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**Weather**

Rain, rain and more rain is forecast for the upcoming week, right through the weekend. Highs to 11 C on Saturday, overnight lows to 2 C on Thursday.

## Cell plan folds

Salt Spring fire trustees picked satellite phone technology over a controversial cell-antenna option at their board meeting Monday night.

Trustees opted to purchase two phones that can operate in moving vehicles, rather than lease the Ganges fire hall clock tower to Telus for a cell-antenna installation.

"This is great. This is a victory," said Chris Anderson of Island Residents Opposed to Cell-phone Antennae (IROCA) Tuesday.

For the past seven months, IROCA members, some Ganges business owners and other individuals have pressured the Salt Spring Island Fire Protection District board of trustees to not sign a contract with Telus.

Some 1,000 signatures were collected on a petition to the fire board opposing installation of a repeater that would have improved cell-phone coverage in the Ganges area.

Anderson said that while fire trustees voted for the satellite phone option because trials were deemed quite successful — not because they agreed with cell-antenna health effects information presented by IROCA — it was still a good decision.

"From the IROCA per-

**CELL TOWER 3**



**HELPING HANDS:** Hannah Lawson drops some money into Salt Spring firefighter Mike Bartle's helmet as Chris Cormack looks on. Ten firefighters raised more than \$2,800 for tsunami relief in a "boot drive" held Saturday on Salt Spring.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

## 'Feel good' 4-day survey shows support

By **MITCHELL SHERRIN** and **GAIL SJUBERG**  
Staff Writers

Local parents, students and school staff submitted over 7,000 comments in response to a four-day instructional week survey conducted by the Gulf Islands School District.

And even though school trustees and administrators talked about the survey in

glowing terms during a regular board meeting on January 12, not everyone is grinning about the results.

"People really did take the time to write, and that's what we were looking for," said district superintendent Wendy Herbert.

The district received 1,579 responses to the four-day instructional week questionnaire distributed in late

November. It was made available to parents, students and all district employees. The largest number of respondents were K-12 students (1,093) followed by parents (375).

"We are very pleased with the amount of data we have," said school board chair May McKenzie.

The survey asked six questions about the length

of the school day, teaching and learning, life outside of school, extracurricular activities, Friday activities and overall rating of the four-day instructional week.

"It's the in-depth stuff that will really have meaning for us," said McKenzie.

Each question had a space for comments and the 1,579

**4-DAY SURVEY 2**

## 'Tropical Punch' soaks snow for massive melt

By **MITCHELL SHERRIN**  
Staff Writer

Storm-weary islanders could be feeling like characters in a Weather Channel remake of Godzilla versus Mothra.

After shovelling 54 centimetres (21 inches) of snow from last week and another 12.7 cm (five inches) on Saturday (measured by local weather observer Robert Aston), islanders then met a tropical rainstorm that arrived Monday to rav-

age roads, fields and culverts.

B.C. Hydro reported 40,000 customer interruptions on Salt Spring between January 7 and January 10 after heavy snow dropped trees on lines last week.

"We got hit hard," said B.C. Hydro Vancouver Island region public affairs coordinator Stephen Watson. "One circuit with 2,700 customers cut in and out four times."

Musgrave didn't receive power until Friday and a handful of island-

ers still didn't have power on Tuesday, he said.

The Emergency Operations Centre remained staffed with volunteers until Thursday after it was initiated January 8. And local firefighters put in 493 man hours as they responded to 66 calls over the week.

But now the island is facing a new monster.

"We're about to receive the storm that California just endured," said foreman John Charlton of Main-

road South Island Contracting Ltd.

"Combined with the rapid snowmelt from the rising temperatures, it's a recipe for disaster similar to what we had in 1996."

Nicknamed "Tropical Punch," the rainstorm delivered 35.56 millimetres (1.42 ins) of precipitation Monday and brought a heavy rainfall warning for Tuesday with 50 mm (two ins) predicted over 24 hours and

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# Salt Spring donations continue to flood tsunami relief efforts

By MITCHELL SHERRIN  
Staff Writer

Tsunami survivors in Thailand will soon be launching a fleet of fishing boats thanks to fundraising efforts on Salt Spring.

As of Tuesday, an ever-climbing death toll topped 168,000 for the region after disaster struck south Asia on December 26; with hundreds of thousands wounded and millions displaced.

But islanders have already taken steps to meet the staggering need with whatever help they can offer.

Coast guard auxiliary crews raised over \$1,000 by collecting funds from ferry passengers on Saturday alone, said Amarah Gabriel, vice-president of the Gulf Islands Marine Rescue Society.

“We’re a small group and we thought we could do one specific thing.”

They plan to visit local ferries again this Saturday to meet their goal to collect \$2,500 to buy a long-tail fishing boat for one community in Thailand.

Salt Spring’s Debbie, Tom and Trina Cairns hope to help replace 66 damaged fishing boats at the Sea Gypsies Village near Phuket, a community of 1,000, where they are currently living and

assisting locals.

The Cairns family set up the Sea Gypsies Relief Account at Island Savings Credit Union where Salt Spring residents can offer direct assistance.

An e-mail from Debbie Cairns reported that they have already received enough money to purchase 15 boats and more funds are flooding in.

“As we collect money for boats we will buy them and then the fishermen who lost a boat and cannot repair it will receive a used or new boat. This will be done by lottery draw to make it fair,” Cairns wrote.

The tangible goal of buying a boat appealed to the coast guard auxiliary volunteers, said Gabriel.

“We’re out there all the time, helping people off rocks and various marine disasters so it seemed natural for us to raise money on that level for a specific cause,” she said.

Both the coast guard auxiliary and the Community Gospel Church can issue tax receipts for the Sea Gypsies fund.

Local firefighters also pitched in with \$2,500 to purchase a boat on behalf of the Salt Spring Fire Fighters Association.

And they added to their efforts when they hit the streets Saturday for a boot drive that collected another \$2,880 from the community for the Canadian Red Cross.

“It was way better than our normal fundraiser,” said assistant fire chief Arjuna George.

Children at Salt Spring Elementary (SSE) also donated \$1,000 to the Red Cross before a January 11 deadline for federal matching funds.

Some 20 non-governmental organizations were eligible for \$120 million in matching aid from the federal government.

Worldwide, donors have already raised over \$739 million toward a \$1-billion appeal for immediate aid to victims of the tsunami, reported the United Nations Tuesday.

But local students participated in a “Change for Change” fundraiser that just keeps going.

“Kids have been bringing in change every day,” said SSE principal Rineke Jonker.

“I think it’s really touched the hearts of all kids, not just ours.”

The school has raised \$500 more since the \$1,000

donation and is now thinking of providing funds for a Thai fishing boat, too.

Gallon coin jars were also bulging at Salt Spring Island Middle School (SIMS) where students aim to raise enough money for a fish boat.

“We hope to raise \$2,500 within another week or so,” said SIMS principal Kevin Vine.

Another fundraiser saw islanders buy art from over 40 world-renowned local artists such as Robert Bateman, Carol Evans and Jill Louise Campbell during a gallery showing at ArtSpring.

“I’m nothing but pleased,” said Nicola Wheston.

She estimated that the Island Artists for Tsunami Victims art show raised over \$10,000 for the Red Cross, despite adverse weather that kept people at home.

“I would have loved to get more but at every turn this snow just did it.”

A Tsunami Relief benefit cabaret is also scheduled on January 29 at Beaver Point Hall, the Sundogs are hosting an all-ages concert with Donnie McDougall, Jaime RT, Jack and Lefty and other artists at Fulford Hall on Saturday, and the Blue Horse Folk Art Gallery sale is on Sunday.

## FOUR-DAY SURVEY

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respondents submitted 7,081 comments.

“Where we think it will be most useful is for principals at the school level.”

The task force hopes to be able to print the comments in a way that ensures confidentiality, she said.

Overall, the survey found that 59.3 per cent of respondents rated the four-day instructional week as “somewhat positive or positive overall.” Another 17.1 per cent rated it as neutral and 21.7 per cent give it a “negative or somewhat negative”

rating, she said.

“When we look at the ratings for the specific questions, it is parents who are more unhappy with the length of the school day,” said McKenzie.

“Yet, more than 70 per cent of all respondents feel there is enough time for students to learn what is covered in class, complete homework and catch up when absent from class.”

It’s necessary to examine the concerns of the remaining 30 per cent on a school-by-school basis, she said.

But representatives from the Keep Five Alive Coalition (KFAC), who oppose the four-day week, found a fresh target with the survey.

“I don’t know how you can tinker with a four-day week to make it more educationally sound,” said KFAC spokesperson Garth Hendren.

In response to the survey question “How has the lengthened school day affected you?” 37.4 per cent responded negatively, 36.1 per cent positively, and 23.4 per cent responded with no

change, KFAC noted in a press release.

“When you have approximately a third of the people who have expressed some kind of dissatisfaction, that’s a significant number,” Hendren said.

He also complained that the “feel good” survey is quasi-scientific with no real validity.

“I think a ‘like’ or ‘dislike’ of education is not a sound basis for educational decisions.”

An independent assessment of the survey by Patricia Reichert was ignored by the Four-Day Week Implementation Task Force, KFAC noted.

And KFAC continues to question the validity of a survey that would allow a family with two children in school to make four different responses.

Hendren also believes the district will be taxed to turn 7,000 survey responses into useful information.

“If the district is prepared to spend the resources to collate the information, then bring it to the board so they can address new policies and procedures which will correct problems that are perceived, fine. It’s a huge amount of work.”

Hendren sits on the four-day week implementation task force which has a mandate to make recommendations to the board by March.



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**LET THERE BE LIGHT:** Max Burrard of Horizon Power helps restore electricity to Southey Point during recent power outages. Photo by Derrick Lundy

# TROPICAL PUNCH

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more rain forecast through Friday.

"The drainpipes around here are designed for a 100-year storm and it seems like we're getting a 100-year storm every nine years now," Charlton said.

His crews were still trying to peel frozen snow from the 280 kilometres (173 miles) of maintained Salt Spring roads Tuesday.

"Our grader is just catching the Dukes Road, Seymour, Armand area now and then heading to Bullman-Meyer to get the compact ice off the shaded sections there," Charlton said Tuesday.

Ploughing island roads under ideal conditions takes approximately four days without interruption by additional snowfalls or other mishaps, he said.

"People aren't used to such a succession of bad weather around here."

And contracted local operator Ron Spencer still had a lengthy list of roads to clear when his equipment broke down, Charlton said.

"Everything else is not a real priority because it's melting rapidly. Now we're more concerned with flood damage."

Charlton had requested more resources to deal with flooding on Tuesday.

"We already have damage on Fulford-Ganges at Furness from a snow bank being pushed into the ditch line."

They also had a "near

disaster" at Parminter and Sunset Drive Monday night when a rock blocked the creek culvert from Channel Ridge, causing water to flood the road.

"As everyone is well aware from the tsunami, water is a powerful force. Nothing can really stop it, we're just trying to steer it."

After snow clearing and flooding are under control, Mainroad crews will still deal with another phase of weather effects.

"After the flooding is over, then we've got the frost coming out of the roads and they will break up worse than

you've ever seen because they're tired as it is."

Road crews have a lot of work ahead, he said.

"We're going to have a pothole nightmare and the gravel will be mushy and muddy and rutted."

Though islanders may groan about their weather woes, they can also look on the bright side — the Lower Mainland expected up to 100 mm (four ins) of rain by Wednesday and Environment Canada forecast 150 to 300 mm (six to 12 ins) for the west coast of Vancouver Island over the next three days.

# Virus puts freeze on hospital

Lady Minto surgeries are cancelled this week and people are urged to visit the hospital only if absolutely necessary, due to a potent virus that's hit the local hospital.

"We don't have results yet, but it's a gastro virus that has swept through a lot of our

staff members," said manager of patient care Karen Davies Tuesday.

"It was kind of a struggle through the weekend to keep the hospital staff going. What we have had to do is eliminate as much as we can visitors to the hospital.

"We certainly don't want

to keep everyone out, but we are trying to keep as many visitors out as we can because it protects them and it protects our patients."

Davies also urges people experiencing nausea, diarrhea or vomiting to stay home unless they need urgent medical attention.

# CELL TOWER

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spective it makes a lot of sense and it spares us from the dreaded cell antenna."

Anderson and others also tested a 12-ounce, \$1,000 Globalstar satellite phone last week, experiencing 40 calls "without any flaw" and in all weather conditions.

But Anderson didn't think the cell fight was truly over.

"It's been seven months of agony, stress and having to stick with this," said Anderson. "But I know with the telecommunications industry, they will be back."



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# Fire sinks sailboat off Musgrave Point

By MITCHELL SHERRIN  
Staff Writer

Rescuers only heard a partial "mayday" before a boater was forced to flee a burning sailboat that sank near Sansum Narrows on January 11.

"He managed to escape just in time," said Canadian Coast Guard seaman Roland Temmel.

"You could see on his mitts that he got a little bit singed."

The boater abandoned his 35-foot Erikson sailboat when it caught fire, burned to the waterline and sank off Musgrave Point, Temmel said.

Rushed for time when the vessel suddenly filled with smoke, the boater only managed a partial distress call before he abandoned ship for his dingy at 12:20 p.m., Temmel said.

"He happened to have his cell-phone, which he used to call for help when he got into his dingy."

Neither the coast guard nor the boater could deter-

**"... suddenly the whole place was full of black smoke and... (then) it burst into flames and everywhere he looked was fire."**  
— Roland Temmel

mine why the boat erupted in flames.

"He smelled something, went down to look around, didn't find anything, then he smelled something again, looked around and didn't find anything and then suddenly the whole place was full of black smoke and it wasn't much after that that it burst into flames and everywhere he looked was fire."

Fortunately, the man was unharmed during the fire and was dressed adequately for the cold weather.

"He rowed away from the fire and stayed a safe distance from the burning boat and floated around watching it burn until assistance arrived."

Several vessels responded to the distress call, including auxiliary coast guard units

from Cowichan Bay and Mill Bay, along with crew aboard the Skua from Ganges. But the HMCS Brandon was the first vessel on the scene.

"They ended up picking up this fellow in his dingy."

The 970-tonne coastal defence vessel turned the man over to the Ganges crew for transport to Patricia Bay.

"We were better suited to head into Pat Bay with him and his dingy so his wife could pick him up than was that big warship."

Temmel notes that boaters should be familiar with their abandon-ship procedures.

"One of the worst things about fires is the ability to get off — to know when to call it quits."

As an addendum to the incident, Temmel noted the man said he'd just sold the

vessel prior to the fire.

In other coast guard news:  
• A local crew rescued a 41-foot crab boat after the vessel broke down and drifted toward rocks near Portland Island on Saturday.

"His anchor deployment system was frozen so he couldn't get himself stopped," said Temmel.

Visibility was difficult with thick falling snow when the call came at 7:15 p.m.

"It was an electronic navigation show."

But the crabber just managed to drop anchor before Skua crew arrived, Temmel said.

The coast guard towed the vessel to Tsehum Harbour.

• Coast guard crews and a military Sea King helicopter searched for a shipwreck that proved to be a false alarm on Friday.

A concerned citizen at Oaks Bluff on North Pender spotted what appeared to be a vessel aground near Moresby Island, said Temmel.

"Whatever he saw it was a mistaken belief."

# Slashed roadsides attract hedgerow fans

By ROB WILTZEN  
Driftwood Contributor

The controversy over roadside brush cutting on designated heritage roads on Salt Spring has spurred local residents to organize the newly formed Hedgerow Society.

"The goal is the protection of natural hedgerows as long as they don't interfere with line of sight or drainage," said Maureen Moore, president of the Beddis and Cusheon Area Residents Association, and director of the Hedgerow Society.

"Hedgerows are very important and provide many

uses, as well as being much more aesthetically pleasing," said Andrea Collins of the society.

"They can take up to 30 years to mature and include a combination of different trees, shrubs, grass . . . They shelter crops and livestock from wind, they provide wildlife corridors, habitat for birds that nest in them as well as other indigenous animals, plants and insects. They absorb roadside pollution and they act as a barrier to noises.

"Further, they really define the nature of a country road, providing the look and feel

of a rural environment," she said.

"We'd really like to preserve the rural nature of the island."

"Beddis Road is one of the island roads designated a heritage road according to official community plan (OCP)," said Moore.

"In an agreement signed by the Ministry of Transportation and Islands Trust in 1992, they agreed not to cut back further than 1.8 metres on roads with heritage road status. In June of last summer, however, they had a brushing machine making four passes of the machine, which is what they would do on a highway."

Other roads designated as Heritage and Scenic Road Segments in the OCP include Sunset Drive, Robinson-Walker Hook, Upper Ganges, Churchill, Cusheon Lake, Isabella Point and Morningside roads, and the segment of Beaver Point Road from Stewart Road to Ruckle Park.

The appeal of residents concerned about brush cutting resulted in a meeting last month between representatives of the Beddis Road neighbourhood, the transportation ministry and the local contractor, Mainroad South Island Contracting.

According to Greg Galpin of the Ministry of Transportation, it resulted in an agreement to recognize the

sensitivity of some areas and reduce brushing to the bare minimum.

"The practice is about controlling vegetation for sight distance, especially around curves and intersections, to prevent clogging of ditches, control noxious weeds and to let in sunlight in order to get natural thawing in the wintertime," he said.

"Alders grow fast and if they get too big then you have to get in doing hand brushing, which is much more expensive and results in a lot of woody debris to get rid of."

Galpin said Salt Spring has a reduced standard in general for overhead brushing. However, heritage roads do not have a different standard, officially.

"We try to recognize them and lessen the impact," he said, "but we can only go the minimum width."

"The next step is for the contractor to share their workplans with residents at the start of the year and have discussions over sensitive areas," he added.

"That would include what time of year to do the ditching and making some adjustments in their work schedule for environmental concerns."

Galpin maintained no change in policies or procedures has occurred, despite residents' observations that brush cutting has increased on Beddis Road.

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## School programs impress MLAs

As part of the provincial government's Safe Schools Task Force that completed its report in 2003, MLAs Lorne Mayencourt and Wendy McMahon have seen more school corridors than most British Columbians.

They're also big supporters of programs that reduce bullying in schools and society overall, and were impressed last week with their exposure to the Developing Healthy and Respectful Relationships (DHRR) violence prevention program.

A partnership between the Gulf Islands School District and SWOVA (Salt Spring Women Opposed to Violence and Abuse), the program has been used locally for several years.

"Wendy and I travelled a lot in the province [with the task force]," said Mayencourt, the MLA for Vancouver-Burrard. "We learned that if students don't feel safe, they aren't going to learn."

McMahon and Mayencourt spent January 11 on Salt Spring involved with DHRR activities. They sat in on a Grade 8 workshop on peer pressure, met with the SWOVA Youth Team at Gulf Islands Secondary and talked to school district representatives, principals and staff.

McMahon, who is the new Minister of State for Women's and Seniors' Services, also visited the Salt Spring Transition House.

"I was very impressed with the dedication of the staff and the amount of community support," she said.

Mayencourt said results of initiatives like DHRR can be measured with data such as reported incidents of bullying or violence in schools. Those incidents are low in the Gulf Islands, he noted.

SWOVA programs coordinator Lynda Laushway praised the Gulf Islands School Board for embracing the DHRR program.

"It's not every school district that says 'yes, we want to do a project like this,'" she said. "It speaks for their commitment and courage that they did it."

Laushway said Mayencourt was able to see a workshop presentation on combatting homophobia and racism created by the SWOVA Youth Team.

"They were totally professional and totally engaging him in the discussion," she said Wednesday.

Mayencourt told the Driftwood the education ministry was not looking to create a specific program for use in all B.C. schools, but was interested in every possibility for making schools safer.

"Every community will be different for what works for them," said McMahon.

Mayencourt observed that bullying in schools will become as unacceptable as sexual harassment in the workplace, which was tackled in a similar way in the past.

"We're in the stage of enlightenment and we're seeing that you just have to break the [bullying] cycle."

The DHRR program was also nominated for a Minister's Award for School Board Innovation in December.



**DE-ICING, SALT SPRING STYLE:** St. Clair McColl of Salt Spring Air gets on top of his snow-removal tasks in Ganges Harbour last week. Photo by Tom Vergalen

## Phone service is still out for some

Power may be back on for Salt Spring residents, but some of them still can't talk about it.

That's because telephone service lost during the same January 6-7 snowstorm has not yet been restored.

"I certainly feel like I live further into the back of beyond than I ever realized," said Mount Belcher dweller Judi Stevenson.

After a flurry of phone calls to Telus, Stevenson was told Monday that the soonest she would have telephone and Internet service is January 20. At one point the estimate was January 31.

Stevenson was told by Telus she was due for a crew visit on the morning of Monday, January 10, but lost her spot because her road was not ploughed until that afternoon.

"The road has been clear since then. I don't understand why they didn't put me right back in the queue then, not at the bottom of the queue."

Stevenson's whole ordeal has been riddled with frustration. She was told she would have to be at home for the repair to occur, but was given no indication of when that might happen.

"They said I had to be

here; they wouldn't tell me when they were coming; and they never came."

She said customer service reps, all the way up to "escalation management team" members, "were not at all interested in or responsive to" the fact she lives alone at the end of a long driveway or that her business relies on Internet access.

Charlie Fleet of Telus' communications department said the company was doing what it could to restore service as soon as possible.

"We have brought in extra crews from parts of Vancouver Island and the Lower Mainland," he said Tuesday. "If the weather can stabilize, we should have everything fixed in five or six business days."

"It's fairly labour intensive work and everybody has been working over the weekend," said Fleet. "We're doing everything we can."

Other Salt Spring residents in the same boat included Mike Larmour on Beddis Road, Tamar Griggs at Bold Bluff, and Moss Mountain residents Gay and Gary Meaghley.

"Hydro did it in a week and I don't know why Telus can't do it," said Griggs.

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1206-115 Fulford-Ganges Road, Salt Spring Island, BC V8K 2T9**NOTICE OF COMMUNITY INFORMATION MEETING  
CONCERNING VACATION RENTALS AND RELATED BYLAW AMENDMENTS**

The Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee has now prepared Official Community Plan and Land Use Bylaw amendments respecting the recent review of policy and regulations for the short term vacation rental of residential dwelling units. These draft amendments include,

- growth limit policies for tourist accommodation units,
- the use of seasonal cottages for short term vacation rental units,
- the temporary use of residential dwellings for vacation rental by permanent residents
- the conversion of seasonal cottages to affordable housing units,
- rezoning or temporary use permit requirements for new bed and breakfast home-based businesses,
- a 4 hectare (10 acre) minimum lot size for seasonal cottages in new subdivisions, and
- a 10 campsites limit on campgrounds unless approved by the Local Trust Committee

A community information meeting will be held at the following time and location for the purpose of providing information and responding to questions concerning the draft bylaws. A subsequent advertised public hearing will be held prior to second and third readings of the proposed bylaws.

Copies of the draft bylaws and related staff reports are available at the Islands Trust office in Ganges and at the Islands Trust website at [www.islandstrust.bc.ca](http://www.islandstrust.bc.ca) (Island Governments/Salt Spring Island/General Information/Studies and Reports).

**COMMUNITY INFORMATION MEETING**

**DATE:** Tuesday January 25, 2005  
**TIME:** 7:00 pm – 9:00pm  
**LOCATION:** Hart Bradley Hall (Lions Hall), 103 Bonnet Avenue (at Drake)

**Ganges court hands out  
5 impaired convictions**

An irate islander pepper-sprayed by police was convicted of assaulting a peace officer, impaired driving and refusal to provide a breath sample at Ganges Provincial Court on January 11.

Wolfgang Lachmund was fined \$1,300, ordered to pay a victim surcharge of \$195 and banned from driving for 12 months as the mandatory minimum sentence for the three charges.

"He wasn't very happy about it," said Crown counsel Barb Penty.

When he defended himself in court, Lachmund essentially admitted to all three offences related to a December 30, 2003 incident.

"His reason for refusing [to provide a breath sample] was that he didn't feel he had done anything wrong."

But since Lachmund had admitted drinking when he was interviewed by Salt Spring RCMP, he provided reasonable grounds to demand a sample, she said.

Lachmund complained he'd been pepper sprayed while in custody, but the islander also admitted to kicking Const. Jeff Swann during arrest.

Court heard that Lachmund became extremely disruptive after he was taken into custody at the Ganges RCMP detachment. Police reported that he keyed the walls, flooded the toilet and covered the camera, Penty said.

"Ultimately, they had to pepper-spray him to calm him down."

Penty noted that Lachmund was lucky Judge Michael Hubbard did not demand two consecutive 12-month driving prohibitions for the two liquor-related charges.

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According to a Trust press release, the move will be especially beneficial for disabled people.

"Our new location is fully accessible to community members with convenient parking for disabled persons, automated entry doors and barrier-free access for wheelchairs," states the press release.

"We believe that these

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"People don't realize you can be convicted of both impaired driving and refusal to blow."

In other court matters:

• The survivor of a perilous crash received multiple penalties after he pleaded guilty to impaired driving.

Peter Small said he lost control of a rented truck in heavy rain, flew off Sunset Drive and fell three metres onto the roof of the vehicle after colliding with trees at 3 a.m. on May 22, 2004.

Crown counsel noted that the vehicle was written off and that Small lost one third of his ear from a laceration in the crash.

Court heard that Small had two previous convictions for impaired driving, the most recent from 1996 when he was ordered to pay a \$750 fine.

Consequently, Judge Hubbard ordered an \$800 fine in addition to a one-year driving ban and \$120 victim surcharge for this third violation.

This conviction will likely attract a three-year prohibition from the B.C. superintendent of motor vehicles, the judge noted.

"It's been an expensive lesson for you," Hubbard said.

• Another islander received the mandatory minimum \$690 fine and one-year driving prohibition when he pleaded guilty to impaired driving.

Lorne Martin was charged on June 29, 2004 after he rear-ended a B.C. Hydro truck on Rainbow Road at Lower Ganges Road.

Martin provided breath

samples of 0.150 and 0.160 after he was interviewed by police.

Court also heard that Martin had a previous impaired conviction from 1996.

• A Bellingham resident lost vehicle privileges in Canada for a year when she pleaded guilty to impaired driving.

Court heard that Natalie Fewings provided breath samples of 0.210 and 0.200 after she was stopped on Fulford-Ganges Road by Salt Spring RCMP on September 29, 2004.

At the time of the arrest, Fewings told Const. Aaron McGiffen she was being harassed at the Fulford Inn and needed to get out of the bar.

She opted to drive when she was told a taxi could be a long time coming.

Judge Hubbard imposed the mandatory minimum \$600 fine and 12-month driving ban.

Court officials did not believe the driving prohibition would affect Fewings' driving status in the U.S.

• An island man received the mandatory minimum sentence when he pleaded guilty to impaired driving from a November 28, 2004 incident.

Court heard that an awkward parking job by Bodi Labine attracted attention from police who were responding to an unrelated incident at the Harbour House Hotel.

When interviewed by Const. Swann, Labine admitted drinking and provided a breathalyzer sample of 0.160.

Upon receiving a 12-month driving suspension and \$600 fine, Labine said, "I'm looking forward to 365 days of healthy exercise."

**Trust gears up for office move**

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improved facilities will better serve the needs of the Salt Spring and Thetis Island Local Trust areas as we continue service improvements to our island communities."

To accommodate the move, the office will close at 4:30 p.m. Friday, January 28 and re-open at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, February 2.

After the move, the Trust office's phone and fax numbers, as well as e-mail addresses, will stay the same.

In a separate event, Trust office staff were praised by islands trustee Kimberly Liner, also of Emergency Social Services, following last week's snowstorm.

"Pauline Brazier, Leslie Clarke and Kathy McNamara have been down at the Emergency Operations Centre [EOC] helping out," noted Liner in an e-mail message.

"Their skill and expertise in the areas of emergency response has made it possible for the EOC to provide excellent service to our community on Tuesday and again on Wednesday.

"Kudos to John [Gauld], Sheila [Almond], Allison [Fox] and George [Leukfeld] for keeping the Trust office open. They have done a great job in picking up the extra tasks while their co-workers are in the EOC."

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**FUNDRAISERS:** Salt Spring Elementary School students Ellis Hofmann and Jade Baker hold a donation jar as they stand in front of a tsunami relief bulletin board at the school, which has raised \$1,403 for the cause. Hofmann raised \$115 all on his own, while Baker has been active rolling coins and counting the money.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

## Districts' water advisories lifted

Islanders can rest their kettles now that a boil-water advisory has been lifted by the Vancouver Island Health Authority (VIHA).

Some 86 customers from Fulford Waterworks District and 800 customers from North Salt Spring Waterworks District (NSSWD) were affected when power outages disrupted treatment facilities at Fulford and Maxwell Lake over January 7-9.

Though water kept flowing and power was quickly returned to the sites, VIHA issued a boil-water advisory until approved water test results were acquired for two consecutive days.

NSSWD received an all-clear for Maxwell Lake on Friday and a positive result for Fulford on Monday, said NSSWD general manager Trevor Hutton.

"I'd like to thank our customers for their patience," Hutton said.

NSSWD customers north of Ganges, who receive water from St. Mary Lake, were unaffected, he said.

Power outages did not impact water systems monitored by the Capital Regional District (CRD) at the Fernwood, Highlands and Cedars of Tuam areas.



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## Alton house soaks up rainwater catchment funds

Vancity Credit Union and the Real Estate Foundation of British Columbia have awarded \$35,000 to the Islands Trust Fund to support its rainwater catchment and education project.

The project will see a complete rainwater collection system installed on the Ruby Alton Nature Reserve house on Salt Spring Island as a demonstration project for the southern Gulf Islands.

The system will show how a substantial proportion of the total water demand of a four-person household can be supplied by rooftop catchment of rainwater and will educate the public on the need to conserve and use rainwater.

The project is one of three awarded grants in the first year of the Green Building Grant program, a new initiative that provides annual grants of up to

\$50,000 to non-profits or cooperatives for building renovations, retrofits and regulatory changes to support more environmentally friendly buildings.

This year's recipients also include O.U.R. EcoVillage in Shawnigan Lake for the greening of its climate-change demonstration building and the Society Promoting Environmental Conservation in Vancouver for its sustainable energy public demonstration building.

## Bullock neighbours dive into group formation

Twelve people braved last Wednesday's cold temperatures to attend the inaugural meeting of a Bullock Lake residents association.

According to Rollie Cook, those attending agreed the new group should have several objectives.

"One is to monitor the developments at the Bullock

Lake resort and make sure the islands trustees know we are concerned about watershed issues."

They also want to work on wildlife protection and salmon enhancement projects, and investigate purchasing the in-receivership Salt Spring Island Village Resort property for community use.

Neighbours became concerned when they learned the long-dormant 35-acre, partially developed property is attracting more interest from potential buyers.

The group also intends to create a speakers program for topics such as watershed protection, septic field management and appropri-

ate plants for watershed and drought conditions, said Cook.

The next meeting of Bullock Lake area residents is on Tuesday, February 1 at 7:30 p.m. at the Farmers Institute.

Anyone wanting more information about the group can call Cook at 537-5434, or John Fulker at 537-4895.



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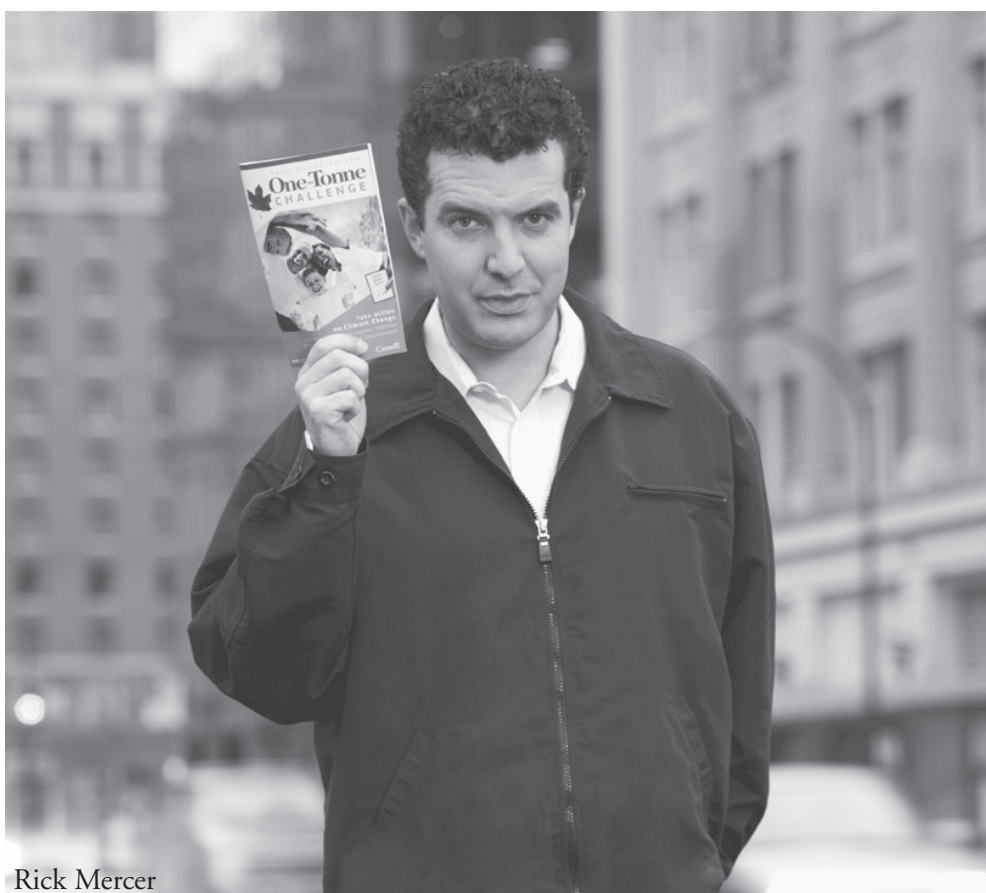
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## Static on the line

Islanders with enough stamina to still keep an ear on the Ganges cell-antenna issue will be glad to know its final call has come — for now.

Salt Spring fire trustees decided Monday night to not sign a Telus antenna contract at this point, opting instead to pursue satellite phones for improving emergency communications.

The decision follows testing of satellite phones, which yielded satisfactory results.

Only those who hoped their cell phones might work better in Ganges and have no concerns about alleged health effects will be disappointed. But one characteristic of island life is unreliable cell-phone communication, so most will not really care.

One problem with the seven-month cell debate is that the wrong people were stuck holding the flaming-hot public-relations receiver.

The local fire board should be concerned only with improving the island's emergency response capacity, but ended up deflecting a whole spectrum of criticism.

If Telus or any other cellular service provider wants to improve coverage on the island in future, its representatives should be the ones taking the flak and static.

## Safer schools

The Developing Healthy and Respectful Relationships (DHRR) program used in local schools through a SWOVA and school district partnership has garnered well-deserved accolades.

It won one of 12 Women's Safety Awards for Canadian projects in 2004, the B.C. School Superintendents' Award of Recognition in 2003, and was nominated for a provincial Minister's Award for School Board Innovation last month.

Through this program, the Gulf Islands School District is well ahead of many others when it comes to addressing bullying in schools and long-term violence prevention.

More attention was drawn to the program last week with school visits made by MLAs Lorne Mayencourt and Wendy McMahon, who served on the Safer Schools Task Force in 2003.

Then on Monday, task force chair Mayencourt announced his intention to introduce a Private Member's Bill to create a Safe Schools Act.

As Mayencourt pointed out while on Salt Spring, we're entering "an age of enlightenment" when it comes to the bullying issue. With programs like the DHRR, it can only continue.

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## Courageous hydro crews bring end to gift of inactivity

By TAMAR GRIGGS

It was with a mixture of sadness and relief that at 5 p.m. on January 14, one little stained glass light glowed and I realized our power was on — after eight days of being without.

Being on the Musgrave line, with service to only 20 families, we are always the last to receive power during major power outages on Salt Spring Island.

The hydro men deserve a gold medal for courage, fortitude, determination and skill, working 16-hour days for a long, cold week in deep snow — and then, at the end of this marathon, to hike the rugged trail from Musgrave Landing to Burgoyne Bay, working well into the night on January 13, hiking out in the dark along a treacherous trail, only to return the next morning, carrying their

### VIEW POINT

heavy equipment.

Friday morning, January 14, I fetched Todd in the whaler to assess the storm damage to Bold Bluff and to bring firewood to our house. As we landed the whaler, my heart thrilled to see the familiar bright orange hydro suit of a man at our house.

This was Scott, sub-foreman of the crew, trying to get a cell connection to his crew at Musgrave Landing, and failing.

Scott was determined to finish the job that day, and I had my secret doubts.

Scott put two full crews at Musgrave Landing and one crew at Burgoyne Bay and they worked

towards the centre, planning to meet wherever they met.

The lines were a disaster. Just along the south shore of Burgoyne Bay, 27 poles had to be connected after the big Doug fir trees were chain-sawed off the lines.

Exhausted as they were, they kept up good spirits and enjoyed a respite of Earl Grey tea laced with honey by our cozy fire, to warm their cold, wet feet: Scott, Mike, Stefan, Dennis, Jasper and Brad.

And here is a story you won't believe, unless you happened to meet Jasper working on the lines.

This brave fellow hiked out on one good leg, wearing a prosthesis from his knee down on his left leg.

Carrying a 50-pound pack, Jasper's task was to chainsaw all the trees off the lines with Brad.

His attitude? You can't stop living! You have to do what you love!

When he was 16 he had a bad hiking accident, and 10 years later he lost his foot to gangrene.

He grins: "I learned how to get along with very little." Today, he is proud to be the breadwinner of his family, including a wife and two children.

So my neighbours and I were eight days without power or phone, living as always in isolation because there is no road to Bold Bluff or Moss Mountain. In spite of the hardships, I loved it, mainly because I had plenty of firewood to keep me warm, there was plenty of water gravity fed to our house, I had enough food thawing in our freezer to last me awhile, and enough bird seed and candles after one adventurous hike and hitchhike to Ganges.

It was fabulous to stop my busy life and just be with my shepadoodle puppy, my 15-year-old cat and

my daughter as long as she was here. To hike the snowy paths, marvelling at the deer trails, the incredible destruction of the heavy snow, and the eagles soaring.

To read The DaVinci Code thriller, giving me shudders of apprehension as I climbed into my feather bed and blew out the wavering candles.

To wake up in the dark, ready to greet the day, but there was nothing to do! Couldn't phone anyone, couldn't get caught up in e-mails or the computer, couldn't play CDs, couldn't answer urgent community issues for preserving our island. I literally had to stop whatever it was that sends me spinning in a thousand directions.

And this was an amazing gift.

The writer is an "adventurous island woman" living at Bold Bluff.

## Upzoning of Horel Road threatens Cusheon Lake

By MAXINE LEICHTER

We, as directors of the Salt Spring Island Water Preservation Society (WPS), are responding to Maggie Schubarth's January 12 opinion piece regarding the rezoning request to increase density at 161 Horel Road in the Cusheon Lake watershed to build eight units of affordable housing on a lot zoned for one house.

We respect the Salt Spring Community Housing and Land Trust Society's search for a site for affordable housing. The WPS has no objection to building one unit of affordable housing at the Horel Road site as allowed by the current zoning.

Our concern is to preserve Cusheon Lake because it provides drinking water to over 200 families and is an

### IN RESPONSE

important resource for the entire island.

We are opposed to rezoning this property on two grounds: 1) it is a direct threat to a drinking water lake and 2) it creates a precedent allowing other developers to apply for upzoning of drinking watershed lands anywhere on Salt Spring Island.

Cusheon Lake is at serious risk. It is subject to blooms of blue-green algae (cyanobacteria), which release toxins that neither chlorination nor boiling can remove. These toxins are so dangerous that water containing

them should not be used for swimming, bathing, washing clothes or dishes. Airborne toxins can be absorbed by inhalation.

The recently drafted Cusheon Watershed Management Plan includes water test results and analysis which have determined that the key to preventing algal blooms in Cusheon Lake is to reduce the amount of phosphorus being carried into the lake.

Phosphorus is carried into the lake by water flowing through bare or disturbed soil. Any activities that disturb the soil, such as land-clearing related to construction, will result in phosphorus flow into the lake.

Over recent years, the average phosphorus concentration in Cusheon

Lake has been 18.6 parts per billion (ppb). At this level, algal blooms will occur when weather conditions are appropriate. It is estimated that if the level can be brought down to 18 ppb, algal blooms might be brought under control. This is still far below B.C.'s upper criterion for protecting fish, which is 15 ppb and the provincial goal for a "drinking-water lake," which is 10 ppb.

Therefore, we not only need to prevent increases in phosphorus runoff but also to reduce the amount of phosphorus from current levels. This requires re-vegetating previously cleared areas and strict adherence to existing limits on development.

So serious was our con-

cern that we obtained a legal opinion from our lawyers, Woodward and Company. Their opinion stated that this rezoning would require a change in our official community plan (OCP) and would contravene the Islands Trust Policy Statement.

They also stated that the OCP amendments being considered by the Local Trust Committee for the purpose of authorizing the zoning change are phrased in a way that sets a dangerous precedent, and would make it easy to make similar amendments to the OCP for future affordable housing or other developments.

The Vancouver and Victoria drinking watersheds are owned by the community. There is no development or access of any kind allowed.

On Salt Spring, the only protection for our drinking water lakes is provided by our OCP and zoning, which limit the extent of development. It would be irresponsible to remove this protection.

For these reasons, the Cusheon Lake Stewardship Committee, Beddis and Cusheon Area Residents Association, Beddis Waterworks District, the Water Council, North Salt Spring Waterworks District and the Salt Spring Island Water Preservation Society oppose upzoning of the Horel Road property.

The above piece was written by Leichter and the Salt Spring Island Water Preservation Society board of directors.

# SALT SPRING SAYS

**We asked:** *What have you learned from the latest island snowstorm?*



**Tamara Lemky**

*To count your blessings, particularly when you live in town and don't lose your power. I had a friend who lost power for six days.*



**Bob Laycock**

*I learned new and creative ways to get to work.*



**Tracey Hogarth**

*I've learned that I can survive quite nicely without having to get to town every day. I'm more prepared than I thought I was.*



**Cherith Davies**

*Everything was fine for me. The power went out but I had a woodstove and stayed nice and warm . . . I didn't drive. I got other people to drive for me.*



**Jean Stewart**

*Bad weather isn't an issue for me but these drivers don't have a clue.*

## Letters to the Editor

### Attend meeting

There is an important public meeting this coming week, on Tuesday, January 25 at 7 p.m. at Lions Hall.

At this meeting the Islands Trust is presenting the proposed bylaw revisions that came as the result of the vacation rental review.

Islands Trust staff and trustees have put together ideas for revisions that are comprehensive, regarding tourist accommodation in general. They have moved far beyond the "stand-alone" vacation rentals to include all types of accommodation. These proposals contain some big changes and I see them as a good indication of the Trust's desire to move in the positive direction of overall management.

I sincerely hope we will have a good turnout at this meeting because it is the public's chance to hear what these revisions are about. Otherwise, these bylaw changes are coming without a lot of public input.

In fact, I think it is premature to make large and far-reaching changes at this

point anyway. We are just moving towards the establishment of an Islands Trust advisory group on tourism, and we are also headed towards an official community plan review.

These proposed revisions, bylaws 395 and 396 may be good, but they may also need to be considered by a larger group of people, in the wider framework of tourism management.

Let's have a good meeting where we all "fine tune" our understanding of the Trust staff report of November 23, 2004. Then we can have input on what the next step is to be.

**ARLENE DASHWOOD,**  
Chair, ASTAR

### Get prepared

During the recent snowstorm and its aftermath we were without power for 70 hours.

Fortunately we have supplementary wood heat, but the novelty of sitting around by candlelight wore thin pretty quickly as most of the house slowly equalized with the temperature outside and we carried water to cook, wash and flush the toilet.

Praises and appreciation are due to the Hydro crews who worked long hours to restore power. The crew taking a much-earned break at Dagwood's was very good-humoured about fielding enquiries from "powerless" residents as to when they might expect to "see the light."

The explanation of the number of outages is simple and obvious — snow-laden branches falling on the lines and disrupting the power. One point that the Hydro crews made that makes perfect sense to me now is the need to keep the trees trimmed back from the power poles. If we are all too cheap to go the more expensive route of putting the power underground, then we need to be cognizant of the fact that those same trees that look so pretty in the spring and summer are the cause of many of the outages caused by wind and snow. So when the crews come round to trim them, don't complain and try to "save the trees" — unless you enjoy sitting in the dark and cold for days on end!

Another fact that came

to mind during those three days was our relative lack of emergency preparedness. This was a fairly minor natural occurrence, and seems especially trivial when you consider what has happened in Asia.

However, we all know that we are due for "the big one" and when that happens we'd better all be ready. I know that we are now looking at getting ourselves better prepared for an ongoing emergency. I advise everyone else to do the same.

**MANDY SPOTTISWOODE,**  
Long Harbour

### Cat's eyes

The last two Driftwood issues have contained excellent articles on pedestrian safety, etc.

In the latest one, Mr. Henderson from ICBC was quoted as saying, "ICBC is involved in engineering safer roads in an effort to reduce costly insurance claims."

I would like to point out to him and ICBC one simple item that I am sure would prove very cost effective, as well as improve safety on our narrow roads. The installation of "reflective cat's

eyes" in numerous spots on the main roads would most certainly make driving during dark, rainy weather much easier and safer. The dividing lines on our roads are barely visible most of the year.

I have no idea what the cost would be, but I am sure that it would not even touch that of one serious accident.

I would like to issue Mr. Henderson a challenge. Come here and try driving from Fulford to Vesuvius on a dark rainy night, and if he then could not see the "cost effective" potential of preventing accidents here through ICBC financing the installation of "cat's eyes," then we as a community should consider pressuring the Ministry of Transportation to take on this simple task of improving the safety of our highways.

**MEL SUMNER,**  
Cudmore Heights

### Baffled

The shabby attack on Daria Zovi by Norm and Diane Elliott (In Response, January 5) may well backfire and do damage to their development scheme.

Daria and her husband

have 10 acres next to the proposed high-density subdivision. They are slowly restoring the original Norton farmhouse, planting an organic vineyard and running a small brewing business in their home.

They work long hours to pay for all of this and raise two children. To compare their enterprise to that of a land developer, as the Elliots did, strikes us as a gratuitous insult. The young couple work their land and plan to have an organic wine-making business one day. They do not chop it up into little pieces and sell it for a one-crop profit.

We are baffled by the public relations tactics of this developer. In expensive ads he has tried to create an image of himself as a public-spirited do-gooder whose chief objective is to solve the island's housing problem (with a tidy profit only incidental). Whatever goodwill he may have gained in his campaign he appears to squander in a mean-spirited personal attack on a concerned young mother.

**BILL SIGURGEIRSON,**  
Miles Avenue

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## The politics of disaster make human heart stranger

Of all the disaster stories I have read in these past weeks since the earthquake, I had to pause and swallow hard when I read the Indian army was shooting village dogs to prevent them from going after the corpses.

I felt sorry for the dogs. The human heart is a strange creature.

The latest tsunami death toll stands at 165,000, a staggering number.

But there are much more troubling numbers. Since the December 26 disaster, about 130,000 Africans have succumbed to AIDS.

The round figure is 6,500 per day. Every two days, more than the entire population of Salt Spring Island dies of AIDS in Africa.

The estimates vary, but there are somewhere around four million new cases of AIDS per year in Africa, with 2 million deaths. That's the population of Vancouver wiped out every year.

So why this laudable outpouring of close to \$9 billion for the vic-

### HEAD TO HEAD

BY PETER VINCENT



tims of the tsunami, when AIDS relief organizations are forced to come begging for a fraction of that amount to stave off the worst pandemic in human history?

The answers are as troubling as the problem itself.

I have a friend who has spent each winter for the past 23 years in Africa. He rubs shoulders with the common African, has learned Swahili, eats, drinks and dresses like an African.

He has seen it all. He has seen African soldiers with big toothy grins all capped in gold, brandishing new kalashnikovs, cruising the filthy streets in brand new Landcruisers, dropping off half a bag of rice for the peasants to fight over.

That is the reality of foreign aid in most parts of Africa. Cor-

ruption is de rigeur, expected.

My friend is so disgusted and cynical about the fraction of every dollar that finally makes its way

to the street that he refuses to give even a nickel for the relief fund in Indonesia.

He has a point. Over the past 50 years, a trillion dollars has gone into the African aid sinkhole. Much of the continent is a vast wasteland of warlords bent on eradicating any and all opposition, indirectly financed through venerable institutions such as the United Nations.

Even that institution has come under fire. At best it completely mismanaged the Oil for Food operations in Iraq, where Iraqi oil was exchanged for food during the years leading up to the American-backed invasion.

At worst it may well come out that there were payoffs at the highest levels of the U.N.

Of course, the United Nations is

up to its ears in doling out disaster relief in Indonesia. The World Food Organization has ordered up 35,000 tonnes of rice for the stricken areas.

It is a virtual lock that most of that rice will be purchased from the United States. And don't think Canada is lily white when it comes to this game.

Our own government relief agency, CIDA, is mandated to buy all its relief supplies in Canada.

Despite these troubling aftershocks, and despite the news that Thai princess Chuylabhorn and an entourage of about 16 allegedly arrived in Vancouver last week for a little skiing holiday at Whistler, Canadians continue to open their wallets.

There is something immediate and poignant about a natural disaster that trumps a political, man-made disaster like AIDS. One hundred and sixty thousand swept away in a minute, versus two million AIDS victims slowly wasting away in the dark recesses of miserable dirt floor huts in the

backwaters of Mombasa.

The tsunami carnage makes for good TV. The AIDS epidemic, not so much.

And how many of us puritanical humanitarians have secretly thought to ourselves that these people infected with AIDS are getting just what they deserve for having unprotected sex . . . a specious argument, given that many are children born with the virus, many are rape victims, and many are innocent wives too frightened to ask their philandering husbands to wear a condom. Still, that little voice can be hard to ignore.

There was a great image on the front of the Globe and Mail last weekend, of a couple basking on lounge chairs under an umbrella on some unidentified beach in Thailand.

Not 20 yards behind them, scores of workers are sifting through the wreckage, looking for loved ones, trying to make sense of their shattered lives.

The human heart is a strange creature indeed.

## More letters

### Into the hole

Watching the debate go back and forth on the Norton Road "affordable housing" project, my interest was piqued, so I passed a few figures through the calculator, since no one so far seems to have really addressed what exactly "affordable" is.

Let's pretend that we accept that a new house on Norton Road will actually be offered at the projected \$200,000. Given the current mortgage requirements, a buyer would need a lump sum of \$20,000 as a 10 per cent down payment. This, of course, is where most first-time buyers will walk away.

However, if someone has managed to somehow salt away 20 grand by selling the kids or something, then soon after, the mortgage payments will kick in. Probably the payback period would be in the 25- to 30-year range. The monthly repayments would be in the region of \$1,500 every month, year in, year out, economy up, economy down.

If our proud new first-time owner (the bank lets you think that you are the owner) is on an income of about \$12 an hour, which is, I am told, about average for many Salt Spring jobs, then we are looking at a monthly income of \$2,080, before tax, which then leaves about \$1,600-odd net. Minus \$1,500 mortgage,

about \$400 for food, \$100 for utilities, another \$100 to keep an island beater on the road and another \$100 for stuff like insurance, repairs and clothing. We won't even consider the dentist or other entertainment.

So, punch a few buttons and we have, ta da. Er, minus \$600. Oh well, back to the Apartments for Rent ads.

**IAN ABBOTT,**  
Walker's Hook Road

### Protect water

The fourth draft of the Cusheon Watershed Management Plan and Version 2.0 Potential Sources of Nutrient Affecting Cusheon Lake, prepared by Dr. John Sprague on behalf of the Cusheon Watershed Steering Committee, are available at the Islands Trust office.

Please request a copy and, after reading, the steering committee would appreciate your feedback.

It is hoped that the Cusheon Watershed Management Plan will become a template for creating a management plan for St. Mary and Weston Lake. The long-term goal is to have a management plan for every lake on Salt Spring Island that is currently used or has the potential to be a potable water source.

The management plan and the sources of nutrient report explain why all sources of phosphorus must be reduced from entering our surface water sources.

The chart below, courtesy of Dr. Sprague, helps explain land-use impact.

#### Phosphorus Loading

- When Forest is changed to agriculture = four-fold increase;

- When Forest is changed to clear-cut = eight-fold increase;

- When Forest is changed to agriculture & urban = eight-fold increase;

- When Forest is changed to residential development = eight-fold increase and up to an 85-fold increase.

It is estimated that it would take only a half bag of common phosphorus fertilizer to turn Blackburn Lake green from algae.

I realize that some individuals feel we have an abundance of water because of our annual precipitation level and all we have to do is figure out how to store and recycle it.

Systems are currently being constructed to catch and store roof water run-off or recycle wastewater. My research has shown the biggest drawback is that these systems can be prohibitively expensive for the average individual. They also are labour intensive and require a great of supervision and regular maintenance to work as designed.

Dr. Dianne Allen (Simon Fraser University) states from research done in the Gulf Islands in 2002:

"Ground water protection and land use planning indicate that parcel density, well density, depth of wells and nature of land use (zoning) must be strategically managed. Public education and encouragement of best management practices is also vital. Our water is simply a product of what we do on the ground above it, there is no other."

**WAYNE HEWITT,**  
Horel Road

### Bylaws' purpose?

On December 20 I delivered a letter to the Islands Trust, of which I copied the Driftwood, asking for an explanation as to how the committee members came to their decision to grant a variance to a two-storey height restriction bylaw requested by the Vancouver Island Health Authority.

I acknowledge that with the recent weather and the Yuletide holidays it is an especially difficult time period, but a month has passed and I fear that I won't be getting a response.

I know of people on Salt Spring who have spent years in discussion with the Islands Trust in an effort to develop their land, but it seems a variance such as this is given minimal consideration.

I received notice of this variance request on November 15, delivered my first letter on this matter to the Islands Trust on November 16, received acknowledgement of said letter two days later and the decision was made to grant the variance on November 24. Things were moving fast back then!

For some people, the investment of their home is the biggest investment they'll ever make. Twenty-five years ago, we bought this house because of its proximity to town, the commanding view of the harbour and the amount of precious West Coast sunlight cast about in its rooms.

Because of existing bylaws, a three-storey apartment building complete with hazard lights all over the roof top (because of its nearness

to the helicopter pad) was never considered at the time of purchase.

To add insult to injury, our taxes have gone up by 21 per cent when the value of our investment is clearly under attack.

I am still waiting for the Islands Trust to explain their reasoning that three storeys will not substantially affect the use and enjoyment of our land. What is the purpose of bylaws when the selected few can circumvent them at will?

**N. TRANTER,**  
Blain Road

### Respect OCP

Thanks to Maggie Schubart for her thoughtful response to my letter on the proposal to develop affordable housing in the Cusheon Lake watershed.

I must respond to a couple of Maggie's points. First, people should understand the fragility of Cusheon Lake. No impact, however incremental, should be allowed to increase the risk of toxic algal blooms on the lake.

And this is not just about Horel Road. The approval of this development would set a precedent for upzoning elsewhere in the Cusheon watershed, and for that matter, in any other drinking watershed.

Secondly, Maggie is incorrect about the timing of other possible affordable housing projects. For example, the five acres off Drake Road to be donated for affordable housing by the Catholic Diocese should be available to proceed this year. The Community Housing and Land Trust Society could be part of this development.

Finally, I would urge our Islands Trust and CRD elected reps to defend our OCP, the only protection for our drinking watersheds, and show some leadership on this issue.

The intent of the OCP is to resolve policy conflicts. If our OCP is not respected and without leadership from elected officials, then community groups will be pitted needlessly against one another.

**ANDREA COLLINS,**  
Salt Spring

### Miss island

The Driftwood is a good way to keep in touch with news on Salt Spring Island. After 10 years on Salt Spring, I moved away to Cobble Hill on the "big" island. There are many things I miss, such as:

- Dialling a wrong number can bring you in contact with someone who recognizes your voice and you can have a good chat. Later, you get back to the right number.

- The bubble machine at Salt Spring Soapworks. It is such a playful surprise for residents and visitors. I miss it.

I have a couple of observations:

- It always seemed unreasonable as I drove down the Ganges hill towards the fire hall to find that locals signal left as they stay on the highway, defined by yellow lines. Those who continue straight ahead do not signal they are leaving the highway and making a right turn.

- Why do people set their car alarms on the ferries? Parked like sardines, no one can steal their car. Since there is a walking security person, why are people who have locked their cars afraid to turn off the alarms?

By the way, we too have had problems with power outages.

**ELAINE MCANDREW,**  
Cobble Hill

### Not a hero

My neighbour was more enthusiastic than accurate in his report on my activities during the recent snowfall. ("Heroes shine in the snow," January 12 Driftwood.)

It was not I but Lavinia Hann who, on two occasions, made her way up a steep hillside, through deep snow, to bring help to a housebound neighbour.

My only contribution was to clear a couple of driveways, hardly heroic stuff.

My apologies to all those who worked far harder than I to help others.

**JOHN FULKER,**  
Upper Ganges Road

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# Let's make 2005 the year we move on affordable housing

By **CHERIE GEAUVREAU**

If we agree that adequate, affordable housing is a human right in our society, then it is our responsibility to find ways to make long-term shelter available to the 35 per cent of our population (Statistics Canada) who are in the low or no-income brackets.

There is only one solution to homelessness and that is to put a roof over people's heads and give them tenure.

At present on Salt Spring Island, "affordable housing" is a hot topic with many good people taking different sides and expressing differing opinions. How unusual!

Let's take a practical look at the state of rentals and wages on Salt Spring Island, keeping in mind the government's own formula for affordable housing: A person/family should pay no more than 30 per cent of gross income for shelter.

Currently the average rents on Salt Spring, calculated over the 70 weeks ending November/04 are as follows (thanks Blair Howard, Royal Property Management):

- 1 BR: \$853 per month a person/family needs to earn \$16.50/hr. or \$2,843 per month to afford this rental;
- 2 BR: \$1013 per month a person/family needs to earn \$19.50/hr. or \$3,377 per month to afford this rental;
- 3 BR: \$1,246 per month a person/family needs to earn \$24/hr. or \$4,153 per month to afford this rental.

On Salt Spring, most jobs fall into the non-union, non-professional bracket like grocery clerks, gas jockeys, house and business cleaners, wait staff and receptionists.

The wage range for many of these jobs is \$8-\$15 per hour so, working 40 hrs./week:

- At \$8 an hour a person/family can afford \$415 a month for rent;
- At \$10 an hour a person/family can afford \$520 a month for rent;
- At \$15 an hour a person/family can afford \$780 a month for rent.

So far none of these wage-earners can afford a one bedroom cabin on SSI at \$853/month.

If you are unfortunate and

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have fallen on hard times, BC Benefits will allow \$325 a month for shelter. In fact, basic rates were decreased in April/02 for single parents with children over 3.

Shelter allowance stands at \$520 a month for these families. So, where is everybody living?

In sub-standard and seasonal housing: vans, trailers, cars, boats, the bush, derelict shacks, illegal suites — some without power, water or heat.

Who are we? Single men of all ages, single parent families (over 300 on Salt Spring), seniors, persons with disabilities, persons with diminished capacity, those suffering the effects of catastrophic illness or tragedies. People with family and people without.

We may have come here on different ferries but we're all on the same island now.

It is unacceptable to have so many of our friends and neighbours living on the edge, fearing evictions, rent hikes or loss of income.

It's time to find solutions, something do-able, something our community can get behind.

We now have the pool, the skatepark and the conservancy. We have enough brains, skills and experience in our community to do pretty much anything.

For instance, we have the only donated transition house in B.C. The government said we were not big enough to have one so an anonymous someone on Salt Spring bought it for our community.

Copper Kettle Community Partnership is challenging all islanders to give their attention to this major problem of non-affordable housing.

According to a recent study, at least 15 per cent of residential housing in a community should be "affordable" at any given time. On Salt Spring that translates to 675 units of housing.

So Copper Kettle is pro-

posing a "ways and means at hand" solution to address some of the shelter needs of islanders.

If you as an individual or as part of a group would like to know more details regarding this proposal, please call Copper Kettle at 537-5863.

We are presently fundraising for two goals:

1. To put an option in on a property that is highly suitable for a rooming house that could be home to 10 people.

Along with many community partners, we will fundraise to purchase this property and it will stay in the community in perpetuity. Rates of return on this local, ethical investment are better than the banks.

Copper Kettle has been working, along with many other good folks, to alleviate some of the hardship we see, but it is evident that a person really needs a home to turn their lives around again.

2. Our second goal is to open and operate a day centre where anyone can get a bath/shower, do laundry, cook in a kitchen, pick up mail (we have post office boxes with keys — thanks Eric!), use the Copper Kettle resource services, etc.

Whatever can be done to help persons and families get a hand up.

If we give our attention to this problem we will make all the difference and balance can return to our community.

There is a solution to every problem. Solutions are actions supported by consent.

Jewel Eldstrom tells me that she's been sitting on housing committees, off and on, for over 25 years. Perhaps the time has come to forge ahead.

Support Copper Kettle through donations of sleeping bags (all sizes), bedding, food and money. Deposit directly to the Bank of Montreal or GVM #47, Thrifty's #82, The Local #50. Tax receipts are available on request.

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The writer is a member of the Copper Kettle Society.

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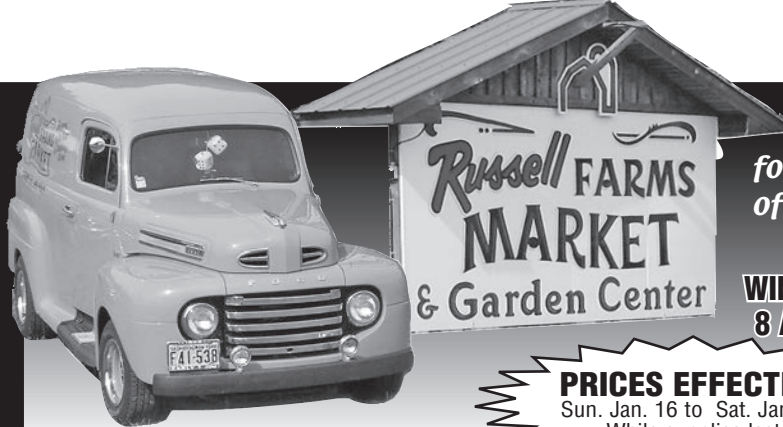
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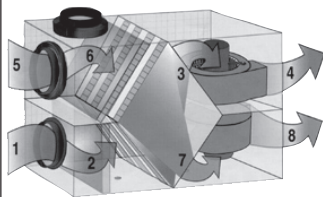
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## Wright talk

I have recently been treated to an amazingly succinct and informative — even entertaining, though chilling — romp through the world's civilizations and their demises as I read A Short History of Progress, this year's Massey Lectures by Ronald Wright.

Unfortunately, I was away when the CBC broadcast these lectures and was not able to listen to the author delivering them.

But how fortunate can we get on Salt Spring? Ronald Wright is here among us and will be speaking this Friday (7 p.m.) at the Lions Hall. JACQUELINE THOMAS, Salt Spring

## Military ties

As a Canadian and a mother, and as one of the majority of Canadians who have said they do not want Canada to be involved in missile defence, I am dismayed that Prime Minister Paul Martin has asked former New Brunswick Premier Frank McKenna to be Canadian Ambassador to the United States.

Frank McKenna, while a handsome and agreeable man on television, is closely associated with the controversial Carlyle group.

This is very troublesome, as the Carlyle group has obvious connections to the arms industry and Republican Party powerbrokers such as the Bush family.

I fear that most Canadians are not aware of McKenna's views on the issue of missile defence, and I believe many, like me, will want to raise questions about Mr. McKenna's suitability for this important position.

I would like to see Prime Minister Paul Martin give Parliament the opportunity to review the appointment of Frank McKenna before his final confirmation.

We all need to know exactly what Mr. McKenna's relationships are with the arms industry and his views about closer military ties with the United States.

DIANA ROBSON,  
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## ROSES

Many roses to Eddie's neighbour. Thank you for watching out for our much and well-loved community member and friend. HM-M

A huge bouquet to Donn and Maddy Tarris, and Henry and Linda Schwagly, who brought us in from the cold. The warmth of their friendship will stay with us always. J&L

Many thanks to Dave and Cathy Thomas who helped us during the snowstorm and power outage. Gulf Islands Vet Clinic

Roses to the highway maintenance man who came to Pioneer Village last Saturday and helped get my car out of the snow. Thanks!

Roses to Thrifty Foods employees for always looking so neat and tidy every time we come in to shop. Also, roses to Thrifty's for having a low-carb section in its ad every week.

Chivalry is not dead! Big teddy bear hugs to the charming young man who offered me his arm and escorted me across the ice to my car at Gasoline Alley on Wednesday. LP

A bright winter rose to Paul O'Neil of Canada Travel team and Alan Hill of Hundred Hills B&B for their outstanding service and generosity at the time of my grandmother's death. Because of you both, I was able to be with her in her final hours. RO

A dozen red and a dozen yellow roses to Russ Crouse. Your willingness and skilled snow driving was greatly

appreciated over the snowy period. You helped family, friends and strangers alike, getting them safely to Ganges, delivering groceries, shovelling stuck cars, and much more. SD

Roses for the gentleman who ploughed out my car on Maliview, and also several other driveways. You are very sweet. HM-M

A huge bucket of roses to the Hydro crew for working so hard to keep us all with power. As well, to the highways crews who work night and day ploughing and clearing our roads. You all do an awesome job with limited resources, and are definitely not appreciated enough. SM

Heaps of thanks to Ryan and Jena for all their help with snow-laden driveways on Isle View Drive. Their willing spirits and shovelling energy were much appreciated.

A clean fuel can full of white roses for Arletta Byers, Rob Pringle and Salt Spring Search and Rescue for their help in delivering diesel to my Snow Palace. L

A trunkful of tea roses to Robert and Kent, the fearless Silver Shadow Taxi drivers, who risked their lives during the blizzards, delivering prescriptions, getting islanders to doctor appointments, ferries and food stores — and doing it all with a smile. You're island heroes! SC et al

Roses to my very good neighbours Romana, Ross, Kieran, Robin, Mik and Wendy, who all looked out for my solitary 60ish self throughout the recent blitz with groceries, snow clearing and general loving/caring support. JC

Roses to Dr. Harold Bond for his brilliant tailgate manner and the stress-free no-lick recipe. LH

Roses to the Good Samaritan who helped me out of the snow bank last Friday on Cudmore Road. MS

A fragrant bushful of thank-you roses to the kind-hearted soul who appeared out of nowhere on his backhoe and cleared the snow out of our driveway on Isabella Point Road, then vanished without a trace. May the good deeds you do be returned tenfold! H&G P

Rose-coloured discs for Steve Bevan who surprised disc-golfers and PARC officials with a donated picnic bench at Mouat Park. FA

Tons of roses to Norma Thompson with love and gratitude for your support and guidance. Your humour and friendship rock my world! I intend on visiting you and Kelly, but know, like many others, I'll still miss your presence here. TW

Two large and sweet-smelling bouquets of spring roses to Bob Scott and Brian Hayward for plowing driveways and the streets of West Eagle and Sun Eagle Drive. What kind, thoughtful, generous, and hard-working contributions to our hill neighborhood.

The residents of Mt. Belcher would like to thank Chris Plambeck for making it possible for us to receive our mail after the boxes got so deeply ploughed in. MS

A single beautiful rose to each of my "snow men" Don Layard, Patrick Wolfe-Milner and Andy Walsh. These guys got all the Meals On Wheels delivered during our recent snowfalls. C.

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## THIS WEEK'S MOVIES

Salt Spring Driftwood: Main Movie Breakout for Jan 19, 2005 to Jan 25, 2005

- WEDNESDAY, JAN 19**
- 6:00 PM
- 14 Réjeanne Padovani (1973, Drama)**  
The president of a paving company encounters problems with the mob. *Gabriel Arcand, Therese Cadorette (2h)*
- 7:00 PM
- 3 Deadly Isolation (2004, Thriller)**  
A grieving widow is seduced by a fortune hunter, who seeks to recover diamonds. *Susan Mandaway, Kyle Mumford (1h30)*
- 8:00 PM
- 24 ★★ Revenge of the Nerds (1984, Comedy)**  
A group of repeatedly humiliated misfits and outcasts take on the popular jocks on campus. *Robert Carradine, Anthony Edwards (2h)*
- 8:30 PM
- 3 ★★ Mystic River (2003, Psycho-Drama)**  
Three childhood friends are reunited for different reasons when one loses a daughter. *Sean Penn, Kevin Bacon (2h30)*
- 9:00 PM
- 4 ★★ The Kid (1997, Drama)**  
A young man learns the art of boxing from a dying mentor, despite his parents objections. *Jason Tremblay, Jeff Saumier (2h)*
- 13 ★ Tomcats (2001, Comedy)**  
A young cartoonist makes a bet with his friends about who will be the last to marry. *Jerry O'Connell, Shannon Elizabeth (2h)*
- 19 ★★ Dragonslayer (1981, Fantasy)**  
A sorcerer's apprentice must save the kingdom from the grips of a terrifying dragon. *Ralph Richardson, Peter MacNicol (2h)*
- 10:00 PM
- 14 ★★ The Last Metro (1980, War)**  
An actress tries to manage her Jewish husband's theatre while hiding him from the Nazis. *Catherine Deneuve, Gérard Depardieu (2h30)*
- 11:00 PM
- 3 ★★ Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines (2003, Action)**  
A deadly Terminator arrives to kill teenagers destined to save the world from machines. *Arnold Schwarzenegger, Nick Stahl (2h)*

- THURSDAY, JAN 20**
- 6:00 PM
- 14 Murdoch Mysteries: Except the Dying (2004, Crime Story)**  
During the Victorian era, a detective investigates the death of a wealthy family's housemaid. *Peter Outerbridge, Colm Meaney (2h)*
- 7:00 PM
- 3 ★★ People I Know (2002, Comedy/Drama)**  
A New York press agent gets in too deep when his client is involved in a scandal. *Al Pacino, Kim Basinger (1h45)*
- 8:00 PM
- 24 ★★ Big Trouble in Little China (1986, Action)**  
A trucker witnesses his friend's fiancée being kidnapped by an ancient magician. *Kurt Russell, Kim Cattrall (2h)*
- 8:45 PM
- 3 ★★ Julie Walking Home (2002, Romance)**  
An unhappily married woman flees to Poland in search of a healer for her dying son. *Miranda Otto, William Fichtner (2h15)*
- 9:00 PM
- 13 ★★ Redemption: The Stan Tookie Williams Story (2004, Crime Story)**  
The life story of a street gang's founder and his redemption during his imprisonment. *Jamie Foxx, Lynn Whitfield (2h)*
- 19 ★★ Calendar Girl (1993, Drama)**  
Three teenagers travel to California to seek out their idol, Marilyn Monroe. *Jason Priestley, Gabriel Olds (1h30)*
- 29 ★★ School Ties (1992, Drama)**  
When a Jewish student attends an exclusive school, he is victimized because of his faith. *Brendan Fraser, Matt Damon (2h)*
- 10:00 PM
- 14 ★★ The Murders in the Rue Morgue (1986, Mystery)**  
A retired master detective secretly works to solve a seemingly senseless murder. *George C. Scott, Rebecca Mornay (1h45)*
- 11:00 PM
- 3 ★★ Bowling For Columbine (2002, Documentary)**  
Filmmaker Michael Moore explores the roots of America's predilection for gun violence. *Michael Moore, Charlton Heston (2h)*
- 11:45 PM
- 14 ★★ Phantom of the Paradise (1974, Comedy)**  
A betrayed composer haunts a night club until he makes a pact with a record producer. *Paul Williams, William Finley (2h)*

- FRIDAY, JAN 21**
- 6:00 PM
- 14 ★★ White Mile (1994, Drama)**  
The head of an advertising agency feels guilt when a whitewater rafting trip goes wrong. *Alan Alda, Peter Gallagher (1h45)*

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261 321	CTVBC	6:30 Canada AM	Regis & Kelly	View/TH V. Pringle	Balance	Balance	Planet	Various	Gabereau/Gabereau	Gen.Hospital/F.B.Eye	Dr. Phil						
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511 390	NEWS	News	News	News	News	Your Call	News	News	News	Various	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	Brown	Various						
331 380	KOMO	Inauguration/ MomAm.	Regis & Kelly	Various	TH Inaug.	KOMO 4 News	All My Children	One Life to Live	General Hospital/ TBA	Northwest							
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**ARTSPRING ART:** Glass artist Jerry Ringrose, left, and metal sculptor Drew Rokeby-Thomas stand beside their jointly-created kiosk, which now has a permanent home in the upper lobby of ArtSpring.

Photo by Mitchell Sherrin

## Learning 'amoeba' creates lively high school drama

By MITCHELL SHERRIN  
Staff Writer

Drama students from Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) are inviting audiences to sample theatrical fruits of their collaborative efforts during a play-building show at ArtSpring on Thursday, January 27.

"We are trying to promote the product, but it's how you get there that I find interesting," said GISS drama teacher Jason Donaldson.

"My role as teacher is to shape the work theatrically but try not to censor it or influence the idea stages too much."

Students in his Grade 9/10 class worked together for six weeks to script, workshop and rehearse a play-building exercise.

"It's like, 'Here's your chance to really put out what

you want to put out and own this play,'" said Grade 10 student Dejan Loyola.

"It hasn't just been acting," Loyola said.

Drama students have also brought dance, song-writing and musical instruments into the production.

"We all came together as a group to decide how to assemble different elements to make something the whole class owns."

Loyola wrote a monologue that will be performed by classmate Graydon Bruce, he said.

"That was fulfilling to see someone else take something I've written and bring full life to it."

Donaldson encouraged his students to advocate for their ideas so they could be proud of the finished product, he said.

"A lot of issues relevant

to teenagers come out of the work: media influence, conformity issues, as well as some light comedy that appeals to this age group," Donaldson said.

"Whatever is on their mind is what ends up being created."

The 40-minute production will include a number of vignettes, monologues and movement pieces related to the central theme of fantasy and reality, he said.

"It's sort of amoebic in that sense as it shifts from monologue to scene, to monologue, through segues and choral speaking and more scenes."

The show runs at ArtSpring beginning at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$5.

"I hope a lot of people will come out to see what we've put together," said Loyola.



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## New ArtSpring kiosk fun, funky and useful

By ANDREA RABINOVITCH  
Driftwood Contributor

Whimsical, beautiful and practical describe the kiosk created by glass artist Jerry Ringrose and metal sculptor Drew Rokeby-Thomas.

Tucked in a corner of the upper lobby of ArtSpring near the box office, a three-sided structure with playful metal half circles and rectangles of Ringrose's bright floating shapes in opaque glass provide a necessary and beautiful place to display posters and cards of upcoming ArtSpring events.

Paul Gravett, executive director of ArtSpring, wanted to leave a legacy of public art in a building that is a legacy in and of itself.

"I wanted something that could be functional, yet artful. I wanted the craftspeople to be able to express their own creativity."

Bringing Ringrose and Rokeby-Thomas together to collaborate ensured something unique.

Made possible through the support of the B.C. Gaming and Enforcement Branch, the piece took time to create

because of the two artists' popularity.

"Drew and I had so many other commitments," explained Ringrose. "[Finally] the execution took about two and a half weeks to do the glass and about three weeks for the metal."

Except for practical considerations such as filling a dead space (hence the trident), providing spaces for the posters that when uncovered were visually interesting, and movable to clean underneath, the artists were let loose to play.

"We wanted it to be a reflection of the whole energy of the place — not rigid or utilitarian but bubbly and outgoing," enthused Ringrose.

Rokeby-Thomas, a traditional blacksmith whose work can be seen at the Salt Spring Elementary turnaround — the harbour — and at the J. Mitchell Gallery, knew that the structure had to be dynamic and "signify activity," said Rokeby-Thomas. "It was an infrastructure-rich job, which as a scul-

tural medium allows you to do small, light shapes."

Using modern welding processes, he mirrored the ephemeral quality of the glass with intersecting shapes flowing through the whole structure.

Though glass and wood mixed media is not unusual, glass and metal are materials that are diametrically opposed making the tension between the two that much more interesting.

"It is not a normal marriage, said Ringrose, "but rather an odd couple."

Using the colours of the banners that fly outside ArtSpring in the glass pieces, the two collaborated on the design to fit the space and personality of the building.

"We wanted to make something colourful, unusual and loose. The building has angular elements and that has tension and curiosity evoking passion."

Their intention was to create "something beyond the ordinary" and indeed the kiosk is fun, funky and useful.

## BE SEEN. BE SAFE.

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ISLAND STAR VIDEO presents...

## Flick Pick

Harold and Kumar Go To White Castle



Jason Tudor

Should I be ashamed for absolutely loving the fart joke-laden, nudity-showin', sailor-like swearin' Harold and Kumar Go To White Castle?

Maybe on some objective haughty critic level, yes. On the level of "dude, just make me laugh already," not on your life.

Harold is a Korean-American junior financial analyst. South-Asian-American Kumar lives off his dad's money, avoiding the inevitable med-school. Both like pot, a lot.

One night, in the throng of a powerful munchie attack, they launch into a crazy yet lesson-filled trip to the Holy Grail of Hamburgers: White Castle.

Along the way they meet up with flatulent ivy-league girls, racist cops, "extreme" faux-punk skateboarders, racist cops, hot Latina next-door neighbours, a runaway cheetah, and a '90s child

star-turned party animal.

OK, so-called "mature adults," you can turn up your nose now. Yes, Harold and Kumar is some truly silly stuff. But is it any sillier than high school girls becoming princesses, or one guy wiping out the entire army of a small African nation? Not quite.

In fact, this absurd odyssey is more intelligent than given credit for. Underneath the poo and boobie jokes lies a deft swipe at our culture's insistence on stereotyping minorities.

Yes, Harold is a hard worker, and Kumar could ace his classes, but this is only what they do during the daytime. At night, they ogle women, smoke up, eat junk food, get in arguments and basically act like any other rational guy who is having fun in his 20s.

Thankfully enough, the film has capable comedic actors. John Cho (Harold), famous for

a particularly naughty acronym in the American Pie films, and Kal Penn (Kumar) have great chemistry and even better timing.

The best, though, is Neal Patrick Harris, also known as Doogie Howser, M.D. from TV, who plays himself in maybe the funniest (and definitely most quotable) performance of the year.

In all, it's almost impossible to explain Harold and Kumar's comedic hilarity; I can only hint at the parts. An anthropomorphized bag of marijuana. "Dude, that was so not-extreme!" Homicidal raccoons. Horny Jewish guys. A reference to The Joy Luck Club. Stupid anti-marijuana ads. Stoned zoo animals.

So, if this all sounds funny to you, watch Harold and Kumar. If not, you have no sense of humour. Oh, did I offend you? Then you have no sense of humour.

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# Dance, drama and music melt January chill

**By JOHN WAKEFIELD**  
Driftwood Contributor  
Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) senior dance class members have been busy tappin' their toes, swinging their hips, turnin' round and hoppin' high, in preparation for Jazzifyin' — the end-of-semester shows at ArtSpring on January 19 and 20 at 7:30 p.m.

The students have been

## WHAT'S ON AT ARTSPRING

studying the roots and origins of jazz music and dance, and will dazzle the audience with the Charleston from the 1920s, the shim sham from the 1930s, swing dance from the 1940s and some funky, swingin' grooves from the 1950s.

The show will also give the audience a chance to enjoy ballet, hip-hop, and contemporary choreography.

• Student musicians from the GISS Music Program will perform on Monday, January

24 at 7:30 p.m. Directed by music teacher Bruce Smith, the concert will feature a chamber orchestra, two jazz bands and four choirs.

• As one of Canada's finest acoustic jazz groups, Bernard Primeau Montréal Jazz Ensemble is a regular fixture of the Festival International de Jazz de Montréal and other prestigious festivals and concert halls throughout Canada and Europe. Drummer Bernard, a gentleman possessing a warm and

delightful stage presence, who has played as side-man for the likes of Oliver Jones, is the founder and prime member of this dynamic and truly exciting jazz ensemble. January 26, 8 p.m.

Wine tasting with Garry Oaks Winery, 7 p.m.

• The students in the GISS Drama 9/10 class have built a play around the theme of fantasy and reality.

This performance consists of student-written and directed scenes, monologues and segues under the umbrella heading of Fantasy and Reality.

The show provides an interesting collage of the lives and creativity of these

students. New date: January 27, 7 p.m.

• Lauded for its "richness and refinement of tone, utter security of tuning and technique, and flawless ensemble," the Lafayette String Quartet returns for the third in our series of the complete Beethoven string quartets. January 30, 2:30 p.m. SOLD OUT. (Pre-concert chat is at 1:30.)

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## Latest moves cross floor at workshop

Dancers are in for a special "triple threat" treat when Lauren Bowler runs her jazz and hip-hop workshop at Mahon Hall on Saturday, January 22.

Participants will be "energized and funkified" by the latest moves and leave the afternoon with a new bounce

in their strut, says a press release on the event.

"Triple threat" is the name given to performers who can act, sing and dance. Having all three skills — like Bowler — helps line up those jobs on stage.

After rave reviews as Luisa in The Fantasticks last summer at the Waterfront Theatre on Granville Island, Bowler went straight on to a three-month run in Funny Girl with the Vancouver Arts Club.

Peter Birnie of the Vancouver Sun hailed Bowler as one of the "up and comers" of 2004.

The day-long dance workshop begins at 10 a.m. After gently easing into a rigorous warm-up, it will cover each genre's techniques.

"You'll isolate and cross the floor with patterns and rhythms that will keep you wanting more," states the release. "And you'll get it!"

After lunch, participants will work on choreographed

pieces to showcase at 3:15.

The workshop is geared to the teen crowd, but older and younger dancers are encouraged to get in on the workout and fun.

Cost is \$50 at the door, or \$40 if you phone ahead.

A special price of \$15 is set for seven- to 11-year-olds for the morning session only.

Those staying all day should bring lunch and lots of water. To register, phone 537-5289.

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**Wednesday, February 9, 8:00**



Call the ArtSpring Ticket Centre at 537-2102 or email the Ticket Centre at [tickets@artspring.ca](mailto:tickets@artspring.ca).

Visit [www.artspring.ca](http://www.artspring.ca) for more event information and a chance to win tickets to Midwinter Escape, presented by Salt Spring Concert Band.

## Saturday night tsunami benefit showcases Salt Spring energy

Final touches are being put on a tsunami relief benefit concert organized by Salt Spring musicians.

It runs at Fulford Hall on Saturday, January 22, starting at 6 p.m.

"The response has been incredible," said David Walker, main organizer of the event.

With acts as varied as West-African drum troupe Iroko to resident fiddle phenom Jamie RT, the music will showcase the energy, diversity and caring of Salt Spring's musical community.

Other performers include

The Sundogs country swing and rockabilly band, Jack and Lefty, and some jazz, RB and blues by Under The Sun (featuring Sarah Morris and Anna Calligari on vocals).

Local luminaries Donnie McDougall and Bill Henderson will also donate their time and talents.

"One or two things that I've come to appreciate is that the world is a small place and that we are all connected," said David. "I think one of the reasons this disaster resonates with islanders is the fact that we

too are a coastal community. As well, Salt Springers . . . understand at a fundamental level that we have an obligation to help however we can — be it AIDS in Africa or a natural disaster in Asia. As musicians this is our way of contributing."

Admission is by donation at the door with all funds collected going to Red Cross Canada, which will have a representative present at the event.

For further information, phone David at 538-1653 or e-mail him at [sundogs@sisland.com](mailto:sundogs@sisland.com).

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# Island sensitivity, inspiration suits goldsmith

Story by TANYA LESTER  
Photos by DERRICK LUNDY



Martin Ebbers is exactly where he wants to be.

The island's latest German goldsmith import re-located his studio last fall to a house across from ArtSpring's upper parking lot on the road to Mouat Park.

Ebbers explained that he prefers this to being in a shop where he played the role of a businessman more than concentrating on creating jewellery.

But it goes deeper than that.

Ebbers' smile comes straight from his eyes while he recalls a young couple who made their way into his studio — then located on Beddis Road — during the summer. They were "messy and sweaty" even compared to Salt Spring's dressed-down standards.

He was uneasy while they looked over every ring, bracelet, necklace, brooch and earring in his elegantly lit display cases. (The gold and precious gem jewellery ranges from \$250 to \$11,000).

Finally, they told him they were looking for wedding rings.

It turned out the Calgary students had kayaked into Ganges Harbour and found Ebbers' name at the Tourist Info Centre. The woman's doctoral thesis is on platinum refining. They were looking for wedding rings that would suit their individuality and when they found out Ebbers could do it for them in 10 days, they made their purchase.

Ebbers admired how they were able to communicate with only eye contact as they chose rings to suit their personalities.

"I have never experienced this kind of thing before: so personal," said Ebbers, who has 30 years' experience. "I was expecting to have rich people complaining all the time."

He is delighted at how this way of doing business



Salt Spring goldsmith Martin Ebbers works on a ring, which is seen finished at top.

makes him feel that he is finally at home. "Anywhere else I lived I felt it was only temporary," he said.

Those places included Vancouver, where he lived for a couple of years before moving here. People who approached him had a "bling-bling" mentality. They were much more interested in the size of the stone than the artistic beauty of a piece.

Ebbers is happy to now be surrounded by artists who appreciate the sensitivity he puts into his work. The island's ocean setting is inspiring gold designs that look like sand with white pearls symbolizing clouds, for example. In Germany, he explained, straight lines and angles are much more the norm. Now, spirals and circular designs are flowing into his pieces.

Still, Ebbers appreciates the rigorous German apprenticeship training he underwent beginning when he was 15 years old. "Technique repetition meant it became second nature," said Ebbers. "Learning the craft means when you have the artistic vision later on, you can realize it."

If someone is interested in having Ebbers design a particular piece, he will sit down and talk with them before creating three coloured designs from which they choose one.

His work desk is jammed full with steel implements that start at the size of nails and go up to the size of a hammer. It might take him 10 hours to make a ring and three to five days to create a bracelet. What he works with for the majority of the time is melding the

gold into the shape of the piece. He uses a variety of tools while the gold sits on a chunk of beech wood the size and shape of a door stop.

As a master goldsmith, Ebbers also offers classes in Martinus Studio, which is named in memory of his favourite aunt's pet name for him.

He believes those most suited to do this work should have a three-dimensional imagination. That means designing something on paper, but also being able to visualize the part of the design that cannot be seen with the eye, that is, the back of the ring.

Being a good goldsmith means combining creativity with learned skills.

"You can't be an artist without the skills and you can't be skilled without the imagination," said Ebbers.

The studio is open 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Thursday and other times by calling 538-1730. Ebbers will be away during February.

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## Creative jazz interplay one of Primeau's passions

Direct from Canada's hotbed of jazz, Montreal jazzman Bernard Primeau and his band come to ArtSpring as part of the four concert series, ArtSwings!

Beguiling and captivating audiences for years with their infectious energy and outstanding skills, Bernard Primeau Montreal Jazz Ensemble takes to the stage Wednesday, January 26 at 8 p.m.

The Ottawa Citizen describes Bernard Primeau, a great fan of American drummer Art Blakey, as someone who is "passionate about his music and who lives for the special moment of creative jazz interplay."

"When I heard the jazz greats in New York — Art Blakey, Max Roach, Bill Evans, John Coltrane — I heard joy and happiness. Their music was exciting and dynamic," says Primeau.

"These are important qualities to me. I want to make the audience happy and I want to communicate joy."

Since its creation in 1984, the group performs annually at the Montreal International Jazz Festival, and makes regular appearances in festivals and concerts halls throughout Canada and Europe.

Primeau describes his music as modern jazz acoustic.

"Today, harmonies and rhythms are more complex than they used to be, and improvisation has changed through the years," he explains. "But, in my music, I want to remain closer to the roots of jazz. Melody, harmony, rhythm and form are always strong elements in my music."

To date, eight recordings have marked Bernard Primeau's successful career. The recipient of numerous awards, the ensemble's most recent CD, Evolution, was nominated for a Juno Award in 2003.

While on Salt Spring, the Bernard Primeau Jazz Ensemble will give a special concert for middle school students and a workshop for high school jazz students.

Joining jazz drummer Bernard Primeau on the ArtSpring stage is Bill Mahar, trumpet, Alexandre Côté, soprano and tenor saxophone, David Grott, trombone, David Watts, stand-up bass, and John Roney on piano.

The 8 p.m. performance on Wednesday, January 26 is preceded with a wine-tasting featuring the award-winning wines of Garry Oaks Winery.

Tickets are available through the ArtSpring Ticket Centre at 537-2102.



**BIRTHDAY TUNE:** Sue Newman belts out "My Gigolo" as she delivers a singing telegram to John Stock, who was at Barb's Buns on his birthday Monday morning.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

## StarBooks hosts short films show

Noelle Rees had planned to show her six short films on Salt Spring last Thursday — before friends convinced her the snow would scare away a potential audience.

Now, One Film Maker; Six Short Films will run this Thursday, January 20 at StarBooks in Gasoline Alley, with a show at 5:15 p.m. and a second one at 6:15.

One of the films, Our Love, has been selected for the Victoria Independent Film and Video Festival, which runs from February 4-13.

"Our Love is the piece I'm really proud of. It's just all about believing in love, and not just romantic love," the former Salt Spring resident said Monday.

Rees is currently based from her van on Galiano Island, and has been making films at the Gulf Islands Film and Television School. A few years ago Rees lived

at Salt Spring Centre and also worked at the Tree House Café.

Be There was the 2004 EyeLens Film Festival winner and was also awarded one star at the Canadian Film Festival last year.

Feet First, created with islander Kristin Peebles, was shot in four hours and edited in four more, she said. It was screened at the Toronto One Minute Film and Video Festival.

Other pieces include the two-minute Subliminal Criminal, Classified and A Trichotillomaniac, a documentary about a hair-pulling disorder that affects many people, although little is known about it.

"All of the films have heartfelt messages," she said.

Admission to the event is only \$2 and includes a snack.

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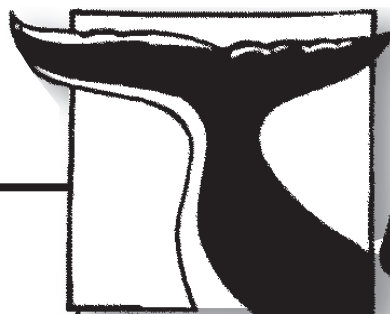
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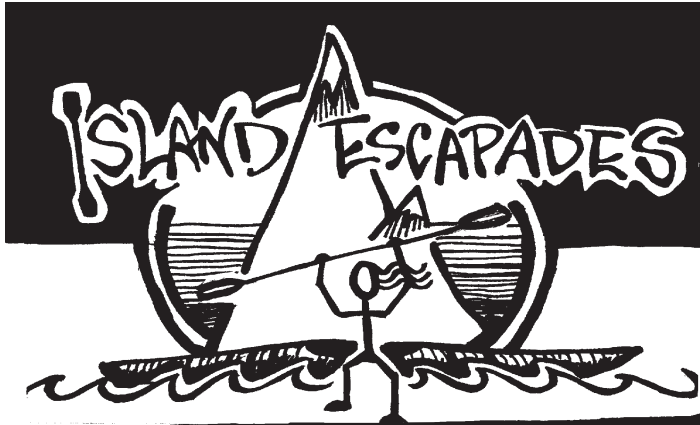
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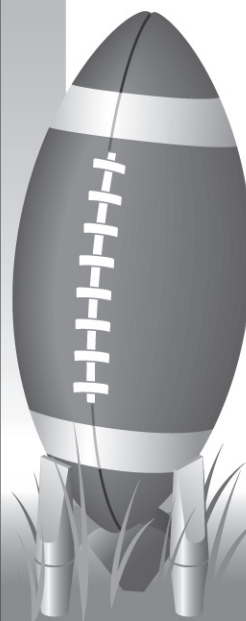
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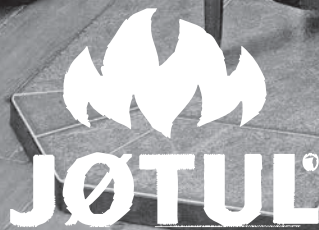
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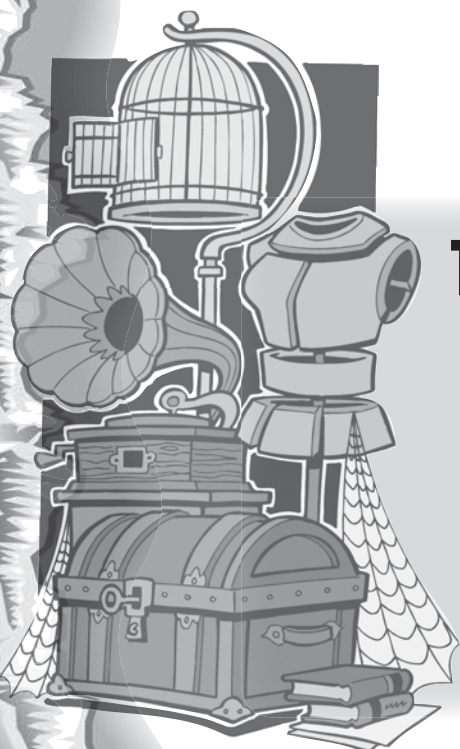
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15 \*\*\* The Eagle Has Landed (1977, Drama) During World War II, a German colonel follows a Nazi plot to kidnap Winston Churchill. Robert Duvall, Donald Pleasence (3h)
6:15 PM
3 \*\* The Perfect Score (2004, Comedy) Six high school seniors decide to steal the answers to their upcoming SAT tests. Scarlett Johansson, Erika Christensen (1h45)
8:00 PM
24 \*\* Nell (1994, Drama) A woman is slowly introduced to civilization after spending her life in the wild. Jodie Foster, Liam Neeson (2h30)
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19 \*\*\* Everyone Says I Love You (1996, Musical) The misadventures of an upper class Manhattan family, at home, in Venice and in Paris. Julia Roberts, Goldie Hawn (1h30)
9:30 PM
20 \*\*\* Monster's Ball (2001, Drama) Halle Berry, Heath Ledger (2h30)
10:00 PM
3 \*\* Against The Ropes (2004, Drama) A female boxing promoter struggles to succeed in a male dominated sport. Meg Ryan, Omar Epps (2h)
10:30 PM
19 \*\*\* An American in Paris (1951, Musical) An ex-GI stays in Paris to pursue a career as an artist and to romance women. Gene Kelly, Leslie Caron (2h)
11:00 PM
14 \*\*\* Disclosure (1994, Psycho-Drama) A businessman is sexually harassed by his female boss, but she blames him for the crime. Demi Moore, Michael Douglas (2h15)
11:35 PM
10 Ceux qui m'aiment prendront le train (1998, Drame psychologique) Familles et amis d'un peintre homosexuel decede se rendent a Limoges par train. Valeria Bruni Tedeschi, Charles Berling (2h5)


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8:00 PM
3 \*\* Call Me: The Rise and Fall of Heidi Fleiss (2004, Biography) The tale of notorious Hollywood madam-to-the-stars Heidi Fleiss, and her rise to infamy. Jamie-Lynn DiScala, Robert Davi (1h30)
24 \*\* Wildflowers (1999, Romance) After encountering an eccentric artist, a teenager attempts to find her biological mother. Eric Roberts, Clea Du Vall (2h)
9:00 PM
19 \*\* The Naked Gun 2 1/2: The Smell of Fear (1994, Comedy) A detective must stop an evil tycoon from interfering with a top scientist's report. Leslie Nielsen, Priscilla Presley (1h30)
10:30 PM
3 \*\* Killing Me Softly (2002, Thriller) A woman forms a dangerously obsessive bond with a mysterious mountaineer. Heather Graham, Joseph Fiennes (2h)
TUESDAY, JAN 25
8:00 PM
24 \*\*\* The Duellists (1977, Drama) A feud lasts 16 years between two officers in Napoleon's army who refuse a truce. Keith Carradine, Harvey Keitel (2h)
9:00 PM
4 \*\* A Perfect Murder (1998, Suspense) A millionaire discovers that his wife is having an affair and hires her lover to kill her. Michael Douglas, Gwyneth Paltrow (2h)
13 \*\* Texas Rangers (2001, Adventure) After the Civil War, men band together to form the Texas Rangers and clean up the West. Rachael Leigh Cook, James Van Der Beek (2h)
19 \*\* Clifford (1994, Comedy) A mischievous 10 year-old terrorizes his family in his quest to go to a theme park. Martin Short, Charles Grodin (1h30)
29 \*\*\* Witness (1985, Crime Story) A detective is sent to an Amish community to protect a young boy who witnessed a murder. Harrison Ford, Kelly McGillis (2h)
10:00 PM
3 \*\* S.W.A.T. (2003, Action) A drug lord has offered his henchman big money to free him from the custody of the police. Samuel L. Jackson, Colin Farrell (2h)
14 \*\* Elvis Meets Nixon (1997, Comedy) A mockumentary about Elvis Presley's quest to become an FBI agent in the war on drugs. Rick Peters, Bob Gunton (2h)

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<p><b>live entertainment</b></p> <p><b>Simply Organic.</b> Barry Valentine organ recital, followed by muffin and coffee, at All Saints, 10:10 a.m.</p> <p><b>Jazzifyin'</b> GISS Senior Dance Class show. ArtSpring, 7:30 pm</p> <p><b>other activities</b></p> <p><b>Acupuncture De-Tox.</b> Wednesdays at Community Services, 7-9 pm</p>	<p><b>live entertainment</b></p> <p><b>Jazzifyin'</b> GISS Senior Dance Class show. ArtSpring, 7:30 pm</p> <p><b>other activities</b></p> <p><b>Karaoke with Hosts Tom &amp; Matt.</b> At Shipstones Taproom &amp; Lounge, 7 pm</p> <p><b>Women's Basketball.</b> Thursdays at GISS, 6:30-8 pm</p> <p><b>Six Short Films.</b> Noelle Rees films shown at StarBooks, at 5:15 and 6:15 pm</p> <p><b>Prenatal and Mom &amp; Babies Yoga.</b> Thursdays at Ganges Yoga Studio, 11am to noon.</p>	<p><b>live entertainment</b></p> <p><b>Jeremy Walsh &amp; Sabrina Kunfer.</b> At Anise, 9 pm</p> <p><b>Trouble.</b> At Moby's Pub, 9 pm</p> <p><b>Interchill Records DJs.</b> Stirred not Shaken sophisticated lounge music. Shipstones 7:30 pm</p> <p><b>other activities</b></p> <p><b>Susan Smith Tapes With Monologues.</b> GI School of Performing Arts students perform at the GISS Drama Room, 7 pm</p> <p><b>Olympic Taekwondo.</b> Sessions start at Lions Hall, 3:30-5:30 pm. 537-1348.</p> <p><b>Community Education Registration.</b> SS Elementary School Community Room, 10-4. Phone: 537-0037.</p> <p><b>Ancient Mistakes: Lessons of the Land in the Americas.</b> Ron Wright talk at Lions Hall, 7 pm</p> <p><b>Rollerblading to Music.</b> Fulford Hall, 7:30-9 pm</p>	<p><b>live entertainment</b></p> <p><b>Eugene Smith.</b> At Anise, 9 pm</p> <p><b>Trouble.</b> At Moby's Pub, 9 pm</p> <p><b>Tsunami Benefit Concert.</b> Fulford Hall, 6 pm</p> <p><b>other activities</b></p> <p><b>Susan Smith Tapes With Monologues.</b> GI School of Performing Arts students perform at the GISS Drama Room, 7 pm</p> <p><b>Burns Night.</b> Meaden Hall, 6 pm. Call for ticket info. 537-0052</p> <p><b>Community Education Registration.</b> SS Elementary School Comm. Rm, 10-4. 537-0037.</p> <p><b>Girl Guides Cookie Blitz.</b> Last chance at GVM, Thrifty Foods, Island Savings. 11-2.</p> <p><b>Jazz &amp; Hip-Hop Workshop.</b> With Lauren Bowler at Mahon Hall, 10-4. Register: 537-5289.</p> <p><b>Memory Skills &amp; Brain Fitness.</b> Workshops with Ariadne Sawyer at Central Hall, Register at 537-2919.</p> <p><b>Environmental Farm Planning Workshop.</b> Farmers Institute, 10-1:30 pm. Register: 537-1883.</p>	<p><b>live entertainment</b></p> <p><b>Barley Bros.</b> Snowman's Special Jam at Fulford Inn, 6 pm</p> <p><b>Sunyata.</b> Sunday Dinner Jazz at Moby's, 7 pm</p> <p><b>Vintage Lounge with DJ Matt J.</b> Rare &amp; classic jazz, soul &amp; R&amp;B. Shipstones Taproom &amp; Lounge, 7 pm</p> <p><b>other activities</b></p> <p><b>Tai Chi &amp; Qi Gong.</b> Beaver Pt. Hall, 2 pm</p> <p><b>Bon Voyage to Afghanistan Party.</b> For Bonnie Dalziel. Lions Hall, 2-4 pm</p> <p><b>Tea Leaf Reading Workshop.</b> With Tanya Lester, 1-4 pm. 538-0086.</p>	<p><b>live entertainment</b></p> <p><b>GISS Music Concert.</b> At ArtSpring, 7:30 pm</p> <p><b>other activities</b></p> <p><b>The Clinic.</b> Planned Parenthood services at #102-340 Lower Ganges Rd. on Mondays, 4:30-6:30 pm</p> <p><b>Women's Basketball.</b> Mondays at SIMS, 7-8:30 pm</p>	<p><b>other activities</b></p> <p><b>Circle Dance Group.</b> Drop-in. 7-8:30 p.m. Info: 538-0316.</p> <p><b>Islands Trust Meeting.</b> On proposed accommodations changes. Lions Hall, 7 p.m.</p>

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**See Fall Fair 2004 (Parts 2 & 3).** Islanders of all ages having fun in the warm golden days of late summer at the grounds of the **Farmers Institute**. Includes interviews with oldtimers Terry Byron and Rita Dods. **Mike Lane** of Ruckle farm talks about working with his sheep dogs — Welsh border colliers Nash and Mario. **Rosehip Jam** and **Drop Radio** entertain with songs and music.

### exhibitions

- **Blue Horse Folk Art Gallery** fundraising sale for tsunami relief runs at **175 North View Place** on Sunday, Jan. 23, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- **Life drawings** from students in Stefanie Denz's classes are hanging in the lobby at ArtSpring.
- **Gene Grooms** has portraits showing at **Barb's Buns**.
- **Karen Muntean** from Gallery Rosa Encaustic is the **Island Savings** artist.
- **Rachel Vadeboncoeur** exhibits at **Mobys**.

**Ron Wright**

2004 Massey Lecturer and author of *A Short History of Progress, Time Among the Maya and Stolen Continents* speaks at Lions Hall Fri., Jan. 21, 7 p.m.

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# Everest trek nets writing award

Local travel writer and photographer Carl Duncan has won a North American Travel Journalists Association award for a feature about his trek to the foot of Mount Everest in Nepal.

Titled Heaven's Base Camp, the article describes a two-week hike undertaken by Duncan and his wife Maria in May of 2003 — the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Hillary and Tenzing's famous first trip to the world's highest peak.

Duncan won first prize in the Destination Travel: International Magazine category.

The story and photos, published in the September 2004 edition of Lifestyle + Travel, can be viewed at [www.carlduncan.com](http://www.carlduncan.com).



A photograph by Carl Duncan shows the base camp at Mount Everest.

The 12<sup>th</sup>-annual awards competition, open to all journalists and broadcasters worldwide, saw a record number of entries vying for 34 categories. They came from all over: articles from

the National Post, National Geographic Magazine, American Heritage, Pittsburgh Post Gazette, San Jose Mercury News, The Dallas Morning News, Travel Savvy, Lifestyle + Travel,

SmartMoney, Hanford Sentinel, Travel + Leisure, among others.

Duncan has won several major industry awards in the past few years.

Maria Duncan operates Rainbow Road Trading Company, a wholesale import business, which routinely takes her to South and South East Asia, while Carl Duncan's freelance work sees him travel throughout the world.

The two first met in Kathmandu in 1992.

"Back then," said Carl, who at the time lived in San Diego, "I had never heard of Salt Spring Island. Now I wouldn't want to live anywhere else."

The Duncans moved to Salt Spring Island in 1994.

# Monkey see and then monkey skidoo

A Superior Court judge in Quebec by the name of Helene Langlois has closed a 38-kilometre snowmobile trail through the Laurentians.

She also awarded millions of dollars in damages to all citizens living within 100 metres of the trail.

The decision leaves several thousand enthusiastic Quebecois skidoo-ers all dressed up in their snowsuits with no place to go. It also sets an ominous precedent for the free and unrestricted movement of snowmobilers throughout the country.

It's difficult to know what to say in the wake of such a groundbreaking (snowploughing?) decision. How about "Justice Langlois for Prime Minister"?

Understand that the trail Justice Langlois has closed to snow machines is no back-country idyll. It was basically a snowmobile thruway for Montrealers anxious to escape from the city. It passed through neighbourhoods and by the homes of people who had moved to the country for peace and solitude.

Ask Normand Lacroix about peace and solitude. His house in Saint-Jovite is about 60 feet from the trail.

"It was hell," said Lacroix. "There would be 600, 700 even 1,000 snowmo-

biles every day."

Well, no more. The route is closed. Monsieur Lacroix will now get the peace and quiet that every Canadian citizen should expect as a birthright, and if there's a God in heaven and she isn't wearing noise-suppression earmuffs, this decision will inspire lawmakers from Joe Batt's Arm to Bella Coola.

I can remember the time I saw my first snowmobile, many moons ago. I was making my way through an untracked stretch of deep, snow-laden bush in southern Ontario (yes, Virginia, there was a time when "wilderness" and "southern Ontario" did not constitute an oxymoron). It was a sunny day and the snow was deep, but the woods were ominously quiet with only the soft whump of my snowshoes disturbing the silence.

Where are the birds, I wondered. How come no "zing-zing" of pine siskins or rat-a-tat of woodpecker?

Then I heard why. The unmistakable snarl of snowmobiles labouring up a hill



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toward me. In a few minutes, three machines appeared and wallowed past me belching and farting

exhaust fumes and noise. Their riders looked at me as if I was a mildly curious rock formation. Nobody spoke. We couldn't have heard each other over the machines anyway.

It never seems to occur to snowmobilers that their pastime constitutes a gross invasion of everyone else's privacy plus a monstrous kick in the privates to Mother Nature. Their machines desecrate the winter peace and destroy the very pristine wilderness experience they purport to make accessible.

Sure, snowmobiles are important — even critical — to naturalists, law enforcement personnel, search and rescue teams and citizens who really need them. Fair enough.

But the other 99 percent of snowmobilers? The parka'ed-up couch potatoes who would otherwise be slouched in front of the boob tube snorkeling taco chips and watching American football? The Canadian Council of Snowmobiles claims that snowmobiling is "great exercise." What exer-

cise? Twisting a throttle? Zipping up a snowsuit?

The council also claims that snowmobiling "brings people outdoors to interact with nature." Well, yeah — and good luck, nature.

Snowmobiles don't "interact" with nature — they gangbang it. On one recent Saturday afternoon, scientists recorded higher carbon monoxide levels at the West Yellowstone park entrance than you'd find on an L.A. freeway. In a single winter (1997) at the same park, snowmobiles emitted the equivalent of 68 years' worth of auto pollution. That's because snowmobiles are lousily designed. They use a highly inefficient two-stroke engine that produces 100 times more carbon monoxide and 300 times more hydrocarbons than autos.

And that's without considering the noise pollution which drives me (and Normand Lacroix) nuts and does God knows what to wildlife.

Listen: the greatest glory of this country's defining season is the peacefulness that winter brings. The ineffable calm of a landscape wrapped in a blanket of snow. And you don't need — in fact, you can't have — a snowmobile to enjoy that. Get a dogsled. Get some snowshoes. Get a pair of cross-country skis. Get a life.

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# Activist teacher team mark 50 years of marriage

By **ROB WILTZEN**  
Driftwood Contributor

Well-known Salt Spring residents, key community organizers and tireless activists, Tom and Irene Wright will mark the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of their journey through life and landscape together on Saturday, January 15.

That journey began in the '50s when they both worked for oil companies in Calgary and Irene met a young geologist, graduated from St. Andrews University in Scotland, who had arrived in Calgary to begin working in the Alberta oil patch.

They married in 1955 and spent the next 10 years in Alberta before deciding on a drastic change of course that would eventually land them in the Gulf Islands.

Deciding it was time to change their lives to better reflect their values and aspirations, they enrolled at Simon Fraser University, took a year and a half to complete their teacher's certifications and looked around the world to decide where they wanted to live with their young family.

"It was a very big life switch," said Irene. "It was one of the most exciting years of our lives, being in university with three kids."

Arriving on Salt Spring Island in 1967 with their three children and newly

won teacher's certifications, they embarked upon their careers in education.

"We never worked so hard as those first years teaching, but we never questioned the decision," she said, recounting the rewards.

It was a pivotal period in history and world events contributed to the sea changes happening in the lives of the Wright family.

Going to a university campus and then Salt Spring at the time of the Vietnam War and the civil rights movement was an awakening for them and the beginning of what would be decades of political activism and community involvement.

"It was like going to a new world coming from Calgary," said Tom. "There were so many people here who were active."

"The big thing that we noticed was different was that we had a feeling that we might be able to change things," echoed Irene. "Living here compared to the city is empowering. You feel you might be heard."

The list of organizations and initiatives that the two have been involved in is lengthy and diverse.

Tom is currently active with the Water Preservation Society, the Historical Society, Mt. Belcher Neighbourhood Watch organization,



**50 YEARS:** Active Salt Spring Islanders Tom and Irene Wright mark their golden wedding anniversary. The couple is having an "official" celebration in the summer when family and friends will join them here.  
*Photo by Ken Sakamoto*

the Trail and Nature Club, and the Eggheads discussion group with involvement in the Community Planning Association, Citizens Patrol, Advisory Planning Commission, the Power and Sail Squadron and Fickle Fingers Golf.

His mapping expertise

has been a service to various other initiatives and he writes magazine articles on a range of issues while pursuing his passion for genealogy.

Irene was instrumental in the implementation of the community restorative justice program under the auspices of the Community Ser-

VICES Society and the RCMP, leads the French group of the Canadian Federation of University Women, drawing on her experience as a French immersion teacher and the school district French coordinator.

And she has been a tireless advocate of social jus-

tice, anti-poverty measures and the peace movement for decades.

Her history as the dance instructor included teaching Sue Newman, well-known mentor of today's young dancers on Salt Spring.

Together, Tom and Irene are part of the Coalition of Concerned Citizens on Salt Spring Island, a group formed in reaction to the policies of the Gordon Campbell government, addressing a range of social justice issues.

They are both founding members of the Salt Spring Island NDP Club.

Irene has served on the provincial executive of the NDP and currently serves on the NDP Federal Council as co-chair of the Media, Culture and Communications Committee and provincially on the BCNDP Standing Committee on the Environment and Sustainable Economy.

The countless contributions to their community and their model of value-based action and activism are testament to the power of a strong and supportive team at home.

As they marked their golden anniversary last weekend, they look forward to the summer when the official celebration will occur and family and friends will gather to celebrate their 50 years of success.

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## Oikocredit reps explain ethical investing

People wanting to explore alternate ways to help south Asian tsunami victims can attend an ethical investing Oikocredit presentation on Thursday, January 27.

The Salt Spring Kairos group is sponsoring the event, which sees Jo and Keith Jamieson speak at the United Church's upper hall beginning at 7 p.m. The Jamiesons are directors of the

B.C. Oikocredit division, one of several around the world.

According to a press release from Kairos' Eileen Wttewaall, the Netherlands-based organization is an ethical investment bank that has loaned funds to the economically poor people in developing countries for almost 30 years.

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become economically self-supporting, promote the economic position of women and benefit local communities.

"Following the horrendous tsunami in Asia, donations are fulfilling urgent needs, but very soon loans will become equally important, because loans stimulate sustainability," said Wttewaall.

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## Meditation group stages monthly meetings

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"There are many people on Salt Spring Island who have learned TM, some

of them more than 30 years ago, and they are still practising it regularly twice a day every day," said Sheila Elliott, a Salt Spring teacher of the Transcendental Meditation technique. "They find that doing this simple mental technique keeps them healthier, happier and allows them to think more clearly."

Don Arney, a Salt Spring resident and founder of SEI Industries in Vancouver, has practiced TM regularly for 34 years.

"One very valuable benefit of the TM technique I have recognized is improved creativity and problem solving. I never pursue a problem. I simply absorb information

relating to the problem at hand and then leave it. A creative, and often very profitable solution, usually comes to mind in short order."

Nearly five million people worldwide participate in the Transcendental Meditation program, said Elliott.

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People practising TM gather monthly on Salt Spring for group meditations.

"It is recommended to have your meditation checked regularly by a TM teacher," said Elliott. "These monthly meetings offer meditation checking as well as more knowledge about the practice."

Anyone who has learned TM, no matter how long ago, is welcome to attend.

Contact Sheila at 537-9448 or at [mvc@saltspring.cc](mailto:mvc@saltspring.cc). Information about the TM program can be found at [www.maharishi.ca](http://www.maharishi.ca).

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# Parents of teens invited to drug and alcohol discussion

A forum called Drugs, Alcohol and Our Kids brings together island experts at the high school on Thursday night.

While the event is part of the Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) Parent Advisory Council meeting, it will also be of interest to parents of younger students. The session is in

the GISS multi-purpose room at 7 p.m.

Participating speakers are youth drug and alcohol worker Norma Thompson; Community Services drug and alcohol counsellor Dave Vollrath; RCMP Const. Lindsay Ellis; and school counselors Alison Vida and Tiffany Wightman.

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Photo by Derrick Lundy

# Course sign-up starts Friday

This is the week to sign up for continuing ed courses and classes.

Courses covering everything from languages to Chaucer, bridge and computer use begin in the next couple of weeks, with registration running between now and January 31.

People can register in person at the community room at Salt Spring Elementary School from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, January 21-22.

Registrations can also be phoned in to 537-0037 from January 24 to 31.

Forms published in last week's Driftwood can be mailed to Box 329, Ganges PO, Salt Spring Island, V8K 2V9, or dropped at the Community Education Box at Salt Spring Books.

For those who missed the two-page course calendar in the January 12 Driftwood, information is available at the Driftwood, the library, PARC, school board office and Salt Spring Books.

Information is also available online through [www.crd.bc.ca/ssiparc](http://www.crd.bc.ca/ssiparc).

The Salt Spring Island Society for Community Education coordinates the program, which is offering a total of 27 courses in eight different categories.

The categories are: academic (Chaucer, First Nations in the Gulf Islands); the arts (life drawing, basketry, decorative capitals, calligraphy); computers (Excel, Word, Access, Photoshop); health and wellness (creating intimacy, strength and support women's group); house and home (B&B primer, plants, upholstery, year-round harvesting); kids' stuff (Easter bread baskets); languages (French, Spanish); leisure (bridge, cookery, Mah Jong, woodworking).

Costs for the courses vary and some financial aid is available.

# Volunteers need funds after snow buried event

A dance-benefit planned for last Saturday was cancelled due to the latest dump of snow, but that didn't diminish the need for funds.

The event featuring Jambanja was set to raise money to help four members of SOLID — the Salt Spring Organization for Life Improvement and Development — do grassroots project work with AIDS-afflicted communities in South Africa and Lesotho.

Melanie Furman, Gary McNutt, Heather Martin-McNab and Anna Calligari will leave Salt Spring the first week of February and work on a variety of community-development projects.

"We're planning on being in South Africa and Lesotho for two months doing gardening projects," explained Furman. "Heather will be working in an orphanage, Gary will help set up a telecentre and Anna will be working in clinics."

SOLID has twinned with the Evaton West community in the Vaal Triangle in South Africa, and supported grassroots projects there for the past few years.

While SOLID hosted visitors from Evaton West last year, who helped islanders determine how to best be of service, it has been two years since SOLID's MacNutt has been there.

Furman said it's unfortunate there's not time for the dance benefit to be rescheduled, but people who planned to come can still donate to the cause.

Donations can be made on SOLID's website at [www.solidaltspring.com](http://www.solidaltspring.com), or by bringing or mailing them to SOLID's Ganges office in Creekside: 5B-121 McPhillips Avenue, V8K 2T6. SOLID's office phone number is 537-8735.

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## SIMS girls crush QMS

Grade 8 island girls dethroned their counterparts from Queen Margaret's School on the basketball court at Salt Spring Island Middle School (SIMS) Thursday.

"Our girls played very well and moved the ball well," said SIMS physical education teacher Ken Cameron.

SIMS girls beat Queen Margaret's by a 66-8 score, he said.

After being snowed out last week, local Grade 8 girls were set to host Duncan Christian School on Tuesday (results unavailable at press time).

SIMS boys also travelled to Duncan Christian on Monday (results unavailable at press time), they hit Shawnigan Lake on January 24 and then face Chemainus at home on January 25.

Tsunami league play also re-starts this week with Grade 6s meeting Tuesdays and Grade 7s playing on Wednesdays, Cameron said.

## Trail group gets cooking for AGM

Salt Spring Trail and Nature Club members will be hiking around the kitchen next week in preparation for the group's annual general meeting and potluck dinner.

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**REACH FOR THE TOP:** Jeremy Byron makes a basket as the Gulf Islands Secondary School seniors boys basketball team takes second overall in a tournament hosted on Salt Spring.

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## Scorpions seize second hoop in Winter Classic

By MITCHELL SHERRIN  
Staff Writer

Scorpions antennae quivered over top-level performances during the Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) Winter Classic basketball tournament last weekend.

"We dominated the first game against Kwalikum," said GISS boys team co-captain Jesse Hranchuk.

GISS placed second overall after winning two out of three games in the four-team round-robin tournament.

Blasting the Kwalikum Kondors by 70-49, Yoni Marmorstein scored 23 points and earned the game's most-valuable player (MVP) designation.

"He drove the ball and his shot was on," said Hranchuk.

The co-captain was no slouch either. He picked up another 16 points to help his team against Kwalikum on Friday and earned MVP kudos for the team's second game against Mark Isfeld Secondary School of Courtenay.

"The second game was tougher but we fought hard to close up the score after the first quarter," Hranchuk said.

In the end, GISS lost to the Mark Isfeld Ice by nine points but they had been down by 23 earlier in the game, he said.

"Our shots just weren't dropping. We were really tired."

A final match against Windsor Secondary from North Vancouver on Satur-



**SCRAMBLE:** In senior boys basketball action last week, Jesse Hranchuk dominates in a forest of hands under the basket.

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day provided lots of excitement with a close and intense game, he said.

Down 31-26 at the half, GISS scored 24 points in the third quarter while holding Windsor to 15. The Scorpions then clung to their lead for a 69-63 finish.

Jordan Borth collected 19 points while Hranchuk and Jeremy Byron each scored 15.

The islanders also had a close regular-season game against Shawnigan Lake at GISS on January 11.

"It went pretty well," said co-captain Byron.

A previous meeting between the two teams saw

GISS lose by five points so the islanders were determined to play a good game, he said.

Down by one in the last minute of the most recent match, GISS fouled Shawnigan and the visitors sunk both of their shots for a three-point lead.

The Scorpions then got possession with nine seconds remaining and made a bid for a three-point shot, but the ball missed and GISS lost 61-58. Hranchuk scored 19 points as the top island contributor.

"We knew we could beat them and it was close the whole way," said Byron.

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**Girls feast on successful tourney**

By MITCHELL SHERRIN  
Staff Writer

Scorpions senior girls showed their strength during the Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) Winter Classic tournament held last weekend.

"I'd say we had three strong games," said assistant captain Nicola Temmel.

The islanders grounded the Kwalikum Kondors 62-33 after the two teams were a point apart at the half on Friday, Temmel said.

But Kayla Gromme nabbed 11 points in the third quarter as part of a 19-point contribution — with three three-point field goals — that seized the lead.

Gromme earned MVP for the game as a result of her fast breaks, Temmel said.

A second match against Esquimalt High School proved the toughest for the islanders.

"They were a strong team and we played a strong defensive game against them."

GISS led by one point at the half, but the Esquimalt girls beat GISS by a 50-39 score after a strong third quarter.

"We got into lots of foul trouble," said Temmel.

Three GISS players netted four fouls and two more collected three fouls apiece.

Becky Acheson (10 points) earned MVP of the game for strong drives into the middle, Temmel said.

A final match against lighter opposition from Mark Isfeld allowed the GISS girls to distribute play around the bench.

"I'm kind of proud of how we played in that game," Temmel said.

GISS won 54-14, Val Harkema earned MVP (five points) and Temmel scored 14 points.

"We could have beaten them by more but we chose to play everybody."

A two-ball shoot-out event also saw Gromme paired up with Jordan Borth of the



**TIGHT HOLD:** Senior girls basketball assistant captain Nicola Temmel holds onto the ball as opponents try to grab it away. The Scorpion girls were competing at the Winter Classic basketball tourney, hosted by Gulf Islands Secondary School last weekend.

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boys team to place second over three other teams.

"Most teams preferred to shoot three pointers," said Gromme. "That's all we shot."

She was reluctant to divulge her shooting secret, but offered a couple of tips.

"You just concentrate, look at the back of the rim and they'll go in."

The tourney was a good fun experience, she said.

After a home game Tuesday (results unavailable at press time), the senior girls next head to Campbell River for another tourney on February 4-5.

The tournament format provided an excellent spectator opportunity, noted parent Lee-Anne Gordon.

"Despite harsh weather conditions, the stands were full with fans cheering in the final competition, including players begging parents to stay and watch the final game and brave winter conditions after the game," Gordon said.

The GISS cafeteria program also put on an amazing dinner for the teams that kept them well fed and energized for the tournament, she noted.

"The tournament would

not be a success without assistance in the concession and the assistance of Mrs. Benloulou and Mrs. Gromme and Dan Lee and the Thrifty Foods staff."

Even more teams hope to attend next year, said tourney organizer and GISS athletic director Lyall Ruehlen.

"This was one of the most successful tournaments that I've been involved with: excellent games, spirited shooting competition and a social banquet dinner that led to an overall amazing basketball atmosphere for this island."

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**Salt Spring Island Schedule  
VESUVIUS BAY - CROFTON**

CROSSING TIME: 20 MINUTES  
YEAR-ROUND SCHEDULE

**LEAVE VESUVIUS BAY**

• 7:00 am u 4:00 pm  
x 8:00 am 5:00 pm  
9:00 am 6:00 pm  
10:00 am 7:00 pm  
11:40 am 8:40 pm  
n 12:40 pm 9:40 pm  
1:40 pm +10:35 pm  
3:00 pm

**LEAVE CROFTON**

\*7:30 am 4:30 pm  
8:30 am 5:30 pm  
# 9:30 am 6:30 pm  
11:10 am 8:10 pm  
12:10 noon 9:10 pm  
1:10 pm 10:05 pm  
2:15 pm +11:05 pm  
3:30 pm

u Wed. sailings will be replaced by dangerous cargo sailing. No passengers.  
n The Mon. & Thurs. sailings will be replaced by dangerous cargo sailings. No passengers.  
# Mon., Wed. & Thurs. sailings will be replaced by dangerous cargo sailings. No passengers.  
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**LAST CALL!** **2005 TIDE GUIDE**

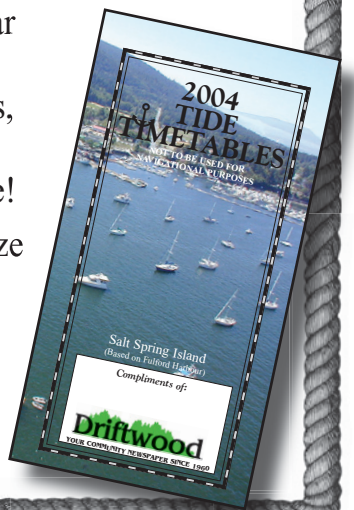
**Publish Date: February 9  
Deadline: January 26**

• Complete tide information  
February 2005 to January 2006

• Great info for boaters:  
services, calendar of events, local boating activities, directory of services & more!

• Handy pocket size

**Call Peter or Rick at 537-9933 for details.**



# DEADLINE MONDAY 4PM

Too Late To Classify Deadline: Noon Tuesday

# Driftwood Classifieds

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10 words or less  
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20 words or less  
**\$9.25**

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Run your ad for 2 weeks and get a third week FREE!

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Deadline Monday, 4PM.

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Deadline TUESDAY NOON

**DISPLAY CLASSIFIEDS**  
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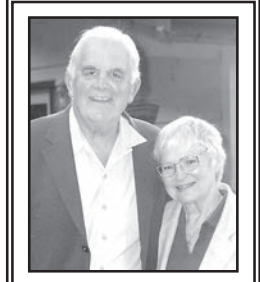
## Notices

**5 BIRTHS**

TOAD'S TADPOLE #2 is here. Todd Klatt, Jill Leblanc and Joseph introduce Darcy Lynn Rose, born December 29, 2004 at 7:41 p.m., weighing 8 lbs. 4 oz. Thanks to everyone who helped us.

**6 DEATHS**

PATRICK, CHRISTINA (Ena). Born in Victoria 1913 passed away peacefully on Jan. 15, 2005. Predeceased by her loving husband Kenneth. She is survived by her children Gwen, Jill (Collin) and Bob (Barb); her Grandchildren Scott (Tracy), Todd, Karen, Mark, Tony, Jimmy and Victoria; her great-granddaughter Jaida; her sister Margaret and her Brother Doug. A memorial service will be held Jan. 21, 11 am at Guilford Seniors Village. Flowers gratefully declined. Donations may be made to the Alzheimer Society of BC.



**RALPH (BUZZ) HUDSON** peacefully passed away on Salt Spring Island at 4 a.m. January 14. A memorial service will be held Friday, January 21 at 3 p.m. at the United Church, 111 Hereford Ave. in Ganges Village, Salt Spring Island. Reception to follow. The family requests donations to the Cancer Society in lieu of flowers.

**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 www.gulfislands.net. Use the calendar for event planning and to make sure your date doesn't conflict with someone else's.

**CREATIVE WATERCOLOUR** classes. Waterfront studio, new 6 week sessions. Beginner starts Feb 15. Intermediate Feb 17. Limited space, mornings. Email libby@saltspring.com.

**PAINTING CLASSES** (water colour or acrylics): new sessions starting in Jan. Beginners & intermediates welcome. Call Val Konig 537-9531.

**PLAYWRITING WORKSHOP** with Frank Moher February 12 & 13 at Art Spring. \$100 (\$80 before January 15). Graffiti sponsored. Yvonne 653-0033.

YOU ARE invited to a "Bon Voyage to Afghanistan" Party for Bonnie Dalziel, hosted by the Voice of Women. Sunday, Jan. 23, 2 - 4 pm, Lion's Hall - Drake Rd. Refreshments. Entry by donation (\$5 suggested).

**LIVE DRAWING** with Stefanie Denz. In Ganges Jan. 21 to Feb. 25, 10:30 am to 12 pm. \$15/class or \$80 for all 6 classes. 653-2018.

## 20 COMING EVENTS

**PHOTOSHOP CRASH** Courses! Creative workshops: Fridays, January 28 or February 4, 1 - 4. Andrea 537-9935.

**REPRODUCE YOUR Art** Digitally! Learn to digitize art, output reproductions & make prints on canvas, silk, tile, handmade paper & wood. Monday, January 24, 1 - 6. Andrea 537-9935.

**FREE TAI CHI Qi Gong** classes with Taiwanese teacher Joe Lai. Sundays 2:00 - 3:30 pm. Beaver Point Hall. Call Elehna 653-0001.

**CREATE YOUR own yarn.** Beginner spinning classes with Karen Mazzei starting soon. All equipment supplied. For more information call 537-4164.

**Workshops at Central Hall!**

Jan. 22  
Memory Skills: 1:30 pm  
Take Charge of Your Health: 3:00 pm

**537-2919**  
ariadnes@uniserve.com  
www.ariadnescoaching.com

**Peaceful, Insightful YOGA AT THE BARN**  
190 REYNOLDS ROAD

THURS 6-7:30pm with Celeste  
\$10 Drop-in  
All levels welcome.

**537-2444**  
www.gangesyogastudio.com

**Vipassana/Insight Buddhist Meditation Foundation Class series**

**5 Thursdays**  
January 27 - February 24  
7:30 - 9:00 pm  
with Heather Martin  
Ganges Yoga Studio  
\$60 - \$90 sliding scale with continuing Thursday night Meditation sitting group thereafter.

Instructions, practice, discussion.  
Discover inner peace, clarity and compassion.  
All levels of experience, including none.

**Info/registration: 653-9729**  
hmartin@saltspring.com

## 20 COMING EVENTS

GANGES YOGA STUDIO				
2005 SCHEDULE				
Call for January specials!				
MON	4:45-5:45pm 7:15-9:00	Pilates Buddhist Meditation	Studio Be	Shannon Matthew
TUES	7:30-8:30am 9:00-10:15 9:00-11:00 4:45-6:15 6:30-8:00	Sunrise Stretch* Nia Level 2 & 3 Yoga Sunset Yoga Level 2 Yoga	Studio Be	Cordula Leslie Celeste Celeste Celeste
WED	9:00-10:30 9:00-10:00 10:00-11:00 1:15-2:00 5:30-6:30 6:30-7:45	Mellow Yoga Pilates Bodyball Group Rental Beginners' Yoga* Mixed Levels Yoga*	Studio Be Studio Be	Celeste Shannon Shannon GYS teachers Celeste
THURS	11:00-12:00 3:45-4:30 6:00-7:20 7:00-8:15 7:30-9:00	Prenatal/Mom & Baby Yoga Kids' Yoga Mixed Levels Yoga* Belly Dancing Vipassana Meditation	Studio Be	Cordula Donna Brian Orlana Heather
FRI	9:00-10:30 11:00-12:15 4:30-5:30	Level 1 & 2 Yoga Nia Restorative Yoga	Studio Be	Celeste Leslie Celeste
SAT	10:30-11:30	Family Yoga	* every 3rd Sat. of month	GYS teachers
SUN	10:30-12:00 9:30-11:30	Mixed Levels Yoga Restorative Restshop Jan 30, Feb 27	* Pre-registration is advised.	Brian Celeste

537-2444 • Upper Level, Grace Point Square • www.gangesyogastudio.com

## 20 COMING EVENTS

**BINGO**  
MEADEN HALL  
Royal Canadian Legion

**THURSDAY**  
January 20, 7 pm  
Early Birds, 6:30 pm

Sponsored by Ladies Auxiliary  
Royal Canadian Legion Br. 92.

All proceeds to bursaries for Salt Spring Island students.

**VANCOUVER ISLAND health authority**  
Prevention Services

**PRENATAL CLASSES**  
Next session held on Mondays - Jan 31, Feb 7 & 14, 2005  
5:00 - 7:00 pm at the Lady Minto Hospital Meeting Room

Register at the Health Unit or call 538-4880 for more info.  
Total fee: \$25.00

**3rd Annual "Support the Foodbank" STOREWIDE SALE**  
4 DAYS ONLY

Thurs. Jan. 20 to Sun. Jan. 23

**15% off everything** (except Promo Sets)

Bring a donation for the Foodbank and get **25% off one item**  
Bring **2 - get 25% off two items**  
And So On...  
**537-1966**

*West of the Moon*

## 20 COMING EVENTS

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**No Fines**

Salt Spring Public Library

Because of the recent snow storm, fines will not be charged on any overdue books returned by January 31, 2005.

**Hip-Hop and Jazz Dance Workshop**  
with triple threat performer  
**Lauren Bowler**

Sat. Jan. 22  
10 am - 3:30 pm  
\$40 advance  
\$50 at door  
at Mahon Hall

Info & registration  
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SALT SPRING Montessori now has space for our preschool/ kindergarten program. Located on 15 acres 8 km south of town, we offer small class sizes and a safe home environment. Following Maria Montessori's work, the children move freely within a prepared environment. Our program allows children a unique cultural academic experience, balanced with art and music. For more information about the program, to book an observation or to pre-register for our Fall classes, please call Heidi at 653-9228.

**A NEW CAREER?** 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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## 26 LEGAL

STUDENTS, FORMER students or other persons having suffered accident or injury, or anyone witnessing or having knowledge or same, with regards to the former "pond" at Gulf Islands Secondary School please contact Dept. C c/o Driftwood Publishing, 328 Lower Ganges Rd., Salt Spring Island, BC, V8K 2V3.

**30 DAY NOTICE.** Intention to sell a vehicle abandoned on property, in lieu of debt. 1986 Pontiac 4 door Sunbird, #M09093-002 Leave message 537-0645.

## 29 LOST AND FOUND

FOUND: LONG-HAIRED calico female. Burgoyne Bay trails, base of Mt. Bruce. Friendly. 537-2123.

FOUND: TABBY with white paws and white hind legs. Garner Rd. area. Please call the S.P.C.A. 537-2123.

FOUND: LONG-HAIRED light ginger cat with white markings. Mt. Erskine Drive area. Please call the S.P.C.A. at 537-2123.

WE HAVE LOST Lulu, our clinic cat. She disappeared on Jan. 14. Lulu is a mostly white cat with tortie patches. Please call Gulf Islands Vet Clinic if you have seen her. 537-5334.

LOST: I HAVE lost a clarinet in a brown case. If found please call Callum at 653-4880.

LOST: DOG, "Abby", 1 year old black & white border collie with one blue eye, missing since Jan. 14. 537-7199 or 537-7774.

LOST JAN. 12: Silver earring, Haida Sun. Between Library, Credit Union and Barb's Buns or at Community Center. Reward. 537-2891.

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## 32 MEETINGS

**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.

**Wednesday, January 26**  
3 pm, Lions Hall (Hart Bradley Hall)

Starting at 3 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.

## 34 NOTICES

THE DRIFTWOOD'S annual Wedding Planner is being prepared and we are looking for interesting and historic wedding photographs from our readers. This special issue is published in February and original photos will be returned. We are looking for original wedding photos of good quality from eras gone by. Hippy wedding in the 60s? Slicked back hair in the 50s? War time bride? Disco couple in the 80s? We want your photo! Please submit with pertinent information by January 21 to The Driftwood, 328 Lower Ganges Road, Salt Spring Island, BC. V8K 2V3.

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

STUFF & NONSENSE is open Monday - Saturday, 9 - 5. Sunday, 10 - 5. April Cornell ladies wear 40% off. Table cloths 25% off. Elita warmwear 25% off. Calendars 40% off. 653-4620 Fulford Village.

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## Foster Parent Needed

Experienced foster parent needed on Salt Spring Island for an 8-year-old boy with developmental delays and Autism. He has a full time school program and extensive support services. His family is actively involved. Applicants are subject to Ministry for Children and Family Development approval, including a Criminal records search, a medical evaluation, and a home study. Applicants please contact Carl Albert at (250) 537-1827.

Letter to the editor? Press release? What's On calendar event? Send it to [news@gulfislands.net](mailto:news@gulfislands.net).

**34 NOTICES**



**MARKET IN THE PARK**

**Seasonal Vendors**  
Renew permits by February 28, 2005 at PARC office, 145 Vesuvius Bay Road (Portlock Park). Fee \$150.

**Day Vendors**  
register at the Market starting Saturday, March 26 at 7:30am.

Call 537-4448 for office hours or more information.


**REGULAR ADVERTISING DEADLINES**

**DISPLAY ADVERTISING**  
Friday, 5 pm

**CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING**  
Monday, 4 pm

**TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY**  
Tuesday, noon

**PHONE: 537-9933**  
**FAX: 537-2613**



**40 PERSONALS**

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**55 HELP WANTED**

**CONVEYANCING SECRETARY** required for busy solicitor's practice. Resumes in confidence to: Ian H. Clement, 1-105 Rainbow Rd., Salt Spring Island, B.C. V8K 2V5.

**REGULAR PART-TIME** technical work on Salt Spring Island. Must be physically fit, have a current BC DL & ability to competently drive a 4X4. Approx. 1/2 day per week. Previous knowledge of electronics an asset. Please reply to Dept. D, c/o Driftwood Publishing, 328 Lower Ganges Rd., Salt Spring Island, BC, V8K 2V3.

**HOUSE MANAGER** required April 1 for seniors residence. Living in private accommodation on site, the manager will prepare the evening meal, clean common areas and administer a 9-unit house with approximately 10 residents. Please send resume to: Manager Required, Box 617, Salt Spring, BC, V8K 2W2.

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**CONVENIENCE STORE/GIFT STORE** Attendants required. Housing provided, couples welcome. Phone Troy at 867-699-4301 between 9 a.m. & 5 p.m.

**OFFSET PRESS OPERATOR,** 3 - 5 years experience required in 2 or 4 colour operation. Wells Marshall, Artisan Press Ltd., Yellowknife, NWT. Phone 867-920-2794. Fax 867-873-8487.

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**55 HELP WANTED**

**Salt Spring Island Community Services**  
**Director of Child and Youth Services**  
(24 hours/week)

The Director of Child and Youth Services provides leadership, direction and support for a team providing clinical counselling, family support, early childhood services and community outreach services to Southern Gulf Island communities.

**Duties:** Supervision, program development, budget, liaison with funders and the community.

**Qualifications:** Masters degree in a human service area, or the equivalent combination of education and experience.

**Experience** working with children, youth and families in a counselling or similar helping capacity.

**Experience** with supervision, financial and program management.

**Youth Alcohol and Drug Outreach Counsellor**  
(28 hours/week)

**Duties:** Provide alcohol and drug education, prevention, assessment and counselling services to youth and their families.

**Qualifications:** Post secondary training in the human services field, social work, child and youth care, addictions counselling, or the equivalent combination of education and experience is required.

**Experience** working with youth and families in a counselling or similar helping capacity.

Apply by February 3, 2005 at 4:00 pm to:

Executive Director  
Salt Spring Island Community Services Society  
268 Fulford Ganges Road  
Salt Spring Island, BC, V8K 2K6

**55 HELP WANTED**

**ADAMS PONTIAC** Buick GMC Ltd. requires a journeyman technician. We offer above average hours, guaranteed wage and bonus structure. Visit our website: www.adampontiac.com. Contact Jason Newberry, Service Manager 1-877-352-3311.

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**60 WORK WANTED**

**GARBAGE GURU & Strong Woman Hauling** Father & Daughter team. Total cleanup + demolition and hauling. Vanessa or David 537-1984.

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**NEW EARTH.** Landscaping, gardening, yard maintenance, etc. Reasonable, negotiable rates. Island references. Call 653-4968.

**NEW PAINTER** in town. Now is a great time to paint your home. Call Bob at 538-8442.

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**NEED HELP** with clean up? Man with truck and chainsaw - call Todd 653-4704.

**FRAMING CREW** available. Top quality workmanship for custom homes, etc. Ronald Besley and Sons Const. 537-8885.

**55 HELP WANTED**

**JOURNEYMAN CARPENTER REQUIRED**

to deliver Level One Trades Training in Carpentry and Joinery. This new program to be delivered at Gulf Islands Secondary School is made possible through partnerships with Camosun College, ITA and local businesses. To be taught on Fridays and/or Saturdays, this course requires the following qualifications in a candidate:

- valid Journeyman certification in Carpentry
- significant experience in Carpentry and Joinery
- ability to teach in both a classroom and field setting (experience an asset)
- demonstrated leadership skills and ability to motivate others
- possess excellent communication skills
- ability to be flexible, adaptable, show vision and creativity
- knowledgeable about Industry Training Authority models and regulations

Applicants should forward letters of application, resume and supporting documents to the address below. Please ensure that two current and verifiable references in the field are named in the resume.

Nancy Macdonald, Principal  
Gulf Islands Secondary School  
112 Rainbow Road  
Salt Spring Island, B.C.  
V8K 2K3

**60 WORK WANTED**

**Carpentry, House Repairs, Handyman Work.** Small Jobs welcome. Residential and Commercial.  
**Call Peter at 538-1952**

Mature, capable woman, 50 years, seeking employment as care giver. Experienced, good cook, meticulous housekeeper, personable, reliable. Excellent references. Live in / prefer separate accommodation. Renumeration negotiable.  
**(250) 595-3989**

**Services**

**114 CHILD CARE**

**GRAMMA'S HOUSE** overnight childcare - for parents with atypical working hours or just needing a night off. Coming April 2005! http://saltspringislandchildcare.blogspot.com or call 537-4433 to reserve your child in advance.

**116 CLEANING**

**PROFESSIONAL CLEANER** will make your home sparkle again! Housecleaning at \$13/hr. Seniors' discount. References. Leave message for Jody 538-0229.

**117 COMMUNITY SERVICES**

**SALT SPRING** Mood Disorder Association meets every 2 weeks on Tuesdays for family & patient support and education. Please call Pam 537-2186 for details.

**NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS** - 537-5664.

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

**ADULT CHILDREN** Anonymous. For healing from any dysfunctional family background. Saturday afternoons. 537-4315 for information.

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

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


**DRESSINGS FREE** to cancer patients by the Order of the Eastern Star. Contact Ida McManus, 537-5423.

**60 WORK WANTED**

**Alcoholics Anonymous Services Meetings**

**Salt Spring** — 537-7573  
**Galiano** — 539-2222  
**Pender** — 629-3631

**Women's only - Thursday** nights 5:30 p.m. - 537-7573



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 1992 SUBARU LOYALE, 4 dr. sdn., only 138K, auto, am/fm/cass., P/W, P/L, well serviced, complete records. \$3800 firm. 537-4710.  
 1987 HONDA CIVIC H/B, 5 spd., am/fm/cd, well serviced, 12 yr. family car, \$1200 firm. 537-4710.

**540 WANTED/RENTALS**  
 EXPERT WATCH repairs by certified watchmaker. Located between Crofton and Duncan. Serving the Cowichan Valley over 25 years. Call L.D. Frank - Jeweller and Watchmaker 250-748-6058 (Duncan). Saturday pickup & delivery on Salt Spring.  
 RECYCLED ADDRESS posts with reflective numbers, made on Salt Spring to CRD standards. Call Dawn at et cetera 537-5115.

**540 WANTED/RENTALS**  
 RESPONSIBLE ORGANIC Islander w/2 trained pets seeks affordable, long term, private 2 - 3 bdrms., garage/storage, end Feb. Good refs., N/S, N/D. Anne 537-2909.

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**520 HOUSES FOR RENT**  
 WALK TO town from this fabulous oceanview, 2 bedroom & den, with sunroom and large deck in a quiet neighbourhood setting. 6 appliances, N/S, pets OK, long term preferred. References required. Call 537-2307 after 5 pm.  
 FULLY FURNISHED 1 & 2 bedroom cottages on St. Mary Lake, \$550 - \$650 plus hydro. N/S, N/P, Oct. 1 - March 31. 537-2585.  
 IMMEDIATELY - 3 bedroom, 1 bath, large living room. 5 appliances. New home, centrally located. \$975/mo. No dogs. Call 537-4996.  
 VERY NICE family home: 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom. Tidal waterfront, close to town, lease, \$1300/mo. Available Feb. 1. 653-9206.  
 COZY, CLEAN 2 bdrm, 1 bath, on small lot. Newer appl., W/D, ocean view, close to town, beach access, lg. garage/workshop w/ office, \$1000 + util., Feb. 1. 537-5659.  
 FULFORD WATERFRONT, S/W exposure, lge. 2 bdrm, 2 bath, 2000 sq. ft., slate, hardwood, stone F/P, skylights, decks, gourmet kitchen/granite, sub zero fridge. \$1850/mo. 831-588-9576.  
 OCEANVIEW CUSTOM home near Beddis Beach. Lge 3 bdrm, 2-1/2 bath, 2200 sq. ft., hardwood floors, skylights, stone f/p, + 2 woodburning F/P, 2 dens, decks, + studio space on 3/4 acre. \$1450/mo. 831-471-1977.  
 COZY 2 BEDROOM mobile home, covered enclosed deck, small garden, cat OK. In Cedarview Park. Avail. now. \$425. 537-2310 and 537-0612.  
 SEMI WATERFRONT house (Fernwood). 4 BR, rec room, W.D., DW, airtight. Feb. 1. No pets, refs. req'd. \$1300 per mo. Phone 537-0909.  
 2 BDRM COTTAGE, long-term, close to Ganges, private. Wood heat/electric, garden plot available. Suitable for single or couple. No dogs, cat OK. Reference required. \$775. Includes yard care. Please call 537-8803.  
 LONG TERM, 3 bedrooms, 1 bath. Large fenced yard, house in good repair. Includes: washer, dryer, stove, fridge, carport, shed. N/S, no dogs, cats o.k. Avail. Jan. 21, \$1000/mo. Bob 653-4513. References required.  
 1 BDRM COTTAGE in Ganges, W/D, cat OK, N/S, long term, available Feb. 1, \$700 plus util. References please. 537-2728.  
 AVAIL. NOW. Sunny & private 650 sq. ft., 2 bdrm cottage, Vesuvius. Quiet, N/S, N/P, \$750 + utilities. 537-8987 after 6:00 or leave message.  
 BRIGHT HOUSE near Vesuvius. English garden with fruit trees, sundecks. 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths up, rec room and bath down. Wood stove, W/D, N/S, N/P. \$1100/month plus utilities, long term preferred, references required. Avail. immediately, call Van. 604-264 9732.  
 2 BEDROOM, LONG term rental, F/S, W/D. Private yard, garden area. North end. \$750. 537-0061.  
 DISTINCTIVE 2 BEDROOM, south end, sundeck, garden, \$900 plus deposit. 653-4114.  
 ST. MARY LAKE: one bedroom, wood heat, shared property, suits 1 or 2 quiet adults, N/S, no dogs. References, long term, \$720 + util. 537-5681.  
 FOR RENT, avail. immed.: 2 bdrm, semi-furnished mobile home. F/S, W/D, fenced yard. No dogs, cats allowed, ref. req'd. \$775/mo. incl. phone, hydro & internet (computer incl.). \$350 damage dep. Ph. 537-8453 to view.  
 TWO BEDROOM W/D, N/S, N/P. Mar. 1, long term. \$775. 537-92

**825 CARS, SALES**

1991 FORD AEROSTAR. Needs some work \$600 obo. Call Tina or Matt. 537-8579.

1990 HONDA CIVIC. Recent engine work includes clutch, top end, CV joints, timing-belt, runs very well. Good mileage \$3000. 537-2789.

WWW.CREDIT-KING.COM. Automobile loans — 400 vehicles online. Trucks/vans/cars/SUVs. Diesel/gas. Turned down? Rates too high? Trading in? Instant money available online. From 0-7% and complimentary delivery. Zero down financing. Apply online, call anytime 1-800-650-4829 (24/7).

BEEN TURNED DOWN for a car or truck? Need a Visa? Need to get established or reestablished? Most situations OK. Randy (250) 208-9-YES (937).

**845 RV SALES**

OVER 200 NEW & used motorhomes, diesel pushers, 5th wheels, trailers, vans, campers. Total RV Centre. Special RV financing. Since 1984. Voyager RV - Hwy 97, Winfield, BC. 1-800-668-1447. www.voyagerRV.ca

**850 TIRES**

www.discounttires-autorepairs.com. Guaranteed tires from \$10. 2920 Jacklin (Langford). 1-888-383-1050.

**855 TRUCKS/4X4S**

1992 TAHOE BLAZER, 4 wheel drive, less than 100,000 kms., auto, power everything, air conditioned. \$7500. 537-9507.

1993 F250 4X4, extended cab, captain's seat, air cond. Cruise control, headache rack, new master cylinder, \$10,900. 537-0881.

1973 FORD 1 ton dump truck. Double ram hydraulics, good 390 engine, other custom features. Can handle 5 ton pay load. \$2000 obo. Call 537-4346 or see at Murakami's.

JEEP GRAND Wagoneer, 1987. Yes, the "Woody" is for sale! Great shape. Now \$4000 obo. Call Peter 653-0007 or view at Tread Shed.

1975 CHEVY 1 TON, new tires, 4 speed, standard, flat deck, overweight springs, \$2000. 537-1984.

TOYOTA 4 RUNNER: V6 auto, 4 wheel drive/auto hubs, black, 4 door, sunroof, MP3 radio, 138,000 km, \$17,000 obo. 653-4726.

1993 FORD F350 cube truck, 4X4, 26 ft. box, double r/w, 210,000 km. Asking \$5,500, as is. 537-0629.

\$0 DOWN OAC. Guaranteed credit approvals. Trucks, 4x4s, crew cabs, diesels, sport utilities, cars & vans. Reposs. broken leases, heavy duty equipment. Take over payments. Free delivery. Call Lawrence Siccia, BC's largest finance broker. 1-800-993-3673. Vancouver 604-327-6377.

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**856 BUSES, VANS**

1998 PLYMOUTH VOYAGER. New tires, new battery, new windshield. 110,000km. Very clean. \$8500 obo. 537-1856.

DODGE RAM Camper Van. Stove, fridge. View at Murakami's. Perfect Winter home. Phone Celeste 537-2444 and leave message.

1994 MAZDA MPV 7-passenger mini van. \$5200. 220,000 km, V6, well maintained & good body. Excellent condition. 537-4536.

1992 MAZDA MPV 7 pass, 180,000 kms., V6, F.W.D., P.W. tint, 2 extra Blizzak snows, \$5000 obo. 537-4190 after 6 p.m.

**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.

GARBAGE GURU & Strong Woman Hauling Father & Daughter team. Total cleanup & demolition and hauling. Vanessa or David 537-1984.

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PLEASE NOTE: Too Late to Classify ads are accepted until 12:00pm Tuesday at the rate of \$11.25 for 20 words or less and 36 cents for each additional word. The Driftwood cannot be responsible for errors or omissions as these ads may not be proof read because of time constraint.

JANUARY SPECIAL. One month free Internet Service, includes dial-up from \$11.95 and ADSL from \$29.95. www.saltspringinternet.com. Call Barb for details, 538-0052.

YOGA SCHEDULE posted on www.gangesyogastudio.com

SUMMERSIDE (FORMERLY Atkins Common) Adult pool memberships available to public. Single/couple \$100/\$175. Payable in advance with 3 month minimum. Call Royal Property Mgt 537-5577.

WANTED TO rent: one open room cabin or suite; private, quiet. Covered storage. One well-mannered spayed cat. Approx. \$500, utilities included. Wonderful references. Skye Wolfe, 537-9809.

1987 NISSAN MAXIMA, runs, needs a little work to be a good island car. \$500 obo. 537-4171.

EXPERIENCED AND reliable interior painter. Any size project, reasonable, responsible and friendly. Call Japhy 653-0073.

TIME FLIES and so should you. Salt Spring Air: 2 flights daily to downtown Vancouver and Airport. 537-9880, www.saltspringair.com.

RESTORATIVE REST shops. Sunday Jan. 30 & Feb. 27, 9:30 - 11:30 am at Ganges Yoga Studio. FUNDRAISER RESCHEDULED to Jan. 23. Blue Horse Fundraiser for Tsunami Relief, Sunday Jan 23, 10 - 7. 175 North View Dr.

PRE-INVENTORY SALE. The Houseware's Store. Save up to 50% off.

NIA: FUN-FILLED barefoot boogie. New class times in Studio Be! Tuesdays 9 - 10:15 am, Fridays 11 am - 12:15 pm. Call 537-2444.

PRE-INVENTORY SALE. Home Hardware. Save up to 50% off.

\$70 CAR & driver, \$10 ferry food, \$18 for all day parking... Flying over the islands... Priceless! Salt Spring Air, 537-9880, www.saltspringair.com.

PRE-INVENTORY SALE. Bed, Bath & Hardware. Save up to 50% off.

HONDA EM5000SX Generator. Electric start, good shape, \$1750. Delta 14" drill press, \$200. 537-2820.

GULF ISLANDS Optical. 50% refund on the cost of your eye test when you purchase a full set of frames and lenses. Lancer Bldg. 537-2648.

THE SPCA is at full capacity and urgently seeking homes for awesome cats of all varieties. If you have room in your life for a fabulous feline companion or two, please come and meet them. Mon. - Fri. 11 - 4. 537-1442 or 537-2123.

HAVE YOU lost a cat in the last few years? He or she may be at the S.P.C.A. It never hurts to look. Two long missed cats matched last week. Mon. - Fri. 11 - 4, 537-1442.

MISSING INFORMATION? If you didn't receive ArtSpring's newsletter this month, you can find it at www.artspring.ca/newsletters. htm. Check out the website for exciting new features and enter the mini quiz for a chance to win free tickets to hear the Salt Spring Concert. If you don't have internet service, drop by ArtSpring to pick up your copy of the newsletter.

LESS WAITING, less chaos, better service! Barb's Buns introduces full table service in addition to our regular café. Expanded menu, new lunch specials and an exciting new organic juice bar. Come check it out! Starting Jan. 24.

COPPER KETTLE direct appeal: 1) HP printer with USB port. 2) 3/4 size bed for special need. 3) Size 10 men's winter boots. Call 537-5863.

1985 FORD BRONCO, 4X4, Eddie Bauer edition, \$1200 obo. 1981 Chevy full size pickup, black, runs great, \$1200 obo. 1978 Toyota Corolla, 4 dr., great island car, \$550 obo. Call Michelle 537-5537.

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FAMILY YOGA. Starting Feb. 19 at Ganges Yoga Studio.

CHAINSAW WORK: falling, limbing, firewood. Some climbing/topping. Custom chainsaw milling. Call Tonio at 537-0619 or 1-800-576-5887.

REMEMBER WHAT you really wanted to do with your computer? Patient, creative tutor. Basics and beyond! Andrea 537-9935.

FLAGGERS FOR traffic control wanted. Part-time on-call, no experience necessary. Will train. Transportation and phone a must. 537-2300.

BROKEN TREES? Call "Man with chain saw" to help out. reasonable rates. 653-9783.

CRAFTED 1 BEDROOM cottage with large deck & garage on 3/4 acre near Ganges. ADSL, long term lease, \$1250. N/S, refs. 537-5912.

BELLY DANCING. New class with Oriana! Thursday Jan. 13, 7 - 8:15 pm in Studio Be. Call Ganges Yoga Studio 537-2444.

A SPECIAL house: beautiful 3+ bdrm with large deck & garage on 3/4 acre near Ganges. ADSL, long term lease, \$1250. N/S, refs. 537-5912.

CHAINSAW WORK wanted. Will cut up windfalls, etc. Call 653-4539, leave message.

1990 GMC 3/4 ton truck, 4X4, bedliner, 350 EFI, reg. cab, long box, \$4500. Leave message at 537-5266.

KIDS YOGA with Donna at Ganges Yoga Studio starting Thursday Jan. 13, 3:45 - 4:30 pm. 5 classes for \$40. Parents welcome! Call 537-2444.

ENVIRONMENTAL FARM Planning Workshop, Sat. Jan. 22, 10 am - 1:30 pm, SSI Farmers Institute meeting room. No charge - coffee & lunch incl. Presented by the Island Farmers' Alliance. To register, contact Sheri Nielson, 537-1883.

EVERYTHING IS on sale during January at Boardwalk Greens. Up to 30% off home & garden decor. 537-5787. The shop is open everyday 10 - 4.

PRENATAL AND mom & babies yoga. Thursdays, 11 - noon at Ganges Yoga Studio.

1 BDRM SUITE at ground level; cable, W/D, close to town, \$525 all included. Available Feb. 1. Leave message at 537-5266.

1981 FORD F250, extra-cab pickup, rusty but runs fine, \$600 obo. Call Mark at 537-4245.

1 BDRM, SELF-CONTAINED, furnished apartment with large deck. Vesuvius Bay view. \$750 incl. 537-9887.

RENT YOUR camper or van to us for first 2 weeks of Feb. while family is here to help with birth of our baby. Must be clean, able to be moved to our property & sleep 2 adults. Call Robin or Mik, 653-0039.

CARPENTER AVAILABLE, specializing in finishing. Call Kris at 537-2010.

LOST WHILE visiting SSI, "Punky", 15 yr. old male shitzu-poodle X. Apricot-cream coat. Partly deaf, partly blind. Had a fright with a car on Mon. Dec. 27 at Mtn. Park & Sunset. Needs his medication. Reward. 537-1883.

LET US serve you! Full table service coming to Barb's Buns. We've expanded our menu, added great new lunch specials, and an exciting new organic juice bar! Come check it out, starting Jan. 24.

CLEARANCE 50% off: children and adults Padraig. Sunfire Creations, Grace Point Square. 537-9500.

PREMIER SHOW "Indigo" the movie. Don't need to travel to Victoria to see it. Jan. 29, 30. Ticket reservation 537-8911, cecilia@saltspringwellness.com.

WHAT IS THE most important meal of the day? Harbour House Breakfast starts at 7 am daily. See you there!

SALT SPRING WOODWORKS is open from Thursday to Monday 11 - 4 pm or by appointment. Fine and rustic furniture. 125 Churchill. 537-9606.

THIS WEEK'S winners of LED flashers from the Driftwood are Barb Lyard, Liz Wilson, J. MacDonald, Shelley Day & Simon Wells. Enter to win by filling out a ballot at Mouats Home Hardware or Sports Traders. Remember - be safe, be seen!

SPACIOUS ROOM in sunny heritage home, near beach & trails. Partly furnished with own entry & bath, 10 min. to Ganges, share W/D & util. N/S, N/P, \$400. 653-0005.

MOUNTAIN BIKE full suspension \$750 obo. High Quality discman \$90. Gameboy Sp \$50. Please call Elliot at 653-9933 for more details.

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WORK WANTED: Hardworking man looking for work: Landscaping, gardening, basic carpentry, painting, housework, snow shoveling. Steve 653-4495.

YOGA DISCOUNTED specials. Pre-register \$75/8 wks. Drop in \$10. Tuesdays 7:30 - 8:30 am or Wednesdays 6:30 - 7:45 pm. Starting Jan. 18 at Ganges Yoga Studio. Call 537-2444.

FOR SALE: Washer and dryer \$150. Double stainless sink \$30. Cabinets. Pool table \$100. New corner shower \$350. 537-1961 after 6 pm.

RECYCLING MADE easy. \$10 per month, unlimited quantities taken. Cardboard, mix-paper, plastic, tin & glass. Free recycling containers. Delivery to SSI depot. Call Damien 537-4884.

DOZENS & DOZENS of roses to our fabulous staff at the Harbour House for making such an effort to keep things running smoothly during the snowstorm. Thanks you all, so much! J. & A.

BEGINNERS YOGA. Pre-register \$66/6 wks. Wednesdays 5:30 - 6:30 pm. Jan 19 - Feb 23. Ganges Yoga Studio, 537-2444.

DOG OBEDIENCE classes. Fun for you and your dog. Basic manners, problem solving. Teaching you to teach your dog. Starting Feb. 8 with Ann McPhee, 537-9505.

PILATES & BODY BALL. New classes with Shannon at Ganges Yoga Studio. Mondays and Wednesdays starting Jan. 10. Info and register call 537-2444.

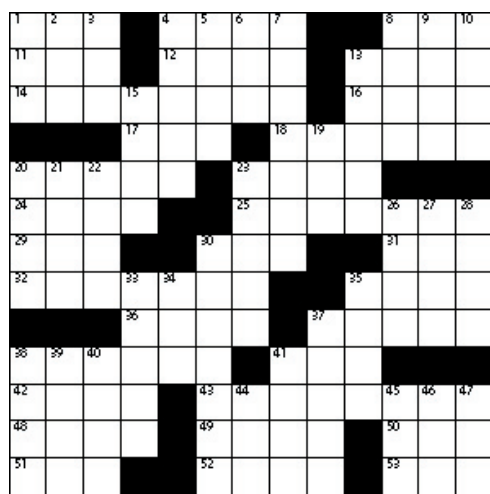
PERMANENT F/T ORDER Clerk/Telephonist: We are seeking an individual to fill this fast paced, multi-tasked position. Ideal candidate will be a team player with strong computer data entry, telephone and customer service skills. Please submit resume to Aroma Crystal Therapy either by Fax 538-0035, email finance@aromacrystal.com or drop off at 155 Rainbow Road.

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**Canadiana Crossword Poetic Plates**

By Bernice Rosella and James Kilner



**ACROSS**

- 1 7th Greek letter
- 4 Pros' opposite
- 8 Info pending
- 11 Household god
- 12 Chickpea stew
- 13 In fashion, slangily
- 14 Manitoba plate word
- 16 Popular bar?
- 17 Sheltered side
- 18 Word on Prince Edward Island plate
- 20 Facades
- 23 Withstand
- 24 Bills featuring Sir John
- 25 Certain lakes
- 29 Allen Sapp creation
- 30 Sun bather's quest
- 31 Heater
- 32 Word on British Columbia plate
- 35 Actor Alan
- 36 Calls from Golfer Garcia's gallery
- 37 Word on Nova Scotia plate
- 38 Mars or Venus
- 41 Air defence sys.
- 42 Word on Alberta plate
- 43 Like some veranda's
- 48 Decorates a cake
- 49 Lancelot's chest protector
- 50 Cuckoo
- 51 Indian city
- 52 Pelletier's partner
- 53 Leaf cutter, for one

**DOWN**

- 1 Sprite
- 2 Seaman
- 3 An Onassis
- 4 Ice cream containers
- 5 Ye \_\_\_ Inn
- 6 None
- 7 Asiatic legume
- 8 Mishit a golf ball
- 9 Swedish tennis star
- 10 Medicinal plant
- 13 City on the Nile
- 15 Shade trees
- 19 Something to chew?
- 20 A way to wound
- 21 Mr., in Muenster
- 22 Against
- 23 Tedium
- 26 Gawky
- 27 Nothing, in Novaya Ladoga
- 28 Mikita or Musial
- 30 African flies
- 33 Improves muscles
- 34 Word before Perrot or Dorval
- 35 Vertex
- 37 Corpulent
- 38 Prissy person
- 39 Crazy, to Carlos
- 40 On a voyage
- 41 Plant part
- 44 Accounting pro
- 45 Clutch
- 46 Compass pt
- 47 Expire

Answers next week.

**2005 TIDE GUIDE**

**Publish Date:**

**February 9**

**Deadline: January 26**

Complete tide information February 2005 to January 2006

Great info for boaters: services, calendar of events, local boating activities, directory of services & more!

Handy pocket size

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**for details.**



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# Rotary Club

**Centennial Celebrations of Rotary International**

The Salt Spring Rotary Club dedicates many hours of volunteer time to make significant contributions to the youth of our community and to others throughout the world.

Salute Rotary's good works in this special section Feb. 16

- International programs
- Community Service awards
- Community projects & fundraisers
- History of Rotary & membership

**100 years of Rotary Show your support**

**Publication: Feb. 16**

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# Tsunami relief efforts shows humanity's capacity for giving

When a wall of water crashed across the shorelines of several Asian countries on December 26, it was a powerful reminder of just how vulnerable humanity can be to the forces of nature — especially people living in developing countries.

Dramatic and devastating, the tsunami left at least 150,000 dead, millions homeless and caused billions of dollars in damage. Fortunately, the world has responded with an enormous outpouring of support. Within days of the disaster, politicians in developed countries began to announce aid packages.

Donations from the public have been even more remarkable. In fact, some aid agencies have even stopped accepting relief money specifically for the tsunami disaster because they simply don't have the capacity to spend it on the ground in the afflicted countries.

But in all our efforts to bring some hope to those suffering, we mustn't forget that

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BY DAVID SUZUKI



the developing world needs our help every day. Those living in poorer countries do not often have access to the services and infrastructure that we take for granted. At the best of times they may not have healthy food, medical services, clean water or sanitation. In times of crisis, what little these countries have to protect their citizens can easily be overwhelmed.

We also must not forget that the tsunami isn't the only humanitarian crisis facing the developing world today. Last year, more than 1.5 million Africans died from AIDS. Every year, more than two million people die from tuberculosis and one million people die from malaria — most of them in developing countries. These diseases are part of the reason why nearly one-fifth of children born in sub-Saharan Africa will not live past the age of five.

The tsunami has also taken the spotlight off other long-

suffering regions, such as Sudan and Uganda. Millions of refugees in these areas are still living in squalid camps. Such camps are breeding grounds for the same diseases that experts are concerned could become rampant in areas affected by the tsunami because of a lack of sanitation.

None of this is to say that countries suffering in the wake of the tsunami don't need our help — they do. But the tsunami was really a sobering reality check. Our world is unpredictable and disaster could strike any time. When it does, it often hurts poorer regions the most.

Yet, one glance at the list of casualties from the tsunami and it becomes clear that the disaster's reach goes far beyond Asia. Canadians, Swedes, Americans and those of many other nationalities also died. Our world has really become a much smaller place.

Since the disaster, there have been calls for a better tsunami early warning system. That seems obvious. But warnings are only useful if they are heeded.

And we are getting all sorts of warnings about the future

that we continue to ignore. We were told, for example, that coral reefs and mangrove forests helped buffer coastlines from damaging waves. Yet many such ecosystems in the Indian Ocean were lost to development in recent years — ecosystems that may have offered some protection to some areas from the tsunami.

Scientists are also continuing to warn us about the effects of climate change, especially on developing nations that lack the infrastructure to respond to more frequent severe weather events, rising sea levels and changing precipitation patterns that a warming world is expected to bring.

Unfortunately, while the developed world's response to the tsunami disaster has been heartening, our response to climate change has been tepid at best. It's not that humanity lacks the capacity to respond. Obviously, judging from recent events, humanity's capacity for compassion can be profound. It's just unfortunate that it takes a tsunami to trigger it.

Take the Nature Challenge and learn more at [www.davidsuzuki.org](http://www.davidsuzuki.org).

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## RCMP REPORT

• A 66-year-old Salt Spring man was charged with impaired driving after police attended a minor motor vehicle collision near Gasoline Alley at 2:39 p.m. on January 12.

The man is scheduled to attend Ganges Provincial Court on February 8.

• Islanders also received nine seatbelt-violation tickets for \$109 apiece as a result of RCMP checks conducted near Ganges on Friday.

Another two off-islanders also received seatbelt-violation tickets and one ticket was issued for permitting a passenger without a seatbelt.

Salt Spring RCMP request drivers to be aware of poor environmental conditions, including fog and snow debris, and to slow their driving speeds accordingly.

## KFAC set to visit the House

The Keep Five Alive Coalition (KFAC) will present petitions to the B.C. Legislature on February 17.

The group plans to catch the 10 a.m. ferry from Fulford, meet a 24-seat school bus at Swartz Bay terminal and attend the 2 p.m. question period at the Legislature in Victoria, before returning on the 5 p.m. ferry.

Some 1,000 KFAC petitions opposing cuts

to education funding will be delivered by NDP MLAs Jenny Kwan and Joy MacPhail.

Petitions will also be delivered to Minister of Education Tom Christensen.

Deadline to sign the KFAC petition online is February 14.

For more information, e-mail KFAC ([keepfivealive@telus.net](mailto:keepfivealive@telus.net) or [info@keepfivealive.ca](mailto:info@keepfivealive.ca)).

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## This Week's Horoscope

by Michael O'Connor

The month of Aquarius, the Water Bearer is on its way. Aquarius is often mistakenly interpreted as a water sign. Actually, it is an air sign. The waters of Aquarius are the waters of consciousness and not the actual element of water. The reference to water for Aquarius is therefore metaphorical. Two wavy lines parallel, one above the other is the glyph. This symbol represents the fact that everything in creation ultimately vibrates basically due to the molecular activity. The protons and neutrons rapidly orbiting the nucleus of the atom suggest the fundamental electrical reality at the core of existence and also reveal that creation in its manifest form is a binary code. Thanks to science, we can now prove such things. Above and beyond the science and technology of Aquarius, its most basic and important attribute is intuition. Intuition is akin to the sixth sense and is a superior faculty even to reason. Reason and logic continue to rule the day and are the source of blundering statements like "I think therefore I am." This leads people to the erroneous concept that they are their mind. The mind is programmable. As we awaken to the fact that "I am therefore I think," our intuition will reawaken us to our source, spirit.

### Aries (Mar 21 - Apr 20)

You are on the verge of a great awakening. Through friends, clubs and new interest groups you are realizing subtle aspects of life that you did not previously consider. With these new realizations you feel the urge to push for truth, freedom and justice. However, you may feel a little intimidated by the implications. On a more practical note, you want to acquire new tools, some practical and others psychological. Go for both for balance.

### Taurus (Apr 21 - May 20)

Beyond that earthy demure, you have a zany imagination and it seeks expression now. This wild side has something to do with the realization that you are — we are — spiritual beings having human experiences. This paradox pulls us between the instinct of self-preservation and the intuition to follow the spirit wherever it leads. From the standpoint of spirit, security is transcendental. Acknowledge your timeless, eternal soul while you deal with earthly realities.

### Gemini (May 21 - Jun 20)

Exploring new cultural activities, spiritual realities and friendships is keeping you busy now. Hopefully, you are increasingly aware of the importance of being your own best friend. However, we are social beings and sharing new and exciting experiences makes life worth living. Life is abundant and scarcity is a limiting perception of the mind. Ironically, those most subject to scarcity fears often strive for more than they can ever truly appreciate. Share in the wealth of community.

### Cancer (Jun 21 - Jul 21)

The New Year is here and resolutions to break limiting habit patterns are on your mind. Consider that we become habitual largely due to security issues. Moderation is the guidance of wisdom and as we identify insecurities the mind can relax and overcome reactive redundant choice. Alternatively, by associating pain to excessive habitual activity, we can break free. We are all creatures of habit — make them good ones!

### Leo (Jul 22 - Aug 22)

Gathering with friends and prospective partners to play and to plan finds you on the go. Managing your time well is important as you have a lot of projects and aspirations on your mind. Trusting in the magic and going with the flow will work better than forcing things and people; however, confirming appointment dates and times will ensure success. Charm, diplomacy and a playful attitude will help to balance an emerging intensity that will affect us all.

### Virgo (Aug 23 - Sep 21)

Changes in your overall scope of relationships are influencing your daily

routine yet again. These changes can be for the better, much depends upon your attitude. A positive perspective and willingness to flow with the changes will open new doors of opportunity. Shifts and changes close to home should become very apparent starting this week. Above all, trust in the flow and believe in your capacity to make things happen. Energy goes where attention goes.

### Libra (Sep 22 - Oct 21)

A creative, playful and romantic mood is an emerging source of inspiration. This includes allowing your imagination to make changes in your habitual approach and to strategize. Carving your niche includes being true to your unique style. This is an expansive time for you so be willing to take risks. Balancing self-assertion with cooperative intentions will help you to overcome uncertainty. Be pragmatic and playful and you will gain support.

### Scorpio (Oct 22 - Nov 21)

Awakening to your true individuality and letting your spirit play is the call now. This includes awakening to the fact that you may have slipped into a deep trance over the past few years. Personal dreams are often ego agendas and when these conflict with the inner agenda and guidance of the soul, we can feel disillusioned. However, the point of power is in the moment and all past mistakes are redeemed by fulfillment in the present. Call upon your spirit!

### Sagittarius (Nov 21 - Dec 20)

New perspectives and attitudes are shaking you awake. This may well include making key moves of one kind or another. You are a naturally intelligent, playful, passionate and creative person. Others respond best to you when you remain light and positive. This is a pioneering time for you and you are on the verge of a major breakthrough. Keep an open mind about what is possible, yet be practical and be willing to try new angles of approach.

### Capricorn (Dec 21 - Jan 19)

Building upon a new foundation implies renovations. This may well imply physical structures yet it may pertain more to your mind, attitude and self-concept. If you feel a lack of motivation and willpower, be patient as they will return in a couple of weeks. This is the time of the year to be still, go within, and snuggle up. You can enjoy entertaining possibilities without making big commitments for now. Slow and sure!

### Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 19)

With the Sun now in your sign, a new wave of energy is washing in. You may feel rebellious and ambitious at the same time. Bringing your visions more fully into reality will take a little more time. The time is ripe to plan and to do administrative work behind the scenes as well as initiate new possibilities. Meanwhile, tending to the quality of your health and securing foundations will build your confidence. Go with existing skills.

### Pisces (Feb 19 - Mar 20)

Pushing forward vies with a desire to retreat. With steady effort and a faithful attitude you are in a good position to get ahead financially. This is true in the short as well as the longer term. A quiet and steady pace should prove successful now. Also, enlisting the skills and abilities of others will help you to advance in areas where you are not so strong. Your willingness to accept guidance and advice will allow you to set the stage for a breakthrough!

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# Board corrects commuting student figure

Schools superintendent Wendy Herbert used last Wednesday's board meeting to correct an allegation that 34 Salt Spring students now attend school in the Duncan area because of the Gulf Islands' four-day school week.

Herbert said that when students transfer to another district, the new school makes a formal "school records request" — whether it's a public or private institution.

The Gulf Islands School District received only 15 such requests from Cowichan Valley schools for the 2004/05 year, said Herbert.

"The other [students] have been going to those schools in previous years or were never here," she said.

"Of the 15, we know that five went directly to the principals and said 'we are moving our kids but it has nothing to do with the four-day week.'"

Herbert said the 34-student figure was raised by parents at the December 1 school board meeting.



**SNOW CASTLE:** Not to be outdone by an igloo built by Jim and Leah Shields — which appeared on the cover of last week's Driftwood — photographer Derrick Lundy decided to build his own version of an igloo. Here, Tanner Smith checks it out. Photo by Derrick Lundy

*"Be a reflective member of society!  
Wear your armband and  
stand out from the crowd!"  
- Bruce "The Beret" Patterson*

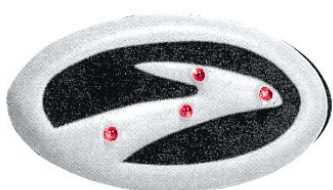
With the many near misses and more recent pedestrian fatality fresh in our minds, The Driftwood reminds Islanders that it is dangerous to walk on Salt Spring roads after dark without proper reflective or lighted markings.



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