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Och! Those Scots and their haggis!

Legion pipe band members Gordon Lowes, left, Dave Kempling, centre, and Jim Ballantyne have a hankering for haggis, but they won't have to wait long. On Saturday the Legion will celebrate Burns Night complete with haggis, the

pipe band and Triskele Celtic Band. Doors open at 6 p.m.; dinner begins at 7. The haggis itself is a delicacy made, in part, from various sheep organs.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Capital Health to pay Cull \$900 per day

By VALORIE LENNOX
Driftwood Staff

Former NDP Health Minister Elizabeth Cull has been hired as a consultant by the Capital Health Region, a move that doesn't sit well with at least one local observer of health issues.

Cull will be paid \$70,000 to collect community input for the Capital Health Region, the new name of the Capital Health Board.

"It does appear that the government is prepared to spend some money to hire a consultant to do the work that was previously planned to be done by knowledgeable volunteers," Gordon English said on Monday. English headed the Gulf Islands Community Health Council until it was abruptly dissolved by the provincial government November 29.

On January 13, at a meeting called by the

Salt Spring Community Health Association, islanders agreed that the former health council should establish itself as an advisory body for the Capital Health Region to provide community input to the Victoria organization that will be operating the region's health facilities.

English has already sent a letter to the Capital Health Region offering the group's services.

On Friday, the hiring of Cull as a consultant to collect community input was announced by Capital Health Region chief executive officer Ken Fyke.

Cull is being paid \$70,000 to work three days a week over the next six months — just under \$900 a day — a figure which Fyke says is "the going rate" when hiring short-term consultants with Cull's background. Cull has a master's degree in community planning along with the skills developed while she was in pol-

itics, Fyke said. "She wasn't hired because she was a former NDP cabinet member."

Cull was minister of health from November 1991 until September 1993 in the NDP government. She was also minister of finance but was defeated in last May's provincial election.

English points out there are other consultants with a background in the health care system but without Cull's political connections plus people in the Ministry of Health itself with extensive background in community health.

He noted cutting costs was one reason for eliminating the local health councils staffed by volunteers. "It's something to get upset over."

Cull's job will include establishing the process and the policies of an office to get community input from all health care users, from single mothers to native groups. Previous efforts to get community input have been

"pretty hit and miss," Fyke said.

By offering community liaison, communications, health education and a patient ombudsman, the office is intended to mitigate the impact of centralized planning and top-down decision making when delivering health care.

Fyke noted many people in the region feel disenfranchised by the government's decision to end the New Directions/Closer to Home program, which would have brought health care under the control of local, volunteer health councils.

Now individual hospital boards are being dissolved and health care for the Capital Regional District brought under the control of a regional bureaucracy based in Victoria.

"One year from now there will be less administrative positions in this region than there are now," Fyke predicted.

Farmers go on offensive over water rights

By VALORIE LENNOX
Driftwood Staff

Conflict over how to allocate Salt Spring Island's surface water brought more than one temper to the boil last week as local farmers met with provincial and federal government representatives.

Fielding questions from the 40-strong group at the January 14 Islands Farmers Institute meeting were Bruno Bleic, senior district water officer, and Walter VanBruggen, technician, both from the Ministry of Environment's Water Management Branch. Also present were George Reid, provincial Fish and Wildlife fisheries head for Vancouver Island, and federal Fisheries habitat technologist Cindy Harlow.

John Stepaniuk has been trying to get a licence to withdraw water from St. Mary Lake since he bought land there in 1991. He blasted water management branch officials for their attitude to the farming community.

"Who's concerned about the farmer?" he asked, complaining that his application for a water

licence was met with indifference. He maintained food producers should have a higher priority when water resources are allocated. "It's the farmer who is the one who will put the food on the table and hopefully will continue to do so," he said.

Mike Byron was equally unhappy with water management regulations. He noted housing development on nearby Channel Ridge and in the Highlands Water District had been allowed in the years since Stepaniuk had applied for a water licence. He disagreed with more housing being allowed to draw on the lake while Stepaniuk could not get an irrigation licence.

"It's an insult to agriculture," Byron said. "It's an insult to farmers. We need some change."

John Wilcox maintained agriculture should have priority for water over housing, since houses can be built almost anywhere but the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) restricts the use of reserve land for agricultural uses. Therefore, the land must be given access to water so it can be used for its only allowable purpose.

Bleic said water management must be done under the terms of legislation which was drafted in 1912. Under those terms, licences are granted first to those who apply first, regardless of the land's use.

If two applications are received on the same day, the licences are granted in order of a prioritized list on which domestic use is at the top, followed by waterworks such as a community water system, mineral trading and, in fourth place, irrigation for agriculture, he explained. Conservation is third from the bottom on the lengthy list, he noted.

Domestic use can include irrigation of up to one-quarter of an acre of land provided use does not exceed 500 gallons per day.

Bleic said concerns about water allocation from St. Mary Lake date back to 1978. "By taking water out of the lake, the water quality would suffer," he explained, adding that the level of the lake has dropped.

FARMERS 2

Dead sheep blamed on dogs

The killing of three sheep on a north Salt Spring farm, including one pet ewe, has Capital Regional District (CRD) animal control officer Wolfgang Brunnwieser searching for the dog or dogs responsible for the slaughter.

Brunnwieser suspects the latest killings, which occurred either late in the

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Since Saturday, we wish we'd known Jason better

In a country where tales of death and destruction are confined to the cinema screen, history books or the international news pages of the daily newspaper, the cold, stark reality of the cessation of life is all the more tragic.

We're not accustomed to death. We live in a country where death has been kept at bay by the marvels of modern medicine and a healthy disinterest in making war.

Sure, we can read about death every day if we so desire or catch glimpses of it on the television news, but those stories come from obscure regions of the planet, so distant as to be just a little unreal.

No, we don't see death in quite the same way as the poor Afghans, now suffering under the cruel dictates of the Taliban, or the tribal groups of central Africa, where war and pestilence are almost part of everyday life.

It is that lack of familiarity with death that

TONY RICHARDS



makes it harder for us to deal with, particularly when it is one of our children who dies.

Jason Steven was 26 but in the eyes of his mother and father he was still their child. Jason died last week in the wheelchair to which he had been consigned by an accident a few years ago. It was a death that came far too soon for a young man who had seen far too little, but had experienced so much.

On Saturday, islanders filled Beaver Point Hall to pay their respects to Jason and offer some comfort and support to his family and friends. It was the type of event that should be remembered not just as a celebration of

Jason's short life, but for the reason why humans congregate in communities.

We do it for mutual aid and support. We're a social animal, and our socialization begins with our immediate families, extends (or should) to relatives and ends with our friends. The size of that circle is an indication of the strength of the community in which we live.

And that was one very big circle at Beaver Point on Saturday.

Alice and I did not know Jason, at least not well, but by the time his family and his friends had shared some of their fondest memories of him, we knew him a lot better. And wished we had known him more.

We were there because our good friends had lost their child, and for parents to mourn a son or daughter is a reversal of the natural order of things. We imagined ourselves in their place and tried to live their grief but the

pain was too much to bear.

In another time, Bruce Williams told us on Saturday, Jason would have been a warrior. He was that kind of person. More than one of his friends used the word extreme to describe Jason and the life he lived.

Many of our children fit those descriptions, and find themselves going head-to-head against society and its institutions. Some scrape by with a few bruises, others find themselves at odds with the law and pay a more serious price.

And a few others, for reasons beyond our understanding, simply don't make it through that minefield of "misspent youth."

We went to Beaver Point on Saturday as friends of Bo and Rodney. We came away feeling as if we'd made a new friend in Jason, and feeling as well a greater, though not necessarily welcome, familiarity with death.

FARMERS:

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The only irrigation licences the Water Management Branch will issue now are for off-stream storage, Bleic said. Such a licence allows a user to take water in the winter when water levels are high and store it for summer use.

Another way to increase water use from St. Mary Lake would be through construction of a dam, a concept which has been discussed since 1984 but never implemented, in part because of opposition from different interests, Bleic explained.

Domestic licences for the lake are still being issued, he added.

Stepaniuk challenged Bleic's claim that the water level is dropping, saying the level now is the highest since 1991.

Bleic maintained the lake level has dropped compared to historical surveys of the natural lake boundaries. "The lake is definitely lower now than it was historically — in the summer."

He added the shortage of available surface water exists throughout the island. "There isn't enough flow in the summer."

All major sources of flowing surface water — he listed Fulford, Cusheon and Duck creeks — are allocated to the point that the creeks do not meet minimum Fisheries standards for fish habitat.

Those standards call for 10 per cent of the creek's mean annual discharge to remain unallocated. Reid said on Salt Spring, unallocated volume in streams and creeks typically falls below five per cent.

"You have to leave some water in the stream for fish," Bleic said. He noted the over-allocation of stream water licences on Salt Spring has made the Water Management Branch even more careful about allocating new licences for all surface sources of water.

Final licences are no longer issued, so every licence is conditional, Bleic noted.

Ian Clement asked how a water licence could be lost.

Bleic said a licence could be withdrawn if the annual fee is not paid, licence conditions are not met or the allocated water is not used for a beneficial purpose for a period of more than three years. In all cases, Bleic said a warning is given before water licences are withdrawn.

Non-use of water allocated by a licence would only be investigated if there was a competing application for water from the same source, Bleic explained.

Wilcox wondered if unused water allocated to one licence could be granted to another user.

"The act doesn't allow double allocation of water," Bleic responded. For that to happen, the original licence holder would have to relinquish some of his or her water allocation, which Bleic said few licence holders are willing to do.

Officials outline water management

Who owns the water?

Surface water is owned by the province and licensed to users, according to Ministry of Environment senior district water officer Bruno Bleic. On January 14 he, other Ministry of Environment staff and federal Fisheries staff outlined the basics of water management to Islands Farmers Institute members.

Points made at the meeting included:

- Licences issued for water use are tied to the land, so if the property is sold, the licence passes to a new owner.

- Only surface water requires a licence. Ground water drawn through an artesian well does not require licensing. At present, no legislation covers ground water use in the province. Water from a spring, even if it is intermittent, must be licensed.

- Application fees are \$150 and

annual licence fees vary, depending on the amount of water being used. For the average farm on Salt Spring, Bleic suggested the cost of water for stock would be approximately \$100 annually.

- Someone unable to find water on their own property can apply to access water on a neighbouring property, but would be responsible for the cost of obtaining a right-of-way. Bleic said this is so expensive — he estimated \$30,000 to \$40,000 — that most owners try to find their own water sources first.

- Quality of the water is not a factor when issuing a water licence.

- Water can be drawn from a drainage ditch without a licence provided the ditch is not fed by a natural source of water such as a stream or spring. Run-off, from the ground or buildings, does not require a licence.

- A dug-out can be used to collect water from a flooded field without a

licence provided the dug-out is not fed by a stream, spring or lake.

- A licence is not required for minor use of water, such as dipping a bucket into a stream and drinking from it, Bleic said. "The size of the bucket is very important," he joked.

- The Water Management Branch has no control over the problems of excess water, from highways or development. Nor does the branch regulate beavers. "A beaver dam is not a licensable structure under the act," Bleic observed.

- Penalties for non-licensed use of surface water can range from \$100 to \$200 per day of unauthorized use.

Those at the meeting in the institute's building also faced an immediate water management issue. Chris Schmah opened the meeting by announcing the pumps had failed the night before, so the building had no water.

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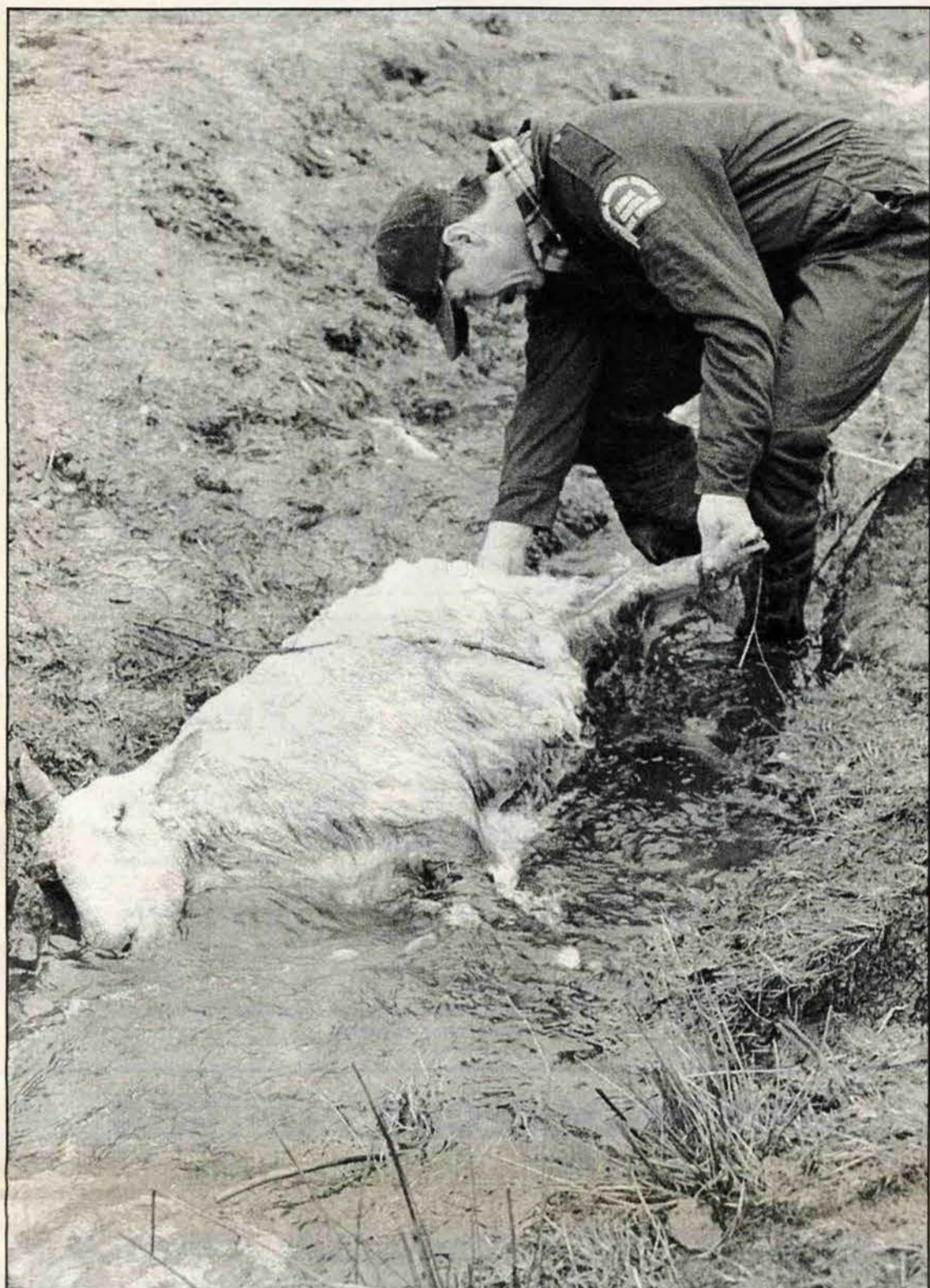
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SLAUGHTERED: Missy, a five-year-old ewe, was one of three sheep killed by a marauding dog Saturday. Animal control officer Wolfgang Brunnwieser checks out the slain animal. Photo by Valerie Lennox

SHEEP: Farm loses three to dogs

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morning or during the afternoon Saturday, were done by a large black dog spotted wandering on the north end.

Lorrie Roland found three of her family's dozen sheep were missing at 5:30 p.m. Saturday when she checked the flock. All of the sheep were present when the flock had been last checked late Saturday morning.

Among the missing sheep were Missy, a five-year-old ewe, who had become a family pet.

Roland began searching for the three missing sheep. In the dark it took an hour-and-a-half to locate the three bodies, which were scattered across the field.

Two had been ripped open by the attack and the third had been forced into a pond, where the animal drowned. A fourth had hanging tufts of wool, suggesting it had escaped an attack.

The losses were not the first for the Roland family nor the first in the area.

The Rolands lost another sheep to a dog late in November and lost two lambs last summer.

Brunnwieser reports two more sheep were killed in December on a farm in the Walker Hook area, near Fernwood. Two witnesses spotted a large, black dog in the area at the time of the attack.

Ducks and geese have also been killed, he said.

Judging by paw prints, Brunnwieser suspects the dog may be a Rottweiler, Shepherd or Newfoundland cross, since the size is close to those breeds.

He would appreciate anyone with information or the owner of the dog coming forward. "Some people's livelihood is on the lines," he said, pointing out that marauding dogs can wipe out entire flocks.

If the owner of the dog is not identified, the CRD pays partial compensation to owners of the slain animals.

Anyone with any information is asked to call Brunnwieser at 537-9414.

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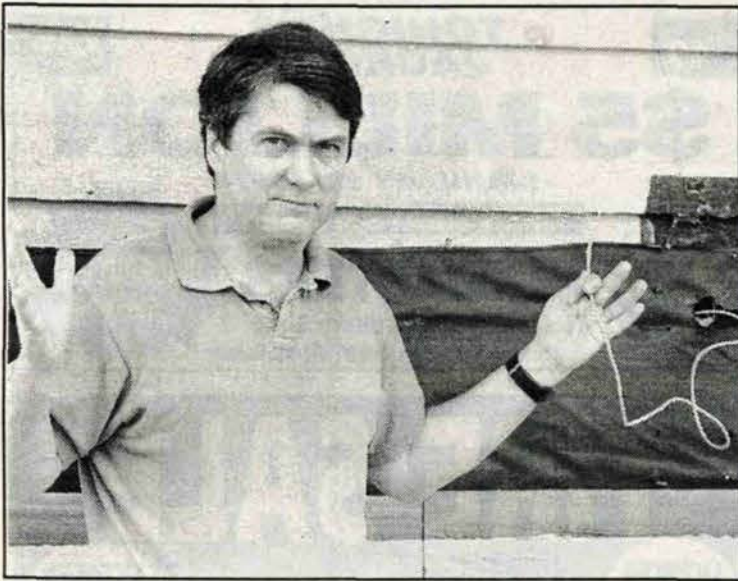
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Vandals didn't just damage the pay phone at Portlock Park on the weekend — they stole it. Tony Hume of Salt Spring Parks and Recreation holds the disconnected wires in front of his office, which had the siding damaged in the process.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Sudden lift of ramp under investigation

B.C. Ferries is investigating the sudden lift of a loading ramp at Swartz Bay when the Spirit of Vancouver Island was being loaded Saturday for an 11 a.m. sailing to Tsawwassen.

One car was on the ramp at approximately 10:50 a.m. when it was raised two to three feet. The vehicle's front wheels were already on the car deck but the rear wheels dropped two feet on to the deck, sliding off the raised ramp.

The woman driving the car was

not injured and there was no damage to the vehicle.

Ferry crews briefly stopped traffic but then resumed loading the ship.

B.C. Ferries vice-president Jeanette McKay promised the incident would be investigated to determine the exact cause. She expected the investigation would take a few weeks but promised the result would be publicized.

A similar mishap occurred in September 1993 when a ramp at Tsawwassen lifted prematurely.

Couple meets deadline set for animals' return

Kevin Clark and Cara Clements were able to meet the SPCA deadline last Wednesday, cleaning up their Quail Meadows Farm on LePage Road enough to house a few of the animals seized December 13.

Returned were three pigs and two dogs while two llamas, also redeemed by the couple, went to a new home. The couple paid \$3,744 in boarding and veterinary fees since their 30 animals were seized in order to redeem seven of them.

The SPCA also established strict requirements for the return of the animals, which were met by the couple last Wednesday. The society will also monitor the condition of the animals with weekly visits.

Magnus to perform with singer Michelle Wright

Interpretive dancer Brad Magnus of Salt Spring will share the stage with country music star Michelle Wright next week.

Magnus has been invited to perform Sunday, February 2 at the opening ceremonies of the International Special Olympics World Games in Toronto. He will dance while Wright sings Safe in the Arms of Love.

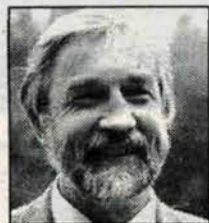
The invitation came from the ceremonies' artistic director, Jacques Lemay, who met Magnus at the Commonwealth Games in Victoria in 1994. Magnus danced at those games during the closing ceremonies.

Magnus' mother Ethel told the Driftwood that the event will be broadcast live on TSN at 1 p.m. Pacific time from the Skydome. She is looking for financial assistance to help with her son's travel

expenses; donations can be made to an account at the Bank of Commerce.

Magnus will travel to Toronto in time for a day and a half of rehearsals before the show.

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Mill Farm unveiled as part of PMHL through \$180,000 contribution to cost

The Mill Farm on Salt Spring Island was formally unveiled as part of the Pacific Marine Heritage Legacy (PMHL) in a Victoria ceremony Thursday, although the legacy fund only contributed \$180,000 of the \$800,000 purchase price.

The remainder came from the Capital Regional District (CRD), which kicked in \$470,000 and the volunteer Salt Spring Island Conservancy, which raised \$150,000.

The efforts of the conservancy were cited by Cathy McGregor, provincial minister of environment, lands and parks. "In particular, acquisition of the Mill Farm property is a wonderful example of what can be accomplished when governments, communities and

individuals have the will to work together towards a common goal."

CRD chairman Geoff Young and Salt Spring Conservancy vice-president Fiona Flook were also invited to Thursday's ceremony. Young said the CRD was delighted to add the Mill Farm property to its network of regional parks.

"This area will provide wonderful recreational opportunities for Gulf Island residents and visitors alike."

Flook was equally pleased that the partnership succeeded in buying the property at a court-ordered sale last October. "There was a tremendous effort on the part of all the people of Salt Spring Island to protect the Mill Farm property," she said.

Title to the property will remain

with the CRD, which will manage the Mill Farm as a regional park. The province is expected to reimburse the CRD for \$87,000 of its \$470,000 contribution.

McGregor and Deputy Prime Minister Sheila Copps jointly announced the acquisition of four sites on the coast for a \$1.43 million cost during the second year of the PMHL's five-year program.

In addition to the Mill Farm, the fund spent \$1 million to buy Jervis Island and Bunny Island. Totalling 94.8 hectares, both islands are located in Sabine Channel between Lasqueti and Texada islands.

The fund also spent \$250,000 to acquire the 1.6-hectare Flora Islet, which lies east of Hornby Island and just south of Helliwell Provincial Park.

Copps said the PMHL is focussed on protecting the islands between the Lower Mainland and Vancouver Island. "The Pacific Marine Heritage Legacy is about protecting and preserving the Gulf Islands. It's about acquiring Gulf Island lands and setting them aside for our children," she said.

A partnership between the federal and provincial government, PMHL is designed to develop an expanded network of marine and coastal conservation areas along the west coast. Under the 1995 agreement, each government is to fund \$30 million over five years, for a total of \$60 million.

The acquisitions are to lead to a new national park, whose boundaries will include many of the PMHL properties.

CRD still trimming

Capital Regional District (CRD) staff and committees are continuing with budget trimming exercises following last Wednesday's CRD board meeting.

The directors want a zero budget increase, but first they want to know what that will do to services and programs. A provisional budget proposed at the December 11 meeting required a seven per cent increase, which directors felt was too high.

At that time, they asked staff to come up with a proposed budget for a 3.5 per cent increase and one for a zero per cent increase.

"What they want to get is a sense of what the cuts are going to look like," Salt Spring regional director Kellie Booth said. "We're looking at what zero (increase) is going to mean."

All of the CRD committees have been asked to review their budget submissions, Booth added. She said the issue will be back before the board at the January 29 meeting.

New runway blamed for early flights over island

St. Mary Lake residents are hearing more than tweeting birds early in the morning, reports Cottage Resort owner Pearl Gray.

Starting early in December, she began noticing jets flying overhead, some as early as 6:30 a.m. They are flying relatively low, she said, so seem to be heading for a landing at Victoria airport.

Some mornings there seems to be one every 10 or 15 minutes between 7:15 and 9:30. "It's definitely a new thing," she said.

Gray has lived in the area for more than five years and never been bothered by aircraft before.



On the two Fridays before Christmas, December 20 and December 13, she noticed traffic was especially heavy. She wonders if anything can be done about the problem.

She points out she didn't expect airplane noise to be a problem when she purchased the St. Mary Lake property. "I didn't think I was going to be living on a flight path."

Victoria Airport manager Laurie Brown said traffic routing has not changed at his airport but suspects the new flight paths are the result of the new parallel runway recently opened at Vancouver International Airport.

Since the extra runway opened, there have been more flights between the Lower Mainland and Victoria. Planes are being routed further north than previous flights, he suggested.

Brown added that these planes are probably flying at a higher altitude when they cross Salt Spring and approach Victoria Airport.

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Liberal, Reform candidates gear up for federal election

Federal election fever is in the air, with seven contenders seeking party nominations to run as Saanich-Gulf Islands candidates.

Looking for the Liberal party nomination are Dave Goulet, a 7-Eleven manager and a Sidney municipal councillor for two terms; economist Rebecca Vermeer, who has been a North Saanich council member; and lawyer Clark Roberts, a longtime Liberal Party member who recently left his job as B.C. Liberal caucus general counsel.

Vermeer is bringing her campaign to Salt Spring with an evening at the Anglican Centre this Saturday from 7 to 9 p.m. and a mailing to island residents, inviting them to support her candidacy and join the Liberal Party.

Nominations will remain open until the end of this month.

With the announced retirement of sitting Reform Party member Jack Frazer, four people are bidding for

that party's nomination. Those already announcing their desire to represent Reform are 32-year-old Bryon Dixon, a graduate of Royal Roads Military College in applied psychology, independent businessman and 10-year resident of the area; Gary Lunn, a 42-year-old barrister and solicitor who lives in Sidney; and Peter Simon, 34, the president of the University of Victoria Reform club.

Also expected to contest the nomination is the Reform MP for Mission-Coquitlam, Daphne Jennings, who is moving to the riding for family business reasons. The 58-year-old former teacher already owns property in the area.

Once all candidates have completed an extensive screening and interview, they will face party members at a March 9 nomination meeting. Advance meetings will be held on Pender Island on March 7 and on Salt Spring March 8.

The deadline for applications is February 15.

Garth Turner to speak on personal finance

One of Canada's foremost speakers on personal finance and retirement planning will make a presentation on Salt Spring next month.

Garth Turner, an MP and cabinet minister in Brian Mulroney's Conservative government of the 1980s, will talk about retirement planning issues and RRSP strategies.

Turner is the author of two recent

books. 2015: After the Boom outlines the challenges which members of the "baby boom" generation will face in their retirement. Turner says expectations about their retirement are "out of whack with reality."

They need to change their attitudes about RRSPs, he says, a topic which he addresses in his latest book, Garth Turner's 1997 RRSP Guide.

Turner has been a business journalist and columnist over the past 20 years, and currently writes a column in Canadian Business.

Tickets for Turner's talk are \$5 and can be reserved by calling Vantage Securities, sponsors of the event, at 537-4244. The event takes place at 10 a.m. Saturday, February 15 at Gulf Islands Secondary School.

Ramp testing blamed for late ferry Thursday

Load tests on the Fulford Harbour ramp structure put an extra weight on some travellers Thursday morning as the Bowen Queen's sailings were delayed by up to 48 minutes.

The load tests, which involve putting weight on the ramp to ensure it can carry sufficient loads, were due to be complete by 6 a.m. Thursday. However, the tests were not finished on time so the scheduled 6:20 a.m. sailing from Fulford did not leave until 6:58.

The rest of the schedule then fell out of place like dominoes: the 7:45 a.m. sailing from Fulford left at 8:16 a.m.; the 9:15 left at 9:55

a.m. and the 10:55 didn't sail until 11:10 a.m.

The schedule was equally skewed on the Swartz Bay side: the 7 a.m. sailing was postponed until 7:35 a.m.; the 8:30 to 9:05 a.m. and the 10 to 10:30 a.m.

By the final sailing of the morning, scheduled to leave at 11:50 from Swartz Bay, the Bowen Queen was almost on time, leaving at 11:52 a.m.

B.C. Ferries spokesman Stephen Nussbaum said the tests of the ramp structure only occur every few years. The tests were not expected to affect the ferry schedule, he noted.

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It was 'snowstorm from hell'

There's no end to weather stories in the wake of the Great Storm of '96.

Salt Spring Islander Lita Rand describes it as "a snowstorm from hell."

The Langs Road resident returned from Vancouver December 28 with her son, only to find her driveway impassable due to snow. Her son's truck was carrying a load of firewood, fuel to heat Rand's home.

When Rand asked neighbour Mike Lambert for help, he cleared the driveway with his tractor but refused to accept payment. "They don't make them like that anymore," Rand said of Lambert.

Rand spent the next few days thawing frozen water pipes and clearing snow to her woodshed. "I carted umpteen pails of packed snow, melting it for washing, flushing my toilet and pouring it down my drain, until finally I got my taps dripping and flowing again. No plumber could get in here."

But when Rand walked through hip-deep snow to

Langs Road, she found her driveway blocked by a fallen tree, which had been covered with snow and ice by the snowplow.

"By this time I was so exhausted and getting muscle spasms on my back, I felt like just lying down in the snow and saying 'the hell with everything'."

But it would get worse before it got better. The power went out that night, New Year's Eve, because of the mudslide on North End Road. "That was the last nail in my coffin ... I just wanted to get out of here!"

So the next morning Rand phoned another neighbour, Barb Seymour, who called contractor Ken Byron. "Despite his own place flooding," Rand said, he soon arrived with his backhoe and cleared her driveway.

"So after a week of pure hell I was free at last. And with neighbours like Barb and Ron Seymour and Mike Lambert and a good Samaritan like Ken Byron, Salt Spring isn't such a bad place to live."

Teacher gets okay to come back

The right of a Gulf Islands teacher to return to a job on Salt Spring after working in another district was queried by school board chairman Charles Hingston at a January 8 meeting.

Hingston raised the issue in connection with a January 1 to June 30 leave of absence approved for Susan Underwood, who has left Salt Spring for a vice-principal's position on Vancouver Island.

Hingston said he was asked if people in other industries could move to another job while retaining rights to their previously-held position.

Superintendent Andrew Duncan said it was not possible in most industries but could happen in some professional organizations. He added it is chiefly done in the educational field.

In this case, he noted, Underwood had given 20 years of service to the district and granting the leave-of-absence was the humane approach the district wanted to take with its teaching staff.

In other school board news:
 • A district curriculum implementation day will be held on Wednesday, March 5. Duncan said a program will be planned for the day which will involve staff, parents and students on the subject of promoting kids' learning.

• Trustees agreed to hold a committee of the whole meeting January 22 on one of the Outer Islands. During the meeting, they hope to discuss their goals and also establish the committee structure for the board.

• Parents at local schools have

been busy with fundraising activities. Galiano parents collected \$6,908 from participation in a casino night.

Saturna School parents raised \$1,025 through a fundraising event at a local restaurant. They also received a \$3,500 grant from the Capital Regional District to help add a portable classroom to their school and were hoping to do more fundraising at an upcoming casino night.

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Skewered again

Let's see if we've followed correctly all the steps in the provincial government's money-saving exercise in health management.

Step one: Establish a program called New Directions/Closer to Home to bring management of health care facilities under the control of local community and regional health councils, in a bid to combine services and save money while ensuring local priorities in health care are met.

Step two: After volunteers from throughout the province have invested two to three years in this process, with the changes on the verge of implementation, abruptly dissolve all the committees and return health management to the provincial bureaucrats.

Step three (Capital Regional District only): After disposing of the community-based volunteer health council — which might already know something about local health care priorities — hire a former NDP cabinet minister to seek community input into health care. Pay the minister \$900 a day to work three days a week for six months. (Readers can be forgiven for concluding that the contract is Elizabeth Cull's consolation prize for her defeat in last May's provincial election.)

Step four: Listen to the cries of outrage from voters who feel skewered once again by a corrupt government.

The disturbing outlook for juvenile crime

Crime is a rite of passage for far too many young people in the western world.

Where once the adolescent male tested his strength and proved his readiness for the adult world through battle, skill in hunting or tribal ritual, Canadian youths are likely to show off their courage and strength by knocking down street signs, tearing out telephones, smashing windows and spray-painting buildings.

Too immature to have enough empathy to recognize the impact of their actions on others — especially if those others are seen as faceless government, corporations or business — they challenge authority through the thrill of illegal acts.

Recent events on Salt Spring — a police officer showered with bottles when arresting a juvenile for breach of probation, another with a broken nose for breaking up a fight outside a bar — are disturbing because those committing the crimes clearly lacked any respect for authority.

In recent months there have also been numerous out-of-control parties on the island, which have also led to assaults and property damage. This is another disturbing trend, given the numbers and the lack of control demonstrated by at least some of the young people involved.

Teens drink, use drugs, damage property. Not all teens but if there is an age at which anyone is going to do these things, it is probably between 14 and 24. And the population group now moving into that age range are the kids of the baby boomers — a sizable cohort estimated at 6.9 million kids as of 1996.

With that many apples, even if only a small percentage are bad, the total is a significant number of bad ones. And there are signs that the social upheaval of the past 20 years — single-parent families, serial relationships, lower expectations for behaviour — accelerates the rot.

A steady diet of increasing violence — whether in games, videos, movies, through music lyrics or on television — only normalizes aberrant behaviour for those children primed to kick at the traces.

As a result, kids who might once have flexed their adolescent muscles knocking down a sign may now turn their energy to assault, knocking down and injuring another person. An internal moral compass and fear of consequences may not stop a kid from cutting doughnuts in a field at 2 a.m. but both may keep the same kid from doing more serious damage. The thrill evaporates when the price becomes too high.

What is disturbing is the number of youngsters reaching the crime-prone age who appear to have no moral compass and no fear of consequences. Horrifying examples of teens and pre-teens who plan and commit murder have surfaced over the past few years.

As more baby-boomers' kids grow into the age of hormones, we wonder if there will be more such incidents — if not murder, then a general "upping" of the criminal stakes from vandalism and graffiti to assault, theft and property damage.

The throwing of beer bottles and rocks at a local police and security officer by a mass of island teens, the out-of-control parties and the reports of youth riots in other cities are not encouraging signs.

Like darkening clouds on the horizon, all these events suggest rough waters ahead.



Fare surcharge would relieve pressures on local infrastructure

By JOHN CADE

In Tony Richards' column in the January 8 Driftwood he referred to Mr. Foot's analysis that transit service in sub-urban areas is extremely expensive (Boom, Bust & Echo, by David Foot). I can attest to that fact.

The concept of private operators fulfilling the need is less expensive. Unionized BC Transit drivers cost between \$24 and \$30 per hour with full benefits. I could have a line-up of qualified drivers on the island, including myself, that would be ecstatic to get a 40-hour week at \$15 per hour, with the main benefit being a steady paycheque.

To be fair, other costs on Salt Spring are higher. Propane fuel is 20 per cent higher, maintenance is 20 to 30 per cent higher because of the rough roads, etc., and ironically, because I am not subsidized by the government, seven per cent of all fares collected goes to pay the GST.

I think the main reason for a transit system is being missed though. Yes, there is a segment of the population that wants and needs a low-cost method of getting around the island and to and from the ferries. I cringe every time I see a youth hitchhiking.

It would probably be cheaper to qualify these people and hire taxis for their necessary trips than to fund a full-time transit system. In a lot of cases, if they had to pay bus fare they would hitchhike anyway.

Of course, all those people that would never use a bus because "I have my own car you know," who called me when the snow fell, would benefit from a scheduled service.

There are the benefits that we can't put a price on such as getting drunks off the road and giving seniors who can't drive anymore a sense of independence, not to mention the ability for students to get home from extracurricular activities after the school buses have gone.

But I believe the benefit to the island of a scheduled, subsidized transit service is a much bigger picture than transportation for residents. It has



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more to do with tourists and visitors to the island. Currently, visitors are forced to bring their cars here. We as islanders all pay for this. We pay in tax dollars for increased ferry and terminal capacity and road maintenance,

and we pay in stress from the long lineups at the ferries and the traffic jams in town.

If B.C. Ferries puts on a larger, faster ferry at Fulford then we will just have more cars to deal with on the island. It would be smarter and cheaper to lease the water taxi to run a passenger-only service for the summer and provide bus transportation into town.

The concept of a ferry surcharge for non-resident cars, known as the "tourist impact fund," would generate enough revenue for at least an extensive summer transit service and other projects such as bicycle lanes, etc., that lessen the stress caused by the flood of tourists.

The most conservative estimate I have is about 150,000 non-resident cars a year visiting the island. The tourist fund idea is a user-pay system where visitors who insist on bringing their cars to the island would pay for those who choose a less consumptive method of enjoying the island. As a side benefit, the locals would get a transit system that they can use at no cost to the

taxpayer.

We need the tourist dollars in our economy. Since they insist on actually coming here rather than just mailing a cheque, we need to deal with them in a way that is pleasant to them and doesn't ruin our comfortable lifestyle. There are many destinations that you wouldn't even consider taking a car. A local transportation system, with personality, is part of the experience.

The more invisible their visit can be, the more both they and the island residents will enjoy it.

John Cade operates Azure Transport Ltd., a charter bus service year-round and a scheduled service during tourist season.

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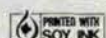
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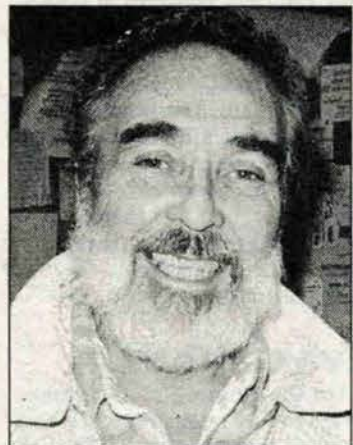
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We Asked: Have you made emergency preparations since the big storm?



Colleen Stewart

No, I haven't yet. You're busy when that (a storm) happens ... I haven't even thought about it.



Tom Farup

We had no great problems through the last one. We're always prepared.



Chris Weins

Yes, I believe I would have an emergency box outside the house — water, food and clothing.



Kurt Irwin

No, I haven't made any emergency plans — stock up on more beer.



Julie Howard

Not yet, but it's in my head to do it.

Letters to the Editor

Dedication

It gives us great pleasure to place on record our appreciation of the efforts provided by the Salt Spring Island ambulance and fire rescue services.

In the early hours of Sunday morning December 29 we asked for help through 911. In response to our call, both the ambulance and fire came to our aid. Despite the horrendous road and weather conditions they managed to transport my wife from a somewhat remote property on Stewart Road to the hospital. Their efficiency and concern for our well-being was heartwarming and greatly appreciated.

Such dedication to serving the community is an example of what makes Salt Spring Island a special place.

STANLEY AND MARIE JOHNSON,
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Santa thanks

This past Christmas, Santa's Workshop was able to provide toys for 141 children on Salt Spring Island and I am writing to express my thanks to all those who in various ways made this possible.

These include the members of the United Church, the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce and the Bank of Montreal for displaying toys to which people attached toys, and Mouat's, Pharmasave and

the North Salt Spring Waterworks District office for acting as collecting points.

Thanks also to the B.C. Liquor Store for providing us with 150 teddy bears and the Tangled Web for donating another 100. Our grateful thanks go also to the four people who provided four heaters for our workshop and to the Islands Farmers Institute which loaned us the tables to work on.

Finally, and by no means least, our thanks to all the people — mostly unknown to us — who donated so many toys that each child received at least three.

This was truly an island effort for which, once again, many thanks.

BOB APPLETON,
Churchill Road

Precious commodity

This is an open letter to Salt Spring residents:

When my husband's parents, John and Catherine Waters, decided to retire to Vesuvius from Lions Bay several years ago, we were concerned about their distance from immediate family.

This past year, with both of them well into their 80s, was more difficult and on very short notice over Christmas they were both transferred to the West Vancouver Care

Centre near us.

We would like to thank all of those who helped John and Porky retain their independence for so long. Many of you who we'll never know gave them the support that allowed them to both stay in their own home and be included in social gatherings when transportation became a challenge.

We understand why they were so happy on Salt Spring and a large part of it was the community. We would like to thank you for your compassion, patience and giving the precious commodity of time.

Our special thanks to Ivan Mouat, Jean Stark and Jim at the Seaside Kitchen Restaurant; also to the staff at Greenwoods and Lady Minto Hospital.
BEV WATERS,
North Vancouver

Drivel

Is this paper truly reduced to printing Tony Brogan's semi-pornographic drive?

Our hopes for an ideal world don't often mesh with reality. The sooner misguided souls realize this the sooner unwanted teen pregnancies and sexually transmitted diseases can be reduced on this island.
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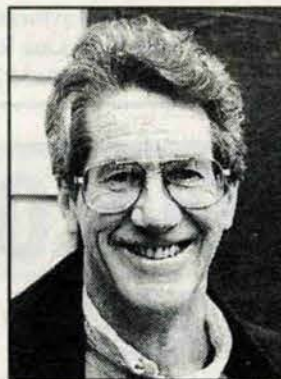


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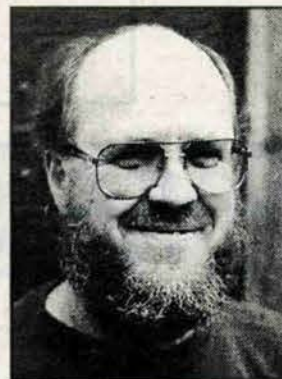
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VICTORIA — When Moe Sihota was environment minister, he used to boast that British Columbia's environmental laws were the toughest in Canada and looked pretty good, compared with most other North American jurisdictions.

Sihota was particularly proud of the province's new vehicle emission standards, which are modelled after those in California.

Such talk tends to make one feel proud. Alas, along with pride comes complacency and a tendency to be Pollyannish.

Last week, British Columbians, along with the rest of the world, got a reality check. Canada's Maurice Strong, who presided over the Earth Watch summit in Rio five years ago, painted a very gloomy picture of Earth's battle against pollution.

Five years after Earth Watch, the world is an uglier place. The air is more polluted, water has become scarcer, rain forests are disappearing at a faster rate, the global population has increased by half a billion and more people are starving.

More than 100 countries are worse off today than 15 years ago, with 1.3 billion people earning less than \$1 a day, the Worldwatch Institute says.

The immediate outlook: millions of hectares of tropical and deciduous forest are disappearing each year, carbon-dioxide emissions are still rising and population growth is outpacing food production.

Closer to home, even British Columbia's relatively tough vehicle emission controls have failed to stop the rising tide of carbon-dioxide. Emission of the deadly poison has risen.

Of course, Canada with its small population doesn't play a large role in the overall deterioration of the planet's environment. The Worldwatch Institute identifies eight nations that "have the fate of the earth in their hands."

These eight nations — China, India, the United States, Indonesia, Russia, Brazil, Japan and Germany — have the greatest impact on the planet's health. They account for more than half of its population, forests and carbon-dioxide emissions.

Worldwatch singles out the United States and the World Bank, which is controlled by the U.S., for its most severe criticism. The institute says the World Bank, which lends \$20 billion a year to poor countries, touts environmentally responsible lending, but finances projects "that add to carbon emissions and destroy ecosystems."

Good for us. Once again, Canadians can feel secure in not being one of the bad guys. After all, what can Canada and its 30 million people do to counteract the havoc wreaked on the planet by the aforementioned eight countries?

Actually, a lot. Just as Canada has become one of the leaders in peace-keeping, despite the fact that, in global military terms, our armed forces are insignificant, Canada could set a moral example for the rest of the world.

Unfortunately, the fact that Canada is only a small cog in the global pollution machine serves as a welcome excuse to politicians who place job creation before environmental concerns.

Our very own Premier Glen Clark is no exception. Plagued by fiscal problems, Clark has all but abandoned the Harcourt administration's commitment to environmental standards. His appointment as environment minister of Cathy McGregor, a political neophyte and lightweight, leaves no doubt what position on his agenda environmental concerns will have.

From here on, jobs will take precedence over the environment. No more will a high-profile politician such as Sihota champion the environment at the cabinet table, providing a balance to the arguments of less environmentally-concerned cabinet ministers.

To many British Columbians, a less stringent application of environmental controls will no doubt be welcome news, and understandably so, if it means the difference between having a job or being unemployed.

In the long run, however, we will all lose, unless we can stop and reverse the deterioration of spaceship Earth.

Beyer can be reached at tel: 920-9300; fax: 385-6783; e-mail: hubert@coolcom.com

CAPITAL COMMENT

HUBERT BEYER



More letters

Condoms, anyone?

After studying, practising and passing an examination, a 16 year-old is granted a licence to drive a car, but there is no similar procedure to earn a licence to have sexual relations.

The results of inadequate training for driving a car or having sex can be less than satisfactory.

Condoms, anyone? Sure beats the good old-fashioned chastity belt, eh?
RAY NEWMAN,
Quebec Drive

Ask student

I would like to make a suggestion concerning the controversy over having condom machines in the high school.

Why not ask the students how they feel about it for it is the students that it concerns.

I feel the parents are making much too much fuss over such a simple thing. It's not like us "teenagers" don't know anything about sex. We don't need to be shielded from the fact that such a thing exists.

Also, to the parents who wrote in complaints, I would like to point out that your uptightness about the matter probably makes your children feel uneasy about

talking to you about their sexuality. So if they can't talk to you, and they can't get condoms at school, maybe they're left with no guidance at all.

What if your daughter came to you pregnant, the result of not having proper birth control available. Get over your denial and fears and help your children make the right choice for themselves. Don't try to make it for them.

OLA MILES, Age 16
Salt Spring Island

Evaluation

On the evening of December 29, 1996, I was very ill and required transportation to Saanich Peninsula Hospital.

Dr. Moore called 911 as the roads were covered with two-foot drifts and impossible for the ambulance to attend my emer-

gency. Soon the Rescue Co-ordination Centre advised the Coast Guard vessel Skua was to remove me from the beach in front of our home. The local emergency program was also at work. The snow plow came followed by the doctor, first responders, ambulance and RCMP, arriving at the same time as the Skua.

The doctor and team made me comfortable on a stretcher. I was carried to the beached inflatable for transfer to the Skua. The evacuation from our rocky Peter Cove in the dark to Swartz Bay went off without incident, thanks to the seamanship of the Skua's crew. Also thank you to all the responders for my emergency evacuation in the blizzard of '96.

PHIL BERGENHAM,
Pender Island

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Turn right

I surely do mind that Carole Simpson and the members of the board of Croftonbrook accused me of lying about that donation cheque of \$1,000 that my late husband Lyal gave to two Legionnaires July 8, 1980 for the project for housing for seniors. (Driftwood letters, December 18, 1996.)

I have my returned cheque, my income tax deduction donations, and my Legion receipts. What more do I need?

They promised us then, when we need them, they will have a place for us. We truly believed them.

If they are rich now, they were at that time collecting money all over and also names for future accommodations there.

Lyal was an active member of the Legion and Lions before we came to live here in 1979 but he was older then and wanted to be free of all duties and responsibilities. He never joined any clubs here.

Carole said she is bookkeeper for Croftonbrook since 1983. Well, she should not know what happened from 1979 to 1983, lots of water under the bridge.

I filled forms and wrote many letters since 1992. I even asked them to go to their meeting. I was absolutely ignored.

So the only choice I had was to go public. I wrote to Ottawa and Victoria about it as federal-provincial money for housing management.

I never went behind their backs at the Croftonbrook board; each time I sent them copies.

So I do hope the situation will be dealt with soon. In life we go through every sort of phase: isolation, loneliness, disappointment and injustice. But I truly hope what went wrong in 1996 will turn right in 1997.

ALICE (BIBEAU) TESTER,
Swanson Road

When will it end?

I recently had a day to hike up in the Channel Ridge area with a friend.

We were even able to cross country ski through the shaded forested part of the trail before we had to shoulder our skis and continue our loop on foot. We walked up towards a ridge where we could see open sky through the thinning trees. There one of nature's wonderlands opened to us — rolling hillside knolls of emerald green moss and panoramic views looking across the channel to Vancouver Island. Here was the home of the eagle and raven and countless other feathered and furred creatures.

But here also four-wheeled drives had been ripping and roaring, tearing up the mossy hillside and leaving the green carpet scarred with erratic churned-up black trails. They have easy access now

More letters

because of — you guessed it — development.

And then, of course, the inevitable sounds of machines, hammers, etc. and we're back into "man's" world of devastation, where the land has been blasted, scraped and gouged as development pushes its ugly claws further into this (for the moment) serene and untouched landscape.

Shame, shame on those, whether you be realtors, developers or consumers willing to buy into this market, who would see the reserve of fragile ecosystem through the eyes of monetary gain or allow machines, house building or other manmade apparatus to disturb and destroy this area: "God's" gift of natural beauty to both animal and humankind.

Where will it stop? When will it end? The rape and pillage of this land we call our island paradise? And in the larger scheme, this planet Earth we call our home.

KATHRYN LANDRY,
Salt Spring Island

Running dogs

On January 15 we witnessed a brutal attack by two dogs (a small brown and black shepherd cross and a small golden retriever cross) which have been running at large for some time now.

The victim of their latest attack was a year-old fawn. After running the deer to near collapse, the dogs worked as a team to bring the animal down. They then proceeded to take one end of the fawn each and rip and tug at the poor deer. We were alerted by the heart-wrenching cries of terror and pain the deer made. At first we thought someone had fallen through the ice on the lake we live on. Once we spotted the horrible scene, we were totally helpless to get around the flooded marsh and stop the attack.

Helplessly we called, yelled and finally our whistles seemed to distract the dogs. Our daughter witnessed these same dogs kill a small fawn just a week before.

Thanks to our neighbours, Brian and Susan Cunningham, the fawn was taken to the vet's office, where unfortunately it later died. The Cunninghams were also able to catch the two dogs and turn them over to the animal control officer.

Where were these owners when their dogs were running loose and terrorizing helpless victims? Where do these owners think their dogs are when they are gone for hours at a time? Do they think they are out playing innocently when they come home covered in mud and blood?

We are dog owners, and we know where our dog is 24 hours a day. That is our responsibility. These owners have let their dogs down. They may have felt it cruel

to tie them up in the yard while away at work, I don't know. Maybe they just don't care.

If you can't take responsibility for your animals, you don't deserve them.

LEANNA NORTH,
Robinson Road

Great offence

I was recently made aware of your January 15 issue, when my mother stormed into my room and flung it on my bed. It was then that I read Bordello High, a very offensive letter to the editor.

I would like to point out to Tony Brogan that I am neither a smoker nor a drinker. In fact I am an honour roll student who took great offence at the insults hurled at my school, no matter what fashion it was done in.

I believe that condoms in the school washrooms are a very important and good idea. If and when I decide to have sex with someone, I want to be able to protect myself.

I believe that the adults on the island should wake up and realize

that we will have sex at some point in our lives, with or without your permission, but preferably with rather than without condoms which are rather an embarrassing purchase in such a small community.

If certain people in this community oppose the decision made by the school board, I respect their opinions. However, I do not respect a person who publicly humiliates an entire school and insinuates that all the students are

whores who need to smoke, drink and gamble.

Please, in future, think before you begin to muddy a perfectly good school reputation with sadly misplaced criticism. Please think of the students not as one entity but as separate, intelligent, young adults who are capable of controlling themselves.

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ERIKA TAMBOLINE,
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Power of attorney not always that powerful

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But, hold it there! Her husband for close to half a century, he was yet unable to act for his sick wife. Her affairs were the responsibility of a government-appointed supervisor or committee. For the first time in his life, the husband discovered that he could do nothing without the approval of an official.

The fellow did all that the law required of him, but he also became something of an advocate for caution in the face of advancing years. He explained to all who would listen that his wife should have signed a document empowering him to sign on her behalf should she become incompetent. Because her affliction had preceded any such signing, she was too late.

The message was to give a trusted friend or relative a power of attorney and all would be smooth.

One of my daughters has power of attorney in respect of my limited estate. When I go nuts she will be able to act for me. She may also act on my behalf before I'm out to lunch. Or can she?

The solicitor who prepared that power of attorney observed that my daughter could now sell my house and spend the proceeds. She could act with the same authority as I could, myself. She now had complete authority and control over my affairs. And that was the situation I wanted.

Then I went to Britain for a holiday. I called a bank and learned that they would not accept my daughter's power of attorney. I was me and she was she, as far as the bank was concerned. I was annoyed, but I was a few thousand miles away and I let it ride.

Later, I was required to sign a legal document. Why should I do all the work so far from home? Let my empowered attorney sign. The enthusiasm was not infectious. The holder of the document was not sure that this would be acceptable.

I'm not complaining. I'm simply letting off a little steam. What appears to be so easy and simple and so protective of my interests in absence or in fits, turns out to be unrecognized when the pinch comes.

While I was making the necessary arrangements I reflected on the apparent distance between the law and the observers of such laws, I discussed it with my friends over here.

This disaffection towards the acceptance of a delegated power of attorney is to be found in this ancient land.

A lady of some maturity explained that she arranged that her daughter would have the same legal authority to act on her behalf, now and later. When the lady is not at home, her daughter can look after her affairs. When she is out of her mind, the same daughter enjoys that same responsibility. Simple, ain't it?

Or is it?
The bank duly opened a new account. The new account was not in her name. It was not in her daughter's name. The account was now in the name of Mrs. Mary Poa. Poa is, of course, the abbreviation for that old favourite, Power of Attorney. And it took weeks of communication before the bank would correct the error.

I can see the problem facing the simple pensioner when faced with this delegation of power. It leaves me puzzled that a bank would be so unaware of an instrument regulating the affairs of the holidaying or the sick. Maybe the legal profession or the banking institutions in both lands might do well to advise all and sundry just what such a document means.

Or, perhaps, it's all in my mind! Perhaps there ain't no such animal! Like no power left in that attorney.

TO BE FRANK

FRANK RICHARDS



INSIDE GISS

By NEILL ARMITAGE
Driftwood Contributor

Students no longer have to quit school and work full-time in order to begin apprenticing for a journeyman ticket in a trade.

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Three of our senior students started their apprenticeship programs last week. Parents and students can get more information about this program from Kelly Knister, our secondary school apprenticeship facilitator, by calling 537-9944.


• Simon Fraser University is now encouraging students in Grade 11 to register with them if they have a minimum average of 86 per cent.

Students who qualify are automatically considered for one of four \$10,000 scholarships. Applications may be submitted via the World Wide Web (<http://www.reg.sfu.ca>).

• Any senior student who is interested in attending the University of Guelph should contact me if you have an average of 86 per cent or higher so that I can submit your name as an applicant for a \$20,000 scholarship.

• Gibson's Photography is again offering cash awards to the best 13 paintings representing the theme "Beautiful British Columbia."

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What of the north?

When the British Broadcasting Corporation presented viewers over here with the harrowing tales of frost and flood on the Pacific coast recently, the story came to an abrupt end.

We watched the pictures of storm damage in California and we watched with interest as the camera moved steadily northwards into Washington. The pictures of washed-out roads and properties were impressive. Equally impressive was the sad comment of a water-logged householder that if he had known the land was destined to be washed out he would never have built there. It was a tale of devastation and despair.

And that was it. The camera crews probably looked at the maps and went home. The maps ended at Washington. The international line was clearly shown. There were houses and floods and people and roads to the south of the line. North was empty. The television world ends at the 49th parallel.

The BBC didn't know of the snow in British Columbia. The corporation was unaware that some parts of the province had experienced the worst winter storm in some 75 years. Wash-outs of highways; closure of communication, by air or sea, went unnoticed by the great British news service.

I watched and I wept tears, not for British Columbia, but for the BBC.

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Group plans cold-turkey bingo

A non-smoker at a bingo game has been a rarity in the past, but the Lady Minto Hospital Foundation hopes to see that change.

As part of national efforts to discourage cigarette smoking, the foundation is going to experiment with a "cold turkey" bingo night next week. The non-smoking bingo night will take place Thursday,

January 30 at Meaden Hall.

The foundation says hospital medical staff have endorsed the plan and several non-smoking doctors and foundation directors have offered to volunteer at the bingos.

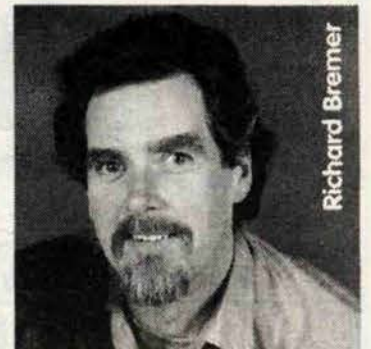
Foundation bingos take place on the first, third and fifth Wednesday of every month. Early bird games begin at 7 p.m. with

regular bingo at 7:30. If next week's non-smoking bingo is successful, more will be scheduled. The foundation would like to designate the fifth Thursday of the month as non-smoking. That would mean non-smokers would have four opportunities to play smoke-free bingo this year, there being four months with five Thursdays during 1997.

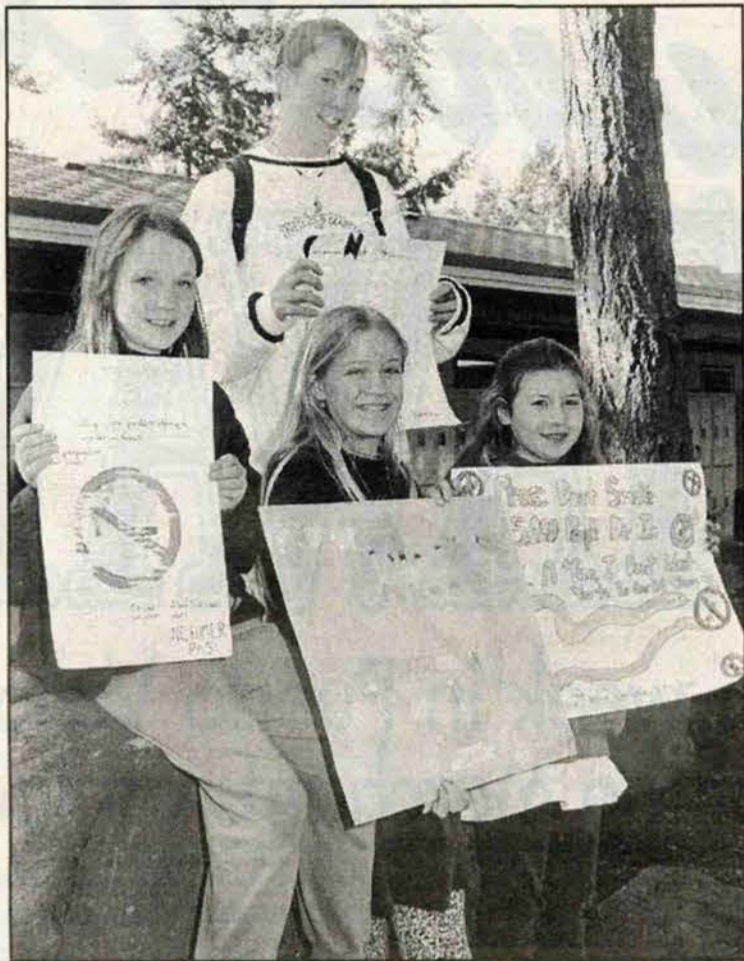
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NO SMOKING: Salt Spring Middle School's prize-winning poster artists are, front from left, Charlotte Curtis, 11, April Goebel, 12, Pippa Millerd, 11 and, back, Nicola Boehm, 14.

Photo by Valone Lennox

Tobacco users targeted by middle school's posters

Putting it in pictures earned prizes for seven Salt Spring Island Middle School (SIMS) students whose anti-smoking messages topped a school-wide poster contest.

Two winners were chosen in each grade from the more than 70 posters submitted. Receiving their prizes last Wednesday were Grade 6 students Charlotte Curtis, 11, and Pippa Millerd, 11; Grade 7 students Conor Walsh, 12, and the team of April Goebel, 12, and Ayla Klein-Stimpson, 12; and Grade 8 students Nicola Boehm, 14, and Brendan Wilson, 13.

The winning posters are being

displayed in downtown Ganges. Prizes came from local merchants and craftspeople and included an electronic spell-checker from Radio Shack, a t-shirt from Mouat's, a lambskin bicycle seat from Cathy Ball, a Nintendo rental from Island Star Video, an hour of pool plus large nachos from King's Lane Recreation, a diary and a collection of magic tricks from West of the Moon.

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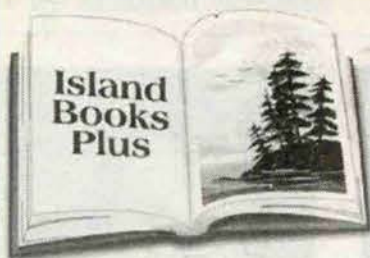
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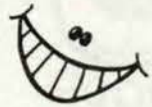
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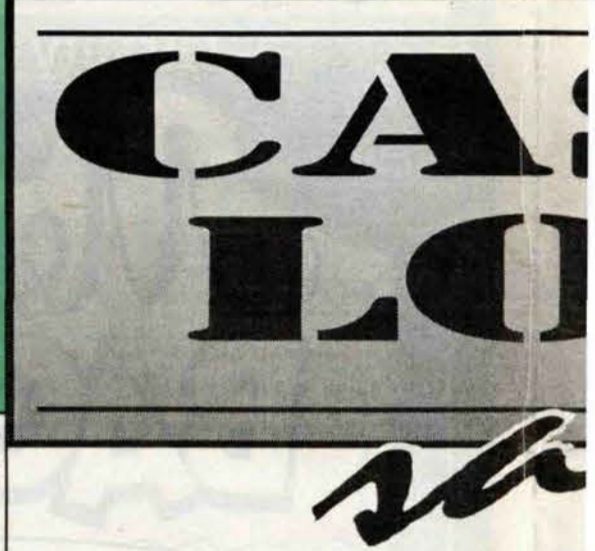
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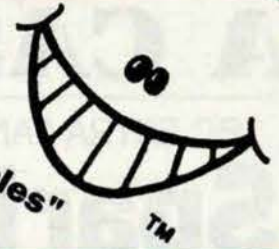
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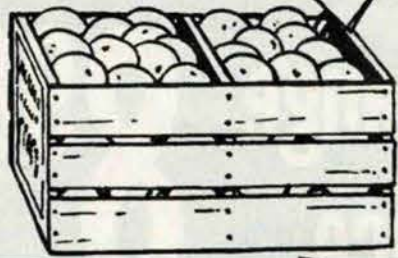
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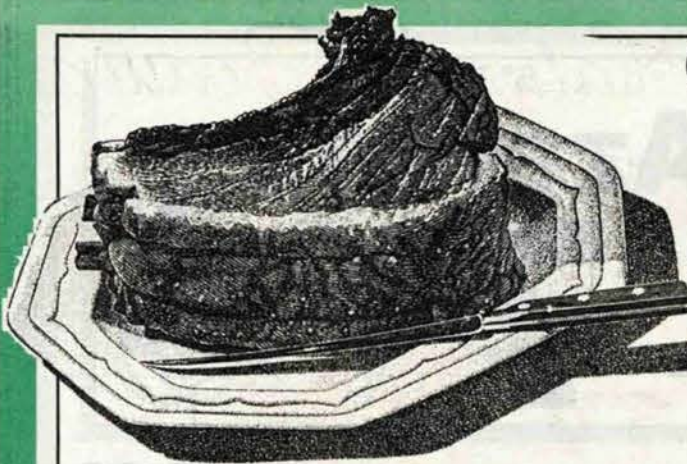
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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

When painters find themselves in a rut ... Guild is there for assistance

By GAIL SJUBERG
Driftwood Staff

Members of the Salt Spring Island Painters' Guild haven't wasted any time pursuing their 1997 theme of "inspiring creativity."

"We're trying to encourage (members) to branch out and find their own way," program committee chairwoman Marg Threlfall explained last week.

For starters, Kathy Venter gave a thought-provoking slide presentation and talk to the group January 8. Then last week Judy Borbas took members on a "rescue mission" for their paintings that needed extra help.

Today (Wednesday) the guild was set to create collages under the guidance of Helen Wiebe. Next week they'll use the collage in tackling an abstract painting.

Unlike most craft guilds, the painters' is a teaching guild, and aims to assist everyone from the shaky-brushed beginner to the accomplished exhibitor.

An upcoming workshop members are particularly excited about is the February 8 and 9 visit by well-known Vancouver artist Kiff Holland. Most recognized for his work in watercolours, Holland has won numerous prizes, including first prize at the Societe Canadienne de l'Aquarelle annual exhibition, and awards from the North West Water Colour Society and the American Water Color Society.

A minimum number of people must register for the workshop by this Sunday, so anyone thinking about it is encouraged

to call painters' guild president Bev Lillyman at 537-2466 as soon as possible.

Threlfall notes the guild is fortunate to have scheduled Holland, who also has highly-developed teaching skills.

She adds that the painters' guild has a number of good teachers who are more than willing to guide and encourage members at regular meetings or special workshops.

Some members have said the critiques sometime provided "are one of the more helpful things that happen in our guild," said Threlfall. And individuals can be assured gentleness will be used when it comes to critiquing their work.

The painters' guild is inviting anyone wanting to learn to paint and those who could use some inspiration from a group to join their ranks. Past members are also urged to return.

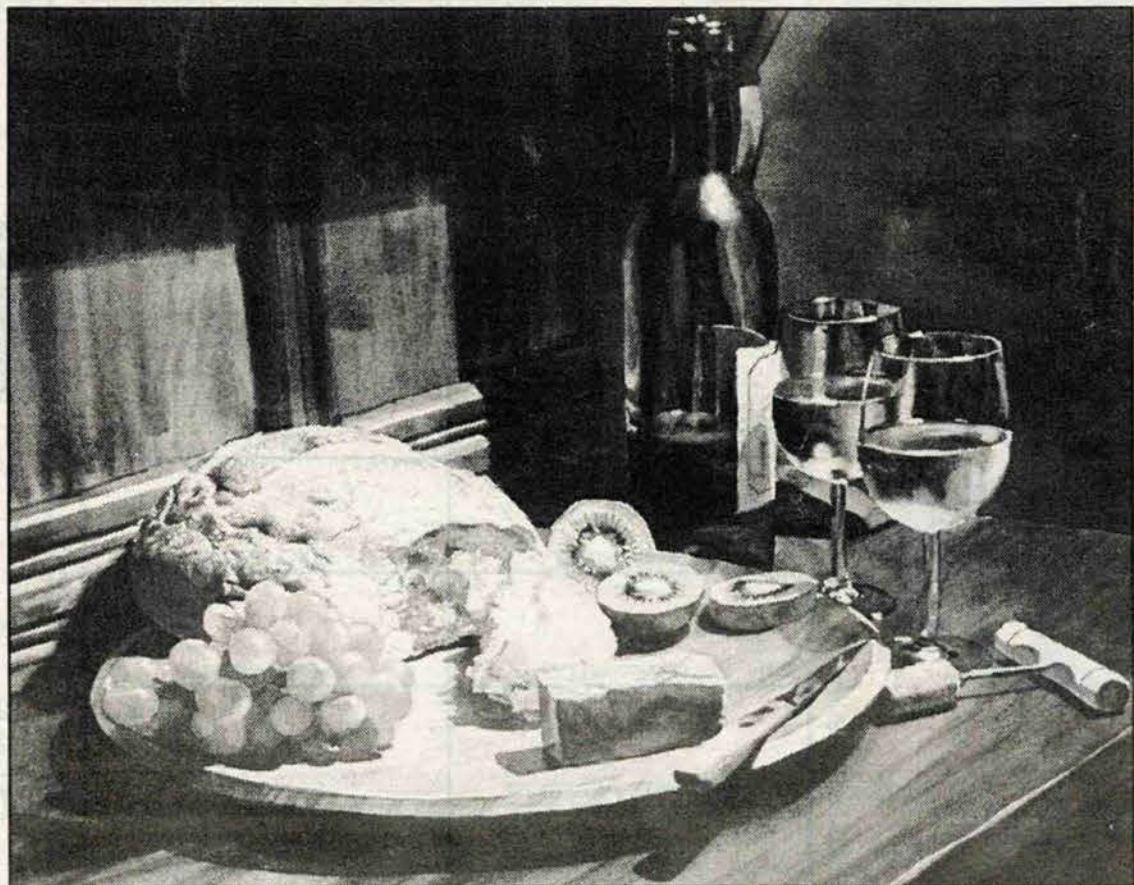
The mix of people involved is what really makes the meetings so valuable, suggests Threlfall.

"I find the interaction between people is really stimulating," she said. "And new people bring new viewpoints to the discussion."

Membership costs \$20, and workshops are extra.

Future workshops include a three-session one for beginners offered by Randolph Parker set for February 19, March 5 and March 26.

On March 19, Ronald Smith will give an all-day session on "getting inspiration and developing your ideas." Some of Smith's work is currently on display at Island Savings Credit



WORKSHOP: Painters are looking forward to a workshop by Vancouver artist Kiff Holland, whose piece above is titled Cold White Wine.

Union.

Workshops can get painters out of a rut — sometimes just by trying a different colour or technique — or might send an artist off to explore a new direction. The personality of an instructor is often an inspiring factor.

Threlfall recalls her first year with the guild after moving to Salt Spring 13 years ago when the late Allan Edwards offered his incredible expertise in oils and Jack Avison, who is still a guild member, did the same with watercolours.

The guild meets each Wednesday morning at Lions Hall. Members also attend gallery tours, participate in annual exhibits and in the summer meet for outdoor sketching sessions.

For information on workshops and the guild, contact Lillyman. After January 26, Threlfall may also be called at 537-4535.

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Your Guide To Arts & Entertainment This Week

Dance

- **Tribe is Now** — Poetry and pasta, songs and snacks. Local original performances of island song and poetry, beginning at 7:30 p.m. At 10 p.m. is the tribal circle and boogie with an ensemble of bands. Friday, January 24 at Beaver Point Hall. Tickets \$5 at the door.
- **Massive D.J. Explosion** — With explosive experts Mad Science Productions. The bomb goes off from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. at Beaver Point Hall, Saturday, January 25. Advance tickets available at the Flying Saucer Cafe or by calling 537-1039. Tickets are \$8 advance, or \$10 at the door.

Music

- **Harbour House Wheelhouse Pub** — Auntie Kate and Bill Johnson CD Release Party, starting at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, January 22. 121 Upper Ganges Road.
- **Moby's Marine Pub** — Wednesday Night Live! Hosted by Charles Wilton, January 22 at 9 p.m. 124 Upper Ganges Road.
- **Harbour House Wheelhouse Pub** — Blues Night with Dave Roland and Friends, featuring special guest Gene Grooms. Thursday, January 23.
- **Salt Spring Roasting Co.** — Open stage every Friday night at 8 p.m. 109 McPhillips Avenue.
- **Alfresco Restaurant** — Barrington Perry plays piano every Friday and Saturday evening starting at 6:30 p.m. 3106 Grace Point Square.
- **Harbour House Wheelhouse Pub** — Rock with Neil Taylor and Blessed Relief on Friday and Saturday, January 24 and 25.
- **The Purple Parrot Restaurant** — Simone Grasky, with accompanist Gary Lundy, sings old jazz favourites, rhythm and blues and contemporary ballads every Saturday evening from 7 to 10 p.m. 170 Fulford-Ganges Road.
- **Moby's Marine Pub** — Saltlick plays on Saturday, January 25.
- **Bandemonium** — 4th Annual Celebration of the Band! Saturday, January 25, 7:30 p.m. Special guest: Black by Popular Demand, Arthur Black. And on Sunday, January 26 at 2 p.m. Special guests: S.I.M.S. Stage Band and Senior Concert Band. Gulf Islands

Secondary Multi-Purpose Room. Tickets available at Murray's Brewplace, Sharon's and Music Emporium. Adults \$10, students \$5. 232 Rainbow Road.

- **Fulford Inn** — Pickin' and Grinnin' with Buck. Acoustic musicians and singers welcome! Sundays from 2 to 5 p.m.
- **Moby's Marine Pub** — Sunday Dinner Jazz with the Bruce Hurn Quartet, January 26.
- **Salt Spring Roasting Co.** — Every Tuesday is Irish Music Circle Night from 6:30 to 9 p.m.

Cinema

- **Mars Attacks!** Tim Burton's Mars Attacks! may be the first sci-fi disaster movie that's also an impish black-comedy prank. In Burton's giddily satiric epic, alien invaders want to destroy the planet, but it wouldn't be right to say they're aiming for world domination; they're more like demonic jesters out for a cosmic giggle. This movie is based on a series of Topps bubble-gum cards from the 1960s. Starring Michael J. Fox, Annette Bening, Joe Don Baker, Jack Nicholson and Sarah Jessica Parker. Playing on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, January 24, 25 and 26, at 7 p.m., and on Monday and Tuesday, January 27 and 28, at 9 p.m. This movie is rated Mature P.G. B.C. warning: may frighten young children. Some violence, occasional very coarse language. Salt Spring Cinema, Central Hall.

- **Michael** — John Travolta plays a down-to-earth angel named Michael in this movie which is directed by Nora Ephron (Sleepless in Seattle). Michael shows up in a small Iowa town, sprouting angel wings and exhibiting a good-old-boy manner. A washed-up tabloid journalist (William Hurt) goes there to check out whether Michael is for real. He's accompanied by an alleged angel expert (Andie MacDowell) whom Hurt can't stand, another jaded reporter (Robert Pastorelli) and a dog named Sparky. Michael finds himself taking on a divine mission to make Hurt and MacDowell fall in love with each other. Playing on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, January 24, 25 and 26, at 9:15 p.m., and on Monday and Tuesday, January 27 and 28, at 7 p.m. This movie is rated Mature P.G. B.C. warning: occa-

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Grab Bag

- **Co-Creating Community** — Artistic Expose at the Core Inn, featuring local artists, original music, theatre and poetry. Come for dinner and experience the culinary delights of the Core Inn Cafe. Full moon Thursday, January 23. Dinner begins at 6 p.m. Artistic events commence at 7:30 p.m. Entrance by donation. 134 McPhillips Avenue.
- **Burns' Night** — With the Royal Canadian Legion Pipe Band. Saturday, January 25 at Meaden Hall. Doors open at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$18 each and available from the Legion bar or from pipe band members, or call 537-5033. 120 Blain Road.
- **Harbour House Wheelhouse Pub** — Super Sunday! Watch the Super Bowl and play in our 9-ball pool tournament. January 26.
- **Super Bowl Party** — Salt Spring Island Lions Club is having a Super Bowl party on Sunday, January 26 starting at 2 p.m. Watch the Super Bowl on a big screen T.V.! Tickets are \$10 at the door, and include a meal and door prizes. No host bar. Everyone welcome! Hart Bradley Hall, Bonnet Road.

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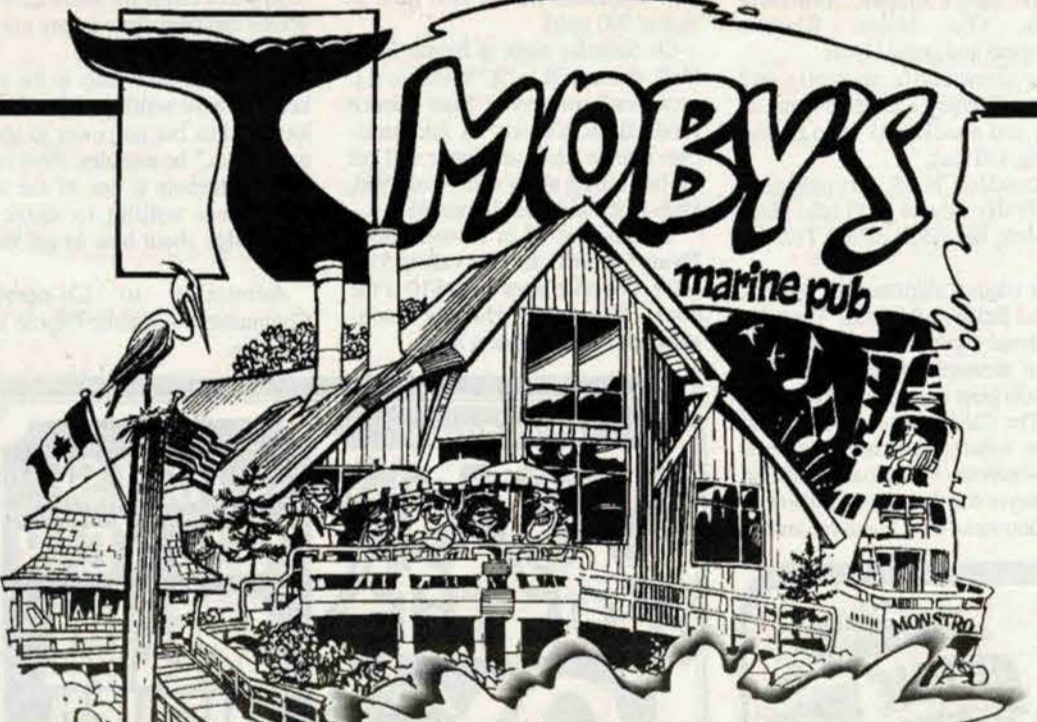
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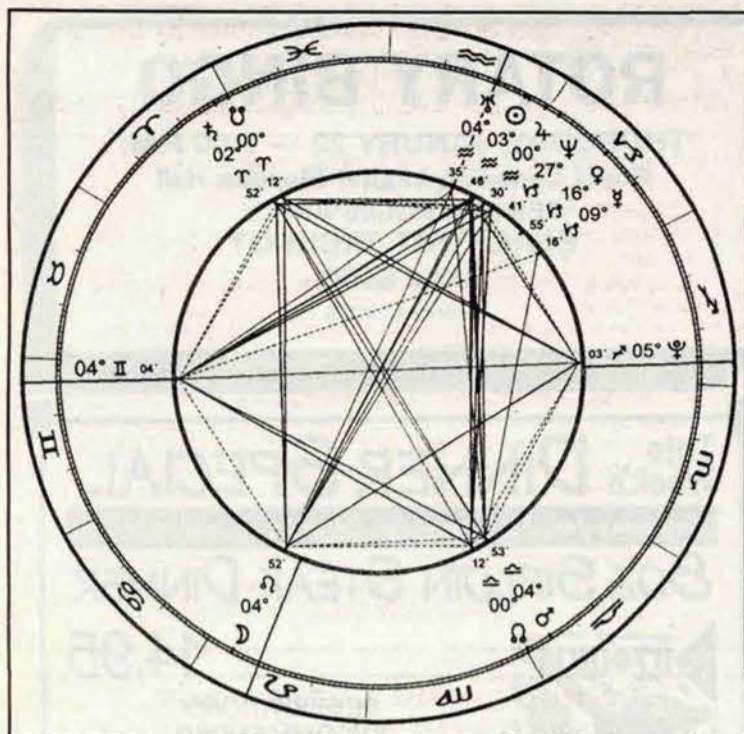
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GEOMETRIC PERFECTION: This GaiaMind Project diagram illustrates the six-pointed star which will be formed in the skies on 9:32 a.m. PST Thursday when the five outer-most planets and the sun align opposite a full moon. GaiaMind urges people to "affirm that we are all one" through meditation at that moment.

Planets' alignment spurs special events

Inspired in part by Thursday's rare astrological conjunction, Beaver Point Hall is the spot for dancing and a transforming of consciousness this weekend.

On Friday night beginning at 7:30 p.m., a number of islanders will present poetry, cosmic comedy, original songs and dance under the event name of Tribe is Now. Performers include Susan Cogan, Reid Collins, Rosalie Miles, Seamus Manly, Aria Squire, Shiya Jordan, Anastasia Wilde, Ola Miles, Rhonan Heitzmann and Jamal Hyder.

The show starts promptly and guests will enjoy a creative menu of pasta and snacks. At 10 p.m. the dancing will start.

Admission is \$5. All proceeds from Friday's event go to help Miles complete her book called Tribe is Now.

The unique alignment of planets, sun and moon at 9:32 a.m. Thursday will create a perfect six-pointed star, and an atmosphere said to be conducive to great harmony and cooperation. The California-based GaiaMind Project, which is dedicated to spreading awareness of a global meditation and prayer for the transformation of consciousness on Thursday, invites

people to meditate and envision clear white light at 9:32 a.m. that day, in an effort to encourage the healing transformation of Earth.

Christa Faye Burka explains that "not since the time of the Renaissance have all five outer-most planets been so harmoniously aligned ... this cluster of planets will centre on the first degrees of Aquarius, joined by the sun, with the full moon opposite them all." Jupiter, Uranus and Neptune are also conjoined for the first time in almost 200 years.

On Saturday night at Beaver Point Hall, there will be a "massive d.j. explosion" courtesy of Mad Science Productions. Victoria d.j. and musician Rennie "dubnut" Foster will get the ball rolling along with Noah Pred, Hula-Hoop and Alex Kaminski.

Tickets cost \$8 in advance from Flying Saucer Cafe or by calling 537-1039. The price goes up to \$10 at the door. The dance, which is a non-alcoholic event, begins at 8 p.m.

Core Inn plans unofficial opening

The Core Inn Youth Project is combining Thursday's planetary alignment with local talent to present a community-wide "artistic expose."

Co-creating Community is the name of the event featuring local artists of all ages presenting music, theatre and poetry. Islanders will also be able to enjoy dinner from the Core Inn Cafe, anytime after 6 p.m. Entertainment starts at 7:30.

Rhonan Heitzmann is a Core Inn volunteer who explains that the evening will mark the unofficial opening of the youth centre, along with the rare alignment of planets which is occurring at 9:32 a.m. PST on January 23 along with the full moon. (See separate story.)

The phenomenon provides the perfect opportunity to embrace community and planet-wide harmony and cooperation, he explains.

Opening up interaction between people of all ages is an important part of what the Core Inn will do, says Heitzmann. "In creating community it's important everyone is involved."

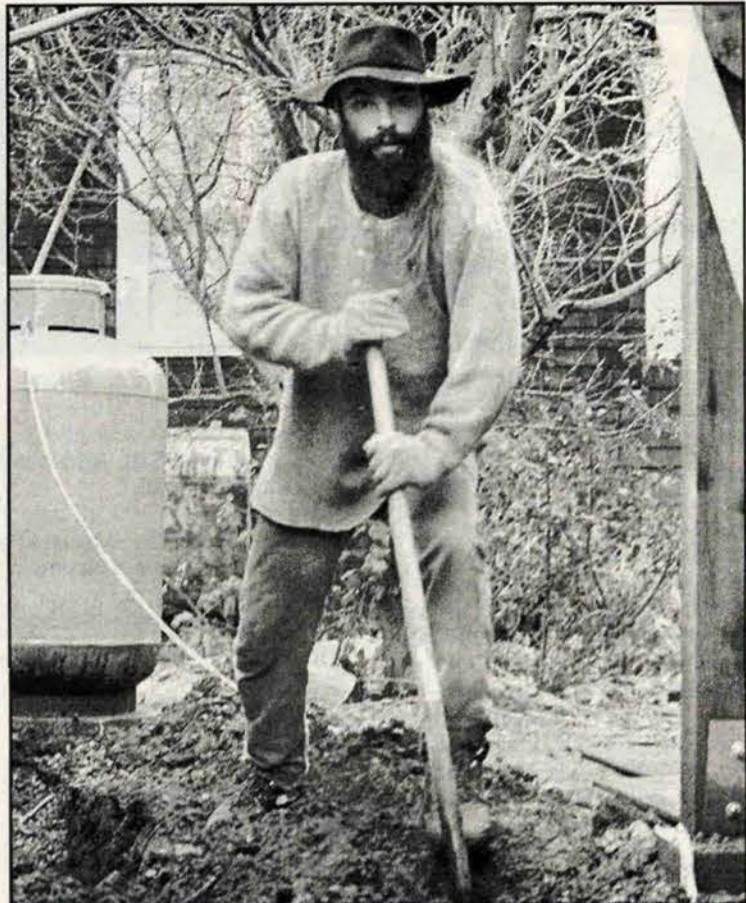
At the same time, he stresses, the Core Inn is for youths aged 13 to 18 and the programming impetus will come from them.

Thursday's arts event should be the first of many at the Core Inn which will provide a venue for young people to share their talents and give them a performance goal to work towards. Adult performers such as Susan Cogan are also on tap for this first show.

Heitzmann said the Core Inn will be in part a centre for learning, where youths can participate in any number and range of workshops.

"I know how it feels to be a kid here and have nothing to do and have lots of ideas but no power to implement them," he explains. Now in his 20s, Heitzmann is one of the adult volunteers willing to share his knowledge about how to get things done.

Admission to Co-creating Community — Artistic Expose is by donation.



CORE WORK: Core Inn volunteer Rhonan Heitzmann digs the trench needed to hook up the youth centre stove in time for Thursday night's Co-creating Community — Artistic Expose event at the inn.

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GRADUATION: At the Power Squadron boating course graduation ceremonies were, from left, squadron commander Brian Cornwall, district commander Connie MacInnis and graduates Rollie McCallum, Elaine McCallum and Derwin Rokeby-Thomas. Photo by Derrick Lundy

35 complete boating course

Thirty-five students marked formal graduation of the Salt Spring Power Squadron's 1996 basic boating course with a ceremony Friday at the Lions hall.

The event recognized successful completion of a 13-week course and a rigorous final examination.

Certificates were presented to all graduates by Conny MacInnis, commander of the southern Vancouver Island district.

Special certificates were awarded to Elizabeth Anderson, Jim

Shields and Terry Smawley for achieving the highest examination marks. These certificates entitle the winner to enroll without charge in any advanced course offered by the squadron.

Squadron commander Brian Cornwall thanked the teaching staff and, in particular, instructor Don Walser for exceptional skill and commitment in teaching. The ceremony was completed with a slide show of a canal boat trip in England and Wales taken by Conny and Ealex MacInnis.

The Canadian Power and Sail Squadron is a volunteer organization dedicated to education in recreational boating. Successful completion of the basic boating course is a prerequisite for membership and a variety of courses are available to members.

Certification in the use of VHF radio will be offered in March as the next course available on Salt Spring. The course is open to the general public and successful completion is rewarded with a restricted operator's licence.

Arrival of winter rains spells greenery, flowers

By GAIL TRAFFORD
Driftwood Correspondent

Winter rains have washed away most of the snow and left only memories of the holiday blizzard of 1996.

Damage to many homes, businesses and roads remains as witness to the power of nature. The heavy rains are keeping streams flowing and overflowing their banks but the grass is green and the flower bulbs are poking out of their beds. The days are getting longer. It must be time to peruse those garden catalogues again.

Bridge players are passing the time during these long evenings playing in the progressive bridge tournament. This tournament lasts all winter and pairs are free to schedule games at their own convenience. In the spring the scores are tallied and winners are announced at the spring bridge tournament.

OCP update

The OCP Steering Committee voted to pass the draft community plan along to the local Trust committee.

The draft was formed by the group from the task force reports. Members of each task force participated in the process. The trustees will bring the draft plan to the public in a series of hearings to obtain feedback from the community.

The local Trust committee requested that the steering committee continue to participate as advisors.

Other news

Local elementary students have begun their annual swimming lessons at the Commonwealth Pool.

They will be travelling to Swartz Bay every Wednesday on the noon ferry and returning on the 4:30 p.m. ferry from Vancouver Island. The students will be travelling by bus but some accompanying parents may bring vehicles. Travellers are

SATURNA NOTES

cautioned that these sailings may be more busy than usual.

• Rev. Bruce Bryant-Scott will be taking paternal leave from the parish of the Penders and Saturna from January 25 to March 15.

In his absence, Archdeacon Geoff Huggill will act as priest in charge. Rev. Huggill will continue to offer services on both islands. He has been offered the assistance of the retired clergy already involved in the parish. His first service on Saturna will be on January 26 and everyone is welcome to attend.

• The Community Club executive met recently to discuss concerns of the club.

The next meeting on March 17 will be announced with a mail drop and a proposed agenda. New items may be added to the agenda by contacting Ishbel Elliot or Louise Peamaki 10 days or more in advance of the meeting.

• Ralph Steeves was injured when he fell out of a tree while working at Saturna Beach. The 911 emergency team volunteers responded promptly and Steeves was sent to Saanich Peninsula Hospital for treatment of several broken bones.

• A longstanding trust was broken last week when the change drawer at Haggis Farm Bakery was emptied while the owners were away for a few hours.

Since the bakery began, a small amount of cash was left in the drawer there for the convenience of those who made cash purchases. Over the years, many customers and friends went in and out of the bakery and all were trustworthy and trusted. It is sad to see that track record broken after almost a decade of honesty.

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JAN. 23: SS Weavers & Spinners, Farmers Institute, 10:30am.

JAN. 25: Canadian Federation of University Women Mtg./Speaker -

1:30pm - All Saints by the Sea.

JAN. 27: Lady Minto Hospital Aux. Society, United Church Hall, 2pm.

JAN. 29: SS Painters Guild, critique on collage, Lions Hall, 9:30am-12:30pm.

JAN. 29: Physiotherapist Nuk on Falls - Prevention, Seniors for Seniors - Free, 2pm.

JAN. 30: SS Weavers & Spinners, Farmers Institute, 10:30am.

FEB. 5: Music & Munch, All Saints by the Sea, 12:10pm

EVERY WEDNESDAY

- Seniors & Alzheimers 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.)

- Core-Inn Committee Meetings, Core-Inn on McPhillips, 4:30-6pm.

- Special Olympics Bowling, Bowling Alley, 10am-11am.

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

- Therapeutic Touch practise group, Seniors for Seniors, 7pm (every 3rd Wed.)

EVERY THURSDAY

- Salt Spring Weavers & Spinners Guild, 10:30-2pm.

- Parkinsons Support Gr., Croftonbrook, 2pm (second Thurs. of the mo.)

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

- Scottish Dancing, Anglican Church Hall, 6pm beginners/7pm advanced.

- Luncheon, Seniors for Seniors, 12 noon.

EVERY FRIDAY

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

- Duplicate bridge, OAP Central, 1pm.

- Games afternoon, Seniors for Seniors, 1:30pm, Mah Jongg 12:30pm.

EVERY SATURDAY

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

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

EVERY MONDAY

- Free blood pressure clinic, Seniors for Seniors 10-12noon (last Mon. ea. mo.)

- Adult 22 rifle shooting, SSI Rod & Gun Club, 7-9pm.

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

- OAPO #32 carpet bowling, Lower Central Hall, 1:30pm.

- Reader's Theatre, Croftonbrook Hall, 10am

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

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

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

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

- SS Weavers & Spinner, @ Farmers' Ins. to use the library, 10:30am (every 2nd Thurs.)

- SSI Buddhist meditation group, 135 McPhillips Ave., 7:30pm.

- Special Olympics swimming, Shelby Pool, 5pm-6pm.

- Bandimonium, Meaden Hall, the Legion, 7-9pm.

- Story hour for preschoolers, Library, 9:30am.

EVERY TUESDAY

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

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

- Target Archery, Fulford Hall, 5-8pm.

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Slugs return from holidays for a feast on worthy Squid

By **ANDY NAUMANN**
Driftwood Contributor

On January 12, the usual cast of characters assembled in the Slugmobile: Iggy (who spent hours over the holidays restoring the van to almost roadworthy and user-friendly condition, including fixing the radio) at the wheel; Crash, the co-pilot, singing a medley of Pat Benatar songs; the South End Boys, fresh out of hibernation, hungry for squid; Turk and the Refreshments; the Old Scribe, sharpening his stylus; Burl, humming a new ditty by the Doobie Brothers; Topper, wearing his new mask; and the Hoser, just slightly heavier, returned from tearing up the Alpine Oldtimers' League.

It wasn't long before they were all chewing on sunflower seeds, jawing and chawing.

It wasn't long — 30 seconds, to be exact, after the initial face-off — before the Squid Roe team from Saanich scored its first goal. Most of the Slugs were still adjusting their garter belts on the bench when Rod Chalborn deftly passed the puck to a black shirt alone in front of Derek Topping who had no chance to react. It dawned on us immediately that the holidays were over, that this was a "real" game, and that our opponents were serious.

We rose to the occasion. Our first goal was set up by Chalborn

chipping the puck to Todd McIntyre in the neutral zone, who relayed it to Pete Huser, yodelling down the left wing. Huser steamed over their blue line and unloaded a hard, high wrist shot that whistled past the waving goalie.

The Slugs, warmed up now, took the offensive, bottling the Squids up in their end shift after shift. In one goalmouth scramble, after Pat Akerman and Bernie Reynolds had taken turns whacking the puck into the goalie's pads, Pete Schure slid it into the net. Time after time, the Slug forwards had great chances to score, only to be stymied by the outstanding acrobatics of the Squids' netminder.

The onslaught continued, consummated by a goal by Dan Akerman, our much-needed replacement for Stopgap on defence, who glided in off their blue line and almost effortlessly drifted the puck into the net on a pass from Schure in the corner, after some fierce forechecking by Reynolds. The younger Akerman rounded out the first period's scoring, finding himself unguarded in front of an empty cage, following some nifty passing around the Squids' legs by Reynolds and Schure.

If Topping had relatively little to do in the first period, besides admiring his mask, he was put to

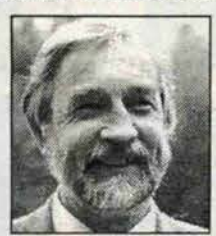
the test in the second by the Squids' forwards and the Slugs' defence. He made save after save, sometimes three or four in a row, standing tall, with a quick glove hand and pads the size of, what seemed to the Squids, houses.

That's not to say that the Slugs didn't have their share of opportunities to add to their lead. At the other end of the ice, their goaltender put on just as brilliant a display of stonewalling us.

The third period was a repeat of the second, with minor exceptions. Two penalties to our defencemen put us all on the hot seat for a time, scrambling to gain possession of the puck. The Squids scored once — that is, one of them got credit for a goal that was deflected by Chalborn's stick between Topping's pads on a close-in shot — seconds after Chalborn climbed out of the penalty box. The goalies earned their "stars," pushing the other players to new heights of teamwork and individual effort.

We all agreed afterwards that Squid Roe was a worthy and challenging team to play against, with skill and finesse, without rough-house tactics, and that every game should be this much fun and exciting. It's unfortunate that they now have to play in Sooke, minimizing the opportunity for a return match. Now, if Salt Spring had its own arena ...

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Slashers tie Cordova Bay team for 1 point, second place in league

By **DOUG PEARSON**
Driftwood Contributor

Salt Spring Slashers 1, Cordova Bay 1
The Salt Spring Slashers under-16 girls soccer team took another small step forward on the weekend as they tied unbeaten Cordova Bay 1-1 in a terrific match under horrific weather conditions.

From the opening whistle the Salt Spring girls were under constant pressure and continually cleared the ball out of their own end with desperation kicks. Kyla Dares in goal stopped several difficult shots, one from point blank range, which kept the Slashers in the game.

Down 1-0 at half-time, the Slashers regrouped and

came out charging in the second half looking like a new team. Kate McNair made a nice run, passing the ball to Stephanie Collette who in turn fed Joelle Morrison, who burst in on goal and slammed home the equalizer at 60 minutes.

Suddenly the Salt Spring girls realized that they could play with the best and maybe even play better. Sarah Cameron, Mia Vaillancourt and Heidi Straarup played brilliant, tight-checking defence and completely shut down the Saanich team's forwards.

As the final whistle sounded the girls knew that they not only gained a point, and second place in the league, but that they were on the threshold of becoming an elite A-division team.

HIGH ROLLERS

By **RUTH HUME**
Driftwood Contributor

Queen of the Lanes is happening on the afternoon and evening of February 1. The sign-up poster is at Kings Lane and we look forward to another great competition.

Sunday evening: Lance Leask 222.

Circus league: Inez Farr 203, 205, Josh Marshall 228, Glenn Hewitson 212, 210/629, Gordon Ruckle 220, 242/647, Bunny Cooper 204, Ben Cooper 208, Ken Strike 262, Deke Noonan 203.

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Announcements

6 DEATHS

STEVEN, JASON Wesley, aged 26 years, died suddenly on January 14, 1997. He is sadly missed by mother, Bo Steven, step-father Rodney Filtness, sisters Serena and Julia, and grandparents, uncles, aunts, cousins and many friends. A memorial gathering was held on January 18th at Beaver Point Hall. "And when the earth shall claim your limbs, then shall you truly dance."

THADEN: WILLIAM H. 92, died January 16, 1997 in Tacoma. He was born September 3, 1904 to William and Eva (Demers) Thaden in Tacoma and grew up and attended school in Tacoma. On June 18, 1929 he married Delia Farley in Tacoma where they made their home. Delia preceded him in death on March 24, 1988. William was a very active member of St. Patrick Catholic Church, a member and past officer of Knights of Columbus, Serra Club, and Bellarmine Boosters. He was most at peace when he was outdoors and enjoying hunting or fishing. After retiring from his business, Thaden Upholstery Store, William became a local real estate agent. In his spare time, he taught upholstery to senior citizens. His family and the world of nature were most important to him. William is survived by daughters, Kathleen (William) Judge, Quincy, Washington; Marilyn (David) Dexter, Seattle and British Columbia; sisters, Lenore Bombardier, Tacoma; Ruth Anderson, Port Angeles; brother, John Thaden, Gig Harbor; 6 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren, numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Monday, January 20, 1997, 12:00 pm at St. Patrick Catholic Church. Viewing will be at the church on Monday at 11:30 am. Interment at Calvary Cemetery. A heartfelt thank you goes out to the loving and caring staff at Franciscan Health Care Center of Tacoma. The family suggests memorials may be made in William's memory to St. Patrick School. Arrangements by Gaffney Cassidy Allen & Buckley King Funeral Home.

WHEATLEY, ROY William - died January 11, 1997. Survived by loving wife Doreen and sons James, Richard, Russell and Michael. No service, no flowers by request. Memorial donations if desired to Lady Minto Hospital Foundation, 135 Crofton Road, Salt Spring Island, B.C., V8K 1T1.

GEORGE TAYLORSON of Salt Spring Island passed away January 13, 1997, suddenly at the age of 84. He was born in 1912 in Kinsella, Alberta. He lived an exciting and varied life as a logger, fisherman, farmer and builder. A man who loved and cherished his life. He is survived by his brother Fred and two sisters Vera and Val, as well as many nephews and nieces. He will be missed dearly by all. No service by request.

8 CARDS OF THANKS

ON BEHALF of all our family, Rodney, Bo, Serena and Julia, we would like to thank all those who have loved and supported us at this time of great difficulty. Thank you to Sargeant Doherty and the officers of our detachment in Ganges for their sensitivity and understanding. We are proud to be part of this community and feel the outpouring of compassion and caring in helping us cope with the loss of our son, Jason. Our hearts are heavy, but our spirits light because of your love. Thank you!! Rod & Bo.

11 COMING EVENTS

BELLYDANCE CLASSES in Fulford and Ganges starting now. Absolute beginners. Sliding scale. 653-9876.

11 COMING EVENTS

COMING SOON. A workshop presented by Markus Business Consulting. "Everything you always wanted to know about Bookkeeping for Small Business." This will be an educational and fun workshop if you are in business already or plan to be, please pick up your pre-workshop questionnaire from Flader & Green, C.A.s (above the post office), at cetera drop box (Hereford Ave.) or call Marion Markus at 537-4911.

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THE NO-EXPERIENCE-Necessary Musical Theatre Classes for 6 to 12 year olds continue through February. Tuesday or Wednesday afternoons. Island's Dance. 537-1532.

MOTHERPEACE TAROT Readings by Kathryn are back! Flying Saucer Cafe, Fri., 1-5 p.m. or by appointment, 537-1329.

YOGA WORKSHOP with Celeste Mallett, Sunday, January 26; 9 am - 12 noon. Salt Spring Centre, \$40. Lunch included after noon. Phone 537-5667 to register.

STEP AEROBICS with Damaris - start again Wednesday February 5 - 5:30 - 6:30 pm at All Saints by-the-Sea. Every Monday - Wednesday - Friday. New comers welcome! 653-4877.

TRIBE IS Now. Beaver Point Hall, January 24/97, 7:30 p.m. Poetry and pasta, songs and snacks. Local original performances of island song and poetry. 10 p.m. Tribal circle and boogie. Ensemble of bands. Decor by Oasis Dried Flower Gardens and Diana Dean. Cuisine by the Crescent Moon. (Advance tickets to reserve seats for dinner at the Crescent Moon). \$5.00.

CO-CREATING COMMUNITY at the Core Inn, January 23. Dinner begins at 6 p.m. Music 7:30 p.m. Entrance by donation. Come support inter-community communication with youth.

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A seminar with **Ann Coombs**

Wednesday, March 5
 Buffet dinner 6-7 pm
 Seminar 7-10 pm
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 Call 537-9933 to reserve your seats.



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Entry forms now available at Eagle Art Supply. These 2 multi-media shows are open to all island artists and artisans wishing to exhibit new works of Fine and Applied Arts
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JANUARY GENERAL MEETING

will be held on January 27, 1997 at 2:00 p.m.

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Salt Spring Island Rod & Gun Club

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Club House - Long Harbour Road

Wed. Jan. 29 - 8pm

ADVERTISING DOESN'T COST - IT PAYS!
 Call Jeff or Damaris
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11 COMING EVENTS



Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee Notice of Meeting

The Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee will be meeting to consider various matters of general business, such as applications received, bylaw reviews and meeting notes.

DATE: Thursday, Jan. 30, 1997

TIME: 1:00pm

LOCATION: Room 1203 Grace Point Square, Ganges, B.C.

The public is invited to attend, and will be provided an opportunity to speak to the Local Trust Committee on any general business matter of interest. An agenda for the meeting will be posted on Wednesday, January 23, 1997, at the Islands Trust Office, Room 1206, Grace Point Square.

RECITAL

Paula Kiffner will play

Bach Suites for

Solo cello

Nos. 1, 3, 5

All Saints by-the-Sea
Sunday, Feb. 2
2:30pm

Tickets \$10 & \$8
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11 COMING EVENTS

Royal Canadian Legion Br. 92
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 Doors open 6:00 p.m. Tickets: \$18.00 each
 At Legion bar or from pipe band members.
or call 537-5033

Spring Classes at Sooz

POLAR FLEECE SLIPPERS - \$15 + supplies, Fri. Jan. 24, 7-9:30pm
POLAR FLEECE ZIP FRONT VEST - \$20 + supplies Mon. Jan. 27 & Feb. 3, 7-9pm
TODDLER'S POLAR FLEECE BLANKET SLEEPER - \$20 + supplies, Thurs. Feb. 13 & 20, 7-9pm
SPRING TULIPS MACHINE QUILTED WALLHANGING - \$40 + supplies. Orientation: Sun. Mar. 2, 3-5pm. Classes: Thurs. Mar. 6, 13, 27, 7-9pm
WINNING HANDS MACHINE LAP QUILT - \$50 + supplies, Sun. Feb. 2, Mon. Feb. 10, 17 & 24, 7-9:30pm
BROKEN STAR MACHINE QUILT - \$50 + supplies, Wed. Feb. 19, 26 Mar. 5, 12, 7-9:30pm.
HAND QUILTED REVERSE APPLIQUE WALLHANGING - \$30 + supplies, Tues. Feb. 18, 25 & Mar. 11, 7-9pm.
DRUNKARDS PATH LAP QUILT - \$30 + supplies, Mon. Mar. 3, 10, 17, 7-9pm.
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Tues., Jan. 28, 7:00pm
 Classes start the following week (Tuesday or Wednesday) eves.

NOTE: Drop-in still on Thursday evenings, 7-10pm, Tuesday afternoons have been cancelled until further notice.

Need info? Call Meron 537-2993

Dear Salt Spring Island Residents,

I would like to meet you at the Anglican Centre (All Saints by the Sea Church)
 110 Park Drive, Ganges

on **Sat., January 25, '97**
 7 pm - 9 pm

Please join us for refreshments and a traditional Filipino Merienda (snack).

I look forward to seeing you.

Rebecca Vermeer
 Liberal Party of Canada (B.C.)
 Nominee for Saanich Gulf Islands
 For information please call 250-656-6237

14 COMMUNITY SERVICES

CRISIS LINE for Salt Spring - toll-free 1-604-975-7054.

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ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS SERVICES MEETINGS

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23 IN MEMORIAM

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29 LOST AND FOUND

LOST: OR borrowed from dock at Burgoyne Bay, Large Dog Crate, Veri Kennel, with a peg board insert floor, no door, colour beige, sadly missed by "Spirit". If seen or in your possession call Walter or Damaris 653-4877, no questions asked!

FOUND JACKET at Island Savings Credit Union, Wednesday, January 15. Call 537-5587.

PAIR GLOVES, found on the floor of Mahon Hall after 'Christmas with Scrooge'. Please call 537-9251 to claim.

BLACK GLOVES found in parking lot behind Pharmasave. Can be claimed at the Driftwood office.

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34 NOTICES/PERSONAL

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SALT SPRING Island Parks & Recreation is now accepting applications for full and part-time lifeguards and swim instructors for the 1997 summer season. Applicants require: national life saving, CPR Level C, Aqua Quest Instructor, First Aid, Bronze Cross, Bronze Medallion, senior resuscitation. Pool operators I & II, RLSSC instructor, and advanced lifeguard training would be an asset. Submit resumes and copy of current awards to: SSI Parks and Recreation, 145 Vesuvius Bay Road, SSI, V8K 1K3, or deliver in person to the Portlock Park office or Fax to 537-4456. Application closes February 26, 1997.

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Sponsored by the S.S.I. Painters Guild,

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Phone Bev Lillyman 537-2466 to register.

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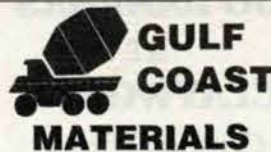
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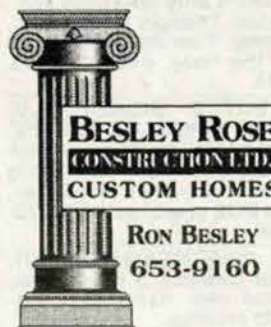
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There'll be surfers, not cyclers, when bike shop goes

By VALORIE LENNOX
Driftwood Staff

Surfers will replace cyclers in the Salt Spring Trading Company building when Island Spoke Folk closes at the end of the month.

Moving into the space is Island Books Plus, which co-owner Peter Valbonesi describes as a combination bookstore, art gallery and "Internet cafe without the coffee."

Spoke Folk co-owner Bruce Grey said he has been trying to sell his business for a year so he can concentrate on a second business, Salt Spring Kayaking. He decided to sell after his partner left the island a year ago, leaving him to run the bike rental and repair shop on his own.

"It's a viable business in a wonderful location with a guaranteed local and tourist traffic flow," he said, but it still didn't sell.

Although Grey would have preferred to sell the business, both for economic reasons and because he would like to see the venture contin-

ue, he feels he can no longer operate two businesses. "It's a decision I had to make about my future."

Salt Spring Kayaking won over the bike shop. "I just really love the water."

Grey also plans to continue some Spoke Folk services. He will still offer bike repairs through a shop in his home. Pick-up and drop-off will be handled through Salt Spring Kayaking and bike rentals will continue through Salt Spring Kayaking, he said.

Grey also plans to do some one-on-one personal fitness counselling through North End Fitness.

Tough as it is to close the bike shop, Grey said he is excited about his future business ventures.

Also anticipating an exciting future from his new business is Valbonesi, who already co-owns Parkside News in Gasoline Alley. But the new store is not a larger version of Parkside News, he notes.

"We're cloning. We're developing

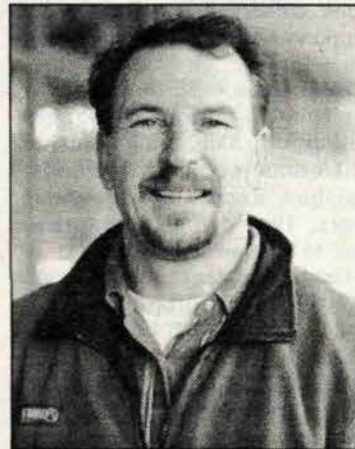
a new store. We're essentially separating our stock and enhancing at both locations."

Parkside News measures 630 square feet but carries thousands of books and magazine titles, a bit of software and office supplies, art supplies, CDs and convenience store items like candy, pop and cigarettes.

"We're overcrowded. What we've been doing is packing a lot into 630 square feet," Valbonesi said.

Parkside News will continue to carry newspapers and some magazines plus convenience store stock. At the 1,500-square-foot Island Books Plus there will be an expanded selection of books — from 3,000 titles to 10,000 — along with an art gallery, coffee table magazines, cards, art supplies, computer software and music CDs.

One attraction will be a touch panel music centre which allows customers to hear the music before purchasing the CD. Another will be a central lounge area with sofa and cof-



Bruce Grey

fee tables, to encourage people to stop in with coffee and gather for conversation.

Valbonesi is also negotiating to install computers with Internet access. He won't sell coffee in the bookstore but notes the site is surrounded by coffee shops, so Internet surfers can bring their own.

"It's the Internet Cafe without the coffee," he quipped.

He also plans to start a readers' circle which will meet at the store in the evenings. He expects demand by Salt Spring customers to put a unique slant on the stock to be carried in the store. "Salt Springers have always put their own stamp on what they want," he observed.

Buyers will also collect stamps of their own, through continuation of Parkside News' frequent buyers' card which allows islanders to exchange 10 stamps for a free book or, for purchasers of art supplies, to exchange 10 stamps for \$10 worth of art supplies.

"I think it's a great way of giving a discount to islanders," Valbonesi said. "The tourists are subsidizing the islanders."

Island Books Plus will be open February 1 although Valbonesi warns set-up will probably not be complete. He plans the official opening for mid-February.

These eggless cakes needn't follow first three into the compost

By TERRA TEPPER
Driftwood Contributor

A big thank you to readers who responded to my request for eggless cake recipes in my last column.

This request was precipitated by a truly hilarious session over Christmas when a lacto-vegetarian relative made three eggless cakes in my kitchen, all of which went into the compost. We were trying to use a standard cake mix with a dry egg replacer product which obviously didn't work at all.

But here are two recipes, each

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very different from the other, that do work. Janice McLean furnished the first recipe which she calls Mud Pie Cake. I found it among my un-tried recipes as Wacky Cake, which I believe is fairly well known.

MUD PIE CAKE

1 1/2 cups sifted flour

3 Tbs. cocoa
1 tsp. soda
1 cup sugar
1/2 tsp. salt
5 Tbs. oil
1 Tbs. white vinegar
1 tsp. vanilla
1 cup water

Sift the dry ingredients right into a greased nine-inch cake pan. Make three holes in the mixture, and pour the oil in one, the vinegar in another and the vanilla in the third. Pour the water over all and mix in the pan with a spoon until smooth. Bake at 350 degrees

F for half an hour. This results in a firm but not heavy cake, and doubling the recipe would make a fine layer cake.

The second recipe courtesy of Diane Hele is entirely different and sounds like nothing much. But you'll be pleasantly surprised by the texture and the taste.

CRUMB CAKE

2 cups flour
1/4 lb. butter or margarine
1 cup sugar

Rub this all together like making pie dough, and save a cup of crumbs out.

1/2 tsp. cinnamon
1 cup sour milk (I used buttermilk)
1 tsp. baking powder
1 tsp. baking soda

Dissolve soda in a bit of warm water and add to the milk. Mix everything together and put in a fairly deep nine-inch cake pan and sprinkle the cup of crumbs on top. Bake at 350 degrees F for one hour.

Needleguild's quilts go to Victoria homes for needy

By ALISTAIR ROSS

Driftwood Correspondent

Members of Galiano's needleguild have now completed 12 quilts from scraps of woolen tartan material, with three more to go.

The pieced and tied throws are of varying sizes (for single and double beds) and multi-coloured. The basic materials were donated some years ago by a Vancouver clothing manufacturer to former resident Pat Coolidge for use in non-profit projects. What better use of these resources could there be, the ladies thought, than to make quilts for those in need. Their weekly Wednesday morning sessions in November and December were "tying time," the piecing and sewing having been completed earlier by individual members at home.

Receiving five of the finished quilts is a home soon to be set up for troubled young women in Victoria. Mitchell House, a home for young men "off the street" who want to get

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back into mainstream life, will receive three of them. Those involved in the program can stay at Mitchell House for up to three years. All share in household chores. In return they must not "slip back into the old ways," must make an attempt to better their employment skills and hopefully get a steady job.

The houses are jointly supported by a number of mainstream churches. Government money was made available for the initial setting-up of Mitchell House several years ago. The remaining quilts, plus three donated jackets, were delivered recently to a Victoria agency for relief work with street people.

Snowy hilltop

We have many on Galiano who live in "created paradises." With a

magnificent view, one home is situated at the top of a long, steep driveway opening off a side road.

Last month's snowfall and power outage was a trying time for the owners. The house is heated electrically, so when the power went off the fireplace became their only source of heat. A generator kept their orchid collection warm (and them, too) as long as there was fuel for it. Then the orchids came in from the sunroom to join their owners around the fireplace.

Outside, the snow was waist deep and being at the lower end of a draw on the top of the ridge, melting snow began to make a river across their driveway and into their sunken garden, washing all before it. Diverting this flow did nothing for the lower driveway, still clogged with several feet of snow several days after the thaw began. The householder's telephone went out with their electric power, so there they were, no way of getting down to the ploughed main

road below them and no way to phone to tell others of their plight.

"We learned a lot," they stated. "We trust this will never happen again."

Hampers

Twenty hampers were prepared and distributed here to needy families prior to Christmas.

A group of "friends" took on the job, states spokeswoman Irene Frith. An informal group, the seven or eight members aim "to help others in need — shopping for those unable to get to the store, getting prescriptions for them on trips to town and delivering meals to those who cannot get them for themselves."

The friends see their commitment as a year-round one.

Robbie Burns supper

After a year's absence, the North Galiano Community Association is once again organizing a Burns Supper.

The date set is Saturday, February 1.

A program of speeches, toasts and song will follow a traditional Galiano Burns supper — ham, neeps and tatties, with sweets to follow.

Tickets for this event are \$20 each and can be purchased from Dorothy Ross at 539-2294.

Money raised goes towards hall upkeep, continuous in any building but moreso in one almost 70 years old. About 60 feet of aluminum gutter was torn off the building by snow sliding from the metal roof after December's storm.

Slide closes road

The main access road into Montague Harbour Marine Park has been closed due to a mudslide.

The road is not expected to reopen until spring while B.C. Parks crews work on a plan to sta-

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Phone books aid project

There's gold — well, loonies — in them old phone books.

Instead of tossing 1996 Victoria/Gulf Islands phone books now that the 1997 books have been issued, islanders are asked to turn them in to Fernwood Elementary School. Students receive 20 cents for each book collected and the money supports the school's greenhouse project.

Books can be dropped off at the school, Fulford or Ganges post offices, Salt Spring Chamber of Commerce, Thrifty Foods, Rainbow Rentals and Vesuvius Store. They can also be turned over to a Fernwood student.

Grade 4 student Emma Moray, 9, arranged the drop-off points. The collection will continue for the next month.

Money raised by the collection will be used to buy seeds for the greenhouse. Plants grown in the greenhouse will then be sold, creating more income to support the greenhouse project, nursery garden and the planting of trees around the school.

BOOK COLLECTOR: Emma Moray, 9, is sitting pretty on a pile of phone books. She is helping fellow Fernwood School students with a campaign to collect the books and raise money for the school's greenhouse project.

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Gardener's instincts say spring rains coming early

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—Henry David Thoreau

Having just dug out from one of the most spectacular snowfalls in our history, winter tales have become fodder for much backyard conversation.

To those, however, that shun the harshness of snow and ice, I suspect that early relief is on the way. If my gardener's instincts are correct, the warm spring rains will come ahead of schedule this year and it won't be long before the birds of spring begin their annual ritual of nest building and musical courtship.

To me, among the most beautiful of spring and summer birds are the charmingly iridescent and delicate hummingbirds. From a gardener's standpoint, hummingbirds also play an important role as pollinators and fortunately, attracting more of them to your garden is often as easy as providing the basics of food and shelter.

In most areas of the Gulf Islands there is still enough large vegetation for hummingbirds to nest, but population growth has taken its toll on indigenous wildflowers, an important source of nectar for hummingbirds.

Typical hummingbird plants have tubular flowers rich in sweet nectar. As a general rule these flowers are red or orange and have little or no fragrance, and multiple flowers are often produced on each stem. Flowers are produced on the outside of the plant, ensuring the hummingbird does not tangle its wings while feeding. In addition, insects seeking refuge inside the flower tubes are a major source of protein for hummingbirds. As with all things in nature, a strong symbiotic relationship develops; the hummingbird pollinates and controls pests, and the flowers provide critical nutrients for the birds.

Some of the best plants to attract hummingbirds include bee-balm (*Monarda didyma*), honeysuckle (*Lonicera*), impatiens, trumpet creeper (*Campsis radicans*), monkeyflowers (*Mimulus*), paintbrushes (*Castilleja*), phlox

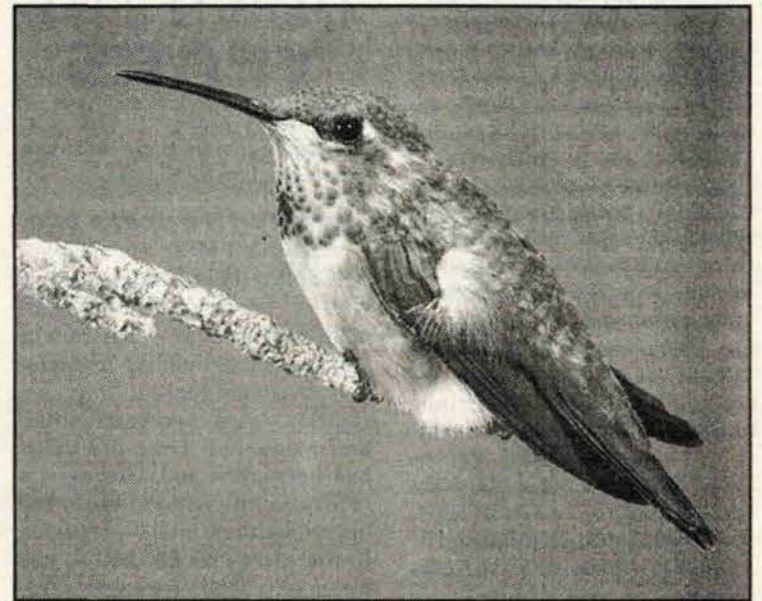
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Syrup feeders are always a welcome sight to hummingbirds too, but they must be kept clean and the solution changed every few days. A standard syrup solution of one part sugar to four parts water approximates wild nectar. Boil the solution briefly to eliminate mold spores, bacteria and chlorine which can injure or kill hummingbirds.

You will also want to ensure you have a shallow water source nearby. Most regular birdbaths are too deep for hummingbirds and need to be amended to accommodate their tiny girth. In absence of any man-made birdbath, they will often seek out small puddles in a heavily watered garden or play-



ly shower under a fine garden sprinkler.

This column was written in memory of my friend and neighbour Roy Wheatley, who passed away January 11 after a courageous struggle with cancer. Roy greatly respected and adored the beauty, grace and harmony of birds, and was a passionate friend of nature to the end. He will be missed.

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- CENTURY 21 THE SIGN OF QUALITY SERVICE -

4 princes bought land on coast

Thirty-five years ago

• Four wealthy German princes had reportedly picked up almost 13,000 acres of B.C. coast forest land over the previous two years, spending an estimated \$2 million to acquire the property. Agent Frank Rainsford of Victoria said the most recent purchase had been 3,000 acres on Salt Spring, sold for \$500,000 to Prince Johannes von Thurn und Taxis.

Rainsford said the first sale, in July 1960, was of 2,500 acres of land at Grant Lake, 20 miles north of Victoria, to Prince Hohenzollern of West Germany. A few months later, Prince Furstenberger bought 1,400 acres on Moresby Island and 3,500 acres near Shawnigan Lake. The 2,500-acre Hernando Island near Powell River was sold to Prince Zu Wied of West Germany.

All four princes had extensive timber interests and owned West German lumber operations. The VonThurn and Taxis family seat was in Regensburg, West Germany, while the Hohenzollern family, which dates from the 11th century, had supplied most of the Prussian Kings and German emperors from the 17th century.

Thirty years ago

• Volunteers for the North Galiano Electrification Committee hacked out a 15-mile-long right-of-way and erected hundreds of poles in a successful do-it-yourself bid to bring electric power to the north end of the island. Residents and land owners raised \$12,000 for the project, which was also financed in part by B.C. Hydro and the provincial Rural Electrification Assistance Program. B.C. Tel also joined in the project to replace poles and lines damaged in a storm the previous January.

• Barbara Knoblauch swam out into a dark Ganges Harbour to try and rescue her sons Danny, 8, and Gregory, 9, after their boat capsized. Marshall Sharp, who lived nearby, was alerted by a phone call and took his boat out to rescue the boys, who were clinging to a sinking duffel bag.

DOWN THE YEARS

The boy's mother, who was swimming toward their calls, was also picked up by Sharp.

Twenty-five years ago

• Questions about the safety of Salt Spring Island Elementary in case of fire were raised by parent Mrs. R.E. Stacey. She noted a visiting school building inspector had described the building as a fire trap almost two years earlier and wondered if the problems had been corrected. However, a referendum which included upgrading the school — expected to cost more than \$50,000 — had been defeated, trustees said. They suggested presenting the referendum again, in whole or in sections.

Twenty years ago

• Dr. James Raeside presented a progress report on the Ganges Plan to the Salt Spring Island Community Planning Association. Raeside said seven sub-committees had been formed to explore specific topics such as the commercial core, industry, traffic and housing. He feared that the anticipated maximum development of the island, estimated at 15,000 residents, would be reached soon.

Fifteen years ago

• Col. Jack Frazer of Salt Spring received the Meritorious Service Cross from Governor-General Jeanne Sauve for his performance during the evacuation of foreign diplomats and officials during a July 1986 coup in Uganda. Frazer was in Uganda on a routine visit as Canada's military attaché to several African nations when the coup erupted. Despite the chaos and risk, he helped coordinate evacuation plans for foreign nationals and led one group of 240 in a convoy out of the country.

Ten years ago

• Property owners were reeling

after assessments doubled on some island properties. One owner reported his assessment leapt to \$102,350 from \$51,000. The increased assessments were blamed on dramatic increases in the market values of some island properties.

Five years ago

• Saturna Plastic Containers Ltd. was proposing to build a 6,100-square-foot plastics factory on the island. The plant was expected to employ five people and produce plastic water tanks, septic tanks and dock floats.

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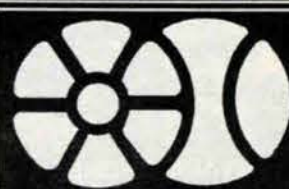
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