal healing bowls will be

described by Chrystyanna Queensley.

Aurora Gayle from Essence Oils - Just for You will talk about the symptoms which can be relieved by essence oils and how the oils work. A hands-on session will follow her presentation.

The final presentation, by Eric Booth, is entitled Paradigm Shift of

Health in the 90s. His talk on current ideas in health will be followed by a question and answer period.

Question and answer sessions will also follow the sessions on ear candling and essence oils.

A free draw will be held for all seminar participants for an ear candling session or natural facial treat-

ment courtesy of Harmony Beauty Studio.

The fee for the seminar is \$55 for participants who bring their own lunch or \$60 for those registering for lunch as well. Pre-registration is required by 6 p.m. March 27.

The seminar will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Communication House, 125 Hotel Road on Salt Spring. For information, call 537-1810.

## Hospital board meeting learns of CRD service now offered free

Payment for home support services on Salt Spring can now be authorized in the event of an emergency.

Directors at the February 27 Lady Minto Hospital board meeting learned that in the past, emergency home support was available, but clients had to pay for the service until a formal long-term care assessment was made. Now this service is free.

Marg Pickard, head nurse in the acute care unit (ACU), and hospital administrator Karen Davies were given this information when they met with representatives from the Capital Regional District (CRD) last month.

They expect this service will prevent hospitalization of some frail or elderly people who find themselves in trouble over a short period of time.

Several other items were reported at the hospital board

### HOSPITAL BRIEFS

meeting:

• A forum will be held on Salt Spring on March 29 concerning new legislation on guardianship. The legislation deals with four areas of care — health, personal, financial and legal.

Organized by wellness coordinator Rhema Cossever, the forum will include presentations directed at both care providers and the general public.

• Occupancy in the ACU was 78 per cent in January, compared to 65.9 per cent during the same period last year.

There were 251 day care surgical cases between April 1, 1995 and January 31, 1996, compared to 140 cases during the same months last year. This represents a 126 per cent increase.

In the emergency room, there were 462 visits during January. Of that number, 68 were pre-booked minor procedures and 40 patients were admitted to the hospital. Visits to the emergency department have increased by eight per cent over last year.

• The Hospital Foundation announced that approximately \$25,000 has been raised for the 1996 equipment drive campaign.

Funding for birthing room renovations has now been raised, and the work is complete. Fundraising for the emergency bay and main entrance project is still proceeding.

The foundation will be embarking on a volunteer recruitment program, seeking individuals to assist with the various events sponsored throughout the year. Anyone interested in helping out with foundation activities should contact the hospital's administration office.

## Skaters await resolution of liability

Volunteers from the Salt Spring Ice Park Society (SIPS) are ready to begin working on ArtSpring as soon as liability issues are resolved, society president Ken Mackie said.

Members of SIPS toured the unfinished arts centre building earlier this month with ArtSpring volunteers after offering to help complete the arts centre.

Mackie said it is clear to SIPS members that their project, a skating and curling rink, will not proceed until ArtSpring is finished. "We're not going to get full community support until ArtSpring is out of the way."

In return for helping complete ArtSpring, Mackie hopes the arts community will support the proposed recreation centre.

Work which SIPS volunteers

could tackle includes painting, finishing around the doors and windows and tiling. Especially valuable are the SIPS volunteers able to work on high scaffolding to finish the upper section of the building.

However, the society is ensuring the project is covered by Worker's Compensation and insurance before allowing volunteers on the scaffolding.

## Park make-over offered

Could a cosmetics company beautify Salt Spring?

An offer by Integra Beauty Essentials to organize a make-over for a Salt Spring park is of dubious value, Salt Spring Parks and Recreation Commission (PRC) members agreed at a recent meeting.

Integra, which distributes Aveda cosmetics, is seeking 10 neighbourhood parks which need further development. The company organizes young people as volunteers to work on chosen parks.

One project is under way in Surrey, in conjunction with the Youth Empowerment Society, on a park to be named the Aveda Pure Park.

But PRC members saw little use for the company's program on Salt Spring, especially after PRC administrator Tony Hume noted the company does not

provide funds to upgrade parks.

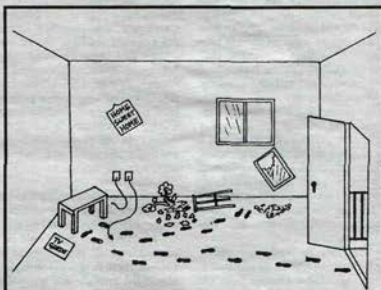
One park in need of work is Arnell Park, Hume said, but financial support is required to develop it.

Commission member Malcolm Legg said the PRC has done well upgrading local recreational facilities through projects like Katimavik.

PRC member Patsy Siemens saw no need to become involved with Integra's proposal.

"What are we hooking up with? A beauty products company?" she asked, adding, "I wouldn't touch it with a 10-foot pole."

PRC chairwoman Kellie Booth suggested getting more information on the company's park program. Although it is not useful to the island now, it may be in the future, she said.



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## Island railway history expert part of Elderhostel excursion

By GAIL SIJBERG  
Driftwood Staff

Seasoned travellers will tell you there's no better way to see a country than through the telling glass of a passenger train window.

And for people who join an Elderhostel-sponsored trip set for this fall, there will be no better way to learn about Canada and its railway history at the same time.

The Gulf Islands may not have any train history to call its own, but it was on Salt Spring that Elderhostel found its railway history expert for the trip — Dr. Kenneth Mackenzie, transportation historian and former chief archivist for the Canadian National (CN) railway. Mackenzie lives on the island, operating the Eilean Donan Bed and Breakfast with wife Margaret, and periodically returning to Montreal to continue archival work for CN.

He believes railways, past and present, form a "fundamental part of the Canadian psyche."

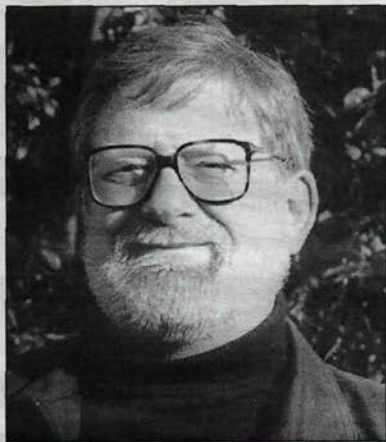
Mackenzie says when he starts talking about railway history or its politics, he finds it hard to turn off the tap. The two-week Elderhostel tour, if it goes ahead as planned, should mean he can leave that tap running for a while.

As he points out, the subject is a timely one. With the privatization of CN and closure of east-west rail lines across the country, people are wondering what has happened to our *legendary* national transportation system. "It's a very good time to be talking about railway history," he says.

Mackenzie has abundant lecturing experience, and is curious about the kind of audience he will have on the Elderhostel journey. Seniors are especially interested in history, and could come equipped with boxes of knowledge on his own subject of expertise.

The Elderhostel journey is called *The Canadian Railway Dream, a Railway Adventure to the Pacific*. As proposed so far, the trip begins in Montreal and includes tours of that city, Toronto and Vancouver, with the rail trip in between aboard the Transcontinental. Originally set for April, the trip has now been put ahead to October with the final program still being determined.

Elderhostel is a non-profit educational organization which combines academic programs and travel for retired or semi-retired people. It has long been established in Europe, and formally operating in Canada since 1986. An estimated 20,000 people par-



**RAIL GUIDE:** Dr. Kenneth Mackenzie is set to ride the rails as history expert and lecturer on an Elderhostel Montreal to Vancouver railway tour in October. The Salt Spring resident was chief archivist for Canadian National Railway and still does archival work for the company.

ticipated in Elderhostel Canada programs in 1995.

Mackenzie has spent most of his working life in eastern Canada, but grew up in Nanaimo and on Gabriola Island. He received his Ph.D. in imperial history from Dalhousie in Halifax in 1974. He spent seven years at the Canadian Postal Museum in Ottawa before moving to Montreal to work for CN in 1981.

As chief archivist he determined what documents, photographs, maps and drawings should be saved and transferred to the National Archives.

Without sufficient time and resources allocated for the effort by CN, some of these decisions are difficult, he explains. One area of concern is 250,000 engineers' drawings and prints that need to be archived.

Detailed 1870s-era drawings of mechanisms such as couplings are invaluable to museums that have old rolling stock and may need to reproduce such mechanisms.

Yet it is difficult to predict what people will want to know in the future about a railway's past. Like fashion and the arts, history drifts through fads. Perusing the National Archives, Mackenzie says, shows blocks of interest in

women's issues, native and labour history, for example.

One of Mackenzie's recent projects was working on the book *The People's Railway, a History of Canadian National*, with author Donald MacKay. It aims to tell the full story of Canada's public railway, and to correct a few misconceptions about its early history.

Nothing in history is cut-and-dried "fact." Believe it or not, Mackenzie says, some historians are suggesting east-west railway lines were not so important in building the Canadian nation.

"I disagree fundamentally," he says, adding that the binding effects of a national transportation system and institutions like the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation cannot be underestimated.

Mackenzie admits he gets "passionate" about the subject of Canadian transportation, railways and the accompanying politics. His intention on the Elderhostel journey, however, is to "try to keep it light."

For more information about the Elderhostel trip, contact Mackenzie at 537-1705, or phone Elderhostel Canada at 613-530-2222.

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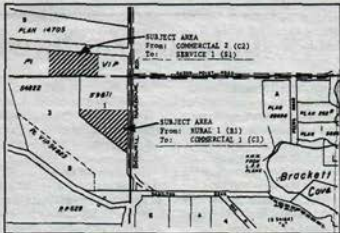
NOTICE is hereby given that North Pender Island Local Trust Committee will hold a Public Hearing regarding proposed Bylaw No. 99, cited as "Zoning Bylaw, North Pender Island, 1978, Amendment Bylaw No. 2, 1995", for the purpose of allowing the public to make representations to the Local Trust Committee respecting matters contained in the proposed bylaw. At 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 26, 1996, in the Pender Island Community School, Canal Road, North Pender Island, B.C.

At the Public Hearing, all persons who believe that their interest in property is affected by the proposed bylaw shall be afforded a reasonable opportunity to be heard or to present written submissions respecting matters contained in the proposed bylaw.

Bylaw No. 99 - "Zoning Bylaw, North Pender Island, 1978, Amendment Bylaw No. 2, 1995".

In general terms, the purpose of proposed Bylaw No. 99 is to change the zoning classifications of parts of Lot 1, Sections 10 and 15, Pender Island, Cowichan District, Plan V/P59811, from Rural 1 (R1) to Commercial 1 (C1), and from Commercial 2 (C2) to Service 1 (S1), so as to permit expansion of the commercial centre located on the same lot, and to permit disposal of commercial sewage, as shown on the following map.

Copies of the proposed bylaw and any reports that may be considered by the Local Trust Committee in respect of



the proposed bylaw, may be inspected at the Islands Trust Office, 2nd Floor, 1627 Fort Street, Victoria, B.C. between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday inclusive, excluding statutory holidays, commencing Wednesday, March 13, 1996 and up to and including Monday, March 25, 1996.

For the convenience of the public only, and not to satisfy Section 957(2)(a) of the *Municipal Act*, additional copies of the proposed bylaw may be inspected at the Public Library and on public notice boards, on North Pender Island, B.C., commencing Wednesday, March 13, 1996.

Written submissions may be delivered to:

1. the office of Islands Trust at the 2nd Floor, 1627 Fort Street, Victoria, B.C. V8R 1H8, so as to arrive prior to 4:30 p.m., March 25, 1996.
2. the North Pender Island Local Trust Committee, at the Public hearing, at 5:00 p.m., March 26, 1996.

Inquiries regarding the proposed bylaw may be directed to the Island Trust Planning Branch at 952-4182, in Victoria.

**NO REPRESENTATIONS WILL BE RECEIVED BY THE NORTH PENDER ISLAND LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC HEARING.**

Gordon McIntosh  
Secretary

North Pender Island Local Trust Committee

## Vesuvius memorial service honours native-born islander Ruth Heinekey



Ruth Heinekey

Family and friends of Ruth Isabella Heinekey gathered at Vesuvius March 2 to honour the memory of the native-born Salt Spring Islander, who died last month.

Heinekey was born in 1921, the second of three children of Jock and Phyllis Goodrich. She lived her entire life on the same Vesuvius Bay property, with the exception of two short periods spent in Prince Rupert and Kingston, Ontario during the second world war.

Husband George Heinekey, whom she married in 1940, was stationed in those two places. He died in 1987.

For many years, George and Ruth Heinekey served hundreds of islanders with "Goodrich Milk" from their Vesuvius Dairy. George Heinekey's deep involvement in community affairs — as school trustee and regional director among many other positions — kept his wife busy with both farm and family.

But Ruth Heinekey, too, was involved with many island functions and organizations.

She is survived by two sons, Marshall and Shane, brother Ken Goodrich, sister Iris Pattison and three grandchildren.

## 'Guiltless' muffins

By TERRA TEPPER

Driftwood Contributor

Although I'm on vacation I had to share with my loyal readers (both of them) a wonderful muffin recipe given to me by Gwyn Strike. She is not only an excellent cook but knows how to wring fat out of a recipe without sacrificing flavour.

The small amount of oil, 1/4 cup, is an outstanding feature of these muffins, because many recipes call for a whole cup of oil. Consider making up a batch for a guiltless Easter brunch.

### Lemon Poppysseed Muffins

2 lemons  
1 1/4 cups sugar  
3 cups all-purpose flour  
3 tsp. baking powder  
1 tsp. baking soda  
1/2 tsp. salt  
3 tsp. poppy seeds

1 egg  
1 1/4 cups milk  
1/4 cup oil  
Grate the peel from the lemons and juice them to make a half cup of juice. Put half the grated peel and the

1/4 cup of sugar into the blender and whirl until combined. This extra step definitely releases more of the lemon essence. Combine the dry ingredients, including the remaining 1 cup of sugar. Beat the egg lightly with a fork and add the milk, oil, the 1/2 cup lemon juice and the remaining peel. Add the liquid ingredients to the dry ingredients and stir just until moistened.

Fill greased muffin pans with the mixture and top each muffin with a bit of the pre-blended sugar and peel. Bake in a 375 degree oven for 25 minutes. Happy Easter!

## WHAT'S COOKING



OCEAN IN MINIATURE: Salt Spring Middle School students, from left, Cami Venter, Sheena Lahue, Kate Clements and Avery

Klenman examine an indoor aquarium at Bamfield Marine Station.

## Class visits Bamfield

By DAVID MELANSON

Driftwood Contributor

Debra Miller's Grade 8 class recently had an eventful trip to the Bamfield Marine Station.

It was a long four hours from Crofton and along rough logging roads before we reached Bamfield. Once there we were introduced to our rooms, but within 10 minutes we were on a boat crossing the inlet that cuts Bamfield in half, separating the town from the marine station. We headed for Brady's Beach and were at the station after a half hour of walking.

There we discussed erosion of the shore with marine biologist Anne Staker. Two hours later we were back at our cabins and ready for supper. After a short tour of the main building. From 8 to 9 p.m. we had a wet lab on invertebrates.

The next morning we went out in 40-foot fishing boats. In expectation of whales, everyone had their camera ready. We saw no whales but many forms of sea life showed up in the

drag nets.

Back on land in the whale lab, each wrote small projects on a marine mammal. After lunch we were off again down the inlet, this time to study sea life in mud flats and tide pools. We also had a scavenger hunt and splashed around in the water.

After supper we met in the whale lab for a lesson in fish — putting ink on a dead fish and pressing it against a piece of cloth. For others, arranging seaweed was a happy alternative.

After breakfast the next day we met at the whale lab where we did a study of seaweed, then went back to pack our gear. For the last time we went out in the skiff down Grappler's Inlet, where we did two drags, one for phytoplankton and another for zooplankton.

Back in the lab we studied our samples under microscopes, writing down what we found. Lunch was our last meal there and after that we were on our way back home.

## BUSINESS BRIEFS

A new physiotherapy service offered by Michael Phillips is now available from the Helios Natural Health Care Clinic on McPhillips Avenue.

Phillips says his service offers functional analysis of benign muscle-skeletal disorders and rehabilitation strategies "in the context of an integrated, multidisciplinary team in which the client is the primary participant in regaining functional independence."

Phillips, who can be reached at 592-9848, is from Victoria via Wales, London and Edmonton.

## Computer at library ready for public use

By ANN BARBER  
Driftwood Contributor

Amazing as it may seem, everyone does not read the Driftwood. Otherwise there would not be so many queries concerning the computer in the corner of the library.

Mark Classen of Raven Net has set up this public access terminal as a service to the community to further communication between Gulf Islands and to enable people who do not own a computer to access modern technology. As a guest, anyone may log in for a free 15 minutes per day, to read only. In order to receive and send e-mail, engage in community discussions and access information for a half hour a day, it is still free, but it is necessary to register. For any further information, come in and see for yourself or call Raven Net.

All of the above has nothing whatsoever to do with the computerization of the library. As far as the latter goes, it goes very well indeed, thanks to some very skilled and dedicated volunteers. At present the fiction, non-fiction, mystery and children's sections are completed. The paperbacks and periodicals will have generic bar codes and are yet to be processed. As regular library users are well aware, it has been rather difficult to find new books lately as their cards are no longer put into the card catalogue and the computer can only be used by the person who is in charge each day. As you may have noticed, there aren't many spring chickens among the library staff, and there is still some computer illiteracy there. However, it is never too late to learn new things and learn we will!

The next step in the computerization process involves the membership. This will take some time,

## LIBRARY SHELF

but eventually all those who have been complaining about our large cards will receive plastic ones that fit nicely into a wallet. The down side is if you lose one of those a new one will cost money and there will be no more temporary cards. All you people with overdue books had better watch out as Audrey Wild will have a much easier time finding you.

Everyone has been very considerate during this time of transition and occasional floundering. A little more patience will be required until the public can access the collection themselves. But the end is in sight.

Users of the Windfall Room and collectors of art will both be happy to hear about the silent art auction coming soon. The paintings will be placed somewhere, yet to be decided, in the library with a book nearby for placing bids. Proceeds will go towards refurbishing the Windfall Room. The plans are not yet final but watch for this event. The paintings are all donated by local artists, to whom we are very grateful.

To end on a very boring note: Once again, please don't bring in your ancient old magazines and books. We are very appreciative of most donations — but please no weeklies, trade magazines and anything even faintly resembling mould. These all go to recycling where they should have gone in the first place.

Don't forget the annual general meeting which will be held in the United Church Hall at 3:30 for the tea and biscuits and 3 p.m. for the meeting on Friday, March 15.



### OF THESE DATES

MAR. 13: OAPO Social, Reader Group, Central Hall, 1:30pm.

MAR. 14: SS Weavers & Spinners, pot luck, Farmer's Inst. 6pm.

MAR. 20: SSI Garden Club meeting, All Saints by-the-Sea, 7:30pm.

MAR. 21: SS Weavers & Spinners, open meet in a members home, 10:30am.

MAR. 26: La Leche League meeting, Family Plaza, 7pm.

MAR. 27: South SS Residents Assoc., AGM, Fulford Hall, 6pm.

MAR. 29: New Adult Guardianship Legislation Forum.

All Saints by-the-Sea (Lupper hall) 8:30-11:30, 1:30-4:30

APR. 17: SSI Golf & Country Club, AGM, SSI Golf & Country Club clubhouse, 6pm.

### EVERY WEDNESDAY

-Seniors & Alzheimer's support group, Seniors for Seniors bldg, 11am

-Archery Shooting, SSI Rod & Gun Club, 7pm.

-Stamp Collectors all ages, Seniors For Seniors, 10am

-Cancer Support Group, Croftonbrook 10am-12 noon (every 3rd Wed.)

-Narcotics Anonymous, Altona Club, Rattray Rd, 7:30pm

-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 or 2nd Wed. ea. mo.)

-O.A.P.D. Looie tea & video, Lower Central Hall, 1:30 (except 2nd Wed.)

-SS Painters Guild, Anglican Church, Ganges, downstairs, 10:30-1:30.

### EVERY THURSDAY

-Salt Spring Weavers & Spinners Guild, 10:30-12pm.

-Parkinson Support Gr., Croftonbrook, 6pm (second Thurs. of the mo.)

-Seniors for Seniors regular Thurs. lunch at noon, meet, are essential.

-Sally Wheels Square Dance Club, 6:30pm, Central Hall.

-Scottish Dancing, Anglican Church Hall, 7:30pm

### EVERY FRIDAY

-Fullard OAP #180, bingo 2:00pm.

### EVERY SATURDAY

-Narcotics Anonymous, Community Centre, Fulford Ganges Rd., 7:30pm.

-Book Sale, downstairs at library, 10am-12:30pm.

-Core Inn, volunteers needed, 10:30-noon.

### EVERY MONDAY

-"Bandedemonium" Lions Hall, Drake & Bonnet, 7pm-9pm.

-Free blood pressure clinic, Seniors for Seniors 10:30noon (last Mon. ea. mo.)

-Adult 22 rifle shooting, SSI Rod & Gun Club, 1:30pm.

-Taoist Tai Chi, for Seniors, Lower Central Hall, 10am.

-OAP# K22 carpet bowling, Lower Central Hall, 1:30pm.

-Reader's Theatre, Croftonbrook Hall, 10am

-Teen Sewing Club, textiles lab, Middle School 4pm-6pm.

-Story time, library, 9:30am.

-Life Drawing, Windfall rm., library, 1-3pm.

-French conversation group, Seniors for Seniors, 10am-noon (not last Monday of the mo.)

-Ganges Residents Assoc., Mahon Hall, 7pm.

(1st Monday of the mo.)

-Teen Sewing Club, SSI Middle School, 4pm-6pm.

### EVERY TUESDAY

-Duplicate Bridge, Meaden Hall at the Legion, 7pm.

-Seniors choir practices, Seniors for Seniors, 10:30am.

-Air rifles, Fulford Hall, 7:30pm.

-Target Archery, Fulford Hall, 8:30pm.

-Chess Club, Seniors for Seniors Bldg., 7pm.

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## Parents need to sign report cards

By NEILL ARMITAGE  
Driftwood Contributor

Every student in GISS should have received an interim report by now.

Parents should sign the envelope that contained the report and return the envelope to the school. If your child does not return a signed envelope, we will assume you haven't read your child's report.

If you didn't receive a report for some reason, please call Teresa Laing at 537-9944. She will locate another copy for you that can be picked up in the main office or she can fax one to you.

Rebecca King has received a University of Toronto National Book Award for 1996. This award has been earned by King in recognition of her exceptional personal and academic abilities.

Eric Baker has been nominated by GISS for the British Columbia Premier's Award of \$5,000. This nomination is based on Baker's acad-

## INSIDE GISS

emic excellence in Grades 11 and 12 and his contributions to the school and community.

Graduating students can now pick up a copy of the booklet that contains the details about all of our local scholarships. Liane Watson has these books in the counselling centre. The deadline for applying for these scholarships is April 1 so students who are interested should begin the paperwork now.

The following Victoria district scholarships all have an April 1 deadline. See Liane Watson in the counselling centre for details.

Brian Williams Memorial Scholarships (UVic) — \$500. Criteria: minimum B average, strong rugby potential, intention to be involved with UVic rugby team.

DeVry Institute of Technology Scholarships — several between \$6,775 and \$21,680. Criteria: a high academic standing and enrolling in computer or electronics programs.

University of Guelph President's Scholarships — \$20,000. Criteria: academic excellence, leadership qualities, substantial contributions to the school and community.

University of Northern British Columbia Entrance Awards — \$5,000. Criteria: full-time student at UNBC, academic excellence, demonstrated leadership skills and community involvement.

University of Victoria — various. (There are too many details about these to be included here. See Liane Watson.)

If you know of someone who has epilepsy, you may want to investigate a new 42-minute video called Children: Living with Epilepsy. The cost is \$89.95 and the fax number to order it is 416-535-8173.

## GISS Honour Roll

Gulf Islands Secondary School's honour roll was released last week:

### Grade 9

Mark-Allan Baker, Robin Bardoun, Tarric Bath, Sarah Becklake, Sami Buchanan, Dara Boddie, Alex Byanan, Sarah Cameron, Abey Clark, Stephanie Collette, Jo Cunliffe, Christina Czadek, Tori Davidson, Sam Davies, Autumn Fowles, Suzi Gay, Mandu Goebi, Amaury Gréig, Martin Hammond, Lisa Howell, Naomi Jason, Chris Johnson, Sarah Kerman, Matthew King, Manuel Landry, Savona Lyon, Aryn Macchell, Kristie Marcotte, Thomas McKeachie, Steven McLanson, Keau Meyers, Matthew Miller, Peter Millard, Robin Morris, Joelle Morrison, Monica Page, Sara Pearson, Jennie Ritberg, Aleta Schmah, Cory Schwagly, Matthew Simpson, Aslan Sinclair, Hannah Smith, Malika Smith, Robin Smith, Sean Smith, Graham Spencer, Sheila Stacey, Maia Vaillancourt, Tanisha Vampell, Oscar Venter, Emily Wall, James Wilkinson.

### Grade 10

Laura Albert, Jesse Anderson, Elizabeth Baker, Erin Baker, Travis Beals, Jennifer Benham, Cedar Bowers, Lauren Bowler, Kelsey Butkus, Kurtis Buzye, Amanda Byron, Regan Byron, Patrick Callas, Paul Campsall, Christopher Cecil, Dustin Chamberlin, Bree Cheveldave, Adam Deas, Jess Duerichan, Malissa Estable, Jonagh Felibrother, Julia Fitness, Rebecca Forbes, Andrew Fryer, Walter Funk, Danielle Gardner,

Lisa Gardner, Alura Gilbert, Sebastian Godbold, Margot Guedes, Jared Hazenboom, Melissa Hingston, George Howard, Dana Kallip, Jeremy Keating, Loren Kirkby, Tom Langdon, Rebecca Lalavie, Chris Leier, Erik Lyon, Thor Magnusson, Kelly Mayrand, Jessica McGartie, Brent McCaughan, Jesse McLaughlin, Jamie McNab, Sarah McNair, Stuart Middleton, Michael Miles, Erin Morris, Anna Mussell, Brandon Outerbridge, Norah Perkins, Molly Phillips, Mimosa Palmberg, Allayan Plessner, Brandon Proce, Anna Puhky, Graham Regan, Jamie Robinson, Nicky Ruddell, Megan Ruggles, Franziska Satzinger, Larissa Sauer, Trent Shoulde, Segovia Smith, Jillian Speed, Helen Stacey, Erik Tamboline, Raina Tammetts, Christopher Urquhart, Liam Walsh.

### Grade 11

Laurie Baines, Nicholas Bardoun, Daniel Bennett, Erin Bergsma, Warren Bisset, Neacol Booth, Micah Booy, Monica Byron, Dustin Carlson, Scott Carmichael, Ben Choquette, Carly Clark, Ana Clarke, Anastasia Cyprus, Emily Delahay, Anthony Eyles, Jaime Field, Shelagh Baker, Esther Kemping, Molly Grayer, Rowan Hartman, Adrian Hingston, Aaron Little, Tim Lyons-Howard, Eamon MacOigen, Andrew McEachern, Robert McMahon, Jennifer Oldroyd, Noah Fred, Jennifer Storey, Nyssa Tenmel, Mia Thome, Jeff Walsh, Sarah Wilkin, David Woelckner, Coryn Wolfe-Milner, Emma Yardley.

## Island archers win gold

Local archers won five medals March 2 at the 1996 Canadian indoor regional competition.

Jan Hilton and Betty Peters won gold medals in senior barebow female and master barebow female respectively. Hilton scored 323 and Peters 309.

Zammie Johnson won a bronze medal in the senior barebow female with a score of 173.

In cub barebow male, eight-year-old Garrett Macdonnell won silver with a score of 122 and Nathan Fraser, 13, won bronze with 94.

The five winners, all of Salt Spring, were among 18 archers who competed at Fulford Hall. There were more than 600 competitors in events across Canada.

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There will be two sessions. The morning session will be designed for practitioners in Health Care, Legal, Financial and Social Services. The afternoon session will be of most interest to the General Public.

Highlights of the Morning Session:

- ISSUES AND CONCERNS REGARDING CHANGES IN YOUR PRACTICE
- Health care consent • Care facility admission • Abuse and neglect provisions
  - Court-ordered decision making • Transition provisions

Highlights of the afternoon session:  
THE REPRESENTATION AGREEMENT  
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Why have one? How do I make one? What goes into it? Who can be my representative? What does he/she do, etc.

You are welcome to attend either or both sessions

### PRESENTERS:

Linda Derkach, Director of Implementation, Guardianship Legislation, Office of the Public Trustee

Dr. Robert Gordon, Associate Professor, School of Criminology, Simon Fraser University

Alison Leaney, M.S.W., Guardianship Implementation Project, Office of the Public Trustee

DATE: Friday, March 29, 1996

TIME: 8:30 am - 11:30 am  
1:00 pm - 4:30 pm

PLACE: All Saints by-the-Sea (upper hall)

Hosted by: The Community Wellness Programs and the Office of the Public Trustee

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- EMERGENCY FOOD BANK: Now open Tuesday 11-3.
- COUNSELLING SERVICES: Crisis and short-term counselling provided by Community Workers.
- ALCOHOL & DRUG PROGRAM: Prevention & treatment service is free and confidential.
- FAMILY PLACE: Family Place gratefully accepts donations used to baby clothes and equipment for 1-3 year olds for free distribution to island families. Please call 537-9176.
- RECYCLE DEPOT: Open Tuesday - Saturday from 10:00am-5pm, 349 Fairbairn Rd., 537-1200.
- GULF ISLANDS WELLNESS PROGRAMS COORDINATOR: Call Pherna Cossever at 537-4607 for Senior's Health Promotion.
- CLIMBING WALL HOURS: Thurs. & Fri. 6:30 - 9:30pm / Sat. 3-6pm. Full equipment chg. \$2.50
- CLUB NIGHT: Sunday 6:30-9:30pm.

THIS LEGISLATION AFFECTS EVERY BRITISH COLUMBIAN - WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ON MARCH 29TH call Rhema Cassever at 537-6607 for more information

# Voice technology isn't perfect, but worth watching

The first bit: Voice over Internet

Like a talking dog, the marvel is not that it speaks well but that it speaks at all.

That's my impression of Digiphone, Third Planet Publishing's entry into the new field of Internet voice communication.

And while the current version isn't perfect, this is a concept worth watching.

Imagine talking to folks around the world for the cost of your Internet connection. No more long distance fees. If I had a broker, I'd be telling him not to buy stock in long-distance telephone networks.

Digiphone builds on two developments: widespread use of the Internet and widespread use of multimedia computers equipped with sound cards and modems.

The Internet provides the lowest cost link between two computers. The sound card transforms spoken words into digitized data. Then that data is sent over the Internet to another computer whose sound card transforms the digitized data back into sound. Voila! Two-way conversation.

Third Planet's contribution is software which compresses the digitized sound for transmission over the Internet and which seeks out and connects to a specific e-mail address. (Other ver-

sions of "chat" software connect to online chat sites, not to specific e-mail addresses.)

Digiphone only connects to other computers equipped with the same software, so the massive promotion of the software when it was launched last fall was a savvy move. Taking an early lead in this market will undoubtedly be important as buyers will gravitate to the software with the greatest number of users.

"Everyone is really jockeying to become the standard," noted Robert Droste, public relations director for Digiphone.

Need someone to connect? Digiphone maintains a web page at <http://www.planeteers.com> which includes a list of all Digiphone "users", e-mail addresses and their location. (Users can choose whether to be included in the directory during the automatic, online registration of their product.)

Distribution of Digiphone is widespread: a quick check of the web page reveals users as far away as Singapore and Israel, although most are in North America.

Their technical support is first rate, open from 7 a.m. to 1 a.m. Central time Monday to Friday. Given the many variables which

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affect the operation of this product — including computer specifications, operating system, type of sound card and Internet connection — such a high level of support is essential.

Requirements are a 486 or faster computer with a 14.4 modem, microphone, speakers or earphones, full or half-duplex sound card and an Internet connection.

Once installed, Digiphone is easy to use with point-and-click icons to "dial" an e-mail address, connect and disconnect. If the recipient does not respond, it even leaves a brief e-mail message so the recipient knows someone called.

My tests were done using the

half-duplex mode, which allows the software to work with an inexpensive eight-bit sound card. The effect was similar to that of a walkie-talkie — push on-screen button to record and send, release button to receive.

A full-duplex or 16-bit sound card would allow two-way conversations more like a standard phone call.

Is it better than a phone call?

It depends on whether you're talking cost or quality. Compared to the first-class telephone service enjoyed throughout much of North America, Digiphone's sound quality and potential for delay can be frustrating.

Like any other data sent over the Internet, the conversation can be slowed by heavy traffic, available bandwidth and modem speed. I found it was at its best used with earphones and a microphone in a quiet room, although the sound can be routed through speakers to allow a

group call and settings can be adjusted to compensate for a noisy background.

Talking cost — well, there's no telephone service that offers world-wide long distance at the average Internet access rates of \$1 to \$2 an hour.

Using it is likely akin to using the telephone system in its infancy, with a small number of available phones to call and occasional hitches in operation. Its greatest benefit will be for those making frequent long distance phone calls which can be arranged for a specific time. Unlike a telephone, Digiphone does not yank the recipient out of the bathtub — since a computer must be on and connected to the Internet for the call to be answered.

Suggested retail is \$70 with a deluxe version, complete with Internet browsing software, for \$120. A Windows '95 version is being released this month.

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## ARTS &amp; ENTERTAINMENT

# Erotica...

By GAIL SIJBBERG  
Driftwood Staff

It was another Saturday night for a single Denise Bertrand. The only problem was, she was stuck on sedate and stodgy Salt Spring. What's an erotica-starved girl to do?

Luckily, her friend Michael Doward telephoned and invited her to Through the Keyhole: an evening of erotic dance and theatre. Fortunately for the rest of us, we were already there.

By the time Bertrand was pacing the floor we had already had our "foreplay" by peering through the keyhole — or the windows — at Cat's Pajama's Studio, and home of Anna Halmrecht and Ron Brunette.

It was an intriguing way to commence a theatrical event: walking around a house watching a woman disrobe from a wedding dress; another washing her legs; and three interacting couples, two human and a pair of "fish" flipping about in an aquarium.

The outside tour idea really worked. Such an odd collection of activities was a mild warm-up to the eclectic, often hilarious and always surprising antics that followed inside and upstairs.

While the window scenes hinted that the evening would not be overly serious, as soon as Doward came by to retrieve Bertrand, that suspicion was confirmed. He was dressed in black lace pants, layers of slinky women's undergarments and bangles, a shawl dripping with feathers and an enormous matching hat, and what appeared to be platform Birkenstocks. Then Bertrand emerged from behind a dressing screen transformed from a feminine beauty into a moustached, biker-butch guy wielding the stiffest leather jacket imaginable. They were off to be entertained in high style, and along with the 50-plus people in the studio, they could not have been disappointed.

Through the Keyhole illuminated "erotic" as a word which suffers from the distortions of marketing. All of the scenes simply revolved around love and de-

sire — from Halmrecht's energetic dance of a woman desperately seeking her lover to the clown skit of Laurie Clarke and Ramesh Meyers portraying an elderly couple invigorated by some subtle toe-touching and sharing of a thermos cup — what else should we expect?

Clarke, a member of Salt Spring's Wholy Fools group, quickly set the evening's tone as a clown titillated by a long, fuzzy brown belt she was wearing. She "hoo-hoo-hooded" wildly as she tickled her upper body with it, then stroked it like a coming-to-life penis and then... well, I don't want to describe the rest in case she performs the scene at a later date.

The audience was clearly amused by the hilarity. Then clown Ramesh Meyers, with a groin protrusion that could be only one thing, came in salivating pursuit of Clarke. Audience member Sandi Johnson briefly sidetracked him, which left her with a radish red complexion and prompted an even higher pitch of hysterics from those watching.

Near the end of the evening, Susheela Meyers was a sexually-agitated clown gently flirting with a few audience members and eventually brushing a quivering breast against a handsome younger man. Much of the evening's energy came from the interplay between performers and the audience, and the intimate studio setting itself.

What emerged as "erotic" was the energy of people touching, or almost touching, as when Halmrecht and Alfredo Gormezano whirled together with barely a thread of air between them. Ramesh Meyers putting shoes on a hard-to-please Sue Newman's feet became a remarkably sensual dance, even if it ended with both of them wearing baseball glove-sized bear paw slippers.

Even the touch of book pages brushed by a geeky clown (Sam Miller) on the equally ravishing object of his desire (Susheela Meyers) emphasized the erotic power of touch. Miller also had a

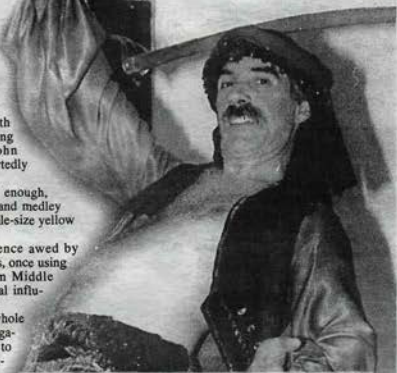
bizarre way of holding his mouth open in this and a later exhilarating scene, which parodied the John Travolta look some females reportedly lust after.

As if the clowns weren't crazy enough, Brunette and Newman did a skit and medley of love songs while dressed in whale-size yellow outfits.

The closing act had the audience awed by Gormezano performing two dances, once with a sword routine he created from Middle Eastern, Turkish and other cultural influences.

Halmrecht said Through the Keyhole was born after Eros '96 festival organizers approached island dancers to contribute to the month-long festival. She and partner Brunette discussed some ideas and it evolved from there.

The result was entertainment that never faltered, and lots of fun for those who came. They should be looking forward to seeing more of the Wholy Fools at an early April show on Salt Spring.



**EROTIC BALANCE:** Alfredo Gormezano made his body do the impossible while balancing a full-length sword on his head at Through the Keyhole, a dance and theatre evening which was part of Eros '96. Held at the Cat's Pajamas Studio Friday and Saturday, more than 100 people enjoyed skits, songs and dances all connected in some way to passionate love.

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ON STAGE: Colleen Eccleston and Rattle In The Dash take to the stage March 16 and 17 at Moby's Pub.

## Celtic rock group at Moby's

Colleen Eccleston and her band Rattle in the Dash are at Moby's on Saturday and Sunday night.

A Vancouver-based Celtic rock group, Rattle in the Dash has thrilled Salt Spring audiences in the past. Eccleston vocals and panache join the violin wizardry of Tom Neville and the multi-talented Bud Kruz on flute, guitar and bass.

Eccleston was described by the *Rogue Review* as having "an infectious, compelling stage pres-

ence and a wonderful voice," and has been characterized as a "Canadian gypsy, moving seasonally through the weathers and wonders and amid the songsmiths from Portugal Cove in Newfoundland to Victoria, B.C."

She was also nominated "the most promising performer of the '90s" by CFUV's Leslie Davis, and considered among the most popular entertainers in Victoria by *Monday Magazine* readers in a 1992 survey.

# Who needs a view with quality Bandemonium taking the stage?

By TONY RICHARDS  
Driftwood Staff

As I sat gazing at a concrete pillar in the high school's multi-purpose room Saturday evening, I was reminded of recent remarks by school district superintendent Mike Marshall about the pillars that support education in the Gulf Islands.

This, I thought to myself, must be one such pillar, only it was something of an obstacle on this particular occasion. That reflection came about the same time as another — this one in the window on the other side of the room — of Bandemonium members taking their seats before a capacity audience for their Celebration of the Band concert.

It was about the only view of the band some of us had from the mezzanine level above the multi-purpose area, but who needs a view when you've got an orchestra like Bandemonium on stage?

The sensation is one of sound, not sight, and it was a fabulous one indeed.

Salt Spring's community band has come a long way in a few short years, having reached the point where it might be more suitably described as an orchestra.

Symphony is too formal, and band is too unprofessional. But orchestra implies the level of professionalism and quality that we heard Saturday. From the lovely Folk Song Suite to the great tunes of Show Boat, Bandemonium celebrated its coming of age.

It was a concert postponed from a snowy night in January, a postponement for which MC Arthur Black, of CBC Radio fame, apologized. Black also apologized for having been born in Ontario and for the concert's tick-

et price increase. But the band, he said, was three times as good as it used to be, and he was right.

Black offered no justification for being born in Ontario but did state with some pride that he was a resident of Salt Spring of eight months — "and still dripping." He made no mention of missing using a snow shovel, but we must assume that he does.

The host of Saturday morning's Basic Black warmed the audience with good-humoured introductions to the evening's performances, and observations on topics such as baldness.

From where we sat it was difficult to know what Black looked like, but before long we realized that the glowing orb in the window opposite was in fact his bald pate bobbing at the microphone.

And bald it shall remain, we learned, because he would have nothing of hair transplants. He drew our attention to former hockey great Bobby Hull whose transplanted hair, Black had decided, appeared as if it belonged in his armpit.

It was remarks like that that amused the crowd between songs, and helped maintain a lively pace

throughout the two and a half hour event.

Other highlights were the songs *Louie, Louie* and *Stand By Me* by music students of Salt Spring Middle School, under the direction of teacher Bruce Creswick, and Bandemonium's big band and its flute trio. The latter featured a tune from the France of centuries past, which flautist Bo Curtis introduced by creating an image of aristocracy sitting about sipping on Grand Marnier and nibbling truffles, with the music playing in the background.

The music was beautiful, but oh how we missed the other ingredients.

Bandemonium also brought Show Boat back to life for those who have seen the musical, and left some with an image of our community orchestra performing below the stage as a musical unfolds before an audience at AnSpring.

The evening closed with two pieces by a combination of Bandemonium and middle school musicians, leaving us with fond musical memories until next time. Perhaps we can look forward to another evening some day of Basic Bandemonium.

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**SENSE AND SENSIBILITY:** held over for the second week. Based on Jane Austen's novel, the movie has been nominated for seven academy awards, including best picture, best screenplay, best actress, best supporting actress, best costume design, and best original score. *General. Fri. - Tues. 9 p.m., matinees Sunday and Monday at 4 p.m.*

### Island Video Hits

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| 1. Dangerous Minds .....(2)      | 6. Pocahontas .....(1)     |
| 2. A Walk in the Clouds .....(-) | 7. Waterworld .....(3)     |
| 3. Brothers McMullen             | 8. Empire Records .....(-) |
| 4. Moonlight and Valentino (-)   | 9. Fair Game .....(-)      |
| 5. Prophecy .....(-)             | 10. Copycat .....(4)       |

### On Tap at the Pubs

- Moby's Pub:** .....Rattle in the Dash, Mar. 16-17  
**Harbour House (pub):** .....Sane, Mar. 15-16  
**Fulford Inn:** .....Blend, Mar. 15-16  
**Vesuvius Inn:** .....Comedy Club #8, Mar. 14  
**Vesuvius Inn:** .....Triskele Celtic Band, Mar. 17  
**Vesuvius Inn:** .....Open Stage, Mar. 14  
**Alfresco's:** .....Barrington Perry on piano, Fri. and Sat.

### Community TV Schedule

- Thurs., Mar. 14, 5 p.m.** .....Isle of Views  
 .....6 p.m. Cyrano
- Sun., Mar. 17, 3 p.m.** .....Isle of Views  
 .....4 p.m. Cyrano
- Tues., Mar. 19, 11 a.m.** .....Isle of Views  
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**HOT ART:** Jackie Doyle displays her couple sculpture set for display at the erotic art exhibition at Mahon Hall. The show begins Saturday and will run for a week.

## Mahon Hall features erotic art

Island artists are creating hot art.

More than 60 local artists are indulging their erotic fantasies in an array of sensual artwork for a first annual erotic art show called Salt Spring Fever.

Opening at Mahon Hall in Ganges on Saturday, the show will feature various art forms

including sculpture, topography, pottery and fabric art.

Works are for viewing and some are for sale.

Erotic refreshments will be available on opening day.

The show runs until March 23, and will be open between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. Admission is free.

## Triskele Celtic Band celebrates St. Patrick's Day at Vesuvius

The Vesuvius Inn is hosting a St. Patrick's Day celebration this Sunday with Triskele Celtic Band.

From 6 to 9 p.m., people can sing along to old favourites like Whiskey in the Jar, Danny Boy, The Minstrel Boy and Molly Malone, as well as some modern Irish folk songs like I Wish I Was Hunting and The Ferryman.

The band will also play some tunes of Turlough O'Carolan, one of Ireland's most renowned harpists, who overcame his handicap of blindness and travelled across Ireland, writing airs and songs for the nobility.

Ireland has always been a mystical and magical isle, with many stories and legends of the "little people." St. Beag, St. Mohr was written about the fairies on the big hill versus the fairies of the little hill. These two airs have a timeless quality and haunting melodies that easily conjure up pictures of the Emerald Isle. Jigs and reels like The Rakes of Mallow and The King of the Fairies will also get feet tapping.

March 17 is celebrated in honour of an Irish "saint" whose name is surrounded by legend.

Triskele band member Myranda O'Byrne describes how the only evidence of St. Patrick's existence is his own autobiography, supposedly written in the fifth century but not heard of till 400 years later.

Born in England, St. Patrick claimed he was captured by pirates at age 16 and brought to live in slavery in Ulster, Northern Ireland, where he became a devoted Christian. After escaping to France and having a "vision," he

returned to Ireland as a missionary and apparently converted 120,000 people and built over 300 churches.

O'Byrne says the autobiography was likely a ploy by monks wishing to make it seem that Ireland was converted to Christianity earlier than it was. The legend that he charmed all the snakes of Ireland down to the seashore where they drowned is probably a metaphor for the persecution and death of the pagans who resisted conversion, says O'Byrne, the snake being a pagan symbol of the Celts. In fact, she adds, archaeologists believe Ireland was never home to any snakes.

She says another more likely interpretation is that Patrick, whose symbol is the shamrock, was an older, pagan deity. The Book of Leinster, a 12th century

Irish codex, says that Patrick's mother was the Goddess Macha who gave birth to the shamrock god.

Early missionaries often took over shrines and holidays associated with existing deities and gave them a new identity in the new faith, she says. "This was likely the fate of the old god Treflinguid Tre-cochar (Patrick) who became St. Patrick."

In modern times, March 17 has survived as a day for the Irish to celebrate being Irish. But, as O'Byrne says, "For the rest of you, your great-great grandmother's cousin's Uncle Jack came from Connemara, so why not be Irish for a day. Have a glass of whiskey, dance a jig or two, wear some green, tell a story, and try to catch a leprechaun and trick him into telling you where he buried his gold."

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Photo by Dennis Lundy



**Women's day celebrated by art**

Approximately 60 women and two men attended a celebration in honour of International Women's Day on Friday night at Fulford Hall.

March 8 was chosen in 1910 as the international day to honour women, in remembrance of a march by women workers in New York City in 1857. Also known as International Working Women's Day, it is a national holiday in Russia and China. Nowadays, the commemoration of March 8 also serves to focus attention on issues of violence against women. On this day, women around the world have been celebrating their collective and individual talents for 86 years.

This year, thanks to the generous donation of Fulford Hall, and

volunteer efforts by SVOVA members, the celebration included an exhibition featuring the work of 12 women artists, and an evening of entertainment presented by women of all ages from young daughters to grandmothers, emceed by Val Alojan.

Metta and Ayla, two of Robbyn Scott's dance students, opened the show with a work choreographed by themselves. There were readings by poet Heather Blagdon and poet/storyteller Anna Kienman, and musical performances by Shellyse Szakaacs and Sibhan Sinnell, Women Friends (Lynn Quinn, Janice McLean and Myranda O'Byrne), the Raging Grannies, Jeanette Grey, Annie Paloveik, Julie Kerr and Julianne

Young. Exhibiting artists were Szakaacs, Julie Elitzabeth, Judith Borbas, Kathy Venier, Annie Knoop, Karen Reiss, Helen Wiebe, Diana Dean, Patricia Brown, Heather Bright, Margaret Threlfall and Phyllis Serota.

Szakaacs and Ely Parks spoke about the Transition House, the need for funding and staffing, and what an important role it is playing in our community. They stressed that the house really is a community project, having been purchased by an anonymous donor and furnished entirely by donations. Another \$159.25 was raised for the Transition House from donations received during the course of the evening.

**Country musicians set island concert**

Two well-known country music singers are teaming up for a concert on Salt Spring next Friday.

Alan Moberg, once described as "Canada's best kept secret," and Laurie Thain, who is set to release her fourth album, will perform at Hart Bradley Memorial Hall beginning at 8 p.m.

In the 1960s and '70s, Moberg was among a small group of west coast performers who were singing and recording country

music, and about the people and places around him.

That helped give him a reputation as "the original salt-water cowboy."

Much of his music celebrates B.C., including the songs called Beautiful British Columbia, The Williams Lake Stampede and Lady of the Northland, which received considerable regional airplay.

He also is noted for an affinity for First Nations people and was honoured with adoption by the Gitskahn Killer Whale Clan of Kispiox.

His more recent recordings include Saltwater Cowboy and Coastal Acoustic, both released on the Meadow Mountain Music label.

Moberg and his wife Nellie have recently moved to Salt Spring Island.

Thain has been active in the

country music scene for the past several years and islanders may recognize her as a regular host of the CBC Timmy's Christmas Telethon. In between writing songs and recording stints she has found time to attend events like the Merritt Mountain Music Festival and for concert tours of New Zealand.

She was nominated "outstanding new artist" at the 1993 Canadian National RPM Big Country Awards in Toronto, and as "country music person of the year" at the B.C. Country Music Awards in 1995.

Thain's first three albums are Hopeless Romantic, Matters of the Heart and Stages.

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### All in the technique

Japanese volleyball coach Tadashi Yoshida provides helpful advice at a volleyball clinic held last week at Gulf Islands Secondary School. Following the clinic, spectators enjoyed a match between the University of Victoria volleyball team and a visiting Japanese team.

Photos by Derrick Lundie



## Rowing club paddles back into local action

By J. ALLAN WOOD

The Gulf Islands Rowing Club is back, some would say from the dead. I, however, like to think of last year as more of a coma. We are still weak, but there is hope for a full recovery.

Currently we are relying on students from Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) to keep the coaches busy and feeling useful. Two school years ago, the female students fielded (or should I say "laked") two full eights. (As an aside, an eight requires nine people; I'll let you figure it out.) There were also more than 20 women in the 20-something age category (known as the masters age group) who rowed at least once a week.

Last year, after some strange happenings, a hard core of five students continued to row, but this time in a newly-acquired four (see the aside about eight). This year there are 15 young women scholars who have been divided into two crews. The senior girls continue to row the four once a week, and the novice girls have split time between the four and an eight once a week.

In addition, a group of boys from GISS have expressed an interest in rowing. They have yet to get organized enough to get on the water. Last year, we lost the use of the small piece of property that our boat shed still sits on. Bert Schurmann came to our rescue and has kindly allowed us to row from his property, but only as a temporary measure.

We are now looking for a kind-

hearted benefactor who would like to have a boat shed, dock and between 10 and 20 people daily infest a small piece of their property. (The club is currently meeting with a wonderful island family who have indicated this is indeed a possibility.)

In the past we were limited as to who could row by our equipment. We have two eights that were old when the Mouats first came to Salt Spring. We also have an eight that was designed to be permanently under repair. None of these boats can stand the wear and tear associated with men's rowing. In fact, they can't stand the wear and tear of being looked at.

This year we obtained a welcome transfusion from the Victoria City Rowing Club in the form of two eights, both of which are in full working order. Now we need people who are interested in making them work.

Anyone over the age of 12 who has a desire to learn to row, or wishes to help in an administrative or coaching capacity, is welcome to attend a meeting. It will be held at the GISS multi-purpose room March 26 at 8 p.m.

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# Old Boys play ugly to beat Sooke 3-2 on home turf

By MALCOLM LEGG  
Driftwood Contributor  
Salt Spring Old Boys 3, Sooke 2

There are many glowing terms to describe the way a team wins a soccer game — from winning with style, or winning with grace to winning with luck. Last Sunday's 3-2 home win against Sooke can only be called "winning ugly."

You are probably wondering how a team can win ugly — well, if you had seen the game you would understand — we simply played ugly soccer!

Maybe it had something to do with playing Sooke with their hack, smack and whack style of soccer that seems to nerve our squad. Possibly the lads had overindulged in Saturday night festivities, causing more than a few bodies to not be quite match fit. Or maybe the Old Geezers were a little overconfident, feeling that Sooke would have problems playing on real

grass (unlike the famous Sooke potholes) on a full size field (not one designed for dwarfs) with a real referee (although his whistle could have used a better pea).

Well, the last theory was quickly shot down as Sooke, looking for the better team, scored 10 minutes into the game and seemed to have the Old Boys on the ropes.

Sooke pressed again and again and somehow the lads' defence, which looked more like a cheese grater (full of holes), managed to escape time and time again.

Suddenly, out of nothing, came the lads' chance from a Darryl Lister pass that looked like it was going out (a lot of Old Boys passes looked this way on this day). Somehow Chris Cottrell kept it in on left wing and banged it goalwards where "David-on-the-spot" Norget tucked in the equalizer.

This was only a momentary lapse for Sooke as they quickly

rallied and by half had a 2-1 lead. Somehow though the lads found a little (and I use this word liberally) cohesion in the second half as the defence tightened, Henry "the Legend" Braak started to look more like a goalie (if that is possible) and our offence started to attack.

Unfortunately, Sooke had one other trick up their sleeves — player #12, their lineman, who put up his flag for an offside every time we attacked.

Finally, midway through the half, the lads won another free-kick on yet another Sooke hack, which Jack Braak converted off a fine free-kick from Alan "Gal's ball" Webb. Moments later we received a penalty shot on a Sooke whack with their hand on the ball.

Once again the lads' ugly soccer returned as Ziggy "Ace Striker" Karl became Ziggy "Once-was-Ace-Striker" Karl, as he completely missed the net. But then another break came

as a Sooke smack gave the lads yet another free-kick. Steve Legg's cross found Jack Braak's head and then Cottrell's knee cap and went in for the winner. (You guessed it — a real ugly goal, but they all count!)

With only 10 minutes to go one would have thought we could hold on easily, but not on this day, as the lads tried to

throw the win away. Only a crossbar, a great save by the Legend and an even better save by Bill Lea on the goal-line preserved our ugly win.

Ugly or not, a victory is a victory and the lads savoured the win with the final whistle. That makes their record 9 wins, two losses and two ties — not bad for a bunch of old geezers!

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## HIGH ROLLERS

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RCMP: Ruf Hume 241, 245, Ken Sampson 203, 254, Ken Spence 268.

Circus league: Fred Howell 204, 208, Norma Eves 206, Gene Ginhart 209, Ben Cooper 284, 210/675, 222, 264/654, Gordon Ruckie 217, 218, Sam Cochran 235, Fred Ewert 179, Ron Cunningham 207, Lindsey Dover 253, Ken Barnes 208, 209/605, Gwyn Strike 204.

Tuesday morning seniors: Rita Brown 241, Don Goodman 206, Gordon Pascoe 208, Edie Gear 234, Bill Baker 229, 226/632, Helmut Loch 201, Madeline Joy 215.

Tuesday afternoon seniors: Dan Davies 216, Reg Winstone 223, Gwen McClung 290, 220/697.

Middle school: Andrew Harding 213, 173, Casey Steele 183, Joshua Marshall 245, 205, Joseph Marshall 176, 162, 188, Stuart Sinclair 173, Mike Reynolds 168, 173, 182, Tony Sebold 152.

Special Olympics: Major Bains 156, Jim Beck 143, Sharon Way 164, Gloria Dale 181, Stuart Elton 144.

Wednesday afternoon ladies: Shirley Ithayan 204, Deanna Marleau 203, Joan Corran 222, Marje Buz 229, Chris Hamon 229.

Wednesday after school kids: Nikki Tweedie 162, 156/181, 126, Naomi Tweedie 132, 120, Jari 204, Mario Hume 190, Christine Jarman 111.

Girl ladies: Maddy Cooper 225, Kay Booth 219, Rita Evans 215, 200/611.

Thursday after school kids: Trina Cairns 131, Jim Sevan 186, Stephen Sevan 183, 128, Pat Reynolds 173.

Legion league: Ron Stepunick 215, 206, 228/650, Ron Cunningham 222, Paul Kusch 217, Bobby Woods 224, Sharon Sykes 222, Doug Sykes 243, 232/630, Doug Wellington 209, 266/637, Bob Graham 248.

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**Jumping for hearts**

Matthew Martin, left, was among the 235 students who participated in this year's Jump Rope for Heart at Salt Spring Elementary School last Friday. Above, volunteer Dorise Jolicouer turns rope for the acrobatic Michael Windsor. Although figures had not been tallied by press time Tuesday, early indications showed the money raised would surpass last year's total.

Photos by Glenn Longy

**Boys display courage in come-back victory**

By MALCOLM BOND  
Driftwood Contributor

The U16A Salt Spring soccer boys regained their winning ways with a spirited come-back from behind 3-1 win at George on Saturday.

The win advanced the lads to the semi-final of the Lower Island District Cup. The Saturday result reflected the season's overall effort which produced the best goal differential of all top level teams on lower Vancouver Island.

Despite the absence of three midfielders and one defender, the team displayed some of its best courage this year. Recruited from the motor-cross circuit and playing his first game in five months, Jim Spencer was the linchpin in the defence that also featured a strong game by Colin Beamish. Their strength in the air, combined with great clearing passes to the midfielders and forwards, complemented the many forward runs these two made. Never were these runs made in a reckless fashion but only when the defensive situation had good cover.

The game started adversely for the locals as experimentation with the depleted lineup had Dar Kinnear, Liam Walsh, Steffan Bond and Shaun Carmichael in unfamiliar defence and midfield spots. George struck first with a nice header during some of the confusion but once Spencer settled into his familiar centre-back role the others were able to return to their favourite positions and fortunes turned.

The defence and keeper Jonathon McDonald took control with sweeper Jamie Wilkinson able to clear many close encounters which the others couldn't handle. Steady midfield work by Walsh, Kinnear and John Edwards finally got the forwards going. This was superbly augmented by Mandu Goebel who came back time and again to fetch the ball for his twin rocket-strikers

Tom Berry and Bond. For much of the game, though unwell, Brian Kerr went in and out of the lineup to give much-needed rest to the remaining hard working 11, particularly in the second half, just when we needed him most.

Our goals were classic cases of opportunism first to tie the score before the half, then surgical precision in the second case at 60 minutes, followed by the spectacular on the clincher which broke the back of George.

The first Salt Spring goal was scored after some hard digging by the returning-to-form Tom Berry. He pressured the keeper into a loose ball which the theretofore quiescent Bond hammered home from 10 yards.

The second goal was a thing of beauty as Goebel magnificently feathered a 10-yard pass to the foot of Bond whose timed run split the middle of the defence. As they turned to chase he was clear and neatly shoved a 15-yard left footer to the far inside corner of the net past a charging George keeper.

Then at 75 minutes, Spencer jumped forward into the play to snare a pass intended for the George striker. He carried the ball ahead then sent it wide and left to an unmarked Bond who crossed the ball to Kinnear at the top of the box. Kinnear in one move took it off his chest, turned and deposited the missile onto the foot of Berry. In a flash a 15-yarder was in under the crossbar with the keeper still looking for the ball.

Kinnear had his best game of the season with a lot of sensible play at centre midfield, constantly turning George forays to the side and seldom giving up the middle. This type of play, along with the enormous work of Goebel, resulted in our many counterattacks in the second half and, along with Beamish and Spencer's work, were the main factors in the welcome win.

We play Oak Bay next in the semi-final.

**Gutsy Slashers lose to Lakehill squad**

By MALCOLM LEGG  
Driftwood Contributor

Salt Spring Slashers 0, Lakehill 3.

The Slashers, Salt Spring's under 16 girls soccer team, headed off to Sooke last weekend looking for gold in the form of a District Cup but ran into the World Wrestling Federation (WWF) match instead. In the process they were quickly bounced out of the ring by a 3-0 count.

The Slashers headed into cup play reduced to 13 girls after injuries to Hannah Smith and Elaine Borsfield, illness to Alanna Scott and with Sara Myles absent.

But 13 is not, they were determined to put on a good showing against Lakehill, a slightly older and certainly much larger squad.

For the first half their determination won out as the gutsy Slashers fought Lakehill to a draw. They overcame Lakehill's "rumble in the Bronx" style of soccer and even penetrated their opponent's goalmouth for a couple of chances on goal.

Early in the second half Lakehill capitalized on a Salt Spring missive to take the lead, but rather than fold, the Slashers became even more determined and quickly countered by pressing the Lakehill defence.

Lakehill struggled to hold back Salt Spring's attack, but used their clutch-and-grab style to hold them at bay (in fact, their defenders had more holds than even the best wrestlers on WWF, and mouths to match).

Salt Spring players still worked their way through for some great chances; a Stephanie Collette shot off the bar; another Collette shot cleared off the line; an Aslan Sinclair shoot scrambled off the goal-line; and a clear break for Joelle Morrison just went over the bar.

But on this day it was just not to be and in the end Lakehill scored two late goals to clinch their victory and end the league season for the Slashers.

The only sad note in reflecting on the game was the horrible attitude and sportsmanship displayed by Lakehill which left a bad taste in the Slashers' mouths. But to the Salt Spring girls' credit they played good clean soccer and brought home one nice reward from their season — the Under 16 B-league championship trophy.

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# Tin Man hits post, Slugs trail by 1

By JIM BLACK

## Driftwood Contributor

Spring is in the air and that is always a bad sign for the Slugs.

What it usually means is that some of the boys find things other than hockey to occupy their short attention spans, and that was the case this week.

Missing from the lineup were Rodney Chalbourn, no doubt still glued to his chair in Kamloops watching the Brier. Kevin Porteous and Derek Topping were out in the bush somewhere hugging trees and Dan Akerman was last seen running barefoot through some mountain meadow with flowers in his hair and talking to the wildlife.

The bad news however, was that Deadstop was back in the lineup. Add to this the fact that one of our top goal scorers, Todd McIntyre, decided to try and choke himself to death by inhaling a handful of sunflower seeds on the way to the rink, left us even more depleted. Mack, as it turned out, was okay and able to play, but the boys were most impressed with the fact that he turned every colour of the rainbow while going through his coughing fit.

This week's opponents were none other than the Victoria Twisters, a perennial powerhouse against the Slugs. Right off the opening faceoff the Twisters took control of the play and hemmed the Slugs into their end of the rink.

In net for the Slugs on the evening was Crofton resident Lloyd Lockhart, who stepped in on short notice to fill Topping's skates. If he had known what he was in for, he probably would have stayed home, but by this point his only option was to try and stop as much rubber as possible being thrown his way, and there was lots of it.

Still, the Twisters didn't manage to get one past him until the Slugs defence stepped in to help out. This time it was Claude Deschamps, who, stealing a page out of Deadstop's handbook, deflected a Twisters shot into the Slugs net to open the scoring. The first period belonged to the Twisters and at the end of 20 min-

## SLUG TRAIL

utes they held a two-goal lead.

Into the second game came out strong and looked to make a game of it. They went about this by letting the Twisters add another marker. This time it was Deadstop's fault as he let a Twisters winger get past him and go in on a breakaway.

Then the lads staged a dramatic comeback. First, Paul Sinclair moved the puck deep into the Twisters zone and fed a perfect pass to Bernie Reynolds who was parked in front of the net. Once Reynolds gets in front of the net, he is impossible to move, as the Twisters defence realized. While they were busy trying to push him out of the way, he simply tapped the puck into the net.

**...we learned a valuable lesson  
...don't just take the laces but the skates as well...**

Now that we broke the ice, so to speak, it was McIntyre's turn on the score sheet. Less than a minute after Reynolds' goal, McIntyre took a pass from Pete Huser and one-timed a shot past the hapless netminder to pull us within one.

As is usually the case with the Slugs, when the team pulls itself out of a rut that they dug for themselves in the first place, one of two things happen. First, the lads continue pressing and sometimes actually take the lead (rarely) or, secondly, and far more commonly, the lads slip into a mental vacuum and dig themselves into another rut. This, as you have no doubt figured out, is what happened. While we were busy slapping ourselves on the back and telling each other just how great we really are, the Twisters took control of the play

and scored two quick goals to end the period holding a commanding 5-2 lead.

To start off the final period properly, the Slugs decided to do everything in their power to make a game of it and eliminate any obstacles in their way. To accomplish this, they made Deadstop's skate laces while he was having his between periods nap. This, however, backfired as he never even noticed them missing. Who needs laces when you skate on your ankles?

Despite this, the Slugs really came out flying in the final period and took the play to the Twisters. The Slugs had a number of good scoring chances, but didn't notch one. McIntyre got his second of the game following a nice play by Sinclair to set him up. McIntyre got his first shot away only to be stymied by a sprawling netminder. He then picked up his own rebound and managed to lift the puck over the fallen goalie while he himself was falling backwards.

This really pumped it up for the Slugs and they began to throw everything they had at the Twisters, only to be thwarted by the netminder. Pete Huser came very close, pranging one off the post in the last going, but the netminder kept it out. Huser is gaining a reputation for hitting the post this season. If he keeps it up we're going to start calling him the Tin Man.

Time was becoming a real factor by this point. Despite holding a definite edge in play in the final period, we couldn't get another goal until, with less than a minute to play, we pulled our goalie for the extra attacker. This worked beautifully as Paddy Akerman wired one to the short side with just 15 seconds left in the game to pull us within one.

But that was all she wrote, as the buzzer sounded to end the match with the Slugs still trailing by one. Even though we lost, the Slugs learned a valuable lesson here. First of all, we can stage a comeback if we work hard enough and, secondly, if the opportunity should arise again, don't just take the laces but the skates as well.



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## Island runners win three out of four

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Kecia Laitinen led a strong team of girls from Salt Spring Middle School to win the individual race, and with runners filling second and third places, the team prize was the first victory of the day. Jeremy Morrison finished in second place and his team of middle

school boys ran well for the third place team finish.

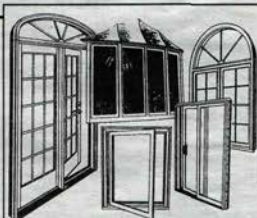
The high school girls all ran as juniors (Grade 10 level) even though half of their team was in Grade 9. Joelle Morrison was first, Jill Speed fourth, Molly Phillips sixth, Lisa Gardner 11th, Stephanie Collette 11th and Suzi Gay 12th, beating out strong teams from the host school and Queen of Angels for the team prize.

Alex Bunyan and Colin

Beamish finished second and seventh respectively in the Grade 9 race.

The final race of the day saw the Gulf Islands Secondary team dominate. Zach Sebelius finished second, Chris Ueghart was sixth, Caleb Hartman seventh, George Howard ninth, Adam Deas 10th, Patrick Callas 11th and Brandon Pearce 12th. They proved they will be a force at the Vancouver Island championships at Beaver Lake on Thursday.

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Friday March 15 3:30p.m. Refreshments.

Salt Spring Island Golf & Country Club

Ladies Spring Luncheon Tuesday March 26, 1998 at 12 noon for 12:30pm

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Wednesday, March 20, 1998 at 8:00p.m. at the Hall

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# Parent group plans garage sale Saturday in Ganges

Island parents are clearing out their basements, closets and toy boxes for the Parent's Network Spring Garage Sale.

The event, slated to run Saturday at the Community Gospel Church Hall, will offer a variety of parenting items gleaned from the homes of the many group members.

Also on display at the sale will be wares offered by the Indisposable Cotton Diaper Company, Discovery Toys and Enrich herbal supplements.

The garage sale is just one of

several events listed in the Parent's Network March/April newsletter now available through pick-up at several island doctors' offices, and for viewing at the Capital Regional District (CRD) office, Family Place, Kindergym and various bulletin boards.

The newsletter informs island parents of times and locations of relevant activities occurring in the community such as La Leche League meetings, Family Place events, Kindergym and the Toy Library. It also offers a family mar-

ketplace through a classified ad system.

The Parent's Network originated two years ago with a group of about six mothers meeting with midwife Maggie Ramsey at Beaver Point Hall.

Today, says member Kaaren Christ, the network has a "life of its own," featuring an open structure and constantly changing membership. This month, with over 70 families on its mailing list, and minimal funds, the group decided not to mail out its newsletter, but

to arrange for its pick-up in various locations.

As an independent group of parents, the network is not funded by any government agencies or programs. Members pool resources and depend on volunteerism from within the group.

A sampling of network events includes potluck lunches, swimming excursions, movie nights and educational courses.

Two educational courses will be held during the next two months. On March 27, a discussion on

immunizations will take place in the Hart Bradley Memorial building on Drake Road. A panel will be available to offer information and answer questions.

A therapeutic touch instructional course facilitated by CRD health nurse Chris Smart is set for April 17 at Family Place.

# Dealing with separation will be topic of workshop

Feelings of loss and pain often dominate an individual's experience of separation.

A March 27 workshop will look at why that is the case, while also exploring a brighter side to the issue — the beneficial changes and possibilities that are just as likely to arise when a relationship ends.

Barbara Jordan-Knox and Karol Kersen have put their energies and ideas together to offer a three-hour workshop on the subject of separation, how it affects people, and suggesting more positive ways to look at it.

"It is often a time of tremendous growth," says Jordan-Knox, a Salt Spring family and sex therapist. People can be tipped out of balance by the experience just enough "to consider someone's viewpoint on the world or themselves that they haven't thought of

before."

Kersen, a graduate of the South East Institute for Group and Family Therapy, points out that we spend a lifetime going through separations — from the act of birth to growing away from our parents.

Besides physical and emotional separations, Kersen says a progressive loss of contact and connection through the soul follows a similar path. A child has strong soul contact with his mother in the womb and at birth, but as that child grows he is guided more by "ego drives," which he needs to survive in the world. Ego drives are further fuelled by the competitive world, and soul contact between adults is rare.

"We go into relationships more with our ego's set up for separation," says Kersen.

Jordan-Knox agrees most peo-

ple have a lot of experience with separation, "but we don't comprehend what is happening to us," she says. "We don't bring it into our consciousness."

Jordan-Knox says we fear separation of any kind partly because we are not certain we can survive the loss. And the fear of loss itself is an obstacle to becoming truly intimate with another person. She and Kersen suggest that if self-reflection and healing does not occur at the end of one relationship, the health of future relationships is in jeopardy.

Most people think of separation in terms of a primary partnership, but letting go of children is also a major issue, along with forms of separation from one's self. Some

people lose touch with their inner soul, or a part of themselves they value, such as a sense of humour, and that can lead to depression, says Jordan-Knox.

Separation is inevitable as part of a lifetime process of ebb and flow," she says, but people can learn ways to deal with it better.

The workshop runs from 7 to 10 p.m. at the meeting room in Croftonbrook at the end of Corbett Road in Ganges. Cost is \$20.

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# Galiano saddened at death of optimistic Islander

By ALISTAIR ROSS  
Driftwood Correspondent

Islanders were saddened to hear of the passing of Marie Seto early last week. A relative newcomer to the island, Seto used her Galiano retreat as a place of restoration from the tensions of her work in the city.

She had a happy and enthusiastic outlook and was always ready to lend a hand in community endeavours. Seto put on two Chinese dinners at the North Hall to raise money for the Bodega Lands purchase.

Chinese culture was a part of both dinners. At one of them she showed slides of her homeland and her native village and at the other she coaxed another woman from China to give a vocal concert which was enjoyed by all.

Seto was born in China. Her parents lost their family lands when the Communists took over the country after the end of the world war. Life was bleak for the formerly well-to-do Setos. Her father, anxious to provide for his wife and young ones,

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decided to try to get them to Hong Kong and then to a better life across the Pacific. Their road to Hong Kong by foot was long and dangerous, but successful in the end. From Hong Kong the father got his family to Vancouver, eventually joining them himself.

Seto and her two brothers and three sisters were educated in Canada. She received a degree in sociology from the University of British Columbia and became a social worker in the north, the Okanagan and Vancouver.

At 48, always in good health up until then, Seto fell ill and was diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis, just about one year ago. Her health declined quickly and for about 11 months before her death she was bedridden, blind and paralysed. Her friend and former supervisor at work — Pauline Top of Galiano —

faithfully visited Seto in hospital over the months.

A crafter, Seto's simple creations were marketed by her as The Joyful Rain — her positive nature seeing rain as a blessing. It is indeed sad when one who has so much to give is taken at so young an age. Her good works will be remembered by her mother and family and by the many who knew her here on Galiano.

## Cable television

Cable television is now on Galiano we are told, but only just so. Lines have been completed along Burrill Road as far as Mary Ann Point Road and along Sturdies Bay Road as far as the corner of Sturdies, Georgeson Bay and Porlier Pass roads. A number of subscribers are now able to enjoy the programming provided, but a much larger portion of the island is still not able to access the service. Costs of installing lines to carry the service is costly, the company maintains.

## Health care workers always on the job

This island's many services are run by volunteers. Some who are always on the job are the women who answer the phones and make the appointments at the Galiano Health Care Centre.

With morning and afternoon shifts to fill, 21 people are on call to do the job. Hats off to Marne Brine, Val Clark, Trish Cowperthwaite, Dora Darling, Joan Davies, Gabriele Farr, Beryl Ford, Ena Hooley, Gwen Hammond, Ellie Kelleit, Mary Ann Lovell, Phyllis Linton, Lil Morisette, Sydney Massie, Marion Michaelson, Margaret Prior, Joanne Pollard, Elizabeth Steward, Bea Thompson, Mimi Wishart and Edith Wishart. Your donation of time is appreciated throughout the community.

The annual general meeting of the Health Care Society will be held in the South Hall on Saturday afternoon, March 30. All are welcome. The presiding

officers hope all will come to the meeting to show support to those involved in making our centre the success it is.

## Sale of modern antiques

Coming up on Saturday of the Easter weekend (April 9) is the North Galiano Fire Department's Sale of Modern Antiques.

Plans for the event are now well under way. Organizers need your help, particularly your no-longer-needed household items. What is of no use to you may be just what your neighbour down the road is looking for, and at a price he can afford. While spring cleaning, householders are asked to keep the volunteer fire department in mind.

The Sale of Modern Antiques is the department's one and only fundraiser for the year. For more information phone Bill Stafford at 539-2689 or the writer at 539-2294.

# OCP group reviews task force report

By GAIL TRAFFORD  
Driftwood Correspondent

The environmental task force presented its report to the Official Community Plan review steering committee on Saturday. The task force has proposed that an area of natural and scientific interest designation be included in the revised plan. The steering committee went through the paper with a fine-toothed comb, made minor changes to the wording and flagged areas of contention for further discussion.

The steering committee was formed a year ago in April. It was expected that the task would have been completed within one year. Since the work is still in progress, members have been polled to see if they are willing to stay on and complete the job. Everyone present at the meeting said they would like to continue the work to completion.

A memorial service will be held for Jack Vincent on March 14, beginning at 1 p.m. at St. Christopher's Church. Reverend Bruce Bryant-Scott will officiate. Friends and neighbours are invited to pay their respects to the family at the community hall following the service. The Women's Club and the Lions ladies are organizing a light lunch.

Vincent passed away quietly, March 3 at the Saanich Peninsula Hospital surrounded by family members. He was in his 93rd

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year. He will be remembered and missed by all who knew him.

The quarterly meeting of the Community Club will be held March 18 at 8 p.m. at the community hall. The AGM has been scheduled for April 15. The Community Club is an umbrella organization for many local committees, including those that look after the lamb barbecue, recycling, the library, the 911 Emergency Response Team, liaison with the RCMP and the native band. The club also serves as a political voice for the island and donates money and/or labour toward many community projects.

Elections are coming up at the AGM. Nominations are being solicited for president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer and six directors. Nominations are open until April 1 and may be made at the post office. Please consider how you might serve your community in one of these positions or as a committee member.

The ants are back and Barb Ropars, Community Club vice-president, is planning to have the ball treated. A sign-up sheet has been posted at the Narvaez Bay Trading Company for anyone who wishes to book the pest control professionals on the same

day. This should result in savings for all users since travelling costs can be shared.

The Timmy's Teletone Crib Night winners for February were Scott Lambert, Pip Woodcock and Derrick Woodcock. The Lions will make a donation of the year's proceeds from crib nights at the Timmy's Teletone in Victoria on Saturday, March 23, the same day as the March crib night. Congratulations to everyone who helped to make this possible.

A break-in at the Narvaez Bay Trading Company late February 29 was interrupted by a tenant in an apartment at the store. The thieves were frightened off when they were spotted. They escaped with a small amount of alcoholic beverages.

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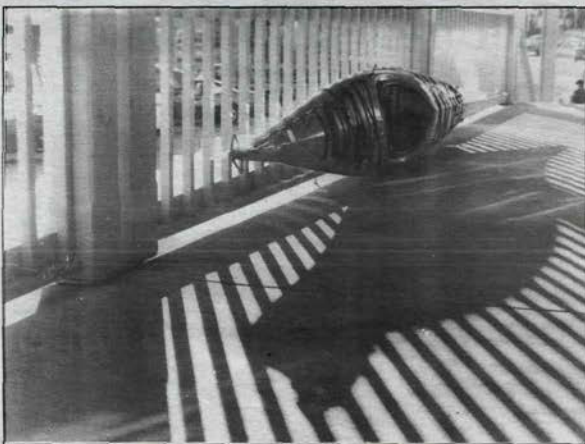
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## Ferry stop at Ganges was cancelled

### Thirty-five years ago

Effective March 7, stops by the Island Princess at Ganges would be discontinued by operators Coast Ferries Ltd. Instead of stopping at Ganges, the ferry was to travel from Steveston to the Outer Islands and then to Sidney. Lack of business from Salt Spring was given as the reason for the re-routing.

Ravens were attempting to carry off sheep for supper, according to a local resident who saw two ravens attacking the rams, sitting on the backs of the animals and pulling out the wool in an attempt to get at the skin.

### Thirty years ago

Congratulations from Queen Elizabeth, Prime Minister Lester Pearson, Lt. Governor George Pearkes and Premier W.A.C. Bennett were added to the well-wishes of relatives and friends as Mr. and Mrs. T.F. Speed celebrated their diamond wedding anniversary February 27. Over 100 guests attended the celebration. The couple had lived on the island for 59 years.

March came in with a snow-pow as islanders woke to a foot of snow which had fallen overnight. Power was out in many areas and the grader operator cleared roads instead of continuing to level the Centennial Park site.

### Twenty-five years ago

Salt Spring's Chamber of

## DOWN THE YEARS

Commerce protested plans to transport oil from Alaska to Washington State along the B.C. coast and through inland waterways, joining other groups fearful that the tankers would pose an environmental risk.

March came in like a snow-bound lion, with a snowfall February 27 and another snowfall March 1. Some ferry sailings were cancelled due to a storm March 1 and 2.

### Twenty years ago

Two islanders were awarded certificates from the Red Cross marking their donation of 75 pints of blood. A.L. Stevens of Salt Spring and R.H. Giraud of Mayne Island were both honoured for their "noteworthy contribution to mankind."

Salt Spring resident James Russell Wood died when his log cabin on Fernwood Road was destroyed in a fire. Neighbours reported hearing an explosion before seeing the blaze.

A February 26 snowfall made the news with reports of events being cancelled in the evening and vehicles hitting the ditch.

### Fifteen years ago

For the first time, a basketball team from Gulf Islands Secondary was going to the provincial finals.

The Scorpions seized third place at a Vancouver Island tournament to earn the right to attend the finals.

A South Pender couple was rescued by their 17-year-old son after their canoe overturned, leaving them clinging to the side of the canoe for 45 minutes in Clam Bay.

### Ten years ago

Banning of outboard motors on St. Mary Lake was challenged in B.C. Supreme Court by resident Ed Davis and resort operators Rick Rockliffe and Brian and Shirley Jewell. They argue that the ban applied under the Canada Shipping Act was not valid since the act could not be used to regulate inland waters. They also argued the ban was unconstitutional.

A proposal to develop the northeast shore of St. Mary Lake as a swimming beach was rejected by the Salt Spring Island Parks and Recreation Commission after a wave of objections were received from the community. Many were concerned that encouraging multiple uses on the lake would have detrimental effects on the drinking water from the lake.

### Five years ago

Spring was about to be sprung until Mother Nature dumped eight inches of snow on the island March 1. In response, local police closed Ganges hill from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Although a number of vehicles slid off the road, no injuries were reported.

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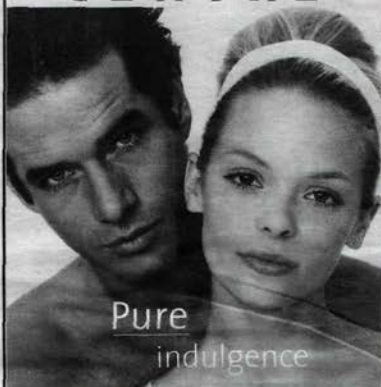
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