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### Weather

Mild temperatures and light rain are in the forecast right through the weekend. Highs to 9 C on Friday; lows to 2 C on Saturday.



**SNOW THROW:** Members of the Weston family on Salt Spring enjoy a little fun in the snow as they gather over the holiday season. Snowfall hit the islands last Friday, but quickly melted in most areas.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

## Hospital struck by Norwalk

By MITCHELL SHERRIN  
Staff Writer

Lady Minto Hospital staff and patients are now recovering from a particularly large outbreak of a "Norwalk-like" virus that almost incapacitated the medical facility.

Between December 15 and 24, a total of 38 staff and 26 patients showed symptoms at Lady Minto acute and extended-care wards.

"It seems to have almost run its course," said Southern Gulf Islands manager of patient care Karen Davies. "It's been a long hard struggle."

The Norwalk virus can cause acute diarrhea, abdominal cramps, nausea, vomiting,

headache and low-grade fever. Symptoms usually last up to two days, but can persist for several weeks.

The local hospital was hit with one of the largest outbreaks of the virus in the province.

"The biggest challenge was keeping the hospital staffed," said Davies.

Lady Minto employees had a particularly difficult time managing the hospital during the holiday season because such a high percentage of the 72 full-time equivalent workers were struck with the virus.

"Our staff were fabulous and worked really hard . . . They never lost care, kindness

and compassion," Davies noted.

While a few patients were still showing symptoms of the virus in the extended care ward, all staff members were back to work as of Monday.

"We will continue with our precautions of lots of hand-washing and lots of extra laundry and housekeeping," she said.

Norwalk was also detected on the island following a Roasting Company staff party on December 16. It was estimated that 25 of 80 people at the party became ill the next day after being exposed to the virus.

An outbreak of a

"Norwalk-like" virus forced Saanich Peninsula Hospital to turn away new patients from two acute care units and one extended care unit. Saanich Peninsula reported over 40 patients and eight staff with the virus as of December 10.

Numbers of cases for Saanich Peninsula are still in flux which could place it ahead of Lady Minto for outbreak severity, said Vancouver Island Health Authority communications director Lianne Peterson.

"Those are the worst of the outbreaks that have been reported."

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## Stories delayed by holiday deadlines

Press deadlines and holidays have resulted in a few "missing items" in this edition of the Driftwood.

Due to the Wednesday holiday, distribution of this issue occurs today (Thursday, January 2).

However, press deadlines forced a regular Tuesday night printing, meaning the paper had to be completed mid-day Tuesday.

Due to the delay between printing and distribution, several key stories — such as New Year's Eve photo coverage and the annual Polar Bear Swim — could not be included in this edition.

The same goes for coverage of a New Year's day golf tournament. Readers should check out the January 8 edition of the Driftwood for information on these events.

## Where we were in the past 12 months

### January

• Fifty brave souls took the Polar Bear plunge at Vesuvius Beach on a rainy New Year's Day. The Disney costume theme attracted a stream of Mickey and Minnies, plus assorted fairies, Aladdins, a Shrek and other fanciful characters.

• Saanich-Gulf Islands MP Gary Lunn faced more controversy as a special general meeting resulted in a 121-74 vote calling for the resignation of his

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constituency board.

• Channel Ridge property owners were gearing up for a battle with B.C. Assessment over land valuation hikes of between 20 and 30 per cent. The average Salt Spring increase for a non-waterfront home was reported as 8.2 per cent by B.C. Assessment.

• A Salt Spring meeting saw 13 speakers and the Raging Grannies urge the National Energy Board Review Panel to consider myriad environmental impacts of the proposed GSX natural gas pipeline.

• January 17 was dubbed Black Thursday when massive job and program cuts were announced by the provincial government. In response, a series of weekly protest rallies was ini-

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tiated by Salt Spring Islanders.

- Job action by teachers was having an impact on students, especially those in Grade 12 who feared a lack of available extra help would impact provincial exam results. Voluntary services, such as coaching and supervising extra-curricular programs, had been withdrawn by teachers after their union membership voted in favour of job action to back contract demands. A government-imposed contract, with a 7.5 per cent wage increase spread over three years, was handed down January 27.

- Salt Spring's Local Trust Committee ordered bylaw enforcement proceedings to remove the black ship's hull breakwater and a floathouse structure at Ganges Marina.

**February**

- A petition asking the local Trust committee to work out its differences with Ganges Marina owner Rick Barbieri and acknowledge the marina's importance to the Salt Spring economy was being circulated.

- Lady Minto Hospital was deemed ripe for privatization following the Health Sciences Association's legal dissection of the provincial government's new Health and Social Services Delivery Improvement Act. Extended care operations and all hospital out-patient services were identified as vulnerable to being contracted out to private companies.

- Gulf Islands residents were among thousands of people attending a mass protest rally against the provincial Liberal government's cuts at the Victoria legislature on February 23. A local coalition group opposing government actions was also formed.

- Salt Spring's new RCMP sergeant was getting accustomed to his island posting. Sgt. Mike Giles came to the island from Duncan and replaced Sgt. Paul Darbyshire, who moved to the Lower Mainland.

**March**

- Local Trust committee plans to proactively enforce its bylaws which prohibit short-term accommodation or "vacation rentals" was drawing heated response. A lobby group called the Association for Short-Term Accommodation Rentals was formed at a March 1

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public meeting.

- Gulf Islands School District trustees and staff were wondering how to deal with a million dollar shortfall in a \$14.26-million budget resulting from the provincial government's new funding formula that did not cover teacher wage increases beyond the first year of a three-year contract.

- Salt Spring Islanders were among those offering support to former island resident Sonya Handel following a March 11 Quatsino house fire that claimed the lives of her six children. The children's father, Jay Handel, who also lived on Salt Spring before the family moved to Quatsino, was charged with six counts of first degree murder.

- A March 20 snowfall of between five and 12 inches welcomed the official new season on Salt Spring, adding to unusually low temperatures for what weather observer Robert Aston called "the worst March" he had seen in 26 years of recording.

- Islanders were puzzling over official census figures which claimed Salt Spring's population grew by only 30 people from 9,249 to 9,279.

- A Vancouver cyclist was shaking his head after being struck by a deer that was first hit by a car on Long Harbour Road.

**April**

- Discussion about the province-wide referendum on treaty negotiations was heating up locally, led by the Salt Spring Islanders for Reconciliation and Justice group. A packed-house April 2 gathering heard UVic law professor describe the referendum process as "not benign."

- School trustees swal-

lowed more bad news at their April meeting as the latest enrolment forecasts showed a significant decline in students and the revenue that goes along with them for the 2002/03 school year. Some 11.5 full-time-equivalent teaching positions were up for cutting.

- Leisure Recreation Group was awarded the contract by PARC to operate Shelby Memorial Pool. The company looks after several pools in the province.

- Gulf Islands Secondary received an "outstanding" commendation from an external review team as part of the B.C. Public School Accreditation Program. The school's Grade 12 students also turned in excellent provincial exam results in 2002.

- Disabled islanders were among those concerned about impacts of changing provincial government legislation and cuts affecting social assistance benefits and qualifications. Salt Spring Community Services executive director Lynne Brown said, "I think it will be quite painful...they're barely getting enough to live on now."

**May**

- About a dozen people turned out to a Salt Spring Local Trust Committee meeting to hear representatives explain a controversial application that would see shellfish harvesting by Limberis Seafood Ltd. near the McFadden Creek estuary — an area afforded the island's highest protection in shoreline zoning due to its ecological sensitivity.

- The Gulf Islands School Board shaved \$1 million from expenditures to meet provincial government demands for a balanced pre-

liminary budget. At the same time, they agreed to write a letter expressing their "concern and anger" about the government's refusal to fund teachers' 2.5 per cent wage increases for the following two years, plus other new expenses such as Medical Services Plan increases.

- A woman associated with one of Canada's most notorious child abduction cases lived for six months on Salt Spring, according to the Missing Children Society of Canada. Jan Stevens and her 12-year-old son Justin — who were actually Phyllis and Gavin Hollet — lived in the community before disappearing again in January.

- Salt Spring Chamber of Commerce faced pressure from accommodation members to take a stand on the vacation rental issue. Following a contentious meeting, the board agreed to have chamber members sign a declaration on new or renewing applications stating their business complies with local bylaws. That position was dropped later in the year by membership

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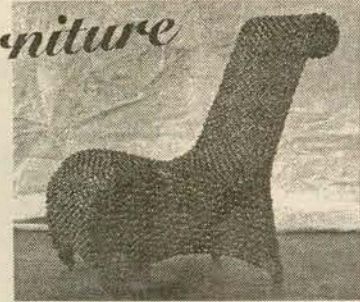


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# NORWALK

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Nanaimo Regional General Hospital was also forced to close two wards to admissions until further notice on December 23. The Nanaimo hospital reported 17 patients and five staff members with the illness.

As well, 38 patients and an unknown number of staff at Mount Tolmie extended-care facility were also showing Norwalk symptoms last week.

"Obviously it's an unhappy and uncomfortable time for people who have it," Peterson said. Rather than close Lady Minto, physicians were asked to be cautious about admitting patients to the hospital on Salt Spring. Visits were discouraged and some activities were cancelled.

"We tried to encourage people not to come," Davies said. "In a larger hospital you can close a ward and quarantine the patients but you can't do that here."

Greenwoods was fortunate to avoid the virus, said staff nurse Sue Yardley.

She credited strict hand-washing, a closed facility, cancelled events and lots of luck to avoiding an outbreak of the illness.

According to the B.C. Centre for Disease Control, the main source of the virus is stool and vomit from infected persons. The virus can be spread from person-to-person on unwashed hands and it can survive on surfaces such as countertops or sink taps if they are not properly cleaned.

Hand washing is the best method for preventing the spread. There are an estimated 181,000 cases of the Norwalk virus in the United States every year. There is no effective treatment, other than fluid and electrolyte replacement.

Though the effects of the virus are unpleasant, health professionals are more concerned about the flu, said Peterson.

"We would like to remind people about their flu shots," she said. "The flu can be hazardous to the health of someone with a compromised health condition."

And just as people should remember to wash their hands to prevent the spread of viruses, it's a thoughtful service to get a flu shot, she said.

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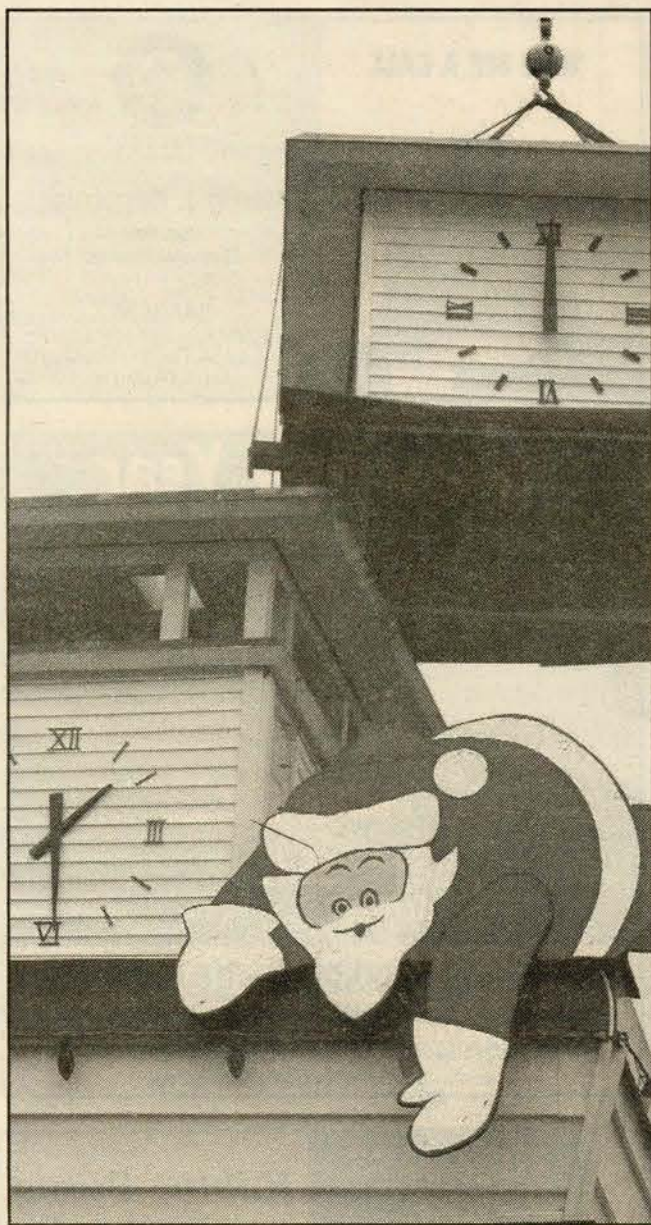
of signing the Kyoto Protocol, and the SSIMF's desire to implement an environmentally friendly bus service, Anderson's visit is timely, noted McGinn.

As for gathering all of the people together at once, "We were just lucky," explained McGinn.

"I originally wanted to have [the launch] a little earlier but Robert Bateman was touring and we worked it around him. David Suzuki liked the idea of coming over here and getting to see Robert... so everything sort of worked in our favour."

McGinn said SSIMF representatives will also briefly discuss "where we've come from, where we're at and where we are going in terms of the foundation."

Tuesday's gala event begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$16 for adults, and \$12 for under-18s. They're available through the ArtSpring box office in person or by calling 537-2102.



**CLOCK WORK:** Work by Dawes Excavating, local Hydro workers, the Chamber of Commerce, Lawrie Neish and Reg Taylor came together last Saturday to install a new clock on top of the Ganges firehall tower. Plans were to start the clock at midnight New Year's Eve.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

## Gala event launches new \$\$

Local history and the international environmental movement will meet under one roof January 7 as the Salt Spring Island Monetary Foundation (SSIMF) presents its official launch of the \$50 and \$100 bills.

The ArtSpring stage will be a who's who of Canadian sustainability proponents, with scientist David Suzuki, federal Environment Minister David Anderson, artist Robert Bateman and Salt Spring resident Dorothy Cutting, who recently made national headlines by driving across Canada to promote Bob Hunter's book on global warming called 2030: Confronting Thermageddon in our Lifetime.

Martin Burger, president of Blue Energy Canada Inc., will talk about ocean power, where either waves or tide are harnessed to produce electricity.

Rose Murakami and a representative of the Akerman family will also speak, in

reference to their families' photographs on the two bills.

Bateman's Thinking Like a Mountain painting is featured on the \$100 edition of Salt Spring currency, while Feeding the Swans by acclaimed island artist Carol Evans is on the \$50 bill.

Tom Hooper headlines musical guests, along with two other high-profile artists, whose names cannot be publicized due to clauses in their contracts, said Bob McGinn, president of the SSIMF.

"It should be a fun evening," he said.

"David Suzuki and Robert Bateman are coming because of their support for local currency more than anything," said McGinn. "They are here to talk about why they believe in local currency, and we're hoping that hearing that message from them, islanders might hear it differently or understand it..."

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By ERIC BOOTH  
Salt Spring trustee

Kimberly and I have returned from Victoria and our swearing-in ceremony and first Trust Council — a meeting of the 26 trustees representing 400 islands.

Most of the four days were spent orienting the 13 new trustees, including ourselves, in proper procedures, regulations and responsibilities.

It was much like having a new map laid out in front of us. The challenge now is to use the map to help us move in the direction of the many tasks we wish to accomplish over the next three years.

A number of subjects kept coming up, in both our formal and informal discussions with other trustees. The top two appeared to be afford-

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able housing and sustainable communities — topics completely intertwined and close to both our hearts and our campaign concerns. It is obvious that the gentrification of the Gulf Islands is a growing concern on all islands.

Trust staff are now tasked to bring forward recommendations for a "sustainability of community" study. There is a possibility that this study may be conducted on Salt Spring and would include the widest possible range of issues such as affordable housing, water conservation, tourism, island economy,

local governance, vacation rentals, transportation and farming.

I have been named to the financial planning committee and, as promised, will be looking very closely at the proposed new budget in order to better understand how to bring equity to what was referred to a number of times at Trust Council as either the "have and have not islands" or "the givers and the takers." For those who don't already know, Salt Spring Islanders currently fit into the "have" and "giver" categories.

Meanwhile, Kimberly has been named to the local planning committee and will be working on the sustainable community study. It is hoped that Salt Spring Island will

be the first island to be selected for this study. Other issues being addressed by the local planning committee include a review of the bylaw enforcement policy and the Trust position on First Nations.

On a side note, and one of personal interest, one of the trustees elected from Lasqueti Island, Rose Willow, was also elected as the regional director for Powell River. Rose's appointment to both positions was viewed as a very positive development by all at Trust Council. Imagine my surprise!

In closing, I wish each and every one of you a most Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and we look forward to seeing you in the New Year.

# Focussing on public participation

By KIMBERLY LINEGER  
Salt Spring trustee

During the election campaign it became abundantly clear that members of the community wanted more opportunities to interact with the local trustees to provide their feedback and comments on issues of community concern.

Starting very early in the New Year, we will be holding a town hall forum to start to address the myriad of issues that arose during the election. The first town hall forum will be held Saturday, January 11 at 1 p.m. at Lions Hall on Bonnet Avenue. The purpose of this meeting will be to identify key issues and set some priorities to see them resolved.

It is intended that these town hall forums will be held quarterly following each Trust

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Council meeting, in addition to our regular monthly, formal, public Trust committee meetings. In order to allow the majority of working islanders, parents and seniors to attend, we are proposing that public Trust meetings be held on Saturday afternoons instead of weekday afternoons.

Anyone wanting to make a presentation at the town hall forum on any issue is encouraged to do so. While it is not required, we ask that the Trust office be notified of your desire to make a presentation so that a speakers' list may be developed.

If you are not comfortable speaking in public, but still would like to speak to a

trustee, both Eric and I will be holding regular office hours. Eric will be available Tuesday afternoons and I will be available on Thursday afternoons. Please make an appointment via the Trust office.

We welcome and encourage your input over the proposed shift in meeting times over the next few weeks. Please feel free to contact the Trust office at 537-9144 and leave a short message as to whether you are in favour of the change. Eric and I can also be contacted via Trust e-mail: ebooth@islandstrust.bc.ca and Kimberly at klineger@islandstrust.bc.ca

In closing, the New Year brings with it many new challenges and Eric and I look forward to working with the community to see them

resolved.

I hope everyone has a joyous Christmas and New Year and we hope to see you on the 11th.

# Crews rescue ferry jumper

B.C. Ferries crew members rescued a man who jumped off the Vesuvius ferry on Christmas Eve.

Witnesses aboard the Howe Sound Queen saw the man stand up on the side of the boat, empty his pockets and dive into the water, said ferry passenger Jan Dammel.

She felt the ferry turn in a circle midway between Crofton and Vesuvius at 1:15 p.m. in an effort to find the jumper.

The ferry's rescue boat was dispatched to collect the man and another speed boat attended the scene, she said.

"He was treading water, otherwise he'd be going down."

After the man was loaded

aboard the rescue boat, onlooking passengers cheered, she said.

Dammel was concerned about the fate of two dogs left in the back of the man's abandoned truck.

Rescuers took the man directly to Vesuvius on the ship's boat, where he was

met by his brother, said B.C. Ferries communications officer Stephen Nussbaum.

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vote at the chamber AGM.

- The Salt Spring Local Government Restructure Committee issued a four-page flyer outlining changes that would occur if voters opted for municipal incorporation at a June referendum. The flyer indicated a municipal tax hike from \$13 to \$24 would occur under incorporation.

- The controversial ship's hull, referred to as "the barge" by locals, was removed from Ganges Harbour. The structure was removed under orders by the Salt Spring Local Trust Committee.

## June

- Grad ceremonies got under way at Gulf Islands Secondary School as 115 youths graduated from the high school.

- Salt Spring's Local Trust Committee halted a controversial rezoning bylaw that would have allowed expanded aquaculture activities near the McFadden Creek estuary by Limberis Seafoods Ltd. of Ladysmith.

- The Salt Spring FC men's soccer team capped a perfect soccer season with a 2-0 thrashing of Port Alberni to capture the gold medal in the Senior "B" Provincial Championships.

- Island firefighters dealt with several intentionally set blazes, including a brush fire in a vacant lot on Rainbow Road. The fire took six vehicle crews and almost 12,000 gallons of water to extinguish.

- Incorporation pros and "fear factors" were debated at two public meetings as the referendum date approached. Distrust of the provincial government continued to be a major theme for detractors, who warned against accepting the new Community Charter document before its impact was clear. Bowen Island mayor Lisa Barrett also caused a stir at a public meeting by warning Salt Spring not to choose incorporation as her island's voters did in 1999.

- Salt Spring overwhelmingly rejected incorporation with a 70.2 per cent "no" vote on June 22. Just under 50 per cent of voters turned out to cast ballots in the issue which had prompted lively debate in the weeks leading up to the referendum.

## July

- A new union safety document compared the B.C.

Ferries fleet to a hay-bale-wired collection of rusty beaters, but corporate management assured the public that the aging vessels were safe and the union report was an inaccurate and alarmist perception.

- Unstable weather combined with more onerous customs procedures for American boaters may have been driving a summer tourist slump, suggested island business owners. Some 45 per cent fewer American tourists had visited the local information centre in May compared to the previous year.

- Two Salt Spring grads took top honours at Brentwood College School, sharing the school's highest award — the coveted Brentonin Shield. Erica Zacharias and Stuart Sinclair shared the award for the greatest love of scholarship at Brentwood.

- Salt Spring Slackers — the island's U18 girls soccer team — took provincial bronze at a championship event in Vernon. The team, coached by Dave McColl, battled hot interior B.C. temperatures as well as top soccer squads from across the province to come up with the third-place spot.

- A promised \$650,000 contribution from the Lady Minto Hospital Foundation saved an operating room expansion plan that was threatened earlier when the Ministry of Health Services pulled its full contribution of capital funding for the project.

- Evidence found at a Furness Road house fire indicated the blaze was deliberately set, according to police. The RCMP launched a criminal investigation into the fire which occurred just before 6 a.m. on July 25.

- Island walkers and cyclists packed a local Trust committee meeting, insisting that Island Pathways be

included in the paving consultation process as the Ministry of Transportation earmarked \$500,000 for the resurfacing of Lower and Upper Ganges roads in September.

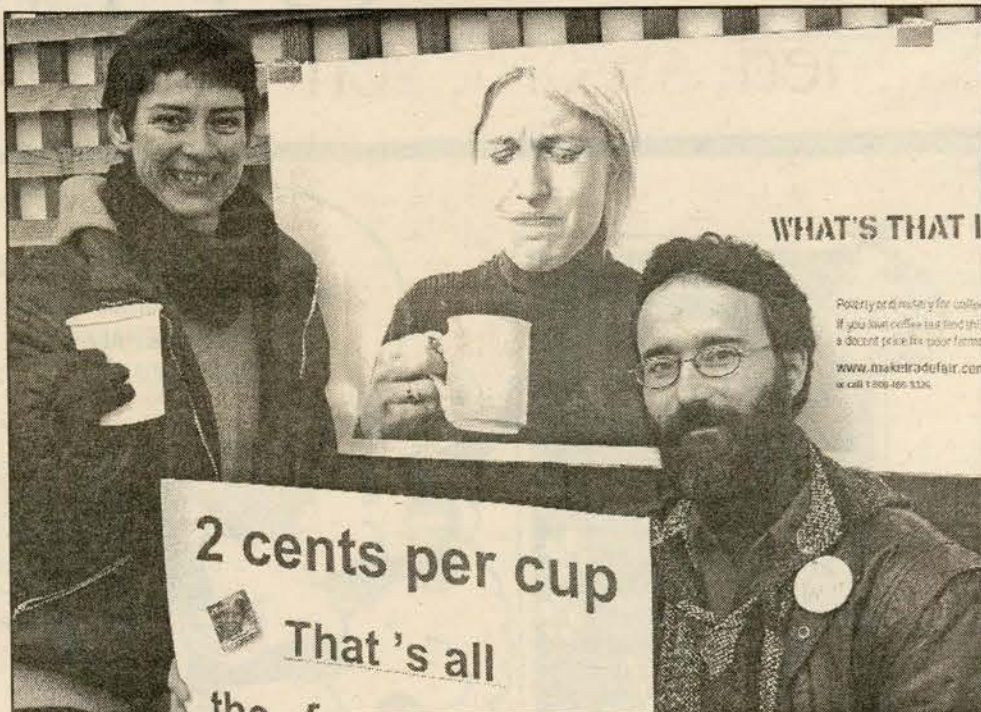
## August

- Several young island athletes and a veteran soccer coach came away from the B.C. Summer games with two gold medals and four bronzes. Sarah Proctor, 14, won three bronze medals in track events; baseball short-stop Gord Akerman won gold with his Vancouver Island-based team; Garner Lea, playing on a Vancouver Island boys rugby team, picked up a bronze medal; and soccer coach Sue Spencer's team earned five victories to capture gold.

- Two Salt Spring Stingrays swimmers picked up provincial gold at the summer swimming championships held at the University of British Columbia. The swim team's Victoria-based coach Kellie Rolston won two gold and two bronze medals at the event, while nine-year-old Sierra Lundy won a gold and two bronze medals.

- Over 1,000 people attended a Galiano Island memorial service to honour the lives of five islanders who died in a tragic boating accident. Kathy Maberley, her children Amanda and Wyatt, and cousins Rod Wilson and Tony Head (of Salt Spring) drowned when

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**CUPPA:** Isabelle Vilm and Roland Gatin set up outside of Thrifty Foods Saturday morning, offering up 2-cent cups of coffee as part of a campaign to increase awareness of issues surrounding Fair Trade.

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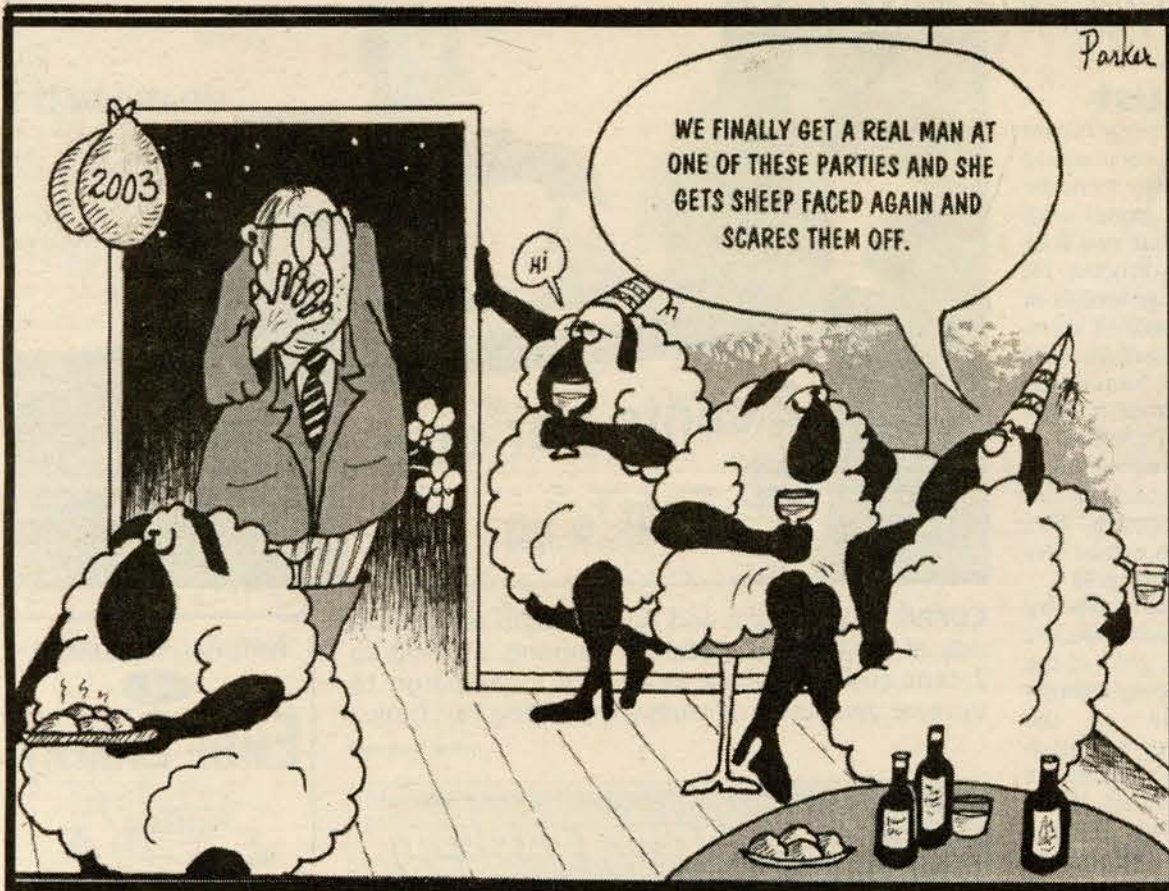


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## Predictions for 2003

As Salt Spring stands at the threshold of a new year, the Driftwood is prepared to take a bold stand on occurrences bound to happen here in 2003.

- B.C. Ferries and the Skeena Queen will shock islanders with a 40-60 per cent success rate. The Skeena will stick to its schedule 40 per cent of the time, causing an island love-in with the improvement over last year.

- On a related, but less positive note, at least one island commuter will completely lose it while anticipating the drive from the Skeena to the Pat Bay Highway via the "alternate route." To the horror of ferry workers, he or she will blast past the directional sign, merge (with amazing ease) into the disembarking Spirit traffic, and enjoy a leisurely, painless and quick drive into Victoria.

- The island will be rocked by scandal when \_\_\_\_\_ (fill in the blanks any variety of ways) runs away with \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_'s partner takes off with \_\_\_\_\_'s sister's girlfriend, and \_\_\_\_\_'s wife \_\_\_\_\_ heads out with \_\_\_\_\_.

The only question that will remain is "who gets the yurt?"

- Salt Spring's real heroes — the fire department — will form a council (headed up by Mayor Enfield) and govern Salt Spring, easily extinguishing the brush fires of local politics.

- Wind-powered buses will not traverse island roads, but alternative-energy proponents will consider a complex technique for powering public transit that involves tides, the moon and tea leaves. A new company will be formed and stocks sold.

- Islander Windfall Rainbow Mist will host a weekend workshop on self-realization via astral projection, healing chainsaw-sound therapy and crystal plate throwing at Beaver Point Hall.

- A new group called Deer Inaction will raise funds to help equip local male deer with condoms and thus reduce the deer population in a humane way. Hunters will be asked to lay down their arms and pick up rubbers as they tramp into the woods.

As the Driftwood continues to look to the future, it wishes its readers a happy, healthy 2003.

## At pennies per cup, Fair Trade coffee triples producers' pay

By JOHN BAXTER

Members of the Ometepe Gulf Islands Friendship Association (OGIFA), together with the cooperation of Thrifty Foods, were selling their island-famous Ometepe coffee for two cents a cup on Saturday as part of a campaign to raise awareness of the issues surrounding Fair Trade.

Next time you are sitting in your favourite coffee house enjoying a "cuppa," you might want to think about the fact that despite that cup having cost you in the order of \$1.50, less than one cent of that actually gets to the people who grow the coffee! But, if you insist on purchasing only Fair Trade coffee, the growers will get almost three times as much — 2.8 cents

### VIEW POINT

per cup!

The math is simple. At current world prices the producers are paid 78 cents per pound (approximately 4,000 hand-picked beans), and it takes 1.2 lbs. of raw beans to produce 100 cups of coffee.

However, under the Fair Trade system we (OGIFA) are paying our producers on Ometepe Island, Nicaragua, the fair trade price of \$2.18 per pound, plus a bonus for "organic and shade-grown" that brings the price to \$2.51, over three

times the world price paid by the transnational coffee purchasers.

So, what impact will this have on you, the cash-strapped consumer? Should it cost you more when you make the switch to Fair Trade coffee? In a word, no. But let's be real. We didn't notice a price drop at the counter when commodity prices for coffee have declined 50 per cent over the last six years. So perhaps the answer should be a qualified "maybe." After all, the actual cost of the coffee in your cup will skyrocket from 0.94 cents to an inflationary 2.8 cents!

Should you insist on Fair Trade coffee even if you have to pay a little extra? This time the answer is an unqualified "yes." Your concern for

both the environment and your personal health sees you going progressively more organic with your other purchases. Many of the same reasons also apply to Fair Traded commodities, with the added incentive of knowing that you are doing something tangible to improve the lives of our neighbours in the third world.

Fair Trade is defined as an alternative way of doing business, with principles of economic and social justice at the forefront. Fair Trade businesses endeavour to build equitable, long-term partnerships between consumers in North America and producers in developing regions.

OGIFA has been working with a cooperative coffee plantation on the

Nicaraguan Island of Ometepe continuously for 10 years! During this time, almost all of our members have visited Ometepe at least once, and a close and personal relationship has gradually developed between our two communities. In addition to paying Fair Trade prices for the coffee we buy, we have also returned over \$110,000 earned from the sale of our coffee to communities on Ometepe in the form of materials for a variety of projects ranging from water systems to school buildings.

We hope you will make one of your New Year's resolutions a promise to buy Fair Trade!

The writer is a Salt Spring member of OGIFA.

"You gotta know when to hold 'em/ Know when to fold 'em/ Know when to walk away/ Know when to run."

Kenny Rogers, "The Gambler"

Memo to Eric Booth, Bob McGinn and Don Monteith: Read this column carefully. Very carefully.

The idea of using Salt Spring dollars as a way to raise money for worthwhile community projects is noble. Like many islanders, I've been following and supporting this project with a mixture of hope and skepticism.

I share your dream of enriching our community with a wide variety of programs that we don't currently have and can't currently afford. If any community can do it, Salt Spring can.

Having said that, your Salt Spring Island Monetary Foundation is going to flounder very soon if you don't take those darn blinkers off. They

the light of day so you can sleep through a growing storm. A storm that's going to wreck the good ship SS Dollars.

When Carol Evans, and the Batemans, and Dr. Suzuki, and Dorothy Cutting, and the rest of the incredibly committed people you've brought onboard, find out about the company you're keeping, they're going to be some upset that you didn't tell them a little more about Sea Breeze Energy Inc., and International Powerhouse Energy (the company that just bought Sea Breeze).

If you don't know what I'm talking about, you haven't been doing your job as directors of the monetary foundation. If you

about, you've got some explaining to do.

I'm going to give you the benefit of the doubt and assume that you simply believed what somebody told you about Sea Breeze, rather than checking it out for yourselves. Otherwise you wouldn't have written in your Monetary Fund's Annual Report that Sea Breeze is partnered with BC Hydro. That's a load of crap. Hydro says there is no such partnership. That portion of your report reads like it was written by the promoter of a penny mining stock on the Venture Exchange.

Speaking of penny mining

## SS Dollars in for a stormy ride

ISLE SAY!  
WITH JOHN POTTINGER



International Powerhouse Energy Corporation is. The Canadian Securities Administration website lists Powerhouse as a junior mining company.

Wanna know what the company does? Here's a quote from its latest financial statement: "The Company's principal business activity is the development of hydro-electric power generation projects in British Columbia."

They want to dam the Kettle River near Christina Lake, they want to dam the Kwoiek River, near where it enters the Fraser River, and they're planning the same thing at a third site in the southern interior. They're pursuing all of these projects despite opposition from local groups.

Sorry Eric, and Bob, and Don, and anybody else that's involved in Salt Spring Dollars,

disappear like dust in the wind unless you take action quickly to clean up the mess you've made.

Right now you've got the support of some well-known environmental (and community) leaders, but that's going to change mighty fast if you don't immediately take steps to disassociate yourself from certain companies and individuals.

If not — and the ship sinks — you'll only have yourselves to blame. If you act soon you still have a ship worth sailing; the SS Dollars can be salvaged. If not, within a few short weeks there'll be nothing left but debris. You'll be like flotsam and jetsam drifting on an oily slick.

I have a special New Years message for director Bill Krebs:

I get the impression you didn't like what I wrote about you

In your letter to the editor in last week's paper, you wrote, "I am not prepared to accept the record as it now stands and (that) I intend to pursue the matter further."

That may be the only thing we agree on, because I'm not prepared to accept the record as it now stands either.

There's still a lot more about you and your past promotions that the folks on this island need to hear about. So I guess we'll both be pursuing the matter further.

Stocks and stock promotion are games of chance — a lot like poker — where most of the players lose their money. A good poker player often walks away with the pot while the rest of the folks lose their shirts.

My guess, Mr. Krebs, is that you're a good gambler. You know when to bet, when to hold, and when to cash in. Let's pretend we're in a poker game — you and I. I'll give you a tip: If you could see the cards I haven't played yet — I bet

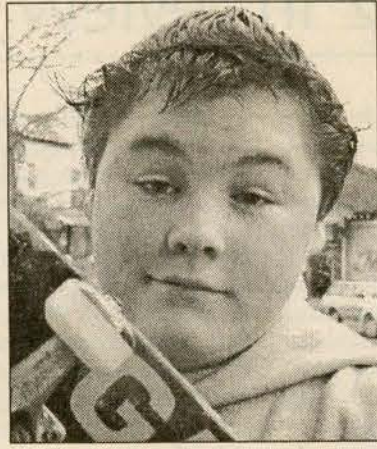
# SALT SPRING SAYS

We asked: *What New Year's resolution won't you make this year?*



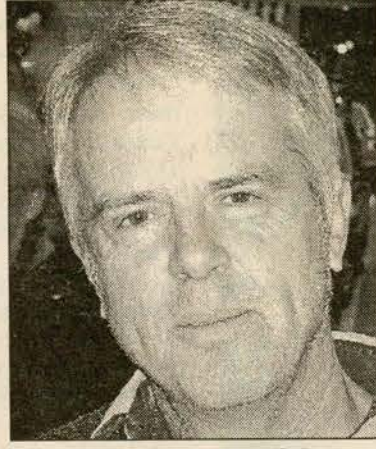
**Chris Gilpin**

*I won't be making a resolution to quit smoking. It didn't work last year.*



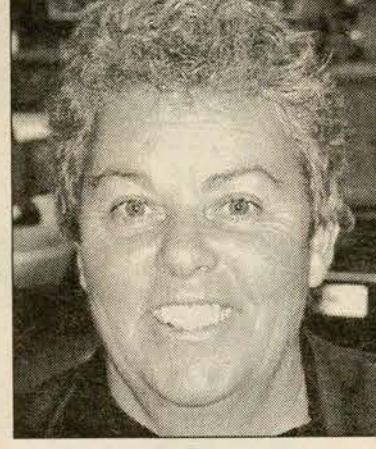
**Dylan Rhodes**

*I won't be wishing for the weather to change. I don't want it to get sunny. I want it to snow.*



**Ian McDonald**

*We won't be making a resolution to stay put. We plan to travel as much as possible.*



**Jane Drover**

*I won't be running in any marathons.*



**Shirley Smith**

*I won't be quitting smoking because I already quit on September 1.*

## Letters to the Editor

### Grateful

It was interesting to read Kees Visser's "Grinch" letter explaining some of the changes over the years in Christmas celebrations.

As many of your readers will know, Christians have had differing ideas of how, or indeed whether, to celebrate. In Puritan times, for instance, it was considered wrong to do so because of the connections with the Roman Saturnalia and other pagan festivities.

Christmas, for practising Christians, is still primarily a religious festival. The birth of our saviour, whatever its date, and our belief that he will one day return are cause for joy. It is appropriate to give gifts and feast with families and friends, but more important to celebrate that birth, of the word who became flesh and lived for a while among us, with carols, readings, dance and drama.

Kees Visser is, of course, right when he says that Christmas in North America has evolved into a huge commercial event. But, for us who live on Salt Spring, does it need to be that? We are free from vast musak-filled malls and may shop locally or make our own gifts. It has

been a delight to see our prettily decorated stores and to hear our local children and adults sing.

I am so grateful to live here and to be able to celebrate this joyous season in a non-frenzied way. Happy New Year.

**MEG HODGES,**  
Salt Spring

### Outdated

On December 25, Christmas Day, the island had a wind and rain warning.

We heard about this on the radio and were informed on television what to expect.

We later found out that some of the ferry sailings were cancelled.

At 1 p.m. I called the Long Harbour terminal to find out if the Long Harbour to Tsawwassen ferry was cancelled. We were told that they were waiting for the man in charge to make the decision.

At 2:30 we called again, and this time we were told to call at 3 p.m. and we did.

At 3 p.m. we called and told them we had a reservation for the 3:30 p.m. and we wanted to know if the ferry was cancelled.

We were told the ferry would leave at 3:30 and we rushed to Long Harbour just to see the ferry leave. We

then decided to go to Fulford and caught the 4 p.m. to Swartz Bay and we arrived in Vancouver at 8:30 p.m.

Now they are talking about gambling and booze on the ferries.

Let's give good information and better service.

We want the service to go from point A to point B and not wait to go from Tsawwassen or Swartz Bay for three hours.

Let's work on improving services, even if it means privatization.

Our system is outdated.  
**C. CIMMARUSTI,**  
Coquitlam, B.C.

### No panacea

Before the residents of Salt Spring Island consider a ban on hunting, perhaps they might like to hear my thoughts on the subject.

I am a professional biologist and have been in this field for over 30 years. I live in Parkland County, adjacent to the city of Edmonton in Alberta. Some time ago the county council banned shooting in large sections of the county. I believe that some vague reference was made to public safety. There have been some rather unintended consequences that have resulted from this legislation.

The deer population has skyrocketed. One of my colleagues, doing an aerial survey, counted just over 350 mule deer on an 80-acre field. The sight of 50 or more deer in one place at one time is indeed impressive — that is until they come to your house for brunch.

One Friday last spring I planted nearly \$5,000 worth of trees on my acreage. The following day these trees were destroyed by grazing deer. This may be somewhat amusing to some, but not to anyone who has forked out after-tax dollars for these trees. Damage done by hungry deer or during rutting season is considerable.

The number of vehicle/deer collisions is also skyrocketing. In the past four weeks, I counted 17 dead deer on a six-mile stretch of road that I take into work each day.

From conversations with my neighbours I can tell you that the damage done to vehicles varies from a low of \$500 to the write-off of a \$20,000 car.

Our school bus hit two deer in separate incidents on the same day. In an attempt to avoid a deer, a 17-year-old neighbour was killed in the ensuing accident.

It gives me no pleasure to risk a fine discharging a firearm in the "no shoot zone." I have on more than one occasion shot deer that have been hit by cars. Anyone who has seen an animal with a broken back or one that is partially disembowelled will not soon forget that sight. I will never pass a suffering animal without humanely ending that misery. I would consider it a breach of my professional obligation to do otherwise.

To date we have had several mild winters here in central Alberta.

Conditions have been so good in fact that most does I have seen have been accompanied by twins. A heavy snowfall or freezing rain could very well result in many deer unable to reach sufficient forage. Starving deer are not a pretty sight either.

Another problem we have is the number of coyotes. Just about everyone in the neighbourhood has lost their cats or small dogs to these predators. A particularly disturbing trend is to see four or five coyotes hunting together. By combining their numbers they can bring down larger prey. It makes me wonder how long it will be

before they attempt to take a small child.

For as much as Salt Spring Island residents may think that banning hunting or shooting will be a panacea, they should understand that Mother Nature isn't always nice like on those old Walt Disney programs.

**BOB LICKACZ,**  
Parkland County, Alberta

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## Your letters are welcome

Letters to the editor are welcome, but writers are requested to keep their submissions to 400 words or less. Letters may be edited for brevity, legality and taste. Writers are also asked to furnish a telephone number where they may be reached during the day, and to sign their letters with their full name. Thank you letters will not normally be considered for publication.

## Suzuki foundation offers easy New Year's resolutions

New Year's resolutions — it's time to think of them, maybe make one.

Those who care about Mother Nature, who's under considerable stress these days, might resolve to do a little more this coming year to live more consciously, if not more conservingly.

Waking up to a problem and one's role in it is a great first step to solving it. Raising a hand and being counted among those who recognize it is another leap forward. Trying to play one's part a little smarter is better yet.

The David Suzuki Foundation offers a wonderful, ready-made set of easy-to-choose, relatively easy-to-do resolutions called the Nature Challenge. It's as simple

promising to do at least three of the following 10 things over the next year:

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- eliminate home and garden pesticides,
- eat meat-free meals one day a week,
- buy locally grown and produced food,
- drive a fuel-efficient car,
- walk, bus or bike once a week,
- choose a home near work or school,
- support transportation alternatives,

**SPRING-BOARD**  
BY BRENDA GUILD



- get involved and tell others.

Suzuki's goal is to get a million Canadians signed up, and my bet is that a million Canadians are already doing these things. Politicians, corporations and bureaucrats don't see it though, so they persist with dinosaur ways of lumbering over the planet, while the quiet, invisible actions of the caring populace don't register in planning, policy and law.

If you're aware and care and trying in small, everyday ways to walk the walk,

then taking the Nature Challenge can be your best New Year's resolution yet.

Suzuki, for the most part, preaches to the converted, but damn, there are a lot of them out there. His talks are sell-outs, he gets standing ovations wherever he goes, and his message, in whatever media it's delivered, reaches round the world. The numbers are there. It's time they got counted.

What about the unconverted? Is there any hope they'll ever get it? I doubt it. It's much more important to rally those who get it in than shout at those who don't. Those who favour growth for growth's sake, the operating principle of the cancer cell, will keep trying to seduce everyone to live their ethic

as long as they can. The spell they've cast can only be broken by an irrefutable wall of resistance to this epidemic disease — with thanks to Bill McKibbin, author of *The End of Nature*, for identifying this seduction and spell.

He writes, "We speak often, and sentimentally, of being 'enchanted' by the natural world. But what if it's the other way around? What if we are enchanted, literally, by the human world we live in [where] the consumer world amounts to a kind of lulling spell, changed tunelessly and eternally by the TV, the billboard, the suburb. A spell that convinces us that the things we want most from the world are comfort, convenience, security. A spell that,

should it start to weaken, we try to strengthen with medication, with consumption, with noise. A slightly frantic enchantment, one that has to get louder all the time to block out the troubling question constantly forming in the back of our minds: 'Is that all there is?'"

There is more, a world more, and it's all in the ties of community and communion with nature. Go to [www.davidsuzuki.org/WOL/Challenge](http://www.davidsuzuki.org/WOL/Challenge) or phone (604) 732-4228 to sign up for the Nature Challenge. The sooner Suzuki can deliver the million-plus list to government, the sooner we can get on with living smarter, better lives within nature's generous embrace and immutable limits.

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# More letters

## Truly civilized

Over 20 years ago, R.D. Lawrence, biologist and Canadian author, wrote:

"Why, I often wonder, do so many men feel that they must go out once a year and destroy some lovely, living thing?"

"Where is the pleasure, or the sense of prowess, in watching a pair of keen, velvet eyes become dull and unseeing, while blood spouts out of a horrible wound and the rictus of death moves the bowels and the bladder?"

"In the face of need, I can justify hunting; I have done so myself. One must eat. But in a society where food is abundant and so readily available, hunting for so-called sport is a barbaric and murderous activity."

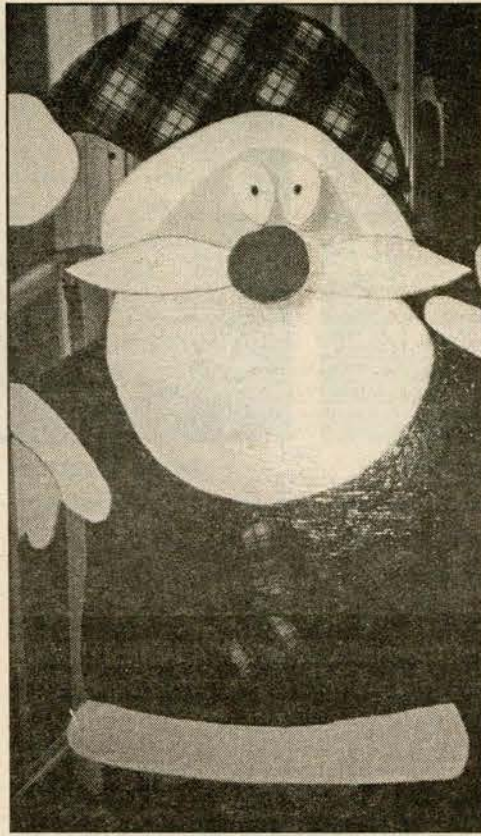
"It used to be that a few unprincipled men earned for all hunters a reputation that most of them did not deserve. In more recent times, the opposite is taking place; there are so many ignorant, brutal, lawless men stalking the forests in the hunting season that the good, careful hunters, those men who take pride in the stalk and in effecting a clean and instant kill, are so greatly outnumbered that many of the ones that I know personally have put their guns away, disgusted with the annual carnage and feeling that it is no longer safe to enter the wilderness at this time of madness."

Lawrence was writing about a sparsely populated area in northern Ontario. Perhaps it would be wise to ban hunting on more populous Salt Spring before an accident happens. But we face a practical problem. Laws are effective only if they can be enforced. What means do we have to enforce such a ban?

Lawrence was implying that we should eat only the meat of farm animals. He did not seem to be aware, as many people today are still not aware, of the cruelty inflicted on many farm animals; the lives of these animals are far more dreadful than the lives of hunted wild animals.

How many people concerned about deer hunting, I wonder, eat beef, pork or chicken bought from the supermarket? Farm animals are treated humanely on Salt Spring, but on many farms where animals are raised for meat, their lives — and deaths — are cruel. Many live in conditions you would not tolerate for your dog or cat: cows in crowded pens; cattle dehorned with hot irons; piglets castrated without painkillers; chickens with their beaks cropped, living in their own excrement. Yet these animals feel pain and fear just as deer do — and just as we do.

Only when we treat all animals humanely will we become a truly civilized society.  
**TILLY CRAWLEY,**  
 Salt Spring



This hand-crafted Santa was part of a Brinkworthy Christmas display that was stolen December 27.

## Grinch strikes again

We would like the morons who trespassed into Brinkworthy Place on the night of December 27 and stole part of our Christmas display in our front yard to have a conscience and return those items!

You not only stole our four-foot wooden cutouts of Santa and a snowman, you also stole our holiday spirit!

Everyone here in Brinkworthy Place outdid themselves this year to create a wonderful seasonal display and it was all appreciated and admired by residents and visitors.

To have someone sneak in during the night and violate this spirit and effort is stupid and senseless.

Why steal something of so little monetary value but something of joy to everyone?

You must be very proud of yourselves and a great disappointment to your families and it's sad to think your lives are so boring you have to stoop so low to get your kicks and amuse yourselves in this way.

**BILL WALTHO,**  
**GRIFF THOMPSON,**  
 Brinkworthy Place

# LOOKING BACK 2002 in review

From Page 5

their seiner — the Cap Rouge II — capsized at the mouth of the Fraser River. Maberley's husband and Head's father were rescued from the vessel.

• Petitions pressuring changes to a Canadian Coast Guard dive policy circulated Salt Spring and other areas of B.C. following the Cap Rouge II boating accident.

• Thanks to the fundraising efforts of 81-year-old Nils Christensen, enough money had been collected to equip four school buses with light-emitting diode (LED) strobe lights that would increase the safety of children boarding and exiting buses. By year's end, all buses had been equipped with the lights.

## September

• Islander Claire Rustad helped the Canadian national soccer team win silver at the FIFA Women's World U19 Championship September 1.

• The local Trust committee and Association for Short-Term Accommodation Rentals (ASTAR) locked horns over vacation rental issues. While ASTAR hoped

to legalize vacation rentals, the Trust re-affirmed its conviction to eliminate the rental of vacation homes.

• A "density bank" concept was created in relation to the newly created Burgoyne Bay Provincial Park lands. By selling densities attached to the land, the plan would allow the provincial government to recoup some funds it had provided to purchase the park land from Texada Land Corporation the previous year.

• A farm-loving crowd of 9,600 attended the Farmers' Institute Fall Fair September 14-15.

• Schools began with fewer teachers and more students in each class after the Gulf Islands School District struggled to meet provincial funding restrictions coupled with reduced revenue from decreased enrolment. Local school administrators were also puzzled over proposed changes to graduation requirements announced September 18.

• Islanders were shocked and upset after vandals shattered two stained-glass windows at the Salt Spring

United Church September 21.

• Gulf Islands residents also learned they could face a property tax-hike between \$70 and \$120 in future to pay for local policing costs, after the provincial government released a discussion paper on the restructuring of police services financing for small communities.

## October

• Onlookers were amazed to witness a pod of orcas attack a minke whale in Ganges Harbour just a few metres offshore on October 15.

• While one set of islanders moaned about a lack of water in wells and lakes from an extraordinarily dry year, the Salt Spring Parks, Arts and Recreation Commission floated a \$4.5-million fundraising price tag to build an indoor pool for the island.

• The Islands Trust ordered Ganges Marina to again remove the floathouse building because it did not conform to height and size restrictions from the official community plan. The controversial "barge" had been

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**Salt Spring Island**  
 VESUVIUS BAY - CROFTON

CROSSING TIME: 20 MINUTES  
 YEAR-ROUND SCHEDULE

LEAVE VESUVIUS BAY		LEAVE CROFTON	
• 7:00 am	u 4:00 pm	* 7:30 am	4:30 pm
x 8:00 am	5:00 pm	8:30 am	5:30 pm
9:00 am	6:00 pm	# 9:30 am	6:30 pm
10:00 am	7:00 pm	11:00 am	8:00 pm
11:30 am	8:30 pm	12:00 noon	9:00 pm
n 12:30 pm	9:30 pm	1:00 pm	10:00 pm
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3:00 pm		3:30 pm	

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**Salt Spring Island (Fulford Harbour) - Swartz Bay Departures**

IN EFFECT SEPT 29/02-JUNE 26/03 CROSSING TIME: 35

Depart Fulford Harbour	Depart Swartz Bay
@ 6:20 am	#@ 7:10 am
# 8:00 am	9:00 am
10:00 am	11:00 am
12:00 noon	1:00 pm
2:00 pm	3:00 pm
4:00 pm	5:00 pm
6:00 pm	7:00 pm
8:00 pm	9:00 pm

# Daily except Sunday  
 @ Sailings cancelled Dec. 25, 2002 & Jan. 1, 2003

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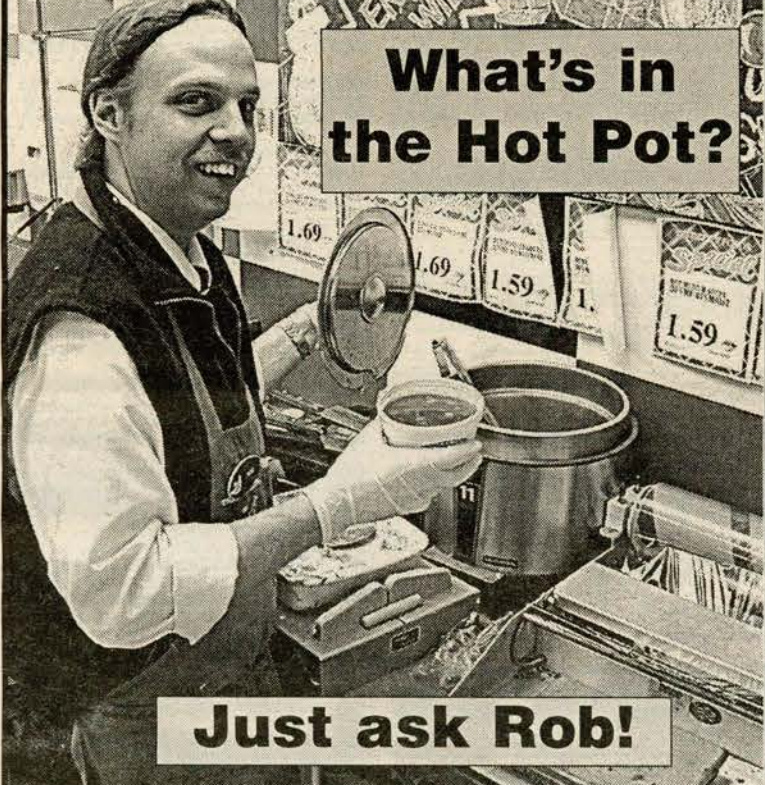
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S - Salt Spring Island		ExpressVu		StarChoice		WEDNESDAY EVENING JANUARY 1											
S	Star	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
240	CBC	Babe (1995)	James Cromwell	News	On Road	A Day in Canada	Random Passage	Random Passage	National	Out of Africa	Meryl Streep						
600	MC	Movie	Captain Corelli's Mandolin (2001)	Nicholas Cage	The Mothman Prophecies	Gosford Park (2001)	Maggie Smith										
4	NewVI	A VI Land New Year		VI News	Pandora	Seinfeld	Million?	Talk TV									
330	379	KING	Oprah Winfrey	KING News	News	Magazine	Squares	Ed									
244	358	CH	Days of Our Lives	CH News	News	Go! Mag.	70's...	W&Grace	Ed								
243	321	CTVBC	Caroline Rhea	The Urban Jungle	News	Frasier	Access	WifeKids	Degrassi								
241	336	GBLBC	Oprah Winfrey	News	National	News	ET	BobMarg	PSI Factor								
443	383	KCTS	RoughSci	RoughSci	Business	News	Travels in Europe	Great Performances									
101	SRC	Tweenies	ShelbyW.	Chick'n...	Wizz	Journal	Souires..	La Bottine	Infoman 2002								
445	354	KNOW	George	Mechanic	Art Attack	Kratts' C	CountryL	S. Space	Delia Smith's Coll.	Land of the Ice Bear	A Bridge to Mars	Space Horizons					
242	359	CITY	Maury Povich Show	John Walsh Show	News	Speaker's	B.Date	5thWheel	Enterprise								
454	523	BRAVO	Avonlea	Playwr.	Gzowski	The Red Violin (1998)	Samuel L. Jackson										
472	583	CMT	CMT Crossroads	Little House Prairie	Top 50 of 2002												
436	560	TLC	Maternity Ward	Maternity Ward	Maternity Ward	Maternity Ward	Maternity Ward	Maternity Ward	Maternity Ward	Maternity Ward	Maternity Ward	Maternity Ward	Maternity Ward	Maternity Ward	Maternity Ward	Maternity Ward	Maternity Ward
483	541	FAM	15 Tarzan	Weekend	10 Recess	McGuire	Amanda	All That	Stevens	Jackson	Boy MW	Dark?					
450	520	A&E	American Justice	Biography	American Justice	City Confidential	Third Watch	Biography	American Justice	City Confidential							
400	400	TSN	1:30 Football	Rose Bowl	Ok! Was.	Football	Sugar Bowl	NCAA	Georgia vs Florida State	Seminoles	SportsC	SnowTrx	Boxing	Molson2	Sportscentre		
407	419	RSP	Basketball	NBA Teams	TBA												
23	KSTW	Digimon	Tarzan	HomeImp	HomeImp	Frasier	Frasier	70's...	70's...	Enterprise	The Twilight Zone	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Spin City	D. Carey		
23	KVOS	S. Susan	FamFeud	Pyramid	St. Smart	W&Grace	Elimidate	Extra	Justice	Funny About Love	(1990)	Gene Wilder	W&Grace	J. Shoot	Cheers	NwsRad.	
333	382	KCPQ	Maury Povich Show	3rd Rock	Simpsons	King Hill	Simpsons	Friends	Friends	BernieM.	Cedric	Fastlane	Q13 News	Star Trek: DSN			
511	390	NEWS	Can. Now	Money	Counterspin	National	ForeignA.	Antiques	Roadshow	A Day in Canada	National	ForeignA.	Antiques	Roadshow	A Day in Canada		
332	381	KIRO	J. Judy	J. Judy	KIRO News	News	News	ET	Access	60 Minutes II	The Wedding Dress (2001)	Tyne Daly	News	Lettermn			
331	380	KOMO	1:30 Football	Rose Bowl	Ok! Was.	Football	Sugar Bowl	NCAA	Georgia vs Florida State	Seminoles	KOMO 4 News	Wheel	Jeopardy	News	Nightline		
438	394	VISION	Neon Rider	National Film Board	McLeod	Eternity	Future	National Film Board	McLeod	Your Music Zone	NorthR.	NorthR.					

# THIS WEEK'S MOVIES

- WEDNESDAY, JAN 1
- 7:00 PM  
**★★★ The Mothman Prophecies (2002, Thriller)** A reporter is drawn to a West Virginia town to investigate a series of strange events. *Richard Gere, Laura Linney* (2h)
- 8:00 PM  
**2 Random Passage (2001, Drama)** The story of a young Irish girl who arrives in Newfoundland in the early 1800's. *Aoife McMahon, Colm Meaney* (1h)
- 9:00 PM  
**★★★ Funny About Love (1990, Comedy)** A man leaves his wife and takes up with an enthusiastic college coed student. *Gene Wilder, Christine Lahti* (2h)
- 9:00 PM  
**2 Random Passage (2001, Drama)** The story of a young Irish girl who arrives in Newfoundland in the early 1800's. *Aoife McMahon, Colm Meaney* (1h)
- 9:00 PM  
**★★★★ Gosford Park (2001, Drama)** When a wealthy socialite is murdered at his country estate everyone becomes a suspect. *Maggie Smith, Michael Gambon* (2h30)
- 9:27  
**27 The Wedding Dress (2001, Romance)** Aunt Hannah's magical wedding dress moves through the lives of five different couples. *Tyne Daly, Margaret Colin* (2h)
- 9:30 PM  
**3 Mary Higgins Clark's Pretend You Don't See Her (2002, Mystery)** The life of a real estate agent takes a dramatic turn when she witnesses a murder. *Emma Samms, Beau Starr* (2h)
- 10:00 PM  
**13 ★ Wing Commander (1999, Sci-Fi)** Two fighter pilots and their girlfriends fight to save the universe from an evil villain. *Freddie Prinze Jr., Matthew Lillard* (2h)
- 10:00 PM  
**19 ★★ Driving Miss Daisy (1989, Drama)** An elderly lady shares her life and develops a special relationship with her chauffeur. *Jessica Tandy, Morgan Freeman* (1h40)
- 10:00 PM  
**14 The Color of Paradise (1999, Family)** A blind boy teaches his recently widowed father how to sense the world without sight. *Salme Feizi, Mohsen Ramezani* (1h45)
- 10:00 PM  
**2 ★★ Out of Africa (1985, Romance)** A woman in Africa endures many hardships as she falls in love with a British adventurer. *Meryl Streep, Robert Redford* (3h)
- 11:00 PM  
**10 Souvenir d'Afrique (1985, Biographie)** Une femme tombe amoureuse d'un aventurier auprès duquel elle débute comme écrivain. *Meryl Streep, Robert Redford* (2h40)
- 11:30 PM  
**3 ★★ American Pie 2 (2001, Comedy)** After a year of college, Jim, Stifler, Kevin, Oz and Finch reunite for a summer of fun. *Jason Biggs, Shannon Elizabeth* (2h)
- 11:45 PM  
**14 ★★★★★ Private Confessions (1997, True)** A woman's revelation about her infidelity leads to her husband's rage and her own delight. *Max von Sydow, Pernilla August* (2h15)



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# Calling young artists!

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S - Salt Spring Island		ExpressVu		StarChoice		WEEKDAY DAYTIME JANUARY 1 TO JANUARY 7												
S	Star	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	
240	CBC	7:00	Get Set For Life	Get Set For Life														
600	MC	Various Movies		Various Movies														
4	NewVI	7: New Year/New Day	CityLine															
330	379	KING	W Roses Parade	Football	Martha Stewart	C.Rhea/ Rob Nelson	News											
244	358	CH	Gold Trail/Pet Guys	Oprah Winfrey	Price is Right/W Tango	Y&R/ Wonderful	News											
243	321	CTVBC	7:00 Canada AM	Regis & Kelly	View/W V. Pringle	Daily Planet	eTalk	Bold & B.										
241	336	GBLBC	7:00 Heck's Way H.	100 Huntley Street	Worldvision	CrossOv.	Various	News/W Gold Yr	As the World Turns	Passions/W Gold Yr	Young & Restless							
443	383	KCTS	Various	Various	Various	Sesame Street/ Arthur	Various	Rogers	Various	ReadRain	Various	Jay Jay	Bet.Lions	Various	Various	Various	Various	
101	SRC	Variées	Variées	Variées	ME Souris	ME Célébrer temps	Ricardo	Variées	J...midi	Wizz	Cinéma variées							
445	354	KNOW	B. Clues	MagicB.	Castle	35 Hoobs	Fish	Dreamst.	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	
242	359	CITY	W Cooks	W Cooks	Star Trek: DSN	Relic Hunter	CityLine											
454	523	BRAVO	Various	45News	Road to Avonlea	Law & Order	Various Movies											
472	583	CMT	Heart and Home	W Top 50 of 2002														
436	560	TLC	Various	Personal	Various	Makeover	Various	DatingSt	Various	Wedding	Various	BabySt.	Trading Spaces/ Labor	Were Out/ Maternity	Various	Various	Various	
483	541	FAM	Various	Various	Various	35Stanley	Various	D'cktale	Various	40 L.Lulu	Various	Various	20Stanley	Various	10 O.Box	D'cktale	Various	50Pepper
450	520	A&E	Murder She Wrote	City Conf.	Movie	American Justice	Various Movies											
400	400	TSN	Sportscentre/ Football	Various	Molson2	Various	Various	TH F Golf	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various
407	419	RSP	SportNws	SportNws	SportNws	SportNws	SportNws	SportNws	SportNws	SportNws	SportNws	SportNws	Sportfish	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various
23	KSTW	700 Club	WeakLink	CrossOv.	Ricki Lake	J. Joe	J. Joe	The People's Court	Divorce	Divorce	Hughleys	Sabrina	Buzz	Recess				
23	KVOS	Various	Various	Paid	We Jury	The People's Court	Judge Greg Mathis	Touché By Angel	Seventh Heaven	Montel Williams	Diagnosis Murder							
333	382	KCPQ	W Football Tex./LSU	TH F M Good Day	Jerry Springer	Jenny J.	Fresh P.	Maury Povich Show	Beyond	Justice	Jerry Springer	Jenny Jones						
511	390	NEWS	Various	News/Tod	W Rough Cuts	NewsWorld/ Life&T.	W Inside Information	Earth TV	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various
332	381	KIRO	Early Show/W Parade	Life Moments	PriceR.	W B & B	Young & Restless/ Life	Various	Bold & B.	As the World Turns	The Guiding Light	Montel Williams						
331	380	KOMO	W Roses Parade	Regis & Kelly	The View/W Football	News	P.Charles	All My Children	One Life	Football	General Hospital	Northwest						
438	394	VISION	It's a New Day	Mass	Various	Neon Rider	Youngren	Robison	Various	Q.Study	Various	Little House / Music	Twice in a Lifetime					

# YOUR WEEKLY PULL-OUT TV GUIDE

Table with columns for channel, time, and program titles for Thursday Evening January 2. Includes programs like 'The Secret Garden', 'Columbo: Butterfly in Shades of Grey', and 'The War Bride'.



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Table with columns for channel, time, and program titles for Friday Evening January 3. Includes programs like 'Kiss of the Dragon', 'Voyage of the Unicorn', and 'The Nutty Professor'.

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Table with columns for channel, time, and program titles for Saturday Daytime January 4. Includes programs like 'The Man Who Cried', 'The War Bride', and 'The Nutty Professor'.

Table with columns for channel, time, and program titles for Saturday Evening January 4. Includes programs like 'The War Bride', 'The Affair of the Necklace', and 'Sweet William'.

10:00 PM
1993, Fantasy) When an orphan is sent to live with her uncle, she discovers an enchanted secret garden. Kate Maberly, Heydon Prowse (2h)
20 \*\*\* Columbo: Butterfly in Shades of Grey (1994, Mystery) Columbo investigates a radio-show host suspected of killing a member of his staff. Peter Falk, William Shatner (2h)
11:15 PM
3 The War Bride (2001, Drama) During World War II, a British woman falls for a Canadian soldier and ends up in Alberta. Molly Parker, Anna Friel (2h)
11:30 PM
2 The Company of Strangers (1990, Drama) Stranded in Canada, in the middle of nowhere, seven elderly women recapture their youth. Alice Diabo, Constance Gameau (2h)
11:55 PM
10 Didier (1997, Comédie) Un agent recruteur au soccer garde un chien, qui devient un joueur étoile du sport. Alain Chabat, Jean-Pierre Bacri (2h5)
FRIDAY, JAN 3
6:00 PM
13 \*\*\* American Buffalo (1996, Drama) Three losers plan a robbery to steal a valuable coin they had earlier sold for pennies. Dustin Hoffman, Denis Franz (1h45)
20 \*\*\* No Mercy (1986, Action) A tough Chicago cop travels to New Orleans to track down his partner's killer. Richard Gere, Kim Basinger (2h)
6:30 PM
10 La vie est belle (1997, Comédie dramatique) Un père de famille excentrique tente d'épargner à son fils les monstruosités de la guerre. Giorgio Cantarini, Nicoletta Braschi (2h)
7:30 PM
19 Jett Jackson: The Movie (2001, Drama) After an on-set accident, Jett Jackson finds himself trading places with his alter ego. Lee Thompson Young, Michael Ironside (1h30)
8:00 PM
3 \*\*\* Kiss of the Dragon (2001, Action) Kung-fu fighting Chinese cop is sent to aid French police in the arrest of a drug dealer. Bridget Fonda, Jet Li (1h45)
6 \*\*\* Voyage of the Unicorn (2002, Fantasy) A grief-stricken mythology scholar and his daughters are thrust into a fantasy world. Beau Bridges, Chantal Conlin (2h)
11 \*\*\*\* A Man for All Seasons (1966, Drama) Sir Thomas More goes willingly to the chopping block rather than sacrifice his ideals. Robert Shaw, Leo McKern (2h)
23 \*\*\* Gun Shy (2000, Drama) An undercover DEA agent joins a group therapy session and meets a kooky nurse. Liam Neeson, Sandra Bullock (2h)
23 \*\*\* Perry Mason: Case of the Maligned Mobster (1991, Mystery) Perry Mason defends a gangster suspected of killing his wife. Raymond Burr, Barbara Hale (2h)
25 \*\*\* The Nutty Professor (1996, Comedy) Professor Klump takes a revolutionary potion that makes him shed some of his 400 pounds. Eddie Murphy, Jada Pinkett Smith (2h)
9:00 PM
13 The Messiah (2001, Mystery) Police track a serial killer who murders men bearing the names of the 12 apostles. Ken Scott, Edward Woodward (2h)
13 \*\*\*\* Ruthless People (1986, Comedy) A wealthy garment manufacturer schemes to have his stocky wife killed. Danny DeVito, Bette Midler (1h35)
9:45 PM
3 \*\*\* Kate & Leopold (2001, Romance) A spunky city girl falls for a charming 19th century nobleman in present-day New York. Meg Ryan, Hugh Jackman (2h)
14 \*\*\* Mudhoney (1965, Drama) A film about a ranch hand with busy hands and a lynch mob with a strange sense of justice. Hal Hopper, John Furlong (2h)
10:00 PM
20 \*\*\* No Mercy (1986, Action) A tough Chicago cop travels to New Orleans to track down his partner's killer. Richard Gere, Kim Basinger (2h)
10:35 PM
19 \*\*\*\* The Watcher in the Woods (1981, Horror) Two children encounter the ghost of a girl who disappeared in the forest decades earlier. Bette Davis, Carol Baker (1h25)
11:30 PM
2 \*\*\* Bean (1997, Comedy) A bumbling London museum guard accompanies a famous painting to Los Angeles. Rowan Atkinson, Sandra Oh (2h)
11:45 PM
3 \*\*\* Sidewalks of New York (2001, Comedy/Drama) A documentary camera-man chronicles the love lives of six lonely people in New York City. Edward Burns, Heather Graham (2h)
14 \*\*\* Weekend Pass (1984, Drama) Three rookie sailors take to the town on their weekend pass in search of a good time. Peter Ellenstein, Patrick Houser (1h45)
11:55 PM
10 Les enfants du silence (1986, Drame psychologique) Un enseignant s'éprend d'une ancienne élève qui refuse de parler autrement que par signes. William Hurt, Marlee Matlin (2h10)
SATURDAY, JAN 4
6:00 PM
14 \*\*\*\* Love Me Tender (1956, Musical) A southern family is torn apart by the Civil War and a son's love for his sister-in-law. Elvis Presley, Richard Egan (2h)
7:00 PM
3 \*\*\* Black Hawk Down (2001, Action) An elite team of peacekeepers attempt to kidnap a crime lord's top lieutenants in Somalia. Josh Hartnett, Eric Bana (2h30)
8:00 PM
3 Haven't We Met Before? (2002, Suspense) A law student finds herself at the mercy of a man claiming to know her from a past life. Nicolette Sheridan, Page Fletcher (2h)
23 Amityville Dollhouse (1996, Horror) A family moves into the notorious Amityville home and finds an old possessed dollhouse. Steve White, Robin Thomas (2h)
23 \*\*\* Erasable You (1998, Comedy/Drama) Man happily married to his second wife, plots to kill his first wife by hiring a hit man. Timothy Busfield, Jennifer Grant (2h)
8:30 PM
5 13 \*\*\* Twister (1996, Action) Two rival teams of scientists, known as storm chasers, pursue a storm system in Oklahoma. Helen Hunt, Bill Paxton (2h30)
9:00 PM
6 \*\*\* The Avro Arrow (1996, Drama) The story of the lighter-interceptor jet Canada designed and built during the Cold War. Dan Aykroyd, Ron White (2h)
9:30 PM
3 \*\*\*\* The Adventures of Tom Sawyer (1938, Adventure) Mark Twain's classic tale about growing up in a small town in the mid-1800s. Tommy Kelly, Jackie Moran (1h30)
10 \*\*\* A River Runs Through It (1992, Drama) Two brothers rebel against their father's strictness, but are brought together by fishing. Craig Sheffer, Brad Pitt (2h5)
9:15 PM
14 \*\*\* Swashbuckler (1976, Action) A noblewoman and two pirates set sail to free Jamaica from his perverted dictator. Robert Shaw, James Earl Jones (2h)
9:30 PM
3 \*\*\* The Affair of the Necklace (2001, Drama) In pre-revolutionary France, an aristocratic woman decides to steal a priceless necklace. Hillary Swank, Christopher Walken (2h)
10 \*\*\*\* Le patient anglais (1996, Drame de meurtre) Une infirmière soigne un pilote blessé ayant connu un grand amour tragique. Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche (3h)
11:15 PM
14 \*\*\* Sweet William (1980, Drama) A philandering Scotsman meets his woman when he tries to seduce a naive British woman. Sam Waterston, Jenny Agutter (1h45)

# Turning resolutions into reality

Seven Practices for Creating What Matters Most In Life & Work

On January 14, the Community Economic Development Project is sponsoring a workshop led by Bruce Elkin of Summit Strategies called *Turning Resolutions into Reality*. The following article outlines some content of the workshop.

By BRUCE ELKIN

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"Quitting smoking is easy!" quipped my friend Ken. "I've done it hundreds of times."

We were talking about New Year's resolutions. I agreed that making resolutions is easy but argued that putting them into action and sustaining them was difficult. Ken thought resolutions were a fun New Year's ritual but didn't really expect them to produce results.

So do most people.

My clients tell me that each January they set goals, write out plans and then try to live up to the resolutions they make. They resolve to quit smoking, lose weight, get in shape, be nicer, improve their business, make more (or less) money, or any of a thousand things they think they should or want to do.

However, each year, many tell me that something upsets their plans. They ignore their resolve and drift back into their comfortable but ineffective habits. Instead of reaping the results and good feelings they wanted, they feel frustrated, guilty, and depressed. Sound familiar?

If it does, don't beat yourself up; that just compounds the guilt and depression. There is a way to successfully turn your resolutions into reality. The following practices can help you create and sustain almost any result that matters to you.

**1. Create a clear, compelling vision of what you want to create.**

Focus on what you want to bring into being, not on what you want to get rid of.

"I wish I could lose weight" becomes "I choose to create a lean, well-toned and athletic body."

"Quitting smoking" becomes "creating the clean, strong, fit and healthy lungs of a non-smoker." Every person I've worked with who chose to be a non-smoker succeeded. Most of those who chose to quit smoking had an experience similar to Ken's.

It's fine to start with concepts such as "success," "a great relationship," or "a better business." However, creative power comes from focussing concepts into visions. Picture or describe the specifics of what you want to create.

**2. Assess current reality accurately and objectively.**

Vision by itself has little power. If it's not rooted in reality, vision is merely wishful thinking. You need to know your destination and your starting point.

Unfortunately, however, many of us misrepresent reality to ourselves. Instead of describing reality, we judge it.

For example, we say, "Everything is screwed up," when only a small part of our life or work might not be going well. When we distort

reality, we create a shaky foundation for action.

Instead of saying, "Everything is screwed up," say, "I'm behind in a couple of assignments at work but my relationship with my partner is improving, my health is top notch, and I'm putting \$100 a month into an RSP."

Describing reality objectively establishes a solid foundation for action. It also neutralizes the emotional force of reality. Vision becomes your driving force.

**3. Hold vision and reality together to set up creative tension.**

Hold a clear picture of where you want to go together with an objective description of current reality. Holding vision and reality in mind simultaneously sets up a discrepancy — a gap — out of which a useful, creative tension emerges.

Creative tension is the engine of creating. It embraces and transcends the emotional tension that accompanies problem solving. It generates energy you can use to move from where you are to where you want to be. Moreover, it allows you the flexibility to explore and experiment without getting lost in the process.

**4. Take small steps. Create and adjust.**

Many of us are closet perfectionists. We demand that our first steps be perfect. So, either we give up when we falter, or the fear of failing prevents us from acting in the first place. The key to getting started is taking small, easy steps. See each step as an experiment that teaches you what to do next. If you don't like a result, adjust your action. If you make a wrong decision, make another one. When you're creating, failure is simply feedback. Try again, or try something else. Go for getting better, not for being perfect.

**5. Build momentum.**

Momentum is more important than motivation. It helps you get through times when motivation fails. Any time you encounter adversity can be a "strategic moment," a chance to build momentum.

When something does not go as you would prefer it to go:

1. Notice what is happening. Notice what you say to yourself about the situation, yourself and any others who might be involved.

2. Is what you're saying consistent with what you really want? Is it accurate and objective? If it isn't, change how you describe it to make it so.

3. Ask yourself, "What do I want?" Envision a fully realized picture of what you want.

4. Formally choose what you want. Say, "I choose" — and add the vision of your desired result.

5. Move on. Take whatever next step occurs to you, or do something else and come back to what you were doing later.

This technique is simple yet incredibly powerful. You can use it when you are angry, frustrated, depressed, or any time you encounter adversity.

**6. Practice, practice, practice!**

Few of us are born with the skills and talent to achieve all our visions. But we are learners. We can try things, correct mistakes, and practice until the new becomes natural.

Making success an all or nothing leap often leaves you with nothing.

**7. Know when you reach your goal.**

It's not enough to say, "I want to be successful."

Without guidelines for judging results, you are like a dog chasing its tail, seeking success but never knowing when you achieve it. To harness the full power of creating, you have to know when you've completed your creation. This is why vision is best when it's specific rather than general. You assess your result against the specifics and see if it matches your vision. If it does, you're done. Move on to your next creation.

Completing a creation and living with the results generates new energy with which to initiate new creations. When Picasso was asked what his favorite painting

was, he immediately answered, "My next one!" Finish fully, acknowledge your results and celebrate your success. Start on your next result. Success builds on success.

## Creating Your Own Future

"Those who do not create the future they want," warns systems expert Draper L. Kaufman, Jr., "must endure the future they get."

Now is the best time to become the creator of your own future.

Focus your vision and action on what you most want. Think big, start small, and get better. Learn from your mistakes, build momentum and follow through to completion.

Applying these practices consistently could make a major difference in your life and work. Doing so has helped my clients create small businesses and reinvent large ones. It's helped individuals shift careers, redesign and renovate homes and offices, build studios, start alternative schools, find their dream jobs, spend winters in Mexico, craft loving relationships and just generally feel freer, more engaged, alive and in the flow.

The philosopher Goethe advised, "Whatever you can do, or dream you can do, begin it. Boldness has genius, power and magic in it." So why not be bold this New Year's?

Last New Year's, my friend Ken tried out this approach and he hasn't smoked since.



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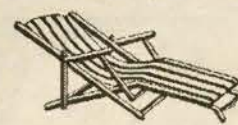
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**CHRISTMAS ELVES:** Rose and Doug Atkins were among the volunteers who set out just before Christmas with food hampers for needy islanders. About 140 hampers went out this year, following overwhelming support from islanders who donated to the annual cause.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

## Pender Queen history on tap

When Don Small and Alf Carter bought the Pender Queen in 1980 from B.C. Ferries, they knew they were getting a large chunk of Gulf Islands history.

Small is set to share some of this history when he discusses the fascinating early ferry with the Salt Spring Historical Society on Wednesday, January 8.

Built in Victoria's Yarrows Shipyard in 1923, the Pender Queen started its life as the CPR's Motor Princess, which was the first roll-on, roll-off ferry in the world. Powered by a diesel engine, the ship was unique for its time.

The Motor Princess was purchased by the Gulf Islands Ferry Company in 1957.

Small and Carter hoped to convert the Pender Queen into a floating fishing camp. They renamed it the Pender Lady and did a major refit on the ship. They sold the ship in the early 1980s and, when last heard from, the Pender Lady was being used as a floating fishing camp in the Queen Charlotte Islands.

Born in Kelowna, Small

has had a long connection with marine life. He worked in Shell Oil's marine department for six years and then in various marine enterprises of his own. He moved to Salt Spring Island in 1974 and was part of a partnership that built the Vesuvius Inn in 1977-78, which he managed until 1981.

Everyone is welcome to attend the historical society's first meeting of 2003, which will take place at Central Hall at 2 p.m.



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## LOOKING BACK 2002 in review

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replaced by a new breakwater, and the marina also asked for public input on a general development concept for the property.

Salt Spring farmers sought to create a seed sanctuary on the island to preserve plant diversity from contamination by genetically engineered organisms.

### November

The month's news was dominated by local government elections that saw four of six seats adopted by newcomers on November 16.

Kimberly Liniger and Eric Booth topped the Islands Trust polls, deposing six-year trustee David Borrowman, while Gary Holman became CRD director ahead of challengers Booth (who ran for both positions) and Doug Rajala.

Michelle Krayenhoff replaced Garth Hendren as third Salt Spring trustee on the Gulf Islands School Board, with all other incumbents retaining their positions.

PARC approved spending \$84,000 to improve nine parks and recreation facilities. Projects at Portlock Park included a new playground, ball field dugout and improvements to washrooms and offices. PARC also approved improvements to Fulford ballpark bleachers and partnership projects with Rotary Marine Park and the school district.

B.C. Hydro crews replaced a two-kilometre electrical conductor at Sansum Narrows just as the provincial government announced plans to divide the utility into two Crown corporations that would allow independent producers to sell power to consumers.

Fernwood Dock found stability under an agreement between the CRD and the federal Department of Transport that would see the facility receive \$280,000 in upgrade funds as part of a plan to transfer the dock from the federal government to a local commission.

### December

Salt Spring Dollars received unwanted attention after a Vancouver Sun columnist wrote an unflattering article describing past business dealings of Salt Spring Island Monetary Foundation (SSIMF) treasurer William Krebs. The SSIMF was then reviewed by investigators from the B.C. Financial Institutions Commission and its accounts closed by the Bank of Montreal.

The B.C. Ferry

Corporation was restructured into a separate company governed by an independent regulator. The first act of the B.C. Ferry Authority was to increase fares by 3.8 per cent and announce a four-year annual increase of 4.4 per cent on Gulf Islands routes.

The Lady Minto Hospital Foundation had raised \$375,000 of its (\$650,000) fundraising target for building a new \$1.8-million operating room in spring 2003.

Local pubs received preliminary approval to begin building new cold beer and wine stores after the provincial government announced plans to exit the business of liquor retail and distribution.

Gulf Islands Secondary School student Hannah Munro donated her \$600 trombone to an impoverished Cuban musician while visiting his country on a school trip.

Ex-B.C. premier Mike Harcourt was rescued by island firefighters, ambulance attendants and coast guard crews after he fell off a six-metre cliff at his Pender Island cabin.

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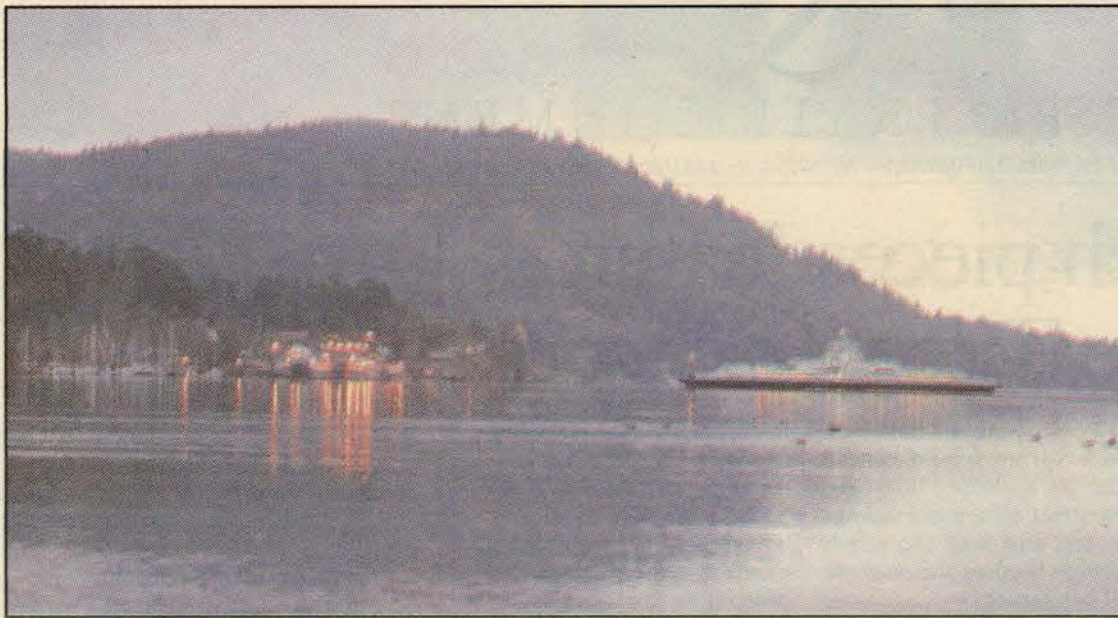
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**EARLY RUN:** The Motor Vessel *Skenea* a Queen putters toward the lights of Fulford Harbour with a backdrop of Reginald Hill one early morning just before Christmas.

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## Bach to Britney Spears: I hear music

We must remember, Mozart and Beethoven didn't hear all the sounds we hear.

They never heard the sound of a motor car starting, running, grinding, stopping. They never heard a telephone ring, or an airplane roar.

— Gregor Piatigorsky

And, one might add that, since he died in 1976, Mister Piatigorsky (no mean musician himself) never got to hear the tell-tale blip of a cell phone, the supersonic howl of an SST, or Eminem singing about The Real Slim Shady.

Strange critter, music, when you think about it. My dictionary defines it as "the art of combining vocal and/or instrumental sounds to produce beauty of form, harmony and expression of emotion."

That's a tad wordy. I prefer Debussy's take; he called music "the arithmetic of sound."

However you define it, humankind has been making music of one kind or another ever since some nameless Neanderthal used a pair of mastodon ribs and the floor of his cave to produce the world's first drum solo.

But why do we make music? Because it makes us feel better, I guess.

Although that doesn't do much to explain musical aberrations like Muzak, Lawrence Welk — or Eminem singing The Real Slim Shady.

Still, there's no accounting for musical taste. One person's Bach is another person's Britney Spears — even your mutt will tell you that.

No kidding. Researchers at Queen's University in Belfast, Northern Ireland recently put 50 dogs of assorted pedigrees into a room and played a whole bunch of music at them to see how they reacted.

The dogs were treated to all manner of music. Everything from Bob Marley to Vivaldi; from Beethoven to Metallica.

Not to mention the aforementioned Johann Sebastian and Britney.

Results? The scientists found that the dogs — be they Doberman or dachshund, shih-tzu or St. Bernard — preferred classical music to rock and roll. They became calm and placid when Bach or Beethoven was piped into their room.

When Metallica came on they went nuts, barking, howling and even snarling and biting at each other. Hey — just like the audience at your average Metallica concert.

No question that the making of music has been transformed down through the ages.

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logs to Hammond organs.

And we've gone even farther than that.

Consider: It is possible for me to go home this afternoon, flick on my computer and become an instant musician.

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I can then toss in a saxophone, electric guitar, bass, cello, trumpet, piano — you name it.

It's all in the program. What's more, I don't have to learn how to fret

a chord, handle a drumstick, or find middle C on the piano. There is no piano. All there is is my computer mouse.

Is this music? Well, I have my doubts. The scary thing is, if I do it well enough, you wouldn't be able to tell it from real music — the kind produced by actual musicians.

Is it the way of the future? I hope not, but I did notice a small newspaper item in the Wall Street Journal recently. Apparently the Pentagon has just purchased a carload of what they are pleased to call "technologically enhanced" bugles.

From now on, any member of a U.S. funeral honour guard will be able to put one of these bugles to his lips, press a button and emit a digitally recorded, technically perfect rendition of Taps.

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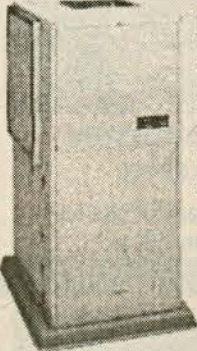
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### Father and son Bach pieces featured at upcoming Poole/Tilney concert

Elissa Poole and Colin Tilney might not agree on which Bach wrote the Flute and Obligato Harpsichord Duo in G minor, but their long performance relationship has flourished nonetheless.

At their January 10 ArtSpring concert, Poole and Tilney will even be performing the piece.

According to press material provided by Poole, she believes J.S. Bach wrote the G-minor duo, while Tilney favours theories of authorship which land in his son C.P.E. Bach's lap.

Poole, a baroque flutist, and harpsichord player Tilney have been performing together since 1985, when they presented their first concerts in Toronto and prepared several programs of Baroque music for BBC Radio 3 in London, England.

Since then they have been joint members of the early music ensemble Les Coucoucs Bénévoles, which specializes in both 18th-century and contemporary music on period instruments. They have toured throughout Canada, recording regularly for CBC Radio, and they are represented together on discs on the Artifact, Music and Arts, and CBC labels.

For their Salt Spring concert, Poole and Tilney will present a program of solo and duo sonatas by J.S. Bach and his most famous son, C.P.E. Bach, plus "a bit of virtuosic frivolity by a student of J.S. Bach — Johann Kirnberger."

Tilney is an internationally known interpreter of music for harpsichord, clavichord and fortepiano, with many solo records on Decca, Deutsche Grammophon, Hyperion, Dorian and the CBC Series. He moved to Toronto in 1979 from London, England, where he taught at the Royal Conservatory and was a founding member of

Les Coucoucs Bénévoles.

Poole traded in her silver flute for a one-keyed baroque "floute" in the late '70s and says she "hardly looked back," regretting only the absence of new music in the repertoire for her adopted instrument. With the aid of a circle of composers and close friends whose musical inclinations found inspiration in the sonorities of early instruments, she has been able to partly fill the repertoire void.

In traditional repertoire, French Baroque music has been a special passion for Poole, along with Bach and what she calls "the wacky virtuoso writing of the Berlin school." In Toronto, where her career was centred from 1985, Poole has been flutist with the Tafelmusik Orchestra and an active freelancer and journalist.

Poole is again living on Salt Spring Island, where she is "spending less time on street cars, more time in boats, and way too much energy keeping the deer out of her garden."

Next Friday's concert begins at 8 p.m., with a free pre-concert by island musician George Ehring taking place at 7 p.m.

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Performers at ArtSpring series, tickets are on sale through the box office: 537-2102. Series ticket holders should note that the original concert date has been changed by one day to January 10.

Poole and Tilney will also perform for the Early Music Society of the Islands the next evening in Victoria.

### Suzuki plans stop at Starbooks

While David Suzuki is on Salt Spring to speak about local currency at the Salt Spring Island Monetary Foundation event at ArtSpring Tuesday night, he's also making a bookstore stop earlier in the day.

Suzuki, a noted environmentalist and long-time host of The Nature of Things TV show, will read and sign books at Starbooks in Gasoline Alley on January 7 at 4 p.m.

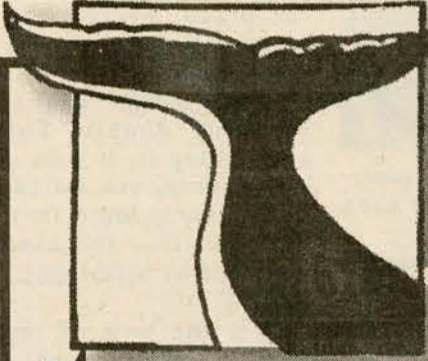
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11:20 PM
19 Rascal (1969, Drama) A baby raccoon struggles his way into the life of a lonely boy. Steve Forrest, Bill Mumy (1h25)
11:30 PM
3 Jeepers Creepers (2001, Horror) Two college students attempt to escape from an unstoppable supernatural creature. Gina Philips, Justin Long (1h30)
SUNDAY, JAN 5
6:00 PM
13 Anna and the King (1999, Romance) The story of a widowed British school teacher who falls in love with the King of Siam. Jodie Foster, Chow Yun-Fat (2h45)
23 The Rapture (1991, Drama) A telephone operator by day and sexual adventurer by night discovers the meaning of life. Mimi Rogers, Michael Tolkin (2h)
7:00 PM
23 Gone With the Wind (1939, Romance) Southern belle Scarlett O'Hara schemes and manipulates to survive and save her land. Vivien Leigh, Clark Gable (3h)
23 Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory (1971, Musical) A chocolate maker distributes five golden passes for a trip through his chocolate factory. Gene Wilder, Jack Albertson (1h)
3 Charlotte Gray (2001, Drama) A lady enlists with British Intelligence so she can go to France and search for her lover. Cate Blanchett, Billy Crudup (4h)
8:00 PM
4 The Object of My Affection (1998, Drama) A young woman falls hopelessly in love with her best friend, who is also her gay roommate. Jennifer Aniston, Paul Rudd (2h30)
13 Enemy of the State (1998, Action) A lawyer becomes the target of a corrupt politician when he receives evidence to a crime. Will Smith, Gene Hackman (3h)
23 Deadly Whispers (1995, Drama) A woman stands by husband when he is the only remaining suspect in their child's murder. Tony Danza, Pamela Reed (2h)
23 Chinatown (1974, Mystery) A private detective investigation of an affair leads to murder and huge cover-ups. Jack Nicholson, Faye Dunaway (2h30)
8:45 PM
13 The Hotel New Hampshire (1984, Comedy) An eccentric family establishes new hotels wherever they go, and have numerous encounters. Jodie Foster, Rob Lowe (2h)
9:00 PM
6 Crooked Hearts (1991, Drama) Tension laid bare with the father/son's infidelity. Vincent D'Onofrio, Jennifer Jason Leigh (2h)
13 Awakenings (1990, Drama) An experimental drug inspires the awakening of a number of catatonic patients. Robin Williams, Robert DeNiro (2h15)
27 The Crooked E: The Unshredded Truth About Enron (2002, Docu-Drama) The story of a 26-year-old who started working at the Enron Corporation in early 2001. Brian Dennehy, Christian Kane (2h)
10:45 PM
13 Alice Doesn't Live Here Anymore (1974, Drama) After her husband's sudden death, a young woman attempts to launch a singing career. Ellen Burstyn, Kris Kristofferson (2h15)
11:00 PM
3 Hedwig and the Angry Inch (2001, Musical) A trans-gendered rock star from East Berlin searches for the boy who stole his music. John Cameron Mitchell, Miriam Shor (1h30)
11:15 PM
13 Rob Roy, The Highland Rogue (1954, Drama) Rob Roy does battle with the English lords, weds and avenges his brother's death. Richard Todd, Glynis Johns (1h30)
11:25 PM
10 Une histoire vraie (1999, Drama) A 73 ans, un homme se rend au Wisconsin au volant de sa tondeuse à gazon. Sissy Spacek, Richard Farnsworth (2h)
MONDAY, JAN 6
6:00 PM
13 Live a Little, Love a Little (1968, Musical) A man manages to land two well-paying photographer's jobs and works both at the same time. Elvis Presley, Michele Carey (1h45)
8:00 PM
23 Gone With the Wind (1939, Romance) Southern belle Scarlett O'Hara schemes and manipulates to survive and save her land. Vivien Leigh, Clark Gable (3h)
23 Any Given Sunday (1999, Sport) A pro-football coach fights to motivate his quarterback as he battles with the new owner. Al Pacino, Jamie Foxx (3h)
23 Skyscraper (1995, Action) A helicopter pilot finds herself and her passengers at the mercy of a band of mercenaries. Anna Nicole Smith, Richar Steinmetz (2h)
9:00 PM
13 Little Shop of Horrors (1986, Comedy) A man develops an unusual man-eating plant that brings him fame and good fortune. Rick Moranis, Ellen Greene (1h30)
10:00 PM
13 All Hands on Deck (1961, Musical) A lieutenant getting ready for an important inspection is hindered by his girlfriend. Pat Boone, Buddy Hackett (2h)
11:00 PM
3 Miss Congeniality (2000, Comedy) A tomboy FBI agent goes undercover in the Miss USA pageant to prevent a terrorist bombing. Sandra Bullock, Michael Caine (2h)
11:55 PM
10 Phénomène (1996, Drama) Une mécanicienne trappée par une étrange lueur se réveille avec intelligence supérieure. John Travolta, Kyra Sedgwick (2h5)
TUESDAY, JAN 7
6:00 PM
13 Schmelvis - Searching for the Kings Jewish Roots (2000) A documentary journey from Canada to Graceland to Israel in search of Elvis' true roots. (2h)
23 John and the Missus (1987, Drama) A mining community is caught in the middle of government plans. Jackie Burrough, Gordon Pinsent (2h)
7:15 PM
3 Anne Rice's Feast of All Saints Free people of colour were once caught between the white privileged and black oppression. Peter Gallagher, Gloria Ruben (1h45)
8:00 PM
23 Undercurrent (1998, Thriller) An ex-cop becomes involved in a dangerous scheme to raise money for his night club. Lorenzo Lamas, Brenda Strong (2h)
9:00 PM
3 Live from Baghdad (2002, Drama) A CNN producer recounts the stress of covering the Gulf War live from a Baghdad studio. Michael Keaton, Jeffrey Wright (2h)
10:00 PM
13 Lost in the Bermuda Triangle (1998, Sci-Fi) A couple is caught in a tropical storm and the wife goes missing in the Bermuda Triangle. Ron Canada, Geraldine Zinat (2h)
13 Arthur (1981, Comedy) A lovable millionaire risks it all when he falls in love with an irresistible waitress. Dudley Moore, Jill Eikenberry (1h35)
23 John and the Missus (1987, Drama) A mining community is caught in the middle of government plans. Jackie Burrough, Gordon Pinsent (2h)
10:00 PM
13 Elvis Meets Nixon (1997, Comedy) A real-life meeting between President Nixon and Elvis Presley, the King of rock 'n' roll. Rick Peters, Bob Gunton (2h)
11:00 PM
3 The Million Dollar Hotel (2000, Drama) A detective investigates a murder in a ramshackle hotel run by a clan of eccentric people. Jimmy Smits, Mel Gibson (2h15)


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<p style="background-color: black; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">Special Events</p> <p>Polar Bear Swim. At Vesuvius Beach, 1 p.m. Costume theme is Harry Potter.</p>	<p style="background-color: black; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">Special Events</p> <p>Community Meditation. SS United Church, 11:15-12:30.</p>	<p style="background-color: black; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">Music</p> <p>Gene Grooms. At Porters, 8-10 p.m.</p> <p style="background-color: black; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">Family</p> <p>Make a Hat &amp; Mittens. Fables Cottage, 1-2 p.m.</p> <p style="background-color: black; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">Activities</p> <p>Life Drawing. SS United Church, 1-3 p.m. Roller-blading to Music. Fridays at Fulford Hall, 7:30-9 p.m.</p>	<p style="background-color: black; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">WHAT'S ON</p>  <p style="font-size: 0.8em;">Betty Taylor keeps warm at the Christmas market in Centennial Park. <small>Photo by Derrick Lundy</small></p>	<p style="background-color: black; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">Music</p> <p>Sue Newman Band. Sunday Dinner Jazz at Moby's, 7 p.m.</p> <p style="background-color: black; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">WED. Jan. 8</p> <p style="background-color: black; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">Special Events</p> <p>SS Historical Society. Don Small talk on CPR Motor Princess/Pender Queen. Central Hall, 2 p.m.</p> <p style="background-color: black; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">Music</p> <p>'Simply Organic' Recital of popular organ music followed by coffee and muffins. All Saints, 10:10 a.m. Wednesday Night LIVE! Open stage at Moby's, 9 p.m.</p>	<p style="background-color: black; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">Meetings</p> <p>Astrological Study Group. Core Inn Mondays, 7-8:30 p.m.</p> <p style="background-color: black; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">Activities</p> <p>Dance Classes with Sue Newman. 16-week sessions begin at Mahon Hall. Call 537-5289.</p> <p style="background-color: black; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">WHAT'S ON</p>	<p style="background-color: black; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">Special Events</p> <p>David Suzuki. Reading and book signing at Starbooks. 4 p.m. SSI Monetary Foundation. Launch of \$50/\$100. Speakers David Anderson, David Suzuki and Robert Bateman and more. Music by Tom Hooper and guests. ArtSpring, 7:30 p.m.</p> <p style="background-color: black; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">Activities</p> <p>Mixed Levels Yoga. With Cathy Valentine at ArtSpring, 5-6:30 p.m. Floor Hockey. Tuesdays at Fulford Hall, 6:30 p.m.</p> <p style="background-color: black; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">WHAT'S ON</p>



Polkadot the clown from Wavehill Farm warms up by an outdoor fire at a Christmas market held in Centennial Park.  
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**Salt Spring TV, Cable 12** — Runs continuously for 24 hours from Tuesday, January 7, 3 p.m. — Salt Spring Live: Presents a special program to bring in the New Year — The GISS music program's recent show at ArtSpring. The Salt Spring music scene has no worries for the future with enthusiastic coaching from music teacher Bruce Smith, who makes the world go 'round for our high school students. Join a sold-out ArtSpring crowd of family and friends as they applaud wholeheartedly an outstanding performance by our young singers and musicians. Produced by Peter Prince.

## Exhibitions

SS Painters' Guild members explore a winter theme in the ArtSpring lobby.  
Bert Small's "Land escapes" are at Moby's Pub until January 15.  
Judy Harper's work is now showing at Island Savings.  
Paula Swan's photography is at Moka House.  
Barb's Buns features acrylics and watercolours by Justine Wilkie.

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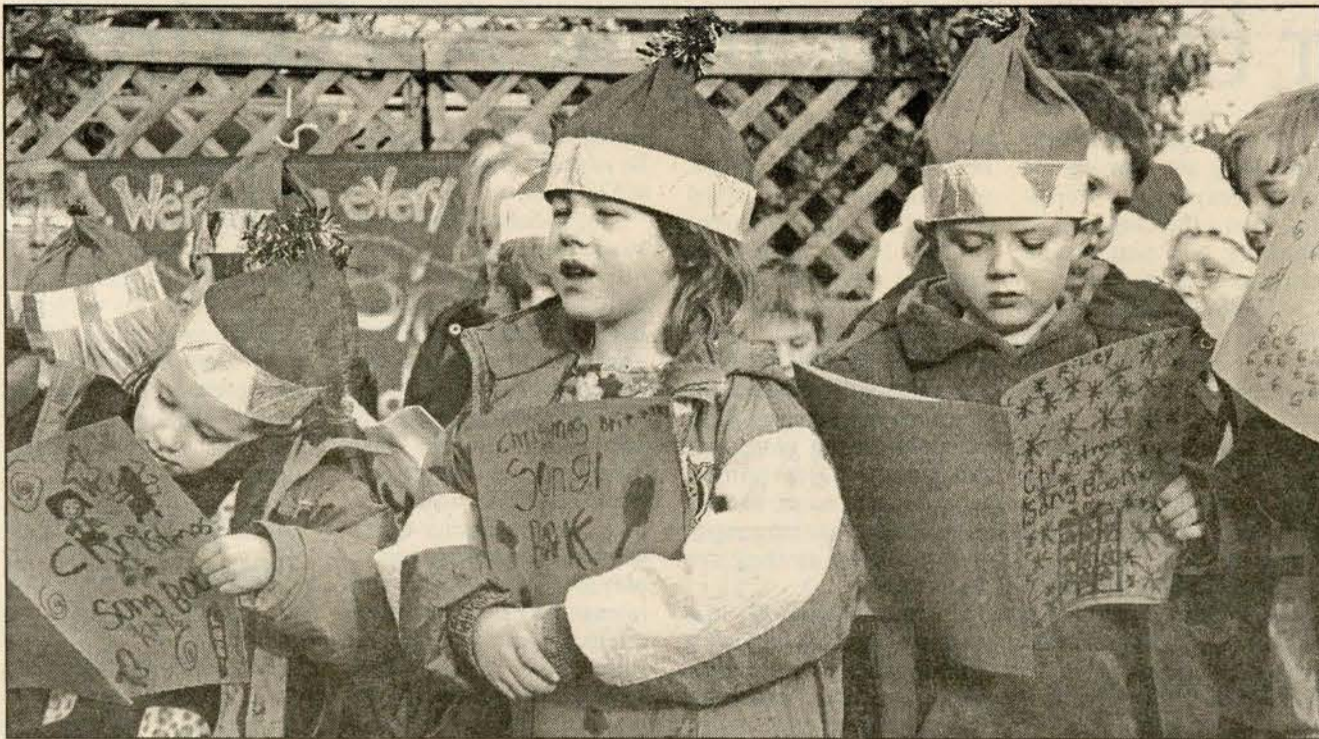
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**SEASONAL SINGING:** The entire student body of Salt Spring Elementary School donned hats and took to the streets of Ganges just before the Christmas holidays began, setting up between Mouat's Hardware and the Tree House Cafe to entertain passers-by with seasonal songs.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

## Venter popularity shuts down Vortex

Two Salt Spring artists have received so much attention from galleries across the continent that they've been forced to close their local gallery so they can spend more time working in the studio.

After 12 years of successful business on the island, artists Deon and Kathy Venter (along with co-owners Roberta and John Stoker) will close Vortex Gallery on January 31.

"We have an opportunity that doesn't come along too often and we really need to take it," Deon said.

The two artists recently attended the 2002 Toronto International Art Fair where they received generous attention by dealers and buyers in October.

"We stole the show," Kathy said.

As result of rave reviews at the Toronto art fair, numerous galleries from across Canada offered to represent Deon's work.

He accepted offers from the Mira Godard Gallery in Toronto, the Galerie de Bellefeuille in Montreal and the Ballard Lederer Gallery in Vancouver.

The Mira Godard Gallery is one of Canada's largest commercial art galleries featuring works by major Canadian and inter-

national artists.

Galerie de Bellefeuille represents many of Canada's top contemporary artists as well as a select international list such as Jim Dine, Stephen Conroy and Nicola Hicks.

The Ballard Lederer Gallery also represents a prestigious list of established and emerging Canadian contemporary artists. Venter will be showing his works there from May 9-28.

He will also be represented in Paris by Michele Marin, which is a tremendous honour, Deon said.

"I'm the first living artist she has represented."

Kathy Venter also accepted an offer by Evelyn Aimis in Southern Florida, who has a strong reputation as a leader in the international art world.

Kathy's sculptures are already on display in New York with the Miller Gallery of Contemporary Art, Deon noted.

"Kathy has always done really well. She has always sold every piece she's ever made," he said.

Since the two artists will be so busy preparing works for upcoming shows, they decided to close their local gallery since they won't have time to staff it.

"We would have liked to

carry on here, but it's difficult for the gallery to carry on without us."

Deon pointed out that even though they had well-educated gallery assistants with Jeroen Witvliet and Joanne Evans, Vortex requires a director with specialized skills in order to compete in the international contemporary art arena.

The artist-couple was working four days a week in the gallery preparing exhibits and meeting with clients.

"You can work at night but you run out of energy," Deon said. "The gallery has become too complex to just let it sit there."

He credits business partners Roberta and John Stoker for helping to make the island gallery such a success.

"They helped to make it work on a serious level."

The Stokers also supported island arts in many other ways, Deon noted.

"They've been very generous with their time and money on the island."

Eva Seidner and Michael Kedar were also instrumental in making it possible to showcase Salt Spring artists at the Toronto art fair, he said.

Though Vortex Gallery will be leaving, the Venters

plan to remain on the island.

"We certainly don't want to live in Toronto," Deon laughed.

Local Venter fans will still be able to find the Salt Spring artists' work on their future website.

## Good news for Millerd

A Salt Spring musical star blew in the new year on his trumpet and is poised to take that instrument to great heights in 2003.

Fifteen-year-old Simon Millerd, who is attending a jazz-oriented high school in White Rock, was hired to play New Year's Eve at the ritzy Wickininish Inn at Tofino with the Comox band Jazz Noir.

On the heels of that news came other music-related tidbits, including Millerd's acceptance into the B.C. Music Educators Association Honour Jazz Band. This marks Millerd's second consecutive year in the band, which selects the best music students from across the province to participate.

Millerd also learned he has been shortlisted for a \$2,000 Fraser McPherson Scholarship.

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# Acts line up for busy January at ArtSpring

By JOHN WAKEFIELD  
Driftwood Contributor

A new year is born, and with it comes new opportunities to learn, get involved or simply be entertained.

This year, make a resolution to enrich your life at ArtSpring.

• On Tuesday, January 7 at 7:30 p.m., come and help the Salt Spring Island Monetary Foundation celebrate the release of the latest denominations of Salt Spring Currency, the new \$50 and \$100 bills. Special guest speakers include Robert Bateman, David Suzuki and federal Environment Minister David Anderson, who will discuss globalization, its destruction of local communities and ecosystems, and why local currency is a good idea.

• On Friday, January 10, Elissa Poole and Colin

Tilney bring Bach to life with Baroque flute and harpsichord. Poole and Tilney have performed together throughout Canada since 1985 and are frequently heard on CBC radio. Individually, they have performed with leading ensembles throughout the world.

• Professor Ray Villard of John Hopkins University will be "Expanding Our Universe" through Hubble Telescope images on Monday, January 13 at 7 p.m. at the Community Gospel Chapel on Vesuvius Bay Road. This will be the first public showing in Canada of the latest pictures from the Hubble.

• Adults wishing to learn the basics of weaving have an opportunity to do so through Victoria Olchowecki. The five-day course, from January 14 to

28, includes planning, winding a warp and dressing the loom, weaving and finishing. Learn the language of weaving and understand how a loom functions.

• The Salt Spring Island Painters Guild will hold a slide show on Post-Impressionism (Matisse, etc.) presented by Pearl Gray, who has a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree. To register for the January 15 session, phone Heather at 537-2407.

• Catch young dancers at Gulf Islands Secondary School dance program performances on January 16 and 17 at 7:30 p.m. New choreography by teacher Sonia Langer and her students will be performed in the styles of jazz, tap, modern, hip hop and ballet.

• Serendipity aims to lift your spirits and send you

away with a song in your heart at its 2:30 p.m. show on January 19 entitled Musical Theatre Highlights of the 20th Century. A group of classically trained singers from southern Vancouver Island, each ensemble member has done many solo roles in musicals, operettas and concerts. They are a fun-loving group that delights in performing a wide range of music and are as at home with contemporary and pop as they are with opera.

• On January 22, the painters guild will host a mixed-media creative workshop called Intuition, Imagination and Creativity. The full-day workshop explores creative unblocking, collage journaling techniques and group art exercises, with the aim of experiencing new ways of

seeing and communicating. To register, phone Heather at 537-2407.

• Join Michael Linehan of Marketing Alchemy for a free workshop on web marketing set for Wednesday, January 22 at 7 p.m. Learn what content works and fundamental marketing principles that are "a must" for any business owner — and then find out how to put these into your website to boost its marketing effectiveness. Come early and be prepared for two hours of intense and exciting information. Pre-registration is required by email (michael@marketing-alchemy.com) or phone 537-2228.

• Local comedians Reid and Tim Collins will take the stage on January 25 (8 p.m.) for their show called Comic Debris.

• Stephanie Denz (MFA) will lead a painters guild workshop on Life Drawing January 29, focussing on body proportion, foreshortening and understanding the human form. To register, phone Heather at 537-2407.

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No, XXX is not one of those videos with a black panther sticker on the front of the box.

It's actually the nickname of a super-spy who might be the American equivalent of James Bond. Xander Cage (Vin Diesel) is a sort of rebel activist, who performs crazy stunts to make his political statements.

One night, he is kidnapped by the National Security Agency, who is looking for capable agents outside of the system. Almost immediately, Cage is sent to investigate a group of anarchists in Prague. He quickly discovers that these baddies have the usual goals of world domination, and sets about actualizing his bad self upon them.

There's not much point in reviewing XXX's merits as an action film, because those of you who like the shootin' and bangin' are going to watch it no matter what we critics say.

However, this film is actually pretty interesting in its politics. XXX is quick to portray Xander Cage as less of a bad guy than as a sort of counterculture everyman. He takes stands against those nerdy white men who say rap music and violent video games are bad (boo!). Afterwards, he heads home to his skateboard ramp-

equipped pad to party with a group that is racially mixed in the way you see only in after-school TV specials.

Needless to say, Cage is not all that excited about working for "the man," but it helps that the man in this case is Samuel L. Jackson (the coolest black man in the world).

Cage begins a real philosophical turnaround when he arrives in Prague. Initially he thinks the bad guys are "pretty cool," but comes to see them as truly evil when they gas their own scientists. He even cries at the sight of all that wasted humanity! Um, where have we seen this before? Can you say Hussein and the Kurds?

By the end of the film, Cage sports a parachute made of the American flag: the transformation from rebel to soldier is complete.

Now, I'm not saying that the makers of XXX are behind some sort of conspiracy. I am saying, however, that this is the sort of manipulative trash that we thought was over by the early 1990s and Rambo III. It's just a coincidence that it's aimed squarely at our teenagers, and serves the interests of the Bushes, er, powers, that be.

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# Locals pull off stellar performances as 85 disc golfers compete in event

Tin was ringing at Mouat Park Thursday as disc golfers from around B.C. descended on Salt Spring for the Fifth Annual Boxing Day Classic tournament.

And even though a record-setting 85 registrants hit the links to outnumber 36 island players, locals still topped many divisions as they taught visitors about the subtleties of course management.

Top local score went to tourney organizer Dean Crouse, who shot a 90 (18 under par) over two rounds to place third in the open/pro men's division against 15 other competitors. He won a top local score trophy and also aced hole #12.

The Boxing Day tourney was part of the Duck Golf Winter Tournament Series played on courses around the province, which brought serious competition to the event.

Dave Ross of Vancouver, who also won the Kamloops and Port Coquitlam Duck Golf tournaments, snagged the Salt Spring open division with an 83.

Ross narrowly missed the tourney record set by

the legendary Glen Whitlock (82). After a bogey, par and two birds early in his first round, Ross hit a string of 14 successive birds to score a 39 (-15), which he then followed with a 44 (-10) in his second round.

Dave "Hank" Stropky of Vancouver placed second with an 89. And the open/pro division leaders wrapped up with Clayton Beddington (Victoria) and Dave Brown (Vancouver) tied at fourth-fifth place with 92s and Jas Bul (Vancouver) at sixth with a 93.

Islander Tanya Van Ginkel won the women's open/pro division with a 106, followed by Vancouverite Pam Grafenoco, who aced hole #3 to score 114. Salt Spring's Brook Holdack placed third (118).

An islander also beat 16 competitors in the advanced division as Eric Donnelly scored a 92 to beat Vancouver's "Elvis" Berson (93) and Victoria's Skye Beddington (94).

Local golfer Bryden Smith scored a 95 to place fourth in advanced, followed by Mike McRae (98) and Darryl Pettichuk

(99) of Vancouver.

The men's amateur division of 21 players was topped by islanders as Jacob Burton won a play-off against Kire Gillette when they both scored 99. Victoria's David Walsh tied with Gord Murphy for third-fourth (100). Sidney's Scott Earle nabbed an ace on #14 to score 101 for fifth. And islander Nic Futter tied with Victoria's Jerome Gagne at 102 for sixth-seventh.

Joan Gignac (Victoria) won women's amateur division with a 132. Kerry Waters of Pender Island placed second with a 137 and Erin Harper (Victoria) scored 139 for third.

Tough competition in the over-40-year-old master's division bumped local Ted Hickford to fourth place with a 92. Vancouver masters Mike Graff and Randy Strohan tied with 90s and battled through a playoff to see Graff take first, but Strohan had a consolation ace on #5. Keith Chevrier of Victoria placed third with a 91.

The amateur masters division saw a local sweep as Michael Lees placed first (105), Rick Abramyk

took second (108) and an apple-juice-donating Paul Linton placed third (112).

Local player Scott Howe scored 113 to win the novices. Steven Dyck placed second (121) and Aaron Topper hit an ace on #4 to place third (126).

Junior players saw Scott Fennell take an ace on #8 and score (116) to win, while Charlie Stimpson placed second (140) and Silas Donnelly won a trophy for most improved round by bettering his score by 14 strokes between the two rounds.

Volunteer tournament assistants Tanya Van Ginkel, Brook Holdack, Heidi Crouse and Scott Chapman handed out over \$2,000 in prizes for top scores and 12 aces. Mike Patterson (Victoria) won \$85 in a closest-to-the-pin playoff finale. Jamie Alexander also donated his time to run a concession which raised money for the Salt Spring Disc Golf Association.

The next Duck Golf tourney will be at Windskill Park in Tsawwassen January 18 and the next local tourney will be held at Mouat Park on January 19.

## SPORTS POOLS

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Next meeting Wednesday Jan. 8th, 7:00 p.m. sharp at Dagwoods

1	San Jose	359	120
2	New Jersey	346	103
3	Toronto	343	95
4	Vancouver	338	106
5	Ottawa	334	96
6	Dallas	323	101
7	Boston	316	91
8	St. Louis	313	102
9	Islanders	313	96
10	Pittsburgh	303	98
11	Washington	303	91
12	Philadelphia	298	107
13	Colorado	297	80
14	Phoenix	296	88
15	Atlanta	265	80

### GOLF COURSE POOL

Next meeting Friday, Jan. 10th, 5:00 p.m. sharp

1	Big Fish	367	114
2	Rangers	363	122
3	Dallas	345	95
4	Vancouver	329	108
5	Ice Dogs	309	110
6	Nads	308	78
7	Senioritas	292	81
8	Toronto	290	80
9	Marx Bros I	284	91
10	Club	275	86
11	Islanders	274	83
12	Greenwoods	263	77

Includes games played Sunday, Dec. 29, 2002

## Golfers eyeing greens

Island golfers were hoping frost would thaw at the Salt Spring Golf and Country Club to allow the Sock and Toque Scramble to proceed New Year's Day.

The course was closed Friday, Saturday and Sunday due to snow, heavy frost and extremely wet conditions, said assistant pro Richard Ingle.

Earlier this week he was hoping for cloud cover to warm the greens.

By Sunday, 40 golfers had signed up for the January 1 event.

Assuming the fun tourney proceeded, results will be included in next week's Driftwood.

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2. Jason Chris	196	291	487	40	27. Garner Dag	195	253	448	40
3. Funk Rainer	238	241	479	41	28. Johnson Liam	192	255	447	36
4. Baker Brent	199	271	470	42	29. Bader Larry	200	247	447	35
5. Tamboline Philip	192	275	467	43	30. Speed Glenn	226	219	445	36
6. Delmandallo Mallo	209	257	466	38	31. Fuller Lorne	185	260	445	44
7. Byron Seth	190	274	464	41	32. Romain Sheldon	202	242	444	32
8. Campbell Reg	195	266	461	31	33. Miller Peter	198	246	444	30
9. Burns Lorne	195	265	460	40	34. Eyles Tobin	198	245	443	34
10. Huser Christian	205	254	459	31	35. Lynch Trudy	175	267	442	33
11. Shaske Lucy	200	258	458	28	36. Bateman John	190	252	442	36
12. Tamboline Grant	196	262	458	38	37. Reinholdt Kim	182	258	440	40
13. Godolnton Jordan	215	242	457	34	38. Moser John	194	246	440	47
14. Redden Charlene	206	250	456	33	39. Curtis Joe	178	262	440	34
15. Shaske Edward	196	260	456	30	40. Byron Nicola	188	252	440	35
16. Grams Doug	195	261	456	37	41. Joan Buckley	184	255	439	28
17. Forsyth Deb	185	271	456	35	42. Grams Ed	171	268	439	35
18. Field Marilyn	188	265	453	30	43. Huser Kara	206	230	436	21
19. Anderson Dennis	202	249	451	39	44. Snetsinger Hannah	183	253	436	25
20. Field James	194	257	451	36	45. Grams Jessi	199	236	435	32
21. Mara Kathy	192	259	451	45	46. Haston Mark	175	259	434	36
22. Shantz Lorne	190	261	451	39	47. Morrison	187	246	433	31
23. Eyles Evan	195	255	450	33	48. Quinn Claire	167	266	433	27
24. Miles Mike	203	246	449	34	49. Devereux Mark	183	250	433	45
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61. Ellis Paul	195	227	422	28	91. Steele Casey	175	232	397	34
62. Courtney Danny	193	228	421	40	92. Hardy Connie	170	227	397	30
63. Morrison Jeremy	164	257	421	35	93. Russell Lori	176	221	397	21
64. Shantz Colleen	191	228	419	27	94. Tamboline arilyn	184	209	393	33
65. McMahon Donald	190	229	419	39	95. Hitchcock Dorothy	152	240	392	29
66. Lynch Steve	169	250	419	33	96. Robertson Bill	163	227	390	24
67. Gillham Jerome	182	237	419	28	97. Longeau Fiona	166	224	390	33
68. Tamboline Todd	206	211	417	34	98. Villadsen Jeane	160	228	388	21
69. Alexander Jamie	170	247	417	36	99. Gillham Jeffrey	156	232	388	31
70. Osborne Barry	182	235	417	29	100. Forsyth Norm	157	230	387	31
71. Dunbar Bruce	177	240	417	29	101. Macrae Darren	163	224	387	30
72. Hitchcock Rob	156	259	415	33	102. Smith Donald	178	207	385	22
73. Eyles Peter	189	226	415	31	103. Marleau Gerry	155	229	384	28
74. Marleay Deanna	190	222	412	23	104. Tanti Mary	165	219	384	35
75. Hitchcock Bill	165	246	411	42	105. Torok Sam	175	209	384	28
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77. Tamboline Tina	174	236	410	37	107. Marshall Janet	168	213	381	28
78. Huser Angela	181	226	407	41	108. Strohmeir Monica	151	223	374	26
79. Collette S	182	225	407	32	109. Bayly Warren	156	211	367	32
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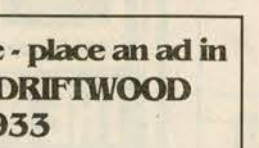
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#### 29 LOST AND FOUND

**LOST: MONDAY** December 23, bamboo wood cane with birds head handle. Reward. 537-5778.

**FOUND SILVER** ring with stone on Vesuvius Ferry December 23. Owner may claim by calling 537-2314.

**FOUND: LONG Haired** grey & white cat on Armand Way. Long haired female, grey, peach & white at Foxglove Gardening store. Call the S.P.C.A. 537-2123.

**FOUND: MEDIC** alert necklace "Tsunami", near B-Side about December 21. Owner may claim at the Driftwood.

**STAMPS FOUND** December 30, outside Bank of Montreal. Owner may claim by calling 537-4325.

#### 34 NOTICES

IF YOUR Driftwood subscription label has the date highlighted, now is the time to renew!

**ATTENTION LAND OWNERS**

- Contract Felling & Skidding
- Forest Management
- Competitive rates
- Prompt payment
- Local References
- Fully insured

**TIGHTLINE LOGGING**  
Jack 537-9327  
Ryan 653-9739

**FACIAL REJUVENATION with ACUPUNCTURE**  
IS NOW BEING OFFERED ON SALT SPRING ISLAND.

For more information on this safe and effective alternative to cosmetic surgery, phone:  
**DR. CHARLES ALSBERG**  
653-4216

**Vesuvius Pub**

**NOTICE**  
Please note that the Vesuvius Pub is closing Monday January 6th and will re-open Friday January 24th at 11a.m.  
Cheers!

**REGULAR ADVERTISING DEADLINES:**

- DISPLAY ADVERTISING** Friday, 5 pm
- CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING** Monday, 5 pm
- TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY** Tuesday, noon

PHONE: 537-9933  
FAX: 537-2613

**Driftwood**

### Employment

**55 HELP WANTED**

**HARBOUR HOUSE** Hotel is now accepting resumes in the janitorial department. Two very early morning shifts weekly, either Tuesday, Wednesday or Saturday, Sunday. 4 hours per shift with option to join in housekeeping during the busy season. Leave resume at front desk, Attention Charlene.

**IN HOME Childcare** required for on call ferry worker mom. 2 boys, 10 months & 3 years. Must have car. Experience preferred. Call Cheryl or Richard.

**WANTED: PIZZA** Cook, no experience necessary, will train. Phone 537-5552 after 3:30 pm. Pinnacle Pizza.

**SSI EMPLOYMENT SERVICES**

Are you unemployed and need help with your job search? Are you thinking about re-training? If you are receiving Employment Insurance Benefits (or have received these benefits within the last 3 years) we have a variety of programs available to assist you. Counsellor comes to SSI once a week and services are free.

Please call **Marta** at 1-888-993-2299

**60 WORK WANTED**

**RENOVATION CARPENTER** - Certified, 25 years experience. Formwork & framing, free estimate. 537-9534 Terry's Renovations.

**B.B.I. HOME Improvement** specializing in indoor and outdoor construction. Reasonably priced, call 537-9610.

**STONE BROS.** desperately in need of work. 537-9616.

**WORLD FAMOUS** on Salt Spring! Piko Renovations Ltd. creates excellent small-to-medium-sized renovations, repairs, decks, etc. Peter Blackmore, 537-4382.

**SMALL RENOVATION** work, additions, alterations. All work guaranteed by tradesman. Interior painting only by experienced painters. 537-2732.

**60 WORK WANTED**

**JOURNEYMAN CARPENTER** available for work. Additions, renovations, new homes, sun decks, green houses, etc. Reasonable rates. Quality and integrity. Jim Anderson. 537-9124.

**HOUSEKEEPING** BY mature, reliable person. Three openings per week, own auto, will run errands. 10 yrs experience. Call Teri 537-4164.

**GOT MUSCLES** for odd jobs! Seeking any and all types of work, labour, cleanup, general help. Nicholas 537-5537 or Alex 653-4955.

### Services

**117 COMMUNITY SERVICES**

**CRISIS LINE** for Salt Spring - toll-free 1-877-435-7544.

**ALANON/ALATEEN** A program for family and friends of alcoholics. For further information call 537-2941, 653-4288 or 537-4909.

**PRESCRIPTION DRUG** Misuse Support Group, Friday mornings. Call Salt Spring Community Services at 537-9971 for more information.

**FAMILIES OF Schizophrenics** meet in homes for mutual support. Call 537-2543.

117 COMMUNITY SERVICES

**Alcoholics Anonymous Services Meetings**  
 Salt Spring — 537-7573  
 Galiano — 539-2222  
 Pender — 629-3631  
 Women's only - Thursday nights 5:30 p.m. - 537-7573

118 COMPUTERS

COMPUTER REPAIRS & consulting, all makes, 15 years on Salt Spring, CollinsWorks 537-9297, pager 604-686-5311.

126 EYEGLASSES



**Gulf Islands Optical**  
 Tuesday-Friday 10:00-5:00  
 Closed Saturdays  
 323 Lower Ganges Road (Lancer Building)  
 RICHARD WEATHERALL (Optician)  
 537-2648 Office  
 537-5294 Residence

140 MUSIC LESSONS

GUITAR LESSONS. Play & write songs! My program is designed to help you learn fast & well. André Berube. 537-5520.

156 RENTALS

**PARTY TIME RENTALS**  
 From TENTS to UTENSILS  
 •NO GST •LOWEST PRICES  
 •BEST SERVICE  
 Pick ups at Love My Kitchen Susan or Joy 537-4577  
 537-0909 cell  
 partytimerentals@saltspring.com

**Merchandise**

302 APPLIANCES

**APPLIANCES**  
 Kitchenaid, Whirlpool, Frigidaire, Maytag & more!  
 LARGEST SELECTION ON SALT SPRING ISLAND  
  
 537-2111

310 BUILDING SUPPLIES

WANTED: TEMPORARY power pole and corrugated metal roofing, preferably Forrest green. Need about 300 sq. ft. or more. 250-704-6459.

SEE US FOR A FAST QUOTE ON ALL YOUR BUILDING REQUIREMENTS!

- Flooring
- Heating
- Eaves
- Plumbing
- Roofing

For all your building requirements, large or small

**804 Fulford-Ganges Rd.**  
 537-4978

322 COMPUTERS

COMPUTER PROBLEMS? Set-ups, Installing Software, Tutoring, Internet. Your place or ours. Yes, we make house calls days/evenings/ wkends. \$25/hr. Over 20 years exp. Phone Robert. 537-2888. Arvana Consulting.

- \* REDUCE \*
- \* REUSE \*
- \* RECYCLE \*

322 COMPUTERS

**Ron Weisner BASc**  
 Computer Repair & Upgrades  
 ✓ data recovery  
 ✓ PRINTER repairs  
 ✓ new & used computer systems available  
**Office Equipment**  
 service and repair  
 ✓ PHOTOCOPIERS  
 ✓ FAX MACHINES  
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 (250) 537-5058  
 weisner@saltspring.com

330 FOOD PRODUCTS

**CALDWELL'S OAKSPRING FARM**  
 Since 1882  
 Currently available:  
 • FREE RANGE GRAIN-FED PORK  
 • FRESH CUT LUMBER  
 537-5380 or 537-2152

335 FURNITURE

DBL BED w/frame, headboard, almost new, \$100. Queen bed, almost new, \$150. Bamboo queen head board, \$50. Antique oak library table, \$150. Antique marble top wash stand, \$125. 537-4042.

DBL FUTON COUCH blue cotton cover exc. condition \$75 call 537-4551 press 2, leave message.

340 GARAGE SALES

LIONS GARAGE Sale, 103 Bonnet Ave. Every Friday, Saturday only, 10 am - 12 noon. Come & browse, we just may have it. New merchandise arriving daily. Good, clean merchandise wanted. Call 537-2000 for pick-up or info.

350 MISC. FOR SALE

CLOCK REPAIRS on-island. House calls, free estimates, reasonable rates. January special 400-day clocks (anniversary or "dome") \$89 + parts. Mark 537-5022.

MACHINING CNC milling, turning, engraving, gears, custom design, metals, plastic. Mark 537-5022.

SOLID DOORS, various widths. 2 @ 30", 4 @ 32", 1 @ 36", all by 78" high, 1 3/4" thick. Painted & worked for 2 1/8". Knob hardware (Schlage) and 4" hinges. \$300 the lot or \$50 each. Phone 537-1949.

RAINCOASTWEST will be closed from January 8 to March 15, 2003. Great end of season prices until then. Next to Embe's. (250) 537-4403.

ARBORITE COUNTERTOPS, dark green, 3 pieces, 18 ft., \$100. 537-9959.

NORDIC TRACK Elite aerobic exerciser in excellent condition. \$400, 537-5118.

USED BOOKS wanted: Saltsping, art. Home visits by appointment, top prices for top books. Sabine's, Tues./Wed. mornings Grace Point, 538-0025.

JANUARY CLEARANCE: Storewide, No PST, No GST on all carpenter, mechanics, power & fireplace tools, heaters, paintings, mirrors, china, crystal, housewares, bric-a-brac, etc. Buy & Save, 9181 Fourth St., Sidney.

FOR SALE: Naturally fed beef. No preservatives or additives. Available now or place your order by phoning 537-5708. Also, hay now available.

HOT TUB, mint condition, 4 person, deck mounted type, brand new cover, includes some chemistry, under warranty, \$1800 537-5147.

VACUUMS! VACUUMS! Repairs, bags & belts, used vacuum bargains. Satisfaction guaranteed! Salt Spring Linen & Drycleaners, 116 Hereford Avenue, Ganges. 537-2241.

350 MISC. FOR SALE

STORAGE TANKS: water, septic, sewage-holding (polyethylene). Ecological Systems: sewage-treatment plants, effluent filters. Visa, Mastercard, American Express accepted. GIS Sales & Rentals 653-4013.

WE BUY & Sell Secondhand, Antiques & Books. The Great Ganges Junk Co., 105 McPhillips Ave., 537-4507.

EXPERT WATCH and clock repairs by certified watchmaker. Located between Crofton and Duncan. Serving the Cowichan Valley over 25 years. Call L.D. Frank-Jeweller and Watchmaker 250-748-6058 (Duncan). Saturday pick-up & delivery on Salt Spring.

CONTEMPORARY 3 CUSHION sofa & matching 2 cushion love seat. Denim blue in colour with white stripes. 5 years old. Purchased from The Bay. Asking \$600 for both pieces. A must see. 537-4650.

PLAYSTATION I Incl. 5 games, steering wheel, gas pedal, 2 controllers, memory card \$100 obo. Games: NFL Blitz 2000 \$30, Tony Hawk Pro Skating 3 \$35. 653-4498.

**SALT SPRING MINI STORAGE**  
 347 Upper Ganges Road  
 "When convenience and security matter"  
 537-5888

**GIGANTIC TREE SALE**  
 at Manderlay Gardens

We have a wide variety of Douglas Fir, Norway Spruce, Birch, Balsam, Pines etc. at \$2.00 PER FOOT (bareroot)  
 Also the best topsoil on the island at \$20 per yard pick up or we can arrange delivery  
 Available week of 6th Jan. weather permitting  
 Call Manderlay at **653-4106** for special pricing on large quantities

379 FREE/RECYCLABLES

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

THIS COLUMN is designed for free recyclable items only (no animals). There is no charge to place items in this column. Ads can be submitted in person at the Driftwood office (328 Lower Ganges Road) by normal deadline (Monday 5 pm.) or by phone 537-9933, fax 537-2613 or email.

BROWN CORDUROY love seat; print love seat (blue) with two 9' tall, matching, fabric, room dividers, TV set, 21" colour. 537-5197.

FREE COMPOST shredder. You pick up. 537-5420.

**SIGHTFIRST**  
 A LIONS PROJECT  
**RECYCLE YOUR OLD GLASSES**  
 Your old prescription lenses can be a gift of sight. Boxes located at:  
 • Pharmasave  
 • Bank of Montreal  
 • Bank of Commerce  
 • Island Savings Credit Union  
 • Gulf Islands Optical

390 WEBSITES

SALT SPRING Music is on the Internet at www.saltspingmusic.com. Hear song samples before you buy. Pay by cheque or credit card. More than 40 CDs available.

**Real Estate**

410 REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

VESUVIUS LOT for sale by owner, .58 acre, piped water, part sea view, no GST, asking \$140,000, terms. 537-5807.

FOR SALE by owner. 3 acre property on Stewart Rd. 12 GPM well, perc holes and driveway in. Potential views. \$99,000 + gst. Phone 653-9394 days, 537-1592, evenings.

EIGHT CONTEMPORARY homes. 1200 - 1500 sq. ft., \$28,000 - \$48,000. Large character bungalow/cottage. 250-656-1387, www.nickel-bros.com

460 WANTED TO BUY

LAND OR house/ cabin w/good water in quiet location. Fulford or Ganges area. Long term, island resident. Thanks 537-2010.

490 WEBSITES

REAL ESTATE listings for the Gulf Islands are viewable anywhere in the world with Internet access. www.gulfislands.net

**Rentals**

500 APT./SUITES FOR RENT

STUDIO/LIVING space available immediately. Private entrance in community setting. Walker Hook area. 538-0246.

AVAILABLE FEB 1 or sooner, 2 bedrooms, W/D, D/W, private entrance 1400 sq. ft., close to Ganges. N/S, no dogs. Long term. 537-8596 or 604-820-7808, leave msg.

SEMI SUITE: 2 rooms, kitchen, fireplace. Private entrance. Near town. Quiet adult, share bathroom (temporarily) 537-5730.

510 COMMERCIAL SPACE

OFFICE SPACE for rent Lancer Building. Call Roland, 537-2133.

BRIGHT, CLEAN, quiet, suitable for professional offices, retail or studio space. Upstairs Home Design Centre. 537-5340 to view.

TWO COMMERCIAL SPACES for rent at Moby's. The large one - presently "SS Dairy"; the small one - presently "Clip'n'Dip". See Barry or Jamie, 537-5559.

1543 SQ. FT OF Prime retail space, street level in Ganges. Excellent location with terrific exposure. Kevin Bell, at Mouat's Trading Co. 537-5593.

520 HOUSES FOR RENT

LARGE 3 BEDROOM, furnished, house. Sauna, ocean view, private acreage. Available January 1, \$1200 per month. 537-2320.

FOR RENT: 3-4 bedroom near town. N/S, N/P, long lease \$950/month. Immediate occupancy. 537-5550.

3 BDRM HOME, 1000 sq. ft., wrap around deck, 1.5 acres, 5 min. walk to beach. St. Mary Lake. N/S, N/P \$750 plus util. Ref. req'd. Call 250-653-0049, or owner at 604-299-5877.

AVAILABLE NOW beautiful cottage for quiet gardener. Close to town, skylights, wood floors, window seat, \$700 + 8 hrs gardening per month, incl heat & cable, N/S, cat ok, 5 mths or longer, references. 537-4155.

NEW DELUXE 1 bdrm. cottage for long term. Peaceful, quiet location, N/S, N/P, references, \$795 hydro incl., 537-8938.

3 BDRM. plus den, 2-1/2 baths, family room, 2200 sq. ft. on two levels in Vesuvius. Available Feb. 1, long term, min. 12 months. \$1275/month plus util., fridge and stove only, sorry no pets. (604) 535-1185.

**Fairfield Realty 1987 Ltd.**  
**Property Management**  
 • 2 bdrm. house min. to Ganges. All new inside, fenced yard, all day sun, paved parking, on site laundry, storage, water & wkly garb incl. (Great quiet neighbors N/S, N/P \$650)  
 • Newly remodeled Bach Ste. within walking distance to Ganges. Very quiet neighs. Very cute and cozy - suit only single person with no pets, no smoking \$500 incl util.  
**537-2833**

**Island Explorer Property Management Ltd.**  
 537-4722 - 1-800-800-9497  
 www.island-explorer.com



**MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL OUR OWNERS & TENANTS**

• 3 bdrm. family home on acreage, south end, \$1200/mo. Available now.

• 1 bdrm. private suite, utilities included. Suitable single or couple, no children. North end. \$750/mo. Available now.

• 1 bdrm. plus den with workshop and large yard. Maliview. \$835/mo. Available now.

• 3 bdrm., 100 Hills view, close to town, partially furnished. \$1100/mo. Available now.

Island Explorer is a fully licensed, bonded management company under the laws of the B.C. Govt.

**530 SHARED ACCOMMODATION**

ROOM FOR rent. Shared accommodation, Long Harbour Road, 2 km from town. 537-2285.

ROOM AVAILABLE in quiet female oriented household. Walk to ocean & lakes, close to Ganges. \$400/mth incl utilities. 537-4703.

**DRIFTWOOD CLASSIFIEDS 537-9933**

**Home Sweet Home**  
 A HANDY GUIDE TO SERVICES FOR HOME & GARDEN

204 ARCHITECTS

**Jonathan Yardley Architect**  
 • custom home design  
 • renovation design  
 • commercial project design  
 316 Isabella Point Road  
 phone 250-653-4931  
 fax 250-653-9931  
 jyardley@saltsping.com  
 www.yardleyarchitect.com

220 CONCRETE

**GULF COAST MATERIALS**  
 Serving the Gulf Islands Salt Spring, Galiano, Mayne, Penders  
 \* READY MIX  
 \* WASHED GRAVEL  
 \* REINFORCED STEEL  
 \* BAGGED CEMENT  
 \* SEPTIC TANKS  
 \* SCAFFOLDING RENTAL  
**537-2611**  
 Rainbow Road

You're in the Island's Biggest Marketplace - the Driftwood Classifieds!

222 CONTRACTORS

**WALTER HUSER & SONS**  
 Construction Ltd.  
 Residential & Commercial  
 Personalized service from plans to completion  
**537-5247 - 537-5092**  
 Salt Spring Island

**"Quality Homes of Distinction"**  
 Villadsen Construction (1980) Ltd.  
 Building Island Homes for three generations.  
 Kent John  
 537-5463 537-9857  
 Fax 537-5407

225 DESIGNERS

**LET'S GET STARTED!**

Bring your sketches & ideas and together we'll design (or upgrade) your dream home. Through the use of computer-aided drafting, we'll quickly produce the working drawings you'll take to your contractor.

**PLEASE CALL HELSET DESIGN 537-1037 and ask for Jim**

226 DRAPERIES

**THE BLINDS GUYS OF COURSE!**  
**537-1737**

236 FIREWOOD

**HONEST OL'S FIREWOOD**  
 • GUARANTEED CORD Cut, Split & delivered  
 • Cedar fence rails  
**653-4165**

**KONIG & SON FIREWOOD**  
 Serving Salt Spring 21 years Organically Grown Firewood  
**FIREWOOD LOGS WANTED** (will compensate owner)  
**537-9531**

268 PAINTING

**We Paint & Redecorate with Care**  
  
  
**SPECTRA-TONE PAINT**  
 Serving the Gulf Islands for over 10 years.  
  
**KEVIN C. MARKS PAINTING & DECORATING**  
 Ph: 537-4594 Cell: 537-7097

291 UPHOLSTERY

325 Rainbow Rd.  
**537-4369**

YOU'RE IN THE ISLAND'S BIGGEST MARKETPLACE!

**DRIFTWOOD CLASSIFIEDS**  
 537-9933  
**OFFICE HOURS:**  
 Mon.-Fri. 8am. - 5 pm.

For information on advertising rates in

*Home, Sweet Home*

Call Peter, Rick or Robin at 537-9933

**535 SITUATIONS WANTED**

RESPONSIBLE COUPLE seek housesitting on Saltspring. We are a music teacher and naturalist. Quiet, nonsmoking, no pets or children. Eroca and David, Saltspring: 537-5269, Vancouver: 604-576-4848.

**Accommodation**

**615 HOLIDAY ACCOMODATION**

VANCOUVER DOWNTOWN ALL-SUITE Deluxe hotel from \$69 sgl/dbl, B.C. residents Dec/Jan special. 1-800-663-1818. www.century-plaza.com. Cafe, lounge, seafood restaurant, #1-rated day spa. Weekly/monthly rates.

**690 WEBSITES**

ACCOMMODATION INFORMATION for the Gulf Islands is a mouse-click away. www.gulfislands.net

**Transportation**

**805 AUTOMOTIVE REPAIRS**

**AIR MILES are here!**

**PAYLESS**

We value the island™ COMPLETE AUTOMOTIVE REPAIRS Unleaded Fuels • Diesel Tires • Batteries • Accessories 537-4554 or 537-9300 Monday-Saturday 8am-7pm Sunday 9 am-6 pm Corner of Rainbow Rd. and Jackson Ave.

**815 BOATS & MARINE, SALES**

**ISLAND MARINE CONSTRUCTION**

Ross Walker 537-9710 www.islandmarine.ca Practical solutions for your waterfront development. Pile driving, ramps & floats. Local references.

**825 CARS, SALES**

BUYS OF THE WEEK. 2002 Intrepid \$295; 2002 Grand AM \$289; 2002 Cavalier \$198; 1999 Ford 4x4 \$325; 2000 Chev. Blazer \$375; 2000 Chev. Van \$299; Payments monthly plus tax. Marty 604-464-3941.

**Duncan HYUNDAI "TOP TEN"**

94 FORD F-150 4X4 Ext. Cab, auto, air, tilt. Good looking truck SALE PRICE ..... \$12,995

93 DODGE RAM 3/4 TON Turbo Cummins LE extra cab, full load REDUCED TO ..... \$15,998

99 GMC SONOMA SLS 4WD, Extra Cab, V6, auto., 60,000 km, SPECIAL PRICE ..... \$20,495

90 TOYOTA 4 CYL, 5 SPD. Ext cab, top condition in & out, clean SALE PRICE ..... \$8,495

98 EXPLORER 4X4 AUTO Fully loaded V6, auto, only 106,000km PRICED RIGHT ..... \$19,995

2001 SANTA FE 6 L. V6 V6, Auto SUV award winner 2 years in a row. Save money. ONLY ..... \$23,995

2002 SANTA FE GLS V6 auto "demo" leather package, save min \$2000 SALE PRICE ..... \$28,500

86 LOW LITE 19 1/2" 5TH WHEEL Nice layout SALE PRICE ..... \$5,998

97 GRAND CHAROKEE LAREDO 6 cyl., Auto, 4x4. Fully loaded PRICED TO SELL ..... \$17,995

94 FORD F-150 Reg cab 6 cyl, 5 spd. Great work truck ONLY ..... \$8,688

2801 Roberts Road RR6 Duncan, B.C. DUNCAN HYUNDAI DL#9988 Ph: 1-800-461-0161

\*SERVICE & PARTS \*SALES \*LEASING

**825 CARS, SALES**

1983 BUICK LE SABRE. Newly rebuilt Olds 403, V8 lots of power, great first car. Invested over \$700 in motor, \$600 obo. 537-1816.

NEW YEAR'S BLOW-OUT. Up to \$1000 cash back. Bankrupt, slow pay. New cars from \$255 OAC. O down. Guaranteed approval or will pay you \$5000 cash. Need a visa? Call Randy 604-817-5337. \*6 months minimum same employment, \$1300 mo income, valid B.C. drivers licence, 6 months residence with utility bill.

**835 MOTORCYCLE, SALES**

1985 HONDA CR250R Motocross bike. Rebuilt from ground up, too much to list. Great beginner bike, lots of power. \$1750 obo. 537-1816.

**845 RECREATIONAL VEHICLES, SALES**

TRIANGLE R.V. CENTRE offers excellent highway exposure for your consignment vehicle. Also parts, service, propane, sanitation and 24 hour car and R.V. wash. Vancouver Island's only complete R.V. centre. Triangle Homes Ltd., Sidney. Your first R.V. centre off the ferry. 656-1122. DL 5916.

**855 TRUCKS/4X4S**

92 GMC SONOMA pick up, 4 wheel drive, runs great, some rust. \$2800 obo. 250-418-3066.

1981 TOYOTA 4X4, rebuilt engine custom rebco box, winch, bumper, bucket seats, chrome mags, extra engine transmission and accessories. \$3000 obo, 537-0630.

CREDIT GUARANTEED TODAY. We offer all makes. No hassle. Finance or leasing at 6.5% OAC for cars, trucks, vans, including 4x4 diesels. Self-employed, bankrupt, divorced, or credit issues. No big deal. We have the money. Call 1-800-650-4829. www.creditking.com for inventory listings.

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**856 BUSES, VANS**

DEPENDABLE VOYAGER van. Economical, 4-cylinder standard, good body, versatile cargo space, seats 5, low mileage, well maintained, new clutch & brakes, \$1987. 537-4536.

**900 TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY**

TRY YOGA - suitable for all ages - you don't have to be fit, supple, gorgeous or famous... you don't even need to wear tight to class! Comfortable, loose fitting clothes and an open mind are all that is required! Perhaps this is the month that you will try yoga! Classes everyday. Phone Celeste, 538-5504.

PLEASE NOTE: Too Late to Classify ads are accepted until 12:00pm Tuesday at the rate of \$11.00 for 20 words or less and 36 cents for each additional word. The Driftwood cannot be responsible for errors or omissions as these ads may not be proof read because of time constraint.

SEWING MACHINES now available at Class Act Fabric Studio. 120 Hereford Ave, 537-8985. Sewing machine repair drop-off located next door at Salt Spring Linen & Dry Cleaners. Your two Island Agents for Sawyer Sewing Centre Victoria.

WANTED: FIREWOOD logs (will compensate owner). Will also deal with your windfalls and danger trees. Konig & Son Firewood, 537-9531.

SHOP SPACE wanted for growing cabinet/millwork operation. Call Lloyd @ 653-9126.

FREE MASSAGE, free yoga classes, free tree pruning. 653-2074.

**900 TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY**

1981 TOYOTA TRUCK, Salt Spring Beater, for parts or whatever. Make me an offer. 537-9722.

CLEAN CARPETS after the holidays! RugDoctor is the easiest to use steam cleaning machine on the market. Only \$25.99 a day. Rental Stop 538-0388 www.rentalstop.ca.

E-MAIL PACKAGES from \$5.95 per month, with dependable Uniserve local dialup! Hosting / Server Space. Call Barb, 538-0052 or visit www.saltspringinternet.com

CLEARANCE SALE. The Wardrobe, Fulford 20 - 80% off. Everything marked down. Quality used clothing & accessories, hand made jewellery & tie-dye. Winter hours: open 5 days 10 - 5. Closed Tuesday & Wednesday.

I MISSED the December 24 episode of "24" with Kiefer Sutherland. Does anyone have a copy? 538-0144.

OPEN HOUSE at A Class Act, January 4, 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.. Come and meet the teachers, most will be there to answer your questions. You can view class samples. Coffee, tea & goodies. Sign up for classes on or before January 4 and receive a 10% discount on the cost of the class.

HAIR DRESSING business for sale in Vesuvius. Could easily be retail shop. Lease available. Call 537-4012 leave message. For lease information call 537-2239.

FOUND: ONE Lens from glasses. Found in downtown Ganges December 31. Owner may claim at the Driftwood.

BEST WISHES FOR 2003 FROM EVERYONE AT THE DRIFTWOOD!

Regular deadlines back in effect for next week's paper! For ad info, call 537-9933

**FOR THE RECORD**

**ATTENTION ALL RAMBLERS**

Salt Spring Trail and Nature Club "ramblers" who land at the Vesuvius Inn for lunch next Tuesday, will likely go home hungry. Due to temporary closure of the pub, ramblers are to meet at Moby's Pub instead.

**The year 2003 will be like any other in the Gulf Islands: Eventful. Keep a handle on those events. Subscribe to one of Canada's best newspapers.**

In the islands: \$48.15 • In Canada: \$78.11 • Foreign: \$169.

Send a cheque or money order to: Gulf Islands Driftwood, 328 Lower Ganges Rd., Salt Spring Island, B.C. V8K 2V3

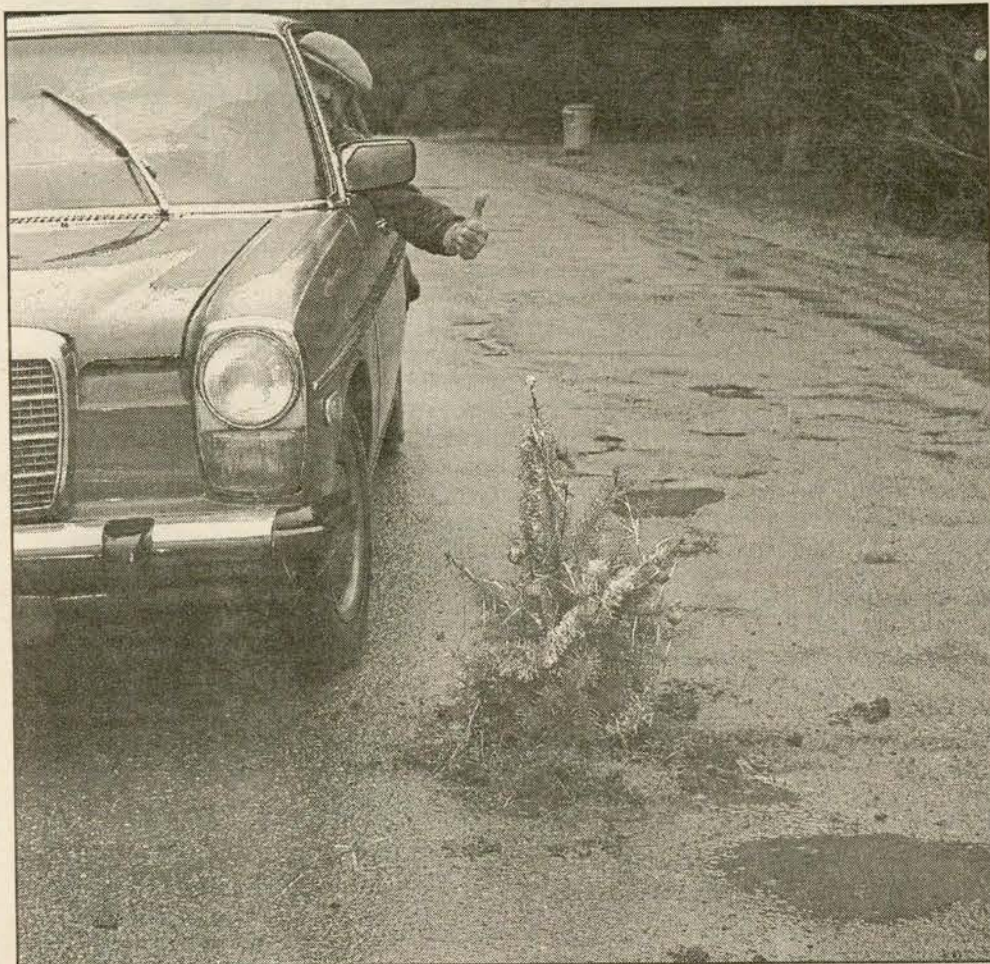
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**Gulf Islands Driftwood**

**Happy New Year from SaltSpringMusic.Com**  
 Home of the island's recording artists on the Internet  
 www.saltspringmusic.com

**Answers to Crossword Page 23**

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**POTHOLE SURPRISE:** Michael Lees checks out a bit of seasonal cheer as he sees a fully decorated Christmas tree planted in a pothole on Cedar Lane.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

## Islanders slide off icy roads

A frost snap was blamed for two different motor vehicle accidents that sent several people to the hospital at the same time on the evening of December 27.

A male Salt Spring driver, his wife and three children were all taken to Lady Minto Hospital after Salt Spring RCMP received a call at 8 p.m. Friday.

### RCMP REPORT

The caller said that a 1983 Chevy slid off Long Harbour Road and went into the ditch near Upper Ganges Road.

The five occupants of the vehicle were all treated for minor injuries.

Police reported that shortly after 8 p.m., a southbound 1983 Volvo also slid on an icy patch of Fulford-Ganges Road at the base of Lee's Hill and rolled over near Furness Road.

The driver of the vehicle, a 50-year-old island woman, was also transported to hospital with minor injuries.

## Canadiana Crossword

### Canadian Treescape

By Bernice Rosella and James Kilner

**ACROSS**

- 1 Litter
- 5 Mil. medal
- 8 Males
- 11 Cleanse
- 12 Above board, so to speak
- 14 \_\_\_ Lake, Manitoba
- 15 Bewildered
- 16 Sea eagle
- 17 Diagnostic scanner, abbr.
- 18 \_\_\_ Lake, British Columbia
- 20 Plains indian
- 21 \_\_\_ Creek, Manitoba
- 22 Soother
- 24 Gardiner or Mica
- 26 \_\_\_ Mountain, Saskatchewan
- 29 Layer
- 31 Super \_\_\_
- 34 Pencil part
- 36 Endures
- 38 Vim
- 39 Niche
- 41 Summer, to some
- 42 Aggravated (with up)
- 44 October birthstone
- 46 Raggedy, for one
- 48 Electrical meas.
- 50 \_\_\_, Ontario
- 54 Misery
- 55 Leg part
- 57 Dočk
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- 60 Keen on
- 61 Affirmative
- 62 Stab
- 63 Cape

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- 2 Romanian town
- 3 Always
- 4 Respond
- 5 Female rabbit
- 6 \_\_\_ Lake, New Brunswick
- 7 Penny
- 8 Not commercial
- 9 Lord
- 10 Scan
- 13 Require
- 19 Despise
- 23 Italian coin
- 25 Friend, to Fernand
- 26 Shriner's topper
- 27 Rage
- 28 Imprudence
- 30 Woodworker's tool
- 32 Soak
- 33 Toronto mkt.
- 35 RC honoree
- 37 I or T follower
- 40 \_\_\_ Hill, Ontario
- 43 Diplomacy
- 45 Rabbit, in Rouyn
- 46 Dishevelled
- 47 Nil
- 49 Main or mizzen
- 51 Cape \_\_\_, Newfoundland
- 52 Rents
- 53 Love god
- 56 Little fish

**DOWN**

- 1 Squeal, so to speak

CROSSWORD ANSWERS ON PAGE 22

# 'Good ship' Skua braves storm to save Saturnaite

Salt Spring coast guard crews performed a medical evacuation from Saturna Island during high winds and rough seas late Sunday night.

The coast guard vessel Skua was tasked to sail to Lyall Harbour at 11 p.m. December 29 after a 60-year-old woman suffered serious injuries from a motor vehicle accident.

"Because the weather was quite bumpy, we arrived at 12:39 a.m.," said seaman Marco Khalil.

In best conditions, the

crossing takes 35 minutes but on Sunday night seas had a moderate five-foot chop and winds were blowing southeast at 25 knots, he said.

"Departing the harbour was the roughest bit of the trip... Seas were kind of heaping up at the Channel Islands."

Rescuers had first attempted to medivac the patient using the Ganges Hawk water taxi but the waters were too rough, Khalil added.

There was concern that

the woman's injuries might be so severe she would need to be transported to Swartz Bay for a transfer to a Victoria hospital, but a return to Ganges was deemed the calmer voyage.

After ambulance attendants re-assessed the patient, the Skua left Saturna at 1 a.m. and brought the woman to Lady Minto before 2:30 a.m., he said.

"The 'good ship' Skua handled it very well last night, despite the conditions," Khalil said Monday.

## THIS WEEK'S HOROSCOPE



Horoscope for the week of January 5, 2003

**Tip of the Week:**

2003 can be called a "5 Year" because all the numbers add up to 5. This is a very basic aspect of numerology. A 5 Year is one of flux and change, of learning and travel, of experimentation and exploration. As 5 is the number for the 5 empirical senses it also stands to be a sensate, experiential and sensual year. Of course, no two years are ever quite the same. Also, people will have their own experiences. This is just a guideline... that does work. For better results add your day and month of birth + the year 2003 to determine your "Growth Year Number".

A person born on December 25th for example, would decipher their Growth Year Number as follows: 1+2 + 2+5 + 2+0+0+3=15, then reduce 15 to 1+5 = 6. So the Growth Year Number = 6. To decipher your actual "Destiny Number" from your actual date of birth you would add the day, month and year of birth. So, for a person born on December 25, 1976 their Destiny Number would be calculated as follows: 1+2 + 2+5 + 1+9+7+6 = 31 & 3+1= 4. The Destiny Number is 4. The interpretation for both the Destiny Number and the Growth Year Number are similar. The following is a brief outline of each of the years in a 9 Year Cycle: 1 is a year of new beginnings, leadership, initiative and independent action; 2 is a year of clearing, centering, communication, cooperation and union; 3 is a year of expansion, risk-taking, expression and nurturing; 4 is a year of stabilization, movement, structure and strategy; 5 is a year outlined above; 6 is a year of relationships, deepening, endings and renewed harmony; 7 is a year of initiation, experimentation, analysis, and courageous willingness; 8 is a year of power, testing, character building and abundance; 9 is a number of internalization, completion, rest, and preparation. You can also use this to know the "Growth Month Number" by adding your Growth Year Number to the month in question. Further, to know the "Growth Day Number" simply add the Growth Month Number to the day in question. For example, if your Growth Year Number is 1 and you want to know the Growth Month and Growth Day Numbers for say August 28th, you would be in a 9 month (1+8=9) on a 1 day (2+8=10=1 & 1+9=10=1) Hopefully, this brief introduction to numerology will come in useful this year! (For an overview forecast for each sign for 2003 see the Dec. 27, 2002 issue in the archives at www.sunstar.ws) PS. Mercury is retrograde from January 2 to 23rd!

ties and other social events will have a strong attraction during this time. With Mercury now retrograde, you may well find that your perceptions are a bit off. You may overempathize minor issues and not pay enough attention to deeper themes in need of attention. If you find others objecting to your perspectives over the next few weeks, listen well.

**Gemini (May 21 - Jun 20)**

This time of the year can be quite deep and serious for you. At best you really get into the festivities and try to feel the depth of the meaning particularly the gathering of family and friends. At worst, you feel somber as you reflect upon the deeper meaning of things. Tradition aside, you want to experience some very real changes. As your mind probes the depths you will feel moved to share your insights. Take note, as much of what you say to others now is a reflection of your own needs. As Gemini is the sign of projection this is always true and especially so now. Mirror, mirror...!

**Cancer (Jun 21 - Jul 21)**

Seeing yourself through your relationships is a central theme now and you are not alone. Recognizing blind spots in others is also an opportunity to acknowledge your own. This is your chance to better understand both yourself and others. You want to play mediator. Ironically, you may lean on others for advice just as quickly as you are willing to offer it. The advantage is that you get to see what others are and are not seeing. Be patient with this process. Focus on obvious and practical needs rather than personal and intimate ones until the clouds of perception clear. Patience with relationships!

**Leo (Jul 22 - Aug 22)**

Tending to your list of needs and priorities is the call now. The emphasis is upon your daily routine and habits. Are they as healthy and wholesome as you would like? Analysis towards re-organizing things is key. However, avoid trying to organize other people now. Don't expect that everyone will agree with your ideas. Rather, take note and be patient with implementing them. Things will get smoother when Mercury turns direct on Jan. 23rd. You are in a pioneering mode yet you may not be as grounded as you would like to think. Decipher what needs to change and be patient with the process.

**Virgo (Aug 22 - Sep 23)**

You are in a creative leadership cycle. This is your chance to devise and/or implement new directives. This may be especially true in your professional life. You are also in the midst of a soul seeking process. At best you feel deeply connected, protected and guided. As you learn to listen to the voice of your inner authority you come into full contact with your destiny. Take the time to exercise this inner attunement now. As intuitions about what you could and perhaps should do emerge, take note and action as soon as the opportunity opens. Contact your inner authority and creative source!

**Libra (Sep 23 - Oct 21)**

Establishing your authority close to home is a central theme now. You are determined to exercise your will. Ideally, this includes restructuring your own priorities so that there is more room for life's simple pleasures. This includes more intimacy. In certain respects you feel dominant and in others submissive. Play with this alternating current, it could prove to be very satisfying. This is also a good time to lay low close to home. Focus on establishing or at least holding the intention of a new norm. Commit to clearer communications that honors the changing individuality of

family members.

**Scorpio (Oct 22 - Nov 20)**

Getting in touch with what is immediately true and real is a central theme now. Circumstances in your life are demanding that you take a clear and honest look at the quality of your contribution. Quantity has its place but ideally should not exceed quality. You are in a good position to decipher and to express your thoughts and feelings. However, you do well to also listen as much as possible. Issues of authority and control are likely. Accept that your opinions in this regard are in need of change. Freedom is a core aspect of your desires now as well. Get real with what you feel!

**Sagittarius (Nov 21 - Dec 20)**

Building and fortifying your sense of foundation is in the spotlight. This involves clear commitments to improving upon and refining your priorities and daily habits. That you want more love and affection is likely and you will soon make moves in that direction. As is usually the case in regards to love and courtship, you will have more success if you are looking and feeling your best. To succeed, you may even decide to change your residence and/or the work you do. Accept what you must do and follow through. Fortunately, you will be in a much more pioneering mood soon!

**Capricorn (Dec 21 - Jan 19)**

You are in the mood to take some strides of leadership. New commitments are on the horizon and you are getting ready to act upon them. Changes in your overall perceptions are also close at hand. Meanwhile, you may simply feel impatient with the status quo. In order to make really meaningful changes, however, you must recognize that they have to happen within, at least as much as without. This implies changes in your attitude as well. Prepare for an inward retreat, in certain respects, that will help you to open your heart and to courageously face fears that block. Leadership!

**Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 19)**

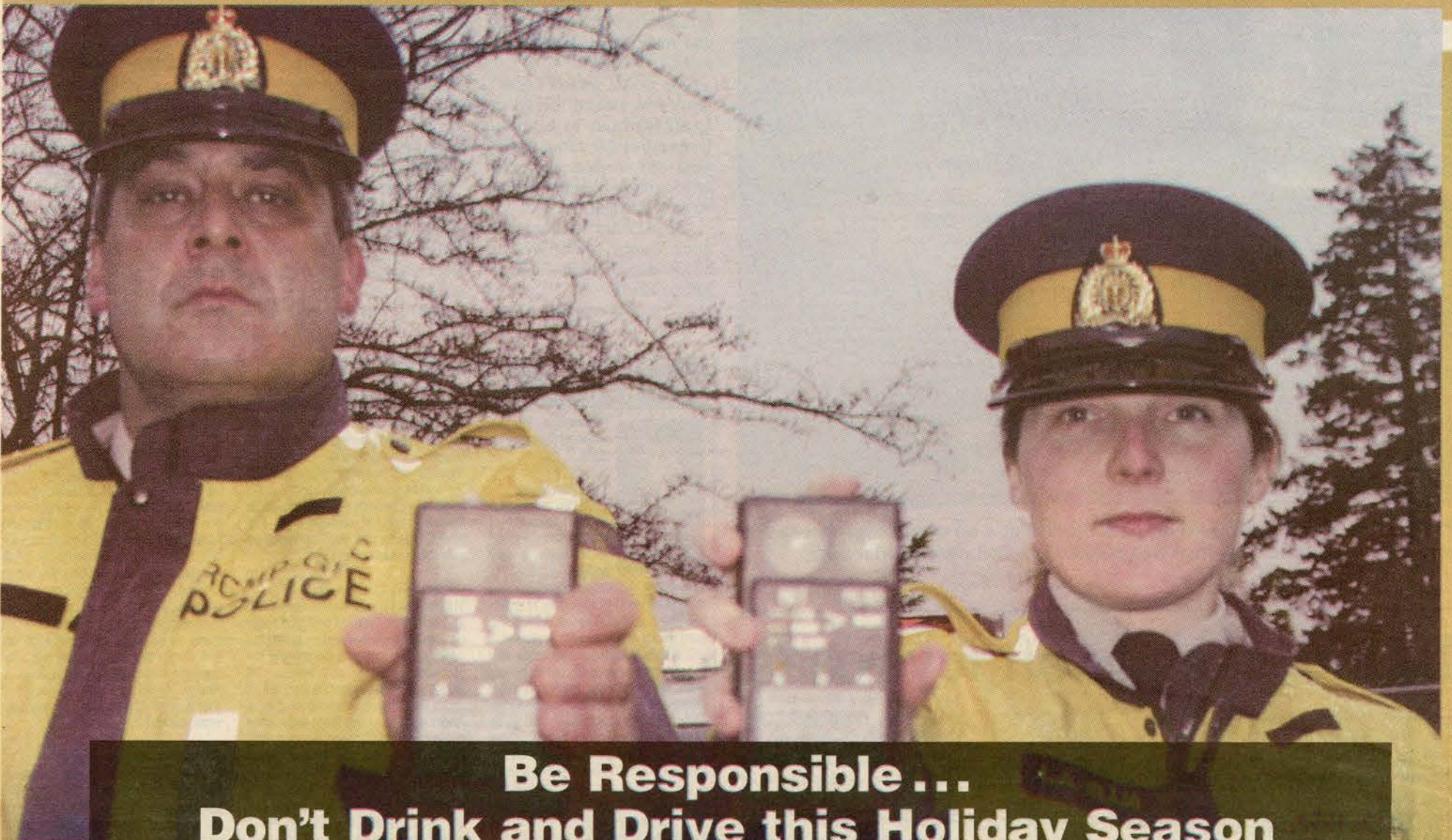
In the chamber of your home, your mind and/or your soul you are quietly preparing for a new day. You are preparing to experience and explore new people, places and expressions. You are increasingly aware that in order to realize your dreams you must collaborate with others more fully and effectively. Also, you must believe in your own specialness to be involved in pursuits that are larger than you. This may seem like a paradox, but after all your sun sign is Aquarius. Stand ready to let go of certain usual patterns and priorities to make room for new ones. Freedom!

**Pisces (Feb 19 - Mar 20)**

Gatherings with family and friends continue as a central theme. While you do enjoy this sometimes, it is also quite tiring. With so many energies and distractions at play, pleasurable as they may be, you also need to recharge. This can be achieved by taking time out by walking or reading or some other semi-solo activity. Your mind is searching for openings to express yourself in meaningful and effective ways. Stay alert to the impracticality of some of your ideas and make efforts to keep them real enough to be realized. Business and travel is likely soon too. Constructively alternate activity and rest.

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