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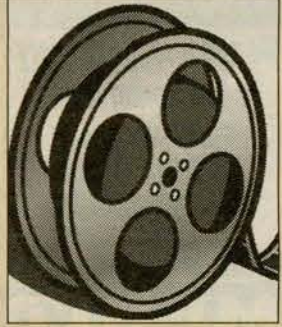
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JANUARY?: Salt Spring's Danielle Edwards is dressed for spring — just like the blossoming flowers spotted on a bush between the ganges post office and Bank of Montreal.

Photo by Derrick Lundy



Salt Spring forests sent to work?

By MITCHELL SHERRIN
Staff Writer

Forested Crown lands on Salt Spring could be slated for industrial logging if the provincial government follows through on a new "working forest" policy introduced January 22.

Under the proposed policy, 45 million hectares of Crown land (48 per cent of the province) would be given a new legal "working forest" designation.

The change will see all B.C.'s forested Crown lands (excluding parks and protected areas) available for industrial forestry and mining use.

"At first I was thinking, 'Surely to God they wouldn't be thinking about Crown land on Salt Spring.' But I think differently now," said Salt Spring's Capital Regional District director Gary Holman.

After examining the Ministry of Sustainable Resources' discussion paper called A Working Forest for British Columbia, Holman believes the "working forest" definition applies to Salt Spring Crown lands.

"The 'working forest' definition seems to include Crown lands on Salt Spring," he said.

But Holman is hopeful the

provincial government will consult with the Islands Trust before the new policy allows forestry companies to access island timber.

According to the discussion paper, relatively small Crown forests within municipal boundaries might not be included in the "working forest" designation, he noted.

"We're not a municipality, but there's a section of the document that indicates further discussion with local governments," Holman said.

The Trust's Official Community Plan (OCP) designates most Crown land on Salt Spring for recreation

and conservation, he noted.

"Given that the province had to approve the OCP, that would give some opening for further discussion."

With a mandate to preserve and protect, the Islands Trust will be advocating for other uses of Crown land in the region, said director of Trust area programs Linda Adams.

"I hope we would have an equal opportunity to include comment," Adams said.

The Trust is currently engaged in a process with the province to rework its islands' Crown lands "profiles" that identify resource values and development

potential of the public lands.

The community was concerned that a 2001 study had not included local knowledge about land attributes, she said.

Adams believes only one of Salt Spring's 12 undesignated Crown land parcels has industrial forestry potential. Crown lands comprise 830 hectares (2,050 acres) or four per cent of the island.

"The Hope Hill parcel (173 acres) adjacent to a lot of Texada lands is the one area with merchantable quantities of timber. A lot of

WORKING FOREST 3

Trust holds hatchery decision

By GAIL SJUBERG
Staff Writer

Salt Spring's Local Trust Committee (LTC) kept the rubber stamp at bay Saturday when it came to deciding whether or not to give its blessing to a 20-year lease for a Walker Hook sablefish hatchery.

Before a standing-room-only crowd eager to learn more about the proposed hatchery and research facility, all three trustees — Kimberly Liniger, Eric Booth and David Essig —

said they felt more than an afternoon was needed to make a decision on the issue.

The application will now be referred to the LTC's Advisory Planning Commission and a public meeting held on the topic.

While the technical application before the LTC had nothing to do with the political, ethical or scientific debates about aquaculture, the public turnout and questions pushed discussion in that direction.

Chris Acheson, a Salt Spring

sablefish fisherman and president of the Canadian Sablefish Association, touched on some of those threads in addressing the LTC as a delegation speaker.

He said the project's intended size was such that it could affect the whole coast. That would occur if the hatchery's products were sold to open-net fish farms which the CSA sees as inevitably damaging to the wild stocks.

FISH HATCHERY 2

RRSP promotion spurs complaints

Island Savings has temporarily withdrawn questionable RRSP ads until the message can be made more clear.

The credit union received complaints about the "island life" campaign, but intends to clarify rather than abandon it.

The campaign features postcards celebrating rain, sea weed, wolf eels, banana slugs and long ferry line-ups as characteristic features of island life.

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Acheson described the company as a "high-risk venture capital organization" and posed questions such as how the water used in the hatchery would be disposed of, along with the fish waste.

"This project is not consistent with what Salt Spring stands for," he said. "This project is high risk . . . and it doesn't fit in with our community."

He also proposed a moratorium on aquaculture in the entire Islands Trust area.

Gidon Minkoff, of Sablefin Hatcheries Ltd., was asked to outline the company's plans. He said the project is not "a fish farm" since it will produce fingerlings. Sablefish, or black cod, would not be raised in the sea off Walker Hook, he added, and no effluent would end up in the ocean. The plan sees salt water pumped to the facilities and wastewater discharged into septic fields, he said.

While acknowledging that salmon farming is a controversial issue in B.C., Minkoff said a marine fish hatchery was very different.

However, when Booth asked where the fingerlings would end up, Minkoff said they would be "farmed" - without specifying if that would be in open-net or land-based sablefish farms. He noted there is currently "a big drive to go into land-based systems."

"We are talking to a number of interested parties in this and I think it will be small mom and pop operations," he said. "I have a feeling the big fish farming groups won't be very keen on this right now because they are concerned it is risky."

Methods used in hatcheries of this kind were developed in the late 1960s in Japan, he said.

John Gauld, the Trust's regional planning manager who has dealt with Sablefin Hatcheries Ltd. on the matter, pointed out that the Agricultural Land Commission would probably approve the subdivision, which is on Henry Caldwell's property, with or without Trust sanction. Since the proposal conforms to the letter of the Salt Spring Official Community Plan and the land's agricultural zoning - which both allow landbased aquaculture - and the Trust is only a referral agency, the LTC has no power to halt the plan.

Some conditions concerning an unstable slope development permit area, potable water and protection of the Walker Hook tombolo do apply.

Islander Julia Hengstler said she was disturbed at the notion that the LTC should support an application just because it would likely be approved by higher-up government agencies and urged more time so the Trust could make "a wise decision."

Trustees agreed with her and others who pressed for more breathing room.

Beyond the subdivision application itself, the

said the whole issue of what the community and Trust-wide area wants in terms of aquaculture and industrial agriculture should be examined.

"I think the issue is larger in the community, as Kimberly suggested, than just a simple referral," said committee chair Essig. "It's obvious we need to have a good clearing of the air."

Minkoff said he was interested in doing a public presentation on the project.

Booth also raised the possibility that the community could be interested in purchasing Caldwell's Walker Hook property, considered one of the most beautiful on the island. The Trust report notes the OCP cites the Walker Hook tombolo as an environmentally sensitive ecosystem and "a primary recreational or scenic area for parkland acquisition through the subdivision process."

A copy of the staff report on the subdivision-hatchery issue can be viewed at the Ganges Trust office.

CSA wants aquaculture on land

Like most fishermen, Salt Spring's Chris Acheson would probably rather be out on the water than engaged in front-line politics like he was at the Trust committee meeting on Saturday.

But as president of the Canadian Sablefish Association (CSA), Acheson is a spokesman for a small part of the North Pacific fishing industry which feels threatened by recent provincial and federal government encouragement of aquaculture.

A sablefish hatchery and research centre being constructed on Walker Hook land under lease from Henry Caldwell figures in that support. Acheson says that with initial aims to hatch, grow and sell some 2 million sablefish, or black cod - and possibly growing to 10 million per year - Salt Spring would become a major source of stock for sablefish fish farms up and down the coast.

"This is a big big hatchery," he said. "It will have an impact on the whole west

coast of this continent." If those fish were fully grown out on land-based farms, the fear would not be so acute.

The anchor point of the CSA's association's position on aquaculture is that it should be done on land so that wild fish stocks and marine environments are not harmed.

In its submission to the B.C. government on marine non-salmonid finfish aquaculture policy, the CSA states: "The CSA is opposed to open netcage aquaculture. This position is based on continuing problems, growing international and domestic evidence, and a long list of unanswered questions that give rise to the CSA's and many others' fears that the current and potential damage from open netcage aquaculture will have serious negative impacts on valuable fish habitat, wild fish resources and the viability and continuation of many commercial, recreational and Aboriginal fisheries."

Acheson said his group

has put major effort and money - some \$1.2 million per year - into research, monitoring and managing the wild sablefish stock so that it is now in a stable state. The industry has also worked hard to create a strong market for itself, he added, which would collapse if farmed fish flood the market.

If sablefish end up being raised in open netcages, said Acheson, the negative effects on wild stocks will mirror the salmon situation.

In its report on salmon aquaculture issued just last week, the Pacific Fisheries Resource Conservation Council came out strongly in favour of precaution and revisiting government positions on aquaculture and protecting wild salmon.

Its first recommendation was that: "The precautionary principle should be applied in a much more rigorous way than is currently used in the evaluation of interaction risks between farmed and wild salmon stocks."

The report also recommended the aquaculture

industry and governments do more research on wild and farmed salmon interaction and find ways to mitigate salmon farming's impacts.

The federal government was urged to immediately form a policy that gives wild salmon priority in government decision-making.



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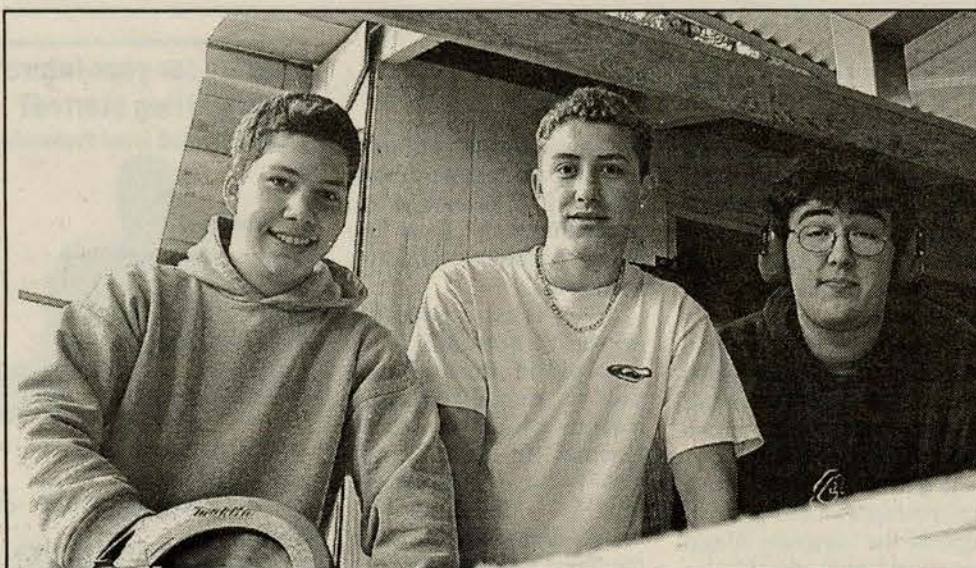
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PROMOTION: Credit Union plans to clarify

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But some local business people find the ad campaign offensive.

"I'm disappointed in it. I think their attempt at humour failed," said Salt Spring Chamber of Commerce vice-president Doug Mitchell. "It's not well received, especially by realtors."

"I think it's not a well-thought-out ad campaign that needs a letter to explain itself," said Carol Simpson. "If I was here to buy property or visit the islands, I think I'd catch the next ferry and leave town," she said.

"I think it was very rude," said Royal LePage realtor Henri Proctor.

She took particular offence to an ad placed on the back cover of the Driftwood last

week. The Island Savings ad suggests that islanders mail out the postcards to "encourage others to retire somewhere else."

Proctor found the ad distasteful toward people who have recently moved to the island.

"Am I missing something here?" she said.

Fellow realtor John Cade was equally offended.

"Of the people who live in B.C.; 10 per cent were born here, the rest came from somewhere else," Cade said.

He understands that Island Savings likes to use a promotional strategy suggesting they are a credit union here to serve local people, but the humour failed for him.

"Whoever came up with

that ad campaign, fire them."

But while Island Savings removed an ad slated to run in the Driftwood this week, they still intend to continue with the promotional campaign.

"We're massaging the copy a little bit to make things clearer," said Ken Sauchuk, Island Savings manager of advertising and communications in Duncan.

"Some feedback said it supported a 'drawbridge mentality' but that is not our intention, he said. "It was designed to poke fun at some island humour."

The "tongue in cheek" campaign aimed to break through the clutter in RRSP advertising common to this time of year, said Sauchuk.

"The key message is that we recognize we're fortunate to live here," he said. "There are just times when we wish the islands were a little less popular."

Island Savings has been handing out a note along with the postcards that helps explain the context of the promotional gimmick.

"We make no apology for the campaign," he said in an interview Friday. "We're certainly not trying to discourage people from coming here."

Island Savings has been a local business supporting different community initiatives for 50 years, Sauchuk said.

"We're not anti-anything. We truly support the community."

WORKING FORESTS: 'Implications huge'

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other ones are high peaks, rocky and steep, and not particularly good for forestry. Even Hope Hill is not a particularly good resource. I'm not sure if it would be worthwhile."

When the Ministry of Forests surveyed the land in 2001, it rated Hope Hill with "medium" productivity, she added.

A 160-acre parcel at Ford Lake might also have some forestry capability, "but potential as a community woodlot is different from industrial forestry," Adams said.

But according to the Working Forest discussion paper, industrial interests will receive prime consideration for land-use decisions on 22 million hectares of undesignated Crown lands,

in addition to the 23 million hectares already included in the existing timber harvesting land base.

"Revitalizing our number-one industry starts with creating certainty on the land base, increasing access to timber and ensuring jobs in rural B.C.," Sustainable Resource Management Minister Stan Hagen said when he introduced the policy last Wednesday.

"The needs of present and future generations of British Columbians are met through increased certainty for the forestry industry and by balancing economic, environmental and social values," Hagen said.

Local environmentalist Briony Penn is deeply concerned about the "working forests" designation.

"It's probably the most serious cynical legislation they've introduced yet... The implications of it are huge," Penn said.

Any efforts to create new parks or protect watersheds will require compensation to forestry companies holding timber licences, she noted.

Penn believes that all the province's prime forestry lands are already included in existing tree farm licences and that the unalienated Crown lands included in the "working forest" proposal encompass the "dregs" of the inventory.

"This is 20 million hectares of wetlands, community watersheds and agricultural lands," she said.

The only lands not included in the "working forests" definition will be

pure rock, Penn added. "There will not be one shred of unalienated Crown land remaining [once the legislation takes effect]."

The provincial government has ignored that the real "number-one industry" in the province is tourism, not logging, and they are jeopardizing B.C.'s economy through single-use thinking, she said.

"If we want community input on land-use decisions, we will have to argue with the 'big boys' in the industry."

Public comment on the Working Forest discussion paper will be accepted until March 14. Concerned parties can learn more about the initiative at the ministry website:

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Vacation rentals: report commissioned

By GAIL SJUBERG
Staff Writer

It's not yet clear whose hands will wield the scalpel in dissection of the vacation home rental issue, but Salt Spring trustees at least prepped the operating table Saturday.

During last fall's election campaign, Kimberly Lineger and Eric Booth both promised resolution of the vacation home rental dispute.

They suggested an alternative approach from the previous local Trust committee's policy of proactively enforcing existing bylaws which prohibit renting residential homes to tourists.

That three delegations spoke to the issue Saturday proved it's also high on the community's priority list.

Chamber of Commerce president Tony Richards reiterated the chamber's request for a local Trust committee (LTC) moratorium on enforcing its bylaws against vacation home renters, and urged the Trust to initiate a public process so the community at large could be involved in decision making.

Murray Reiss also spoke for public involvement. He suggested the Association for Short-Term Accommodation Rentals (ASTAR) or an individual wanting the change should apply for the necessary official community plan amendment and a rezoning.

That would necessarily kick-start a formal official public process, while ensuring the proponents for change picked up part of the tab through fees. Reiss also said the LTC should carry on with in-progress bylaw enforcement until it receives an application.

Larry Cross from ASTAR said his group simply wants to be involved in discussions and have a chance to prove that information sent out by the previous LTC about vacation rental impacts was "wrong."

Lineger said the LTC needs to decide which body should lead an examination of the issue. Choices include creating a special task force, making it the first job for a Trust tourism advisory committee yet to be formed, or giving it to the Trust's

Advisory Planning Commission to look at.

Since the vacation rentals issue is a Trust-wide concern, she said, Trust Council input should also be solicited.

John Gauld, Trust regional planning manager, estimated that a staff report on options could be ready in about two months.

Whether or not bylaw enforcement would proceed against the currently illegal vacation homes should also be determined, said Lineger.

Gauld sketched the present bylaw enforcement picture for people at Saturday's meeting. Illegal operations would be investigated on a complaint basis like any other alleged bylaw violation, but proactive enforcement of the vacation home prohibition — as directed by the previous LTC — was not taking place now, he said.

Wayne Quinn, director of local planning for the Trust in Victoria, explained basic bylaw enforcement policy to the Driftwood last month.

LTCs are not supposed to interfere with a bylaw enforcement matter once it is


underway, he said, but nothing can proceed to court without LTC resolution and a commitment from the Trust executive committee to fund it.

"The Trust committee doesn't normally get involved in a matter until you've exhausted your requests for compliance and you say [to the LTC] 'do you want to prosecute this?'"

Until it reaches that point, the Trust's bylaw enforcement department and its LTCs are basically separate functions.

"If a person complains based on the existing bylaw, then we have an obligation to review and enforce the bylaw," said Quinn. "It's not a political decision whether we're going to enforce or not. It really is an administrative matter."

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Top marks for school district

The Gulf Islands School District received a glowing report card from an external review team which visited the islands January 12-15.

"There were no surprises for us," said school board chair May McKenzie.

After collecting data from 10 key areas of inquiry, the district review team (DRT) graded School District 64 with the same performance standard scoring guide used for student report cards.

While the district "met expectations" in most areas, they "fully met expectations" in the areas of selecting clear goals, developing a rationale for goals, communication with the community and district-school coherence. They also exceeded expectations in leadership and teamwork.

"In this district, shared leadership and teamwork are a district-wide way of life," the report stated.

Describing district strengths, the DRT report lauded efforts by the combined experience, knowledge and skills of the Gulf Islands program delivery task force, which helps model effective practice.

Observers also noted the high level of community involvement in local schools.

Looking at Gulf Islands'

"promising practices" that could be recommended to other districts, the DRT applauded the Annual Improvement Model (AIM) that encourages personal and professional development for all staff members and even provides development funding for parents.

The district growth plan, improvement cycle, annual retreat process and efforts to improve boys' success in school also received kudos.

The team made recommendations in four areas: one was to focus more attention on fewer goals.

"They found that we had too many goals. They thought it was better to have a couple you can hone in on," McKenzie said.

Another recommendation was to use performance standards scoring guides as an assessment tool at the district level.

"The B.C. performance standards are among the best in the world," McKenzie noted.

A third recommendation suggested collecting and studying data to test the

effectiveness of district strategies.

Engaging the greater parent community in school and district plans to improve student learning was also proposed by the team.

"That's a tough one. Parents are very busy people," McKenzie said. "How do we get them to know what we are doing?"

The DRT, comprised of a parent, teacher, principal, superintendent and education ministry observers, visited nine of the 11 schools in the district and met with parents, staff and administrators.

Since this particular review was one of three pilot projects, the ministry also collected feedback on the DRT process.

"What the report has given us is confirmation that our commitment to team leadership and our 'growth for all' model is working well. Now we will sharpen our focus on the goals, strategies and assessment practices that we have identified and begun our work on," McKenzie said.

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'Gifting' restores chemo

An innovative funding arrangement is returning chemotherapy services to Lady Minto Hospital.

Early in 2002, hospital administration was forced to cancel the low-risk chemotherapy it had offered since 1996, when available funding could not meet the increased patient load and task demands.

Karen Davies, manager of patient care, said the Lady Minto Hospital Foundation (LMHF) has now come to the rescue with a proposal and funds to help.

"What they've done is very innovative," said Davies. "They are gifting dollars to the pharmaceutical department to support the technical assistant our pharmacist needs [to offer the service]."

Foundations are traditionally focussed on fundraising for capital projects, such as the operating room expansion and palliative care suite the LMHF has spearheaded in recent months, but Davies said they can also provide gifts to specific departments.

She said the foundation board was determined to find a way to restore the local chemotherapy program.

"It's fabulous we are able to do it again and we're just absolutely thrilled the foundation has taken this on as a project."

Davies stressed that the hospital's chemotherapy services are limited and patients must meet certain criteria to receive them.

More complex cases will still require treatment at the B.C. Cancer Agency in Victoria, she said.

Last Wednesday Davies met with general internist Dr. Bob Crossland, pharmacist Donna Hickey and personnel from both the B.C. Cancer Agency and Vancouver Island Healthy Authority pharmacy department to determine how the revived program would work.

Required staff assistance will now be provided to Hickey on an "as-needed basis."

In the 12 months before the service ended one year ago, some 40 chemotherapy treatments were done at the hospital, said Davies.

Service will be available "as soon as the first patient needs it," she said.



PROTEST: Teachers at Salt Spring Elementary School show off their black arm bands as they protest government policies on Black Tuesday. Photo by Derrick Lundy

Teachers mark 'Black Tuesday'

Gulf Islands teachers wore black armbands Tuesday to commemorate the first anniversary of provincial government laws that disbanded contracts which had protected class sizes and provided support for special needs students.

"The B.C. Teachers' Federation (BCTF) won't forget the damage done," said Gulf Islands Teachers Association representative Elaine Jacobson. "We're very upset and sad about losses that occurred last year and we think the whole education system is suffering by those losses."

January 28 is a dark day for those in the education community, said BCTF president Neil Worboys.

"On that day, the B.C. Liberals gutted our contracts of the very provisions that protect the quality of education. We've been seeing the devastating impact ever since then in terms of larger classes, less support for students with special needs, 2,000 fewer teachers and 44 schools closed."

While no schools were closed on the Gulf Islands, the school district saw larger classes, a reduction of seven full-time-equivalent teaching positions and losses to other support services.

Between changes to Ministry of Education funding formulas and a district-wide decline in enrolment, the Gulf Islands district also saw a \$925,000 reduction in revenue this year.

Local teachers gathered after school Tuesday at Salt Spring Island Middle School to write letters to education minister Christy Clark informing her of the impact caused by provincial funding cuts.

"She's claiming not to have heard any negative comments about education in the province," Jacobson said.

Next week, the BCTF will send five school buses around the province to collect messages for the minister from students, parents, teachers and concerned community members.

GSX hearing Feb. 24

February 24 is still the start date for the formal National Energy Board (NEB) hearing for the GSX natural gas pipeline.

The NEB had questioned the company on its intentions after learning that B.C. Hydro — one of two GSX partners — had not applied for the B.C. Utilities Commission certificate required to proceed with a gas-fired power plant at Duke Point. The \$380-million plant is also known as the Vancouver Island Generation Project (VIGP).

The GSX pipeline would supply the Duke Point plant, and a second facility already in service in Campbell River.

Hydro has since stated that it still intends to proceed with the VIGP.

The Sumas, Washington to Duncan pipeline covers 136 kilometres in total (with 60 of those kilometres in Canada), passing waters south of Pender, Saturna and Salt Spring on the way.

Estimated capital cost is \$340 million.

Regulatory approval was granted last fall by U.S. authorities for the Washington state portion of the project. U.S. consumers of B.C.'s natural gas will also be served by the pipeline.

GSX would like to see the pipeline in operation by October 2005.

The February 24 NEB hearing will see all aspects of the project dissected, from its environmental effects to B.C. Hydro's predictions of need for another power source to serve Vancouver Island.

A hearing location has not yet been set. Some 56 parties are registered to speak at the proceedings which could run for a month.

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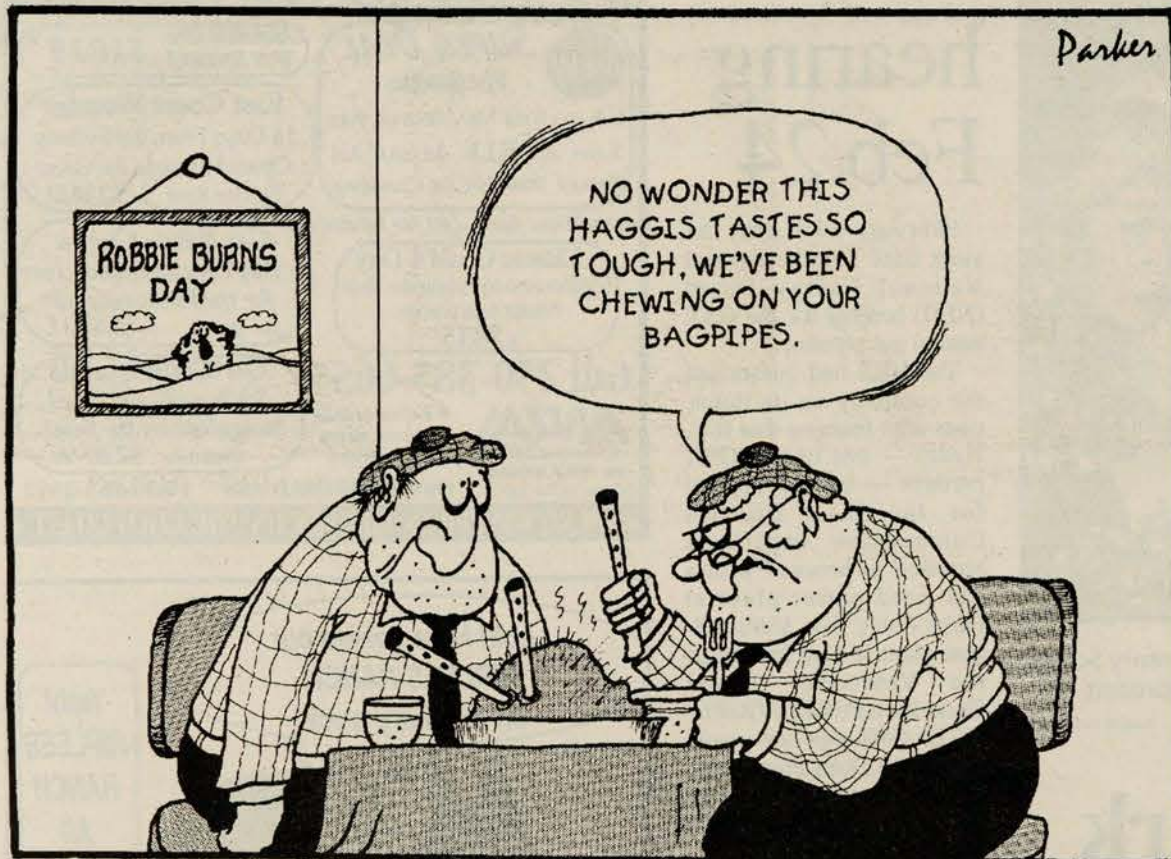
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When an organization takes a humorous approach in its marketing, it risks offending someone. Offend enough people and your marketing is going to bomb.

And so it was this week when the Vancouver Island-based credit union was forced to take another look at its annual campaign to sell Registered Retirement Savings Plans. Too many people were offended.

Central to the campaign was the theme "Let them retire somewhere else."

It suggested tongue in cheek that we should keep Vancouver Island and the Gulf Islands to ourselves, and the message was clearly stated on a series of very graphic postcards.

Purpose of the message was to reinforce the point of the ads: that Island Savings is in the business of helping its members achieve their retirement goals.

But unfortunately for the credit union, evidence of a tongue firmly lodged in cheek was insufficient.

When the newspaper advertising broke last week in the communities where it does business, the telephones began to ring.

So just how bad are those postcards?

Depends on whom you ask. But most people seem to think they narrowly missed the mark: they weren't quite funny enough.

We found them mildly amusing, certainly not offensive, and certainly not bad enough to justify scrapping an extensive marketing project, if that's what the credit union decides to do.

The downside of all this is that we'll no doubt see a switch to more of those dry and boring RRSP ads that come along every year at this time. Perhaps we all need to lighten up a little.

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Ferry group needs help to push for desired changes

By SALT SPRING FERRY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The Salt Spring Island Ferry Advisory Committee met recently to discuss tonight's public meeting which is set for the Harbour House Hotel from 7-9 p.m.

We reflected on the current situation and issues that were brought forward since the six of us were appointed in October 2001. Over the last 18 months, we have made numerous suggestions to improve the ferry service to Salt Spring Island. We have suggested many no-cost solutions to problems but these changes are not implemented. The excuse has been time and time again, "We are waiting for the Core Review."

Most of us are very frustrated. We wonder what the purpose of our role is and will be.

We find that we are probably just as confused as the general public as to what will become of

VIEW POINT

B.C. Ferries and the ferry service to Salt Spring Island.

We find that our summer service, on the whole, is fairly good but the summer service only operates for two months of the year. We are concerned about the year-round service. Many state that Salt Spring Island has three ferry terminals so we shouldn't complain.

Remember, the population is around 10,000 permanent residents which is probably closer to 18,000 in the summer. Well, even with three ferry terminals, we receive unacceptable service to the Lower Mainland during the other 10 months of the year.

A two-hour wait using the through fare (route 4) Fulford

Harbour to Swartz Bay often turns into a three or four-hour wait if the traffic is heavy. We know that many of you have experienced the "alternate route" on your departure from the Skeena Queen. This makes it virtually impossible to make a connection.

Also, during the winter when the Spirit vessels are in dry-dock, Route 1 (Victoria-Tsawwassen) capacity is reduced, further increasing the probability of long waits.

B.C. Ferries states: "A through-fare ticket does not guarantee connecting ferry service and does not include special or priority vehicle loading."

Imagine how it could be if Salt Spring vehicles were given some form of priority through a reservation system that doesn't require them to be there 30 minutes in advance.

Route 9 from Long Harbour to

Tsawwassen is also not a great service because the trip is usually longer than three hours. The ship leaves very early in the morning — 6:30 a.m. — and the last sailing from Tsawwassen doesn't arrive until very late at night, usually after 10 p.m. We have been told that many of these sailings are repositioning sailings.

Why then does B.C. Ferries have a premium charge for sailings after 9 p.m.?

At the last public meeting held in November of 2002, some changes were suggested to Route 4 (Fulford Harbour-Swartz Bay) and Route 6 (Vesuvius Bay-Crofton). We received a petition and asked B.C. Ferries to look at making the changes to both routes. These suggestions would be no-cost changes. We are still waiting to hear from them.

There is really only one good thing to come out of the past 18

months. The Skeena Queen finally appears to have good engines, but the ferry advisory committee asked for better seating and some sound proofing. Both could easily have been done at the same time as the engines. But it seems that B.C. Ferries just wants a floating/sailing parking lot and is not concerned with the comfort of passengers.

Please come to the meeting at the Harbour House Hotel on January, 29, and maybe together we can get answers to our questions and finally improve the ferry service to Salt Spring Island. The committee wants to be more effective and would really appreciate your attendance and participation at this meeting.

Committee members put their heads together to write this piece, and they hope to see a good turnout at tonight's Harbour House meeting.

Why is the United States, or more accurately, George W. Bush, intent on invading Iraq? To eliminate Saddam Hussein? Eliminate the threat of Iraq using weapons of mass destruction? Ensure a continuing supply of oil? Eliminate or decrease the threat of terrorist attacks against the US?

If the US intends, as they say they do, to replace the current regime in Iraq, this will be a long and bloody war. In Vietnam, where communism was the evil enemy, the Americans succeeded in killing and maiming tens of thousands of innocent Vietnamese people. In doing so, they also ended or destroyed the lives of tens of thousands of young Americans. And they didn't eradicate communism from Vietnam. Despite the dire predictions of what life would be

Memo to George Bush: don't do it

like for the Vietnamese if the US gave up the war — or lost it — Vietnam is now a safe and healthy place for both its citizens and visitors. So much so that it's become a popular tourist destination for the Yanks.

A place where they can travel by train or bus through the lush green countryside, watching a one-armed man guiding an ox-drawn plow through a rice paddy. As they pass another village they can see a middle-aged woman carrying a basket of chickens, hobbling down a path toward the market, an old wooden crutch

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under her left arm tries to take the place of her missing leg.

They are two of the luckier ones, those two. They lost their limbs quickly in explosions of metal, fire, and blood. Others suffered much longer, as the burns on their flesh, or the holes in their guts, took years to not quite heal.

Many of the now-elderly Vietnamese stare back at the tourists with eyes long dead. Oh, these people can see alright, but there are no feel-

ings left in the bodies that carry those eyes. Their souls packed up the meagre remains of their emotions years ago and vanished. For some, the final emotional event in their lives was a simple one. Perhaps the sound of a single shot, heard in the same instant they saw their three-year-old daughter fall, like a Raggedy-Ann doll, face first in the mud.

Others were tortured for years, before they finally gave in to the torment and simply stopped feeling. Those are the ones who lost a brother one day, a mother the next, then lived precariously but hopefully for a few months, or even years, until a sister or a son, or a whole damned village, took weeks to stop screaming, then whimpering, then die. They

now live — no, they exist — in a numb and quiet world where neither joy nor despair can ever touch them again.

In one of nature's crueler twists, some of the worst off are those who weren't yet born when the Americans left Vietnam. For the first few years of their lives they whispered prayers of thanks that they'd been spared the terror of those years. The joy of love and marriage was followed by the wonder of pregnancy and the miracle of life — which then turned in an instant into the terrible truth of war's legacy. Still today, throughout the now peaceful hills and valleys of Vietnam, the tiny cells of tiny babies succumb to poison chemicals, defoliants, sprayed throughout the country, more

than 30 years ago. They live on in the fertile soil and the cool water, physically and mentally maiming thousands of children before they're born.

Who are you warring against Mr. Bush? Saddam Hussein may well be an evil man. If so, Iraqis need your help, not your war. If you don't believe me, ask the Vietnamese.

Last week, the CBC aired a powerful documentary, "Generation of Hate", on the program "Witness". This show is about the effects of the US treatment of Iraq upon Iraqi children and Canada.

If you missed it, call the CBC and ask them to rebroadcast it. According to Dorothy Cutting, if enough of us request it, they just might do it. I wish we could send a copy to every household in the USA.

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SALT SPRING SAYS

We asked: How do you feel about turning Salt Spring Crown lands into "working forests"?



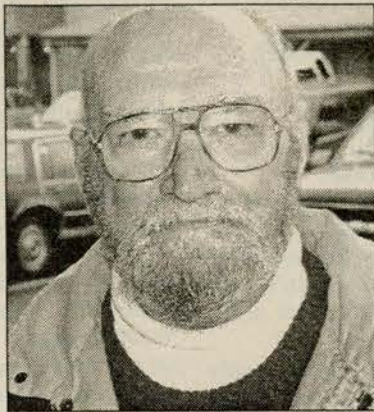
Claudia Ford

The Crown land is for the people . . . It was never meant for someone else's profit. I believe in keeping a future for my grandkids so my grandkids will have a forest . . . They're just trying to delay when the logging companies go under.



Catherine Lily Hooper (with Garth Herbert)

They're opening the market for eventual takeover by the Americans . . . I would rather see it saved for my grandchildren. If it was treated as a wood lot, that would be all right. But they're not going to do that.



J. M. Nestman

I see some value behind it. But I don't know if it would be practical or desirable.



Jackie Metzger

I don't like it. But if it's not here, where's it going to be?



Linda Siegel

I'm violently opposed, but I wouldn't resort to violence. It would be a tragedy for Salt Spring.

Letters to the Editor

Recipe

Salt Spring Island glows with creativity, opinions, culture and a wide range of diverse peoples.

Our Salt Spring Dollars feature us. Our history, our pioneers, our artists, who are featured on the reverse side.

Our visitors exchange their dollars because of the artwork, history, design and, lastly, concept. Last year at the children's conference in Victoria, island children gave our dollars as gifts.

Lots of support and encouragement was given in the beginning. Just the idea, "Who would ever have thought?"

When one really does think of the idea, don't you wish you had thought of it? How about just taking part, which in turn would help the community to understand the concept before criticizing it.

Eric Booth and Bob McGinn turned an idea into a reality. That takes courage. They are both proud islanders who see the big picture and the rocky road we all face as a community.

Charity needs to start at home. To have the life we have and know on our island, we all need community support, open communi-

cation and lots of understanding.

When in trouble, the community is there for you: fire, accidents, death, search and rescues — both human and animal. There's the fun times too: markets, celebrations, music, fireworks, fall fair, Christmas light-up, just to name a few.

Creative fundraising has always played a major role on our island. Much energy has gone into creating our island dollars and we as islanders have the power to make it successful by giving support. Let's not forget the world support.

If one has concerns or questions, I'm sure the Salt Spring Island Monetary Foundation board would answer them.

I for one am very proud to be part of the Salt Spring Island community.

In ending, here's a recipe for a happy, healthy and loving day:

Take a few grains of kindness and a teaspoon of prayer;

A little bit of sunshine, mixed with morning air;

Add to this some merriment and a thought for young and old;

Add as a main ingredient common sense put in a bowl;

Add some spices from the "good old book" and flavour it with love;

and count your blessings, for all the love and nature which surrounds us.

Now take a moment and remember why you came to Salt Spring Island!

SANDY McNEIL,
Salt Spring

Unjust

In his January 22 In Depth article about the fate of Robert Latimer, Jack Hallam cogently elucidates the injustice of a legal system that has incarcerated a loving father who, out of desperation, ended his daughter's life of pain.

This was pain which the medical profession was unable to control without threatening the girl's existence. The dilemma facing physicians is often the choice of avoiding pain, although permitting death, versus permitting pain and avoiding death. Tracy Latimer's physicians chose the latter course.

It has been said that the easiest pain to bear is someone else's. That may be true, unless that someone else is your child or a loved one.

And so with no pain relief in sight for this little girl, who weighed only 35

pounds at 12 years old and was facing an unending series of mutilating surgeries, Robert Latimer chose to end her suffering by asphyxiation with carbon monoxide.

For this act of mercy he was sentenced to life imprisonment with no chance of parole for 10 years!

In the past few years 11 cases of compassionate homicide have been identified, of which nine have been sent to trial. Of these the maximum sentence was two years, while there were six suspended sentences and two acquittals.

In the past 10 years in Canada, there have been almost 40 cases in which a parent or step-parent has been charged with killing one or more of their children. Again the disparity of sentencing has been quite striking. It ranged from a maximum of seven years imprisonment for a case of abuse, while 18 received three years or less, four received probation and seven were judged not criminally responsible.

It would seem fairly evident that Robert Latimer's sentence is grossly unjust.

BRIAN FINNEMORE,
Fulford

Chilling

This letter is in reply to Jack Hallam's defence of Robert Latimer where he suggested, "It is time that compassion, mercy and love are stronger than hateful vengeance."

We, concerned parents of children with disabilities, would like to suggest it is time empathy and clear-headed thinking replaced narrow-minded, self-serving obfuscation.

Mr. Hallam's argument seems to boil down to this: Robert Latimer is a good guy and he killed his daughter for good reasons, so leave him alone.

We will never know for certain what was in the mind of Mr. Latimer as justification for killing Tracy, nor will we ever know what Tracy's experiences and desires were. We do know that there are many children in B.C. who live with the same challenges as Tracy, and equally as many families who have chosen to seek the best medical interventions, and to provide as much comfort as possible for their children.

We, who love and value our children who live with disabilities, find the notion of euthanasia chilling in the extreme. This case is not

about one man and the death of one child, about whether Robert Latimer did a "good" thing or a "bad" thing; it is about protecting the most vulnerable and unsuspecting amongst us. What Robert Latimer did was kill his helpless, non-communicating daughter in a premeditated fashion. If we allow the death of Tracy on "compassionate" grounds, who is next?

Excusing Mr. Latimer because he appeared to have a good reason would open a Pandora's box of ugly proportions. To paraphrase Martin Niemöller: First they came for the Jews, and I did not speak out because I was not a Jew. Then they came for the Communists but I did not speak out because I was not a Communist. Then they came for the trade unionists and I did not speak out. Then they came for the narrow-minded and confused, and there was no one left to speak out for me.

No, we cannot excuse Robert Latimer, because that would be unfair to Tracy, and it would be folly for all the vulnerable and underprivileged citizens of this country.

DONNA DIGGINS,
Gulf Islands Families
Together Society

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Shorter lease: save hatchery from 'back then' song

They're coming! Victoria's recycling saints, Zeb and José, have agreed to bring their Pacific Mobile Depots to the Salt Spring Recycling Depot on Thursday, February 13, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., to collect plastics and polystyrenes. For a list of what they collect and the requested donation per bag, see www.pacificmobiledepots.com or call (250) 883-5914. They need about 150 bags to cover costs and put Salt Spring on their regular route. Let's hope.

In the late 1960s and early '70s, when I was studying life sciences at UBC, forestry professors and the logging industry used to say, "Oh yeah, we used to be really bad 20

years ago, but we've changed. It's a real science now. We run clean, sensitive, modern operations. Those damned activists can get off our case. Trust us!"

However much they hated their critics, on a continuum from cold annoyance to Rumpelstiltskin in full fury, they admitted that they wouldn't have cleaned up their acts if they hadn't been pushed to it.

Move forward to the late '80s, and what a surprise to hear them say, "Oh yeah, we were bad 20 years ago, but not now. We've really changed."

Excuse me? Are you

twice as good now as you were 40 years ago, or were you half as bad when you first sang the "20 years ago" song? And if you deserved full trust when you got all scientific and sensitive, are you doubly trustworthy now that you're truly enlightened?

Reel forward again to today, and they're still selling the "bad 20 years ago, wonderful now" line, tagged with the "trussst in me, jussst in me" seduction. They're still admitting, too, that they wouldn't have progressed

if they weren't goaded by environmentalist foes. Other resource-based industries use the same tactic, crapping on their own past operations to promote their most wonderful present.

So what's my response when I heard last week that a sablefish hatchery is being built on Salt Spring and is seeking a 20-year lease on Walker's Hook?

Of course, they have no track record now, but I'm certain that when the lease is up in 2023, they'll build their case for renewal by pointing out the serious flaws and misjudgments, with costly consequences, they made back then.

"Back then" is now, and sure enough, the hatchery's proponent, Gidon Minkoff, filled his allotted

time at the local Trust committee meeting on January 25 with assurances that it'll be a clean, sensitive, modern operation. He went into considerable scientific and technical detail to sell his conviction that it will be a perfectly sustainable and aesthetically pleasing set-up, at least as far as the eye can see and local waters run.

Just don't look beyond Walker's Hook, where he admitted that, "We don't actually decide" where their product ends up — or how it impacts, obviously.

People with memories going back 20 years, and 20 years again, are getting awfully tired of this endless, same-old way of selling industries that will freely admit how bad they

were in another 20 years. The problems with Salt Spring's sablefish hatchery may not be within the operation itself, but for sure there will be some big "uh-ohs" regarding life and livelihoods up and down the coast.

Alas, about the best to be hoped for under the current provincial regime is to keep the hatchery on a series of three-year leases, not the 20-year one they're applying for. Better to keep tabs every few years, I'd say, than to suffer another 20-20 hindsight confession to all they did wrong in the crude old days, before they were pushed to smarten up in their small corner of an extremely complex, globally connected system.

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SPRINGBOARD
BY BRENDA GUILLED



More letters

Energy issues

I write to say how grateful I am to the people who contributed their time and services for the Blue Energy presentation last Wednesday, January 22.

I especially want to thank the Salt Spring Conservancy for its sponsorship and the staff at GISS, in particular the wonderful Don McEachern, for their advice and assistance.

Special thanks go to Tim and John at Island Star Video for all their help in getting the digital projector set up. I know they do a great deal for the community of Salt Spring Island, and I think we are lucky to have them with us.

It has been suggested that we do a series of presentations here on the complex and challenging issues of alternative energy.

I, for one, learned a great deal from Martin Burger of Blue Energy about tidal power. It would be exciting to have speakers come here to talk about wind power, zero point energy and hydrogen as a fuel.

Our ad hoc committee will be investigating this as a possibility. If anyone has any suggestions, call or e-mail me. I'm at 537-5558 or dcutting@saltspring.com.

DOROTHY CUTTING,
Price Road

Divisive

I could not ignore the full-page advertisement for Island Savings on the back page of your January 22 issue.

As a relative newcomer to Salt Spring, what it tells me is that clearly I am not welcome here by Island Savings and by association Driftwood feels the same.

The tone is clearly divisive and is playing on the drawbridge mentality of (fortunately a very minor) percentage of the island population.

Yes I am a retiree, a heart patient but not dead yet — thank God — wanting to spend a few years in a peaceful and serene environment. I have started a small business here and recently advertised for staff in your newspaper. I received 72 replies in writing and so far have hired three people full-time with more to come. This tells me that there are some who are glad I came here and am prepared to create employment.

As such I also need banking facilities and insurance for vehicles, my farm, personal possessions, tenancies,

liability etc. and gee, I wonder where I will place my business.

I am not a marketing whiz like the help at Island Savings, but I understood that when I studied marketing 101 some 40 years ago in secondary school, the mission was to attract new customers! What a concept!

Apparently, I must have missed something. Perhaps in today's world, advertising is meant to upset people, make them feel like second-class citizens, pit neighbour against neighbour, drive new business away and jeopardize the jobs of employees.

Well done, Island Savings! An apology would be nice.

ALAN J. MAYFIELD,
Long Harbour

Work together

We are encouraged that current trustees Eric Booth and Kimberly Liner acknowledge the need for review of the OCP in the matter not only of short-term, but all rental accommodation on the island.

ASTAR asks only to be a contributing, active part of any such study group. We also offer the benefit of research undertaken to date. We are a solution-seeking group. We are concerned members of this community. Our homes and livelihood as your colleagues, neighbours and service providers are intrinsically part of Salt Spring.

A review of problem areas, together with reasoned and focussed research of similar communities, will permit the public to assess which solutions are most suited to Salt Spring.

On January 25, Trust staff indicated that proactive bylaw enforcement of short-term rentals is not being taken while the matter is under consideration. Some clarity could be given as to where that leaves the active files against a handful of property owners, however, it is appreciated that our new trustees recognize the rental of homes to visitors during the summer season is both an economic and political necessity.

If any further aggressive action is deferred pending OCP review and revision, we can, individually and as a group, work together to resolve the problem at the earliest opportunity.

This can be accomplished where there is clear will to do so. A desire simply to punish those who seek to visit our island or those who offer visitors the services

they require will produce nothing positive.

PATRICIA M. FRASER,
ASTAR

Change possible

David Kos' January 15 letter to the editor was powerful; many of us have admired Mark Twain's writings throughout our adult lives.

And Twain is not the only writer or poet to lament war and cry out for peace.

Wilfred Owen's Anthem for Doomed Youth asks, "What passing-bells for those who die like cattle . . . Only the monstrous anger of the guns."

Archibald MacLeish describes The End of the World: "There staring overhead . . . those thousands of white faces, there in the sudden blackness, the black pall of nothing, nothing, nothing — nothing at all."

W. H. Auden, in a poem merely titled Sept. 1, 1939, writes: "We must love one another or die."

Martin Luther King must have read Auden. An article based on a new book by psychologist Lawrence LeShan appears in the Jan/Feb issue of the Utne Reader, which throws new light on "Why We Love War." He describes two main ways that we humans perceive reality — the rational way based on what our senses tell us, and the mythic mode that we slip into when governments manipulate us into accepting, first, the possibility of war and then, as we reject rational thinking through propaganda — even lies — we welcome it.

Some common myths are that God or history is on our side. We bombed Hamburg for the good of mankind; they bombed Rotterdam because they are evil. In

peacetime our common sense tells us that there are many shades of good and evil; in the mythic war mode there is only us and them.

LeShan describes a modern war in which people shifted from the mythic mode to the sensory mode — Vietnam. Because the horrors of war became impossible to ignore through watching scenes of brutality on our television screens, an historical rejection of war took place in the mid-20th century. The sanitized version in 1991 of the Persian Gulf War made this massacre acceptable to the majority of Americans because of the tight control of the media by the military. The government and the generals had learned their Vietnam lesson well.

Lawrence LeShan ends his article by rejecting the notion that war is inevitable or part of human nature. These theories make us feel helpless and make us think we can't change.

But we have made the changes; the most dramatic change was to give up slavery only 150 years ago. Western democracies only gave women the vote less than 100 years ago. In the 1920s and '30s people were put in jail for teaching women about birth control; this still happens in parts of our world today.

When the first atomic bomb was dropped in WWII, Buckminster Fuller wrote that humanity must now take its final exam; many of us, LeShan included, feel that we had better pass this test.

The full title of LeShan's book is The Psychology of War: Comprehending Its Mystique and Its Madness (Helios Press, 2002).
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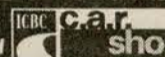
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Real evils demand a shift in the accusatory fingers

By GREG SPENDJIAN

The term "axis of evil" has become commonplace since George Bush Jr. used it in his State of the Union address.

After September 11, 2001, the word "evil" has repeatedly been used to characterize those who would inflict "mass destruction" on innocents.

Whatever one's view of such name-calling, if this definition of "evil" is applied objectively — if from a different perspective — a whole other slew of evildoers emerge.

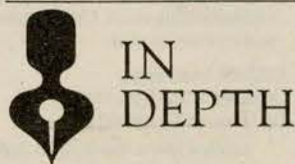
There are two evils which have gone unmentioned in the rhetoric on the so-called war on terror. The first is the millions who suffer and die routinely around the world as a result of poverty, disease and environmental causes. The second is the massive loss of non-human life forms and mass extinction of species.

According to UN and World Bank documents, 11 million children under five die annually from preventable causes such as lack of food and clean water, intestinal and respiratory infections, etc. That is 30,000 children every day. The death, day in and day out, year in year out, of more than 10 times the numbers which perished in 9/11 goes largely unacknowledged.

These numbers include neither children over five nor adults who suffer and die from poverty, disease and pollution-related causes. Of the world's 6 billion, 1.2 billion live on less than \$1 a day and 2.8 billion live on less than \$2 a day. UNICEF reports that a mother dies in childbirth every minute of every day somewhere in the world. Close to 25 million have died from HIV/AIDS and 42 million are living with it. If this is not mass destruction, then one is hard-pressed to know what is. Where then should the accusatory finger be pointed?

The destruction of non-human life forms and loss of biodiversity has reached the stage where it is being called "The Sixth Extinction." This extinction is for the first time the result of human actions. The incursion of humans into every habitat, the over-exploitation of resources, and the use of destructive industrial and agricultural production systems combine to have devastating impacts. The rate of extinction is believed to be 1,000 times higher than it would naturally be. By some estimates, 50 per cent of the world's flora and fauna could be on a path to extinction within a hundred years. Again, if this is not mass destruction, then what is?

While these "evils" are occurring, annual global military expenditures amount to \$800 billion. Bush's defence budget request for 2003 was \$379 billion. Speaking of weapons of mass destruc-



tion, the leading nuclear nations between them still have tens of thousands of nuclear arms. And whereas nuclear and biological weapons receive much of the attention, non-nuclear weaponry and smaller armaments have caused most of the loss of life in conflicts around the world. The U.S.A., the U.K., France and Russia are the leading exporters of armaments.

So who is to blame for these evils? In hierarchical societies, the guiltiest are surely those who wield greatest power and authority. Blame therefore first rests with political leaders in both wealthy and poorer countries. Their policy decisions have contributed greatly to the present reality. Political leaders have the power to put in place policies and regulations with beneficial social and ecological consequences. Instead of investing in life and dealing with pressing social and environmental problems, they have chosen to invest in death and mass destruction.

Second, the finger must be pointed at economic leadership. Large corporations and financial institutions wield more power than many governments. Members of the corporate and financial elite directly influence policy through their cozy relationship with government and through support of lobbying efforts, resulting in policies which are of benefit to themselves but which harm both the larger interest and the environment. These powerful economic forces usually actively resist changes which would reduce the massive loss of life and misery around the world

and promote social and environmental welfare.

Large corporations also control the media which should be promoting greater shared appreciation of the "evils" referred to here, a pre-requisite for the kinds of whole-culture changes desperately needed.

Rarely, however, is the public treated to in-depth analyses of the causes and possible solutions to these problems. On the contrary, the mass media is used unflinchingly to promote ideologies of privilege.

Thirdly, the majority of religious, cultural and intellectual leadership, given their influence on underlying social values which determine much of human behaviour, must stand accused. With some notable exceptions, the silence of this group on the immorality of the issues presented above has been deafening.

The responsibility of political, economic and socio-cultural leadership is writ large. However, it does not absolve others from responsibility. At least in democratic societies, where political leaders and representatives are elected, voters bear an important responsibility for their political choices and for the public policies they support or reject. Those who seek to maintain every aspect of their highly privileged economic position at the expense of the right to life and basic necessities of others — both human and non-human — shoulder their share of guilt.

The writer is a Salt Spring resident.



MARKING DEADHEADS: Canadian Coast Guard auxiliary members Amanda Vanderkloof, Marnée Bellavance and leading seaman Marco Khalil hold stakes used to mark semi-submerged floating logs to prevent them from becoming navigation hazards. Along with volunteer labour by auxiliary members, wood was donated by Windsor Plywood and Mouat's provided paint.

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Work on Cusheon water plan started at public meeting

Work on a Cusheon watershed management plan started flowing last Thursday at an inaugural meeting organized by the Cusheon Lake Stewardship Committee.

About 45 people turned out for the meeting at All Saints to learn the purpose of management plans and what they look like, while airing their various concerns about Cusheon Lake water quality and human activities in the watershed.

Deb Epps, a Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection biologist with experience in plan creation, was a resource person at the meeting.

Although water management plans are not "enforceable" documents, said Epp, they can assist with getting funds from government or other agencies, help impact local government policies and show a community's commitment to protecting its watershed.

She also stressed that

community consultation and buy-in was critical in order for plans to succeed.

Groups that should be represented on a project steering committee for the plan were also identified.

Wayne Hewitt, who chairs the Cusheon Lake Stewardship Committee, a sub-group of the Beddis and Cusheon Area Residents' Association, was charged with organizing the first steering committee meeting.

The Salt Spring Water Preservation Society has already pledged \$1,000 to help fund the plan, which regional director Gary Holman said could possibly be matched from the grants-in-aid budget for Salt Spring.

Anyone with relevant information or wanting to participate in making the Cusheon watershed management plan should call Hewitt at 537-1518, or send him an e-mail at loghouse@salt-spring.com.

Chamber committee eyes parking needs

A new committee formed by the Salt Spring Chamber of Commerce is looking for solutions to chronic parking problems in Ganges and Fulford.

But the task force is hoping that business owners and employees will simply police themselves to leave valuable spaces available for customers.

"It looks as if the community is interested in finding parking solutions for Fulford and Ganges," said parking committee member and Mouat's Trading Company general manager Kevin Bell.

Working with fellow island businessmen Doug Mitchell, Bruce Patterson and Ross McLeod, Bell plans to conduct fact-finding investigations in order to come up with solutions.

"The issue here is that we haven't found any agency that will take responsibility. It's not within the mandate of the Islands Trust or the Capital Regional District," Bell said.

The Chamber of Commerce committee will seek out helpful suggestions from Saanich North and the Islands MLA Murray Coell, the Ministry of Transportation and the Ministry of Community, Aboriginal and Women's Services.

"But we don't need government help to better manage what we have," he said.

Bell believes 25 per cent of available parking spaces could be freed up in Ganges if merchants and employees didn't park in front of their stores.

The 190 spaces available in the Ganges core are each worth approximately \$158,000 if one considers that 17 businesses in the area generate \$30 million

annually, Bell said.

"These are very valuable commodities."

Thrifty Foods, Mouat's, Pharmasave and various Ganges businesses all have staff parking spaces off site. If all local businesses could encourage employees to park elsewhere, customers would have many more available spaces, he said.

"This is a community problem and it's in the best interest of all businesses to work toward finding a solution."

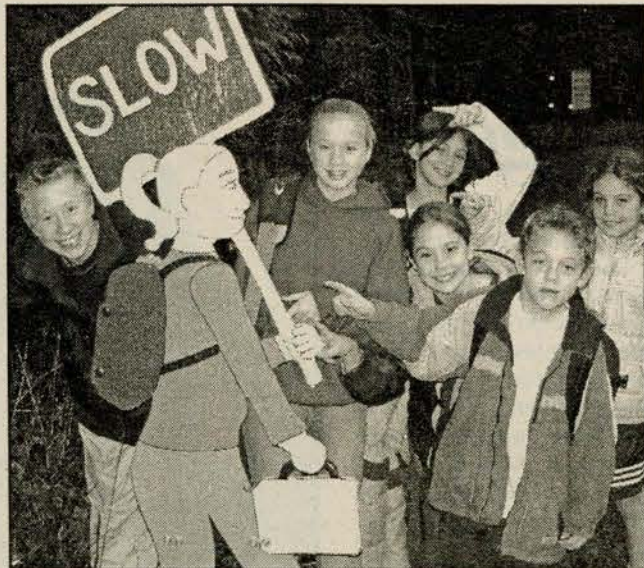
Fulford has a particularly difficult situation due to even fewer available parking spots, coupled with the needs of ferry commuters.

"Where the heck do you park if you want to go to Patterson's Store or the Fulford Roasting Company?"

Possible solutions to parking woes could come from parkades, a parking authority that administers tickets, or partnerships with ArtSpring or the Gulf Islands School District to access unused lots during summer days, he said.

But each of those options includes its own difficulties.

"What makes the most sense is to make better use of the resources we have."



SLOW DOWN: A group of Cusheon Lake/Stewart Road area children and their parents helped create "Slow Girl," which warns speeding Stewart Road motorists of an upcoming school bus stop. Unfortunately, the sign was stolen (and then found at Beddis Beach) within days of its posting.

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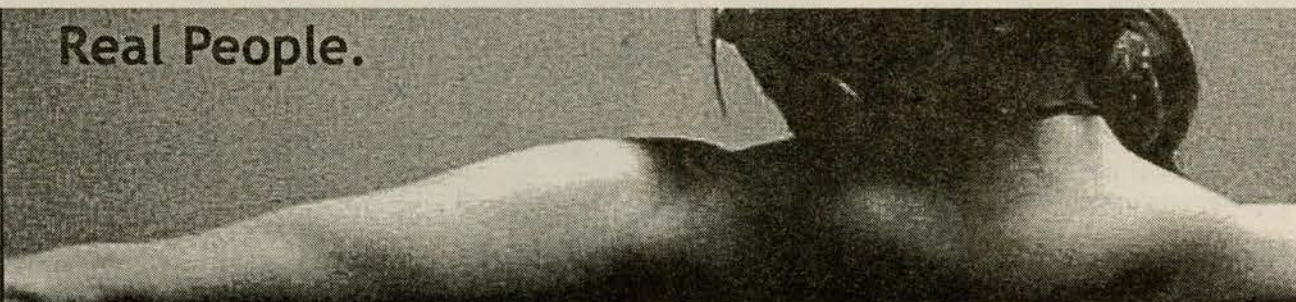
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THIS WEEK'S MOVIES

WEDNESDAY, JAN 29

6:00 PM
14 ★★ Tokyo Cowboy (1994,Comedy) A young Japanese man searches for adventure in Canada but finds a cultural clash instead. *Michael Ironside, Anna Ferguson* (1h45)

7:00 PM
3 ★★ Jimmy Neutron: Boy Genius (2001,Animated) When aliens abduct all the adults, Jimmy Neutron goes on an intergalactic rescue mission. *Megan Cavanagh, Mark de Carlo* (1h30)

8:00 PM
5 War Stories (2002,War) This story follows Ben Densmore, a journalist who covers the civil war in Uzbekistan. *Jeff Goldblum, Louise Lombard* (2h)

8:30 PM
3 ★★ Kiss of the Dragon (2001,Action) A Kung-fu fighting Chinese cop is sent to aid French police in a drug dealer's arrest. *Bridget Fonda, Jet Li* (2h)

9:00 PM
19 ★★ Awakenings (1990,Drama) A doctor finds an experimental drug that inspires the awakening of catatonic patients. *Robin Williams, Robert De Niro* (2h)

10:00 PM
14 Fellini's 8 1/2 (1962,Drama) Federico Fellini interprets his own life onscreen. *Anouk Aimee, Claudia Cardinale* (2h30)

10:30 PM
3 ★★ Orange County (2001,Comedy) After a mix-up with his transcript, a student plots to get into Stanford on his own. *Jack Black, Colin Hanks* (1h30)

THURSDAY, JAN 30

6:00 PM
14 ★ Breakfast of Champions (1999,Comedy) The portrayal of a midwestern town that is home to a group of neurotic characters. *Bruce Willis, Albert Finney* (2h)

7:00 PM
20 Columbo: Murder in Malibu (1990,Mystery) A rejected lover kills a romance novelist and makes it look like a botched robbery. *Peter Falk, Andrew Stevens* (2h)

7:00 PM
29 ★★ Firing Squad (1991,Drama) A young captain must choose between clearing his record or saving an innocent man. *Stephen Ouimette, Robin Renucci* (2h)

7:00 PM
3 ★★ Sea Wolf (1993,Adventure) A modern day pirate takes on more than he can handle as he hunts for a lost treasure. *Charles Bronson, Christopher Reeve* (2h)

8:00 PM
6 23 Columbo Likes the Nightlife (2003,Mystery) Columbo gets suspicious about a rave promoter when a tabloid reporter ends up dead. *Voices of Peter Falk, Matthew Rhys* (2h)

8:00 PM
24 ★★ King David (1985,Drama) King David battles with neighbouring tribes to ensure the survival of the Israelites. *Richard Gere, Edward Woodward* (2h30)

9:00 PM
3 ★ A Walk to Remember (2001,Romance) A popular student begins to fall for the conservative daughter of the town's minister. *Mandy Moore, Shane West* (2h)

9:00 PM
4 ★★ Giant Steps (1992,Drama) An idealistic trumpeter befriends his idol, a legendary self-destructive jazz pianist. *Billy Dee Williams, Michael Mahonen* (2h)

9:00 PM
13 ★★ Play It to the Bone (1999,Drama) Two boxer friends must fight against each other for their one last shot at the big time. *Woody Harelson, Antonio Banderas* (2h30)

9:00 PM
19 ★★ Gandhi (1982,Biography) Gandhi's efforts to establish independence for India through non-violent resistance. *Ben Kingsley, Candice Bergen* (3h5)

9:00 PM
29 ★★ Firing Squad (1991,Drama) A young captain must choose between clearing his record or saving an innocent man. *Stephen Ouimette, Robin Renucci* (2h)

10:00 PM
14 ★ Portnoy's Complaint (1972,Erotica) An Jewish teenager obsessed with sex, relates his experiences to his psychiatrist. *Richard Benjamin, Karen Black* (2h)

10:00 PM
20 Columbo: Murder in Malibu (1990,Mystery) A rejected lover kills a romance novelist and makes it look like a botched robbery. *Peter Falk, Andrew Stevens* (2h)

11:00 PM
3 Suspicious River (2000,Drama) A disturbed motel receptionist secretly sells her body to guests, but not just for money. *Molly Parker, Callum Keith Rennie* (1h45)

FRIDAY, JAN 31

6:00 PM
14 Jerry and Tom (1998,Comedy) Two hit-men's different approaches to the "business" interfere with their lives. *Joe Mantegna, Sam Rockwell* (2h)

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YOUR WEEKLY PULL-OUT TV GUIDE

Table with columns for time slots (4:00 to 11:30) and rows for TV channels (S, 240, 600, 621, etc.) listing programs like 'Infomatrix', 'Movie', 'Star Trek: Voyager', etc.



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7:00 PM
Dragonfly (2002, Drama) A doctor is contacted by his late wife through the near death experiences of his patients. Kevin Costner, Susanna Thompson (2h)
7:30 PM
Cadet Kelly (2002, Comedy) A young girl's mother remarries the head of the George Washington Military Academy. Hilary Duff, Christy Carlson Romano (1h40)
8:00 PM
By The Book (1986, Comedy) Tells the story of Jasper Swift and his three sisters when their life is disrupted. (2h)
The Cell (2000, Thriller) A psychotherapist is asked to journey inside the mind of a comatose serial killer. Jennifer Lopez, Vince Vaughn (2h)
Perry Mason: Case of the Reckless Romeo (1992, Mystery) Perry Mason defends an actress accused of murdering a television personality. Raymond Burr, Amy Steel (2h)
9:00 PM
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)
Cruel Intentions (1999, Drama) Two step-siblings hatch a cruel plan to mess up the lives of innocent schoolmates. Sarah Michelle Gellar, Ryan Phillippe (2h)
9:10 PM
Reality Bites (1994, Romance) Four friends, face the promise and pitfalls of life in the 90's when they share a house. Winona Ryder, Ethan Hawke (1h30)
9:45 PM
Good Morning and Goodbye (1967, Drama) A woman with an insatiable sexual appetite looks for fulfillment outside of her marriage. Stuart Lancaster, Alaina Capri (1h30)
10:40 PM
Cocktail (1988, Drama) A young hot-shot, intent on making money, befriends a fast-talking bartender. Tom Cruise, Bryan Brown (1h45)
11:15 PM
Cool It, Carol! (1970, Drama) Two teens leave their small town to find success in London's entertainment industry. Janet Lynn, Robin Askwith (2h)
11:30 PM
Second String (2002, Drama) A football coach tries to pull his team together when his star players get food poisoning. Gil Bellows, Jon Voight (1h45)

11:30 PM
Le Monde Interdit (2001, Aventure) Une expédition se retrouve au coeur d'un étrange écosystème peuplé de dinosaures. Bob Hoskins, James Fox (3h)
The One (2001, Action) A man is forced to fight his alter-egos as he travels through parallel universes. Jet Li, Delroy Lindo (1h30)
Dying Young (1991, Romance) A beautiful young woman becomes the companion to a 28 year old man dying of leukemia. Julia Roberts, Campbell Scott (2h)
Class Action (1991, Suspense) A father and daughter, who are both lawyers, find themselves representing opposing sides. Gene Hackman, Mary Elizabeth Mastrantonio (2h)
What Lies Beneath (2000, Thriller) The wife of a professor is haunted by her husband's dead lover when she is home alone. Michelle Pfeiffer, Harrison Ford (3h)
8:30 PM
Amelie (2001, Drama) A naive Parisian girl decides to help people around her, and falls in love along the way. Audrey Tautou, Mathieu Kassovitz (2h)
9:00 PM
Manhattan (1979, Comedy) A television writer struggles with his relationships and is tormented by those around him. Woody Allen, Diane Keaton (2h)
13 Silence (1997, Drama) A Native Canadian kills his brother to protect his daughters' honour. Tantoo Cardinal, August Schellenberg (2h)
14 A Passage to India (1984, Drama) In the 1920s, a young British woman travels to India and accuses an India doctor of rape. Peggy Ashcroft, Judy Davis (2h40)
9:15 PM
Dish Dogs (1998, Drama) Two best friends refuse to settle down and get steady jobs until they both find love. Matthew Lillard, Sean Astin (1h45)
10:30 PM
The Claim (2000, Western) An unscrupulous man sells his wife and daughter to a miner for the claim to a gold mine. Peter Mullan, Milla Jovovich (2h)
11:00 PM
The Inner Circle (1991, History) A simple man is forced to choose between serving his country and following his heart. Tom Hulce, Lolita Davidovich (2h30)
11:55 PM
Le Secret de la pyramide (1985, Mystère) Deux adolescents enquêtent sur des décès similaires à ceux de leur professeur. Nicholas Rowe, Alan Cox (2h25)

6:00 PM
Mulán (1998, Animated) A Chinese maiden poses as a boy and takes her ailing father's place in war. Ming-Na Wen, Eddie Murphy (2h)
7:00 PM
The Beach (2000, Suspense) Three people in Bangkok discover an island beach that may not be as idyllic as it appears. Leonardo DiCaprio, Daniel York (2h15)
The Fabulous Baker Boys (1989, Drama) The popularity of a lounge act is shaken by the addition of a feisty and sexy new singer. Jeff Bridges, Michelle Pfeiffer (2h)
7:00 PM
Half a Dozen Babies (1999, True) The true story of America's first surviving sextuplets, the Dille family. Melissa Reeves, Scott Reeves (1h)
8:00 PM
U.S. Marshals (1998, Action) A framed covert C.I.A. agent becomes a fugitive on the run from a U.S. Marshal. Wesley Snipes, Tommy Lee Jones (2h30)
The Hand That Rocks the Cradle (1992, Thriller) A nanny charms her way into a family's employ while planning a violent revenge on them. Rebecca De Mornay, Annabella Sciorra (2h)
24 Stalag 17 (1953, War) A group of prisoners in a Nazi war camp suspect a cynical sergeant of being a spy. William Holden, Robert Strauss (2h30)

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Our Island, Our World FILM FESTIVAL

February 8 & 9 at GISS

The schedule at a glance

Saturday, February 8

Multipurpose Room

- 10 am - 3 pm 'Seedy Saturday'
- 7:30 pm Another World is Possible!

Dance Room

- 10 am 500 Dunaam on the Moon
- 10:45 Palestine is Still the Issue
- 12:00 Thomas Berry
- 1:10 pm Between the Earth and Sun
- 2:00 Rise: Revolutionary Women
- 2:35 Culture Jam
- 3:55 Deconstructing Supper

Classroom One

- 10 am Crimes of Compassion
- 11:10 Blossoms of Fire
- 12:45 Cry for Argentina
- 2 pm Dam/Age
- 3:10 Fed-Up!
- 4:30 Salt Peanuts
Terrorism: American

Classroom Two

- 10 am Coming to Say Goodbye
- 10:50 Natural Connections
- 11:55 Global Villagers
- 12:45 Say I Do
- 2:00 Bacon
- 3:15 A Tribe of His Own
- 4:25 Books not Bars, and
Lockdowns Up

Classroom Three

- 10:30 am Seeds of Diversity
- 1 pm Medicinal and Herbal
Plants in the Backyard

Sunday, February 9

Multipurpose Room

- 10am - 5pm 'Celebration of
Community' Intermission Cafe

Dance Room

- 10 am The Friendship Village
- 11:35 An Evergreen Island
- 12:40 The Great Dance and
Being San
- 2:35 My Father's Angel

Classroom One

- 10 am The New Rulers of the World
- 11:15 Coca Mama
- 12:30 Tomorrow's Children
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- 1:50 To Free the Slaves
- 3:30 A Score for Women

Classroom Two

- 10 am Not For Sale
- 10:50 East Timor
- 12:00 Return of the River
- 1:15pm Sacred Land
- 2:45 How Can I Keep on
Singing?
- 4:00 The Tree That Remembers

Lunch and snacks available in the cafeteria, 11:30-2:00 both days

Childcare provided for youngsters up to six years old; suggested donation \$2.

It's film fest time on Salt Spring Island!

Again our festival is jam packed with great films one is unlikely to encounter in mass media.

We identified a new category of films 'Living with Vision' in an effort to emphasize films that offer hope and inspiration.

We are proud to feature 'Seedy Saturday' for the second year and hope you will enjoy our 'Intermission Cafe' and 'Celebration of Community' on Sunday.

We continue to offer entry by donation, hoping that everyone feels welcome to taste this varied and eclectic selection of films.

For details and to view our program visit:
<http://www.outoffog.net>

Saturday Evening Feature: 7:30 pm at GISS

Whiteby Island film-makers Melissa Young and Mark Dworkin present the preview screening of *Net Loss* (2003) and their award winning film *Another World is Possible*

500 Dunaam on the Moon

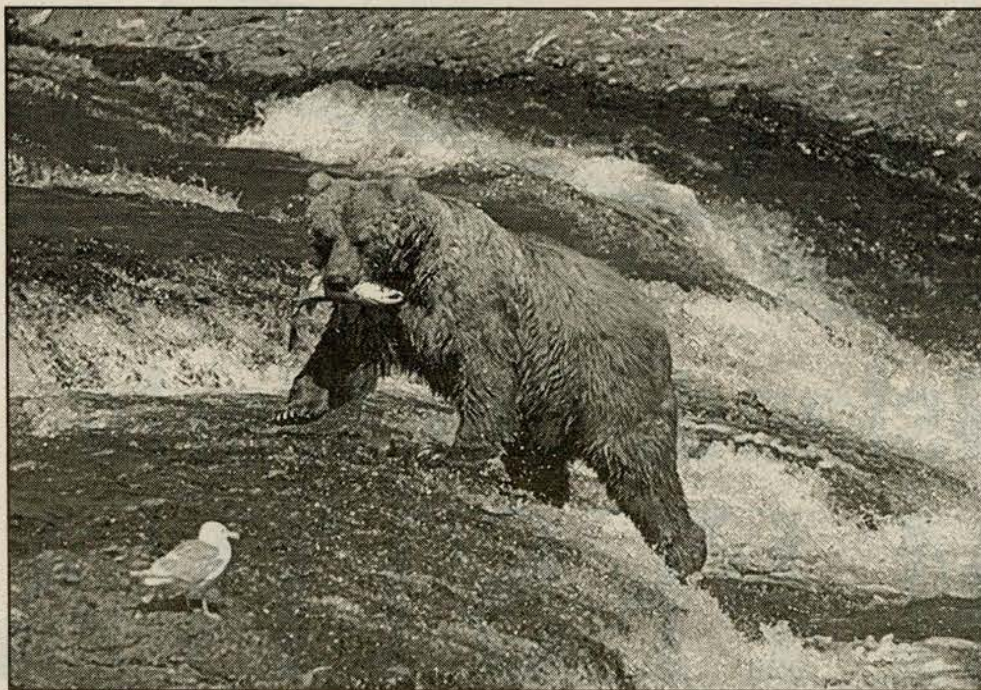
50 min. RLJ Productions/Momento!
 Director: Rachel Leah Jones

Ayn Hawd, a Palestinian village, was captured and depopulated by Israeli forces in the 1948 war. The village was "discovered" in 1953 by Marcel Janco, a Romanian painter and a founder of the Dada movement. Janco helped transform the village into a Jewish artists' colony and renamed it Ein Hod. This film the story of the village's original inhabitants, settled in the nearby hills after expulsion. This new Ayn Hawd cannot be found on official maps, because Israeli law doesn't recognize it.

A Fight Against Time

25 min.

The small northern Alberta Cree Lubicon Band was missed when government agents negotiated treaties. In the 1970s intensive exploration for gas and oil began on their traditional land, from which they receive no income but only devastation of their way of life. A tale of justice waiting to be done.



Natural Connections

hunting traditions. Renewed hope and pride in being San is critical in their struggle for land claims and reclaiming their heritage.

A Score for Womens Voices

86 min. 2001/National Film Board
 Director: Sophie Bissonette

The historic World March of Women was a turning point in global solidarity with 161 countries participating. Gives wonderful glimpses into various cultures showing innovative women's projects on five continents.

A Tribe of His Own, The Journalism of P. Sainath

50 min. 2001/Moulins Media
 Director: Joe Moulins

We follow journalist Palagummi Sainath to Indian villages to document the enduring story of human suffering and its shining corollary, imperishable hope. Amnesty International's Human Rights Journalist of the Year award, 2000.

An Evergreen Island

45 min. 2000/Frontyard Films
 Filmmakers: Fabio Cavadini & Mandy King

In 1989 the people of Bougainville closed a copper mine which was destroying their Pacific island. Subject to an economic blockade, they survived 9 years without outside help, building schools and colleges, producing traditional medicine, developing solar power and fermenting coconut oil for fuel. An inspiring story of courage and creativity.

Another World is Possible: Impressions of the 2002 World Social Forum

25 min. 2002/Bullfrog Films
 Directors: Mark Dworkin & Melissa Young

In early 2002, 51,000 representatives of non-governmental organizations, indigenous nations, farmers, and labour - including 11,000 young people from 131 countries-gathered for the World Social Forum in Porto Alegre, Brazil. Despite the North American media blackout, this film shows that the movement for social justice is alive and well around the world.

Bacon

82 min. 2001/NFB
 Director: Hugo Latulippe

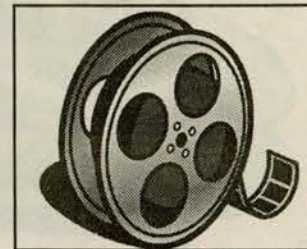
Hog factories are big business in the Province of Quebec. But the resulting pollution of land, air, and water has caused a roused public to fight back against corporate plans to expand this industry.

Being San (Companion Film to The Great Dance)

15 min. 2001/Sense Africa
 Director: Michael Duffett

San Bushmen of the Kalahari lived a nomadic life for over 30,000 years without any concept of land ownership. As European settlers arrived, they were forced off their traditional territories and were themselves hunted. The San people gather for a outdoor screenings of The Great Dance and share in a renewed appreciation of the importance of their

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Coming to Say Goodbye

30 min. 2002/ Maryknoll Productions
 Directors: John Ankele & Anne Macksoud
 "AIDS statistics are numbers with the tears washed off." Personalized stories from Kenya and Tanzania lead us to reflect on personal and structural aspects of the AIDS pandemic in Africa. Social workers, medical professionals share thoughts about a better future.

Crimes of Compassion

47 min. 2001/ Kinetic
 Director: Jennifer Pickford
 The Vancouver Island Compassion Society provided affordable, medical-grade cannabis to local patients. But when police raided the Society's shop and confiscated its medicine, a heated debate began. This film looks at the many actors in this controversial issue.

Cry For Argentina

57 min. 2002/Octoberfilms
 Director: Angus McQueen
 Since unhitching its peso to the US dollar, Argentina has suffered a spectacular economic collapse. When the government froze all bank accounts, angry citizens took to the streets to protest. Alternative forms for organizing are emerging and at least 20% of the population now regularly use barter clubs.

Culture Jam: Hijacking Commercial Culture

57 min. 2001/ Right to Jam Productions
 Filmmaker: Jill Sharpe
 As corporate brands and commercial messages saturate popular culture like never before, Culture Jammers strike back. Pranksters and subversive artists are causing a bit of brand damage to corporate "mindshare." This film asks "Is it civil disobedience, vandalism, drive-by cultural criticism, or the only form of self-defense left?" Enjoy the ride.

Dam/Age: A Film with Arundhati Roy

49 min. 2002/Aradhana Seth Productions
 Director: Aradhana Seth
 "To stay quiet is as political an act as speaking out." Arundhati Roy was imprisoned for her part in a popular movement of thousands against damming the Narmada River and for the people's right to natural resources. This film chronicles her story.

Deconstructing Supper

48 min. 2002/ Moving Images
 Director: Marianne Kaplan
 Renowned Canadian chef John Bishop's journey around the world gives us a look into the billion-dollar battle to control global food production. In search of answers about genetically modified food, he learns some startling facts about the sources of our food.

East Timor; Long Road to Freedom

55 min. 2002/ Journeyman Pictures
 Filmmakers: Sophie Berry & Lindal Berry
 From the first days under the colonial powers of Portugal, through occupation by Indonesia, to their last days under UN rule, we chart the agonizing battle for freedom in this troubled nation. This is a compelling look at the last years of East Timor's 24 year long struggle for independence.

Fed-Up! Genetic Engineering, Industrial Agriculture, & Sustainable Alternatives

58 min. 2002/Wholesome Goodness Productions
 Director: Angelo Sacerdote
 Fed Up? Using interviews and hilarious and shocking archival footage, Fed Up! paints a picture of a food system driven out of control by the quest for corporate profits to the detriment of small farmers and consumers everywhere. Find out how ordinary folks can take back control over the very foundation of life, the food we eat.

Global Villagers: development alternatives

27 min. 2002/Third World Newsreel
 Directors: Dawn Deme & Steven Deme

Between the Earth and the Sun

30 min. 220/ MaxMedia Ltd
 Director: Kevin Matthews

In Northern Nicaragua landmine survivors are offered employment and rehabilitation as solar energy technicians by a project sponsored by the Falls Brook Centre in New Brunswick. Shows how simple, appropriate technologies can bring prosperity while helping to heal the wounds of war. Inspiring!



Culture Jam

Blossoms of Fire

74 min. 2000/Intrepid Productions
 Directors: Maureen Gosling & Ellen Osborne
 The legendary Zapotec women of Mexico have been described as 'guardians of men, distributors of food'. We see them here in their brightly coloured, opinionate glory as they run businesses, embroider signature fiery blossoms and comment with humour on press reports of their promiscuous matriarchy.

Books Not Bars

13 min. 2001/Witness
 Filmmaker: Mark Landsman

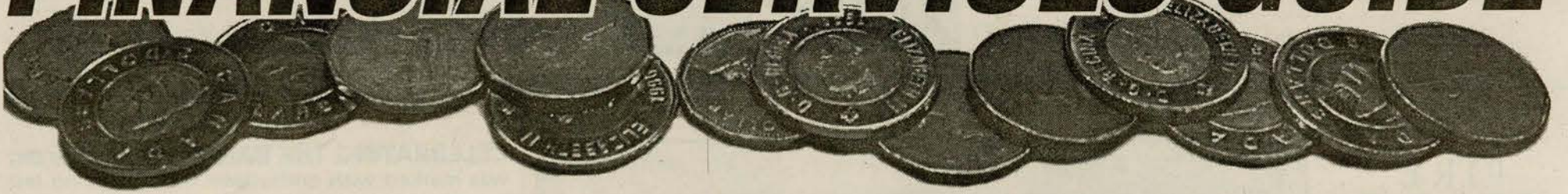
This film reveals misconceptions about the criminalization of youth in the US. We see inspiring examples of peer activism, youth organizing and successful mobilizing around prison issues. Highlights the relationship between increased prison spending and decreased education spending.

Coca Mama

52 min. 2001/Journeyman Pictures
 Director: Jan Thielen

Stories of coca-growing peasants, anti-narcotic patrols, US lawmakers and Columbian FARC rebels reveal that the US 'War on Drugs' is a fraud. In Columbia, fumigation planes poison food crops and people as well as coca plants. Certificate for Creative Excellence, Film Festival, Chicago.

FINANCIAL SERVICES GUIDE



Family budget: crucial to planning

To increase your savings and work toward financial responsibility, you must create and maintain a family budget.

There are many things one can do to help curb spending. However, shopping around for better rates on your mortgage and credit cards, brown-bagging it, using coupons, conserving energy, etc., are just stopgap measures that increase your cash flow for a few weeks or months, until the savings just fall into that black hole that is your spending.

With a budget you can accurately track your earnings and spending, and then and only then can you start on the road to a fiscally sound future.

Like all things worthwhile, creating and maintaining a budget is not easy. It is certainly not something you can dash off in a few hours. To start, carry around a notebook for a few weeks. Give a notebook to everyone who spends your money.

Your spouse should certainly account for his or her spending and so can adolescents and teens who rely on you as their major source of income. Every purchase and payment, no matter how trivial, should be recorded. In this way, you will gain a clear picture of where your money goes. You will also find yourself more aware of impulse purchases, such as the candy bar at the newsstand, and may save a few dollars! After four weeks you should have a pretty good start to creating your budget.

On the plus side, most of us have a pretty good idea where our money comes from. Remember to consider all sources when determining your income: salaries, interest, alimony, Social Security, stock dividends, bonuses, etc. If a category is

questionable (i.e. you're unsure of your bonus until the end of the year), omit it. It is easy to add money to the plus side once you have it! For simplicity, many use net pay instead of gross when figuring salaries.

On the minus side is where your notebook comes in. First, you need to divide your spending into two major categories: fixed expenses and flexible expenses. Fixed expenses include mortgage/rent, insurance (car, house/apartment, health, life, fire), taxes, alimony/child support, debt repayment (college loans, car loans, credit card charges, etc.), tuition (if applicable), retirement planning, and savings. A savings account is important — don't think you can't have one. For the most part you have little control over the amount of these expenses.

Your goal here is to create a budget that will allow you to put something aside that you can add as principal payments to shorten the terms of your commitments.

Your flexible expenses are very personal. No two families will have exactly the same categories under flexible expenses. This is where you have the power! Your habits and preferences control flexible expenses. These include groceries, clothing/accessories, utilities (gas, water, electric, sewer, cable/satellite, ISP), home furnishings, gifts, charitable contributions, car care, personal care (haircuts and gym memberships, for example) and entertainment.

Now, total up your fixed expenses and your flexible expenses. Subtract this total from your total income. If there is something left over, congratulations! You are living within your means. This would be a good time to decide where you can

accelerate payment on your fixed expenses.

If there is nothing left, or if your expenses exceed your income, it is time to sit down and seriously consider where you can cut back in order to start living a financially responsible life.

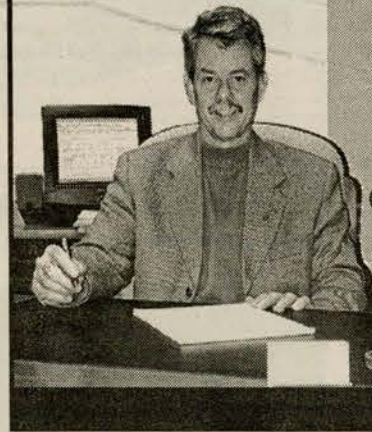
It is in the context of a working budget that the measures mentioned before — couponing, brown-bagging it, conserving energy, and others — truly work! If you've budgeted \$125 a week for groceries, but with coupons you bring your total down to \$115, you've generated \$10 that can be applied to paying off debt or to one of your special accounts such as the vacation fund.

Make saving a priority. To do this, pay yourself first. Twenty dollars one way or the other will not break most of us. When your paycheck gets deposited, take \$20 (or more if you can) and put it in a savings account. Your immediate goal is to have three months of living expenses (total of your fixed and flexible expenses) stashed away as a cushion against loss of income. Once you have done this you can start saving for special expenses such as family vacations, new cars and other extravaganzas.

Finally, and most importantly, you need to remember that your budget is a living document. Don't tack it to the fridge and forget about it. Re-evaluate your expenses from time to time. Certainly, changes in lifestyle require a reworking of your budget. However, in reality, no budget will stand the test of time. The smallest raise or the slightest increase in expenses need to be integrated into your budget and considered in the grand scheme.

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Everyone should have a comprehensive financial plan that considers all of their goals and needs — encompassing insurance, taxes, investments, estate and retirement planning.

A good plan takes all into account and ends up with a simple, straightforward action plan that urges you to accomplish five or six key steps on schedule over the next 12 months.

Here are some tips.

- Hang on to your job. You may or may not like it, but today it is great to have a steady job. Do your best at work and continue to show your value to the employer. Steady cash flow is imperative to good financial planning.

- Contribute your maximum to RRSPs and pension plans. These tax deferral plans help your money grow twice as fast as your personal investments. And if it is that good, then contribute early in the year if you have the funds.

- Pay off non-deductible debt: it is your next best investment. By cutting off interest at 10, 12 and 18 per cent, you are actually earning these high rates for yourself and paying no tax on them either.

- Check your insurance protections. You absolutely must have a basic level of disability insurance to meet your living costs and proper life insurance to pay off

debts and provide your dependents with income after you are gone. You should have liability insurance to protect you from damages your property causes to others and proper coverage on your property assets as well.

- Develop an investment program that suits you, not some salesperson. Learn about all your options, then find the best source to provide you with the investments and ongoing management you need. Buy your investments from the best managers but

also try to have the lowest possible sales charges and management fees. In today's world of lower investment returns, the carrying charges become a drag on investment performance.

- Invest for high returns over the longer term. You are not likely to need your funds for several years, maybe not until retirement. So seek out some investments that will grow in value — like top quality equities or balanced investment funds. Make certain you understand what you are doing and work only with reputable

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FIRE CALLS

Salt Spring firefighters went full out against a fire that destroyed a camper trailer on Reynolds Road Monday night.

No one was injured in the blaze which was fully involved once crews arrived after responding to the 5:55 p.m. call, said firefighter Arjuna George.

The fire was quickly brought under control, he said, but firefighters were at the scene for three hours. Thirty personnel attended.

Cause of the fire was not yet known as of press time.

• Fire in a camper van parked behind Dagwood's also demanded firefighters' attention Friday. The vehicle was not completely gutted but sustained moderate damage.

• Ten volunteer recruits went through their physical test and interviews last week.

"We hope to see new faces in the fire department," said George.

FOR THE RECORD

• Brenda Phillips of the Capital Regional District said the grease trap "size" for food service establishments had not been changed in the source control bylaw amendment for food service operators, only the "oil and grease discharge limit."



CELEBRATING THE BARD: Robbie Burns Day was marked with enthusiasm on Salt Spring last Saturday as numerous tartan-clad islanders turned out for two annual events. At top, Kathleen McCurdy, Marilyn Tamboline and Ernestine Crawford hold the haggis at Meaden Hall, while below, happy dancers gather at Fulford Hall.

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Open to amateur photographers only. Lions Publications reserves the right to decide not to use any of the photos submitted. Photos not selected can be picked up at 103 Bonnet Ave after February 15.

Bird count numbers down this year

Salt Spring's annual bird count last month took a weather-beating, which may have caused a significant drop in the number of birds counted.

Bird count figures released last week indicate 113 people counted 12,274 birds on December 15, down 10,000 from the year before.

However, brisk southeast winds and afternoon rain drove boat observers off the water and generally made counting difficult, according to a press release.

The annual event was

coordinated by the Salt Spring Trail and Nature Club.

Of the 87 species spotted, juncos were the most common, followed by robins, chickadees and crows.

A few species defied the weather conditions and appeared in good numbers, including 100 ring-necked ducks on St. Mary Lake, as well as bufflehead and goldeneye ducks around the shorelines.

Two turkey vultures surprised counters with their first appearance in the count.

But many other species were in low numbers, notably American robins (down 5,000 from the previous year), pine siskins (down 2,000), starlings, juncos, kinglets and all types of sparrows.

"The elegant western grebes south of Vesuvius maintained their recent strength of 500-700 birds, recovered from the lows of 1993-95, but well below their historic flocks of thousands," notes the press release.

"The 919 north-western

crows represented an increase over recent counts, but were still down from the 2,000 to 3,000 birds recorded here before 1994."

Observers near Fernwood were "delighted" to find a peregrine falcon, the release adds, while other raptor numbers were about normal. Bald eagles numbered at 54, which is somewhat below average.

The count also extended to Prevost Island, where half of the recorded 273 Canada geese were spotted, waiting out the storm.

Skatepark plan picks up funds

Salt Spring Skatepark Society members went home from Monday night's Parks and Rec meeting with a smile after commissioners approved a \$6,000 conditional grant to fund a critical design study.

Society president Bruce Ruddell made the request after explaining that \$7,500 was needed for the on-paper plans that would open doors to other funds. The society currently has \$1,500 in its own bank account.

Commissioners took some time clarifying the skatepark group's needs and plans before reaching a decision.

The \$6,000 will be provided upon receipt of a

detailed financial plan for the project.

The skatepark concept has also evolved into a multi-pronged "athletic park," explained society

representatives.

A climbing wall, playground and bridging of the soccer field are now involved in the design, with the skatepark as its "heart."

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Special thanks to Des St. Lawrence, Philip Grange, Christine Rein and Rick Traer for their assistance with the planning. It was a pleasure to work with the general contractor Michael Naprawa of Paradigm Construction, as well as Stephen Kelly, Wayne Michener, Duane Little, Brad and others at FXR Systems, Alex Arnet and staff. Sincere thanks to everyone else who contributed to the project and to all materials suppliers.

Breast checks slated

Some 300 appointments are available to island women who want to participate in a free screening mammography program on Salt Spring.

The program, provided by the Ministry of Health and B.C. Cancer Agency, will set up on-island February 25-28 and March 4-6 at the local courthouse.

"Screening mammograms detect breast cancers early, when they are less likely to have grown or spread to other parts of the body," notes the cancer agency's Dr. Ivo Olivetto in a press release.

To participate, women must be B.C. residents with B.C. doctors, and at least 40 years old.

Women cannot take part in the program if they have breast implants, if they are pregnant or breastfeeding, or if they have had breast cancer.

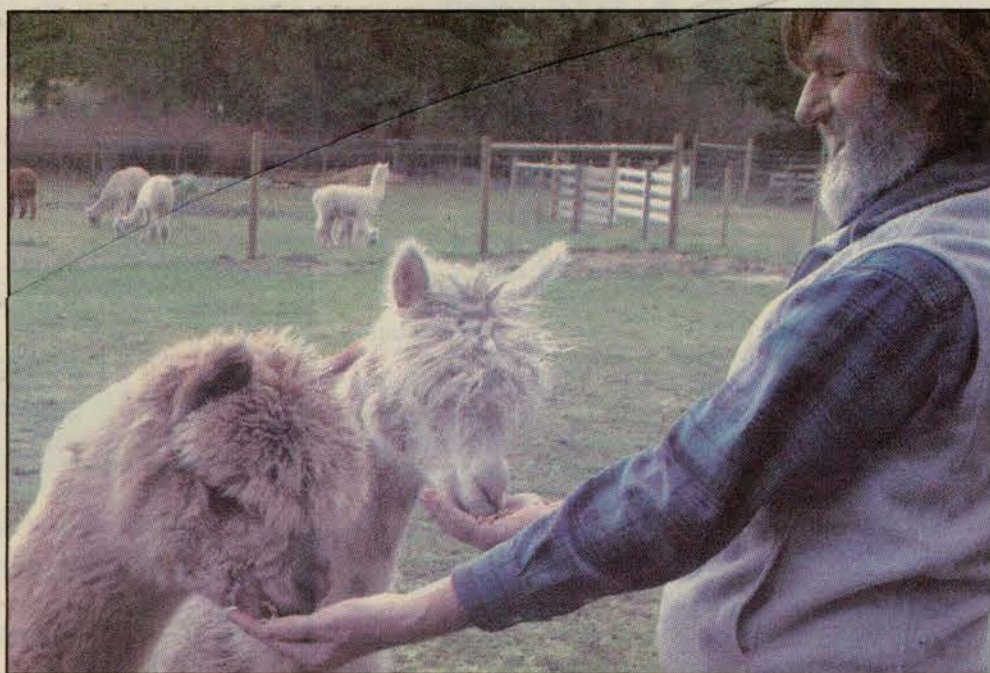
Participants are also ineligible if they have had a mammogram in the past 12 months.

Those who wish to book an appointment, change an existing appointment or obtain further information should call 1-800-663-9203.

BRIDGE TRICKS

On January 20, Isabelle Richardson and Joan Conlan were first, Irene Hawsworth and Bob Morrisette were second and, although there was no official recognition of their performance, due to the paucity of players that evening, Ima Krayenhoff and Blanche Poborsa tied with Ian Thomas and Conhor Vane-Hunt for third place.

On January 20, we were pleased to welcome back Donna Taylor to the fold, so to speak, and she made her presence known by placing first, with Glenda Kaiser. Another recent member, Wendy Tredger, came second, playing with Boodie Arnott. Third were Thomas and Vane-Hunt.



FOOD FOR THOUGHT: Alan Burrows enjoys a sunny Sunday as he offers "hand-outs" to some furry friends at the St. Mary Lake Alpaca Farm.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Black ink and sumi brushes back in popular Zen course

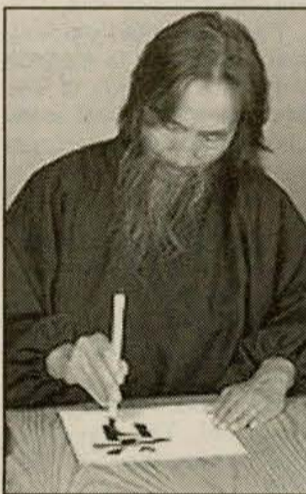
An internationally known and loved calligrapher, painter, peace worker and translator of early Buddhist texts and poetry returns to Salt Spring next weekend to lead a hands-on workshop called Zen Painting and Calligraphy.

On February 8-9, Kaz Tanahashi will offer a joyful, mindful exploration of Asian calligraphy and Zen-style painting using the traditional sumi brush and black ink.

The workshop, which runs from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. each day, can be enjoyed by both experienced painters and those who consider themselves absolute beginners. Tanahashi provides all the necessary materials.

Participants are free to attend either one day or both, but based on the popularity of last year's workshop, people are urged to sign up right away. Registration is limited.

According to Peter Levitt, who leads the Zen meditation group on Salt Spring, Tanahashi has a "wise and gentle way of helping students to express their authentic selves and imaginations with the sweep of a brush."



Kaz Tanahashi

He is also known as a master of imparting relaxation, says Levitt.

"There's no reason to have any ideas or particular imagination before picking up the brush," Tanahashi tells students. "Painting brings forth imagination. And besides," he laughs, "industrious people build industry. Lazy people build civilization."

"But," he cautions with a smile, "if doing artwork is too relaxing, you may need something to make you tense. Try swimming."

Levitt says Tanahashi is often on the road leading workshops at least six months a year, teaching people around the world how to find something of their true self in the line they draw.

"A line is amazing," Tanahashi says. "A person's hand is the person. If you ask 10 people to draw a line, how different each will be. Someone's straight line can be very crooked. Another person's line may not look straight, but it is very straight inside."

In addition to his painting and calligraphy, Tanahashi is one of the world's major translators of Dogen into English. Dogen (1200-1255) was the founder of the Soto Zen School of Meditation.

On Monday, February 10, Tanahashi will offer a one-time only seminar called King of Samadhi: The Meditation Teachings of Zen Master Dogen. Everyone is welcome to attend this seminar, which will benefit Salt Spring's weekly Zen meditation group.

For information about the workshop or seminar, call Levitt at 537-9567.

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The Lover takes centre stage

Salt Spring theatre lovers are in for a rare treat at Mahon Hall next Saturday night when Britain's Dreamsurf Theatre presents Harold Pinter's *The Lover*.

The show has been a real success both at the Manitoba Theatre Centre's "Pinterfest" and in Saskatoon, reports local promoter Jill Tarswell, and the western Canadian tour continues to Nanaimo and Salt Spring.

The *Lover* plays at 8 p.m. on February 8.

Actors Marcus Fernando and Elinor d'Angelis have performed internationally in stage and film, says Tarswell.

D'Angelis is skilled in physical theatre and Mime, a trained stage fighter and holds a black belt in karate.

Fernando is a skilled musician, puppeteer and director.



Elinor d'Angelis plays Sarah in *The Lover* at Mahon Hall.

The *Lover*, they are a respectable English married couple, says Tarswell.

"They have respectable lives, a respectable job and live in a respectable house. Richard works in the city, while Sarah runs a respectable home. Very British. Very respectable."

However, as he prepares to go to work, they calmly discuss the arrival of her lover. He seems unconcerned, as he sets off to work, leaving her to her afternoon of passion. Later that day, the lover arrives.

Audiences are prompted to wonder if this signifies an open relationship, or a recipe for disaster.

"As the play continues, dark passions and hidden desires come to the fore," explains Tarswell.

"Nothing is ever as simple as it seems, and the dividing line between fantasy and reality begins to be blurred. By the end, we are left with as many ques-

tions as have been answered."

Dreamsurf's production uses physical theatre and original music in an innovative approach to the work of the great British playwright. The production received high praise across Canada at the 2001 Fringe Festivals, and in London, England, and is featured on Harold Pinter's own website.

Tickets are \$7 and \$10, and available in advance at et cetera books.

Refreshments and a stage chat will follow the performance.

Dreamsurf is based in Birmingham, England, and aims to be a "truly international" theatre company, establishing cultural and artistic links with theatre of the countries they visit.

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CED announces logo contest winner

By PIRJO RAITIS

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It took seven judges over four hours to come up with the winning design for the new Salt Spring Island logo.

The logo contest, sponsored by the Community Economic Development Project, ran from mid-October to December 16.

With over 100 submitted designs, the judges awarded top marks to Dawn Young, with runners-up in adult, youth and child categories. Winners will receive prizes from local merchants, with the grand prize winner tak-

ing home \$250 in Salt Spring Dollars.

The winning design will be professionally produced and become available for local producers, growers, artisans and manufacturers to attach to their wares. The design is meant to reflect the island's unique character and the importance of buying locally made products.

Young explains her spiral design: "Spirals symbolize balance between creativity (feminine) and action (masculine). This portrays clearly the process of Salt Spring Islanders creating their prod-

ucts and then offering them for sale out in public," she said. "During the making of this logo it was important to illustrate what makes Salt Spring Island unique. The natural beauty of Salt Spring allows people to go inside and experience silence and go out and enjoy the lively community. The circling spiral depicts the union between inner self and the outside world. The balance brings about the experience of wholeness also represented by the continuous spiral. The four spirals of the stylized 'SS' and the four sides

of the square outline stand for the four elements. Earth, water, air and fire are used to create products this logo will represent. The wave-like lines within the 'SS' logo signify the ocean surrounding Salt Spring Island."

Honourable mention winners in the three categories are: adult, Candace Sikorski; youth, Emily Hull; child, Jakua Jordan.

Judges were: Diane Weatherby, Mark Stevens, Duart Campbell, Evelyn Oldroyd, Carola Heydemann, Debbie Lauzon and Hannah Garvie-Ransen.

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Blossoms of Fire

How Can I Keep on Singing?

56 min. 2002/Moving Images

Filmmakers: Mark Dworkin & Melissa Young

Voices of Frontier Women: In a vivid tapestry of sights and sounds we are presented with spare but gripping stories of family life 100 years ago in British Columbia and Washington. Shows the vital role women played.

Lockdowns Up

9 min. 2001/Third World Newsreel

Filmmaker: Ashley Hunt

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45 min. Mark Roberts

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My Father's Angel

86 min. 1999

Director: Davor Marjanovic

Producers: Mort Ransen, David Bouck

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Natural Connections

46 min. 1999/McNabb & Connolly

Directors: Sharon Howard & Mike Rosen

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Net Loss: Farmed vs wild salmon

2003/Moving Images

Filmmakers: Mark Dworkin & Melissa Young

Filmed in Chile, British Columbia and Washington, Net Loss explores the threats from salmon aquaculture to the marine environment, wild salmon runs, and sustainable coastal communities. One more attempt to industrialize and internationalize the food system, taking control away from smaller, more sustainable producers.

Not For Sale

31 min. 2002/Moving Images

Directed by Mark Dworkin & Melissa Young

A thought-provoking look at farmers, indigenous people, and anti-globalization activists who oppose patents on life and advocate for a world where life is not a commodity but something to be treasured.

Palestine is Still the Issue

53 min. 2002/Bullfrog Films

Director: Anthony Stark

Writer/Presenter: John Pilger

Award-winning journalist John Pilger visits Palestinians to ask why they are still caught in a terrible limbo: refugees in their own land. This is a film about a nation traumatized, humiliated and yet resilient. (Some disturbing scenes)

Return of the River

57 min. 2002/ Gryphon Productions

Peter and Sheera von Puttkamer

This documentary traces the amazing progress the Huu-ay-aht First Nations (Vancouver Island) have made in their attempts to restore their river, culture and language since embarking on this project in the early 1990's. Shows how strong leadership and the will of the people can move mountains... and rivers.

Rise: Revolutionary Women Re-vision Afghanistan

15 min. 2002/ Witness

Filmmakers: RAWA (Revolutionary Association of the Women of Afghanistan)

Using regular and hidden cameras, we meet victims of factional fighting and Taliban abuse as well as witnesses to bombing of civilian homes. Spokeswomen call for gender equality, democracy, freedom and an end to foreign military intervention.

Sacred Land: "Squamish Nation Forest and Wilderness Land Use Plan"

30 min

The traditional territory of the Squamish Nation extends north and east of Howe Sound into the drainage basin of the Squamish River. Community meetings plan for the preservation of the land to be repossessed by treaty.

Salt Peanuts

6 min. 2001/Third World Newsreel

Filmmakers: Alonzo Speight & Simin Farkondeh

An ironic and engaging short on how worries of an impending economic downturn following the events of September 11th have caused corporations to cut their budgets. Blending documentary with narrative, the true priorities of the airline industry are exposed.

Say I Do

56 min. 2002/Red Storm Productions

Director: Arlene Ami

An insightful look into the mail-order bride industry showing Philippine women who opt to gamble with their lives to escape poverty and support their families. Although some find stability, they all share a sense of isolation as they face the consequences of their risky decision.

Seeds of Diversity Slide Show

45 min.

Terry Klokeid

Terry will discuss saving your own garden seeds from the most basic methods to the more advanced, including plant improvement through selection and breeding.

Terrorism: an American Reality

15 min. 2001/Third World Newsreel

Filmmaker: Cynthia Lockhart

Some surprising comments from people who inhabit the 'third world' within the first world on international reactions to American foreign policy.

The Friendship Village

50 min. 2002/Moving Images

Director: Michelle Mason

A badly wounded Vietnam war vet, whose platoon was wiped out in combat, moves from anger to compassion and helps to found a village for Vietnamese children and adults suffering from illnesses related to Agent Orange. A remarkable story of reconciliation and healing.

The Great Dance, a hunter's story

75 min. 2000/Sense Africa

Directors: Craig Foster & Damon Foster

This remarkable film follows a group of !Xo San in the central Kalahari, focusing on the unique relationship between their lifestyle, the land and the animals they hunt. Through the eyes of the San hunters, we perceive a world invisible to outsiders. Stunning cinematography. Numerous awards.

The New Rulers of the World

53 min. 2001/Bullfrog Films

Director: Alan Lowery

Producer & Writer: John Pilger

To examine the true effects of globalization, Pilger turns the spotlight on Indonesia, a country described by the World Bank as a model pupil until its globalized economy collapsed in 1998. The film looks at the new rulers of the world — the great multinationals — and exposes how governments and institutions back them.



Thomas Berry, the Great Story

49 min. 2002/Bullfrog Films

Producers: Nancy Stetson & Penny Morell

As a pioneer in the field of spirituality and ecology, Thomas Berry has created a quiet revolution. At the heart of the film is Berry's experience of the universe as a cosmic liturgy. He reminds us that "we are not a collection of objects but a communion of subjects" and challenges us to change our ways.

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Tomorrow's Children: A Blueprint for Partnership Education for the 21st Century

35 min. MEF

Riane Eisler

At a time when the mass media are often our children's most frequent teachers and educational standards are treated as tools of political expediency, the role of schools in our society has never been more critical. Acclaimed author and educator Riane Eisler offers a practical blueprint for transforming how we educate our children - and ourselves. A screening and follow-up discussion presented by the SWOVA Youth Team.

The Tree That Remembers

50 min. 2002/National Film Board

Director: Masoud Raouf

A group of Iranian former political prisoners, now living in Canada, blend their haunting stories with historical footage and original artwork to honour their dead companions. Raises questions like, Why do we resist injustice? What methods can we choose? Why are some governments afraid of dissent? Silver award for Best Canadian Documentary, 2002 Hot Docs.

To Free the Slaves

72 min. 2002/Kinetic

Producer: Hilary Jones-Farrow

Over 27 million men, women and children live in slavery around the world today. This film looks at the new abolitionists working to free and rehabilitate the enslaved in four countries: Sudan, Mali, India and Canada.



Film selection by category

Living with Vision

- An Evergreen Island
- Another World is Possible
- Between the Earth and the Sun*
- Blossoms of Fire
- Global Villagers
- Natural Connections
- Return of the River*
- Sacred Land*
- The Friendship Village
- The Great Dance
- Tomorrow's Children*

Globalization

- Another World is Possible
- Cry for Argentina
- Culture Jam
- Dam/Age
- The New Rulers of the World
- A Score for Women's Voices
- Salt Peanuts
- Terrorism

Human Rights

- Being San
- Books not Bars
- Coca Mama
- Coming to Say Goodbye
- Crimes of Compassion
- East Timor
- Lockdowns Up
- Palestine is Still the Issue
- Rise: Revolutionary Women
- The Tree that Remembers
- To Free the Slaves
- 500 Dunaam on the Moon*

Food Security/Agriculture

- Bacon
- Deconstructing Supper
- Fed-Up!
- Seeds of Diversity*
- Medicinal and Herbal Plants*
- Net Loss*
- Not for Sale

Unsuitable for Young Children

- Palestine is Still the Issue
- Coca Mama
- Cry for Argentina
- Friendship Village
- My Father's Angel*
- The Tree that Remembers
- East Timor
- Rise: Revolutionary Women

All films presented by the Travelling World Community Film Fest (TWCF) have been classified PG (Parental Guidance) with the advisory: "Some films may contain scenes of violence, coarse language, drug use and warfare."

* Show by arrangements outside of agreement with TWCF.



SATURDAY FEATURE

Saturday, February 8th, 7:30 p.m.
• Another World is Possible
• Net Loss

This year we are thrilled to welcome Whidbey Island filmmakers Melissa Young and Mark Dworkin who will present their award winning film ANOTHER WORLD IS POSSIBLE and honour us with the preview screening of NET LOSS (2003).

Another World is Possible documents the filmmakers' impressions of the 2002 World Social Forum in Porto Alegre, Brazil where 51,000 people from 131 countries gathered to network on global justice.

This inspiring film has been featured at the Toronto, Edmonton, New York Peace and Human Security, and Vermont International Film Festivals. Net Loss, filmed in BC, Chile and Washington covers the controversies of wild versus farmed salmon.

Both films raise a range of issues of concern to people of conscience around the world. Mark and Melissa will facilitate a discussion after each film and Lynn Hunter of the David



Another World is Possible

Suzuki Foundation will be present as a resource person for Net Loss.

Melissa Young and Mark Dworkin met and began making films together in the Central America solidarity movement of the 1980's.

An early video contributed to the founding of the Bainbridge - Ometepe Sister Island Association,

and they produced the 2000 portrait of that organization, ISLAS HERMANAS. Many of their programs have been broadcast on PBS, and their films have been shown in dozens of festivals, winning numerous awards.

Sunday, during the day, we will screen two more of their films: Not For Sale and How can I keep On

The Intermission Cafe

This year we introduce The Intermission Cafe in the Multipurpose Room Sunday, February 9, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The cafe provides hot and cold beverages, snacks and the opportunity to mingle with the wonderful folk that frequent the festival not only as viewers, but as participants in the many active groups that volunteer on our island.

The following organizations will be featured in our Celebration of Community with colourful displays and valuable information:

- Alzheimers Support Group
- Chem Trails
- Concerned Citizens of Salt Spring
- Island Pathways
- Kairos
- Meadowbrooke
- Ometepe Friendship Assn.
- Pop Atziak Guatemalan Support Group
- Raging Grannies
- Rotary International
- Salt Spring Quilter's Guild
- SSPLASH20
- SS for Safe Food
- SWOVA
- Voice of Women

SWOVA Youth Team

SWOVA Youth Team present 'Tomorrow's Children' Sunday at 12:30.

In this film Rhiane Eisler, author of The Chalice and the Blade, presents the three innovative and empowering elements of partnership education. "Tomorrow's Children" offers us tools to create a caring community of young leaders. This is an important film for students, educators and life long learners, that gives us a more hopeful picture of what being human can mean.

Join members of

SWOVA's Youth Team for an engaging discussion after the film.



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More thanks to:

The festival is co-sponsored by the Salt Spring Celebration Coalition and the Traveling World Community Film Festival (Courtenay). The Celebration Coalition is: Bob Wild, Jane Squier, Maggie Schubart, Marg Simons and Greg Watson.

DON'T MISS



Highlights for Saturday, February 8

- The festival starts at 10 am with 'Seedy Saturday in the Multipurpose room and international films running continuously in three venues.
- Lunch and snacks are available in the cafeteria.
- Saturday evening we present Another World is Possible and the preview screening of Net Loss with film-makers Mark Dworkin and Melissa Young.

Highlights for Sunday, February 9

- Visit the Intermission Cafe and Celebration of Community in the Multipurpose room.
- Today we feature Mort Ransen's film My Father's Angel and a presentation by the SWOVA Youth Team.
- International films are playing continuously in the three venues. Lunch and tasty snacks are available.
- The festival winds up at 5 p.m.

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8:15 PM *** This Boy's Life (1993, True) A free-spirited mother and her teenage son move away from her abusive ex-boyfriend. Robert De Niro, Ellen Barkin (2h15)

S - Salt Spring Island ExpressVu StarChoice SUNDAY EVENING FEBRUARY 2

10:30 PM *** Safe (1995, Drama) A suburban housewife discovers she has become allergic to the twentieth century. Carol White, Peter Friedman (2h15)

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S - Salt Spring Island ExpressVu StarChoice MONDAY EVENING FEBRUARY 3

8:00 PM *** Desert Song (1952, Musical) A mild-mannered tutor assumes the identity of a roguish freedom fighter by night. Kathryn Grayson, Gordon MacRae (2h)

S - Salt Spring Island ExpressVu StarChoice TUESDAY EVENING FEBRUARY 4

8:00 PM *** Manhunter (1986, Thriller) A troubled former FBI agent is called back to service to help track down a serial killer. William L. Petersen, Kim Griest (2h30)

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Special Events Local Lights #2. Public discussion of "war and peace." Starbooks, 5:30-8 p.m.	Special Events Post-Secondary Info Session. For parents & high school students. GISS computer lab, 1-3 p.m.	Music The Barley Bros. At Porters, 8-10 p.m. Musicians Jam Nite. Fridays at Anise Restaurant, 9 p.m.	Stage Comic Debris. With comedians Reid and Tim Collins. ArtSpring, 8 p.m.	Special Events Coffee Party & David Orchard Sign-up. Drop in to 1456 Beddis Road, 1:30-4:30 p.m. Video at 2 p.m. 537-2429. Imholic Circle Dance. Simple traditional and modern dances for the goddess holiday. Core Inn, 7-8:30 p.m. Spoken Word Open Mic. Anise Restaurant, 8 p.m. Sundays. Call 537-1097 to sign-up for a spot.	Workshops Herbal Medicine. Six-Monday course with Kisa Petersen begins. 6:30-8:30 p.m. Info: 537-1256. Introduction to Tai Chi. Ten-week Seven Stars Tai Chi Club course begins. Cedar Lane Studio, 6:30-8 p.m. 537-5667.	Stage Lorne Elliott. Cabin Fever Tour 2003. ArtSpring, 8 p.m.
Meetings SSI Ferry Advisory Committee. Public meeting on ferry issues, Harbour House Hotel Blue Room, 7-9 p.m.	Workshops Documenting Work. Free CED workshop for artists and craftspeople with Janet Dwyer. Lions Hall, 7-10 p.m. Register: 537-4219.	Family Rugg Huggers. Parenting support Fridays at Family Place, 11-1.	Music Gene Grooms & ODNT. Fulford Inn, 8:30 p.m.	Music Drop Radio. Musical jam with Drop Radio. Starbooks. 6-8 p.m.	Family Storytime. Fables Cottage, 11 to noon.	Family South-end Drop-in. For parents and preschoolers. Fulford Hall Tuesdays, 10-noon. Kindercraft. At Fables Cottage, 11-noon. Pocket Wall Basket. Fables Cottage workshop, part 1. 3:30-4:30.
Music 'Simply Organic'. Popular organ music recital. All Saints, 10:10 a.m., followed by muffin and coffee. Sunset Spotlight. Kris Hansen, Ruth Kirby, Chris Leier, Annie and the Roadhouse Gang and Andre Berube. Vesuvius Pub, 8-11 p.m.	Activities Double-Sided Tai Chi. Thursdays with Tao Kimball, Central Hall, 10 a.m.	Activities Life Drawing. SS United Church Fridays 1-3 p.m. Roller-blading to Music. Fridays at Fulford Hall, 7:30-9 p.m.	Workshops Simplicity & Success. With Bruce Elkin, 9-5. Info: 537-1177.	Workshops Awakened Queen's Lullaby. Learn lullaby, meditative yoga and crystal bowl playing at The Barn. Info: 653-4084. Simplicity & Success. With Bruce Elkin, 9-5. Info: 537-1177.	Activities Free Yoga. With Palu Rainbow Song, Mondays at 112 Isabella Point Road. 653-2074. Astrology Study Group. Mondays at Core Inn, 3rd floor, 7-8:30 p.m. 537-1065.	Activities Floor Hockey. Tuesdays at Fulford Hall, 6:30 p.m.
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Cable TV
Salt Spring TV, Cable 12 — Runs continuously for 24 hours from Sunday, February 2, 3 p.m. (Note not-usual day)— David Orchard: Campaign for Canada — A recent talk at ArtSpring by Saskatchewan organic farmer, author of The Fight For Canada and P.C. party leadership candidate. David speaks on Canadian sovereignty and the environment in an era of globalization.
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Hylands calls on life-long love of Shakespeare for recital

By GAIL SJUBERG
Staff Writer

As a Grade 9 student in a new high school in the late 1950s, Scott Hylands made a "socially treacherous" decision in his English class.

Rather than travel the safe route of writing an essay on Shakespeare, like his classmates, he offered to instead memorize and recite one of the writer's speeches.

Now, more than four decades later, he will offer that same piece — Marc Anthony's "Pardon me, thou bleeding piece of earth" — along with several other Shakespeare sonnets, songs and soliloquies at a "recital" next week.

Called Lend Me Your Ears, the event runs next Thursday and Friday night, February 6-7, at ArtSpring, beginning at 7:30.

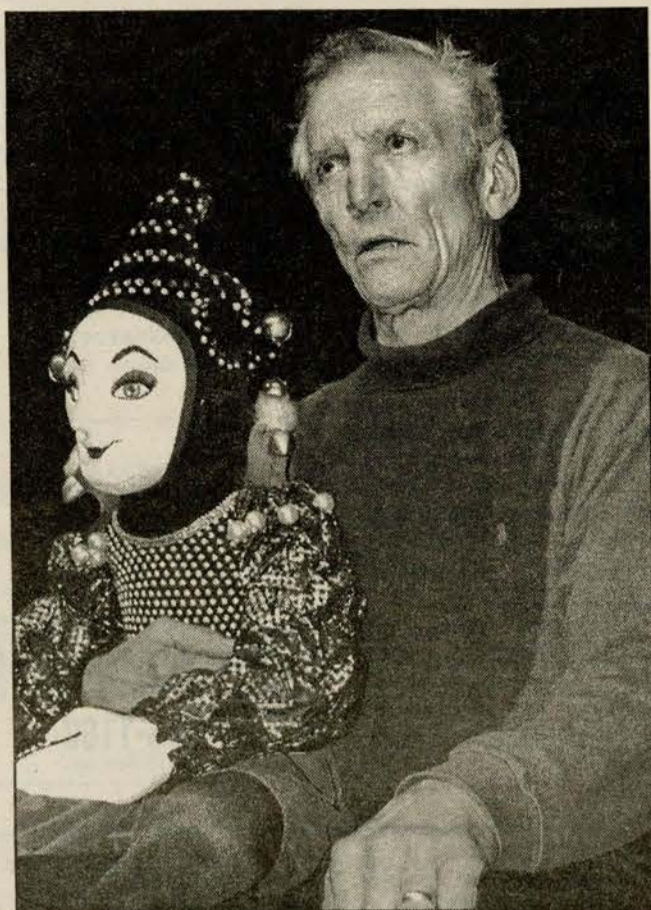
Around the same time as he was risking his adolescent reputation in school, Hylands saw the legendary John Guilud perform The Ages of Man, which explored Shakespearean works in a progression from youth, through maturity to old age.

While Hylands has performed a myriad roles in TV, film and modern stage productions in his 40-year acting career, his love for Shakespeare's work has never withered.

"I've had this in mind for years and years," he said last week at ArtSpring.

Hylands suspects his Shakespeare revival is related to seeking new adventures as he enters another decade of life by turning 60 this year.

When he plunged his hands into the pot of past passions, he came up with cascading gold coins of



ON STAGE: Veteran actor Scott Hylands rehearses Lend Me Your Ears, slated for February 6-7 at ArtSpring.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Shakespearean verse.

Since then he's learned that one's skills in a particularly beloved field don't atrophy — they patiently wait until called on for active duty once again. For him, the experience has been positively energizing.

Hylands admits he has walked out of a lot of classical theatre in the past, simply because he "didn't get it."

Part of the problem, he says, is that "the performers weren't devoted to helping you get it."

And to emphasize the point, Hamlet's address to the players — "Speak the speech, I pray you, as I pronounced it to you . . ." is on the program for next week.

While Shakespeare's language and plays are undeniably sumptuous, when an audience isn't given the chance to understand what's going on, says Hylands, the experience is akin to "having chocolate poured over your head."

If the wonderful commodity cannot reach its intended

destination, it ceases to have value.

In Lend Me Your Ears, Hylands is determined to ensure his audience can taste, hear, absorb and be moved by what he is conveying.

"It's on 'the word,'" says Hylands. "I'm offering 'the word.'"

"I'm on a mission — and that is clarity."

He will also use a few props and gags to augment the pure word.

Hylands has performed Shakespeare roles in theatres spanning the continent — from New York to San Francisco, Miami, Stratford, Toronto and Victoria.

Hylands gained fame in the late 1980s as the character Detective Kevin O'Brien from the award-winning TV show Night Heat, but anyone who has seen him in his own Salt Spring productions in recent years will be eager to lend him their ears for an hour or so.

Whether reading A Child's Christmas in Wales, directing Under Milk Wood or commandeering the stage in Beckett's stark Endgame, Hylands has generously lent us his voice and soul in the

past few years and never disappointed.

After seeing Hylands perform in The Tempest in Victoria, Adrian Chamberlain of the Victoria Times Colonist agreed. "Mr. Hylands was in a class of his own in this production —

seated alone at the front of the stage, he held the theatre with Shakespeare's opulent poetry, a reading that surged with life and deep mystery."

Tickets for Lend Me Your Ears are \$14 and on sale through ArtSpring (537-2102).

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GISS choirs open M&M season

The first recital of the year for the popular Music and Munch lunchtime series hails the youthful sound of performers from two Gulf Islands Secondary School choirs.

On Wednesday, February 5, the jazz and chamber choirs will take the All Saints stage under the direction of conductor and teacher Bruce Smith.

Many of the singers were part of an exciting December trip to Cuba where they broadened their experience in a multi-cultural musical exchange, performing at several schools and enjoying Cuban musicians as well.

A Music and Munch press release promises "the enthu-

siasm and skills which have delighted islanders on several occasions" will be brought to the recital.

Wednesday's program represents work accomplished in one school term and includes some challenging pieces ranging in style from Thomas Morley's Sing We and Chant It to the jazzy Fly me to the Moon.

All Saints' fine acoustics are expected to enhance the vocalists' a cappella singing.

Judging by support given to young talent at previous Music and Munch occasions, producers are anticipating an enthusiastic audience.

Free music begins at 12:10 p.m., followed by a delicious light lunch for

\$4.75.

Patrons should note that the 'Simply Organic' recital will not take place on February 5. Organ music will resume on a weekly basis on February 12 through till June, commencing at 10:10 a.m., except for the first Wednesday of the month when Music and Munch will offer its usual eclectic programming.

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Jazzy gospel sound sets beat at All Saints

Last year's Jazz Gospel Weekend proved such a hit on Salt Spring, it's happening again at All Saints.

With both choral workshop and concert components, anyone with a love of upbeat group singing can get in on the performance or listening sides of the February 7-9 events.

Vancouver-based musi-

cians Marcus Mosely and Peter Dent will lead the workshop and concerts, along with Salt Spring's own Alan Moberg.

The workshop filled up quickly in 2002, said Moberg, so people are advised to get on the list soon. (Call the All Saints office at 537-2171 to register.)

It runs from 7-9 p.m. on Friday, February 7, and from 9 to 3 the next day.

"People who did this workshop were still walking off the ground four weeks later," said Moberg of last year's session.

Choral experience is not needed in order to participate, he notes. Workshop participants then perform in

two concerts with Mosely, Dent and Moberg, set for 7:30 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday evenings at All Saints.

Audience members are also encouraged to let their vocal cords soar for some concert pieces.

Moberg said Mosely is a great teacher of the black gospel style of choral

singing and movement. Mosely has also had an active stage show career.

Dent is a well-known choir leader and an accomplished jazz musician and composer, he said.

In the past few years as a duo, Dent and Mosely have released a CD called Two Rivers, One Source, and given workshops across

Canada.

Moberg is a country-folk songwriter and recording artist who also loves to sing gospel music.

Full workshop cost is \$35, and includes the concerts, a luncheon and barbecue.

Concert tickets for the general public are \$15 and available at All Saints and Acoustic Planet.

Outlandish jester puts cabin fever on the run

Mild winters may spare islanders from suffering authentic Canadian cabin fever, but Lorne Elliott has put Salt Spring on his winter tour anyway.

Elliott, the acclaimed humourist, storyteller, comedian and musician from Montreal, brings his Cabin Fever Tour 2003 to ArtSpring next Tuesday night.

The show is described in

an ArtSpring press release as "a one-man performance of thought-provoking contemporary satire; witty, clever and fast-paced. Elliott's stage persona, a contrast of crazed, intellectual and extravagant jester, is both outlandish and charming. The performance is a blend of comedic mayhem and superbly silly performance art."

Elliott's work caught the

attention of CBC Radio after Definitely Not the Opera aired one of his concert performances. It was greeted with such enthusiasm all across the country that it was re-broadcast on Sunday Showcase and Morningside.

In 1996, Elliott began starring in his own CBC Radio series titled Madly Off in all Directions, which is now in its eighth season.

Featured on numerous theatre arts festivals, Elliott is also an award-winning playwright.

Tickets for the February 4 event, which begins at 8 p.m., are \$18 and available through ArtSpring's box office in person or at 537-2102.

Grooms, new band at Fulford

After three years of making music in urban Ontario, Gene Grooms is back on the west coast.

And on Saturday night at the Fulford Inn, he'll be showing the island what he's been up to, along with his new band Old Dog New Tricks (ODNT).

Dave Roland on bass, guitarist Paul Branscombe and drummer Jerome Jarvis have teamed up with Grooms in ODNT, and promise to deliver a bundle of high-energy dance tunes.

"We'll have some blues, rhythm and blues, a little reggae, and all kinds of flavours and textures," said Grooms.

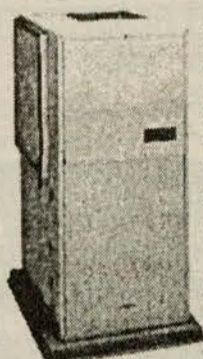
Besides performing in Hamilton and Burlington in the past few years, Grooms had a strong B.C. coast following with the Gene Grooms Blues Project in the '90s.

He released his first CD, Sooner or Later, in 1999.

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Lions Publications



Scorpion players make the hoops

The Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) Scorpions basketball teams saw plenty of action last week.

The senior girls narrowly beat Shawnigan Lake in a tight contest January 20, said coach Lyall Ruehlen.

"They were down by one for the whole game. They didn't get ahead until there was three minutes to go," he said. "It was one of those crazy games."

In the final seconds, Ciara Brazier stole the ball and put GISS up by three. Getting fouled on the play, Brazier then stuffed a foul shot for a 32-28 finish.

The junior girls beat Kelsey by at least 20 points January 22

to remain undefeated, Ruehlen said.

And while the senior boys had a rocky season start (three wins, three losses), they also beat Brentwood by a dozen points Thursday, he added.

The busy junior boys travelled to Brentwood January 20 and lost 53-39. But then they hosted Quamichan January 21 for a 64-44 victory.

A Thursday match saw the juniors lose by 10 points in Cowichan, but Cowichan is the best team in the league, Ruehlen said.

GISS has no games this week due to exams. The senior girls next play Brentwood February 4.

FC test Sunday

A win this Sunday will assure Salt Spring FC a position in one of the most elite amateur leagues in the country.

At 2:15 p.m., they will face the Ladysmith 49ers at Portlock Park.

"FC has never beaten the 49ers (0-2-1) and are itching to confirm their spot in the first division next year," said manager Ken Marr.

FC currently leads the second division by three points.

TAKING AIM: Members of the high school junior girls' basketball team trounce Kelsey at Gulf Islands Secondary School last Wednesday to remain undefeated.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Judo stars battle for top positions

Jubilant Salt Spring Judo Club members returned with gold and silver from the Vancouver Island Tournament in Campbell River Saturday.

Cole Wrigley beat all opponents well before the bell and won gold, said judo coach Shaun Adams.

Ian Simpson fought bravely and valiantly to win silver and Jason Funk came fourth in his division. Funk was just shy of the medals in his first tourney after he won two fights and lost two.

Rachel Dixon finished in fifth place after a similar performance.

"Both these kids should be in the medals next time," Adams said.

The next event for the Salt Spring club is a national qualifier in Kamloops on February 1.

Returning swimmers need to sign up now

While swimming may not be at the forefront of most islanders' minds right now, members of the Salt Spring Stingrays swim team are already gearing up for the 2003 season.

Returning swimmers have until January 31 to pay the \$30 British Columbia Summer Swimming Association fee and secure their spots on the team.

As of February 1, new swimmers will be able to register by calling Jill Smith at 538-0026.

The Stingrays swim team typically consists of about 60 swimmers, ranging in age

from five to 16, who compete in various Vancouver Island swim meets throughout the summer.

Those interested in joining the Stingrays must be able to swim the length of Shelby Pool (25 yards) unassisted.

The summer swim season runs from May 1 to early August, with participants practising between four and seven hours per week.

People wanting more information about the swim team should call Smith (registrar) or Salt Spring Aquatic Society president Susan Lundy (537-9957).

Chapman tops tourney

Scott "Permanent Resident" Chapman teamed up with Gary Railer to win the weekly local doubles tournament at the Hart Memorial Disc Golf Course in Moutat Park Sunday.

Disc golfers Chapman and Railer topped their competitors with a 40 (14 under par). Chapman then went on to tie Fritz "Cozy Toque" Arnold in a closest to the pin competition.

After their discs had been paced off twice on hole #16 to confirm the tie, Arnold went on to win a sudden death play-off.

However, Chapman (a Californian) was still able to celebrate his doubles win along with his recently acquired Canadian resident status.

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ADA JANE WOODLEY
Nov. 5, 1911 - Jan. 25, 2003

Surrounded by her family, Ada picked up her clubs, cashed in her lottery tickets, checked the scores once again and put away the remote for the final time.

Predeceased by her husband Al and son Blair, she leaves on the first tee a sister Elda Gaines in Chilliwack, sons Warner (Maggie) and Glenn (Linda) on Salt Spring, David (Margaret) in Whiterock and a daughter, Betty Cocking (Bob) in Maple Ridge.

On the putting green are grandchildren Blair, Warner, Jennifer in Ontario, Shanna & Ryan in Maple Ridge, Kevin & Jordan in Whiterock, David & Barbara on Salt Spring, Glenda in Shawnigan Lake and Deborah in West Vancouver.

Ada was blessed with 18 great grandchildren who were a great joy in her final years. Missing her are Justin, Jenna, Kristine, David & Robert in Ontario, Avery and Kaitlyn in Maple Ridge, Sal, Jack, Kate, Madeline & Elizabeth on Salt Spring, Sam, Adam & John in West Vancouver and Grace, Olivia & Will in Shawnigan Lake - all of the tees are full, Mom.

Ada began her long life as one of 13 children in a pioneer family homesteading in the Chilliwack Valley. In 1933 she left farming to marry Al, a millwright, who took her to the lumber camps of Vancouver Island, where, over the years, the birth of four boys and a girl completed the family. Finally settling in Chermains, Ada devoted her life to her children who she supported in many community sports and Brownies.

At the ripe old age of 55 she discovered her great passion, golf. She won many events, played 36 holes a day and devoted many hours to junior golf - she was an honorary member of the Salt Spring Golf Club.

On January 17th Ada suffered a fall at home and after a week's battle with pneumonia Ada decided to play through. Now, we all are heading to the 19th hole for a drink, a story or two, and a final good bye.

A memorial service & reception will be held at the Community Gospel Chapel on Thursday, January 30th at 2:00 pm.

Thanks and appreciation to Drs. Holly Stakov and Bob Crossland plus the many nurses who treated Mom with compassion and kindness.

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IMBOLC (BRIGID'S Day)
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SWOVA INVITES women of all ages to participate in "Five Feminist Minutes: A Celebration of Women's Talents" on International Women's Day, Saturday March 8, 2003 at 7:00 p.m. at the Anise Restaurant. Women are invited to sing a song, read a poem, perform a skit, sew a pair of pants or whatever - share your talent for five minutes on stage! If you would like to participate, please contact Myranda at SWOVA at 537-1336 with a brief description of your presentation. We look forward to hearing from you!

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Salt Spring Gymnastics Association is offering Spring classes for both beginning and experienced gymnasts at Fulford Hall on Saturdays starting February 15th.
Saturday 1:45 - 3:15
Recreational Class (6 to 12 years)
Saturday 3:30 - 5:30
Advanced Recreational Class (6 to 12 years)
•SPACES ARE LIMITED•
To register your child or for more information please phone Beth at 653-4530

20 COMING EVENTS

Second Annual Jazz Gospel Weekend At All Saints' Church
Featuring
Marcus Mosely, Peter Dent and Alan Moberg
Choir workshop
Fri 7th Feb, 7-9p.m. and 8th Feb, 9a.m.-3p.m.
Concerts
Feb 8th and 9th 7:30p.m.
Tickets
Choir: \$35 (incl. workshop, Saturday BBQ lunch & both concerts)
Concert: \$15 (each concert)
All Saints' Church office, Acoustic Planet, and at the door.
Questions?
Phone 537-2171 or 537-5607

Film Fest + Seedy Saturday
Saturday, February 8
10AM to 5PM

Film Fest + Volunteer Presentations
Sunday, February 9
10AM to 5PM
Both Days
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20 COMING EVENTS

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6-7:30 p.m. LEVEL 1/2
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9-10:30 a.m. MELLOW
4-6 p.m. LEVEL 3
THURSDAYS
9-10:30 a.m. LEVEL 1
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26 LEGAL

Notice of Exclusion Application Regarding Land in the Agricultural Land Reserve
MICHAEL W. PATTERSON and CAROLINE PATTERSON of 4592 West 2nd Avenue, Vancouver V6R 1K9, B.C., intend on making an application pursuant to Section 30(1) of the Agricultural Land Commission Act to exclude from the Agricultural Land Reserve the following property which is legally described as:
PID:007-0748-471 Parcel H (DD989821) Pender Island, and located at Cowichan District, 5435 Hoosen Road.
Any person wishing to express interest in the application may do so by forwarding their comments in writing to:
ROBERT KOJIMA, ISLANDS TRUST OFFICE, SUITE 200, 1827 FORT ST., VICTORIA, B.C. V8R 1H8
by February 12, 2003.

26 LEGAL

Notice to Creditors and Others

Re: Estate of JOHANN OLAF BAUMGARTNER, aka OLAF BAUMGARTNER, and JOHANN BAUMGARTNER, Deceased

Notice is hereby given that creditors and others having claims against the Estate of JOHANN OLAF BAUMGARTNER, deceased, late of Salt Spring Island, British Columbia, are hereby required to send them duly verified to the personal representative at c/o #1-105 Rainbow Road, Salt Spring Island, B.C., V8K 2V5, on or before February 19, 2003, after which date the assets of the said estate will be subject to distribution, having regard only to claims that have been received.

EVA-MARIA THEREN, Administratrix by her solicitor, IAN H. CLEMENT #1-105 Rainbow Road, Salt Spring Island, B.C. V8K 2V5

250-537-5505

29 LOST AND FOUND

NOTICE TO Lady Minto Hospital Patients/Family Members: A number of watches and jewelry items remain unclaimed in our security drawer. Please contact Jackie Bennett at 538-4800 with a description of your lost item and make your claim as soon as possible. Unclaimed items will be donated to the Thrift Shop after January 31st.

FOUND CAT, grey, male, very friendly, Lang Road approximately January 12. Call S.P.C.A. 537-2123.

FOUND TENNIS racquet on the road across from the golf course. Owner may claim by identifying at the Driftwood Office.

FOUND WATCH near Long Harbour Ferry terminal, Saturday, January 25. Owner may claim at the Driftwood.

FOUND CELL phone. Owner may claim at the Driftwood.

LOST! OVER 3000 5 gallon buckets. Please return. Garden Faire (formerly Rainbow landscape Supply).

FOUND 4 CATS: #1 neutered male tabby, found across from Stan's, very friendly. #2 short haired tortie, on Fairway, very affectionate. #3 short haired, all grey neutered male, been hanging around Green Acres Resort area, a sweetie. #4 long haired black & grey female from Charlesworth, Mt. Belcher area, very friendly. Contact SPCA 537-2123.

32 MEETINGS

SSI HISTORICAL Society meeting, 2:00 p.m., February 12, 2003. Central Hall. Rose Murakami on the history of the Murakami Family. All welcome.

34 NOTICES

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ARBOR TREE Service has changed phone number to 537-7752. Sorry for any inconvenience. Arbor Tree Service.

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BUCKETS, BUCKETS, BUCKETS! Please return our buckets! Recycling is still cool. Without our buckets back we'll have to join the Bag Guys. Garden Faire Nursery. (P.S. old "Rainbow" buckets still belong here!)


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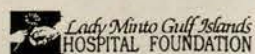
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WANTED: USED, light duty bows and arrows for youth archery program. Donations Preferred. Call Keith 537-5860.

8' FIBERGLASS DINGHY wanted. Call 537-5148.

WANTED: GOOD used ocean kayak. Phone 538-1834.

APT. SIZE fridge, almond, with handle on right. eves. 537-2845

GOOD CONDITION small Lund Boat or ?? Also: Floor loom Nilus LeClerc 45" Jack type preferred or ?? Phone 653-4338. email martie@salt-spring.com.

370 PETS/LIVESTOCK

POT BELLY pigs. Adults & piglets, \$50 ea. 250 478-7729.

FEBRUARY IS Senior Pet month at Gulf Islands Veterinary Clinic. Call 537-5334 for details on keeping your best friend healthy.

379 FREE/RECYCLABLES

THIS COLUMN is designed for free recyclable items only (no animals). There is no charge to place items in this column. Ads 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.

BACK SEAT for 89 Suburban, good shape, you pick up. 538-0390.

17" COMPUTER MONITOR, Multi Scan colour, Orchestra KDS. Christina 653-9095 or 653-2413.

FREE CARPET and underlay, beige, 10' x 14' plus extra pieces. Good condition, only one mark. 537-0707.

FREEZER, MEDIUM size, good working condition. 250-384-3499. LAWN MOWER and lawn mower parts. 537-1944.

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.

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.saltspringmusic.com. Hear song samples before you buy. Pay by cheque or credit card. More than 40 CDs available.

410 REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

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

Real Estate

410 REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

BY OWNER: "BRINKWORTHY" 2 bed. modular home. New appliances, carpet & air-tight F.P. Fully fenced, easy care yard. 2 decks. Sunny exposure. Asking \$126,000. 537-8357.

AMAZING 5 ACRE, N.E. property. 3 bdr, well built house, rental cabin, large shop, barn. Many fruit trees, ponds 1/2 acre developed. Ideal for serious gardener, \$393,000. 537-1677 Bob.

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, 537-8160, eves.

OWN AN ISLAND on our island! 5 acres, 3 large ponds w/large trout, bass & goldfish, ninety fruit trees, huge market garden, great soil, 3 bdrm house, large shop, sweet rental cabin, barn, sauna, \$393,000 537-1677 Bob.

WEST COAST Style home on 1.9 acres. Seasonal creek & waterfall, fireplace, decks, close to village, \$220,000. Call 537-2275.

SOUTH END, 2 bdrm, 1 bath house with studio. Beautiful valley view, near Ruckle, 5 gpm well. Quiet, \$295,000. 653-4152, 808-965-7455.

420 FINANCING

GARDEN FAIRE (formerly Rainbow Nursery) seeks 2nd mortgage. Interested parties please call Shirley. 537-4346.

450 MOBILE HOMES

2 BDRM MOBILE home with large addition almost 800 sq. ft. in Cedar View Park. Large laundry room, hardwood & tile floors, wood & electric heat, garden & fenced yard, \$18,000 obo. 537-1809.

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460 WANTED TO BUY

VIEW PROPERTY wanted. With house, and/or cottage; possible outbuildings an asset. South of town preferred. \$300,000 - \$600,000 range. 537-9346.

Thinking of Selling?

We are searching for a Salt Spring Island home with a garden or view setting. Hoping for 2 or 3 bedrooms. Privacy. Interesting design. Very flexible. Serious & open to all options between \$200-\$400k. 538-1804

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

GROUND LEVEL suite available long term for quiet adult. Large 1 BR, bright, clean and modern. Private entrance. Vesuvius area. Overlooks large pond. W/D, N/S. Cat OK. References. \$650/mo. 537-9953.

ONE BEDROOM apt available, close to town, \$500 a month. N/S, N/P. Child welcome. Call 537-5706.

SWEET SUITE, newly renovated for: honest, independent, happy, clean, quiet, single person seeking a permanent home near town. Available Feb 15. References req. \$475/ mo. Hydro inc. 538-1990.

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CHARACTER 1 BDRM Apt. Close to ocean. Suits quiet 1 or 2 persons. Long term. N/S, \$650 inclusive. Available February 1. References required. 537-2476.

SHORT TERM rental, self contained B & B, sunset view suites in Vesuvius, \$250 weekly, \$750 monthly. 537-2275.

\$595/MONTH, very private basement suite, includes cablevision, water, hydro. Suited for single adult, close to Ganges. 537-2300.

510 COMMERCIAL SPACE

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

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.

520 HOUSES FOR RENT

CONDO AVAILABLE February 1, walking distance to Ganges, unfurn. or partially furn., 2 bdr, 2 baths, garage, N/S, N/P. Mature couple preferred, long term, references required. \$950/mo. 537-0031.

EXQUISITE HOME! Schubart designed cedar & glass home on 22 acres with outstanding ocean views. Unfurnished, 2700 sqft, 2 bdrm w loft, fireplace & wood stove, all appliances, (some new), 2 car garage, N/S, well behaved pets negotiable. Available Feb 15th \$3000/mth + deposit + utilities. 303-777-8887.

520 HOUSES FOR RENT

MAIN FLOOR of home, 2 or 3 bedrooms, 6 appliances, \$750 or \$900 plus utilities. 537-8567.

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

VESUVIUS, 3 BDRM, 2 bath, F/P, upper suite. Shared laundry, private/ sunny completely redone; new everything. Available Feb 1. % utilities, \$900 p.m. 538-0070.

2 BEDROOM & DEN, lower suite. Sep. entry, private & sunny, shared laund. Completely redone, as new. Avail. Feb 1. \$700 p.m. % utilities. 538-0070.

VESUVIUS: COMPLETELY redone 3 bdrm, 2 bath, F.P, W & D. C/W 2 bdrm & den suite. Rent potential. \$750 p.m. Whole house, \$1550 p/m net to U \$800 +/- Feb 1. 538-0070.

TWO BEDROOM unfurnished, sunny, great view, garden, great location. Newly renovated. N/S, W/D. Suitable for mature single/couple. \$800 plus utilities. Available Feb 1. 537-2458.

BRIGHT POST & Beam 600 sq. ft., loft/ bedroom cabin on 5 quiet acres near town. Pastoral valley views, wood/ elec. heat, W/D, for quiet, N/S. \$775 utilities included. 537-1433.

EXQUISITE COTTAGE, west coast architecture, 1 room + sleeping loft for mature professional person. References. \$750 incl. hydro. 653-2092.

TWO BEDROOM, 850sq.ft. house in sunny view location in South End. N/S, N/P, references required. Avail immediately \$800 + util, 653-2356.

Island Explorer Property Management Ltd. 537-4722 - 1-800-800-9492 www.island-explorer.com Private lower level one-bedroom suite, suitable single, no children, no pets. Avail now. \$750 inclusive. North-end.

Fairfield Realty 1987 Ltd. Property Management

Cute, cosy and very comfortable bach within walking distance to town. Very quiet neighbors, some views of Ganges Harbour, deck out front, suite has shower only, NP, N/S, \$500 includes all utilities.

Beautifully kept & furn. 1 bdrm ste. on waterfront. Magnificent views from lg priv. deck, stairs to your own beach with deck at ocean, very quiet area/neighbors, W/D & util includ. NP, N/S \$850 - a must see!

Pristinely kept & maintained 3 bdrm SxS one level duplex. All rooms are large with lots of storage space, laundry room with w/d, fenced back yard with shed, owner has shop on property. NS, NP \$800 incl. water.

537-2833

530 SHARED ACCOMMODATION

FEMALE ROOMMATE to share house. I'm a single mom of 2 boys, 3 1/2 & 11 months. \$500 + living expenses. Phone & ask for Cheryl. 537-4913.

540 WANTED/RENTALS

FRIENDLY, MATURE woman seeks reasonable rental accommodation in living situation with senior lady appreciating companionship and help around house 537-9971. Leave message for Rona.

HELPFUL, HANDY adult make seeks secure, affordable housing. Individual or shared. Call Aaron 538-1807.

HOUSE-MINDING / shared rental wanted until May by responsible New Zealand woman. Excellent island references. 537-4260.

540 WANTED/RENTALS

LONG TERM Rental from April first. Reliable working couple. Three bedroom. Landscaping services available. Island references, exceptional tenants. 538-1907.

Accommodation**690 WEBSITES**

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CURRENT DESIGNS "Gulfstream" kayak. Very good condition. 99 model. Blue deck, white hull \$2400. 537-0886.

8' FIBERGLASS DINGHY wanted. Call 537-5148.

16 FT. FIBERGLASS canoe, square stern. 8 ft. fibreglass dinghy, \$250 each. 537-2259.

1983 PEARSON 23' Sail boat. Modern Catboat rig, VHS, DS, 98 Nissan, 9.8 elec. start, cockpit controls, excellent condition, \$6700. 250 539-3035.

825 CARS, SALES

1980 VOLVO GL, 4 door sedan, automatic, runs well, \$1500. 537-4515 leave message.

1992 CUTLASS SUPREME, 157,000 km, 4 dr., excellent condition, \$5000. 537-1961.

1987 HYUNDAI EXCEL, 160,000 km., runs well but needs work, \$550. Please call 653-4240 or (604)838-6499.

1986 OLDSMOBILE CALAIS Supreme, V6, 2-door automatic, good tires, new battery, 80,500 miles, A/C, California driven, regular maintenance, one family ownership, \$1800. 537-4479.

1982 OLDS CUTLASS Supreme, 4 door, good condition in/out, runs well, \$750. 537-9459.

1984 DODGE DIPLOMAT, 4 dr., V8 auto., good solid car with some body damage. \$1000. 537-9799.

825 CARS, SALES

1987 PONTIAC 6000, white, exc. condition, elderly driver, 4 dr., auto, air, no rust, new brakes, new tires, new transmission. Doug 653-4655.

1997 MERCURY MYSTIQUE GS, Sport. 4 cyl. auto, a/c, p/s, p/w, p/l, am/fm cassette, near new low profile tires, alum. wheels, spoiler. Very clean. Low mileage 84k. \$8000. Ph. 537-4202 or 537-1150.

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.

NEED A CAR? You're approved-slow repayment, repo, divorce. We can help-need a visa? Randy 604-817-5337. Fred 604-780-6145

855 TRUCKS/4X4S

1987 CHEV 3/4 TON 4 x 4. \$3000. Call 537-9426.

1980 GMC PICKUP, 6 cyl., new (to truck) transmission, 2 wheel drive, 1/2 ton. \$700. 653-4168.

91 MAZDA B2200 King Cab with extras. Low kms. \$5100. 653-2435.

91 JIMMY 4 X 4, white, 4.3 L, 4 door, auto, power doors/windows. Lady driven 260,000 kms with hidden hitch. 653-2435.

1987 FORD BRONCO II, 4 x 4, 5 speed, great condition, \$3000 firm. 537-6435 leave message.

1994 GMC 1500 4x4 Ext.Cab. Factory 16" rims, sunvisor, tinted glass, pb,ps,cruise. Lovingly maintained and excellent records. \$13,900. Tow package extra. 653-4101.

1990 GMC 3/4 TON, Auto, 2 WDR, \$4000. 1986 Bronco 4 x 4, full size, 4 speed, 112,000 km, \$3950 obo. Both in nice shape. 537-2246. Leave message.

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856 BUSES, VANS

1984 AEROSTAR XLT extended van, all wheel drive, 109,000 kms, aluminum wheels, mint condition, \$9,000 obo. 537-4595 evenings.

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

'96 AEROSTAR, 145 k., airbag, auto, p/s, ABS, clean, well maintained, \$7100 OBO. 537-5554.

1990 PLYMOUTH VAN, best offer beyond reserve takes her. New transmission, battery, cd player, clean. No rust visible. Scott, evenings 537-1975.

845 RECREATIONAL VEHICLES, SALES

OVER 200 NEW and used motorhomes, 5th wheels, trailers, van-conversions, truck campers. Total RV Centre RV Listing Service. Free pick-up Western Canada. Voyager RV, Hwy 97, Winfield, B.C. 1-800-668-1447. www.voyagerRV.ca

900 TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

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

INTERNET PACKAGES from \$5.95 per month using local dialup. Website hosting & design. Call Barb, 538-0052 or www.saltspringinternet.com.

HERBAL MEDICINE Intermediate Course with herbalist Kisae Petersen. Course is for those with basic concepts who want to know more about medicine making and formula building for common health issues. Feb. 6 - Mar. 20, Thurs. evenings, 6:30 - 8:30. Cost of \$140 includes herbs and resource material. Call 537-1256 for info. or to register.

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.

23% OFF SALE continues at Family Jewels celebrating my 23rd Anniversary of moving to this island paradise. Cathy Ward, Happily serving islanders since 1980.

900 TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

HERBAL MEDICINE Introductory Course with Herbalist Kisae Petersen. Course provides introduction to concepts of herbal medicine and medicine making. Feb. 3 - Mar. 10, Monday evenings, 6:30 - 8:30. Cost: \$100 includes herbs and resource material. Call 537-1256 for info. or to register.

SEASONED FRUITWOOD branches needed (or other hardwoods) for Folkart sculpture. Will pay for decent wood. Paul Burke. 537-0754.

DR. ALSBERG'S new phone number at the Lancer building will be 537-6754, starting immediately.

OCEANIC PURIFICATION Treatment. Experience the many therapeutic effects of this 5 part treatment. To begin the body is fully exfoliated with pulverized seaweed & sea salt. Then a remineralizing full body mask is applied to the body while you rest on a layout of hot stones. While the mask is working its magic, you will receive a mini facial and reflexology. To complete this treatment the body is lightly massaged with a personalized blend of essential oils. \$89. Suzanne Ambers 537-0753.

"FLY FISHERS": Interested in forming a Salt Spring Island Fly Fishers Club? Call Gus Mitchell 537-8730. Meeting tentatively set for Thursday, Feb 6 @ 7 p.m.

GARAGE SALE: February 1, 9 am till all gone. 117 Beaver Point Road. Tools, clothing, antiques; 40 years of collecting.

REFLEXOLOGY SPECIAL for February \$40. For 1 hour sessions call Julie Howard. 537-9433.

PRE INVENTORY specials on demo TVs, stereos and lot of other good stuff too numerous to mention! Up to 50% off on some selected items such as calculators, speakers, CB radios, battery chargers and more. The store will be closed Saturday, Feb 1 and will reopen Tuesday, Feb 3 under new management. QSI Electronics (Radio Shack) 537-4522.

KIWI PLUMBING available for service work, renovations & new construction. Also selling water purification systems. Call Ron Bright at 537-7743.

COMIC DEBRIS a Royal Command performance of skits and standup comedy. ArtSpring Saturday, 8:00, \$14 reserved or at the door.

BUCKET CASES! You know who you are. We all procrastinate sometimes. We need the buckets back before our busy spring season. Thanks. Garden Faire Nursery.

FOR SALE: Snack vending machine, new \$1750, asking \$500 OBO. 537-1300.

CHILD CARE needed, 2 - 3 days/ wk. 3 - 5 hrs per day. Own transportation & references required, wage negotiable, Mark or Petra. 537-1102 or 537-1522.

GANGES FLOOR Coverings, winter rug sale on till February 8.

LAST CHANCE for 50% off fall and holiday clothing this Thurs. Jan. 30 to Sat. Feb. 1 at B-Side Clothing Co. 30% off shoes continues. We still need more room for the awesome spring product coming in. 121 McPhillips.

900 TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

MOVING SALE at Sabine's Fine Used Books. Most hardcovers 50% off, ends Feb. 8. Grace Point Square, 538-0025.

LOST: 1 SMALL cloth money purse lost in Fulford ferry area, Tuesday, January 21. 537-5439.

FAMILY JEWELS a gem of a store where it's fun to shop. Diamond, gold & silver jewellery, new and estate. Seiko, Pulsar, clocks & watches. Baltic Amber. Derek Alexander leather goods. Rocks, fossils & crystals, watch straps and batteries. 161 Fulford Ganges Road. 538-5560. Tuesday - Saturday, 10 - 5 or by appointment.

SALE CONTINUES at Salt Spring Books - Gardening, House and Home, Design & Humour have been added to the sale. Calendars @ 40% off as of February 1. Get yours now, we're running out!

FINE VALENTINE'S Day gifts to be found at the Aroma Crystal Therapy. Pleasures for the senses: essential oils and diffusers, aromatherapy candles, incense, bath salts, stimulating colour baths, cream for wonderful massages, lover's lip and nipple balm and much more. Valentine's Day gifts with Love to be found at Aroma Crystal Therapy in Gasoline Alley. Mention this ad and receive a Free Gift.

FOUND GLASSES at Portlock Park. Owner may claim at the Driftwood.

THE LOVER is coming. British company Dreamsurf brings Pinter's exploration of hidden desires to Mahon Hall, Saturday, 8 February. Contains nudity. \$7 & \$10 at et cetera.

HARRY POTTER #5 is due in June 2003. Book your copy with Salt Spring Books and enter to win the book and other Harry Potter merchandise.

IMPORTANT TOOLS for a first date: Natural crystal deodorants, sparkle gel, beautiful crystal jewelry. All can be found at Aroma Crystal Therapy in Gasoline Alley.

VANCOUVER, LARGE Apartment for rent, park like living. 539-5706 for information

FOR RENT: 2 bdrm cabin in south end \$650. 3 Bdrm mobile \$650. Both have wood/electric heat. No dogs, leave message 250-727-3620.

ATTENTION MEN. The Tuned Air Choral Society is looking for tenors & basses to increase our ranks. We are a community choir, singing with joy, the folk music of every country, classical music from every era and a special interest in the music of Canada. Our priorities are to develop a high level of musicianship and a welcoming sense of community. No audition required. For information call Cassandra at 537-2521.

GIFTS FOR your adored one: Jewelry, essential oil perfume atomizers, bath salts, after-shave gel, gift cards. All can be found at Aroma Crystal Therapy in Gasoline Alley.

POETRY READING February 1, 6:30 p.m. at Salt Spring Books. Maggie Helwig will read from her new collection, "One Building in the Earth".

FOR THE mature relationship: sinus relief snore eazy gel, migraine headache gel. All can be found at Aroma Crystal Therapy in Gasoline Alley. Mention this ad and receive a Free Gift.

CHICK INCUBATOR for small hatchings, 12-25 eggs. In good working order, reasonable. Call 537-5248.

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1981 DODGE BOOGIE VAN	\$500.00
1986 VW JETTA	\$400.00
1986 PONTIAC FIREBIRD	\$500.00

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73 CHEV CAMPER VAN RAISED ROOF	\$2495	\$1991
76 CAMARO-V8 AUTO-CRUISER	\$1895	\$1495
85 TOYOTA PASS VAN-AUTOMATIC	\$2895	\$2595
87 DODGE SHADOW-AUTO-TURBO	\$2695	\$2195
89 JEEP CHEROKEE-6 CYL.-AUTO	\$4495	\$3595
94 SUBARU STWG.-4WDR.-STANDARD	\$6495	\$5595

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Answers to Crossword Page 31

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Lucky lamb Emily Carr born in year of sheep/goat

By LING WESTON
Special to the Driftwood

Chinese New Year arrives early this year on February 1 when we say farewell to the Year of the Horse and welcome the Year of the Sheep or Goat.

This is especially auspicious for our island, knowing our Salt Spring lamb had been served to Queen Elizabeth in Victoria and island goat cheese has found its way onto the menu of the Vancouver Fairmont Airport Hotel.

According to the cycle of the Chinese horoscope established by Buddha 500 years before the birth of Christ, babies born between February 1, 2003 and January 21, are little lambs or goats.

The Chinese horoscope decrees that babies born in the year of the sheep/goat are endowed with the following characteristics: fond of all good things in life; needs security and needs to be loved but also needs a guiding hand.

So this makes a sheep/goat person very lucky indeed, as who in the

world doesn't need any of the listed above promised for him or her by the stars?

Sheep/goat persons are also endowed with artistic talents and fond of nature. My favourite painter Emily Carr was born a lucky lamb and her paintings certainly testify her traits.

On February 1, a quarter of the world's humanity (including over 55 million overseas Chinese) will celebrate the Chinese New Year for 15 days, in keeping with their cultural roots. The strict rituals and customs are adhered to by all to ensure bringing in good fortune in the new year and to avoid all bad influences. So the house is cleaned and floors swept (vacuumed in this modern day and age) before the new year begins. This gets rid of all bad luck.

Red is a happy colour and that is why red is used for red packets; red door couplets pasted on front doors; the wearing of red clothing, etc. during the festive season.

The ancient Chinese believed in three types of luck:

1. The luck you are born with (as specified by the Chinese horoscope) or the stars you are born under: equivalent to being "born with a silver spoon in his mouth."

2. "Man luck" or self-made luck: the luck we make ourselves. My motto has always been "life is how you make it."

3. "Earth luck" by applying principles of Feng Shui (which literally means wind and water), a discipline and Taoist philosophy which ties in with the modern concept of "go with the flow." In other words: don't fight forces of nature; go with them instead.

So a lot of Chinese traditions are connected to Feng Shui: to enhance health, wealth and happiness and to avoid all things (including words) that signify misfortune. Unlucky or swear words are taboo as the Chinese believe in "emotive power of words."

Before the new year starts, the effigy of the kitchen god is sent to heaven (by burning) with its mouth smeared with honey so it would

report sweet things of the family it resides with. All debts are settled before the year ends. New Year's Eve is the important family reunion day when every member of the family is expected to go home to partake of the last meal of the year. Children are allowed to stay up late to "bid farewell to the old year." Then fire crackers are let off at midnight to chase all misfortune and evil away to welcome in the New Year.

On the first day of the New Year every person wears new or clean clothes. Children pay homage to ancestors at the family shrine, and then wish parents Gung Hay Fat Choy and receive lucky money in red packets or envelopes. For the Cantonese, red packets are only given to unmarried children. One can make a fortune this way when you are a child.

Once married, one is obliged to give a red packet to every visiting child. Parents can easily go bankrupt. In my childhood I have known childless couples "borrow-

ing" relatives' children to go visiting to balance their books. All elders, relatives and friends are visited during the 15 days except on the third day, which for some reason is designated as "squabble day," making it not auspicious to visit anyone.

A special sticky cake is always offered to visitors. In the south it is made of white carrot (similar to turnip) with savoury meats and nuts, while in the north it is made with sticky rice with different ingredients. Each one signifies the three fundamentals: health, wealth and happiness of course!

The seventh day is designated as everyman's birthday as traditionally Chinese people don't celebrate a personal day of birth as such until he has become of age; and this is not 18 or 21 but half a century (50) when he becomes an elder who has gained wisdom. Chinese revere elders.

Tradition, tradition, tradition!
It's an occasion to connect to our past and renew ourselves for the future. Can't be all bad, eh?

Favourite vacation? Sipping Chianti in Tuscany

A reporter from the Vancouver Sun called me up last week and asked me to name my favourite vacation.

It was a simple question that I'd never really thought about before, and given that I've driven, flown, sailed and hitchhiked over a fair chunk of the planet, it's a poser you'd think I'd have to ponder for a bit.

Instead I blurted out "Tuscany" almost before the reporter had finished the question.

Tuscany. Specifically a town called Lucca. Very specifically, a centuries-old farmhouse/villa deep in the rolling olive groves about a 10-minute drive from Lucca.

We stayed there with some friends about five years ago and I've never forgotten it. Don't think I ever will.

If you like the bar scene in Whistler, the nightlife in Cancun or the electric thrill of the Vegas strip, chances are you'd hate Tuscany. It's everything those places are not.

A columnist for the Milan daily Corriere della Sera put it better than I can. Cesare Fiumi wrote: "It's not that we're rich. In fact, Italians earn less than just about anyone else in the European Union. Even Icelanders make more money than we do. But we know what to do with the little we have. Our ideal is to live in a little village surrounded by vineyards, where church bells ring every hour, the wine is

made locally, and vegetables grow in the back garden."

If that sounds like an Italian version of some corny old Jimmy Stewart movie — well, so be it. The fact is, for two weeks that's pretty much how we lived — sprinkled with excursions to other Tuscan towns like Pisa, Siena, San Gimignano and the living urban art museum that is Florence.

Even Lucca, the closest town, is a marvel. It is surrounded by a massive red-brick wall that was built when Columbus was still alive and Canada was a place to get codfish, beaver pelts and not much else.

And I mean massive. The top of the wall is wide enough to land a plane on, with groves of full-grown oak trees, bicycles for rent and hundreds of strollers and cyclists at all hours of the day and night.

The best thing about the wall around Lucca is: it keeps the cars out. Only police, emergency and some delivery vehicles are permitted within the walls, which means pedestrians rule the streets, just the way they did before the internal, infernal combustion engine came along.

And that, as Martha would say, is a good thing. Because if Tuscany is the golden

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apple of Italy, cars and trucks are the worms in its core. Vehicle traffic in Tuscany — in all of Italy, actually — is ghastly and terrifying. There is no observed speed limit, pedestrian tourists are all but classified as designated game animals, and every Italian driver feels it's his or her sacred duty to pass any vehicle going in the same direction.

It's not that Italians are bad drivers — I suspect that they're more skillful than North Americans. They have to be just to survive. The concept of the Sunday Drive never caught on in Italy. Every vehicular excursion is a replay of the chariot race scene in Ben Hur.

So how does a pedestrian get around? Well, it helps if you're deeply religious, because just crossing a street in Italy is an act of

faith. You can spot the North American tourists easily — they're plastered against the wall, peering uneasily at the river of careening metal in front of them, vainly waiting for low tide. Italian pedestrians have no such qualms. They just step into the street chatting airily, blithely ignoring their impending deaths.

"You've got to act as if you have a right to walk in the street," an Italian

explained to me. Sure enough, the cars and trucks slow down at the last possible moment and the pedestrian is allowed to cross.

But all of that happens on the other side of the wall when you're nibbling at the piatto del giorno at a café in Lucca — or when you're sitting on the porch of a certain farmhouse/villa just a few minutes away, sipping a goblet of the local Chianti while dusk paints the hills and

fields in purple, sienna and umber, and the fireflies emerge to arabesque through the olive groves.

It's not exhilarating like a black diamond run at Aspen. It's not swanky like the nightlife in New York and it lacks the jittery mainline energy of a blackjack table in Vegas. A country vacation in Tuscany offers none of those thrills.

And that's the whole point.



SALTSPRING FIRE DEPARTMENT

SALTSPRING ISLAND FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT PUBLIC NOTICE

TAKE NOTICE THAT pursuant to proposed By-Law No. 90 cited as New Fire Truck Borrowing By-Law. The Trustee's of the Saltspring Island Fire Protection District intends to purchase a new fire truck to replace one vehicle that is no longer safe to operate and to improve service to all people on the island by meeting NFPA 1901.

AND THAT to finance the purchase of this new fire truck the Trustee's propose to borrow by way of long term borrowing a sum not to exceed Six Hundred and Seventy Thousand, repayable not later than 15 years from the date of issue.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to By-Law No. 90 will be deemed to have received the assent of the land owners, 30 days after the last publication of this notice, unless counter petitions against the proposed by-law have been received by more than 5% of the estimated eligible electors. It is estimated that 375 landowners would be required to petition against the by-law. Counter petitions for the purpose of permitting the land owners to petition against the proposed by-law will be distributed to all eligible persons who request them or same may be picked up from the #1 Fire Hall during standard business hours, Monday to Friday.

IT IS ESTIMATED THAT proposed by-law #90 will cost each landowner \$13.44 for the next 15 years. During this borrowing period three other borrowing by-laws shall be retired allowing for a total relief of \$9.24.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that in order for a counter petition against the project to be deemed to have been received within the time period ending February 28th at the following address:

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Trail, nature club releases February activity schedule

Following is the Salt Spring Trail and Nature Club schedule for February.

The monthly social meeting is on Thursday, February 27 at the United Church hall at 7:30 p.m.

It will feature slides from Europe and a talk by Ron Hall.

Hikers

February 4: Alan Clews will be leading us somewhere along the Channel Ridge trails. Carpool to leave Portlock Park at 9:45.

February 11: With Martyn Day we will try to cover most of the Ruckle Park trails. Carpool to leave ArtSpring at 9:40 to meet up with southenders at Beaver Point Hall at 10 a.m.

February 18: It's either Mount Prevost or Christie Falls (weather dependant) with Lyn Thompson in charge. Carpool to leave Portlock Park at 8:30 for the ferry leaving Vesuvius at 9 a.m.

February 25: At some point before Musgrave Landing, Bill Harrington will be taking us off the

beaten path. Carpool to leave ArtSpring at 9:45 to meet up with southenders at Drummond Park at 10 a.m.

Walkers

February 4: Ron Hall will lead the walk today to Channel Ridge. Meet at Portlock Park and leave at 10 a.m. This will be a moderate outing.

February 11: Bud Williams will take us off-island to Oak Bay and Willow Beach today. Meet at ArtSpring early, to leave by carpool by 7:15 a.m. for the Fulford ferry leaving at 8 a.m. Or join us at the ferry if you live in the south end. We will eat at a local restaurant in Victoria (unless you prefer your own lunch), so bring some money for food and car ride.

February 18: Toni Luton will escort us around the Blackburn Meadows Golf Course, as well as the surrounding area, including Old Divide Road. Another moderate walk. Leave ArtSpring at 10 a.m.

February 25: Al

Robertson will lead us up Mount Maxwell from Armand Heights. Meet at ArtSpring and leave by 10 a.m. by carpool to rendezvous at Seymour Road at Armand Way, or meet here if you are coming from the south. Some steeper sections are involved, but overall the trail should be fine, as it was just cleared by the club.

Ramblers

February 4: Eva Pedersen leads a ramble starting at the Little Red School House. Meet there at 10:15 or Centennial Park at 10 a.m.

February 11: Edna Gatt heads a ramble to the north end. Meet at Centennial Park at 10 a.m.

February 18: Harold Page takes an off-island ramble to Swan Lake. Lunch at the Monkey Tree Pub. Meet opposite the Fulford Inn at 9:15 to catch 10 a.m. ferry.

February 25: Toni Luton will treat us to the natural beauty on the trail around Blackburn Golf Course. Meet at Centennial Park at 10 a.m.

THIS WEEK'S HOROSCOPE



Tip of the Week:
The Chinese Year of the Sheep is underway. There is often a sympathetic, emotional, romantic, empathetic side to Sheep born, to be sure. The Sheep can be expanded and understood much more widely as well.

First of all, the animal totems include the Sheep, Goat, Ram and Lamb. The Sheep could be more a follower than a leader. However, as the goat there is a sure-footed, tenacious, obstinate and withdrawn tendency. As the Ram there is a territorial and pushy aspect, especially if their basic necessities are threatened. Also, the Ram is the authoritative one who gets the job done by pushing others into effective action. The Lamb is cuddly, cozy, soft and adorable signifying the more pleasant aspects. The Sheep is linked to the signs Cancer, Scorpio and Capricorn in Western Astrology. While Cancer is considered a softer sign, Scorpio and Capricorn have reputations as the toughest of all. The Sheep's fixed element is Fire. As this is a Water year, we can expect a lot of hot tempers and steam blasts as the fire heats the water, but the water may prevail to put out that fire. The danger this year is that a lot of good intentions at first may not be carried out. The Sheep is the most feminine sign in the Chinese Zodiac, but anyone who thinks that this simply means soft and weak is mistaken. After all, the feminine is linked to Mother Nature whose fury can go unmatched. May we all breathe deeply into our hearts this year and bring our human family closer together.

Aries (Mar 21 - Apr 20)

Fun and frolic with friends new and old is in the stars for you now. You are in a somewhat punchy and pushy mood. You crave excitement and do not wish to be held back by anyone. You are in the mood to learn new skills and approaches. Conflicts with loved ones due to stubborn pride could spoil the fun. Your willingness to listen well and cooperate will save the days. Pleasure gives way to duty somewhat this week. Rise above your self and move beyond your limitations.

Taurus (Apr 21 - May 20)

Events of late have either revealed the dream or unmasked the illusion perhaps both! Getting your needs and desires met is work now. You have your own unique style and so does everyone else. Sometimes, we need to give one another room to grow. In some respects, you have become wilder than you ever imagined you would or could. You no longer believe what you once did. The more you realize that it is all one big game and illusion the more able are you to laugh and play. Innocence!

Gemini (May 21 - Jun 20)

A strong urge for freedom continues. The tricky part here is that true freedom must include everyone. As long as any other person is not free, especially those close to us, then we are not truly free. So, freedom takes effort, discipline, communication and respect to be realized. Creative thinking, imagination, understanding and compassion are also necessary. These traits are all core aspects of your destiny for growth. Freedom comes from fair negotiations and boundaries.

Cancer (Jun 21 - Jul 21)

Life is one great big alchemical process, wouldn't you say? After all, you are in the midst of processes beyond your control. A more humanitarian awareness and value system is being infused into your very being. This includes letting go of self-concepts that no longer serve. You can play along and work with the process or not, but it is still happening. Trust, that whatever is happening is so for your highest good. Faith!

Leo (Jul 22 - Aug 22)

The spotlight continues to shine on relationship fronts. A suspense drama with comedy twists might describe the overall plot. As old values and security beliefs steadily dissolve, you find yourself with new perspectives. Your dreams and desires are changing. Nothing is quite as firm or reliable as it used to be and you are unsure of what to do. A part of you would like to run and just might, at least for a while. Expect the unexpected yet like for ways to smooth relations.

Virgo (Aug 22 - Sep 23)

The need for a healthier lifestyle continues to push for your attention. You might begin by making some very real changes, improvements and renovations in your environment. This could even imply a move. Bringing more art and color into your world might go a long way. At deeper levels, inherited beliefs and dysfunctional family patterns in early childhood may be subconsciously snagging you into the past. Intend to unhook from the past and brighten up your present.

Libra (Sep 23 - Oct 21)

Playing with creative ideas and unusual angles is keeping you busy. This could imply new games and/or activities and friends too. You want to re-discover what excites you and where you can belong. You are no longer who you were. You are changing and so too should your interests. Flow with this movement and be willing to try new things and meet new people. Crafts and hobbies may gain special appeal now. Learn at home or take a course or two. Learn to play, again!

Scorpio (Oct 22 - Nov 20)

A subtle yet sure process of connecting with the fullness of your individuality continues. This can have a shaking and

quaking effect. Repressions of any kind are likely to be pushing to the surface. You want more than you have and this includes independence at least as much as possessions. Old perceptions and realities are passing away. Everything seems like a dream or a nightmare. Communicate honestly and without blame, everyone is responsible for his or her part.

Sagittarius (Nov 21 - Dec 20)

The urge for freedom, especially in mind, is a central theme now. It is said that all outer restrictions and limitations are a reflection of mind. So, rather than trying to change the outer world and other people, start with changing your own mind. What do you believe about yourself and the world that is holding you back? Share your reflections and insights with someone you feel can help you to see possible blocks. Self-honesty is the first step. See it and say it like it is.

Capricorn (Dec 21 - Jan 19)

The foundations you are building in your life are meant to be more spiritual than physical. This includes people cooperating and working together. Trusting that others will give as much as you need not be your concern. Lead by example and set the pace. Your direction will become clearer by the summer. Good relations stand to endure the storm much more than a stone house. Stay focused on quality rather than quantity. Unity and harmony are more valuable than diamonds and gold.

Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 19)

Efforts to make your dreams reality are your main focus now. Since you cannot possibly realize your dream-goals alone, you are wise to work in cooperatives. You are tired of ideals and shoulds that float around in your mind. Grassroots movements and other humanitarian causes are your ticket. Rather than impose your own dreams and ideals, be willing to contribute to movements that are in line with them. Still, this is a pioneering time. Either launch new initiatives or get involved with existing ones.

Pisces (Feb 19 - Mar 20)

For a quiet dreamer you are a true individual at heart. Some may see you as meek and mild yet you are a force when your heart and focus are engaged. This is a good time to gather and share knowledge. Reading, writing, lecturing and teaching are highlighted. Rest, retreat, meditation and peaceful contemplation are also featured. Combine these two categories harmoniously and you will be right on track. Balance expression with reception.

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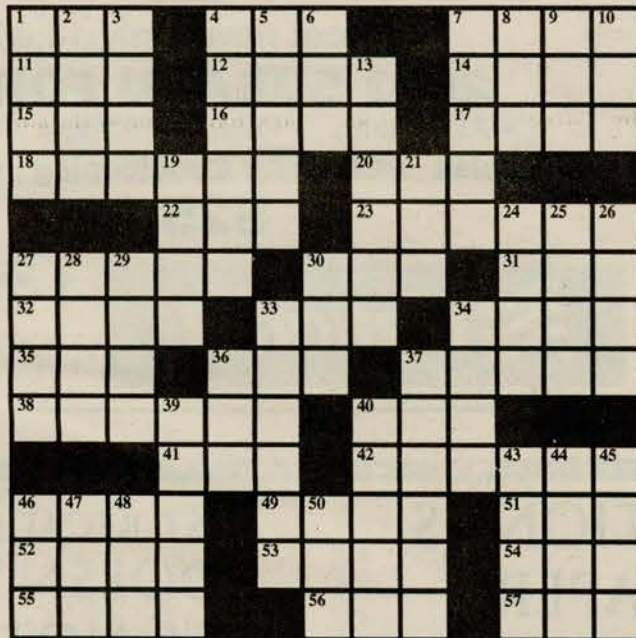
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By Bernice Rosella and James Kilner

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- 7 Arctic _____
- 11 Receptor
- 12 Muscle car
- 14 Cookie
- 15 Oner
- 16 Asian desert
- 17 Symbol
- 18 Beat
- 20 Health pros
- 22 Itinerary letters
- 23 Urban areas
- 27 Gambling machines
- 30 Each
- 31 Expire
- 32 North _____
- 33 _____tse
- 34 Dry
- 35 _____cap
- 36 Dine
- 37 Thought
- 38 Stradivarius e.g.
- 40 Paunch
- 41 Terminate
- 42 Hawk
- 46 Hurt
- 49 Foul
- 51 Fruit salts
- 52 Arctic _____
- 53 Range above tenor
- 54 Prisoner of war, for short
- 55 Nogs
- 56 Arctic _____
- 57 Snowy _____



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- 2 Every

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- 4 Northern _____
- 5 Scent
- 6 Rabble
- 7 Lift
- 8 Circle part
- 9 Classic car
- 10 Division of geological time
- 13 Arctic _____
- 19 Head, in St Henri
- 21 None
- 24 Roman holiday
- 25 European nation
- 26 Sow
- 27 Live by ones wits
- 28 Venues
- 29 Margarine
- 30 Viper
- 33 _____wolf
- 34 Water collector
- 36 Wrongdoing
- 37 Arctic bison
- 39 Gazes lecherously
- 40 Lone Ranger's sidekick
- 43 Take back
- 44 Enough (arch.)
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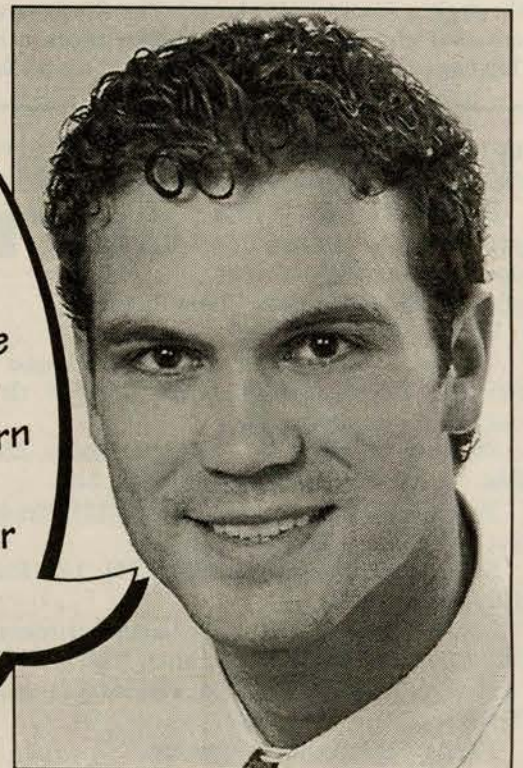
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RIDING THE WAVE: Salt Spring Middle School's Tsunami team blocks the shot as island players crush Chemainus in middle school basketball action last week.

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Tsunami teams thunder

By MITCHELL SHERRIN
Staff Writer

Dominant Salt Spring Island Middle School (SIMS) Tsunami basketball teams swamped the league with "hot and heavy" action in boys and girls games last week.

Both SIMS teams thrashed their opposition when visitors came from Shawnigan Lake on January 20.

The Tsunami girls waltzed over Shawnigan 53-7, while the boys encountered slightly more resistance in a 75-44 match, said SIMS teacher Ken Cameron.

"The Shawnigan girls were athletic but they just couldn't sink baskets," he said.

In the boys' game, the Grade 8 Shawnigan team had a six-foot-two inch, 220-pound centre that made the game a little closer, Cameron noted.

On January 22, the SIMS girls blasted George Bonner 60-17 and then returned

home to flatten Chemainus 55-4, Thursday.

"We had to reign them in, we were beating Chemainus so badly," said co-coach Karen Hosie.

Island teams have been focussing on defence and developing less-experienced players during lopsided games but even then it's been tough to prevent blow-outs, she said.

"We could take all our strongest players off and then we might get some competition, but then we'd only have half our players," she said.

The Tsunami boys added to Chemainus woes with a 60-21 win Thursday, Cameron noted.

"We keep preaching that defence wins games, just like the Superbowl," he said. "We've got good shooters, but 95 per cent of our points come from lay-ups, good give and go's or beating checks to the basket."

Cameron credits early ele-

mentary school development and the parent-run Tsunami intramural league for the islanders' middle-school basketball dominance.

He saw 30 girls try out for the Grade 8 basketball team this year.

"We have 17 girls on the team and I can pick any five to play with one good guard and be equal to the best," he said.

Hosie wonders if teachers' job action last year might have affected school-based sports programs in other communities more than on Salt Spring. Some schools even dropped out of the league because they couldn't find anyone to coach teams, she said.

"Maybe people from those communities will pitch in. For here, it's never been a problem. The community has always pitched in."

The SIMS girls play Mount Prevost at home Thursday.

Slugs up in 4-0 game

The Salt Spring Slugs celebrated the return of Todd McIntyre into their line-up with a 4-0 win against the Mill Bay Saints at Fuller Lake Arena Sunday.

"Probably the biggest highlight of the night was that we managed to sign Todd into a long-term contract," said Slugs goalie Derek Topping.

What probably closed the deal was an opportunity to play with all-star winger Paul Reynolds, Topping added.

"Not only was Todd back after a year or so absence, he scored a goal in his first game."

McIntyre put a shot through a screen, off the crossbar and into the net, Topping said.

Other Slugs were also predictably productive.

"Blain Johnson got two more of his garbage goals."

And Jeff, whose last name is still unknown by teammates, had a nice shot from the point, Topping said.

The Slugs have also welcomed Rodney Charlebourne into the fold after his brief stint in the Old-Timers Curling League.

"He got a hat trick for his first game in January."

Now that veteran Slugs Charlebourne and McIntyre are back in the line-up, that only leaves one question, Topping said.

"Where's [Peter] Huser?"

The Slugs next play the Sidney Blues at Fuller Lake Arena at 6 p.m. Sunday.

By PAULA BEDFORD
Driftwood Contributor

Here's a little quiz. In what year was five-pin bowling invented and by whom? Now all you avid bowlers should know that one.

Here are the last two weeks' scores.

Circus: Lance Leask, 235, 231/631 and 209; Ron (Birthday Boy) Cunningham, 201, 258/615. (It was a big one); Fred Broadbent, 218.

SS Seniors Club: A.M. — Margaret Baker, 228, 230/618. P.M. — John Pringle, 242; Clara Hicks, 247.

Tuesday evening: Jason Newport, 255; Tristan Stocks, 246; Les Sharrett, 212.

Special Olympics: Stuart Elliott, 141, 147; Jessie Maron, 192; Maggie Reddy, 171.

Legion: Brenda Lee, 227; Lance "Birdman" Leask, 260/626, 208; Dan the Machine, 238, 245/733; Myles Wilson, 213; Ken Ditlof, 244; Fishmonger, 262, 276/695; The Boss, 232, 217, 233/631.

Thanks, Birdman, for the quarters.

DOWN THE GUTTER

'Dynamic duo' take race

Kevin Vine and John Cameron on Deryn Mor finished first in fine weather and a fickle wind at the Ground Hog Race on Sunday.

Crews on nine boats enjoyed the reverse handicap race, which saw each boat start at an allotted time according to its rating, with slower boats out first.

Tony Meek, sailing Minke single-handedly, led the parade over the line at 10.02.33 with Final Dash last to start at 10.19.21.

"By the time Bat Rock was reached the fleet was bunching up, but the erratic wind meant more than the usual amount of luck was needed to stay in the pack," reported Bob Jones.

"The dynamic duo of Vine



Brisk winds kept boats on the move Sunday, as seen by this vessel in Ganges Harbour. Photo by Derrick Lundy

and Cameron kept Deryn Mor in the lead," he said, but "half a mile from the finish it could have been any one of six boats for second place."

Meek in Minke ended up crossing the line in second

place.

Finish times were not recorded as points are awarded on the order of crossing the finish line, said Jones. However, all boats finished the race before 1300 hours.

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