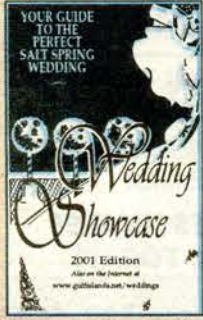




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### Cool cats, pink ladies get set

Theatre and music students at Gulf Islands Secondary School are honing their lines and practising their moves for the school's upcoming musical performance of *Grease*.

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### Weather

Rain, sun and clouds are in the forecast (again) for the upcoming week. Highs up to 9 C today (Wednesday), and lows down to 1 C, also today.

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## Rally supports protesters as trial begins

By ANASTACIA WILDE  
Driftwood Staff

The fight to preserve Salt Spring forests and watersheds shifted battlefronts to busy downtown Victoria on Monday as civil disobedience arrestees faced their first

day in B.C. Supreme Court.

The trial of 11 individuals charged with criminal contempt of court commenced amidst ample fanfare, including some 100 islanders marching from the Victoria courthouse to the

legislature. Colourful and boisterous, the upbeat rally included street theatre, Raging Grannies musical singalongs and speeches.

Television crews from Global News, CHEK-TV, VTV and CBC bustled through the crowd,

reporters pushing microphones into the cheeks of defence lawyers and hurling questions at arrestees, in search of sound-bytes.

Water protection, species biodiversity and quality of life for future generations were issues

central to the media scrum, but Crown counsel Robert W.G. Gillen commented they were moot points and irrelevant to the trial.

At issue is the authority

TRIAL 3

## Arsenic water residents file suits

By GAIL SJUBERG  
Driftwood Staff

A spate of companies, individuals and government departments are being sued by four homeowners with arsenic-contaminated water in the Rainbow Grove subdivision.

Peter McKenzie, Jean Stewart, Caroline Burch and Sandra (Jesse) Bellamy filed statements of claim in the Duncan registry of the B.C. Supreme Court February 13 asking for damages resulting from their purchase of properties from developers Salt Spring Lands Ltd. and Parks, O'Connor & Parks Investments Limited.

After observing problems with their water, the homeowners in the new subdivision off Rainbow Road learned a 1997 hydrogeology report commissioned by the developers had found some of the chemical parameters tested, including arsenic, iron and manganese, exceeded acceptable limits set out in the Guidelines for Canadian Drinking Water Quality.

The purchasers say they were not given that information or the report prior to the property transactions.

In the claim, McKenzie, Burch and Bellamy are asking for an order of rescission that would see their properties bought back by developers Salt Spring Lands Ltd., and Parks, O'Connor & Parks Investments Limited, as well as damages and recovery of costs incurred on the properties since their purchase.

Norman Fraser is counsel for all four property owners. He said Stewart is not seeking rescission because she is not in a position to buy another property and support a mortgage. Her damage claim includes a reflection of "the drop in property value and installation of a system that will provide the property with potable water."

Also on the defendants list is the Islands Trust,

LAW SUITS 2



**FLAG BEARERS:** Salt Spring Guides and Scouts collected non-perishable food items for the food bank and then marched from the Salt Spring Golf and Country Club to the Pentacostal Church on Baker Road in the groups' annual Hike for Hunger

Sunday morning. The march — replete with colourful flags — kicked off a week of activities focussing on the values of founders Lord and Lady Baden-Powell. More photos, Page 7.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

## Overheight fees dropped on open ferries

The Gulf Islands should be home to a heap of happy campers this week, with a recent tariff announcement by B.C. Ferries.

Effective February 15, the corporation has eliminated overheight charges for vehicles on open deck

ferries running between Swartz Bay and Fulford Harbour, as well as Swartz Bay and the Outer Islands.

Corporation spokeswoman Betty Nicholson told the Driftwood Monday that the decision to drop

the overheight fee on "open sky" vessels in the Gulf Islands was part of an ongoing look at tariff equity.

However, "overwidth" charges will still apply to most commercial vehicles.

The logging company embroiled in a lawsuit with the Islands Trust over development permit regulations on Denman Island is clearing a 160-acre Forest Land Reserve (FLR) parcel above Blackburn Valley.

620646 B.C. Ltd. of Nanaimo bought the property from the Blom family — who have recently moved to Parksville — on February 1, and began logging it soon after.

Gabriola Island resident Michael Jenks heads that company and 4064 Investments Ltd., which is involved in the Denman controversy.

In a letter to the editor this week, Salt Spring property owner Don Arney writes: "This beautiful parcel is currently being

## Denman logger lands on Salt Spring

rapidly consumed by the new owners who obviously believe in clearcutting. I've never seen trees fall so fast. Seven days a week we can hear the chainsaws. What was once a wonderful wooded hillside now looks like mange."

Arney said he had walked the property many times and considered purchasing it as a meditation retreat site until learning that would not be an allowable use in the Forest Land Reserve or through the land's Islands Trust zoning.

Arney said the property, which became part of the FLR when it was established in 1996, had

been developed as a "model example of sustainable logging," with trees selectively harvested, and hiking trails created and named for the Bloms' grandchildren.

As summarized in the Denman Community Forest Cooperative website, 4064 Investments Ltd. bought 1,750 acres of Denman forest land in 1997. The Denman Island Local Trust Committee (LTC) subsequently introduced bylaws governing wetland and forest cover development permit areas.

In the fall of 1999, the LTC initiated an injunction against

4064 for allegedly undertaking land alteration above the exemption levels without obtaining a development permit.

The company claimed in defence, among other points, that tree cutting was not "land alteration" and so could not be regulated through an official community plan, and that the DP process was unduly and

unreasonably restrictive.

The Denman LTC bylaws were then challenged by 4064 Investments and struck down by Judge Robert Bauman on November 7, 2000.

The Islands Trust executive committee swiftly launched an appeal, which is set for hearing April 23.

Legal expenses for the Denman case have led to a \$110,000 shortfall in the Trust's legal budget for the current fiscal year.

## Ferry adjustment woes occur with Long Harbour shut-down

The first morning without a Long Harbour to Tsawwassen ferry saw some twinges of adjustment pain in another part of the system.

B.C. Ferries communications coordinator Ann Carpenter said 13 cars from Salt Spring heading to Tsawwassen did not get on the 7 a.m. sailing from Swartz Bay Tuesday morning.

One islander needing to get to

the mainland for a medical appointment did make the sailing, as did people with reservations on the 7 a.m. run, said Carpenter.

She added that three factors combined to increase demand for the ferry: holdover from the American President's Day holiday; the fact a smaller replacement vessel is currently serving the 7 a.m. sailing; and the shift in

traffic due to the Long Harbour terminal being shut down until March 16.

Travellers are reminded that until then the usual 6:20 a.m. sailing from Fulford is replaced by a 5:50 run.

Carpenter recommends people wanting to ensure a spot on the 7 a.m. Swartz Bay-Tsawwassen route make a reservation with B.C. Ferries.

## LAW SUITS: Filed by Rainbow Grove residents

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which is charged with informing the subdivision-approving Ministry of Transportation and Highways (MOTH) that all requirements of the Trust's subdivision bylaw were met — including proof of potable water.

The plaintiffs claim the Trust was negligent in informing Highways that the Rainbow Grove subdivision met its bylaw requirements with the proviso that the water was not potable without treatment.

The suit asserts MOTH was negligent in approving the subdivision "without confirming the water was potable and safe for human consumption, or would be safe for human consumption, having been advised that the wells did not meet

the requirement for potability unless treated."

Real estate agents Mel and Derek Topping, Liane Read, Jessie James, realty companies Small World Real Estate Company Inc. and Re/Max Realty of Salt Spring Island, and developers Bonny Kay O'Connor and Gerald Thomas Parks are other defendants.

Fraser said the defendants have seven days from date of document service to file an appearance, and 14 days after that to file a statement of defence.

Many of the defendants already have lawyers and there has been previous communication with the parties, he said.

He said the "fraudulent misrepresentation" principles of law in

this case are common ones, but "the facts and circumstances are not common."

Re/Max realtor and Salt Spring Lands principal Mel Topping was unable to return Driftwood calls Monday and Tuesday.

In a previous interview he indicated that two other property owners were satisfied with water treatment systems subsequently installed at the developers' expense.

Islands Trust regional planning coordinator Linda Adams said she had only been advised by Trust lawyers that the statement of claim had been received.

"We will be working out what our strategy is going to be in defence," she said.

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**SCRUM:** John Davies, one of the defence lawyers for 11 Texada Land Corporation protesters charged with contempt of court, is surrounded by media and supporters during a rally outside the courthouse in Victoria on Monday.

## TRIAL: Now under way in Victoria

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of the Supreme Court and whether civil

disobedience actions aimed at Texada Land Corporation's Salt Spring logging operations constitute an intentional scorn of court orders.

In May of last year, Texada sought a court-sponsored injunction when sustainable logging advocates began locking themselves to equipment and refusing to release themselves, effectively impeding log hauling.

Defence lawyers argued the development company had broken promises to the community by violating its code of principles and that their clients acted as responsible citizens to protect threats to clean water and human survival.

Judge Peter D. Lowry appeared irritated by the non-traditional approach of defence lawyers and ordered on more than one occasion they "get back on course."

Morning court hours were consumed with bringing the judge up to speed on pleas and changing courtrooms to accommodate the large public turnout.

Of 11 charged, Angela Hughes and Jean-Claude Plourde were absent from court and subsequent bench warrants issued for their arrests. The remaining nine pleaded not guilty to charges of criminal contempt of court, while two pleaded guilty to civil contempt of court.

The distinction between crim-

inal and civil contempt pivots on whether the contempt is personal in nature — as in a wife and husband breach of contract — or public, thus affecting a larger number of people.

"Both civil and criminal contempt of court rest on the power of the court to uphold its dignity and process," read a judgement by Judge D.H. Vickers presented as Crown evidence. "However, when the element of public defiance of the court's process in a way calculated to lessen societal respect for the courts is added to the breach, it becomes criminal."

Defence lawyers countered that the court's decision to proceed with criminal contempt charges undermines the reputation of the Supreme Court, as does their interference by issuing a court injunction on behalf of Texada in a civil dispute with the community of Salt Spring.

"What really brings the administration of justice into disrepute?" asked lawyer Robert Moore-Stewart hypothetically. "Perhaps it's the Texada corporation or the court injunction process itself. The injunction is a private law that has its advantages for corporations and disadvantages for the public."

If contempt charges were civil, Moore-Stewart noted, Texada would have to foot the court bill, whereas criminal contempt charges force taxpayers to cough up trial costs.

He also said issuing court injunctions means the court

takes personal insult from arrestees' actions and sides with Texada's court order.

"If these were criminal charges of trespassing or mischief, the authority of judges wouldn't be an issue and the court would be more balanced on hearing evidence," the lawyer said.

Ultimately, however, the burden of proof falls on government shoulders. To establish criminal contempt, the Crown must "prove the accused defied or disobeyed the court order in a public way with intent, knowledge or recklessness . . . to depreciate the authority of the court."

After day one in court, it remained to be seen whether the judge would allow defence lawyers to broaden their arguments or make them adhere strictly to the narrow focus of criminal contempt evidence.

"In the history of logging issues in B.C. this one is unique," said lawyer John Davies in his opening statement. "We are asking the court to be open to hearing the evidence in a balanced way about these things that so affect the health of our community. We are asking the court to weigh the conduct of Texada as well as the conduct of the community."

To which the judge replied emphatically, "I'm not sure I'm much further ahead. Is there any contest over what happened? Is there a defence raised on the facts?"

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**Upper Cranberry/Maxwell/Collins roads affected**

**Bus allowance for non-serviced areas revisited**

By GAIL SJUBERG  
Driftwood Staff

A round of applications for "travel assistance" is prompting the Gulf Islands School District to revisit the idea of providing bus service to the top of Cranberry Road.

The area has been without school bus service for about seven years, said secretary-treasurer Rod Scotvold, when numbers of school-aged children living there dropped below feasible levels.

But in recent years the upper Cranberry school-aged population has boomed — parent Janet Stepaniuk calculates 17 children would now catch a bus to school if there was one to pick them up.

Because a number of families in the area live outside defined "walk limits" — four kilometres from school or the closest bus stop for Kindergarten to Grade 3 kids, and 4.8 km for those in grades 4-12 — they have been eligible for travel assistance. Those who knew about the program have received funds from the school district to offset their expenses.

But some Cranberry/Maxwell-area families have just learned that they qualified for the travel allowance, and wish they had been informed sooner.

Cranberry parent Fiona Walls was upset there was no set process for informing people about the

existence of the allowance. She just happened to find out by talking to parent Janet Stepaniuk, who discovered it from a school secretary a couple of years ago.

"It's the secretiveness that was really annoying. We're entitled to it but we weren't told about it," said Walls. "They make no effort to contact anyone and let them know about it."

Scotvold said it is up to individual schools to give out the information.

"It's never been a problem and we've never had a campaign to advise people," said Scotvold. "It's quite simply that it looks like there's been a problem this year. This is the first instance of it and we'll end up dealing with it."

Scotvold didn't know the exact funding figures, but Stepaniuk said it is a per-kilometre amount prorated by school days in a month. She received \$163 in January for the four separate trips she must make to accommodate two different school start times for her children.

Another area parent who just found out about the funding told Walls she has taken her child to school from the base of Mount Maxwell without compensation for the past six years.

But the assistance is not retroactive, something Walls said officials are quick to point out.

Scotvold confirmed that new

families will get the transportation assistance for the rest of the school year, and that it will have some impact on the district's budget.

"We always get funded (from the education ministry) a year late," he explained. "It is a funding challenge because we end up having to absorb that cost in the first year."

He said Collins Road is another Salt Spring area where the assistance program kicks in, although it is mainly relevant on the Outer Gulf Islands.

With the number of Cranberry students now apparent, Scotvold said, having a bus run all the way up Cranberry Road will be re-examined, although it would present a number of challenges.

"Our routes are fairly tight," he said. "We don't have a lot of capacity in terms of time. That's our biggest issue."

Accommodating two different start times, bus capacity questions and the fact a bus can't make a right-hand turn from Cranberry Road onto Old Divide to pick up students there are also "honest problems."

Scotvold speculated that a separate bus might have to be used for upper Cranberry/Maxwell children.

Stepaniuk and Walls would rather have bus service than the money, and every year Stepaniuk

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**Vehicles slips and slide in snowfall**

A short-lived but persistent snowfall last Friday resulted in several minor accidents for Salt Spring motorists.

In one of the more serious incidents, a 74-year-old woman was taken to hospital via ambulance after she lost control of her vehicle on Beddis Road just before 11:30 a.m.

The vehicle struck a large tree and came to a halt back on the roadway. Both airbags were deployed in the incident, which resulted in minor injuries.

Snow was also a factor in a Stewart Road accident involving

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a 26-year-old male driver who was southbound when he lost control of his vehicle.

The truck slid into a ditch and turned on its side.

The driver, who did not suffer any injuries, hitched a ride with a snowplow to report the accident.

In other police news:

• Local RCMP have received several reports of hit and run

accidents in the past few weeks and are reminding motorists of their responsibility — at the minimum — to leave a note on the damaged vehicle providing the driver's name and phone number, and the licence plate number of the offending vehicle.

• Police are also reminding drivers they are enforcing stop sign rules. Motorists who do not come to a full stop at a stop sign could be fined \$144.

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# LUB approaches first reading

By GAIL SJUBERG  
Driftwood Staff

Salt Spring's Local Trust Committee is poised to give first reading to its long-gestating Land Use Bylaw #355 at a public meeting Thursday.

If trustees Bev Byron and David Borrowman actually pass the planned motion, it should send the document along the final stretch of its three-year journey.

But Linda Adams, the Trust's regional planning coordinator who has written the plan with trustee direction, cautioned people from concluding the LUB is a done deal.

"(There's) concern that after it gets first reading it's written in stone. But changes can be made after that," said Adams. "If they make really significant changes to it they have to go back and have another public hearing. Or they could make less significant changes and then just carry on with it."

She also said no copies of the draft under consideration for first reading have been made since it could well receive some changes on or just before Thursday. The latest version was given to Byron and Borrowman last week, she said, but as of Tuesday morning she had not talked to them about any changes they desired.

Public copies will be available from the Trust office next week, if first reading is granted Thursday.

Some verbal opponents of the bylaw as revealed to date were disappointed to hear first reading was

being considered this week, likely without the changes they had lobbied for.

Mike Larmour, manager of the North Salt Spring Waterworks District, had asked that home-based business use be removed from St. Mary Lake watershed properties in the new LUB. Borrowman and Byron said in a written column this week that would not be done.

"I guess it's not unexpected, but it's unfortunate," said Larmour Monday.

Noting that the trustees have said they would not make the change because it would "downzone" affected properties, Larmour said downzoning in a different guise actually occurred when new development permit areas were brought in with the official community plan (OCP) in 1997.

John Woodward and John Wilcox are two representatives of the agricultural community who have pushed for more direct farmers' input into the LUB.

One of their main points is that some LUB provisions contravene the island's OCP, which Wilcox says is considered one of the best in the province for promoting agriculture.

Woodward said Monday, "It's really quite upsetting. There are things in it that contravene the OCP."

Wilcox said LUB setbacks from water bodies, which can take a huge chunk of farmland out of production, and prohibition of sawmills were two examples of provisions he found hard to swallow.

He said "the (Trust's) present agenda is for preventing development as opposed to preserving the rural environment."

Woodward also said he and others with farming interests wanted to work with the Trust on the LUB's agricultural content but were basically ignored.

Adams said an extensive meeting was held with the Trust's Agricultural Advisory Committee and some changes made on the basis of their comments.

She said some farmers and other islanders wanted to see the LUB before it went public for first reading, but the trustees were firm against giving it to any one person before anyone else.

Adams said there comes a point when "you have to call it a day . . . There's always a new thing coming up and if you wait and make (the LUB) reflect absolutely every issue it will never get done," said Adams. She said the trustees recognize some subjects, including farming and affordable housing, will need broader community discussion outside of the LUB process.

Thursday's Trust committee meeting is at Lions Hall, beginning at 1:15 p.m. Up to 45 minutes is reserved for a question-and-answer session with trustees and the formal meeting agenda begins at 2 p.m. Only people who registered in advance as delegations can address the meeting after that point, unless the chairman decides otherwise.

# Salt Spring flag contest pending

Salt Spring could be hoisting its own flag if a proposed contest gets under way.

The Sustainable Salt Spring Island Coalition (SSSIC) announced last week the creation of a flag committee — an independent group organized to run a contest to create an official flag for Salt Spring Island.

The move follows in the footsteps of Galiano Islanders, who raised their own flag in 1999.

A wide cross-section of the island has been invited to participate in the committee, including the Chamber of Commerce, Alliance of Salt Spring Artists, Salt Spring Seniors, the Farmers Institute, the Fulford Business

Association, the high school peer counselling group, the accommodation group, the Driftwood, the Barnacle and the historical society.

Details, rules and regulations of the flag contest will be announced by the committee over the next few weeks. Once launched, the contest is tentatively expected to run to the end of August.



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# Cocaine trafficking charge net conditional jail terms for locals

Two Salt Spring residents were sentenced to six-month conditional jail terms after pleading guilty to cocaine trafficking.

One of the charged was sentenced to serve an additional and concurrent three-month sentence for marijuana cultivation.

Ganges Provincial Court heard last Tuesday that Karen D. Reynolds, 36, sold \$80 worth of cocaine to an undercover police officer during an RCMP drug investigation.

When police subsequently entered Reynolds' Salt Spring home by warrant, they found 69 plants accompanied by lamps, timers and fertilizers.

"While the number of plants was large, the operation was not considered sophisticated by investigators," said Crown counsel Michael G. Coleman.

Lonnie Kirschbaum, 31, was identified as the person who handed the undercover officer the white satchel of cocaine during the earlier drug deal, which occurred in downtown Ganges. He was not involved in the marijuana charge.

In defending his client, lawyer Tybring M. Hemphill pointed out Reynolds has no prior record and

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has worked consistently throughout her adult life, most recently with School District 64.

He said she showed remorse for her actions and admitted she had taken a wrong turn with drugs.

"I take a very serious view of trafficking cocaine," Judge Michael Hubbard told the court. "I've come to the conclusion that a jail term is necessary."

However, he continued, in view of the first offence nature, a conditional sentence of six months for the cocaine trafficking and three months for the marijuana cultivation will be imposed.

Conditional sentencing is less severe than a jail sentence and means Reynolds is not taken into custody or imprisoned. Instead, she is under restrictive prohibitions at home, and must adhere to rigid statutory conditions.

Hubbard handed her a 9 p.m. to 7 a.m. curfew and restricted her from leaving British Columbia. She must also complete 50 hours of communi-

ty service work, by June 1, and must report regularly to a probation officer.

Kirschbaum represented himself during the trial and told court he would rather pay a fine than provide community service. He was given six months to pay a \$500 fine for cocaine trafficking. He was also sentenced to a six-month conditional jail term.

As Kirschbaum is currently employed in Edmonton, the judge transferred his legal paperwork to Alberta and restricted him from leaving British Columbia or Alberta.

A prohibitive curfew was applied from 9 p.m. to 7 a.m., unless Kirschbaum is residing in a work camp, where he is then subject to work camp rules.

In other court news:

A 12-month peace bond was issued to Ian Brierley of Salt Spring Island in connection with events that occurred last August. Brierley agreed to the restraining order, but did not agree with the facts surrounding the allegations against him.

He was ordered to keep the peace, be of good behaviour and have no direct or indirect contact with the complainant.

# CRD grants-in-aid program hands out funds to lucky island recipients

Greenwoods' therapeutic garden project received some welcome seed funds through Capital Regional District (CRD) grants-in-aid approved at last Wednesday's CRD board meeting.

Salt Spring regional director Kellie Booth recommended a \$9,000 grant be given to the garden project, which will create wheelchair accessible gardens, including raised beds, renovate current garden areas and establish a greenhouse.

Since Outer Gulf Islands residents also live at Greenwoods, regional director Richard Dalon decided to contribute \$3,000 of his grants-in-aid budget as well.

About \$58,000 is required to complete the first phase of the project; \$96,000 for all planned improvements.

A \$1,284 grant-in-aid to the Gulf Islands Community Arts Council (GICAC) was also approved last week. It covers the council's share of mediation costs needed to sort out a legal dispute with the Trincomali

Arts Council.

The conflict stemmed from Trincomali's outgrowth from the GICAC in 1999-2000 and a resulting dispute over ownership of GICAC assets.

- Island Pathways will receive \$1,750 in CRD funds for material to build bike racks for public use on Salt Spring.

- Canada Day fireworks will also be brighter in Ganges via the CRD grants-in-aid program. Booth said she was waiting for an estimate of fireworks cost from the Chamber of Commerce, the usual event sponsor, before the actual amount could be determined.

- Also at the CRD meeting, the Fulford Ball Park lease with Jim Akerman was renewed for a further three-year-term. Annual rent for 2001 is \$7,280, rising five per cent in successive years.

The CRD has leased the property on behalf of Parks and Rec since 1993.

- The CRD is now the formal

owner of the lands occupied by the Salt Spring Recycling Depot. The property had belonged to the provincial Crown, but was transferred to the CRD last month after several years of discussions.

Booth said the paperwork for official transfer of Mouat Park from the Crown to the CRD is also nearing completion.

- The CRD board agreed to further investigate options for the Capital Region Emergency Services Telecommunications (CREST) Network, approving the expenditure of \$36,000 to look more closely at current proposals.

Booth explained that a major benefit of a CREST set-up would be the ability of all first responders to communicate on the same radio frequency, which is currently not the case.

"Ultimately for all of our communities, in the event of a major catastrophe, for safety and response reasons it's a fairly important thing and it sounds like we can move ahead on this."

# Workshops explore relationships, anger

Enthusiastic response to the Love is Heaven/Love is Hell workshop offered on Salt Spring in January has spawned a second two-day session set for March 10-11.

Sharon Bronstein and Alan Caplan facilitate the workshops

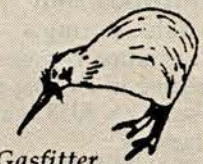
which explore the nature of relationships and help participants listen with heart, find paths through conflict, and learn to give and receive feedback in constructive ways.

People should call 537-9773 or 537-9114 for more information or

to register. Cost is \$165 per person or \$300 per couple.


Bronstein and Caplan are also planning to start a group to help women deal with anger and control issues. Call the above numbers to discuss that idea.

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Submissions from the public regarding the financial plan must be delivered by Wednesday, March 7, to the attention of the Treasurer at #200-1627 Fort Street, Victoria, BC V8R 1H8, or by Fax: (250)405-5155.

# Waterworks district goes for appraisal

North Salt Spring Waterworks District (NSSWD) has decided to spring for a timber cruise of the Maxwell watershed property Texada Land Corporation is willing to sell.

NSSWD manager Mike Larmour received the go-ahead from board chairman Bob Brawn Monday to arrange for appraisals of both Block 7 in the primary watershed and the 270 acres of the secondary, Rippon Creek watershed.

Total cost for both assessments is estimated at between \$5,000 and \$7,000, much less than originally anticipated.

Texada and the NSSWD have agreed to sale prices of \$615,000 for the land after logging, and \$1.8 million as it now stands, meaning the merchantable timber has been valued at \$1,185,000.

Meanwhile, word from Tom Gossett at the front of the fundraising line is that the campaign to purchase the lands "is going just dandy." Gossett, who is heading the Salt Spring Water Preservation Society's effort to raise funds needed to purchase the land in either state, said his group has sent several applications to various foundations and corporations, and the island-wide campaign has commenced.

A consolidated total of funds raised to date has not been compiled, but he said the Save Salt Spring Campaign Fund \$100,000 donation was "a real boost for us."

The Salt Spring Island Conservancy has also committed \$34,000 for watershed purchase to date.

"It's early yet," said Gossett, "so we're just getting started."

The NSSWD has until the end of May to secure the funds for a deal.

Larmour also reported that a high-level provincial water expert has given written support to the Maxwell Lake watershed purchase. Provincial limnologist Rick Nordin of the environment ministry has stepped out of the usual government non-committal mode to endorse efforts to buy the watershed property.

"This initiative is one which I have considerable interest in and would like to endorse because it bears directly on the issue of protection and management of drinking water sources," writes Nordin.

"(Maxwell Lake) represents the only significant source of high quality water on the island. St. Mary, Cusheon and Weston lakes all have marginal water quality and ground water sources are of poor quality and quantity. The government supports the concept of water purveyors owning the watersheds that supply the water that is supplied to the public."

Nordin is extremely familiar with Salt Spring water quality problems, and authored the major St. Mary Lake study released in 1983.

In other Texada-related news, Land Reserve Commission forest officer Ian DeLisle said last week there had been no contravention of the Private Land Forest Practices Regulation following a recent inquiry regarding logging of riparian areas on Mount Tuam.

"My understanding is that they are going back in and falling the merchantable trees, but they are not old trees," said DeLisle.

He said the regulations state logging companies must make "their best effort to retain as much non-commercial cover and tree species as possible. It's not a no-touch zone on five metres either side of the stream, but they can't leave machine tracks that would create sediment. The worry on those creeks is sediment."

But DeLisle said a separate complaint about terrain stability in general had been received from lawyer Kevin Doyle of the Save Salt Spring Society, and that the letter's contents were being assessed.



**MARCHING FOR HUNGER:** Members of local branches of Girl Guides of Canada and Scouts Canada gather flags and await the early Sunday morning start of the groups' annual Hike For Hunger.

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The association has sponsored post-secondary students with scholarships for many years, but this year the program has been expanded to include a high school level.

To apply for the scholarship, students must write an essay of up to 500 words on the topic of why a community newspaper is important.

Essays must be submitted by March 30 to the Driftwood office at 328 Lower Ganges Road, or by fax to 537-2613 or by e-mail to [driftwood@gulfislands.net](mailto:driftwood@gulfislands.net).

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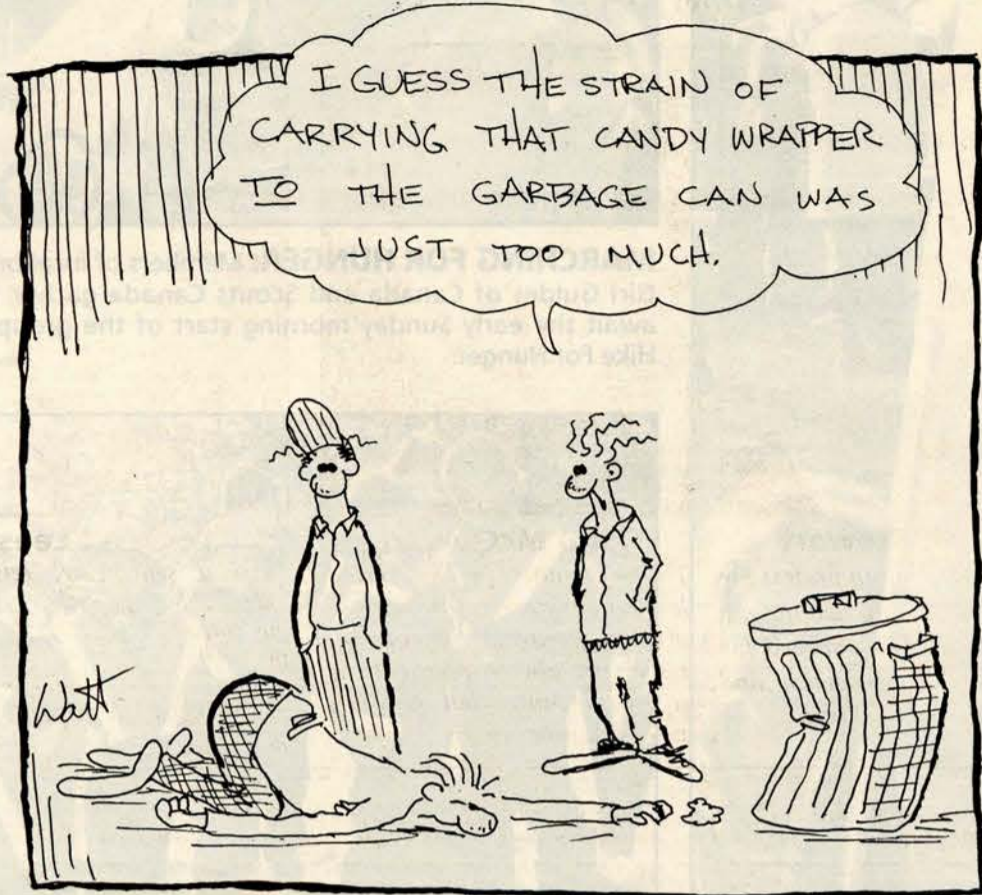
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## Our beef with Brazil



Cynics would not take long to claim there was a link between the Canadian government's ban on Brazilian beef and the trade row over the subsidized manufacture of aircraft. That the latter issue involves a large Québec-based manufacturer with a long history of government support, financial and more, only fuels the cynicism.

We confess to being cynics.

It appears likely that the ban will be lifted this week following a visit to Brazil by government representatives. As of Monday it appeared they had found no justification for continuing to impose the import ban. That leads one to wonder if there was any justification in the first place, beyond Ottawa's desire to play a childish game in its ongoing dispute over subsidies to Bombardier.

Canada is a trading nation and Canadians ought to be duly alarmed by the type of cavalier approach Ottawa has shown in recent weeks over beef.

But many Canadians ought to be alarmed for another reason. There is a great deal of concern over the growing use of genetically-modified food. Organizations such as the Women's Institute, active on both Salt Spring and Pender islands, are campaigning for restrictions on the use of GM foods until more research has been conducted on their possible long-term effects.

The calls for action have been loud and, for the most part, logical. Indeed, they have been louder and more logical than anything we've heard about the dangers of Brazilian beef.

Yet the government's reaction has been typically plodding on GM foods compared to its swift and certain action against Brazil.

There is plenty of good evidence to show that Canadian government policy is created, developed and initiated from within the prime minister's office. It matters not a whit who says what in the House of Commons or in the Senate, or in the Cabinet meeting room, for that matter.

So it is to Jean Chrétien's attention that future efforts calling for caution on genetic modification of food must be directed. And while we're at it, let's urge diplomacy first when it comes to international relations.

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## Looking at the effects of free trade a decade later

BY ERIC BOOTH

With polls showing the majority of Canadians now agree with free trade, how well has Canada fared under NAFTA?

In 1990 — a Canadian dollar was worth about \$0.86 US. Now, it's worth 65 cents. That's a 25 per cent drop in the value of the Canadian dollar.

Under GATT, Canadians paid a maximum of nine per cent tariff on goods from the US. We now pay a minimum of 16 per cent more (25 per cent minus nine per cent) than we did prior to free trade. Add an additional 14 per cent for GST and PST on cross border purchases we didn't have prior to free trade. Total? Over 30 per cent more.

Meanwhile, Americans are paying 25 per cent less to purchase Canadian businesses and Salt Spring Island property.

According to Crosbie & Co., a

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Toronto investment bank, foreign take-overs of Canadian companies reached a record in 1999, more than doubling the previous record set in 1998.

"You've got to be concerned that you're losing control of your own destiny," said Ian Macdonell, a partner in the company.

Since the FTA was signed, about 13,000 Canadian companies have been sold to foreigners — about 10,000 to Americans. These include the forest giant MacMillan Bloedel, Le Groupe Forex, Club Monaco, Tim Hortons, Laura Secord and now, the Montreal Canadiens.

The California energy crisis

has, just last week, led California-based independent power company Calpine Corporation to acquire natural gas producer Encal Energy Ltd. of Calgary. What's to stop a complete buyout of Canadian natural gas companies by US power interests?

The pace of the sell-out is definitely quickening. Liberal Industry Minister John Manley told the Financial Post in March, 1999, that foreign ownership restrictions will come off transportation, telecommunications, "and even the banks."

Indeed, news reports indicate that US Citibank has already bought almost 10 per cent of Royal Bank's shares and is waiting for Finance Minister Paul Martin's new 900-page banking legislation, introduced February 6, which will increase ownership limit to 20 per cent. Thanks,

Paul.

Though most Canadian export businesses (corporations) have flourished under free trade, a study by the Royal Bank shows that Canadian living standards — as measured by real disposable income — have declined by five per cent over the last decade, while that of Americans has risen by 12 per cent. That's a differential of 17 per cent. Lucky us, eh?

The day the FTA was signed on October 3, 1987, US trade representative Clayton Yeutter, let slip this observation: "We've signed a stunning new trade pact with Canada. The Canadians don't understand what they've signed. In 20 years, they will be sucked into the U.S. economy."

That's 10 down and 10 to go. Ten years has seen annual savings per household (in constant 1998 dollars) plummet from

\$6,250 to \$1,664, while debt per household has increased from \$43,872 to \$51,484.

This year the average Canadian family will sink \$1,100 further into debt and save about \$500 less than last year, while working 60 hours a week to provide the same quality of life 40 hours bought 40 years ago.

"Oh say can you see" which direction Canadian sovereignty is going? All indications are it's due south, literally and figuratively.

We believe Salt Spring Islanders could do a better job preserving our sovereignty, standard of living and Canadian values. Frankly, we'd be damned well hard pressed to do worse than the status quo.

*The writer is a member of the Sustainable Salt Spring Coalition.*

Vexillology will be the next big topic on Salt Spring Island. This has nothing to do with being vexed, though many of us I'm sure are victims of vexatiousness often enough.

Living on the Gulf Islands seems to present us with more than our share of vexing questions, and I'm not just referring to the one about the meaning of life.

No, vexillology is the scientific study of flags and the reason for its forthcoming ascendancy as the topic of the moment is the proposal to adopt a flag for Salt Spring.

After all, Galiano has one and we shouldn't be afraid of trying to get what Galiano has, including more convenient ferry sailing times to and from the Mainland. There is one small hitch here,

## Vexing thoughts for flag creators

Spring flag have suggested its might act as a unifying force. That hasn't worked on Galiano, where the community is utterly divided over its forest lands.

And I'm not so sure that Canadians have enjoyed the fruits of unifying forces since the adoption of "the red rag" back in 1965. The new design was bitterly debated back then and, it seems to me, took years to earn a somewhat grudging respect.

That is, of course, unless you examine Quebecers' views on the subject. I read somewhere recently of a comparison with a menstrual

TONY RICHARDS



as future Quebec premier Bernard Landry is concerned.

However, I don't mean to throw cold water on the flag idea. I think it's a good one.

Early flags, or vexilloids if you want to be linguistically precise, were used for sending a signal. They were messages from people or groups of people such as knights in armour. Unrecognizable when dressed for battle, knights carried

from the enemy.

On Salt Spring we have numerous enemies and we have been known to dress for battle.

A flag would be a nice additional feature to our not infrequent protests on the legislative lawns in Victoria, though recognizing the Salt Spring Islanders is usually not a problem. Our gumboots usually give us away.

One of my favourite flags is the Jolly Roger, since I used to want to be a pirate.

The Jolly Roger's purpose being to frighten people, such a design might find favour with fundamental preservationists with an eye to sending a signal to prospective immigrants.

Designing the Salt Spring flag

one can participate. To get the creative juices flowing, consider once again the flag of our neighbours on Galiano. The principal object is a starfish, though I cannot remember what else it contains. (No evidence of the flag is to be found at [www.galianoisland.com](http://www.galianoisland.com). Perhaps the flag has not received universal acceptance.)

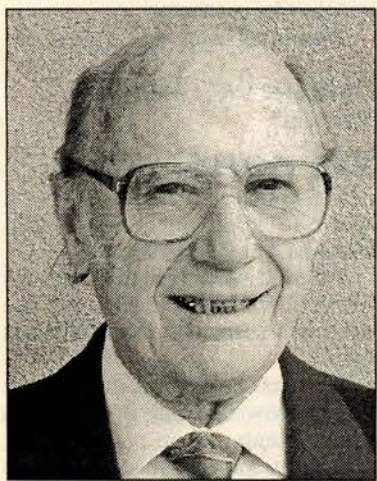
If the flag is going to be a unifying force for the island, then it's going to have to be inclusive in its design scheme.

That could be difficult. A tree on one side and a chain-saw on the other? A dock over here, and some eelgrass there? What do we do about cell phone towers and airstrips?

This could prove to be a very vexatious exercise indeed.

# SALT SPRING SAYS

We asked: *What should the courts do regarding our protesters?*



**Hamish Savage**

*Have the judge turn the tables and make them all live each other's lives for a year.*



**Beckett Forbes**

*I don't believe that the protesters should be charged for a crime that is for a good cause and which did not cause harm in others.*



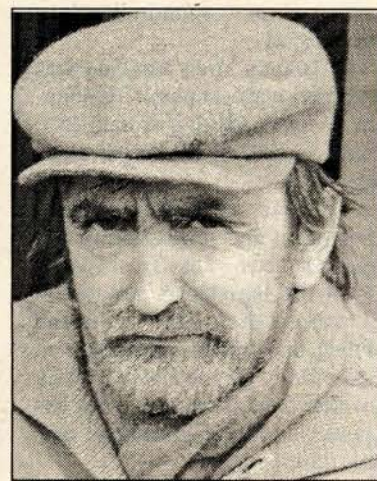
**Laylah Stewart**

*We have the right to protest for what we believe in, and no one should be unjustly charged for their freedom of speech and their love for this planet.*



**Paul McGowan**

*Throw it out. The law system has no business enforcing economic controls. Economic issues are always political . . . it's frightening that corporations are running the courts.*



**Michael Lees**

*Suspend sentencing, retire the judge, shoot the politicians, take the corporate profits and give all the protesters double indexed pensions for exemplary performance in civic and community service. Make the lawyer wear motley for a year.*

## Letters to the Editor

### APC responds

In his column last week, Tony Richards seems to suggest that the APC's efforts, directed by the Local Trust Committee, to formulate a position on cell phone tower siting were poorly thought out, overly influenced by local lobbyists, and exceeded their mandate and qualifications.

With respect to mandate: Industry Canada, while having the final say, requires private companies to consult with local authorities when siting antennas. The Islands Trust, in developing a position on the issue, is merely providing a basis for this consultation. The City of Toronto recently went through a similar exercise and arrived at guidelines for cell tower placement. As a local government, they clearly felt it was within their mandate to do so. Does Salt Spring deserve less?

With respect to the quality and depth of analysis: You put into our mouths the statement "we can safely ignore the recent scientific studies that have been unable to find a link between cell phones and cancer; we have our own standards." There are two objections to this statement.

First, cancer is not the only disease. Recent studies finding no link between cell phones and cancer explicitly caution that mobile phones may yet be shown to cause other symptoms of the central nervous system, such as ringing noises in the ears and head, migraines and headaches. "Diseases like Parkinson's, Alzheimer's and various types of dementia and nervous complaints may also be shown to be associated with mobile phones, as well as skin diseases at points where the device comes into contact with users' flesh," according to the author of the recent comprehensive and widely quoted Danish study.

Second, the APC's recommended guidelines were developed following review of dozens of individual and analytical studies, including two comprehensive independent "expert panel" reviews. We also carefully considered the Toronto reports. The clear bottom line was that a precautionary approach is warranted in evaluating the effects of such a new and rapidly growing technology.

Yes, the APC listened to lobbyists. Should we not? We also listened to industry representatives, did our own literature searches and drew our own conclusions. Note that our guidelines do not preclude new towers, as requested by the lobbyists, but incorporate a pre-

cautionary approach while allowing tower siting within carefully chosen limits.

I'm sorry that you find us wanting in our qualifications to search out, digest and summarize research results, and formulate a reasonable and consistent position; I thought that my PhD training as a scientist prepared me to do just that.

Oh yes, and one more observation: you say, "There's no end to the potential for future studies that could keep planning commission members gainfully employed" — this should perhaps read ". . . keep planning commission members FROM BEING gainfully employed," since APC appointments are on a volunteer basis, for love of our community.

**SALLY JOHN,**  
Member, APC

### Lake unprotected

In the wake of the recent flurry of activity and excitement concerning the rescue of some of the Texada Lands, and specifically Burgoyne Bay, it needs to be said that the North Salt Spring Waterworks District has received only \$16,000 from The Salt Spring Appeal, towards the purchase and protection of the Maxwell Lake watershed and that none of the \$800,000 raised so far is going to be used to acquire these lands.

All that the water district will receive from the Appeal fund is money specifically pledged to the Water Conservation Society through the Appeal fund, which includes \$34,000 from the SSI Conservancy and \$100,000 donated from the sales of the calendar. Neither has the government shown any interest in financing this purchase so far. The Water Preservation Society needs your donation to help protect one of our most precious sources of drinking water.

The sum of \$1.8 million needs to be raised to keep 270 acres of watershed lands INTACT and UNLOGGED. Our water supply on Salt Spring is limited and also severely threatened. This is our last chance to purchase the Maxwell Lake lands to ensure that this pristine source of drinking water remains protected and in the hands of our community for all time.

Please help!

Donations can be made to the Water Preservation Society at 537-9281; The SSI Conservancy, 538 0318; or you can contact me at 653-4940.

**ANDREA COLLINS,**  
Salt Spring

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## Government plants 'RRSP Money Tree Grove' for its backers

By TOM VARZELIOTIS

February is RRSP harvesting month. It is a peculiar crop, growing on a strange species of Money Tree, thriving in Financialand, cultivated by green-buck farmers in three-piece suits.

Oh, I know, your mommy told you that "money does not grow on trees," so did mine, but mothers who say that are no bankers. Perhaps our moms meant that we ordinary folk cannot have such trees, for they must be grown under government licence granted to mega-buck agribusinesses which can afford to take care of and fertilize them well. The fertilizer in question is of the paper-currency variety and is applied dexterously to the roots of such trees with a clever device called the "political party bagman" (they come in both sexes, mind you). The bagmen convert this fertilizer into propaganda consumed to elect the politicians who plant and tend all the money trees, including the RRSP species.

RRSP farming is big business now, it has become a monster, a Frankenstein beyond control, even of our politicians who themselves developed the species in the first place at the request of their financial backers. You see, a whole army of voters is now feeding on this industry, many being employees, others subcontractors, a countless number of them are consultants or simply financial advisors — count in the accountants, too.

The RRSP cash crop is immense, as manifested by the amount of effort that goes into picking it. Look at the amount of RRSP junk mail you receive at this time of the year. Look at the advertisements in the mass media.

The professed purpose of the RRSP is to induce people to save part of their earnings to spend when age forces them out of the labour force. The government says such money must be deposited with megabuck institutions for better or worse, for security and growth, or loss and despair, as the case may turn out to be. The reasoning is that you



and I (a) cannot resist the temptation to spend the money, if it is left in our control and (b) if we manage our savings ourselves the likelihood of losing it in the stock market is higher than if "experts" do that for us. To induce us into the saving-for-our-retirement good habit, the government allows us to save a bundle in income tax, right now, irrespective of the performance of our RRSP. One recognizes that the tax savings are the bait on the hook, administered by income tax accountants who use it to demonstrate how adept they are at protecting people from Paul Martin's taxmen and tax-women. In reality is a tax deferral, only, for those who tax us are unforgiving and, in the RRSP instance like elephants, they never forget! The likelihood is that you will get less than you put in your RRSP, at least by the amount the megabuck institution spends to lure us into it, and the cream they skim for safeguarding and managing our savings. Of course there are RRSPs protected against market whims, but those often become infested with Monetary Inflation Nematodes. When all is said and done, many aged RRSPers will get back less "buying power" than they put into the system. What a game!

I will cite another example of a money tree, to help us understand the system. Many years ago I made a modest capital gain. To reduce the tax payable, I was directed to buy an annuity from a trust company, which I did. That is how that scam worked: I pretended to transfer the income in question to the trust co. On that money the trust co. would pay me interest at a low rate. It would also accept it as "collateral" for a loan equal to that fictitious deposit, on which loan, of course, I would pay the trust co. interest at a high rate. The difference between the interest I was pay-

ing to and receiving from the trust co. was less than the tax I would pay if I would not spread the income over five years through that annuity. The trust co. figured the difference in interest, asked me to pay it immediately and that was it — I neither deposited a penny nor did the trust co. lend me a sou either. For the next five years, the trust co. computer issued me a statement saying they paid me one fifth of my capital gain and this went onto my income tax form. That is what they call "adult games," I guess!

In fact, the government was forcing me to either share a legal tax saving with a trust co. or forfeit it. Was it "my" government or the trust co.'s government? If it was the former more than the latter, they could have legislated that I could average my "wind-fall" income over five years — period. This and the RRSP Money Trees are of the same family.

This is not to dispute the value of a facility to conserve some of our earnings for our old age. It is wise for the government to give us the tax relief incentives they do. What I find improper is this massive transfer of the savings of wage earners into the coffers of megabuck growers. Instead of planting and cultivating the RRSP Money Tree Grove for the financiers, the government could have created an adjunct to the Canada Pension Plan to handle the RRSPs of Canadians for all Canadians, for all Canadians. If the government could extract out of these savings only half of the dollars the financial institutions extract now, the national debt would have been retired a long time ago. If the government did not want to be a money shark, they could use at least some of the savings of Canadians to buy back the part of the national debt presently held by foreigners and stop this substantial bleed of the Canadian economic body.

But then, who would fill the coffers of the political party bagmen and women?

*The writer is a Salt Spring resident and author.*

**Philosophical farce**

Two sentences in your February 14 editorial on economic development tell it all.

"The Islands Trust mandate was not written with economic development in mind. Getting around that, perhaps, is one of the larger challenges we face."

Of course you are correct. Preservation and protection of the unique character of the Trust islands is what the legislators saw when they toured them and wrote the mandate that would not be served by economic development. They knew that. That is why the Trust has no power or duty to encourage economic development.

The mistake the legislators made was to expect 5,000 islanders already living in a rapidly expanding community to understand and live with what the mandate really meant.

Face it. Getting around that fact can best be done by getting Salt Spring out of the Islands Trust. All Salt Spring does for and to the rest of the smaller islands is help with the budget while at the same time finding ways and means to increase the destruction of our unique amenity by such devices as density transfers.

At this stage in its history, the Islands Trust is a philosophical farce and an administrative disaster.

After over five years with several different planners, mostly not on the spot, and thousands of hours of community input, we have yet to see our new Saturna OCP. We know it will be voluminous. Its cost will be outrageous. The process was traumatic and in substance it will make few changes to our current plan. That one was drafted from scratch mostly within the year 1975 by one CRD staffer as instructed on the spot by the community. Its format was spartan and its cost was moderate.

The Trust mandate followed rather than led the philosophical goals of the community plans produced by the CRD.

The Islands Trust is a sinking ship and the water may not be deep enough. Leave it on the shoals, unfinished, as a warning, and give the mandate to a team of anti-planners who can control and obstruct change. That is what the legislators wanted. They have been bypassed by the mob in the name of democracy.

**JIM CAMPBELL,**  
Saturna Island.

**Happenin' place**

For the past five months I have been employed at the Core Inn Youth Project, first as a youth intern and currently as the Corinternet Café's coordinator.

This job has meant a lot to me, not only because I have been privileged to spend time with some of Salt Spring's most wonderful young people, but also because when I was 16, my friends and I went door to door, fundraised our butts off and came up with half of the money to purchase the Core Inn building.

It is both amazing and exciting to see how much support the community has contributed on a number of different levels. I would like to personally thank each and every one of you again, because you have been a huge part of our success — thank you!!

With all of our renovations completed, the opening of the Corinternet Café and new sound equipment, purchased with funds from the Salt Spring Foundation, we are moving into a very exciting time at the Core Inn. All we need now is you!

There are plenty of ways to get involved as a volunteer: Do you cook? Have a great fundraising idea? Is there an event you would like to plan? Are you technically inclined? Are you artistic? Do you want to teach a class?

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would love to hear your ideas and dreams, so please drop by the Core Inn or give me a call at 537-9932. Let's work together as a community and turn the Core Inn into "one happenin' place" that we can all enjoy for years to come!

**KIRSTY CHALMERS,**  
Corinternet Café coordinator

**Renewable**

Self-sufficient? What do you mean by self-sufficient? ("Seeking a sustainable Salt Spring," February 14 Driftwood).

You are basing your economic model on continued growth. You will soon run out of space.

Perhaps you could take a look at the underutilized renewable resources that exist on Salt Spring. And then ask the question, "What can we do to exploit these resources to benefit the people of the island?"

Sustainable exploitation of renewable resources will be the rule of the new millennium. Stop looking backwards!

The largest under exploited renewable resource is the human resource. Young, old and in between. They will tell you what the renewable resources are and how we can use them to our advantage.

Oh... Maybe "interdependent" is a better word to use than "self-sufficient."

**PHIL MILLERD,**  
part-time resident of Salt Spring

**More clearcutters**

At 445 Blackburn Road there once existed a pristine 160-acre tree farm.

This property was recently sold by a couple who have retired to Vancouver Island. They purchased this property in the early '80s and for 20 years operated a registered tree farm.

I walked this property numerous times and you would be hard pressed to conclude that this was a tree farm. You felt like you were walking in Stanley Park. It was a model example of sustainable logging. All the old logging trails had been cleaned up and transformed into hiking trails. The start of each of these trails featured an engraved wood sign naming the trail after one of the owners' grandchildren. The former owners obviously cared for their land and I know it was difficult for them to leave.

When the NDP brought in the Forest Land Reserve, this property was subsumed into the reserve as were many other parcels on Salt Spring, including Texada land. Once land has become part of the FLR, allowable use options are greatly restricted. Allowable uses include

forestry and/or the building of a single home per legal parcel.

We looked at this land as a potential meditation retreat which would have had next to no environmental or aesthetic impact. This was not an allowable use under FLR legislation.

This beautiful parcel is currently being rapidly consumed by the new owners who obviously believe in clearcutting. I've never seen trees fall so fast. Seven days a week we can hear the chainsaws. What was once a wonderful wooded hillside now looks like mange.

Only sustainable logging should be allowed on Salt Spring Island. Responsibility for this clearcutting falls at the feet of short-sighted and ineffective government. By the time government figures this one out, the forests will be gone.

**DON ARNEY,**  
Mount Belcher Heights

**Thanks, Gord**

It's so nice to have the JJM Maintenance crew back on the job!

I wanted to express my gratitude to Gord Hollingsworth for giving me a lift when my vehicle broke down on the way to work earlier this month. You not only got me to work on time but also made the effort to go to my husband's workplace and offer assistance to clear my vehicle from the road to prevent it from

being towed. Your help was above and beyond the call of duty. It proves that you JJM guys not only take care of our roads but also the people who use them.

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**DARLENE WELLINGTON,**  
Vesuvius

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I guarantee good health and happiness to you all.

Come on, sign up at our Thrift Shop and ask for Sonja Baker, our membership co-ordinator.

Thank you, see you there!  
**LILLIAN KELLY,**  
Lady Minto Hospital Auxiliary Society

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# Islands Trustees respond to water quality issues on St. Mary Lake

By DAVID BORROWMAN and BEV BYRON

If all goes according to plan, the Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee will consider first reading of the new land use bylaw (LUB) at its public meeting on February 22.

Given a request from the North Salt Spring Waterworks District (NSSWD) to remove home-based business uses from the St. Mary Lake watershed, it may be useful to consider some of the following information as the LUB takes its next step toward completion.

First of all, this 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. This is where Mike Larmour's problems with overdevelopment in the watershed comes from.

Removing future uses such as B&Bs (which is actually technically possible) would seem to run counter to our local ideas of fairness toward people who have already invested in their land under the existing rules. Buying resorts does not seem a likely solution, given the large number of tax dollars which would be required.

Still, the new LUB does increase the home-based business potential slightly, including more floor area for B&Bs.

The increased size, however, does not allow for more bedrooms, and therefore will not increase waste water production.

In any case, we have begun to wonder if one class of users should be singled out as the culprit. B&Bs contribute their share of excess

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nutrients to St. Mary Lake, but farming and fertilizers are also major sources. Other home-based businesses, such as crafts and offices, do not seem to present water issues. Limited auto repair appears as a home-based business in the new bylaw, but not in the watersheds.

So, what is being done?

First, the Trust obtained provincial money for a study on water supply in the NSSWD, which is now underway.

Supply of water is not the same issue as water quality, except in the important sense that whatever water NSSWD delivers to its customers, a comparable amount reappears as waste water. The study will therefore devote some effort to defining the legal powers available to NSSWD regarding controls on supply and, therefore, its ability to have some effect on the volume of effluent from septic systems and gardens. In this context, it is known that some large B&Bs abuse supply.

It is also fair to ask if islanders want St. Mary Lake water used for lawns, especially if they are fertilized, or if they would want the water district to have controls on such water uses.

Second, the Trust requires 60-metre setbacks for new septic installations around lakes.

The Capital Health Region (CHR) requires 30 metres, and they so far refuse to recognize our rules. Our reason for the larger setback is precisely to deal with the nutrient issue, for which the CHR so far

declines to regulate.

We regard their attitude as extremely shortsighted. We have the provincial environment ministry on our side, to say nothing of the NSSWD, and will be pushing hard to get the CHR to conform to our community's standards.

Third, the provincial government is promising drinking water legislation at the upcoming session of the legislature, which may help to protect our lakes. However, there seems room to doubt that legislation can be passed in the short time remaining before an election.

Finally, we feel that solutions for St. Mary Lake involve a range of management, education and technical measures.

One device, for example, would be to require additional sewage treatment to remove nutrients as well as pathogens from waste water generated in watersheds. The technology is available, but implementation would require time to activate new management tools (now available under the Local Government Act) and the cooperation of the Capital Health Region.

First reading of the LUB means that it must be referred to the various agencies of regional and provincial government for comment. Major changes to the bylaw after public hearing would require that it be withdrawn and reintroduced, but changes to detail can still be made after public hearing.

It will be interesting to learn the views of islanders about water and other issues as the document works its way toward public hearing. That should happen in late spring.

*The writers are the trustees of the Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee.*

## More letters

### St. Mary needs help

We have been following with interest the letters to the editor and other sources concerning the water quality of the Salt Spring Island public water supplies.

Specifically the report written by Mike Larmour to the Islands Trust concerning the water quality of St. Mary Lake is very disturbing. Apparently the lake is overwhelmed with nutrients, which means that during the long hot summers, the water becomes saturated with algae and has an objectionable taste and smell.

The problem, apparently, will be exacerbated by allowing an increase in density of population in the lake's watershed.

Land use bylaw #355 before the Islands Trust may allow this increase and the addition of a permanent RV park will certainly add to the problems. Also, the increasing numbers of B&Bs in the vicinity of the lake, and the probability of a number of questionable septic fields do not help.

We note with interest that various levels of government and other organizations have caused the expenditure of substantial sums of money to purchase a part of the Maxwell Lake watershed in

order to keep it in pristine health. It should be noted that St. Mary Lake supplies greater numbers of households than Maxwell Lake and seems to be in poorer health.

With this thought, it is hoped and we encourage the Islands Trust to place greater emphasis on dealing with the problem of water quality of St. Mary Lake.

Our only other suggestion to garner public support and media attention to the problem would be for us to ride horseback in the nude around St. Mary Lake. Counter-clockwise, of course.

GLENN WILLETT,  
JUDY WILLETT,  
Salt Spring

## Concertina information can be left anonymously

The search continues for Michaela Cunningham's concertina. The young Salt Spring musician discovered her instrument lost or stolen after returning for a couple of days away from home over Christmas.

A highly public appeal for information leading to return of the instrument has been unsuccessful to date.

Her mother, Deirdre Cunningham, has now arranged for the placement of a box at Barb's Buns in Ganges, where information about the concertina's disappearance can be left anonymously.

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**KITTY QUILT:** Karen Tottman "opens the gate" to a fun, upcoming event at A Class Act on Salt Spring. Interested people should pre-book for the 12-month program that will result in creation of the Kitty's Cottage Watercolour Quilt, seen at left. Participants in the program drop by A Class Act once a month to pick up the next part of the quilt and then work on it at home. (However, the skilled quilters at the craft store are available to help those who get stuck.) The quilt project starts next month.

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## Electric car club lifting off

Rising fuel prices, coupled with environmental concerns about vehicle emissions, are enough to make people think twice about driving their car these days.

But they might not mind so much if they could bypass the gas pump and ease their conscience at the same time. Both benefits are possible with electric vehicles, and people interested in pursuing their interests in this growing mode of transport are now being rallied for a new Salt Spring club.

Bob Ellison has been researching electric vehicles and has put out a call for interested individuals to form a local electric vehicle club. The first meeting is set for Saturday, February 24, 2 p.m., at Gulf Islands Brewery, located at the end of Furness Road.

Ellison feels Salt Spring is an ideal place for electric vehicles, since residents mainly use their

cars for short runs from home to town and back again. While parked at home, the car could be charging, getting set for its next spin.

"You can probably get enough of a charge to go to Victoria and back," he suggests.

For his own brewery business, Ellison envisions an affordable electric vehicle handling beer deliveries to local pubs and restaurants.

Another plus is that electric-car aficionado Gordon English lives on Salt Spring, and one of the main suppliers of electric vehicle components in North America runs his business from nearby Errington on Vancouver Island. A trip to that plant would likely be one of the club's first activities.

Figures from American sources suggest people can recoup the cost of a gasoline-to-electric conver-

sion in three to five years through fuel expense savings — and that calculation was made before the latest round of petroleum price hikes.

The club so far refers to "vehicles" rather than cars because some people have also expressed interest in researching other modes of electric-powered transportation.

"A club would be wide open to any interpretation of what a vehicle is," says Ellison.

It also has no parameters to its activities — gathering and exchanging information, creating vehicles as an individual hobby or for business purposes are among the myriad possibilities.

Who knows — one day there could even be a parking spot and charging outlet in Ganges reserved for electric vehicles only.

Ellison can be reached at 653-4513 for more information.

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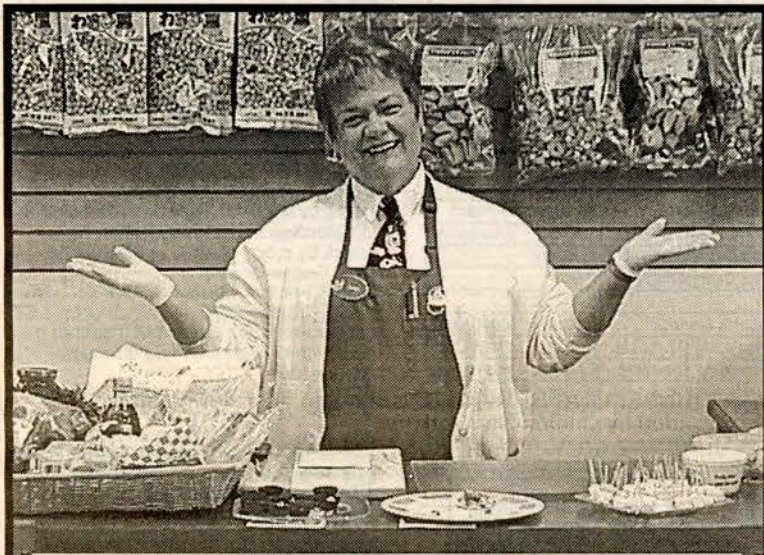
# THIS WEEK'S MOVIES

S - SALT SPRING ISLAND		O - OUTER ISLANDS		WEDNESDAY EVENING FEBRUARY 21													
S	O	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
3	2	CBC	CBC4Kids	Simpsons	Jonovis.	News		On Road	CCanada	The Fifth Estate		Nature of Things		The National/Mag.	News		Movie
3		SUPER	3:00 Erin Brockovich	Reel Ent.	Free Money (1998)	Mira Sorvino.		Starhunter		The Cradle Will Rock (1999)	Hank Azaria.			Celebrity			
4	4	KOMO	Rosie O'Donnell	KOMO 4 News	News	News	Wheel	Jeopardy		Be a Millionaire?	D.Carey	Spin City	Line?	Line?	News		Nightline
5	16	KING	Oprah Winfrey	KING News	News	News	Magazine	Squares		The West Wing	Law & Order			News			Jay Leno
6	7	CHEK	Inside Ed.	Real TV	CHEK News	News		InsideEnt.		Bette	Welcome			The West Wing	Traders		News
7	14	VTV	Ellen	Hockey NHL	Vancouver Canucks vs Montréal Canadiens	News		Friends		Be a Millionaire?	D.Carey	Spin City	Law & Order	News			Bullard
8	8	BCTV	Oprah Winfrey	News	Canada	News		Wheel	Jeopardy		The West Wing			Nikita			News Spt
9	9	KCTS	Zoom	Clifford	Arthur	Business	NewsHour	Lehrer	TravelEur	Outdoors	Nat. Geographic	American Exp. Pt. 3 of 3 (from Feb 20)		Served?			News
10	23	SRC	Timon	Débrouill.	..tatow	Mensong.	Longueur	Ce soir	Virginie	Caserte	C. Charette direct	..le signe du lion	Téléjournal/Point	Ce soir			Sports
11	5	KNOW	Mechanic	MagicBus	Art Attack	Kratt's C.	Foodstuff	Ent.Asia	Garden	Sportfish	BC Now		Gold Rush Railroad	Dotto			On Data Live
13	13	CKVU	Days of Our Lives	Young & Restless	News			The 43rd Annual Grammy Awards					TBA	TBA			SprtPage
14	15	BRAVO	Videos	Spring	Spoken Art	Cross Bar	Brent Carver.	45 News	NYPD Blue	Homicide: Life on St	Mephisto (1981)	Klaus Maria Brandauer.					
15	35	CMT	CountryN	One/One	CMT Hot 1's	Top 12 Choice	F.Music	Xtreme	P. Top 5	CountryN	CMT Live		Top 12 Choice	CMT After Hours			
16	38	TLC	Intelligence Agency	Vista - Structures	Hunt for Amazing Treasures												
17	32	CNN	3:30 Money	Crossfire	W. Blitzer	The Point	Larry King Live	CNN Ton	SpinR'm	SportsT.	Moneylin	Larry King Live	CNN Ton	SpinR'm	SportsT.	Moneylin.	
19		FAM	Doug	Pepp.Ann	Recess	Buzz	Little Lulu	Pumbaa	Gargoy.	ALF	I Shrunk Kids	20,000 Leagues Under the Sea					
20	31	A&E	Law & Order	Biography	American Justice	Investigative Rep.			Law & Order	Biography	American Justice	Investigative Rep.					
21	15	TSN	..Hockey	Curling	Scott Tournament of Hearts				Sportsdesk	Hockey	Racing	Skating	Profile	NBA	Sportsdesk		
22	19	NET	Basketball	NBA Vancouver vs Philadelphia	SportCnt	Canucks	CoolShot	Rugby	Scotland vs Wales		Sports Central	Canucks	LastWord				
23	17	KSTW	Recess	Buzz	J.Judy	J.Judy	D.Carey	Frasier	Spin City	Seinfeld	Seven Days	Star Trek: Voyager	Homelmp	M.A.S.H.	Frasier	Spin City	
24	12	KVOS	J.Judy	Tell Truth	FamFeud	Ch. Heart	St.Smarts	BlindDate	S. Susan	Spin City	StarTrek: Voy.	Earth: Final Conflict	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Cheers	M.A.S.H.	
25	34	KCPQ	Act. Man	Digmon	Simpsons	3rd Rock	Simpsons	3rd Rock	Friends	Friends	70'sShow	Grounded	Temptation Island	Q-13Rep	Arrest	05 Star Trek: NG	
26	20	NEWS	Can. Now	Health	Counterspin	The National/Mag.	Canada: A People's History						National	BusNews	Canada: A People's History		
27	11	KIRO	Inside Ed.	Grammys	KIRO News	News	News	E.T.	Grammys	The 43rd Annual Grammy Awards							News
28		VISION	L. Hobo	Fam.Ties	Wond.Yr	Cosby	L. House Prairie	Skylight	Art Archit.	Bless Me	Dreams	Looking for Dad	Skylight	In Story	100 Huntley Street		

- WEDNESDAY, FEB 21**
- 6:00 PM  
**3** ★ **Free Money (1998, Comedy)** A pair of dim-witted hoods vow to escape their lives by pulling off a major heist. *Mira Sorvino, Marlon Brando (2h)*
- 7:00 PM  
**14** ★★ **Cross Bar (Drama)** A tragedy befalls a young athlete, forcing him to try even harder to reach his goals. *Brent Carver, Kim Catrall (1h45)*
- 9:00 PM  
**3** **The Cradle Will Rock (1999)** Film director Orson Welles tries to stage a musical but runs into complications. *Hank Azaria, Ruben Blades (2h30)*
- 10:00 PM  
**19** ★★ ★★ **20,000 Leagues Under the Sea (1954, Adventure)** A seaman is captured by Captain Nemo when he tries to solve a mystery. *Kirk Douglas, James Mason (2h10)*
- 11:00 PM  
**14** ★★ **Mephisto (1981, War)** German actor sells himself to gain prestige. *Klaus Maria Brandauer, Krystyna Janda (2h30)*
- 11:30 PM  
**2** (2) ★★ **Welcome to Sarajevo (1997, Drama)** A cynical British journalist tries to take an orphan out of war-torn Sarajevo. *Stephen Dillane, Woody Harrelson (2h)*
- 12:00 AM  
**3** ★★ **Celebrity (1999, Comedy)** A magazine writer attempts to mingle with the rich and famous in order to sell his script. *Hank Azaria, Kenneth Branagh (2h)*

- THURSDAY, FEB 22**
- 6:00 PM  
**3** **Beyond the Mat (1999, Documentary)** A behind-the-scenes investigation into the world of pro-wrestling at various levels. *Darren Droznow, Jake Roberts (2h)*
- 7:00 PM  
**14** ★★ **Desk Set (1957, Romance)** When a computer is installed, a research department's employees are in fear. *Katharine Hepburn, Spencer Tracy (2h)*
- 8:00 PM  
**25** (34) ★★ **The Nutty Professor (1996, Comedy)** Obese professor takes revolutionary potion that makes him shed weight. *Eddie Murphy, Jada Pinkett Smith (1h)*
- 8:30 PM  
**3** **The Life Before This (1999)** Several innocent bystanders are injured or killed when two robbers run into a café. *Leslie Hope, David Hewlett (1h30)*
- 9:00 PM  
**19** ★★ ★★ **Wild Hearts Can't Be Broken (1991, Romance)** A girl leaves her home to join a traveling road show and eventually becomes a stunt diver. *Gabrielle Anwar, Cliff Robertson (1h30)*
- 10:00 PM  
**14** ★★ ★★ **My Cousin Rachel (1952, Mystery)** A mysterious, distant relative throws a family into chaos with her suspicious ways. *Olivia de Havilland, Richard Burton (2h)*
- 10:30 PM  
**3** **Titus (1999, Drama)** A Roman general sets off a long chain of revenge involving the emperor's wife. *Anthony Hopkins, Alan Cumming (2h45)*
- 11:00 PM  
**19** ★★ **Now You See Him, Now You Don't (1972, Comedy)** A College student discovers a spray that can make objects and humans disappear. *Kurt Russell, Cesar Romero (1h30)*

- FRIDAY, FEB 23**
- 6:00 PM  
**14** ★★ ★★ **Haunted (1995, Horror)** A man seeing his dead sister's ghost in a haunted house questions his sanity. *Aidan Quinn, Kate Beckinsdale (2h)*
- 8:00 PM  
**3** **The Big Tease (1999, Comedy)** A hairdresser races against time to qualify for a prestigious haircutting contest in L.A. *Craig Ferguson, Mary McCormack (1h30)*
- 11:00 PM  
**24** (12) ★★ ★★ **Rambo III (1988, Action)** An elite American soldier enters foreign



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S	O	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30
3	2	CBC	7:4Kids	Get Set For Life		Get Set For Life			This Hour	RdGreen	North of 60		Gardener	Riverdale	Various	Emmerd..	
3		SUPER	Various Movies	SneakPk	Various Movies			Various Movies		Various Movies		Various Movies		Various	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	Northwest						
5	16	KING	7:00 Today Show	Today Show II	M. Stewart	Living	Mars vs Venus	News	Days of Our Lives	Passions	Judge H.	Judge H.					
6	7	CHEK	6:30 Canada AM	Various	D. Chalk	The Price is Right	CityLine	News	C. Court	C. Court	H. Home	B & B	Rosie O'Donnell				
7	14	VTV	6:00 VTV Breakfast	Regis & Kelly	The View	Vicki Gabereau	E.R.	Counsel'r	FamPass	General Hospital	Vicki Gabereau						
8	8	BCTV	Canada AM	Various	C. Court	Various	InsideEnt.	News	H. Home	B & B	Rosie O'Donnell	As the World Turns					
9	9	KCTS	Bet. Lions	Zoboo...	Caillou	Dragon T.	Barney	Sesame Street	Mr.Roger	Tubbies	Rainbow	Caillou	Noddy	Zoboo...	Wishbone	Clifford	
10	23	SRC	7:30 Matin express	3 mousquetaires	C'est simple comme bonjour	Mensong.	Le Midi	Liza	Providence	Providence	Variées	Variées	Variées				
11	5	KNOW	BlueClue	Zoboo...	DreamSt.	Various	Ell.Moose	Dudley D.	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	
13	13	CKVU	Mechanic	Carebear	100 Huntley Street	It's a New Day	Various	Road	Travel	Hitchcock	Bynon	Passions	Student	Arrest			
14	15	BRAVO	Various	Cultures Canada	E.Sullivan	E.Sullivan	Various Movies		Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	
15	35	CMT	Top 12 Choice	Heart and Home	F Heart and Home	Heart and Home	W Heart and Home	Heart and Home	Rock N' Country	CMT Songbook							
16	38	TLC	Wd.Story	Wd.Story	Makeover	Makeover	DateStory	DateStory	Baby St.	Baby St.	Wd.Story	Wd.Story	Various	Various	Bob Vila	Bob Vila	
17	32	CNN	6:00 Morn. News	Newsday	B.of Proof	CNN Today			Talkback Live	CNN Today	Inside Politics	Moneylin.					
19		FAM	Various	Bill Nye	Madeline	20OutBox	45BillyCat	GoofTrp	35Aladdin	ALF	Franklin	Madeline	20OutBox	45BillyCat	GoofTrp	35Aladdin	
20	31	A&E	Magnum, P.I.	N. Court	NsRadio	Law & Order	Northern Exposure	L.A. Law	Murder She Wrote	Magnum, P.I.	N. Court	NsRadio					
21	15	TSN	F M TU Sportsdesk	Various	Workout	Various	Bike'Rd	Boxing	M Boxing	Bus.Sport	Motor '01	Various	StrongMn	StrongMn	OffRec'rd	Sportsd'k	
22	19	NET	Sp'rtCent	Sp'rtCent	Sp'rtCent	Sp'rtCent	Sp'rtCent	Sp'rtCent	Sp'rtCent	Sp'rtCent	Sp'rtCent	Sp'rtCent	Sp'rtCent	Sp'rtCent	Sp'rtCent	Sp'rtCent	
23	17	KSTW	Screen Gems	Seventh Heaven	C. Court	C. Court	JudgeJoe	JudgeJoe	The People's Court	Divorce	Divorce	Moesha	Sabrina	Various	Various	Various	
24	12	KVOS	Buzz	MerrieMel	Various	Various	Taxi	BNewhart	Jenny Jones	Jerry Springer	Maury Povich Show	Montel Williams	Sally Jessy Raphael				
25	34	KCPQ	6Mornings on Q/News	Moral Court	Judge Greg Mathis	J.J.Mills	Arrest	Judge Greg Mathis	Moral Court	Cosby	MagicBus	Various	BoyRobot				
26	20	NEWS	BusNews	Health	NewsWorld Today				NewsWorld Today	M NewsWorld Today	Canadian	Politics	News	BusNews			
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	Montel Williams						
28		VISION	Mass	Various	Robison	Copeland	Skylight	Various	Various	Various	Skylight	Various	Hallelujah	Robison	Q.Study	Various	

# YOUR WEEKLY PULL-OUT TV GUIDE

S - SALT SPRING ISLAND O - OUTER ISLANDS THURSDAY EVENING FEBRUARY 22

TV schedule grid for Thursday Evening February 22, listing channels (S, O), times (4:00-11:30), and program titles.

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S - SALT SPRING ISLAND O - OUTER ISLANDS SATURDAY DAYTIME FEBRUARY 24

TV schedule grid for Saturday Daytime February 24, listing channels (S, O), times (8:00-3:30), and program titles.

S - SALT SPRING ISLAND O - OUTER ISLANDS SATURDAY EVENING FEBRUARY 24

TV schedule grid for Saturday Evening February 24, listing channels (S, O), times (4:00-11:30), and program titles.

territory to liberate a friend. Sylvester Stallone, Richard Crenna (2h)
(23) (34) Starship Troopers (1997, Action) A group of friends join the mobile infantry to battle giant alien bugs in space. Denise Richards, Casper Van Dien (2h)
8:30 PM
(22) Tarpan: The Absolution (1994, Drama) A couple searches for a cure for their ailing daughter in a village torn by greed. Om Puri (1h30)
9:00 PM
(19) \*\*\* Around the World in 80 Days (1956, Comedy/Drama) A gentleman makes a wager that he can travel around the world in eighty days. David Niven, Shirley MacLaine (3h)
9:30 PM
(3) Bringing Out the Dead (1999, Action) Three days in the life of an ambulance driver might either cause collapse or redemption. Nicholas Cage, Patricia Arquette (2h)
9:45 PM
(14) Monique (1970, Drama) An unfulfilled husband and wife turn to their young au pair for enlightenment. Sibylla Kay, Joan Alcorn (1h45)
10:00 PM
(9) (9) \*\*\* The Year of Living Dangerously (1983, Adventure) An Australian journalist becomes intimately involved with a British official in Indonesia. Mel Gibson, Sigourney Weaver (2h)
11:30 PM
(2) (2) \*\*\* Everyone Says I Love You (1996, Musical) The misadventures of an upper-class Manhattan family, at home, in Venice and Paris. Julia Roberts, Goldie Hawn (2h)
(14) \*\* Jeffrey (1995, Comedy) A formerly promiscuous man embraces celibacy in the midst of the AIDS crisis. Steven Weber, Patrick Stewart (1h45)
(3) Night Calls: The Movie (1997) The two sexy stars of "Night Calls" take their show on the road with their eager intern. Juli Ashton, Doria (1h30)
SATURDAY, FEB 24
6:00 PM
(3) Reindeer Games (2000, Action) An ex-convict assumes his old cell mate's identity to meet his gorgeous girlfriend. Ben Affleck, Charlize Theron (2h)
8:00 PM
(3) My Dog Skip (1999, Family) A shy boy grows up in 1940s Mississippi with the help of his beloved dog Skip. Frankie Muniz, Kevin Bacon (2h)
(4) (4) \*\*\* Phenomenon (1996, Drama) A small-town mechanic is transformed into a genius when he is struck by a bolt of light. John Travolta, Kyra Sedgwick (3h)
(23) (17) \*\*\* Medicine Man (1992, Drama) A scientist finds a cure for cancer in the rainforest, but it cannot be duplicated. Sean Connery, Lorraine Bracco (2h)
(24) (12) \*\*\* Aliens (1986, Action) A tough woman battles a hive of huge, horrible aliens at a terraforming colony. Sigourney Weaver, Michael Biehn (2h30)
(22) (17) \*\*\* Jesus of Nazareth (1977, Religious) The compelling life of Jesus of Nazareth, including his Divine resurrection. Robert Powell, Anne Bancroft (1h30)
9:00 PM
(19) \*\* Oscar (1991, Comedy) A mobster tries to go legitimate and get his daughter a husband in 1920's Chicago. Sylvester Stallone, Peter Riegert (1h30)
9:15 PM
(14) \*\*\* Barton Fink (1991, Drama) A successful playwright must fight to hold on to his values in Hollywood. John Turturro, John Goodman (2h15)
10:00 PM
(3) Stir of Echoes (1999, Suspense) A man's hunt for a spirit's body puts his family in grave danger. Kevin Bacon, Ileana Douglas (1h45)
10:30 PM
(19) \*\* Stealing Home (1988, Sport) After a friend dies, a baseball player reviews his life and the opportunities he missed. Mark Harmon, Jodie Foster (1h40)
11:30 PM
(14) \*\*\* Heat (1972, Comedy/Drama) A young actor hopes to improve his career by being the boyfriend of an older actress. Joe Dallesandro, Silvia Miles (1h45)
11:45 PM
(3) The Whole Nine Yards (2000, Comedy) A dentist discovers his conniving wife wants him dead after a hit man moves in next door. Bruce Willis, Matthew Perry (1h45)
SUNDAY, FEB 25
6:00 PM
(2) (2) Lady and the Tramp (1955, Animated) Lady, a cocker spaniel from a good home, falls in love with Tramp, a mutt. Peggy Lee, Barbara Luddy (2h)
(14) \*\*\* Alice Doesn't Live Here Anymore (1974, Drama) When a woman's husband dies suddenly, she attempts to launch a singing career. Ellen Burstyn, Kris Kristofferson (2h15)
7:00 PM
(4) (4) Lady and the Tramp (1955, Animated) Lady, a cocker spaniel from a good home, falls in love with Tramp, a mutt. Peggy Lee, Barbara Luddy (2h)
8:00 PM
(3) Girl, Interrupted (1999) Susanna Kayser's account of her 18 month stay at a mental hospital in the 1960s. Winona Ryder, Angliana Jolie (2h30)
(11) (5) \*\*\* King Kong (1933, Adventure) A giant prehistoric ape is captured, but breaks free and goes on a rampage through N.Y.C. Fay Wray, Robert Armstrong (2h)
(23) (17) \*\*\* Lethal Weapon 2 (1989, Action) Detectives must protect a C.P.A. who is the only witness to money laundering. Mel Gibson, Danny Glover (2h30)
8:15 PM
(14) \*\*\* The King of Marvin

# Mason bees focus of course

Optimizing pollination will be all the buzz at a workshop with visiting experts on Saturday.

Dr. Margriet Dogterom, from Vancouver, and Victoria resident Rex Welland are leading a three-hour hands-on course on Mason bees — otherwise known as blue orchard bees — which are miracle workers when it comes to getting the most out of fruit trees and the garden.

As Harry Burton of the Salt Spring Island Organic Apple Co-op points out, 30 per cent of the food we eat must be pollinated, while 100 per cent of apples are the result of pollination.

The apple co-op is sponsoring the February 24 workshop, which takes place at Fulford Hall from 9 a.m. to noon. Cost is \$10.

Participants will learn to: maximize their knowledge of the blue orchard bee and other native bee species; use the best nesting boxes; choose prime locations; heighten bee activity when needed for the orchard and garden; clean the egg masses of mites; store eggs; and provide the best environment for the bees.

People can bring along one blue orchard bee nest, including eggs, which will be cleaned at the workshop and the eggs saved for use in the spring.

For information, call Burton at 653-2007 or send him an e-mail at burtonh@saltspring.com.

# Wellness, chair massage among new businesses

**Lynda Monk**, formerly of Prince George, has opened **Creative Wellness** in the Lancer Building on Fulford Ganges Road. Creative Wellness offers counselling services, Esalen massage, workshops, training and consultations. Lynda can be reached at her home office, 538-0122 or at her Lancer Building office, 537-7469.

• Want to have a massage but don't want to leave the comfort of your own home?

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• **Dave Thatcher** is back on Salt Spring Island. He operates **Lighthouse Carpet and**

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To find out if you're eligible, call Business Victoria at 384-2432 for the Self Employment

Assistance Program (www.bizvic.com/sea), or The Co-operative Enterprise Centre at 595-6451 for the Co-operative Employment Assistance Program (www.coopenterprise.com).

• Looking to hire staff? Business Works offers employers a training credit of up to \$3,000 to offset the costs of hiring and training a new employee.

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Call 1-800-BC-YOUTH or visit www.youth.gov.bc.ca.

• If you've recently started a business, added a product line or new service, hired staff, launched a website, or won an award, we'd like to share the good news! Romana Frey can be reached at 653-9312 or e-mail RomanaFrey@aol.com.

# Poultry workshop for the birds

It's easy to build a coop and buy the chickens — the questions come later.

That's why a poultry workshop should attract lots of interest on Sunday, February 25.

Everything to do with chickens and other species of poultry will be explored in depth at a Farmers Institute workshop beginning at 9:30 a.m.

Qualicum resident Tom Pickards is coming to Salt Spring to lay out the goods on poultry health, feeding, breeds, conditioning and what to look for in a show bird. He will also answer everyone's questions on the subject.

People are invited to bring along a bird — cages will be supplied — but they should first call Barbara at 537-2282.

The workshop begins at 9:30 a.m. and lasts as long as the questions keep coming.

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## Home heating help for those who need it most

Paying heating bills is especially difficult for low-income families, seniors and those with fixed incomes.

That's why the BC government is also providing \$50 to single persons and \$100 to families with low and fixed incomes. This is in addition to the \$200 rebate that every residential electricity customer receives.

If you receive a GST credit based on your 1999 income information and meet BC residency requirements, you qualify for this assistance and will receive a cheque in the mail.

**If you have any questions about the energy rebate or home heating assistance, call us toll-free, at 1-866-356-5941.**



**TANTALIZING:** Kaitlin Doig and Liam Murray enjoy the flowers at Talon's Restaurant as a number of female musicians entertain patrons on Sunday night.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

## BRIDGE TRICKS

On February 5 at the Gulf Islands Duplicate Bridge Club, Conhor Vane-Hunt and Ian Thomas pipped Isabelle Richardson and Joan Conlan by half a point.

Blanche Poborsa and Glenda Kaiser were third.

On February 12, Poborsa and Kaiser came in first, Brent Vickers and Bill Buckler were second, and Conlan and Richardson brought up the rear.

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# All washed out in rainy Britain

If you happen to be thinking of taking a holiday last year in Britain, don't go!

I got caught. I left for a brief tour of England and a trip to Scotland. Fine hay!

I enjoyed my trip to Ayrshire and the Isle of Arran, despite persistent rain.

It was not my first venture into the northern kingdom, but the busy little lowland towns and villages are delightful. Probably because they remind me of a Britain that was recovering from the First World War and a way of life that was destined to be lost in the recovery period from the Second World War.

The pace of life seemed quieter than in more populous areas and the stores were a delight. In so many communities we found a complete absence of global glitter. The chain stores had passed over the south-west coast of Scotland and each store was separate, under individual direction and attractive for its simple style.

Then the rain took over. There was a limit to our endurance of storm and windshield wipers and we hastened south again in the vain hope of escaping the storm clouds.

## TO BE FRANK

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Records were struck and promptly broken as the clouds could no longer contain themselves.

The whole country was waterlogged. As fast as they dried up, so the flooding would repeat itself and there were many residents who spent thousands of pounds to clean up the flood damage only to find another flood with its filth and its expensive repair bill.

Flooding was nuisance enough, but almost coincidentally came a halt to transportation. Unrelated to the storm disaster, train services were halted after a series of accidents and mishaps. Trains which had one day been travelling across the country at speeds of 120 miles, or nearly 200 kilometres an hour, were arbitrarily limited to a labourious crawl over the tracks at 20 mph.

The trains which had been the pride and joy of the Brits for a hundred years and more were no longer safe! The story of the collapse of the rail system will be written in detail after the service

returns to full speed.

Among the renovations are the replacement of hundreds of miles of track and the new electronic signalling system that had been mooted for some years but had been deemed too expensive.

The British system of railway services is probably peculiar to Britain. Every region has its own railway and each railway company operates its own rolling stock.

But the tracks on which those trains run are owned by a separate company. A third investor is in the ring now as the national government has found billions of pounds to help launch the program of renewal.

As the rains fell and the trains were unable to run there was a rush for buses. Commuters needed transportation to get to work. This left little opportunity of frivolous travel to the visitor. Hence, our frivolity was strictly limited.

What was pictured as a return to the English Midlands, to the home that I knew 70 years ago, was a battle with the elements and the hazards of an unfurled umbrella on busy sidewalks.

One consoling thought persists. The experience is unlikely to be peated within my allotted time.

## Temporary Closure

### Long Harbour Terminal

BC Ferries' Salt Spring Island terminal at Long Harbour will be closed between Tuesday, February 20 and Thursday, March 15, 2001 (inclusive) so that aging dock structures can be replaced.

Passengers travelling between Tsawwassen and Salt Spring Island should plan to use the throughfare option via Swartz Bay and Fulford Harbour, or use a combination of the Tsawwassen-Duke Point and Crofton-Vesuvius routes.

Passengers travelling between the Outer Gulf Islands and Salt Spring Island should plan to sail via the Gulf Island-Swartz Bay and Swartz Bay-Fulford Harbour routes. The regular Inter-Island fare will cover both trips.

Long Harbour is expected to reopen March 16, 2001, in time for the Spring Break holiday.

Note that service between Tsawwassen, Galiano Island, Saturna Island, Mayne Island and the Pender Islands will continue on the regular winter schedule during the Long Harbour closure period.

Also note that, for the duration of the project, the 6:20 a.m. sailing from Fulford Harbour will leave at 5:50 a.m. to accommodate passengers who intend to connect with the 7:00 a.m. vessel from Swartz Bay to Tsawwassen.

BC Ferries appreciates your patience while this mandatory dock reconstruction project is under way.



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### Hire BC Youth

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Sponsors hire youth aged 16-24 to work on environmental, conservation and outdoor recreation projects. At least 20 per cent of project time must include training for youth.

Projects must run at least 10 weeks.

Application deadline: March 16.

For application forms and information on how to get involved as an E-Team sponsor, call toll-free to 1-877-BC-YOUTH (1-877-229-6884) or visit the Youth Options BC Web site: [www.youth.gov.bc.ca](http://www.youth.gov.bc.ca)



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# High school students get in the Grease groove

Months of learning lines, singing, dancing and blocking will translate into a 1950s-style feast of poodle skirts, leather jackets and beehive hair-styles as Gulf Islands high school students stage the famous, upbeat Grease.

"It's about what it felt like to be a teenager in the '50s," says director Christina Pittmann, drama and acting teacher at Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS). "It's about the excitement of figuring out your body and someone else's . . . . It's a boy meets girl, boy loses girl, boy gets girl back story."

Pittmann confessed last week to being a "little stressed" as the cast puts the finishing touches on the musical extravaganza, which opens March 1.

"But," she added, "the kids are loving it; they're happy, energetic and looking forward to performing it."

The 27-strong cast is bolstered by some excellent talent, Pittmann says, with Markianna Jones taking on the role of Sandy, made famous in the 1970s movie version of Grease by superstar Olivia Newton John.

The "charismatic" Tyler Sayer, who "auditioned on a lark," according to Pittmann, has the lead male role of Danny, played in the movie by John Travolta.

The "pink ladies" — or Sandy's popular girl gang — consists of Sheila Profitt as Rizzo, Tangle Carson as Jan, Tegan Adams as Marty and Aria Mathieson as high school drop-out Frenchy.

Rounding up the "greaser" cast are: Jack Roland in the role of Roger, Tyler Cocker as Doody, Gary Lucich as Sonny and Aubrey Zacharias as Kenickie.

Members of the chorus, dancers and smaller characters fill out the cast, leading to "lots of bodies on stage," says Pittmann.

Some of the talented staff behind the scenes of Grease include Pittmann who, now in her second year at GISS, has already directed



**GREASING IT:** Cast members in the Gulf Islands Secondary School production of Grease get down to the final week of rehearsals. The show opens at ArtSpring, March 1. Photo by Derrick Lundy

14 high school shows elsewhere in B.C. and Alberta; and GISS dance teacher Sonia Langer, who has been working to combine music, stage and choreography.

Bruce Smith, the GISS music teacher who is also Salt Spring Singers' director, has taken on the challenge of bringing music to the stage and fine-tuning the pit band's "greased lightning" sound.

Cast members have also been busy practising four days a week after school since auditions took place in mid-November.

"It's a magical thing to be performing," says Pittmann, who hopes to eventually see a permanent musical-theatre program at GISS.

And now, as rehearsals enter their final week before show-time, everyone involved is anticipating the final

step — putting it all on the ArtSpring stage before a live audience.

"The magic really and truly comes when they step out in front of an audience," Pittmann adds.

And islanders will have lots of

chances to be part of that audience magic. The show runs March 1-3 and 8-10 at 7:30, with 2 p.m. matinee shows March 3 and 10.

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# Unforgettable mother at heart of funny new play

By **SUSAN LUNDY**  
Driftwood Staff

Long after the curtain closes, the applause finally abates and the sharp bite of outside ArtSpring air is traded in for a homeward bound vehicle, Michel Tremblay's characters live on.

Bits of them live in the people around us; there's a part of them in ourselves, our mothers, our offspring. But what really lingers — playing again and again days after the play is finished — are the words and stories of mother and son, and how the two are thus revealed.

Tremblay's exquisitely written *For The Pleasure of Seeing Her Again*, on stage again this weekend at ArtSpring, combines superb acting by Debbi Toole and Patrick Cassidy, unforgettable character development and a colourful, surprise ending — all put together in a perfect package by director Margaret Jardine.

As the title suggests, the author has resurrected his mother, a colourful woman who bombards the audience with her witticisms in the 90-minute, one act play.

"Nana," played to perfection by Toole, is a larger-than-life woman full of wildly exaggerated stories. She is able to take any situation and pull and tug on the truth until it is stretched beyond recognition, and then somehow use it as a life lesson.

As the narrator/son (Cassidy) explains, "She makes fun of everything to avoid facing reality."

The result is an often-hilarious interplay of words between mother and son — great circular conversations that begin with a point, leap way off track and eventually inch back to the starting block. The words also offer up insightful glimpses into the core of this mostly lovable woman, and the strong influence she left as a legacy to her successful writer son.

Cassidy slips with fluid ease between narrator and son, shown at different ages, successfully capturing the spirit of child, young man and adult.

Mostly he is the conduit for his mother's rants — and she doesn't disappoint — dishing up a feast of clever 10-liners, gesturing, sputtering and storming around the stage.

As the play progresses, the audience is pulled closer and closer to this woman; her surface crustiness flakes away to reveal a more gentle being inside.

In presenting his mother, Tremblay has created the ultimate performer, the real-life actress whose orations must have inspired



his writing as much as her imagination.

The entire essence of the theatre hangs over the play: the narrator is a playwright and his mother is a whirlwind of theatrics; in one introspective monologue, Nana discloses curiosity about the relationship between actor and audience, and the narrator confesses regret he never had the opportunity to show her the inside workings of a theatre production.

This theme leads into the delightful ending, where the narrator creates (as only fiction can) his own conclusion to his mother's story.

And in addition to living on in the audience's minds, Nana's spirit thrives in her son. This becomes apparent in a wonderful scene towards the end of the play when the son, now 18, lets it drop that he is ill disposed towards her roast beef. In one short spurt, he gives a mini-rant that mimics perfectly his mother's vividly imaginative descriptive skills.

Throughout the play, the compelling force of the dialogue and the actors' skills are paramount to

its success. The entire discourse (save the very end) takes place in front of the curtain with only a few props and limited action.

But my attention did not lapse once, and neither did that of my nine-year-old daughter, who laughed as gleefully as the adults around her.

(The only flaw in the opening night performance was the intermittent sound of what could either have been a heater shutting on and off or a car revving its engine in the parking lot.)

*For the Pleasure of Seeing Her Again* is dubbed a "light-hearted" play and, indeed, it does not overwhelm with subtle nuances or glaring symbolism which beg defining. Yet for those who like to take a play and process it beyond its surface presentation, there is much "food for thought" in it as well.

Kudos to the entire team who put this together, including Cassidy who not only doubled as narrator and son, but took on the job of production.

And thanks to Tremblay — for the pleasure of meeting his mother.

**PERFECTLY CAST:** Debbi Toole and Patrick Cassidy star in Michel Tremblay's light-hearted new play *For The Pleasure of Seeing Her Again*. Directed by Margaret Jardine, the show runs again this week at ArtSpring.

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(4) Life With Judy Garland: Me and My Shadows (2001, True) Lorna Luft's moving account of life with her famous mother, Judy Garland. Judy Davis, Victor Garber (2h)
(7) Nora Roberts' Sanctuary (2001, Drama) A successful photojournalist walks into danger upon returning to her childhood home. Melissa Gilbert, Kathy Baker (2h)
(19) National Velvet (1944, Adventure) A man forms a bond with a young girl due to the common love they share for horses. Donald Crisp, Elizabeth Taylor (2h)
(24) The Big Sleep (1946, Mystery) A detective is hired to retrieve blackmail evidence against a general's daughter. Humphrey Bogart, Lauren Bacall (2h)
(27) The Mask of Zorro (1998, Action) A lawless rogue is transformed into a heroic freedom fighter. Antonio Banderas, Anthony Hopkins (2h)
(14) The Brothers Karamazov (1958, Romance) The death of a domineering father and the effects on his three sons. Yul Brynner, Lee J. Cobb (2h30)

10:15 PM
(3) Pushing Tin (1999, Drama) Two self-consuming air-traffic controllers let their rivalry get out of control. John Cusack, Billy Bob Thornton (2h30)
(19) International Velvet (1978, Drama) Girl sets her sights on the Olympic Equestrian gold medal after receiving gift of a horse. Tatum O'Neal, Christopher Plummer (2h)

MONDAY, FEB 26
(3) The Guardian (1990, Horror) A young married couple unwittingly hires a witch as a babysitter for their newborn child. Jenny Seagrove, Dwier Brown (2h)
(14) Mother Wore Tights (1947, Musical) The life of a former dancer, who tries to make a comeback. Betty Grable, Dan Dailey (2h)
(3) The General (1998, True) A working-class criminal masterminds robberies and matches wits with a police officer. Brendan Gleeson, Adrian Dunbar (2h)
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(7) Mulholland Falls (1996, Crime Story) A murder investigation leads an elite group of police detectives to fight to stay alive. Nick Nolte, Melanie Griffith (2h)
(19) Deathtrap (1982, Mystery) A playwright hopes to revive his career by claiming a student's work as his own. Michael Caine, Christopher Reeve (2h)
(11) Blow Up (1966, Police) London fashion photographer accidentally captures a murder on film while spying on lovers. David Hemmings, Vanessa Redgrave (2h)
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(19) Sherlock Holmes in the 22nd Century (1999, Animated) World's greatest detective solves crimes in the 22nd century. (1h5)
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(3) Felicia's Journey (1999, Suspense) A British caterer may have sinister motives when he befriends a young pregnant woman. Bob Hoskins, Arsinée Khanjian (2h)
(23) The Players Club (1997, Drama) One woman's struggle to escape the explosive environment at a gentleman's club. Lisa Ray, Bernie Mac (2h)



9:00 PM
(19) Breakfast with Einstein (2001, Drama) Chaos takes over in the Mueller household when Joey sneaks in a stray dog. Priscilla Presley, Thomas Gottschalk (1h35)
(14) Lady Sings the Blues (1972, Biography) The life of the late jazz singer, Billie Holiday; her youth and drug addiction. Diana Ross, Billy Dee Williams (2h45)
(3) Sweethearts (1996, Drama) A man's life takes a drastic turn after he places a personal ad in the newspaper. Mitch Rouse, Janeane Garofalo (1h30)

10:00 PM
(19) Best Friends (1982, Comedy) Two successful writers marry and discover the strains created by matrimony. Goldie Hawn, Burt Reynolds (1h35)
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## YOUR SALT SPRING CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<p><b>wed</b> FEB. 21</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wednesday Night LIVE! Moby's, 9 p.m.</li> <li>• SS Rod and Gun Club AGM, Club house, 8 p.m.</li> <li>• Book Study, United Church, 10-11:30 a.m.</li> </ul>	<p><b>thurs</b> FEB. 22</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee meets, Lions Hall, 1:15 p.m.</li> <li>• Mama's &amp; Papa's Night, Corinternet Cafe, 5-8 p.m.</li> <li>• Community Gathering, United Church, 5:30</li> <li>• Seniors Sing-along, Salt Spring Seniors, 2 p.m.</li> </ul>	<p><b>fri</b> FEB. 23</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For the Pleasure of Seeing Her Again, ArtSpring, 8 p.m.</li> <li>• Roller-blading, Fulford Hall, 7:30-9:30</li> <li>• Bingo for seniors, Fulford Hall, 2-4 p.m.</li> </ul>	<p><b>sat</b> FEB. 24</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Playback Theatre, United Church, 7:30 p.m.</li> <li>• For the Pleasure of Seeing Her Again, ArtSpring, 8 p.m.</li> <li>• Games Triathlon, Legion, 2 p.m.</li> <li>• Orchard Bees workshop, Fulford Hall, 9-noon</li> <li>• Electric vehicle club meeting, Gulf Islands Brewery, 2 p.m.</li> <li>• CFUW meeting, Lions Hall, 10 a.m.</li> <li>• Dave Roland &amp; special guest, Harbour House, 7-10</li> </ul>	<p><b>sun</b> FEB. 25</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stu Salmond Trio, Moby's, 7 p.m.</li> <li>• Poultry Workshop, Farmers Institute, 9:30 a.m.</li> <li>• GLOSSI meeting, Salt Spring Seniors, 2 p.m.</li> <li>• Other Brothers, Fulford Inn, 6-9 p.m.</li> </ul>	<p><b>mon</b> FEB. 26</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lady Minto Hospital Auxiliary meeting, Lions Hall, 2 p.m.</li> <li>• Parent Support Circle, Family Place, 9:30-11:30</li> </ul> <p><b>FEB. 27 tues</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pancake lunch, All Saints, 11:30-1</li> <li>• The Decalogue Video Series, United Church, 3-5</li> </ul>
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<p><b>tues</b> FEB. 27 <i>continued</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Pleasures of Being Single discussion, Bodyworks, 7-9</li> <li>• Drop-in floor hockey, Fulford Hall, 7 p.m.</li> </ul> <p><b>FEB. 28 wed</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Garden Club meeting, Meaden Hall, 7 p.m.</li> <li>• Book Study, United Church, 10-11:30</li> </ul>	<p><b>thurs</b> MAR. 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grease, the musical, ArtSpring, 7:30 p.m.</li> <li>• Mama's &amp; Papa's Night, Corinternet Cafe, 5-8 p.m.</li> <li>• SSI Breastfeeding Group meets, Family Place, 2 p.m.</li> <li>• Community Meditation, United Church, 11:15 a.m.</li> <li>• Community Gathering, United Church, 5:30</li> <li>• Seniors Sing-along, Salt Spring Seniors, 2 p.m.</li> <li>• Bingo, Meaden Hall, 7 p.m.</li> </ul>	<p><b>fri</b> MAR. 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grease, the musical, ArtSpring, 7:30 p.m.</li> <li>• Roller-blading, Fulford Hall, 7:30-9:30</li> <li>• Bingo for seniors, Fulford Hall, 2-4 p.m.</li> </ul>	<p><b>sat</b> MAR. 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grease, the musical, ArtSpring, 2 p.m.</li> <li>• The Debt Circus, potluck/play/discussion, United Church, 6 p.m.</li> <li>• Dance of the One Heart, Mahon Hall, 8 p.m.</li> <li>• Harbour House entertainment in the lounge</li> </ul>	<p><b>sun</b> MAR. 4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Paula Kiffner cello concert, All Saints, 2 p.m.</li> <li>• Moby's Sunday Dinner Jazz, 7 p.m.</li> <li>• Other Brothers, Fulford Inn, 6-9 p.m.</li> <li>• Newcomers Walk, Centennial Park buoy, 11 a.m.</li> </ul>	<p><b>mon</b> MAR. 5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Gumboot Gala, Fulford Hall, 7:30 p.m.</li> <li>• Parent Support Circle, Family Place, 9:30-11:30</li> <li>• Songwriting Workshop, Allowed Sound, 7:30</li> </ul> <p><b>MAR. 6 tues</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Pleasures of Being Single discussion, Bodyworks, 7-9</li> <li>• The Decalogue Video Series, United Church, 3-5</li> <li>• Toy Library, Beaver Point/Portlock, 9:30-10:30</li> <li>• Drop-in floor hockey, Fulford Hall, 7 p.m.</li> </ul>
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## stage

- **For the Pleasure of Seeing Her Again** — Canadian playwright Michel Tremblay's acclaimed newest play, as performed by Patrick Cassidy and Debbi Toole, completes its final three shows at ArtSpring on **Thursday through Saturday, February 22-24**, 8 p.m. nightly. Tickets \$14 for adults, \$12 for students and seniors, and \$12 for groups of 10 or more tickets through ArtSpring, 537-2102.
- **Playback Theatre** offers insight into individual and community experiences through improvisational depictions of audience members' stories at the United Church on **Saturday, February 24**, 7:30 p.m.

## music

- **Wednesday Night LIVE!** at Moby's Pub. Hosted by Vaughn Fulford, **February 21**, 9 p.m.
  - **Dave Roland and special guest** entertain in the Harbour House Lounge on **Saturday, February 24**, 7-10 p.m.
  - **Stu Salmond Trio** perform for Moby's Sunday Dinner Jazz on **February 25**, 7 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** — Alfresco 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

- **Salt Spring Island Rod and Gun Club** annual general meeting at the club house, 221 Long Harbour Road, on **Wednesday, February 21**, 8 p.m.
- **Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee** meets at Lions Hall on **Thursday, February 22**, 1:15 p.m. First 45 minutes is for open discussion or questions from members of the public.
- **Canadian Federation of University Women** meet at Lions Hall on **Saturday, February 24**, 10 a.m. Rohana Laing will speak on The Church and the Native Residential Schools Issue.
- **Gays and Lesbians of Salt Spring Island** holds a monthly meeting at Salt Spring Seniors (across from GVM) on **Sunday, February 25**, 2 p.m.
- **Lady Minto Hospital Auxiliary Society** meeting, Lions Hall, **Monday, February 26**, 2 p.m.
- **Salt Spring Island Garden Club**, with guest speaker Mary Ballon on Growing Vegetables for Beauty and Nutrition. Meaden Hall, **Wednesday, February 28**, 7 p.m.

## activities

- **Book Study of The Spell of the Sensuous** by contemporary philosopher David Abram. United Church lower hall. A multi-week study

on **Wednesdays, February 21 and 28**, and through March 28. By donation.

- **Survivor Down Under** — watch the show with other fans at Talon's Restaurant, with help from Island Star Video. **Thursday, February 22** and every Thursday through the winter. 8 p.m.
- **Cheer on the Scorpions** — Gulf Islands Secondary School senior boys basketball team plays the semi-final game in the Vancouver Island Championships at Ladysmith Secondary on **Friday, February 23**, 5:30 p.m. All supporters urged to attend. Call GISS at 537-9944 for potential bus information.
- **Pancake Lunch** at All Saints By-the-Sea, upper hall — come for pancakes, sausages, tea or coffee; \$4.25 per serving. **Tuesday, February 27**, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- **The Pleasures of Being Single** — a facilitated discussion circle running **Tuesdays** through March 13. On **February 27**, 7-9 p.m. the topic is Sharing and Caring: Being Single on Salt Spring. Facilitated by Tom Mitchell, hospice worker and Salt Spring Hours co-founder. At Bodyworks Collective in Creekside on McPhillips Avenue. Suggested donation \$5-\$10. Salt Spring Hours accepted. Info: Tanya, 538-1988; 538-0086.
- **The Decalogue (10 Commandments) Video Series** — a discussion of ethics and meaning with Dr. John Mills. **Tuesday, February 27**, United Church lower hall, 3-5 p.m. By donation.

### EVERY WEEK:

- **Saturday Book Sale** at the library — the best literary bargains in town! Every **Saturday** from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- **Corinternet Café** 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.
- **Outhouse League** darts is at the Legion every **Tuesday**, 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.
- **Community Meditation** runs at the United Church every **Thursday** from 11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. EXCEPT Thursday, February 22. Info: 537-5812.
- **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.
- **Co-ops Work!** is a free introductory workshop held every **Thursday** from 10 a.m. to noon. Learn about types of co-ops, hear about local groups which have received funding for co-ops, and discuss your ideas to see if a co-op would work for you. Call

Romana Frey at 653-9312 to register.

- **Meat draws** are held at the Legion every **Friday and Saturday** at 5 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.
- **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: Rony Kyle, 537-1497.
- **Drop-in Floor Hockey** runs at Fulford Hall on **Tuesdays**, 7-9 p.m. \$3 per adult.

## for health

- **Dealing with Hearing Loss** — A free wellness talk by Isabella Luke of the Canadian Hard of Hearing Association — at Salt Spring Seniors on **Wednesday, February 28**, 2 p.m.

### EVERY WEEK

- **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 Langa 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 4:30-6 p.m. **Wednesdays**: Joy of Yoga with Christine is from 10 to 11 a.m. For info, call the centre at 537-2326.
- **Dance and Feldenkrais Classes** with Anna Haltrecht 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.
- **Nia Fitness Dance** classes, using rhythmic music and systemic movement forms, run at All Saints By-the-Sea on **Saturdays**, at 9:30 a.m., and **Tuesdays and Thursdays** at 5:15 p.m. For info, call Leslie at 537-0822.
- **Roller-blading to music** on **Fridays** at Fulford Hall, 7:30-9:30.

## workshops

- **Orchard Bees workshop** — a hands-on session with experts Dr. Margriet Dogertrom and Rex Welland, sponsored by the Salt Spring Organic Apple Co-op — at Fulford Hall, **Saturday, February 24**, 9 a.m. to noon. Cost \$10.
- **Poultry Workshop** — Tom Pickards from Qualicum offers a multi-faceted workshop on poultry health, breeds, conditioning, feeding, etc. Bring a chicken or other poultry species for discussion. Phone Barbara at 537-2282 if bringing a bird or for more information. All ages welcome. At the Farmers Institute, **Sunday, February 25**, 9:30.
- **Parent Support Circles** run at Family Place on **Monday, February 26** and every Monday thereafter, 9:30-11:30 a.m. Call 537-9176 to register.
- **Afternoon Crafts** with Jessica and Laurel Temmel — a different craft at Fables Cottage each **Wednesday** afternoon, 3:30-4:30 p.m., for ages 6 and up. **February 28** is Picture Frames. \$6 plus supply fee of \$2-\$4. Register at Fables, 537-0028.
- **Sign-Language** — learn American sign language with teacher Denise Bascom at Fables. **Thursdays** through February 22, 1-2 p.m. Ages three to teen. \$6 per class. Register through Fables, 537-0028.
- **Pre-school card and board games** — with teacher and games enthusiast Mitchell Sherrin. **Mondays**, 1-2 p.m. until February 26. Ages 3-5. \$6 per class. Register by calling 537-0028.
- **Classic Games** — learn classic board and card games with Mitchell Sherrin. **Mondays** through February 26, 3-4 p.m. For ages 8 and up. \$6 per class. Register at 537-0028.

### EVERY WEEK:

- **Storytime at the library** with Jean Voaden is on **Tuesdays** from 10 to 10:30.
- **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.
- **Family Place** drop-in hours are **Tuesday through Thursday**, 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Info: Family Place, 537-9176. Counselling by appointment.
- **Mama's and Papa's Night** at the Corinternet Café — on **Thursdays**, 5-8 p.m. \$2 per half hour for adults, babysitting by donation. info: 537-9932.
- **Walk in Mouat 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:

- **Surfing for Seniors** day is every **Wednesday** at the Corinternet Café. 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.
- **Bingo for seniors** in the OAP end of Fulford Hall, every **Friday** from 2 to 4 p.m.
- **Seniors Sing-along** at Salt Spring Seniors takes place every **Thursday** at 2 p.m.

## cinema

- **Save the Last Dance** — Julia Stiles and Sean Patrick Thomas play two lovers who share a passion for dance. A passionate and inspiring film combo of drama and dance.
- **The Pledge** — Thriller shot in B.C. starring Jack Nicholson as a retired detective obsessed with capturing a child killer. Exceptional performances!

## arts & crafts

- **A spring/flower-themed exhibition** by members of the Alliance of Salt Spring Artists is on display in the ArtSpring lobby areas through March.
- **James Watt** shows originals of his cartoons from the Driftwood and other publications, at the Roasting Company in Ganges.
- **Paul Bryans**, represented by Thunderbird Gallery, is showing An Island Retrospective at Talons Restaurant through February.
- **Maureen Garbarino** is showing a series of acrylics on paper at Luigi's Pizzeria.
- **Deborah T Gainer** is showing Expressions of Love; Emotional Hearts at Moby's through February; hearts of acrylic and oil on canvas, together with felted slippers and a little poetry.
- **Salt Spring Island Painters' Guild** meets **Wednesdays** at the Lions Club from 9:30 a.m. to noon.
- **Karen Reiss** is showing her sculptures at Island Savings Credit Union.
- **Stefanie Denz** features a show of recent portraiture along with better-known dream-like architectural themes at Island Savings Credit Union through February.
- **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

- **Vortex Gallery** presents work by Deon Venter through February.
- **Memories from South of France** is the show on now at Jill Louise Campbell Art Gallery. Open daily.

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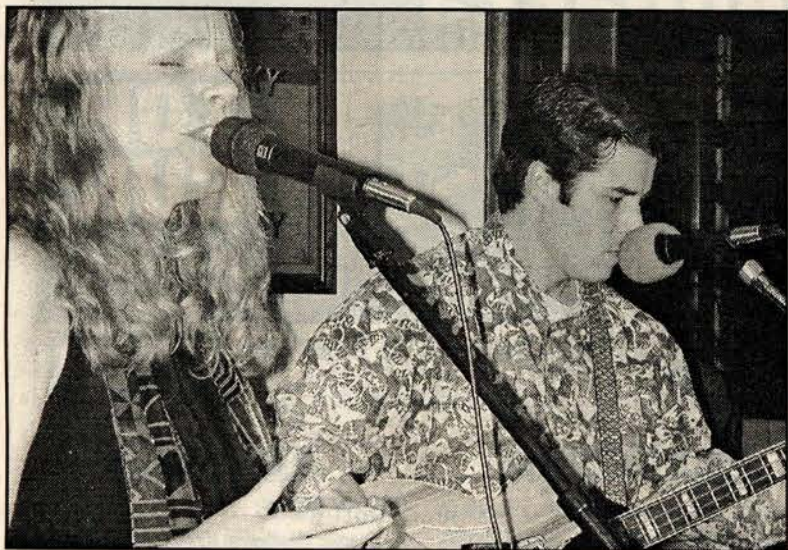
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**MUSICIANS ON TAP:**

Among the many entertainers playing music on Salt Spring last weekend were (from left) Lisa Maxx and Jesse Fisher of the Burgoyne Bay Blues Band at the Fulford Inn Saturday night; drummer Camille Schmah at Talons Restaurant and Shannon Doig, also at Talons on Sunday evening, finishing up her set with a smile.

Photos by Derrick Lundy

**Debt Circus play shows at church on March 3**

There's a circus coming to Salt Spring United Church, but it's leaving the usual three rings behind.

The ecumenical group Ten Days for Global Justice is sponsoring the performance of a play called The Debt Circus on Saturday, March 3.

The "circus" refers to the subject of international debt, "with the crazy rules, weird characters and high risks for some without safety nets," explains Eileen Wittwall of the global justice group.

Actors aged 10 to 80, under the direction of Rosanne Leonoff, are helping to create a great show, with the fun of a clown, unusual circus acts and the Endangered Species Singing Group.

"The Debt Circus is a participatory performance which dramatizes the challenges and hopes we have for restoring just relationships between the people of the global north and the global south and also with our planet earth," said Wittwall.

"Would you have a different solution to our surprise ending?"

Events begin with a potluck supper at 6 p.m., followed by the play at 7:30 p.m., and a discussion afterwards.

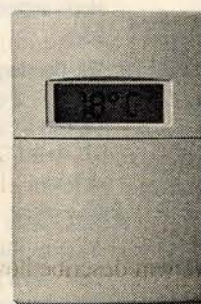
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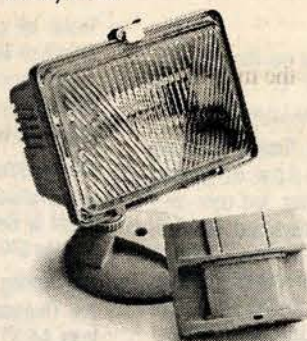


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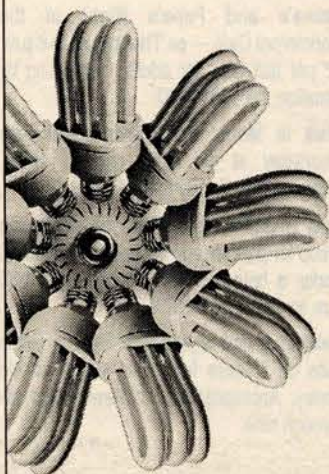
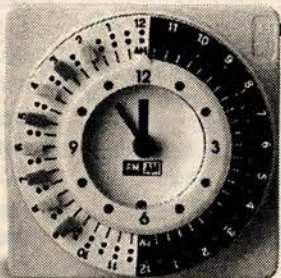


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**JAZZY SOUND:** Malaspina College music teacher Pat Coleman introduces some young Salt Spring talent at the wind-up performance of a two-day jazz workshop at Gulf Islands Secondary School. About 30 students, ranging

in age from youth to adult, took part in the Friday-Saturday workshop which featured voice and instrumental instruction. The event was organized by islander Patricia Brown, who hopes to make it an annual happening.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

## Beauty, nutrition at garden club meeting

Vegetables offer much more than the nutrition gardeners seek through their earthly toil.

Just ask Mary Ballon, president of West Coast Seeds Ltd., who will discuss Growing Vegetables for Beauty and Nutrition at the next Salt Spring Island Garden Club meeting set for Wednesday, February 28.

Foxglove Nursery and the garden club are co-sponsoring Ballon's visit, when she will describe how veg-

etables can take on the role of flowers by making design statements in the garden.

The meeting and talk takes place at Meaden Hall beginning at 7 p.m.

West Coast Seeds promotes the concepts of locally grown, organic food, and Ballon is a regular attendee of events such as Seedy Saturday.

Garden club memberships can also be renewed at the meeting.

## Garry oak-inspired music by local composer on CBC

Original work by Salt Spring composer Mark Hand will be featured on an upcoming edition of CBC FM's Take Five program.

Quercus is a commissioned piece premiered by the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra (VSO) at the Chan Centre for the Arts January 26.

Its title is the Latin term for "oak tree" and the piece was inspired by Garry oak trees and the beauty of the west coast.

Quercus will be heard on Take Five — at 105.7 FM from Vancouver, and 92.1 from Victoria — after the 1 o'clock news on Wednesday, February 28.

A Globe and Mail review of the debut stated: "That art and nature are ephemeral is one way of reading Hand's gentle timbres, pulse and shifting harmonies (a sound world not so far from Satie's Gymnopédies)."

Hand said many islanders have expressed interest in hearing the piece.

Quercus was commissioned by the new conductor of the VSO, Bramwell Tovey, who knew Hand in Winnipeg and through his long-held position of national librarian with the Canadian Music Centre in Toronto.

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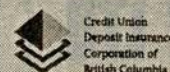
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# PENDERS EDITION

NEWS FROM NORTH AND SOUTH PENDER ISLANDS

## Grape growers galore

Fifty potential Pender grape growers caught the Gulf Island vineyard wave and gathered at the Farmers' Institute February 10 to hear the latest word from the Vancouver Island Grape Growers Association (VIGGA).

The meeting, which represented an "excellent cross-section" of North and South Pender residents, was highlighted by a vine pruning demonstration by John Brickett, chair of the VIGGA Viticulture section.

According to a press release, "dormant oil spraying and winter pruning should be finished in the next few days in Gulf Islands vineyards, a few weeks earlier than usual this year."

VIGGA is a non-profit society

dedicated to the promotion of grape growing and wine production with an emphasis on viticulture education.

"Very high quality, prize-winning cool climate wines are being produced on most of the Gulf Islands," the VIGGA press release states. "Grapes grow quickly on the islands and can produce reasonable revenues on marginal or fallow land."

VIGGA members are hopeful that "this new industry will help renew our declining agriculture sector as more and more open spaces succumb to urbanization."

Anyone interested in the potential for grape growing on his or her property should contact VIGGA at 250-652-0825.



**FINE WINE:** Some 50 people from North and South Pender gathered recently at the Farmers' Institute, expressing interest in grape growing at a meeting hosted by the Vancouver Island Grape Growers Association.

## Best alleges Plum Tree problems

By ANASTACIA WILDE  
Penders Edition Staff

An elderly Pender man alleges he is being mistreated by managers at the seniors complex where he lives and ignored by the Pender Islands Seniors Housing Society which oversees it.

Bill Best, 75, is a five-year resident of Plum Tree Court on North Pender. He has written numerous letters of complaint regarding his discontent with repair delays, and alleged verbal abuse and incompetence on the part of groundskeepers.

"The key issue here is intimidation and harassment of senior citizens," Best said emphatically. "We want the present caretakers out of here. The board of directors has no contact whatsoever with the tenants."

Society president Bill Norton told the Penders Edition he was advised by legal counsel not to comment on the situation. The president did say he has received "stacks of poison-pen letters" from Best in the past year, filled with complaints Norton considers "unfounded."

Another of Plum Tree's six tenants agreed that repairs are slow, but requested anonymity because of ailing health problems.

"He (Bill Best) is right about them being late with repairs. I had to wait six months to fix my taps in the kitchen and they forgot about it. Every time you say something needs to be repaired they say that B. C. Housing doesn't have any money. I don't think it's right that you have to wait months and months for repairs."

The elderly tenant said her kitchen sink stopped working and the bathroom sink is chipped. A temporary rubber plug was put into the sink by a hired man, but the bathroom repair remains incomplete. "It's a little bit hard on the nerves," she said.

Besides snail's-pace repairs and occasional temper outbursts by the caretaker or other tenants, the sen-

ior voiced no additional grievances.

Although Best moved to Plum Tree Court in 1996, he said trouble didn't start until November 1999. Since then, he has repeatedly contacted the Residential Tenancy Branch and B.C. Housing in Victoria.

"B.C. Housing denies all responsibility for its proper operation. Therefore, no one is really responsible at all," Best complained.

Plum Tree Court is funded by B.C. Housing, which built the North Pender Island low-income village 13 years ago. The non-profit society is exclusive to low-income seniors, who pay 30 per cent of their income — usually fixed — on rent. Unit costs tend to range from \$250 to \$400, depending on income, and include heat, sewer and water.

B.C. Housing Management Commission, which funds similar low-income villages throughout B.C., subsidizes the remainder of rental/ maintenance costs and administers the money to Pender Islands Seniors Housing Society.

The local board is volunteer run and made up of four members, one of whom recently moved into Plum Tree Court. It meets bi-monthly to discuss expenditures, maintenance problems and water concerns.

George Lawrie, director of regional operations for B.C. Housing, said his department was concerned about the tenants' allegations and would be reviewing the issues with the housing society.

A regular meeting had already been scheduled for April, but Lawrie said it would likely be moved ahead in time, and an action plan formulated.

He also said the B.C. Housing portfolio manager has been in touch with the tenants and society executive, and would be urging both sides to get together and possibly go through mediation or a dispute resolution process.

Regarding Best's statement that "B.C. Housing denies all responsibility for its proper operation,"

Lawrie stressed that the society is the property owner and operator and B.C. Housing personnel "can't tell the society what to do." However, he added, B.C. Housing does provide financial assistance, suggestions and support for what are usually volunteer boards which run the housing projects.

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# Pender Women's Institute gets enthusiastic go-ahead at meeting

By KAE CHARMAN  
Penders Edition Contributor

After a 19-year hiatus, the Pender Island Women's Institute (PIWI) was reactivated at a meeting held February 10 in the library meeting room.

Nineteen women turned out to hear Barbara Wallace speak on genetically modified foods (GMO), and Ruth Fenner explain the wonders and workings of the Southern Vancouver Island Women's Institute (SVIWI).

Wallace, a member of a task force from the SVIWI, gave an impassioned speech on the failings of government to protect the public from a potentially harmful process. She explained that there was a resolution at the district level to demand labelling and independent testing of all GMOs.

However, there was no such resolution at a provincial level. In the Cowichan District, a resolution has already passed declaring it a GMO-free zone. She asked us to contact our members of Parliament and local trustees to demand that the entire South Vancouver Island and surrounding areas be declared a GMO-free zone as well.

She stated that there are two resolutions being submitted to the spring conference of the SVIWI. One is the exportation of water, calling for the government to place a moratorium on the export of water and to refuse any water licences until that moratorium is in place, explaining that once we began to export our water we would not be able to regulate the amount.

The second resolution dealt directly with GMO foods, to ensure that these foods are sufficiently tested for detrimental effects.

She added that there are already contaminated fields along prairie roadsides where "Round-up-ready" canola seed escaped from passing trucks. This genetically modified canola was created to tolerate multiple sprayings of the herbicide Round-up. Each rogue canola plant contains up to 4,000 seeds that are spread by strong prairie winds and cannot be killed by conventional methods. In time, the infected field is useless to grow anything except the modified canola.

The Thrifty Foods grocery chain is pushing for proper product labelling, as are various food producers such as Thai Kitchen, Nature's Path and Soya World products.

Growers are encouraged to purchase seed locally from Dan Jason on Salt Spring Island, or companies such as Heritage Seeds and West Coast Seeds to ensure that no GMO seeds are planted in our soil until independent studies have sufficient time to determine the effects.

Wallace felt strongly that if it takes a number of years to determine if GMOs are harmful, then it would be too late and there must now be a moratorium on their production until the full effects can be determined and resolved.

Fenner, President of the SVIWI, gave a lengthy discussion on the history of the Women's Institute, founded in 1897 in Stoney Creek, Ontario by Adelaide Hoodless, mother of three. Hoodless envi-

sioned a movement to educate rural women. "For Home and Country," their motto, has become a worldwide symbol to the current membership of 9.5 million.

The Associated Country Women of the World organization is at the head of Women's Institutes. Formed in 1933 at Stockholm, Sweden, it is affiliated with the Federated Women's Institute of Canada.

After a lively question and answer period, a motion was passed to form a Women's Institute branch on Pender Island. A second motion was passed to reactivate the previous Pender Island Women's Institute. Original members Mary (Bunty) England, Margaret Stevenson and Helen Allison were in attendance and immediately signed up.

Martha McMahon was elected president, this writer was elected secretary/treasurer, and 12 members signed up and paid their \$27 dues, establishing a list of charter members.

The first meeting of the PIWI is tentatively scheduled for March 8, International Women's Day, at around 7:30 at the Adamson's Garden Room.

All women are encouraged to attend. A cheque for \$27 made out to the Pender Island Women's Institute and placed in the community box at the Windermere realty office before March 8 will ensure a charter membership in a firmly established organization with sound judgment, history and important social impact.

Social change begins in the home, a woman's domain.

# Island woodworker featured

By PAMELA BROOKS  
Penders Edition Contributor

There are many fine woodworkers on the Gulf Islands and David MacKenzie is one of the finest.

The February edition of the most prestigious woodworking magazine in the world — Fine Woodworking — features a photograph by Kelly Irving and an article about MacKenzie's latest masterpiece.

The Pender artisan's masterpiece is a seven-foot by four-foot, elliptical-shaped table. The wood is western curly maple boards, planed to display the "curly" ribbons, which add depth and lustre. Apart from the beauty of design and form, the decoration took 10 years of hard work to perfect.

MacKenzie and his brother Ian developed a router cutting technique described in the article: "Attached to the baseplate of the router is a gear, which meshes with a belt or chain laid around a template just larger than the tabletop." The line criss-crosses around the border to form a spirographic edge appearing as a three-dimensional

strand of rope, or a snake's body. It is gorgeous.

The routed lines are filled with purple heart wood with subtle colour changes. There are no mistakes. It took all four hands to hold the router steady as it traversed the table to produce perfection.


"To prevent tear-out where two lines cross, the position of the teeth is carefully noted, the router removed, the first cut is inlaid, then the routing of the second revolution can begin."

MacKenzie was delighted to see the table displayed in Fine

Woodworking. "Especially to be on the same page as a Martin guitar and a Nakashima chair," he said.

Like many true artists, the MacKenzie brothers, with all their talent and dedication, must struggle and juggle finances and jobs. However, this does not mean the table is inexpensive. They are currently in the process of marketing this beauty to interior designers and others interested in fine furniture.

MacKenzie's portfolio of furniture pieces is very impressive. Ian MacKenzie works in Victoria as a shipwright.



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## NOTICE OF COMMUNITY INFORMATION AND LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The North Pender Island Local Trust Committee will be holding a Community Information Meeting to discuss proposed amendments to the Official Community Plan and Land Use Bylaw. The amendments would allow "agri-tourist accommodations" on agricultural land and make specific changes applied for by Clam Bay Resort.

The Local Trust Committee Meeting to consider various matters of general business, such as applications, bylaws and meeting notes will follow.

**DATE:** Saturday March 3, 2001  
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Local Trust Committee Meeting to follow  
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LERCHER, BRIAN Arnold born May 1946 died February 19, 2001. Father of Ashley and Shannon, husband of Susan. "His spirit never faltered". Memorial service March 3, 1-4pm at the Lions Club. In lieu of flowers, donations in Brian's memory can be made to: Save Salt Spring Fund or the Rotary Club.

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Proposal Information:  
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- There will not be a public opening for proposals.
- A bid security in an amount and form specified in the Proposal Package will be required.
- BC Parks is not responsible for costs incurred related to travel and the preparation of the proposal.
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- A mandatory proponents' meeting will be conducted by a Ministry Representative at the office indicated below on Wednesday, March 7, 2001 at 9:00 am.
- To be eligible to attend the mandatory proponents' meeting, a Proposal Package must be purchased prior to the meeting. Only those registered at the mandatory proponents' meeting may submit a Proposal.

The deadline for submitting sealed Proposals to the below mentioned office is 4:30 pm (local time), March 20, 2001.

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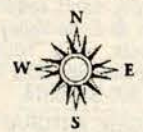
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SHARYL WATKINS was the winner of mineral bath and facial valued at \$150 from Salt Spring Spa Resort, in the Driftwood Valentines draw! Thanks to all who entered.

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A THOUSAND WORDS Picture Framing will be taking a break from February 5th to March 6th. However, if your framing needs just can't wait, you can make an appointment by calling Elaine at 537-5131 or Krista at 538-1744. See you in the spring!

GANGES GARMENT Company will be closed Mondays & Tuesdays, February 19th, 20th, 26th, 27th - Wednesday to Friday, February 14th to 16th, 21st to 23rd, our hours will be 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Saturdays 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Regular hours starting Wednesday, February 28th. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.  
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**OFF AND RUNNING:** High school rugby players practise their moves at a Gulf Islands Secondary School field Monday afternoon. The team is gearing up for its season which begins Thursday, March 15 at a home game against Frances Kelsey. The season winds up at the beginning of May. Photo by Derrick Lundy

### Scorpions slam-dunk Lambrick in awesome title-grabbing game

Beating the third-ranked AA team in the province sprang the Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) Scorpions boys basketball team to a south Vancouver Island championship title Saturday night.

Scorpions came out roaring against powerhouse Lambrick Park, amassing a 27-point lead by half-time.

"It was a pretty awesome game," said coach Myles Wilson Monday. "They're the third-ranked team in the province, so it was a big upset."

Al Lemay led the GISS pack with 38 points in the 92-83 game, which saw the Gulf Islands boys out-rebound Lambrick 69 to 29.

Wilson attributes their success in part to Lambrick Park's underestimation of his team, and to thorough work done by his troupe to prepare for the big game.

"(Assistant coach) Arnie (Hengstler) does a really good job of getting them ready and dissecting the other team to know what they're doing... A lot of planning went into that game."

The first-place win puts them in an excellent slot at this week's Vancouver Island championships

which begin Thursday at Ladysmith Secondary.

GISS is set to meet North Island Secondary at 2 p.m., and then should be in the semi-finals on Friday at 5:30 p.m. Wilson is urging islanders to take the quick trip up to Ladysmith to support the Scorpions for that critical Friday evening game. The school is located at 710 6th Avenue.

"I'd like to see a good part of our community come up and cheer these guys on because they're a class act. They're a very well-disciplined and sportsmanlike team."

If GISS wins the Friday game, they'll take one giant step to the provincial finals in Kamloops March 8-11.

A loss on Friday pits them against Lambrick Park or Ladysmith — two of the tougher teams — although with a win at that point they could still end up qualifying for the B.C. championships. The tournament's top three teams earn spots at the provincials.

But for now, Wilson, Hengstler and his hepped-up squad are focussed solely on their tasks for Thursday and Friday.

"Goal #1 is to take these games one quarter at a time," said Wilson. "Anything can happen and the boys know that."

Wilson thought bus transportation might be organized for Friday through GISS at 537-9944.

Scorpions finished 13th in the province last year.

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**IDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT:** Second place finisher Mark Nordine shows good form as he wings a disc in Sunday's Winter Series Disc Golf Tournament. Photo by Derrick Lundy

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## Burton out on top of the pack in monthly disc golf tourney

Disc golfer Seth Burton grabbed top honours with a record game at last Sunday's Mouat Park tournament.

Burton flicked his disc to an "astonishing" 87 score (or neg 21) in the par 108 disc golf course, easily securing the lead in the monthly Winter Series Disc Golf Tournament.

"This is the best local score recorded at a tournament," notes a press release. "Way to go, Seth!"

Eighteen golfers played 36 holes of disc golf on the Mouat Park suspended tonal pole course. This marked the fourth in the winter series tournament schedule, which is now played the third Sunday of

each month.

Burton took the number one spot in the advanced category, while Paul McGowan beat out Derrick Lundy in a play-off game for top honours in the masters category.

Tanya VanGinkel won for the women; and Paul Linton took the \$28-acepot with an ace on hole number two. (Linton also won closest to the pin last in last month's competition.)

Disc golf results from Sunday's tournament were as follows:

**Advanced**

- Seth Burton (87);
- Mark Nordine (93);
- Andrew Ross-Collins (95);
- Andrew McLean (96);

- Dean Crouse (103);
- Eric Donnelly (107);
- Dennis Murray (112).

**Masters**

- Paul McGowan (102);
- Derrick Lundy (102);
- Michael Lees (108);
- Paul Linton (109);
- Fritz Arnold (111);
- Rick Abramyk (113);
- Don Vaillancourt (115).

**Women**

- Tanya VanGinkel (119);
- Bridgette V. (136).

**Novice and Junior**

- Troy K (121) (first time in a tournament);
- Zak Abramyk (150) (youngest player in the tournament).

## HIGH ROLLERS

Bowling is not only fun but it's proven itself a solid fundraiser — some \$900 was raised at the February 9-10 Kings Lane Bowlathon to benefit young cancer

fighter Nichola Howard.

In regular league play last week, the following high scores were recorded:

Special Olympics: Sharon Way, 164, 147; Stuart Elliott, 174, 157; Terry Swing, 159; Gloria Dale, 148; Jimmy Beck, 146; Dominic George, 142; Danny Price, 140.

Tuesday morning seniors: Ken Robinson, 213; Rita McLeod, 200.

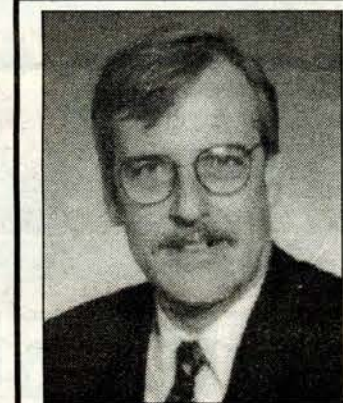
Tuesday afternoon 50+: Rita Dods, 242, 214/630; Vanda Winstone, 223; Clara Hicks, 224.

Golf Ladies: Maddy Cooper, 220. Circus League: Lance Leask, 270, 207, 203/680; Brian Radford, 226; Ben Cooper, 267, 205/631.

Friday morning: Marg Baker, 201, 211, 248/660; Cliff Jory, 225; Madalene Jory, 268.



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**ACROSS**

- Mexican metal
- Actor Edelman
- Below
- Contemporary of Douglas and Ike
- Fat
- Kite claw
- Spirited
- A Room with a \_\_\_
- Go-between
- "\_\_\_Who Had a Heart"
- Make a phone call
- Tricky curve
- Berett
- Iniquity
- Private screening
- Oak droppings
- "You \_\_\_ Love"
- Middle ear part
- Pens
- Mattress size
- Jinn
- Alexander Graham Bell, by birth
- Nonpareil
- \_\_\_-Cop (Reynolds-Minnelli film) (2 words)
- Entity
- Gravity theorist
- Duke's bride
- One with a select guest list
- Noah's son

- Writer Deighton
- Actor Evigan
- Communicate
- "Goodnight" girl of song
- Kind of cloth
- Taradiddle
- Borrowed sums
- Lana of "Superboy" comics
- Garfield's friend
- Ait
- Fraternal brothers
- Cole Porter's alma mater

- Extend a subscription
- \_\_\_ and dined
- Grates potatoes
- Store signs
- Some planes
- Related
- Lucy's brother
- Hoods' weapons
- Playboy's "lure"
- The \_\_\_ Yard (Reynolds film)
- Attention getter
- "\_\_\_ gloom of night"
- Utilize
- Miss Scarlett, e.g.
- \_\_\_ Marleen (1981 film)
- Friend of Antony in Antony and Cleopatra
- Harlem Globetrotter
- Curly
- Gretzky's quest
- Verdi work
- Banister
- Sycamore, e.g.
- Compass pt.
- Quill user's need

**DOWN**

- Novelist Emile
- Poker player's words
- Armed fleet
- Jambalaya cuisine
- Lingering about
- Certain Ivy Leaguer
- Journalist John
- Pioneer Jim
- Leaning letters
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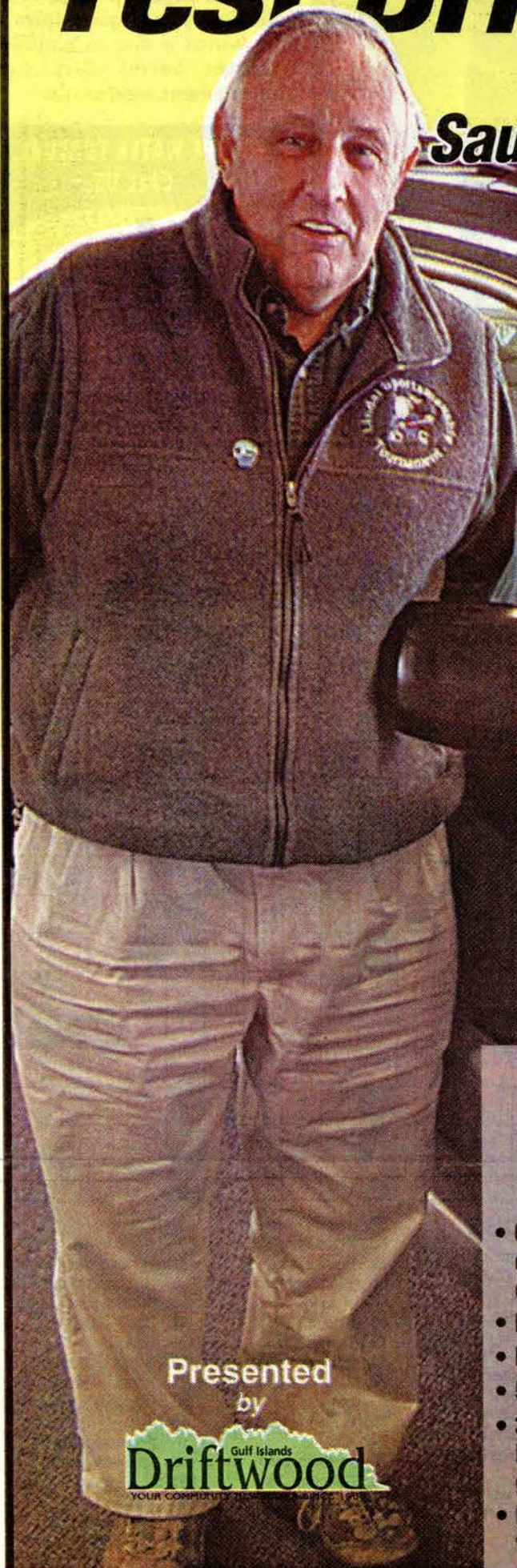
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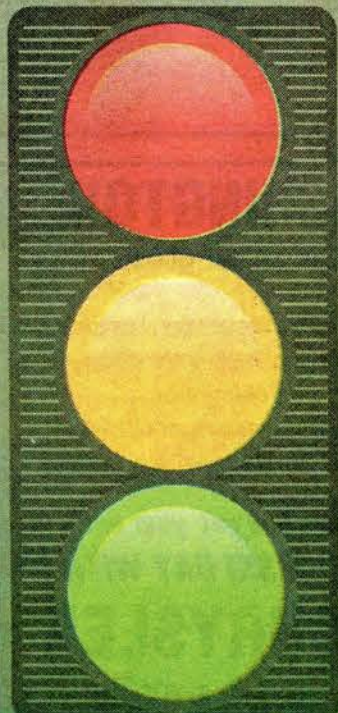
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