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School security systems funded

Gulf Islands School District received only a small piece of the provincial government's capital funding pie, but the money is enough to improve security at two schools and purchase a new bus.

In total, the province handed out \$338 million for new schools, school expansions and renovations across the province last week. This included \$13.5 million for the Greater Victoria School District, \$22.7 million for Nanaimo-Ladysmith, and \$9.6 for the Cowichan Valley.

The Gulf Islands School District was given \$379,859 for three capital projects. These include:

- installation of a security system at Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS);
- installation of fire and security alarms at Salt Spring Island Middle School (SIMS);
- acquisition of one new school bus.

The total also includes an annual capital allowance of \$140,000 which will be used by the district for general maintenance.

District secretary-treasurer Rod Scotvold said replacement of the bus on Mayne Island was the district's number-one priority. It will be at least 18 months, however, before Mayne Island students actually ride a new bus, Scotvold said: "It's a long process."

The funding allotment allows the district to purchase a new 72-passenger bus at a cost of about \$80,000. The new bus will stay on Salt Spring, while a smaller bus will move to Mayne. The present Mayne Island school bus holds up to 36 passengers, Scotvold said.

Approval for upgrading of the security system at GISS was part of a \$200,000 district request to improve security at all local schools.

The new system will include installation of video surveillance cameras both inside and outside the high school.

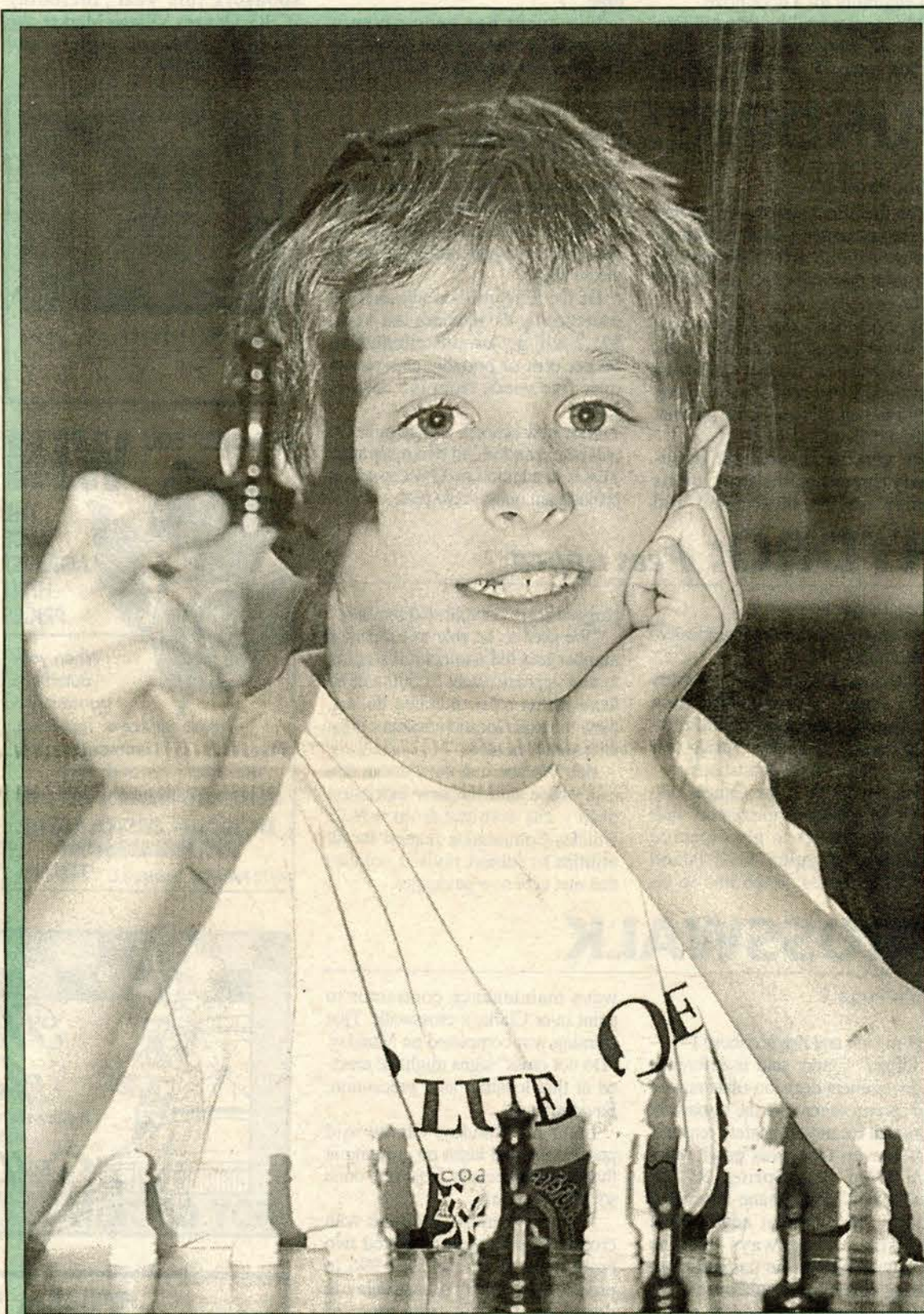
"We've had a lot of problems in the past two years, especially damage to the playing field," Scotvold said. He expects the new cameras will help address that problem.

SIMS, which presents "some real problem areas for security," will also be equipped with surveillance cameras.

"I'm not happy about the statement it makes," Scotvold says. "I'd rather spend the money on different things."

The SIMS project includes a major upgrade of its fire alarm system, including a new main fire alarm panel and detectors.

FUNDING 2



Chess champ

Fulford school student Bryan Quander, nine, recently took fourth place for his age group in a provincial chess tournament. He made it to the Vancouver event after placing first at a school competition and then

fourth after playing nine games in a Victoria tournament. The youngster says he has no special strategy, but can "see checkmate right from the start." He says he began playing the game at age six.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Student animation awarded

A team of Gulf Islands Secondary School students picked up two awards at a video festival in Vancouver on Saturday.

Robin Bardon, Jennie Rittberg and Sarah Wilkin won the awards for best computer animation and best comedy at the Eyelens Video Festival.

"We rocked the industry big time Saturday night at the Vogue Theatre," said the Gulf Islands Film and Television School's George Harris on Monday. His Galiano Island school staged the awards program with support from industry sponsors. The local students made their two-minute animation, Dawn of the Computer Nerd, during a week-long session at the school.

The animation award was presented by Mainframe Animation. Bardon, whom Harris described as "a genius on the rise," was there to accept it. Bardon told the Driftwood there were about 20 entries in the animation category and more than 100 in the comedy category, which included films as well as animation.

Harris said young people catch on to computer animation very quickly because "digital technology is kids' technology."

"It's in their pores; it's in their genes."

Crosswalk appears, disappears

A new pedestrian crosswalk materialized in Ganges overnight last Wednesday, but it wasn't highways crews who carried out the work.

Thursday morning, island resident Drew Clarke told the Driftwood he had painted the crosswalk linking Centennial Park and the bend in Fulford-Ganges Road where Harlan's Chocolates is located.

CROSSWALK 2

Rural home builders hit hard by fee hike

Anyone contemplating building a new home may have to recalculate their building cost estimates following a hike in B.C. Hydro installation fees.

Hardest hit will be those building homes in rural areas located far from a Hydro substation.

The new policy basically charges customers the actual cost of private property extensions, including the price of new poles, wires and transformers plus a portion of the cost of the connection back to the substation. In some situations it could now cost thousands of dollars to obtain electrical service in a new building.

Before April 1, Hydro charged new customers a connection fee of \$250 for a 100-amp service, plus the cost of running a hydro line over private property. The new fees, developed under the New B.C. Hydro Extension Policy, considers Hydro's cost of installing power at the new structure against the amount of revenue it expects to collect.

Standard connection rates for single-phase, overhead service connections have increased from \$250 for 100-amp service to \$312, and from \$250 to \$372 for 200-amp service. A new charge of \$696 for 400-amp service has also been introduced.

A Hydro information package says, "These charges reflect the actual cost of providing such connections."

To determine new extension (additions to existing power lines) rates, Hydro has developed a System Extension Test (SET) which will be applied individually to each request for a hydro extension. The same formula will be applied to every request, regardless of its location.

The SET evaluates the economic viability to Hydro for each hook-up, considering both incremental costs and estimated revenues.

Customers needing long exten-

sions that serve "small loads," such as a seasonal cabin using little electricity in a year, will see a large increase in their hook-up costs. Customers requiring short extensions serving large loads may see the cost drop.

In considering the load factor, Hydro will also look at a new building's principal heating type. If all other factors are the same, a customer using electric heat in a new home would pay less for a Hydro extension than the home builder using wood heat. This occurs because Hydro will be collecting

HYDRO 2

Rally rewards drivers who follow road rules

Traffic lights are coming to Salt Spring.

But not for long. Organizers of Sunday's Rally Round the Rock car rally plan to erect a traffic signal as part of the course. Another feature will be an ICBC speed board, a sign that indicates to drivers what speed they're doing.

But speed is not a factor in the rally.

"The big focus is not on speed," said rally spokesman Jeff Outerbridge last week. "It has nothing to do with how fast you finish the rally."

Instead, the issue is road safety. While drivers and navigators find their way along the course, using

clues and solving riddles to do so, their performance will be monitored by spotters who will award points based on safe driving techniques.

Safe driving will be rewarded with a host of prizes, ranging from a helicopter ride to free plane flights to Vancouver. Leather jackets and Molson Indy tickets are also among the prizes.

The rally entry fee is \$40 per car, which includes admission for a driver and navigator, along with dinner, a Rally Round the Rock t-shirt and eligibility for a door prize.

Participants will be divided into three age categories of 16-25, 26-55 and over 55. Trophies will be

awarded to winning teams; the best costume will also earn a prize, though dressing up is optional.

As well as the rally, an obstacle course will test drivers in tight spots and another test will determine their mechanical aptitude. Organizers promise there will be no surprises or gags in the rally portion of the event.

"If you follow the rules of the road you're going to be fine," said publicist Lesley Train. "Most of all you're going to have a good time."

The event has been given a financial boost by the now-disbanded Castaways Car Club,

which turned over its cash assets of \$600.

Proceeds from the event will go to the high school's safe grad party.

Rally tickets are available from the RCMP, the Parks, Arts and Recreation Commission and Salt Spring Auto Parts. A maximum of 60 cars can enter.

Registration will begin at 9 a.m. at the Legion. Dinner and prize presentations will take place starting at 5 p.m., also at the Legion.

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Teachers' contract reached

A tentative contract agreement reached between teachers and the province could translate into part-time librarians for Gulf Islands schools.

That's Larry Field's initial interpretation of the agreement made Friday by the B.C. Teachers' Federation and the provincial government.

Field, president of the Gulf Islands Teachers' Association (GITA), stated in a news release that "the district will receive additional funding to place an extra 1.5 full-time-equivalent teacher-librarians across the district — enough for a part-time librarian in every school."

Field said that while the district would not get additional funding for counselling, learning assistance or special education services, "the agreement requires that the existing level of service cannot be eroded further."

Other items in the deal are a two per cent salary increase effective April 1, 2000, class size limits of 20 in kindergarten and 22 for Grades 1-3 and increased benefits for substitute teachers.

Field said the only class size change affecting the Gulf Islands is a decrease from 21 to 20 students in kindergarten classes, since the current local agreement already meets the other proposed standards.

Schools superintendent Andrew Duncan could not be reached for comment on the district's interpretation of the deal.

FUNDING: For capital project

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The fire alarm system is expected to cost just under \$59,000. Security systems at GISS and SIMS have an estimated price tag of about \$40,000 each.

Scotvold said the district also requested capital funding for work on Saturna school, but questions surrounding that school's future due to limited enrolment likely put that request on hold.

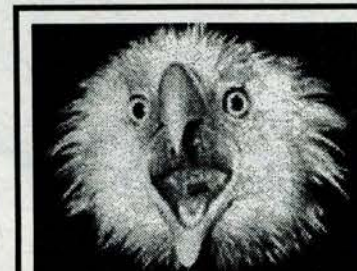
He said the government is currently spending the bulk of its money on the renovation and

replacement of older schools which have been rated in order of priority.

"We're not even on that list — there are so many buildings in far worse shape."

Of the \$338 million allocated to education by the province last week, \$31.2 will go towards eliminating 50 per cent of portable classrooms over five years, from the current 3,091.

Nine new schools will be built, 64 will be expanded and two renovated. This is in addition to 37 construction projects announced last year.



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HYDRO: Fees upped

From Page 1

more revenue from the electrically-heated home.

The new formula also considers the distance of the connection from the nearest substation. Within the Gulf Islands, only Salt Spring and Galiano islands have substations.

Murray Smith at the Ganges district office said it is impossible with the new formula to give specific examples of typical Gulf Island extension costs. Each has to be

plugged into a complicated formula.

"We used to be able to ballpark a number and tell someone it's going to cost approximately \$1,500 and be there within a few hundred dollars. Now the exact location makes a huge difference," he said.

Bob Washburn at the Duncan district office said the new extension policy has resulted from a B.C. Utilities Commission request for all utilities to submit revised policies that met with new guidelines.

CROSSWALK

From Page 1

ed.

"I'm sick and tired of these f—g idiots," Clarke said in reference to government decision-makers who had chosen to remove the crosswalk from that location for safety reasons.

However, there was quick reaction from Salt Spring RCMP Thursday. Const. Shane Savinkoff said the detachment advised the Ministry of Highways that the crosswalk should be painted over, fearing an accident could occur. "It's putting people's lives at risk," Savinkoff said.

The ministry instructed the high-

ways maintenance contractor to paint over Clarke's crosswalk. That painting was completed on Monday. "Do not cross" signs might be erected at that location as a precaution, Savinkoff said.

Later on Monday, Clarke said pedestrians will insist on crossing at that location because they have done so for a long time.

It wasn't Clarke's first brush with crosswalk paint. He repainted two crosswalks in the fall of 1996 to protest the ministry's long delay in doing so. By that time most of Ganges' crosswalks had faded away due to the ministry's neglect.



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Fireball witnesses sought

Reports of a fireball in the sky over Salt Spring last Wednesday night have prompted a plea for information from a meteor-watch volunteer.

Marc Boucher of Salt Spring is looking for witnesses so as to track down the location of the meteorite if any of it is still intact.

Boucher is a volunteer who works with University of Victoria professor Jeremy Tatum. He reports to the Meteorites and Impacts Advisory Committee (MIAC) of the Canadian Space Agency.

Witnesses can call Tatum at 250-477-1089 or e-mail Boucher with the information at marc@aterra.com.

The fireball was first reported at about 9:20 p.m. Wednesday evening north of Victoria.

A fireball is a meteor (or shooting star) which appears brighter than any other object other than the moon and sun. It is a piece of rock or ice that glows as it enters the earth's atmosphere from interplanetary space.

In a typical year about 75 Canadian fireball events are reported but sometimes there are more than 100 reports of a single spectacular event.



Photo by Derrick Lundy

On top of things
Micah Booy exhibits his skateboard wizardry while youths in the background stand near some material donated to local skateboarders, who paid for its transport to the island from a Mainland film set. Skateboarders plan to set up the new equipment at their Kanaka Road site, but need some more lumber.

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Driver will pay costs after damaging field

An apologetic driver has agreed to pay for damages he caused on a field behind the Fulford firehall.

Salt Spring Police say the field sustained "extensive damage" after the driver of a 4x4 truck sped around it, doing doughnuts and damaging the turf.

The driver has been identified by police. He has apologized and is prepared to pay the cost of repairing the field.

In other police news:

- Police received a report Friday of a damaged sign at Maple Ridge Cottages on

Vesuvius Bay Road.

The sign is worth \$500.

- A 59-year-old island man was in shock early Monday morning after his vehicle was forced off the road and into a ditch.

Police say the man was driving southbound on Fulford-Ganges Road near Cranberry Road when a small car cut him off and forced him into the ditch.

A witness helped the man get out of his vehicle, which sustained some \$1,000 in damages.

The incident occurred at about 1:40 p.m.

Schools plan for Earth Day

Several Salt Spring schools will be marking Earth Week.

The annual event, which encourages environmental activities, began last Saturday and runs until Sunday. Wednesday is Earth Day.

Fulford Elementary School activities involve its nature club which will tend school gardens and study treefrog and butterfly habitats.

At Salt Spring Centre School, students are participating in a skip-a-thon to raise money for the endangered Siberian tiger, gardening and conducting a whole-school beach clean-up.

Salt Spring Elementary School students will clean up Ganges, do school-yard tree planting and promote recycling.

Classes at Fernwood School will be weighing their garbage and working in their gardens. Broom and gorse removal is planned by Salt Spring Middle School, which will also take part in a community clean-up. Also on the agenda is a class bike trip and whole foods potluck.

Two calls for coast guard

Ganges Coast Guard crews were called to help two vessels which found themselves in trouble last week.

On Sunday, a coast guard crew stood by while the sailing vessel Neridi III waited for commercial assistance. Officer-in-charge Dave Howell said the boat was having problems with its propulsion system.

On April 15, the Betty Miss ran aground in Ganges Harbour and again the coast guard stayed on hand until the vessel had freed itself.

Howell said coast guard staff have also been busy with spring maintenance and auxiliary member training.

"The local auxiliary has really been supporting our operations here lately," he said.

Howell said two boats can be manned with auxiliary assistance, meaning two different incidents can be attended to at one time.

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Island gets less funds than raised

Salt Spring Islanders may end up paying for a decrease in the generosity of Greater Victoria residents.

Salt Spring will receive nearly \$9,000 less this year than what it raised in the United Way campaign, local chairman Peter Bardon said on Friday.

"What's really disappointing is that although Salt Spring gave as much this year as last year, we still had a reduction of \$8,762," Bardon told the Driftwood.

If everyone in the Greater Victoria area had given as generously as Salt Spring, he added, there would have been no reduction.

Locally, the recent campaign raised \$41,000. In the allocations

announced by the United Way, Salt Spring will get back \$34,043. This compares with last year's figures of \$42,127 raised, and \$41,000 returned. (In addition last year, there was a start-up grant of \$10,000 for the transition house thrift store.)

Funding from the United Way goes into the coffers of the Salt Spring Community Services Society, which offers a range of programs from a food bank to counselling services.

Society spokesman Paul Gregory said the reduction, which will likely affect the food bank and the operation of the society's passenger van, represents 6.5 per cent of non-government income.

Gregory said it may not sound

like a lot, but he pointed out that the society has been operating for at least five years without any increases in funding.

Meanwhile, there remains a chance that the society will receive some additional money. An appeals fund of \$100,000 is held back after allocations are made. Any money remaining in that fund after appeals have been granted is divided among United Way agencies.

The society believes it has no basis on which to make an appeal due to the criteria set for doing so.

For next year's campaign, Bardon has a solution for getting more money back to Salt Spring.

"We need to encourage the people in Greater Victoria to give more."

Passports offered to regular tour users

Passports for Salt Spring residents is just one new idea for Salt Spring Island Boat Tours' second season.

Last year some islanders brought different guests three or four times and business owner Diane O'Connor would like to offer those "regulars" a special deal.

The passport provides unlimited free passage when its holder is accompanied by a paying customer. Also new for 1998 are a special Mother's Day cruise, a new schedule and sunset cruises.

Contact number for Salt Spring Island Boat Tours is 537-0682. It can also be reached by fax at 537-0685 and through e-mail at boat-tours@saltspring.com.

• Salt Spring Medical Supply has new help and hours. Andrea Leake brings the employee number to five for the business owned by Richard and Pat Hannah. Leake has 15 years of experience in the health care industry, including eight years as a social worker for the Canadian National Institute for the Blind.

Salt Spring Medical Supply, located at 334 Lower Ganges Road, is now open from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and on Saturdays by appointment.

• Grace Centre for Healing has opened at 123 Patella Road.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

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Grace also offers courses in meditation, spiritual healing, self-hypnotizing and more. The centre can be reached at 537-0644.

• Dares to be Different restaurant is now open for ethnic-theme dinners seven nights a week.

The restaurant at 112 Hereford Avenue has been open for five months, and is owned by Linda Dares and Randy Hooper, who also operate Costerton Farm.

Dinner menus are decided by experienced cooks, who work with available organic food. Dares to be Different caters to both vegans and vegetarians.

An organic food retail outlet is also part of the Hereford Avenue building. Phone number is 537-0050.

• Bruce Mills and Patricia Fraser are the new owners of Island Explorer Property Management.

Mills and Fraser bought the business from Dan Pippin, and are looking forward to serving local and off-island property owners, and people trying to locate rental accommodation. Ongoing or regular property maintenance is also offered.

Besides serving Salt Spring, the company has Bev Gerry handling business on Pender, Galiano, Mayne and Saturna islands. Gerry can be reached at 1-800-774-1417.

The business is located at #3-105 Rainbow Road. Phone number is 537-4722.



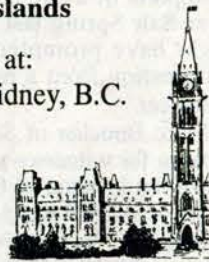
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BUMPER STICKER: Salt Spring RCMP Const. Shane Savinkoff and Jennifer Rensby of the Gulf Island Women's Resource Network pose next to Savinkoff's police cruiser, after applying a violence prevention bumper sticker.

Photo by Tony Richards

Bumper sticker campaign launched

Band-Aids aren't enough anymore.

That's the theme of a new campaign to raise awareness about violence prevention. In readiness for Prevention of Violence Against Women Week, April 19-25, the Salt Spring RCMP detachment was presented with new bumper stickers as part of that campaign on Thursday.

Jennifer Rensby of the Gulf Island Women's Resource Network joined Const. Shane Savinkoff in applying a bumper sticker to his police cruiser. The stickers, which depict a Band-Aid, read: This isn't enough anymore. Prevent Violence Against Women and Children.

The campaign is running province-wide under the auspices

of the B.C./Yukon Society of Transition Houses and the B.C. Institute Against Family Violence.

They have formed a partnership with B.C. police, who have agreed to carry the bumper sticker on all their vehicles.

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Ministry offers signs to oystercatcher kids

Students at two Salt Spring schools have decided to take some birds under their wing.

Salt Spring Centre School's Roots and Shoots Club and the Fulford School Nature Club have adopted black oystercatcher nesting sites in an effort to help protect the birds.

There are only three known nesting sites on Salt Spring: at Fulford Harbour, Ganges Harbour and Vesuvius Bay. Only 11,000 of this species remain worldwide.

Last week, representatives from the provincial environment ministry visited with the students and brought signs to be erected at the nesting sites. The signs advise of the location of the oystercatcher nests.

During the time females are brooding the eggs — from the end of May to the end of June — they are very vulnerable to disturbance. The hatchlings require a further 40 or more days without disturbance before they learn to fly, usually around the first week of August.



FOR THE BIRDS: Salt Spring Centre students posing with the signs to protect oystercatcher nests are, seated, from left: Jesse Hunter, Ehren McPhee, Ceilidh Divers; middle row: Hal Cook, Jasper Snow-Rosen, Paisley Morris, Emily McPhee, Sarah Divers. In the back row are: Ken Broadland and Trudy Chatwin from the Ministry of Environment, Nina Raginsky of the Waterbird Watch Collective, teacher Erin Porter and her daughter Ella Fisher.

Photo by Tony Richards

Council of Canadians chapter formed here

About 50 Salt Spring Islanders voted to establish a local chapter of the Council of Canadians at a meeting last week.

Convened by Valerie Rampone and Art Morton, the meeting generated an animated discussion following introductory comments presented by Steve Staples, B.C. organizer for the council.

Staples said national membership in the Council of Canadians is growing at about 20 per cent each year, amounting to about 105,000 people concentrated heavily in B.C. and Ontario.

He said the council, which takes on specific Canadian causes within the political spectrum, has recently been successful in raising public awareness to the "dangers implicit" in the proposed Multilateral Agreement on Investment (MAI).

"Of particular concern," states a press release issued by the new council, "is the unprincipled and undemocratic way in which our own and other governments were seemingly attempting ratification of this agreement in semi-secret, without adequate opportunity for parliamen-

tary discussion and review."

Staples said exposure of the MAI is only one of the socio-economic problems currently being addressed by the council. It is also actively concerned with matters such as "the ever increasing disparity between the halves and have-nots in our society, the steady erosion of our cherished social safety net and some of the adverse effects of globalization — all of which would be impacted (mostly adversely) by implementation of the MAI as it is presently drafted."

Those at the meeting questioned the council's relationship to the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives (CCPA). Staples said that while the council maintains a close relationship with the CCPA, the two are fully independent with the latter focusing on research and publishing, and the council concentrating on activism.

The newly formed council also discussed ways in which it could stimulate interest in the group among younger people. It was suggested that the very young, 10- to 12-year-olds, should not be overlooked.

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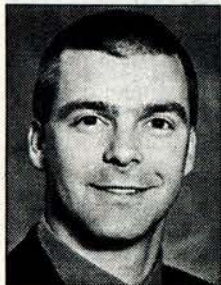
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Twilight zone

Highways worker Gord Hollingsworth uses a black paint to remove a crosswalk which "mysteriously" appeared (painted one evening by islander Drew Clarke) last week. Salt Spring RCMP has deemed the area too dangerous for a pedestrian crossing. (See story Page 1.)

Photo by Derrick Lundy

SWOVA-district program gets \$35,000 funding boost

An education program aimed at prevention of violence will go into a second phase, thanks to more government funding.

The Ministry of Women's Equality last week announced a grant worth about \$35,000 for the high school-based program.

Program coordinator Lynda Laushway said the first phase was effective, "but was just a beginning." The next phase will run for one year, beginning June 1.

Unlike the first phase, it will have a paid youth coordinator who will work with Laushway, though she pointed out that youth involvement in the program had been good.

"Students have taken a leadership role in it," she said.

Entitled Women and Violence: Education is Prevention, the program is operated in partnership between SWOVA Community Development and Research Society and the Gulf Islands School District.

Gala tours and entertainment kick off ArtSpring campaign

ArtSpring will be the site of a gala event of tours and music on Saturday, May 2 as arts centre supporters get set to finish the building.

With only \$375,000 required to open the building and run the centre for a year, the Island Arts Centre Society has targeted May for a funding-to-the-finish campaign.

Salt Spring entertainer Valdy will be joined by other local musicians on the ArtSpring stage to welcome visitors to the complex. They will be able to see what has been done and what remains to be done on the \$2 million facility, as well as enjoy music, theatre and other artistic activities.

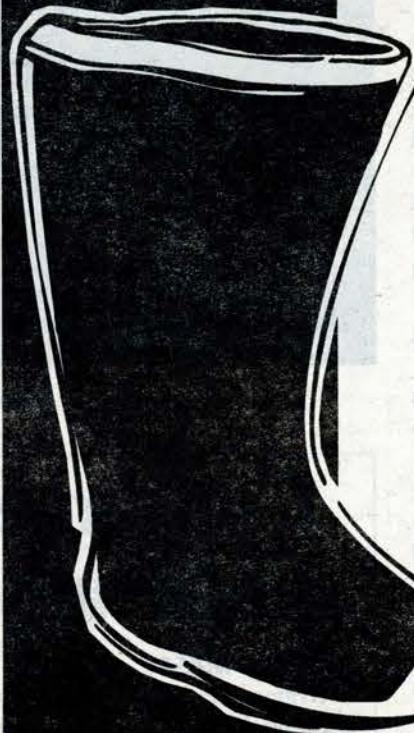
The event is not being billed as a fundraiser itself, but a kick-off to

the month-long campaign. However, visitors will have the opportunity to join the society, for \$10, to purchase seats in the theatre for \$1,000 or make a pledge of support.

Entertainment will take place on the soon-to-be-finished stage before an audience in the not-yet-installed seats, said spokesman Richard Moses.

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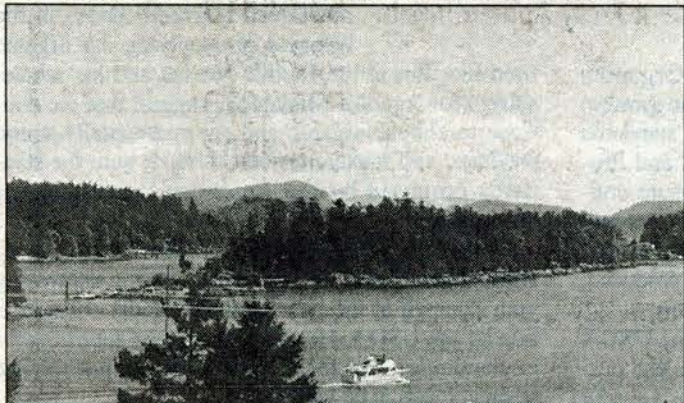
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Disarming auxiliaries

Have gun will travel. That could be the motto of protesting police auxiliaries, who have gone off the job locally and in other B.C. communities after being stripped of their guns.

In typical knee-jerk reaction, the provincial government decided not to wait for the completion of a review of the issue. Due to concerns raised about safety, training, liability and accountability, the attorney-general's ministry ordered that B.C.'s 1,100 auxiliaries would no longer be armed.

(As to the review, we'll have to wait until September to learn its recommendations.)

Meanwhile, auxiliary officers, who volunteer their time to augment police detachment manpower, have pulled their services.

The reaction of local RCMP officers is indicative of the important role auxiliary officers have to play in law enforcement. Full-time members of the force have been critical of the move, and have focused on its poor timing. Summer is a busy time for islanders, no less so for police.

They have come to rely heavily on the three auxiliaries, whose presence has put a second body in a police cruiser on patrol. While Salt Spring is not a violent place compared with many other locations in B.C., there have been and will continue to be incidents in which police must deal with potentially dangerous situations.

Confrontations with youths in Centennial Park and other places come to mind, confrontations in which police have been the target of physical attacks. Situations will continue to arise in which police are at risk when patrolling alone.

And there are simply not enough bodies in the Salt Spring RCMP detachment to carry out law enforcement effectively.

That's where the auxiliaries have come in. Strapped for cash as has been any other arm of government, the RCMP have come to depend on the volunteer help. They need the manpower.

However, those circumstances have meant a change in the type of duty for which the auxiliary program was designed. Auxiliary officers were never intended to be thrown into the front lines of police duty, where carrying a gun would be necessary for protection.

Their role was to be confined to working on community policing programs and crime prevention initiatives, a role for which guns are unnecessary.

Which brings us to the current standoff.

The record of the RCMP is, for the most part, outstanding. It is a record whose foundation lies in the professional commitment of its members, who go through a long and rigorous training program before they can become entitled to wear the red serge — and carry a gun.

We expect of RCMP officers a level of integrity, honesty and respect beyond that of the common citizen. Our expectations may be high, but that is the least we must demand of anyone to whom we award the freedom to carry arms in defence of the rule of law.

Should we have the same expectations of auxiliaries? Of course not. Nor should they be thrust into the same role as regular members of the police. There should be enough of the latter to meet the policing needs of a community, leaving auxiliaries to carry out the duties for which they were intended — and carry no guns.

Those crosswalks

Salt Spring's Drew Clarke has been a thorn in the side of the Islands Trust for a long time. Sometimes abrasive, easily angered by perceived wrongs, always passionate about his beliefs and never one to shrink from speaking up, Clarke has more or less resigned himself to a community plan which he does not like. So he has turned his attention to the issue of crosswalks in Ganges.

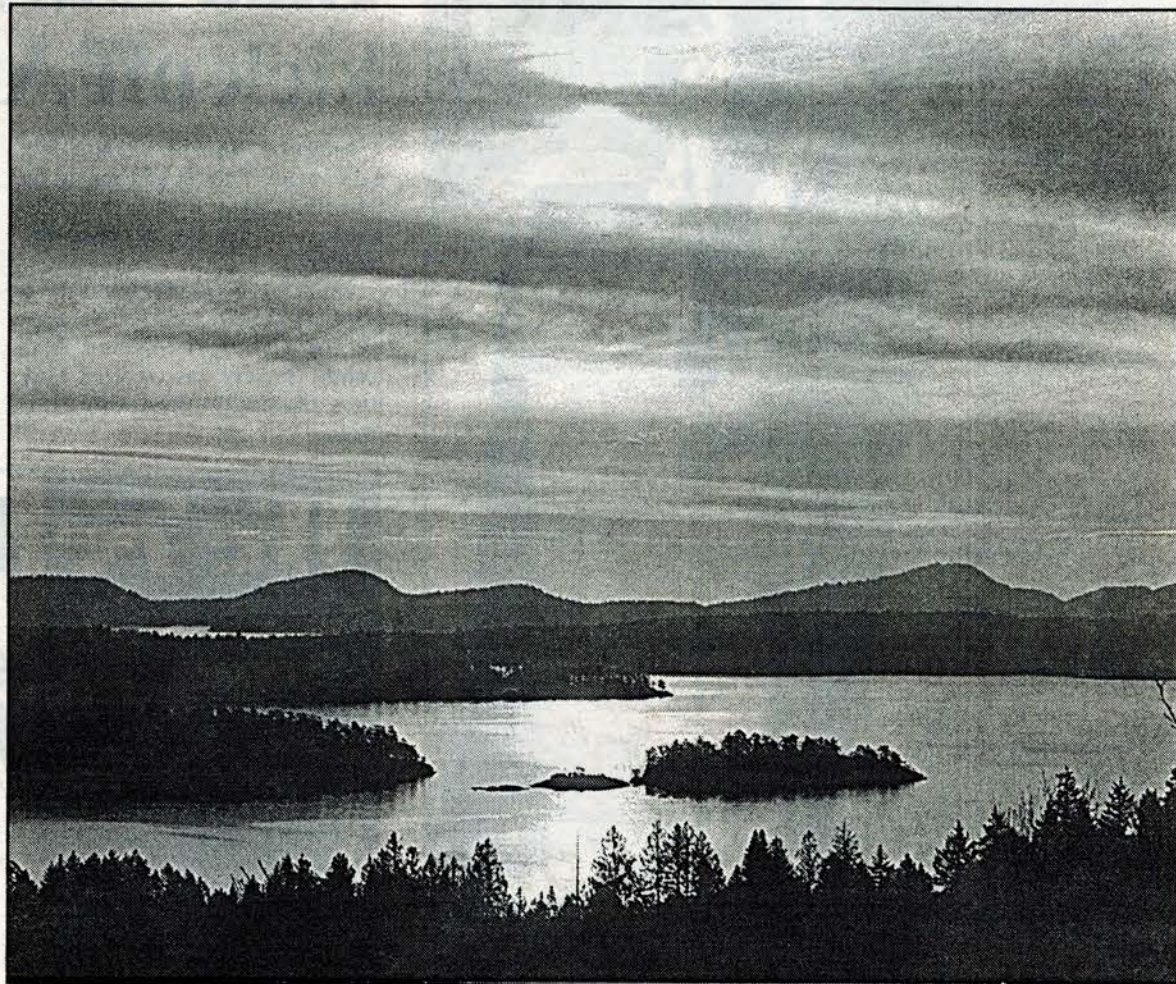
In true Salt Spring fashion, in which an anarchistic flavour is a commonly detected undertone, Clarke last week painted a crosswalk that the highways ministry wished to remove.

He makes the point that pedestrians have crossed there for years and will continue to do so.

What we have developing here is a classic case of the state losing the consent of the citizenry to be governed. For not only do pedestrians insist on crossing at this particular location (between Centennial Park and Harlan's) but everywhere else as well.

Two possible solutions leap to mind. We could adopt the South American system, whereby pedestrians — who are mostly Roman Catholic — make the sign of the cross and say a quick prayer before dashing across the street.

Or we could require that motorists reduce their speed in the area. Better yet, why not a combination of the two?



Hundred Hills view of sunrise

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Consumers may have to accept genetically-engineered 'organics'

By DAVID MASSY

Writing in the Guardian Weekly a few weeks ago, George Monbiot warns British consumers that they may soon be forced to accept genetically-engineered "organic" foods in the marketplace.

These will have been produced in the United States obeying new standards for organic farming now under study by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). If these standards are adopted and implemented, they would carry the label "organic" on fruit and vegetables that may have been genetically engineered, irradiated, treated with additives and raised on contaminated sewage sludge.

"The solution," writes Mr. Monbiot, "would seem to be obvious: genuine organic growers should call their food something else," but the USDA has covered this loophole. "The new standards prohibit the setting of standards higher than those established by the department."

The European Union has only to place a ban on these so-called "organic" food imports for it to be threatened by the World Trade Organization for maintaining a higher standard.

While this "distant gunfire" from Europe may not be alarming to Canadian consumers, it should be taken as a warning that we must care about what is happening south of the border. Here on Salt Spring, Jim Hamilton buys his organic food from a wholesaler in Vancouver, Pro-Organics Marketing Inc. They in turn buy from organic growers in the States and in Canada. As to the new standards being considered by the USDA, both Jim and Pro-Organics find these unacceptable but reassure consumers that the new Organic Food Standards Act will not be in place much before the year 2000, so that American organic foods will continue to be produced, processed and labelled much as they have been.

There is also good news in the fact that the USDA has extended its deadline for comments on the proposed standards until May 1. American and Canadians will be sending letters of protest and recommendations to President Clinton, the USDA and



to the Canadian Minister of Agriculture. At the moment, Canada does not have in place an organic foods act. And according to Pro-Organics Marketing Inc., "Canada and the United States

need to come up with national standards which will give consumers a greater confidence and understanding of the term 'organic.' We need to improve our ability to trade organic internationally, and to be able to influence international trade agreements in our favour. National labelling standards would also make clear the difference between organic products and conventional or 'natural' products."

The U.S. has a body called the National Organic Standards Board, which sent recommendations to the USDA for a set of national rules and regulations. The brief of the NOSB has been ignored by the U.S. Department of Agriculture in favour of its own.

If these are adopted we shall probably see, emerging from the shadows, several large agribusinesses which want to take over the organics industry. The consumption of organic food is rising 20-30 per cent a year. This kind of farming is labour intensive and responds best to small-scale production. Big business cannot operate in an environment like this. What it can't control, it must destroy.

What can we do in Canada to meet such a threat? Those in the business of supplying our organic food like Jim at the Mobile Market and his wholesaler, Pro-Organics Marketing, suggest that we continue to choose organic and environmentally-sound products, and make ourselves familiar with the standards proposed by the American Department of Agriculture.

Consider also writing to the Minister of Agriculture, House of Commons, Ottawa, expressing your concern at the new standards under consideration by the USDA. Has Canada its own set of organic standards? Are there rules in place that require organic foods to be labelled?

The writer is a Salt Spring resident.

What can we do in Canada to meet such a threat?



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SALT SPRING SAYS

We Asked: Should police on Salt Spring carry guns?



Amanda Spottiswood
No, because police in England don't carry guns and it's a less violent society.



Zach LaFortune
Yes. If robbers try to run away they could shoot them in the foot, and keep them from getting out of line.



James Wilkinson
Yes, as long as they don't point them at anyone or anything.



Catherine Mallard
Yes. It's okay, but load them with rubber bullets.



Darren Mitchell
Yes, to keep the psychos calm.

Letters to the Editor

Wise move

It's not often that one gets to see common-sense decisions made by our government, but the disarming of RCMP auxiliary volunteers makes me want to say "wise move."

This is not a violent community and there have been too many incidents of guns drawn on local "kids."

I have an older brother who served with the RCMP for over 20 years. He joined at a time when members had to meet tougher requirements before being accepted, two being height and physical. He's a big guy and was sent to some of the roughest places in Canada. Even so, after five years he decided not to carry a side arm because it simply was not needed. He has told me a lot of stories where over-reactions and the use of guns caused situations to get out of control until someone was hurt or dead.

These people are volunteers in the first place. If they are so concerned about their well-being, don't do it. Refusing to provide assistance to the officers on Salt Spring over

this gun issue tells me they don't have a lot of concern for the safety of our police.

I think six months in Moose Jaw would sort out the "wanna-bes" from the people of character. Maybe going back to hiring more big people instead of big egos would help too.

When an officer feels physically threatened by a kid who is a little bigger than he and needs to pull a gun, there is a problem. And it is not the kid.

BOB McCULLY,
Sky Valley Road

Transient only

Your recent articles regarding Salt Spring Island Village Resort (SSIVR) have prompted a number of inquiries to our office from your readers, seeking clarification regarding the applicable zoning.

As quotes and other statements in the articles may have left your readers with some misunderstandings, I am writing to clarify the uses that can lawfully take place on the property.

As many people are aware, the SSIVR property was zoned

Commercial 4 (C4) when building permits for the resort were issued by the CRD in September of 1996. In November of the same year, the Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee adopted a bylaw that changed the zoning to Rural (R).

When such a zoning change occurs, any uses of the land, buildings and structures that were lawfully occurring on the land at the time of the zoning change can continue. The legal term is "non-conforming use," but many people refer to this as "grandfathering." Non-conforming uses cannot be increased in scale. If a non-conforming building or structure is destroyed to 75 per cent of its value above the foundations, it cannot be reconstructed.

If the land is undeveloped at the time of rezoning but a building permit has been issued, then the protected uses are only those that are shown on the building permit. Other uses that would have been permitted in the original zone are no longer permitted unless they were actually occurring or are indicated on a building permit.

In the case of the SSIVR, the resort uses permitted on the proper-

ty are those shown in the building permit. These are: 71 cabins with a total of 123 transient accommodation units, a lodge which contains a restaurant, meeting rooms, an exercise area, sauna, a fitness and wellness area and a library, and swimming pool/spa. With the exception of the restaurant, all of the above resort amenities are part of the "transient accommodation" permitted under the previous C4 zoning — they cannot be lawfully made available to those who are not staying at the resort. A pub and banquet facilities are not indicated on the building permit and are not permitted uses.

Mr. Hauff is incorrect if he has indicated that the resort can be used by their owners for as long as they want. The zoning is not inconclusive. The current Rural zoning would permit four of the single unit cabins (one on each of the property's developed parcels) to be considered as single family dwellings. All other units can only be used according to their building permits — as "transient accommodation units." That is, they can be occupied or used by any particular individual for no more than 45 days in

any calendar year. No more than 30 of those days can be consecutive.

I trust this clarifies the zoning on the property. Anyone with further questions is welcome to call our planning staff for more information.

LINDA ADAMS,
Regional planning coordinator
Salt Spring Islands Trust

Wrong reason

Thank you to the Driftwood for printing my April 1 letter regarding my exclusion from the Ganges Saturday market.

Unfortunately, in editing my letter, you misrepresented my reason for writing.

I wrote that letter because I don't want to "just disappear" from the market, not because "I have decided not to appeal the board's decision," which was the reason cited in the version of my letter that appeared in the Driftwood.

LESLIE WALLACE,
Fulford
Editor's note: A line inadvertently omitted from Leslie Wallace's letter caused the change in wording.

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Massage therapy benefits many health problems

The registered massage therapists of Salt Spring Island would like to thank the Driftwood for giving us this opportunity to clarify some of the confusion that has come to our attention following the recent Health and Wellness supplement.

We would like to explain what is meant by the designation "registered massage therapists," and to inform you, the public, as to the standards you can expect when choosing to visit a practitioner with the credential "RMT."

We would also like to bring to your attention the wide range of injuries, illnesses and conditions that massage therapy treats and the extensive health benefits you can achieve through receiving massage therapy on a regular basis. Finally, we would like to share with you how you may readily receive massage therapy through coverage under the Medical Services Plan of B.C.

The government of B.C. originally created the massage therapy profession to protect the public — to ensure strict standards of education, professionalism, expertise and ethics in the field of musculoskeletal therapy. It continues to be supported as a profession because it works and is of benefit to thousands of patients each year. Scientific research strongly sup-



ports the therapeutic effects of touch and the techniques used by massage therapists to relieve musculoskeletal pain and dysfunction.

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The foregoing was prepared jointly by registered massage therapists practising on Salt Spring Island.

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Law should not be used to silence bigots' words

VICTORIA — I would like to talk to you about two letters to the editor that appeared in the Victoria Times-Colonist last week.

No, they weren't written by Warren Betanko. The authors were Doug Christie and Gary Botting.

Both men are lawyers. And judging from their letters alone, I wouldn't want either of them to represent me.

Christie, of course, is the legendary legal mouthpiece and apologist for neo-Nazis such

CAPITAL COMMENT

HUBERT BEYER



as Jim Keegstra and Ernst Zundel. Botting has placed himself firmly on the other side of that fence. He hates neo-Nazis and wants to shut them up.

In his letter, Christie accuses the government and the media of having shut down a recently-planned meeting in Oliver before it could get off the ground. Guest speaker Doug Collins, the controversial aging columnist who likes to belittle the Holocaust, wasn't allowed to speak.

Christie argues that preventing Collins from speaking, thus effectively silencing a voice entitled to free speech, is not only undemocratic but intrinsically racist. "The real bigots and hate mongers are those who say 'there is no other side'."

It isn't the first time Christie hides behind the old freedom-of-speech excuse in his defence of Holocaust deniers and racists. But I'll come back to that later. Over to Botting's response.

In his letter to the editor, Botting says there was no need to hear what Christie and company had to say at the Oliver meeting. "Is it justified to close down a meeting of alleged hate mongers and racists before they can speak?" he asks rhetorically.

"Absolutely," he answers his own question, "when those same people have for 15 years played the same cracked record of the same anti-Semitic tune at top volume on a defective phonograph.

"We're not talking about freedom of expression here. We're talking about free-wheeling slamming of minority groups.

"We've heard enough from Zundel and Keegstra and company to make a general assessment of the unworthiness of their tiresome message."

I share Botting's distaste for everything Christie and his Nazi mentors stand for. I abhor the message of hate they spread. But I cannot and will not agree with shutting them down by force, be it legal or otherwise.

Christie's argument that freedom of speech is at stake is admittedly hard to swallow in light of the odious messages he and his clients spread, but he's right.

Some time back, in a moment of anger and outrage, I wrote that Zundel, the Holocaust denier, should not even be entitled to have a lawyer to defend him in a court of law. That brought me some gentle and some not so gentle criticism from many readers, reminding me that the right to be legally represented is fundamental and that we tinker with it at society's peril. They were right.

Botting's argument that we've heard it all before and have no further need to hear the voices of racism and bigotry harbours a two-fold danger:

First, once accepted, Botting's argument could easily be extended to other areas of disagreement, where the other side is not as odious and nauseating as that represented by Christie, Zundel and Keegstra.

Second, it is far more dangerous to drive extremist views underground than allow them to rant in public.

I have told our granddaughter about the Holocaust and the importance to never let this horrible act of genocide slide from memory. And I have shown her some of the neo-Nazi sites on the Internet. Eleven years old, there was no doubt in her mind about the nastiness of those sites.

And that gives me the firm conviction that the fabric of our society is strong enough to withstand the absurd assaults on common sense and decency by those who wish to propagate messages of hate and racism. We have no need to invoke the force of the law to silence them.

Beyer can be reached at: tel: (250) 920-9300; fax: (250) 356-9597; e-mail: hubert@coolcom.com

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AMEI PARKES, Beaver Point

P.S. Thanks to Marcia Jeanne et al who organized the Easter egg hunt at Everlasting Summer. It was a great success.

Park trust

Currently, Trust-area island taxpayers pay roughly \$3.1 million a year to fund the Islands Trust.

Given that the Trust's mandate reads "to preserve and protect for islanders and the province generally," why are only islanders taxed?

If all of B.C. benefits, let them pay.

Secondly — this Pacific Marine Heritage Legacy. To create "parks," the government has been spending a lot of money it doesn't have. Well, we can't have "parks" without managers, can we? So I propose these "parks" are where Victoria

should send the Islands Trust to "do its thing," where there are no people's lives at stake.

We must have legitimate government without Islands Trust involvement and we need it yesterday.

DREW CLARKE, Ganges

Editor's note: The Islands Trust's 1998-99 budget is \$3.5 million, and the provincial government provides \$423,000 of that amount.

Worth reading

Dan Jason's April 15 In Depth column on the implications of the MAI on our food supply is well worth reading.

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Thanks to the Driftwood for publishing such an informative and important piece of information on an issue which affects everyone who eats!

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Outraged

I have just read with disgust, alarm and dismay the April 1 front page article on "carousing seniors."

I am a newly-arrived resident on Salt Spring Island. I moved here from Vancouver in order to enjoy the unique peace and tranquillity I thought I was offered on Salt Spring Island. Although not technically a senior, I am edging close.

Your article has opened my eyes to another side of Salt Spring life. I am truly disillusioned with the conduct of the seniors referred to in your article. My companion and I no longer feel safe in our home. We fear that at any moment we may be set upon by a marauding group of home-trashing seniors.

We have both discussed the situation and decided it might be prudent to sell our beautiful Salt Spring home, and return to the noise and pollution of Greater Vancouver. Noise and pollution pale in comparison to the outrageous conduct of seniors on Salt Spring.

Should any carousing seniors read this letter, we want to advise them that we do not have any bowling balls or mint leaves on our premises.

JOYCE CAMPBELL,
Stewart Road

Awesome

It was great to drive along Rainbow Road this weekend and see every centimetre of open space being trampled on by the cleated feet of enthusiastic, focused young soccer players and their supportive coaches, cheering parents and whistling referees.

Island soccer players aged eight to 14 were involved in the Annual Rustad Tournament coordinated by Robert Rustad, a parent of three soccer players and a coach of many.

More letters

Throughout the weekend, island youth had the opportunity to play many hours of fun, high-quality soccer against both local and off-island teams from Vancouver Island and the Lower Mainland.

As a parent of a member of the Ganges U-11 team coached by Ron Stepaniuk, this tournament provided yet another opportunity for me to appreciate the dedication and commitment of the parent volunteers who give so much of themselves to give our kids such wonderful experiences on Salt Spring.

Thanks Robert. Thanks Ron. Thanks to everyone out there who makes time to spend time helping kids discover how awe-

some they are!
ELLY PARKER,
Salt Spring Island

Disarming questions

The issue of whether or not auxiliary police officers should be armed and their reaction to the removal of that privilege is a bit disturbing (Driftwood, April 15).

I am not comfortable with anyone other than a fully-trained, full-time police officer carrying a gun. There are in fact some places where even the real police aren't armed — Newfoundland and Great Britain come to mind.

There are some questions that need to be asked here. The auxiliaries do not receive the same depth of training that police officers do, so why would we allow them to carry a gun? What are the legal implications if they were to kill or injure someone?

Chuck Hamilton says, "It is no longer safe for us out there." When did it become unsafe to be unarmed on Salt Spring or most other places in Canada?

How often do regular police officers draw their guns? Has an auxiliary ever used a gun while on duty and if so, why? Wasn't the whole idea of auxiliary officers to assist in traffic control at an accident or

crowd control at special events, assist at counter attack road blocks, seatbelt and safety checks? Who needs a gun for that?

It seems to me that the whole idea of carrying guns to gain respect for the law and deter crime just doesn't work. Look at our friendly neighbour to the south. Perhaps next we will want armed security guards in shopping malls. I think we need to teach people, particularly our youth, respect for our laws and law enforcement by education rather than the "bigger stick" method.

I listened with interest to Judge Wally Opper on CBC Radio Thursday morning. He supported the removal of the guns and reminded us that we don't live in the United States, that on the whole Canada is not a violent society and that perhaps the auxiliaries' role had become something it wasn't intended to be.

So my hope is that there are other people willing to volunteer their time and serve the community without feeling the need to carry a gun.

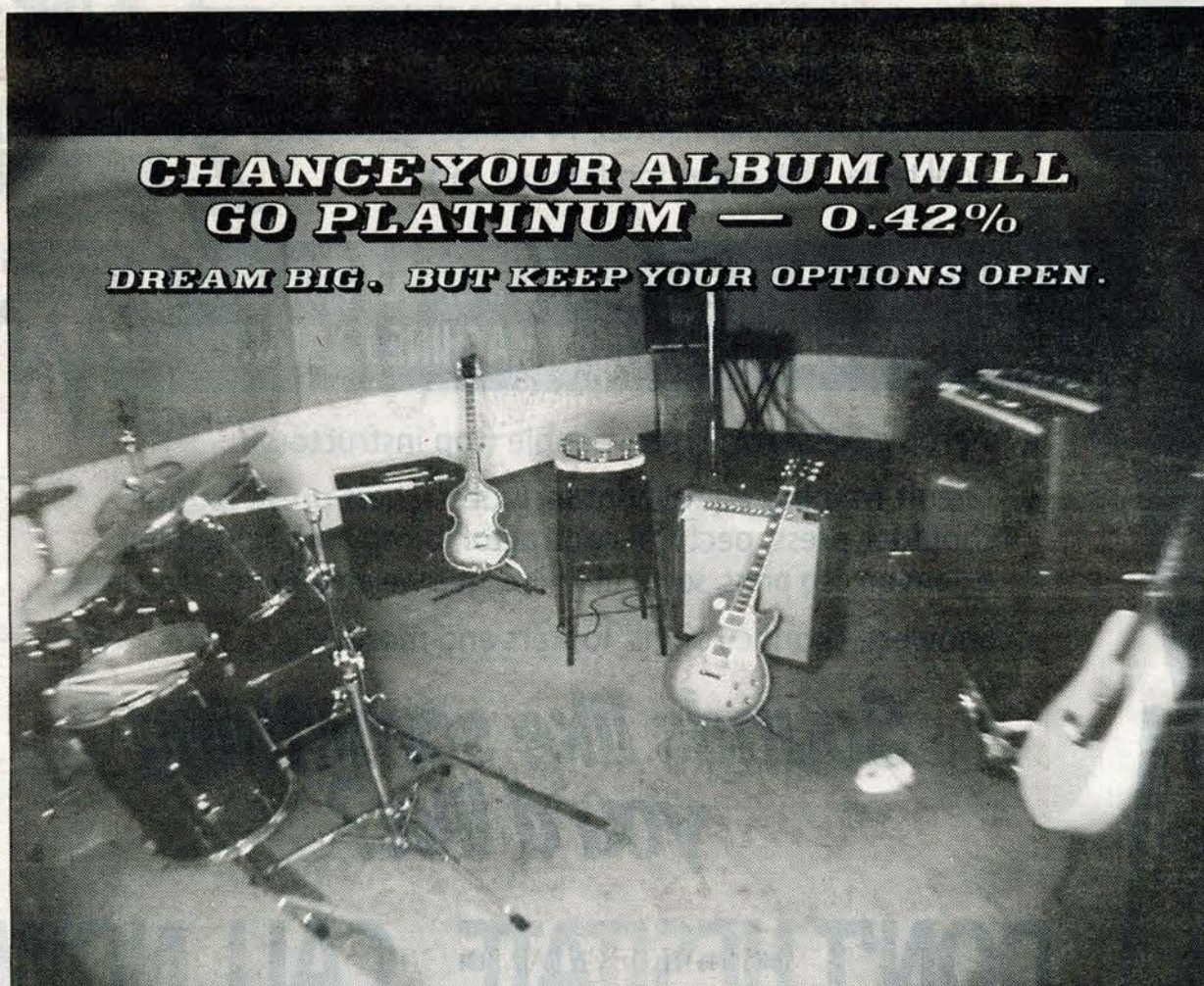
MICHAEL MURRAY,
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Buddies

Working a concession at a weekend soccer tournament held on Salt Spring were, from left, Joelle McCarty, Mikaela Heydemann, Sheila Profitt and Heidi Scott.

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SIMS band heads to Alberta

Salt Spring is losing 55 people to the lure of Alberta's riches next week, but not for economic reasons.

Forty-eight students in the band program at Salt Spring Island Middle School (SIMS), along with seven adults, leave the island Monday for a musical tour which includes concerts in Clearwater, Edmonton and Grande Prairie.

SIMS music teacher Bruce Creswick said last week his students are excited about the trip, which came about at their urging.

"The kids talked me into it," he said.

His bands have performed off-island in previous years, but in nearby places such as Campbell River and Qualicum. The idea of going farther has been kicked around for a few years, until the Alberta destination was set.

Participating students are in Grades 7 and 8, basically forming the SIMS senior concert and jazz bands. Among that group are 13 Gulf Islands Secondary School students, who play music at SIMS for lack of a band program at the high school.

The travellers have hired a highway coach bus, and will be billeted with school students along the way, except for one night spent in an Edmonton hotel.

An anticipated highlight is performing at West Edmonton Mall on April 29. Concerts are also scheduled at schools in Grande Prairie and Clearwater.

"For some it's a brand new experience," said Creswick. "Some have never gone this far away."

The trek is not entirely new for Creswick, however. He took a band to Edmonton about 15 years ago when he taught school in Victoria.

Salt Spring can hear the SIMS bands and their friends from Clearwater when the hospitality is returned later in the school year.

Seniors targeted in scams

When someone offers to pressure-wash the siding on your home, clean your driveway or de-moss your roof, get some quotes first. And better yet, get a reference as well.

That suggestion comes from Salt Spring RCMP Const. Paul Seymour, who cited two recent cases of islanders being charged exorbitant sums for home maintenance work.

Last week, a woman was charged \$1,600 for work that should have cost far less. A few weeks ago another homeowner was billed for \$2,000, Seymour said.

And in a third case, someone nearly paid out over \$4,000 but declined the services at the last minute.

Seymour described the island as "good hunting ground" for people who travel from Vancouver Island and target seniors with unreasonably expensive maintenance jobs.

One tactic is to start a job then begin finding additional repairs that need carrying out, adding to the final bill, Seymour explained.

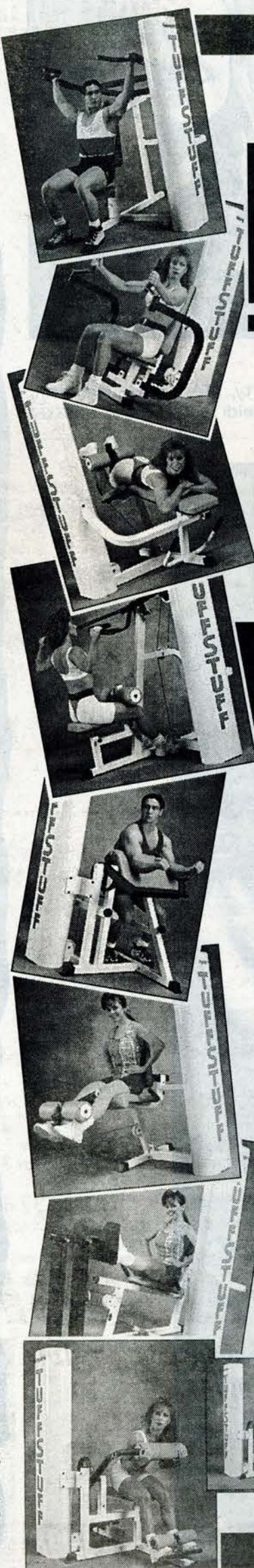
"Can you imagine being presented with a bill for \$5,000 for getting your house power-washed?"

Seymour said no criminal offence was being committed so police can only suggest that "buyers beware."



BAND CONCERT: Sandy Curtis, left, and Luke Bradley-Richmond share the spotlight during a middle school jazz band concert Friday. The band performed before the entire school before attending a music festival in Nanaimo on Saturday.

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BULLS-EYE: Trophy in hand, Avril Kirby gets set for another throw at the darts league banquet Sunday. Kirby won the Tuesday night mixed league championship this year.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Dart champ wins top award

Darts players of the male persuasion usually take home the top award in Salt Spring's mixed league.

But this year Avril Kirby beat them all to earn a first place trophy at the league's banquet at Meaden Hall on Sunday night.

Darts awards aren't new for Kirby, who travelled to Newfoundland as a B.C. representative at the 1981 Canadian women's championships and returned home to the Lower Mainland victorious, but this was the first time she had emerged on top of the Salt Spring league.

Kirby said it was "satisfying" to win first prize this year, especially considering that some of the men in the Tuesday night league are "quite serious."

Still, she added, "They're good sports about it."

The mixed league plays Tuesday nights at Vesuvius Inn. Kirby and husband Bill have enjoyed playing recreational

darts for many years.

Besides being "famous" for her darts prowess, Kirby is well-known to numerous island children and their parents for her Windy Willows Daycare.

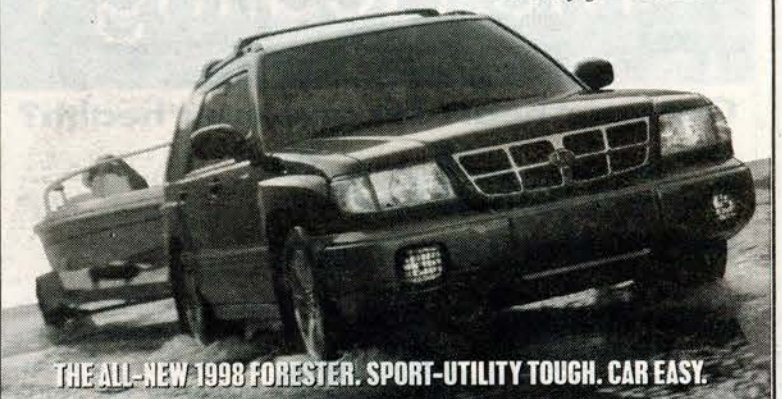
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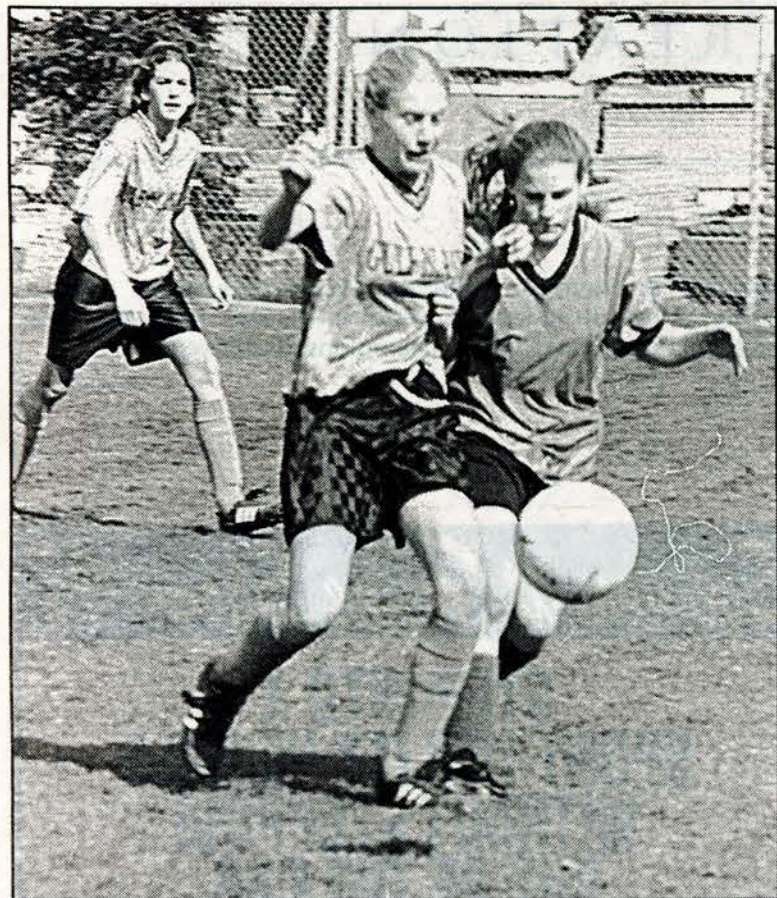
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Girls win 6-0

Julia Squier of Gulf Islands Secondary School's junior girls soccer team watches the play from behind as teammate Amy Little, centre, struggles for possession of the ball in a game against Brentwood Thursday. The local girls won 6-0.

Photo by Tony Richards

Geezers look like spring chickens but fall to younger Old Boys team

By MALCOLM LEGG
Driftwood Contributor
Salt Spring Old Boys 5, Salt Spring Geezers 3

The Old Boys' search for a real men's team to play against forced them into a challenge with the Salt Spring Geezers, a spin-off squad of the Old Boys that will compete in the over-40 division next soccer season.

The match ended a lot closer than one might have expected but the more youthful Old Boys eventually ran the Old Geezers out of steam en route to a 5-3 win.

The opening half was very evenly played, as the surprising Geezers looked more like a group of spring chickens than the Geritol gang and, even more surprisingly, were tied 2-2 at the half.

Unfortunately, the opening half of soccer must have gone to the Geezers' heads, as they pulled their goalie, Ziggy Karl, to give him a little work.

Well, this was the break the Old Boys were waiting for as David Norget, Chris Cottrell and Henry "The Legend is Back"

Braak capitalized on this writer, John Oldroyd and Graham Tweddle of the Geezers, who were trying to impersonate a goalie.

Braak's goal was particularly brilliant since he was playing goal for the Old Boys and made one of his patented forays up-field. Braak just kept going and going and going, and all of a sudden he was in front of the Geezer goal, shooting once before he put his own rebound in — ah! The Legend was back!

The Geezers tried to rally late, scoring one goal from this writer, but the legs of over-40s players just don't have that extra kick that the Old Boys have.

But one thing these Old Geezers do have is determination. They are determined to do better in the rematch this Sunday, 11 a.m. at the high school field.

The Geezers hope to have 22 players, 11 for each half, so the team won't be tired, lots of Geritol and they will try to keep Karl between the pipes.

The Old Boys will retaliate with some new youthful talent

that can run really fast (well, fast for an Old Boy), buckets of Advil and will try to get Karl out of goal again.

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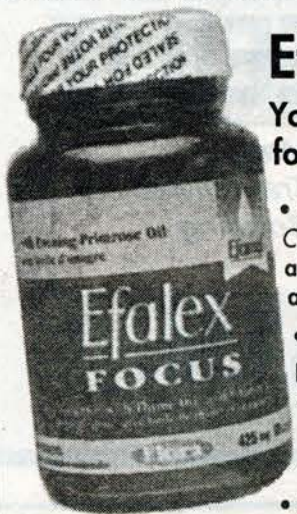
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Classic play ends Slug season

By **ANDY NAUMANN**
Driftwood Contributor

Once again, Slug trails wound their way up the Island Highway and converged on Good Friday morning at the schedule board in the Parksville arena. The tournament was already an hour behind schedule, time enough for us to tape our sticks and put on our game-faces 13 times.

It was an unlucky number for the Westwind Pubsters who were caught unawares by a swarm of speedy Slugs. Once each offensive and defensive pairing had a shift or two under their belts, the Slugs clicked into high gear, playing the style of hockey, combining speed, skill and smarts, that produced unprecedented success this year. With 13 minutes to go in the first period, Rod Challborn cleared the puck to Brad Patchett who stick-handled over the Westwind blue line, waited for Pete "Crash" Schure to get clear in front of the net, fed him the puck and watched him drill it into the twine. The whole play took only 13 seconds.

The tone was set. The Slugs determined the pace, even at the cost of a penalty or two. With a Slug in the box near the end of the period, Challborn flipped the puck out of our zone to Pat Akerman at centre who flipped it past their defencemen. Bob Akerman, speeding down the wing, beat them to the puck, deked the goalie and put us ahead 2-0.

A few shifts into the second frame a Westwind defenceman caught us on a sluggish line change. He dipped and dived around scrambling Slugs, and Derek Topping watched the dominoes fall in disbelief, not realizing that he would be one of them until the puck was behind him.

Even with a man short, their forechecking forced a face-off to the right of the Westwind net; Todd McIntyre won the draw back to Challborn who blasted one low and hard between the goalie's legs. Not long after, with another Slug doing time, Blaine Johnson's clearing lob hit a Pubster and landed just inside their blue line and Bob Akerman swooped on it, depositing it into the empty net. Johnson also figured in our next and last goal with just over four minutes remaining.

What were the odds then that we could lose? Pretty good, really, because after that, the Slugs were already showering, slicking their hairdos, sipping aperitifs and leaving "Stonewall" on his own. In the

SLUG TRAIL

last three minutes of the game the Pubsters scored three times.

A couple of meals and several naps later, we resurfaced for the game against the Ladysmith Hornets. We were determined this time to at least break the goalie's shutout and we did. Schure, sporting a new Gretzky stick, scored the first goal of the contest on a great shot. We played well, skating hard and shifting on the fly, for a while, but it slowly became evident that some of our helmets were screwed on too tightly and some of us were skating in quicksand.

The Hornets, also lethargized, seemed more like bumbling bees at times; they stung only when we gave them the opportunities by drawing penalties. They tied the score on a power play and, after McIntyre from Schure had made it 2-1, tied it again and went ahead 3-2 on another one before the first period ended. We played the second period with as much enthusiasm and determination as we could muster, but the Hornets scored two more times.

At 10:30 a.m. Saturday we faced the Quality Food Hawks. They didn't look as daunting as the Hornets; they even had a player who looked almost as old as the Snake, but any team given the number of odd-man advantages they were can't help but score. They did. Twice. End of the first period.

The Slugs strive on adversity. A goal each by the Petes in short succession halfway through the second period crippled the Hawks. We delivered what we thought was the knock-out punch with only a few minutes to go when McIntyre chipped the puck along the right wing boards to the Snake who skipped a pass over their defenceman's stick to a streaking Bob Akerman.

But our jubilation was short-lived and our exciting comeback tarnished by a cruel twist of fate when a Hawk shot deflected past Stonewall somehow in the final seconds.

With a win, a tie and a loss, we drew the terribly early ice time of 9 a.m. Our opponents, the Port Alberni Wings, had the same standing in their division as we did in ours. The battle was for fifth place overall and free beer.

Once on the ice, the Slugs'

heads cleared and after the first goal was scored by the Wings 30 seconds into the game, they regained their balance. Five minutes later, Pat Akerman tied the score. The Wings, unfazed, re-established their lead just 20 seconds after that and scored their third goal a couple of shifts later.

The Slugs, taking a page out of the Pubsters playbook, came alive in the last three minutes of the period, scoring three times. Ahead 4-3 heading into the home stretch, the Slugs didn't look back. Waves of them swamped the Wings until their goalie was seeing double, and McIntyre slammed a fat rebound off Don Sevigny's hard shot from the line past him. Two shifts later, he was beaten by Bob Akerman, who again made no mistake. The Westwind goalie, without much help from his defence, tried to hold his team in the game, saving more. Slug shots in the next 10 minutes than any goalie had all year. Only one more got by him, a blast by Patchett, to make the score 7-3 with 1:11 left. At the other end of the ice meanwhile, Stonewall enjoyed a relatively easier time, hovering in a lotus position meditating on the real estate market. When called upon, he kicked out every puck directed towards in the period — except one. With one second to go, Paul Sinclair wheeled around the centre ice dot, sped in on him all alone and tucked the puck between his legs. A classic play to end the season!



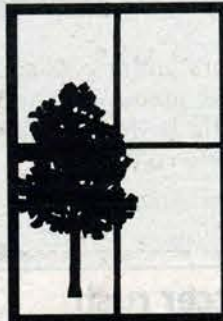
Competitors

Salt Spring's Special Olympics bowling team and coaches get together before the season's final practice tournament held Monday against a Duncan team at Kings Lane. Head coach Diane Little, right, said everyone had lots of fun and bowled well, and Eddie Waddell, standing next to her, took the men's high average award.

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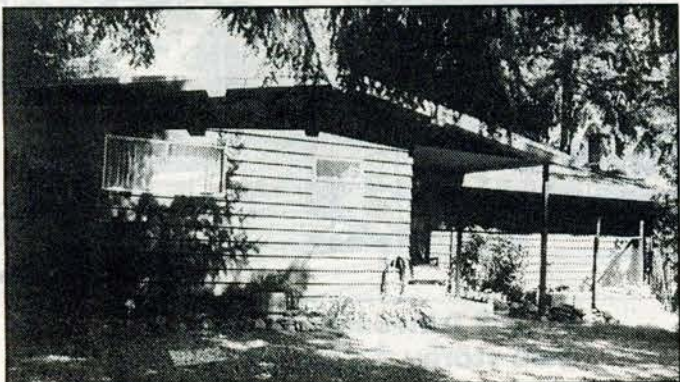


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Babe Ruth players slam Duncan team 23-3

A pile of hits and triples helped give Salt Spring's Babe Ruth baseball team a convincing 23-3 win in its season opener against the Duncan Reds Sunday.

Duncan opened scoring and led 2-0 at the bottom of the second inning, but Salt

Spring quickly silenced its opposition with five runs in the third, three in the fourth, four in the fifth and 11 in the final inning.

Salt Spring came up with 14 hits, plus triples scored by Thomas Little, Jeremy

Keating, Kyle Herman and Jesse Anderson. Little also had a home run, and Danny Smith was the winning pitcher.

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Soccer rush

Salt Spring's U-13 boys team takes on Northend Auto of Nanaimo at the annual Rustad Tournament held on Salt Spring last weekend. The event saw numerous soccer players aged 8-14 converge on island fields.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Track and field competitors flex muscles at Sidney meet

By RICHARD BENNETT
Driftwood Contributor

The Peninsula Track and Field Club based in Sidney hosted the first of six Vancouver Island Series Track and Field Meets.

The perfect weather gave Salt Spring Track and Field Club's new athletes plenty of opportunities to try a variety of events and allow returning members to improve on last season's personal best performances.

Midget athletes, aged 14 and 15, start their season with the B.C. Summer Games as their major goal. Among those, Brendan Bonfield placed fifth in both long jump and 100-metre races, and fourth in 200 m, emphasizing how important early season training is for later success.

Thea Wood was having a good meet with personal bests in 100 m at 14.6 seconds; 300-m hurdles at 54.6; triple jump at 7.85 m; and tried the javelin for the first time when she fell heavily in the 80-m hurdles to finish her weekend on a disappointing note.

April Goebel had personal bests in 80-m hurdles at 14.6; 200-m hurdles at 54.6; triple jump at 9.36; and javelin at 15.39. Then she mustered enough energy to clear 1.45 in high jump for her fifth second-place finish.

Kelly Kerr, 1985 girls, was the other experienced athlete and it showed as she destroyed her opposi-

tion in 100 m, 200 m, 400 m, 800 m, long jump and triple jump, and with finishes of fifth in shot put and third in discus, was the most successful athlete of the meet.

Six new athletes came to try it and all returned home happy.

Geoft Cronin, 1989 boys, came first in 80-m hurdles, second in 400 m and fourth in 200 m.

Bradley Cronin, 1988 boys, also came first in 80-m hurdles, fourth in 200 m, and fifth in high jump at 1.05 m.

The four new girls, all born in 1987, left the track still waiting for their 200 m and long jump results but can be proud of their weekend's work. Brittany Woods: 400 m in 88.5, 80-m hurdles in 18.2, shot put of

6.10, and 800-m race walk in 5.43.9.

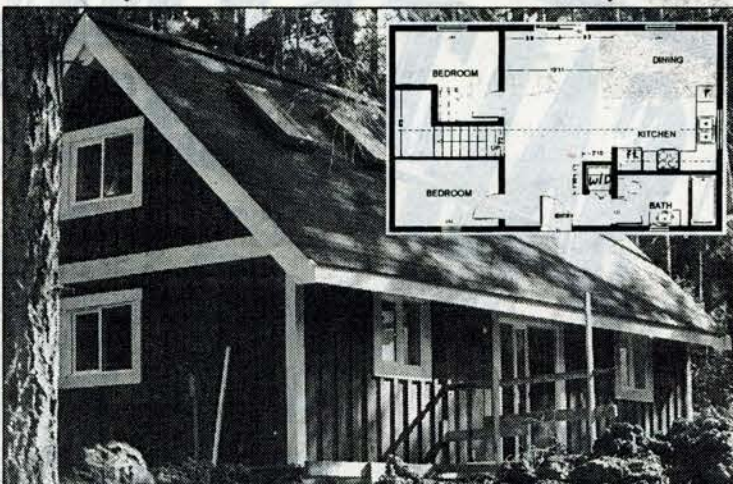
Marieke Voorhoeve: 100 m in 16.4, 400 m in 81.0, 80-m hurdles in 19.6, 200-m hurdles in 38.6, high jump of 1.00 m, shot put of 5.59 m, and discus of 9.82 m.

Michelle Proctor: 400 m in 83.9, 800 m in 3.15.5, shot put of 4.56 m, and discus of 9.21 m.

Sarah Proctor: 400 m in 75.6, 800 m in 2.45, 1500 m in 5.21, discus of 8.21 m, and 800-m race walk in 5.25.2.

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MODERN LOVERS: Laurie Clarke and Stewart Katz play Jack and Jill, whose hill of life, whether on a beach or ballroom dancing, is definitely set on a minefield. The Graffiti Theatre play continues Thursday through Saturday at Mahon Hall.

Photos by Derrick Lundy



Relationship comedy shows modern plight

By GAIL SJUBERG
Driftwood Staff

Graffiti Theatre has done it again. Everything couldn't be better in the romantic comedy Jack and Jill, except for the self-inflicted fortunes of its two characters, but that's what the play is about.

Laurie Clarke and Stewart Katz fit themselves perfectly into American writer Jane Martin's brilliant script which follows the tormented relationship of a modern urban couple, from first date to post-mortem and beyond.

It's obvious right off the bat that these two are in trouble. First there's the stumbling meeting in a library, followed by a distinctly unromantic discussion about sex on their first "date" at her apartment.

We soon learn Jill refuses to believe love even exists or to "build (her) life around someone else," but she definitely wants to marry Jack. Still, they even argue about who is doing the proposing.

Playwright Martin doesn't waste a word in this play, and Clarke and Katz give their characters so much life we attach to them with ease. Becoming Jack and Jill must be an intense, challenging and satisfying experience for the pair.

Although there's some bizarre and funny stuff in the play, the relationship is entirely authentic, from the couple's arguments to their obsessions and their inevitable growth through pain.

People in the audience laughed loudly at different things. (Possibly the funniest thing Saturday night was when Jill ended a beach scene with a pointed finger, saying, "Look, there's a big, dead fish," just as Driftwood photographer Derrick Lundy positioned himself to take a picture.)

And I'm sure each person's emotional response to these characters and the play depended more than usual on their experience in relationships. Everyone will take away a laundry basket full of questions and reflections to sort out and fold.

Having on-stage dressers and set changes worked extremely well, providing an extra interest for the audience. Those "parts" were handled by Erin Butler, Tonya Cooper, Julie Sweetnam and James Wilkinson. Even when they were changing clothes with the aid of dressers, Katz and Clarke maintained their dialogue or monologues without missing a beat.

Katz and Clarke could be easily heard throughout the play, and they adapted well to the interference of laughter. All things technical flowed smoothly, as well. It was a classy show throughout.

Jack and Jill was directed by Yvonne Adalian, who is also Graffiti's artistic director, and produced by Jeanne Pascale.

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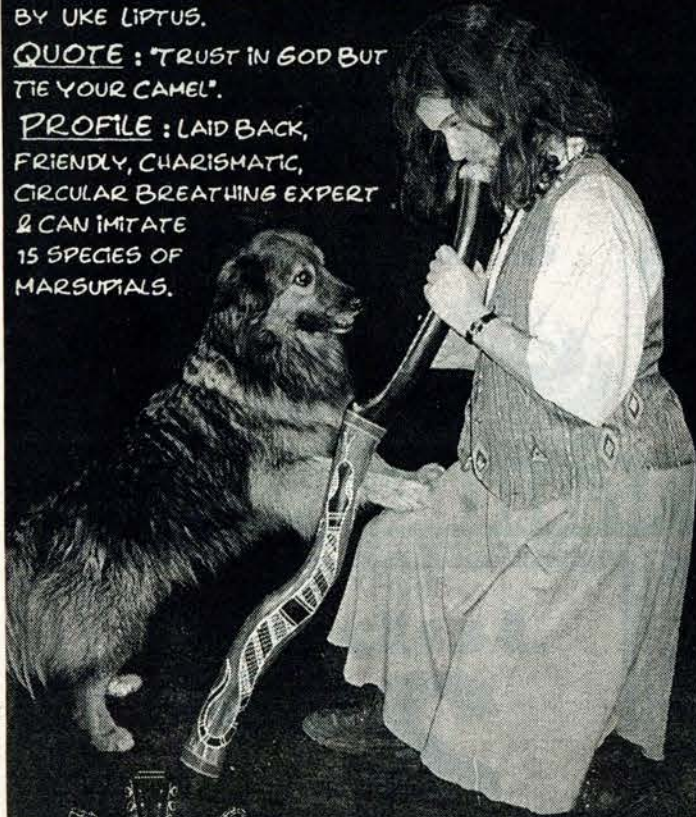
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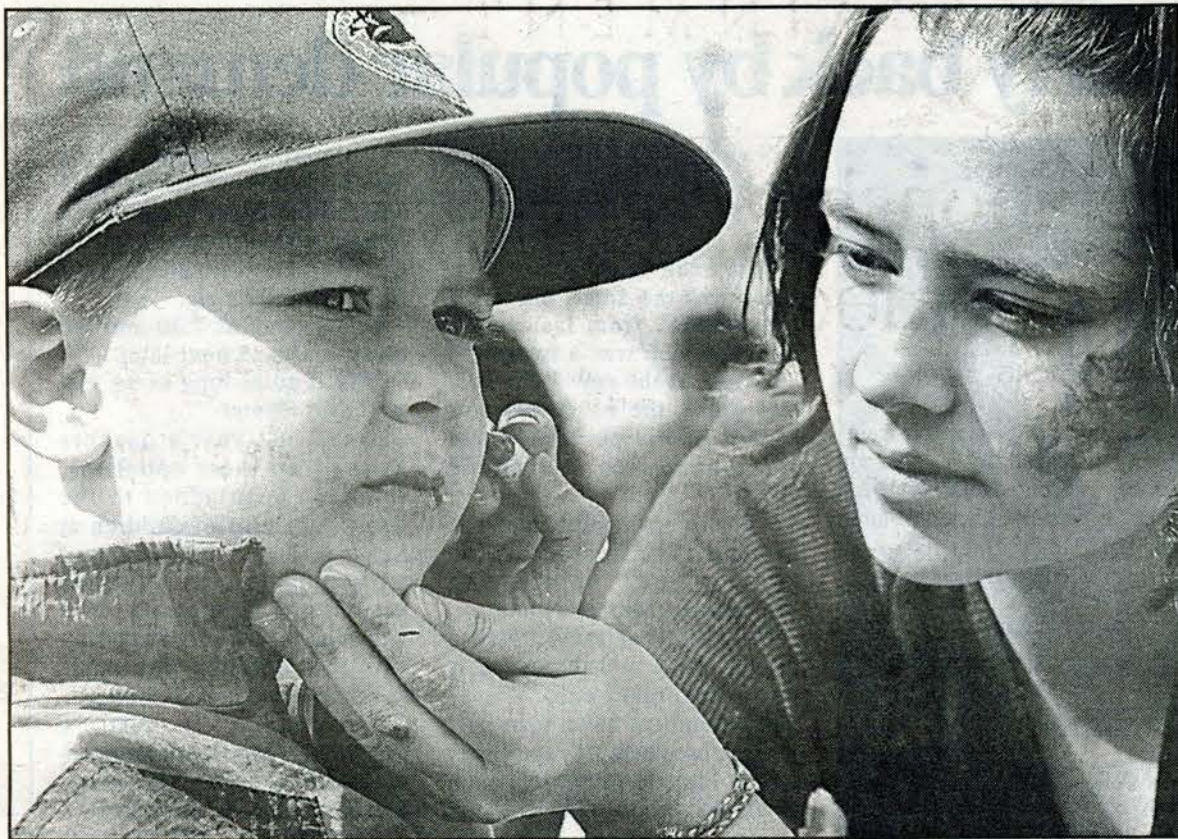
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Emily Roop applies colour to the cheek of Salt Spring visitor Kaley Denotter. The young artist was face painting in the Market in the Park on a recent Saturday.

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Sold out Fulford Hall audience gives warm welcome to Forbes

By GAIL SJUBERG and TONY RICHARDS

Besides bringing his legendary voice, repertoire and storytelling charm to Fulford Hall Monday night, Roy Forbes dropped some folk circuit "gossip."

"You know what they're saying about the Salt Spring Folk Club?" he asked the sell-out crowd. "Look out, Calgary!"

It seems the Salt Spring venue is gaining a reputation as a desirable tour stop for folk musicians who would give up a spare guitar case for an intelligent, appreciative and sober audience.

The rumour must be true. Someone as genuine as Forbes wouldn't lie to us. In his stories and songs, Forbes wades easily into his vulnerability, reveals emotions such as loneliness and his attraction to the sentimental.

He "apologized" for that sentimentality beautifully in his rendition of A Fool Such as I.

Forbes also pleased crowd members by encouraging them to sing along. At one point they were essential. In the midst of Your Love is Lifting My Heart, a guitar string snapped. Forbes easily kicked into ad lib gear, substituting the regular lyrics with a call for Valdy to find the extra strings in a white plastic bag. In record time, Valdy was

on stage attaching the new string while the audience honed their vocal prowess in repeats of the chorus.

Forbes has been performing and recording for more than 25 years, first as the kid from Dawson Creek who was known as Bim.

Many people still refer to him as Bim. Maybe it's because up there on stage he still looks and sounds about 25 years old, with no hint of cynicism about the music industry or much else.

Music is a big industry on the island when you consider the number of performers who live here...

Forbes seems happily mid-stream in exploring whatever musical style strikes his fancy.

On Monday he may have been a little reluctant to dip into what he called the eight-track era of his Bim days, but he did pull out a few crowd pleasers from decades past, along with country music tunes from his Humankind release, and a bit of material recorded with UHF — the part-time acoustic trio of Shari Ulrich, Bill Henderson

and Forbes.

Forbes also gave us a preview of an as-yet-untitled upcoming release, including the seeds behind the songs, which the Fulford Hall crowd approved with loud applause.

At the end of Forbes' show, he returned to the stage for an encore with Henderson, who was also Master of Ceremonies for the evening. Both their voices and their guitars blended perfectly together, adding a nice finishing touch to the event.

Opening for Forbes was Salt Spring's Black Velvet Band, featuring Harry Warner, Jo Lundstrom and Denise McCann. Their lively Irish tunes got the crowd ready for a fine evening of live music.

Henderson expressed thanks during the evening to those who made the concert a success. But the Salt Spring

Folk Club itself deserves a round of applause for its efforts in the past year and a half.

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Big swing band dance party back by popular demand



BIG BAND SOUND: Members of Swing Shift stop to pose during a practice as they prepare for a dance at Fulford Hall on Saturday. Vocalist Sue Newman will join the group, which consists of members of the

Bandemonium community band. Tickets for the dance, which begins at 8:30 p.m., are \$10 at Murray's Brew Place, Acoustic Planet and Sharon's Country Home.

Photo by Tony Richards

Swing Shift band members are enthused about Saturday's big band dance at Fulford Hall.

But even if they weren't, there was the small matter of a "petition" from last year's dance, which was a two-night sell-out. At the end of the second night, the band was presented with a petition where its signatories demanded "more."

"There was such a great response we decided to do another one," said Swing Shift leader Murray Hunter.

But this year they rented a bigger space and the dance is on for one night only. The 17 band members have been polishing three sets of repertoire, which include favourites such as In the Mood, One O'clock Jump, Chattanooga Choo-Choo and Moonlight Serenade.

In the middle set they will be joined by Sue Newman, who is singing Fever, I'm Beginning to See the Light and more.

Another favourite entertainer

— trumpet player Dick Williams — who has been absent from island stages while in England, surprised the group by returning in time to play Saturday night's gig.

Doors open at 7:30 and the music starts an hour later.

"We'll go as long as we can go," said Hunter.

Since last year's dancers worked up their appetites, food has been added to the line-up. Parents of children at Salt Spring Island Preschool are selling appetizers such as veggies and dips, nacho chips and salsa, meat and vegetarian chili, and desserts, with funds aiding the non-profit society.

The dance is also a fundraiser for Bandemonium community band, of which Swing Shift is an offshoot.

Beer and wine will be available, and because of that, no minors are allowed and tickets must be bought in advance.

Tickets are \$10 and sold at Murray's Brewplace, Sharon's, Acoustic Planet and by band members.

Celebrated choir sings South American music

Venezuela, Uruguay, Puerto Rico, Brazil and Mexico are some of the countries Salt Spring Islanders can explore with Elektra Women's Choir May 2.

South and Central American music is the theme of next Saturday's concert with the celebrated Vancouver choir at the Activity Centre.

Called Southern Skies, the show was inspired when Vancouver choir members met their Venezuelan counterparts at the World Symposium on Choral Music in Australia in 1996.

After hearing the Cantoria Alberto Grau, conducted by Maria Guinand, Elektra members wanted to try some of the group's high-energy folk music from South America.

Since then, messages, music and CDs received from Guinand in Caracas have formed the basis of programming for Southern Skies. Vancouver percussionist Sal Ferreras, who was born in Puerto Rico, found additional repertoire.

The result is a concert which brings the audience as close as possible to "authentic" music from its countries of origin.

As Elektra co-conductor Morna Edmundson explains, "We wanted

to meet this music on its own terms as much as we could — in other words, not singing arrangements of this music by Canadians or Europeans, but the same textures and voicings that you might hear from a South American choir."

A "sacred" portion of the concert includes a Brazilian mass interwoven with shorter sacred pieces representing a variety of cultures.

The concert's second half features the folk music of Cantoria Alberto Grau. Elektra will be joined by musicians Ferreras, Carlos Cortes, Pepe Danza and Laurence Mollerup playing guitars, pan pipes, cuatros and percussion instruments.

Co-conductor Diane Loomer, also of Chor Leoni men's choir fame, co-founded Elektra with Edmundson in 1987. Elektra has won numerous awards, including first prize in four consecutive rounds of the CBC's National Choral Competition.

Southern Skies is brought to Salt Spring by Tuned Air Choral Society.

Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$7 for students and available at Moutat's ticket office, Sharon's Country Home, Murray's Brewplace and Stuff 'n' Nonsense.

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Singers stage traditional Ukrainian music

Slavic soul comes to Salt Spring when Zeellia visits the island May 2 and 3.

Zeellia is a women's musical group from Vancouver which has developed a large repertoire of traditional women's folksongs with Ukrainian and Slavic origins.

It performs at Mahon Hall next Saturday night beginning at 7:30 p.m.

The group sings in what is called "pure voice" — a traditional style, and explores harmonies, modal tonalities and open octave cadences.

Besides the evening concert, Zeellia is offering a workshop the next day at Salt Spring Centre from 1 to 4 p.m. It is open to anybody "who likes to sing while they work."

Wendi Gilson's Art and Garlic Productions is sponsoring Zeellia. Gilson says the idea of the workshop is to form an ongoing island group based on what is learned.

Zeellia was founded in the fall of 1991 by the group's musical director, Beverly Dobrinsky. She was inspired by the centenary of Ukrainian immigration to Canada, creating a musical means to express her Ukrainian-Canadian roots. Dobrinsky composes music based on her continuing research and collection of Ukrainian-Canadian folk music. Besides performing and arranging with Zeellia, she directs the choir at Emily Carr Institute and teaches private voice and Kodaly musicianship classes.



TRADITIONAL SOUND: "Pure voice" singing band Zeellia performs on Salt Spring at Mahon Hall next Saturday evening. The following day members will hold a workshop at Salt Spring Centre.

Carmen Rosen is another group member who has been with Zeellia since its inception. She is also a co-director and performer with Mortal Coil Performance Society and sings with Elektra Women's Choir which, coincidentally, will be performing on Salt Spring the same night.

Zeellia member Bessie Wapp is an interdisciplinary performer with training in voice and keyboards, fine arts and theatre. Since 1993 she has been a co-director and performer with Mortal Coil

Performance Society and has been a member of Razom Sestre.

Catherine McGrath is scheduled to replace regular fourth group artist Marion Rose, who was unavailable for the May 2 event.

Concert tickets are \$15, while the workshop costs \$35. Tickets and workshop registration are available at et cetera books on Hereford Avenue and through Art and Garlic Productions at 537-1541.

Food will be available at the May 2 concert. Doors open at 7 p.m.

Popular singer-songwriter prepares to perform and hold workshop here

Ferron is back to satisfy her Salt Spring fans in May, but in a different venue and with a workshop for any artist who wants to create new work with words.

The internationally-known singer-songwriter will perform at Alfresco Restaurant on Friday, May 8 beginning at 9:30 p.m.

Then on May 9 and 10 she holds a workshop titled Opening to the Muse. Artists or writers of any medium can attend the ses-

sion, which includes guided exercises for opening up channels to lyrical content.

"Meditation, intuitive problem solving, grounding techniques and speed writing will be used to help you develop the ears to hear and the courage to work with your creative voice," states promotional material.

While the workshop is a few weeks away, the registration deadline is April 24 (Friday). Participation is limited to 12

people and the cost is \$175, including lunch on both days. For more information and to register, call Liz Forrest of the Bodymind Workshop at 653-2046.

Ferron is known as a writer of powerful, intimate and inspiring music, and has received acclaim for releases such as Still Riot, Driver and Phantom Center.

Tickets for the Alfresco show are \$18 and available at The Rare Find in Mouat's Mall.

Country band at Legion

The Gold Diggers are bringing their country and pop music sound to the Salt Spring Legion Saturday night.

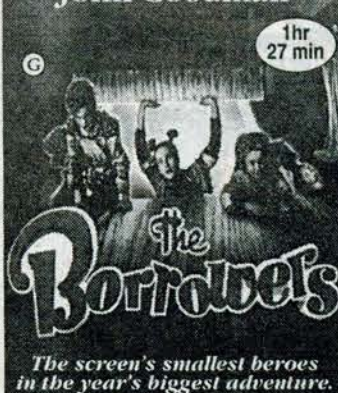
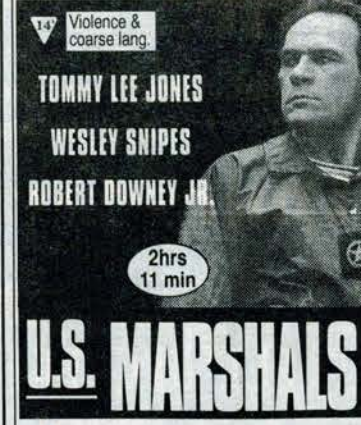
Based on southern Vancouver Island, the five-member band recently recorded its debut CD called Big Fish, Small Pond, consisting of 10 original songs, some of which have received radio play.

The Gold Diggers cover a wide range of artists, including both female and male vocalists, and songs that feature harmonies. Members say their unique sound "is sure to get audiences on their feet and onto the dance floor."

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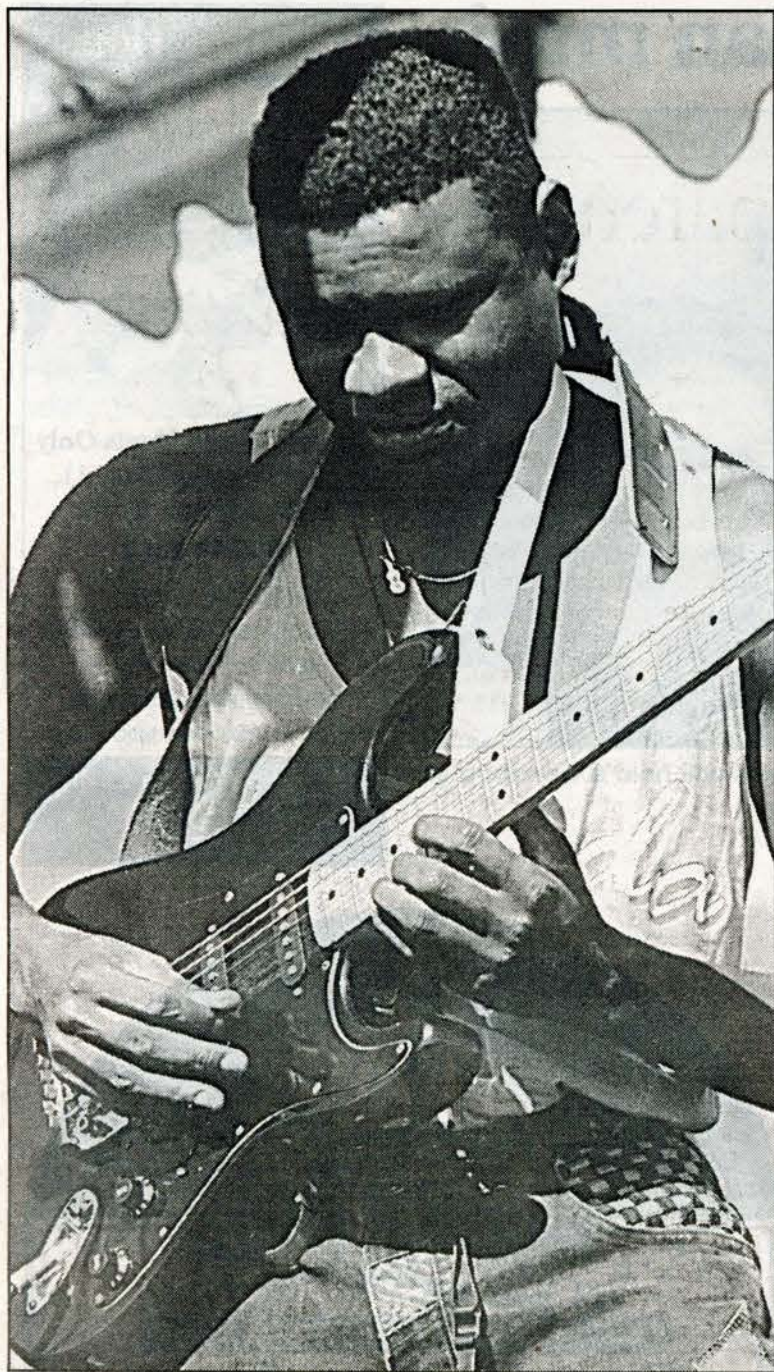
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HIGHLY ACCLAIMED: Alpha Yaya Diallo plays the Harbour House tomorrow (Thursday) night, bringing his Bafing band and award-winning sound that will likely force dancers onto the floor.

Diallo is back on island with funk, groove beat

Alpha Yaya Diallo's amazing West African "funk 'n' groove" music had the sold-out crowd dancing at the Harbour House when he and his band came to Salt Spring last fall.

Islanders have a chance to do it again tomorrow night (Thursday).

Diallo and his Bafing band have been described as one of the top world beat groups in Canada. Two Diallo albums were nominated for Juno awards — Nene in 1994 and Futur in 1996. Futur was dubbed national recording of the year award at the Music Africa Awards.

Soaring vocals, incredible drumming and guitar work are just some of reasons Futur was so highly-acclaimed, and listeners can't help but want to dance.

Diallo was from Guinea, West Africa before moving to Europe to pursue a music career. While touring Canada he fell in love with Vancouver and has made it his home since 1991.

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SIMS band earns spot in festival

The Salt Spring Middle School jazz band will participate in a national music festival next month.

The band earned a "superior" ranking on Saturday at a regional jazz festival in Nanaimo, which gave it a berth in the Music Fest Canada event May 12-17. Bands from across Canada will attend.

have one of the very finest African bands on this continent living right here," wrote Tony Montague in the Georgia Straight.

The show starts at 9:30 p.m.

Tickets cost \$12 in advance and are available at the Harbour House. If there are any tickets left they will cost more at the door.



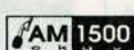
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• **Gold Diggers** — Dance to country, Elvis, Beatles and mixed music. Saturday, April 25, 8:30 p.m. at the Royal Canadian Legion. Members and guests welcome.

Music

• **Moby's Marine Pub** — Wednesday Night Live hosted by Charles Wilton, April 22, 9 p.m.

• **Harbour House Wheelhouse Pub** — Alpha Yaya Diallo will perform on Thursday, April 23 at 9 p.m. Tickets \$12 in advance, available at the front desk.

• **Harbour House Wheelhouse Pub** — Rock with House Party on Friday and Saturday, April 24 and 25.

• **Alfresco Restaurant** — Barrington Perry plays piano every Saturday evening starting at 6:30 p.m.

• **Moby's Marine Pub** — Sunday Dinner Jazz with the Larry Miller Trio on April 26 at 8 p.m.

Cinema

• **The Borrowers** — Wondrous visual effects, a top flight cast and Gemma Jackson's magical art direction enhance Peter Hewitt's immensely entertaining family film adapted from Mary Norton's novels about the resourceful Lilliputian folks of the title who dwell beneath the floorboards of British homes. Playing Friday, Saturday and Tuesday, April 24, 25 and 28 at 7 p.m., and Sunday, April 26 at 4 p.m. 1 hour, 27 minutes. Rated General. Cinema Central.

• **U.S. Marshal** — If you enjoyed The Fugitive you'll love this action-packed follow-up. U.S. marshal Tommy Lee Jones steals

the show as Sam Gerard, the gruff lawman on the trail of a Chicago truck driver (Wesley Snipes) accused of murder. Playing Friday, Saturday and Tuesday, April 24, 25 and 28 at 9 p.m., and Sunday and Monday, April 26 and 27 at 7:30 p.m. 2 hours, 11 minutes. Rated 14A, violence and coarse language. Cinema Central.

Stage

• **Graffiti Theatre's Jack and Jill** — A rivetting, roller coaster, romantic comedy starring Stewart Katz and Laurie Clarke, directed by Yvonne Adalian. Show runs April 23, 24 and 25 at 8 p.m. at Mahon Hall. Tickets \$12, available at Island Books Plus and Patterson's.

Family

• **Pre-School Storytime** — Mary Hawkins Library, every Monday at 10 a.m. The more the merrier!

• **Storytime at West of the Moon** — Every Tuesday morning. Ages 2 to 3, 9:30 to 10 a.m.; ages 3 to 5, 10 to 10:30 a.m. Join us!

Galleries

• **Pegasus Gallery of Canadian Art** — Larry Bracegirdle will be showing his work from April 25 to May 7. Show opening on Saturday,

April 25 from 3 to 5 p.m. The artist will be in attendance.

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• **Wednesday, April 22** — 1 p.m., Cable in the Classroom, "Street Patterns" looks at the effects of architecture in our lives.

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Popular website urges 'attachment parenting'

By GAIL SJUBERG
Driftwood Staff

The success of a Salt Spring-based non-profit parenting website has surprised even its founders.

HTML file hits on the site, called The Natural Child Project — Parenting and Education that Respects Children, have been steadily growing since it began in December 1996, and reached the 1,850-per-day mark last week.

Jan Hunt, a psychologist, writer and proponent of "attachment parenting," put together the website with her son Jason, 17, who designed it and handles its artistic components. They established the site with a few of Jan's articles when they lived in the Comox Valley.

Since then it has grown to eight megs of text and graphics, which includes articles by American author Alice Miller (and is her only "official" website), well-known attachment parenting family counsellor Naomi Aldort and other authors, the Global Children's Art Gallery, letters from readers, Jan's answers to parenting questions, classified ads and links to other selected "sites of the month." It's all easy to navigate with a search engine put together by Island Net.

The art gallery has also exceeded expectations. It currently includes 110 well-presented art pieces from children aged 1 through 12 world-wide.

The Hunts' site has also received more than 50 official accolades, from Explorations 10 Cool Sites list and USA Today's Hot Site to the latest one: the April '98 Childfun Award. It was also featured on CNN and Canada AM TV programs.

Jan says the hit numbers and amount of supportive mail she receives are not only encouraging but surprising, since the views and information on the site are "even beyond cutting edge." The Natural Child Project isn't just opposed to spanking children, it is opposed to the use of all punishment in childrearing. Attachment parenting, which fosters strong connections between children and parents through practices such as long-term breastfeeding and the family bed are promoted.

"Our vision is a world in which all children are treated with dignity, respect, understanding and compassion," states the website.



"In such a world, every child can grow into adulthood with a generous capacity for love and trust. Our society has no more urgent task."

Jan elaborates on some of the ideas. "Perfect" behaviour should not be expected from children at all times (it is not demanded of adults) and parents should trust children will develop as they should, without being pushed by externally-defined expectations. Jan cites toilet training as a classic area where children are unnecessarily pushed.

"Every child has a built-in clock and timetable, and we need to respect that," she says.

She quotes home-schooling proponent John Holt in one explanation of this theory — "Children are not trains." If a train is late at its first five stops, it will likely be late arriving at its final destination. "But a child can be late at all the stops and then suddenly be ahead of everybody else," she says.

Trusting children in another way is also important. If people look for the underlying intentions behind a child's behaviour, they will discover he or she intends to be helpful and contribute to the world, even if a lack of experience makes the child do that in less than ideal ways.

Ironically, she observes, some people view attachment parenting ideas as "new age," when in fact they are "old age." The crib, for example, is only about 120 years old, and has proven itself a "bad experiment."

"We went off the track and I'm

just trying to get people back on track," she says.

If people living in natural societies "saw the way we live and watched a baby being left to 'cry it out,' they would think we are insane ... which we are."

But Jan feels the website popularity indicates "our society is more ready than we realize" to change child-rearing practices of the past century.

The Natural Child Project has become so successful that volunteers are needed to help keep up with the non-profit society's work: someone to assist with paperwork and running the office, and another with Internet skills to add items to the website. Volunteers "must definitely be sold on attachment parenting," says Jan.

She became "sold" through her

WEBSITE TEAM: Jan and Jason Hunt are a mother and son team who have created The Natural Child Project, an attachment parenting-based website which also includes the Global Children's Art Gallery. The site is receiving a phenomenal 1,850 HTML file hits per day and has won numerous awards.

Photo by Gail Sjuberg

experience as a mother, involvement with La Leche League, home-schooling groups, and from books and individuals she encountered along the way. She wants to give back what she has learned so new parents can avoid "learning the hard way."

Besides being a family counsellor specializing in attachment parenting (even at the prenatal stage), Jan is an editorial assistant for Empathic Parenting magazine, and has published articles in Mothering magazine. The next issue includes her article on websites for families, which will be followed by a regular column on updates.

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- APR. 25: Canadian Federation of University Women, Chris Arnett speaking, Lions Hall, 1:30pm.
- APR. 25: Gold Diggers, Royal Canadian Legion, 8:30pm.
- APR. 27: Lady Minto Hospital Aux. general meeting, United Church Hall, 2pm.
- MAY 2: Ducks Unlimited dinner & auction fundraiser, Meaden Hall, 6pm.
- MAY 24: SPCA Wiggle Waggle Walkathon, 10am.

EVERY WEDNESDAY

- Seniors & Alzheimers support group, SS Seniors bldg, 11am
- Archery Shooting, SSI Rod & Gun Club, 7pm.
- Stamp Collectors all ages, SS 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 Practitioners group, SS Seniors, 7pm (every 1st Wed.)
- Drop in centre for people with mental health concerns, basement of SSI Community Centre, 3:30-5:30pm.
- SSI Painters' Guild meetings, Hart Bradley Hall, 9:30-noon
- Salt Spring Health Assoc., Lady Minto meeting rm, 4pm-5:30pm, (4th Wed. of every month)
- Life drawing, United Church upstairs, 1:15-3:15pm.

EVERY THURSDAY

- Parkinsons Support Gr., Croftonbrook, 2pm, (second Thurs. of the mo.)
- Luncheon, SS Seniors, 12 noon
- Chess Club, SS Seniors Bldg., 7pm.
- Reading Club for 7-12 year olds, Library, 1:30-2:30, July 10-Aug. 14.
- Scottish Country Dancers, Anglican Church Hall, 6pm.
- SSI Weavers' Guild, Baptist Church, 10:30-1:00

EVERY FRIDAY

- Fulford OAP #170, bingo 2:00pm.
- Games afternoon, SS Seniors, 1:30pm, Mah Jongg 12:30pm.
- Drop in centre for people with mental health concerns, basement of SSI Community Centre, 3:30-5:30pm.
- A Course in Miracles, study group, 552 Rainbow Rd. #A, 11-12:30.
- Smiles Café, United Church-Ganges, 12-1pm (4th Friday of ea. mo.)

EVERY SATURDAY

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

EVERY MONDAY

- Free blood pressure clinic, SS 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
- Spanish conversation group, SS Seniors, 10am-noon (not last Monday of the mo.)
- SS Weavers & Spinner, @ Farmers' Ins. to use the library, 10:30am (every 2nd Thurs.)
- SSI Buddhist meditation group, 135 McPhillips Ave., 7:30pm.
- Bandemonium, Meaden Hall, the Legion, 7-9pm.
- Hand gun, SSI Rod & Gun Club, 7pm
- Carpet bowling, OAP Fulford hall, 2pm.
- Drop in centre for people with mental health concerns, basement of SSI Community Centre, 3:30-5:30pm.
- Authumn session, Reader's Theatre, Croftonbrook Hall, 10-12.
- Children's storytime, Mary Hawkins Library, 10am.
- Health & nutrition for families, Family Place 9:30-12pm (3rd Mon. ea. mo.)
- Grief Recovery seminars, United Church, 7pm (Jan. 19-Feb. 23)
- Chess Club, SS Seniors, 10am.
- Duplicate Bridge, lower hall Baptist Church, 7pm

EVERY TUESDAY

- Seniors choir practices, SS Seniors, 10:30am.
- Target Archery, Fulford Hall, 4:30-6. Archery lessons 3:30-4:30.
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ISLAND FACES



Lynda Brown, shown with daughter Kelly, was born in Welland, Ontario and moved with her husband, the late Bard Brown, to Salt Spring in 1984, after spending five years renovating the family home here. The cou-

ple owned and operated Ganges Marina, and Lynda currently runs the PetroCan gas station. A "people person" who loves to fish, Lynda has also worked as an accountant and raised two children.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Garlic wine purgeth brains, but favoured at celebration

Avril and I have just celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary and it was wonderful.

She was not able to go to her many friends so they came to her. Some brought gifts but they all brought sentiments. I look through the cards and I think that the common denominator was expressed exquisitely by Bevan and Deb: "Our warmest and best wishes to you both on this wonderful occasion. Your love and commitment to each other is an inspiring example to us. We are honoured to be counted among your many friends. Thanks for sharing your sparkle with us. We love you very much."

Bevan, Deb, Brie, Sholet and Jamaica."

Flowers and Wine supplied 50 roses and 25 helium-filled balloons, Steve Martin of Alfresco's catered a magnificent supper, and Pat Anderson and Murray Shoolbraid played gentle Gershwin. Who could ask for anything more?

Avril never looked more beautiful and she wore a new dress. Lyn, who was off duty, came in specially to do her hair.

I have never been more aware of the unique support we share on our island.

ALEX MITCHELL



My sons and their ladies and my lone grandchild (hint, hint!) were there and we talked well into the night and reminisced. They recalled our fights.

Avril: "You realize, of course, that you are nothing but a picayune, fusillanemous prick?"

Alex: "Your mother wears army boots."

I never had a chance!

Derrick Lundy took photographs and I think the many guests who dropped in. Without exception they wanted the garlic wine recipe which I will now reveal.

Some 3,800 years ago, the Egyptians supplied their slaves, who were building the pyramids, with garlic wine. Seemingly it gave them the strength and energy to keep working and the closest they ever came to rebellion was when the wine ran out.

I know that many of you are building pyramids in the back yard so here goes, a recipe to motivate your spouses.

Ingredients:

- 1 large onion
- 1 1/2 lbs. garlic
- 1 lb. barley
- 2 lbs. raisins
- 2 gallons water
- 4 lbs. sugar
- 2 pkgs. yeast

Use a five-gallon crock pot. Peel and slice onion. Clean and add barley and unpeeled chopped garlic. Add cut up raisins. Dissolve sugar in water; add to pot. Dissolve yeast in 1/2 cup warm water; add to pot. Sit pot in warm place (68-70 degrees F.) and let ferment. Stir daily. Fermentation will take 14 days. Strain, clear and bottle.

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Health care society honours two

Two life memberships were awarded at the annual general meeting of the Galiano Health Care Society.

The first went to Kathlyn Bengier for her hard work on the health care survey and the proposal put forward for "Closer to Home" funding. "Kath" has also spent many hours helping those on the island who are alone at home and not well.

The second life membership went to retiring president Wally Duncan, who spent eight years on the board and two as president. His constant attempts "to see all in good repair at the centre" were appreciated by those at the meeting. He hopes to continue to help in this way in the future.

Guest speaker at the meeting was Karen Davies, manager of patient-client care for the southern Gulf Islands. Her topic was the rise in home care costs due to new hospital regulations and how this is being handled by home care support workers.

The usual annual reports showed a busy year for the society, particularly in the use of loan equipment for home clients. Newly-elected president Irene Frith gave thanks on behalf of the society, and the community generally, to retiring directors Trish Cowperwaite, Dora Darling, Wally Duncan and Basil Bengier.

Jean Krebs and Gloria Clothier were each elected to further two-

GALIANO NOTES

WITH ALISTAIR ROSS



year terms on the board. New directors elected were Al Gray, Nancy Davidson and Lee Trentadue.

Sale a success

Lady luck was with North Galiano's volunteer fire department the day of their recent Sale of Modern Antiques. It poured with rain all the previous night and early that morning, cleared before the 11 a.m. opening, and was warm and sunny for the remainder of the day. Shoppers increased in numbers as the opening hour approached. It was for many the first time they were able to chat with their "weekend neighbours" for some months.

Auctioneer Pam Freir made the outdoor part of the sale a success. Nancy Davidson and Ted Bings were there to barbecue hot dogs and serve coffee, Ellen den Holder to man a plant stall filled with donated plant starts and seedlings. Bea Robson, Runiciman Hooley and Joan Newstead sold raffle tickets.

In the hall all was laid out carefully. Donated second-hand goods were dusted, washed or polished to look their very best. It took the ladies — Joan Waterman, Miriam Bings, Sheila

Darby, Pat Hughes and others two days to get all in readiness.

Bill Stafford, Ted Waterman, Ted Bings, Jim Robson, Merv Olson, Brian Cowperwaite and Al Gray assisted with the auction and in other ways as well.

Sales were good, nearly \$3,000 gross realized by day's end.

Raffle prize winners were Danny Mattin, Jim Byrnes, Virginia Bobsien, Lee Trentadue, Phil MacAllen, Alistair Ross and Ria Okuda. Prizes were donated by north-island businesses and by individuals.

Other news

Montague Harbour resident Nancy Bosner has been named the new CRD Marriage Commissioner for Galiano. She replaced Pam Freir, on the job for about two years. Phone Bosner at 539-2518 for further information.

The Galiano Club is holding its annual general meeting this Saturday at 10:30 a.m. in the South Galiano Community Hall. Memberships are renewable at \$6 a person, additional donations gratefully received. Tax receipts will be issued for donations of \$10 or more.

The Lions Club's annual seafood dinner takes place this Saturday evening in the Activity Centre. Dinner tickets are long sold out but raffle tickets are still available and, who knows, there may be a few last-minute cancellations. Phone Clair Switzer at 539-2716.

Distinctive version of haroset offered

In my opinion, three weeks in California is three weeks too long, particularly in Southern California where 29 million of the total 30 million population must live.

The traffic is a nightmare, and every foot of ground is covered over by either housing or concrete. However, we make the obligatory trip down there every few years, which serves to reinforce our opinion that the Gulf Islands are the best place to live.

We spent the most enjoyable time with our friends Rita and her husband the Orthodox rabbi. Rita has appeared in this column several times because of her outstanding recipes given the constraints of a kosher kitchen. This time we were pleased to meet her cousin, Hal

WHAT'S COOKING

Loman, who turned out to have an impressive past. After seeing a video of him and his then wife appearing on the Ed Sullivan Show, we found out that, as internationally-known ballroom dancers, they had opened for virtually every famous singer in the '50s, '60s and '70s. Frank Sinatra, Sammy Davis, Jr., Bobby Darin, you name it, the Lomans were on the bill. Felled by a stroke 10 years ago, Hal's performances now are limited to "Yes, No, Wow!" and smiling a lot.

The Passover meal included haroset (hair-AH-set), a mixture of fruits, nuts and sweet

wine. There are dozens of variations, but Rita has her own distinctive version. I can see this as a delicious, but definitely untraditional, substitute for apple sauce with ham or pork chops, or for cranberry sauce with turkey.

HAROSET

2 apples, peeled
1 cup raisins
1 cup walnuts
Peel and juice of 1 orange
1/3 cup sweet wine
(Manishevitz was used, but sweet sherry should do)

Chop all together in a blender or food processor. This is even better the next day when the fruits have had a chance to marinate in the juice and wine.

Gulf Islands Duplicate Bridge Club winners on April 13 were Tony Luton and Yvonne Sollitt.

Conhor Hunt and Ian Thomas took second place, and Lois Johnson and Jim Burford finished third.

April 6 winners were Irene Hawksworth and Dorothy Sneddon,

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followed by Shirley Love and Isabelle Richardson, Joan Conlan and Blanche Poborsa, and Burford and Cassie Cherniwchan.

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Saturna Islander remembered for kindness, community works

Fred Smith, known to many on Saturna for his familiar, happy face, passed away suddenly on Thursday while he was working at a Lions wood cutting work bee beside the Recycling Centre.

Fred was surrounded by friends and doing one of the things he loved to do as a part of the community.

Fred and Jo Smith lived on Saturna for over a decade. Fred spent many years before that working for the city of Vancouver as a heavy equipment operator until health problems forced him to take an early retirement.

Fred was a straightforward man who loved Saturna. He enjoyed his retirement home and spent many hours in the garden and keeping the house looking lovely. He belonged to the Lions Club and often volunteered to serve dinner on ladies' night. He enjoyed working with his many friends on Lions activities.

Every spring and fall he and his wife Jo liked to go to Reno. They enjoyed the trip and Fred was very lucky. He was regularly a winner both at Reno and at home. Last week he won one a 50-50 draw at the Lions Crab Fest.

Fred leaves behind his wife Jo and their son Douglas, daughter-in-law Sherry and two grandchildren, Andrew and Amy.

He was a really good neighbour. He will be remembered here for his kindness and generosity to everyone. He was a quiet man and an asset to the island who will be sorely missed. A memorial service was set for April 22 in Vancouver.

SATURNA NOTES
WITH GAIL TRAFFORD



Coastal Watch

B.C. Coastal Watch representatives are planning an information meeting on Saturna from 9:15 to 11:15 a.m. April 30 at the Community Hall. Several guests, including Jack Palliser, the head of the Rescue Coordination Centre of B.C. will be on hand to provide information and answer questions.

The British Columbia head of Coastal Watch, Anne Clarke from Victoria, will attend with Frank Devries from the Pender Island branch. Bill Bastendorf, who created the Polaris Marker, and Terry McLachlin, the RCMP officer from Mayne Island, will also be at the meeting.

Volunteers are being recruited to keep a watch on the coast. This service is for boating safety and crime prevention. Everyone is welcome to attend the meeting and find out more about Coastal Watch. For more information about the meeting call Tanya Cooke at 539-3246.

Other news

Saturna's new local phone book is now available at both stores. Thanks to the volunteers, Frank Neumann and Dayle Johnson, for putting this project together on behalf of Saturna Elementary School. Funds raised by the phone book will be invested in the school's technology program.

• Baseball season has begun. The Oystercatchers will be practising on Wednesday evenings starting at 5:30 p.m. at the Winter Cove Park ball diamond. Anyone interested in playing or cheering on the team is welcome to come out and enjoy the fun.

• Saturna's Community Day will be held at Thompson Park May 2 starting at 9:30 a.m. Many will remember the first Community Day last year when close to 80 people came out for the celebration. This year's agenda will include spending the morning beautifying the park. This will be followed by a picnic lunch and a fun-filled afternoon. Coffee, tea and juice will be provided and barbecues will be on hand, but please bring your own lunch.

Everyone is invited. Viable Marine will provide transportation from the government dock to Saturna Beach at 9:30, 10:15 and 11 a.m. The return trips will begin around 3 p.m. A small donation toward the boat's operating costs would be appreciated.

• Salmon are on the loose. Friday night the salmonid enhancement project volunteers released thousands of chum fry raised on Lyall Creek.

Forty-two thousand eggs were delivered from Goldstream Park, January 6 and incubated in a new aluminum tank on Lyall Creek. This year's project was cited as being highly successful. The stream is full of fish and the workers are happily anticipating full-grown fish returning annually as they did in past centuries.

Thanks to improvements to the culvert under East Point Road, the fish will have smooth sailing.

Interfaith service honours Earth Day

Song, dance, prayer and meditation by six different faiths will highlight Salt Spring's eighth annual interfaith service, slated for this Sunday in celebration of Earth Day.

The service will take place at the Activity Centre in Ganges, beginning at 2 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Included in the repertoire of events are songs performed by Lisa Maxx and Elvira Graci, a flute solo by Shelley Kelly, plus a presentation by the Gulf Islands Secondary School dancers.

Prayers and meditation from the

Baha'i, Buddhist, Christian, Jewish, Yogi and Wiccan communities will also be included.

"Everyone, individually and collectively, will make a pledge to the earth to help restore and maintain its balance and integrity," said one organizer, Matthew Coleman, in a press release.

Guest speaker for the event is Dr. Harold Coward, history professor and director of the Centre for Studies in Religion and Society at the University of Victoria.

For the past 12 years Coward has been the director of interdiscipli-

nary research teams bringing knowledge of science, social science and the world's religions to bear on the major problems facing the world today.

"He is an excellent, well-researched speaker with new ideas on forwarding the preservation of the planet," Coleman said.

Earth Day on Salt Spring has been celebrated for the past seven years with an interfaith service as well as other activities where "caring people of good heart" have gathered "to celebrate the joys of being alive on the good earth."

Garden expert at home show

A gardening expert from the University of B.C. will be one of the guest speakers at the Salt Spring Home Show next month.

Judy Newton, the assistant education coordinator at the UBC Botanical Garden, will discuss gardens at the show, sched-

uled for May 2 and 3.

Newton is a regular contributor to Gardens West magazine, frequently appears on CBC TV's Canadian Gardener and is the author of three gardening books.

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NORTH SALT SPRING WATERWORKS DISTRICT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Ratepayers of the North Salt Spring Waterworks District will be held at 8:00 p.m. on Monday the 27th of April, 1998, at the Masonic Hall, 506 Lower Ganges Road, Salt Spring Island, B.C.

As required by the Letters Patent of the District the Annual General Meeting will be held for the following purposes:

1. To receive from the Trustees a report on the condition of the works and a statement of the financial condition of the Improvement District.
2. To discuss with the Trustees any matter relating to the works or finances of the Improvement District.
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Green thumbs

Master gardeners Donna Cochran, left, and Barbara Archer answer questions about home gardening at the Salt Spring Garden Club's annual spring plant sale. The event saw an avalanche of people descend upon vendors at the Farmers Institute building Saturday.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Island Pathways agm celebrates anniversary

A birthday cake and door prizes will add to the festive feel of Island Pathways' annual general meeting and 10-year anniversary celebration.

The event is set for May 1 at the United Church on Hereford Avenue. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m., followed by a slide show one hour later.

The evening will include a "year in review" presentation, including a look at the Portlock Park bike lane project, and a report on a recent outdoor recreation survey presented by Parks, Arts and Recreation Commission member Jamie Squier. Election for a new board of directors will also take place.

At 8 p.m. host and guest speaker Patti May Lawson will take the

audience on a journey through parts of the historic Kettle Valley Railway — soon to be incorporated in the Trans Canada Trail System.

Built in the late 1800s and an active railway until the mid-1940s, the old railway bed (dubbed McCullough's Wonder) has been converted to a multi-recreational trail enjoyed by hikers, cyclists and horseback riders.

Lawson will describe the development of three sections of the Kettle Valley River as well as the popular Galloping Goose regional trail.

Island Pathways members can attend the meeting and slide show for free, while non-members are asked to pay by donation. Everyone is welcome.

New yoga classes offered at Centre

Geezer Yoga and Forgiveness Asanas are two new yoga classes offered at Salt Spring Centre.

Sid Filkow's Geezer Yoga is back by popular demand on Monday afternoons at 4:30 p.m.

"Curmudgeons of all ages and genders can enjoy a gentle, irreverent approach to yoga basics: postures, breathing techniques and meditation, with pithy advice about life in general thrown in at

absolutely no additional cost," states a centre press release.

A class called Forgiveness Asanas, led by Rajani Rock, runs from 9 to 10:30 a.m. The forgiveness asana series is part of a spiritual practice of Bhakti Yoga which helps develop devotion and calms the mind.

"The body and breath move in a certain way, balancing the physical and mental aspects of our

being. Each asana is a surrender, a calling to the self, indwelling spirit or high power as something greater than our own limited ego."

Several other yoga classes taught by longtime teachers Celeste Mallett, Beverlee Lane, Diane Kent, Ursula Haywood and Lokesh are ongoing at the centre. Call 537-2326 for more information.

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Announcements

5 BIRTHS

IAN & SANDY Kyle are thrilled to announce the arrival of Emma Rose on Saturday, April 11. A wee sister for Aaron and Sarah. Proud grandparents: Lindsay and Dorothy Kyle, Salt Spring Island, and Larry and Audrey Murdock, Port Perry, Ontario. We wish to thank Maggie Ramsey, Jules Atkins, and Gail Mussel for her safe delivery and the staff of Lady Minto for their excellent care.

6 DEATHS

PAYNE - RONALD Humphreys passed away April 18, 1998 at Lady Minto after a short illness. Born in Vancouver Sept. 2, 1916. Survived by his loving wife Vera, son David (Kathy). One sister Doris, nephew Dale, niece Shirley. Cremation Services at All Saints by the Sea, Friday April 24 at 2:00pm. No flowers by request, donations to Lady Minto Hospital or charity of choice.

8 CARDS OF THANKS

CLEO M. WESTON. Many thank yous to Mom's very loving and caring friends, Joyce Bader, Doreen Davidson and Betty Smith who were there for my Mom and myself, at home and at the hospital. Also, very special friends Ethel Davidson, Nadine Sims, Mary Poyntz, Wayne and Yvonne Sollitt, Jonah and Joshua Marshall and many other good friends too numerous to mention. Thank you to the wonderful nurses that took care of Mom and were so kind to me. Also, Dr. Reznick and other staff at Lady Minto Hospital. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the S.P.C.A., Salt Spring or to the Salvation Army. Sheila Grappin.

A HEARTFELT thanks to the kind person who rescued our Yorkshire Terrier "Midge" on Lower Ganges Road. We are sincerely grateful. Paul & Heather Kusch.

10 CELEBRATIONS



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14 IN MEMORIAM

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Notices

20 COMING EVENTS

GIANT COMMUNITY Garage Sale Saturday, April 25, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Salt Spring Island Middle School gym. To rent a table, parking lot space or donate items please call 537-1005, 537-5367.

PLANNING AN event? Check the Community Calendar for a schedule of community events and avoid double-booking. Located at the Driftwood Office, 328 Lower Ganges Rd.

AGM FOR Central Community Hall Society, Wednesday, April 22, 7:30 p.m.

MAPPING WORKSHOP Sunday, May 3 with Briony Penn - an exciting presenter teaches you how to map the special features of your land. Spaces limited. \$25. Phone Fiona Flook, 653-9202, Salt Spring Island Conservancy.

VENDORS - NOT doing Saturday Market? Join us Sundays at The Fulford Inn Open Air Market, starting May 3. \$5/spot. New management, original format. 537-0710.

CAROLE MATTHEWS, psychic consultant taking appts. on island April 27 and 28. Call 537-2031. Join Carole on AM900 Saturday evenings 7-9 p.m.

AUCTION FRIDAY, MAY 8, 7 p.m. Art featuring Carole Evans, Carol Haigh, Diana Dean, etc. Goods and services. At the Core Inn, 134 McPhillips Ave.

ACADIAN, CAJUN Music at its best! Barachois. You won't be able to keep still. Early evening so that you can bring your family. 7:00 to 9:00. Activity Centre. May 6th. Sponsored by Mouats and Driftwood. Produced by Peter Bardon. Tickets at Mouats and et cetera. Adults \$15, Students/Children \$8.

ANNUAL GENERAL Meeting of the Core Inn Youth Project Society. New members welcome. Wednesday, May 6, 7 p.m. at the Core Inn. 134 McPhillips Ave.

FROM WOODEN chairs to brass bells, to skis, rhinestones, blankets and books, great bargains. Interesting stuff. SSI Conservancy Rummage Sale, April 25, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. All Saints Church.

BANKRUPTCY AUCTION. May 6, 1pm. 1988 35'11" Thundercraft Magnum 290 Express cruiser, with twin V6 engines. For info call Gord, Campbell River Auctions Ltd., (250) 287-3939.

THE ARTSPRING SURPRISE GETS EVEN BETTER!!

Not only OPEN DOORS and TOURS, but sounds, lights, food, people, action! (and no admission charge)
 Jot it down:
May 2, 10 - 6
 Don't miss it if you can!
 (Psst - Valdy's coming, too.)



20 COMING EVENTS

SALT SPRING ISLAND GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, April 22
 7:30pm
 ~CLUBHOUSE~

By Order of the Board
 Patsy Siemens,
 Secretary to the Board

TUNED AIR

presents:

ELEKTRA Award Winning Women's Choir

presenting
Southern Skies
 with Sal Ferreras & friends
 Directed by
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 & Morna Edmundson
 Sat., May 2, 1998 ~ 8pm

Salt Spring Activity Centre
 Adults \$15 ~ Students \$7
 Tickets at Mouat's Ticket Office,
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 Sharon's, and
 Stuff & Nonsense,
 or by calling
 537-5272

Third Annual ArtCamp 98

Loads of arts related activities from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily for children ages 6 to 12 years. Professional instructors. Classes include sculpting, group singing with accompanists, painting, maskmaking, tying, watercolour, movement and more. Swimming and games. Staff of 5 adult and 5 student assistants, enrollment limited. 3 one week sessions; July 20 to 24, July 27 to 31 and August 3 to 7. Call 250-537-1211 or e-mail us at english@saltspring.com

FULFORD HARBOUR WATERWORKS

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
 April 27, 1998 @ 7pm
 O.A.P. Room Fulford Hall
 1 trustee to be elected 3yr. term. Information update on system upgrade. Votes will be taken on motions at this meeting.

Alliance of Salt Spring Artists present "Stepping Away"

An Exhibit of Paintings, Sculpture and Mixed Media

A unique opportunity to receive critiques of your work! Respected art curators from Vancouver and Victoria will jury exhibit and provide feedback to artists.
ALL WORK WILL BE EXHIBITED

May 11 to 18, Mahon Hall

Call for Entry Forms may be picked up at Island Books Plus

For more information call Michael Robb 537-5654, Diana Thompson 537-5130 or Ben Goodman 537-8980

20 COMING EVENTS

Gulf Islands NDP

SPRING BAZAAR

Sat. Apr. 25, ~ 10-2 at the
United Church Hall Hereford Ave.
Plants, books, stamps, baked goods, silent auction

Ducks Unlimited Canada

15TH ANNUAL DINNER & AUCTION FUNDRAISING EVENT

Saturday, May 2nd
 Meaden Hall • 6:00 p.m.
 LIVE & SILENT AUCTIONS WITH DECOYS, FURNITURE PRINTS & COLLECTIBLES! DOOR PRIZES! RAFFLES!

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SALT SPRING ISLAND GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB

There will be a free clinic for **junior members** of the club - boys & girls age six & over - starting Wednesday, May 6, 3:30pm for five consecutive weeks. This will cover Level I instruction for beginners & novice players. Details are posted on Junior notice board - lower level in club house. Pre-registration is required by May 15. Space is limited. Register early.

20 COMING EVENTS

LADY MINTO HOSPITAL AUXILIARY SOCIETY

APRIL GENERAL MEETING

will be held on
 April 27, 1998
 at 2:00 p.m.
 UNITED CHURCH HALL
Visitors welcome

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1 DAY SALE

Saturday, April 25
 from 10 - 3pm
 at the
All Saints by the Sea Anglican Church

Heather 537-9717
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Nursing Week Celebration
 Meet & Greet with
Rob Calnan
 RNABC President

&
Maggie Ramsey
 Community Midwife
 Meeting Rm. LMH.
 May 7/98 @ 1400
 Refreshments served

RACE WITH THE STINGRAYS

SALT SPRING'S COMPETITIVE SWIM TEAM

REGISTRATION SATURDAY, MAY 2 PORLOCK PARK 10:00am - 2:00pm

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20 COMING EVENTS

ISLAND PATHWAYS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & SLIDE SHOW

Friday, May 1
United Church - Lower Level
111 Hereford Ave. Ganges
Annual General Meeting: 7pm
"Island Pathways Year in Review"
Slide Show: 8pm
"Ghosts of the K.V.R."
Guest Speaker Patti May Lawson
Members - free admission
All others - admission to slide show by donation
Birthday cake, refreshments & door prizes
Everyone welcome

Festival of Arts
presents
PIED PUMKIN
Reunion
Dance/Concert
Sunday, May 17
Activity Centre
a benefit for the Core Inn.

BEDDIS WATERWORKS DISTRICT

Notice of Annual General Meeting to be held on **WED., 29th APRIL, 1998** at 7:30pm at the Salt Spring Sailing Club, Douglas Rd. (off Beddis Rd.)

AGENDA

1. Financial Report.
2. Trustees' Report on the condition of the system.
3. Discussion of any concerns regarding the system.
4. Election of Auditor for the ensuing year.
5. Election of one Trustee for a term of three years.

FIRE & LOVE
Spiritual Gathering
Saturdays, 7pm Sharp
DISCOURSE, MEDITATION, DANCE JAM
Bring: Musical instrument, finger food & something to sit on!
\$5 over 12 years
Info: 537-0644

JACK & JILL
WENT UP THE HILL
TO MAHON HALL FOR 3 HELD OVER PERFORMANCES,
Thurs, April 23
Fri, April 24
Sat, April 25
8pm
Tickets \$12
Limited seating. A must see! Tickets at Island Books and Patternsons.

The Salt Spring Centre
Yoga Asanas of Forgiveness with Rajani Rock.
Wednesdays 9:00 to 10:30am.
The Forgiveness Asana series, from a spiritual practice of Bhakti Yoga, helps to develop devotion and calms the mind. The body & breath move in a certain way, balancing the physical & mental aspects of our being.
Scaravelli Method of Yoga with Doris Neufeld.
Tuesdays 7 - 8:30pm.
An introspective approach, gentle to invigorating, working with breath & elongating the spine.
Plus, Satsang, April 26, 2:00pm at the Interfaith Service in the Activity Centre.

Reduce Reuse Recycle

20 COMING EVENTS

FUN & MUSIC
this May 11 with
TANGLEFOOT
in concert!!
Irrepressible humour at Fulford Hall at the SS Folk Club's 7pm show.
Also featuring
Terry Warby & Jim Branigan!
Tix \$15 at the Roasting Co., Acoustic Planet, Stuff 'n Nonsense and Music Emporium.

The Salt Spring HEALTH CENTRE
IS PLEASED TO WELCOME
MICHELLE NADON
Registered Physiotherapist
commencing May 1/98
130 McPhillips Ave.
537-5518 ph/fax
Wheelchair accessible.

SPCA
Wiggle Waggle
Walkathon
May 24th
10:00 am
Mouat Park
Pledge sheets at:
Parks & Rec
Gulf Islands Vet
Bow Wow & Co
Dairy Queen/
Orange Julius
See you there!

23 COMMUNITY SERVICES

CRISIS LINE for Salt Spring - toll-free 1-888-324-3299.
NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS - Meetings 8 p.m. Thursday, in back of et cetera building, off Rainbow Road.
DRESSINGS FREE to cancer patients by the Order of the Eastern Star. Contact Edwina MacLean, 537-4316.
FAMILIES OF Schizophrenics meet in homes for mutual support. Call 537-9237 or 537-5264.

Lady Minto Gulf Islands HOSPITAL FOUNDATION

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Galiano 539-2222
Pender 629-6946
Women's only -
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For further information call 653-4288 or 653-2030.
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26 LEGALS

MAYNE ISLAND COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INVITES EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FROM GENERAL CONTRACTORS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF 4 UNIT SENIOR CITIZENS HOUSING ON MAYNE ISLAND B.C.
CONTACT JUDY TAYLOR FOR DOCUMENTATION
250-539-2431

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND OTHERS
BERNARD PALMER ROLPH, Deceased, also known as **BERNARD P. ROLPH** and **BERNIE ROLPH**
Notice is hereby given that creditors and others having claims against the Estate of Bernard Palmer Rolph, also known as Bernard P. Rolph and Bernie Rolph, deceased, late of 283 Price Road, Salt Spring Island, are hereby required to send them duly verified to the undersigned Johnathan L. Oldroyd, Barrister & Solicitor, at Box 330 Ganges Post Office, Salt Spring Island B.C. V8K 2V9 on or before the 28th day of May, 1998, after which date the assets of the said estate will be distributed, having regard only to claims that have been received.
CIBC TRUST CORPORATION
Executors
JOHNATHAN L. OLDROYD
Solicitor

29 LOST AND FOUND

FOUND: STRAY, long-haired, ginger cat on Beddis Road. Appears to have been a stray for quite some time. S.P.C.A., 537-2123.
LOST: MY daughter's backpack in back of your car April 9, Fulford. Please call 537-4496.

29 LOST AND FOUND

FOUND: LARGE, long haired yellow cat. Mountain Park Drive area. 537-2516.
LOST: 1 WILSON tennis racket with burgundy case at tennis court. Also lost at court: old, plain, wedding band. Please call 537-5258.

34 NOTICES/PERSONAL

T'ai Chi
T'ai Chi Classes
BEGINNERS & ON-GOING
Thurs. 9:30-10:30 am.
at Central Hall
Thurs. 7-8pm SS Elem. School Orca Room
1ST CLASS FREE
For more info, call Tao at **537-4487**

Bahá'í Community of Salt Spring Island

The following quotation is presented in connection with the observance of Earth Day (April 22).
"O contending peoples and kindreds of the earth! Set your faces towards unity, and let the radiance of its light shine upon you. Gather ye together, and for the sake of God resolve to root out whatever is the source of contention amongst you. Then will the effulgence of the world's great Luminary envelop the whole earth, and its inhabitants become the citizens of one city, and the occupants of one and the same throne." Bahá' u'lláh
The Bahá'í of Salt Spring
537-9871 or 537-5188

35 NOTICES/COMMERCIAL

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Check out our new **CREPES**, as well as our expanded "FRESH" from ISLAND BAGEL menu, many new spreads and bagelwiches.
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Luigi's Pizza

Winter Hours
Tues - Sat 11 - 2pm
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Re-open 4 - 9pm
Sunday 4 - 8pm
Closed Monday
TAKE OUT
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35 NOTICES/COMMERCIAL

waterfront gallery
Excellence in Island Crafts
Elaine Potter
new table big cloths fruit and and pillows Tiles
Melissa Searcy
next to the Post Office
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A HEART FELT thank you to all five people, who have phoned in the past month in support of my Walk for Global Unity and Peace. It would seem that the vast majority feel we are already united. I am left wondering, united in what? I guess things really are OK down on the farm. The pigs certainly seem to be doing alright. I guess the MAI (there is a certain irony in that name don't you think?) will be good for everyone. I personally feel that if it looks like it and smells like it, that we might be wise not to ask our children to sit down to a steaming plate full of it for the rest of their lives. What do those pigs have planned for us next? My guess is that we will all stay tuned to find out. It is what is expected. I guess if we all keep our hands in our pockets and tell ourselves that everything is gonna be just fine, then it will be right? How do you kill something when it lives in the mind? It really is too ironic, for me it's like 7,995 spoons. We wait to receive. I wonder who the lazy lover might be, that Alanis would wake up? Could he be sitting on the couch watching TV perhaps or listening to the stereo? Where does the rose grow? When do we usually have time to listen to music these days when our days are so filled with surviving? Who do we take for granted normally? The "Johnny Canucks", the Alanis's? This song may be a trick "Song as Mirror" perhaps, do we dare to look? A lazy lover to be sure but who? To anyone who read my April 8 Viewpoint article please reinsert after "When I heard the news" the following: "In the United States as in Tianmen Square, some paid the ultimate price that others would live. How quickly we forget. How much easier it is to sit and watch, or grumble in small groups over coffee and "do" nothing. To insist that we are powerless. "The Mahatma" knew differently, and led his people to freedom." I think if we wait for the MAY. I., we will have many opportunities for our own Salt Marches. The biggest problem will be getting people away from their sets. To those who think that I am being terribly inappropriate, I would ask you to please consider what may very well be at stake. A beautiful sunrise is a beautiful sunrise, and a fascist regime is a fascist regime. I'm left wishing I could walk and drive a van at the same time. I thank you all, you have been most excellent teachers, and "I have learned." Rod McGuckin.

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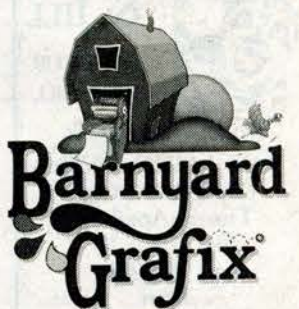
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MOVING SALE: Envirofire wood pellet stove/ piping, \$800. 20 cu. ft. S x S fridge/freezer, almond, textured doors, \$800; both near new condition. Potters wheel, \$50. Baby crib/ mattress, white, Sears, \$100. Other Misc. Wanted: Portable dishwasher, childrens play-ground equipment, Littlelikes, Swing set, etc. Offers considered. Trades welcome. Christine 537-1508. Cel 537-7359.

THE GREAT GANGES Junk Co. is moving. Up to 30% off specially marked items - 'we'd rather sell'em than mov'em'. 120B Hereford Ave. 537-4507.

BALDWIN ELECTRONIC organ \$500. Colonial style chesterfield \$200. Matching swivel rocker \$100. Apartment size freezer \$200. All items obo. 537-2834.

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900 BOARD FT. OF 1 x 4, 1 x 6 cedar, random lengths, offers. 537-4161.

350 MISC. FOR SALE

MOWER, HUSQVARNA, like new, \$300 (new \$600). Propane bottle, 40 lbs., new, full, \$35. Water heater, 12 1/2 gal., \$25. Leaf blower, new, \$35. 653-4546.

FOR SALE. Hand made bird feeders. Puppet Theatre. Signs. Call Ron 537-9847.

QUEEN OF STUFF sale - I abdicate, someone else may reign. Sunday, April 26, view 10 - 10:45. Buyers can stay, lookers can leave. Sale at 11. Laura Ashley, Chintz & Co. Wardrobe, bookcase, cast iron & marble pub table, lampbases, mirrors, vintage linens, china, collectables. Unique & unusual treasures. No grabbers, no pushing - Decor-um please. 168 Quarry Drive. 537-1108.

FOR SALE: Stair climber (Tunturi 416). Get exercise indoors. Paid \$425, excell. cond. only asking \$125. Call 653-2374.

MOVING SALE: Bookcases, \$35 - \$55. Desks, \$55 - \$85. Kid's bed & dresser, \$25 each. Piano, offers, much more. See "Garage Sales". Phone 537-2397.

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KIMBALL SUPERSTAR III organ, good condition, \$300 obo. 537-1314.

370 PETS/LIVESTOCK

WANTED: COCKAPOO puppy, female. Our 16 year old Cockapoo recently died and we have a lot of love to give a new Cockapoo puppy. If you have Cockapoo puppies for sale or a soon-to-be Cockapoo mum, please call (250) 477-2103.

S.P.C.A. HAS AN all black, fluffy, 7-year-old neutered male cat free to a good home. 537-2123.

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370 PETS/LIVESTOCK

NEED LARGE, well-fenced pasture for llamas and alpacas. Qualify for farm tax status. Prefer 5+ acres. Maggie at 537-9446.

2 ESTABLISHED WILD boar herds in Ontario. 9 females, 2 boars (with papers), plus 10 yearlings. \$8000. 705-322-2304 between 8-9 p.m., B.C. time.

SUPERB 2 1/2 YEAR old Dorset Ram. An excellent sire. Asking \$95. Call Peter Bardon. 653-4576.

VARI KENNEL, intermediate size, as new, \$60. 537-9566.

FREE: 1 KITTEN, black mix tabby. Please phone Monica at 537-2967.

LOVING HOME needed for 7 yr old Chest. Thor. mare. Elegant and beautiful mover. Reasonable to the right home. 1-604-533-9562 or 1-604-255-7652 (evenings).

BOW WOW & CO. SALT SPRING ISLAND. 537-4676. SPRING MAKEOVERS FROM \$25 \$5 TOENAIL TUESDAY

376 SPORTING GOODS

GIRLS SOFTBALL needs your help! If you have cleats, gloves or other equipment you would be willing to donate, please call Brian or Doris Little, 537-2590.

379 FREE/RECYCLABLES

THIS COLUMN is designed for free recyclable items only (no animals). There is no charge to place items in this column. Ads must be submitted in person at the Driftwood office (328 Lower Ganges Road) by normal deadline (Monday 2 pm.).

SALT SPRING Island Recycle Depot is located at 349 Rainbow Rd. We are open Tuesday through Saturday, 10 am to 5 pm. This service is operated by Salt Spring Island Community Services. Please call the recycle depot at 537-1200, or community services at 537-9971 for information on materials accepted for recycling.

LARGE, AIR-TIGHT wood stove with some 8" smoke pipe, and small cook stove. U-pick up. 537-0609.

LAUNDRY SINK with plumbing. Call 537-5626.

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Real Estate

410 REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

2400 SQUARE FOOT home on two levels. 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, den and family room. Offers to \$195,000. 537-0055.

2 BEDROOM TOWNHOUSE, 5 appliances. No GST. Close to town. Phone 537-1163.

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450 MOBILE HOMES

38 FT. PARK model trailer, 1991 Kingston, with living and bedroom tip-outs, furnished, loads of storage, storm windows, awning, antenna, two door fridge, top condition. \$19,000. 537-1422.

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Rentals

500 APT./SUITES FOR RENT

NORTH END 1 bedroom basement suite, utilities included. \$600 per month. May reduce rent for someone able to babysit. 537-9157.

PART TIME Salt Spring residents looking for the perfect tenants to rent the ground level 1000 sq. ft. 2 bedroom apt. in their ocean view executive home. Would suit older couple or single willing to supervise the well being of the home. No pets or smoking. Call Donna Regen, Gulf Islands Realty. 537-5577.

510 COMMERCIAL SPACE

PRIME DOWNTOWN Office space for rent with large private deck over looking Ganges Harbour. To view call 537-5669.

COMMERCIAL/RETAIL space on Hereford Ave. Reasonable rent. 537-4507 or 537-5148.

TWO COMMERCIAL spaces adjacent to SS Roasting. High traffic. Central location. Approx. 650 and 850 sq. ft. Call quickly, Peter Bardon, Re/Max 537-9977.

OFFICE SPACE AT UPPER GANGES CENTRE

• Second Level (has chairlift) • Air Conditioned • Low Rates Plus... Ground level retail space - 692 ft.² (Available May 15) Call Ron: 537-5521

520 HOUSES FOR RENT

SPACIOUS 1 BEDROOM ocean view home with gourmet kitchen, private, near Fulford Harbour and suitable for 1 or 2 quiet adults. \$750/ month. 653-4386.

BRAND NEW, 1 bedroom plus den cottages. Close to Golf Course and town, features skylights, in-floor heating, 3 appliances for persons wishing a quiet lifestyle. N/S & N/P please. \$695 plus utilities. 653-4500.

1700 SQ. FT., 2 - 3 BEDROOM, close to town, 4 appliances. Long term, available May 1. Suits home based business. \$850/ month. 604-859-3241.

VERY CLEAN and bright 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom duplex, newly painted. Large, private yard for children. Available now. \$750/month includes water, sewer & garbage pick-up. 537-4577.

SPACIOUS, 3 BEDROOM Maliview duplex, \$725 per month plus utilities. No pets. 537-2626.

3 BEDROOM, 2 BATH home for rent. Large workshop and office, ideal for home based business. Available May 1. Phone 537-9690.

LARGE 4 BEDROOM Vesuvius area home, available June 1. \$1100 per month plus utilities. 250-360-5424 days, 537-0038 eves.

520 HOUSES FOR RENT

COZY 3 BEDROOM bungalow on secluded acreage. Great view, minutes from Ganges, deck, garage, fireplace, W/D. \$850 per month. Call weekdays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., 537-9525.

AVAILABLE MAY 15, 3 bedroom house. \$850/month. 653-4518.

3 BEDROOM HOUSE for rent. Vesuvius area, sunny, nice views, \$1,150 per month. Call 537-1080.

TWO - 1 BEDROOM Southend homes. \$550 - \$650 per month. Leave message 653-4520.

VESUVIUS, SUNNY 3 bedroom home, new carpet, paint. 5 appliances, large south-facing deck, garden. Available May 1. N/P. \$875 per month. 537-1206.

SOUTH END cottage, 2 bedroom. N/S, N/P. F/S, W/D, plus wood space heater. Available June 1. \$550/ month. Peter Bardon. 537-9977.

BRIGHT, SUNNY 3 bedroom house in Vesuvius. Separate studio/office. \$900/month. John or Debbie 537-4737.

BRIGHT, SUNNY 1/2 duplex. Two bedrooms, four appliances. Quiet, private. Only \$650 per month. N/S. Cat possible. Peter Bardon, Re/Max 537-9977.

OCEANVIEW HOUSE, two bedrooms plus den. Close beach access. Gardens. N/S couple, small family. Long term. Available May 15. References. \$825. 537-5693, message at 653-2303.

Island Explorer Property Management Limited 537-4722 1-800-800-9492



NEW FACES AT ISLAND EXPLORER PROPERTY MGMT. Bruce Mills & Patricia Fraser look forward to assisting you with your rental property needs on Salt Spring.

Our associate Bev Gerry also has properties for rent, long & short term, on Pender & the outer islands.

Office hours at #3, 105 Rainbow Rd. are 10am to 2pm, Mon. through Fri. Or leave a message @ 537-4722.

Off Island owners, please call 1-800-800-9492. We wish Dan Pippin all success in his future endeavours.

525 RENTALS MISC.

WANTED. DRY, inexpensive, garage-sized space needed to store misc. wood. Cheers! Craig 537-1252.

530 SHARED ACCOMMODATION

LARGE, BRIGHT, furnished room. Immaculate, ocean views, shared facilities. Ideal for working artist. Available May 1. N/S \$325/month hydro included. 537-1953.

535 SITUATIONS WANTED

WRITER, MATURE, N/S, N/D, will housesit or work for reduced rent on quiet, self-contained accommodation. 250-381-1058.

WANTED TO exchange: My condominium in west-side Vancouver for your island cottage. Single, professional woman wants to spend 4-7 days during late June or July in a Gulf Islands cottage or home, within bicycling distance of grocery shopping and walking distance of the ocean. In exchange, you have the use of a 950-square foot, two bedroom, 2 bath apartment (8 years old) with 5 appliances, sunny patio, security system, underground parking and one friendly cat; close to services, shops and Vancouver Hospital; ten minutes from downtown. Business or social commitments in Vancouver this summer? Avoid the cost of a hotel and appreciate the comforts of a home. References available. Tel. (w) 662-6984 or (h) 877-1019.

535 SITUATIONS WANTED

RESPONSIBLE, MATURE, quiet adult looking for house sitting situation or a small furnished suite May - September 1. Call Carleigh 250-468-1861, collect, evenings.

LIVE ABOARD moorage for 35' Sailboat and small family now until July 1st. Renè 604-205-8399 (pager) or Donna at Ganges Marina.

EXPERIENCED CARETAKERS seeking long or short term caretaking position - Journeyman Carpenter - love for gardening - excellent references. Renè, 604-205-8399 (pager).

540 WANTED/RENTALS

PROFESSIONAL REQUIRES small, two bedroom or larger one bedroom apartment or cottage. July 1. Two cats. Long term. Reply to Dept. T, c/o Driftwood, 328 Lower Ganges Rd., Salt Spring Island, B.C., V8K 2V3.

WRITER SEEKING off-season sublet or housesit in Gulf Islands. Six to nine months starting September or October 1998. Can garden, weed, water plants, caretake in exchange for reduction in rent. Quiet, clean, responsible; excellent references. Phone 718-522-4825. E-mail Christopher.Patton@worldnet.at.net.

MATURE, CLASSICALLY oriented musician seeks large room or house sharing situation. N/S. Limited stairs, bike to Ganges. House sit or light gardening in exchange for reduced rent. Long term. 1-888-268-1325.

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HEATHER ANN 23' wood and fiberglass cruiser. Rewired, 25 HP Atomic 4 engine, sounder, VHF, needs some TLC, \$1950. 537-5278.

Reduce Reuse Recycle

820 BOATS & MARINE, SALES

HOUSTON 17' I/O, Volvo 130, hard top, needs minor work, but sound, \$2200 obo. 537-5022 weekend, pager 604-643-0351.

CEDAR CANVAS Canoes. Built on Salt Spring Island, \$975. Last at this price. Paddles, Cargo Boxes available. Will do repairs. Phone 537-5623 evenings.

RAWSON 26. 5 HEADSAILS from storm-jib to spinnaker. 9.9 Suzuki motor with electric start. Depth-sounder, head, 2-burner kerosene stove, sink with fresh water supply, stereo tape system. 8-ft. dinghy complete with sailing gear. \$8500. 537-2516.

14 1/2' HOUSTON WITH trailer, forward controls, canvas top, 40 hp Merc. \$1,800. Merc 7.5 hp. \$450. 653-4558.

822 CAMPERS & TRAILERS

38 FT. PARK model trailer, 1991 Kingston, with living and bedroom tip-outs, furnished, loads of storage, storm windows, awning, antenna, two door fridge, top condition. \$19,000. 537-1422.

HARD TOP tent trailer. Stove, ice box, sleeps 6. Easy to tow. \$650. 537-1788.

825 CARS, SALES

1982 CHEVY CITATION. Good for parts. \$300. obo. 653-9568 evenings.

1986 JEEP CHEROKEE, needs some work for certification, \$3000 obo. Can be viewed at Salt Spring Mini Storage. 250-385-9823.

89 HONDA PRELUDE 2.0 Si, 5 speed, 4WS, sunroof, loaded, well maintained, mint condition, new paint, \$9,500. 537-9259.

1973 EL CAMINO ESTATE 350V8, auto., new alternator and starter, power steering and brakes, runs good, looks good. \$3000. 537-9216.

1985 HYUNDAI PONY. Good island car. Asking \$995. 537-8997.

1987 OLDSMOBILE SIERRA Brougham, pw, ps, pb, automatic, 2.8 litre/V6, 141,000 km, 4 door, \$3,500 or obo. 1991 VW Passat GL, 2.0 litre engine, fully loaded, 148,000 km. \$9,500 or obo. Phone 537-2225.

1985 OLDS CUTLASS Brougham, 4 door, 126k, immaculate, most options. \$3,250. obo. 537-5668.

ESTATE SALE: 1980 Chevrolet Malibu Classic, brand new tires & exhaust. Well maintained. \$650 obo. 537-4418.

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79 HONDA 185 MOTORCYCLE with windscreen and baggage holder, excellent condition. 15,000 kms, \$900. 653-4533.

840 RECREATIONAL VEHICLES, RENTALS

WE RENT tent trailers, campers, small trailers & 17' travel trailer. 1-250-478-3080.

845 RECREATIONAL VEHICLES, SALES

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HOME ON wheels. 1979 Dodge Motor home, 131,000 km, excellent condition, \$7,500 obo. Phone (604) 888-2967.

845 RECREATIONAL VEHICLES, SALES

35' PROWLER 5TH Wheel, set up for live-aboard, with storm windows, forced air furnace, new 2-way hot water tank & lots more. On Salt Spring. \$11,500. Pager: 1-800-749-8518.

1992 VOLKSWAGEN WESTFALIA Euro Van camper, aqua-green, 122,000 km, 5 speed, excellent condition, new clutch, trailer hitch with 4 place bike rack, seat belts for 5, \$25,000. 537-0666.

UNIQUE, 1973, 22' CORTEZ, class A motor home. Excellent condition, fully equipped. All steel utilized body. 455 engine, full power, \$13,500 obo. 250-537-9279.

850 TIRES

FOUR 225/15" GOODYEAR All Season Radials. Passenger tire vehicle - 70% tread. \$75 for all 4. 538-0070.

855 TRUCKS, BUSES, VANS.

1974 DODGE 3 TON, flat bed, 2 speed rear end, dump, rebuilt engine, new exhaust, \$2500 obo. 653-4877.

1969 DODGE 1 TON, long wheel base, flat bed, steel deck, \$1200 obo. 653-4877.

1978 CHEV 1/2 TON, Stepside 4x4, 350/4 speed. Much spent in last year. Owned last 10 years. \$3,500 obo. 537-0096.

1980 DATSUN PICK-UP. Parts vehicle with good canopy and stereo. Engine runs well. \$200. obo. John Edmonds M - F. 9:30 - 5:00. 537-9525.

1971 VW WESTPHALIA. Rebuilt engine, new muffler, air care approved, new tires, stereo, excellent condition. No rust. \$2,200. obo. 537-5940.

1986 FORD AEROSTAR XL, new parts, rack & pinion steering, alternator, shocks, brakes, electric fuel pump, fuel lines, fuel pressure regulator, starter. \$3000 obo. 653-9910. Cell 537-7320.

1988 DODGE CARAVAN, 7 passenger, air. \$3,700. 653-4233.

1973 WESTFALIA W/ATTACHABLE 6-man tent (new), rebuilt motor, transmission, clutch. New brakes, new tires, new upholstery, tow bar. Trailer optional. \$4500. 537-2777.

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SOFA & CHAIR, \$75. Step table, \$10. Dresser, \$60. Side table, \$50. 537-1437.

ASAWA 21 SPEED Mountain bike in great condition. Professionally serviced since new, \$240. 537-9189.

TUNED AIR presents: Elektra Women's Choir singing a program entitled "Southerns Skies" with Sal Ferreras, Saturday, May 2, 8 p.m.

BOUZOUKI CAFE new hours effective Monday, April 27: 9 a.m. - 9 p.m., Monday to Saturday. Closed Sunday.

NEW WATERCOLOUR Classes. Semi-private. Starting on Mondays, till end of June. Beginners & Intermediates 1 - 3 p.m. Intermediates, 7 - 9 p.m. Call Val Konig 537-9531.

MOVING SALE. Pottery: seconds & discontinued items, clay slab roller, older Rockwell table saw, scales. 183 Quarry Drive. Saturday, April 25. 10 - 2.

2 BEDROOM SUITE, available May 1. Close to town, cable, separate entrance. N/S, N/P. \$550 plus utilities. 537-4629 after 6 p.m.

PRIVATE WATERFRONT, one bedroom cabin on Booth Inlet acreage, \$650/ month plus utilities. Sorry, no pets. 537-5505 (days).

SENIORS' DAY is next Wednesday, April 29 at Pharmasave. Watch for ad next week in Coming Events.

DEATHS

HERRING: JEAN passed away peacefully at Saanich Peninsula Hospital April 18, 1998 at the age of 85 years. Survived by three sons, Jack of Walnut Creek, California, USA; Don, of Concord, California, USA and Fed of Aurora, Colorado, USA. Brother George Dunaway of Abbotsford, BC. For the past 18 months, Mrs. Herring had been a resident of Sidney, BC. Jean retired to Salt Spring Island in 1984 following a career as Administrative Supervisor of nursing services at Pomona Valley Community Hospital, Pomona, California, USA. She was very active in the Anglican Church and volunteer services. A funeral service will be held Thursday, April 23 at 2:00 p.m. at All Saints by-the-Sea Anglican Church, Salt Spring Island. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to The Red Cross. Haywards - Sidney.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

FOR RENT: large sunny room in comfortable home, close to town. Share kitchen, bathroom with use of laundry and T.V. Wow! \$350. 537-1934.

STAND CLEAR of the doors. Please! The ArtSpring doors, that is. They are about to open! Saturday, May 2 is the day; 10 to 6 is the time. And You can be there!

SING ONLY in the shower? Poor rhythm? Come out of the closet! Music lessons for the musically challenged. Trained music therapist. Pamela Holm, 1-888-268-1325.

LAST CHANCE! Fun Therapy Playshop for grownups, Sunday, April 26, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. with Beatrix Satzinger (therapist), Yvonne Adalian (actor/director). Call Essential Expressions. 537-5396.

REJUVENATE YOUR V.C.R. Manual cleaning and performance check, \$25. General overhaul, \$85. Includes new belts, rollers and adjustments, cleaning and performance check. 28 years experience. Call George Simpson Audio Video. 537-1968.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

WANTED TO RENT: small house or cabin long term. N/C, N/S, N/P, excellent island references. Guy or Rowan. 537-0067.

SEE YOU at All Saints by-the-Sea, Saturday, April 25 from 10 - 3 p.m. for Spring shopping at WearEverywear! Special: leggings at \$24/pair!

FLING WIDE the Gates! Of ArtSpring, naturally, and Come on in! Saturday, May 2, 10 to 6. And what a fling!

OUTDOOR PORTABLE dog kennel, 5 x 10 x 5 feet high with gate. Very sturdy, assembles in minutes. \$240. Also large double wall galvanized dog house, \$50. 537-9189.

HELD OVER - Jack & Jill, a riveting relationship, playing at Mahon Hall, April 23, 24, 25. A must see!

GIANT DEJA Vu (Rummage) sale. From '50s satin bedcovers to Kitchen chairs. From beaded bags to a hand scythe. The most interesting sale this year. Saturday, April 25, 9 - 11. All Saints Church. Support SSI Conservancy.

AIR TAXI - Scenic Flights, \$150, one - three passengers. Anytime - drop ins Saturday at Seaplane Dock. Turbo Island Picnic and scenic flight. Drop off and pick up 3 - 4 hours to explore our newest park, \$250. Call Ed Davis at 537-2626.

FOR SALE: 1982 Honda V45 Magna. Excellent condition, \$1500 obo. 537-4277.

S.O.S. IS MOVING to Gasoline Alley in early May, so bring in this ad to our present location and receive 15% off everything in the store (except items already discounted more than 15%). Save-On SaltSpring in the Upper Ganges Centre (next to Dagwoods).

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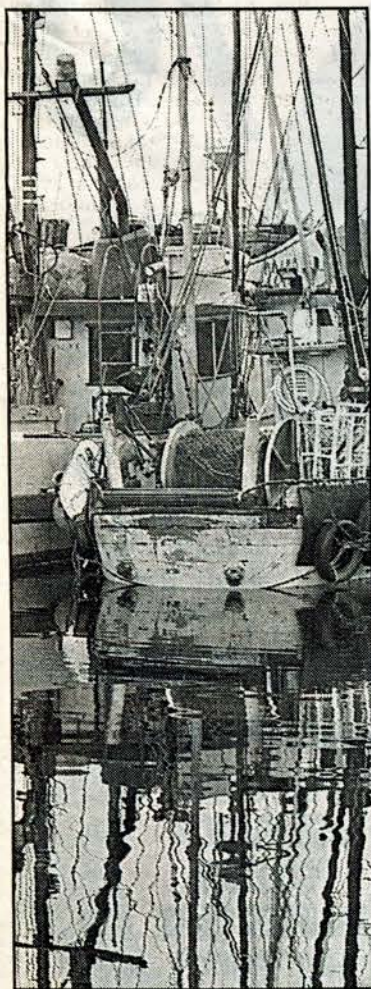
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Mirror image

Still seas capture the reflection of this fishing boat docked at the government wharf in Ganges.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Escapism is part of the art of mothering

It was a dark and stormy night. My husband was out with his camera and, alone with my children for the evening, I anticipated the challenge of combining nutrient-rich food from the fridge into something that each child would consume — likely some cheesy noodle mush, although I personally craved a shrimp and avocado sandwich — followed by the tooth-brushing, face-washing, you-will-go-pee battle and the reading of the Bobbsey Twins who, apparently, always eat the broccoli provided by the "slim and pretty Mrs. Bobbsey."

Pizza, I decided, would solve the first problem. Even better — 2 for 1. I would order cheese only for the cheese-only child, and cheese and black olives for the olive-cheese-child.

I was huddled by the wood stove in a baggy, tomato-stained shirt when the doorbell sounded. As I opened the door, I took a deep breath hoping to smell Completely Cooked Dinner. But the fuzzy-haired middle-aged woman standing on the doorstep was not holding pizza boxes. I peeked around behind her back.

FAMILY MATTERS WITH SUSAN LUNDY



"Pizza?" I started to say before realizing my mistake. Oh no, this wasn't pizza sales, this was souls purchasing.

"Oh, well thank you for coming," I said before she could speak. "I really haven't time for this right now. My child is down with the plague. Let me show you a quick way to reach the neighbours"

"Hush, hush," the woman said, pushing her way past me into the house. She peered at the dusty shelves and somewhat cluttered floors. (Okay, so it was Tuesday. I worked the last couple of days and the house cleaning suffered.)

She sniffed slightly. "This is going to be more challenging than I thought."

She fixed me with a pair of bird-like brown eyes. "I am your fairy godmother. You will go directly to the bathroom where you will run a hot bubble bath and climb in."

I eyed her suspiciously.

"I'm not in the market for a vacuum cleaner," I said.

She ignored me. "I shall be in with candles, incense, a bottle of Bailey's, a large piece of cappuccino cheesecake and —"

"A shrimp and avocado sandwich?" I asked. Maybe I did need a vacuum cleaner.

"Indeed," she answered.

As I lounged in the tub, sipping Irish cream and milk, nibbling at cheesecake and listening to Simon and Garfunkel crone about the Sound of Silence, I strained to overhear the kitchen activity.

Apparently, the pizza had been cancelled and my children were happily eating organic brown rice, three vegetables and a tofu casserole. They adamantly refused dessert, choosing instead to help each other clean their rooms while the mystery woman vacuumed, scrubbed and folded laundry.

I added as much hot water as I could stand and sank into the bubbles. I heard my daughters in the bedroom, gently arguing about story-time books.

"We can read the Bobbsey Twins tonight," the younger said generously.

"No, no," said the elder one. "That's okay. We can read Cat in the Hat."

"Lot's of time for the Bobbsey Twins and the Cat in

the Hat," the woman said in a jolly voice. "I'd be happy to read the Dr. Suess book for the 1,431st time."

"Hello momma!" sang each of my daughters as they skipped into the bathroom and spent a good five minutes carefully brushing each tooth. They used soap and water to wash their faces, necks and behind their ears, and peed without the tiniest bit of manipulation.

I was about to doze off again when I heard whispering and felt a soft breath caress my cheek. I woke with a start to find myself in front of the wood stove wearing a tomato-stained shirt.

My daughters were planting tiny wake-up kisses on my face. "Pizza's here," said one.

"Look," said another. "We set the table with the fancy napkins and made you a special card." She held up a rainbow drawing.

I uncurled from the chair and felt suddenly happy as I looked deep into their precious, innocent eyes.

The thought of pizza was okay. The house-cleaning could wait until tomorrow and I loved reading the Bobbsey Twins.

Sometimes moms just need a little escape — even if it's only in their minds.

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Islanders ate 68 pounds of beans at annual supper

35 years ago

Some 250 hungry Salt Spring Islanders arrived in "droves and battalions" to the annual Bean Supper held at Beaver Point Hall. The first group was seated at 6 p.m. Three minutes later, there wasn't an empty seat in the hall. In total, islanders consumed some 68 pounds of beans.

Normally it gets pretty hot in the Driftwood office on Tuesday afternoon, but a fire in the printing room really raised the temperature this week. The fire department was alerted at about 6:30 p.m. when smoke was seen pouring out of the Driftwood office. Volunteer firemen were able to stop the fire from spreading from one corner of the room.

30 years ago

A proposal to establish a log-booming ground in Burgoyne Bay met with vigorous opposition from several residents in the district. An application had been made to the provincial government by Ladysmith Log Sorting Company for a log sorting and booming ground in Burgoyne Bay.

Owners of property in the area objected on the grounds that use of the waters for industrial purposes would pollute the water, and that the activity would be detrimental to the peaceful residential purpose of the area.

A fire totally destroyed a small cabin on the Douglas Parsons property on Scott Road. Smoke was seen pouring from the roof of the building and by the time the alarm was sounded, heavy flames were belching from the stricken building.

The cabin was the home of Doreen Hunt, who was at work on the Tsawwassen ferry at the time of the blaze, which was tentatively being blamed on a carelessly placed cigarette.

25 years ago

A Gulf Islands School District school building referendum scraped through when it was approved by a margin of seven votes.

The school vote — which asked for an additional \$281,000 on top of previous money bylaws to complete construction and reconstruction of two schools in Ganges — was supported at the same time voters approved a hospital construction plan for all of the Capital Regional District.

Thieves broke into the home of Bruce Reid, stealing a number of items, including tools, electrical goods and appliances. The home was located in the St. Mary Highlands area. Occupants were away from the house and did not discover the theft for two days.

20 years ago

The provincial tourism min-

DOWN THE YEARS

istry gave Salt Spring a \$1,000 grant to promote events at the Captain Cook Bicentennial celebrations. About half the money, which was based on a per-capita grant of 20 cents per person, would be distributed to different groups and organizations to help with their bicentennial celebrations.

The posting of signs on the diamond at the intersection of Lower Ganges and Fulford-Ganges roads was no longer being permitted. The grass-covered area in front of Ganges Pharmacy had been a popular place for advertising coming events on Salt Spring. However, highways foreman Ken Stevens told the Driftwood that, due to their size and number, the signs were becoming a traffic hazard.

15 years ago

A mature bald eagle found hurt on Salt Spring was recovering under the care of the local auxiliary to the SPCA. The bird, having a wing span of 78 inches

and weighing nine pounds, was discovered on the roadside near Fulford. An examination at Gulf Islands Veterinary Clinic found no sign of injury.

More than 50 participants raised upwards of \$1,000 after taking part in the 16th annual Salt Spring Lions Walkathon, which covered the 12 kilometres between Ganges and Fulford.

Jeff Blumb of Merritt ran to the Fulford wharf only to discover the finish line was in Drummond Park. He jogged the route in just less than one hour. Lisa Koski, 10, was second, fol-

lowed by Grace Graham, nine, who took third. The elder statesman of the event, Walter Brigden, 85, again led his clan along the route.

10 years ago

Islander John Wilcox, dubbed Johnny Canuck, prepared for a cross-Canada trek opposing free trade between the U.S. and Canada.

The 21 islanders who worked on Salt Spring's Job-Trac program were saluted for the effort they put into the six-month program. The group tackled 14

improvement projects, ranging from construction of a boat-launching ramp to creation of the Ganges Linear Park.

5 years ago

Off-island buyers made a large percentage of the residential purchases in the Gulf Islands between October 1, 1991 and September 30, 1992, a new survey showed.

The survey indicated that 30 per cent of purchases on the Gulf Islands were made by off-island buyers. Of these, 65 per cent were from the Vancouver area.



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Angry society, cinema meet

By VALORIE LENNOX
Driftwood Staff

With acrimony souring the air, the Central Community Hall Society and Cinema Central agreed last Wednesday to go to mediation over the cinema's use of the hall.

At issue are the cinema's chairs. Mounted on carpet-lined wooden skids, the chairs are moved into rows when films are shown and stored against the wall when the hall is used for other purposes.

But debate at last week's annual meeting of the society suggested the issue is more than chairs — especially after a cinema supporter slid the carpet-lined skids across the floor to demonstrate that the chairs were not scratching the wooden surface.

Society president Mary Koroscil said the cinema cannot expect to keep using the chairs and still pay the \$30-per-night rate under the existing lease.

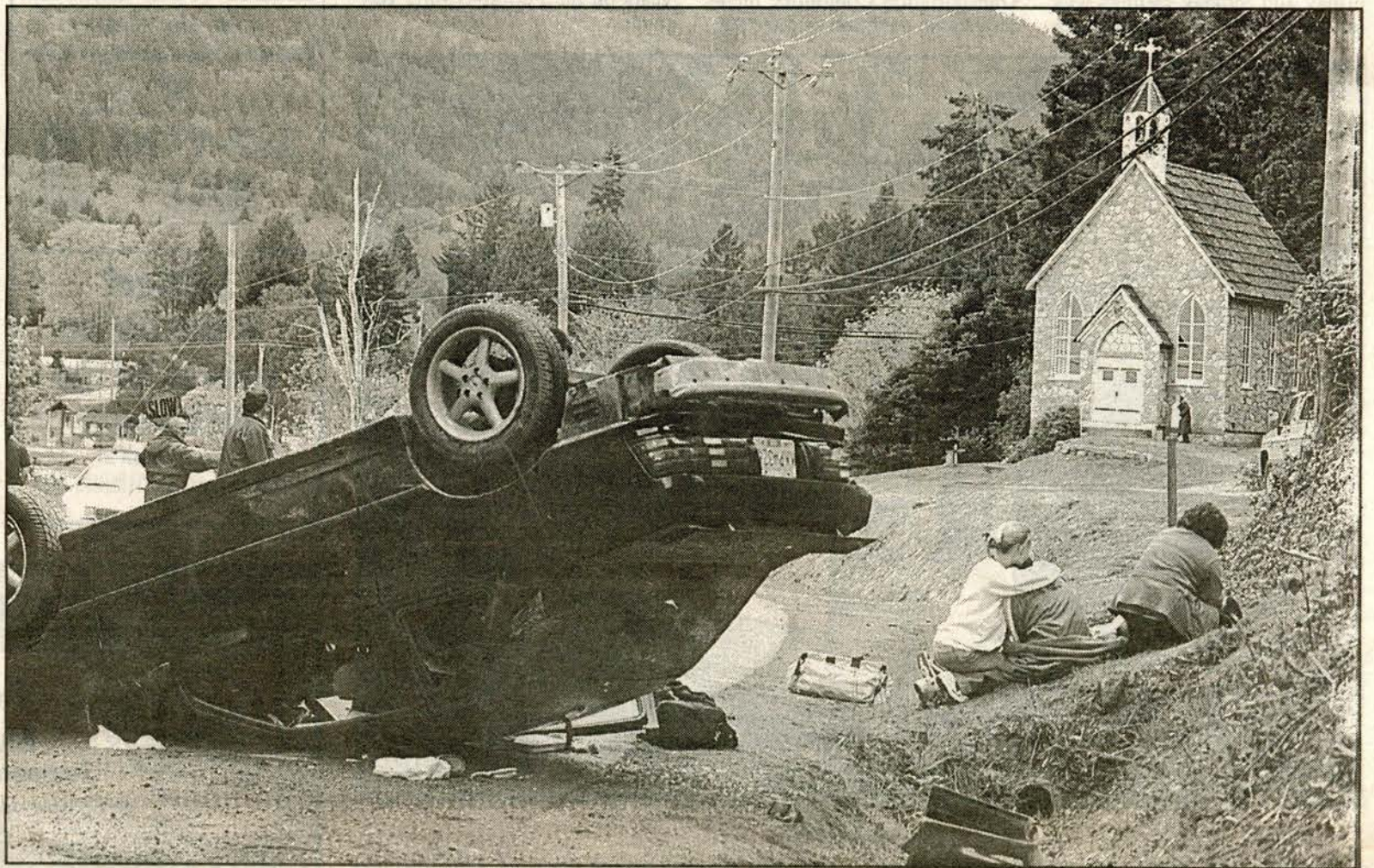
She maintained the cinema is damaging the hall floor and that the cinema should pick up more of the tab to maintain it. Koroscil said she would not raise extra money to maintain the community hall just because a commercial business using the hall "cannot pay its freight."

"I am not going to go out and try to earn money for a commercial enterprise."

Under the current two-year lease, the cinema pays \$30 per night or per matinee and is guaranteed five nights during the winter and seven nights during the summer. The minimum payment is \$600 a month. The lease is in effect until next February with an option to renew for an additional two years.

The hall society served an eviction notice on the cinema in

CINEMA A6



In shock

Youths from an overturned vehicle comfort each other before emergency crews arrive on the scene. The accident, in which the 17-year-old driver suffered a broken arm, occurred in the

2,800 block of Fulford-Ganges Road just after 5 p.m. Saturday. See story Page A3.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Smaller ferry changes schedule

Salt Spring's ferry service was shifted last week for a trial run and will shift again Saturday due to a refit.

Starting Saturday the Howe Sound Queen will be out of service until May 17 for its annual refit. The 70-vehicle ferry will be replaced on the Vesuvius-Crofton run by the Kahloke, which carries 26 vehicles.

In order to minimize congestion and take advantage of the faster speed of the Kahloke, the ferry schedule will change until May 17.

On the revised schedule, the ferry will leave Vesuvius at 7, 7:50, 8:40, 9:30, 10:20 and 11:45 a.m. and at 1:30, 2:35, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8:30 and 9:30 p.m.

Exceptions are the dangerous cargo sailings on Wednesday at 4 p.m. and Thursday at 12:35

p.m. The 7 a.m. sailings are not offered on Saturday and Sunday but there will be a 10:30 p.m. sailing from Vesuvius on Saturdays.

The ferry will leave Crofton at 7:25 (except on Saturdays and Sundays), 8:15, 9:05, 9:55 and 11:20 a.m. and at 12:10, 1, 2:15, 3:30, 4:30, 5:30, 6:30, 8, 9 and 10 p.m.

On Saturdays there will be an 11 p.m. sailing from Crofton. The Wednesday 8:15 a.m. sailing and Thursday 9:05 a.m. sailing will be for dangerous cargo only.

Due to the smaller capacity of the Kahloke, B.C. Ferries spokeswoman Valerie Douglas asks customers to avoid travelling at peak periods or to take the Fulford Harbour-Swartz Bay sailing.

Since the capacity for dangerous cargo runs will also be limited, Douglas suggests Salt Spring residents arrange with suppliers to fill tanks before May 1.

Meanwhile, the Skeena Queen was taken off the Fulford-Swartz Bay run from Thursday until Sunday to do a trial run on the Horseshoe Bay-Bowen Island route.

That route is one of three for which the Century-class commuter style ferries were designed. The test was to determine whether modifications would be required for a second Century-class ferry if one was constructed for that route.

B.C. Ferries spokesman Guy Rowell said there are no plans to move the Skeena Queen from Salt Spring to Bowen.

ArtSpring, home show events set

There's lots to do on Salt Spring this weekend with two major events taking place.

ArtSpring's Funding to the Finish campaign kicks off with a day of entertainment Saturday in the nearly-finished arts centre on Jackson Avenue. Details can be found in a pull-out section starting on Page B7.

At the Farmers' Institute, meanwhile, the Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual Home Show on Saturday and Sunday. Details are included in an advertising feature on Pages A24-A27.

Police dog sniffs for narcotics in high school lockers

By SUSAN LUNDY
Driftwood Staff

"Search pot!" RCMP Corporal Curtis Horton commands. "Where's the pot?"

Ty, 90 pounds of silky fur, huge paws and alert eyes, bounds toward a row of high school lockers and runs down the line, sniffing loudly at the lockers' bases.

If he passes a locker too quickly, Horton calls him back to sniff some more.

When Ty reaches one section of lockers, his tail flicks and his

head lifts in excitement. He races to the back wall, jumps onto a bench and snorts loudly around a table.

Horton says the room's air current is carrying the smell of a narcotic to the back wall.

Ty is wild with excitement. He keys in on a section of lockers and finally paws at one, sits down and barks. Horton tosses a chewable toy cone at Ty and reads out the locker number.

The dog appears ecstatic as he crunches and slobbers over his toy.

And Gulf Islands Secondary School teacher Paul MacKenzie opens the locker and pulls out a plastic bag holding a big chunk of hash.

Everyone claps. It is one of five bags containing a narcotic planted in empty high school lockers.

Ty retrieves all five. RCMP "dog man" Horton and his canine partner travelled to Salt Spring last Tuesday to conduct a locker search for marijuana and hash.

None was found except for the

planted material.

This does not surprise Horton. In all the locker searches he has conducted over his 18 years as a police dog handler, none has turned up narcotics hidden in lockers.

So why do it?

"It gives school staff peace of mind," says Horton. "It shows there are not drugs present inside the school. It also works as a preventative measure."

In his experience most drug deals occur from vehicles either on or off school grounds. He has

found narcotics buried or stashed on school property or in crevices within or outside school buildings.

Sometimes a strong residual odour of pot or hash causes Ty to key in on a specific locker, which often turns out to belong to a suspect dealer. Although there are no narcotics present, Ty's discovery helps staff and police confirm suspicions.

At GISS, Ty displayed extra interest in several lockers.

SEARCH A5