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Law society investigates estate funds

By **GAIL SJUBERG**
Staff Writer

Salt Spring lawyer Jonathan Oldroyd resigned as a member of the Law Society of B.C. last week amid complaints related to estate trust funds due to three foundations and a non-profit society.

"He resigned his member-

ship on April 14," said law society public affairs manager Brad Daisley Friday. "He is no longer a member of the law society and is no longer practising law."

Daisley said he could not provide specific reasons for Oldroyd's resignation, except to say that a complaint had been received "relating to the

administration of estates and Mr. Oldroyd's practice, and the law society is investigating those complaints."

Salt Spring Island Foundation (SSIF), Lady Minto Hospital Foundation, Greenwoods Foundation and the Abbeyfield Society are all involved, as are three estates that bequeathed funds

to the Salt Spring organizations: that of Cree Shaw, Ruby Alton and Quentin Wilson.

Bob Rush of the SSIF said the foundation has not yet received funds owed from the Alton and Shaw estates. The Shaw amount is approximately \$700,000.

The Shaw funds impact

the Gulf Islands Community Arts Council (GICAC) and its Mahon Hall restoration project, with \$250,000 of the total having been awarded to the GICAC in a February letter sent by Oldroyd.

The funds were part of the "Shaw Legacy" program,

INVESTIGATION 2

Dogs ravage farm

By **MITCHELL SHERRIN**
Staff Writer

Two dogs ripped through a small flock of prized Salt Spring sheep early Friday morning.

By the end of the attack, seven sheep lay dead and 15 more were mortally wounded. Another ewe died within hours of the Robinson Road rampage. Survival is doubtful for many of the others.

"The only way to get people to understand is to get the word out. This is our worst day in 20 years," said a devastated Margaret Threlfall.

She wants dog owners to be aware that their lovable family pets can turn into ruthless killing machines if given the chance.

"They haven't forgot they were once wolves."

Threlfall spotted two dogs in her field just before 6 a.m. Friday.

"They were circling the barn where the lambs and ewes were."

The sheep made no noise to alert Threlfall. The only clue to trouble was a tightly huddled flock in a neighbouring field.

"That's the trouble, they don't [sound an alarm], they just run."

Fortunately, the dogs did not get into the barn with two lambs or a field where half of the 47 sheep in the flock grazed.

"This is our best fleece flock," said Tony Threlfall, gesturing at the crippled Border Leicesters lying on the floor around him.

SHEEP KILL 3



INTO THE JUNGLE: Stagecoach Theatre students, from left, Cali Belanger, Daisy Voaden and Sarah Penhale rehearse for the Jungle Book, which runs at ArtSpring this Thursday, Friday and Saturday night at 7 p.m.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

School board prescribes 4-day remedy

By **MITCHELL SHERRIN**
Staff Writer

A cancerous budgetary tumour prompted the local school board to prescribe a radical treatment to save threatened educational services on the Gulf Islands.

But parents are concerned that a proposed four-day school week therapy could jeopardize the patient.

"This is going to be a very difficult day for all of us," said Gulf Islands School District vice chair Bonnie MacGillivray.

Trustees voted 4-2 in

favour of a calendar change to close schools for 30 days next year and add the instructional time to the remaining days. The plan aims to save \$400,000.

"I cannot vote for this motion," said MacGillivray.

The Galiano trustee addressed some 50 parents, some brandishing protest placards, during the school board meeting at Gulf Islands Secondary School on April 14.

MacGillivray objected that a four-day school week would negatively impact

some 100 students from the Outer Gulf Islands who travel by water taxi to the high school.

"They are at risk now because they travel for an extremely long day."

Outer Islands students have the highest drop-out rates in the district as it is. An extra hour to the school day will add to the problem, she said.

"I don't think we have the programs in place to take up the slack."

Salt Spring trustee Judith Boel joined MacGillivray in

opposing the motion.

"I'm voting against this motion as a point of conscience for myself," Boel said.

She noted that the board received 39 submissions in favour of the four-day week and 47 opposed.

MacGillivray argued that the school district needs more funding, not more cuts, to deal with a projected shortfall of \$1.1 million over the next two years.

"It ain't just as simple as telling the government to

FOUR-DAY WEEK 2

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FOUR-DAY WEEK: "Totally unacceptable"

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'stuff it,' said Salt Spring trustee Charles Hingston. "We have a \$350,000 problem now and a \$750,000 problem next year when this same government is in power."

Without a four-day week, the district will be forced to cut at least eight teachers, Hingston said.

"Programs and kids will be down the tubes if we don't make some tough decisions . . . If we don't cut our calendar, you'll see cuts like you've never seen before in the next year."

Salt Spring trustee Mike Krayenhoff agreed with Hingston.

"I think this is the most effective way to keep the educational system we have here."

Saturna trustee Suzanne Middleditch also voted in favour of the four-day week.

"I'm going to support this motion because our other choice is to slowly bleed to death."

Pender trustee Russ Searle, who presented the notice of motion, said the calendar change was proposed for the benefit of everyone in the district.

"I know they will have an extra day to rest and that makes a difference."

Trustees didn't stop cost-cutting measures with the four-day week, they also reduced staffing by \$115,000, moved to relocate Phoenix Elementary School (saving \$145,000) and cut bus services on Mayne Island to save \$30,000.

INVESTIGATION: "We're shocked"

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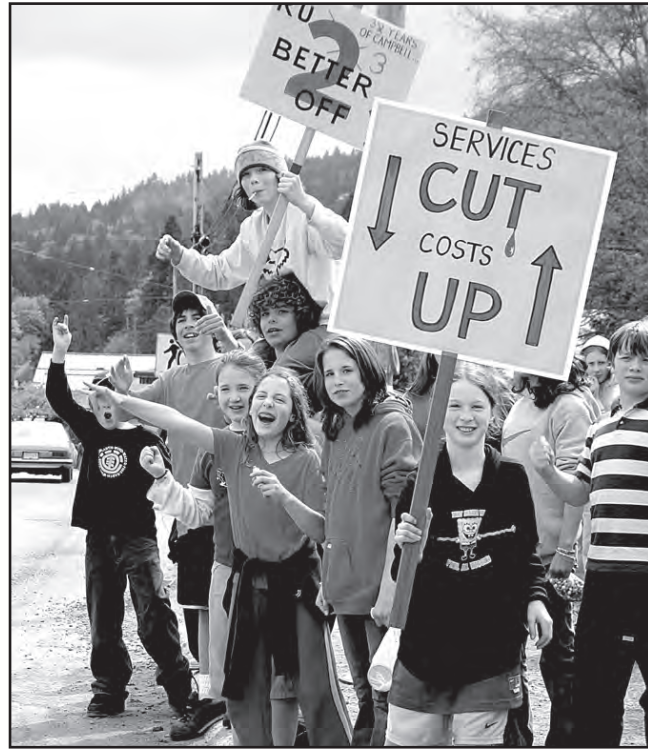
which saw the money put through the SSIF's books and the SSIF involved in forming a short-list of funding applicants.

Ken Mackenzie chairs the GICAC's Mahon Hall restoration committee, which plans to start the major \$500,000 renovation in the fall.

"We're shocked," he said Monday.

But the committee intends to keep on with its vision.

"We are obviously pre-



STUDENT PROTEST: Salt Spring Island Middle School students joined adult protestors at the school board office when deputy education minister Emery Dodsall met with parents and administrators Friday.

Photo by Mitchell Sherrin

Overall, the cash-conscious therapy will reduce \$690,000 from expenditures next year.

Trustees Boel and Krayenhoff opposed the Phoenix reconfiguration plan that would see the program move from Drake Road to another school.

"I think it's important to have more alternatives to make public education as inclusive as possible," said Boel.

"These kids are hugely

important to us and I think moving them into the core of Ganges would kill the program," said Krayenhoff.

"If we can't afford a five-day week, I don't know how we can afford a tiny alternative program on Salt Spring," said MacGillivray.

"We're not talking about closing it. We're talking about moving it," she said.

Several parents, teachers and support workers spoke against the cost-saving measures.

pared to progress more slowly with our plans but we will still go ahead with them. We're sure that ultimately we will get what is awarded to us. We are still fundraising, no matter what."



Oldroyd

Lavinia Hann is executrix of Cree Shaw's will and worked for Oldroyd for several years in the past.

"As executrix I have taken the estate to another lawyer," she said.

Hospital foundation president Wendy Shea confirmed the foundation contacted the law society after being informed that funds from the Quentin Wilson estate may not be available as expected.

"We learned about this at our last meeting in March

from our lawyer that it was possible these funds had been misappropriated by him."

Shea did not have the exact figure at hand, but said it was "several hundred thousand dollars."

She said the foundation was not waiting for the funds for any specific project.

Bruce Logan, president of the Saltspring Abbeyfield Society, said \$100,000 is due to the society from the Ruby Alton estate. Alton died in 1998.

Logan said he was in touch with the law society about the matter in the last two weeks.

Don Hartwig chairs the Greenwoods Foundation. He would not confirm an allegation that the intermediate care facility foundation has not received funds from Oldroyd due from the Quentin Wilson estate.

"We are not in a position

"If that's the only way, you can offer programs, that's totally unacceptable," said Galiano parent John Parfitt.

Salt Spring Elementary teacher Wayne Taylor asked the board to protest against underfunding instead of cutting staff and services.

"We, you and I, care about children in this school district. Speak in opposition if you care about children," Taylor said.

"For obvious reasons, I'm against the school calendar change," said local CUPE president Kelly Blackwood.

"The cuts are coming from the working people in this district. The CUPE people drive the buses and clean the schools," he said.

"Our schools are running on a shoestring," said superintendent Wendy Herbert.

"We have a 'Gordian knot' type dilemma. There is no easy solution."

The board will accept written feedback about the four-day week at the school board office or through a special website (www.sd64.bc.ca).

Community consultation meetings will be held at Mayne Island school at 6 p.m. on April 26; Galiano school 6 p.m. April 27; Pender school 6 p.m. April 28; Saturna school 8:30 a.m. May 3; and at GISS 7 p.m. May 3.

The board will make a final decision whether or not to adopt the proposed calendar change during a public meeting held at GISS on Wednesday, May 19.

to say anything. We've been advised by lawyers . . . that until certain actions have been completed or take place involving the law society and any investigation that is going on, we are not to discuss it."

Daisley said Oldroyd consented to the appointment of a custodian.

"In those cases the law society arranges for a caretaker and the lawyer assists the former complainants to obtain legal representation. He doesn't take on the files per se, and the custodian is paid for by the law society."

Sidney lawyer Dale Henley is the custodian.

Daisley said the law society's hearing process is a public one, as outlined on its website.

Oldroyd practised law on Salt Spring for several years. His most recent office was located on Drake Road.

Oldroyd was unavailable for comment.

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Recycle options eyed

A counterpetition process involving the tendering of Capital Regional District (CRD) contracts for home pick-up of recyclable goods should not alarm Salt Spring and Gulf Islands residents who love their current systems.

A counterpetition notice and information about elector response forms is in this week's Driftwood.

According to John Craveiro, assistant manager of the CRD's solid waste division, voter approval is needed because the CRD is entering into a financial commitment of greater than five years.

"We are just asking the electors — and it has to be all of them within the Capital Region — because we need their consent to enter into a contract for more than five years."

The counterpetition process does not mean a "Blue Box" pick-up program will be implemented in the Gulf Islands, he said.

However, Salt Spring's Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) has started looking at various options for handling recycling on the island.

"It's still to be decided what program is best for Salt Spring," said Craveiro.

After studying the options, SWAC members will make a recommendation to the CRD board.

"All we are doing is looking at the alternatives and that is a fair thing to do," said regional director Gary Holman.

"CRD staff and the commercial haulers on Salt Spring all feel the depot system works well. I don't see it being threatened, but we are going to look at options."



DEVASTATED: Margaret Threlfall of Willowcrest Farm sterilizes wounds on one of several sheep attacked by two dogs early Friday morning. Eight sheep were killed.

Photo by Mitchell Sherrin

SHEEP KILL: 'They're more like pets'

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"This one with a punctured trachea is in pretty rough shape," he said.

"This isn't the end of the care and attention. This is the beginning."

Barns at Willowcrest Farm were converted into ad hoc field hospitals where the Threlfalls worked feverishly with a veterinarian and friends to save the survivors.

"When I got here this morning, it looked like a WWI war scene," said veterinarian David MacDonald.

Dead ewes were strewn over the fields. Two were lying with their heads in a creek. It is the worst attack he's seen in six years of practice, he said.

In one barn, MacDonald was stitching lacerations on necks, cleaning wounds and applying an antiseptic spray to shocked ewes that breathed labouredly.

"The dogs are programmed to attack certain spots, namely the neck and hocks. These dogs seem to have a neck fixation."

Cheryl Wiebe, the Threlfalls' friend and a fellow sheep farmer, assisted with medical attention in another barn. Six sheep lay stunned on the floor while she cleaned wounds on another.

Wiebe observed that dogs get more aggressive in packs.

"It's always worse when there's more than one."

The Wiebes have a small farm with a llama that was attacked by dogs three years ago and hasn't walked since then. Cheryl expressed compassion for her friends.

"If anybody doesn't deserve it, it's these guys."

Animal control officer Wolfgang Brunnwieser noted the Threlfall flock is raised for fleece rather than meat.

"These people take good care of their animals. They are not livestock. They're more like pets."

Margaret observed that the dogs didn't attempt to eat any of the animals.

"They were killing for sport."

Brunnwieser searched for the dogs with a hunting rifle, and collected them when they returned to their owner at 4 p.m. Friday.

"The owner was very cooperative and surrendered the dogs to me," he said. "He basically knew it was his dogs."

The dogs smelled of sheep and wool was in their stool samples.

Following an evaluation, the dogs will be split up and sent to the mainland where they could be adopted in communities away from any sheep, he said.

"When we deal with dogs like that, we give them a second chance."

Plea entered in drug charge case

A Salt Spring man pleaded not guilty in a Montana court Monday to a charge of conspiracy to smuggle marijuana, hashish and Ecstasy into the United States.

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Richards' trial will take place in Missoula, Montana, where the charge was laid.

A trial date has not yet been set.

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PARC runs with rec centre ball

By GAIL SJUBERG
Staff Writer

Armed with new information about federal-provincial infrastructure grant monies, the Parks and Recreation Commission (PARC) is speeding up the process of Rainbow Road pool facility planning.

At its Monday night meeting, PARC commissioners Alix Granger and Wayne Fraser shared information gathered from an April 3 meeting with infrastructure grant program official Kirk Handramin. They said that meeting determined a grant application should be submitted by June, which is earlier than expected.

"The timeline we are looking at here is weeks, not months," Fraser.

PARC agreed with Fraser's recommendations to:

- send an information package to all island households outlining pool options and costs being considered for referendum, and requested opinions via a numbered survey;

- quickly organize public meetings about the options;
- inform the indoor pool society Ssplash of the new plan and enlist its cooperation if possible.

"This course of action should offend no one," wrote Fraser. "We are taking the options considered by the joint use committee and subjecting them to full public scrutiny, then formulating the referendum question. That is our job."

Granger and Fraser also said Handramin convinced them that submitting a joint application with Ssplash or other groups would not improve grant approval chances.

"There is no advantage to doing it and, in fact, it could be a distinct disadvantage," said Fraser.

While regional director Gary Holman voted in favour of the outlined process, he disagreed with some of its suppositions, including one about the June deadline, based on his own discussions he had with Handramin's

boss Iris Gilchrist. He felt Ssplash could be an application "partner" rather than "co-applicant," and said he understood that while the application should be completed as soon as possible, June was not a "drop-dead" deadline.

"While I understand the need for speeding up the straw poll process, you can't rush that either," he said Tuesday. "If the public feels they haven't been adequately consulted and informed about the options, it is going to come back and bite you in the referendum. If the public doesn't feel what is being brought forward fairly represents what the community is saying, then it is going to reduce the chance of the referendum succeeding."

In order to receive the federal-provincial infrastructure grant, the recreation project must be completed by March of 2006.

Also on Monday night, PARC chair Bill Curtin dissolved the PARC-Ssplash Joint Review Committee

formed last year to come up with recommendations on what kind of aquatic facility to pursue.

Two months earlier, PARC agreed to maintain the committee until it submitted a report to the April meeting. For the purposes required, recommendations that came out of an April 1 JRC meeting were considered a "report" by commissioners at Monday's meeting.

Holman questioned the decision to dump Ssplash at this point, but Curtin said he had researched Robert's Rules of Order to determine he could dissolve the committee without taking a vote or discussing it.

"We have a lot of running with the ball to do," concluded Curtin.

Holman suggested interested individuals still meet with Ssplash representatives this week, since the group had intended to meet to determine which "hybrid" — indoor/outdoor pool option should be costed out by two hired consultants.

North Galiano board cuts fire contract

By MITCHELL SHERRIN
Staff Writer

North Galiano Island residents climbed another rung toward transferring governance of their fire department to a new society with a strong vote Saturday.

"Obviously, we're pleased," said North Galiano Fire Protection Society (NGFPS) president Dana Weber.

"I'd like to stress as I've stressed all along, this is not a vote against the NGCA [North Galiano Community Association]. It was a vote for the next step in the evolution of the fire department. The NGFPS received a

"firm mandate" from members of the NGCA to negotiate a new fire protection contract with the Capital Regional District (CRD) at the NGCA annual general meeting, he said.

NGCA members voted 64-32 in favour of terminating their current agreement with the CRD to provide fire protection in the North Galiano region.

A second resolution saw NGCA members vote 74-22 in favour of recommending that the CRD prepare a new agreement with the NGFPS.

"The NGCA board looks forward to working with the NGFPS to resolve issues as

they come up in the future. We'd like to do this in an amicable manner," said NGCA acting president Nancy Davidson.

The NGFPS was formed on March 27 with an aim to govern the North Galiano Volunteer Fire Department instead of the current arrangement under the NGCA.

"In the end, we had support from the board of the NGCA. The membership took their recommendation. They saw the value of going this route and ultimately made the right decision," said Weber.

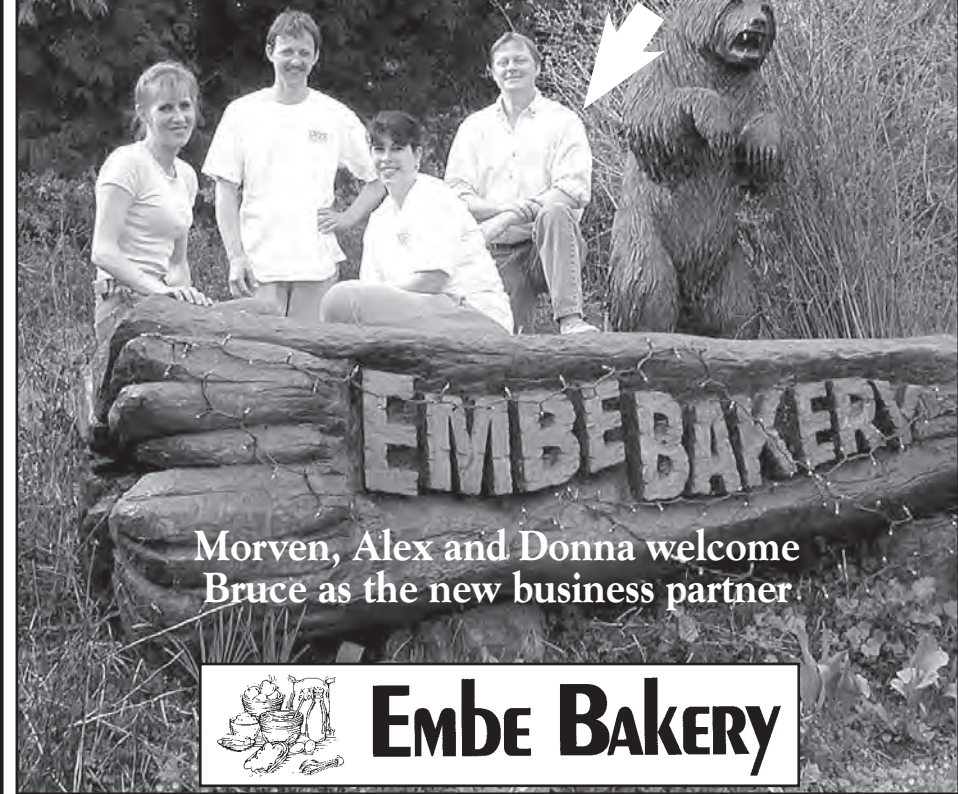
He wanted to thank ex-firefighter Walter Roots for

presenting the resolution on behalf of the NGCA board.

"Any resistance we felt from them was just them doing their due diligence as a board as they saw it. We didn't always agree with them in that process but they felt they needed to protect the contract from a group that might not have broad support or be factional. Once we'd proven that is not the case, they went along with it."

The next step in transferring the fire department will see NGFPS board members meet with CRD executive director Bill Jordan sometime next week.

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Police catch binge of drunk drivers

With two more criminal charges pending and another round of roadside suspensions this week, police have caught islanders drinking and driving at alarming numbers so far this year.

Salt Spring RCMP have charged 13 people with impaired driving in 2004 and issued another 16 roadside driving prohibitions.

In the same period for 2003, police charged two people with impaired driving and issued 18 prohibitions.

"These figures demon-

RCMP REPORT

strate our commitment to Road Safety Vision 2010 and we urge the public to consider their safety and others when driving their vehicles," said Salt Spring RCMP detachment commander Sgt. Mike Giles.

Most recently, a 46-year-old man was stopped in a roadside check at Central at about midnight Sunday,

which resulted in charges of impaired driving and driving over the legal limit.

Another 50-year-old woman was charged with impaired driving and driving over .08 when she was stopped by police for erratic driving on Kings Lane at 9:45 p.m. Friday.

Police also issued three 24-hour driving prohibitions over the weekend as the result of road checks and erratic driving.

And a 20-year-old woman was charged with possessing open liquor in a vehicle, which resulted in a \$58 fine.

In other police news:

- Three candy machines were stolen from the B.C. Ferries passenger waiting room at Long Harbour ferry terminal sometime between Saturday night and early Sunday.

- Tools were stolen from a construction site sometime between April 9 and April 12. Approximately \$2,000 worth of tools taken included a compressor, air nailer, stapler and two circular saws.

- A man had his vehicle towed and was charged with driving while prohibited as the result of a roadside check Friday.

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Islanders greet visiting Dalai Lama

By MITCHELL SHERRIN
Staff Writer

Several islanders basked in the warmth and compassion of the Dalai Lama during the Tibetan spiritual leader's visit to Vancouver last weekend.

"You feel a blessing just by being there," said local Buddhist Matthew Coleman.

It was a wonderful experience just to see 8,000 people converge on the Vancouver Coliseum to see the Tibetan spiritual leader Sunday, he said.

"When he walked in, there was a wave of emotion, tears came to my eyes — of gratitude."

Even within such a large crowd, Coleman saw many islanders and heard of others who planned to attend talks held by His Holiness the XIV Dalai Lama.

"There were probably so many more that would have loved to have been there," Coleman said.

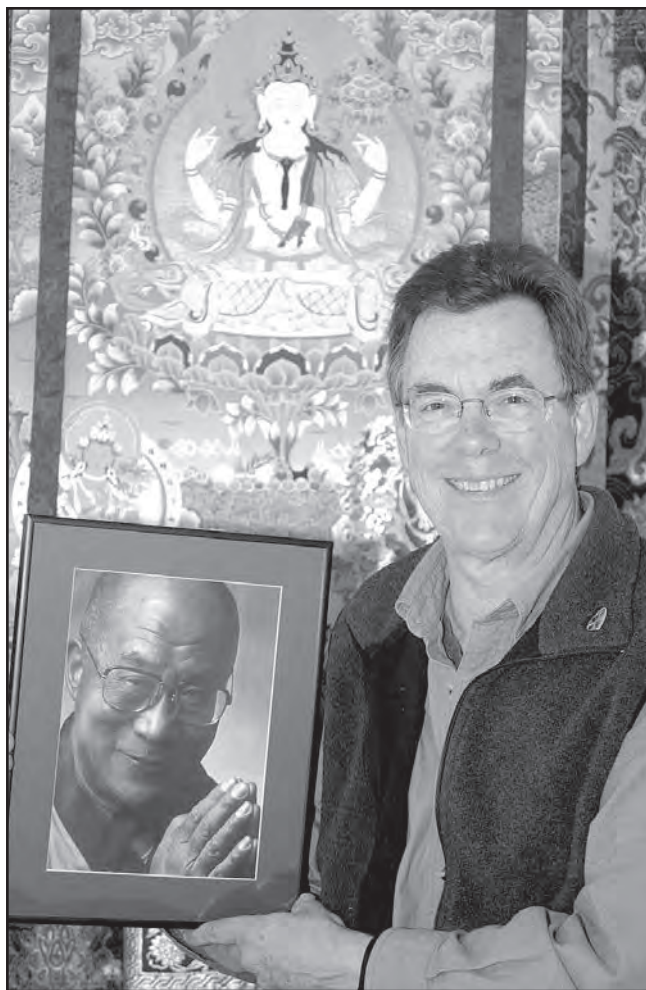
Tickets to hear spiritual teachings from the Dalai Lama initially sold out in 20 minutes, prompting organizers to arrange a larger venue that still sold out rapidly, he said.

"This man seems to personify peace in a time when we really need it."

The talk, titled Good Heart — Full Life, was the Dalai Lama's only spiritual teaching during his visit to Vancouver.

"He talked of the deepest aspects of Buddhism."

During the two-hour talk,



SPIRITUAL LEADER: Salt Spring's Matthew Coleman — seen here at a Cranberry Road house where he teaches meditation — felt a wave of emotion when the Dalai Lama entered the room in a Vancouver event last week.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

His Holiness spoke through a translator to elaborate on the nature of compassion, how to cultivate a good heart to help others, and how to live a

fulfilled life while serving.

"We all want happiness and we don't want suffering," Coleman said.

One amusing aspect of

the talk was that the Dalai Lama wore a large "beach visor" so he could see the faces of people in the audience through the glare of the lights.

"He ended by exhorting us each to be a good person, even in times of adversity."

After 25 years as a practising Buddhist, Coleman found the teachings deeply profound.

"To be in his presence and connected with his loving heart opened my heart further."

During his recent visit, the Dalai Lama also gave a public talk on Universal Responsibility and received an honorary law degree from the University of British Columbia.

"He's 68 years old and travelling around. So many different people are listening to his message."

Coleman noted that he had previously seen His Holiness during a visit to Vancouver 10 years ago. Coleman's son even had the good fortune to shake hands with the Dalai Lama.

"Jealousy isn't one of the big problems I work on but . . . there was just a slight pang."

Overall, Coleman found that the Tibetan monk's recent visit helped him re-establish his connection to Buddhism at a deeper level.

"We can be more kind, more gentle and more compassionate."

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CORRECTION

The name of candidate "Ted Hinds" was incorrectly shown as "Ted Hines" in the notice of election of trustees of the Salt Spring Fire Protection District dated April 12, 2004.

Thomas Moore
Returning Officer

Driftwood nominated for national awards

The Gulf Islands Driftwood has been judged one of the top three community newspapers in its circulation category across Canada, and is up for three other awards as well.

Finalists in the 2003 Canadian Community Newspapers Association (CCNA) Better Newspapers Competition were announced April 14.

The Driftwood is up against the Yellowknifer of Yellowknife, NWT, and the Kentville Advertiser in Nova Scotia for top spot in the

4,000 to 6,499 circulation class.

Newspapers are judged for both editorial and advertising content.

It is also one of three finalists for Best Front Page and Best Editorial Page awards, and for Best Ad Design in the under-10,000 circulation category.

Last month the Driftwood was nominated for four awards, including best newspaper in the 4,000 to 13,000 circulation category, in the B.C. and Yukon Community Newspapers Association

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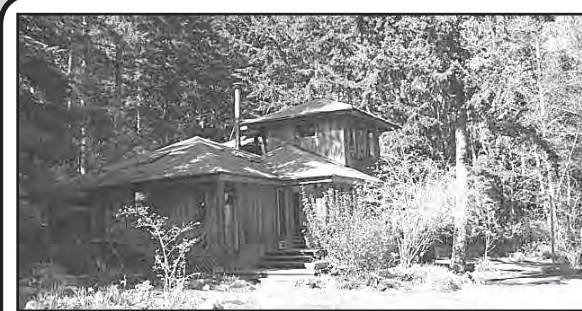
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CHECKING IT OUT: Antique appraiser Al Bowen looks at these Belgian figurines as he heads up the fifth annual Antique Show, staged by the local branch of the Canadian Federation of University Women.

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Paving set for south end


Part of Beaver Point Road will be resurfaced this spring, following announcement of a paving contract to Capital City Paving of Victoria.

A 1.2-kilometre stretch will be paved in a contract worth \$123,875.

Work is scheduled to take place until June.

On Pender Island, OK Industries of Victoria will pave two kilometres of Corbett Road and Schooner Way on Pender Island. That contract is worth \$142,601.

Announcements were made through MLA Murray Coell's office.



School District #64 (Gulf Islands)

Re: Consideration of

Local School Calendar Option for 2004/05

Notice of Consultation and Meetings

Ongoing declining enrollment and government underfunding has resulted in a \$350,000 budget challenge for 2004/05 and a \$750,000 budget challenge for 2005/06, totaling \$1.1 M. The Board of School Trustees has held school/community meetings on all islands in November and March/April seeking input into how it might address the funding challenges. One of these topics has been the consideration of a change in the local school calendar. This local school calendar is being considered by the Board as an option in budget planning for 2004/05 because it will keep educational programs and options for our students.

Opportunities to provide feedback and to engage in the consultation processes include:

- Email through www.sd64.bc.ca - click on "Local School Calendar (Notice of Motion)";
- Individual written submissions addressed to the Board of School Trustees, through Dawne Fennell, Executive Assistant;
- School/community consultation meetings:

April 26 Mayne Island Elementary/Jr. Secondary School	6:00 p.m.
April 27 Galiano Community School	6:00 p.m.
April 28 Pender Islands Elementary Secondary School	6:00 p.m.
May 3 Saturna Elementary School	8:30 a.m.
May 3 Salt Spring Island schools and community (at GISS)	7:00 p.m.
- Representation through formal submissions made by partner groups including the Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils, Principal and Vice Principals' Association, Canadian Union of Public Employees Local 788, and the Gulf Islands Teachers' Association;
- Public Meeting of the Board of School Trustees – May 19 at Gulf Islands Secondary School at 12:00 p.m. At this meeting the Board will make a decision on whether or not to adopt the local school calendar for 2004/05.



GOING DOWN: Melanie and Jordan Berry watch Monday afternoon's demolition of the Beachcomber Motel on Vesuvius Bay Road. Melanie said the old motel had been a landmark in the area since she was born over three decades ago.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Impaired pleas net court fines

A drinking mother and a youth each lost their driving privileges after pleading guilty to impaired charges at Ganges Provincial Court on April 13.

Judith Toth admitted to driving over the legal limit (0.08) after she was stopped by Salt Spring RCMP at 5 p.m. on March 16.

Court heard that the woman was driving with her two daughters in her van when she was stopped on Fulford-Ganges Road. She failed roadside tests and police found an empty 750-ml bottle of vodka in the vehicle.

"Your honour may wish to consider a higher than usual fine due to children in the vehicle," said Crown counsel Barbara Penty.

Toth blew readings of 0.260 and 0.250. She also told police she had taken Ativan pills in conjunction with the alcohol.

Court also heard that she received two 24-hour driving prohibitions in 2002.

Judge Alan Filmer ordered Toth to pay the minimum \$600 fine and serve a one-year driving prohibition. He also waived the victim surcharge.

A 17-year-old youth also received a one-year driving

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suspension and a \$100 fine after he pleaded guilty to impaired charges.

The youth, who cannot be named under the Youth Criminal Justice Act, was stopped by police at 12:30 a.m. on January 17.

He blew readings of 0.190, and holds a Class-7 driver's licence prohibiting any alcohol while driving. Police also seized scales and a small amount of marijuana at the scene.

Judge Filmer expressed concern about the youth's high alcohol readings and the presence of scales and marijuana in the vehicle.

"When I hear of someone with marijuana and scales, I think of two things — they're either weighing to buy or weighing to sell."

Filmer ordered the scales and marijuana be forfeited for destruction.

"It's a very small island. Once you come to the attention of police, it's very easy for them to keep tabs on you."

A third matter saw a local man receive a \$50 fine for breach of a probation order.

"I was a dumb-ass, your honour," said Kenneth Martin in his own defence.

Martin failed to report to his probation officer for several months following a 2003 charge of uttering threats.

Housing needs dissected at United Church meeting

A meeting for people with affordable housing needs, and those wanting to advise trustees against making vacation rental use legal on Salt Spring has been organized for tomorrow (Thursday).

Christina Phipps, an islander who has been working on local housing issues, organized the meeting set for 2-4 p.m. at Salt Spring United Church.

The Salt Spring Local Trust Committee is set to make its decision about vacation rental use at its April 28 meeting.

"We want people affected by the issue, those who have been displaced or otherwise, to come," she said. "People can give testimonials and there will be a question and answer session."

Salt Spring trustees Kimberly Lineger and Eric Booth have been invited to participate, said Phipps.

Meanwhile, the Salt Spring Housing Survey deadline has been extended to April 25.

It can be completed online through the Salt Spring section of the Islands Trust website and is also available for pick-up and drop-off at various island locations.

The April 28 LTC meeting is set for Lions Hall at 3 p.m.

Phipps is also one of the people involved in organizing regular Friday Community Soup events.

This Friday the location is Centennial Park. For ongoing location information about the free food-sharing event, people can contact the Growing Circle Co-op.

Anyone wanting to help with the Community Soup can call Phipps at 653-9987.

SPCA open house hosts BC reps

Islanders are invited to meet two provincial SPCA representatives at a Salt Spring SPCA open house on Tuesday, April 27.

Craig Daniel, the BC SPCA's chief executive officer, and provincial manager of volunteer services Brian Houlihan will visit the shelter between 1:30 and 3:30 p.m.

The shelter is located at the rear parking lot of the Gulf Islands Veterinary Clinic at 540 Lower Ganges Road.

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OPINION



Time to regroup

It's been a difficult year for everyone involved in the Salt Spring Fire Department following the explosion and fall-out from the Bruce Patterson/Jeff Outerbridge dismissals.

Few islanders have not heard or read something about the issues, and formed opinions about them, and that will likely be reflected in an historic high turnout in trustee elections and at the fire district's AGM Tuesday.

In some ways what happened is a natural outcome of a growing, changing community. The fire department functioned in basically the same way for years, and changes brought in from "the city" by new fire chief Dave Enfield caused waves.

But the department and trustees cannot dismiss the resulting strife as merely the creation of two individuals who questioned some of those changes, and their supporters.

If citizens are suddenly interested in details of a public service they pay the bills for, even if a personality/personnel issue is at the root of the controversy, they should not be mocked.

The fact that people did not demonstrate much interest in the past is not a valid reason to criticize their participation now. Citizens' involvement in the functioning of public bodies is always messy to some degree, but it's the sign of a healthy environment. The matters involved are all islanders' business; they have a right to ask questions and have them answered with respect.

At the same time, citizens will always get better results if they treat public officials with respect.

Regardless of which two candidates are elected to the board on Tuesday, they should take the voters' voice as an opportunity to regroup and commit to avoiding situations like those that occurred in the last year.

As the fire-fighting equipment, staff levels and training have in recent years grown to meet current and future demands, so must the organizational sophistication and public relations skills of the fire district.

While that is more challenging without the set structure and resources of a municipality, with the right combination of desire and goodwill, it can be done.

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There's a torrent of ways to save water at home

By RON HAWKINS

Thank you for your timely piece on St. Mary Lake's low water level last week.

I wish the water district had publicly broached the subject earlier because of its significance.

Warm weather, no rain and no beaver dam are cited as the reasons for the lowest water levels ever recorded for St. Mary Lake, and already 6.5 inches lower than the famous drought year of 1987 when toxic blue-green algae in the water threatened human and animal health.

Warmer weather is here to stay because of the likelihood of global warming.

What isn't known is how much warmer and how quickly warming rates may escalate.

Dry weather is implied as an adjunct to global warming for our area I would think. Flash floods and erratic torrential storms do

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afflict parts of the planet, but this does not seem part of our summer likelihood yet.

So warmer weather and dry summers will likely continue. This means the Official Community Plan (OCP) should be reviewed, now and very carefully.

Since we already have a critical water shortage that may not meet our needs, no further development of undeveloped lots on Salt Spring should occur unless it can be shown without a doubt that water for them cannot come from existing reservoirs, and that existing water tables will not be swallowed up.

Currently there are 5,500 developed lots on Salt Spring, with

OCP provision for a maximum of 7,500 lots total in future.

Channel Ridge development, for example, should not be investing if there is no water.

It seems obvious, yet time and again humanity continues to squeeze itself beyond sensible limits. We don't know how badly global warming will impact the Earth, and that it is a very serious threat.

Surely therefore we should act on the side of caution, not blind indifference.

Each of us must play a part, now and forever. Here are some suggestions.

- Change your mindset. Water is limited, not unlimited. Water is not to be wasted.

- Transplant live beaver to St Mary Lake to recreate a dam, built for free, yielding dozens of acre-feet of additional storage.

- Given the current supply, do

not water lawns. Period. Speak politely to people who do.

- Invest in a timed, drip irrigation system for plants requiring water.

- Develop water conservation literature and talks on an ongoing basis to educate people.

- Keep the public informed weekly in newspapers about current water level projections and status.

- Empower water districts to enforce water restrictions. Report people who don't listen.

- Change building regulations now to require low-consumption toilets, including replacement of existing toilets that are no longer functional.

- Educate tourists. Expect compliance, or eviction.

- Put two bricks or two one-litre bottles of water in your toilet tank, effectively reducing water consumption.

Install low-flow showerheads. Costs about \$20 and pays for itself from electricity saving in one year.

Where else can you double your investment every year?

- Share bath water.
- Operate dishwashers and washing machines only with full loads.

- Don't flush a toilet every time you urinate.

- If designing a new home or renovation, consider an in-ground or in-basement rainwater containment cistern collecting winter rainfall from your roof. Bob Burgess of Thetis Island (1-877-526-1480) will be talking on water catchment systems on April 23, 7 p.m. at Lions Hall, c/o Salt Spring Conservancy.

The writer is a Salt Spring resident concerned with social and environmental issues.

Pernicious tactics not the sole domain of Americans

By TIMOTHY S. CAHILL

My friend Wendy Beatty ("Tolerance" letter, April 7) — and an unfortunate number of other Canadians — need to be told that anti-Americanism is just shameful and hurtful bigotry.

Would it be acceptable to print "your [Chinese, Jewish, female or Black] roots are showing" as prelude to a personal denunciation?

Clearly that would be an inappropriate attempt to shame and silence an opponent by implying there was something illegitimate about that person's character or background.

To do the same thing in an American context must be the moral equivalent.

Let me assure you, the words caused hurt and harm,

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first to persons dear to me, but also to Wendy's argument itself. I support ASTAR, I usually support Wendy, but I do not support this.

You, dear editor, need to enforce a policy that all kinds of bigotry are unacceptable in our community newspaper.

I hope that I speak for many others in insisting that this forum not be allowed to continually be sullied with irrelevant and misguided prejudice against any identifiable group, including Americans. The Canadian Human Rights Act prohibits the communication of

messages that are likely to expose a person to hatred or contempt on the basis of national or ethnic origin. As a nation, we choose not to tolerate any shade of it among ourselves.

My response to this issue does not end there, however. It is a pernicious Canadian delusion that anything found personally objectionable in Canada can be attributed to the Americans.

As we are very quick to point out Canada's many contributions to the world, shouldn't we honestly own up to the things we don't like about ourselves?

Wendy's own letter provides several examples of the mistaken assumption that what ails us comes from south of the border rather

than being home grown.

Wendy implied that "the-all-too-familiar tactic of singling out and attacking . . ." the individual making an argument, rather than attacking the argument itself, is an American tactic. In fact, that kind of personal attack is called *ad hominem* — and is from the Latin "to the man" and is much more ancient than are the Americans.

We can find the very thing in Wendy's statement: "your American roots are showing" and understand it to be at once prejudiced, *ad hominem*, and of purely Canadian origin.

To continue: the mixing of fact with falsehood to manipulate public opinion has a long and dishonourable Canadian parliamentary

tradition. There is no need to look south. The vilifying of ASTAR — well, that's pretty local, isn't it?

As for a willingness to defend one's own opinions at any cost to others, we can see this particular Canadian defence at work in Wendy's own words (i.e., in her misguided attack on Americans as a way to discredit her opponent).

Many of us (including myself) may have grave issues with actions and policies pursued by the present or previous governments or corporations of the U.S.A.

No matter how strongly any of us may feel about these issues, it makes no more sense to use these feelings as justification for hold-

ing all Americans in contempt than it would be to use similar feelings about our own provincial government as justification for holding all British Columbians in contempt.

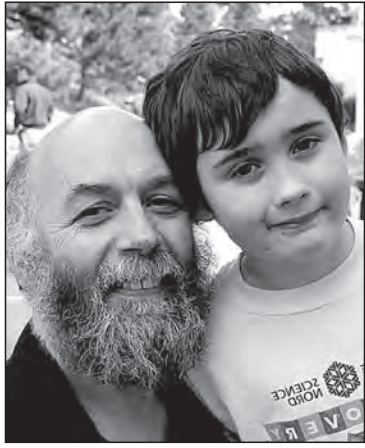
Above and beyond the issues that come and go between us, we all owe much — no matter how grudgingly some of us may be about it — to the Americans.

They inspire, follow and lead us. They are our grandfathers and great-grandmothers (or even closer relatives), our guests and our hosts, our partners and customers, our friends and our neighbours, both across the border and on this island.

The writer is a reformed Canadian nationalist.

SALT SPRING SAYS

We asked: *What are your thoughts on a four-day school week?*



Ian and Tony Bartley
He'd like it. I'm not sure we would, for multiple reasons. From my point of view, it's trying to speed up teaching and learning. It doesn't give children time to think.



Marie Beaudoin
I can't see how children would be able to focus and have a quality education experience for 55 more minutes each day. It's stressful enough as it is. As a CUPE member, I have to say, it's always CUPE that takes the cuts.



Janny and Jennica Brobbel
I have two kids in school, one in high school and one in elementary, and they are devastated. I don't like it either; the days will be hard for them.



April Ruttle (White Rock)
If it's not outrageously different hours and they are not losing instructional hours and they are not going to have to cut as many jobs, I think it's a reasonable decision... It's a shame the motive is a deficit. It wouldn't worry me unduly.



Robert Smith (SIMS student)
I think it's a waste of time in school time and a lot of parents will have to get daycare, which will mean a pay cut.

Letters to the Editor

Fallacies

This is in response to George Ehring's March 31 "In Response" submission.

I cannot sit back any longer and read misinformation in the paper about short-term vacation rentals (STVRs).

I have cleaned for STVRs for the past five years. In those five years there have been two disturbances to neighbours that I personally had to deal with.

Vacation rentals do bring dollars to our island. A lot of dollars. The people that rent STVRs go to the restaurants, buy from our various shops and use our two grocery stores. I would say that they probably buy more expensive pieces of artwork than a local would.

As for being vacant most of the year, that would also be false. The places I clean run throughout the year with maybe a week here and there vacant. It gives the owners a chance to take advantage of their own property.

The vacation rentals I clean are not unsupervised. I, coming in as a third party, am well aware of who is in the vacation places. If there are any problems I am called because I am a local who

lives on this island, my children go to school here, and I volunteer here and I belong to choir here.

I might not be living in these STVRs, but I am in this community and they help with my family staying on this island.

These families, couples and singles would not want to be catered to as in a B&B or be stacked side by side like a hotel. Most just want a place they can call home for a time to take in a bit of our paradise we live in. They are very respectful of our community, more so than some of our locals.

What surprises me is the B&Bs, hotels, motels, etc. feeling threatened by these STVRs. They provide a totally unique experience that the others cannot provide.

In short, if these vacationers cannot receive the type of vacation experience they would like, they will take their money and go elsewhere.

The STVRs would not only be losing out, but the businesses in town, the cleaners that clean, the gardeners that garden, the labourers that help upkeep, etc. . . .

The only thing I can agree about in George's response is

if the vacation rentals operate, they do need to figure out an appropriate way to commercially tax the property.

ANGELA ANDERSON,
Angelbright Cleaning

Water woes

Recently, ASTAR and a short-term vacation rental home owner have been saying that vacation rentals will not use any more water than a single-family residential house would.

Not so. Short-term vacation rental units will, on average, on an annual basis, likely use about twice as much water as single-family dwellings. This estimate is based on a number of factors:

- Single-family dwellings have an average occupancy of about 2.3 persons, whereas vacation rentals, if legalized, will likely eventually have an average occupancy rate of about six persons for the period May through August inclusive. Much of the year's water demand occurs during this period, with per capita consumption per day about 90 per cent higher than the winter daily demand.

- There is a very important distinction between residen-

tial and commercial vacation rental water use. Residents pay for metered water or are especially concerned with water use if they are on low-producing wells.

In contrast, vacationers in a short-term vacation rental do not pay directly for water and so are less aware of water use. Studies have shown that this can increase water demand by 30 per cent.

- Commercial vacation rental owners or managers will often market their properties as luxury units, often including extensive landscaping and water-using luxury amenities.

Based on the above, my estimate for water consumption for an average vacation rental home is between 90,000 and 120,000 imperial gallons per year.

This compares with an average single-family dwelling annual water consumption of 57,000 gallons.

B&Bs, roughly comparably to vacation rentals, used an average of 106,800 gallons per year in 1998, with large B&B consumers using over 250,000 gallons per year.

The concern over increasing water demand is valid,

especially when you consider our limited water supplies, major uncertainties over supply and demand and the large commitment for future development under the existing community plan.

We should not, therefore, amend the community plan to allow even more development.

My experience with community water problems was gained as a former manager of North Salt Spring Waterworks, a former trustee of the Islands Trust, and as long-term island resident.

MICHAEL LARMOUR,
Beddis Road

Fiddler's hoot

The letter titled Democracy in your April 14 issue sounds familiar.

The definition of commerce as synonymous with freedom and democracy is an essential element in the neoconservative fundamentalist mantra.

I vividly recall, in the aftermath of 11/09/01 (Let's keep it Canadian), U.S. President Bush describing the mass murder of that day as an attack upon democracy and freedom. Perhaps that was because the target was a trade centre.

The rest of us thought the attack had been on innocent people.

Bush's shameless bluster has no place here. Mercantilism and the profit motive are not one and the same as the freedoms that permit them to exist. Not by a long shot.

Those freedoms also invite opposing views and equal time for the opposition, after all, is what democratic process is all about.

Parenthetically, I recently saw a summary of some of the prices charged in the vacation rental industry. It's difficult to believe that tourists are willing to fork over the kind of money many of these places seem to be getting.

But beyond that, perhaps residents should be thinking seriously on the matter of fresh water.

I simply cannot imagine any short-term tourist giving a fiddler's hoot about water conservation — most especially in light of the rental prices.

JOHN A. LIVINGSTON,
Wilkie Way

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Bailing out beef producers just rewards foul practices

"Let the market decide" is the mantra of our times. I've used this vaunted cornerstone of corporate democracy to make a small, everyday statement about our beef and pork industries, which I think are sick.

I haven't bought or eaten factory-farmed red meat since nine people died and thousands got ill from manure-laced water in Walkerton, Ontario.

Water problems resulting from red-meat production are two-fold: one, for every pound of cow and pig meat produced, 1,000 gallons of water are seriously dirtied; and two, we spread this waste around in ways, notes Dr. David Schindler, Canada's world-renowned water systems scientist, that we'd never spread human excrement. Walkerton's water

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BY BRENDA GUILLED



became lethal, he said, "from a legally manured field at the recommended rate."

This issue hasn't been addressed and corrected. Instead, the knee-jerk response was to fix the water system, at great expense to taxpayers, while the farming industry carries on its risky business. Yes, risky. Very risky. Let me count the ways.

Fouled water is just the start. Feeding cows to cows — animal protein to vegetarian animals — well after the BSE shakedown in Great Britain, has been a particularly idiotic and massive pushing of limits. Severe crowding of creatures turns their quarters into

petri dishes for epidemics such as avian flu and salmon furunculosis. Genetically modified foods open Pandora's Box to unpredictable, irreversible new problems that will require ever more complex, Draconian and expensive solutions.

The business of treatments to these and ever more screw-ups, complete with too many subsidies to track, becomes bigger than the business of primary production. What a deal for business. What a loss for farmers and for the food-requiring public, who have little say or sway.

Industrial food-raisers aren't stupid about the odds and outcomes of their nature-pushing practices, but listen to them cry the blues when the inevitable disaster happens. How long did they think their luck would last?

Look at them go squealing for a government teat to suck on when

they get caught. It's almost funny to see these big, red-neck, government-bashing cowboys running for the milk of taxpayer kindness when their greedy, unnatural ways finally fail.

The only real way to stop such dangerous practices is to not support them, individually and collectively. I've tried on the red-meat front, by not putting a personal nickel into this disaster-courting business for years.

Now, thanks to Prime Minister Paul Martin's desperation to be loved in the West, I and every Canadian have bought a billion dollars worth of Alberta beef. In one massive business welfare bailout, he's nixed my years of voting in the market the way I'm supposed to vote, with my feet and my money. How dare he buy beef on my behalf without consulting me?

This is an election issue. It's as big and serious as government-

funded abortions, which is another example of everyone having to pay for something that not all support. No prime minister would dare make a billion-dollar unilateral decision about abortion rights, nor should any leader do so about food-choice rights. Democracy must rule in issues as vital as these.

Martin should withdraw his generous offer of our money to Alberta ranchers and put this issue on his campaign agenda. For his thickness about democracy in this regard, I won't vote for the guy. The Conservative party, given its cattle-country roots, will promise, of course, to throw the treasury at our red-meat industries. I expect the NDP and Greens to stick to the corporate principle of letting the market decide. Bring on the electoral debate, so I can vote as right wing as I can.

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Housing voice

The April 25 deadline is fast approaching for completing copies of the housing survey, which can be found at various locations such as Barb's Buns, Island Star, Slegg Lumber and Patterson's Store.

This survey, sponsored by the Islands Trust, is an important step in creating a really clear picture of the housing situation on Salt Spring Island and we need your help in doing so.

The survey will provide the community with important information in order to quantify the need for affordable housing. The Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation considers affordability based on residents spending less than 30 per cent of their income on housing.

Currently, close to one-quarter of Gulf Islands residents are living in housing

that is not affordable and, on Salt Spring, almost half of renters are spending more than 30 per cent of their income on rent.

This is one way that you can have a voice about housing issues!

CHRISTINA PHIPPS,
Salt Spring

No poison

Wednesday morning I looked out my window and saw a flash of yellow wings, a goldfinch at my bird feeder. Later in the garden I saw him feasting on dandelions and heard his sweet song from my apple tree. What a gift is this beautiful "wild canary" on his way from Mexico to nest in Canada.

Then I got the mail. In your paper were several flyers. As I looked through the flyers, I saw advertised Killex, Roundup and Turf Builder Plus2, all lethal to these seed-eating birds. Did they fly all this way to die on Salt Spring Island?

Not just goldfinches, but many other birds, bees, butterflies, and our pets and children are endangered by these chemicals. Fish and frogs are endangered by runoff from watering or rain, and the wind carries the fumes and poison to contaminate things we hadn't even thought were endangered or vulnerable.

Please, please people, don't put poisons on the land, lawn or garden. Herbicides, insecticide, fungicides all are deadly, particularly to baby birds in the nest being fed the milky unripe seeds of dandelion, chickweed, wild cress and other wild herbs we call weeds.

And don't spray the trees for caterpillars. Cutting the tents off is easy and effective if done promptly.

We share this earth with so many other living things and it's our duty and privilege to be responsible stewards of whatever part of it is in our care.

NANCY WIGEN,
Fernwood Road

Illogical

Re: Consideration of the four-day school week.

On May 19 there is a public meeting of the school trustees at GISS (noon) where this issue will be decided. Apathy and poor turn-out will be what allow

this to occur.

Children are already falling through the cracks in our education system. What will be the consequences to these children if their instructional time and opportunities for one-on-one learning assistance are further reduced? Teachers will be even more "pushed" to cover X curriculum in X time (particularly at the middle and secondary levels) so it seems somewhat inevitable that some students will be increasingly "sacrificed" in order to shove the rest through.

Most parents are already financially up against a wall. How are low-income and single parents going to pay for the additional daycare and tutoring that will potentially be required?

It is my belief that grinding poverty and the already existing lack of opportunities for high education (due to poverty) and therefore limited career opportunities and future income-earning potential is the single most significant factor in the creation of criminal and/or anti-social behaviour.

Limiting our children's future choices right from primary age just to save a buck in the short term seems (to me) ridiculous in the extreme. The proposed shortened school week is a mere band-aid for the much larger problem of why education is deemed so irrelevant by our government that these illogical "solutions" even need be considered.

Only multi-national corporations seeking a cheap workforce benefit from a culture that does not grant every individual the basic right and opportunity to fulfill their potential.

There is a lot more at stake here than saving a buck. Please come to the meeting and let your voice be heard.

KIM HEDGER,
Ganges

Destructive

This government is making a serious error in allowing the quality of education to be eroded by refusing to fund the schools at the necessary level.

By devaluing the quality of our children's education, this government is ensuring a future of ignorance, ineptitude and failure in the arena

of very competitive global market for jobs, business, culture and resources.

Reducing the length of the school week will not solve the issue of underfunding.

How stupid is it to refuse to give proper tools to willing workers, our own children I mean, who will have to build the future long after the people who made these destructive decisions are rocking away in old folks homes?

Our elected officials are laying the foundation for a black future for the entire country where only a few elite citizens who can afford to pay for a decent education rule on the backs of an ignorant populace.

All of the values of this great country are based on education. There can be no democracy, no equality and no healthy public or private life where the people are deprived of proper education.

I urge the school board to strive to undo these funding cuts which are destroying our public school system.

I urge them to put their efforts into ensuring a level of educational funding that keeps our schools open five days a week and ensures that our kids are not sacrificed, along with the future of Canada, to a short-sighted attempt to . . . really, what are the MLAs trying to do?

MELISSA SEARCY,
Bittancourt Road

Fascinating

So "the Chimp" has decided to let Sharon keep the West Bank, saying that expecting Israel to pull back to pre-1967 borders, as called for in UN Security Council Resolution 242, is "unrealistic."

Interesting timing, considering that he did this in the same week as he was asking the "irrelevant" UN for help in sorting out the Iraq quagmire.

But then, according to our MP Gary Lunn, UN resolutions concerning Israel actually don't apply — yes, I know it sounds pretty strange, but call him up and get him to explain it to you — his reasoning is absolutely fascinating.

BRIAN SMALLSHAW,
Salt Spring

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Favourite read: "Water" by M. Devilliers.
Best thing about SSI: The people.
Worst thing about SSI: The water shortages.
Best place to kiss on SSI?: Anywhere is just fine!



DERRICK'S
ISLAND PICS

More letters

Mountainous

What does "thinking like a mountain" mean to you?

If you are a Splash member or indoor pool supporter, it might well suggest the great generosity of Robert Bateman, who has donated a copy of his numbered print and book to Ssplash for a prize in the April Pool Days Donation Drive and Draw for the Indoor Pool on Salt Spring.

The phrase might also suggest the need to look ahead and make choices about the future, because, after all, Aldo Leopold, who coined it some 50 years ago, went on to say "it resonates more loudly with every passing year as the need for us to make choices about what is best for our children and grandchildren . . ."

April Pool Days is the first

"all-islander" call for financial support for an indoor swimming pool. We need to raise funds to support the building of the indoor pool, so as to decrease long-term costs of borrowing and tax requisitions.

Every dollar we raise today will diminish our future costs and make the project more affordable. Please assist your community with your donation, big or small. Every donation counts.

If every household gave \$5, we would have upward of \$25,000 toward the indoor pool.

Islanders are invited to complete an entry form, available at Thrifty's, GVM, Curves, or local doctors offices. Alternatively, they can contact any Ssplash member for assistance. Donations are solicited but

all entrants are eligible for the draw.

Entry forms must be returned by April 30. You can mail your donation and entry form to Box 597, Salt Spring Island, V8K 2W2, or drop it off at Curves.

The draw for Robert Bateman's Thinking Like a Mountain, a year's membership at Curves and a cash prize to be spent in what ever way you chose, will occur at noon on May 1 at a pool party at the Anglican Church. We will have hot dogs, drinks and goodies! There will be music provided by the Auntie Kate and the Barley Brothers. Auntie Kate will draw for the prizes at 1 p.m.

Please lend your support. And good luck!
DARLENE STEELE,
Salt Spring

The Living Word

John 20: 30-31

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Directors of the Capital Regional District ("CRD") proposes to enter into agreements for Contract 04-1492, Collection of Recyclable Materials from Single Family Dwellings, with International Paper Industries Ltd., and for Contract 04-1493, Processing and Marketing of Recyclable Materials with Metro Materials Recovery Inc. (the "Contracts").

The work required under the Contracts consists of the following:

Contract 04-1492

a) Collection of recyclable materials, every other week, from single family dwellings within the Capital Regional District, and

b) transporting collected recyclable materials to a designated processing facility.

Contract 04-1493

a) Receiving, handling, storing and processing the recyclable materials from the Capital Regional District recycling programs, and

b) marketing and selling the recyclable materials.

The service terms under Contract 04-1492 and Contract 04-1493 will commence on 01 May 2005 and continue for a period of seven (7) consecutive years until 30 April 2012. The contracts will be awarded and executed one year prior to the start of service.

The annual financial obligations of the CRD under the contracts are \$1,671,762 for Contract 04-1492 and \$282,613 for Contract 04-1493, plus the appropriate annual adjustments and inflation indices, commencing in 2005.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the CRD may proceed with the award of Contract 04-1492 and Contract 04-1493 unless at least 22,135 electors within the Capital Regional District indicate by signing the elector response forms that the Board must obtain the assent of the electors by way of referendum before proceeding with the award of Contract 04-1492 and Contract 04-1493.

The elector response form must be in the form as established by the CRD and forms are available from the CRD on request. The only persons entitled to sign elector response forms are electors of the service area to which the alternative approval process opportunity applies. The area to which the alternative approval process opportunity applies is the municipalities of Central Saanich, Colwood, Esquimalt, Highlands, Langford, Metchosin, North Saanich, Oak Bay, Saanich, Sidney, Sooke, Victoria and View Royal and the electoral areas of Juan de Fuca, Salt Spring Island and Southern Gulf Islands.

The deadline for submitting the original signed elector response forms, in relation to the award of Contract 04-1492 and Contract 04-1493, to the CRD is 4:30 p.m. on Monday, the 31st day of May, 2004. Forms must be received by the deadline to be counted.

The CRD has estimated that the total number of electors within the service area is 221,350 and that 10% of that number or 22,135 electors must submit elector response forms to prevent the CRD from awarding Contract 04-1492 and Contract 04-1493 without the assent of the electors by referendum.

Further technical information concerning Contract 04-1492 and Contract 04-1493 may be obtained from John Craveiro, CRD Environmental Services, 625 Figgard Street, PO Box 1000, Victoria, BC V8W 2S6 (telephone 360-3164) during regular office hours Monday to Friday (excluding public holidays) from the date of this notice until the 31st day of May, 2004.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR RESIDENT AND NON-RESIDENT PROPERTY ELECTORS

Resident Elector: You are entitled to submit an elector response form as a Resident Elector if you are 18 years or older on the date of submission of the elector response form, are a Canadian citizen, have resided in British Columbia for 6 months and in a municipality or electoral area of the CRD that is a participating area for Contract 04-1492 and Contract 04-1493 for at least 30 days prior to signing the elector response form.

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To obtain an elector response form, or for further information, please contact the CRD Administration Department, PO Box 1000, 524 Yates Street, 3rd Floor, Victoria, BC V8W 2S6 or by telephone at 360-3129 or toll free 1-800-663-4425 - Ext. 3129.

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Parents make plea for school funding

The following was presented to deputy minister of education Emery Dosdall by a group of Gulf Islands School District parents on Friday, April 16.

We are concerned with the changes made by the ministry to our district's funding formula resulting in a budgetary deficit of:

- \$350,000 in the 2004/05 school year;
- \$750,000 in the 2005/06 school year, (\$500,000 resulting from the change to our district's funding formula; \$250,000 resulting from declining enrolment), totalling a \$1.1-million budgetary deficit for the 2005/06 school year.

IN DEPTH

We wish to address with you the unique challenges we face in the Gulf Islands in the education process of our children:

Middle School – Funding was provided to open this school recognizing the unique needs of children in the middle school years. Yet, we are now faced with having to give strong consideration to the prospect of closing this school because of the cuts to funding in this District negating all the hard work already given to support this program.

Transportation – is another unique challenge to the Gulf Islands in getting our students to the high school and middle school and as parents we support our children's right to study at schools of their choosing, i.e. Pender, Mayne, Galiano, Saturna, students traveling by water taxi to attend school on Salt Spring.

Funding for Testing Designated Students – Many of the services needed are off island and parents of these students must take time off work in order to get adequate testing done.

Also the waiting lists for the appropriate tests are from 1-2 years at present and some students don't get the required help they need at the most opportune time.

Extra Curricular Programs- A change in the timetable to a longer school day will especially eliminate

sports programs especially after school. Children finish school after dark during the winter months; this will be accentuated if a longer school day is implemented.

These small Gulf Islands communities do not have services to replace those available in larger centers such as many lighted fields and indoor arenas. Soccer and Football must be played and practiced out of doors. As residents of the Gulf Islands we must not be penalized for choosing to live in small communities as we do.

Children at Risk – Funding cuts to the Ministry for Children and Family Development have resulted in eradication of licensed Day Care spaces. In this, families without the ability to pay for day care out of pocket are impacted negatively. This impact is felt even more severely by poor and single parent families who no must work due to change to the Ministry of Human Resources' Employment Assistance Act.

Should the 4 day school week be implemented those children who are now "latch-key kids" will be spending a whole day unsupervised at home. As parents our concerns for these families and children is very deep.

Children who do not fit into the mainstream educational formula will feel a greater impacted workload and study time which we believe will result in a greater drop out rate in our District.

Further concerns:

Recognition is not given for the fact that our high

school still maintains a high level of academic excellence despite the cuts to our funding over the past several years. Our School Trustees and Senior Administrators must be applauded for their hard work, diligence and caring in providing programs which result in these kinds of success for our children.

It is unfair to announce increases to Education Funding as it was known these supposed increases were realized as a result of changes to Ministry Accounting Practices.

The Teacher's Contract is not funded by the Ministry for anymore than the first year, nevertheless the additional 2 years in salary increases for teachers were approved by the Ministry. Our District must now fund the second and third years without adequate funds for this expenditure.

Funding must be in terms of real numbers of student enrolment as opposed to projected declining enrolment numbers.

We are forced to give strong consideration to implementation of the 4 day school week as a solution to absorbing the budget shortfall created for our District by the Ministry's accounting practices despite overwhelming opposition to this plan from not only parents but from students and the larger community as well.

Clearly, we are all not being treated respectfully in this.

There is little evidence to support implementation of the 4 day school week as an educationally sound alterna-

tive to a system which has been in place for over a hundred years.

Several of our parents have made it clear they will be unable to remain in the District should the 4 day week be implemented. This will result in further decline in enrolment.

We wish to provide some ideas on resolution which would be acceptable to us as parents:

We advocate strongly for implementation of the Rural Task Force Recommendations.

We especially advocate for funding to reflect the enrolment in a rural school district of 1500 students as originally proposed by the Ministry's Rural Schools Task Force.

We urge the Ministry to review this document compiled by Linda Kaser relevant to the added uniqueness of rural schools operating in island communities.

Based on current budget expenditures 91% is allocated to teachers' salaries and benefits.

Two-thirds of our teachers are at senior level pay scales. Therefore we advocate for changes to the legislation to enable the District to provide early retirement options.

Integrity, responsibility and respect are qualities we want to instill in our children and we believe this Ministry at this time in history is being given a once in a long while opportunity to demonstrate true leadership to our future generations.

Let's walk the talk.
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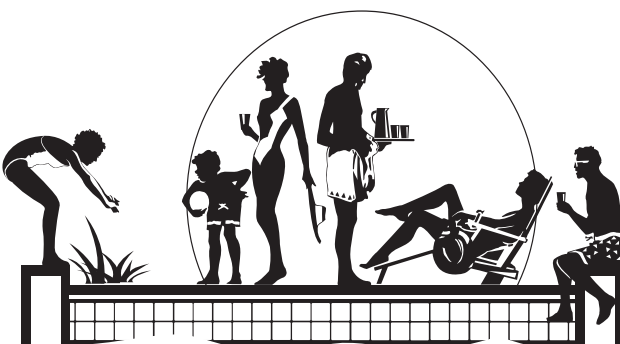
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RANTS & ROSES

RANTS

To whoever took the sparkly granite boulder from the Quarry Drive trail. Please return it for the sake of your health and well-being.

To the person in the white van who drives around with a dog barking continually out the passenger side window.

ROSES

Roses to Albert Kaye for his time and assistance, and for being such a nice man. KR.

A big bunch of yummy organic roses (colour not important) to all kind drivers in the Isabella Point/Musgrave area, who slow down for our geriatric riders. We all appreciate not having all the manure scared out of us. Neighs from Jere2, Gloi and Filkir.

Roses to the person who found my wallet sitting in a Thrifty's cart Saturday morning, and turned it in. Thank-you ever so much. One of the many reasons we live on SSI.

The new Duck Creek trail is magnificent. Roses to Kathy Reimer and her many helpers.

A huge bouquet to Dr. Dave MacDonald, John Fulker, Cheryl and John Wiebe, Jean and Wilf Taylor for their assistance and compassion during our sheep crisis. Your help and support saved many lives.

A huge bouquet of roses to all those who made our SPCA fundraiser a huge success. Island Savings members raised over \$700. We'd like to extend our thanks to GVM, Pharmasave, Foxglove, Bow Wow and Co., Raven Isle Graphics, ISCU staff, the

Driftwood and the Easter Bunny for their generous donations and additional support.

A bouquet of roses to Illene Murphy, who turned 90 years old on April 14. She told me: "I owe my long life to good, clean living." P.

To Kurt at Irwin Collision for the excellent work on my car and for service way above and beyond the call of duty . . . a rarity these days. Thank you so much, Kurt. LF

Roses to the Brownies for the Easter card, which came with Meals on Wheels. Very much appreciated by a great-grandmother!

Roses to the very kind people who live across from the park and helped me in my hour of need. Your support was a great comfort to me. Thank you!

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No regrets

We strongly support the decision of the APC regarding vacation rentals and their recommendation that our OCP should be upheld in relation to the prohibition against commercial vacation rentals and their recommendation that permanent residents who go on holiday elsewhere be allowed to rent their homes to vacationers.

We strongly oppose the permitting of commercial vacation rental of island houses by issuing Temporary Use Permits (TUPs).

We expect our trustees to stand strong in their job of preserving and protecting our island by respecting the advice of the APC and the community.

We expect a decision that will be clear and visionary, one they will not, in the future, regret making.

**PETER HAASE,
MONA FERTIG,**
Salt Spring

Protest

Last Wednesday our school trustees gave a 30-day notice of motion for a vote on the four-day school week. I was furious when I heard that.

With the exception of Judith Boel and Bonnie MacGillivray, trustees had not listened to the majority of parents and workers. At a large public meeting at GISS, everyone spoke against the four-day week and told the board to say NO to more educational cuts.

The proposed four-day week will cause 20 per cent loss of income for many, increasing problems for the working-poor on this island.

Students who already have trouble with schoolwork will have a greater risk of falling behind. Single-parents, latch-key kids and parents who work will experience increased anxiety.

Students who love sports will suffer from the demise of many after-school games. All students will endure longer school hours, arriving home exhausted.

Some families will leave the island because they cannot survive with a four-day week, and some will turn to private education or home-schooling.

Increased police presence on Thursday night may be needed.

This four-day school week does not put children first. It is a band-aid solution to the per-student education funding that has declined dramati-

cally over the years. In 2003 the government mandated an increase in the municipal educational tax of 2.5 per cent without passing on the incremental tax revenues to the provincial education budget.

An increase of \$300 million above current projected levels in 2004/5 is required to restore real per student funding to 1990/01 levels. If we can find billions for the Olympics, we can reinstate funding to schools. Education plays an important role in sustaining democracy, economic development and growing informed citizens who will become the productive and visionary future for our communities.

Our school trustees must take a courageous stand and insist that the education minister replenish funding to civilized levels. Come to the May 3 meeting, 7 p.m. at GISS and to the public meeting of the school board vote, May 19 GISS noon.

We must not be silent while our education system is being eroded. The people united can never be defeated.

MONA FERTIG,
Salt Spring

Reminder

I have sent the following to Stella Weinert's Grade 3/4 class of Salt Spring Elementary School.

"You wrote a great letter to the Driftwood newspaper of April 7. Too many Canadians forget or ignore our First Nations neighbours and especially the short history of us 'settlers,' compared to the thousands of years that First Nations people have lived in our area and taken good care of the land and sea.

"Many thanks for reminding us and I hope that this history will be included in the Gulf Islander next year."

EILEEN WTEWAAL,
SSI for Justice and Reconciliation

Architecture

I am looking for examples of architecture in the Gulf Islands to photograph for a presentation in June at the annual conference of the Society for the Study of Canadian Architecture in Kingston Ontario.

Examples of Gulf Islands architecture can include, but are not limited to, commercial, residential, and institutional and landscape architecture.

I am trying to place them in categories such as heri-

tage, heritage sympathetic, west coast vernacular, healing/sacred architecture and use of non-conventional

materials like rammed earth, straw bale or cob designs. I am also open to any suggestions.

This is a volunteer project to help augment my planning knowledge. Please contact me with your sug-

gestions at 537-4213 or claire77@telus.net. Thanks.
CLAIRE HEFFERNAN,
Salt Spring



ISLANDS TRUST NORTH PENDER ISLAND LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

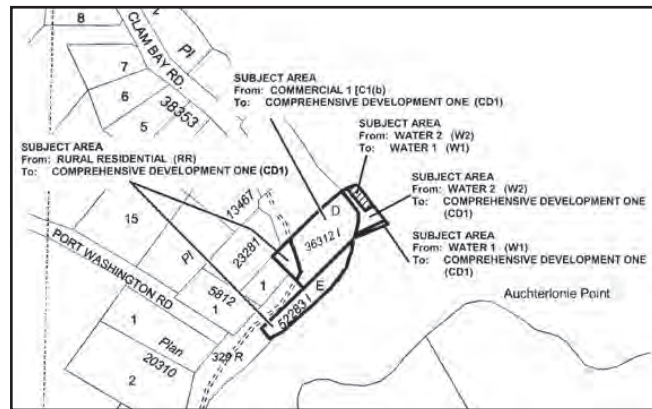
NOTICE is hereby given that the North Pender Island Local Trust Committee will be holding a Public Hearing on the following proposed bylaws:

- **Proposed Bylaw No. 152, cited as "North Pender Island Land Use Bylaw No. 103, 1996, Amendment No. 1, 2003" (Hope Bay Rising).**
- **Proposed Bylaw No. 155, cited as "North Pender Island Land Use Bylaw No. 103, 1996, Amendment No. 1, 2004" (Frith).**

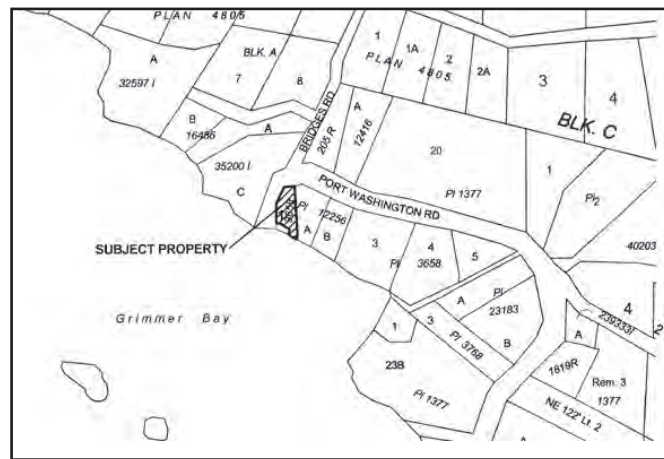
The purpose of the Public Hearing is to allow the public to make representations to the Local Trust Committee respecting matters contained in the proposed bylaws.

The Public Hearing will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 8, 2004 at St. Peter's Anglican Church Hall, Canal Road, North Pender Island, BC. The public hearing will commence with a Community Information Meeting. Following the close of the hearing, the North Pender Island Local Trust Committee may consider further readings of the bylaws.

In general terms, the purpose of North Pender Island Local Trust Committee Bylaw No. 152 is to amend the zoning on the site of the former Hope Bay Store (as shown below) to create a new zone (Comprehensive Development One).



In general terms, the purpose of North Pender Island Local Trust Committee Bylaw No. 155 is to amend the C1(a) zoning affecting Lot 1, Section 23, Pender Island, Cowichan District, Plan 3658 (the property containing the former Port Washington store) (as shown below) to permit "commercial health and fitness facility" as a new use.



At the Public Hearing, the public, including all persons who believe that their interest in property is affected by the proposed bylaws, shall be afforded a reasonable opportunity to be heard in person, by a representative, or by written submission respecting matters contained in the proposed bylaws, at the above time and place.

All persons concerned should inspect the proposed bylaws to satisfy themselves as to how their lands may be affected by the proposed regulations. Copies of the proposed bylaws and relevant background documents in respect of the proposed bylaws that may be considered by the Local Trust Committee may be inspected at the Islands Trust Office, #200 - 1627 Fort Street, Victoria, B.C. between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, inclusive, excluding statutory holidays, commencing, Wednesday, April 21, 2004 up to and including, Friday, May 7, 2004.

For the convenience of public only, and not to satisfy Section 892(2)(e) of the Local Government Act, additional copies of the proposed bylaws may be inspected at various notice boards on North Pender Island and commencing April 21, 2004 are available from the Islands Trust website at www.islandstrust.bc.ca by selecting North Pender Island / Bylaws / Proposed.

Written submissions may be delivered to:

1. the office of the Islands Trust by mail at #200 - 1627 Fort Street, Victoria, B.C. V8R 1H8, or by Fax (250)405-5155, prior to **4:30 p.m. Friday, May 7, 2004**; and
2. after **4:30 p.m. Friday, May 7, 2004**, by delivery to the Local Trust Committee at the Public Hearing starting at **11:00 a.m., Saturday, May 8, 2004** until the close of the hearing.

Those persons who chose to make their written submissions by email prior to the time and date above provided ought to require confirmation of receipt on their email and in any event the risk that an email is not received lies with the sender. Email submissions should be sent to rkojima@islandstrust.bc.ca.

Written submissions made in response to this notice will also be available for public review.

Inquiries regarding the proposed bylaws may be directed to the Islands Trust Office, North Pender Island Planner, at (250) 405-5159 or rkojima@islandstrust.bc.ca, or for Toll Free access, request a transfer via Enquiry BC: In Vancouver 660-2421 and elsewhere in BC 1-800-663-7867.

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ISLANDS TRUST GALIANO ISLAND LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE is hereby given that Galiano Island Local Trust Committee will hold a public hearing on the following proposed by-laws:

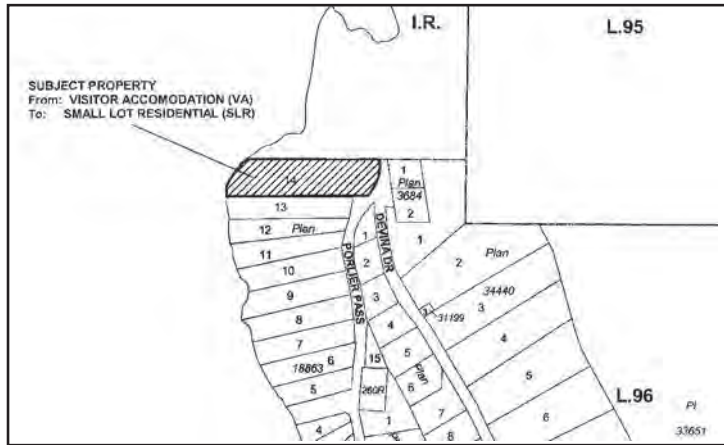
- Bylaw No. 160 – cited as “Galiano Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 108, 1995, Amendment No. 1, 2004”; and
- Bylaw No. 161 – cited as “Galiano Island Land Use Bylaw No. 127, 1999, Amendment No. 1, 2004”;
- Bylaw No. 158 – cited as “Galiano Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 108, 1995, Amendment No. 2, 2003”;
- Bylaw No. 159 – cited as “Galiano Island Land Use Bylaw No. 127, 1999, Amendment No. 3, 2003”;

for the purpose of allowing the public to make representations to the Local Trust Committee respecting matters contained in the proposed bylaws at 1:00 p.m., Saturday, May 1, 2004 at the South Community Hall, 141 Sturdies Bay Road, Galiano Island.

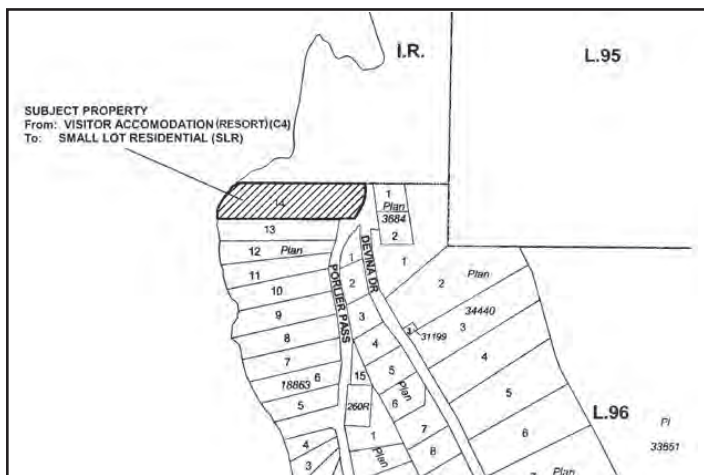
At the public hearing all persons who believe that their interest in property is affected by the proposed bylaws shall be afforded a reasonable opportunity to be heard or to present written submissions respecting matters contained in the proposed bylaws.

Bylaw No. 160 – cited as “Galiano Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 108, 1995, Amendment No. 1, 2004”

In general terms, the purpose of Proposed Bylaw No. 160 is to change the Official Community Plan designation of lands legally described as, Lot 14, District Lot 96, Plan 18863, Galiano Island, Cowichan District from the Visitor Accommodation (VA) designation to the Small Lot Residential (SLR) designation, as shown on the map below:



Bylaw No. 161 – cited as “Galiano Island Land Use Bylaw No. 127, 1999, Amendment No. 1, 2004” In general terms, the purpose of Proposed Bylaw No. 161 is to rezone lands legally described Lot 14, District Lot 96, Plan 18863, Galiano Island, Cowichan District from the Visitor Accommodation (Resort) (C4) zone to the Small Lot Residential (SLR) zone, as shown on the map below:



Bylaw No. 158 – cited as “Galiano Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 108, 1995, Amendment No. 2, 2003”

In general terms, the purpose of Proposed Bylaw No. 158 is to amend Schedules “A” and “C” of the Galiano Island Official Community Plan to generally provide new or amended objectives, policies and mapping that relate to transportation, trails, emergency access, road and highways. The bylaw provides:

1. Three new Land Use policies, a new Forest policy and a new Utility policy that relate to transportation;
2. Amended Land Transportation objectives
3. Two amended Land Transportation policies and five new Land Transportation policies that provide guidance to the management of proposed highway and emergency access locations and possible trail and utility routes at the time of rezoning, access requirements for Economic Activity Zones, and guidance as to the development of highways and statutory rights of way for emergency access at the time of subdivision. The policies provide for the granting of covenants at the time of rezoning to assist in the guidance of future highway development or statutory rights of way for emergency access, trails or utility installations;
4. New definitions that assist in the interpretation of proposed objectives and policies;
5. A revised Map Schedule “C” that outlines existing and proposed highway and emergency access routes and road standards, land status, beach access locations, bicycle routes and roads that may be defined under Section 4 of the Highways Act. Various notations are provided on the map to assist in its interpretation.

Bylaw No. 159 – cited as “Galiano Island Land Use Bylaw No. 127, 1999, Amendment No. 3, 2003”

In general terms, the purpose of proposed Bylaw No. 159 is to delete text regarding access requirements for accessory dwelling use in the Forest 3 and Forest Land Reserve Zones that is inconsistent with the revised Official Community Plan policies proposed in Bylaw 158 and renumber various references to subsections of the Land Use bylaw.

A copy of the proposed bylaws and any background material that may be considered by the Trust Committee in respect of the proposed bylaws may be inspected at the Islands Trust Office, #200 - 1627 Fort Street, Victoria, B.C. between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, inclusive, excluding statutory holidays, commencing April 14, 2004.

For the convenience of the public only, and not to satisfy Section 892(2) (e) of the Local Government Act, additional copies of the proposed bylaws may be inspected at various Notice Boards on Galiano Island, B.C., commencing April 16, 2004 and can also be viewed on the World Wide Web at the following URL: <http://www.islandstrust.bc.ca> and selecting **Island Governments / Galiano Island / Bylaws / Proposed Bylaws**.

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1. the office of the Islands Trust by mail at the #200 - 1627 Fort Street, Victoria, B.C. V8R 1H8, or by Fax (250) 405-5155, prior to 4:30 p.m., April 30, 2004;
2. after 4:30 p.m., April 30, 2004 to the Trust Committee at the Public Hearing at 1:00 p.m., Saturday, May 1, 2004.

All applications are available for review by the public. Written comments made in response to this notice will also be available for public review.

Inquiries regarding the proposed bylaws may be directed to the Islands Trust Office, Regional Planning Manager, at (250) 405-5170 or, for Toll Free access, request a transfer via Enquiry BC: In Vancouver 660-2421 and elsewhere in BC 1-800-663-7867.

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Kathy Jones
Deputy Secretary

Fire candidates line up for one of two hot seats

All five candidates vying for the two trustee seats on the Salt Spring Island Fire Protection District board were given the opportunity to provide 200 words about themselves and why they are running.

Ken Akerman, Ted Hinds, Ken Lee and Don Smith agreed to participate.

Ken Akerman

After having been a part of the Salt Spring Fire Department for over nine years, I am looking to further my involvement and run for trustee.

Being a fifth generation islander and having lived in Fulford my entire life, I want nothing more than to help better our community and I feel trustees make key decisions directly affecting the land owners of our island.

The experience I have gained over the years with the volunteer association has made me capable of making more informed decisions for our island.

Within the department I have reached Lieutenant status, have been elected as vice-president for two terms now by the volunteer association, and have been a primary first responder instructor for several years. Bringing an inner knowledge of the fire service to the trustee position can only be an asset.

Ted Hinds

My wife Eve and I came to Salt Spring in early 1997 and opened a B&B and organic herb farm, which we ran successfully until the fall of 2003, when we sold it and moved to a smaller property.

I have been active in the Chamber of Commerce and was a member of the restructuring committee that recommended changes to the Chamber's structure. Those changes were implemented, and today we have a very vibrant Chamber.

I spent most of my career with Sears Canada in various management capacities and gained extensive knowledge in administration, budgeting, financial management and human relations training. I subsequently spent seven years as a real estate broker selling country properties and farms, which gave me an appreciation of rural life.

The turmoil last summer over the termination of the two fire captains and the purchase of the new pumper truck led me to start attending the monthly fire trustee meetings. I was and am amazed that there is a lack of management direction within the board.

I can and want to contribute to bringing openness and accountability to this board. We need to have plans in place for the future so that we can provide the necessary tools to support our dedicated and well-trained group of vol-

unteer and full-time firefighters.

Ken Lee

Since my wife Jill and I moved to Salt Spring in 1991, I have been fully involved with the issues that affect the quality of our lives here.

I sat as an elected trustee on our school board from 1993-96, and chaired Salt Spring Island Community Concerts from 1992 to 1994.

I represented Salt Spring ferry users on the BC Ferries Gulf Islands Stakeholder Committee from 1994 to 1999, and was president of the Salt Spring Singers from 1997 to 2000.

As a trustee with the Save Salt Spring Society, I was active in the battle to prevent Texada from clearcutting our forests.

I am currently president of the South Salt Spring Island Property Owners and Ratepayers Association.

Having experienced a major house fire in 1994, I have nothing but admiration for our professional and dedicated team of full-time and volunteer firefighters.

For several months I have been attending the monthly fire trustee meetings and see a need for a more open and transparent management direction.

I am seeking election to the board of fire trustees because I know I can make a contribution.

Don Smith

I grew up in West Vancouver, B.C. and joined the RCMP at the age of 20 years.

I spent the next 34 years with that police force, serving at various postings in Saskatchewan, Yukon Territory and B.C. I was in charge of the Ganges detachment from 1991 to 1994.

My last posting was as staff sergeant in charge of the Merritt detachment from where I retired in July of 1998.

My wife Shirley and I moved to Salt Spring in October 1997. Our children have all left the nest.

During my tenure in the police force I had many occasions to work in close connection with various fire departments, fire commissioner's offices and local governing bodies.

As part of my duties I had to investigate fires and the resulting casualties, as well as plan for emergencies and work with fire departments in actual emergencies. I am both used to and comfortable working with emergency service personnel as I did so for almost 35 years.

I am a member of both the Royal Canadian Legion and the Masonic Lodge.

I have been a trustee on the Salt Spring fire district board for five years.

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ANIMAL FORUM: Wei Ling Taylor makes a new friend as she pats a goat at the 4-H stall at Foxglove's Farm and Garden Show held Saturday. Photo by Derrick Lundy

Credit-course options set out at April public forum

Anyone interested in pursuing a post-secondary degree without leaving the shores of Salt Spring is urged to attend a meeting next Wednesday night, April 28.

The Salt Spring Island Society for Community Education is hosting the public forum, which runs at the high school multi-purpose room from 7-9 p.m.

"Essentially, the public meeting is to see whether it is actually possible to teach on Salt Spring certain Athabasca University courses that would count toward a degree at Athabasca University or the B.C. Open University or some other B.C. university," said Stan Shapiro, who has been researching the options.

Community education society members like Shapiro, who is a retired university professor, are committed to helping anyone wanting to pursue credit courses.

"In one sense it is very simple. We are exploring what interest there is in degree completion initiatives on the island, and in the other sense it is complex because every case is different, but we have lots of people on the island who know the academic system — we've spent our lives in it.

"And for someone who has been away from university and wants to get back, even the bureaucracy can be intimidating," Shapiro said something

that has changed significantly over the years is the transferability of previously-earned credits.

In the past, college diplomas earned in Ontario, for example, could not be used as credit towards a B.C. university degree.

"That is no longer true for B.C. or Alberta options," he said.

All sorts of possibilities are being looked at, including offering a package of first-year in-person courses if a minimum number of students enroll.

For more information, contact the Salt Spring Island Society for Community Education at 537-0037.

Lecturer weaves Silk Road tale

Islanders can travel with Priscilla Lowry on a fascinating journey when she presents the illustrated lecture called Marco Polo and the Silk Road on Monday night.

Lowry's one-hour presentation will trace journeys made by Marco Polo, his father, uncle and other early

travellers during the 13th century, and describe life along the various silk routes where ancient textiles were discovered in Central Asia.

The talk, which runs at ArtSpring at 7:30 p.m., is illustrated with slides taken from Medieval manuscripts recording Marco Polo's jour-

ney and from photographs taken by Lowry on location as she retraced Marco Polo's journey across China.

Lowry lectures and teaches internationally on all things silk: its history, art, clothing, yarn construction and culture.

She is visiting Salt Spring Island to instruct a special workshop on the spinning and plying of silk for embroidery, knitting and weaving.

The lecture is sponsored by the Salt Spring Island Weavers and Spinners Guild with the gracious financial assistance of the Gulf Islands Community Arts Council.

Garden club event puts out juicy topic

On Wednesday April 28, Thelma Brooks of Saanich will give the Salt Spring Garden Club all the juicy details about growing cane fruits.

Brooks' presentation will outline how to plan, plant and maintain cane fruits, including Logan, Marion, Tay and Raspberries, with an emphasis on sustainable organic gardening practices.

While aimed at a family-sized plot, the information can easily be applied on a larger scale.

Brooks is a life-long gardener with over 40 years' experience in growing cane fruit, commercially and for family use.

She is a well-respected lecturer at the Horticulture Centre of the Pacific. Lately she has realized that perhaps it is time to simplify a little, so she is trying to use some self-discipline when visiting nurseries, especially after seeing other people's gardens.

Brooks encourages anyone with an interest in gardening to produce more of their food, especially cane fruits, which are expensive to buy and have a short shelf life but which are fun and easy to grow.

The garden club meeting is at 7 p.m. at Meaden Hall.

The club requests a donation of \$5 from non-members who wish to attend.

Stress solutions at Brian Grady talk

Salt Spring psychologist Dr. Brian Grady continues his series of free public talks called Effective Living with an All Saints presentation on Tuesday night.

The Stress Response and Solutions is the April 27 topic, which will look at sources of stress and ways to create a buffer against them.

The following Tuesday (May 4), Grady will speak on The Relaxation Response, teaching practical ways to induce the body's own relaxation response.

On May 18 he will present Living With Chronic Illness or Pain, drawing on his 10 years of experience in pain management, working through the 10 steps needed to live effectively even when the body is unwell.

All talks run from 7 to 8 p.m. at All Saints.

Grady said he is offering the talks to introduce himself to the community and to share skills for effective living.

Grady practices in Ganges and Victoria, and can be reached at 653-008; info@briangrady.com.

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Lots to fill in on seniors' calendar

By **KEN MACKENZIE**
Driftwood Contributor

SENIORS SCENE

The Seniors' Centre is ticking along as usual, with the regular weekly events keeping the participants fully engaged.

With a judicious mixture of social activities and a measure of health and welfare services all leading to the overall well-being of its members, the society fulfills a wide range of purposes within its broad mandate.

In addition to the weekly schedule there are monthly talks on a wide range of topics.

Lesley Nuk's talk last month on the ins and outs of bladder control was well-received.

The looks on the faces of many of those listening as she covered many of our concerns in a thoughtful and friendly matter showed how relieved we were to find such things manageable!

April's talk will find the society's events organizer Ken Mackenzie taking full advantage of his powers by scheduling himself to talk on Mahon Hall, Past, Present and Future.

Mackenzie will give a brief review of the hall's history, through its evolution as the heartbeat of the community in Ganges, to the current plans leading to its restoration and renovation, enabling the hall to meet the community's needs for another hundred years.

All are welcome, and refreshments will be served afterwards.

The talk is at April 28 at 2 p.m. at the Seniors Centre, 379 Lower Ganges Road, across from GVM.



TEA PARTY: Sister Waters and Sister Nelson serve up tea at All Saints By-the-Sea as island church members host the annual World Development Tea on Saturday afternoon.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Old-time skills at Ruckle event

A Salt Spring tradition with agricultural roots continues Sunday when Ruckle Park Farm Day gets underway.

"The ploughing match has been going for about 35 years and has had different incarnations in that time," said current organizer Sidney Brannan.

It's a chance for people to watch local horses plough the fields, enjoy the 4-H animal display and the demonstration of traditional skills such as blacksmithing, leather-working and butter making.

"I wanted to show people the old-time skills and see where food comes from and how things work," said Brannan.

Artie Howard mans the butter-churn.

"He's like the butter king," said Brannan. "Nobody knows how to make butter anymore."

Mike Lane will do a sheep-herding demonstration and Howard Horel leads a cross-cut log-sawing contest, which has proven a big draw for determined kids.

"My whole intention around it is to show how things work and perhaps gain an understanding of how hard people worked and an appreciation of what you end up with."

Food from the Lions and 4-H families is also on tap, along with some live music.

The casual day runs from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the park's farm property.

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244 358	CH	Days of Our Lives	CH News		Go! Mag.	70s	70s	Most Outrageous	K Queens/Yes, Dear	Extreme Makeover	Sp'rtPage	CH News				
243 321	CTVBC	Friends	Friends	CTV News at Five	News	eTalk	Access	ComrGas	Idol	The West Wing	Law & Order	News				
241 336	GBLBC	Oprah Winfrey	News	National	News	ET	Train 48	70s	Friends	Gilmore Girls	Blue Murder (SP)	News				
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242 359	CITY	Star Trek: DSN	Maury Povich Show	News			B.Date	5.Wheel	Enterprise	The Bachelor		Movie TV	Star TV	News	Speaker's	
454 523	BRAVO	:3:30Detect	Bravo!	Notes	Sweet 16		Les Bons Débaras	Ordres	Law & Order	NYPD Blue	Lea (1996) Eric Brisebois.	:45 News				
441 506	HIST	JAG		Mob Stories	Place Called War	Turning Points	JAG		King and Empire	Mob Stories	Place Called War					
436 560	TLC	In a Fix		What Not to Wear	Clean Sweep	Trading Spaces	What Not to Wear		A Makeover Story	Trading Spaces	In a Fix					
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28	KSTW	Ryan Seacrest	Frasier	Frasier	K Queens	K Queens	70s	70s	Enterprise	I'm Still Alive	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Becker	Becker		
24	KVOS	Ripley's	St.Smart	Ellen Degeneres	Dating	Elimidate	K Queens	Becker	Ed (1996) Matt LeBlanc.	W&Grace	J.Shoot	Dating	Cheers			
333 382	KCPQ	3rd Rock	J.Shoot	Dharma	Simpsons	King Hill	Simpsons	Friends	Idol	The O.C.	Q-13 News	Star Trek: Voyager				
511 390	NEWS	News: Canada Now	Counterspin	The National/Mag.	Antiques Roadshow	Counterspin	National	Business	Antiques Roadshow	Counterspin						
332 381	KIRO	J. Judy	J. Judy	KIRO News	News	News	ET	Access	60 Minutes II	K Queens/Yes, Dear	48 Hours	News	Lettermn			
331 380	KOMO	Million?	Pyramid	KOMO 4 News	News	News	Fortune	Jeopardy	WifeKids	The Bachelor	Extreme Makeover	News	:35 News			
438 394	VISION	Touched By Angel	Soul Man	SumWine	Noah's Ark	Grandma	Crim.	Mom P.I.	African	Noah's Ark	Grandma	Crim.	Promised Land			

THIS WEEK'S MOVIES

- WEDNESDAY, APR 21**
- 6:00 PM
14 ★★★★★ **Les Bons Débaras Ordres (1980, Drama)** A 13 year-old girl lives with her mother and alcoholic uncle in a small Quebec village. *Charlotte Laurier, Marie Tifo (2h)*
- 7:00 PM
3 ★★ **Steal (2002, Crime Story)** A team of risk-takers pull off bank heists, using different extreme sports as a getaway. *Stephen Dorff, Natasha Henstridge (1h30)*
- 8:00 PM
24 ★ **Ed (1996, Comedy)** A pitcher gets his big break and shares a room with a baseball-playing chimpanzee. *Matt LeBlanc, Jayne Brook (2h)*
- 8:30 PM
3 ★★ **A View From The Top (2003, Comedy)** A small-town woman tries to achieve her goal of becoming a flight attendant. *Gwyneth Paltrow, Mike Myers (1h30)*
- 9:00 PM
19 ★ **8 Heads in a Duffel Bag (1997, Comedy)** A hit man's suitcase full of severed heads is accidentally switched with a student's bag. *Joe Pesci, Andy Comeau (2h)*
- 10:00 PM
14 **Lea (1996, Drama)** A lonely and elderly woman and a young intruder bond after he breaks into her house. *Eric Brisebois, Carmen Tremblay (1h45)*
- 11:30 PM
3 ★★★★★ **Roger Dodger (2002, Comedy/Drama)** After breaking up with his lover, a smooth-talking man takes his nephew out on the town. *Campbell Scott, Jesse Eisenberg (1h45)*
- THURSDAY, APR 22**
- 6:00 PM
14 ★★★★★ **Stone Fox (1987, Western)** Little Willy must win a dog sled race in order to save his grandfather's cattle ranch. *Buddy Ebsen, Joey Cramer (2h)*
- 7:00 PM
3 ★ **The Last Run (2001, Action)** A retired U.S. intelligence officer is lured back into action by his old nemesis. *Armand Assante, Ornella Muti (1h45)*
- 8:00 PM
24 ★★★★★ **Stand By Me (1986, Comedy/Drama)** Four friends set out on an adventure to look for the missing body of a local teenager. *Wil Wheaton, Corey Feldman (2h)*
- 8:45 PM
3 ★★★★★ **Séraphin: Heart of Stone (2002, Drama)** A woman is forced to marry a greedy old man in order to save her father from bankruptcy. *Karine Vanasse, Pierre Lebeau (2h15)*
- 9:00 PM
13 ★★★★★ **Goin' Down the Road (1970, Drama)** Two young drifters from the Canadian Maritimes travel to Toronto to make their fortune. *Doug McGrath, Paul Bradley (2h)*



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330 379	KING	7:00 Today Show	Today Show II	Martha Stewart	Ellen Degeneres	News	Days of Our Lives	Passions	Dr. Phil							
244 358	CH	Gold Trail	BodyHlth	Oprah Winfrey	The Price is Right	Young & Restless	News	Ryan Seacrest	Travel M	Various	BodyHlth	Travel				
243 321	CTVBC	6:30 Canada AM	Regis & Kelly	The View	Balance	Planet	Balance	Bold & B.	Gabereau/Gabereau	General Hospital	Dr. Phil					
241 336	GBLBC	6:00 News	100 Huntley Street	Worldvision	Cross O.	MoneyW.	News	As the World Turns	Passions	Young & Restless						
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454 523	BRAVO	Various	Various	Various	Law & Order	Various	Various	Various	Yo-Yo Ma	Various	Sweet 16	Videos	Various			
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450 520	A&E	Murder She Wrote	City Confidential	American Justice	Various	Various										
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24	KVOS	Wild Things	Various	Paid	The People's Court	Various	MadAbt	FamFeud	Pyramid	ISpy/She Spies	Montel Williams	Cagney & Lacey/ Paid				
333 382	KCPQ	6:00 News	Good Day Live	Sharon Osbourne	Jerry Springer	Maury Povich Show	Starting Over	Jerry Springer	Maury Povich Show							
511 390	NEWS	News	News	News	News	Your Call	News	News	News	News	Politics	News	Business			
332 381	KIRO	The Early Show	Montel Williams	The Price is Right	Young & Restless	News	Bold & B.	As the World Turns	The Guiding Light	J.Brown	Justice					
331 380	KOMO	7:00 Morning Am.	Regis & Kelly	The View	KOMO 4 News	All My Children	One Life to Live	General Hospital	Northwest							
438 394	VISION	It's a New Day	Mass	Various	Jawani	Youngren	LifeToday	Various	Various	Promised Land	Various	African				

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15 ★★ Sharpe's Gold (1994, War)
Sharpe gets caught up in a ruthless gun trade and the search for hidden Aztec gold. Sean Bean, Daragh O'Malley (2h) 7:00 PM
3 ★★ Malibu's Most Wanted (2003, Comedy)
The son of a California gubernatorial candidate sabotages his father's election campaign. Jamie Kennedy, Taye Diggs (1h30) 8:00 PM
11 Kings in Grass Castles (Drama)
The saga of an Irish migrant family who emigrate to Australia during the famine years. (2h)
23 ★★ The Specialist (1994, Action)
A woman hires a former CIA bomb specialist to avenge the deaths of her murdered family. Sylvester Stallone, Sharon Stone (2h)

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19 ★ The Boyfriend School (AKA Don't Tell Her It's Me) (1990, Comedy)
A recovering cancer patient who cannot get back into dating is turned into a dream guy. Steve Guttenberg, Jami Gertz (1h30)
20 ★★ Reservoir Dogs (1992, Drama)
Criminals involved in a jewel heist suspect one of their own is a police informant. Harvey Keitel, Tim Roth (2h30) 10:00 PM
9 ★★ Dark Journey (1937, Romance)
A British secret agent and the head of German Intelligence meet and fall in love. Conrad Veidt, Vivien Leigh (1h30)
14 ★★ My Chauffeur (1985, Drama)
A woman gets a job as a limo driver with a sexist boss who gives her a tough time. Deborah Foreman, Howard Hesseman (1h45)
15 ★★ Sharpe's Gold (1994, War)
Sharpe gets caught up in a ruthless gun trade and the search for hidden Aztec gold. Sean Bean, Daragh O'Malley (2h)
3 ★★ Joy Ride (2001, Thriller)
Two brothers are in danger when the victim of a practical joke is a homicidal trucker. Paul Walker, Steve Zahn (1h45) 10:30 PM
19 ★★ The Naked Gun (1988, Comedy)
A wacky police officer attempts to stop the assassination of the British Queen in the U.S. Leslie Nielsen, George Kennedy (1h30) 11:30 PM
2 ★★ Guinevere (1999, Romance)
A woman submits to the intellectual and romantic tutelage of a much older photographer. Stephen Rea, Sarah Polley (2h5) 11:45 PM
3 ★★ Red Dragon (2002, Thriller)
An FBI agent seeks help from his arch-nemesis, Hannibal Lecter, in order to stop a killer. Sir Anthony Hopkins, Edward Norton (2h15)

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SATURDAY, APR 24
6:00 PM
15 ★★ Hamburger Hill (1987, War)
Members of an American Airborne Division fight the North Vietnamese over worthless land. Anthony Barille, Michael Boatman (2h30) 7:00 PM
2 To Be Announced (2h)
3 ★★ Owing Mahowny (2003, Crime Story)
A bank manager with a gambling problem gets into trouble when he accesses an account. Phillip Seymour Hoffman, Minnie Driver (2h) 8:00 PM
5 13 ★★ Space Cowboys (2000, Sci-Fi)
One-time hotshot pilots are recruited by NASA to repair a damaged Russian satellite. Clint Eastwood, Tommy Lee Jones (2h)
24 ★★ That Championship Season (1999, Drama)
A high school basketball reunion crumbles the foundation of the players' very lives. Vincent D'Onofrio, Terry Kinney (2h30)
23 ★★ Almost Famous (2000, Drama)
A high school boy is given the chance to write a story about an up-and-coming rock band. Billy Crudup, Kate Hudson (3h) 9:00 PM
2 To Be Announced (2h)
3 ★★ The Italian Job (2003, Action)
Thieves plan the heist of their lives by creating the largest traffic jam in L.A. history. Mark Wahlberg, Charlize Theron (2h)
7 Verdict in Blood (2001, Drama)
The murder of a judge on the eve of her retirement casts suspicion on a group of ex-cons. Wendy Crewson, Robert Davi (2h)
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19 ★★ Dangerous Minds (1995, Drama)
A teacher challenges the underestimated potential of a group of inner city students. Michelle Pfeiffer, George Dzundza (1h40) 10:00 PM
14 ★★ Britannia Hospital (1982, Comedy)
An English hospital prepares for a visit by the Queen Mother and everything goes wrong. Leonard Rossiter, Graham Crowden (2h) 10:55 PM
19 ★★ School Ties (1992, Drama)
When a Jewish student attends an exclusive school, he is victimized because of his faith. Brendan Fraser, Matt Damon (1h45) 11:00 PM
3 ★★ Abandon (2002, Thriller)
A student under pressure struggles to understand her boyfriend's strange disappearance. Katie Holmes, Benjamin Bratt (1h50)



PIPERS: Rod MacDonald and John Williamson are among a group of bagpipers serenading bank-goers outside of Island Savings last Saturday. The music was part of Tartan Day at the Salt Spring credit union.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Positive steps for SSIMF

Recent weeks have been encouraging to me on three fronts.

One, you good folk of Salt Spring Island are continuing to increase the amount of \$\$ in circulation. There is a steady progression each week as more islanders enter into harmony with the movement to create a large pool of community capital to apply to pressing local needs.

As a community we need to spend far more \$\$ at home than we are now to create and control an effective island-based resource of wealth and revenue. Yet, I am experiencing the will to do so is slowing infusing island life.

Two, what growing numbers of Salt Spring residents are doing is noticed far and wide. As national

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and regional public budgets shrink, more communities are looking within themselves to address issues of local well-being. And they are looking at Salt Spring Dollars as a model that might be utilized in their own homes.

Two weeks ago, the Salt Spring Island Monetary Foundation entertained visitors from Washington State and Ontario, who examined the structure and function of Salt Spring Dollars. Both groups spent several days recreating as well as researching.

While the visitors discussed the issuing and administration of our local currency with the SSIMF, I had the pleasure

of introducing them to local merchants and others who use and support \$\$ in the marketplace. As is often the case in such exchanges, the outsiders brought a fresh vision to what is happening in our community and suggested some worthwhile ideas we might consider about how \$\$ can be used to further community resourcefulness.

Three, the Affordable Housing Fund of Martha's Vineyard in Massachusetts sent a cheque as a donation to the SSIMF while requesting "any and all information that may help us understand your system."

They are contemplating starting something similar on their island.

Finally, the SSIMF has accepted an invitation to make a presentation to a global conference — Local Currencies in the 21st Century — to be held in New York State in June. The world is watching. Let's show the world what a proud little island can do.

Workplace workshop Tuesday

Workers' obligations and responsibilities is the topic of a free Community Economic Development (CED) Project workshop on Tuesday, April 27.

Tami Wilson of the Employment Standards Branch will make the presentation at Lions Hall from 5-7 p.m.

Workers wanting to know how to resolve workplace problems, and employers who receive a request from an employee will benefit from the workshop.

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Burke carries off SSI Idol title

By ANDREA RABINOVITCH
Driftwood Contributor

Is it the water or the winters? The Salt Spring Idol finals last Friday astounded the packed crowd with talent, originality and moxy rarely seen in young musicians.

The nine finalists, picked from 34 acts judged by Donnie McDougall, Dawn Hage and Suzanne Little during the week, delivered in spades.

With rock, country and jazz groups, soloists and duets to choose from, the judges gave the prize to Stacy Burke.

A recording date at Randy Bachman's studio, Living Water Media Services reproducing 50 CDs, and Barnyard Grafix printing the booklet and jay card will ensure a professional calling card.

The 24-year-old country singer, who sang a Jewel song and Joplin's Mercedes Benz a capella, is actively seeking a career, and winning saves her a whole lot of trouble and expense.

All the other finalists received items from B Side Clothing, Radio Shack, Acoustic Planet, Island Star Video, Long and McQuade, Mouat's and Island Escapades at Thursday's



IN THE FINALS: Stacy Burke, above, may have won the Salt Spring Idol competition last weekend, but she was given lots of competition by other finalists, including Lindsay Bryan, above left, and band members, from left, Greyston Stefancsik, Alex Gay, Denham Trollip and Stormey Hickman.

Photos by Derrick Lundy

competition.

The Young Jazz Players master a difficult genre with the expertise of players far older, but with the exuberance of youth.

A deadly combination, somebody please sign them and send them out touring the jazz festivals of Canada before they finish high school and head to the Berklee School of Music, the elite jazz school in Boston. While you're at it, find them a record deal.

When Master of Ceremonies Jan Rabson introduced the duet of Marlies Iredale (piano) and Zoe Guigueno (stand-up bass) as Bell Jar, their healthy Salt Spring glow belied the angsty name.

Hugely creative with original music that crossed the boundaries of folk, pop, rock and jazz, I kept on seeing

a full symphony orchestra behind them, fabulous outfits and great sound packaging the two into what they should become.

Several singer/songwriters of the self-confession variety impressed with their ability to write, play an instrument and sing.

Lindsay Bryan displayed more self-confidence than most adults. Her two songs were sophisticated lyrically and her vulnerability was translated through the emotional content of her voice.

Drummer Denham Trollip could ferry over to Vancouver and pick up rock gigs tomorrow if he wasn't finishing high school.

Voted best instrumentalist, he played in Abandon Chaos, who definitely win for "most stylish act." The in-the-pocket rhythm section of Alex Gay and Trollip, the

blistering guitar playing of Greyston Stefancsik and the ripped fishnet drone of lead singer Stormey Hickman, entertained both auditorily and visually.

The angelic Jennifer Walls belted out At Last, an Etta James classic. With that look and the potential of that voice, keep an eye out for the recently turned 14 year old.

While waiting for the judges to decide, Rabson, an actor who performs voices for cartoons and commercials, entertained with his characters, invited the audience up to tell jokes, and turned ArtSpring into a Salt Spring living room.

Paul Gravett, the ArtSpring staff and volunteers are to be commended for organizing such a huge event that allows youth to shine and citizens to celebrate their achievement.

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IDOL: Island musician Tal Bachman takes the ArtSpring stage Saturday night as he and Tom Hooper play alongside Salt Spring Idol winner Stacy Burke in a special concert.

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Local wins esteemed French music prize

Salt Spring musician Christian Paul Tatonetti topped a provincial talent competition over the weekend, and is heading to a western Canadian event in June.

Tatonetti finished first in the "interpreter" category of Le Gala provincial de la Chanson, a French language musical festival held last week in Vancouver.

He will vie for recognition with his counterparts from Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba in the inter-provincial gala called Le Chant'Ouest.

Tatonetti will also be featured, along with oth-

ers from B.C., on a Radio-Canada program called Les Meilleurs Moment du Gala, on Saturday, April 24.

Tatonetti was pleased to work with Joelle Rabu as art director, and David Sinclair, guitarist for Sarah McLachlan, among others.

He played and sang three songs, two with a band and a third on his own.

The event was put on by Le conseil culturel et artistique de Columbie-Britannique.

Tatonetti has already released one CD of original piano compositions and is working on a second.

Innovative poet set to take stage this Saturday

A man described as "one of Canada's most interesting and innovative contemporary poets" reads at All Saints on Saturday night.

Jay Ruzesky, who currently teaches at Malaspina University College, is the author of five books of poetry: Blue Himalayan Poppies, Am I Glad to See You, Painting the Yellow House Blue, Writing on the Wall and What Was Left of James Dean.

The reading, sponsored by Theatre Alive! and the Canada Council for Arts, starts at 8 p.m.

According to press material, Ruzesky has earned high praise for his work.

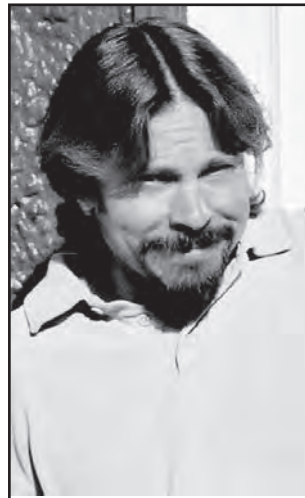
"The free verse here is controlled and aches at times with its experience, with what it knows," writes reviewer Matt Robinson of Blue Himalayan Poppies. "It is, to borrow from the poet himself, a poetry that 'speaks with a gravel voice the river/has rolled over.'"

"Textured, yet subtly so, Ruzesky's collection flows along steadily, embracing the reader almost imperceptibly and pulling them gently forward, backward, and around."

Ruzesky is on the editorial board of the Malahat Review and is working on a novel, a play and a manuscript of poems.

He has lived in several Canadian cities between Victoria and Thunder Bay, and now resides in Victoria with his partner Lucy Bashford and his daughter Hana.

Admission to the April 24 reading is free, with donations gratefully accepted to offset costs.



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My father Ray was a thoughtful and creative islander who was active in local and worldly issues. He was a pacifist, an atheist and an amazingly gifted musician.

He loved playing the "vibes" — a lifesize version of a xylophone, piano and particularly his tenor and alto saxes.

Many Salt Springers enjoyed making music with him, and many of them will be on hand at Moby's on Sunday, April 25th, at 8 p.m. for Ray Newman Night.

The annual fundraiser for the music programs at SIMS and GISS will host veterans and alumni of jazz and Newman shows, and will also feature young players from each of the schools. YJP are and were students going through the years of inspiring teachers Bruce Creswick, Mitch Howard and Bruce Smith. They will be there for their third year of support, and the new group called Major 7, from the middle school, will make their first appearance at this event.

Members of the community band Swing Shift will play under the directorship of Monik Nordine.

Family antics will offer reflection to those with shared memories of Ray, and will be an initiation to newcomers.

With many thanks ahead of time to Moby's, all the musicians and you supporters, the Ray Newman Fund will continue to offer financial aid to supplement music in the schools.



FIDDLER ON THE STAGE: Actors in Fiddler on the Roof take to the ArtSpring stage in front of a display poster as they help demonstrate happenings at the island theatre, which was holding an open house Saturday afternoon.

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When the Second World War broke out the farmers vacated their homes and left to join shipyard workers. The farmers left Mahon Hall with a slipped disk for debtors.

On April 25 a special meeting was held to discuss selling the hall to the United School Board, which had earlier purchased the neighbouring property and built a central school.

Farmers who wished to join the agricultural association had to first attend a certain number of meetings before having the right to vote and the privilege of being recognized as a member.

When a special meeting was held on April 25, 1940, 140 people turned out. There were 43 members of the association present and they were outvoted. Mahon Hall was to be sold to the School Board, following the proposal of Gavin Mouat.

Minutes of a further meeting held May 16, 1940, state that the motion to sell the hall for \$700 was defeated.

Whereabouts of the records after the May 16 meeting are not known.

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Understanding all Fiddler layers makes Jacobson an ideal director

By PATSY SIEMENS
Driftwood Contributor

So you are going to stage a huge, expensive show that has to be as good as any Broadway production. What is the key ingredient?

It's a director able to ride herd on many different personalities with varying degrees of expertise and temperament, who can work with the directors of music and choreography.

Well, we have the show and we have the director. Fiddler on the Roof, directed by Rachel Jacobson.

Although born in Jerusalem, Rachel grew up in Toronto and was greatly influenced by her gregarious, talented father who gave her a love of music and clowning. At 16 Rachel went to the Banff School of Fine Arts.

Her professional debut was in the Toronto production of Hair. As Rachel says: "Ah, those were the days."

Moving to B.C. at 21, Rachel worked as a music therapist while keeping contact with her first passion, theatre.

Eventually she became fed up with people and the

FIDDLER FANCY

school system and became a dog trainer.

In 1991 she moved to Salt Spring Island and met Lynda Jensen in an adult tap dance class.

They worked together in A Taste of Rain, written by Lynda Jensen and Sandi Johnson. Rachel and Lynda teamed again in productions of Scrooge and Cemetery Club.

At this point our interview was interrupted because Rachel was called to rehearsal, and what a rehearsal! I saw happy people doing their parts well. Teyve may have ad-libbed a bit, but Sid Filkow was Teyve through and through.

In fact, all the characters in Fiddler on the Roof ring true — maybe because they really believe in what they are doing.

Aside from the wonderful singing and dancing, the humour and a charming love story, there is an underlying poignancy in Fiddler — the struggle to preserve

traditions and a way of life in the face of horrendous change.

It is a complete comprehension of all the layers of Fiddler on the Roof that makes Rachel Jacobson the ideal director for this show. But I really think it is her wacky sense of humour that i making all the show prep arations go so well.

For example, we get e-mails that start with little gems like "What's the difference between a Jewish pessimist, and a Jewish optimist? A Jewish pessimist says that things can't get any worse. A Jewish optimist says, yes, they can."

Now the Fiddler rehearsals are becoming more frequent, cast is "off book" — no longer needing their scripts; and the excitement is building as opening night is not that far away.

Nearly 100 people are working hard to make Fiddler on the Roof not just well worth seeing, but a theatre event. Be sure you set aside at least one evening of the last three Thursdays, Fridays and Saturday in May for Fiddler On the Roof. L'chaim.

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SUNDAY, APR 25 6:00 PM
3 **** Whale Rider (2002, Drama) A young girl tries to claim her right as the head of her patriarchal tribe. Keisha Castle-hughes, Rawiri Paratene (2h)
14 *** Summer of Sam (1999, Crime Story) Paranoid tension in an Italian Brooklyn neighbourhood escalates during the summer of 1977. John Leguizamo, Adrien Brody (2h30)
15 ** Talk Radio (1988, Drama) A talk-show host discovers that his show is about to be picked up by a radio network. Eric Bogosian, Alec Baldwin (2h30)
23 ** Best Men (1997, Comedy) A groom is delayed on the way to his wedding when his best man decides to rob a bank. Dean Cain, Andy Dick (2h) 8:00 PM
23 ** Star Trek: The Motion Picture (1979, Sci-Fi) The crew of the Enterprise is reunited to combat a mysterious but lethal force field. William Shatner, Leonard Nimoy (2h30)
24 **** The Untouchables (1987, Action) Federal agent Elliot Ness forms a fearless foursome to take on crime boss Al Capone. Kevin Costner, Sean Connery (2h30) 8:30 PM
14 *** Carlito's Way (1993, Crime Story) A former convict wants to go straight, but he encounters many obstacles along the way. Al Pacino, Sean Penn (2h30) 9:00 PM
4 ** Double Jeopardy (1999, Suspense) A parole officer has his hands full when an ex-con seeks revenge on those who set her up. Tommy Lee Jones, Ashley Judd (2h)
13 ** America's Sweethearts (2001, Romance) A feuding Hollywood couple are brought together during a press junket for a major film. Julia Roberts, John Cusack (2h)
15 ** Talk Radio (1988, Drama) A talk-show host discovers that his show is about to be picked up by a radio network. Eric Bogosian, Alec Baldwin (2h30)
19 ** Aspen Extreme (1993, Drama) Two friends from Detroit leave for the Colorado Rockies to become ski instructors. Paul Gross, Peter Berg (2h)
27 Plainsong (2004) The emotional growth and changes that occur over a year's time in the lives of 8 people. Aidan Quinn, Rachel Griffiths (2h) 10:00 PM
3 ** Bulletproof Monk (2003, Action) A Tibetan monk becomes a mentor to a street kid, whom he can teach to protect a scroll. Yun-Fat Chow, Sean William Scott (1h45) 11:00 PM
14 *** Frogs for Snakes (1998, Suspense) A hit-woman takes one last job to get out from under her mobster ex-husband's grasp. Barbara Hershey, Robbie Coltrane (2h) 11:15 PM
19 ** Airplane II: The Sequel (1982, Comedy) The first lunar passage shuttle is deflected off course and is heading into the sun. Robert Hayes, Julie Hagerty (1h30) 11:45 PM
3 * No Such Thing (2001, Thriller) A young journalist travels to Iceland where she encounters a murderous monster. Sarah Polley, Robert John Burke (1h45)

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MONDAY, APR 26 7:00 PM
3 ** The Bourne Identity (2002, Mystery) An amnesiac tries to piece together his past, while racing to elude his assassins. Matt Damon, Franka Potente (2h) 8:00 PM
13 23 **** The Sixth Sense (1999, Thriller) A psychologist tries to help a young boy who is haunted by ghosts that want his help. Bruce Willis, Haley Joel Osment (3h)
24 **** Gideon (1999, Comedy/Drama) A simple-minded man changes the lives of residents in a retirement home. Christopher Lambert, Shelley Winters (2h) 9:00 PM
19 *** Marvin's Room (1996, Drama) Two estranged sisters are forced back together when one is diagnosed with leukemia. Meryl Streep, Diane Keaton (1h40) 10:00 PM
3 ** Hollywood Homicide (2003, Action) Two detectives with different career aspirations investigate the murder of a rap group. Harrison Ford, Josh Hartnett (2h)
TUESDAY, APR 27 6:00 PM
14 ** Abba (1979, Docu-Drama) A rookie DJ is sent on his first assignment to follow ABBA on the road. Robert Hughes, Anni-Frid Lyngstad (2h) 6:15 PM
3 ** A Mighty Wind (2003, Docu-Drama) 1960s folk music acts reunite to pay tribute to a recently deceased concert promoter. Christopher Guest, Eugene Levy (1h45) 8:00 PM
24 ** The Specials (2000, Comedy) A group of almost superheroes compete for their place in the world of comic books. Rob Lowe, Jamie Kennedy (2h) 9:00 PM
4 ** Kitchen Party (1997, Comedy) While his parents are in the next room, a teen attempts to confine a party to the kitchen. Scott Speedman, Tygh Runyan (2h)
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 Harrelson, Antonio Banderas (2h30)
19 *** The Distinguished Gentleman (1992, Comedy) A con artist gets himself elected into Congress using a dead congressman's name. Eddie Murphy, Sheryl Lee Ralph (1h30)
29 * Derby (1996, Drama) When a woman's father falls ill, she returns home and reunites with her childhood love. David Charvet, Joanne Vanolicola (2h) 10:00 PM
3 ** K-19: The Widowmaker (2002, Thriller) A Soviet submarine suffers a malfunction in its nuclear reactor during its maiden voyage. Harrison Ford, Liam Neeson (2h30) 11:30 PM
2 **** Brazil (1985, Sci-Fi) A statistician tries to survive in a bleak future society as he holds on to his ideals. Jonathan Pryce, Robert De Niro (2h30)

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Presentations Planning Fire Smart in Your Community. B.C. forest protection service presentation. GISS multi-purpose room, 7 p.m.	Theatre Jungle Book. Stagecoach Theatre production. ArtSpring, 7 p.m.	Presentations Green Law. Anise, 9 p.m.	Presentations Sara & Kamila. Tree House South, 8:30 p.m.	Presentations Ray Newman Night. Annual school music fundraiser. Sunday Dinner Jazz at Moby's, 8 p.m.	Meetings Lady Minto Hospital Auxiliary. Guest speakers Darlene Steele and Dr. Georges Benloulou. Lions Hall, 1:30 p.m.	Meetings The Stress Response & Solutions. Free talk by Dr. Brian Grady. Lions Hall, 7 - 8 p.m.
Children Growing in Fertile Soil. Virtues Project presentation with Gail Bryn-Jones. 7-9 p.m. Register at 537-9130.	Presentations Burt's Bees Seminar. Old Salty, noon - 1 p.m. 537-5551.	Theatre Jungle Book. Stagecoach Theatre production. ArtSpring, 7 p.m.	Theatre Evelyn Perry. Anise, 9 p.m.	Presentations Stroke Recovery Association. Information meeting. Craft-onbrook meeting room, 1 p.m.	Retired Teachers Gathering. Informal meeting at SS Elementary community room, 3 p.m.	Meetings SS Genealogy Group. Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 7 p.m.
Meetings SSI Golf & Country Club. AGM at the clubhouse, 7:30 p.m.	Meetings Affordable Housing. For people impacted by SS housing issues, including vacation rentals. United Church, 2-4 p.m.	Presentations Water Catchment Systems. SSI Conservancy event with Bob Burgess. Lions Hall, 7 p.m.	Presentations Kay & David Kos. Talk on Vietnam and Laos at CFUW meeting. SS United Church, 10 a.m.	Activities Writers' Day. With guest speaker Tom Koppel. SS Public Library, 2-4 p.m.	Fulford Harbour Waterworks District. AGM at Fulford Hall, 7 p.m.	Classes/Workshops SS Fire Protection District. AGM at Ganges fire hall, 8 p.m.
	SS Weavers & Spinners Guild. ArtSpring, 10:30-noon.	Classes/Workshops Feldenkrais Awareness Through Movement. Cats Pajamas Studio, 10 a.m.	Activities Jay Ruzesky. Rising star poet reads at All Saints, 8 p.m.	Activities Mahon Hall Day. Help spruce up the outdoors. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.	Toastmasters Public Speaking. Seniors Centre, 7 p.m. Info: Chuck, 653-2015.	Employment Standards. Free CED Workshop. Lions Hall, 5 - 7 p.m. Pre-register: 537-4219.
	Central Community Hall. AGM at the hall, 2 p.m.	Activities Sustainability Expo - Greenman's Day. Celebrate a man of the Earth. Info: 653-0012.	Activities Sustainability Expo. Booths, presentations, discussions. Mahon Hall, 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.	Activities Sustainability Expo. Booths, presentations, discussions, dinner. Mahon Hall, 10:30 a.m. - 9 p.m.	Blood Pressure Clinic. Free at SS Seniors, 10 a.m. - noon.	Activities Fire Trustee Elections. Ganges fire hall, 9 a.m. - 7 p.m.
	SIMS PAC. John Millerd speaks on skatepark design at SIMS, 7 p.m.	Community Soup. Free shared lunch in Centennial Park.	Water Catchment Systems. SSI Conservancy on-site walk with Bob Burgess. Register: 538-0318.	Activities Ruckle Farm Day. Ploughing demo, 4-H animal display, blacksmithing, music, food. Ruckle Park, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.	AIDS Film Nights. SOLID office, 5-B Creekside, 6:30 p.m.	Family/Youth Drama for Preschoolers. Fables Cottage, 11:30 a.m. Pre-register: 537-0028.
	Beddis Waterworks District. AGM at SS United Church, 7 p.m.	Family/Youth Rugg Huggers. Baby-parent group meets at Family Place, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.	SS Garden Club Plant Sale. Farmers Institute, 1 p.m.	Newcomers Walk. Meet at Centennial Park buoy, 11 a.m. Dogs welcome. Info: Lorraine, 537-8557.	Being Present Now. Salt Spring Centre yurt, 7:30-9.	
	SS Library Association. AGM at GISS, 7 p.m.		Spring Dance. Silent auction, variety show, DJ dance with Tom Hooper. Lions Hall, 6:30 - 10 p.m. SS Centre School fundraiser.		Men's Pick-up Basketball. GISS gym, 8-10 p.m. Info: Chris, 538-5534.	

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Exhibitions
Continuum art show of 200-plus works in all media, celebrates Salt Spring creativity, past and present and ArtSpring's fifth anniversary. Vote for people's choice award. It runs at ArtSpring daily through Friday, April 30.
J. Mitchell Gallery holds its first spring show in expanded space at Grace Point, through May 20.
Karen Reiss shows ceramic wall pieces at Moby's through the end of April.
Susan Haigh is the featured artist at Island Savings.

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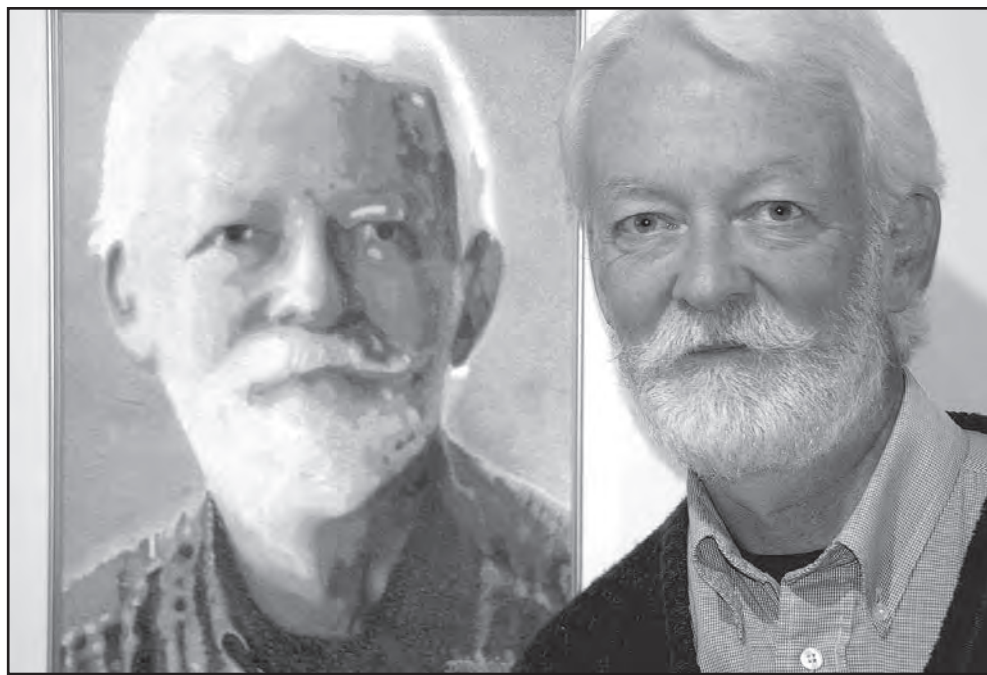
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MIRROR IMAGE: Salt Spring artist Don Hodgins stands beside a self-portrait, one of the many pieces of art on display at Continuum, an exhibit at ArtSpring, which runs until April 30.

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Adrien Town memorial set

By APRIL CURTIS
Special to the Driftwood

"Painting is the silent visual music of the soul," said well-known Salt Spring artist Adrien Town, who passed away peacefully late Friday afternoon, April 16.

Many friends and family supported her during a short hospitalization at Lady Minto and were saddened and surprised by her rapid departure.

During her many years as a resident of the island, she was seen regularly at the Saturday Market, the Swartz Bay Ferry Market, ArtCraft and Waterfront Gallery.

She illustrated books and posters, had numerous gallery showings, performed in theatre and mime productions, as well as singing and accompanying herself on guitar and writing poetry.

A past president of the Salt Spring Island Painters Guild, Adrien was described as a Canadian Impressionist. She gave many workshops for artists of all ages, specializing in teaching cartooning to children.

Her wide range of artistic and technical expertise was seen in portraiture, watercolours, acrylics and oils.

A selection of her paintings was featured in Domtar's 1991 calendar called Tribute to North American Artists.

Adrien was born in Alberta and began her art studies in Toronto at the Three Schools of Art, continuing her study at the Federation of Canadian

Artists in Vancouver with a scholarship. She was a protégé of the late great Allan Edwards and continued to be dedicated to her art all of her life.

Created in her studios on Salt Spring Island, Adrien's paintings hang in private and public collections across Canada and around the world.

The joy and love Adrien felt for painting emerges from her work. Her powerful sense of light and motion expressed the inner life of her subjects.

Her painterly technique, combined with a skilled knowledge of people, ani-

mals and the beautiful West Coast landscape allowed the artist within her to create paintings that were not only structurally correct but also wove a sense of mystery and a celebration of life on canvas.

A tribute and celebration of Adrien's life is planned for Sunday, May 2, starting at 4 p.m. in Mahon Hall.

Friends are encouraged to bring originals, special photos and memories to display for the occasion.

A potluck and open stage will follow to honour this legendary member of our island community.

Visually scrumptious — Kill Bill: Volume 1 thrills

Quentin Tarantino's latest film is actually only the first half of what was originally supposed to be a three-plus-hour endurance test.

Kill Bill: Volume One clocks in at barely 90 minutes, but is nevertheless a totally exhausting experience. Technically, it is nothing more than a revenge story: an assassin known only to us as "The Bride" (Uma Thurman) hunts down a group of former allies who four years ago had shot her and killed her fiancé and unborn child.

Tarantino became famous in the early 1990s for Reservoir Dogs and Pulp Fiction, gangster films filled with twisted plots, hip dialogue and old actors made new again. At one point he was touted as the next big thing, but one gets the impression these days that he is more about simple entertainment than anything so esoteric as "art."

Which is not to say that Kill Bill suffers from a lack

of craftsmanship. If anyone knows how to make a movie (as opposed to a film), it is Tarantino. Volume One is essentially an homage to the kinds of movies he used to love as a kid: full of action, blood and frenetic camerawork. There are more hacked off limbs on screen here than you can swing a katana at, resulting in ridiculously over the top arterial sprays.

It's the kind of thing where our heroine can walk into an enemy hangout and wipe out nearly hundreds of enemy henchlings in a manner of minutes, where a flashback is told in stunning Japanese

animation, or where a vicious knife fight is interrupted by not only a combatant's four-year-old child but a coffee break as well.

Yes, that's right. Volume One is a mess in more ways than, um, one. But it is funny, thrilling, visceral and visually scrumptious. Uma Thurman does wonders with an extremely limiting role, particularly when you realize that much of the actual story will come in Volume Two.

Said second half arrives in theatres within a matter of weeks, when we'll find out if "The Bride" succeeds in knocking off three more bad guys and their legions of underlings.

I'm guessing she'll end up victorious, but with Tarantino you never know. He's never been a big fan of the happy ending, so why should he start now?

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Priscilla Lowry, MA
Monday, April 26 at 7:30 pm
ArtSpring

The Silk Roads were the trading routes that brought silk from China to Byzantium and the Islamic world, to Ottoman Turkey and India, and to Medieval Europe. Thanks to the written account left by Marco Polo, we are familiar with the fabulous adventure of his father and uncle, the first European merchants to explore China. He himself accompanied them on their second expedition, which lasted sixteen years.

Ms. Lowry retraced Marco Polo's footsteps in China and illustrates her lecture with slides taken on location as well as of the marvelous textiles found in Central Asia.

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TUNED-UP CHAMPIONS: Members of the Salt Spring Concert Band practise their craft for Island Savings manager Glen Barlow (second from left at top). The credit union is once again sponsoring the band's spring concert called Champions, a Celebration of Musical Heroes. It runs April 30 at ArtSpring and May 1 at Beaver Point Hall.

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Tom Koppel will talk about his twenty years as a full-time, free lance writer

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Salt Spring Public Library
Sunday, April 25, 2004 2-4 p.m.

Freelancer shares writing wits, wiles at library event

By **MITCHELL SHERRIN**
Staff Writer

Would-be journalists and literary enthusiasts can glean treasures during a free talk by local writer Tom Koppel at the Salt Spring Public Library on Sunday.

"What I've been doing is very satisfying to me and you can make a living out of it. But it's not easy," Koppel said.

As part of a celebration for International Writer's Day, he will share stories about his survival as a full-time freelance writer over the past 20 years.

"My first few magazine stories, I'd be talking to an editor on Bay Street from a phone booth on Pender Island," he laughed.

"I plugged my electric typewriter into my truck."

Koppel lived without power, phones or running water for 10 years after he moved to the Gulf Islands and began writing, he said.

"You could either have a well, power line and no cabin or — a cabin and no well or power line," he said.

Previously, the New York transplant earned a Ph.D. in Russian and German studies from the University of Wisconsin and taught for two years at different educational facilities.

"I love this area, so the geography of this region has been a pretty big element of my work."

But subsisting on magazine writing meant he "barely squeaked by" on the Gulf Islands.

"I could never have supported a family or had kids."



Tom Koppel

Along with the challenges of getting published, his articles are research intensive and magazines keep disappearing from the market, he said.

A shift to writing books over the last decade has provided greater security and more time for research. He's written *Kanaka* (1995), *Powering the Future* (1999) and *Lost World* (June, 2003).

"Books were a better life for me. They offered more money and a better living," he said. "They're a big project you can sink your teeth into for a year or more."

His most recent book, *Lost World: Rewriting Prehistory — How New Science Is Tracing America's Ice Age Mariners*, gives an intimate look at a cutting-edge theory on how humans first migrated to North America.

"It's just happening now. It's not common knowledge."

Throughout the 1990s, Koppel tagged along on archaeological digs and

marine geographic surveys as scientists developed novel ideas about how people might have travelled along the glaciated shoreline over 10,000 years ago.

"People really get talking to you when you camp with them for a week," he said. "It's not like the usual structured journalistic situation."

Consequently, his book doesn't just describe the science involved, it gives a first-hand look at the excitement and disappointments of day-to-day discoveries.

"It really was at least as much frustration as success. I think that's typical of science."

But Koppel is not strictly a science writer, he said.

"I'm very much a generalist. It's more interesting," said Koppel. "One story leads to another and you meet great people. And you have this privileged access. People let you in through the back door. Do poets and novelists get that access?"

He interviewed Geoffrey Ballard on several occasions for his second book, *Powering the Future: The Ballard Fuel Cell and the Race to Change the World*.

"Because [Ballard] was on Salt Spring, I was able to go back again and again and he was able to open up."

Koppel noted that the work became political "in the worst corporate way" as Ballard and the company he had since left took different sides over the project.

"Eventually the book became a problem. The Ballard company didn't want it written."

But Koppel was able to convince the publisher to go ahead with the plan and it was named one of the 10 best business books of 1999 by Amazon.com.

Koppel's first book, *Kanaka: The Untold Story of Hawaiian Pioneers in British Columbia and the Pacific Northwest*, takes a historical look at the Gulf Islands region.

"There were hundreds of Hawaiians on the Northwest coast before it was even Canada. Salt Spring was the biggest settlement."

It took him years to write his first book since he needed to work on it between magazine articles.

He was thankful to receive a multiculturalism grant for *Kanaka* and a B.C. Arts Council grant for *Lost World*.

"Grants allowed me to quit the magazine writing long enough to work on the book."

Freelance writing meant that he had to "crank it out" on a pretty regular basis.

"I'm the only Victoria-area writer who's lived exclusively on magazine writing for more than 10 years."

But a published author still takes lumps from the publishers.

"I still get rejection letters, lots of rejection letters."

The informal, meet-the-writers library event runs from 2-4 p.m. More than 100 published writers now live on Salt Spring and all have been invited to the Sunday gathering.

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MUSIC MEN: From left, Ole Backhaus on trumpet, Tim Hearsey on trombone and Brian Tetlow on bass make up part of the Hearsey Backhaus Quartet, which played Moby's Pub last weekend.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

SIMS band grabs limelight again

Middle school musicians keep carting home the accolades.

On April 15 the Salt Spring Island Middle School (SIMS) jazz band earned a Superior rating from both adjudicators at the West Coast Jazz Festival in Nanaimo.

"The kids were ecstatic," said teacher Mitch Howard.

In recognition of his "amazing work," drummer Luke Giefing was selected to receive a scholarship to Sea Jazz Summer Workshop in Qualicum.

Giefing also plays trumpet

and percussion in the SIMS concert band, and percussion for the Salt Spring Concert Band.

Adjudicators Brian Lillo and Ross Taggart gave the group of 11-13-year-old performers glowing reports on its maturity, soloists and orchestral sound.

Last month the SIMS concert band earned a Superior-minus — also "gold" — rating at a National Standard of Performance competition held in Port Alberni.

"Although it was a first for the concert band to even

attend a regional MusicFest festival, this is the first time in SIMS history that both concert band and jazz band will receive an invitation to national MusicFest finals in the same year," said Howard.

Following the jazz festival, 24 SIMS band students attended Bandtastics 2004, an all-weekend band retreat at Dunsmuir Middle School in Colwood.

Guest conductors were SIMS' Howard, Adrian Falcon from 100 Mile House and Karen Snowsell from Victoria.

Idol contest tops charts in 'tough choice' event

Salt Spring's inaugural "Idol" contest has been declared an unquestionable hit.

ArtSpring's executive director Paul Gravett said the whole weeklong event "was a great experience" and far exceeded expectations.

"The kids really rose to the occasion. My feeling was that they were really 'in the zone.' They really put out and gave great performances, and the cheering from the audience was fabulous."

Gravett said adjudicators Donnie McDougall, Suzanne Little and Dawn Hage had an

incredibly tough decision.

"Certainly the jury clearly knew it was going to be tough. By the end of the first day you knew it was going to be hard and there wasn't going to be a clear winner."

Vocalist Stacy Burke earned the SSIdol title from a field of nine finalists.

A Musician's Roundtable held with music industry experts Saturday was also great, said Gravett, with about 30 people attending the quality presentation.

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Remarkable Newfoundland sisters performing in Fulford

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Sara & Kamila, singers/songwriters from Newfoundland, are touring Canada this year in support of their recent second CD release, *Chasing Fireflies*.

They will be visiting Salt Spring on April 24. The show begins at 8:30 p.m.

The life experiences of the two sisters have impacted their songwriting.

"Social, environmental and emotional issues inspire their songs. Their melodies have jazz, blues and pop elements melding with more traditional folk. Spine-tingling harmonies, vivid lyrical imagery and open emotional honesty are main elements of their music," notes a press release.

The beautiful songwriting and remarkable harmonies of sisters Sara and Kamila Nasr are backed up by the sultry sax of Terry Stone and



ON TAP: Sisters Sara and Kamila Nasr are Salt Spring bound and ready to play at Tree House South this Saturday evening.

the rhythmic bass of Ryan Marshall.

Sara & Kamila also play guitar, mandolin, flute and theremin (an electronic instrument that uses capacitance to produce amazing sounds) and Celtic harp.

They have appeared at the Winnipeg Folk Festival, Blue Skies Festival, Trout Forest Music Festival and as opening act for Juno-award winner David Francey at the Arts and Culture Centre in St. John's in March 2003.

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the door or in advance at the Tree House South in Fulford and the Tree House Café in Ganges.

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Woodward's Model A the 'classic working man's truck'

John Woodward's 75-year-old Model A Roadster pick-up truck with a convertible top is one of Salt Spring's oldest cars used daily in the months of good weather.

"It's the classic Model A," he said. "Guys my age and those in their 50s and 60s recognize it as the classic working man's car or truck. This particular model was very inexpensive at the time."

Between 1929 and 1931, almost 5 million Model As were made and sold worldwide, said Woodward.

The islander bought his 14 years ago from a fellow in Richmond, rekindling the "romance" of the first car he ever drove.

It has a cruising speed of 35 miles per hour, a top speed of 55, a 24-horsepower engine and 21-inch wheels.

As a Model 78A, it's also very rare.

It was totally rebuilt from the ground up in 1983 by Reg Potts, a Model A aficionado in Victoria.

Potts had rescued the vehicle from impending wreckage, and Woodward has photos of the entire restoration process.

But the truck is not in show-car condition, which suits Woodward fine.

"It's what in the car clubs is known as a runner or a driver. It has some blemishes and, frankly, that is the fun of it because in my memory of them, that is the way they were."

Salt Spring is an ideal spot for running around in the Model A.

"I think personally the charm is in the driving of them and this island is the perfect place because they are not a fast car. Maximum speed is 55 mph and even that is too fast for them . . ."

Ease of maintenance is another plus.

"They are a very easy car to maintain, as long as you do maintain them," said Woodward. "You have to change the oil every thousands miles — they actually recommend it every 500 miles — and you lubricate them every 2,000 miles . . . and I still do."

"I keep it at a moderate speed and I maintain it and keep the tires properly inflated, and change the oil and grease it — and talk to it."

Model A trucks are fun to tinker with, he adds, and there's still lots of parts available.

"One of the great features of them was that they have a very high clearance underneath, so they sit up high, and the result is that they would go through snow when nothing else would move."

Woodward recalls how popular Model As remained even after the war.

"There were hundreds of Model As on the road . . . they would go through snow when nothing else would because of the clearance."

They were also practical for farmers, who could drive them right out into the fields.

Anyone whose interest is piqued by Woodward's love of his Model A should know he has no intentions of selling it.

"I wouldn't want to part with it."

But a Model A or few may be visiting Salt Spring July 1.

That's when the Salt Spring Antique and Classic Car Club host a regional show and shine on Salt Spring.



MODEL A BLISS: John Woodward stands beside his 1929 Model A Roadster pick-up truck.

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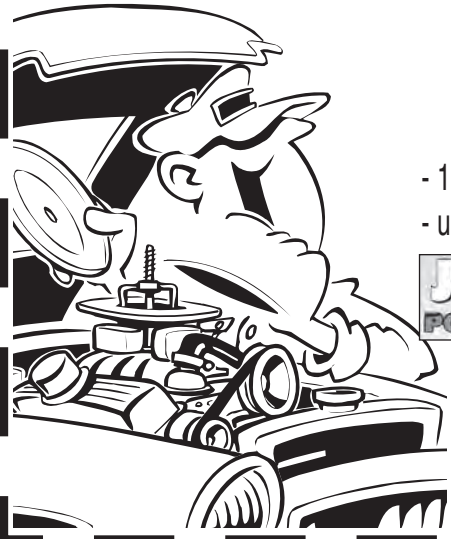


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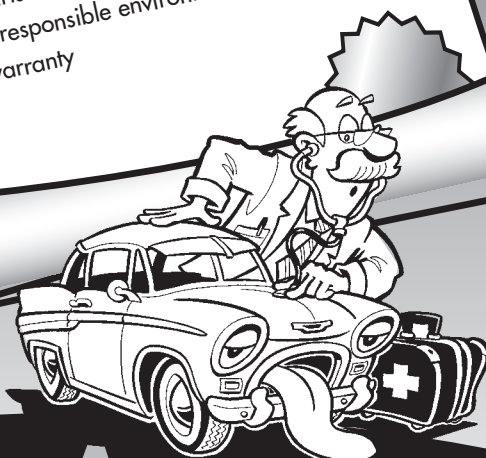
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Local team holds first league scrum

By MITCHELL SHERRIN
Staff Writer

A small group of local youths made island history by hosting the first league rugby match on Salt Spring last week.

A mixed group of junior and senior boys from Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) challenged an older team from Frances Kelsey on April 13.

"They killed us points-wise but they lost because they are choosing to play with ineligible players," said GISS coach David Collombin.

The technical win after a loss on the field (52-0) came as a result of player shortages, Collombin explained.

Much like the situation on Salt Spring, the Cowichan-Valley based school wasn't able to field a rugby team of senior students this year.

So Frances Kelsey accepted some older students on the provision that all their games would be forfeited.

Conversely, GISS plays with grades 9 and 10 students in a league for senior players, Collombin said.

"It's hard to make a team."

The problem with small teams also extends to Qualicum, which took a 12-0 win over GISS on Thursday as part of a friendly scrimmage.

"They're not in the league for the same reason. There's not enough guys."

He finds it ironic that just as the sport is gaining in popularity with girls and women, it appears to be losing participation for boys and men.

"It's just catching on huge with girls across the country."

Collombin kicked off the local rugby program when he first started working at the high school five years ago. But a lack of players left the school without a team for the three intermediary years until this season, he said.

Collombin is helped by assistant coach Denis Hoddinott, he noted.

"It's a game anybody can play regardless of size, weight and height," said Hoddinott. "We're always looking for new players as a consequence."

Hoddinott believes the

team will have more luck recruiting players now that islanders have seen the game in action.

The Scorpions have had a good year, too. While the team took a blow-out loss to an all-senior team from Ladysmith, they tied Chemainus 20-20 in their first match, Collombin said.

"It was a pretty cool thing to do."

He'd like to see the league grow to include more intermediate-level teams because it currently fields few opponents for the novice squad, he said.

"Ladysmith and Brentwood are unreachable and then there is us at the bottom and not much in between."

Cowichan Valley and Victoria have solid community clubs that contribute to the level of talent on the top-end school teams, he said.

Schools like Ladysmith also have 1,000 students to field teams from.

"That's why I'm singing the praises of these guys."

The GISS Scorpions next play Ballenas on Thursday and Brentwood the following week.



TACKLE: Gulf Islands Secondary School rugby player Kelly Portingale goes down to a Frances Kelsey player in rugby action on Salt Spring last week. Frances Kelsey won the match 52-0, but forfeited the game by using ineligible older players.

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Pony Club islanders share their horse sense

Salt Spring Pony Club teams and individuals trotted out wins during a Regional Quiz in Nanoose Bay on April 3.

Some 23 members of the island Pony Club branch competed in teams and

individuals in oral, written and visual tests of unusual horse-related objects.

One team comprised of Lisa Adams, Sonja Kornelson, Shoshana Lucich and Julianna Sliwowska took home top place, a first-time achievement for the Salt Spring club. They competed against nine other teams in the intermediate level (C level).

Sliwowska also took home second place among 35 individual competitors in C level to secure a position on the regional team and eligibility to go to the National Quiz this year.

A beginners' team (D level) of Katie Curtis, Kaitlin Fraser, Colleen Hillis and Marina Holding placed third out of 23 teams. Hillis also took home sixth place out of

35 individuals competing in the D level.

Salt Spring's Pee Wee team (Alanna Hillis, Olivia Kornelson, Nima McDuff and Brenna McIntyre) placed third against eight teams aged 9 and under.

Another D-level island team (Samantha Charlton, Karen Slakov and Dakota Van Hullebush) also partici-

pated in the event.

A total of 161 members from eight Pony Club branches in the B.C. Islands Region met at the competition.

The top four individual competitors at the A, B and C levels will form teams to represent the B.C. Islands Region at the National Quiz in Prince George this October.

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Cooper runs Boston event

Salt Spring runner and race organizer Ben Cooper placed among the top 10 per cent of runners at the Boston Marathon on Monday.

Cooper is known to many islanders as the organizer of the Ssplash half-marathon and 10K fundraiser held in May last year.

Posting a time of 3:32:45 over the 42-kilometre race in Boston, Cooper finished 2,097 overall among 20,344 participants.

He placed 1,915 within the 12,647 men in the event and 570 among the 4,622 Masters Men (aged 40-49). He was one of some 1,600 Canadians who participated in the race.

Timothy Cherigat of Kenya placed first overall with a time of 2:10:37. Fastest woman at the 108th Boston Marathon was Catherine Ndereba (2:24:27), also of Kenya.

Splash is holding another run May 30 under Cooper's guidance to raise money for an indoor pool. For more information and registration, go to the Ssplash website (www.splash.org).

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Wilson bids adieu with doubles disc tourney

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Wilson dreamed up the event as a way to say farewell to all his disc-golf friends before moving back home to England. He even kicked in \$200 to bolster a grand prize.

Players vied at two island courses with two different randomly generated partners during the day, so it was appropriate that Wilson should place second in a field of the island's 34 top golfers.

Along with the help of able partners, Wilson hit a 42 (12 under par) at Mouat Park and a 68 (15 under par) at Mansell Farm for a combined score of 110.

"I love the high-stakes game," he said during a players' meeting at the Mansell Farm course.

Top score went to tourney organizer Scott "No Fix In" Chapman (107), who hit a 39 at Mouat and a 68 (partnered with Wilson) at Mansell. The disc golf association president pocketed a healthy day's pay as a result of smooth driving and able running mates.

Mansell course pro Dean

Crouse placed third with a 111 (40 at Mouat and 71 at Mansell). Crouse also heard many comments about the newest nine holes he added to Mansell (now a 27-hole, par-83 course).

"Dean, your awesome lake hole ate 17 discs," said Chapman following a poll of players.

John Bateman vowed to return to the course with a wetsuit.

Brian "Zappatista" Bleskie led the pack after the first round when he hit a 37 at Mouat Park with Mike Boughton, tying the course record. Bleskie placed fourth with a 112 after he hit a 75 at Mansell.

An ace pot was divided unevenly between Ted Hickford (114) and Mitchell Sherrin (118). Hickford aced #4 at Mouat Park while Sherrin pegged #3 at Mouat and #14 at Mansell to take a double share of the winnings.

Out of the money but still notable were Braeden Simmonds (114) as top junior and top woman player Erin Harper (119).

The next disc-golf event is the Monthly Locals Tourney at Mouat Park at 10 a.m. April 24.

Kings Lane lists week's top names

Following are high scores in recent bowling league play.

Tuesday Morning Seniors, April 6: Jim Glenn, 237, 229/637; Marg Baker, 205. April 13: Marg Peters, 283/626; Stan Sage, 254; Harold Repen, 248; Jim Glenn, 245.

Tuesday Afternoon Seniors, April 6: John Bringle, 200. April 13: Roger Brunt, 222.

Thursday League, Brenda Akerman, 211, 221/606; Ken Akerman, 206; Ron Cunningham, 200; Lance Leask, 230, 218/635. Tony H., 200; Machine, 273, 203, 246/722; Gerry, 246, Arnie Hengstler, 217; Art

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Beaumont, 238.

Special Olympics April 12: Chris Joynson, 149; Jason Newport, 152; Mahjor Bains, 162; Andrew Krizan, 153; Carlos Manzano, 143.

April 14: Terry Swing, 142; Mahjor Bains, 165; Jimmy Beck, 172; Gloria Dale, 186; Jason Newport, 187.

Circus League, April 12: Ivy Farr, 218; Don McMahon, 200; Ken Strike, 204, 210; Lance Leask, 233, 211/640.

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GOLFERS GALORE: Participants in Sunday's High Rollers Doubles Disc Golf Tournament gather for a group photo. A total of 34 golfers took part in the event.

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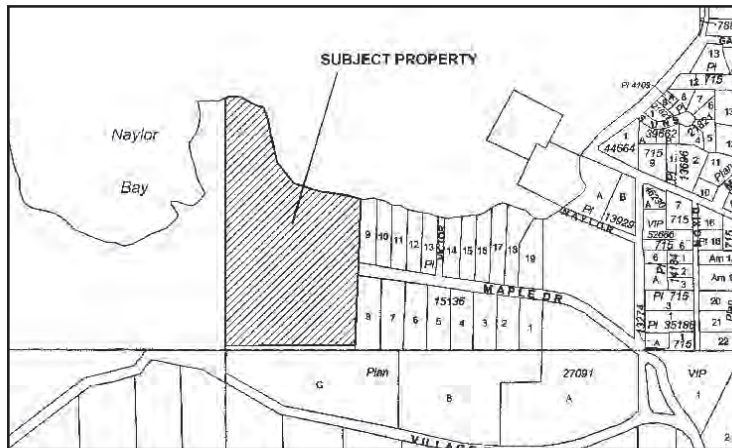
- Proposed Bylaw No. 129 – cited as “Mayne Island Land Use Bylaw 1996, Amendment No. 1, 2004”
- Proposed Bylaw No. 124 – cited as “Mayne Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 86, 1994, Amendment No. 1, 2003”
- Proposed Bylaw No. 125 – cited as “Mayne Island Land Use Bylaw 1996, Amendment No. 1, 2003”

for the purpose of allowing the public to make representations to the Local Trust Committee respecting matters contained in the proposed bylaws at 1:00 pm, Saturday, May 1, 2004 at the Church House (Large Room), 360 Georgina Point Road, Mayne Island.

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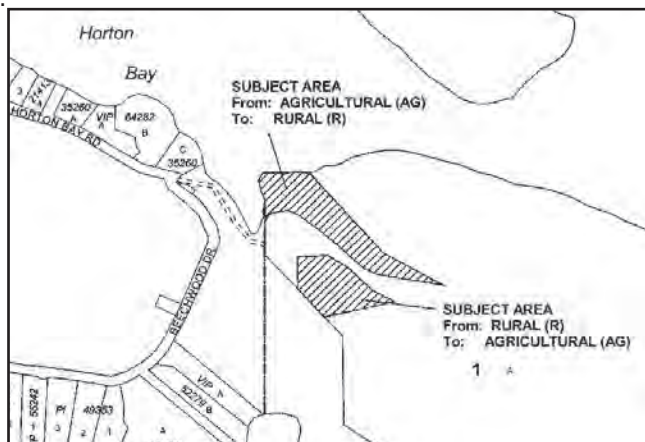
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In general terms, the purpose of Proposed Bylaw No. 129 is to rezone the remainder of Section 12, Cowichan District, Mayne Island as shown below to permit a campground as an accessory use on the lot:



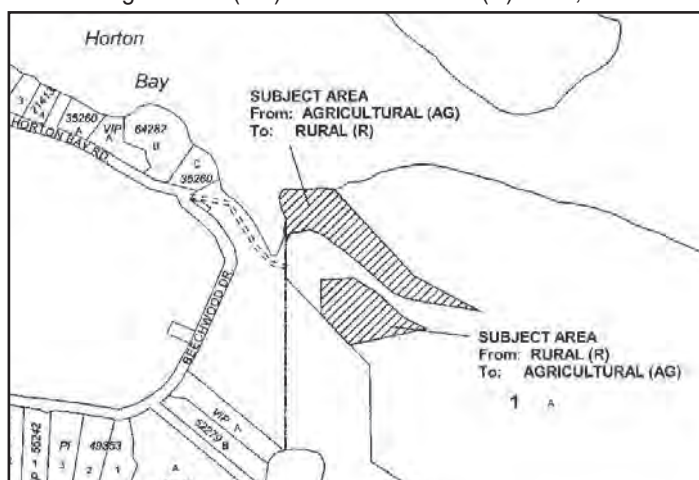
Bylaw No. 124 – cited as “Mayne Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 86, 1994, Amendment No. 1, 2003”

In general terms, the purpose of Bylaw No. 124 is to amend the Official Community Plan map by changing the designations of the land legally described as Lot A, Section 1, Mayne Island, Cowichan District, Plan 2501 from the Rural (R) designation to the Agriculture (AG) designation and from the Agriculture (AG) designation to the Rural (R) designation, as shown on the map below:



Bylaw No. 125 – cited as “Mayne Island Land Use Bylaw 1996, Amendment No. 1, 2003”

In general terms, the purpose of Bylaw No. 125 is to amend the Land Use Bylaw map by changing the zones of the land legally described as Lot A, Section 1, Mayne Island, Cowichan District, Plan 2501 from the Rural (R) Zone to the Agricultural (AG) Zone and from the Agricultural (AG) Zone to the Rural (R) Zone, as shown on the map below:



A copy of the proposed bylaws and any background material that may be considered by the Trust Committee in respect of the proposed bylaws may be inspected at the Islands Trust Office, #200 - 1627 Fort Street, Victoria, B.C. between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, inclusive, excluding statutory holidays, commencing April 14, 2004.

For the convenience of the public only, and not to satisfy Section 892(2)(e) of the Local Government Act, additional copies of the proposed bylaws may be inspected at various notice boards on Mayne Island commencing April 14, 2004 and can also be viewed on the World Wide Web at the following URL: <http://www.islandstrust.bc.ca> and selecting Mayne Island / Bylaws / Proposed.

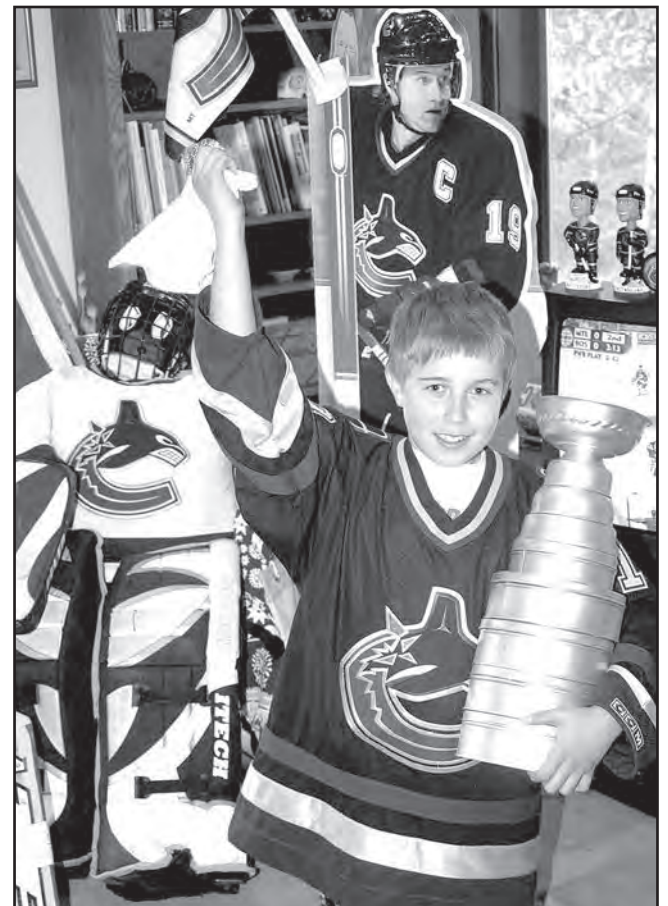
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Inquiries regarding the proposed bylaws may be directed to the Islands Trust Office, Planner, at (250) 405-5158 or, for Toll Free access, request a transfer via Enquiry BC: In Vancouver 660-2421 and elsewhere in BC 1-800-663-7867.

NO REPRESENTATIONS WILL BE RECEIVED BY THE MAYNE ISLAND LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC HEARING.

Kathy Jones
Deputy Secretary



SERIOUS STUFF: Salt Spring Grade 6 student Bradley Watson takes his hockey seriously as he creates a shrine for the Canucks on Monday afternoon, just prior to their final game in a best-of-seven series. The Canucks lost 3-2 in overtime.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Spots still open for softball girls

Girls with a hankering for rounding the bases and catching grounders can still join one of two girls softball teams.

So many nine and 10-year-old girls turned out for softball on Salt Spring this year that two teams were created, but both can accommodate a few more players to ensure full teams are consistently fielded.

The season runs to June 15, with one practice and a game scheduled each week. Games take place either at Portlock Park or the Crofton ball park.

One team is coached by Barb Robinson and Bill Crandall, and Barb and Roy Kinnear are coaching the other group.

Robinson should be contacted at 537-2336 as soon as possible for more information or to register.

Soccer kids off to Kelowna

Six Salt Spring soccer players have been named to represent Vancouver Island on four different teams at a provincial championship event in Kelowna this July.

Three islanders made the U18 boys selects team: Braden Dragomir, Sonny Roland and Elan Squire.

Cardin Davis was named to the U16 boys selects, Erica Rimmer made the U12 girls team and Keegan Pearson is on the U12 boys team.

The younger players will experience their first opportunity to play at a higher level, said soccer parent Doug Pearson.

“It’s a neat feather in their cap,” Pearson said. “They’ve got three more months of soccer now.”

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5 BIRTHS

IT IS with a great deal of Grandfatherly pride that I announce the arrival of Natasha Rose to very happy parents, Brett & Joanne Marshall. Natasha was born last Sunday, April 18th, 7:00 a.m. at Victoria General Hospital. Dennis Marshall.

6 DEATHS

John Dennis Farquharson 1938 -2004 John Dennis Farquharson, aged 65, passed away suddenly at the Lady Minto Hospital on April 14, 2004. He had been suffering from cancer. John was born and educated in Toronto, Ontario. He worked briefly in the brokerage business, then became a pilot with the Royal Canadian Air Force. He flew many aircraft including the Sabre fighter with 434 Squadron in Europe. He was a member of the RCAF Sabre Pilots Association of the Air Division Squadrons. He returned to Canada in 1963 as a flight instructor. Some of his students became Snowbirds. John was a member of The Royal Canadian Military Institute for 35 years. In 1965 John married his wife, Sharon. They moved to Sydney, Australia where John flew for Quantas Airways. Upon their return to Canada, John continued his 40 year flying career with Air Canada in Toronto and Vancouver. He retired five years ago as Director of Flight Operations and Standards and was also responsible for International Affairs with IFALPA and IATA. In the 80's John served as a Director of the Canadian International Air Show in Toronto. John and Sharon moved to Salt Spring Island 10 years ago to enjoy their retirement. He was an accomplished skier, sailor, scuba diver, chess player and golfer. John was a Commodore of the Salt Spring Island Sailing Club and loved to navigate the local waters on his yacht, "Ballater". He was a strong supporter of the Arts, enjoying the many concert series and exhibitions on the island. John was always available to support his community when called upon. John Farquharson was a gentleman of great integrity, well liked by his many friends and business associates from all walks of life. He had a wonderful sense of humour and always looked on the positive side. John was intensely loyal to those individuals and causes that he felt deserving. He enjoyed a wonderful life with his family and friends. John's motto was to always try something once. He felt that life should be a series of adventures including love, courage, and what you make of it. His presence will be greatly missed by his wife Sharon; son Craig and wife Ellen of Atlanta; daughter Heather, son in law Greg and granddaughter Hannah of South Africa; sister, Jane, nephew Scott and niece, Elizabeth of Toronto; brother, David; parents-in-law, Joseph and Violet of Victoria; brother-in-law, Bob, nephew, Ryan and niece Jennifer of Calgary. Many heartfelt thanks to Dr. David Woodley, his staff, Dr. Paula Ryan, Dr. R. Preshaw, Dr. B. Crossland, Nurses, Carole Jenkins, Mary Gilbert, Tam Seabar, Leslie Stacy & ambulance staff. You did all that you could in a compassionate and professional manner. Thanks also to Dr. C. Ludgate & Dr. H. Martins at the Victoria Cancer Agency, Victoria Specialists Dr. J. Kinahan. Dr. W. Shtybel. Memorial services will be held Friday, April 23 at 2 o'clock at All-Saints-by-the-Sea, Anglican Church in Ganges. Reception will follow at the Farquharson home at 288 Channel Ridge Drive. In lieu of flowers please send donations to the B.C. Cancer Foundation and/or Lady Minto Hospital Foundation.

6 DEATHS

TOWN, ADRIEN: Passed away at Lady Minto Hospital on April 16, 2004 at the age of 53. Adrien began her art studies in Toronto at the "Three Schools of Art", continuing her studies at the "Federation of Canadian Artists" in Vancouver with a scholarship. She will be sadly missed by all. A celebration of her life will be held at a later date.

DEREK VICTOR GENT
A gathering of friends and family to remember Derek Victor Gent will be held at the Legion from noon to 4pm April 25, '04.

HAYWARD'S FUNERAL SERVICE GANGES

PATRICK BEATTIE
Funeral Director
Box 315, Ganges P.O. SSI, V8K 2V9
Tel: (250) 537-1022
Fax: (250) 537-2012

20 COMING EVENTS

FOR A complete calendar of coming events check the Driftwood Community Calendar, in our office in the Upper Ganges Centre, 328 Lower Ganges Road, or on our website at <http://www.gulfislands.net>. Use the calendar for event planning, to make sure your date doesn't conflict with someone else's.

ACTORS WORKSHOPS with Ron Max. Writers and directors welcome. All ages, limited seating. Call for more info 537-9738.

DO YOU Wish to learn to communicate effectively and without fear? Welcome to Toastmasters! Mondays, 7 - 9 p.m., Seniors Centre. Phone Bob. 537-8884.

JEWELLERY AUCTION tea, May 1, ArtSpring, 1 - 4 p.m. Proceeds to Afghan women. Donations wanted. Bring to Family Jewels or call Marlene Smith. 537-0756.

HERBAL APPRENTICESHIP Program, May - Oct. Hands on experience with Herbalist Rainbow May, creator of O My Goddess Herbal Products. In depth study of over 50 local herbs including: medicine making, herbal cultivation, wild plant identification, herbal body care, flower essences, herbal therapeutics and more. Limited enrollment, 537-1503.

SS CONSERVANCY presents Bob Burgess on Water Catchment Systems. Talk April 23 7pm Lions Hall. Walk April 24, preregister 538-0318.

DOG TRAINING. Basic course - lots of information; fun, upbeat learning environment. Central Hall, Wednesday evenings. May 12 - June 23. Sheri Standen. 537-5646.

INFORMATION MEETING about the Stroke Recovery Association. April 25, 2004 at 1:00 p.m. in the Croftonbrook meeting room.

KIDS CLASSES at Fables Cottage Children's Bookstore. Drama for Pre-schoolers with Vaughn Fulford, Tuesdays, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Ages 3 - 6, Painting with Tori Leslie. Thursdays 3:30 - 4:30, ages 6 and up. Please pre-register. 537-0028.

GRAND OPENING of Falcon Farm's new Roadside Farm Stand will be held Sunday, May 2, from noon to 2:00 p.m. Come and meet the farmers at 455 Musgrave Road.

MARCO POLO and the Silk Road. A lecture: ArtSpring, Monday, April 26 at 7:30 p.m. Admission by donation.

20 COMING EVENTS

NEW ZEALANDER Priscilla Lowry, artist and Medieval historian, speaks on Marco Polo and the Silk Road, ArtSpring, April 26, 7:30 p.m.

STAY ON Top of your game, attend classes designed for young adults (ages 13 and up) looking to improve overall fitness. Have fun working out with people your own age. Improve balance, strength, and power with the latest exercise equipment and program designs. Classes start in May: Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: 5 - 6 p.m & 6 - 7 p.m. & 7 - 8 p.m. Call now to book your space, class size is limited. Living Strong studio, 537-5382.

COME ONE come all! Annual Mahon Hall Day, sprucing up outdoors. Sunday, April 25, 10:00 a.m. - 2 p.m. Refreshments available.

ACCOMMODATIONS GROUP OF SSI/ SSI Chamber of Commerce "accommodating Innkeeper" Hospitality course for 2004. Full day workshop Monday, May 3, 2004. Preregistration required by April 29, 2004. Cost \$40, all materials included. For details contact: Ruth-Anne Broad 537-0851, Ralph Bischoff 538-0110 or Perry at the Chamber 537-4223.

WRITERS! BRUSH up your readings. Individual/group sessions for the month of May. Four 2 hr. sessions \$100 or individual sessions \$25/hr. yadda@saltspring.com or call Yvonne Adalian 653-0033 for info.

SALTSPRING TOASTMASTERS celebrates Chartering on Saturday, May 15, 2004 at the Seniors Centre from 4 p.m. Guests welcome. Phone Chuck. 653-2015.

CHILD FIND Free Fingerprint Clinic. May 15, Thrifty Foods, Ganges, Salt Spring Island. 11:00 - 3:00 p.m. May 25 is National Missing Children's Day, wear a Green Ribbon of Hope for the return of All Missing Children.

PAT'S PELARGONIUM Sale. Deerpoo scented, Regals, Ivies. Sat. May 1. 10 - 4. 342 Roland Road. Pat Chadwick. 653-9757.

SUNDAY SPIRITUALIST'S Service, Continuous Light Sanctuary, 2nd & 4th Sundays 11:30 am, 212 Park Dr. private readings available with Reverend C. Spencer & for further info 538-8272.

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20 COMING EVENTS

BETTY FENNEL Retirement party. May 8, 2004, Dinner & Dance \$12 (No host bar). Band: Auntie Kate. Lantzville Costin Community Hall. Tickets & info 538-8272. Purchase tickets before May 1st.

MARK YOUR calendars! Salt Spring Island Conservancy celebrates 10 years of conservation with Robert Bateman, May 29, Meaden Hall (Legion).

Attention, all retired teachers.
You are invited to an informal gathering in the Community Room of Salt Spring Elementary
3:00 p.m. Monday, April 26
refreshments
For information: 537-5347 or 537-2194

Ruckle Farm Day
Sunday, April 25
10am - 4pm
At Ruckle Provincial Park
Ploughing Demonstration by the Vancouver Island Draft Horse Club.
4H Farm Animal Display - Blacksmithing
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The Salt Spring Centre School
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- directed by Sue Newman
May 6th & 7th at 7:00pm
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Vesuvius Bay Rd.
Please donate at the door.

Children Growing in Fertile Soil
A Spring Virtues Project presentation with facilitator, Gail Bryn-Jones
Assisted by daughter, Helena
For parents, teachers, caregivers
Cultivating Our Children's Self-Esteem
Wed., Apr. 21, 7 - 9 pm
To register: 537-9130

SALT SPRING CONCERT BAND
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with Dawn Hage Music Director
April 30 - ArtSpring
Tickets at ArtSpring 537-2102
May 1 - Beaver Point Hall
Tickets: Acoustic Planet & Patterson's
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Information: 537-1355
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20 COMING EVENTS

Place your Coming Events ad in next week's Driftwood by calling 537-9933 before Monday, 5pm.

TUNED AIR PRESENTS THE BEAUTIFUL MUSIC TOUR
April 22, 8pm - Beaver Pt Hall
April 23/24, 8pm - Ganges United Church
Bruce Ruddell - Director
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Tickets \$12 at the Door
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SALT SPRING ISLAND GARDEN CLUB GIGANTIC SPRING PLANT SALE
FARMERS INSTITUTE Saturday, April 24
Mobility Challenged 1:00PM
General Public 1:15PM
NURSERY TABLES
Bamboo Ranch • Cottonwood Farms • Cusheon Creek Nursery • Everlasting Summer • Parkside Gardens • The Plant Farm • Manderlay Gardens
PLUS MASTER GARDENERS for your gardening questions
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UNITED CHURCH
Drop off your contributions at the United Church between 7:30 and 9:00 am. Doors open at 9:00 am. Volunteers sought for set-up, sale and clean-up.
For pickup of donations or information, please call 537-5347.

Gulf Islands Community Arts Council
POST-SECONDARY BURSARY IN MUSIC, VISUAL OR PERFORMING ARTS 2004
Students who are currently attending a recognised post-secondary institution in Canada and intending to continue their studies in the coming year are invited to apply for the above bursary, worth \$1000.00. Applicants and their immediate families should be normally resident in those Gulf Islands within the administrative area of SD 64.
Application deadline: April 30, 2004. For application information please call **537-5681**, email: gicac@saltspring.com or visit the website for an online application. www.gulfislands.com/artscouncil/bursaries.htm
Portfolios, tapes, video, etc. will be required for jurying.

25 EDUCATION
APARTMENT/CONDOMINIUM MANAGER. Train to be an apartment/condominium manager. Many jobs! Job placement assistance. All areas. Government registered program. Information/brochure: 604-681-5456 / 1-800-665-8339. www.RMTI.ca
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Understanding the Changes to the Employment Standards Act presented by Tami Wilson of The Employment Standards Branch.
Tuesday, April 27th 5-7pm at the Lions Hall
For employers & employees: Understand your rights & responsibilities
Please RSVP to 537-4219
cedproject@saltspring.com
<http://saltspring.gulfislands.com/cedproject>

The Salt Spring Island Builders Guild would like to invite you to attend our **Monthly Meetings and Educational Sessions**
Wednesday April 28, 4-6PM at ArtSpring
With Guest Speaker Greg Slakov
Topic: making the most of working with engineers.
Thursday May 27, 4-6PM at the CRD Boardroom
With Guest Speaker Harvey Goodman
Topic: Rain Screens, Building Envelopes & a slide show
Members can attend for free Non-Members \$7
For more information please contact The Community Economic Development Project 537-4219 or cedproject@saltspring.com <http://saltspring.gulfislands.com>

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29 LOST AND FOUND

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LOST CELL phone, Telus some time before April 12, 653-4127.

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FOUND: SET of keys in Parking lot by North End Fitness, April 16. Owner may claim at the Driftwood.

KEY BOX with 2 keys found at Beaver Point Rd.-Forest Ridge, 653-4917.

LOST ON Easter weekend in Ruckle Park - brown & gold Armani clip-on sunglasses. Phone - 537-9838.

LOST DIGITAL Camera, Canon Power Shot, on Sunset Drive, Monday, April 5. Reward. 538-0066.

LOST DIGIFOCUS hearing aid, Easter Sat., 537-9650

LOST: CLOTH shopping bag with decorative patches on it. Sentimental value. 653-9481.

STOLEN ROWBOAT, Sat April 18, from Port Washington Dock. Davidson Bram 8 feet #001. Call Pender Island collect 250-629-6592.

FOUND NEEDLEPOINT on wood frame. Owner may claim at the Driftwood, 328 Lower Ganges Rd., SSI.

LOST: PAIR prescription glasses with ducttape on both arms, 653-2372.

FOUND: CELL phone by St. Mary Lake, April 16. Owner may claim at the Driftwood.

LOST WALLET, black. Left in car of person who gave me a ride. Call 537-9611.

LOST SKI Rack, crossbar & 1 clamp. "Nauisensation", reward. 537-0833.

LOST: CELLPHONE in Barb's or Roasting Co. vicinity. If found please call Salt Spring Elementary School @ 537-9928.

32 MEETINGS

ANNUAL GENERAL Meeting of Central Community Hall, Sunday, April 25, 2 p.m. Public welcome.

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Islands Trust
Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee
Notice of Business Meeting
The Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee will be meeting to consider various matters of general business, such as applications received, bylaw reviews and meeting notes.

DATE: Wed., Apr. 28, 2004
TIME: 3:00 P.M.
PLACE: Hart Bradley Hall (Lion's Hall) 103 Bonnet Ave

Starting at 3:00 pm up to 45 minutes will be available for the public to discuss local land use matters with the Local Trust Committee. Those who wish to present a more formal petition, or make a delegation to the Committee as an Agenda item, must advise Islands Trust staff at least one week in advance of the meeting so that they can be added to the beginning of the Agenda. For information about the Agenda, please call the Islands Trust at 537-9144.

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For information concerning allocations, please contact the PARC administration office at 537-4448.

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TREE HOUSE Cafe in Fulford is hiring a line cook. Apply with resume at restaurant. Ask for Jill.

ART CRAFT is seeking one full-time employee for an early May start. This is primarily a retail/gallery position. Computer skills an asset. Send covering letter & resume ASAP to: Art Craft 114 Rainbow Rd. SSI, BC V8K 2V5 Attn: April Curtis, Manager.

S.P.C.A. NEEDS adult volunteers, 2 - 3 hours / week. For cat and bunny care/love. Call 537-2123.

POSITIONS AVAILABLE at Ganges Village Mkt. Getting ready for a busy summer. Please apply at the Lottery Centre.

GENERAL HOMEMAKING (excluding kitchen) for retired RN. 1.5 hrs/ day, 2 x / wk., mornings. Refs. Reply to Dept. Q, c/o The Driftwood, 328 Lower Ganges Road, Salt Spring Island, BC, V8K 2V3.

KITCHEN HELP for retired R.N. Basic food prep, organization, clean-up, 1.5 hrs/day, 2x/wk., mornings. Refs. req. Reply to Dept. Q, c/o The Driftwood, 328 Lower Ganges Rd., Salt Spring Island, BC. V8K 2V3.

55 HELP WANTED

SEEKING RELIABLE and motivated student for grass cutting. One mile from Fulford Village. Call for more information 653-9396

SALT SPRING COFFEE Company is looking for part time office assistance, 24 hours per week. Computer skills required. Drivers license an asset. Please deliver resume to warehouse at Unit 1-156 Alders Rd, Salt Spring Island, Mon - Fri between 9 am and 5 pm.

COLLEGE STUDENTS: Renee at Play Pottery Studio (Long Harbour Rd) requires 2 full-time production assistants. May 1 - Aug 27 537-9631. No experience necessary.

IMMEDIATE PERMANENT part-time security position for reliable, bondable person. Must have clean criminal record, clean, valid D/L and pass security clearances. Unless exempt, you may have to complete security courses. Past experience in police or security field preferred. Send resumes by May 3 to: Dept L c/o Driftwood, 328 Lower Ganges Rd. Salt Spring Island, BC V8K 2V3.

STUDENT SUMMER work, full-time May-Aug, luxury B&B requires meticulous helper, outgoing nature and own transportation, \$10.50 plus benefits, 537-2716.

PART TIME year round, luxury B&B requires meticulous helper with outgoing nature and own transportation, \$10 to \$12 per hour, John or Pat 537-2716.

EXPERIENCED GUITARIST wanted by established local band playing rock, blues, reggae mix. Must be 19 or over and prepared to commit to at least one evening a week to practice. Call Dave to arrange an audition. 538-0300

POSITIONS AVAILABLE: looking for hard working, reliable, honest people. Apply in person, Save on Gas.

COFFEE LOVER? Outgoing? Do you provide exceptional customer service? Looking for experienced counter staff at Salt Spring Coffee Co. Apply with resume 109 McPhillips Ave. Attn: Sarah.

VESUVIUS PUB: Short order cook wanted. Full & part-time. call 537-9470 to apply or fax resume to 537-9931.

SSI EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

Are you unemployed and need help with your job search? Are you thinking about re-training? If you are receiving Employment Insurance Benefits (or have received these benefits within the last 3 years) we have a variety of programs available to assist you. Counsellor comes to SSI once a week and services are free. Please call Marta at 1-888-993-2299

Summer Day Camp Leaders Salt Spring Island

Salt Spring Island Parks, Arts and Recreation Commission requires camp leaders for its 2004 Camp Colossal summer daycamp program. Camp Colossal is a 43 day, Monday to Friday program, that takes place in July and August with a focus on local outdoor activities for children in the 5 to 12 age group.

We are looking for dynamic, innovative and enthusiastic leaders who are prepared to create a fantastic experience for participants.

Salt Spring Island is one of the largest of the Southern Gulf Islands and offers a wide variety of leisure-time activities as well as many shops, studios, craft stores and recreational activities. The Saturday 'Market In The Park' is a well known weekend attraction for residents and visitors.

Salt Spring provides a multitude of interesting venues for local field trips, including ocean beaches, fresh water lakes and mountain trails. The Camp offers a number of off-island day trips, involving such experiences as the Royal BC Museum, the Imax Theatre, waterslides or CRD Regional Parks attractions.

This is a bargaining unit position (CUPE Local 1989). Camp Leaders will be employees of the Capital Regional District (CRD) and are paid every two weeks.

Classification - Program Instructor III (JB05).
Pay Rate: \$13.77/hr plus 11% in lieu of benefits.

First Aid Certification, a Class "4" B.C. Drivers Licence and a clean driving record are mandatory.

Reply in writing, on or before April 30, 2004, including a resume and references, to:
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Salt Spring Island Parks, Arts and Recreation Commission
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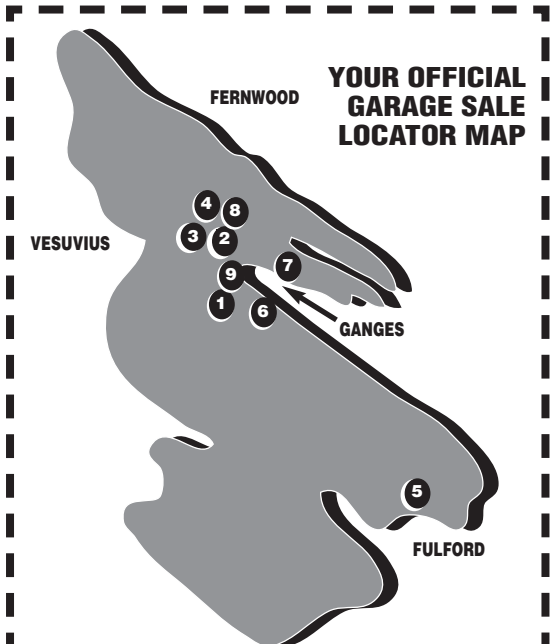
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379 FREE/RECYCLABLES

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.

OLD BLUE metal bathtub, aluminum framed, single pane windows and sliding patio doors, propane barbecue and tank, 1 new bifold closet door. 538-1601.

OFFICE DESK 6' 6" x 2' 10" 537-2670.

FREE: CARPETING strips, excellent for garden pathways, mulch. 537-5137, Mary.

FREE KENMORE dryer, old but in good condition. 537-2165.

FIREPLACE INSERT, works well, not certified. 538-1936.

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Your old prescription lenses can be a gift of sight. Boxes located at:
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SILK SCREEN Frames, various sizes 537-5641.

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.

1977 GMC VAN, 350 Engine, good tires, needs fuel pump, good for parts. 653-9453.

FREE STANDING, covered, 4 seat lawn swing. 537-9237.

390 WEBSITES

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Real Estate

410 REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

EIGHT CONTEMPORARY homes. 1200 - 1500 sq. ft., \$28,000 - \$48,000. Large character bungalow/cottage. 250-656-1387. www.nickelbros.com
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TOWN OF REDVERS, SASKATCHEWAN. Residential lot sale promotion. \$100 per lot / per family. Grant \$700 per year for 3 years. Interested!!! Phone 306-452-3533

HOME FOR Sale by owner. 2.56 acres, Vesuvius Bay, 4 bdrm., 2 baths. Artist's studio. On Duck Creek, forested, flat, open spaces, fruit trees, close to beach & ferry. A beautiful property. 537-1330.

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

LARGE EXECUTIVE 2 bed 2 bath suite, private deck/yard, quiet Fulford acreage, \$1,000 inclusive 653-4548.

1 BEDROOM SUITE, sunny, close to ocean and lake, \$450 + util. N/S, references 538-0345.

SUNNY 2 BDRM first floor apartment. Newly renovated, with radiant tile flooring, hardwood in bdrms, lots of light, lots of closet space! W/D, D/W, covered deck, own entry. Share big veggie garden. Quiet household. Suit couple or professional. Good neighbourhood, close to Ganges. No dogs, cat okay. Long-term. \$750 + utils. May 1st. Call 538-1617.

CHARMING 2 BDRM suite, close to town, mountain views, N/S, references \$950 incl garage. Avail May 1, 537-5912.

1 BEDROOM SUITE, sunny, bright, suits quiet persons. N/S. \$450 + utilities. References. 537-2476.

500 APTS/SUITES FOR RENT

LARGE 2 BDRM apt, close to town, mountain views, N/S, references \$800/mth. Avail May 15 or Jun 1, 537-5912.

BEAUTIFUL 2 BDRM suite (Ganges), 2 ensuite bthrms, oceanview, pellet F/P, fruit trees, gardens, W/D, D/W, lrg covered deck. \$850 + util. May 15 537-0727 after 5:00.

510 COMMERCIAL SPACE

AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY: 1468sf air-conditioned, heated, finished space at Merchant Mews, for lease. Ideal for any production/shop work. Richard 537-9125.

520 HOUSES FOR RENT

4 BDRM SEMI-WATERFRONT house on sunny north beach, N/S, N/P, kids OK. \$1200/mth. Avail. immediately. Long-term. Call Susan 537-0909. Refs req.
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BEAUTIFUL FULFORD harbour oceanfront, architectural home for long term rental. South west views of harbour & ferries, 2000 sq. ft. w/2 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths & loft for nursery or guest bdrm. Extensive decks, hot tub, garage, wood shed, small studio space & modern appliances. In move-in condition. \$2100 /mo. 1 yr. lease & refs. req'd. 310-991-1108.

2 BEDROOM, 2 BATHROOMS, North end, views of Mt. Baker. N/S, cats only. Long term. Available early May, \$950/month. 537-9531.

1 ROOM SEASIDE cottage for rent, suit 1 person. Close to Ganges. May 15 - Sept 15. \$2,000 for the season. 250-537-4921.

2 BEDROOM DUPLEX, 5 appliances, N/S, N/P, references please. \$850/ month includes utilities. Available May 1. Malview. 537-2209.

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525 RENTALS MISC.

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530 SHARED ACCOMMODATION

1 ROOM, \$350, 1 ROOM \$400. Garage/ shop available. Shared bathroom & kitchen. Washer & dryer. Big deck & yard. Near town. 537-8455.

540 WANTED/RENTALS

EMPLOYED, RESPONSIBLE COUPLE relocating to Salt Spring needs space with hook up for 20 foot trailer from now until Aug 15, references, 250-216-7147 or 250-655-1004.

HELP! ACCOMMODATION desperately required for two swim team coaches. Two bedroom suite, cottage, house; or two single room situations. Self-contained trailer? Swim team pays, so hoping for reasonable cost. Susan Lundy 537-9957 or lundys@saltspring.com

House or Cabin with garage or storage wanted to rent.
No more repair worries.
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Phone Peter 537-9858
Cell 537-3202

615 HOLIDAY ACCOMMODATION

OCEANFRONT HOLIDAY rental available May 1, 4 - 6 weeks. \$1500+ sleeps 6. call 537-9483.
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690 WEBSITES

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820 BOATS & MARINE, SALES

14' ALUMINUM BOAT, aluminum trailer, 20 h.p. Merc., electric start, sounder, well maintained, \$2000. 538-1994.

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SEATREND 9.3 SAILBOARD, Prostock mast, 2 Chinook booms & extra gooseneck, Neil Pryde 6.0 & 5.0, AirFoil 4.3, Topsail 5.0 all in good condition. Barely used. Stored on Salt Spring Island Price \$600. Windsurfer Comp, 1980's vintage but in very good condition. Barely used. Stored on Salt Spring Island. Price \$400 537-9268.

161/2 FOOT FIBREFORM, 1988 60 H.P. Evinrude, 8 H.P. Aux. down riggers, rod holders, good solid trailer, runs great. nice clean boat, \$2,750, 537-8336. 14 FOOT CLASSIC design runabout hull on good galvanized trailer \$1,500 OBO, 537-4146 or 537-6772.

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BEAUTIFUL 16' CEDAR canvas canoe, custom, refurbished, caned seat & yolk. Excellent condition, \$1200 obo. 537-4418.

825 CARS, SALES

1987 FORD TEMPO. Excellent condition. 140,000 kms. Clean interior. V6, standard. Great island car. Moving must sell \$1100.00. 537-9222.

1990 VOLVO 740 GLE wagon, automatic, 167,000 km. Asking \$6500. Call 537-9762.

MUST SELL! 2001 Chrysler Sebring, silver, low mileage, bought 1.5 yrs. ago for \$18K, will sell for \$12K. (That's \$3.5K below market value). 538-0003.

1987 OLDS DELTA 88, Auto, grey, 172,000 km, good exterior and interior. Need some work \$1000, 537-4646.

1990 SUBARU LEGACY, 4WD, power steering, brakes, cruise. Lots of new parts. \$2,500, 653-4474.

1984 DIESEL JETTA, very clean, low mileage, over 40 mpg, \$2400 obo, 537-2202.

1985 ESCORT, 5 SPEED, ideal island car, in good shape, \$950 obo. 250 537-9169.

1998 SUBARU FORESTER AWD 4 cyl, 148,000 km., roof rack, 12 changer CD Player. 5 sp. 5 door, fold down seats. Tinted windows. Excellent condition. \$16,500. 653-4758.

2001 FORD TAURUS SE, 36,300 kms., auto, 3.0 ltr., 6 cyl., power windows, door locks, seat, mirrors, pedals. Keyless remote entry. AM/FM CD player. Dual airbags, cruise, a/c, alloy wheels. Silver ext./grey int. 2 yr. extended warranty. Purchased Dec. 2003. Must sell. \$15,000 obo. 537-4035.

NISSAN MULTI, wagon 1988, good condition \$1,800, 537-2988.

1983 VOLVO GL station wagon. Great mechanical shape. \$1500. 537-5652.

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825 CARS, SALES

1982 VOLVO 240, runs, good parts car. Auto transmission will not shift into 3rd. Call Mayne Island, evenings, 250-539-2589.

1984 BRONCO V-6 4X4, runs great, red, sunroof, no rust, \$1000. Complete 454, strong engine, turbo 400 trans, \$800/both 1990 Mercury Sable GS, loaded V-6, good shape, inside & out. \$1000. 537-4174.

RARE 1990 TOYOTA Corolla, 4 WD, 4 door sedan. 5 spd., 153,000 kms. New tires, battery, muffler, excellent condition. \$6500. 537-4418.

835 MOTORCYCLE, SALES

1982 HONDA 450, only 20,000 km, very clean, recent tires, new battery, mature owner, \$975, Jeremy 537-1466

1982 SUZUKI KATANA motorcycle, nice shape, reasonable price. Phone 537-5657.

FIELDSHEER 1 PC. black racing leathers. Paid \$1200, worn twice, sell \$300. Joe Rocket Kevlar boots, 10-1/2. Paid \$300, sell for \$100. 537-4174.

2000 YAMAHA

200 CC TW ENDURO 1300kms. Helmet and riding gloves included.

Ready to go! \$3000. Call 537-5248.

845 RVs, SALES

1978 WINNEBAGO MOTOR home, 20 ft., sleeps 6, 2 owners - good condition, boat & motor included, \$5000. 537-2670.

1979 VANGUARD 9.5' CAMPER c/w toilet, gas stove, fridge, heater, queen size bed, use as guest house / travel. \$1000, obo, 1982 8' travel camper stove, hi/jacks, good play house for kids \$200 obo. 538-5577.

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855 TRUCKS/4X4S

FOR SALE: 1984 CHEVY BLAZER, 2 dr., S/W, offers. Call 653-4671.

1988 GMC 515 4 X 4 truck with canopy. Rebuilt engine, many new parts. Runs great! \$2500 obo. 653-4428.

TRUCK FOR sale, 1989 Chev 3/4 ton, extra cab, 4x4, comes with canopy, \$6,000 call Mike 537-2728

1991 TOYOTA 4 RUNNER, 4 cyl. 5 spd excellent condition, new alternator and tires, servicing current \$7,500 537-1472.

1986 BRONCO II, 4 X 4, runs well, some rust, \$1200 obo. Also, electric 3-wheeler, needs minor repair. \$500. 653-4609.

1990 CHEV 1/2 TON, 4 x 4, 305, chrome rims, good tires, Delta locking tool box, excellent condition, 165K, runs great. \$8000. 537-5793.

856 BUSES, VANS

1991 FORD AEROSTAR XLT, extended, 7 seat, family van. Rebuilt engine, 137,000 km., fully loaded, excellent condition, light blue & grey, \$3995. 537-9953.

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1982 VOLKSWAGON WESTFALIA, new tires, new exhaust, extensive maintenance records. \$7500 firm. Call Chris. 538-5534.

900 TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

GOTTA SELL your car, truck, boat, RV, trailer or motorcycle? Advertise it in the Driftwood for 8 weeks at only \$29.95. (private party ads, 20 words, 1 vehicle per special, must be prepaid.) Call 537-9933 for details.

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BALANCING KI SHIATSU *Spring Special, buy one session, receive second 50% off (in studio only). Acupressure, energy work, reiki. Comfortable "clothes on" bodywork, both therapeutic and relaxing. Based on ancient Japanese technique. Phone 653-0075.

GARBAGE GURU. Clean-up and hauling, demolition, we clean yards, attics, garages and estate sales. David 537-1984.

TAX FREE diamond jewellery! Family Jewels will pay both the G.S.T. & P.S.T. on all diamond jewellery during the month of April. Great selection of rings, earrings and pendants. 161 Fulford-Ganges Road. Tues. - Sat. 10 - 5. 538-5560.

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WELCOME TO SPRING - would like you to know Masters Greens relocated to 161 Norton Rd. Same quality Wheatgrass. 538-9080.

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REMEMBER TO Request your Thrifty Foods sale tape be assigned to BIN 48, support your local SPCA.

MONIK NORDINE performs with Tuned Air on the Beautiful Music Tour. April 22 - April 24. Details in coming events. Don't miss it!

SUNDAY MARKET coordinator & Volunteers wanted for Sunday Market. Starting this summer. Contact Kristie 537-1210.

LIFT CHAIR Sale, Salt Spring Medical Supply. 125 Knott Place. 537-1990.

OPEN LATER! Fables Cottage Children's Bookstore is now open until 5:30, Monday-Saturday. 112 Hereford Ave. 537-0028.

WORK WANTED, Lawn mowing, weed eating, yard cleanup, help mowing etc., reliable, phone Brian Taylor 537-5657.

FAR INFRARED at home, from Japan a medically approved device to rent or buy. For info call Brian Taylor at 537-5657.

FARM RAISED free range pork, \$2.15/ lb. Comes cut, wrapped & frozen. Bacon, sausage & ham also available. By the 1/2 or 1/4. Approx. 100 lb. per side. Call 537-2152 or 537-5380.

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LET THE Accommodations Group of Salt Spring Island put your information in the hands of visitors! For only \$30, the Accommodations Group of Salt Spring Island will distribute your material to 120 accommodation providers saving you hours of time and at least \$100 on postage. Target your information! Help visitors plan their day before they head out the door! Deadline for submissions is May 6! For details contact: Ruth-Anne Broad 537-0851, Ralph Bischoff 538-0110 or Perry at the Chamber 537-4223.

INFRARED SAUNA at Eight Branches - back by popular demand! \$5 off sessions every Thursday until the end of May. Call 538-1701.

MOTHERS DAY Package at Eight Branches, Saturday, May 8: massage, reflexology, tarot reading, infrared sauna and tea for only \$95 including tax! Limited room. Call 538-1701.

VACATION RENTAL - for some of the facts see www.savesaltspring.com

HOUSE FOR sale by owner, \$229,000. 0.22 acre, 2 bedroom + 1/2 basement. Charming country cottage, wood floors, new appliances, wood stove, fully fenced, established gardens, storage shed, walking distance to Ganges. Tel. 537-0837.

MOVING SALE: Nordheimer Piano, small upright, \$800. Mason industrial sewing machine, \$400. Wire feed welder, tube bender, ring roller, various sizes of small gauge metal, \$1300. Table saw, \$75. Kenmore sewing machine, \$250. 653-9673.

PING PONG table, \$200, good condition, 537-2358.

SCRAPBOOKING WITH your digital camera a workshop with Andrea Palframan. Get playful with your photographs to create wonderfully original scrapbooks. Saturday or Wednesday afternoons from April 23. To register: 537-9935 or ampersand@gulfislands.com

1980 FORD BRONCO, 3 speed, automatic, 351. 33" tires. Black. \$800. 537-1748.

FOR SALE: furnished West facing, waterfront home on 1/3 acre, in Village Bay, Mayne Island. 1500 sq. ft. plus garage & new roof. Immediate possession, \$359,000. 250-537-9605 or 250-598-9608.

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REPRODUCE YOUR art digitally artists, photographers, craftspeople and designers... learn how to photograph and digitize your work, format it for high quality reproduction, resize and lay work out for giclee, art cards, frameable prints, and transfers (your paintings reproduced on canvas? wood? ceramics?). Take your originals one step beyond in this 6 hour workshop with Andrea Palframan. Sunday April 24 or Sunday May 2. Call 537-9935.

YES CELESTE has been and continues to teach yoga at the Barn Thursday nights 6-7:30 pm \$10 drop in, 538-5504.

NEED NOT Greed - Homes for residents, not tourists.

GREAT GRAD gifts and accessories at Family Jewels. New stock and affordable prices. Easy lay away plan. Tue-Sat 10-5. 161 Fulford-Ganges Rd, 538-5560.

CONCERNED ABOUT the lack of housing? Want to see residents in residential areas? Bring your concerns to Island Trustee Kim Liniger at the United Church, Thursday, April 22, 2 - 4 p.m.

MAY 1ST, large cozy br, private entrance, lake view, w/d, \$375, (studio also available). Single adult only, call 653-9137.

LOST APRIL 8, Calico cat with white belly. Fulford-Ganges Rd. Area. Female spayed, called Cookie, 653-9446.

ACCOMMODATIONS GROUP OF SSI/ SSI Chamber of Commerce "accommodating Innkeeper" Hospitality course for 2004. Full day workshop Monday, May 3, 2004. Preregistration required by April 29, 2004. Cost \$40, all materials included. For details contact: Ruth-Anne Broad 537-0851, Ralph Bischoff 538-0110 or Perry at the Chamber 537-4223.

BE THE First on SSI to grow and eat your own Pawpaw. Fantastic! Manderlay Nursery, 2256 Fulford-Ganges Rd. 653-4106.

MAYTAG WASHER and dryer set. Exc. cond. \$200. 537-9389.

GEMSTONE GARDEN WORKS at Manderlay. The rock bottom event. 10 tons of good building stone, \$100 a ton. Don't take this price for granite. Must clear. Open 24 hours (not in a row). I'm there on weekends, sporadically, otherwise 537-1204.

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14' ALUMINUM BOAT w/ steering wheel and controls. No leaks. Good condition. \$350 obo 538-1618.

TERRA FIRMA rammed earth courses, Summer 2004, www.sirewall.com

WANT TO hear about the UN Commission on the Status of Women 2004 Women and Peacebuilding, Beijing +10 and the next World Conference on Women? Tuesday April 27, 7pm GISS library. Presented by Marion Pape VOW delegate to the CSW 537-4567.

1985 F 150 4 X 4, good body, runs well. Recently serviced, \$3200. Lee 653-9883.

FOR RENT: 1 bedroom luxury home, ensuite w/ bathtub, guest loft/office, Jotul wood stove, large kitchen/ dining. Surrounded by deck. Available May 1st. \$1200 incl. electricity. Call 537-0636. After 7 p.m. or leave message.

HOLY COW! The Book! The Play! The Lifestyle! May 1, 7 & 8. United Church. Info: 537-9433.

FOUND: FEMALE calico cat in Vesuvius area. 537-2163.

FOR SALE 1952 Chevy, 1 1/2 ton truck. Vintage, almost 100% original, excellent shape. A Beauty just waiting for your love! \$7,500 OBO. 653-9210.

3 BED, 2 BATH, F/S incl. W/D hookup, 450 sq. ft. deck. Spectacular ocean view on south end. Min. 1 year lease \$1350/ month. Call Sandra 250-748-3876.

INVESTORS REQUIRED for the founding of a seriously marketable online game. Great incentive with recovery of investment and interest within 8 months. For information contact Lotus Bloom at (250) 653-4635.

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HOW SWEET it is? Stevia - 10 times sweeter than sugar!! Eliminate calories - sweeten naturally. See Manderlay for the plant and recipes. 653-4106.

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Horoscope for the Week of: April 18, 2004

Tip of the Week:

Just before the Sun enters Taurus a New Moon Solar Eclipse in Aries occurs. The timing is interesting as Mars rules Aries and Venus rules Taurus and both planets are currently close together in curious Gemini. Venus will appear to make a grand attempt to catch up to Mars and she normally would. However, this time she is moving very slowly preparing to turn retrograde in mid May. This kiss and tell combination may have less to report this time. Meanwhile Mercury continues to play little tricks in its retrograde fashion until the 30th of April. It will take until June 8 for the advancing Sun to cross paths with retrograding Venus. Venus will appear to cross over the face of the Sun and will appear as a black dot against the fiery backdrop. This is quite a rare event and some attention is going to it. It synchronizes with the Nov 8th Harmonic Concordance. These events serve as opportunities for people to gather in groups and share their heart focus and prayers for awakening and peaceful evolution. With the Moon's North Node in Taurus all the while which Venus rules, added emphasis is brought to the fair beauty known also as Aphrodite who adorns evening and morning skies. Venus's orbit is 224.7 days and she complete one turn on her axis about every 180 days! Venus is connected to a larger cycle which measures when she is a morning and when an evening star. The evening star is the brightest and occurs so near the time of her retrograde cycle. Fortunately, Gemini will be in Taurus throughout this process adding extra concentration power to keep perspectives practical. Enjoy

this celestial spice as something special for our times.

Aries (Mar 21 - Apr 20)

The Moon is New in your sign Aries, for the second time in a row! This is a signal that even more opportunities to take new initiatives are in the air. With Mars, ruler of Aries, in Gemini the theme includes "seed knowledge". This means introduction to new ideas, perspectives and possibilities. The time is right to entertain new angles and approaches.

Taurus (Apr 21 - May 20)

The ground is clearly in sight and you are about to touch firmly down. From your dream time new aspects of your identity are ready to emerge. The implications spell change and you may be hesitant to proceed. In any case, you will soon experience some measurable changes in values, beliefs, attitudes and/or approach. Meanwhile, this is a good time to express your self artistically. Let spring inspire you!

Gemini (May 21 - Jun 20)

The time has come for yet a deeper round of self-discovery. Old fixed patterns are changing and new energy and intention are entering your life. Perhaps someone new is keeping you entertained. You want focus and companionship and love but still need time to examine the parameters. Half of you wants to dive-in, while the other half wants to carefully consider the implications.

Cancer (Jun 21 - Jul 21)

You have taken new steps in your public and professional life, albeit cautious ones. You want to appear wise and strong you may not feel as much confidence within as without. Hopefully, you are accepting things as they are and not adding undue pressure on to your self. This trend will continue yet you have more opportunity to relax. Just be who you are, and accept whatever is.

Leo (Jul 22 - Aug 21)

The urge to step into the spotlight continues. This claim for leadership implies responsibility. Keeping things in perspective remains important; avoid making little things big and big things little. Exercise your witness self to maintain the balance by watching your own actions and/or the reactions of others. You are happy to meet new people, especially those who can assist you to professional and/or social achievement.

Virgo (Aug 22 - Sep 23)

You are on the verge of new modes of expression. In many respects this means freedom. You want to expand and explore your horizons. There is always another way and you are ready to experiment by inspiration and/or desperation. Learning, education and travel of some kind are implied. Embrace the prospect of change with as much enthusiasm as you can.

Libra (Sep 23 - Oct 21)

New relationship encounters and prospects continue to colour your world. Amidst the challenge and turmoil of financial duties and dealings it is refreshing to engage with others. However, you also feel the need for space and privacy to make sense of all the upheaval occurring both within and without. It is good to remember that you can take space and yet are never truly alone.

Scorpio (Oct 22 - Nov 20)

Meeting new people and striking new deals is now in focus. In some cases romantic encounters or at least flirtatious ones are keeping you sparked and excited. Business deals, contracts and other practical considerations are also on the horizon. In all respects, you do well to proceed cautiously. In other words, read the fine print and think carefully about the implications.

Sagittarius (Nov 21 - Dec 20)

Improving the health and quality of your lifestyle is now in the spotlight. This includes your health, your income and the solidity of your base. Tending to these to create a more stable foundation is likely. Others may be helping you to get going in assertive ways. Tension on relationship fronts is therefore likely. Fortunately, other factors are present to assist you. Focus and follow through are important now.

Capricorn (Dec 21 - Jan 19)

The urge to stay close to home and/or find your center continues. You have been making diligent efforts in new directions. Additions and complimentary parts to the larger plan and structure are on the agenda. You feel very creative and are determined to make the dream a reality. Fortunately, this intention will gain momentum over the next several weeks.

Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 19)

Consolidating your foundation close to home is a central theme now. This may well imply stimulation from new low prospects and/or feelings for another. A mate tends to complete the picture for most people. If you are without one this is a good time to call one in. Just waiting and hoping is not very effectual, generally. Why leave it to fate when you can engage in the co-creation?

Pisces (Feb 20 - Mar 20)

Entertaining new directions and possibilities for learning towards practical expression is now in focus. The time has come to bring some more of your wisdom and imagination down to earth. Trust that as you enter new territory you are on the right track. This is a good time to take a hand on approach and try new things. Changes close to home will also continue. Be open to guidance and assistance.

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Salt Spring jewellery sale aids Afghan families' lives

By GAIL SJUBERG
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When Judith Borbas and Marlene Smith took on coordination of the May 1 Tea and Jewelry Auction benefit for Afghan women, they had no idea what to expect.

Fortunately, since putting out the call for donations, they've been inundated with bags and boxes of treasures ranging from strings of gleaming pearls to diamond brooches to a 150-year-old jet beaded collar.

"We've got the 3 'Fs,'" said Smith — "Fine, fashion and funky" jewellery.

Tiger's-eye and amethyst pendants, hand-crafted silver earrings and bracelets, beaded necklaces with an Eastern flavour, some nestled in original boxes, have been dropped off — and occasionally with extra surprises.

"One of the interesting things about the jewellery is that some people have included a little article or story about the piece," said Borbas. "Butterfly brooches came with an article about how collecting them was in style at the time."

Salt Spring Voice of Women (VOW) for Peace members are holding the event next Saturday at ArtSpring beginning at 1 p.m. Some 60 pieces of fine jewellery will be auctioned off, while countless others can be bought for a set price. People will have about half an hour to peruse the items before the live auction begins.

Borbas and Smith note the event is a great chance to pick up a unique gift for Mother's Day, or for grads to find head-turning items to augment their graduation outfits.

How will the selling of jewellery end up adorning the lives of women in Afghanistan? Funds raised at the auction will be used to send Bonnie



BEJEWELLED: Marlene Smith (left) and Judith Borbas try on some of the unique jewellery for sale at an Afghan women's fundraiser on May 1.

Photo by Gail Sjuberg

Dalziel to Kabul where she will help VOW-connected women market their clothing and woven silk products.

Salt Spring VOW has been assisting the Afghan women for a few years in an effort to make them financially self-sufficient so they can support their often large families, but has encountered a few problems along the way.

Firstly, despite sending detailed drawings of the kinds of clothes that would sell in North America, VOW continues to receive items that are not as appealing to the market.

"They have fabulous skills . . . They're weaving skills are wonderful. They're perfect," observes Dalziel. "That big gap between the design and a finished product is what we have to narrow so [they're effort] doesn't go for naught."

She said her mission is to select people on the ground in Kabul who can oversee the project and stitch up the holes in quality control. "It's a matter of setting up systems," said Dalziel.

That also includes finding

a way to efficiently process orders and transport goods out of the country.

"We need orders to be sent from here by e-mail and a package sent to Salt Spring in short order."

In working with the Kabul women, Dalziel will draw on many years of project development experience in African countries with groups such as Canada Crossroads International, CUSO and the American Friends Service Committee. She is also a fabric artist known on the island especially for her dazzling quilts.

The groups points out the sale is a quintessential "women helping women" event.

"Every woman who comes and donates and buys the jewellery is involved in this project to help Afghan women support their families," said Smith.

The first 50 ticket purchasers will also receive a free silver-plated necklace chain and should be sure to ask the ArtSpring box office attendant for the voucher needed. Tickets cost \$10 and include Garry Oaks Vineyard samples, tea and tasty Afghan treats.

Baking skills were honed at Afghan and Middle East feasts that raised funds for the same and related projects.

"Just for our little issue to have raised \$15,000 in the last five years is astounding," said Smith.

Jewellery donations will still be accepted through Cathy Ward of Family Jewels in Ganges.



PLAY TIME: Rachelle Lane, left, and Megan Dandeneau enjoy a pile of pink blossoms, which have fallen from a tree and are covering the sidewalk outside of Flowers and Wine in Ganges. The two were seen there on Monday.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

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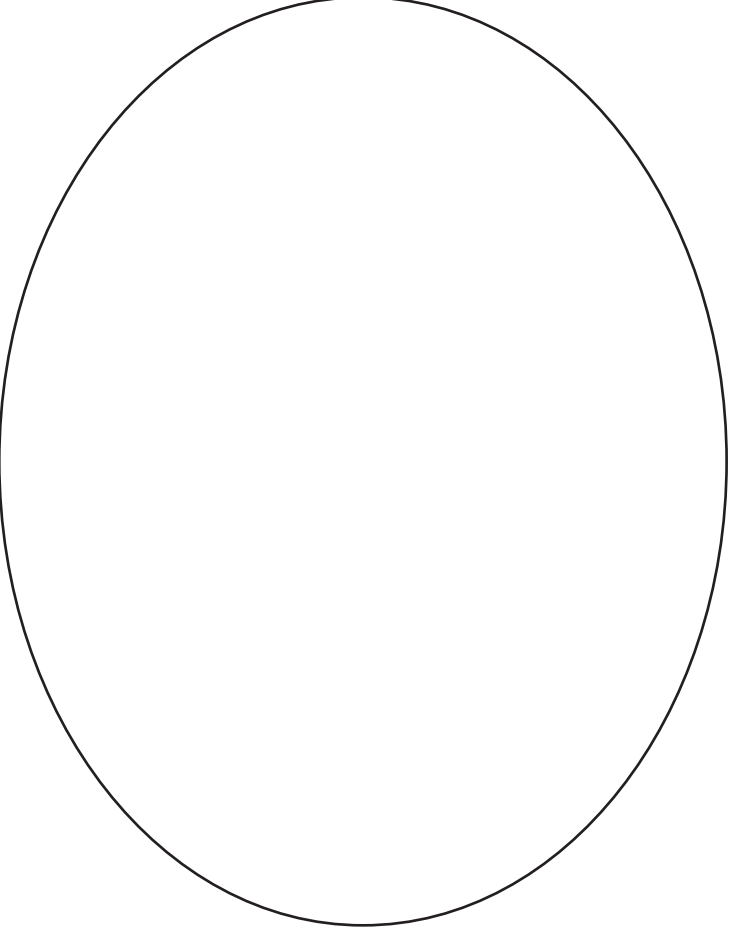
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