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Spirit of Fulford Harbour

Bruce Bott rescues a submerged lifeboat from Fulford Harbour — while the south end community offers help and encouragement.

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Showers today (Wednesday) and tomorrow should turn to mostly sunny skies by the weekend. Highs up to 14 C (Friday, Saturday), and lows down to 4 C (most of the week).

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FUN IN THE SUN: Roni Worotny and little Obleo Michel Demandre take time out under a colourful umbrella at the Saturday Market in Centennial Park. Worotny sells hats at the weekly event, which has arrived in the park along with spring flowers and blossoms. Photo by Derrick Lundy

Les Clare back home . . . and thankful

By GAIL SJUBERG
Driftwood Staff

Lucky and thankful. When Les Clare and Jane Denham talk about the last nine months of their lives, those are the two words that crop up most.

It's not how most of us imagine we'd feel if we or our partner slipped off a

roof, spent nine months in hospital and rehabilitation, and lost the ability to walk.

But actually going through that tunnel of fate shifts one's perspective a little.

Les returned home to Salt Spring a couple of weeks ago after spending the last nine months in Vancouver — touching down first in the

medi-vac helicopter that took him there on June 29 last year.

The 39-year-old carpenter had fallen an estimated 25 feet to the ground while working on a residential construction job.

He broke his neck, suffered damage to his spinal cord, severely broke both

arms, dislocated a hip and separated both shoulders.

Even without elaboration, it sounds horrific, but once the immediate shock and sense of trauma subsided, Les and Jane started feeling lucky rather than the alternatives — angry or bitter or despairing.

It all began with feeling

fortunate he was alive, says Jane, "and that just set the theme" for how they viewed the daily unfolding scene on an unplanned, divergent path.

Jane is able to describe the experience as "a gift," now knowing that gifts appear in different forms.

BACK HOME 2

Land appraisals under way on Texada land holdings

Money bound for Salt Spring is being counted in Victoria.

The fate of coveted Burgoyne Bay and former Weldwood lands owned by Texada Land Corporation now rests with the provincial government, which is reviewing land appraisal information to see if it can contribute to the arbitrated price.

Property valuations done by separate appraisers for Texada and The Land Conservancy of B.C. (TLC) were too far apart to smoothly cement a purchase, so a third-party appraiser was appointed — as per terms of an agreement between TLC and Texada.

That individual delivered

34 pages of information late Monday. It was not being made public before provincial staff had analyzed it.

Both TLC executive director Bill Turner and Texada president Rob Macdonald agreed Tuesday that the process was unfolding according to the contract between the parties.

"I need to have our appraiser look at (the final appraisal) and see if there are any terrible mathematical mistakes in it, and then we have to take it to the provincial government and get their confirmation that the price we've determined is going to work for them to help fund the purchase," explained Turner Tuesday morning.

"At the moment we have

a two-day window to do that — until Wednesday evening — to confirm the province's funds are in there"

Turner said that even if the province agrees to fund the multi-million dollar land purchase, any sale would not be complete for several months, although the agreement would be securely in place.

Macdonald said he was satisfied the process was continuing in a reasonable manner.

"It's a contract between TLC and us, and it's up to Mr. Turner to either see it through or not see it through, so it's really out of our hands. If he needs any

TEXADA UPDATE 3

Young judo champ off to nationals

A 14-year-old Salt Spring girl will fight her heart out and hope for a finish near the top at this weekend's national judo championships.

Gulf Islands Secondary School student Megan Leitch qualified for the national event by winning three gold medals and a silver at four provincial events.

Each province and territory will send two or three athletes to the championships, which take place this weekend in Kamloops.

Coach Shaun Adams says Leitch will fight seven or so matches in a pool of about 15 of the country's top juvenile women (age 13-16) fighters.

He says the island youth has competed successfully at the junior women level (age 16-18) and stands a good chance of placing at the national event.

Due to her young age, he adds, "she has enough room to go to the juvenile worlds" some day.

Leitch, who trains four to eight hours a week, has taken judo for three and one-half years. She recently achieved her brown belt.

Winning, she says, "takes determination and a lot of work."

BACK HOME: *Les Clare recovering*

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"I could have come out of it with a mushed brain and not been able to relate to my family," says Les, gesturing towards their "little blessings" Marnie, age 5, and Grace, 2.

"We're lucky to have the friends we did; to not have a more severe injury than we did; lucky to be alive; lucky to live here."

He even feels lucky that the accident took place up on Mount Belcher, so close to the ambulance station. As he lay on the ground unable to move and in severe pain from the broken arms, he could hear the ambulance siren rising up from the bottom of the hill.

For the thankful part of the equation, the family wants to make sure every person who helped them in any way knows how much they were appreciated. It's impossible to name them all, says Les, since the list is overwhelming. At one end of the support net were friends here and in Banff, Jasper and Whistler where they used to live, while family and friends from their original home bases of Saskatchewan and Ontario held the other end.

In between were family connections in Florida and Texas, plus all the medical staff involved along the way, and business-owners who donated materials, services or labour to home renovations or for fundraising.

"Lester's Lemon-Aid Stand" was conceived by Salt Spring friends as a short-term fundraiser at the market last summer, but so many people volunteered to run it that it just kept going.

Dealing with the Workers' Compensation Board went smoothly, and the agency paid for essential renovations to their Mount Baker Crescent home. That included eliminating thresholds and carpets, widening doors, adding a wheelchair accessible shower and changing the kitchen so Les can grab a snack with ease.

A generous island couple offered Jane and the girls free use of a West Vancouver waterfront suite so they wouldn't have to worry about accommodation in Vancouver. Although Jane had to be on Salt Spring more to supervise the renovations in later months, Les' favourite trio was able to spend huge amounts of inspiring and healing time with him in Vancouver.

While they took advantage of urban amenities, and Les learned what a great city it is for wheelchair users, the family's radar was always ready to detect home on Salt Spring.

Jane notes how just going to the grocery store after living in Vancouver felt so good because of the care and concern expressed by everyone she met.

"There's nothing like a small community," she said.

Young Grace and Marnie weathered the screeching halt to their normal life like troopers, and the sociable Marnie will explain matter-of-factly: "My daddy fell off a roof and broke his neck, and now he's in a wheelchair."

Jane recalls how at one point Marnie was understandably confused about where "home" was — it could have been in their West Vancouver suite, at G.F. Strong rehabilitation centre, or on Salt Spring. They decided to settle on home as being "where the hugs are."

Jane and Les credit each other's emotional fortitude for the progress they made, too. "Jane was a rock," asserts Les.

His wife is quick to respond that she couldn't help but be bolstered by how Les dealt with the situation. "Les was so strong through it all the strength just reverberated."

"It's been a huge eye-opener," she adds, "to see what we can all



Marnie, Les, Jane and Grace Photo by Gail Sjuberg

pull through and do."

Les has already compiled a history of doing amazing things as an athlete and sports enthusiast.

He fought his way through the ultra-competitive hockey circuit to play with the Toronto Maple Leafs, before an eye injury took him out of the line-up.

He was assistant coach of the Canadian women's ski team, a scratch golfer and a voracious mountain bike racer who also organized a major Whistler race.

That track record means Les also has an athlete's skill and determination in his lucky hand of cards, which have only just been fanned in the lengthy rehabilitation game.

Regaining his ability to walk is a strong possibility, and Jane and Les both met and heard about several people who eventually parked their wheelchairs despite high odds against it.

Some researchers have struck the gold-vein of success with spinal cord rejuvenation, and Les' cord was fortunately not severed — there's that luck again. Having high-profile actor Christopher Reeves disabled by a spinal cord injury has also seen more funding make its way into research labs.

In any event, Les and Jane feel recovery is 90 per cent mental, and that with the pattern of intense healing and support already firmly set, they have everything on their side.

Les is currently paralyzed from the chest down, and has diminished finger movement, but his arms have healed well and play a key role in the flexing of his independence.

Getting out and about more is on the immediate "to-do" list, as well as spending more time in his manual wheelchair to help build upper body strength.

An out-of-the-blue bout of pneumonia (which he jovially blames on "too much partying" after they got home) set him back a hair, but he'll soon be exploring the island with his new perspective.

Even though the family has lived on the island for a relatively short four-year period, "We feel like we've been in the community wholeheartedly since we've been here," says Les.

"We love Salt Spring Island and the people who are here, and our number one goal now is to raise a healthy, happy family."

And while they're doing that, Les and Jane will probably find it easier than most to pick out the diamonds in the rough and be incredibly thankful they exist at all.

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SMASH-UP: Paramedics lift an injured driver from his vehicle following an accident on Salt Spring Thursday morning. Aran Antonik was later airlifted to hospital in Victoria with serious injuries. Police say Antonik lost control of a 1973 Plymouth on Lower Ganges Road near Kingfisher Cove, sending his vehicle sideways into the other lane. It was struck by Johanna Murray, who was driving a 1975 Toyota Landcruiser. There were no passengers. Both vehicles were written off. Photo by Derrick Lundy

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Maxwell watershed, St. Mary Lake among issues on NSSWD agenda

There will be lots to talk about at the annual general meeting of the North Salt Spring Waterworks District (NSSWD) on Tuesday.

NSSWD manager Mike Larmour said the campaign to purchase the Mount Maxwell watershed from Texada Land Corporation will be on the agenda, as will the future of St. Mary Lake and the Trust's proposed Land Use Bylaw #355.

Larmour said the district hopes to receive some of the \$20-million in provincial funds earmarked for preservation of lands on Salt Spring, Galiano and Valdes

islands, but isn't sure what to expect.

"If the money isn't forthcoming from the government, the community is going to have to assess its priorities," he said.

An estimated \$1.5 million is needed to buy the entire secondary watershed unlogged. The Water Preservation Society, which is running the fundraising campaign, has about \$240,000 collected to date, with a May 1 deadline looming.

For those wondering how payment for the purchase of Lot 9 adjacent to Maxwell Lake

occurred, the water parcel tax for those serviced by Mount Maxwell was \$20 higher this year, and will be the same next year. Water users have also paid an extra four cents per 100 gallons since late last year.

The annual general meeting takes place April 24 at the Masonic Hall, 506 Lower Ganges Road, at 8 p.m. An election for two trustee positions is also on the agenda.

Larmour is set to retire from his long-held post at the end of April, but the tumultuous times mean he will likely work for the district somewhat longer than planned.

District loses and receives funding

On the eve of a provincial election, the education ministry is giving with one hand and taking away with the other.

The Gulf Islands School Board is losing its implementation training grant, which was \$25,290 this year, along with all other school districts in the province.

Board chairwoman May

McKenzie said that it may not be a lot of money but it went a long way, funding numerous workshops, a brain research study group, curriculum writing and literacy projects, and more.

McKenzie said the ministry's rationale for withdrawing the funds was that the new curriculum is now in place, although the dis-

trict feels curriculum development is an ongoing process.

At the same time, the government has offered the Gulf Islands a one-time trust fund learning resources grant of \$34,961, another \$24,569 for technology costs, and up to \$8,700 to offset higher propane and heating oil expenses.

TEXADA UPDATE: Land value debated

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help from us, we're available to help him if need be. I think he has all that he needs except the money."

Macdonald was not surprised that Texada and TLC appraisers did not agree on the land values.

"My observation with these types of things is that the people

buying think (the price) is too high and the people selling think it's too low," he said. "That's been my observation every time I've seen one of these types of transactions."

Purchase of all Burgoyne Bay lands except the north shore — which is being bought and pre-

served by the Nature Trust of B.C. — and much of the Burgoyne Valley via Lot 57 by the TLC came within reach after the March 31 announcement of \$20-million in "biodiversity package" funds from the B.C. government earmarked for Salt Spring, Galiano and Valdes islands.

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Stolen firearm owner sets hearing date

A Salt Spring man has been charged with failure to declare a stolen weapon and presented with a ban to possess firearms, ammunition or explosives.

Martin Gotsch told Ganges Provincial Court last Tuesday that registered firearms were stolen from his home in November. However, he did not report the theft to police.

One of the firearms was linked to a murder in Burnaby on February 16. A hearing has been set for May 8.

In other court news:
• Anthony Barrett signed a \$1,000 peace bond preventing him from contact with a Salt

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Spring woman and members of her family, following police investigation of a "peeping Tom" complaint on January 23.

The woman also reported discovery of a chair and footprints beneath her daughter's window. The 31-year-old man, who is a neighbour to the complainant, was ordered to avoid direct or indirect contact with the family and to remain at least 50 metres

from their property.

• Ian Brierley pleaded guilty to operating a motor vehicle while disqualified. The Salt Spring man had been sentenced to a 12-month driving prohibition on January 11, 2000 after pleading guilty to impaired driving.

Brierley was then observed driving on December 24 by an off-duty officer who recognized him from the previous conviction. Brierley received a \$300 fine and a further one-year driving prohibition.

• Dennis Murray pleaded guilty to a charge of impaired driving and received a \$600 fine and a

12-month driving prohibition.

The charges stem from a motor vehicle accident on December 17, 2000.

The 32-year-old stated he hit black ice on Upper Ganges Road, went into a ditch and struck a pole.

Police found him with a flushed face and a strong odour of alcohol on his breath. Subsequent breathalyzer readings showed he had more than twice the legal amount of alcohol in his blood.

Citizenship cards being prepared for supporters of sovereign island

"Provisional citizenship cards" for supporters of the independent Salt Spring concept are now available.

The Sustainable Salt Spring Island Coalition has created the cards, which the group says will act as a registration card for voting in a shadow government within the next year, and future referenda on island issues.

A satellite photo of Salt Spring adorns the cards' front, along with a registration number, space for a signature and the following quote:

"There is a principle in life that cannot fail to keep a person in total ignorance. That principle is contempt prior to investigation."

According to a press release, all current residents

who have lived on the island at least 180 days in the last year are eligible to apply for provisional citizenship.

Cards are now available for a \$2 donation to cover costs from both Naikai Gallery and the office of Dr. McGinn and Dr. Hayden.

The next coalition meeting is on Thursday, April 26 at 7 p.m.

It will focus on a provisional electoral process and establishment of electoral boundaries for the shadow government.

Anyone interested in attending the meeting should call Bob McGinn at 537-2093 or e-mail him at: bobmcginn@saltspring.com.

Market prompts parking warnings

The arrival of the Saturday Market in Centennial Park has coincided with warnings from local police.

Salt Spring RCMP issued warnings to six island drivers on April 7, advising them of a possible \$86 fine for leaving a vehicle in a "no parking" zone.

Drivers are reminded to observe the posted "no parking" zones and yellow curbs — particularly in the downtown area where congestion occurs.

Vehicles parked contrary to the signs may be towed and impounded.

In other police news:
• A driver stopped by police for a broken rear tail-light has been charged with impaired driving.

Police pulled over the 41-year-old Salt Spring man at approximately 10:14 p.m. April 5.

Issued an immediate notice of driving prohibition, the man was released with the promise to attend court on June 12.

• Failing to flick on turn signals has cost a 19-year-old Salt Spring man \$98.

Police say they observed the driver of a white Camaro fail to signal for three turns in Ganges just after 11 p.m., April 6.

• Salt Spring RCMP are looking for information regarding a break, enter and theft on Long Harbour Road, reported around midnight April 6.

A video cassette recorder was taken from the residence.

• A 33-year-old Salt Spring

RCMP REPORT

man was taken to Lady Minto Hospital and treated for minor injuries following a car accident

near Moby's Pub on April 7.

The man was making a turn into the pub parking lot when his vehicle was struck in the rear by a Buick driven by a 21-year-old island female.

The man's Honda was towed from the scene.



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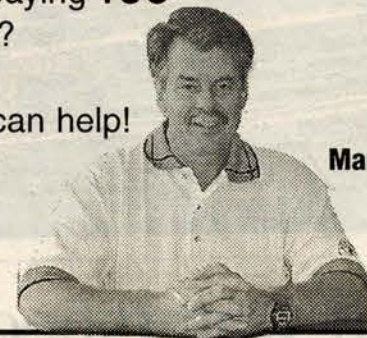
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H2O TIME: Kids in Cathy Takagaki's Fernwood School class raise their water bottles for a brain-cell-hydrating drink of water. Taking a sip or more every 20 minutes aids optimal brain functioning.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Water, brain exercises aid students

Learning has long been recognized as thirsty work, and how to make sure students get the water they need while in the classroom is on the homework list for the Gulf Islands School Board.

The district is looking into how it can make sure every student has easy access to quality drinking water and is even considering the provision of a water bottle for its 1,840 students.

School board chairwoman May McKenzie said the whole concept is still being looked at, although the District Parents Advisory Council highlighted another issue in a recent letter to the board: not all schools' water is suitable for drinking.

McKenzie said that even though Gulf Islands school water is tested monthly by the Capital Health Region and deemed safe to drink, some of it is not particularly palatable. Financial limitations would hamper buying water

or installing treatment systems for all the schools, she said, adding that Salt Spring Island Middle School has an internal system for purchasing water.

But making sure students' brain cells are adequately hydrated has been part of several Gulf Islands classrooms for quite some time.

Schools superintendent Duane Sutherland said it's surprising how many Gulf Islands teachers have incorporated water bottles or another water-consumption system into their classroom.

Cathy Takagaki's Fernwood Elementary School students are used to taking a sip from water bottles on a regular basis throughout the day. They also build up neuropathways between the brain's right and left hemispheres with "Brain Gym" exercises.

Takagaki is not a certified Brain Gym instructor, but she took a two-day in-service on the

material last September and has continued reading on the subject.

When she gave the school board a presentation on the topic last month, a few basics were outlined. They include taking a drink of water every 20 minutes; stimulating the carotid artery to improve blood flow to the brain; use of regular exercises that involve the "crossing over" of arms and legs, such as the right arm touching the left leg; and other tricks of the trade to help brains function in top form.

Brain Gym concepts are not new. Developed from research initiated in 1969 by Paul Dennison, the system has been taught and acknowledged worldwide.

In 1991, the U.S. National Learning Foundation named it one of 12 "exemplary programs that model excellence in the classroom and have demonstrated effective results."

Two Saturday rallies oppose FTAA

Islanders opposed to creation of a free trade zone throughout the western hemisphere have two chances to express themselves in public rallies on Saturday, April 21.

On Salt Spring a rally to protest the proposed Free Trade Area of the Americas (FTAA) and the secret negotiations by leaders of 34 countries in Quebec City this week is set for 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Based from Centennial Park, it includes a rally, march and speakers.

People wanting to join an international event

opposing the FTAA can also reserve a seat on a bus travelling from Tsawwassen to the Canadian-U.S. border at Peace Arch Park and returning the same day.

Organizer Annica Burnaby said political and environmental activists, and labour union leaders will speak at the event, which is set up so no one has to cross the border.

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The power of the written word

The power of the press, the quotation goes, belongs to he who owns one. It is a well-used phrase and one that has been applied more than once to this newspaper. But rare is the newspaper in the western world that does not permit the use of its pages for the expression of opinion of all kinds.

Unfortunately there are many people who do not have access to such expression. Hundreds of millions of the world's people are illiterate. They have neither books nor the materials needed to write.

Here in the islands it's a different story. We have libraries and book stores and a reading culture. Our students enjoy a level of access to books that is denied to millions of children in poor countries.

So is there a problem here?

Yes. The power of the written word has diminished as a result of television. Our society is becoming more accustomed to relying on the imagery of the TV screen, and lately the computer monitor, as its primary source for information.

The declining value of the written word can be seen in the declining standards of language. Go back 30 years and more and compare the language found in newspapers and magazines and that used in parliamentary debate.

Language is in danger of losing its power and its magic as vocabularies shrink in size and we rely more and more on images to convey messages. We have a long way to go before we regress to communicating with grunts, but the writing, so to speak, is on the wall, there for us to read if we can.

So what can we do to arrest the decline?

We can start by supporting events such as B.C. Book and Magazine Week and Canada Book Day. Locally that could mean participating in the Salt Spring library's events, one of which takes place Sunday. But the most important thing we can do is take the time to encourage our children to develop an enjoyment of reading.

There is no better means of developing mutual understanding than by exposing ourselves to other thoughts and ideas through reading.

The power of the press belongs to those who can read and write.

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Playback member amazed by magic, stories

BY HEATHER LUNA-ROSE

How well do you know your neighbours?

An evening of Playback Theatre brings islanders together for a unique blend of theatre and the stories that make up our community.

The Salt Spring Playback Theatre has been performing on occasional Saturday nights at the United Church upper hall to a small but devoted audience.

The last session for the season takes place this Saturday at 7:30 p.m.

Playback is open to all and incorporates the entertainment of improvisational theatre with the ritual of storytelling.

Audience members and actors "warm up" with audience members calling out feelings and actors "playing back" those feelings to them as live,

VIEW POINT



fluid sculptures.

Actors then invite audience members to share an experience, memory or dream. The actors play out the story improvisationally, giving the teller a rare opportunity to witness a scene from his or her own life.

"As actors, we are not trying to interpret the stories," explains Alan Caplan, a Playback troupe member. "We simply allow whatever impulses come to serve the story."

The tellers have an opportunity to correct a scene or to transform it. Often simply witnessing a scene from their life can bring new insight into their own behaviour or that of the

other participants in their story.

The stories that emerge on any given evening span across generations, place, time and themes, and often have a lasting impact. Hearing the stories of those we live with is the most profound aspect of Playback, reminding us that one person's struggles or joys often speak for many.

"I like experiencing other sides of people, people I see in the community, and now I feel I know them a bit more intimately," says Carmelle Labelle, a frequent attendee, who is drawn by the stories. "At Playback you are in a safe environment to hear aspects of people's lives, meaningful stories, deep wounds and silly moments."

There is something that compels me to go, but it is also challenging to be there,

because some of the stories hit home for me."

Each performance is unique; one never knows what stories will emerge from one performance to the next, or from one teller to the next.

This is partly what makes Playback so magical. As a Playback actor, I am amazed by the stories and awed by the richness and complexity of all of our lives.

Recent performance venues included a Victoria conference for therapists, a men's prison and Salt Spring's hospice group.

Anyone can book the troupe through Caplan at 537-9114, and all are welcome to attend Saturday night's show at the United Church.

The writer is a member of Salt Spring Playback Theatre.

Letter policy

The Driftwood publishes all letters it receives, as long as the writer's name is clear and a telephone contact number is included.

The exceptions are those which may be libelous, in bad taste or describe incidents involving other people which, to be fair, should allow both sides to be aired in a news story.

As well, when the volume of letters exceeds available space, priority will be given to letters which have not appeared in other publications.

Letters should not exceed 300 words in length; View Points must be approximately 575 words; In Depth pieces up to 800 words.

I am convinced that I would make an excellent president for the independent republic of Salt Spring Island, but I cannot for the life of me think of any other reason why we should separate from Canada.

One needn't travel far beyond the borders of this country to understand why we consistently come out on top in the annual best country awards. The prize does not have the glamour and glitz of the Oscars, nor the grand celebration to accompany the announcement of the winners.

No, the prize is simply an assessment of several factors that serve to determine the best places to live. We win hands down. And those of us in the Gulf Islands have the pleasure of knowing that we live in the best part of the best country in

A sovereign Salt Spring? Hmm

the world.

What more could we want?

According to proponents of Salt Spring sovereignty, a lot more. Let's go through the list.

- Local autonomy: Sounds nice, and there ought to be a certain degree of local control over our affairs. But people gather in communities for mutual support. Communities gather as countries for the same reason. What is there to stop Pender Island, Duncan, Prince George or any other community from forming separate countries if we choose that route?

The term balkanization comes to mind and look where they've been

TONY RICHARDS



the past 10 years.

- One level of government: A laudable goal, but will the benefits outweigh the costs?

- Representation by population: We already have it.

- A future for future generations: Who's going to object to that? But what is there to prevent us from aspiring to such a goal today?

- Diverse, sustainable community: The diversity of the Salt Spring

strengths. Its tendency to divide, however, is also a weakness and would represent a significant challenge for an independent state.

- Protection of our water, air and earth: Who's to say we will have the ability to improve on the status quo?

- Sustainability of economy and environment: See above, and also consider the challenge in obtaining widespread agreement on how we accomplish these things.

- Happiness and prosperity for all islanders: I could look forward to being happy all the time. But only if I were president. I could go for prosperity, too. However, this all sounds like political pie in the sky to me.

foreign Salt Spring would be obtaining agreement on matters of national interest. We would become a microcosm of the province and its polarization, and there's a horrible thought.

There would have to be a tremendous commitment to compromise and a willingness to move from entrenched positions in order for sovereignty to succeed.

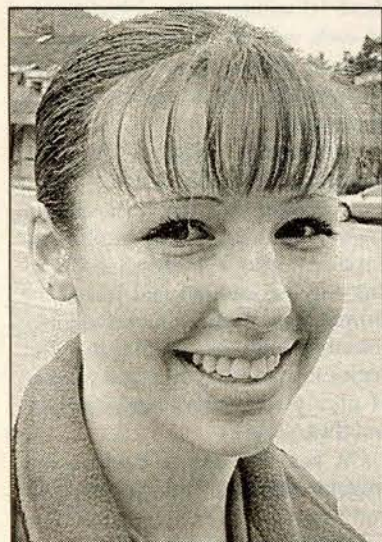
Yet if we had those things now we might already have found happiness and prosperity.

• TRAFFIC WATCH:

Motorists on North End Road are advised to watch out for the new, unmarked crosswalk between Langs and LePage roads. The only evidence that a crosswalk exists is the procession of mallard ducks recently seen heading

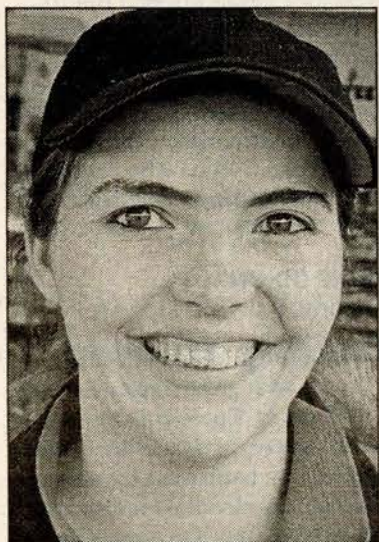
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We asked: *What should we do about parking in Ganges?*



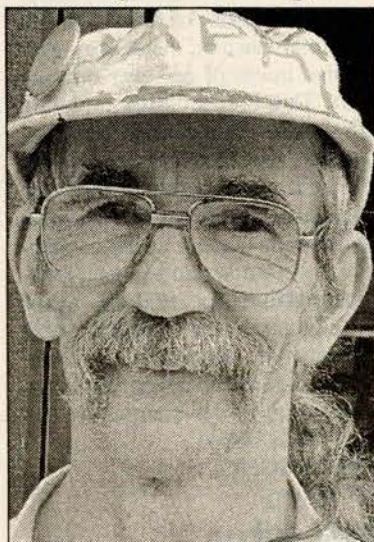
Amanda Sadler

We shouldn't let tourists bring vehicles to the island — and get a regular bus running.



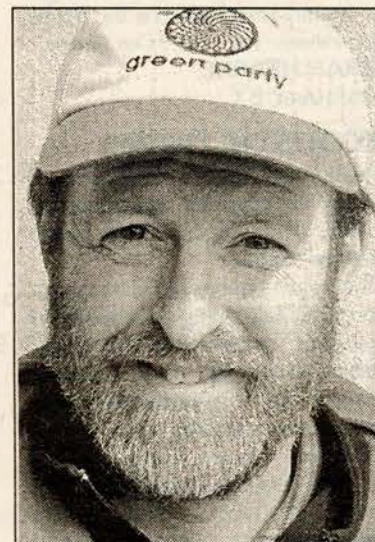
Amy Delaney

We should have parking spaces just for residents — tourists can park where there is other space.



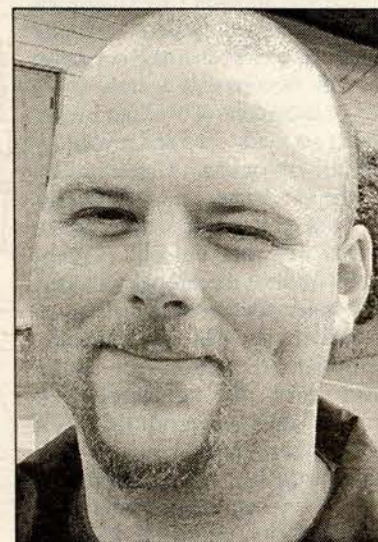
Jerry Smallwolf

Just stack them!



Vaughn Fulford

We need a Vesuvius to Fulford bike & walking path, public transit, a big parking garage on the edge of town, a car by-pass . . . we should turn most of Ganges into a pedestrian mall.



Skye Robinson

Eliminate cars.

Letters to the Editor

Scheduled near-catch

B.C. Ferries runs a fine operation, which I am proud to compare to any ferry service I use when I travel.

Indeed, the strength of the operation is the ferry crews, which do a fine job of making things run smoothly. But who is that sadistic person creating the Fulford ferry schedule?

It has caused us to create a new word — “near-catch” — to describe the character-building situation where, as you approach Swartz Bay on your ferry, you get to watch the ferry you are trying to catch depart moments before you arrive.

The best proof of this is the scheduled 6:35 p.m. departure from Swartz Bay for Fulford.

The ferry arriving from Tsawwassen is scheduled to arrive at 6:35 p.m. A perfectly co-ordinated and scheduled near-catch.

When the Long Harbour ferry terminal was out of commission, there was an effort by B.C. Ferries to make throughfares at Swartz Bay happen.

Thank you.

But now with Long Harbour operational, things at Swartz Bay are back to “normal.”

What are the Fulford ferry users — chopped liver?

Here is an example. Someone arriving at Tsawwassen at 3:05 p.m. for Salt Spring will catch the

5 p.m. boat for Swartz Bay, but will miss the connection to Fulford (described above), forcing them to catch the next ferry at 9 p.m., which arrives in Fulford at 9:35 p.m.

From arriving in Tsawwassen, until arriving on Salt Spring, the elapsed time is six hours and 30 minutes. Wow. Kayak speed.

I would hope that in the future there would be an effort to coordinate all Swartz Bay ferry schedules to optimize throughfares.

I am sure that the ferry crews could do a very good job of writing a workable schedule.

HARRY BURTON and DEBBIE McNAMARA,
Apple Luscious Organic Orchard

Great Bear party

The April 8 Teddy “Bears” Picnic hosted by the Salt Spring Branch 92 of the Royal Canadian Legion, dedicated to the memory of the late, great George “Bear” Lamont, was a heartfelt success.

The horseshoe pit was inaugurated with much enthusiasm for the coming season, and many toys, teddy bears and other stuffed cuddly creatures were donated by generous revellers for distribution through the Community Centre and Christmas Hamper Fund to families throughout the year.

I would like to acknowledge the following for their labours of love: Michael Panes, for co-ordinating and sponsoring the event; Bonnie McDougall, Kenny Williams, Kerry

Butler, Alan Wyatt, Mike Valcourt, Darlene Valcourt, Rene Valcourt, Jim Akerman, Sunday Byron, Pierre and Elsie Bosnell, the Atomic Blues Band, Annie Palovcik, Herc and Fifi, Kent Hammond, GVM meat department, the Lamont family for their blessing and support, Legion staff, and all who showed up and those who couldn't to have fun and remember an old friend, “Bear” Lamont, on the occasion of our mutual birthday.

Cheers! It was a great party.

STEPHEN GLANVILLE,
Salt Spring

P.S. Adios Amigo, “Cowboy” Lew Bryan. We will miss you at the coffee shop. Until we meet you again, “happy trails to you.”

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‘Fairness’ misses the point in water protection debate

By **RON HAWKINS**

St. Mary Lake is very close to permanent degradation from the proliferation of algae. If this happens there is no turning back. Effective treatment, if possible, will be expensive and the public will pay for it.

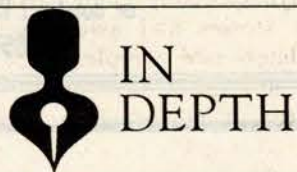
The Islands Trust, while concerned, still condones present abuses from approximately 190 property owners in the water basin and it supports modest expansion of development activity through proposed Land Use Bylaw 355.

The Islands Trust believes it isn't fair to existing property owners to become restrictive, in fact, the opposite. Fairness is missing the point. Would it be fair, for example, to assume that if a public water supply is degraded largely as a result of the Trust-condoned actions of water basin residents, that these people compensate the public for their actions?

People aren't aware. We need to be informed. Here are some facts as quoted from reports and correspondence.

- Written communication from Rick Nordin, provincial limnologist, Water Quality Branch, B.C. Environment, to North Salt Spring Waterworks District (NSSWD), April 16, 1996:

“With regard to your inquiry of this morning asking about changes in watershed populations and potential effects on water quality, here is the main point that we spoke about. It is generally considered that the amount of nutrients that are generated in a



watershed is proportional to the number of people in the watershed — which is a reflection of the amount of sewage disposal and the land disturbance. Increasing populations appear to be directly linked to changes in lake water quality in many examples that have been examined. In many cases the changes are very subtle and manifested very slowly.

Protecting the water quality of lakes on Salt Spring is a very important issue since they will be very difficult and extremely expensive to restore as they become more degraded and less useful for purposes like drinking water, recreation and for sport fish habitat. A principle for protecting the lakes is to minimize the numbers of human population and activities which might cause increasing nutrient input.”

- Excerpt from written communication from NSSWD to Islands Trust, January 18, 2001, Re: Bylaw 355:

“ . . . Spring overturn phosphorus levels in the lake are, in most years, well above the acceptable concentration for drinking water lakes. The Islands Trust plays the key role in regulating development in the watershed and therefore the amount of sewage produced. Most soils in the watershed

do not effectively fix phosphorus, and their ability to reduce phosphorus input to the lake is further damaged by land clearing, drainage, less vegetation, creation of impermeable surfaces, etc., all essentially uncontrolled.

“We remain very concerned about the impact of home-based businesses in St. Mary Lake's watershed. It appears that most home-based businesses could increase the amount of sewage disposal, some to a very large extent. There are approximately 190 properties in the St. Mary Lake watershed. If just 20 properties were developed as bed and breakfast operations, for instance, the resultant annual sewage production would be 1,000,000 gallons over the equivalent number of single family dwellings. This could mean a large additional input of nutrients to the lake.

“For many years the official community plan restricted watershed development to one single family dwelling per lot. In our view, this provision should be maintained unless there is clear evidence that the Islands Trust and the Capital Health Region have adequately addressed the problem of nutrient loading to St. Mary Lake.

- Excerpt from Nutrient Input to St. Mary Lake, Internal Report NSSWD, January 11, 2001:

“ . . . Phosphorus is generally the limiting nutrient for algal growth. St. Mary Lake has blooms of blue green algae most years

and counts of algae cells per ml. have exceeded 100,000. The consequences of the resultant poor water quality for purveyors and the community are serious.

“Many species of blue green algae impart an objectionable taste and odour to water, clog filters and some blue green algae are associated with toxicity. The organic matter creates turbidity, promotes bacterial regrowth in the water mains, interferes with disinfection and, in combination with chlorine, creates trihalomethanes (THMS) and other disinfection by-products. Treatment of drinking water from a eutrophic source (i.e. oversupplied with nutrients) is both difficult and very expensive in terms of capital and operating expenses. As well, St. Mary's eutrophic state renders it borderline for both recreation and as a habitat for aquatic life.”

This report then shows a graph from a provincial government report depicting St. Mary Lake annual phosphorus levels from 1972 to 2000, during which spring phosphorus levels have never been below the MAXIMUM acceptable level for drinking water lakes, and have risen as high as 4.5 times the maximum acceptable level for drinking water lakes.

I find this statement staggering. We have known this for 30 years and still aren't learning!

I strongly disagree with the Islands Trust position stated as follows:

“the community took a decision ‘some years ago’ that it was not in

favour of downzoning. Much of the history of the Islands Trust, since it came into being in 1974, has therefore been occupied with accommodating the zoning it inherited.”

My response: If the community took a no downzoning position “some years ago,” let's revisit that position. This situation is too critical to blithely assume people still want to ruin their own water supply. Furthermore, if the Islands Trust has operated from the zoning it inherited in 1974, it is high time to revisit that as well.

“Removing future uses such as B&Bs would seem to run counter to our local ideas of fairness toward people who have already invested in their land under the existing rules.”

My response: Bunk! Fairness is missing the point.

Look at Cusheon Lake. There is no fairness in lose-lose scenarios. Needed immediately is a curbing of all future additional impacts on all potable lake basins. Then we should begin actively exploring ways of reducing existing impacts.

On Thursday, April 26 from 1:15 to 2 p.m. at the Lions Hall, the Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee will hold the question and answer portion of its monthly public meeting.

If you drink water on Salt Spring Island I suggest you be there.

The writer is a Salt Spring resident.

Tackle issue

With the imminent big conclave in Quebec City to strategize on enshrining globalization in the western hemisphere, shouldn't we Canadians tackle this portentous issue so fateful to their future, in that the corporate elite with its corporate agenda would have de facto control over our lives?

After so many sere and revelatory articles by prominent Canadians on the inherent dangers from globalization, what is it going to take before we hear the wake-up call? Perhaps we still believe the propaganda that such a consolidation of global capital is a benign force that will bring only prosperity and democracy to the world. Well, the universal track record of this behemoth reveals a trail of failures in an increasing economic inequality, rampant abuse of low-level workers and human rights, unchecked environmental degradation and manipulation of democracy into a paper tiger. And all this is happening in Canada!

The various sordid mechanisms of the trade deals, such as NAFTA's Chapter 11 reprehensible "private legal standing" clause, all act to effect a de facto coup d'etat by the corporate elite over parliament, hence all institutions of a free state. And NAFTA is held out by proponents as a template for the FTAA and GATS to be promulgated at the Quebec meeting. Is this what we want for our nation?

Consider this. If the dogma is true that global capital is a benign force, why is it that our government refuses to let us have a say in its deployment into our midst? Why is it that our government is spending \$36 million on pumped up militaristic presence for a three-day period, roughly \$1 million for each head of state in attendance, against its own citizens who merely wish to speak out in defence of Canada's sovereignty and liberty?

Are these people not responsible in being motivated by a just cause? Would not this \$36 million better be spent on programs for the nation's children of poverty who now number around 4.5 million?

So, the way I see it, if Canadians want to tackle this portentous issue, then they should descend upon Quebec City in droves on April 18. Because the air flights and hotels are likely all booked up, the only way we can do this is to jump into our RVs and camperized trucks to trek across the country. We have just enough time left.

More letters

Our destination and goal? To fight the second great battle on the Plains of Abraham. The prize? Our liberty!
JEZRAH HEARNE,
Vancouver, B.C.

Acoustic news

You may have already heard through the clamshell telegraph that we have sold Acoustic Planet Music store and studio.

It was great to be able to become a part of the Salt Spring community so soon after we moved to the island. Thank you for your warm welcome then and for your tremendous support over the past three years.

The new owners, Greg Esposito and Joan McCorquodale, have just moved here from Vancouver where Greg has been performing and teaching guitar for the past 20 years. They have a young daughter and are looking forward to the rhythm of life on Salt Spring.

We aren't disappearing. Mary is having fun at Fables Cottage bookstore and Jordy will continue to produce, promote and play music as well as do sound at shows. Jordy will be in the store for the next while helping Joan and Greg learn the ropes (or the strings, in this case). We will be helping out with the year-end student concert. Jaime Rokeby-Thomas will still be co-ordinating the music studio and the teachers will continue on as well.

It means a great deal to us to be a part of this community full of generous and creative folks. We are very happy that starting Acoustic Planet gave us the opportunity to meet so many great people.

MARY APPLIGATE,
JORDY SHARP,
Salt Spring

Loving suggestion

To see yourself as others see you and to know yourself as angels know you! To indeed trudge that dusty trail in someone else's worn out threadbare moccasins is the first portal of self awareness. To not own the slaughtering ever cynical or vain glorious-tyrannical ego-projections of the fallen, scattered light of social consciousness, the mundane, devoid of love, political perceptions our neighbours and ourselves indulgently fall victim to. To stalk that which is true in us!, sift through the chaff of plastic diamonds to arrive at a wholesome embracement of our

own unique lovable and lovely self is indeed our Labour of Love. The first Baptismal Unction, the divine incarnational intent of our ever birthing spirit. That homecoming initiation will awaken and reveal the spiral staircase vision of the glory of our self in knowing that indeed the angels have held in trust for us while we dallied in our ego-dysfunctionality and commiserated in our tenacious proclivity for suffering. Know thy self then and come sit at the table of plenty. Our abundance is qualitative love shared quantitatively in the communion of our community oriented lovely living!

RUDY SIEGERS,
Salt Spring

Ask why

The NDP government passed the Protection of Public Participation Act, Bill 10, commonly referred to as anti-SLAPP (Strategic Lawsuits Against Public Participation) legislation, which now has Royal Assent.

Chris Tollefson, University of Victoria law professor said, "We need to find a way to halt SLAPPs quickly to protect these rights and at the same time protect the rights of companies to pursue their legitimate business interests."

Bill 10 will dissuade persons who file a claim for the purpose of preventing defendants and others to engage in public participation and to divert the defendant's financial resources. It will also provide an opportunity by the defendant to have the case dismissed by a judge if it is deemed to be improper and to recover costs.

The Liberals voted en masse against Bill 10 in the House. Gordon Campbell, Liberal leader, said that all the bills passed in the House "can be suspended or amended after this party takes power."

(Times Colonist, "NDP enters its final days," April 13, 2001).

In other words, he inferred that they would change Bill 10 or even repeal it.

Citizens should be able to engage in public issues without the fear of being sued by exaggerated and unsupportable claims. It intimidates those who may wish to speak out and chokes the souls of those who have already spoken. However, those who use SLAPP suits as a tool to prevent participation will assuredly

press the Liberals to repeal Bill 10.

During the B.C. election process, ask your Liberal candidate why he voted against an act that will protect the average citizen from unwarranted claims and provide a level playing field between those who engage in public participation and those who have the financial power to stop them.

PETER DIXON,
Victoria, B.C.

Doubly amused

It was with great amusement that I read the In Depth column in last week's paper, in which the Skeena Queen was lambasted by another islander who obviously loves to hate our ferries as much as most of us do.

My amusement doubled when I read the ad placed by our dearly

beloved "Ferrycorp" public relations department. After listing the two "additional" sailings, which in fact gives us back our old, more convenient 10 sailings a day schedule, the ad ends with the polite "we appreciate your patience, and look forward to restoring regular service as soon as possible."

Someone's idea of a joke, methinks. "Regular service" must mean getting back that bone-rattling, uncomfortable landing craft look-alike complete with cigar tube, mortuary-styled lounges and losing the Bowen Queen with its comfortable, sociable lounges, its ample outer decks, its quiet and dignified manner of plying the waters between here and Swartz Bay.

Oh yes, and going back to our "regular schedule" of two less sailings a day.

I, for one, can't wait.
MANDY SPOTTISWOODE,
Long Harbour

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ANNUAL
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Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the North Salt Spring Waterworks District will be held at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday the 24th of April, 2001, 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.
3. To fix the remuneration of the Trustees for the ensuing year.
4. To elect two Trustees; each for a term of three years.

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2	2	CBC	Hockey 2001 Stanley Cup Playoffs NHL Colorado vs Vancouver							Hockey 2001 Stanley Cup Playoffs NHL Ott./Tor.				The National/Mag.		Secret of Roan In..		
3		MC	Killing Moon Kim Coates.		Ryan's Babe Bill Lavasseur.		Starhunter		Greed Hume Cronyn.			Someone is Watching		Movie				
4	4	KOMO	Rosie O'Donnell		KOMO 4 News		News		Wheel Jeopardy		Wife,Kids Wife,Kids		D.Carey The Job		Once and Again		News Nightline	
5	16	KING	Oprah Winfrey		KING News		News		Magazine		Squares		The West Wing		Law & Order		The Weakest Link	
6	7	CHEK	Inside Ed.		Real TV		CHEK News		News		Ins.Ent.		Squares		Boot Camp		The West Wing	
7	14	VTV	Ellen		3rd Rock		News		D.Carey		News		Friends		D.Carey Wife,Kids		The West Wing	
8	8	BCTV	Oprah Winfrey		News		Canada		News		Wheel		Jeopardy		Ed		The West Wing	
9	9	KCTS	Zoom		Clifford		Arthur		Business		News		R.Steves		Outdoors		American Masters	
10	23	SRC	Hockey Séries éliminatoires de la Coupe Stanley LNH		Téléjournal/Point		Sports		Mensong.		Longueur		05 Vers une terre promise				Fin	
11	5	KNOW	Mechanic		MagicBus		Art Attack		Krat's C.		Foodstuff		Planet.Ed		Garden		Sportfish	
12	13	CKVU	Days of Our Lives		Young & Restless		News		ET		Addams		70'sShow		70'sShow		B. Sound	
13		BRAVO	Videos		Ionesco		SpokenA.		45 News		Les matins infidèles (Unfal..		45 News		NYPD Blue		Homicide: Life on St	
15	35	CMT	CountryN		One/One		CMT Prime		Top 12 Choice		CMT Prime		CountryN		CMT Hits		CMT Live	
16	38	TLC	Bad Drivers		Monster Machines		Robotica		Robotica		Monster Machines		Robotica		Robotica		Bad Drivers	
17	32	CNN	3:30\$line		Crossfire		W. Blitzer		The Point		Larry King Live		CNN Ton.		SpinR'm		SportsT.	
19		FAM	Doug		PeppAnn		Recess		Buzz		Pumbaa		Gargoy.		J.Jackson		ALF	
20	31	A&E	Law & Order		Biography		American Justice		Investigative Rep.		Law & Order		OffRecrd		Kickbox		Can.World	
21	15	TSN	Baseball MLB		New York Yankees vs Toronto Blue Jays		Sportsdesk		OffRecrd		Kickbox		Can.World		Poker Million		Sportsdesk	
22	19	NET	Hockey 2001 Stanley Cup Playoffs NHL Was./Pit.		SprtCent.		Hockey 2001 Stanley Cup Playoffs NHL Det./L.A.		Sports Central Play.		Canucks							
23	17	KSTW	Recess		Buzz		J.Judy		J.Judy		D.Carey		Frasier		Frasier		Seinfeld	
24	12	KVOS	J.Judy		Tell Truth		Fm.Feud		Ch. Heart		St.Smarts		BlindDate		S. Susan		Spin City	
25	34	KCPQ	BoyRobot		Digmon		Simpsons		3rd Rock		Simpsons		3rd Rock		Friends		Friends	
26	20	NEWS	Can. Now		Health		Counterspin		The National/Mag.		Antiques		Roadshow		Counterspin		National	
27	11	KIRO	Inside Ed.		Attorney		KIRO News		News		News		ET		Real TV		Raymond	
28		VISION	Spiritual		L. Hobo		Wond.Yr		Cosby		Little House		Prairie		Skylight		Earth	

THIS WEEK'S MOVIES

- WEDNESDAY, APR 18**
- 6:00 PM
14 Les matins infidèles (Unfaithful Mornings) (1990,Drama) When a would-be author gets writer's block, his friend tries everything to inspire him. *Jean Beaudry, Denis Bouchard (1h45)*
- 8:00 PM
3 Greed (Drama) The prospect of striking it rich throws one family into turmoil. *Hume Cronyn, James Earl Jones (2h)*
- 8:30 PM
27 (11) Fallen (1998,Suspense) Two detectives are convinced that the spirit of an executed killer has returned. *Denzel Washington, John Goodman (2h30)*
- 9:00 PM
19 ★★ Caddyshack II (1988,Comedy) A millionaire's daughter wants to be accepted by the snooty crowd at a country club. *Jackie Mason, Dyan Cannon (1h35)*
- 10:00 PM
14 ★★ The House of the Spirits (1993,Political) A patriarch destroys his family as he helps overthrowing his government. *Jeremy Irons, Meryl Streep (2h30)*
- 3 Someone is Watching (1999,Drama)** A woman thinks that she is having supernatural experiences when strange things happen. *Stefanie Powers, Mickey Tofy (1h45)*
- 10:35 PM
19 ★ The Beverly Hillbillies (1993,Comedy) The Clampetts strike oil in the Ozark swamps and move to Beverly Hills. *Dabney Coleman, Jim Varney (2h25)*
- 11:00 PM
2 (2) ★★★ The Secret of Roan Inish (1993,Drama) A young Irish girl is sent to live with grandparents on the west coast of Ireland. *Jeni Courtney, Eileen Colgan (2h30)*
- 11:45 PM
3 Better Than Chocolate (1999,Romance) Two lesbians hide their affair while living with an unsuspecting mother in Vancouver. *Karen Dwyer, Christina Cox (1h45)*



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2	2	CBC	7.4Kids		Get Set For Life		Get Set For Life		This Hour		RdGreen		North of 60		Gardener		Riverdale	
3		MC	Various Movies		Various Movies		Various Movies		Various Movies		Various Movies		Various Movies		Various Movies		Various Movies	
4	4	KOMO	7:00 Morning Am.		Regis & Kelly		The View		News		P.Charles		All My Children		One Life to Live		General Hospital	
5	16	KING	7:00 Today Show		Today Show II		M. Stewart Living		Fm.Feud		Tell Truth		News		Days of Our Lives		Passions	
6	7	CHEK	6:30 Canada AM		Various		D. Chaik		The Price is Right		CityLine		News		C. Court		C. Court	
7	14	VTV	6:00 VTV Breakfast		Regis & Kelly		The View		Vicki Gabereau		E.R.		Counsel'r		FamPass		General Hospital	
8	8	BCTV	Canada AM		Various		C. Court		Various		Ins.Ent.		News		House		B & B	
9	9	KCTS	Bet. Lions		Zoboo...		Caillou		DragonT.		Barney		Sesame Street		MrRogers		Tubbies	
10	23	SRC	7:30 Matin express		3 mousquetaires		C'est simple comme bonjour		Mensong.		Le Midi		Liza		Mon ange		Caillou	
11	5	KNOW	BlueClue		Zoboo...		DreamSt.		Various		Eil.Moose		Dudley		Various		Various	
12	13	CKVU	Mechanic		Carebear		100 Huntley Street		It's a New Day		Various		Various		Travel		Hitchcock	
13		BRAVO	Various		Various		45News		E.Sullivan		E.Sullivan		Various Movies		45News		Various	
15	35	CMT	Top 12 Choice		Heart and Home		Heart and Home		Heart and Home		W Heart and Home		Heart and Home		Various		CMT Hits	
16	38	TLC	Wd.Story		Wd.Story		Wd.Story		Wd.Story		Wd.Story		Wd.Story		Wd.Story		Wd.Story	
17	32	CNN	6:00 CNN Morning		CNNTod.		B.of Proof		CNN Live Today		Talkback Live		CNN News Site		Inside Politics		\$line	
19		FAM	Art Attack		Little Lulu		Various		50Scarry		Madeline		45OutBox		10GoofT.		35Aladdin	
20	31	A&E	Magnum, P.I.		N. Court		NsRadio		Law & Order		Northern Exposure		L.A. Law		Murder She Wrote		Magnum, P.I.	
21	15	TSN	Sportsdesk		Various		Workout		Various		W Soccer		Various		Bus.Sport		Various	
22	19	NET	SprtCent.		SprtCent.		SprtCent.		SprtCent.		SprtCent.		SprtCent.		SprtCent.		SprtCent.	
23	17	KSTW	Screen Gems		Seventh Heaven		C. Court		C. Court		JudgeJoe		JudgeJoe		The People's Court		Divorce	
24	12	KVOS	Buzz		MerrieMel		Various		Various		Judge Mathis		Jenny Jones		People's Court		Maury Povich Show	
25	34	KCPQ	6Mornings on Q/News		Moral Court		Judge Greg Mathis		J.Mills		Arrest		Judge Greg Mathis		Unhappily		J. Fox	
26	20	NEWS	BusNews		Health		NewsWorld Today		NewsWorld Today		NewsWorld Today		NewsWorld Today		NewsWorld Today		NewsWorld Today	
27	11	KIRO	The Early Show		Sally Jessy Raphael		The Price is Right		Young & Restless		News		B & B		As the World Turns		The Guiding Light	
28		VISION	Mass		Various		Robison		Copeland		Skylight		Various		Various		Various	

- THURSDAY, APR 19**
- 6:00 PM
3 Black Light (1998,Suspense) A blinded police psychic tracks down a child killer despite a legion of protestors. *Michael Ironside, Tahnee Welch (1h30)*
- 14 Balzac (2000,Docu-Drama)** Famed author Honore de Balzac, whose legendary novels reflected his astounding life. *Gerard Depardieu, Jeanne Moreau (2h)*
- 20 (31) Horatio Hornblower: Retribution (2001,History)** Horatio Hornblower is at the helm of HMS Renown. *Ioan Gruffudd, Paul Copley (2h)*
- 8:00 PM
9 (9) ★★★ Schindler's List (1993,True) Man risks own life and fortune to protect more than 1100 Jews during Holocaust. *Liam Neeson, Ben Kingsley (3h30)*
- 25 (34) ★★ Set It Off (1996,Action)** Four black women from the L.A projects decide to beat the system by robbing banks. *Jada Pinkett, Queen Latifah (2h)*
- 8:30 PM
3 Siam Sunset (1999) A design executive's life is forever changed when he meets up with an eccentric woman. *Linus Roache, Danielle Cormack (1h30)*
- 9:00 PM
19 Coming Unglued (1997,Comedy) Boy convinced that his parents are splitting up, tries his hardest to stop them. *Judge Reinhold, Cody Jones (1h35)*
- 10:00 PM
14 ★ Portnoy's Complaint (1972,Erotica) An Jewish teenager obsessed with sex, relates his experiences to his psychiatrist. *Richard Benjamin, Karen Black (2h)*
- 20 (31) Horatio Hornblower: Retribution (2001,History)** *Ioan Gruffudd, Paul Copley (2h)*
- 3 Screwed** Complications arise when

YOUR WEEKLY PULL-OUT TV GUIDE

S - SALT SPRING ISLAND O - OUTER ISLANDS THURSDAY EVENING APRIL 19

Table with columns for channel (S/O), time (4:00-11:30), and program details including titles like 'The Eliaz Gonzalez Story', 'Black Light Michael Ironside', and 'Siam Sunset'.

True North Satellites advertisement featuring Bell ExpressVu, 'FREE BASIC INSTALLATION!', and '35 Channels for \$8.95/mo.' with a satellite dish image.

S - SALT SPRING ISLAND O - OUTER ISLANDS FRIDAY EVENING APRIL 20

Table with columns for channel (S/O), time (4:00-11:30), and program details including titles like 'Hockey 2001 Stanley Cup Playoffs NHL Toronto vs Ottawa', 'Committed', and 'Pitch Black'.

YOUR HOME ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE advertisement for QSI Electronics Radio Shack Asc, listing TV and VCR models and prices, with a satellite dish image.

S - SALT SPRING ISLAND O - OUTER ISLANDS SATURDAY DAYTIME APRIL 21

Table with columns for channel (S/O), time (8:00-3:30), and program details including titles like 'Sh'wood', 'The Closer You Get', and 'Batman Returns'.

S - SALT SPRING ISLAND O - OUTER ISLANDS SATURDAY EVENING APRIL 21

Table with columns for channel (S/O), time (4:00-11:30), and program details including titles like 'Hockey 2001 Stanley Cup Playoffs NHL Dallas vs Edmonton', 'Man on the Moon', and 'Keeping the Faith'.

a butler decides to ransom his frugal boss' dog. Norm MacDonald, David Chappelle (1h30)

10:35 PM
19 Toothless (1997,Comedy) A dentist is sent back to Earth to make amends as the Tooth Fairy. Kirstie Alley, Lynn Redgrave (1h25)
20 You Can't Beat a Woman (1997,Documentary) An uncompromising look at the stories of nine formerly battered women. (2h)

FRIDAY, APR 20

6:00 PM
3 Committed (Drama) A young woman stops at nothing to get her husband back after he leaves to "find" himself. Heather Graham, Casey Affleck (2h)
8:00 PM
3 Pitch Black A group of marooned space travelers struggle for survival on a sun-scorched world. Radha Mitchell, Cole Hauser (2h)
23 17 How Stella Got Her Groove Back (1998,Drama) A stock broker and single mom begins a love affair with a younger man while on vacation. Angela Bassett, Taye Diggs (2h)
24 12 Weekend at Bernie's (1989,Comedy) A dream weekend goes off to a bad start when the host turns up dead. Andrew McCarthy, Jonathan Silverman (2h)

9:00 PM
19 Curly Sue (1991,Romance) A homeless girl and her adoptive father plot to cheat a single female attorney. James Belushi, Kelly Lynch (1h40)
9:45 PM
14 Heavy Traffic (1973,Animated) A cartoonist experiences the grim realities of life after he takes a mistress. Voices of Jim Bates, Michael Brandon (1h30)

10:00 PM
9 The Man in the Gray Flannel Suit (1956,Drama) A man is torn between his wife, his home life and his illegitimate son. Gregory Peck, Jennifer Jones (2h)
3 Ghost Dog: The Way of the Samurai (1999,Crime Story) When his Mafia boss wants to hunt him down, an assassin named Ghost Dog strikes back. Henry Silva, Cliff Gorman (2h)

10:40 PM
19 Any Which Way You Can (1978,Comedy) A man thinks about heading back to the ring for one last bare-knuckle fight. Clint Eastwood, Sondra Locke (1h55)

11:00 PM

22 2 Waiting for Guffman (1996,Comedy) Small town theater group puts on musical to celebrate the town's anniversary. Christopher Guest, Fred Willard (2h)

11:30 PM
14 Shampoo (1975,Romance) A Hollywood hairstylist has several affairs with his beautiful clients. Warren Beatty, Julie Christie (2h)

SATURDAY, APR 21

6:00 PM
3 Man on the Moon (1999,Biography) A film about the life and career of the eccentric avant guard comedian Andy Kaufman. Jim Carrey, Courtney Love (2h)
8:00 PM
3 Keeping the Faith A rabbi and a priest fall in love with the same girl. Ben Stiller, Edward Norton (2h15)
4 Lethal Weapon 3 (1992,Action) A cop and his partner find themselves in a war with criminal mastermind. Danny Glover, Mel Gibson (3h)
9 Schindler's List (1993,True) Man risks own life and fortune to protect more than 1100 Jews during Holocaust. Liam Neeson, Ben Kingsley (3h30)

23 17 Slaughter of the Innocents (1993,Suspense) Scott Glenn, Henry V. Brown (2h)
24 12 Star Trek IV: The Voyage Home (1986,Sci-Fi) The crew recruits the help of humpback whales to save the future Earth. William Shatner, Leonard Nimoy (2h30)

8:45 PM
14 Klute (1971,Suspense) A detective gets involved with a prostitute while investigating a disappearance. Jane Fonda, Donald Sutherland (2h15)

9:00 PM
22 2 To Wong Foo... Thanks for Everything Julie Newmar (1995,Comedy) A tale of three drag queens who wind up in small town when their car breaks down. Patrick Swayze, Wesley Snipes (2h30)
5 Two If By Sea (1995,Comedy) A thief and his girlfriend are in hiding but hired to steal a painting. Denis Leary, Sandra Bullock (2h)

19 Who Framed Roger Rabbit? (1988,Comedy) Hollywood detective attempts to prove a cartoon character's innocence in a murder case. Bob Hoskins, Joanna Cassidy (2h)
10:15 PM
3 Fight Club (1999,Psycho-Drama) Two anarchists start a fight club that turns into a philosophical movement beyond control. Brad Pitt, Edward Norton (2h30)

11:00 PM
14 Mickey One (1965,Crime Story) A nightclub comic in trouble with the mob goes on the lam and assumes a new identity. Warren Beatty, Hurd Hatfield (1h45)
iott (2h20)

SUNDAY, APR 22

6:00 PM
3 Where the Heart Is (1990,Drama) A wealthy man teaches

Eighty turn out to re-visit the 'Great Ganges Sewer Debate'

By MITCHELL SHERRIN
Driftwood Contributor

Veterans of community development gathered at Central Hall last Tuesday to hear Tom Toynbee reminisce about the "Great Ganges Sewer Debate" — an issue that divided the community and raged for over 25 years.

Toynbee, who managed Mouat's Trading Co. from 1971 to 2000, spoke to about 80 people at the event, which was hosted by the Salt Spring Historical Society.

He has chaired the Ganges Sewer Committee since 1986 and spearheaded efforts to bring the sewer to the village.

With the august air of a distinguished general, Toynbee described the decades of conflict that surrounded the development of the Ganges sewer system with a mixture of humour and civic dedication.

It was sewer development plans that spurred islanders to vote in a 1967 referendum to incorporate Ganges to raise funds for an out-fall pipe and waste treatment facility.

At that time, septic systems discharged effluent into Ganges Creek and harbour, and Toynbee remembered "the warm aroma on summer days."

Apart from the stink, Toynbee said, he was concerned about health risks associated with failed septic systems, as well as the limits to development imposed by the absence of a treatment system.

However, the referendum to incorporate Ganges failed with 55 per cent opposed.

In 1970, Toynbee said, "a \$331,000 sewer plan was deemed financially unfeasible." Health authorities complained, but islanders remained idle until the provincial health officer threatened to take action.

In 1977, with development hampered to the point that regulations even restricted the number of employees at a workplace, islanders petitioned 68 per cent in favour of a Capital Regional District (CRD) plan to approve a \$2.3 million dollar sewer system for the town, said Toynbee.

He went on to describe how local citizens, led by Yvette Valcourt, forced the CRD to abandon the petition one year later, with charges of forged signatures and other voting irregularities.

"The CRD then asked the Pollution Control director to issue an order requiring the construction of a sewer system, and the order was granted for health reasons," said Toynbee.

This order was then ruled invalid under court appeal.

"Despite spirited opposition from Valcourt, who was the CRD director in 1981," said Toynbee, "the CRD voted to go ahead with a project to build a sewer for \$4,017,000."

"The plant now produces effluent of such quality, that in the event of a water shortage, it could be used for spray irrigation in the village."

In July 1981, the provincial government legislated a special law for Salt Spring, Bill 31, mandating a Ganges sewer system.

Construction of the sewer out-fall commenced, but clashes within the community reached their peak of intensity in 1982 when a barge of plastic sewer pipe was torched in Ganges Harbour.

Crowds of organized anti-sewer protesters gathered with Laurier Lapierre in Ganges to hear Valdy perform The Sewer Song, which he wrote for the occasion.

The "atmosphere was super-charged," said Toynbee.

At the same meeting, he added, NDP opposition MLA Bob Skelly accused local Social Credit MLA Hugh Curtis of "making political payoffs to his friends in Ganges."

Later, under threat of libel action, "Skelly recanted those allegations," said Toynbee.

During the legislative debate on Bill 31, he said, "NDP MLA Charles Barber stated that I planned to build 250 homes on the island with the help of the sewer."

He added that "to date I've built exactly one house on Salt Spring and I live in it."

Drawn to Salt Spring by tales of scandal, struggle and intrigue, a CBC film crew arrived in 1983 to feature the sewer debate on The Fifth Estate.

They created a 25-minute documentary titled Pipe Dreams.

At the Tuesday meeting, Toynbee played a tape of the 1983 film that presented all key players at the height of the conflict. The program depicted Valcourt as the stubborn protester versus Toynbee the developer.

"Ah it's good to be young again," said Toynbee wistfully, as his youthful image appeared on screen.

Dietrich Luth, who later became a CRD director, was depicted as a ruthless "mercenary" who had been hired to protect the building site and materials with his pack of guard dogs.

After the screening, Toynbee described his apprehension of getting involved with the CBC project since it appeared to be a "lose-lose proposition."

At one point in the program, interviewer Eric Malling asked Toynbee point blank: "Are you the villain of the piece?"

Toynbee noted that Malling later confided they were having a hard time making Toynbee "look like a big-time developer."

The sewer saga came to "a merciful end" for Toynbee in 1985 when the now \$4.8-million plan to build the plant was finally approved and partially subsidized by the provincial government based on school and hospital use of the system.

At the end of Toynbee's presentation he proudly reviewed performance statistics of the 15-year-old treatment facility that continue to "consistently meet shellfish standards, the Department of Fisheries and Oceans' highest standards of marine effluent."

Toynbee noted that "the plant now produces effluent of such a high quality, that in the event of water shortages, it could be used for spray irrigation in the village."

Toynbee's evident pride in the improvement of water quality in Ganges creek and local beaches reflects the dedication he has given to this project over the last 30 years.



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- **ALCOHOL & DRUG PROGRAM:** Prevention & treatment service is free & confidential.
- **FAMILY PLACE: DROP IN** - will be closed Mon. Mar 12, re-opening Mon. Mar. 26.
- **CLOTHING EXCHANGE** - open daily. **WALK IN MOUATS PARK** - Thursday @ 10, pot luck 3rd Thursday of each month. **FRIDAY PROGRAMMING** - 9-11:30 & **RUGHUGGERS** 11:30-1:30. 537-9176
- **PARENT SUPPORT CIRCLES** - every Monday at Family Place 9:30-11:30, call 537-9176 to register.
- **RECYCLE DEPOT:** Open Tuesday - Saturday from 10:00am-5pm, 349 Rainbow Rd., 537-1200.
- **COMMUNITY WELLNESS PROGRAMS COORDINATOR:** Call Sharon Glover at 537-4607.
- **Emergency Mental Health Services available:** 4pm to midnight. Access is available through the Emergency Room at Lady Minto Hospital call: 538-4840

CONTEST! Design a Flag for Salt Spring!

- Open to residents of Salt Spring Island.
- Flags will be judged by a panel representing a broad range of islanders.
- Contest closes July 1, 2001.

The new flag will be unveiled at the Fall Fair, September 15, 2001.

RULES:

- Contestants must be Salt Spring residents.
- On a 8.5" x 11" sheet of paper, draw a flag you would like to see representing Salt Spring.
- The shape of the flag is your choice (square, flat rectangle, long rectangle, triangle, etc.), but should be as big as possible on the single sheet of paper.
- Do not put your name on this page, but fill out the entry form and attach it to your flag design.
- Entry forms are available at the Visitor Info Centre, both newspapers, and retail outlets around the island.
- Contestants must agree to relinquish all copyright in the design to the public domain.

FLAG CONTEST ENTRY FORM

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WATERBOUND: Visitors to Salt Spring prepare for a two-day kayaking trip with Island Escapades. Here they are seen practising for the trip outside Escapades' shop at the bottom of Ganges Hill. From Manila, they are used to a little warmer weather!

Photo by Derrick Lundy



Scooters join bladers

A full season of roller-blading to music at Fulford Hall is winding down next Friday, but with a special, two-wheeled twist. Scooter riders are invited to join roller-bladers for the final session of the year, which begins at 7:30 p.m. on April 27. Cost of the session is \$2 for children and \$4 for adults.

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Fun basketball match raises \$\$\$

Islanders are invited to take in a night of basketball fun while helping young Nichola Howard in her battle with cancer. Howard and her peers on the Salt Spring Island Middle School Grade 8 girls basketball team — which finished first in its Cowichan Valley-

based league this year — are facing off against a rag-tag team of local firefighters and other community members on Saturday night at 7 p.m. The fun game takes place in the school's gymnasium, and there will be ample opportunity to win door prizes.

Intermission activities will also entertain the crowd, and the concession will be ready to handle everyone's thirsts and appetites. The fundraising event joins others initiated by SIMS students for Howard, who has fought Wilms cancer for well over a year.

Golf club welcomes everyone

By DWIGHT G. JONES
Special to the Driftwood
With the golf season already under way, the people who run Salt Spring Island Golf and Country Club are reminding islanders that the greens are open to anyone who wants to putt around the course. While the club is member-owned, it's always open to the public and tee times are not required — anyone is welcome to just show up and play for as little as \$16. This is typical of the message the club must get out to Salt Spring golfers, or people who might just drop in for a meal, or have a reception there, because the times are indeed a-changing and the aging membership is getting thinner with each passing year. Once 500 strong, the annual membership roll now is under 350, and this may not be sufficient to properly finance continuing operations and to replace equipment and facilities.

Hoping to upgrade or replace the existing clubhouse, club directors are considering offering the permanent memorial naming of each of its nine holes, or the planned new clubhouse, in exchange for bequests toward capital projects. Such legacies are widely evidenced in U.S. clubs, but Canadians are slower to mention their old club in their wills, despite many enjoying a lifetime of comradeship there. If you are a long-time member, please remember the old gal when it is time. In addition to expanding awareness of its open tees and low annual membership cost, the club is hoping that an upgrade to its driving range (\$100 for a season's pass, including balls, members only for now) will attract more players.

The course has a large proportion of women members, and a record number of juniors who play for just \$70 a year, with easy payment plans for young players up to age 25, so all golfers are well served. See www.saltspringgolf.com. The club wants the community to know that anyone of any age and ability is welcome to join in this new chapter of the club's long history for an occasional single round, or full annual membership, especially novice golfers who might be intimidated by the game itself, or the misconception that this is a completely private club. As the course passes into the hands of yet another generation, the community should be more aware of this golf haven in their midst, and celebrate it.

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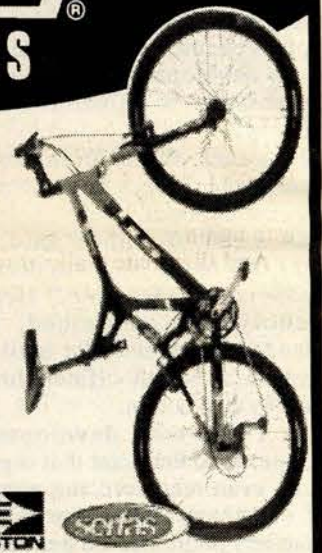
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By PETER CLARKE
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Her given name is Bison, but I feel like I'm looking down at the Spirit of Fulford Harbour.

Standing at the rail on the walkway leading down to the public floats, I wonder again where she came from, this skookum little vessel with the sweet lines and fresh paint. And it's difficult to say which is the finer image: the lifeboat itself with her deep Jakoba rails, inlaid deck and satisfying sheer, or the perfect reflection she rides on in the shallow waters of Fulford's most inner harbour. There is also a bite of déjà-vu in the air — a presence — as if she had been under my nose all the time.

If you have a minute, Bison has a tale to tell.

For over a quarter-century — or for at least as long as many Fulfordites and middle-aged wharf-rats can remember — there has been a phantom haunting the village's shallow waters; the derelict hulk of a ship's boat submerged in the backwater bay.

She surfaces from time to time over the years, makes friends. But these are fleeting relationships with dreamers, the kind of affairs you might have on parole. With the exception of the late Brian Cooper, who actually fits her out with a small Briggs & Stratton and gets her out of the harbour, these flirtations don't go anywhere but back to the bottom again.

And then Fate walks down the dock and takes over. He comes in the form of an old man; and to a young lady on a wharf he speaks of a time lost in marine antiquity; of a Steam Tug working the icy storm-ridden waters off the Skeena River 125 years before and an orphaned lifeboat now stranded in a bay. He doesn't say much . . . just enough to get things moving, and he's never seen again.

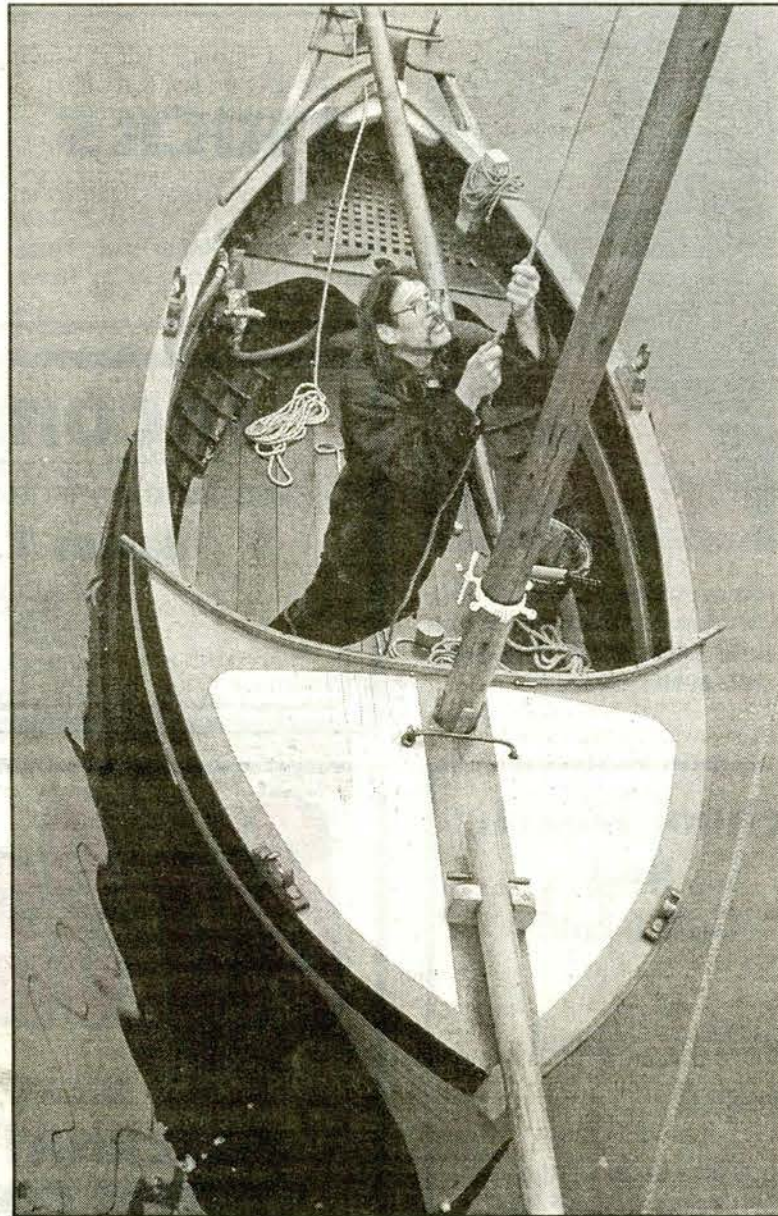
It isn't the first time 18-year-old Haley and her husband Chad have pulled the Zodiac into the harbour and drifted to this spot, but for some reason on this particular day in March 2000 the couple lingers. The old boat is still there, half buried in the bottom just off the shore, and as they study the battered shell the urge to do something crests like a building wave and breaks.

To hear Bruce Bott tell the story, he was the innocent bystander. Bott is, among many other things, the caretaker of Russell Island, a driftwood artist, a public speaker and harmonica buff (loves to play those blues), a whale ecologist, filmmaker, fish leather entrepreneur and a self-taught shipwright.

When his daughter comes to him with her plan, Dad has to laugh. "It's underwater, what can I tell you?" But Haley insists and Bott agrees to help get the thing out of the muck and clean it up. He'll also offer some pointers while they're fixing it up. And so, without a lot of fuss or forethought, Bott the innocent bystander is run down by a rapidly accelerating fate.

They haul the boat, little more than a filthy receptacle for old rags, slime, broken glass, garbage and rust, first by hand and then with a length of warp tied to a truck. Up and out of the ooze she rises into a protected nook at the foot of the walkway, the very spot where generations

The rescue of a lifeboat



Bruce Bott and Bison

Photo by Derrick Lundy

ago natives built and worked on their canoes.

After cleaning her up, Bott goes ahead and replaces the rotted out stem, knowing that his daughter and Chad can't do that job. It's the least he can do. But the next time he looks, Dad is alone on the beach, stranded by reality — the spoilsport cousin of fate who, with a twist of his own, visits full-time jobs and a baby-in-waiting on his young partners.

Bott perseveres. "With Bison, it was like doing something again for the first time — I'd never worked on a lifeboat before and there were no plans to go by. Sometimes you can't just measure and cut, you have to be able to look at things and go with your intuition."

Our beached shipwright also brings over 20 years of ship restoration experience to the task. Bruce discovered the now-familiar local yawl Four Winds in a barn in Sooke in 1971. After chasing off the chickens, he rebuilt her completely.

The 80-foot ketch Virginia Hope, a sleek rumrunner that out-ran the authorities in the '20s and '30s, is now in Alert Bay.

Haley was born on Virginia Hope.

"I learned from the old-timers," Bott says. "I don't do the work to resell the boats. It's just something I love to do."

This is how you do it without a VISA card; how some of the great enduring ships and boats on the coast were created. This is the Allan Farrel-Brian Walker school of boat building. A bit of driftwood here, a bit of luck there — a whole lot of help and encouragement everywhere. A rudder materializes from a slab of fir found on the beach; someone has a pump that will fit in perfectly — someone else has yellow cedar and yet another will trade materials for a bit of boat-work in return. Marine exchanges and abandoned boats are scoured for parts and fittings.

The scrounger finds some real "beauts." The boat needs a tiller, preferably an arbutus one with just the right double curve — Bott is walking a beach in Vancouver and trips over the perfect piece. The steel keel he has fabricated is warped and the only way to adapt it is to use a 2 3/8-inch section of heavy steel pipe exactly 31 inches long, the kind

of hardware you might find in Fort MacMurray, if you're lucky.

Bott walks down to the end of the public wharf and again stumbles onto the part he needs. Scrounging also leads to the Vancouver Maritime Museum where, thanks to the words of Haley's mystery old-timer and the boat's distinct Mediterranean sheer, a photograph of the ancient steam tug Alexander reveals a lifeboat stowed on deck. If it's not Bison, it is clearly her twin.

During the summer of 2000, Bott is rarely alone as Fulford responds enthusiastically to the reincarnation taking place on its shoreline. For some who gather at the rail it is a rare opportunity to watch first-hand the reenactment of a disappearing trade. Knees are cut, sanded and fitted; ribs are steamed and bent into place; rails and king plank and deck appear as if grown on the spot.

For many others the little lifeboat opens a vein and the

simple joy of kibitzing, trading, yarning and just plain helping-out pours forth freely. "You can do things in this community that you can't do anywhere else," Bott tells a friend. "Bison just reflected how appreciative and helpful people can be."

It's a curious spot, this backwater bay, this haven, this workplace, this on-again off-again birthplace and graveyard of boats.

But come here if the spirit moves you. Lean on the rail of the walkway and let the sun soak through your jacket and drench you to the bone and let your eyes drift and skip over the shallows from skiff to troller to houseboat to sloop to the castaway hulk buried rib deep in the tidal flat and the tarped workboat perched on the central shoal like a mantel-piece model. In a blink the calamity of ferry and terminal and the crash of loading cars and trucks vanishes and all you can do is watch that single oar and that one gumboot float by, dancing together in the eddy off the stern of that perfect little boat.

You turn and walk away. After all, it is just a boat and that was just a moment of reflection.

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AGM covers bees, water

Protection of the island's water and aquatic ecosystems is the next major focus of the Salt Spring Island Conservancy, members heard at their April 10 annual general meeting.

Establishing an ongoing inter-agency working group for the task was one of the possibilities discussed at the well-attended Lions Hall event.

Bee specialist Rex Welland from Victoria was guest speaker for the evening. He emphasized the important role of bees, showed how their population is threatened by loss of habitat, and brought a display of easily constructed bee houses.

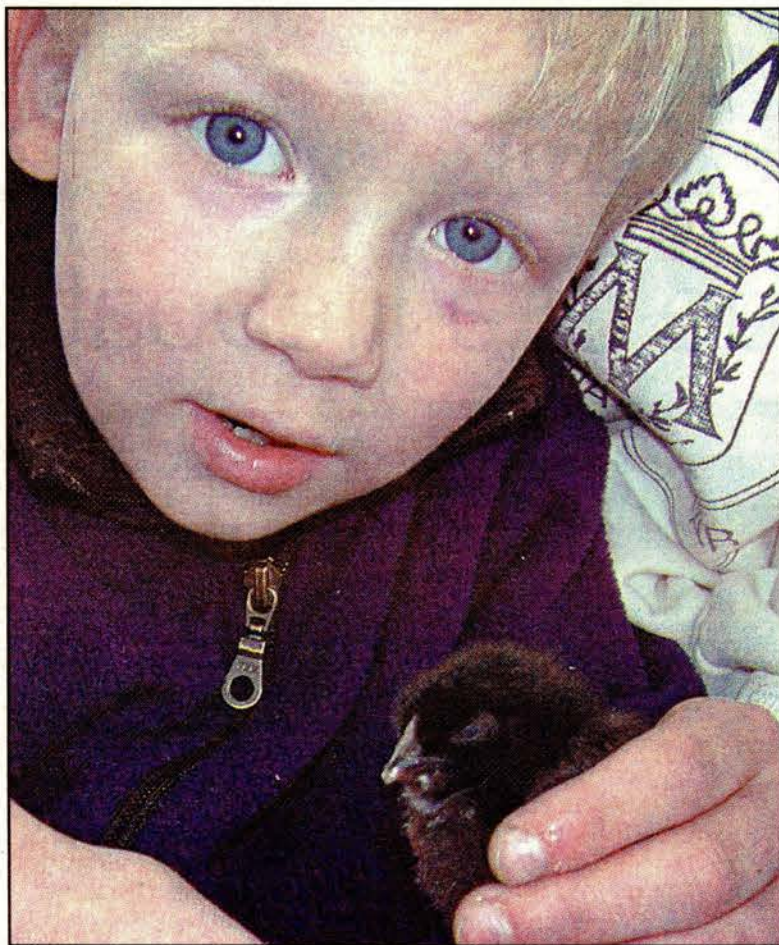
"To bee or not to bee" was the joke of the night, reported new board member Jean Gelwicks.

Besides Gelwicks, Peter Lamb, Sam Lightman and Ruth Tarasoff filled four vacant directors' positions by acclamation.

Board member Gary Holman updated attendees on the Texada lands issue, and secretary Bob Weeden gave a brief perspective on the conservancy's future. Most unprotected "green values" will be on private lands, he said, which emphasizes the importance of stewardship education and covenants.

Highlights of the past year, including the Stewardship Program and the \$25,000 fundraising Stump Stomp for the Texada lands purchase, were summarized by president Maureen Bendick.

She also explained that a part-time executive director will be hired to ensure even more is accomplished.



LIBRARY CHICKS: Johnny Caron was among the youngsters who got a special Easter treat at Mary Hawkins Library on Saturday — a chance to meet and hold a few chicks. The event coincided with an Easter egg hunt, also at the library.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Buddhist instruction set

Students of Buddhism, meditators and caregivers can take advantage of practical instruction included in a Mahayana Buddhism workshop coming up next weekend.

Titled Enlightened Courage — Teaching on the Seven Point Mind Training, its theme is the cultivation of an altruistic attitude. It is led by Lama Chhimi Kinley, an English-speaking representative of H.E. Gangten Tulku Rinpoche, and sponsored by Salt Spring's Yeshe Khorlo Society.

Two afternoon sessions run Saturday-Sunday, April 28-29. For more information about the workshop or Yeshe Khorlo Society, call 537-1497.

BRIDGE TRICKS

At the Gulf Islands Duplicate Bridge Club on April 2, Ian Thomas and Conhor Vane-Hunt came in first, followed by Irene

Hawksworth and Yvonne Sollitt.

Isabelle Richardson and Joan Conlan were third.

On April 9, Richardson and Conlan came out ahead, then it was Hawksworth and Sollitt taking second place. Brent Vickers and Bill Buckler were third.

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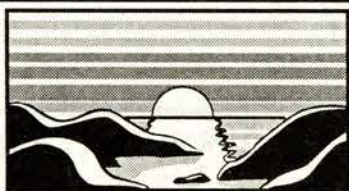
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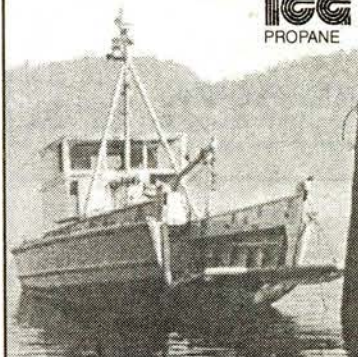
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TOWER POWER: 12-year-old Colby Sawchuk displays a "hyper-space training tower" which he built with K-Nex at Salt Spring Middle School. The moving display includes a series of gears and connectors and runs off a small electric motor. Purchased at a garage sale and donated to the school by Henry Braak, the K-Nex came with a thick book of complicated instructions. Colby impressed those around him by putting the tower together without any help. He plans to use it as part of a science project.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

GICAC sets hall spruce-up

A "spruce-up" of Mahon Hall will mark Arts and Culture Week on Salt Spring.

The Gulf Islands Community Arts Council (GICAC) is organizing the event, which is set to take place all day on Sunday, April 29.

The GICAC is also hanging posters and distributing Arts and Culture Week bookmarks throughout the community as part of the B.C. Arts Council-sponsored event.

The Arts and Culture Week logo is a "tree" created from a collage of arts photographs with the saying "Creative Seeds • Future Forests." It was established to "inspire us to think creatively, to innovate and to meet new challenges at home, at school, in the workplace and in the community."

The GICAC is meeting the community challenge with a "spruce-up" of Mahon Hall — the locale of the summer-long ArtCraft show and sale.

"Everyone is invited to help brighten up the inside and outside of this beloved old building," notes a press release. "Bring along anything you think might be useful to do the job . . ."

A "spruce-up coordinator" will be on site to assign tasks.

Japanese garden discussion at club

A long-time designer of Japanese-style gardens will share his insights and experience at the Salt Spring Garden Club's next meeting April 25.

Bob Clarke, who has pursued his craft in and around Victoria for more than 30 years, will illustrate design elements using his collection of Pacific Northwest Japanese garden slides.

Clarke is the instigator and curator of the Takata Japanese garden at the Horticulture Centre of the Pacific and spends two days a week volunteering for the ongoing project.

Next Wednesday's meeting is at 7 p.m. at Meaden Hall.

with it. Mother's Day, of course, with the good earth being the Mother of all. Then there is Valentine's Day with our shared feelings of love, and Earth Day usually is just a week from Easter and Passover so we celebrate the renewal as earth shows us the way with new buds, flowers and the turned compost. As with Thanksgiving we give thanks for all that the abundant earth gives us."

The Sufis, Wiccans, Baha'i, Yogis, Buddhist, Christian and Jewish faiths are all represented, along with some individuals with no professed faith but for the very earth itself.

Women of Note choir and high school dancers are also on the program.

Sunday's event begins at 2 p.m.

Faith groups gather to honour earth, water at Earth Day celebration

With The Water of Life as its theme, the 10th Annual Interfaith Earth Day Celebration will flow with cool harmony and spirit at the high school Sunday.

The sacredness of the earth and a common commitment to its preservation is what brings together several of the island's faith groups, which will contribute to the day with wisdom and song.

Tom Wright, a geologist and long-time island resident, is guest speaker for the day, who will explore the degradation and loss of water supplies around the world and on Salt Spring.

"Slowly over the years," says Matthew Coleman, one of the organizers, "Earth Day has become one of my favourite holidays. It has a little bit of most of the others holidays intertwined in

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NEWS FROM NORTH AND SOUTH PENDER ISLANDS

Eggs abound at the Farmer's Market Early Bird opening

By **KAE CHARMAN**
Penders Edition Contributor

Cars were parked along the roadside from the MacDonald Farm to the cemetery on Easter Saturday for the early bird opening of the Farmer's Market at the Community Hall.

Tables were set up mostly inside the hall due to the cold weather, but a few remained outside near the entrance to catch the spring air and what mid-morning sun filtered through the trees.

The Willingham's IONA organic farm is a long-time weekly vendor. Their flavoured garlic or herb goat cheese is among the best, and this year they have added Mozzarella. They displayed a precious jewel-like emerald emu egg that Ellen Willingham promised me was not painted but actually came out of the emu that colour! And they had free-range eggs.

Pamela Brooks' and Wayne Cartwright's table featured artwork, Pender Poetry Books, Yumnuts (hazelnuts dipped in Belgian chocolate), spring salad greens, strawberry plants and eggs from hand-fed pet chickens.

Susan Tait has moved out of the fabric biz and into the glass biz. She hand paints designs on glasses, bowls and mugs in exquisite colour and design.

Margaret and George Ravenscroft are a regular feature. Their table is always piled high with handmade soaps, stove towels, scrunchies, pillow covers, and a selection of practical and whimsical fabric creations.

Milada and Jan Huk of the Renaissance Studio are in the Czech Republic for the month, but Merry Hallor is enjoying filling in at their table, which brims with hand-made beads and jewellery in

fancy display cases.

A sampling of fairy wings from Franny Liz Creations decorated a table, but she had car trouble and a sign directed customers to visit her studio at 2215 Port Washington Road that day.

Dietrich Kroeker took up one whole corner with his wooden masterpieces; today's rockers included a giraffe and a horse. He crafts exquisite wooden treasures, ranging from tiny boxes to massive rocking chairs.

Stan Ballantyne sells his wife's goods from her shop called The Blue Rooster in Hope Bay; they are wonderful hand knits and quilts at unbelievably low prices.

The Sushi Queen is back! EunHee O'Reilly stands proudly behind her display of sushi, kim bop, kim chi, and moo-kim chi, which she promised me contained no cows. Husband Ricci sells his CDs, Prisoner in Paradise and Living on an Island, and Natasha, who is almost 12, sells a CD of her own called Kids in Paradise.

Sandy Gauer is a regular feature, too. She was there painting and helping others paint eggs for Easter. In the summer, she also paints faces and sells eggs.

Isabel Roberts is famous for her herbs, both fresh and dried, her artwork, and now a brand new T-shirt design featuring Pender Island Produce. This is a wonderful addition to the Farmer's Market scene and I hope to see many of those T-shirts bopping around the island. When you get one that features garlic, Isabel, let me know!

Whalewych Farm sells produce, and Saturday's fare featured fresh kale, herbs, and guess what? Eggs!

Ewa's European Cakes are

always popular and she had developed three new cakes to sell for Easter.

Wendy Dunnett of WW Creations fills her table with literally hundreds of different hand-made clay buttons, pendants and gadgets. She is currently working on a giant clay mirror border that she's hoping to enter in the Sooke Art Show.

Margaret Grimmer features Gulf Island Seeds, photos and artwork. She will be moving back to the Driftwood Centre location once that market is up and running.

Tree-Bob Albers, in his usual sales stance beside his truck bed loaded with pots and plants, displayed a wide array of trees and shrubs. He always has some new and exciting plant that I have never seen before and his prices are reasonable.

Blossom Hollow Farm's table is a popular spot, with samples of Jane Bachelor's chutneys and jellies. They will feature preserves, pickled vegetables of various sorts, pepper jellies, relishes, chili and BBQ sauce. This year they will add tomato plants, hanging strawberry baskets and fresh-cut salad greens, says Mike Cabeldu.

Tree of Life (organic) farm is always a proud display, featuring gorgeous daffodils, hyacinths, chard and spring greens for the Easter market.

Tekla Deverell has one of the most productive gardens on the Penders and there is usually a line-up to buy from her table. Saturday was no exception.

Ethel and Don Mezei set up nearby with Ethel's papier-mache creations of capricious cats and perky painted pots.

And finally, the petting zoo is

the most popular with children.

Willingham's baby goats are Nubian and Saanen breeds, gentle and playful, and just the right size for kids to play with kids.

Sandra Johnstone, although not a vendor, stopped to ask if I knew anyone who could spare 10 to 12 electric fenceposts for the Community Church garden. They make dandy wire fences for keeping the deer and people out of their garden, electrified or not. If you have any of these nifty posts, could you phone Sandra at 629-

6320?

Allen Simms, together with Janet Willingham, is co-manager of the Farmer's Market. To reserve a vendor space, contact Allen at 629-3340.

Fees are \$5 to join the Farmer's Institute, \$10 to reserve a table through the season, and \$4 each week for table set-up.

Official opening of the Farmer's Market at the hall will likely be the May long weekend.

But for now, the early bird gets the eggs.

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Another "time out" has been organized for Pender parents.

Set for Monday, April 23 at the Anglican Parish Hall, the event is described as "an opportunity for parents to . . . brainstorm, share experiences and enjoy some refreshments together."

Child care will be provided at the event, which has been organized by the Pender Island Community Volunteer Program. It runs between 10 and 11:30 a.m.

Further information can be obtained by calling Carol at 629-3346.

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New babies, new lambs and a host of Pender activity

By PAMELA BROOKS
Penders Edition Contributor
Pender Island Recycling Station looks lovely. Flowers, paintings, bicycles and recyclables reinvented as artwork. Thank you **Gillian Peterson, Andy Novack** and recyclers.

Welcome back to **Petra Hart**. At Christmastime last year, she left for India and returned recently to our frosty, chilly springtime.

Port Washington Road is literally bursting with spring births. **Linda and Wilf Craven's** Shepherd's Croft Farm have a whole flock of new lambs to entice passers-by to stop to watch their antics. Their daughter **Celine** and **Dorian Wilde** have a newborn child. Welcome to the world, baby **Wren Naomi**. She was born in Victoria on March 30.

Lisa Fleming and **Don Harrison**, also of Port Washington Road, welcomed baby **Gabriel Orion** into the world on March 28 on Salt Spring Island.

Tim and Anna Undershill (Otter Bay Road) gave birth to a baby girl at Victoria General April 10. At press time, Tim and Anna were still deciding on names.

Congratulations to **Serena** and **Michael van Bakel** for presenting Grandma **Christa Grace Warrick** with her first grandchild. **Nicholas Matthew** was born April 3 at Victoria General Hospital. Healthy flocks developing.

Everyone is well and extremely happy. The mood was matched at the first Farmer's Market on Easter Saturday.

PENDER SNIPPETS

Naturalist chainsaw artist **Dan Steadman** is moving to Alaska for a while. He'll continue his artworks for sale and by commissions. Fellow-artist **Derek Bollen** commissioned a dragon to be carved.

Sincere apologies to **Sung, Yoko** and **Jinoo**. Willing Workers on Organic Farms are known as Woofers, not Woofies!

Dr. Mike Patterson of Hooson Road is teaching heart surgery at the University of British Columbia.

Dr. Denis Rupka climbed Mount Kilimanjaro (the long, sunny side) and is planning and preparing for a lot more climbing. Denis and **Diana** live on Razor Point Road.

Peering through the nettles and hedge at the golf course, **Linda Moore** was seen to take a mighty swing at the little white golf ball. With a driving force, the ball rose up 12 inches or so, and plopped down for a tee-in-one. Well done and thanks for the laughs.

She did it! **Janet Willingham** attended the Sixth Annual Eyelens Film Festival on Galiano Island. Her film "Straight Lines Don't Cut It" won the Outstanding Film Documentary award. Huge congratulations to Janet and crew. She was unavailable for comment as she rushed to work at Islanders Restaurant.

Good healing wishes to **John Rumble** of South Pender. A freak accident at Vancouver Airport has delayed his trip to South Africa. Be well soon.

The Pender Island Young Dancers group has three beautiful mobile mirrors upstairs at the Community Hall. Dance director **Sophie Keim** is working toward a fabulous dance show in early June. She will bring **Lynda Raino's** Big Dancers along with some male improv dancers to work and perform with our young people.

Dianne Dawson came from Vancouver to present two yoga workshops in the hall. Friday and Saturday, April 13-14, 10 participants embraced the opportunity to strengthen the connections between body and mind. Dianne proposed "Choices" as a topic of exploration. Dianne's Hatha yoga classes are wonderful.

Don't miss regular Wednesday 5:30-7 p.m. yoga classes at the Pender Island Playschool with **Kees** and **Iyana**. By donation.

Welcome to **Shirley** and **Brian**

Nord. Brian is our new dentist working at the Health Clinic. His dental assistant, **Tanya**, has also moved to Pender. **Paula Wilson** of Victoria is working temporarily as Brian's receptionist. Welcome all and especially a gentle dentist.

Silybum Berry Farm chickens — **Annie, Edna, Norma** and **Phyllis** — are actually producing eggs again. The old hens are very generous. Imagine giving birth every day?

Nonsense: an hilarious musical

comedy will begin public performances at the hall Thursday, April 19. Produced by Solstice Theatre, directed by **Allan White**, this will prove to be another worthwhile event. Tickets at usual outlets.

On Sunday, April 29 at 1 p.m., naturalists will meet at the school and explore **Lilias Spalding Heritage Park** and **Enchanted Forest**.

At 1:30 on the same day, **Songsparrow** young singers will perform at the hall.

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Buck Lake water deemed safe to drink

A boil water advisory on North Pender Island has been lifted. Dr. Richard Stanwick, medical health officer of the Capital Health Region (CHR), removed the boil advisory to Buck Lake water users three days after it was issued on April 9.

Users were advised to boil all water after a leaking sewer line was discovered in close proximity to Buck Lake.

The sewage line, which pumps domestic sewage from private residences in the area, was quickly repaired.

Laboratory analysis has confirmed that the microbiological results of raw water near the intake and throughout the water distribution are satisfactory.

The CHR plans to continue monitoring the system.

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Island book writers make the list, meet the public

By GAIL SJUBERG
 Driftwood Staff

When library volunteers Elma Rubright and Lyda Smith initiated a scheme to salute Salt Spring authors, they had no idea what they were getting into.

But like being embedded in a marvellous novel, once they were in they didn't want to get out.

As it turns out, island authors have also jumped with enthusiasm onto the pages of the Meet Your Local Authors event, set for Mary Hawkins Memorial Library on Sunday afternoon.

As of last week, 27 of 65 writers had confirmed attendance, with reports from four volunteer phone staff not yet returned.

After compiling a preliminary list of writers known to have published at least one book — a major feat in itself — the plan was to personally invite each one to the April 22 "meet and greet" open house.

When word of "the list" got out, the volunteers started receiving calls from people wanting to make sure their names were included, even if they were unable to be at Sunday's gathering.

"One gentleman in his 90s called to say he was wheelchair bound and couldn't possibly attend, but he wanted to be on 'the list,'" said Rubright in a report on Book Week activities. "Apparently we have touched some basic fibre in the community, and 'the list' has taken on a life of its own."

The open house, which runs from 2 to 4 p.m. with refreshments being served, is the centrepiece of other library-sponsored happenings to mark Canada Book Day and B.C. Book and Magazine Week. Everyone is invited to vote for their favourite Canadian author, with ballots available at the library and a display of the top five planned; and an easy Driftwood CanLit quiz will see three lucky winners drawn April 29.

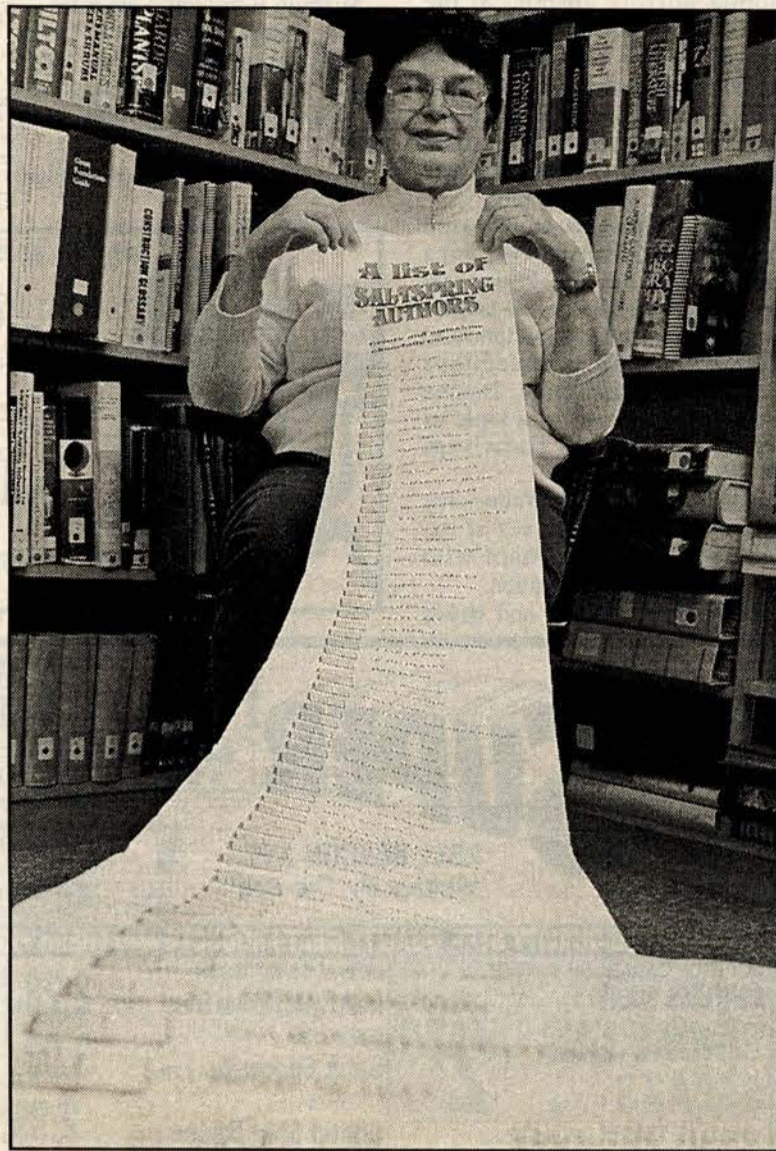
Celebrations are nothing new at the library, where special events are regularly held in the children's department overseen by Merle Sheffield for the past 20 years.

Parties for holidays, and readings by junior fiction authors such as Eric Wilson, Sarah Ellis and Kit Pearson, are some of the special events to augment regular storytime hours on Tuesday mornings and Friday afternoons. Most recently, Salt Spring author Pam Adams was featured guest at Saturday's Easter party.

But the children's section has definitely seen changes. Sheffield recalls how it began in a tiny cubbyhole where the upstairs bathroom is now located — and her first annual budget was \$700. (This year's is more than 10 times that amount.)

The collection then moved to the larger space behind the check-out counter, but insistent growth led to further bursting of seams, which prompted its migration downstairs a couple of years ago.

Sheffield credits Norma Keech for being a stalwart help to her in the section.



KEEPER OF THE LIST: Library volunteer Elma Rubright unfurls the lengthy list of Salt Spring writers who have published at least one book. Many have confirmed attendance at Sunday afternoon's Meet Your Local Authors open house at the library.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Cassette tapes with books, videos and French works are some of the less-usual items now forming part of the junior collection. It also boasts a hefty reference section well-perused by students and parents for personal interests and homework projects.

"Our main thrust is to make it a pleasant place to be," explained Sheffield.

Whether they create fiction for children or reference books for the studios, the work of Salt Spring's 65 known book authors are found far and wide — along with some of the 41,000 volumes belonging to our public library.

Mary Hawkins' inter-library loan (ILL) department is a busy hub tucked out of regular sightlines, where ILL head volunteer Jennifer Quick estimates an average of 20 books are shipped out weekly to other libraries across the province and country. About twice that number arrive for Salt Spring's bibliophilic set.

Some 16 ILL requests are also processed each day, meaning volunteers send out the electronic feelers to help islanders find what they want. It's not always easy, notes Quick, since titles or authors must be exact, and general subject requests can be difficult to pinpoint. As an example, a recent request for books on raising ring-necked pheasants turned up only two possibilities with that term in the title. Quick suspects one of them was concerned with how to hunt the birds — definitely not what the reader ordered.

ILL is one service library members may not be too familiar with, and head librarian Grace Byrne points to another one: free delivery and pick-up of library books, tape and Braille books for people whose disability hampers their mobility.

While islanders join official B.C. and Canadian Book Week activities April 22-29, they can also acquaint themselves with the ever-changing face of Salt Spring's public library.

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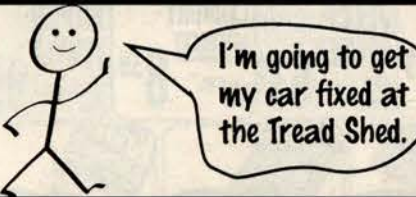
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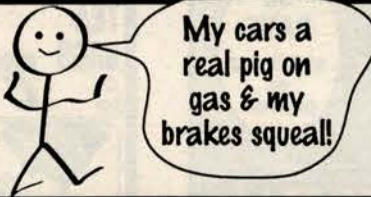
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his family humility and the value of money. Crispin Glover, Uma Thurman (2h)

14 ★★★★★ When Harry Met Sally (1989,Romance) A twelve-year-old friendship is put to test after a romantic interlude. Meg Ryan, Billy Crystal (1h45)

23 (17) ★★ Separate Lives (1994,Suspense) Ex-detective student begins affair with his professor. James Belushi, Linda Hamilton (2h) 7:00 PM

4 (4) Ladies and the Champ (2001,Comedy) A teacher and a grandmother become the managers of a mugger they mistake for a boxer. Olympia Dukakis, Marion Ross (2h) 8:00 PM

5 (16) ★★ Godzilla (1998,Sci-Fi) The giant lizard leaves a trail of destruction as it journeys to New York City. Matthew Broderick, Hank Azaria (3h) 11 (5) ★★★★★ Dodsword (1936,Romance) An American tycoon and his wife tour Europe, where he re-evaluates his life. Walter Huston, Ruth Chatterton (1h)

14 ★★★★★ Prelude to a Kiss (1992,Romance) An uninvited wedding guest kisses the bride and instantly exchanges their personalities. Meg Ryan, Alec Baldwin (2h) 23 (17) ★★★★★ Colors (1988,Police) Two street cops are assigned to "gang detail" in Los Angeles. Sean Penn, Robert Duvall (2h30) 9:00 PM

6 (7) Kiss My Act (2001,Drama) A comedic mastermind helps a beautiful, but dim-witted comedienne gain attention. Camryn Manheim, Scott Cohen (2h) 19 ★★★★★ Capricorn One (1978,Adventure) Three astronauts agree to simulate a Mars landing but put their lives in danger. Elliot Gould, Karen Black (2h5)

24 (12) ★★★★★ The Big Red One (1980,War) An autobiographical account of a special infantry squadron during WWII. Lee Marvin, Mark Hamill (2h30) 27 (11) Agatha Christie's Murder on the Orient Express (2001,Mystery) Detective Poirot lends his expertise in solving a murder aboard the Orient Express. Meredith Baxter, Leslie Caron (2h) 10:00 PM

14 ★★★★★ The Go-Between (1971,Drama) A secret love affair between a heiress and a farmer is helped by a man who also loves her. Julie Christie, Sir Michael Redgrave (2h15) 10:30 PM

3 Any Given Sunday (1999,Sport) A pro-football coach fights to motivate his quarterback as he battles with the new owner. Al Pacino, Jamie Foxx (3h) MONDAY, APR 23 6:00 PM

3 Greed (Drama) The prospect of striking it rich throws one family into turmoil. Hume Cronyn, James Earl Jones (2h) 14 ★★★★★ Tango Bar (1988,Musical) The lives of two tango dancers are torn apart by a violent revolution in Argentina. Raul Julia, Valeria Lynch (1h45) 8:00 PM

3 Barbeq A Hollywood star takes a break from the madness of show biz and throws a big barbecue. John West, Chandra Watts (1h45) 4 (4) Kiss My Act (2001,Drama) A comedic mastermind helps a beautiful, but dim-witted comedienne gain attention. Camryn Manheim, Scott Cohen (2h) 24 (12) ★★ Backfield in Motion (1991,Comedy) A mother organizes a mother-son football game hoping to get close to her son. Roseanne, Tom Arnold (2h) 9:00 PM

19 Gold Rush: A Real-Life Alaskan Adventure (1998,Adventure) A spirited young woman whose sense of adventure and search of fortune lead her to Alaska. Alyssa Milano, W. Morgan Sheppard (1h35) 9:45 PM

3 ★★ Austin Powers: The Spy Who Shagged Me (1999,Comedy) A groovy spy travels back in time to stop his arch nemesis from taking over the world. Mike Myers, Heather Graham (1h45) 10:00 PM

14 ★★ The Merry Widow (1952,Romance) A widow meets an indebted man who tries to find a husband and a home for her money. Lana Turner, John Abbott (2h) 10:35 PM

19 ★★ Brainstorm (1983,Sci-Fi) Scientist develop a computer that can record and transfer a person's experiences. Christopher Walken, Natalie Wood (1h55) 11:30 PM

3 Black and White (1999) The state of race relations is explored through a variety of New York City relationships. Scott Caan, Robert Downey Jr. (1h45) TUESDAY, APR 24 6:00 PM

3 Grey Owl (1999,Drama) The story of Canadian conservationist and wildlife author, Archie "Grey Owl" Belaney. Pierce Brosnan, Annie Galipeau (2h) 9:00 PM

19 Quints (2001,Drama) A girl finds her life turned upside down with the arrival of quintuplet siblings. Kimberly J. Brown, Elizabeth Morehead (1h25) 10:25 PM

19 ★★ Spaced Invaders (1990,Sci-Fi) Martians land in America after mistaking Halloween show for invasion orders. Douglas Barr, Royal Dano (1h40) 11:00 PM

3 Tail Lights Fade (1999,Drama) A couple races across Canada in a bid to get the woman's brother off a drug charge. Breckin Meyer, Jake Busey (1h30)

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what's on

YOUR SALT SPRING CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<p>wed APR 18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wednesday Night LIVE! Moby's, 9 p.m. Derek Duffy concert, Talons, 7 p.m. Tea leaf reading workshop, Bodyworks, 7-9 p.m. Legion AGM, Meaden Hall, 7:30 p.m. Tango workshop/practice, Lions Hall, 7-10:30 Parents/preschooler drop-in, Fulford Hall, 10 to noon Bhakti yoga event, 443 Upper Ganges, 5:30 p.m. <p>• Community Gathering, United Church, 5:30 p.m. • Community Meditation, United Church, 11 a.m.</p>	<p>thurs APR 19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BSE clinic, SS Physiotherapy, 5:15 p.m. The Selfish Magician, ArtSpring, 7 p.m. Bhakti yoga event, 443 Upper Ganges, 5:30 p.m. Economic Growth meeting, All Saints, 7:30 p.m. Tango workshop/practice, Lions Hall, 7-10:30 Men's Breakfast, United Church, 8-10 a.m. Bingo, Meaden Hall, 7 p.m. 	<p>fri APR 20</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Selfish Magician, ArtSpring, 7 p.m. B.C. Trivia Challenge, Legion, 7 p.m. Doug Cox and friends, Moby's, 9 p.m. Tango workshop, Lions Hall Bhakti yoga event, 443 Upper Ganges, 5:30 p.m. Potters Guild meets, 720 Beddis Road, 8:30 a.m. <p>• Tango workshops, Lions Hall, all day • Milonga dance, Lions Hall, 9 to midnight • CFUW meeting, ArtSpring gallery, 10 a.m. • Dave Roland/Buck, Harbour House lounge, 7-10 • Playback Theatre, United Church, 7:30</p>	<p>sat APR 21</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SIMS vs. Firefighters basketball game, SIMS, 7 p.m. FTAA Protest, Centennial Park, 11-1 The Selfish Magician, ArtSpring, 7 p.m. Karen Connelly reading, All Saints, 8 p.m. Doug Cox and friends, Moby's, 9 p.m. Karaoke with Tula, Fulford Inn 	<p>sun APR. 22</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Island authors celebration, Library, 2-4 p.m. Interfaith Earth Day Celebration, GISS, 2 p.m. All-on-an-Earth Day, ArtSpring, 7 p.m. Caroline MacKay harp concert, Mahon Hall, 7 p.m. Stu Salmond Trio, Moby's Sunday Dinner Jazz, 8 p.m. Other Brothers, Fulford Inn, 6-9 p.m. <p>• Chess Club, Salt Spring Seniors, 7-10 p.m. • Drop-in floor hockey, Fulford Hall, 7 p.m.</p>	<p>mon APR. 23</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fulford Waterworks AGM, Fulford Hall, 7 p.m.
					<p>tues APR. 24</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mowbray & Wall, Talons, 6:30 p.m. NSSWD AGM, Masonic Hall, 8 p.m. Toy Library, Portlock/Beaver Point, 9:30-10:30

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<p>wed APR. 25</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SS Seniors Society AGM, SS Seniors, 2 p.m. Garden club meeting, Meaden Hall, 7 p.m. SS Golf & Country Club AGM, Clubhouse, 7 p.m. Parents/preschooler drop-in, Fulford Hall, 10 to noon Beddis/Cusheon Lake Residents AGM, Sailing Club, 7:30 	<p>thurs APR. 26</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local Trust Committee meets, Lions Hall, 1:15 p.m. Sustainable Salt Spring meeting, 7 p.m. Community Gathering, United Church, 5:30 p.m. Community Meditation, United Church, 11 a.m. Seniors Sing-along, Salt Spring Seniors, 2 p.m. The Hobbit, ArtSpring, 7 p.m. 	<p>fri APR. 27</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Roller-blading/skooter finale, Fulford Hall, 7:30 The Hobbit, ArtSpring, 7 p.m. Celtic Festival, Beaver Pt. Hall 	<p>sat APR. 28</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Archie Fisher concert, ArtSpring, 8 p.m. Camille Miller, Allison Crowe & trio, Talons, 9 p.m. Green Party potluck fundraiser, Lions Hall, 6-9 p.m. Mahayana Buddhism workshop Hospice workshop, All Saints Celtic Festival, Beaver Pt. Hall <p>ARCHIE FISHER </p>	<p>sun APR. 29</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Music Guild young musicians concert, ArtSpring, 2 p.m. Mahayana Buddhism workshop Moby's Sunday Dinner Jazz, 8 p.m. Mahon Hall Spruce-up Newcomers Walk, Centennial Park Buoy, 11 a.m. Other Brothers, Fulford Inn, 6-9 p.m. Celtic Festival, Beaver Pt. Hall 	<p>mon APR. 30</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Songwriting workshop, Allowed Sound, 7:30 p.m.
					<p>tues MAY 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tom Hooper, Talons, 7 p.m. Chess Club, Salt Spring Seniors, 7-10 p.m. Drop-in floor hockey, Fulford Hall, 7 p.m.

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- The Selfish Magician** — Stagecoach Theatre presents an all-original drama for the whole family, with songs and dances! Written and directed by Margaret Jardine, with music written by Ramesh Meyers, it runs at ArtSpring on **Thursday-Saturday, April 19-21** at 7 p.m. Tickets \$12 for adults, \$6 for students through ArtSpring, 537-2102.
- Playback Theatre** runs its season finale at the United Church on **Saturday, April 21, 7:30 p.m.**

dance

- Por Amor Del Tango** holds a Milonga tango party at Lions Hall on **Saturday, April 21, 9 p.m.** to midnight. Sr. Miguel Pla from Buenos Aires will be there, CHECK along with members of Por Amor Del Tango who will have taken workshops from Pla this week. \$5 admission.
- All on an Earth Day** — see "activities," below, for **Sunday, April 22.**

literary

- Karen Connelly** — author of Touch the Dragon, The Small Words in My Body, The Border Surrounds Us and more — reads at All Saints By-the-Sea on **Saturday, April 21, 8 p.m.** Free, donations appreciated. Sponsored by Salt Spring Celebration of Canadian Writers, Theatre Alive! and the Canada Council.
- Meet Your Local Authors** — more than 30 Salt Spring authors will be at an open house at Mary Hawkins Library as part of Canada and B.C. Book Week celebrations on **Sunday, April 22, 2-4 p.m.** Refreshments and goodies served.

music

- Wednesday Night LIVE!** open stage at Moby's Pub, hosted by Vaughn Fulford, on **April 18, 9 p.m.**
- Derek Duffy** back from overseas concert at Talons Restaurant, **Wednesday, April 18, 7 p.m.** No cover.
- Doug Cox, Todd Butler and Rick May** steam up Moby's on **Friday-Saturday, April 20-21, 9 p.m.-ish.**
- Dave Roland and Buck** keep the tunes rolling at the HMS Ganges Lounge at the Harbour House Hotel on **Saturday, April 21, 7-10 p.m.**
- Karaoke** with master host Tula takes off at the Fulford Inn on **Saturday, April 21.**
- Moby's Sunday Dinner Jazz** features the Stu Salmond Trio, with Borgy Borgerson and Donny Clark, at Moby's Pub on **April 22, 8 p.m.**
- Caroline Mackay**, Celtic harpist, vocalist and recording artist performs at Mahon Hall on **Sunday, April 22, 7 p.m.** Sponsored by the Baha'is of Salt Spring Island. Admission by donation.
- Mowbray and Wall** — guitar/sax duo with special guests play jazz, blues, Latin-influenced and original music at Talons Restaurant, **Tuesday, April 24, 6:30 p.m.**

EVERY WEEK:

- Argentinian Tango group** meets at Lions Hall on Mondays and **Wednesdays** from 7:30-9:30 p.m. \$3 per person. Info: 537-2707.
- Fridays** — **Rose's Cafe Open Stage** — begins at 8 p.m.
- Saturdays** — **Al Fresco Restaurant** — **Barrington Perry** plays piano starting at 6 p.m.
- Saturdays and Sundays** — **Harbour House Bistro** — **Pianist Murray Anderson** performs at lunch or dinner.
- Sundays** — **Fulford Inn** — **The Other Brothers** play from 6 to 9 p.m.

meetings

- Royal Canadian Legion AGM**, Meaden Hall, **Wednesday, April 18, 7:30 p.m.**
- A Window of Opportunity** — public presentation

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and recommendations proposed by Economic Growth for a Sustainable Salt Spring Committee. All Saints By-the-Sea, **Thursday, April 19, 7:30 p.m.**

- Canadian Federation of University Women** meeting — ArtSpring Gallery (new location) on **Saturday, April 21, 10 a.m.**
- Fulford Harbour Waterworks District AGM**, Fulford Hall, **Monday, April 23, 7 p.m.**
- North Salt Spring Waterworks District AGM**, Masonic Hall, 506 Lower Ganges Road, **Tuesday, April 24, 8 p.m.**
- Salt Spring Island Golf and Country Club AGM**, Clubhouse, **Wednesday, April 25, 7 p.m.**
- Salt Spring Island Garden Club** — Bob Clarke speaks on Why Create a Japanese Garden? at the monthly meeting at Meaden Hall, **Wednesday, April 25, 7 p.m.**

activities

- Teachings from the Vedas** — the sharing of hidden secrets of Bhakti Yoga with Vishaka from England, followed by a vegetarian dinner. At the yurt at 443 Upper Ganges Road, **Wednesday-Friday, April 18-20, 5:30 p.m.** Free, but donations gratefully received.
- Men's Breakfast** — a meal and discussion at the United Church, lower hall, on **Thursday, April 19, 8-10 a.m.**
- Bingo** at Meaden Hall, **Thursday, April 19, 7 p.m.** Early birds 6:30.
- Know B.C. Trivia Evening in the Legion lounge** — how much do you know about your home province? On **Friday, April 20, 7 p.m.**
- SSI for People's Summit Rally** — protest the Quebec FTAA talks at Centennial Park on **Saturday, April 21, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.** Rally, march, speakers. Info: Bob Wild, 537-2744.
- Green Party office official opening event** at 128 Upper Ganges Road, **Saturday, April 21, 1-4 p.m.** Free ice cream.
- Interfaith Earth Day Celebration** — The Water of Life is the theme of the 10th annual event of wisdom and song put on by members of the Sufi, Wiccan, Baha'i, Yogi, Buddhist, Christian and Jewish faiths. At the high school multi-purpose room on **Sunday, April 22, 2 p.m.**
- All on an Earth Day**, featuring the Nu-Chah-Nulth Dancers led by Hudson and Janet Webster, plus Salt Spring performers and a First Nations arts and crafts display at intermission. At ArtSpring on **Sunday, April 22, 7 p.m.** Tickets \$9 for adults and \$6 for students and seniors.
- Meet Your Local Authors** library event, **Sunday, April 22**, see "literary" above.

- Saturday Book Sale** at the library — the best literary bargains in town! Every **Saturday** from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Corinternet Cafe** runs **Tuesday through Sunday** — Hours are 1-8 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday; and noon to 5 p.m. on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays. Internet access charges are \$2 per half hour for adults, and \$1 per half hour for youth and seniors. Wednesday is Surfing for Seniors and free-lessons-for-all day. Call 537-9932 to book lessons.
- Fun darts** is played every **Monday** at the Legion, 7:30 p.m.
- Cribbage** is the game to play at the Legion every **Wednesday, 8 p.m.**
- Soup's On!** at All Saints, every **Thursday, 11:30-1 p.m.** Free warm meal.
- Psychic Development Group** meets at the Bodyworks Collective on **Tuesdays** from 3:30-5 p.m. Info: Tanya, 538-1988.
- Survivor Down Under** — watch the show with other fans at Talon's Restaurant, with help from Island Star Video. **Thursdays** through the winter, 8 p.m.
- Community Gathering** — a light meal, discussion and activities for the whole family, is at the

- United Church** every **Thursday** from 5:30-7 p.m. Suggested donation is \$5 for adults, \$3 children aged 7 and under.
- Salty Wheels Square Dance Club** dances at Central Hall on **Thursdays** from 7-9 p.m. For info, call Angela Thomas, 653-9346.
- Meat draws** are held at the Legion every **Friday** and **Saturday** 15 p.m.
- Salt Spring SPCA** holds an open house every **Saturday** below the vet clinic from 2 to 4 p.m.
- Vipassana Meditation** group meets **Mondays** at the Barn on Reynolds Road, 7:30-9 p.m.
- Salt Spring Chess Club** runs at Salt Spring Seniors every **Tuesday** from 7-10 p.m. Players of any age or ability welcome.
- North End Meditation** — The Heart Sutra, is a weekly Buddhist meditation group hosted by the Yeshe Khorlo Society, students of HH Gangteng Rinpoche. Meets every **Tuesday, 7:30-8:30**. Info: Rory Kyle, 537-1497.
- Drop-in Floor Hockey** runs at Fulford Hall on **Tuesdays, 7-9 p.m.** \$3 per adult.

for health

- Final spring healing workshop** in the series at Bodyworks, see "workshops," below, **Wednesday, April 18.**

EVERY WEEK:

- Move Into Fitness classes** are held **Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays** at Meaden Hall from 9-10 a.m. A low-impact workout, an easy start, includes a long warm-up, walking cardio, toning and stretching. Class suitable for seniors. \$4 drop-in, or \$40 for book of 10.
- Salt Spring Cancer Support Group** meets every **Wednesday** at Al Fresco Restaurant, 10 a.m., except for the third Wednesday of each month when it gathers at Croftonbrook. Info: 653-4524.
- Pilates Mat Classes** with Anna Mouat are held on **Thursdays, 10-11 a.m.** and 7:30-8:30 p.m. at Cat's Pajamas studio on Langs Road until March 22. For info: call, 537-5680.
- Yoga and Health** classes with Nadene McCoy run **Tuesdays, 10-11:30 a.m.** and 5-6:30 p.m. (mixed levels); **Wednesdays, 10-11:30 a.m.** (beginners); and **Thursdays, 10-11:30 a.m.** (mixed levels). Info: 537-0822. \$8 drop-in.
- Taoist tai chi** classes at Ganges United Church on **Mondays and Wednesdays, 7-8 p.m.**; seniors classes **Mondays and Wednesdays** at Central Hall, 10-11 a.m. Info: David or Tina, 537-1871.
- Flexible Strength** classes run every **Tuesday and Thursday** at All Saints By-the-Sea, taught by Betty-Lou Lake, 9-10 a.m. 10 sessions for \$40 or \$5 drop-in. Info: 537-1638.
- Salt Spring Centre** regular yoga classes are **Thursdays: Mixed Levels** with Laura from 4-5:30 p.m. **Saturdays: Free Intro to Yoga** with centre staff, 9:30-11 a.m. **Mondays: Mixed Levels** with Celeste runs from 9 to 10:30 a.m.; Seniors Yoga with Celeste is from 11 a.m. to noon (register through Parks and Rec); and Level 1 with Kishori runs from 6:30-8 p.m. **Wednesdays: Joy of Yoga** with Christine is from 10 a.m. to noon. For info, call the centre at 537-2326.
- Drop-in open yoga** with Celeste at the Barn on **Thursdays, 6-7:30 p.m.** \$10 per class. Phone Celeste at 537-5667 for info.
- Dance and Feldenkrais** Classes with Anna Hallrecht are held **Mondays** at Cats Pajamas Studio. Feldenkrais: Awareness Through Movement, runs at 6 p.m. followed by dance at 7:30. The dance class combines a stretch and strength warmup with high energy dancing for fun and fitness. Info: 537-5681.
- North End Fitness Spin Cycle Classes** run **Mondays: 9:45-10:20 a.m.**; **Tuesdays, 12:30-1, 5:15-6:15** and **6:30-7 p.m.**; **Wednesdays, 9:45-10:20 a.m.**; **Thursdays, 12:30-1, 6:30-7 p.m.**; **Fridays, 9:45-10:20 a.m.**; **5:15-6:15 p.m.**; **Saturdays, 10-11 a.m.**

workshops

- Spring Healing: Fun for the Mind, Body and Spirit** is a series of Wednesday workshops held at the Bodyworks Collective on McPhillips Avenue from 7-9 p.m. On **April 18**, Tanya Lester gives a workshop on Tea Leaf Reading — last in the series. Info: Tanya, 538-1988. Workshop cost is \$5.
- Argentine Tango Workshops** with Sr. Miguel Pla from Buenos Aires begin **Wednesday, April 18** and run through Saturday the 21st at Lions Hall. For beginners and intermediate dancers. No partners required. For further information and the workshop schedule, call Margie Korison at 537-2707.

for families

- Fables Cottage** workshops this week are on **Wednesday, April 18**, KinderCraft Cornhusk Flowers, 1-2 p.m.; **Saturday, April 21**, Recycled Crafts, 12-1 p.m., and Herb Garden from 2-3 p.m.; **Monday, April 23**, Earthy Animals, 1-2 p.m.; **Star Journals, 3:30-4:30; Wednesday, April 25**, Paper Marbling, 3-4 p.m. Call 537-0028 or drop in to Fables for more info or to register.
- The Toy Library** is open at Portlock Park portable and at Beaver Point Hall on **Tuesday, April 24** (and every other Tuesday) from 9:30-10:30 a.m. Info: Susanne, 653-9783 (south-end branch) and Jo, 537-5453 (north-end branch).

EVERY WEEK:

- Kids' Toonie Bowling** for ages 5-10 runs at Kings Lane Recreation every **Saturday** from 10 a.m. to noon.
- Parent Support Circles** run every **Monday**. Call Janice at 653-4411 or Barb at 537-5828 for info.
- Storytime at the library** with Roz and Co is for 3-5-year-olds on **Tuesdays** from 10:30 to 11:30.
- Kindergym**, a playtime for children aged 0-4, runs at Community Gospel Chapel, 147 Vesuvius Bay Road, every **Wednesday** morning between 9 and 10:30 a.m.
- Storytime at Fables Cottage** runs every **Wednesday, Thursday and Friday** from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.
- Parents-preschoolers drop-in** runs at Fulford Hall on **Wednesdays** from 10 a.m. to noon. Come for coffee and chat with other parents during supervised child play time.
- Family Place** drop-in hours for parents and their children under 6 years are **Mondays** from 1-3 p.m., **Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays** from 9:30 a.m. to noon. Info: Family Place, 537-9176. Counselling by appointment.
- Mama's and Papa's Night** at the Corinternet Cafe — on **Thursdays, 5-8 p.m.** \$2 per half hour for adults, babysitting by donation. info: 537-9932.
- Walk in Mout Park** takes place each **Thursday** at 10 a.m., rain or shine. Sponsored by Family Place.
- Rug Huggers**, a potluck and discussion group for parents and babies aged one and under is held at Family Place from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Info: 537-9176.
- Fairytales and Myths** with Shauna Grylls runs on **Fridays** from 3 to 4 p.m. at the library. Appropriate for children aged six through nine.

for youth

EVERY WEEK:

- Cosmic Bowling** at Kings Lane Recreation on **Friday** nights, 9 p.m. to midnight. Bring your own

CDs. Food and drinks available. Book a lane by calling 537-2054.

- Roller-blading to music** every **Friday** at Fulford Hall, 7:30-9:30 p.m.

for seniors

EVERY WEEK:

- Move Into Fitness** classes, ideal for seniors, are held **Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays** at Meaden Hall from 9-10 a.m. with Rosemary Trump or Ila-Mae Dickson. \$4 drop-in; \$40 for books of 10.
- Surfing for Seniors** day is every **Wednesday** at the Corinternet Cafe. Call 537-9932 for information.
- Thursday lunches** run every week at Salt Spring Seniors. Served at noon, cost is \$3.50. Reserve in advance by noon on Wednesday by calling Salt Spring Seniors Services Society at 537-4604.
- Seniors Sing-along** at Salt Spring Seniors takes place every **Thursday** at 2 p.m.

cable

Salt Spring TV Cable 12 is showing Poetry in the Gallery — "a flock of local poets beat their wings and to behold — their words take flight!" with poets Brian Brett, Frank Burnaby, Christina Bairns, Mona Fertig, Peggy Frank, Shirly Graham, Peter Levitt, Murray Reiss, John Rowlandson, Ahava Shira, Chris Smart and Shilo Zylbergold. Music by Charley and Lisa Erck. From last November's Where Art and Nature Meet series. **Monday, April 23, 7 p.m.**

cinema

- Chocolat** — An unwed mother (Juliette Binoche) upsets the citizens of a small French town in 1959 when she opens a chocolate shop during Lent. A gentle, delightful film! Cast includes Judi Dench, Lena Olin and Johnny Depp.

arts & crafts

- Louise Goodman** exhibits Thresholds, a series of drawings, at Salt Spring Roasting Company in Ganges.
- Judy Harper and Rommy Verlaan** are sharing the exhibition space at Island Savings Credit Union.
- Rachel Vadeboncouer** shows her photo collage art at Luigi's through April.
- Amarrah Gabriel** is hanging her art at Moby's for the month of April.
- The Photography Show** — a collection of works by Alliance of Salt Spring Artists is in the ArtSpring lobby and gallery.
- Salt Spring Island Potters Guild** meets at 720 Beddis Road on **Friday, April 20, 8:30 a.m.**, for a stamp-making demo by Sally Uncles. Clay will be supplied to members. Bring your ideas, imagination and have fun! New members welcome. Info: Karen, 537-2029.
- Salt Spring Island Painters' Guild** meets **Wednesdays** at the Lions Club from 9:30 a.m. to noon. Helen Wiebe demonstrates painting roses on **April 25**. AGM is coming up on May 2.
- Salt Spring Island Weavers and Spinners** Guild meets **Thursdays** at ArtSpring from 10:30 to noon, offering programs, workshops, study groups, equipment rentals, library and problem solving. Info: Pat Davidson, 653-4750.

galleries

- A Tulip Celebration** blooms at Jill Louise Campbell Art Gallery through April.
- Vortex Gallery** shows new work.
- Naikai Gallery** has moved next door in Grace Point Square.

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STAGECOACH PRESENTS: Seen in *The Selfish Magician*, clockwise from top left, Ali McLean, Adrian Cocking, Natalia Day, Eben Finer, Mamata Kreisler-Rock, Metta McLeod, Mamata Kreisler-Rock, Heather Meek and Meaghen Toole.

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The SELFISH MAGICIAN

By **SUSAN LUNDY**
Driftwood Staff

A bit of magic is unfolding at ArtSpring.

Take a cranky magician, sultry witches and an intellectually-comprised queen, throw in glimmering costumes and "toe-tappy" music — and Stagecoach Theatre School has pulled a tantalizing show out of the hat.

The *Selfish Magician* — playing again this weekend at ArtSpring — is a must-see for children of all ages. It's guaranteed to enthrall youngsters, and amuse and impress everyone else.

Dancing, singing and an applause-drawing backdrop (created by artist David Halliwell) sprinkles a simple story with ample spice.

The tale follows a magician who is fed-up with using his magic on menial tasks that are no longer undertaken by the townsfolk. He launches a magic-by-payment clause and then discovers he has lost his magical touch. Called on to use his elusive skills by the king and queen, he heads off to visit the Great Wizard but gets waylaid by a gaggle of spell-casting witches.

What the play lacks in complexity of plot, it makes up for in sheer fun.

The curtain opens on a market scene featuring island companies selling their wares from hand-created carts made by Tony Meek.

Actor Metta McLeod draws a laugh from the opening night audience as she flaunts Salt Spring Roasting Company products — owned by her parents Mickey McLeod and Robbyn Scott.

(Scott is more than a coffee connoisseur. She is also the wizard behind *The Selfish Magician* choreography and did a couple of stints on stage with other adults who worked as "extras" to fill out village scenes.)

Stagecoach's eight young actors — ranging in age from 12-15 — fill

a variety of characters' shoes. And the diversity between some of the characters really highlights the breadth of the youths' acting abilities.

McLeod, for example, switches from an eerie, mysterious witch to the witless royal messenger and then to a gossiping villager.

Similarly, Mamata Kreisler-Rock's comical, squeaky-voiced queen contrasts with her witch role, and Natalia Day also moves with ease between witch and quack doctor. (Youngest of the troupe, Day is an actor to keep your eyes on. In fact, it's hard to take your eyes off her magnetic stage presence.)

Adrian Cocking makes a marvelous magician, speaking volumes with his facial expressions and body movements.

He is accompanied on his journey by an able assistant played by Ali McLean, who has a wonderfully calm and capable presence on stage, and whose acting ability is augmented by a great voice.

Speaking of voices, Meaghen Toole struts her fine singing sound in a fairly challenging song that uses the full range of her voice. She also charms the audience as a villager and lady in waiting.

Like McLean and Toole, Eben Finer has been handed a great voice that carries well on stage. He shines as a cart-wheeling clown and the stately king, whose normalcy plays well against Kreisler-Rock's twitty queen.

Playing Doctor Nosey, a witch and villager, Heather Meek rounds off this accomplished cast with her own acting adeptness.

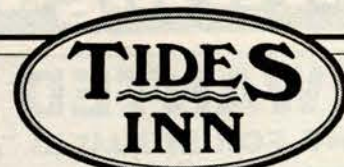
Margaret Jardine — who wrote and directed the play — has given it her usual fine-combing for details and even took on the voice role of the Great Wizard — filling in for voice-coach Debbi Toole who fell ill just prior to the opening night show.

Special effects arranged by Marv

Coulthard and lighting by Liz Martin add another magical dimension to the show — but I won't give away the details!

Another real winner in *The Selfish Magician* is the original music created by Ramesh Meyers and performed by Meyers and Karen Arney. Three days after the show, members of my family are still HeeHeeHaaHaaHooHooing and singing bits of other songs.

In fact, there's also a bit of moaning going on in my home — this from the youngsters who want another taste of magic and are pinning to head back to ArtSpring to see it all again.



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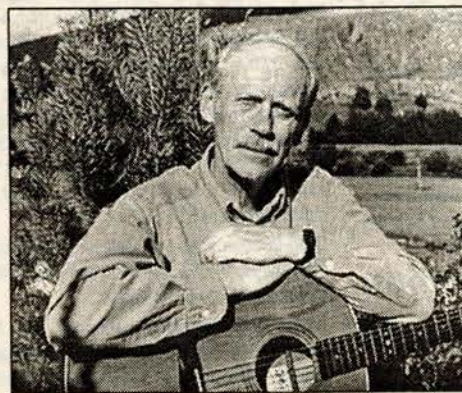
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EASTER PANCAKES: Dayna Byron holds a platter reflecting some of the pancake makers and takers at Meaden Hall on Sunday. The Legion sponsored the family breakfast event which drew lots of hungry islanders.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Phoenix stages Hobbit at ArtSpring

A beloved tale replete with magical characters and a riddle-filled script is set to take the ArtSpring stage courtesy of Phoenix Elementary School children.

An adaptation of J.R.R. Tolkien's famous book *The Hobbit* is coming to life at the school and will be ready for public perusal April 26 and 27, beginning at 7 p.m.

Audiences can venture on a journey with Bilbo Baggins — played by Patrice Bowler — as this teardrinking, biscuit-loving creature attempts to recapture the gold from the evil dragon Smaug (Halley Gilson).

Audiences will meet Gandalf the wizard (Roshann Cornwall), Thorin Oakenshield (Alex

Banes) and a team of elves.

According to a Phoenix School press release, goblins, elves and spiders are starting to come out of the woodwork at the school, as it gears up for its annual theatrical production.

The event is a school-wide project, where teachers, parents and people from the community come together to "create two evenings of fantasy and fun."

Adapted from the book and directed by Phoenix School principal Rineke Jonker, the play is also being assisted from parent directors Sue Newman, Wendy Gilson and Bob Twaites.

Students are also getting a taste of theatrical enterprise, obtaining first-hand experience with direct-

ing, producing, costume-making and set design.

For over a month, the students have been incorporating many aspects of the play into their learning program.

They have taken weekly workshops in map-making, riddles, cooking (goodies for the play) and making Fimo figures.

They can also be heard humming the *Hobbit* songs they are learning in music practices.

The show is next in a spring-long line-up of youth productions scheduled to entertain Salt Spring theatre-goers over the next six weeks.

Tickets for *The Hobbit* are \$8 for adults and \$5 for children.

Island youth wins solo competition

Trumpet player Bradley Cronin is this year's winner of the Salt Spring Concert Band's second annual solo competition.

The 13-year-old was one of seven individuals who auditioned earlier this month for the honour of being a

featured soloist at the community concert band's spring concert. Cronin even auditioned twice, playing both the piano and the trumpet.

He also wins a \$100 scholarship.

For the May 25-26 concert at ArtSpring, Cronin will play

Conversation for Cornet by Clare Crundman, accompanied by the concert band.

Choir accompanist Chris Kodaly will also take the solo spotlight that weekend when he performs Gershwin's *Rhapsody in Blue*.

Famed harpist plays as Baha'i 'gift'

Gifted harpist Caroline Mackay, who has treated two overflowing audiences at previous spring concerts on Salt Spring, is preparing for a third this Sunday at Mahon Hall.

Mackay combines her magical singing and Celtic harp performance with folk tunes, original works, mystic poetry and sacred writings.

Currently producing her fifth CD, the musician recently moved to the Okanagan from the Cowichan Valley, and now works as director of High Spirits Music and Harps.

She has toured across North America and Europe performing on her 34-string Scotland-made cherrywood harp, with its connection to diverse world cultures, is the perfect instrument to uplift the spiritual mood of humanity.

So it's fitting that Sunday's concert is offered to islanders as a "gift" from the local Baha'i community, which celebrates a 12-day festival at this time of year.

It begins at the hall at 7 p.m. Admission is by donation.

'Elegant' dance event honours music students

Islanders are invited to "a celebration of love and life Viennese-style" set to unfold at the Empress Hotel in Victoria later this month.

The Millennium Vienna Ball — organized by the Salt Spring-based Johann Strauss Foundation — will also honour the foundation's recently-selected five scholarship winners.

Set for Saturday, April 28 in the Crystal Ballroom at the Empress, the event will be "an elegant affair," says Salt Springer and foundation member Joseph Kandler.

At \$80 each, tickets include a champagne reception, dinner, complimentary wine and favours from Vienna.

The evening will also include ballroom dancing and music provided by the five scholarship winners and the Vienna Ball Orchestra.

(Attendance is limited to provide adequate space for dancing. Tables will be arranged in parties of eight and 10, and seats will be allocated in order of receipt of payment.)

Kandler says the music students' repertoire will include both classical and semi-classical pieces.

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6 DEATHS
 ROY FREDRICK HARDING passed away peacefully on April 2, 2001 at Lady Minto Hospital, Salt Spring Island at the age of 86. Funeral services have been changed to St. Mark's Church on Saturday, April 21, 2001 at 11:30 a.m., Salt Spring Island.

8 CARDS OF THANKS
 THE SALTSPRING CENTRE School Parent Focus Group would like to thank the following people and businesses for their support and generous donations toward our fund raising danceathon: the Driftwood, Tom Hooper, Atomic Blues Band, Gord & Trish, Burgoyne Bay Blues, SS Marimba, Andrew Ross Collins, Shawn Hill, Arthur Black, James Wilkinson, Martin Thorn, Yiana Belkalopoulos, Brian Box, Vaughn Fullford, Leah Hansel, Sid Filkow, G.V.M., Thrifty's, The Dollar Store, Barb's Buns, Embe Bakery, Bagel Shop, SS Roasting Co., Just Mikes Water, Slegg Lumber, Acoustic Planet, Fables Cottage, Growing Circle Coop, Mike Hunsberger, Stuff and Nonsense, Sacred Garden, Salt Spring Centre, Sam Gracie, Work World, Ruphi, Island Star Video, Flowers and Wine, A Class Act, Saltspring Nursery, Radio Shack, Foxglove, Salt Spring Seeds, Harlan's Chocolates, Luigi's, The Dairy Store, Coastal Currents, Blue Dragon Naturals, Moby's Marine Pub, Blue Moon, Ganges Stationery, Deckhand Family Galley, North End Fitness, Pharmasave, Barnyard Graphics, West of the Moon, et cetera, Fields, SS Soapworks, Cinema Central, Crystal Child Crafts, Webs and Things, Gail Sjuberg, SSI Dry Cleaners, Stan's Harbour Market, Chris Abramyk, Sandlite Candles, Harbour House Hotel, Kings Lane Bowling, Dairy Queen.

20 COMING EVENTS
 THE SPIRITUAL NEEDS OF Dying Families. A workshop with Denis Boyd, Reg. Psychologist, Saturday, April 28, 2001, \$12. Bring a bag lunch. All Saints Anglican Centre, Ganges. To register call Bessie Dane Hospice 537-2770.

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DATE: Thursday, April 26th, 2001
TIME: 1:15 p.m.
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 Starting at 1:15 p.m., up to 45 minutes will be available for the public to discuss local land use matters with the Local Trust Committee. Those who wish to present a more formal petition, or make a delegation to the Committee as an Agenda item, must advise Islands Trust staff at least one week in advance of the meeting so that they can be added to the beginning of the Agenda. For information about the Agenda, please call the Islands Trust at 537-9144.

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ACROSS

- Corn-attacking sound
- Ruffian
- In apple-pie order
- Doña's digs
- Midwest airport
- "Yes, lad, ___ easy" (Housman) (2 wds.)
- Gung ho
- Habitually
- Billions of years
- Devitalize
- Alimony payers
- 22nd letter
- Place: Fr.
- Conjecture
- Forwards anew
- Features of violins
- Poison ___
- In a frenzy
- Looked at
- Goddess with a temple at Philae
- Looking down on
- Carry on wildly
- In case
- Certain club
- Actor Tommy ___ Jones
- Double-reed instrument
- Generosity
- Army vehicles
- Watchdog gp.
- Busy month for a CPA (abbr.)
- Actor Guinness
- Louisiana county
- Gulf War heroes (abbr.)
- Martini swimmer
- Fillet's lack
- Snout
- Rich fabric
- Director Bunuel
- Feds
- Call it quits
- Geller's claim to fame (abbr.)
- NCO
- Operative
- One who takes advantage
- Annoy
- Let up
- Snow gear
- Library offerings
- Tiny Tim's instrument
- Country singer Bandy
- Eli's alma mater
- Preholiday times
- Low grades
- Prevent
- "Long, Long ___"
- Jamboree inits.
- Attach
- Home to "His Master's Voice"
- Distort
- Pleasure trip
- ___ salts
- Make an error disappear
- ___ Alamitos
- Note in Guido's scale
- Summon
- Debt memos
- Clip
- "I'm Dickens, ___ Fenster"
- Marsh
- French beverage

DOWN

- Grotto
- Hong Kong's locale
- Walk like a duck
- Fawned
- Television setting
- Water or Iran ending
- ___ tack
- Meaning of "amo" (2 wds.)
- Wines and ___
- Toady's responses
- Bounder
- Last name in dinosaurs
- Chemical suffix
- Bonn "on"

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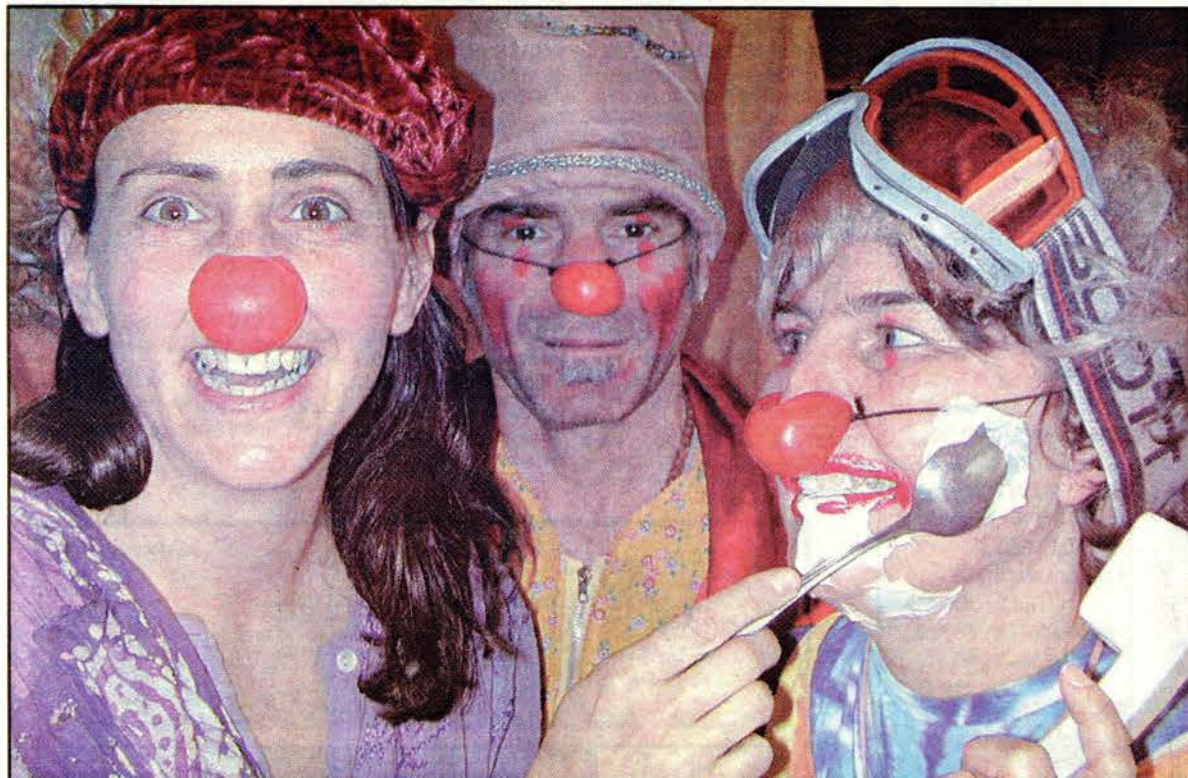
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Award-winning writer at All Saints

It took a couple of years of pursuit, but the Salt Spring Celebration of Writers and Theatre Alive! groups finally succeeded in their mission to bring Karen Connelly to the island for a reading.

Poet, journalist and human rights advocate, Connelly is the author of the bestselling *Touch the Dragon*, a Thai Journal, which earned the Governor General's Award for Non-Fiction in 1993.

Connelly reads upstairs at All Saints By-the-Sea on Saturday, April 21 at 8 p.m.

Besides being the youngest writer to win the Governor General's Award, she also won the Pat Lowther Award for her debut poetry collection — *The Small Words in My Body* — in 1991.

She has written three other volumes of poetry and a fiction/non-fiction work called *One Room in a Castle* — Letters from Spain, France and Greece.

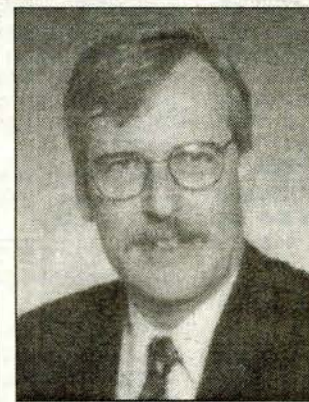
Connelly is now working on a novel about a Burmese political prisoner, and a collection of essays about Burma and the Thai-Burmese border.

She lives in Canada, Greece and Thailand, and has been writer-in-residence at several universities and art centres in Canada, Europe and Australia.

Her work has been published outside of Canada in the U.S., Australia, Germany, China and Thailand.

Admission for the reading is free, but all donations are appreciated to offset expenses and help keep the visiting writers program alive.

The Canada Council has also helped sponsor the Connelly event.



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